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March free prenatal class

The Healthy Baby Coalition of Parmer County provides free education to expectant mothers in Parmer County. The classes are for not only first time moms, but also mothers who already have one or more children. Classes are available in both English and Spanish.

To sign-up for classes, please stop by the Parmer Medical Center conference room Saturday, March 14, from 9:00 am to 10:00 am. Classes are typically held on Saturday mornings once a month, but times can also be customized to meet special needs.

Mothers who participate in the classes earn points to use for free baby items for their newborn. The "Baby's Bin" has a great selection of items from car seats to diapers. Mothers who have been through the classes have a wide selection of items to choose from.

For more information about the coalition, see a HBC Board member or contact Heidi Eichenauer at 806 250-2754 or JoDonna Terry at 295-8291.

Sorghum education

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will present "Sorghum Education: Soil, Water, Weed and Nutrition Management" on Thursday, March 26 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Castro County Expo located at 405 SE 4th Street in Dimmitt.

Speakers for the program are Dr. Ed Bynum, Entomologist; Dr. Jourdan Bell, Agronomist; Kerry Siders, IPM; Dr. Dana Porter, Irrigation Engineer; Dr. Ellen Jordan, Dairy Cattle; Dr. Ted McCollum, Beef Cattle; and Dr. Calvin Trostle, Agronomist.

Key topics in the session will be:

- *Sorghum soil and water relationships
- *Sorghum pests, sugarcane aphid and controls
- *Weed management
- *Nutritional benefits for dairy livestock.

The session is sponsored by Alta Seeds, Chromatin, HPWD and Texas Grain Sorghum Association and will account for two CEU's.

Book Shoppe reminder

The Friends of the Library Book Shoppe located at 119 W. 6th Street between the Aronce Center and the American Legion is open Wednesdays from 1-5 p.m.

Used books have been donated to the Friona Library and can be purchased for \$1 per bag (Walmart size bags). Donations must be taken to the library and not the book shop.

For more information contact the frionabookshoppe@gmail.com or post on the Friona Friends of the Library Book Shoppe Facebook page.

Reunion meeting

The committee for the All-School Reunion will meet to continue planning on Sunday, March 15 at 3 p.m. at the Friends of the Library Book Shoppe at 119 W. 6th St. The reunion is scheduled for Saturday, September 19 during the 59th Annual Maize Days Celebration.



ron carr photo

At Monday's city council meeting Mayor Rick White read a proclamation designating the week of April 20 as Volunteer Firemen Appreciation Week. Fire Chief Jim Taylor, left, with Mayor Rick White and fire department training officer John Taylor are shown receiving the proclamation.

Mayor proclaims Volunteer Firemen Week

The Friona city council met in regular session Monday March 9. Councilman Greg Lewellen was absent.

Mayor Rick White opened the meeting by reading a proclamation designating the week of April 20 as Friona Volunteer Firemen Appreciation Week. The proclamation is printed elsewhere in this Star.

Fire Chief Jim Taylor and fire department training officer John Tay-

lor were present for the proclamation.

City manager Patricia Phipps said the bid received for the property on Austin St. was not signed so the property sale will be re-bid. Notice of the bid is in this Star.

A settlement with NG Painting for the painting of the north well tank was discussed and approved. The city withheld \$37,000 from the final payment because the

contractor was 74 days over the contract limit.

As expected the council officially canceled the May 9 city election since there were three seats available and three candidates for both the city and school board.

Police Chief Isidro Jimenez gave his monthly report. The police department received 590 calls for service in February. They issued 68 citations and made 11 arrests, five of those for no

driver license.

Randall Field of Muleshoe presented the fiscal year audit report. He complimented the city staff and council on a positive report. The next meeting of the city council is Monday, April 13, at 6:30 p.m. in council chambers, 619 Main St. All council meetings are open to the public.

For a more detailed look at city business see the Mayor's Minutes on page two.

'Friona Feeds the World' banquet theme

The Friona Community Center will be the place to be at on Thursday, March 26 as the 59th Annual Friona Chamber of Commerce Banquet will kickoff at 6:30 p.m. The theme for this year's banquet is "Friona Feeds the World" and the decorating committee will be utilizing burlap and lace for the tables.

The community is invited to enjoy the dynamic speaker, Brandon Slay. Slay was the freestyle wrestling gold medalist at the 2000 Olympic Games in Syd-

ney, Australia.

Banquet-goers will be treated to a delicious Prime Rib dinner provided by Cargill Meat Solutions. Blue Sky Farms has donated the butter and sour cream for the potatoes. Canna Ray will be providing the delicious desserts for the evening. Parmer County Implement will be supplying the knives.

The highlight of the evening will be the announcing of Citizen of the Year, Man of the Year, Woman of the Year, Boy Student of the

Year, Girl Student of the Year, Teacher of the Year and most Courteous Employee of the Year.

A silent auction will be held during the banquet with money-raised going toward the many community activities that are planned for 2015. If anyone has an item to donate, it needs to be at the Chamber Office by March 19. If you are unable to donate an item, monetary donations will be accepted to purchase items from local merchants for the auction. This year's Gold Spon-

sors are ATMOS Energy, Bi-Wize Pharmacy, Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home, Blue Sky Farms, CHS, Inc. Cargill Meat Solutions, Chisum, City of Friona, Friona Banking Center-First National Bank, Friona InterBank, Hi-Pro Feeds, Kendrick Oil Co., Parmer County Implement, Underwood Law Firm and Xcel Energy.

Tickets are \$25 in advance only. Contact Chris or Betty at the Chamber Office at 621 Main Street or call (806) 250-3491.



dana jameson photo

FHS Senior Christina Green clears the bar in the High Jump at the Chieftain Relays held on Friday, March 6. Christina placed 4th in the event. Only three teams participated in the track meet. The Squaws won 1st place in team points with 240 followed by Tulia, 172, and Farwell, 113. The Varsity Chiefs beat Tulia 298 to 203. The JV Chiefs had 248 team points. More results on page 7.

Chamber needs you!

The Friona Chamber of Commerce Decorating Committee would like to place the Chamber's Business Members' advertising items as decoration on the tables at the 2015 Chamber of Commerce banquet on Thursday, March 26.

If you would like to take advantage of this prime opportunity to showcase your business, please drop your items at the Chamber office at 621 Main by March 23.

The Silent Auction Committee is soliciting the community's help with donations for the Silent Auction at the banquet. If you are unable to donate an item, the Chamber will consider a monetary donation to purchase items from local Member Merchants. Board members will be contacting local businesses. If you are not contacted and would like to donate, call the Chamber office at (806) 250-3491. Deadline for donations is March 19.

County tax receipts down

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar recently announced that state sales tax revenue in February was \$2.46 billion, up 11.7 percent compared to February 2014.

"This marks the 59th consecutive month of year-over-year growth — an encouraging sign that Texas' diverse economic engine continues to drive spending growth in households and businesses all over the state," Hegar said.

"Receipts from manufacturing and wholesale and retail trade showed strong growth," Hegar said. "And despite the decline in oil and natural gas prices, tax receipts from the oil and natural gas sector were once again up sharply over last year."

Parmer County will receive a net payment of \$48,762, which is a decrease of -2.02 percent from the payment in the 2014, comparable period in which the county received \$49,770. To-date payments total \$163,517, which is a decrease of -0.31 percent over the 2014 payments of \$164,034.

Friona will receive a payment of \$28,081, which is a decrease of -7.56 percent as compared to the 2014 payment of \$30,379. To-date Friona has received \$96,021, which is a decrease of -7.90 percent over the 2014 payments of \$104,265.

Bovina will receive a payment of \$10,514, which is a decrease of -5.85 percent as compared to the 2014 payment \$11,167. To-date Bovina has received \$34,746, which is an increase of 7.25 percent from the 2014 payments of \$32,395.28.

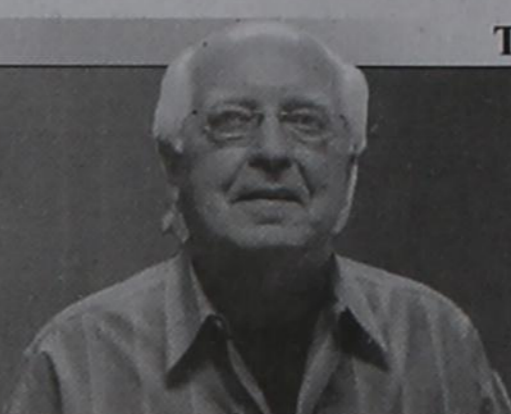
Farwell will receive a payment of \$10,167, which is an increase of 23.63 percent as compared to the 2014 payment of \$8,224. To-date Farwell has received \$32,750, which is an increase of 19.64 percent over the 2014 payments of \$27,373.

The sales tax figures represent January sales reported by monthly tax filers.

Check out the Community Calendar on page 2!

Out Here

By Ron Carr



Community Calendar

- March 14**
Boys Powerlifting Regionals in Sundown
- FHS Baseball at Home vs. Slaton-12 p.m. & 2:30 p.m.
- March 16**
FHS Baseball @ Fritch-4:30 p.m.
- March 19**
Friona Noon Lions meeting at Headquarters
- March 20**
FHS Track @ Andrews
- March 21**
FHS Baseball @ San Jacinto-10 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
- FHS Girls Track @ Tucumcari
- FHS Choir Camp-10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at FHS
- March 23**
St. Teresa's Senior Dinner-6:30 p.m.
- March 24**
FHS Baseball @ Texico-5 p.m.
- DSEC Annual Meeting-5:30 p.m. at Hereford Bull Barn
- March 26**
Parmer Medical Center/ Friona Rural Health Clinic Appreciation Reception for Physician's Day-1-2:30 p.m. in the Conference Room at PMC
- Friona Chamber of Commerce Banquet-6:30 p.m. at Friona Community Center
- Friona JH Track @ Dimmitt
- Friona Blood Drive at Calvary Baptist Church-12 p.m.-7 p.m.
- District OAP @ Shallowater
- March 27**
FHS Track @ Dimmitt
- Boys Powerlifting State Meet- Abilene (March 27-28)
- March 31**
Friona JH Track @ Muleshoe
- FHS Baseball at Home vs Shallowater-4:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.
- WTRT Annual Meeting-6 p.m. at Hereford Bull Barn

messing around with our schools

Juan Williams wrote that Congress has stopped looking out for America's kids. Mr. Williams is a Fox News contributor whose ideology often wanders to the left. He could be considered the "balance" in Fox News' fair and balanced slogan.

His article said Congress had been working for ten years on an education bill that Republicans killed this year. I do not know how the bill intended to improve education in America. Juan wasn't happy that the federal government did not choose to take over education.

Here in Texas, Senator Kel Seliger of Amarillo filed two bills aimed at improving the quality of education. Part of the proposal is to grade public schools A through F. Teacher groups are said to express strong disapproval.

After filing Senate bills 892 and 893, Seliger is quoted as saying, "As a state we have made significant progress in improving the standards and requirements of educator preparation programs, but more must be done to continue to better prepare teachers for the diverse classrooms they are entering."

He aims to balance teacher shortages with teacher preparation. I'm not a teacher so somebody tell me what that even means. His SB 893 is supposed to provide more opportunities for teacher leadership and promoting continuous professional growth and improvement.

Phew, that is a lot of stuff for teachers to deal with I think. Is there a teacher anywhere in Texas that does not want to continue growth and improvement? Probably there are a few who are entrenched in a routine and to whom being a teacher is just a job. I don't think the good old boys and girls in the Texas legislature should be sitting behind their big mahogany desks writing the ten commandments of teaching. They speak in riddles and esoteric philosophies that have very little relevance to what actually happens in classrooms.

For instance, here is Seliger explaining his SB 893: "This is going to be addressed to the teacher with the focus on the student. But the student appraisal will have taken place already and a big part of the evaluation is going to be classroom observation, interaction of the teacher with the student."

Huh? If I read that 10 more times I might begin to understand it. Sounds good though doesn't it. We are going to take all of these different students, with different backgrounds, different motivations, and indeed different qualifications and make them all into standard kids with standard tests. Then we are going to give their school a grade, A through F. Then what?

Ain't going to work. If I am wrong I would appreciate hearing from a teacher to set me straight on the issue. If there is a teacher out there longing for more regulation from the state I would like to hear from you too. Yes, teachers and students need rules and supervision. That is why we have school boards, superintendents, and principals.

The federal government and the state have not made education successful. They seem drunk on their own power. Every-

one wants better school districts and successful students and teachers. That is a new goal with each school year. The motivation should not come from the government.

There are no standard students and there are no standard teachers. When will elected officials like Senator Seliger get the message? The AA support group has a saying, "We strive for progress, not perfection."

Perhaps our legislators need to attend a meeting.



Mayor's Minutes

by Ricky White

Greeting's...I am impressed with the great work the volunteer firemen perform when they are called into action. I know that the city of Friona has the best volunteer fire department compared to any city in this part of the country.

I have signed a proclamation designating the week of April 20, 2015 as an appreciation week for all volunteer firemen, past and present. I ask all citizens to join me to show our appreciation to the volunteer fire department. We will be serving a meal to all volunteer firemen and their family members during this designated week.

The Volunteer Fire Department responded to 6 calls. (3-car wrecks, 1-grain tank recovery and 2-vehicle fires).

There were a total of 120 man-hours involved from the firemen responding to these calls.

Chief Jimenez and the Friona Police Department received 590 calls for service in the month of February. There were 216 stops recorded, 96 warnings issued, 68 citations issued and a total of 11 arrests. (5-no driver's license, 2-warrants issued, 1-theft, 2-drug possessions and 1-striking an unattended vehicle). The city police drove a total of 4940 miles patrolling our city.

Judge Campbell and the Friona Police Department issued 46 outstanding warrants during "Warrant Round Up" and the city police apprehended 26 violators. The round up generated \$12,763.43. Everyone involved in this process did a great job. The list of

warrants on record have been reduced considerably.

Judge Campbell had 93 new cases in February of which 67 pled guilty. There were 39 cases dismissed and 7 juvenile cases filed. The Court collected \$15,449.47 in fines.

Prairie Acres and Heritage Estates continue to do very well. Prairie Acres has 36 residents and Heritage Estates has 11 residents. The remodeling of the front entrance and hallway leading to the nurse's station is completed and it looks great.

The Public Works employees have been working very hard at the Community Center, removing the paneling and replacing with texture and paint. It is looking very good and will be completed before the Chamber Banquet

on March 26.

Due to the snow, ice and cold weather, many potholes around the city have been identified and the Public Works employees will begin repairing the holes during the warmer weather.

During the week of February 23, the City of Friona began draining the north water tank so it could be serviced and a safety ladder installed inside the tank. The tank was drained by releasing the water on the city park. Several concerned citizens called the city and reported it and we want to say thank you for doing so. Anytime you see something out of the ordinary around the city, please call the city office and report it.

The city accounts payable for the month of January

equaled \$493,352.64. This amount is considerably higher than the last two months due to bond payments that were due. The city issued a check to First Financial Bank for \$127,000 and a check to Bank of New York for \$207,672.50.

Emergency Medical Service had a total of 22 runs. There were 13 calls for 911 service and 8 calls were transfers. EMS collected \$15,939.59 for service fees.

Friona Public Library was opened 18 days in February. The Library closed two days due to bad weather. There were 840 patron visits averaging 46 visits per day. There were 891 items checked out of the Library, 188 new items added and 180 items discarded.

Your Mayor

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- "___ Texas tale"
- prophets
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- alleviate
- LBJ appointed TX Edward ___ as ambassador to Australia in 1965
- ex-Cowboy QB, Troy
- TX "Big Bopper" hit: "Chantilly ___"
- Dallas public TV
- Cleo's Mark
- calf-roping loop
- this TX Heisman winner, O'Brien, was better known as "Davey"
- UT swimmer who won gold in '88 and '92 relay teams
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- tax collector: "Internal ___"
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- short message
- safety certification co.
- TXism: "___ hill for a stepper" (simple)
- church brass
- TXism: "bring ___ the bacon"
- fires an employee

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"I care about one thing and one thing only and that is how to use every minute of the remaining 1,276 days of my term to make the country work for working Americans again. That's all I care about."
President Barack Obama
July 24, 2013 Galesburg, Illinois

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Town Talk II

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I am still reeling a bit because of the time change. Moving forward just one hour can throw off your routine. Don't like the dark morning when folks are on the way to school or work. Do like the later daylight but I'm sure it is harder to get the kids in bed. Someone in Austin has introduced a bill to keep Texas off of Daylight Saving Time. Hope it passes.

Spring arrives March 20 and Easter is April 5. Mark your calendars. After a few reader suggestions we have decided to add a Calendar of Events to the paper. We will try to include all upcoming events in the community. If your church or organization has a meeting or event scheduled let us know and we will add it to the list. We will stick it on page two and update it as needed.

A few anniversaries I found out about: Allan and Patty Haile 35 years, Doug and Ann Kelly 30 years, Jyl and Jayson Grimsley 39 years, Gary and Barbara Brown 56 years, April (Pope) and Kenton Guidry 8 years, and Trent and Kelly Cook 7 years. You don't have to be married for a long time to get a mention here. Congratulations to each and all.

Laura Bracken is a Canyon High School student. She is on the school bowling team. Laura will be competing in the state bowling tournament in both individual and team events. Congratulations to Miss Laura, daughter of Lana and Cody Bracken, granddaughter of Teddy Fangman and Darla and Rex Bracken. Bowling in high school. Interesting.

The All-School Reunion committee will meet Sunday March 15 at 3:00 p.m. at the Friends of the Library Book Shoppe, 119 W. 6th St. It is a planning meeting for the reunion which is scheduled for Saturday, September 19 during the Maize Days celebration. More info later I am sure. I do know that each class will be asked to contact its members.

Thursday March 26 is turning out to be a busy day here. Blood drive from 12 noon to 7:00 p.m. at Calvary, a Physician's Appreciation reception at PMC, and the Chamber banquet starts at 6:30 p.m. Get next week's Star for more details.

The Chiefs will host Slaton Saturday at the baseball field. Weather should be fine so come out and see what the boys are all about

this season. Play ball time is 12 noon. I'll be around for a few innings snapping some home run photos I hope.

The County Commissioners met Monday. They had some routine items on the agenda. Judge Ellis said they passed about eight resolutions on various issues about the state's mandates on the counties in Texas. Many Texas counties banded together to send their resolutions to the state legislature protesting unfunded mandates being considered.

I met Charlie Teague 20 years ago when I came here and went to work for the Star and the Bovina Blade. My weekly job was go to Bovina and find news. I spent a lot of time around the Bovina school and out in the bus maintenance shop talking to Charlie. He was always helpful. We were about the same age and he became a friend. Charlie was a boisterous fellow, went straight to the point, and was loved and respected by everyone at the school, kids and staff alike. Charlie passed away on Monday after a long battle with health issues. I am glad I knew Charlie and send my sympathies to Chuck and Susie and the

Teague family. RIP Charlie.

Hugh Moseley called the newspaper this week to tell me he still reads and enjoys the Star. The long time Parmer County historian and tax assessor is 88 now and lives in Sweeny, Texas. He still sounded strong on the phone. Thanks for the call Hugh. Always good to hear from you and all of our readers.

In addition to the new Community Calendar we are tinkering around with our front page layout and some inside changes. Most of you probably won't notice the changes so that's why I am telling you about them. Every now and then we get bored and do some tinkering. Thinking about throwing in a few issues in black and white, no color, like the old days. We'll see.

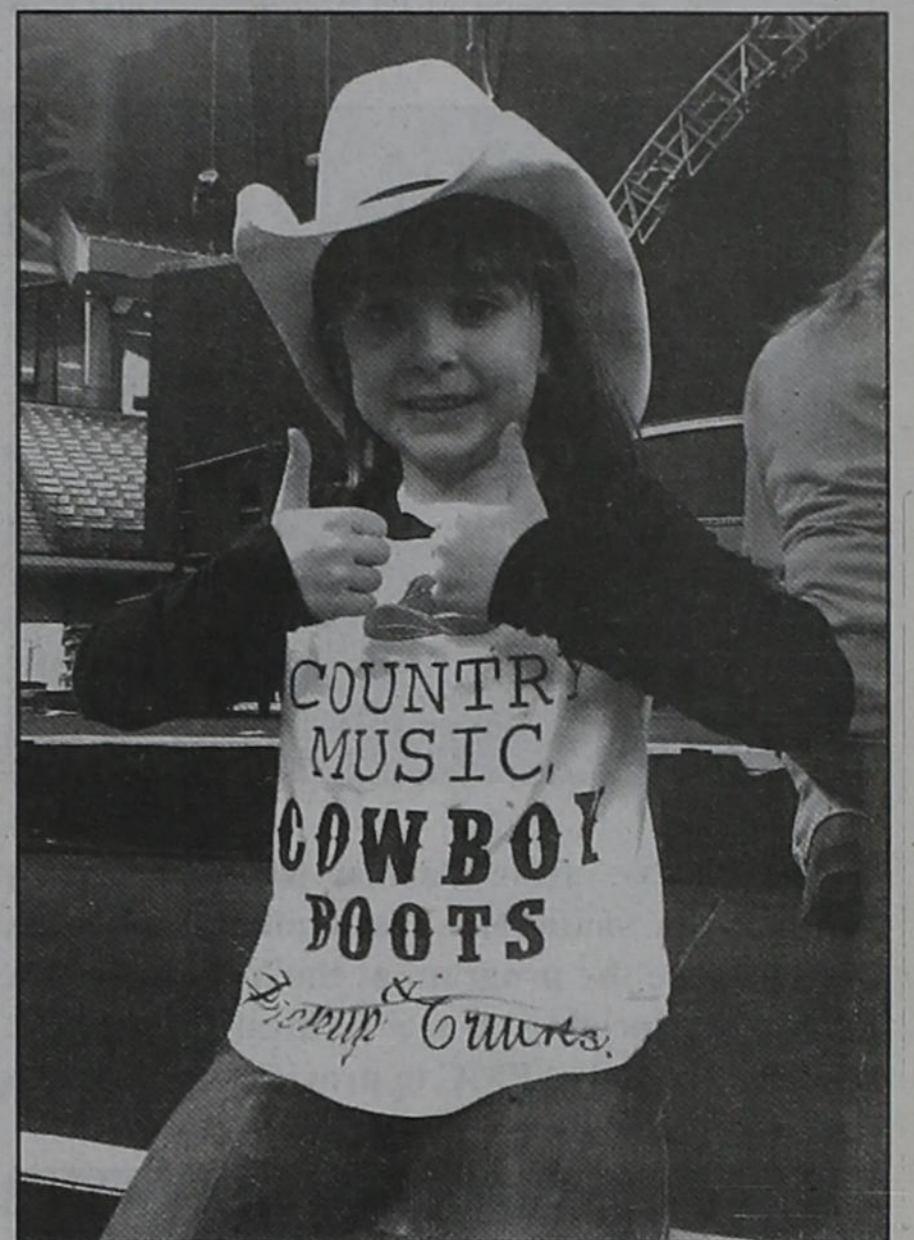
Shelby Lewellen went with her mother to a Brad Paisley concert in Lubbock. At the end of the concert Paisley came over in front of Shelby who was on her mother's shoulders. When he finished the song he took his hat off and put it on Shelby's head, smiled and walked off. She got to keep it. On the inside band it says "Made by Stetson especially for Brad Paisley." Shelby says it was her best night ever. Her photo in the hat is on this page.

Superintendent Kenny Austin told me this week he has received more than 80 applications for the athletic director/head coach position. He said the applications are from places like

Florida, Massachusetts, and California. He thinks many of the applicants probably do not know where Friona is. They just go on a website and start pumping out resumes to a whole bunch of school districts. Kenny said they could probably narrow the list down to 10 viable applications pretty quick.

Two years ago Tuesday

March 10 is the day our mother died. Doesn't seem like two years have passed. Sometimes death gets too close but we continue on with a bag full of memories. Wish I could give my mom a hug. I wouldn't even mind if she griped at me. I still talk to her often. You probably know how that is. See you next week I hope. Until then!



courtesy photo Shelby Lewellen is wearing a hat but not just any old hat. Shelby scored Brad Paisley's hat when she went to a concert in Lubbock with her mom Jamie Lewellen. After Paisley's final song he put his hat on Shelby's head while she was perched on Jamie's shoulders in front of the stage. Shelby said it was her best night ever. The band inside the hat says "Made by Stetson especially for Brad Paisley."

Country Thoughts
dana jameson

Re-runs

Does it seem like our country is in automatic re-run mode and the remote is broken?

I was looking at some of the people that are either thinking of running for President or have already declared they are running and it seems like we have the same ones running that have been running forever.

But, when I put more thought into it I came up with the fact that it is the same in every election from national to local.

The School Board and City Council elections here were cancelled because they only needed six people (three per election) to step up and be heard.

How many times in the past have you grumbled and griped about how things are being run but when it comes time to make a difference you vote for the same people or don't vote at all or the election is cancelled?

So the same people return to be elected into office and the re-run continues.

Nationally we are reliving a re-run that is a study in idiocy. They are like bad reruns of sitcoms that come on late at night.

Don't get me wrong. I love re-runs of the Golden Girls, Frasier, and CSI. I was a big follower of Dallas and Knots Landing back in the 80's. I remember watching the reruns of those shows during the summer then memorizing when the new season would start and be parked in front of the television that night so I wouldn't miss a thing.

My oldest son was born the day that Knots Landing began a new season and my youngest son was born during a Knots Landing re-run. That is how committed I was to watching my 'favorite' show.

But, the reruns of government are really bad horror movies and I don't find myself parked in front of the television waiting with bated breath to watch the latest crop of re-run politicians.

Some of the newly-elected politicians are attempting to do the right thing but they are run-over by the ones that are simply there because of a paycheck they didn't have to work hard for.

It seems like when there is a different person running for office it is like offering up a sacrificial lamb at the altar. They are cut up and left bloody to only be led off to drink the special Kool-Aid.

We need a better variety of choices other than Bushes and Clintons and Romneys, oh my!

We have become a society of status quo. We don't like things that are going on but we don't make the effort to create change for fear of being the sacrificial lamb.

Do I want to run for president? No!

Do I want to run for the school board or city council? Maybe? Just not this year.

Do I think we need to change direction? YES!

Reclining Sofa and Loveseat

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Lions Club News

Friona Noon Lions met Thursday March 5 with 16 members, club sweetheart Aubrey Williams, and three guests present. Boss Lion Andy Montana reminded members that the long time Lions Mop and Broom Sale has been permanently canceled. The club will furnish French fries for the May 12 all-sports banquet.

The three guests were Mike Prather, Rhonda Sanders, and Gayla Quillin representing Parmer Medical Center. The hospital has started a new Critical Care Clinic program to assist non-insured citizens that cannot always afford proper medical attention. The Critical Care program assists with preventative resources.

The clinic will provide a three month class with a meeting every three weeks. The first group includes those with diabetes. Folks with diabetes often suffer vision problems but may not be able to afford eye exams and glasses. The Noon Lions will consider donating some funds to the program to help with eye exams.

The next meeting of the Noon Lions is Thursday March 19 at Headquarters Restaurant.



ron carr photo

Representatives from Parmer Medical Center, l-r, Rhonda Sanders, Gayla Quillin, and Mike Prather gave the program at the March 5 Noon Lions Club meeting. A new Critical Care Clinic has been started at PMC to provide preventative resources for non-insured patients.



From Dr. Gary Cash: OMG, look at what a hoot this is. Thanks to Ben Osborn for the tip as to the location of this fabulous Long-eared Owl.



courtesy photo

Parmer Medical Center recently announced that Emma Cisneros, left, is the January Employee of the Month. Administrator Gayla Quillin, right, presented the award and stated, "Emma is an example of a person who works so hard to do a good job, doesn't complain, is cheerful when she comes to the lab and is always ready to be helpful. Emma does embody the spirit of our Oath of Excellence. We congratulate her for being noted for her hard work."

Happy Birthday

March 15-21

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

Mar. 15-Randol Allen, Lucky Hernandez, Christian Alexander, Ricky Vera, Amber Martin Drake, John Rule, Moses Reyes, Gary Zerfas, Emily Fager, Misti Cooper

Mar. 16-Kylie Boyd, Glenda Sifford, Wendell Jones, Parker Reeve Banfield, Amy Murphree Hand, Seth Murphree, Gary Wright, Julie Reeve, Tommy Jones, Robert Tapia, Luke Steelman, Bill Gist

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

Mar. 18-Bobby Drake, Ryan Cash, Mac Fields, Ben Johnson, John Carson, David Woody, Bob Ferguson, Bryneligh Kate Hooten, Pat Read, Mary Rose Paterson, Braxton Upton

Mar. 19-Coby Clark, Billie Manuel, Keshia Parker, Shara Lookingbill Hamilton, Jered Cunningham, Justin Hinton, Alice Stone, Laney Graham

Mar. 20-Doris Barnett, Claudia Hanes, Kenda Dunnam, Joyce Wells, Tammy Spencer Fincher, Mildred Agee, Jesse Estrada, Jeanne Kerby

Mar. 21-Jeffery Sunderlin, Joe Murphree, Lou Keith, Amelia Wright, James M. McFarland, Rojelio Reyes Jr., Adriana Garza, Kathy Graves, Peyton Schueler, Melissa Tamez, Kevin Schilling



Sheriff's Report

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office: March 3, 2015

Marko Garcia, 30, of Bovina, was arrested by the Bovina Police Department on a charge of murder. The case is pending in the Grand Jury.

Leticia Granado, 41, of Bovina, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of violation of community service (possession of a controlled substance PG1 less than one gram. Granado is pending transport to rehabilitation.

Adan Grave, 25, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of fraudulent use of identifying information. The case is pending in Grand Jury.

March 7, 2015

Freddy Reyes, 28, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of driving while intoxicated 2nd offense. The case is pending in County Court.

Juan Basaldua, 34, of Friona, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of assault. The case is pending in County Court.

February 24, 2015

In 287th District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding: Frank Aragon, 35, of Friona, was charged with evading arrest in a vehicle. Aragon was given 10 years in the institutional division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) and fined \$304 in court costs. He was also charged with possession of a controlled substance in a drug free zone. Aragon was given 8 years in the institutional division of TDCJ, fined \$364 in court cost and \$180 restitution.

Courthouse Notes

Warranty deeds as reported by the County Clerk's Office for the week of February 26, 2015 to March 4, 2015:

Joe A Schilling and Eunice Schilling-Stephen Schilling and Jason Schilling, 30 AC of S PT S15 T9S R1E.

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James Clayton-Omar Salas, L1-3 B76 OT Bovina. McCain Land & Cattle Co. Ltd.-R.D. Sparks, NE/4 OD Sec 14 Blk B Capitol Syndicate.

Jonathan M. Jackson and Jeanette L. Jackson-Frank C. Galvan and Elsa A. Galvan, L9 B4 of the Ridgelea Addition of City of Bovina.

Marcos Socorro Martinez-LaJoy Farm and Housing, Inc., 302.5 AC SE/4 S7 S/2 S8 Blk W E K Warren.

Charles W. Hicks Estate and Margie H. Hicks-Hamilton Childers Trust, 1/2 Interst S17 T1N R4E.

Richard Miller and Nancy Miller-Gerri Bowers, L26-29 B385 OT Farwell.

Robbie Barrett and Stephanie Barrett-Chance Lewellen and Heather Lewellen, NE PT S13 Blk C.

Robert Sparks-McCain Land & Cattle Co. Ltd., SE/4 S35 BLK B.

School Menu

Week of March 16-20

Monday

Breakfast: Cereal, pig in a blanket, orange pineapple juice, pineapple, milk

Lunch: Salisbury steak, roll, white rice, cole slaw, corn, fruit salad, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast: Cereal, apple Frudel, fruit punch juice, oranges, milk

Lunch: Combo sub, broccoli, carrot sticks, tropical fruit, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast: Cereal, Eggstravaganza burrito, grape juice, peaches, milk

Lunch: Roasted chicken, roll, baked beans, mashed potatoes, pineapple, milk

Thursday

Breakfast: Cereal, sausage pizza, orange juice, banana, milk

Lunch: Hot dog, Doritos, fresh tomatoes, fruit cocktail, milk

Friday

Breakfast: Cereal, sausage gravy, biscuit, apple juice, tropical fruit, milk

Lunch: Pepperoni pizza, lettuce & tomato salad, mixed vegetables, apples, milk

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Obedience to God pays off

By TEENA HUGHES

Several weeks ago, some form of the word OBEDIENCE kept hitting me in the face—my devotionals, cowboy church, and my daughter's search for a job.

Beth Moore's Portraits of Devotion really struck a chord with me. For two days, she used the story of King Saul to talk about obedience. Beth tells us that in 1 Samuel 15, "God commanded Saul to utterly destroy the Amalekites, including all the people and all the livestock...Saul led the Israelite army to victory but then disobeyed. They kept the king and the best of the livestock."

God wants us to be totally committed and obedient to Him. To be less than 100% obedient results in consequences that oftentimes we don't like. In King Saul's case, God turned His back on him, and he lost his kingdom.

King Saul may have been the "people's choice" for their first king, but not much good comes from being totally focused on oneself, trying to be in control, and being worried about what others think rather than trusting God.

King Saul didn't completely obey, and as Beth

points out, "a small disobedience left unchecked always grows." When we don't obey fully, we create more problems for ourselves and others.

My daughter has had a difficult time finding a job in the area where she wants to work. She has a strong relationship with God, and He has told her to wait and see what He has for her. This goes against everything the world teaches, and at times it has been difficult for her to be obedient. But, it has also been amazing to watch how God has provided for her while she strives to be obedient to Him.

We all go through ups and downs in life, but God is with us each step of the way. If we are willing to read His Word, pray, listen to Him, and follow through with 100% obedience, we get to experience the reward of God's blessings. His very best blessings we may never have ever dreamed possible. We just have to trust God, believe His Word, and be patient while we wait. It will be worth it, and we will see God's love in action at its best!

Take care and have a great week!

Trials

BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

James 1:2 says that you and I will meet "trials of various kinds," which is absolutely true. Trials are a part of the fabric of life, and can be anything from marital problems, health crises, spiritual turmoil or other forms of difficulty you face. Trials are miserable, but surprisingly many people are shocked that trials actually happen to them.

Let us think a moment about what the Bible says about trials.

First, the Bible says you will have trials.

If Jesus was perfect and they killed Him, what makes you think you deserve any better? In fact, biblically there are a couple of reasons why you have trials. You will have trials because you are a human living in a fallen world. You may get cancer, get sick, have relational problems and have other diffi-

culties not because there is a demon around every corner but because we live in a sinful fallen world.

Second, you will have trials if you are a Christian (2 Tim 3:12). Persecution, ridicule, spiritual warfare, and being shunned for your stand for Christ are all trials related to you following Jesus.

Finally, you will have trials because you sin. Don't blame God, or even Satan if you launder money and get thrown in jail. It is your fault, and you brought that trial on yourself.

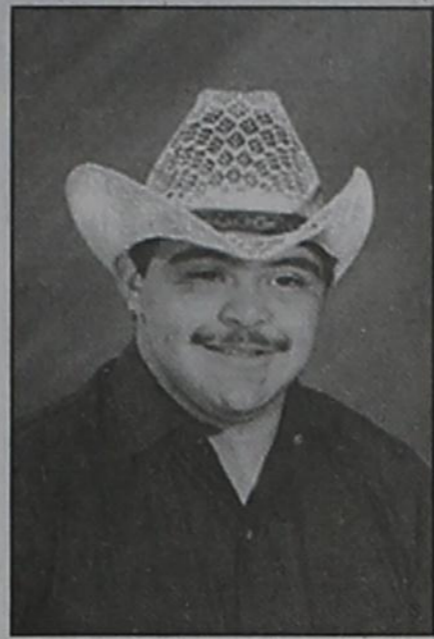
The hope in trials is that God can give you strength to go through the trial you are in. In fact, all trials are temporary for the child of God, because all trials will end one day in heaven, and in some sense, earthly trials incite our souls to long for that day when we get to be with Jesus there.

Francisco C. "Frankie" Carranza

Francisco C. "Frankie" Carranza, 43, of Friona, Texas, died on Sunday, March 8, 2015 at his residence. Mass of Christian Burial was held Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at St. Teresa's Catholic Church with Reverend Anthony Swamy Aakula, pastor. Burial followed in Friona Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona, Texas.

Frankie was born on October 4, 1971 in Weslaco, Texas to Juan and Juanita (Camacho) Carranza. He graduated from Mercedes High School in 1994. He enjoyed dancing, sports, especially bowling and basketball, and watching movies. He was a member of the Special Olympics and St. Teresa's Catholic Church.

Frankie is survived by three brothers, Doroteo Carranza and wife, Tomasa, Santos Carranza and wife, Margarita, and Pedro Carranza all of



Friona, TX; and two sisters, Romana Balli and husband, Paulino of Friona, TX, and Eva Lopez and husband Frank of Grand Prairie, TX.

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Panhandle Parables Plastic Treasures

By JEFF PROCTER, Minister, 6th Street Church of Christ

I have a memory from early in my childhood, way back in the day before McDonald Happy Meals or even Sonic Wacky Packs. I remember collecting little transparent, various colored, plastic animals that Sonic would put on your cup. I had mostly monkeys, but the occasional giraffe or elephant and the grand prize was a little swordfish, but those were rare. They were fun to play with, my very own collection of plastic treasures. They were small, very fragile and would often be lost in the back seat to the place old French fries gather.

I found recently that you can find these little critters on ebay, who knew? They are called Sonic cup huggers. I think a set of four was going for about twenty bucks and each one is not much bigger than a penny. If you remember them then I need not continue a description because you probably had a few stuck in the creases of your seat cushions, too. It was a marketing strategy that sold a lot of soft drinks and now we have the kid meal market that deals in

millions of dollars. I can't say for sure those two are related, but here is the reality check: whether one plastic monkey or millions of dollars it is all temporary in nature.

We live with so many distractions or little plastic treasures that keep us focused on temporary things, not eternal things. What are the things, in which, you are heavily invested?

Jesus would remind us, even warn us of what we treasure. For what we treasure is where our heart is. Go read Matthew 6:19-24. (Stop reading and go get your Bible, I'll wait... Nope I know you have a Bible... Step away from the paper and go read the text mentioned...Got it?...good!)

Keep perspective, treasure those things that will last. I enjoyed those little monkeys, but don't think I will be bidding on them on ebay, I would probably lose them too! Something I thought I just had to have as a kid is now a mere memory. That is the nature of what it means to be temporary.

What are your plastic treasures?

Elsie "Joe" Buchanan

Joe was called home on Sunday, March 8, 2015. A Celebration of Life will be held at 4 p.m. on Thursday, March 12 at Live Oak Community Church in Lubbock, TX.

Joe was born December 21, 1929 in Blue Ridge, Texas. She graduated from North Texas College in 1949 with a degree in Home Economics. She moved to Friona, Texas where she married Billy Gene Buchanan. They farmed from 1950 until 1983. Joe was a Realtor from 1984 until her retirement in 2002.

She is preceded in death by her husband, her parents Isom and Ruth Boren, and her siblings, Lyle Boren, Floyd

Boren, Nannie Lou Rogers, Alberta Williams, Mable Cox and Melva Gene Broom.

She is survived by her three children, Chief Buchanan and his wife Jacquelyn, Mike Buchanan and his wife Cathy, Felisa Carson and her husband John; 10 grandchildren; and 13 great grandchildren.

Flowers may be sent to Live Oak Community Church. Memorials may be sent to Lubbock Meals on Wheels Feed Seniors Now.



Charles Edward Teague

Charles Edward Teague, 76, of Bovina, Texas passed away on Monday, March 9, 2015 in Friona, Texas. All arrangements were under the direction of Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.

Charles was born on September 11, 1938 in Street, Maryland to Grant and Martha Doyle Teague. He graduated from Hartford High School in Maryland in 1956. Charles joined the United States Air Force where he was an aircraft mechanic from 1956-1960. After his Air Force service, he went to work in Friona at the Friona Glass Shop. He then went to work for Bovina ISD as the transportation director for 42 years. Charles enjoyed camping and getting to spend time with his family.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his wife Molly Teague in February 2004 and his brother Curtis Teague.

Charles is survived by one son, Chuck Teague and his wife Susan of Friona, Texas; three sisters, Shirley Street of Street, Maryland, Mary Clark of Rockhall, Maryland, Nancy and Mike



Dunaway of Street, Maryland; six brothers, Paul and wife Cathy of Glen Rock, Pennsylvania, Allen and wife Marty of Titusville, Florida, James Teague of Street, Maryland, Roger Teague and Sam Teague of Whiteford, Maryland, and Grant Teague, Jr. of Dublin, Maryland; two grandchildren Lacy and Matthew Teague of Friona; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

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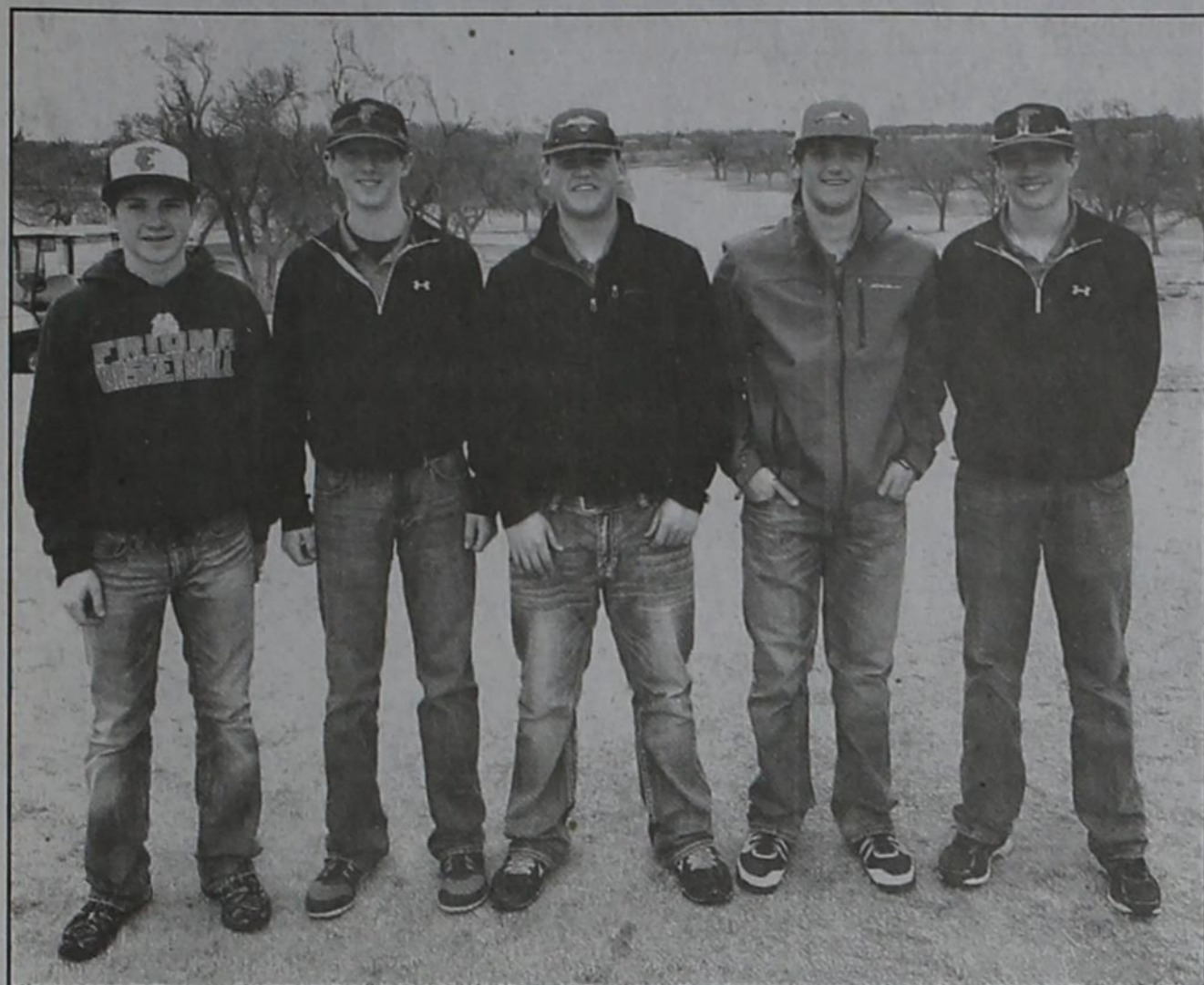
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Prairie Acres is now hiring for a full time Medication Aide. Must have current Medication Aide Certificate. Hours may vary. Please contact Tricia Rocha, Director of Nursing, at 806-250-3922 or apply in person at 201 E. 15th St. in Friona.

Friona Heritage Estates is now hiring for part time Attendant. Hours may vary. Call Dawn Campos for more information at 806-250-5599, or apply in person at Prairie Acres, 201 E. 15th St. in Friona. 4tc:3.12-4.2



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Friona High School Golf is in full swing. The FHS team competed in the Roosevelt Invitational at Meadowbrook Golf Course in Lubbock on Monday, March 3, 2015. The youth-driven Chiefs, composed of three freshmen, one sophomore and one senior, were 7th out of 14 teams from the area with a team score of 403. Senior Gavin Douglas was the 3rd medalist by turning in a card of 78 for the day. Pictured, l-r, are Bryce Bunker, Seth Murphree, Brandon Douglas, Gavin Douglas and Matthew Dickson.

FFA, 4-H youth state shows results

Parmer County Extension Agent James Graves released the results of the FFA and 4-H members who exhibited at the San Angelo and San Antonio Stock Shows.

At the San Angelo Stock Show held February 17-19 three county competitors exhibited swine with the following results: Carrisa Johnson, 3rd place Duroc Barrow; Wyatt Heathington, 9th place WOPB (White OPB) Barrow and Top 15 BOPB (Black OPB) Barrow; and Jordan Carrasco, Top 15 WOPB Barrow.

Showmen at the San Antonio Livestock Show held February 17-27 exhibited sheep, swine, steers and dairy heifers.

Avery and Ashlyn Timms exhibited Medium Wool lambs and placed 4th and 8th respectively.

Showing swine were: Treylin Grisswold, 1st place Duroc Barrow; Cassidy Devault, 2nd place Berkshire Barrow; Emily Stancell, 4th place Spot Barrow; Wyatt Heathington, 5th place Spot Barrow; Jarrett White, 6th place Hampshire Barrow; Sterling Henderson, 8th place Duroc Barrow; Jaydon Morris, 8th place Spot Barrow; Garrison Haseloff, 8th place Landrace Barrow; Ethan Stancell, 9th place Hampshire Barrow; Kady Urbantke, 9th place Crossbred Barrow; and Cambree Haseloff, 10th place Crossbred Barrow.

Three county youth showed steers. The winners were: Lacey Jesko, 1st place Shorthorn Steer; Trey Hurst, 1st place AOB; and Kenlea Barnes, 5th place Maine-Anjoe Steer.

The Beckerink family exhibited Holstein heifers in the Dairy Heifer Show. The results were: Elizabeth Beckerink, 1st place; Thomas Beckerink, 1st place; Gabriel Beckerink, 3rd place; and Victoria Beckerink, 4th place.

Chieftain Relays have only three schools compete

The annual Chieftain Relays track meet attracted only two other schools for the Friday March 6 track meet. Coach David Townner said most of the teams had to pull out due to weather and not being able to work out or they had teams in the regional basketball tournaments. Besides Friona, only Tulia and Farwell participated. The Farwell teams arrived a few hours late due to Farwell's regional basketball game.

Here are results of the Friona athletes:

Varsity Girls:
100m dash Arianna Moreno 3rd, Taylor Stallings 5th; 200m dash Nastassia Luna 3rd, Kim DeWit 5th; 400m dash Kim DeWit 2nd, Erica Barrera 3rd, Alexis Alvarado 4th; 800m run Erika Maldonado 5th, Verence Mendoza 6th; 1600m run Briana Alvarado 2nd, Alexis Alvarado 4th, Erika Maldonado 5th; 3200m run Brianna Alvarado 1st, Alexia Amaya 3rd, Jackie Legaretta 4th.

100m hurdles Christina Green 2nd, Sierra Mendoza 3rd, Erica Barrera 4th, Perla Trevino 6th; 300m hurdles Celeste Rivas-Flores 1st, Sierra Mendoza 4th.

4x100m relay 2nd Taylor Stallings, Nastassia Luna, Celeste Rivas-Flores, Airam Chavez; 4x200m relay 2nd Airam Chavez, Christina Green, Viviana Rivera, Arianna Moreno; 4x400m relay 1st Celeste Rivas-Flores, Arianna Moreno, Airam Chavez, Christina Green.

High jump Christina Green 4th; long jump Arianna Moreno 1st, Airam Chavez 3rd; triple jump Arianna Moreno 1st, Taylor Stallings 2nd, Nastassia Luna 3rd, Sandra Gonzales 4th; shot put Brianna Padilla 1st, Kendall Barnett 2nd, Marilena Viernes 3rd, Alexis Alvarado 4th, Brooklynne Johnston 5th; discus Kendall Barnett 2nd, Brianna Padilla 3rd, Marilena Viernes 5th, Alexis Alvarado 6th.

Varsity Boys:

100m dash Marco Maldonado 2nd, Chris Alvarez 4th, Salvador Santiago 5th; 200m dash Justin Rocha 2nd, Saul Espino 3rd, Timothy Trevino 4th; 400m dash Alvaro Gardea 1st, Brent Hickman 3rd, Timothy Trevino 4th, Saul Espino 6th; 800m run Alvaro Gardea 1st, Jacob Harrison-Rejino 2nd, Juan Macias 4th; 1600m run Jacob Harrison-Rejino 1st, Juan Macias 2nd; 3200m run Bryan Ayala 3rd, Tyrone Shelby 4th.

110m hurdles Blayke Mills 1st, Jacob Dickson 2nd; 300m hurdles Blake Mills 3rd.

4x100m relay 2nd Salvador Santiago, Justin Rocha, Chris Alvarez, Marco Maldonado; 4x200m relay 1st Chris Alvarez, Adrian Munoz, Marco Maldonado, Justin Rocha, 4x400m relay 1st Friona A Adan Hernandez, Alvaro Gardea, Slavador Santiago, Adrian Munoz; 3rd Friona B Oscar Huerta, Jose Rocha, Brent Hickman, Jacob Dickson.

High jump 1st Jacob Dickson; long jump Justin Rocha

2nd, Marco Maldonado 4th, Chris Alvarez 5th; triple jump Jacob Dickson 1st, Marco Maldonado 3rd, Salvador Santiago 5th; shot put Juan Samarron 1st, Josue Ojeda 3rd, Rae Garcia 6th; discus Juan Samarron 1st, Josue Ojeda 2nd, Rae Garcia 6th.

Junior varsity boys:

100m dash Hadley White 1st, Germain Garcia 2nd, Miguel Antivaros 3rd; 200m dash Hadley White 1st, Axel Puga 2nd, Germain Garcia 3rd; 400m dash Hadley White 1st; 1600m run Mario Hernandez 1st, Franky Summerlin 2nd; 3200m run Mario Hernandez 1st, Franky Summerlin 2nd.

4x100m relay 1st Germain Garcia, Alex Mendoza, Johnny Ojeda, Rocky Barrios; 4x200m relay 1st Rocky Barrios, Miguel Antivaros, Johnny Ojeda, Alex Mendoza; 4x400m relay 1st Axel Puga, Johnny Ojeda, Rocky Barrios, Alex Mendoza.

High jump Hadley White 1st; long jump Rocky Barrios 1st, Alex Mendoza 2nd; triple jump Johnny Ojeda 1st, Alex Mendoza 2nd; shot put Jose Rodriguez 1st, Joel Cigarroa 2nd, Joe Rodriguez 2nd, Edgar Ramirez 3rd; discus Joel Cigarroa 1st, Jose Rodriguez 2nd, Edgar Ramirez 3rd.

The Squaws won 1st place in team points with 240 followed by Tulia 172 and Farwell 113. The Friona Chiefs beat Tulia 298-203, and the JV Chiefs had 248 points. Tulia and Farwell did not enter JV boys.



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Alexis Alvarado participating in the shot put at the annual Chieftain Relays track meet.

Girls powerlift at regional

The Region 1, Division 3 girls powerlifting meet was held Friday March 6 at Irion County High School in Mertzon, TX. Mertzon is located near San Angelo. It had a population of 781 in the 2010 census.

Four Friona Squaws lifted at the meet: freshman Claudia Correa, sophomores Chelsie Gomez and Lupita Hernandez, and junior Salma Escamilla. Gomez and Correa qualified in the top ten. Hernandez and Escamilla were

alternates. Correa placed 6th in the 105 lb class. Gomez placed 8th in the 123 lb class. The top two lifters in each class advance to state so none of the Squaws will advance. The Chiefs lift in Sundown

Saturday March 14 at the regional boys' meet. Chiefs lifting at the regional meet are sophomores Luis Trejo and Rene Rodriguez, junior Juan Samarron, and senior Edgar Guerrero. Freshman Mario Hernandez is an alternate.

FCS holds benefit dinner Tuesday

Friona Christian School (FCS) held a benefit dinner at the Country Rose on Tuesday, March 10.

Keri Jack, FCS Chairman, opened the dinner by welcoming the guests and Bobby Broughton, FCS ex officio, offered the prayer.

Guests were treated to a de-

licious meal catered by Canna Ray, owner of Country Rose.

Jack introduced the FCS Board. Lindsey Hoyle, FCS Director, spoke eloquently of the school and the dream of this becoming a reality.

Board Member Michael Rushing explained that the school would begin with

Pre-K through 5th grade but would eventually grow to include 6th grade but that FCS "will not move forward until we have the money."

Rushing stated that FCS is asking local businesses to consider offering support for FCS.

The projected budget for

the 2015-16 school year would be contingent on donations and fundraising. The projected cost for the first year is \$86,000 with an additional \$20,000 needed for initial start-up expenses. Fundraising will need to bring in approximately \$49,000. Staff salaries of \$54,000 are based on three or more teachers.

Rushing explained that the fundraising cut-off would be July 15. He went on to say May 15 is the last day for enrollment for the upcoming school year.

"We must have a minimum of 20 students to be called a school," stated Rushing. To date there are sixteen students enrolled.

"We don't want this to be an exclusive school," explained Rushing. "As a community we need all the community to make this a community school. It takes a whole community."

FCS Board member Tom Alger explained that there would be pledge forms for those that wish to pledge money toward FCS for enrollment requirements. All donations are tax deductible. "We need kids and prayers," stated Alger.



dana jameson photo

Friona Christian School held a benefit dinner on Tuesday evening at the Country Rose. Pictured, l-r, are Eric and Linda Rushing, Galen and Keri Jack and Michael Rushing partaking of the delicious fare prepared by Canna Ray before getting down to the business of fundraising for FCS.

Don't get hit with a penalty!
"Render" your taxable property by April 15th.

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year.

Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income - such as the inventory and equipment used by a business. If you render late, don't render or file an incomplete or false rendition, a 10% to 50% penalty may be imposed.

Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2015. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2016.

What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 2015 renditions is April 15. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 15 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

Parmer County Appraisal District

305 3rd Street
P.O. Box 56
Bovina, TX 79009

If you have any questions, please call (806) 251-1405; e-mail parmer@amaonline.com

Jill Timms -- Chief Appraiser
Deanna Curtis -- Deputy Chief Appraiser

Special note: The deadline for vehicle exemptions for those who qualify are due by April 30, 2015.



ron carr photo

Auditor Randall Field of Muleshoe presented the annual city audit to the Friona city council at Monday's meeting. From left are Alan Monroe, Martha Barker, city manager Patricia Phipps, Mayor Rick White, Bruce Fleming, and Nancy Davis.



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Friends of the Friona Public Library are getting ready for their annual literary basket raffle. Baskets are on display at the Library. Tickets are \$1 for a chance to win. The Friends Basket contains an iPad Air. A membership drive is in progress. If you are not yet a member, please consider joining. Annual dues are \$5 individual, \$10 family, \$25 business or organization and \$200 for a lifetime membership.

Do your scissors need to be sharpened?

Friday, March 20, 2015 is the day.
10:00 am to 4:00 pm

You can drop off your scissors, knives, shears, rotary blades, etc. anytime

Let's get ready for some spring sewing!

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806-250-3575
www.maloufsfabrics.com



THEY'RE DRILLING FOR NATURAL GAS DOWN THE ROAD. OR HADN'T YOU HEARD?

KEEP THE LIGHT ON PUBLIC NOTICES

When government officials make decisions, they must let their citizens know. That's why the state requires them to publish their actions through public notices in newspapers.

But some politicians would prefer to bury public notices on little seen, rarely visited government websites - away from public scrutiny!

If it is not in the newspaper, you won't know about it.

PROCLAMATION

A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE WEEK OF APRIL 20, 2015 AS FRIONA VOLUNTEER FIREMAN APPRECIATION WEEK

WHEREAS, the volunteers of the Friona Fire Department continue to provide emergency service to this community and display the willingness, courage, dedication and strength it takes to serve those in need and;

WHEREAS, the task of all emergency situations, the volunteers have remained valiant members of the Friona Fire Department and have come to the aid of their neighbors day and night, without pay and often times with complete disregard for their own well-being;

WHEREAS, we, the citizens of Friona sometimes take for granted the service that is provided from the Friona Fire Department. We want to thank all volunteer firemen for their dedication and selfless concern for the welfare of our citizens;

Therefore it is proclaimed by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Friona, Texas, that the City of Friona declares the week of April 20, 2015 as Friona Volunteer Fireman Appreciation Week and commend the firemen for their efforts on behalf of the citizens of Friona, Texas. I call upon all of our citizens to take this opportunity to express their appreciation to everyone that is serving or has served as a member of the Friona Fire Department.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Friona to be affixed on this 9th day of March, 2015

s/Rick White, Mayor

ATTEST:
s/Patricia Phipps, City Secretary

The City Council of the City of Friona, Texas is soliciting sealed bid proposals for the sale or exchange of certain city property ("Property") described as THE SURFACE ONLY of:

Real property located in Section 1, Township 3 South, Range 3 East, Capital Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas, approximately 1.12. (Proposed address 701 Austin)

The City will consider cash offers, exchange of existing land and buildings, or some combination thereof. The City will be the sole arbiter of what offer, if any, constitutes the best value for the City.

The City is seeking a combination of the best purchase price or exchange value for the Property as well as the best long-term benefit to the City and the citizens of Friona, Texas.

Sealed bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. on Monday, April 6th, 2015, at City Hall located at 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035. All bids received at or prior to such time will be opened and read aloud. Bids received after such time will not be opened or considered. The highest, best or most acceptable bid or bids will be presented to the City Council for review and possible approval at a meeting on Monday, April 13, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Bid security in the amount of five percent of any cash bid amount submitted is required. Bidders must also submit with their bid evidence that they have legal title to any property offered in exchange for the Property or sufficient funds, or access to funds, to pay the entire purchase price within five business days of the City accepting the bid.

Bidders are expected to inspect the property and to inform themselves of all local conditions. Additional information may be obtained at City Hall, 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035 or by calling City Manager Patricia Phipps at (806) 250-2761.

WAIVER OF CLAIMS: BY TENDERING A BID TO THIS INVITATION TO BID, THE BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT HAS READ AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING A BID AND THE PROCESS USED BY THE CITY FOR SELECTING A BEST BIDDER. FURTHER, BY SUBMITTING A BID, THE BIDDER FULLY, VOLUNTARILY AND UNDERSTANDINGLY WAIVES AND RELEASES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY AND ANY OF ITS COUNCIL MEMBERS, OFFICERS, AGENTS AND/OR EMPLOYEES THAT COULD ARISE OUT OF THE ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, OR RECOMMENDATION OF ANY BID SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THIS INVITATION TO BID.

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and must be plainly marked "City of Friona Real Property Bid" in the lower left hand corner and must be received before the above stated time. To be valid, the bid must be manually signed in ink by an authorized person. By such signature, the bidder agrees to strictly abide by the terms, conditions, specifications contemplated in this invitation for bids. Failure to comply with any bid requirement will result in the bid being considered void by the City.

Bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to the official opening. Alterations made prior to the opening time must be initialed by the Bidder to guarantee authenticity. After the official opening, bids may not be amended, altered or withdrawn without the approval of the Friona City Council.

The City reserves the rights to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids received and to accept the bid that best serves the interest of Friona, Texas.

City of Friona, Texas
By: Patricia Phipps
City Manager