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Chiefs on verge of playoff history



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Chieftains Hector Sanchez and Ryan Geries corral a Lockney Longhorn on the baseline during Tuesday night's victory. The Chiefs won 51-45 to improve their district record to 5-3 and a second place tie with Dimmitt. The Chieftains are almost assured a playoff berth for the first time in 32 years. They host Dimmitt Friday night at 7:30 p.m. Go Big Red!

BY RON CARR

Entering this basketball season, the Friona Chieftain squad was loaded with sophomores and juniors and few returning starters. They also had a new head coach and were coming off a last place finish in district in 2005.

Coach Ky Graham has quietly and steadily led his boys to a second place tie with Dimmitt and two games left to play. Both Dimmitt and Friona have 5-3 records and share second place behind the leader, Floydada, who remains undefeated and ranked second in state.

The only way Friona can miss the playoffs is to lose their last two games and for Lockney (4-4, 4th place) to win both of their remaining games. Lockney faces Olton and Floydada and if statistics count, they are not likely to win out.

The Chiefs face a crucial game Friday as the old nemesis Dimmitt invades the Chieftain gym. In the first round, Friona lost to Dimmitt by only 3 points and are looking to avenge the loss. A win over Dimmitt would almost assure Friona a second place district finish.

Tulia comes to town next

Tuesday for the final district game. Tulia is in the district cellar and the Chiefs beat them in the first round.

Chieftain fans note: Coach Ky says that he and the Tulia coach have agreed that if either the Tulia or Friona girls play a playoff game next Tuesday night, February 14, the Tulia vs. Chieftain final game will be played Monday, February 13, instead of Tuesday. Times will remain the same, JV at 6 p.m. and varsity at 7:30 p.m.

So things look bright for Coach Ky Graham's charges. They have improved each week of the season and look to be a cinch to get to the first playoff round. They would play a team out of District 5-2A, probably Denver City, Shallowater, Abernathy, or Idalou.

Hats off to the boys and especially Coach Graham and assistant coach Gonzales for an impressive effort. Go Big Red!



Realignment reunites Chiefs and Mules

BY RON CARR

The every-two-year UIL realignment merry-go-round has come and gone leaving a few coaches spinning in the wind. Coaching staffs in this part of the Panhandle are never sure whether to go to the Region 16 office in Amarillo or the Region 17 office in Lubbock for their realignment packets.

This year Friona had representatives at both locations just in case; Muleshoe coaches were in Lubbock, assuming they would be placed in a Region 17 district again. Wrong. They should have been in Amarillo and had to make a fast trip from Lubbock to be present for opening day of the biannual realignment circus.

When the packets were opened and alignment dust settled, the Muleshoe Mules found themselves one step down from 3A to 2A and once again district rivals for the Friona Chieftains. The enrollment levels for 2A were 195 to 414, which also dropped Littlefield to 2A. They turned in an enrollment of 411.

Since Friona was placed in a 7-team district, the four non-district games have been scheduled with Abernathy, Littlefield, Bovina, and Morton. District opponents in District 2-2A will be Friona, Bushland, River Road, Highland Park, Tulia, Dimmitt, and Muleshoe. 2006-07 will be the first year for Bushland to participate in varsity football. Old Friona rival River Road dropped from 3A also.

Most folks here I talked to were excited about our draw in the realignment. Most agreed

that we'll have a really good restaurant schedule for at least the next two years. "There are a lot of great places to eat in Amarillo and you can't beat going back to Muleshoe to Leal's, one fan said." Those of us in the media agree. We usually make out our restaurant schedule in tandem with the football and basketball schedules.

A 7-team district increases competition for the playoffs but most agree it is better than the 4-team or 5-team districts that several 3-A schools wound up with. District 5-3A includes only Canyon, Borger, Dalhart, and Perryton. One Canyon coach was quoted as saying the first team to win a district game can go ahead and pour the water on the coaches head and celebrate the playoffs.

In our current district, Lockney remained in 2A but Olton dropped to 1A. It was said that Olton turned in 194 enrollment and Lockney turned in 196, with the dividing line between 1A and 2A at 195.

Our playoff opponents in neighboring districts look like this: District 1-2A is Canadian, Panhandle, Sanford-Fritch, Spearman, West Texas High, and Stratford, who moved up from 1A and are the current 1A state champions.

District 3-2A will include Childress, Abernathy, Floydada, Littlefield, Lockney, and Shallowater.

Another sidelight for Friona sports fans. The front page of the Amarillo Globe-News sports

section on February 3 had a picture of two head coaches at the Region 16 office on cell phones trying to line up games. One was new Borger head coach Tim Anuskiewicz, the other was new Levelland head coach Ryan Rhodes. Friona fans will recognize both of these gentlemen as former Friona assistant coaches.

While here in the mid-90s, Anuskiewicz was known as Coach A-to-Z because of his last name. He moved on to coach at Hereford and Amarillo before taking over at Borger this year. Rhodes left Friona about 5 years ago for Texhoma, then moved to Levelland when Stratford coach Brad Thiessen took over as Levelland head coach. Now Thiessen has moved up to head coach at Amarillo High School and Rhodes took over his head coach slot at Levelland.

The next two school years will bring some interesting challenges for our coaches and

athletes. The playoffs are potentially one team further out of reach for 2-2A teams.

Six district football games, twelve district basketball and baseball games, and a larger district track meet. To all the Muleshoe fans and teams, your old friends in Tulia, Dimmitt, and Friona say welcome to 2A.

Retirement reception for Darrell Barlow

Darrell Barlow is retiring from Atmos Energy February 15 after 40 years with the company. He has also served many years as a Friona Volunteer Firefighter.

The City of Friona will host a retirement reception for Darrell at the city council chambers, 619 Main Street, on Friday, February 10, from 3-5 p.m. Everyone is invited to stop by.

Squaws play Floydada Friday for playoff seed

BY RON CARR

The Friona Squaws beat Lockney Tuesday night for an 8-2 district record and a share of the district championship. The Squaws are co-champions with the Floydada Lady Whirlwinds. Tulia and Olton tied for the third place spot and will playoff on Friday at 8 p.m. at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview for third seed.

To determine the district champion and the seeding for the playoffs, the Friona Squaws will play the Floydada Lady Winds in Littlefield at 5:30 p.m. Friday, February 10.

The winner will be the first seed and get a bye in the first round of the playoffs which begin Tuesday February 14. According to Coach North, the first seed will meet the winner of Tuesday's Panhandle vs. Childress playoff game on Friday, February 17, at a place and time to be determined.

The loser will be second seed and play Tahoka in Tuesday's playoff round at a site and time to be determined.



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Three Friona teenage girls escaped serious injury when this 2004 GMC Envoy was involved in a one-vehicle rollover Sunday night on County Road 19. The girls were wearing seatbelts and were not seriously injured in the accident.

3 teens escape injury in one-vehicle rollover

Three Friona teenage girls escaped serious injury in a one-vehicle rollover Sunday night, February 5 on north County Road 19.

The accident occurred on the dirt and caliche road north of Cemetery Road when the driver, Lucretia Field, hit

a soft shoulder, overcorrected, and the 2004 GMC Envoy rolled over a reported three times and ended up on its wheels in a ditch.

The vehicles passengers were Staci Murphree and Shayli Reed. The three girls, all juniors at FHS and mem-

bers of the Squaws basketball team, were treated and released at Parmer County Community Hospital. All three were wearing seatbelts. Fortunately there were no serious injuries and the three were back in school Monday.



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

imirs, mullahs,
and yoyos

You won't be seeing any cartoons about Prophet Muhammad in the *Friona Star*.

Have you been keeping up with what the mullahs and imirs and their band of yoyos have been doing in the name of religion? Some newspaper in Denmark published a series of cartoons depicting the Prophet Muhammad in a variety of doofus situations. One had him with a bomb for a turban.

Keep in mind the cartoons appeared last September and the muslim warriors are just now getting riled up about it. They are setting fire to foreign embassies and calling for death to the poor Denmark cartoonists and a bunch of other people, mainly Americans and Jews. What else is new?

They say that even depicting the Prophet Muhammad in any form is forbidden and looked on in a not too gracious light. Muhammad is not even the top dog on Muslimism. He is to Allah what Jesus is to God, or something like that.

So here we have a bunch of average everyday people in Syria, and Lebanon, and Palestine that in the name of religion want to kill everyone that does not believe the way they believe.

Then there is the extreme yoyo guy in Iran. Never mind his name, I can't pronounce

it anyway. He wants nuclear power, he wants to wipe out Israel, and has told most of the rest of the world to kiss old spot. I have two thoughts about that.

First, during his first campaign Dubya liked to look at the cameras and squint and proclaim, "I'm a uniter, not a divider." Hal The world, and America, is more divided today than at any time I can remember in my lifetime.

Second, I say let Europe take care of Iran. They are a whole lot closer to Iran than we are so if a nuke goes off over there, they'll get it before we do anyway. It's time they were forced to wipe their own hineys for a change.

Let's be honest. There is a huge chunk of the world that just does not like America these days. That is what 9-11 was about. They don't like us and their Allah has told them to kill us. These are the people that Dubya and his cronies keep trying to force into democracy. There will never, ever, be democracy in that part of the world. We keep trying to tell other countries what to do and they don't like it.

I keep going back to an old musical. I think it was *The Music Man*, with Robert Preston. Remember that old movie? One of the main songs in the movie has Preston telling the townsfolk, "We've got trouble, trouble,

trouble, right here in River City." Well today we are living in River City.

We are surrounded in the world by a few billion crazy, unreasonable, uneducated, fanatical, poor, smelly morons that want you to be a Muslim or they want to kill you. Those are your two choices. You don't have to take my word for it. Watch the national and international news.

Our guys and gals in Washington are patting themselves on the back because there has not been a terrorist attack here since 9-11-01. They actually think that they have done something to prevent additional attacks. One homicide bomber in a crowded market in Kentucky and the entire U.S. of A. will be hiding in a fraidy hole for weeks, except for the looters. We are not safer today than we were in September, 2001. At least I don't feel a whole lot safer. And there are fewer places in the world you can go today and feel safe.

We have our own set of scary people here in the U.S. to deal with. I wonder if they have thought about that.

For starters there are Orville Redenbacher, Dave Oreck, the E-Harmony guy, Dr. Phil, Pat Robertson, Jerry Fallwell, Paul Begala, and James Carville. I don't trust any guy that tries to sell me something while wearing a bow tie. How about Billy

Mays, the OxyClean and Kaboom salesman. I'm not sure what he is up too.

Then there is the Super Bowl? Homeland Security should protect us from the likes of Aretha Franklin and that Neville guy and the choir in the red robes that butchered our national anthem before the game. They should put one of those illegal wiretaps on Mick Jagger's guitar. I'm pretty sure he was sending out secret code at halftime.

Those folks that are extras and come out on the field to sing and dance and clap: where do they sit during the game? Do you suppose they do a background check on all those people? I thought I saw one sweet thang with a couple of M80 firecrackers strapped to her chest. We can't be too careful you know, not with all of those imirs, mullahs, and yoyos rioting in the streets.

I guess a line of Prophet Muhammad paintings on black velvet wouldn't be such a good idea, huh? How about if they had Muhammad on one side and Jesus on the other. Reversible religion. If you have Muslim guests, flip Jesus over and you've got Muhammad. Jesus loves you and Allah is great. If you don't believe me I'll have to kill you.

I better go now. I've been watching too much CSI.

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I have been reading the Star for 27 years. I appreciate reading the regular edition and then re-reading it on your website.

Way to go yall!!!!
 Curtis Isreal

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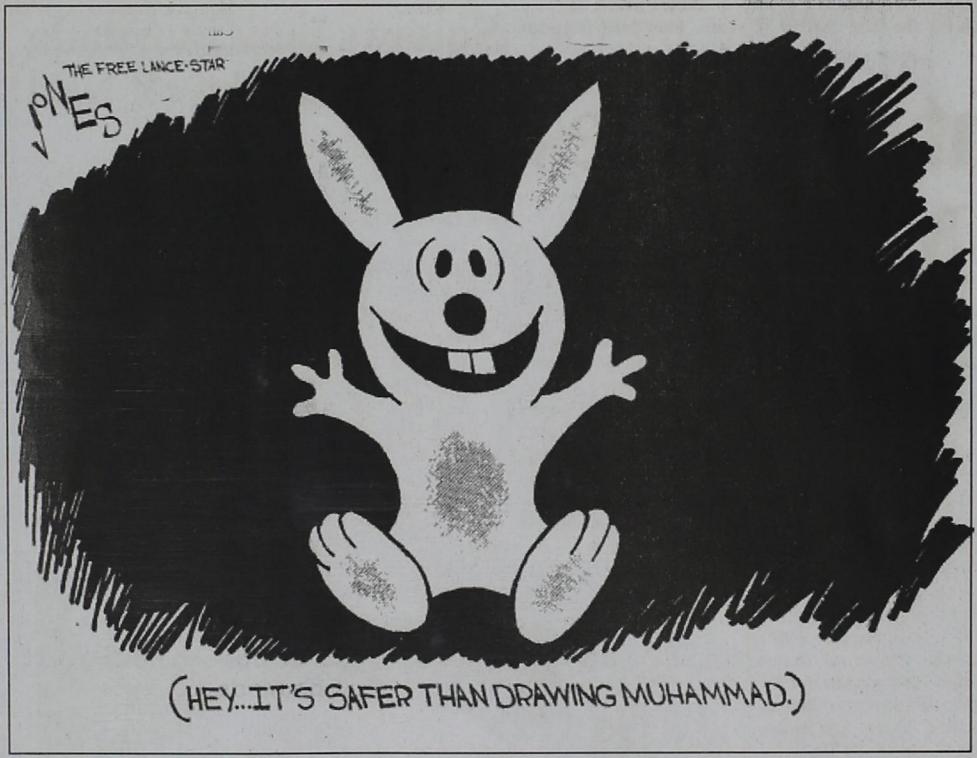
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Happy First Valentines Day

Carson Charles Haffner
 Son of Scott and Kris Haffner
 Grandson of Randie Hamilton and the late Charles Hamilton
 Great Grand Son of T.A. & Ann Kelley and Martha Hamilton

Love,
 Arandee

Tumbleweed Smith Almost a football overdose

When I got out of the Army I made myself two promises: I would never be cold again and I would never take long walks. Since my discharge, I haven't taken any more 20-mile hikes (marches) like I did in the Army. I have been cold, but not for very long. When my son Kevin told me he had bought me a ticket to the Cowboys-Rams game, I prepared for cold weather. I went to Wal-Mart and bought hand warmers, body warmers, foot warmers, heavy socks and gloves. I ordered a fleece cap from a catalog. I checked my supply of hooded sweatshirts, scarves and heavy coats. I was not going to sit in the stands and freeze. It's December, right?



I really didn't pay much attention to the weather forecast, which called for temperatures the day of the game to be in the seventies. I just knew a surprise cold front was going to come through and I was going to be prepared for it. When we left Kevin's house for the game, I was wearing a turtleneck shirt under my hooded

sweatshirt and I carried an Eddie Bauer coat with me. My wife gave me a funny look.

Kevin's 15-year-old son Jackson came with us. We got to the stadium parking lot early enough to toss the football back and forth. We were not the only ones doing that. Footballs of all sizes were sailing all over that parking lot. When the parking lot got crowded and we lost our playing area, we had a tailgate snack. As darkness approached, we headed for the stadium. I left my coat in Kevin's vehicle and carried my sweatshirt with me. It made me feel a little better when I saw other fans carrying quilts and heavy coats. There were also people wearing shorts and t-shirts. I never put on my sweatshirt. The game was fun, even though the Cowboys lost to the Rams 20-10.

While visiting Kevin and his family, we watched the Cotton, Sugar, Orange and Rose Bowl games. Wow. I had not done that in years. I observed things I hadn't noticed before, like coaches taking solitary sideline strolls during

the games. Some were wearing headsets, some weren't. Some set a blistering pace, some were slow and ponderous. I saw Parcels doing that at the Cowboy game and he looked mighty lonely. Very seldom did a player ever approach him during the game. I thought the sideline walks might be just a Parcels thing, but all bowl game coaches did the same thing.

Another thing I noticed was some kind of cosmic problem with kickers. So many misses, both professional and college. All the bowl games we watched had final scores just 3 points apart. Alabama beat Tech 13-10 in the Cotton Bowl. West Virginia beat Georgia 38-35 in the Sugar Bowl. Penn State beat Florida State 26-23 in the Orange Bowl. Texas beat USC 41-38 in the Rose Bowl. I hated to see Tech get beat. I'm glad West Virginia won because of the mine tragedy in that state. I was glad to see Penn State coach Joe Paterno win against Florida State. The Texas win over USC was the biggest thrill. Vince young owned that field. I've never seen a quarter-back so at home.

Around Town

To get your area events published, call 250-2211 or email frionastar@wtrt.net

Cookbooks are in at Chamber Office

Chris Alexander at the Frióna Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture notified the Star this week that the cookbooks containing recipes from Frióna residents are in and available for \$10. Call the Chamber at 250-3491 or come by.

Breast cancer screening Feb 21

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Ave., in Frióna on February 21, 2006.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Calendars available at Library

The new 2006 calendars sponsored by the Parmer County His-

torical Museum are on sale for \$15 each and are available at the Museum on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and at the Frióna Public Library. This year's calendar has historical photos of all the schools of Parmer County suitable for framing. Support your local museum by purchasing a calendar for friends and family.

TDH immunization February schedules

Immunization clinics offering the vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases are scheduled for February 2006 in Frióna and Bovina.

The clinic in Bovina will be Monday, February 13, in the Bovina EMS Building, 109 S. 3rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The clinic in Frióna will be Friday, February 17, at 616 Euclid from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

All clinic times are subject to change or cancellation due to weather or scheduling conflicts.

Calvary Baptist Winter Banquet Feb 12

The Calvary Baptist Church will host their Annual Winter Banquet Sunday, February 12, 2006 at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The theme for this year is "Hawaiian Luau". There will be no charge for this

banquet. Cattle Call of Amarillo, Texas will cater the meal. The menu will be pork tenderloin, tossed salad, long grain wild rice, Italian green beans, rolls, pineapple sherbet and cookies and tea. To make reservations call Glenna Holt at 250-3000. Mornings are the best time to call.

Chamber needs old photos for banquet

The Frióna Chamber of Commerce is looking for old photos of Frióna. The Chamber is in the process of compiling a video history of Frióna to be used at the Annual Awards Banquet and big birthday party celebration on March 2, 2006. They are asking anyone that wants to participate in the history to please take them to the Frióna Star office or bring them to the Chamber office. The photos will be returned as soon as possible. This is Frióna's 100th birthday year and we want to make it a fun one.

Historical Commission meeting February 16

The Parmer County Historical Commission will meet Thursday, February 16, at 2 p.m. at the EMS Building, 109 Third St., in Bovina. Historical Commission president Gladys Spring says the meetings are open to the public and everyone is invited to attend in preparation for Parmer County's 100th anniversary in 2007.



Lions Club News

BY RON CARR, PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN

Frióna Noon Lions met Thursday, February 2, with 14 members and one guest present. The guest was Chris Alexander who gave the program.

Hats off to Lupe Taylor and her cooking crew for preparing our club meals. The lasagna and garlic bread were big hits last week, especially the garlic bread.

Lions Danny Black, Clint Mears, Roger Nelson, and Sam Mears attended a Lions district

cabinet meeting in Amarillo recently. The Frióna Noon Lions received \$500 returned to our club treasury as a result of ticket sales for a new Jeep vehicle. Our club has sold the 3rd most tickets for the drawing which will be held sometime in May.

On May 5 we will be hauling the cooker to Canyon to serve (and sell) burgers and fries during the Lions District Convention in Canyon. Should be another

good fundraiser for us.

A reminder that the Lions collect used eyeglasses year 'round to be cleaned and distributed to people in need throughout the world. You can drop off your used eyeglasses anytime at Bi-Wize Drug Store or the Frióna Star office.

Chamber exec Chris Alexander told members that the city has received several small grants to be used for promotional signs and banners near all the Frióna city limits to greet visitors to Frióna. Plans are also in the works to tear down the gazebo in the city park and use the bricks for a streetscape. She said money has also been collected by the Chamber toward a longhorn statue in the park.

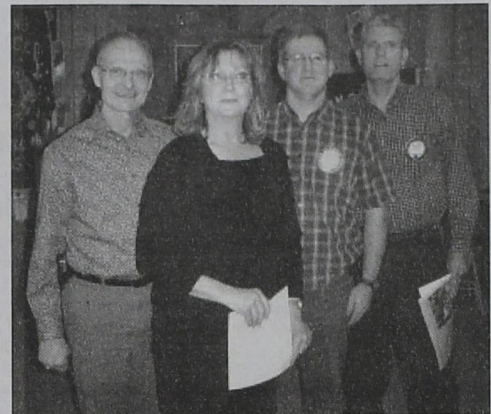
Also, an RV Park is set to be built adjacent to the Frióna Community Center. The additional housing opportunities are needed due to the dairies being built in the county and a lack of housing.

July 4 will be celebrated on July 4 and the Chamber is hoping to have activities at the football field again. On July 15, Pokey the Clown will host the kids rodeo again in the park and Alexander and the Chamber board are planning the first annual Frióna Cheeseburger Festival in conjunction with Pokey's visit.

Alexander said she will be gone to Tulare, California, for a week this month to attend an Ag Expo. More information on upcoming activities as they become available.

The next meeting of the Noon Lions will be Thursday, February 16 with representatives from Boys Ranch bringing the program. Lions Ricky Barnett, Bud Rainey, Fred Cook, and John Gurley will be on flag detail Monday, February 20, as the club places flags out in observance of President's Day.

For information on becoming a Lions Club member contact Larry Knowles at Frióna State Bank, Clint Mears at Intheden Graphics, or Ron Carr at the Frióna Star.



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Frióna Chamber executive vice-president Chris Alexander was greeted by, l-r, Lions Larry Knowles, Clint Mears, and Alan Haile at the Noon Lions Club meeting Thursday, February 2. Ms. Alexander updated the club on chamber activities.

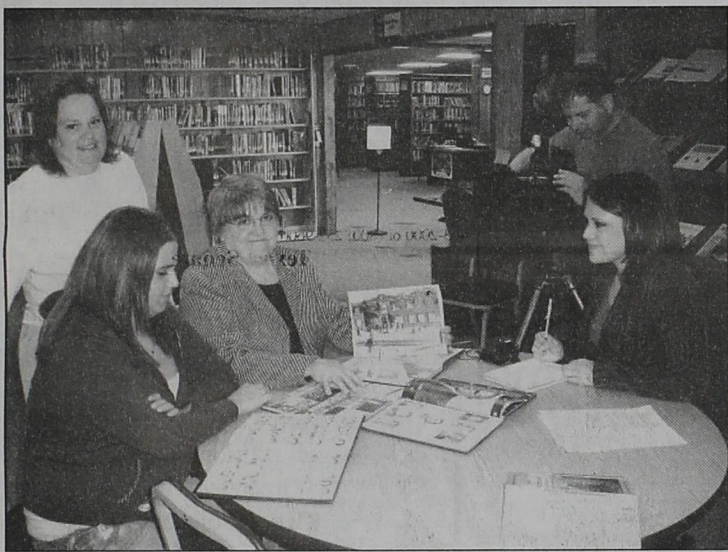
Historical marker report on Ch. 10

Frióna high school graduate Felicia Lafuente has realized a goal. Felicia recently earned a degree in broadcast journalism from Eastern New Mexico University and is now a reporter for Channel 10 in Amarillo.

Frióna Service Learning students are researching and applying for a historical marker documenting that Frióna schools were the first in Texas to fully integrate after the Supreme Court decision requiring integration in the

1950s.

Lafuente came to Frióna Sunday to interview students and community leaders about the historical marker application. She interviewed librarian Darla Bracken, museum director Wendy Carthel, and service learning teacher Patsy Allen, and students Dollie Lookingbill and Pedro Ramos. The report was seen on Channel 10 News Sunday night and Monday morning.



courtesy photo

Channel 10 news reporter and Frióna high graduate Felicia Lafuente, right, interviews, l-r, Wendy Carthel, Dollie Lookingbill, and Darla Bracken about a pending historical marker. The report aired Sunday night and Monday morning on Channel 10.

FlashBacks

70 Years Ago February 7, 1936

Frióna—The Frióna Chiefs romped to a 19-16 victory over the Amarillo Sandies on Thursday evening in the local gym. This is the second game they have taken from Amarillo. The Frióna second team beat the Clovis second team, 16-14.

40 Years Ago February 10, 1966

Frióna—A teen center has opened in Frióna during the past week, run by an organization with eight high school students and an adult sponsor, Mr. D.F. Milloy, owner of the building. Currently the center has two coin-operated pool tables, two ping-pong tables, a pin-ball machine, a juke box, a television set and a snack bar with tables and chairs.

Bovina—February 16, 1966—Scotty Johnson, three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Johnson, suffered a broken leg Thursday afternoon. The accident occurred when a panel unit of a new coral fence his grandmother Levi Johnson was building, slipped and fell on the youngster's leg.

30 Years Ago February 8, 1976

Frióna—The weather in the Frióna area took on a wintry look the latter part of the week, with two days of fog and freezing drizzle. An early morning rain Thursday morning left .12 inches of moisture at

the Frióna weather station, the only measurable moisture received this far in 1976.

25 Years Ago February 18, 1981

Bovina—Temperatures this week have been in the seventies and only one week ago we were having a minus three with wind making the chill factor 49 degrees below zero.

20 Years Ago February 9, 1986

Frióna—The second snowfall in a three-day period greeted Frióna residents when they arose on Friday. As of 7 a.m. Friday, the official snow measurement was four inches, and the moisture content at .52 inches. On Wednesday, the city had received two inches of snow, amounting to .32 inches of moisture.

DID YOU KNOW?

Bovina is the oldest town in Parmer County. It was a cow town that at one time was the largest shipping point of cattle in the world. The name is from the Latin "bos," meaning ox or cow.

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Handbook of Texas

Meet the Class of 2018

Ivan is a kindergarten student at Frióna Schools. His parents are Omaro & Vilma Gallardo. He has a brother, Isaac.

Ivan likes riding bikes. His favorite color is blue and his favorite food is hamburgers.

Ivan Gallardo

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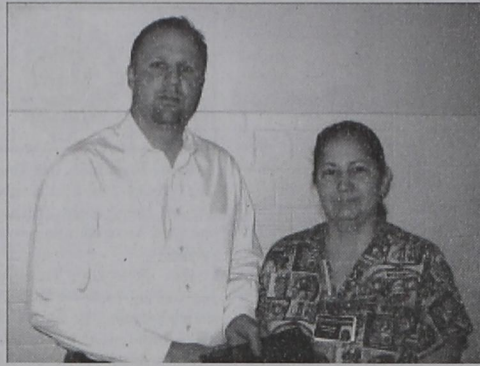
OBITUARIES

John Michael Wilson

John Michael Wilson, 59, of Friona, Texas, passed away Sunday, February 2, 2006 in Friona. Memorial services were held Tuesday, February 7, 2006 at 11:00 a.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church in Friona with Rev. Vergil Ichtertz, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt and Wayne Proffitt of Calvary Baptist Church officiating. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mr. Wilson was a long time Friona resident. He was a retired employee of the Texas Department of Transportation, a member of the Army Reserve and an avid fisherman.

Mr. Wilson is survived by his mother Celestine Wilson of Friona; two sons, John Edward Wilson and Jack Michael Wilson, both of Red River, New Mexico; one daughter-in-law, Lacy Wilson of Red River; and one grandchild, Preston Slade Wilson of Red River.



courtesy photo

Lance Gatlin, Parmer County Community Hospital administrator, congratulates Elisa Cantu as Employee of the Month for February. Elisa was nominated because of her ability to go above and beyond. Gatlin said Elisa has been an asset to the hospital since her employment in January 2002.



VALOR Telecom scholarships offered

Commemorating its third year of recognizing high school seniors for volunteerism and academic achievement, VALOR Telecom has announced that applications for the Community Leader Scholarship program will be accepted through March 15, 2006.

"Since the program's launch in 2004, we have awarded \$24,000 in Community Leader Scholarships to high school seniors throughout our service areas in Texas, Arkansas, New Mexico and Oklahoma," said West Texas Division Vice President Danny Ammons.

This year, VALOR will award \$1,000 scholarships to as many as 12 high school students living in the communities served by the company. Qualified applicants must be high school seniors who demonstrate strong community leadership through volunteerism and civic involvement. They also must have maintained a grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) and plan to enroll in an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational school. Applications need to be postmarked by March 15, 2006. Scholarship recipients will be announced in May 2006.

"Our scholarship program is part of VALOR's ongoing commitment to enrich the communities in which we serve," said Ammons. "We are excited to offer this program, which recognizes area youth for their community volunteerism and academic achievements."

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Friona Fire Department News

By DARRELL BARLOW, Reporter

The Friona Volunteer Fire Department have had several fires lately, grass fires & dumpster fires, and one old house.

The Fire Department had school on Monday, January 30 about waterous pumps and foam units. The school started at 4 p.m. and lasted until 7 p.m. The school was 3 hours long.

A couple of the guys from the Rhea Fire Department were also at the school. The classes had cutaways of the pumps 1 stage and 2 stage pumps and foam units and also a floating pump for drafting from ponds.

If you are cleaning ashes from the fireplaces put water on the ashes and make sure they are out before putting in dumpsters. Make sure you don't start any fires.

There is a fire ban in effect in Parmer County, and a possibility of a fine if caught burning.

Conditions are very bad in high grass and CRP land; it could burn for miles if not brought under control.

PLEASE BE CAREFUL!

Sheriff's Report

The following is reported weekly by Sheriff Randy Geries office: February 2, 2006, Fred Rodriguez, 27, Farwell, Texas, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department and charged with assault, pending County Court.

February 3, 2006, Justin Minshew, 23, of Lubbock, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with forgery by passing, pending District Court.

February 4, 2006 Daniel Ponce, 24, of Bovina, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with assault, pending County Court.

February 5, 2006, Lori Clark, 39, of Lazbuddie, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana less than 2 oz., pending County Court.

February 5, 2006, Keihm Smith, 44, of Lazbuddie, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana less than 2 oz., pending County Court.

February 6, 2006, Edrick Vinson, 45, of Amarillo, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with violation of a controlled substance (possession of a controlled substance), pending District Court.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from January 26, 2006 to February 2, 2006:

Barbara Kay Charles and Billy J. Charles-Chad Scott Clayton and Danielle Marie Clayton, N/2 S27 T7S R2E

Ramon Quezada and Cecilia Quezada-Jaime Arevalo and Olga Arevalo, L30-32 B22 FARWELL

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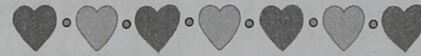
Jodie Erin Coker, daughter of Roy Don and April Coker, of Lazbuddie, Texas, received her B.S. in Biology from West Texas A&M University in Canyon, Texas.

Graduation ceremonies were held December 16, 2005 at the First United Bank Center in Canyon.

While attending W.T., Jodie was a member of the equestrian team. She was inducted into the Alpha Chi honor society in 2003.

She plans to pursue a career in Physical Therapy and has applied to the Physical Therapy program at Texas Tech. She is currently employed by SCCI Hospital in Amarillo, Texas.

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Chiefs beat Lockney: hello playoffs

BY RON CARR

It would take a miracle now to keep the Chieftains out of the playoffs. Since miracles sometimes happen we won't say for sure that the boys are in the playoffs, but they can see them from here.

The Chiefs took care of business Tuesday night, handing the Lockney Longhorns a 51-45 loss. The win gives Friona a 5-3 district record with two games left. The only way for the Chiefs to miss the playoffs is if they lose both of their remaining games and Lockney wins both of their remaining games. The bad news for Lockney is their last game is against Floydada, who so far is undefeated in district and ranked second in the state.

Coach Ky Graham's Chiefs want to beat Dimmitt Friday night for a

lot of reasons: rivalry, avenge a previous loss, and to win 2nd place in district. Right now Dimmitt and Friona are tied for second place with 5-3 records.

Sawyer Reed poured in 17 points, including 2 for 2 on 3-point goals. Outside hitter Caleb Miller popped three 3-pointers for his 9 points, Ryan Schwab had 6, Ryan Geris 5, Hector Sanchez 4, Chance Lewellen 4, Cody Jamerson 3, and Tolby Wilcox 3.

There were a lot of free throws in the game. Both teams were in the 70% range on free throws with Lockney making 15 of 21 and Friona 17 of 23.

Watch WT Services channel 76 Saturday at 10 a.m. for replays of Chieftain/Squaw basketball.

JV Chiefs 43, Floydada 41

In a back and forth battle, with less than a minute to play, JV Chief Kaison Graham drained a 3-point goal to give Friona a slim come-from-behind 43-41 win over the junior 'Winds of Floydada.

Jared Boyd had four 3-point goals to lead scoring with 14 points, Alex Gurley had 8, Graham 7, Trent Hudson 6, Phillip Saiz 4, Chris Haile 3, and Garrett Clark one point.

JV Chiefs 65, Tulia JV 40

In an impressive shooting show, the JV Chiefs put together ten 3-point goals to rout the Tulia junior Hornets 65-40 at Tulia. Kaison Graham, with five 3s, led scoring with 17 points, Alex Gurley had two 3s among his 14 points, and Jared Boyd scored 9 points on three 3s. Trent Hudson had 11 points, Chris Haile kicked in 8, Garrett Clark 3, Phillip Saiz 2, Aminadab Alvidrez one point.

The JV boys led Tulia at the end of each quarter and outscored the Hornets 17-4 in the 4th quarter

JV Chiefs 52, Lockney 40

The JV Chiefs handed the junior, Homs a 52-40 licking Tuesday. A 19-point second quarter gave Friona a comfy 26-14 halftime lead and they cruised from there with both teams scoring 9 points in the second half.

Alex Gurley led scoring with 14 points, Kaison Graham had 11, Jared Boyd 9, Phillip Saiz 7, Trent Hudson 6, Chris Haile 5.

JV Squaws keep winning

The junior varsity Squaws are still undefeated (9-0) in district play after a 53-36 drubbing of the Olton JV fillies. They end their season Tuesday, February 7 at home vs. Lockney.

Thanks to a 17-point 4th quarter the JV Squaws turned a fairly close game into a solid win. Ashley Ingram and Briana Wright led scoring for the Squaws with 11 points each. Hollis Gurley and Michelle Martin had 7 each, Julie Echevarria and Erin Austin had 6 each, Sandra Godoy 3, and Lauren Hughes one point.

7th Braves end season in big way

BY DANA D. JAMESON

Coach Rex Cumpston and the FJHS 7th Braves played their final game of the season Monday, February 6 against Lockney and soundly defeated the Longhorns, 48-12.

Nicolas Ortiz was the big scorer with 6 field goals and 1 three-pointer for 15 points. Kirby Frye dropped in 12 points with 5 field goals and 2 free throws. Other Braves scoring were Clayton Smiley

7. Brenner Barnett 4, Zack Fair 4, Ernesto Monreal 2, Michael Chico 2, and Kolton Lucas 2.

"This was our final game of the season and the team did another good job," said Cumpston. "They continued to improve through the year and were able to go the final 10 games without a loss. Our team record ended up 12-2. These young men did a good job all season long."

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Help! Squaw Krista Graham is pinned against the sideline by two Lockney Lady Horns during Tuesday night action. The Squaws beat Lockney and finished district 8-2 and tied with Floydada for the district championship.



ron carr photo

Sophomore Sawyer Reed (30) drives to the basket around a Lockney Longhorn. Teammate Tolby Wilcox is at left. The Chiefs are one win away from their first playoff game since 1974.

Chiefs improve with 43-40 win

The Friona Chieftains edged a small step closer to their first basketball playoff appearance since 1974 with a 43-40 win at Olton last Friday. The win gives Friona a 4-3 record with three games left and a hold on third place in district behind Dimmitt and Floydada.

All three of the Chiefs remaining games are at home. The Chiefs

host Lockney and Dimmitt this week and end with Tulia at home next Tuesday, February 14.

Hector Sanchez led scoring at Olton with 13 points including three 3s. Ryan Geris had 10 points, Sawyer Reed 9, Chance Lewellen 4, Caleb Miller 4, and Cody Jamerson 3.

8th Braves end season 10-4

The FJHS 8th Braves whipped the Lockney Longhorns Monday, February 6, 34-29.

Matthew Stanberry led the scoring with 15, Stetson Reed 9, Joey Dickson 6 and Alex Ferguson 2.

The Braves end their season with a 10-4 record. Congratulations Coach Mike Herbert and all of the 2005-06 8th Braves.

FJHS Maidens 2-1 with Lockney

BY DANA D. JAMESON

The FJHS 7th A & B and 8th Maidens made the long journey to meet the Lockney Lady Longhorns Monday, February 6 for the last games of the season.

The 7th B Maidens played their final quarter against Lockney and walked away victorious, 6-2.

Leading the scoring were Crystal Trevino 4, and Skyla Stormes 2.

The 7th A Maidens kept up their winning by beating Lockney, 35-23.

Regan Anthony led the scoring with 6 field goals, 1 three-pointer and 6 free throws for 21 points. Elizabeth Trevino dropped in 5, Ester Sarabia 3, Brittany Herbert 2, Laci Austin 2 and Kelsey White 2.

The 8th Maidens fell to the Lady

Longhorns by a slim 1 point margin, 32-31. Kyla Hurst led the scoring with 13 points. Other Maidens scoring were Stephanie Aguirre 4, Yesenia Rojas 4, Sasha Estrada 3, Anna Murphree 3, Taryn Jamerson 2, and Paige Herbert 2.

The 8th Maidens finish the season 10-4 overall and 6-4 district.

8th Maidens win Friona tourney

BY DANA D. JAMESON

Coach Jeff Isom and the FJHS 8th Maidens made a clean sweep by defeating both Boywin and Dimmitt in the Friona Tourney held January 28.

The Maidens held the Bovina Fillies to only 9 points, 49-9.

Yesenia Rojas led the scoring with 13 points, Kyla Hurst 10, Stephanie Aguirre 9, Anyuli Lopez 6, Taryn Jamerson 6, Diana Bolivar 3 and Krystal Rios 2.

To win the tournament the Maidens squeaked by Dimmitt 20-19.

Hurst dropped in 6, Aguirre 5, Paige Herbert 3, Sasha Estrada 2, Rojas 2, and Anna Murphree 2.

Squaws handle Lockney 55-39

BY RON CARR

The Friona Squaws finished the regular season with a 55-39 win over the Lockney Lady Longhorns and a share of the district championship with Floydada. Both had 8-2 district records and head for the playoffs. The seeding positions were at first decided by a coin flip which Friona won for first seed. But district rules do not allow for co-champions without a district meeting approval. So a playoff game between Friona and Floydada may be back in the picture. An official decision had not been reached at press time whether the coin flip stands or a game will be played.

The Squaws were 12 of 20 from the free throw line, had five 3's, and had little trouble with the

Lockney Lady Horns. It was 21-14 at the half and the Squaws outscored Lockney 34-25 in the second half thanks to three 3's by Krista Graham and one by Shayli Reed. Erica Davila also had a 3 in the first quarter to put Friona on the scoreboard.

Staci Murphree led scoring with 17 points, Graham had 11, Courtney Adams 9, Reed 5, Kambree Davila 4, Erica Davila 4, Briar Barnett 2, Tiffany Vasquez 2, and Miranda Frye one point.

Last year, when most of these girls were sophomores, the Squaws finished with a 7-3 record, so we have an improvement to 8-2 and playoffs looming ahead. Good luck Squaws.

Squaws lose to Olton in OT

BY RON CARR

Down by 32-23 at the half, the Friona Squaws clawed their way back to tie the Olton Fillies at 44-44 and send the game to overtime. But the Fillies did all the scoring in the OT period on one field goal and two free throws to hand Friona a 48-44 loss and send them back into a tie for first place in district with Floydada, both with 7-2 records and the final game of the regular season Tuesday, February 7.

The Fillies, who have a good team and always play tough at home, were 8 of 8 from the free throw line while Friona shot a mea-

ger 2 of 2 free, both by Staci Murphree.

Courtney Adams led scoring with nine field goals and 18 points, Murphree had 10, Shayli Reed 8, Krista Graham 3, Miranda Frye 3, and Briar Barnett 2. Frye, Graham, and Reed (2) all had 3s for the Squaws.

A Friona win Tuesday vs. Lockney and a win by Floydada will force a playoff game between the Squaws and Lady Winds for first place in district, time and place to be announced.

Powerlifters win 3rd meet of year

Coach Jimmy Arias has his powerlifter team pumping a lot of iron this year.


The boys and girls traveled to Dalhart February 4 for a powerlifting meet. The boys won 1st place, their 3rd first place finish this year, and the girls place 3rd.

Place and total lift for the boys: A. J. Cordova 1st 1270 pounds; Fabian Dominguez 1st 1455 pounds; Ben Santiago 1st 1140 pounds; Valente Casas 1st 940 pounds; Lupe Gonzalez 1st 835 pounds; Javier Sanchez 2nd 1010 pounds; Dillon Welch 2nd 1185 pounds; Juan Reyes 3rd 920 pounds; and Riczrdo Monreal 3rd 580 pounds.

For the girls, Tori Abeyta 1st 450 pounds; Sabrina Barber 1st 640 pounds, and Stephanie Barber 2nd 715 pounds.

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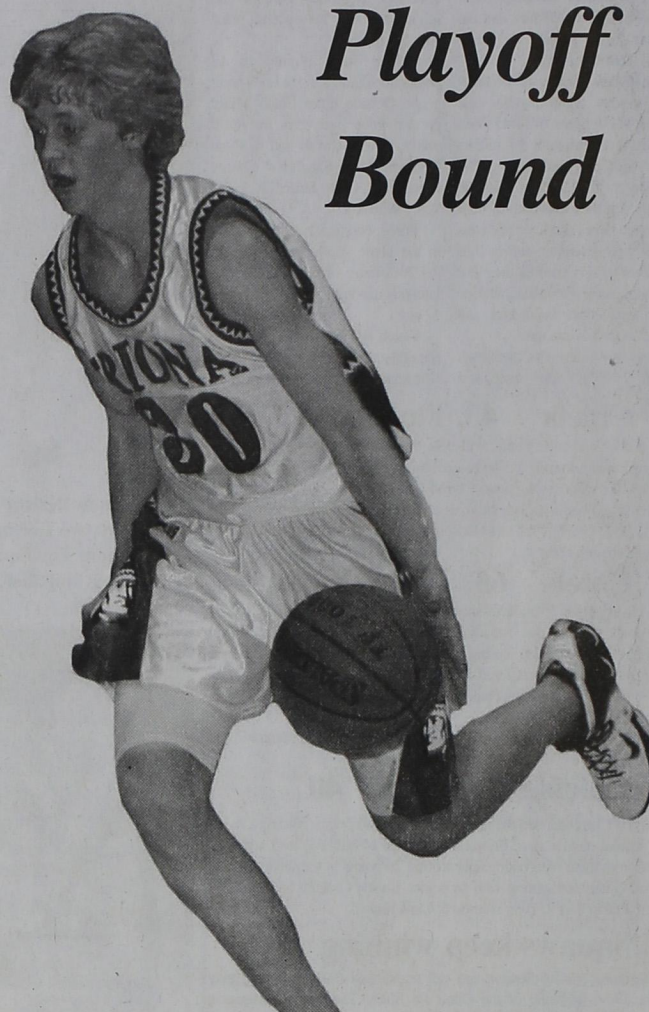
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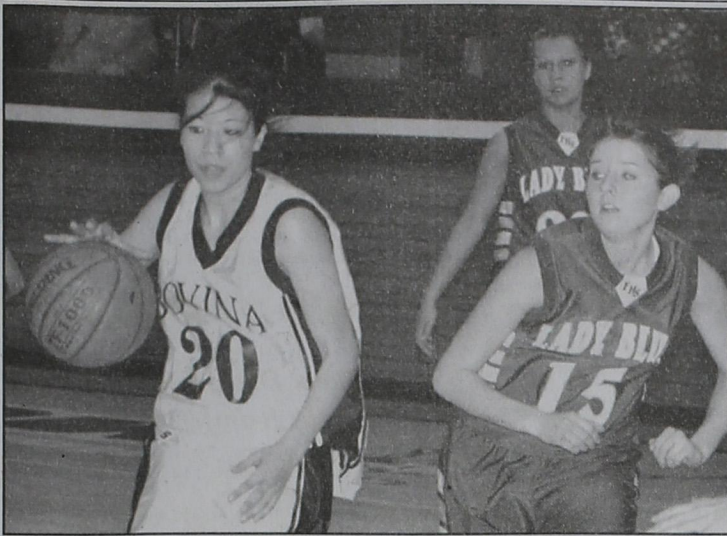
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Bovina Fillie Irma Rocha (20) escapes from a couple of Farwell Lady Blues. The Fillies won the game, 51-38, and tied Farwell for 2nd place in district. A playoff with Farwell is set for Saturday, February 11, at 8 p.m. in Rock Staubus Gym in Clovis. The winner goes to the playoffs.



dana d jameson photo

The sky is falling. Bovina Mustangs Oscar Rodriguez (30), Robert Knoll (44), Trent Quintana (11), and James Lara (21) keep their eyes on the ball. The Mustangs lost to Farwell, 57-45.

Mustangs head north for two

BY DANA D. JAMESON

Bovina Varsity and Junior Varsity Mustangs got their frequent traveling miles in last week. The 'Stangs took on Hart Tuesday, January 31 and Amarillo Bushland Friday, February 3.

In Tuesday's action the Mustangs split games with Hart. The junior varsity fell to Hart 34-11. Joseph Bermea led the scoring with 6, Aaron Ramon 2, Jeremy Curtis 2 and Josh Ramirez 1.

The Varsity Mustangs fared much better by downing Hart, 72-59.

After two days of rest the boys climbed back aboard the bus for Amarillo Bushland on Friday.

Bushland came out to play and beat the JV Mustangs, 49-20.

Bermea once again led the scoring with 2 three-point shots and a field goal for 8 points. Ramirez dropped in 6, Ramon 4 and Brett Hancock 2.

Bushland continued on a roll by defeating the varsity Mustangs, 63-35.

Trent Quintana was hot with 3 three-point shots, 2 field goals and one free throw for 14 points.

Mike Ortiz dropped in 8 points with 3 field goals and 2 free throws. Other Mustangs scoring were Jesus Rocha 6, Robert Knoll 4, Isaac Tavera 4 and James Lara 1.

The Mustangs are home for their final two games of the sea-

son. Tuesday, February 7, the Mustangs fell to the Farwell Steers 57-45. Come on out and cheer on the Mustangs when they face Sudan, Friday, February 10.



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Mustang senior Michael Ortiz takes on a Farwell Steer Tuesday night.



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Fillie senior Dorothy Martinez drives around a Farwell defender.

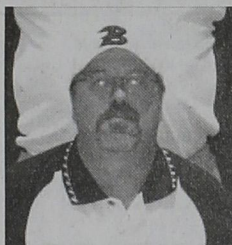
Bovina coach Torbert heads to Lamesa

Bovina athletic director and head coach Kent Torbert has accepted the position of AD/head football coach at Lamesa High School.

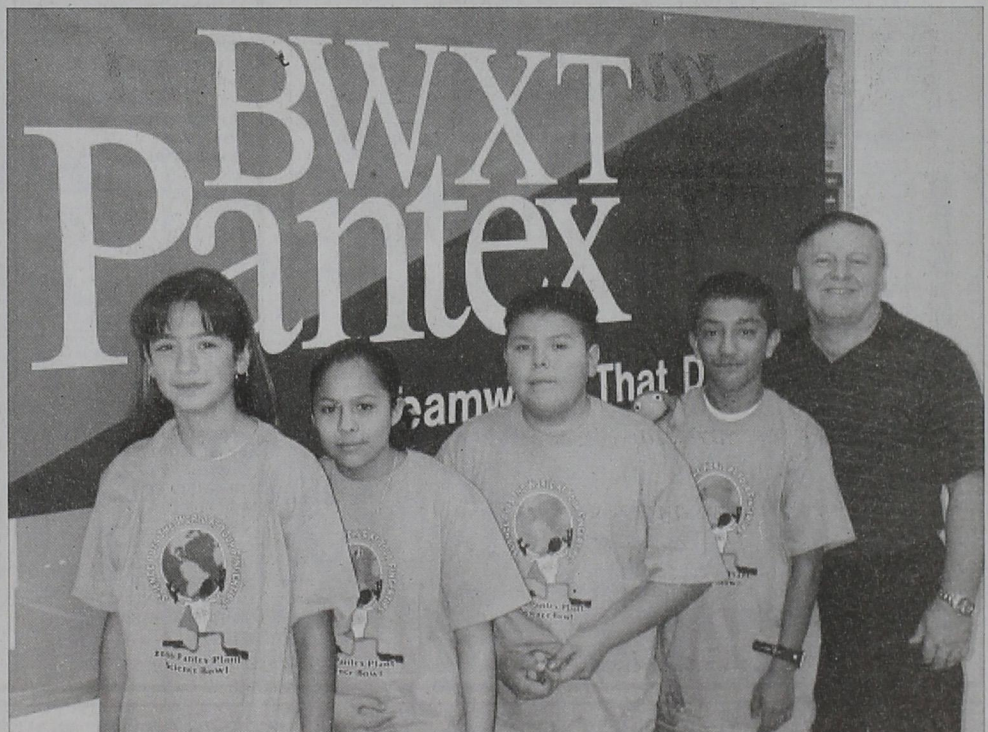
The Lamesa Golden Tornadoes are in District 3-3A that includes Andrews, Midland Greenwood, and Snyder. Torbert will report to Lamesa as of March 1.

In his three years at Bovina High School, Torbert took the Mustangs to the playoffs in 2005 for the first time in nine years. Superintendent Bill Bizzell said applications are being accepted and reviewed to find a replacement for Torbert.

Torbert's email to the Friona Star said, "3-3A is a very tough district and will present us with many challenges. I appreciate the coverage you gave us this year. It helped make it a special year for the Mustangs."



Kent Torbert Accepts position in Lamesa



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These students from Bovina Middle School participated February 4 at West Texas A&M in Canyon in the Pantex Science Bowl. Students' math and science knowledge is challenged as they try to beat their opponents to the buzzer to answer questions on earth science, physical science, life science, general science, and math. Left to right are Kim Casas, Ivonne Mejia, Juan Navarro, German Montes, and coach Bert Tolle.



Guillermo Quintana Jr.

Meet the Class of 2018

Guillermo is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His parents are Lorena & Guillermo Quintana. He has two sisters, Elizabeth and Gabriela.

Guillermo likes to play baseball. His favorite food is nachos and his favorite color is blue.

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By T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

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The same is true for us. Our character is formed by following, often times, the path of least resistance. But that's not the way it should be. We need to realize that God expects us to walk the straight and narrow. The author of Hebrews tells us to "make straight paths for our feet" (12:13 NKJV) God's man or woman is not to live to just follow the path of least resistance. Our Lord said we were to "enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it." Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it." (Matthew 1:13-14) There are many hindrances and obstacles that we must overcome if we are to follow Jesus.

Lord willing, more next article.

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Rewritten from "When Did Caesar Become a Salad and Jeremiah a Bullfrog" by Martin Babb

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- Feb. 18-Louis Welch, Ginger Stephens, Dianna Wright, Irma Mendoza, Andy Hurst, Heather Clark, John Seright, Alexandra Seright, Patsy Vasquez, Greg McClaran

New Arrivals

David Jeffrey Goddard

Jon and Erin Goddard, of Houston, Texas, are proud to announce the birth of their son, David Jeffrey Goddard, born December 14, 2005 in Houston.

David weighed 7 lbs. 9 oz and was 21 inches long.

He has a three-year-old sister, Charlotte.

David's grandparents are Kathryn Goddard of Friona and Jeffrey and Virginia Rauth of Lubbock, Texas.



Skeet David Clark Charlie Jennifer Clark

Jason and Terry Clark, of Gunter, Texas, are proud to announce the birth of their twins, Skeet David Clark and Charlie Jennifer Clark on January 13, 2006 at 6:23 p.m.

Skeet David weighed 5 lbs. 14 oz. and measured 19 1/2 inches long. Charlie Jennifer was 5 lbs. 9 oz. and measured 18 1/2 inches.

Skeet and Charlie's grandparents are Kent and Judy Clark of Wellington, Texas and David and Carolyn Carson of Howe, Texas. Their great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Earl (Skeet) Clark of Wellington and D.C. and Margie Herring of Friona.

NEW ARRIVALS



I APPRECIATE THE LOUD 'HALLELUJAH', CHARLIE, BUT DOES IT HAVE TO BE AT THE END OF MY SERMON?

BE MY VALENTINE BE MY VALENTINE

Fund Has Been Set Up for Brock Children

A committee has set up a Promise Fund at First Bank Southwest, Hereford State Bank and at the Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union to promise a future for the Brock children, Kelsey, Cameron and Emily. We thank you for your prayers and ask that the children will be at the top of your prayers.

God be with us all,
The Jerry Brock Family

allow the females to vote. Two or three ants gathered together are not much of a threat, but like waiters who sing "Happy Birthday" to you at a restaurant, if you run into a mess of 'em, they can be a real nuisance.

Ants are no longer a simple problem. According to a newspaper article, there are winged fire ants loose in Texas. This is frightening. Why would a decent, God-fearing winged fire ant choose Texas? Texas has enough loose creatures. But it gets more bizarre. These winged fire ants have killed twenty-three thousand trout. I have some serious concerns about this situation. First, Texas was made for carp, not trout. Second, my ichthyologic instincts tell me that trout are water-based animals. Why would ants want to go after live trout? Do the trout lure the ants with crackers and cheese? Even if the ants are seduced by the temptation, how do they get to the trout? Do they use tiny bass boats and depth finders and pack little cans of Vienna sausage and lie to their wives about where they've been?

When I go to Texas, I have enough trouble dealing with dead armadillos. I don't need winged fire ants. Ants are cagey creatures. They handle food particles much bigger than themselves with relative ease, because they attack one piece at a time...and locating the food never seems to be a problem.

Like ants to a picnic, troubles seem to find us wherever we go, and they come at us from all different directions, in various forms—a family problem, failing health of a loved one, a job situation, or even a spiritual struggle. If we let them, these troubles can get the best of us. But there is a way of dealing with them.

As Simon and Garfunkel sang in "Bridge over Troubled Water": "When you're down and out...I will comfort you." David wrote these words in Psalm 34:17: "The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles."

God never gives us more than we can handle. That's why we never see winged fire elephants.

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THE QUALITY OF PROPHETS

ALL OF THE PROPHETS OF THE BIBLE HAD MANY OF THE SAME QUALITIES TO MARK THEM FROM THE COMMON MAN. "THUS SAITH THE LORD... WAS THE TYPICAL STARTING POINT OF THEIR DISSERTATIONS TO THE PEOPLE. THE PROPHET WAS ALWAYS THE FIRST TO REMIND THE PEOPLE THAT HE WAS SPEAKING IN THE WORDS OF THE LORD" AND THE WORD OF THE LORD CAME TO THEM IN VARIOUS WAYS--SOME CAME BY IT IN THE WILDERNESS, SOME FOUND IT IN THE VAST EXPANSES OF THE SEA, SOME IN THE HUMDRUM OF EVERYDAY LIFE IN THE CITIES--EVEN AS DANIEL, TAKEN AS A SLAVE TO THE CITY OF BABYLON AND THERE IN THE COURTS OF THE KING FOUND THE PROPHETIC INTERPRETATIONS FROM THE LORD BY WHICH HE COULD GUIDE THE KING IN HIS DECISIONS. (DANIEL 2:28)

GIVE THY REWARDS TO ANOTHER KING! YET I WILL READ THE WRITING AND MAKE KNOWN TO THE KING THE INTERPRETATION THEREOF!

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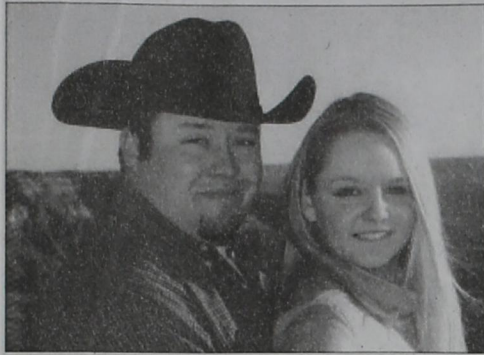
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ENGAGEMENTS



Evan Jay Friemel & Jodie Erin Coker
Coker~Friemel

Roy Don and April Coker, of Lazbuddie, Texas, announce the engagement of their daughter, Jodie Erin Coker, to Evan Jay Friemel, son of Don and Anne Friemel of Amarillo, Texas.

The prospective bride is a 2002 graduate of Lazbuddie High School, and a 2005 graduate of West Texas A&M University with a B.S. in Biology. She plans to begin Physical Therapy School at Texas Tech in June. She is currently employed by SCCI hospital in Amarillo.

The prospective groom is a 2001 graduate of Claude High School. He is employed as a Quality Assurance Specialist by Panhandle Assessment Center in Amarillo.

The wedding is planned for May 6, 2006 at the Lazy L3 Ranch outside Amarillo.

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WEDDINGS

Charles~Pittman



Mr. & Mrs. Eric Pittman
(Nee' Ashley Brooke Charles)

Ashley Brooke Charles and Eric Pittman, both of Lubbock, Texas, were united in marriage on Saturday, October 29, 2005, at the Historic Baker Building in Lubbock with Rev. Bill Couch of Lakeridge Methodist Church officiating. Faith Lewis provided the music on the harp during the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Billy Jay and Barbara Charles of Bovina, Texas.

The groom is the son of Roy and Diane Pittman of Lubbock, and the grandson of Roy and Jewel Pittman and Clois and Donna Thomas all of Haskell, Texas. He is the great grandson of John Thomas also of Haskell.

Presented in marriage by her father, Brooke wore a strapless formal wedding gown of ivory satin. A champagne-colored band of satin encircled the bodice and was accented with a bow secured with a rhinestone pin. The same colored band of satin encircled the bottom edge of the A-line gown. The gown flowed into a semi-cathedral train and self-buttons ran from the bodice top to the hemline of the skirt. Crystal drops hung from the edge of her fingertip veil. She carried a bouquet of blue hydrangeas.

In keeping with tradition, her wedding ensemble was something new. She carried a handkerchief belonging to her late grandmother, Emily Griffith, for something old. A bracelet belonging to her

mother was something borrowed, and her bridal bouquet was something blue. She also wore pennies minted in the year of both her and the groom's birth in her shoes.

Kimberly Billingsley served as matron of honor. Kasey Bell served as maid of honor. Stephanie Maldonado served as bridesmaid. The attendants wore strapless, tea length, fitted marigold-colored dresses that were gathered to one side and secured by a brooch. They carried nosegays of dahlias, hydrangeas, cupernicum and cockscomb in shades of magenta, gold, green and burgundy.

The best man was Cole Pittman, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Stephen Livingston and Lance Wilson. Serving as ushers were Cameron Charles, brother of the bride, Nick Galvan, Brad Ralston and Craig Wofford.

Initials of the bride and groom, made of miniature green chrysanthemums, were suspended by satin ribbon and flanked the entrance of the Baker building, along with various colors and different

varieties of pumpkins, and tall arrangements of leaves and dried grasses. Inside, the Baker Building was decorated with fall colors. Six-foot tall bouquets of dried grasses, leaves and eucalyptus in urns stood on the round registration tables covered with bronze satin tablecloths. Twinkle lights and greenery encircled the balcony and lighted candelabras were suspended from the ceiling. Large urns of various-colored greenery and grasses flanked the bridal party during the ceremony. The

couple lit a unity candle at the end of the ceremony.

The reception and dance was held immediately following the ceremony at the Baker Building. Round tables covered with bronze satin tablecloths held various centerpieces of miniature pumpkins, gourds, various fall flowers in a variety of color and candles.

The bride's cake was a square four-tiered white cake decorated with fresh flowers of dahlias, roses, and orchids in shades of deep red, burgundy, orange, yellow and green.

The groom's cake was a various-sized layer of carrot cake separately placed on the table. Frosted, leaf-shaped sugar cookies were also on the groom's table. The cakes flanked a fireplace that was decorated with buckets of yellow and white chrysanthemums, greenery, leaves, and pumpkins.

After throwing the bride's bouquet and the garter, the couple left the wedding with guests tossing flower petals and leaves.

The couple honeymooned in Puerto Vallarta and will reside in Lubbock.

In loving memory of Brookes' grandparents: Tom and Emily Griffith, Margaret Charles and Harry Jay Charles.

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Service Learning students take the message to Austin

Service Learning students from Friona High School were asked by the Texas Center for Service Learning to tell about their program to the Texas Superintendents Association Conference held in Austin on January 31.

Superintendent Jim Parker introduced the students who told about how participating in Service Learning had been an important part of their high school education. FHS principal Denver Crum and teacher Patsy Allen also emphasized the value of these activities locally, nationally, and internationally.

The students representing various service partnerships and projects were: seniors Molly Carthel, Kayla Estrada, Crystal Garcia, Natasha Lafuente, Dollie Lookingbill, Kelby Monroe, Karla Padilla, Pedro Ramos, Yvette Ramos; sophomores Emily Allen and Casey Merritt; and freshman Andrew Stowers. Supporting them at their presentation were Mrs. Diane Salazar, State Director of Family and Consumer Science; Mrs. Sharon Reddell Pierce, Texas State Advisor for FCCLA; and Mrs. Zakkiyah Kareem with the Texas Center for Service Learning.

Monday morning the group was welcomed at the State Capitol by Rose Walker of Senator Kel Seliger's office. She led the group on a tour providing historical insights into the operation of state government. Later, the students had an opportunity to

talk with Representative Warren Chisum. They explained Service Learning and its benefits and reminded him that often valuable strategies like Service Learning are not used because of the pressure to use more traditional techniques for preparing students for required tests.

Both officials' offices agreed to assist the students in any way with their efforts to obtain a historical marker to document Friona as the first school in Texas to fully integrate after the Supreme Court ruling in 1954.

Former Friona graduate Shane Woodard, who works promoting agriculture in Austin, also welcomed the students and encouraged them to be proud of their hometown and their agricultural heritage. He explained how the skills he developed in FFA at FHS had helped him at Texas Tech and prepared him for the real world.

On Sunday the group toured the Bob Bullock Museum. Many of the projects the students were representing originated with local efforts at the Parmer County Pioneer Heritage Museum so they were interested in the noted Austin museum that tells the "Story of Texas." They also visited the Texas State Cemetery, where Stephen F. Austin and other famous Texas patriots are buried, and the historic Driscoll Hotel where they attended a political reception before returning to Friona on Tuesday.

Service Learning in Austin



Friona Service Learning students with Representative Warren Chisum in the Capitol House Chambers: back row, l-r, Kayla Estrada, Molly Carthel, Casey Merritt, Kelby Monroe, and Patsy Allen; middle row, l-r, Pedro Ramos, Andrew Stowers, Yvette Ramos, Dollie Lookingbill, Karla Padilla, Crystal Garcia, principal Denver Crum; front row, Natasha Lafuente, Emily Allen, and Chisum.

courtesy photos



Friona FCCLA and Service Learning students are shown visiting the Texas Civil War section at the Texas State Cemetery in Austin.



ron carr photo

Third graders Chelsey Villanueva and Tyrone Shelby enjoy their pizza lunch at the school Friday courtesy of Parmer County Farm Bureau.

Farm Bureau serves pizza and ice cream to 3rd grade

Parmer County Farm Bureau's Food Checkout program culminated last week in the collection of cans of food by the third grade classes at Friona elementary.

The Food Checkout Project is sponsored by Farm Bureau to point out that America has a safe, affordable, and abundant food supply, thanks to America's farmers and ranchers. Accord-

ing to Farm Bureau statistics, in just five weeks the average American will have earned enough disposable income to pay for his or her food supply for the entire year.

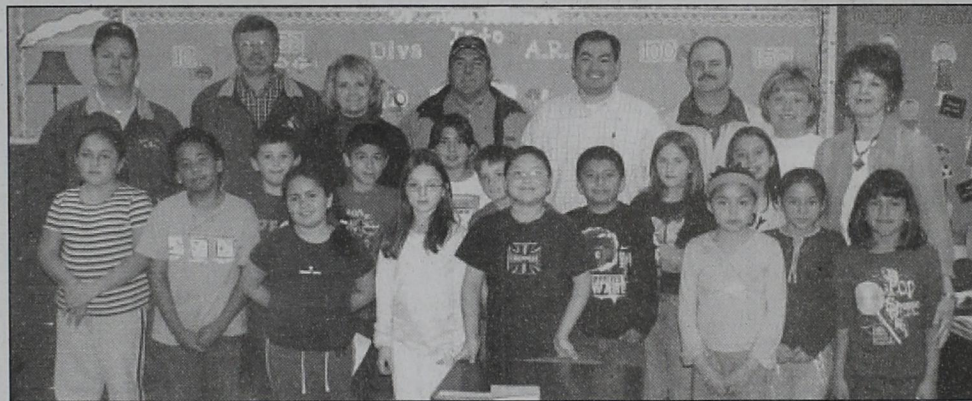
The Parmer County Farm Bureau sponsored a food collection drive among the third grade classes and the top class earned a pizza lunch served last Friday. In the afternoon, all third grad-

ers were treated to ice cream by Farm Bureau for their participation in the collection of food.

The winning class was Christi Herbert's with 118 cans collected. A close second was Kelly Jones' class with 113 cans, followed by Kathi Miller 91, Jennifer Collier 86, Martha Rodriguez 86, and Deirdre Osborn 72.

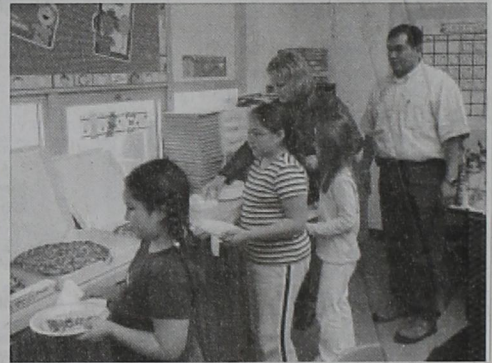
Altogether the Friona Element-

tary third grade classes collected 566 cans of food, which the Parmer County Farm Bureau will donate to the local food bank program. Helping out at the school Friday were Parmer County Farm Bureau manager Mitchell Smiley, Farm Bureau agents Veca White and Andy Montana, and Farm Bureau board members Ricky Barnett, Alan Monroe, and Kevin Welch.



ron carr photo

Parmer County Farm Bureau sponsored a food drive among Friona Elementary 3rd grade classes. Christi Herbert's class was the winner and were served pizza for lunch Friday. Helping the kids celebrate were, back row, l-r, Ricky Barnett, Alan Monroe, Veca White, Kevin Welch, Andy Montana, Mitchell Smiley, Christi Herbert, and elementary principal Becky Riethmayer.



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Parmer County Farm Bureau agents Veca White and Andy Montana supervise the pizza lunch line Friday at Friona Elementary. Christi Herbert's 3rd grade students won the lunch by collecting the most cans of food for the food bank.



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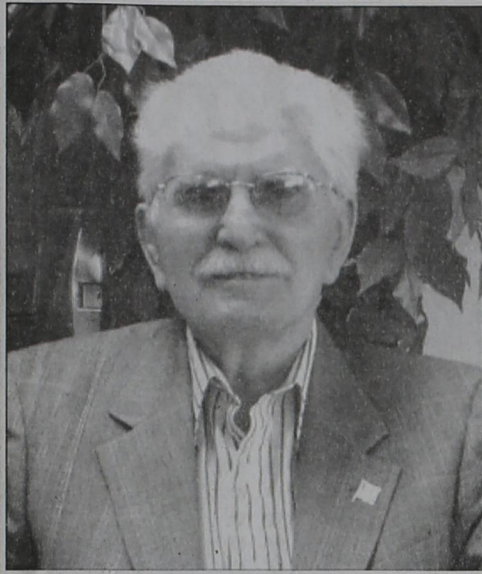
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- this "Tex" created Pecos Bill
- intense feeling
- common barn feline (2 wds.)
- tidy
- TXism: "sling it on the wall if it sticks"
- "The Massacre" of the TX Revolution
- TXism: "I'm ___ of a live one"
- this Crenna played TX Ross Perot in "On Wings of Eagles" (init.)
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- CSA Gen. Robert
- what TX Matthew McConaughey does
- a good rebounding Maverick or Spur
- Scott instruments
- actress Valerie Bertinelli or industrialist E.I. duPont
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- Dallas' ___ Thornton Freeway
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- popular ISP
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- TXism: "___ with" (join)
- TXism: "mad ___ wet hen"
- this "Texas" sang "Deck of Cards" (init.)
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- these letters meant headed for Texas
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- TXism: "so ___ are sprinkling"
- Celina h.s. class
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- southern TX region: "Rio"
- hog fat
- TXism: "tie up the loose ___"
- home of TX Stanley Marsh 3 (2 wds.)
- TX hairstyle in the 50s' ___ top"
- forced
- bulldoz
- TXns born 'tween July 23 & Aug. 22
- TX access Greer (init.)
- TXism: "ram ___ (boss)"
- TXns call it beer 25 triangular traffic sign
- Landry had a long one in coaching
- TXism: "costs an arm and ___"
- photo bidness: "___ Mills"
- TXism: "run ___ white flag"
- TXism: "slapped him a ___ hat size"
- it might be tanned in TX (2 wds.)
- "Ripley's Believe ___ Not"
- TXism: "burned some boot leather"
- mimic
- TXism: "by the ___ of my pants"
- "howdy"

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by Charley & Guy Orbison
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PRAIRIE ACRES Nursing Home Resident of the Month is Lee Witten and Employee of the Month is Carol Jackson, not pictured.

My Life Story

By Joyce Barker Coffman

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 Joyce Barker Coffman.

I was born in Lelia Lake, Texas, Donley County on July 16, 1920 to Dollie Brown Barker and Fred M. Barker. Dad was a school teacher for a short while after their marriage and Mom was a housewife. In October, 1920 my folks moved their family to a farm 3 miles east of Farwell. Dad farmed, raised a garden and lots of livestock (cows, hogs, and chickens). Mom sewed, making our clothes; churned butter, baked bread, peddled milk and eggs. All of us kids remember the dust bowl and the depression days. In 1938 Mom and Dad moved to the Lakeview Community, 8 miles east of Friona. I went to school in Friona for a short time then married. Mom and Dad had 7 other children besides me. There was Ogetha Mae (Langford) 1913, Thomas Franklin (Jack) 1914, Crystal (Moss Pitman) 1916, Baby Bôy 1918, Joyce Oleta (Coffman) 1920, Herald Fred (Judge) 1923, Mary Lou (Harrelson-Collier) 1925, and Bobby Jean (Widner) 1928. Myself and baby sister Bobby Jean are the only survivors from my family.

I married Eugene Ray (Weedy) Coffman, August 20, 1938. We first lived in Friona and Weedy worked at the Chevrolet House washing and greasing cars. Our first child a son, Frankie Gordon was born in Clovis, New Mexico in October 1939. Then we had a daughter, Sharon Joy (Wilson-Gallon) September 1942. We moved to Amarillo where Weedy worked for the Smelter. In July 1946 we had another daughter Melody Jayne (Drake) and 22 months later another son was added to our family Horace William (Hobby), May 1948. We moved to Texico, N.M. in October 1948 where we lived for a few months until we bought a home in Farwell. Weedy worked for Oliver Sikes at the Ford house selling cars.

Later his brother-in-law, Lawrence McKillip and Weedy were partners and bought the Ford House. After about 3 years the Ford dealership sold and Weedy started selling and trading on his own. We had 3 other children, Alice Jean (Autrey-Ewald), September 1953, Arlene Gay (Roberts-Klump) January 1958 and April Dawn (King) August 1960.



Joyce Barker Coffman

With all our children you know we attended lots of school functions, sports, band, etc. Whatever the kids were involved in we tried to see to it they were there and we loved to go watch. I was a housewife and loved canning, cooking, working in my yard and flowers. Weedy and I also enjoyed raising a big garden. We lived in the same house there in Farwell from 1949 until I came to live in Prairie Acres in July 2005. I am a member of the Hamlin Methodist Church. Weedy died on July 1, 1984 of a brain tumor and Frankie died November 17, 2004. I have 6 children still living, Sharon Gallon in Stillwater, Oklahoma, Melody with her husband Owen Drake in Friona, Texas, Hob Coffman of Farwell, Texas. Alice with her husband Brian Ewald, Sun Lakes, Arizona. Gaye with her husband Robert Klump, Cedertedge, Colorado, April King, Amarillo, Texas, 18 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

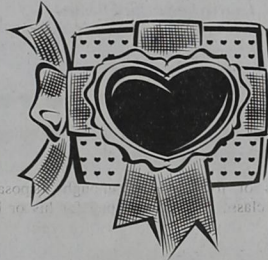
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"Honey, I love you.
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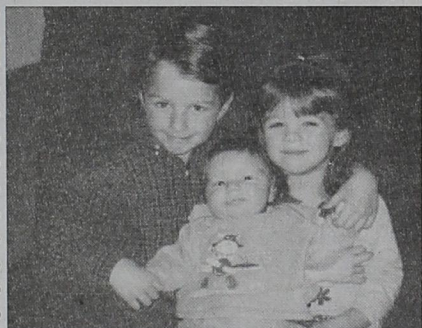
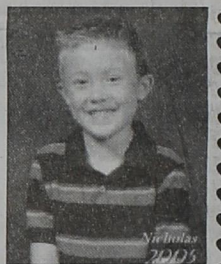
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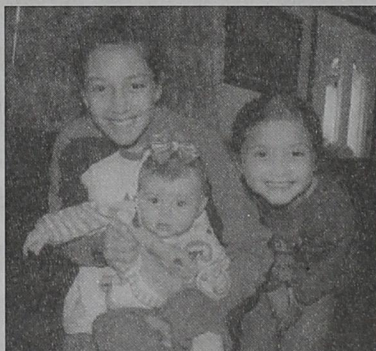
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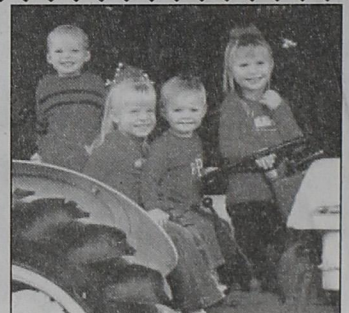
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Grandparents: Teddy & Sharon White and Jerry & Janet LaFrance
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Parents: Charles & Esmeralda Walker
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Grandparents: Randy & Charity (Mays) Hodges

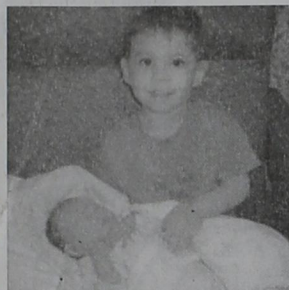


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Grandparents: Albert & Jan Chesher and Paul & Martha Jones

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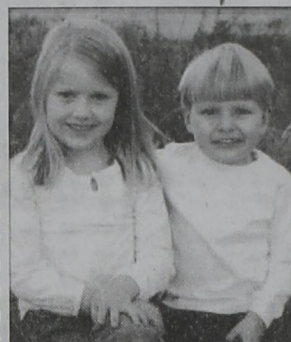
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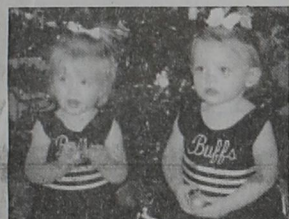
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Grandparents: Harold Joe & Joyce Wells and Hilton & Wanda Wilson
"We love you Derek and Dallas!"



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Parents: Terry & Casey Sharrock
Grandparents: Troy & Mona Sharrock and Bud & Linda Klingensmith



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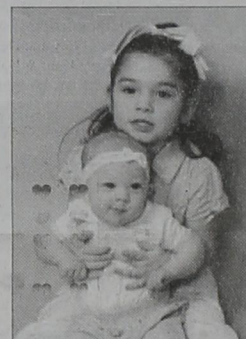
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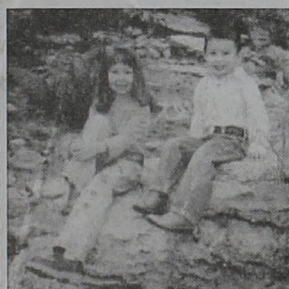
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Grandmother: Ann Carthel



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"Lots of Hugs and Kisses"
Love Gramma & Papa
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Granddaughters of Joe & Marlene Mueller and Tony & Mary Duran
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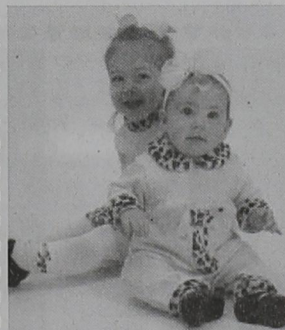
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"We love you very much!"
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Grandparents: Jack & Pat Turner & Ron and Marie Cummings
Great Grandparent: Roy Crawford, Sr.



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Parents: Blair & Tammi Burney
Grandparents: Larry & Judy Potts and Chick & Wanda Burney



Jaycee & Jaden Pigg
"We Love You, Pawpa & Grandma"
Parents: Jon & Julie Pigg
Grandparents: Gary & Barbara Brown, Mike Pigg and Barbara Scroggins



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Parents: Chris & Heather Storey
Grandparents: Mike & Reta Martin and Dan & Sandra Storey



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Parents: Mac & Tracey Fields
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Parents: Jason & Nikki Kerby
Grandparents: Al & Susan Kerby
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Kip & Haley Lascelles
Parents: Chris & Debbie Lascelles
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"Our Little Sweethearts"
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Mommy, Daddy, LaLa & Papo



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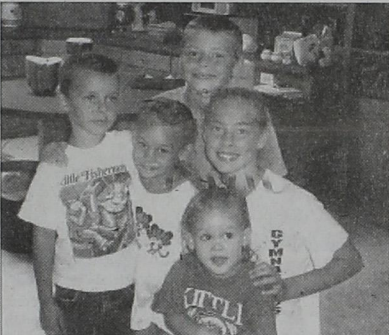
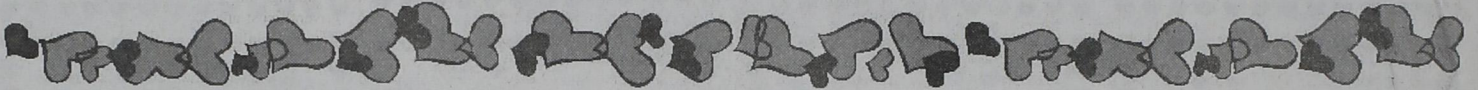
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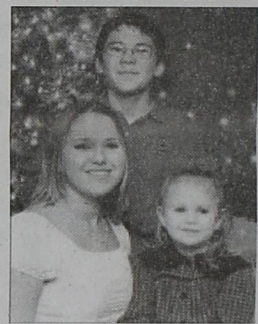
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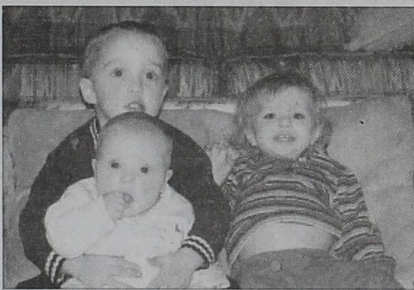
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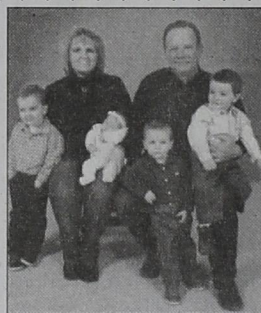
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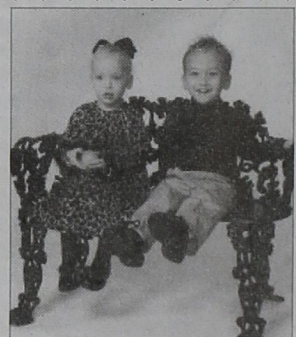
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We Love You!"
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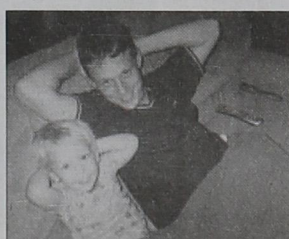
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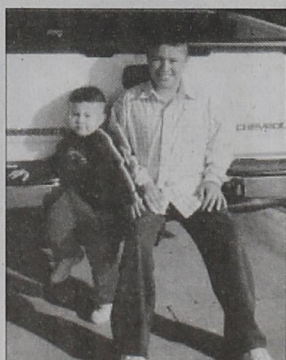
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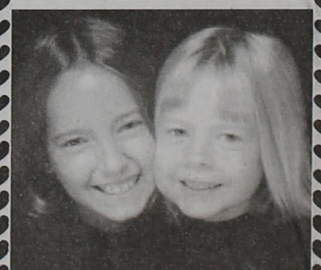
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"We love you guys!!!"
G-ma, G-pa & Tiff



Todd & Jake Padilla
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"We love you boys!"



Charlotte and David Goddard
Parents: Jon & Erin Goddard
Grandparents: Kathryn Goddard and Jeff & Ginny Rauth



To Papa & Nana
Happy Valentine's Day!
Love,
Macy & Katy

Cotton profitability workshop in Muleshoe

Cotton producers can get a leg up on planning their management strategies for 2006 at the cotton profitability workshop sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension.

"We will take a long, hard look at higher production expenses, and how that may affect your operating strategy," said Dr. Jackie Smith, Extension economist based at Lubbock. "We know producers will face higher energy costs for irrigation, fertilizer, fuel and ginning."

"We will also examine rental arrangements, how energy prices have affected them and how they might need to be adjusted."

The workshop is slated for February 22, from 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at the Bailey County Coliseum.

Jeff Pate and Jay Yates, Extension risk management specialists based at Lubbock, will provide an outlook for fuel, fertilizer, other farm inputs, and crop prices for 2006. They will also discuss farm program payments and possible pro-

duction budgets for irrigated cotton.

Smith will examine crop share rental arrangements, focusing on how tenants and landlords can share the risk and total investment in an equitable agreement. He will also discuss cash leases.

There is no charge to attend. For more information contact Curtis Preston, Bailey County Extension at (806) 272-4584 or Jackie Smith at (806) 746-6101. Educational programs conducted by the Texas Cooperative Extension serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. Individuals with disabilities who need special assistance to participate in the programs or who need this program in an alternative format should contact the Bailey County Extension Office at (806) 272-4584. All reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate special needs.

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FSA to provide CRP contract extensions; Announces general CRP sign-up

Friday, February 3, 2006

By Shawn Wade

Approximately one-half of the four million acres currently enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program in Texas are set to expire in 2007. In order to bring some order to the process, and to more efficiently stagger the expiration times for these CRP acres, the Farm Service Agency has decided to offer automatic extensions to the contracts using the Environmental Benefits Index scores from the year the lands were last signed up to determine the length of the extension that will be offered.

Based on the EBI scores and verification that the acres remain eligible for participation, including consideration of program caps limiting CRP acreage within a county, CRP contracts expiring in 2007 will be automatically extended.

Automatic CRP contract extensions will be offered according to the following schedule:

Environmental Benefits Index (EBI) Score	Automatic Extension Length
197-365	10 years
173-196	5 years
152-172	4 years
129-151	3 years
Less than 129	2 years

Farm Service Agency (FSA) county offices will notify CRP participants with expiring contracts in 2007 by mail if they are eligible for re-enrollments or extensions.

Before approving a re-enrollment contract or an extended contract, FSA will review the contract to ensure that the required cover is maintained and there is compliance with other contract provisions. In addition, to be eligible, participants must be able to show that they meet eligibility requirements for the new enrollment period. In the case of re-enrollments, updated rental rates will apply.

Also announced by FSA January 31 was a general Conservation Reserve Program Sign-up beginning March 27, 2006 and running through April 14, 2006.

Offers presented during the general CRP sign-up will be evaluated based on overall cost and the following environmental factors: wildlife, water, soil, air and enduring benefits.

CRP is a voluntary program that helps farmers, ranchers and other agricultural producers protect their environmentally sensitive land. Producers enrolling in CRP plant long-term, resource conserving covers, with Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) providing rental payments, cost-share and technical assistance.

For more information on CRP, contact your local FSA office or visit the FSA Web site at:

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafp/cepd/crp.htm>.

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First Ag Credit Scholarship

First Ag Credit, Muleshoe is pleased to announce our 2006 scholarships. We will present two \$250 scholarships to deserving high school seniors.

To be eligible for the First Ag Credit Scholarship, students must be a resident of Parmer, Bailey, or Lamb County, have a B or above average, be a full-time student at a college or university in the Fall 2006 and have parents and/or grandparents who are members of First Ag Credit, Muleshoe Branch.


Applications may be obtained by calling the First Ag Credit Office at 272-3010, the Friona High School Counselor at 250-3951, the Lazbuddie High School Counselor at 965-2156, or the Muleshoe High School Counselor at 272-7303. The deadline to apply is April 15, 2006.

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Matt Myrick was one of our very dear friends. I am so honored to know his wife Christy and their 4 beautiful kids. So In their honor, starting Friday we will be donating \$1.00 from every "4-napkin" hamburger that we sell. Please come by & enjoy a hamburger & help us help her and the kids.

Thanks Kenda



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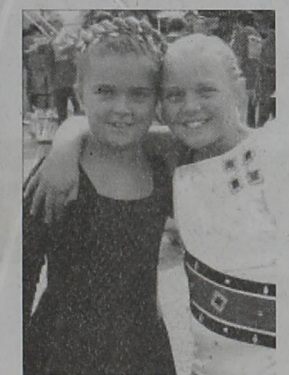
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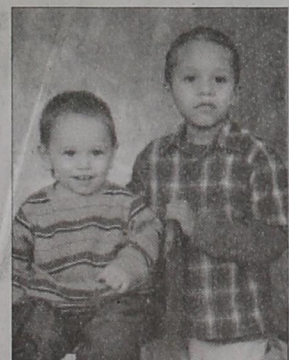
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"Happy Valentines three amigos"
Love,
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"We love you Burkleigh and Brandon!"
Hazeldad & Mom



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Parents: Lana Bracken & Cody Bracken
Grandparents: Teddy & Shirley Fangman and Rex & Darla Bracken



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Parents: Joseph Bautista & Kellie Ryan



Eric's Corner Your Privacy and the Net.

Are you a private person? Do you cringe at the thought of someone watching you every move? Or reading your private messages? Well, listen up! The Internet has some great resources to help you maintain your anonymity, at least in the online world.

Web Surfing
Every time you visit a website, you leave a footprint. These tracks contain a very important piece of information called an "IP Address." An IP Address is the unique ID every computer on the Internet MUST have in order to communicate. "IP" is short for "Internet Protocol." The address is a series of four three-digit numbers, such as "134.056.002.253" Your ISP has large blocks of these IP numbers assigned to them by THEIR provider.

If someone wanted to know who visited a certain website, they could track that IP address back to its owner, your ISP. Then, if your ISP cooperates, they could link that IP to YOU based on the date and time you were assigned that ID. Typically, only law enforcement officials go through such painstaking steps to find a user. However, that remote possibility is enough to cause some privacy-minded citizens to seek better protection. Enter, Anonymizer.

Anonymizer
Think of Anonymizer (<http://www.anonymizer.com>) as a proxy web-surfer. Take a look at the top-right of their home page. Simply type any web address into the blank to surf anonymously. Here's how it works: Let's say you didn't want the IRS to know that you visited their "Will I get Audited?" web page. First, go to Anonymizer's website and type the IRS's address (<http://www.irs.gov>) into the blank.

The IRS homepage will slowly appear. The sudden drop in speed is due to two factors: First, you have now introduced a middleman (Anonymizer) into your surfing. All web pages will now be routed through Anonymizer first before they reach your computer. Second, Anonymizer's paying customers get priority on the service over free users. But, the free service is decent for occasional usage. It's easy to know when you're using Anonymizer and when you are surfing "naked." The Anonymizer address bar will appear at the top of your screen along with "Protected by Anonymizer" appearing in the title of every document you view.

Anonymous Re-mailers
But what if you need to send an anonymous e-mail message? And, "yes," before you ask, legitimate reasons do exist for this service. The Global Internet Liberty Campaign explains it this way:

"Anonymity is essential to protect free speech. It can be used to protect human rights workers reporting abuses, political dissidents commenting on government actions, writers publishing controversial literature and other important functions where revealing a person's identity would threaten a person's life or wellbeing. Anonymous pub-

lishing has been recognized in the United States as being protected by the First Amendment."

Most of these services forward your message through numerous servers around the world, stripping off the previous server's address. The recipient has no way of knowing that the message came from you. Of course, because of this "stripping" action, they also have no way to reply to you. For more information on re-mailing, check out the GILC's comprehensive collection of links at <http://www.gilc.org/speech/anonymous/>.

Cleaning Your Hard Drive
Most of you know that simply throwing a file into the recycle bin does not make it irretrievable. After all, you can always double-click on the trash and pull it back out. However, what if you "empty the recycle bin?" Could someone still retrieve the file? Yes, unless special steps are taken.

When your computer deletes a file, it doesn't truly erase it. It simply marks the area on the hard drive where the file exists as "available." The next time you save a file, it may (or may not) over-write that deleted file. That's how "undelete" programs work. They try to piece together file fragments that have not been overwritten by new data.

However, even if that area on the hard drive has been overwritten eight times, the data still leaves a "magnetic signature." Law enforcement officials have devices that can decipher these "data ghosts" and rebuild the deleted files.

To truly erase all data, you need a special program. I recommend, UltraWipe (<http://www.snapfiles.com/get/ultrawipe.html>). It's a free program that will find the empty areas of your hard drive, write random data over them, then erase it, then repeat the process over and over and over. It claims to meet "Department of Defense standards" for file deletion. Be careful, though. It has a "Panic Button" that will immediately erase a user-selected group of folders with a mouse-click.

Some people believe that the government and corporations are slowly eroding our right to privacy. However, with the tools I've mentioned, you'll have a fighting chance against these "Big Brothers."

See you in Cyberspace!
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English
 The City of Friona will hold a public hearing to receive citizen comments regarding the proposed use of electronic voting systems for the City Officers' Election to be held May 13, 2006. This public hearing will be held at the regular City Council meeting on Monday, February 13, 2006, in the Friona City Council Chambers, 619 Main Street, at 6:30 PM.

Spanish
 La Ciudad de Friona tendrá una audiencia pública para recibir los comentarios de ciudadanos con respecto al uso del propuesto del sistema electrónico para votar, en las elecciones de oficiales de la ciudad que se llevara a cabo el 13 de Mayo de 2006. Esta audiencia pública se estará llevando a cabo en la oficina principal de nuestra ciudad el 13 de Febrero de 2006, a las 6:30 PM, las oficina esta localizadas por 619 Calle Main.

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FRIONA CENTENNIAL MOMENTS

(This is one of a series of weekly articles pertaining to Friona's 100th anniversary, which will be observed throughout 2006)

Friona Schools led the state in Integration

by Darla Bracken, fridarla19@yahoo.com

On May 17, 1954 in the U.S. Supreme Court decision "Brown vs. the Board of Education" (of Topeka, Kansas), American civil rights reached a milestone in education. The 'separate, but equal'

himself, had written that 'all men are created equal' and later that all citizens had certain rights; trouble was that slaves were not citizens; but evidently they could not get the group to agree on

discrimination in voting and stated that states could not impose their own voting requirements upon their citizens. A poll tax, construed by many to be discriminatory, continued in Texas until the late 1960s.

When looking back on these incidents, it is sometimes easy to forget the people involved. Linda Brown was a 6 year old student who was to start school in Topeka. Her father, Oliver Brown, went to their neighborhood school to enroll her. The school refused and told them that she would have to attend Monroe, the Negro school, under the 'separate but equal' law. That school was many blocks away from their home and across a railroad track. Brown was just one of five plaintiffs in the Brown vs. Board case. It is much easier to stand up and fight for one's children than it is to fight for oneself; the injustice then becomes unbearable.

In the fall of 1954 in Friona, Texas our school was given the opportunity for leadership. A local black family, the Walkers, had moved to Friona and three of their children were of school age. The family's employers, Johnny & Elthie Hand, approached our Superintendent, Dalton Caffey, to enroll them. All were enrolled in school and although the family was not here all of that year, they were in the Christmas music program in December 1954 [Chieftain Yearbook, 1955]. Our school administration and our community stepped up and had the courage to do what was right in this situation. Only later did they

learn that they were the first in the state of Texas to do so. Although not completely without incident, as the Caffey's did receive some threatening phone calls, the action was accepted. It was also done voluntarily and not by force.

When our local students first learned of this fact from the Centennial Articles on Friona Schools which covered the history of the school since 1908, they immediately were impressed and realized

Ramos, the effort celebrates their overall service learning theme of unity. Just last week at a meeting of state administrators, our local students approached their local legislators about this project underway and received pledges of their support. Pedro, a permanent resident, though not yet a citizen, understands firsthand the value of equal education under the law and the opportunity it provides.

Over the weekend FHS gradu-

Historical Museum, was also present for the interview. It has been my honor to assist them in their efforts of research and documentation. Many of our local residents will remember this time. If you have something: memories, photos, comments—please do share them with this group.

A story by the Dallas Morning News in May of 1955 covered the original story and followed up on it on the 50th

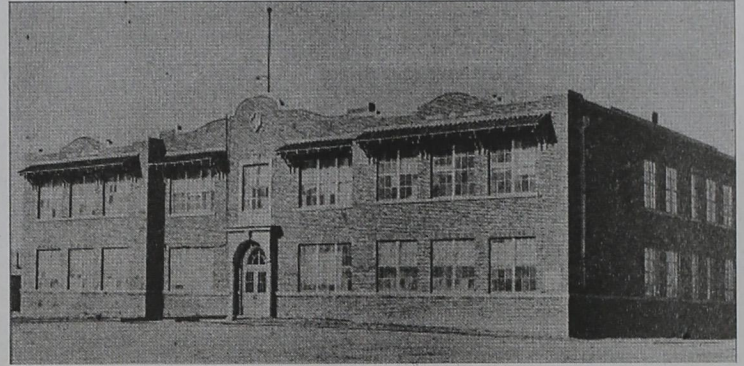


Dalton Caffey, Superintendent

policy established and upheld in Plessy vs Ferguson, 1896, was ruled unconstitutional because it did not provide equal education under the law. The Civil War had ended in 1865, but the struggles had not. In the beginning one of our founding fathers, Thomas Jefferson, a slaveholder

every point. What a difference a word makes.

At the end of the Civil War in 1865 the 13th Amendment was passed abolishing slavery. By 1868, the 14th Amendment granted citizenship and equal civil rights to former slaves. In 1870 the 15th Amendment barred racial



Junior High School Building in 1955

the historical significance of this action taken so long ago. They wanted to honor their school and their community in a special way. Their plans include applying for an historical marker to permanently mark the site of the first school in the state to integrate. The building no longer stands, having been torn down in 1965 to make way for new construction. Led by FHS Senior Pedro

ate Felicia LaFuente from News Channel 10 in Amarillo covered the effort as part of Black History month. Felicia did a very nice story which aired twice on Sunday evening and once on Monday morning. Dollie Lookingbill and Pedro Ramos, along with their instructor Patsy Allen, were interviewed at the Friona Public Library. Wendy Carthel, curator of the Parmer County

Anniversary of Brown vs the Board of Education in May 18, 2004 by speaking to individuals involved, including the students. It was also entered into the Texas State Senate official record as a result of that news story in May 2004. The time is right to honor this action locally and for the effort to be student-led speaks volumes for it also.



Grade School Christmas Concert in 1954

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DPS Trooper Trey Ellis inspects the damage to a 2002 Mitsubishi Montero that rolled on Highway 60 Tuesday morning. Erandy Lara, 19, of Friona, was westbound on Hwy 60 when her vehicle crossed the median, rolled, and ended up pointed eastbound. She had minor injuries and was treated at Parmer County Community Hospital.

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ron carr photo

The Book Shoppe opened Wednesday with a ribbon cutting. It is located at 6th & Euclid and sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Present were, l-r, Darla Bracken, Cindy Butman, Karen Renner, Jyl Grimsley, Melba Smiley, Chris Alexander, Teddy Jones, Lilah Gaye Gee, and Dana Jameson.



courtesy photo

The Friona 7th grade Braves finished the season with a 12-2 record. They won their last 10 games. Back row, l-r, Coach Rex Cumpston, Kirby Frye, Kolton Lucas, Nicolas Ortiz, Sergio Mendez, and Clayton Smiley. Front, l-r, Duncan Welch, Michael Chico, Brenner Barnett, Zack Fair, Ernesto Monreal, Chris Garcia, and Dominique Kellum.



ron carr photo

Friona Squaws Staci Murphree (33) and Shayli Reed (25) follow a shot Tuesday night as the Squaws beat the Lockney Lady Horns and will play Floydada Friday night at Littlefield to determine seeding for the playoffs. Friona and Floydada tied for the district championship with identical 8-2 records.



Friona School Menu

February 13-
February 17
(All meals are served with Ice cold Milk)

Monday, February 13
Holiday

Tuesday, February 14
Lunch - Pepperoni pizza, mixed vegetables, fresh fruit cookie.

Wednesday, February 15
Lunch - Spaghetti, rolls, green beans, garden salad, assorted gelatin.

Thursday, February 16
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