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## FJH To Host Open House

Friona Jr. High will host the Fall Open House on Tuesday, September 14, from 6:30 until 7:40 p.m. All parents are encouraged to attend and will follow a seven minute bell schedule to each class. Door prizes will also be given out.

## Farwell PD Needs Info

The Farwell Police Department is investigating a burglary that occurred sometime Sunday night or early Monday morning. Unknown person(s) did enter a building located on Highway 60. After entry was made unknown person(s) did then take two motorcycles, a four-wheeler, a red Big Tex Trailer, reloading equipment, and several other items.

The Farwell Police Department is looking for any help in solving this burglary and any other burglaries, and the two armed robberies of the Winners Touch 8-liner business. As always you can call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-481-9178 or the Parmer County Sheriff's Office at 806-481-3303. Your identity will remain anonymous.

## Maize Days On The Radio

The September 25 Maize Days parade and celebration in the city park will be broadcast live throughout the day by Hereford radio stations KNNK and KPAN, according to Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Chris Alexander.

The KNNK coverage will also be broadcast on the worldwide web at [www.knnk.net](http://www.knnk.net). Useful information to pass along to friends and loved ones outside KNNK's tower coverage.

Details of the radio coverage times will be made available, as they are determined.

## Cargill Tailgate Party Friday

Chieftain fans don't forget the annual Cargill Meat Solutions (Excel) free hamburger and hot dog bash before the game Friday night. The Chiefs host cross county rival the Farwell Steers. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

The cooking will start around 5:30-6 p.m. Hamburgers and hot dogs and the trimmings are free. Drinks will be available for purchase at the concession stand. There is no charge but donations to the United Way will be accepted.

Come out, support the Chiefs, have a burger or 'dog courtesy of the Cargill Meat Solutions (Excel) employees. Don't forget to say thanks!



## Rain Continues To 'Amount Up'

Bill Ellis reports that Friona's official gauge caught .71 inch of rain late Saturday September 4. That hiked the rain total to 23.53 inches in 2004.

The measurement was higher in places. Lloyd Rector said he measured 1.25 inches six miles south of town. He says he's had over 25 inches this year.

Fall has been in the air. The low temp hit a seasonal low point of 49 degrees Wednesday morning. Highs and lows the past week were: Wed, Sep 1, 80-54; Thur, Sep 2, 83-54; Fri, Sep 3, 84-57; Sat, Sep 4, 83-59; Sun, Sep 5, 83-50; Mon, Sep 6, 82-50; Tue, Sep 7, 80-49.

# Excel Name Changed To Cargill

If you phone the beef plants at Plainview or Friona, and someone answers "Cargill Meat Solutions" instead of "Excel," don't worry. You dialed the right number.

Excel Corporation has changed its name to Cargill Meat Solutions Corporation, reflecting two strategic initiatives of the parent company, Minneapolis-based Cargill.

"Several years ago, Cargill launched a program to be a global leader in nourishing people through food and agriculture," said Jim Rathke, general manager at Plainview. "As part of that effort, Cargill

also unveiled its branding initiative, which is designed to elevate awareness of the Cargill name among our suppliers and customers."

Steve Thompson, the general manager at Friona, said the name change is symbolic of the growth of Cargill's meat businesses. "It represents the effort of everyone in the organization and their commitment to quality, innovation and providing solutions like branded beef that help our customers succeed," he said. "That's where the word 'solutions' comes from in Cargill Meat Solutions."

Rathke said the name change will be phased in over time. "This is a large undertaking and many things will be slowly converted," he said.

Thompson said signage, in particular, will take time to convert. "The company is taking an inventory on signage needs and will roll out a plan in the near future," he said.

For many within the Cargill organization, the name change isn't new. Cargill Meat Solutions has been the name the company has used as a go-to-market strategy with customers for over a year. In August, the name was legally

changed from Excel to Cargill Meat Solutions.

The Plainview and Friona plants had used the Excel name since 1982. Missouri Beef Packers opened Friona in 1968 and Plainview in 1971. In 1974, Missouri Beef Packers merged with Kansas Beef Industries to form MBPXL. The XL in MBPXL referred to the name of a forerunner of Kansas Beef: a company called Excel Packing Co. Cargill acquired MBPXL in 1979 and reverted the name back to Excel in 1982.

Cargill Meat Solutions has

its headquarters in Wichita, Kan., where Excel had been based since 1941. Once strictly involved in only beef, the company has evolved over the years to include pork, processed meats and case-ready programs. Outside of Wichita, a total of 17 plants and offices have formally changed their names to Cargill Meat Solutions.

The Excel name isn't going away totally. It will still be used as a brand on some of the products produced by Cargill Meat Solutions. It just won't be used in the phone greeting at the plants.

## School Board Meeting Notice of Public Hearing

School trustees will hold the September meeting on Monday, September 13, 2004, at 7 p.m. in the Fisd Central Office. The meeting is scheduled one week earlier to allow board members to travel to Dallas September 18-20 for school board training.

Scheduled for the September agenda is the adoption of an ordinance to set a tax rate to fund the recently adopted budget. In addition to the regular business agenda, the Board will receive the district's financial rating based on the state Financial Integrity Rating System of

Texas (FIRST).

Friona I.S.D. received a "Superior Achievement" rating in all areas of financial management. The primary goal of the FIRST initiative, Senate Bill 875 of the 76th Legislature, is to achieve quality performance in the management of school district financial resources, a goal made significant due to the complexity of accounting associated with Texas' school finance system. The Board will conduct a public hearing on this report.



**WEEK ONE football contest winner Quentin Shelby, left, gets his winning check from Mike Hanes, pharmacist and owner of Bi-Wize Drug Store. Bi-Wize is one of our loyal football contest sponsors.**

## Shelby Big Winner In Football Contest

Quentin Shelby of Friona has been a contestant in our football contest since he was in junior high. He has since graduated from Friona High School and is an employee at Cargill Meat Solutions (Excel) but has entered the contest all along and won a few bucks here and there.

He started off the 2004 contest season on a winning note as he claimed the first weekly \$50 cash prize with a total of 16 correct games. He was the only contestant out of over 150 entries that managed to pick 16 correct. "I thought for a while Notre Dame was going to come back and beat BYU," Quentin said. "If they had I figured I would have 17 and a good chance to win." As it was his 16 correct was enough.

Scott Brown of the Lazbuddie area, manager of AGP Grain in Farwell and himself a long time contestant, scooped the field of six players that had 15 correct games. Scott's tie-breaker on the

SMU vs. Texas Tech game was 7 points off and earned him the \$25 second prize. There is no third place money in this year's contest as we increased the payout to \$50 for 1st and \$25 for 2nd.

Other contestants that had 15 correct and their tie-breaker points off were Christen Stowers 9, Ron Smiley 10, Glenden Sudderth 10, Jeremy Dearing 11, and Tyson Neill 33. The "most missed" game was the Rice victory over Houston.

The first contest did not have any professional games but all future contests, there are 12 more, will have six high school, six college, and six pro games, a total of 18 chances to win every week. Play every week and accumulate points for correct games. The contestant with the most "points" at the end of the contest will win \$200.

Thanks for playing. Good luck and good pickin'.

## INTERFERENCE!



**CHIEFTAIN receiver Hayden Patton makes a great effort on this pass play. The Highland Park player was called for interference.**

# Crooks Steal Friona Girl Scout Project

The Friona Girl Scout Troop, and troop leader Pam Kendrick, has been hard at work on a community project but some local crooks put a stop to it.

The girls had been landscaping the small flowerbed area at Highway 60 and FM 2013. The bed's brick retaining wall was crumbling so Kendrick arranged for some donated crossties that they were going to use to shore up the flowerbed.

A Hereford contractor gave the scouts the necessary crossties if they would pick them up. Kendrick's dad, Don Spring, loaned them a trailer. Friona city employee Larry Martin borrowed a trailer and together with volunteer help they all moved the heavy crossties back to Friona. That was Thursday September 2.

The loaded trailers were parked at the site of the landscaping until the girls could get time to complete the work. Sometime Sunday, Monday

or Tuesday, someone hooked up to Don Spring's loaded trailer and stole it, crossties and all. Kendrick said another city employee told her he picked up a few crossties in a local street leading her to believe the crooks wanted the trailer and scattered the crossties. She estimated there were about 20 ties on the trailer.

And she is mad. "We worked really hard on this project, the crossties were heavy and hard to load and then to have somebody steal them just makes me really angry," she said.

The scouts are now back to square one. Kendrick was unable to determine a license plate number for the trailer. It is a 16-foot black flatbed with a tailgate and side rails. She said it had a warped board on the passenger side bed of the trailer. If you have any information about the whereabouts of the trailer contact the Friona police department or Pam Kendrick.



**THIS flowerbed area at Highway 60 and FM 2013 was a landscaping project for the local Girl Scout Troop until crooks made off with a load of crossties.**





# OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

# Reporting For Duty!



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR

KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



## Three Years Later

This month marks the third anniversary of the tragic September 11 terror attacks. That fateful day was the first time since Pearl Harbor that we were assaulted on our own soil and the first strike on the continental United States in over a century. Everyone, even young children, remembers where they were when they heard the terrible news and saw the grisly images. Those terrorist acts have forever changed the American mindset. But despite the losses of that day, Americans have proven they are up to the challenge. Citizens, soldiers and law enforcement have answered the call in the war on terrorism.

That we did not see the attacks coming is a collective burden that transcends political parties and falls on all branches of government, past and present. Since that horrible day, we have made tremendous, bipartisan progress to make America far safer. We have designated a new department with the sole mission of protecting our country and nearly tripled homeland security funding. I'm especially proud to have co-authored a law to better safeguard our airplanes—enhancing baggage and passenger screening and expanding the air marshals program. Law enforcement officials estimate more than 100 planned terrorist attacks on our soil have been thwarted since 9/11, from an airplane passenger's simple plot to carry explosives in his shoes, to more complex designs that remain classified for our safety.

### Abroad and At Home

Al Qaeda has been chased from Afghanistan and is on the run. In Iraq the brutal Saddam Hussein regime that supported terrorists is no more, though our enemies are making a desperate last stand. We continue to help establish democratic governments in Afghanistan and Iraq to eliminate safe harbors for terrorists across the globe. We will see this mission through and send a message to terrorists and the world that freedom will triumph.

Clearly, we have more work to do to better protect our homeland, especially to improve rail and port security. Earlier this year, I introduced legislation that would strengthen and coordinate security measures for cargo shipping and use smart box technology. We must ensure our borders, with Canada and Mexico as a priority, and have the resources needed to stop would be terrorists while keeping commerce flowing.

### What Next

We must also ensure our law enforcement has the tools they need. The PATRIOT Act has helped us thwart terrorist attacks by granting new authority to law enforcement. But this law will expire at the end of 2005 unless Congress acts. We must not let these tools slip away.

The September 11<sup>th</sup> Commission recently proposed a number of changes including a single national intelligence director. Our commander-in-chief must receive comprehensive and accurate national security data, so I will give this recommendation serious consideration. Congress has already held many hearings and I believe more action should follow within the coming months.

### Moving Forward

In the three short years since the terrorists struck, we have achieved significant progress. The surprise attack on our country in 1941 created the climate that produced the Greatest Generation. These men and women overcame evil regimes and other hardships with determination and humility. Today we are in the midst of a similar battle. It is a calling we did not ask for but that we have no choice but to accept. Working together, we are on the path to defeat the terrorists, expand freedom and ensure our children and grandchildren enjoy a more secure future.

## Stenholm, Neugebauer Debates Set Oct. 5 & 12

The political candidates vying for the 19<sup>th</sup> Congressional District seat have agreed on dates, format and guidelines for the debates taking place before the election on Tuesday, November 2.

"I am very pleased that we have an agreement and I'm looking forward to debating the issues with my opponents," said Charlie Stenholm. "There are big issues affecting West Texas that we need to discuss so voters can decide who will best represent them in Washington."

Two debates have been scheduled, one on October 5 and the other on October 12. The debates will occur in Lubbock and Abilene, but no decision has been made yet as to which one will take place first.

"This election is about the serious challenges facing our nation, and voters need every opportunity to hear from the candidates about how they plan to face those challenges. So, I am very pleased that Congressman Stenholm, Dr. Peterson, and I have reached an agreement on debates this fall. The debates we have set up will give the voters of the 19<sup>th</sup> District a good look at each candidate's position and allow for a full and open discussion of the issues," Randy Neugebauer said.

"I'm glad that we will be able to debate issues of great importance to our nation and constituents. The debates will give me an opportunity to raise issues related to (i) national defense and resumption of a military draft, (ii) government deficits, taxes, and social security funding needs, and (iii) the erosion of our constitutional rights

and personal freedoms through recent government laws and regulations. If, through the debate process, I can convince the other candidates to support appropriate policies, I will feel my campaign has been successful," Chip Peterson, the Libertarian candidate.

The local chamber of the city will be the host for its debate, and the League of Women Voters and the local universities will be co-sponsors.

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John Kerry.  
President John Kerry. First Lady Teresa Heinz Kerry.

"Today, President Kerry signed a blank agreement giving every country in the world the right to do whatever they want to do. In return every country in the world will promise to be America's friend."

"Today, President John Kerry and First Lady TeRAYza Heinz Kerry signed an agreement to purchase the White House, making a total of 6 residences the Kerry's now own. President Kerry said he wanted to set an example for the common man and help reduce America's deficit."

"Today President Kerry declared war on Vietnam. White House spokesman Michael Moore said today Kerry ordered a \$3 billion specially designed swift boat so he could go back and kick old Vietnamese people's butts and show his band of brothers once and for all that he is a tough guy. The boat will be built in Massachusetts by the TeRAYza Heinz Kerry Shipyard and Pickle Company."

"Today, President John Kerry's 100th day in office, he told the press that Bush is wrong on Medicare, wrong on taxes, and wrong on Iraq. When reminded that he is now the President, Kerry said "isn't TeRAYza great?"

"Today, First Lady TeRAYza Heinz Kerry, in a speech to the local Hell's Angels chapter, unveiled plans to replace the Capitol Dome in Washington, D.C. with a gigantic bronzed ketchup bottle. She told the bikers it was her way of identifying with all the common people of America who think more of French fries than they do politics."

"Today, both President Kerry and Vice President John Edwards underwent thumb surgery. Doctors at Bethesda Naval Hospital said the two men suffered serious injuries to their thumbs dur-

ing the millions of 'thumbs-up' gestures they made on the campaign trail."

"Today, from his hospital room at Bethesda, President Kerry designated the Campaign Trail as an official historical national park and asked Congress for \$870 billion over the next ten years for its preservation." When told it was not actually a trail, the President said, "I knew that, isn't TeRAYza great?"

"Today, due to the low salary of his new position and having a son in college, Vice President John Edwards filed a class action lawsuit in behalf of all senior citizens that have been or might be injured trying to open Heinz Ketchup or Heinz Stacker Pickle bottles. Edwards said he expects to settle the suit for enough money to buy his own college and hopes to get every senior citizen at least a coupon out of the deal for a free jar of pickles or bottle of ketchup." "America's senior citizens should have a choice," Edwards said. "America's seniors should not have to choose between a jar of pickles or their medication. I believe this action will finally give our seniors the right choice of ketchup or pickles, a right that should be preserved for every citizen of this great nation."

"Today, when asked about Vice President Edwards' legal action against the First Lady's condiment empire, President Kerry said, "I was there, they weren't. I served, they didn't. They were wrong, wrong, wrong. I am authorizing Congress to increase Medicare by several kazillion dollars for research to eliminate the epidemic of ketchup wrist and pickle elbow. And by the way, TeRAYza just gets greater all the time."

"Today President Kerry loaded a large table aboard Air Force One and headed to Europe with it. When asked about the trip,

Kerry told reporters that if Russia, Germany, and France would not come to the table then he would take the table to them. There was no word on how long the President would be gone."

"Today, in an effort to appease the Muslim extremists that have taken over the entire state of New York, President Kerry told

the United Nations that the Muslims could have New York because we still have 49 more states left and that should be plenty and if it would make them happier we might even throw in Arkansas."

"Hi. My name is John Kerry. This is my rich wife TeRAYza. We would appreciate your vote."

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor,

U.S. Rep. Randy Neugebauer's, R-Lubbock, guest column in the Abilene Reporter News on August 15 sounded fishy. I have checked the Congressional Record to find out what really happened.

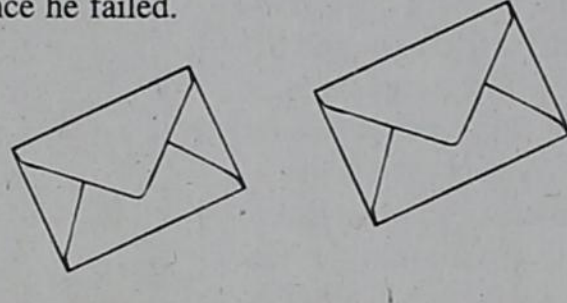
Neugebauer claimed he got \$28.6 million in family housing for Dyess Air Force Base and \$3.3 million for a refueling maintenance center there. The truth is, U.S. Rep. Charlie Stenholm, D-Abilene, worked to secure the financing for both projects, while Neugebauer did nothing on either but claimed credit for the work of others. Charlie has proven his ability to work with Republican Senators Hutchison and Cornyn for Dyess funding.

Neugebauer says the criticism of his voting against additional military housing construction funding was a misunderstanding over procedure. Really, this was not merely a procedural vote, but a vote of substance on how we treat our troops. Voting with the Hastert/DeLay House leadership—as Neugebauer did and Charlie did not—knocked out the additional provision for military housing.

Neugebauer also claims credit for increasing the B-1 bombers at Dyess, but the truth is that was a result of work by Charlie and others for B-1s in defense bills that passed in May and July 2003. Neugebauer didn't even arrive in Congress until June 2003—not in time to influence these.

Neugebauer's influence as a city councilman/civic leader in Lubbock previously wasn't enough to keep Reese AFB operational. What effectiveness! I wonder why Randy's TV ads brag about him trying, since he failed.

Alice Spier  
Abilene, Texas



Dear Editor,

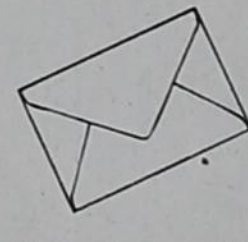
I hope the people of Parmer County will strongly support Congressman Charles Stenholm in the coming election.

I believe that he is by far the best man to serve us in Congress. He has 26 years of honest service in Congress. He has a position of powerful rank on the Agricultural Committee. He has a good record of balanced service to agriculture in our area.

I believe him to be practical. He has a sense of what is doable. He does not spout party slogans or sound bites all the time. I perceive him as a good family man with wholesome values and a sound sincerity in his political service.

I'll be voting for him and hope that many others will also.

Sincerely,  
Rev. Alvin Petty



Mr. Carr,

Thank you for the write up of the Parmer County 4-H Awards Banquet & the pictures of the Gold Star winners. Your coverage of the Parmer County 4-H program helps show the community what a great program it is and how much it benefits the kids. As my daughter was one of the winners I was proud to see the pictures on the front page and being in color was an added bonus.

Thank you,  
Brenda Wauson



# Stop Knocking Texas Schools!

BY JOHN COLE, President, Texas Federation of Teachers

A few years ago, the Texas Federation of Teachers arranged a visit to an Austin elementary school for a group of teacher union leaders from another nation. As we walked down a hallway we passed a cafeteria where students were eating lunch...a spectacle, which stopped the foreign guests in their tracks.

Pointing to the activity in the cafeteria one of them asked, "What is that?" Upon learning that the school serves lunch to students, a guest asked incredulously, "You feed them lunch every day?"

"Yes," replied the school principal, "and we feed them breakfast too."

Schools in other nations don't feed schoolchildren. In fact, our schools serve children in many ways that Americans take for granted, though these extra services to children are rare outside our borders.

The first of these extra services comes very early in the day, when a school bus picks up students and carries them to school. While other nations leave that task to somebody else, our school bus drivers frequently provide door-to-door delivery of their precious cargo.

Since the U.S. is the only industrialized nation without a national health care system, our schools also have shouldered part of this responsibility. Whether it's aspirin or insulin, school nurses are ready to help. School nurses are rarely found in other nations' schools, and the cost for any nurse visiting a school would come out of the nation's health care budget, not from school funds.

School money doesn't pay for organized sports in most other nations. Our coaches teach all day and then tackle this task after school and on weekends. Other nations' schools let municipal programs, privately-formed clubs and associations, or religious institutions bear this load.

The list of services provided by our schools, but hardly ever found in other countries, is long. We counsel kids, feed them and tend to some of their basic medical needs. We provide educational opportunities for teenage mothers (and often watch over baby so mother can continue her education). We give troubled children a variety of special classes where they can continue to

learn despite their behavioral problems.

Because our schools are "full service" institutions, we often get a bum rap from politicians who want an excuse to vote against school funding. Critics point out that 90 cents of every education dollar spent in the other countries winds up in the classroom, while only half of educational spending in Texas goes directly for instructional costs. The allegation is that our schools waste money, while foreign schools are more efficient.

Probably our schools could be more efficient, but the main reason we don't drive every dime of education dollars directly into the classroom is that we pay for services to children that other nations' schools ignore. Transportation, school meals, sports programs and counseling services cost money. But these things are also important if we want to give every kid a fair shot at an education.

Classroom teachers make up about 50% of the work force in our schools, but that does not mean that the other folks on the payroll are drones who contribute nothing to the cause. Take away our buses and some children would never make it to school. Cutting out breakfast and lunch programs would leave many children trying to learn with empty bellies. Eliminate extra-curricular programs and some students will drop out and lose a shot at a college scholarship.

We can never repay the debt we owe the dedicated teachers who have made Texas schools a shining star in recent years. Nor do adequate words exist to thank the bus drivers, food service workers, school nurses, guidance counselors, secretaries, aides and paraprofessionals who give our schools the ability to take care of so many of children's needs.

Texas' public schools will provide a great education to over 4 million students this year, but that is only half the story. No other nation does so much good for so many kids as do our full-service public schools.

(John Cole is President of the Texas Federation of Teachers, which represents more than 51,000 teachers, paraprofessionals, support personnel, and high-education employees across the state. TFT is affiliated with the 1.3-million-member American Federation of Teachers.)

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# Palo Duro Trail Ride Oct. 1-2

The "Taste of the Old West", a two-day trail ride in the "Grand Canyon of Texas", will take place October 1-2, 2004 at the Figure 3 Ranch on the rim of Palo Duro Canyon.

The event is co-sponsored by Family Support Services of Amarillo, Texas and Cowboy Morning. All proceeds will benefit Family Support Services, a non-profit organization that provides services to families and children.

## The Dixon Six September 25

The Dixon Six, Six Mile Run and Two Mile Run or Walk events will take place during the Friona Maize Days celebration, on Saturday, September 25.

The Six Mile Run will start 6 miles north of Friona on Highway 214; the Two Mile Walk and Two Mile Run will start 2 miles north of Friona FM 214; all events start at 8:00 a.m.

There is no entry fee and you can register the day of the race. First, second, and third place trophies will be given for all three events. If you have any questions, contact Jim Dixon at (806) 295-6392.

Meals will be provided by the renowned cooking team of Cowboy Morning, which has operated one of the Texas Panhandle area's best-known visitor attractions since 1981.

"We have found a way to combine a great adventure with a great cause," said Roy Bowen, executive director of Family Support Services. "Riders can expect challenging trails, the incredible scenic beauty of Palo Duro Canyon, and mouth-watering meals cooked by the Cowboy Morning team."

"Most of the ranches along the rim of the Canyon don't host events of this type, so we are very fortunate to have use of the Figure 3, which is owned by Tom and Anne Christian and leased to Cowboy Morning," Bowen added. "This is a historically significant area, once traveled by the likes of Quanah Parker and Colonel Charles Goodnight. We believe our trail riders will enjoy both the history and the rugged trails."

Trails will be offered for riders at all skill levels. The cost is \$250 per rider if the rider provides his or her own horse. If Cowboy Morning provides a horse, the cost is an additional \$200. Experienced trail guides will lead the riders, Bowen said. The cost includes dinner Friday and breakfast and lunch Saturday. After September 20, the cost will go up \$25.

Family members who do not ride, but wish to attend the event, may do so at a cost of

\$50 per adult for meals. Meals only for children 4-12 are \$40.

Advance reservations are encouraged. After September 20, the cost for riders increases \$25. There is a limit of 150 riders.

Participants can bring RVs or tents and enjoy the great outdoors, but no electricity or RV hook-ups are available. Portable toilets and a covered picnic area are located at the campsite.

Reservation information is available at Family Support Services, (806) 342-2501.

## On The Pathway To Knowledge, Teachers Are The Stepping Stones

BY LEVI BANDY

The mind of a teacher should be sharp and keen and never disinterested or mean. The eye of the teacher must securely see the needs of a student and what his or her goals should be. The ears of a teacher should be willing to listen, discuss conflicts, and issues with their students' missions. The heart of a teacher will be secure and strong, with compassion and discretion when things go wrong. The hand of a teacher will be sure and willing, to help plans come true and fulfilling. The feet of a teacher should be willing to go to almost any links to make a child grow. The total teacher from head to toe is leader and example of the way a child goes.

(Written when he was a freshman, in 2002, for the FTA contest. He is now a senior in Brady, Texas. Levi is the son of Todd and Lori Bandy of Brady and the grandson of Eugene and Patsy Bandy of Friona.)

## BSA Sets Volunteer Training Sessions

BSA Hospice offers "The Hospice Approach to Living with Dying" Volunteer Training and Community Education Class starting Monday, September 13 and continuing through October 7, 2004. Classes will meet on Mondays and Thursdays from 2 to 5 p.m.

This comprehensive class is designed for adults who are interested in becoming a hospice volunteer, wanting to learn more about hospice care, or desire

personnel growth and enrichment.

Class sessions will be held at the BSA Hospice Facility, 600 North Tyler, south of St. Anthony's Hospital. Enter on the west side of the building on Tyler Street. This program is offered free of charge to Amarillo and surrounding communities. 2.4 CEU's will be awarded through Amarillo College with ten or more participants. For more information or to pre-register, please call Stacie Boyer, Volunteer Coordinator at BSA Hospice (806) 212-8715 or toll free (800) 315-6209.

## Around Town

### Hospital Aux. meeting Sept. 14

The Friona Community Hospital Auxiliary will meet September 14 at 2 p.m. in the hospital sun room. Anyone interested in helping the hospital is invited to attend.

### Cub Scout roundup set for Sept. 14

Cub Scout Roundup will be on Tuesday, September 14 at 6 p.m. at the Boy Scout House. There will also be an opportunity for boys to sign up during Maize Days in the park after the parade. Just look for the obstacle course. Come join Cub Scouts grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup>.

### Chieftain band boosters to meet Sept. 13

Chieftain Band boosters will meet on Monday, September 13 at 6 p.m. in the Friona High School Band hall. Everyone is encouraged to come and support the Chieftain Band.

### Foster and adoptive parents needed

There is an urgent need for more families to open their hearts and homes by becoming foster and adoptive parents. To learn more about fostering and adoption, attend an informational meeting the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Meetings are held at the CPS office located at 6200 I-40 West, in Amarillo.

### Friona Evening Lions to meet Sept. 9

Friona Evening Lions Club will meet Thursday, September 9 at 7:30 p.m. at 9<sup>th</sup> and Pierce. Gary Brown will be the program chairman.

### Friona Chamber schedule of upcoming events

The Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture has a busy month coming up soon with plans for Maize Days.

- September 18-Miss Friona Pageant
  - September 21-Little Miss Contest
  - September 22-Gospel Gathering
  - September 23-Deadline for booths in the park and parade entries
  - September 25-Maize Days Parade, bar-b-Q, games & booths in the park, Off Road "All Terrain" Poker Run (for all ages), Road Bike Poker Run and Lawn Tractor Race (rules are available at the chamber office).
- More details will be provided as the events get closer. Remember every Thursday the Farmer's Market will be in the park at 4 p.m.

### Churches urged to support Gospel Gathering

Local Churches are urged to dismiss September 22 evening services in support of the Gospel Gathering and to participate. The Gospel Gathering will be held at the Friona High School auditorium as part of Maize Days. Call 250-3491 for more info.

### Fellowship of Christian Women to meet

The Fellowship of Christian Women will meet Tuesday, September 14 at 7 p.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church at 1500 North Cleveland. They will have a program and refreshments. Following refreshments they will play Bunko. Invite your friends and come enjoy the fellowship.

### Men's prayer breakfast planned

A Men's Prayer Breakfast is planned for Wednesday, September 15 at 6:30 a.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church at 1500 North Cleveland. The breakfast will be over by 7:30 a.m. Invite all your friends and enjoy the fellowship with the men of Friona.

## FRIONA FLASHBACKS

### 70 Yrs. Ago September 14, 1934

The first bale of cotton for this section was brought to the Friona Gin Monday afternoon by Fred F. Bell, who lives east of Homeland, and the usual bonus for the first bale was subscribed to be given to

Mr. Bell for his distinction as being the first of the season to bring in one bale of cotton.

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### 65 Yrs. Ago September 15, 1939

According to a statement made by Miss Margaret St. Clair, the Parmer County Home Demonstration Clubs and girls' 4-H Clubs of the county will have exhibits at three regional fairs and also at the State Fair in Dallas.

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### 60 Yrs. Ago September 15, 1944

Luther Frank Loveless, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Loveless of Friona, has been graduated from the Fifty-Second Officer Candidate Class, Marine Corps School here and commissioned a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps Reserve.

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### 50 Yrs. Ago September 17, 1954

Over 2,000 people attended the free barbecue and parade during the Parmer County Fair held this year for the first time at the beginning of the week rather than the weekend.

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### 45 Yrs. Ago September 17, 1959

Darla Bingham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Bingham of Friona, was crowned the 1959 Maize Days Queen Thursday night following the annual Queen Contest to get the celebration underway last weekend.

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### 40 Yrs. Ago September 17, 1964

Sandra Been was crowned as the 1964 Maize Days Queen. Pat Burton is second runnerup and Shirley Phipps is first runnerup.

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### 35 Yrs. Ago September 18, 1969

Pam Grissom, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Grissom, Sr. of Bovina, was crowned Maize

Queen as a highlight of the 13<sup>th</sup> annual Maize Days celebration here last week.

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### 25 Yrs. Ago September 9, 1979

Sharla Duggins, Friona High School senior, was crowned Maize Queen for 1979-80 from a field of 28 contestants during the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Maize Queen Pageant Thursday evening. First runnerup was Kipi Fleming and Kimber Britting named second runnerup.

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### 20 Yrs. Ago September 16, 1984

Five Frionans spent the month of July on a Grand Tour of Greece, Italy, Switzerland, France, England and a few Mediterranean Sea islands. Making the trip were Wade Davenport, Stephanie Miller, Shannel Woodard, Charlie Morgan and Dianne Morgan, who served as courier for the American Institute For Foreign Studies of Greenwich, Connecticut.

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### 15 Yrs. Ago September 9, 1989

Friona ISD's enrollment as of September 6 stood at 1,276, according to Superintendent of Schools Hal Ratcliff.

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### 10 Yrs. Ago September 10, 1994

Jerry Bentley, a veteran contestant in the Friona Star's annual Football contest, went to the head of the class in the first week's running of the contest by correctly picking 14 of the 16 games, to nail down the weekly cash award of \$10.

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### 5 Yrs. Ago September 10, 1999

NINE-NINE-NINETY-NINE—Another year older and feelin' fine! Floyd Reeve and Sharon Gordon shared a birthday this past Thursday on a rather unusual date. It will be 100 years before the four nines return to the calendar.

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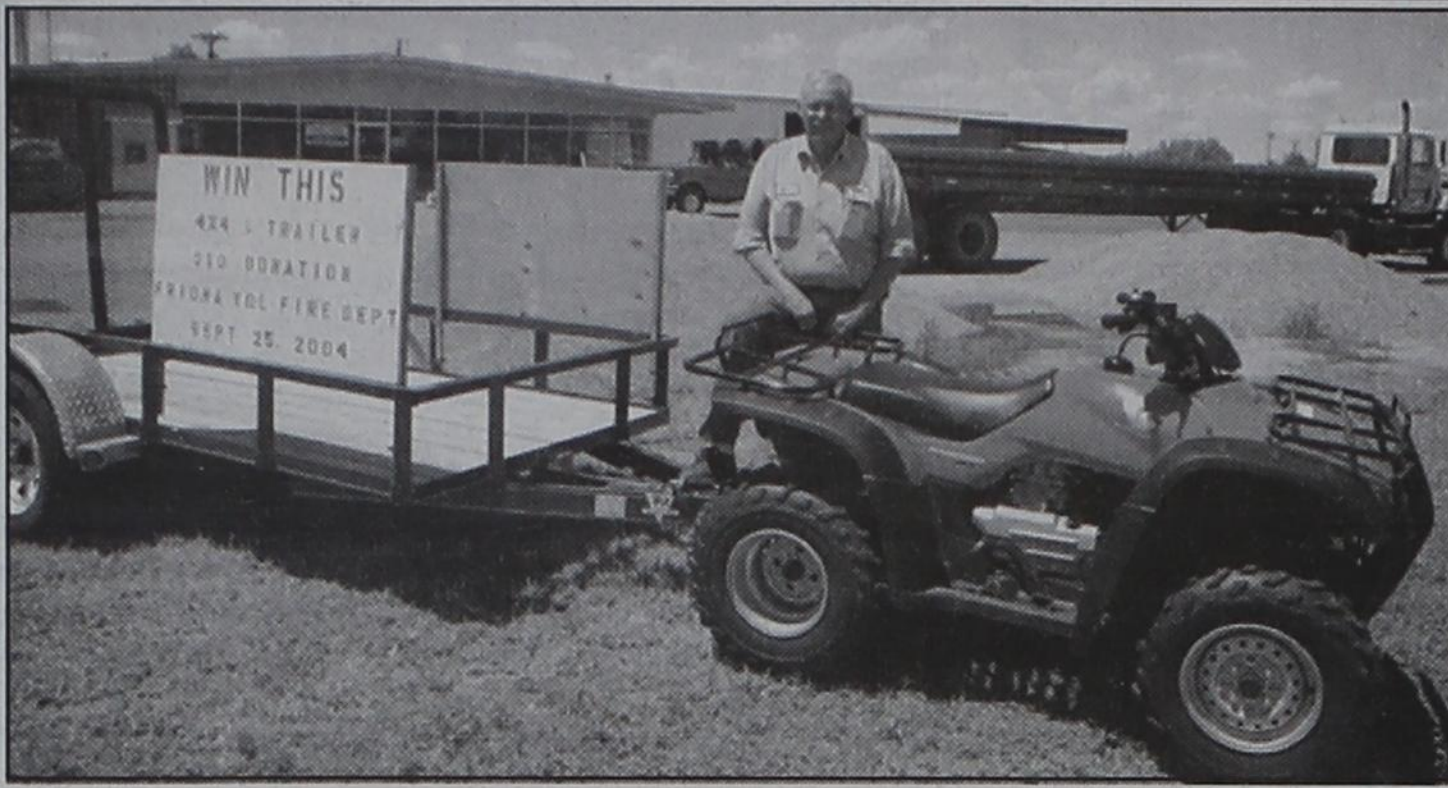
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YOU CAN WIN THIS Honda 4x4 plus the trailer with a \$10 ticket available at 4-Way Pump or from any Friona Fireman. Fire Department training officer John Taylor is shown with the rig on display at 4-Way Pump. Drawing will be September 25 during Maize Days. tyler jameson photo



THE LA ONDA softball team won 2nd place in Class E in the New Mexico state softball tournament held in Albuquerque August 7-8. Team members, from Bovina and Clovis, are, back l-r, Matthew Villarreal, Javier Guevara, Robert Hermsillo, Izzy Marrufo, Robert Tapia, Hector Guevara, Antonio Vasquez, Rick Sanchez, Front l-r, Steve Garcia, Juan Arce, Rey Reyes, Frank Gonzales, Michael Ortiz, Joe Villarreal. Javier Guevara and Frank Gonzales are the coaches. Selected as all-tournament players were M. Villarreal, I. Marrufo, R. Tapia, H. Guevara, and R. Reyes. courtesy photo

### TxDOT To Remove Illegal Dumpsters

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will begin removing illegal receptacles from the state right of way in the next few weeks in an effort to eliminate a safety hazard to the traveling public. Trash receptacles that have been placed on the state right of way throughout the Lubbock District will be removed if the waste management company has not relocated the dumpster to private property. Texas law gives TxDOT exclusive control over the state highway system, and the authority to limit what objects are placed on the right of way. Objects are removed for several reasons, the most important one being safety, explained Ted Moore, director of maintenance for the Lubbock District. "When objects are placed on the right of way, often they create sight distance problems that can be hazardous for the traveling public," said Moore. "Another reason we want these objects off the right of way is because of the damage to vegetation, pavement edges and ditches when the trash trucks pull up to empty the contents of the receptacles." Damaged pavement edges and shoulders mean faster dete-

rioration of the main lanes and cost the state more money in highway rehabilitation. Sometimes the objects create problems with drainage, also. Waste management companies were notified in March of 2002 that some of their trash receptacles were on the state right of way and too close to the travel lanes. The companies were asked in March to make plans to remove the receptacles. TxDOT held a meeting with the companies in April that year and two additional meetings were scheduled that same year to give the companies an opportunity to provide feedback and comments as to how and when the receptacles would be moved. "We also held the meetings to find out from them how we could help them," Moore explained. "The companies indicated that they wanted some literature to distribute to their customers so we created a brochure that explained why the dumpsters had to be moved." TxDOT gave the companies until September of 2004 to distribute the brochures and make arrangements for removing the dumpsters. TxDOT will begin in the next few weeks, removing any dumpsters that remain on the right of way.

"Removal will take a while, and we'll concentrate on the receptacles that are the biggest problem—those that are closest to the travel lanes or any creating a sight distance problem," Moore added. "The public needs to understand that TxDOT is not doing this just to be difficult. We have extremely high safety standards, and we work continually to rectify any situations that might compromise the safety of motorists." Moore added that any object that is allowed to stay on the right of way has to be crash tested. "There's no way we can crash test a dumpster because of the wide variety of materials that are placed inside. A dumpster with a bunch of paper might not cause as big a problem if someone runs into it. A dumpster where a load of concrete has been dumped is a whole different situation," he said. Customers whose dumpsters have been removed should contact the waste management company that provides the service for that neighborhood. For more information on TxDOT's program, call Ted Moore at 806-748-4432.

### COURTHOUSE NOTES

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from August 25, 2004 to August 31, 2004. Kenneth E. Johnson - James Robert Sides and Anna Lee Sides, NW/4 S33 T10S T2E; NE/4 S33 T10S R2E. Susan Franse - Clelyn D. Boyd and Jill Boyd, L9-12 B23 FARWELL. Susan Floyd, Cornelius Gerald Floyd, Geneva Glenn Osborn, and Frieda Fay Dickson - Micaela Anguiano, L4-5 B1 DRAKE. Helen Joan Johnson Estate - Stephen P. Deming, L23-25 B43 FARWELL.

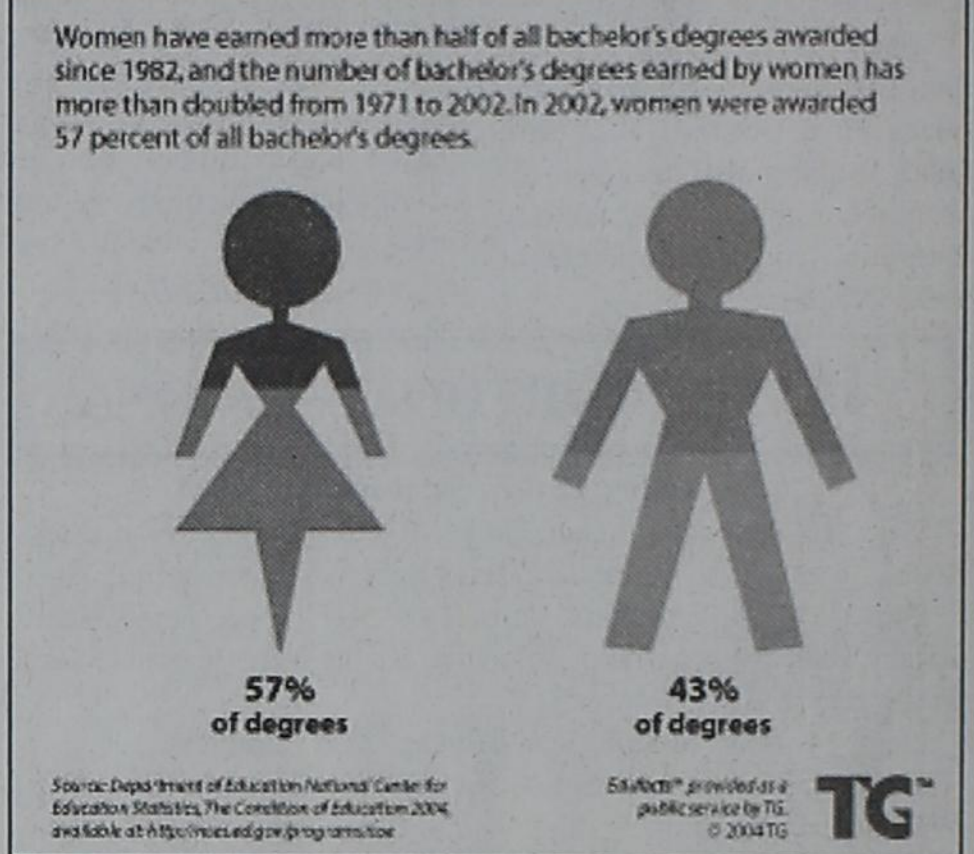


PRAIRIE ACRES September Employee of the Month Debbie Van Deventer and Resident of the Month Hazel Baxter. dana d. jameson photo

### Happy Birthday Prairie Acres & Friona Heritage Estates

- Residents/Clients: Mary Rando - Sept 1, Louise Roark - Sept 11, D.L. Swafford - Sept 16, Rouel Barron - Sept 18, Evelyn Hartley - Sept 21, Camille Laceywell - Sept 23, Louisa Wilson - Sept 25, Martha Clements - Sept 25, Gladys Eubank - Sept 30. Employees: Esther Castro - Sept 1, Joe Olvera - Sept 7, Eve Castillo - Sept 10, Peggy Padilla - Sept 12, Rachel Burkart - Sept 18, Marie Saiz - Sept 24.

### Women earn more bachelor's degrees than men

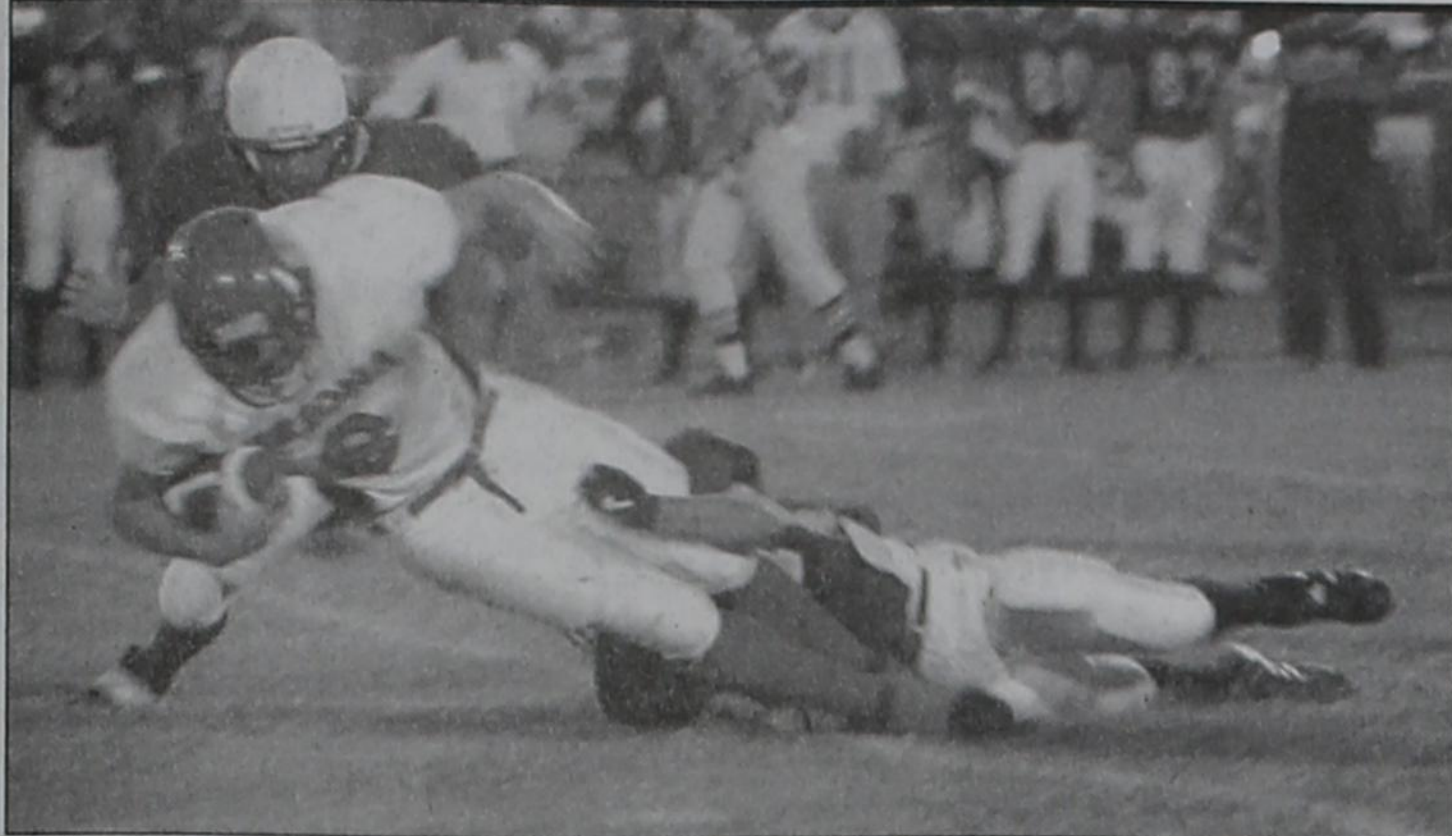


Meet the Class of 2016. Israel is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His Parents are Jose Alfredo & Maria Perez. He has one sister, Lilyana, and three brothers, Emilio, Erik, and Daniel. Israel likes to play football. His favorite foods are hamburgers & fries. FRIONA TEXAS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

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**STRETCHING** for extra yards is Chiefs running back Jacob Hoon (8) being brought down by two Hornets. Hoon was Friona's leading rusher on the night. ron carr photo

### HP 28 Chiefs 14

## Big Hornet Stings Friona

At a windy Amarillo Highland Park stadium last Friday night, the Friona Chieftains held the Amarillo Highland Park Hornets to only 30 yards of offense in the first half. The Chiefs went to halftime with a 7-0 lead thanks to a 33-yard TD run by quarterback Derek Fairweather

and an extra point kick by Antonio Monreal.

But 6'3", 235-pound Hornet tailback Robert Soleyjacks got more yards on his first 3rd quarter carry than the Hornets gained the entire first half as he ran right, turned up-field, and outran the Friona defense for a

70-yard touchdown with only 20 seconds gone on the third quarter clock.

With the score 7-7, on the next Highland Park possession Soleyjacks outran the defense, this time on a 76-yard TD scamper. The Hornets missed the extra point and led 13-7.

After recovering a Hornets fumble later in the quarter, the Chiefs drove to the goal line and Sergio Saenz scored on a 2-yard plunge. Monreal was good on the kick and the Chiefs held a 14-13 lead at the end of three quarters.

The Chiefs were never able to mount an offense in the final quarter against the Hornets. Friona gave the Hornets good field position for most of the 4th quarter and they cashed in with two more touchdown runs of 19 and 8 yards by Soleyjacks who scored all four Highland Park touchdowns. As a result of his 275 yard, four touchdown performance Soleyjacks was selected as Amarillo Globe News male athlete of the week.

The Chiefs mustered 113 offensive yards, 86 rushing and 27 passing. Senior running back Jacob Hoon was the leading rusher with 46 yards on 8 carries. Fairweather completed 2 of 14 passes.

The Chieftains (0-2) face 10th ranked 1A Farwell (2-0) here Friday night. Farwell beat Friona district 6-2A competitor Dimmitt 39-12 last week.



**THIS** was one of two Friona pass completions against Highland Park. Chieftain Antonio Monreal (20) makes the catch for a nice gain. ron carr photo



**WITH THE** style of a soccer kicker, Antonio Monreal boots the football for this year's Chieftains on kickoffs. Monreal also kicks extra points and punts for the team. dana d. jameson photo

## Farwell vs. Friona: First Time Since '83

Our Chieftain football historian Bill Ellis dug up some info on the past Farwell vs. Chieftain football matchups.

The last time Friona and Farwell played was in 1983. When the long time series was dropped, Friona had won 11 of the last 12 games. The first game between the Parmer County rivals was played in

1928, according to Ellis, who said that Farwell was then known as "Texico-Farwell".

The teams played virtually every year since that 1928 game except for the 1942-48 period, when the Farwell Steers dropped down to six-man football. After the 1983 game Friona led the all-time series 25-21-1 after battling back from a 15-5 deficit.

### FOOTBALL CONTEST STANDINGS

- 16-Quentin Shelby
- 15-Scott Brown, Jeremy Dearing, Tyson Neill, Ron Smiley, Christen Stowers, Glenden Sudderth
- 14-Elsie Allen, Raul Brailif, Martin Brito, Nathan Brockman, Claire Brown, James Elder, Laura Field, Mike Field, Carmella Hernandez, Mike Hutson, Jayne Looper, Lance Looper, Mack McFarland, Clint Mears, Myrtle Melton, Lilly Michel, Ted Procter, Jerry Roach, Mitchell Smiley, Bobby Thompson, Dustin Thompson
- 13-Jo Blackwell, Brenda Brito, Lilia Brito, Robert Cheney, Jessica Stowers Dearing, Ronald Diaz, Ernest Mills, Lester C. Fennell, Jo Field, Lance Field, Tomas Fuentes, Jr., Peggy Hargrove, Daniel Hernandez, Lisa Lane, Brent Loflin, LaFawnda Mays, Andy Montana, Joy Morton, Mickey Pena, Thomas Reed, Isabel Rios, T-bone Spring, Dorothy Stowers, Blake Sudderth, Del Ray Sudderth, Derek Sudderth, Janie Sudderth, Elizabeth Torres, Christi Villa, Charles Wales, Mark Walker, Debbie Weir, Veca White, Bobby Wied, Weston Wyly
- 12-Frank Chavez, Mona Contreras, Antonio Duran, Jr., Marilyn Engelking, Alex Ferguson, Brett Field, Jon Field, Michael Gonzales, Frank Gonzales, Darin Hofferichter, Kelly Lookingbill, Sean Lookingbill, Mal Manchee, Rusty McFarland, Ronnie Melton, Jeff Moser, Pedro Ramos, Lisa Reed, Linvell Rose, Clayton Smiley, Jan Smith, Don Spring, Virginia Steele, Linda Sudderth, Alesia Tucker, Don Max Vars, Michael Villa, Jimmy R. Walker
- 11-Denae Anthony, Jayson Blouch, JoAnne Chavez, Raymond Diaz, Jennifer Gonzales, D'Lynn Jamerson, Dustin McNabb, Harley Merritt, Sawyer Reed, Scott Sudderth, D.L. Swafford, Francisco Torres, Jeremy White, Mark Zachary
- 10-Frank Dominguez, Jr., Kirby Frye, Jacob Hoon, Sammy L. Houston, Cody Jamerson, Chance Lewellen, Jesse Morales, Martha Rodriguez, Eufemia Torres
- 9-Rick Jamerson, Caleb Monroe
- 8-Rita Castillo, David Gonzalez, Taryn Jamerson
- 7-Sally Putman, Tim Elmore
- 5-Tenna Montana

**Chief Notes:** Early in the Highland Park game, 5'10", 245-lb junior defensive tackle Fabian Dominguez tore up his right knee. He did not return to the game and Coach Ferguson said he was possibly out for the year. Ferguson said they would move sophomore Adam Carrasco up from the JV to fill in for Dominguez.

OL/LB Ben Santiago and REC/DE Cody Jamerson are both still out with broken hands. Santiago is expected to return next week but it may be two more weeks for Jamerson. Both are juniors.

Coach Ferguson said "The wind was definitely a factor at Highland Park." The Chiefs were into the wind in the 4th quarter which caused short punts, wobbly passes, and poor field position. Ferguson said Farwell will be tough. "We have played a 3A (Muleshoe) and a 2A (Highland Park) team but this 1A team at Farwell is ranked and have some really good key players. We'll have to play good defense." Ferguson is the defensive coordinator this season and Coach Mike Herbert manages the offensive chores.

Next week the Chiefs travel to Bovina for the second game of the Parmer County championship series. Bovina, Friona, and Farwell meet each other this year for the first time in decades. At stake will be county bragging rights.



**THE** Friona junior varsity walloped Tulia, helped along by sophomore running back Philip Saiz (34). The JV travels to Farwell today to challenge the young Steers. dana d. jameson photo

## Friona JV 30 Tulia JV 14

The Friona freshman and junior varsity were combined in action against the Tulia JV last Thursday. The fledgling Chieftains came out on top in an impressive 30-14 victory giving them a 1-1 record. Their next game is with the Farwell JV tonight.

Friona racked up 244 yards of offense, 143 rushing and 101 passing, while holding Tulia's juniors to a total of 155 yards.

Scoring for Friona were: quarterback Sean Lookingbill scored twice on runs of 4 and 10 yards; Eric North scored on a 22-yard

pass reception; Philip Saiz on a 3-yard run; Valente Casas, Ruben Chico and Brett Field each added two-point conversions.

Coach Rex Cumpton and his staff were happy. "We improved in several areas from our first game," Cumpton said. "Our defense played well overall and were able to force some turnovers. Our kicking game, especially kickoffs, was a big asset to us. The offense executed pretty well overall and made some good plays."



**WHERE'S THE BEEF?...** JV defensive lineman Adam Carrasco (68) hauls in a Tulia Hornet. Adam will move up to varsity this week due to the injury to Fabian Dominguez. dana d. jameson photo

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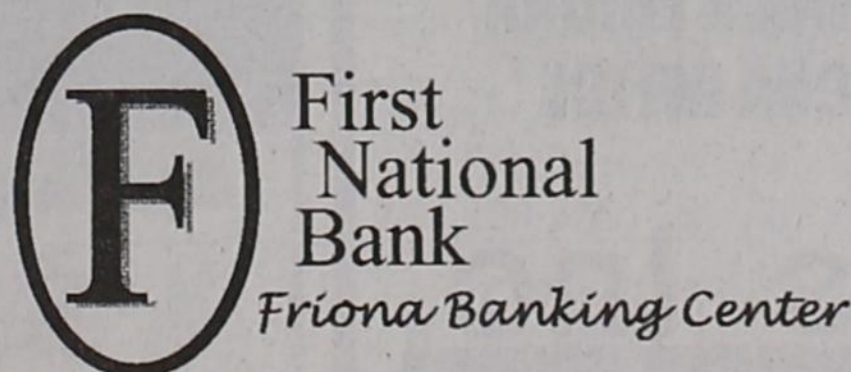
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# Bovina Reflections

**45 Yrs. Ago**  
**September 16, 1959**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Riley Sands from New York City are visiting with Mrs. Pearl Osborne and daughter. Sands is Mrs. Osborne's nephew. This is his first visit to this part of the country.

**40 Yrs. Ago**  
**September 9, 1964**  
 Harold Hawkins delivered the first load of 1964 grain sorghum to Bovina Wheat Growers Tuesday afternoon.

**35 Yrs. Ago**  
**September 10, 1969**  
 A pickup owned by Vernon Ward was overturned on North Street Saturday morning in a freak accident. The pickup was parked in front of Ward's Garage. A refrigerated trailer truck was going east on North street when a heavy rear door came open, swung around and struck the a-frame on the pickup, toppling it over.

**30 Yrs. Ago**  
**September 11, 1974**  
 The Bovina Restaurant and

Steakhouse is the name of Bovina's newest enterprise. The owner is L.J. Jameson, 32, who is coming to Bovina from Amarillo

**25 Yrs. Ago**  
**September 12, 1979**  
 Gladys Spring and daughters, Pam and Alicia, went to Nevada, Missouri where Alicia will be enrolling in Cotty College for the fall semester.

**20 Yrs. Ago**  
**September 12, 1984**  
 Thomas Rhodes was credited with having the first load of corn delivered to Sherley Grain Company.

**15 Yrs. Ago**  
**September 13, 1989**  
 Doug Johnson was the winner of the first week of the Bovina Blade Football Contest.

**10 Yrs. Ago**  
**September 10, 1994**  
 Will Bell came out as the winner of the first week's competition in the Bovina Blade

Football Contest. Bell received a check for \$10 for his accomplishment.

**5 Yrs. Ago**  
**September 10, 1999**  
 Gilda Garner was Week 1's winner in the Bovina Blade Football Contest. Ms. Garner picked 13 out of 14 and won the \$20 first prize without a tie-breaker.

## Happy Birthday Bovina

Sept. 12 thru Sept.18, 2004.  
 Sept. 12-Bessie Trimble  
 Sept. 14-Ron Bradshaw  
 Sept. 15-June McMeans  
 Sept. 16-Elton Venable  
 Sept. 17-Lisa Schilling, Linda Martinez  
 Sept. 18-Isabell Gilbreath  
 If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up or see a name that should be removed (name change, death, move, etc.), please call the Friona Star office at 250-2211. Thank you.

# Mustangs Blanked By Texico 32-0

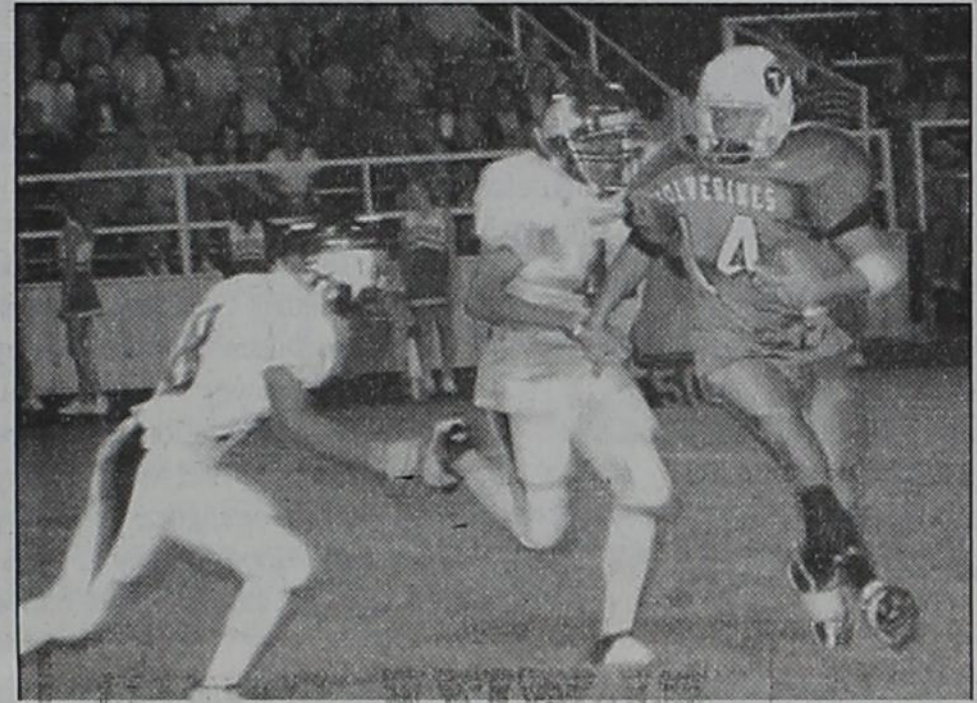
Mustang Coach Kent Torbert said before the season he had scheduled some good teams on purpose this year to try and improve his Mustang squad before district play.

They kept that record going last Friday, blanking the Mustangs 32-0. "We did some things a lot better," Torbert said. "We did move the ball on them but they are just a very tough team."

The Mustangs (now 0-2) totaled 221 yards of offense, 82 of it passing, but were unable to score. They were stopped once at the 10-yard line and at the 20-yard line twice.

One of those good teams

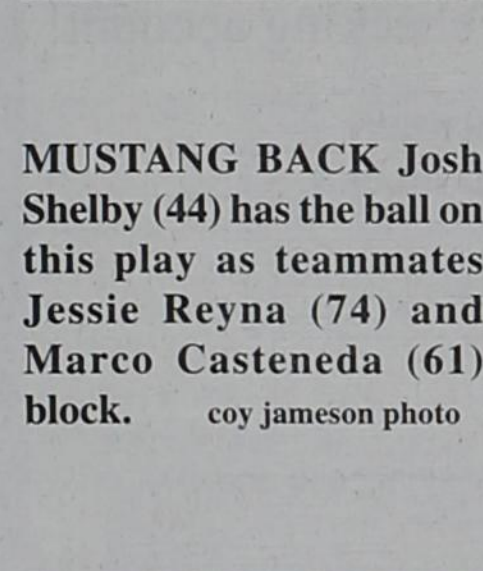
They kept that record going



**TWO Mustang defenders chase down Wolverine back Zane Anderson (4) who scored twice in the game on three carries.**  
 coy jameson photo



**SENIOR QB Jeff Casas turns to handoff against the Texico Wolverines. Casas and the Mustangs have an open date this week and host the Friona Chieftains September 17 at Mustang Field.**  
 coy jameson photo



**MUSTANG BACK Josh Shelby (44) has the ball on this play as teammates Jessie Reyna (74) and Marco Casteneda (61) block.**  
 coy jameson photo

# Beware Of These Scams

BY GREG ABBOTT  
 Texas Attorney General

Raising public awareness is an important part of preventing consumer fraud. We issue consumer alerts about the latest scams as soon as we learn of their existence. Recently, my office has received numerous complaints about the following types of scams. You should familiarize yourself with them.

One scam involves telemarketers who pose as federal government officials offering grants or other financial assistance. Please be aware that this is not a valid offer by a federal agency. Real government agents do not call people in their homes and offer money. The dead giveaway to the scam is that you are asked for a fee up front.

In general, government assistance is only available after completing an application process. For example, assistance for educational expenses, such as college tuition, generally takes the form of student loans instead of grants. If you are in need of assistance, contact the appropriate federal or state agency directly.

Another way crooks take advantage of consumers involves telemarketers perpetrating an advance fee loan scam by using the name of the Better Business Bureau (BBB). The scammers call consumers with poor credit records and provide a fictitious BBB telephone number. The people who answer the phone falsely claim to work for the BBB and give a favorable report on the business in question.

"Phishing" is an Internet scam that uses e-mail to deceive consumers into disclosing their credit card numbers, bank account information, Social Security numbers, passwords, and other sensitive information. These e-mails appear to be from reputable companies, but they are not. Don't be fooled!

Legitimate companies work hard to provide security and privacy. They do NOT contact customers to solicit "updates" on their financial and personal information. If you receive a solicitation like this, contact the company yourself by telephone—do not use links or mailers provided in the e-mail you received. The real company will probably want you to forward the message you receive to its security department.

The counterfeit cashier's check scam involves sales of major items by individuals, often over the Internet. The seller is approached by a buyer or a person claiming to represent a buyer. The seller is told that the buyer can only send a cashier's check for an amount greater than the value of the purchase. The

seller is asked to send the difference to the buyer. Later, it turns out that the cashier's check is counterfeit.

To protect yourself, simply DO NOT accept a cashier's check for an amount in excess of purchase price. And be careful with any cashier's check: make sure your bank verifies the validity of the check before you deposit it, release the item, or give a refund. Be aware that these counterfeits are very convincing. In some cases, the bank teller has been fooled, and the victim is responsible for the bogus deposit, in addition to losing the goods or refund.

Bogus lotteries and sweepstakes target senior Texans. The victim is told that he or she has won a fabulous prize. To collect the cash, the victim must send "fees" and "taxes". Unfortunately, there is no prize. This is theft, pure and simple. Anytime you have to pay up front to collect a prize, it is a scam.

Unfortunately, it is often not possible to find and prosecute these unscrupulous individuals and businesses. Even when they can be arrested, the stolen money is likely to be gone. That is why we make prevention such a high priority. You can help spread the word: don't fall for a common scam.

Information on this and other topics is available on the Attorney General's Web site at [www.oag.state.tx.us](http://www.oag.state.tx.us).

### Points to Remember

- Government Grants Scam**
  - Government officials will not call you to offer grants
  - Contact the U.S. Department of Education for valid financial assistance with college, at [www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov) or (800) 437-0833
- Better Business Bureau Scam**
  - Don't be fooled by fake BBB contact information
  - Contact the real BBB at [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org)
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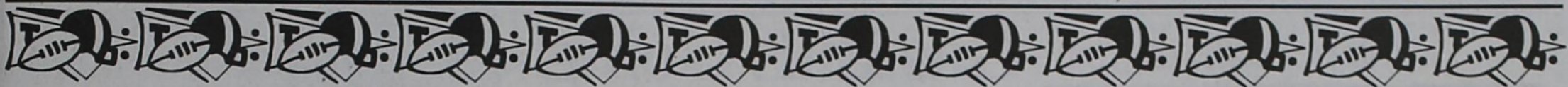
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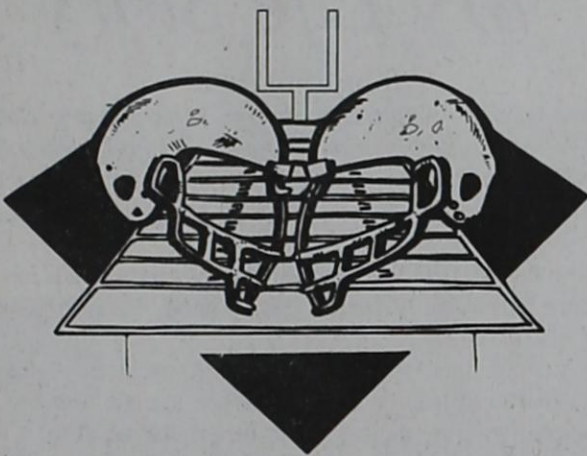
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1ST PLACE PRIZE**

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**\$25**



Overall Point Total  
**Grand Prize**  
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2nd Place \$100

### CONTEST RULES

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Friona, TX 79035

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Cash prizes of \$50 for first place & \$25 for second place will be awarded weekly.

Each correct game picked counts as one point. Player with most total points at the end of the 13-week contest will win a Grand Prize of \$200. Second place overall winner will receive \$100.

Only one entry form per individual. Must be 10-years or over to enter. Newspaper employees and their immediate families are not eligible to enter.

For questions or more information about the football contest, call: 806-250-2211.

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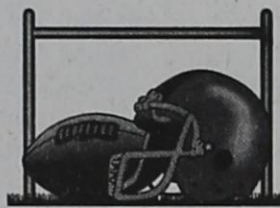
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# OBITUARIES

## LOLETA FAYE PIPKIN

Funeral services for LoLeta Faye Pipkin, 66, of Seminole, Texas were held Monday, September 6, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. at South Seminole Baptist Church, with Rev. Joe Stewart and Rev. Bennie Wright officiating. Burial was in Gaines County Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Boyer Funeral Home of Seminole.

Mrs. Pipkin passed away Thursday, September 2, 2004 at Memorial Health Care Center in Seminole following an illness. She was born August 17, 1938 in Dimmitt, Texas.

She married Alton C. Pipkin on September 19, 1986 in Seminole. She was a homemaker and a member of South Seminole Baptist Church. She delivered Meals on Wheels in Seminole, was also part of the Baptist Women in Seminole, and Camp New Dawn.

She was preceded in death by her mother and dad, Kenneth and Nadine O'Brian, and a stepson, Johnny Pipkin.

Survivors include her husband, Alton Pipkin of Seminole; one son, Brit Eustace and one daughter, Kim Slater, both of Amarillo, Texas; two stepsons, Ronnie Pipkin of Seminole and Monty Pipkin of Flower Mound, Texas; one stepdaughter, Sue Hudson of Sugarland, Texas; one brother, Dwight O'Brian, and one sister, LoRetta Hand, both of Friona, Texas; two grandchildren; eight step-grandchildren; and five step-great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Seminole Memorial Hospice and Joe Arrington Cancer Center in Lubbock.

## ALMA MAE (SID) LLOYD

Memorial services for Alma Mae (Sid) Lloyd, 92, of Hale Center, formerly of Bovina, Texas, were held at 7:00 p.m., Friday evening at the Genesis Baptist Fellowship Church in Lubbock, with Rev. Roger Garrett, pastor, and Rev. Bob Webb of Burkburnett, Texas, officiating.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, September 4, 2004, in the First Baptist Church of Bovina, with the same two ministers officiating. Burial followed in the Bovina Cemetery by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Lloyd died Thursday in Hale Center. She was born July 2, 1912, in Cary, Texas to Tom and Jo Ann (Morton) Kelley. She was one of ten children of which all have preceded her in death, including her twin brother.

She had been a resident of Hale Center since 1999 moving from Bovina where she had lived for over 50 years. She was a member of the Genesis Baptist Fellowship Church in Lubbock since 1999. Prior to that, she was a member of the First Baptist Church of Bovina for over 50 years. She also taught Sunday school and Bible school in Bovina for a number of years.



ALMA MAE LLOYD

Alma married Travis Lloyd on April 21, 1934 in Carey, Texas. She was a homemaker and kept children of working mothers for a number of years. She also worked in the Bovina School cafeteria as a cook. She was a member of the Bovina Senior Citizens and was awarded the Heritage Award from the Bovina Chamber of Commerce in 1991.

Her husband, Travis, preceded her in death on June 30, 1978.

Survivors include one son, Don Lloyd of Grand Prairie, Texas; two daughters, Julia Ann Lloyd and Patsy Webb, both of Hale Center; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials in the form of contributions to the American Cancer Society.

## NEVA KNIGHT

Graveside services for Neva Knight, 94, of Friona, were held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, September 9, 2004 in the Friona Cemetery with Reverend Alvin Petty, minister of Calvary Baptist Church of Friona, officiating. Burial followed with arrangements by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Knight died Tuesday morning, September 7, 2004 at Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona. She was born September 6, 1910 in Checotah, Oklahoma to Arthur Toon and Lillie Warren Toon.

Neva married Clarence Knight on January 29, 1929 in Clovis, New Mexico. She moved from Clovis to Friona in 1950.

Her husband, Clarence, preceded her in death on March 25, 1973.

Survivors include one daughter, Jean Myers of Rio Rancho, New Mexico; two grandchildren, Terri Fry of Happy, Texas and Valari Smith of Rio Rancho, New Mexico; four great-grandchildren, Bill McLean of Amarillo, Lisa Duckworth of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Trisia Jordan of Amarillo, and Josh Fry of Canyon, Texas; and three great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be made to High Plains Children's Home of Amarillo, Texas.

## SUSIE PRUITT

Funeral services for Susie Pruitt, 96, of Buffalo, Oklahoma, formerly of Bovina, Texas, will be at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, September 11, 2004 in the Bovina Church of Christ in Bovina, with Cecil Bunch of Clovis, New Mexico, officiating. Burial will follow in the Bovina Cemetery by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Pruitt died Tuesday morning, September 7, 2004 in Buffalo, Oklahoma. She was born August 29, 1908 in Blakeney, Texas, to Tom and Ida Mae (Hatton) Covington.

She lived in Bovina for many years, where she was a member of the Bovina Church of Christ, before moving to Buffalo, Oklahoma, where she had lived for the past 12 years. Susie married Johnnie Pruitt on January 3, 1925 in Blakeney, Texas and was a housewife.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnnie, on January 9, 1991; one son, Willard Pruitt on November 3, 1947; one daughter, Dorothy



SUSIE PRUITT

Wells on April 2, 1995; and one grandson, John Pruitt of November 11, 1988.

Survivors include three sons, Arthur Pruitt of Buffalo, Texas, Billy Pruitt of Newport, Oregon, and Printes Pruitt of Bovina; three daughters, Gladys Radford of Laverne, Oklahoma, Margie Robinett of Kerrville, Texas, and Maggie McGrill of Portland, Oregon; 19 grandchildren; 38 great-grandchildren; and 15 great-great-grandchildren.

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The average residential customer can expect to pay approximately \$322 during the coming winter heating months of October 2004 through March 2005, assuming normal winter temperatures. During the same period last heating season, which was warmer than normal, the average residential customer paid \$282.

Company officials said the estimate is based upon current market indicators for wholesale natural gas supplies. Changes in wholesale gas prices or variance from normal winter temperatures will affect actual bills.

"Reliable natural gas service for our customers is our top priority, and supplies of natural gas are expected to be adequate again this winter to meet our customers' needs," Gary Gregory, President of Atmos Energy's Texas Division. "The tight balance between natural gas supply and demand has put upward pressure on gas prices, but we are doing everything we can to deliver reliable gas supplies at stable prices. The weather likely will be the major factor in determining how much customers will pay to heat their homes this winter."

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To ensure reliable service and stabilize the price that its customers pay for natural gas, Atmos Energy buys natural gas during the summer months and stores it

underground for use during the winter. The company also uses state-approved financing tools to lessen the effect of sharp swings in wholesale gas prices.

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1. Customers can spread out their natural gas utility payments over a 12-month period by signing up for Atmos Energy's Levelized Budget Billing Program. Call toll-free 1-888-363-7427 for details.

2. One of the best ways consumers can control their energy use—and the amount of their monthly natural gas bills—is to use energy wisely. Insulating doors and windows, purchasing energy-efficient appliances and installing automatic set-back thermostats are among the measures consumers can take. For additional ideas, see the company's Web site at [www.atmosenergy.com](http://www.atmosenergy.com).

3. Atmos Energy's Texas Division promotes a program called "Share the Warmth" which allows customers to add up to \$5 per month to assist those in need. Customers also may qualify through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, or LIHEAP. Customers can call Atmos Energy or go to [Atmosenergy.com](http://Atmosenergy.com) to locate the energy assistance agency nearest them.

Wholesale natural gas prices have risen in recent years because the demand for natural gas has grown rapidly due to its cleanliness and efficiency. Outdated concerns regarding the environmental impacts of finding and producing natural gas make it increasingly difficult to bring new supplies of natural gas to market, according to the American Gas Association (AGA).

Technological improvements have made finding and producing natural gas more environmentally sensitive than ever, AGA said.



## My Life Story

BY DEAN ALLRED

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 Dean Allred.

My name is Virginia Waldean Allred, but everyone calls me Dean. I was born January 6, 1916 in Grayson County, Texas to Oliver and Macie Lee Dunnam Hix.

I lived on a farm all my adolescent life. As each of us became old enough, we had to help on the farm. When it came time for me to work on the farm, my mother made me a "pick sack" by sewing a shoulder strap on a fifty-pound flour sack. I don't remember the name of the flour sack, but I am sure it was not "Pillsbury's Best".

Our first car was a Ford touring car. We had never owned anything but a wagon or a buggy until then. I remember Daddy learning to drive with seven of the family members in the car. He saw another car on the other side of the bridge, so he drove the car down an embankment. No one was hurt but me. I had trouble walking for a long time.

I started my schooling in Wilbarger County, Texas in the fall of 1923. I attended the Brushy School. We moved near Vernon in 1924 and I attended Box School from 1925 to 1926 and East Vernon School in 1927. I had to walk five miles to school. In 1928 and 1929 I attended Antelope School in the Rayland Community near Vernon. In the fall of 1929, we moved back to Haskell County near the town of Weinert, Texas. The rest of my schooling was received in Myers School and Weinert Schools.

I attended the Rayland Methodist Church. In the summer of 1928 while attending a revival meeting I was saved. At the age of 12 years I joined the Methodist Church. I was baptized in a small body of water off the bank of Peace River, north of the Rayland Community, west of Vernon, Texas.

My parents were very strict and had certain standards about dating. I was permitted to go with a boy to parties at friends' houses, if there were other couples going and as long as one of my brothers was there. At sixteen I was permitted to go on dates by myself. I had never had a steady boyfriend, as they were not needed to have fun. I had seen this man in the spring of 1933, but a little scheme my friend and I had cooked up did not work. I didn't get to meet him until the summer of 1933; "Just by chance" I met him in Munday, Texas at a traveling medicine show. These are the things that attracted me to him. He was 6'2" tall, had beautiful blondish red curly hair and weighed 225 pounds. I thought he was the most handsome man I had ever seen. I guess he must have been attracted too, because we never dated anyone else.

His name was Ark Allred. We married November 27, 1933. We farmed in Beattie, a small community in Comanche County. We grew and sold peanuts, sweet potatoes, Irish potatoes, corn, and sugar cane.

We grew what we ate, canning our fruits and vegetables; raised hogs for their meat and rendered the fat for lard; ground and made sausage from the pork; dried peaches, apples, and apricots in the sun; and planted enough pinto beans and blackeyed peas to dry for the winter. We also had milk cows, so we had enough milk and butter.

Times were very hard during this time because of the depression, but we were happy. We had four children born of our marriage, Shirley Allred Davis, Don Allred, Sandra Allred Rainey, and Gary Allred.

We settled in Haskell County, Texas in 1949 after living in Comanche County and Fort Worth, Texas. We operated a radiator shop there until 1963 and then relocated our business to Houston, Texas. My husband operated his business there until his death October 22, 1980. I then purchased a lot and built a home in Clyde, Texas. My home is still there, but at the present time I am residing at Prairie Acres in Friona, Texas.

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tember 26, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Bring a sack lunch for Saturday and \$15 for materials. The deadline for enrollment is September 15, 2004. Classes will start in early October.

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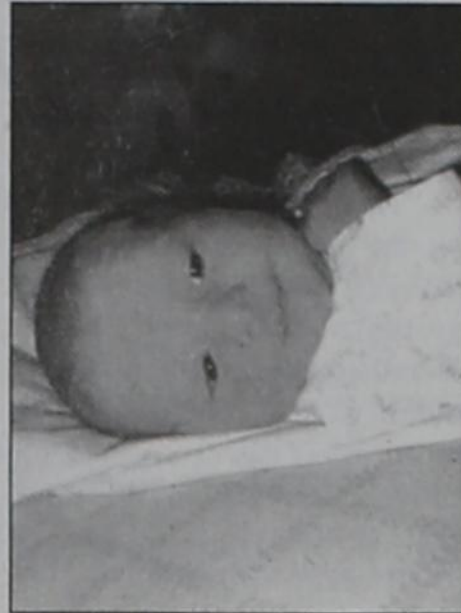
### Jack Conley Hamil

Chris and Cynthia Hamil, of Amarillo, proudly announce the birth of their son, Jack Conley Hamil.

Jack was born on Tuesday, July 27, 2004 at BSA Hospital. He weighed 7 pounds, four ounces and was 18 3/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Nina and Earl Hoover of Sacramento, California. Paternal grandparents are Peggy and Clay Blanton of Kansas City, Missouri, and Jo Hamil and the late Jack R. Hamil of Canyon.

Maternal great-grandmother is Nina Mae McVey of El Dorado, California. Paternal great-grandparents are Ann and Tom Story of Lake Havasu, Arizona.



JACK CONLEY HAMIL



## THINK ABOUT THIS God's Plan For The Family

BY T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

We must understand that God created humans to live in families and to live in relationships. God made us in such a way that we cannot live a fulfilling life and we cannot accomplish our God-given potential if we live in isolation. The Bible also prioritizes human relationships.

The first one is our relationship to God. This relationship transcends all others. If our relationship with God is right then we can have the right kind of relationship with the rest of the world. Honoring God first in one's life is an absolute essential for healthy, productive, happy family living.

The second is our relationship to our spouse. This relationship stands below our relationship with God and above

the relationship we have with our parents or children because the husband and wife have become one flesh in God's eyes.

The third is the parent-child relationship. Basic to this relationship is the realization on the part of both parent and child that they are created in the image of God for the purpose of glorifying God.

The fourth is the individual's relationship to the rest of humanity. Man is to strive to work harmoniously in right relationship with others, keeping foremost in his mind his relationship with God.

The fifth is our relationship with the rest of creation. We have the responsibility of being good stewards for the rest of God's creation.

## The Panhandle Singing Men



in concert

**First Baptist Church  
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**Thursday, September 16, 2004**

**7:00 PM**

**Free Admission**

## Panhandle Choir Will Perform September 16

The Panhandle Singing Men will present a Gospel Music Concert on Thursday, September 16, at 7 p.m., at the First Baptist Church in Friona.

The Panhandle Singing Men is a choir made up primarily of Ministers of Music and Music Directors from churches across the Panhandle. It also has other church staff members and retired ministers. The group usually performs one concert each month at a local church as well as other ministry opportunities such as area prisons, retirement centers and regional Baptist

events. The Panhandle Singing Men, formed just eight years ago, is the newest of six satellite choirs of the Singing Men of Texas.

Because of the size of Texas, the Singing Men of Texas has always been divided into regional choirs. Sponsored by the Baptist General Convention of Texas, the Singing Men of Texas was formed in 1975 and recently observed its 25th anniversary.

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## Farm Bureau Tells FCC Rural Audiences Underserved

Due to a serious decline in agricultural news programming on local radio stations, many rural audiences are no longer being adequately served, an obligation that licensed radio stations must fulfill, according to the American Farm Bureau Federation.

In comments filed this week with the Federal Communications Commission, which is conducting an inquiry into whether broadcasters are adequately serving their local communities, AFBF President Bob Stallman

asserted that instead of "improving and maintaining their agricultural services, many rural radio stations are eliminating or curtailing farm news".

Farmers and ranchers are mobile during their workday and research shows that in many areas of the country, they continue to rely on farm radio as a vital source of business information, according to AFBF. Many rural radio stations, however, are no longer fulfilling that obligation to serve their local listeners.

AFBF's official policy states that in order to "make vital decisions, farmers and ranchers need detailed and timely weather information, local news, up-to-the-minute market reports and news affecting production agriculture". The organization encourages all radio and television stations to maintain and improve their agricultural services.

"This policy is not supported by the trends in radio today," Stallman said. Statistics provided by the National Association of Farm Broadcasters show that the number of affiliated on-air broadcasters has declined to 136 nationwide - down from 225 since 1998.

"Recently, two 50,000-watt radio stations, WCCO in Minneapolis and WGN in Chicago, cut their farm programming," Stallman said. "WCCO dropped it altogether and the WGN Noon (Farm) Show was reduced from 45 minutes of news to brief market updates."

A combination of several factors, including massive consolidation in the radio industry and a decline in farm-related advertising, has made farm radio vulnerable. But, while some station

managers and owners have a strong commitment to their rural audiences, others have used these factors as a "convenient excuse" to dump farm programming, according to Stallman.

"As a result, broadcasters are not serving the interests and needs of their rural communities," Stallman said. "AFBF hopes that actions taken to improve levels of community service by radio include the needs of rural audiences, especially farmers who depend on local news, weather and markets."

According to Stallman, while urban listeners have many stations and formats to choose from, that is not the case in rural areas.

"There are fewer stations and those that exist may be part of the same ownership group," Stallman said. "Stations that once were important to rural listeners now are abandoning those listeners. We recognize that market forces are affecting radio and understand the role they play in the decline of farm broadcasting. However, this does not negate the fact that many stations have a rural audience that is no longer being adequately served."

## Greg Winn In Concert Wednesday, Sept. 15

Victory Family Worship invites you to hear singer/saxophonist/songwriter, Gregg Winn, on Wednesday, September 15, at 7:00 p.m. at 411 Ashland in Friona.

Winn, who has been in full time music ministry for the past 16 years, has worked with such artists as The Katina's, Dottie Rambo, Reba and Dony Rambo/McGuire, Russ Taff, Mike Purkey, The Imperials, BeBe and CeCe Winans, and many more.

He traveled around much of the United States with various singing groups while in college, and then began his solo ministry in 1988. Since that time he has ministered to tens of thousands of people in almost every setting, from churches to conventions, inner city and prisons, to various missions' endeavors, both at home and abroad.

Winn has released four albums to date including: "Project



GREG WINN

U.S.A.", "For the Young at Heart", his "Instrumental" album, and his "Christmas" album entitled, "Peace On Earth". He says that part of his success, is his willingness to do many different styles of music, in concert, to minister to everyone present.

## A History Of Nachos

(Reprinted from Texas Monthly Magazine, September 2004.)

In 1943, Ignacio Anaya was working as the maitre d' at the Victory Club, in Piedras Negras—across the Rio Grande from Eagle Pass—when a gaggle of officers' wives from nearby Fort Duncan strolled into the place.

With no chef in site, the 49-year-old Anaya dashed to the kitchen, ingeniously piling tostadas with Wisconsin cheese, heating his creation under the broiler, and capping it with sliced jalapenos. The ladies raved, dubbing the snack Nacho's Especiales—"Nacho" being the nickname for Ignacio—and a Texas icon was born.

Since then, the nacho has been reinvented a billion times over, making appearances everywhere from ballparks to the finest restaurants. Piedras Negras honors the spicy hors d'oeuvre each year with a festival and competition (this year's is October 15-17; for more information, go to [eaglepasstexas.com](http://eaglepasstexas.com) or call 888-355-3224).

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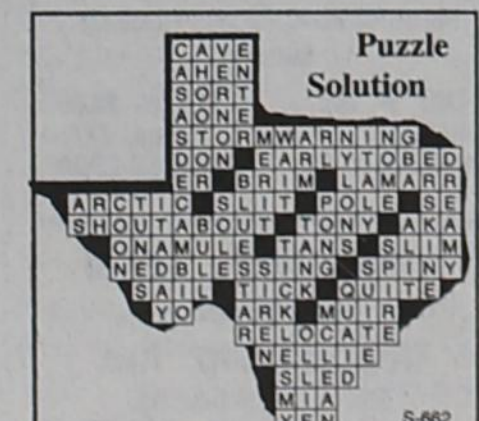
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- 12 ounces thinly sliced smoked salmon
- Mix first 8 ingredients, spread on chips, and top with pieces of salmon.



## Beef Spending Up \$22 Billion In Ten Years

Consumers will spend \$68 billion on beef in 2004. If the beef industry were a private corporation, those revenues would rank it ninth, right behind IBM, in the Fortune 500 list.

The 2004 figures represent a \$22 billion increase over 1995, which was three years before the beef checkoff program helped stabilize beef demand after 20 years of decline. The projections were made by CattleFax, the beef industry economic analysis arm.



## Northwest Plains Pest Management News

BY MONTI VANDIVER, Extension Agent-IPM, Texas Cooperative Extension

Heat units continue to accumulate at a snails pace. The Northwest Plains 30 year average (1971-2000) heat unit accumulation for August is 17 per day. August 2004 average heat unit accumulation was 12 per day. That's 155 heat units or 9 average August days that were lost in August. It has been said that this lost time could be made up with some warm weather in September. Thirty year average September daily heat unit accumulation is 10 per day. It would require a 50% increase over the long term average heat unit accumulation in September to get 2004 August-September accumulated heat units up to the 30 year average.

### Cotton

Cotton may be promising more than it can deliver. If average heat units are accumulated in September and October, cotton planted May 1 will have accumulated approximately 1800 heat units. Northwest Plains cotton yields are usually limited by available moisture, it appears 2004 yields may be limited by temperature.

Bollworms continue to infest area cotton. The typical acute egg lay has not occurred this year. Bollworm populations have ranged from less than 2500 per acre to 30,000 per acre. Many bollworm infestations have gradually built over the last 10 days. Most fields have now exceeded economic threshold and have been treated. Recent weather and crop conditions have been conducive for bollworm establishment. Continue to check cotton regularly to prevent a gradually growing bollworm population getting out of hand. Cotton bolls need to accumulate 450 heat units to mature sufficiently to make them safe from bollworms. The COTMAN computer program is projecting that most appreciable bolls will have accumulated 450 heat units by mid September. This projection is based on long term weather data and is taking into consideration the cool temperatures in August.

### Corn

Corn anthracnose has been positively identified in Northwest Plains corn by Texas Cooperative Extension Plant Pathologists, Harold Kaufman and Terry Wheeler. Anthracnose of corn is caused by the fungus, *Colletotrichum graminicola*. Corn anthracnose has three components: leaf blight, stalk rot, and top dieback. The casual fungus can infect most plant parts including the leaves, stalks, shanks, kernels, and roots.

Stalk infections become evident at various stages of growth depending on the susceptibility of the hybrid. Most hybrids however, are not affected until shortly before normal senescence. The top dieback phase occurs mid to late season and may be confused with early dry-down. Affected fields commonly appear to have a green band across the middle of the plants because the bottom leaves are dying from senescence and the top leaves are dying from anthracnose. In other cases, entire plants may die prematurely and later lodge. Stalk death and lodging are often expressed later than top dieback. Lodging is normally found higher on the stalk than with other stalk rot diseases.

The overwinter survival of the fungus is dependent on corn

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## July Marketing Figures and Final CCP Rate Calculation

LUBBOCK, September 3, 2004 BY SHAWN WADE

For those who are tracking the monthly numbers and using them to generate an estimated Weight Average Price Received, the last piece of the puzzle has now been dropped into place.

That means that a fairly accurate estimate of the final 2003-Crop Counter-Cyclical (CC) payment for cotton can now be made. Assuming that there are no significant adjustments made in the monthly figures released up to this point, cotton producers participating in the 2003 Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP) should expect a final 2003 payment rate of approximately 3.5 cents per pound to be announced in the next few weeks.

Calculation of a final CC payment rate of 3.5 cents is based on the marketings and average prices received by growers as reported by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). Producers who received an advance CC payment would receive the difference between the amount of the advance and the final payment rate.

Producers who received a 2003 advance CC payment of 2.01 cents should expect to see a final payment of approximately 1.49 cents per pound.

The 2003 Counter-Cyclical payment rate authorized under the 2002 Farm Bill will be based on the 12-month Weighted Average Price Received by growers. For cotton the 12-month Weighted Average Price will reflect price and bales marketed for the 2003 marketing year. The 2003 cotton marketing year began August 1, 2003 and ended July 31, 2004.

residues being left on the soil surface. In spring, spores are produced with fruiting bodies on residues left overwinter on the soil surface. Spores are rain splashed onto the surface of the leaves of young plants and cause primary infections. The fungus may also invade roots growing into old stalk debris.

Leaf blight has been observed on the lower leaves of young corn plants in early June with little or no further disease spread until after tasseling. The disease is favored by warm, moist weather and disease severity is increased during prolonged periods of low light intensity and high humidity. Therefore, severe leaf damage can result after long periods of heavy overcast, rainy weather. If weather conditions are favorable during late July and August the leaf blight may spread to the upper leaves. Yield reductions can be expected when significant leaf death occurs before six weeks after tasseling. Top dieback or top lodging can occur at any time after tasseling and premature death of the entire plant is an indication of stalk rot. The black stalk symptoms begin to appear soon after plants show signs of early death.

Hybrid selection is the first step in disease control. Hybrids available vary widely in their level of susceptibility to anthracnose. Hybrids with some resistance to the leaf blight phase may not be resistant to the stalk rot phase of anthracnose. Also, hybrids with resistance to other stalk rot fungi are not necessarily resistant to anthracnose stalk rot.

Since the anthracnose fungus survives in corn residues, especially on the soil surface, the disease may be more serious under reduced tillage systems and in continuous corn. A tillage system that chops and completely buries the residues and or a one-year rotation away from corn will reduce the local source of inoculum.

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 My friends are no fun.  
 There is no place to go.  
 Where do you expect me to meet friends.  
 Nothing exciting ever happens in my life.  
 I've already done that.  
 My life is a drag.

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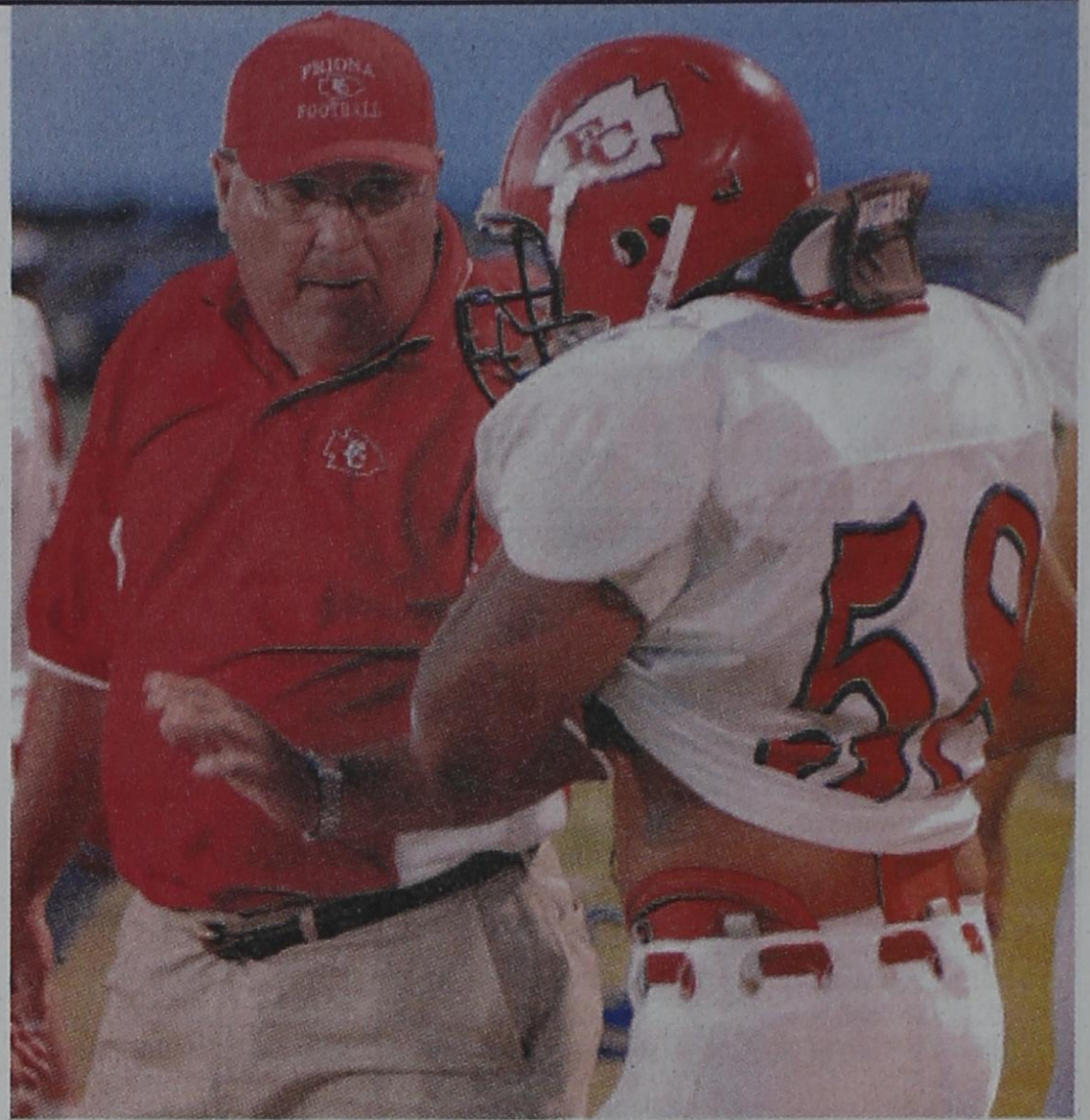




**KAYLA ESTRADA & BRITTANY ANTHONY**

The 2004-05 Chieftain Band drum majors are Brittany Anthony and Kayla Estrada. They attended the George N. Parks Drum Major Academy at the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley June 12-18, where they were schooled in leadership, marching fundamentals, command basics, teaching techniques, basic conducting, and time signatures.

Brittany and Kayla were chosen as All-American Drum Majors. Both girls were selected to participate with other drum majors during the halftime performance of the Capital One Bowl in Orlando, Florida, January 1, 2005.



**LINEBACKER COACH** Lanny Crow gives defensive captain and linebacker David Mendez some encouragement and advice before sending him back into the battle at Highland Park. The Chief defense will be ready for the Farwell Steers tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. at Chieftain Field. ron carr photo



**THE FRIONA CHIEFTAIN** Marching Band was "blowing in the wind" Friday night at Amarillo Highland Park. Brass, drums, and tubas blast a tune with the sun in their faces.



**AT HALFTIME**, big surprise, the band played Cherokee as percussionists Philip Saiz and Sherelle Pruitt beat the drums. ron carr photos



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