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TEN PAGES

Marker denotes courage of local pioneer families

In 1954 Mary and Robert Walker went to work on a Friona farm for Johnny and Elthie Hand. The Walkers had three boys of school age so Elthie Hand called then-superintendent Dalton Caffey to see if the children could attend Friona schools. Mr.

Caffey said yes he would accept them and called then-school board president D. C. Herring to tell him of the decision.

It was that simple, and without bureaucratic fanfare, that in September 1954 the Friona Independent School District became

the first white school district in the state of Texas to accept black students. Thanks to a project last year by Patsy Allen's high school service learning students, a historical marker was dedicated Thursday, February 8, proclaiming Friona as the first school in Texas to integrate. The marker is on the 8th Street entrance side of Friona Elementary School.

The dedication ceremony was held in the junior high auditorium. Among those present were 1954 school board president D. C. Herring; Elthie Hand (Johnny Hand is deceased); Mary Walker (husband Robert is deceased); Mrs. Walker's sons Freddy, Robert, and Jerry; and relatives of Superintendent Dalton Caffey including his son Kim Caffey who lives in Friona, his daughter Carolyn (Caffey) Cotton who now lives in Santa Monica, California, Carolyn Cotton's husband Eldon, their son Miles, and their daughter Sarah and husband Scott Nelson and infant son Will (Dalton Caffey's great grandson).

Robert Walker was one of those three youngsters that enrolled in Friona ISD in 1954. Freddy and Jerry Walker were too young at the time to attend school. Freddy Walker still lives in Friona and his children are graduates of Friona High School. Ray Walker, another of the young students, has passed away.

Also present were Friona Mayor John Taylor, who proclaimed February 8 as Equal Education Day in Friona, and present FISD Superintendent Jim Parker who gave the opening welcome. Taking part in the ceremonies were Parmer County Museum curator Wendy Carthel; Gladys Spring, Chair of the Parmer County Historical Commission; and Pedro Ramos, Friona Class of 2006 graduate and now a student at West Texas A&M. Ramos was a student of Patsy Allen's and the project for the historical marker was his idea.

FCCLA and service learning students Isabel Romero, Jordan Carr, Hannah Carthel, Teresa Ramos, and Emily Allen served as program coordinators. A reception followed at the Parmer County Museum.



ron carr photo

Gathered for the dedication of Friona's historical marker designating Friona as the first school in Texas to integrate were, standing, l-r, D.C. Herring, Elthie Hand, Kim Caffey, Freddy Walker, Robert Walker, Jerry Walker; Miles Cotton, Scott and Sarah Nelson and son Will, Eldon Cotton, and school superintendent Jim Parker. Seated, l-r, are Mary Walker, Mayor John Taylor, and Carolyn (Caffey) Cotton. See related story for more info.

Annual chamber banquet set for Tuesday March 6

Tickets for the 51st annual Chamber of Commerce banquet are on sale from any Chamber director or at the Chamber office on Main St. They are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. The banquet is at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday March 6 at the Friona Community Center.

The menu is prime rib and all the trimmings prepared again this year by Charlie Pope and his crew. The Friona High School Choir, under the direction of Allison Johnston, will provide the entertainment.

Nominations are still being accepted for the annual citizen awards. The deadline for nominations is 4 p.m. February 20 at the Chamber Office. For more information on this call the Chamber at 250-3491.

The Chamber has one more

TAKS tests to be given February 20

According to Friona High School counselor Stephanie Barrett, the 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students at FHS will take the TAKS tests Tuesday February 20.

Freshman students will be taking the TAKS reading test, sophomores will be taking the TAKS ELA test, and juniors will be taking the exit level TAKS ELA test.

Breakfast will be served in the high school cafeteria that morning beginning at 7:45 a.m. "All students are encouraged to be at the school early enough to eat breakfast and prepare for the day," Mrs. Barrett said.

If there are any questions contact Mrs. Barrett at the high school office, 250-3951, or email sbarrett@frionaisd.com.

Gold Sponsor Table available for sponsorship. A Gold Table costs \$500 and includes 8 tickets and advertising at the banquet.

According to the Chamber of Commerce newsletter the 2007 Gold Table Sponsors so far are Cargill Meat Solutions, City of Friona, First National Bank/Friona Banking Center, Friona Industries, Friona State Bank, Hi-Pro Feeds, Oller Engineering/Underwood Law Firm, TexZona Custom Cattle

Feeders, W. T. Services, Wal-Mart, and Windstream Communications.

Chamber officers are Lance Gatlin, president; J. B. Douglas, vice-president; Heidi Eichenauer, treasurer; Danny Campbell, past president, Chris Alexander, executive vice-president. The Board of Directors are Kenny Austin, Cindy Butman, Stormi Lookingbill, Steve Patterson, Patricia Phipps, Suzanne Reese, Varla Wilcox, and Tim Brown.

Commissioners quiet about exec session

The regular meeting of Parmer County Commissioners Court on Monday February 12 was routine for the most part. They approved minutes, approved accounts payable, and considered the county treasurers report.

A supplement to the regular agenda, posted at 8:45 a.m. Monday, called for an Executive Session to deliberate personnel matters. The wording of the agenda item was "consider intra-county letter from District Attorney."

Neither the county commissioners nor County Judge Bonnie Heald would provide details of the executive session other than to say that the county has notified Bank of America that Parmer County has no ties to them.

Squaws vs. Littlefield game on radio and TV

The Friona Squaws will take on the Littlefield Lady Wildcats in an area round playoff match. Game time is 7 p.m. Friday, February 16 at Levelland High School. The game will be broadcast on KPAN Radio, 106.3 FM, 860AM, or KPAN Internet at www.kpanradio.com.

Friona will be the home team. Ticket prices are adults \$4 and students \$2. District, senior citizens, and coaches complimentary passes will be honored.

The FHS-TV video replay featuring Mike Hutson and Clint Mears will be broadcast Saturday morning at 10 a.m. on WT Services Channel 76. Go Squaws!



ron carr photo

Friona ISD school board trustees, l-r, Danny Hand and Mitchell Smiley view the new historical marker at the elementary school campus during dedication ceremonies Thursday February 8. Text of the marker is on Page Two.

Relay for Life kickoff meeting February 22

A kickoff meeting for the annual Relay for Life cancer walk is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, February 22, at the Friona State Bank community room. Pizza and Cokes will be provided by Kendrick Oil Company. The 2007 Relay for Life will be held June 22.

Last year's chairman, Jyl Grimsley, said the final official total raised in the 2006 Relay was \$32,796. The co-chairmen for the 2007 Relay for Life are Greg and Jamie Lewellen. They

are new and enthusiastic as co-chairmen and are being coached and assisted by Jyl Grimsley and Barbara Grimsley, last year's co-chairmen.

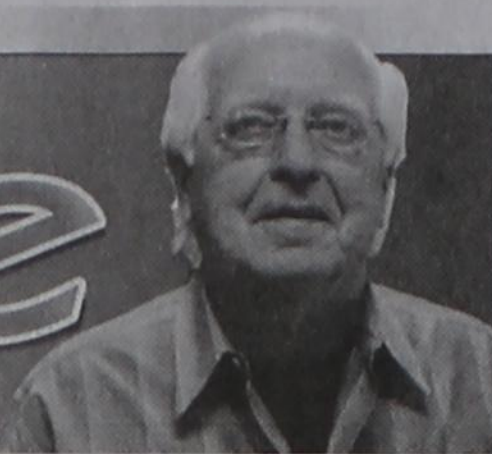
Several teams have already signed up and are being organized for the 2007 Relay. They include Maria Loya, Friona elementary school, Renner family, Rhodes family, Parmer County 4-H, Friona primary school, Connie Neelley, Friona high school, Baptist women, Bovina ladies, Cindy Butman,

Cargill Meat Solutions, hospital/clinic, and the Johnston family. Other teams are in the process of being organized. Everyone is encouraged to form a team or contact one of the above teams to join in.

Anyone who can participate with financial sponsor donations or assistance in other ways please contact Jyl Grimsley at 250-5700, or Greg and Jamie Lewellen at 250-3545.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



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I need a trustworthy person

I am Fred Adams Williams, a manager in the Bills and Exchange at the Foreign Remittance Department of One of the Leading Banks in Ghana.

A normal person would stop reading the email at that point, seeing as how said normal person has no relatives in nor has ever been to Ghana. Indeed most humans do not know where Ghana is except Jim Jones poisoned a bunch of folks with Kool Aid there once upon a time. Or was that Guyana.

Anyway Mr. Williams was kind enough to email me that his bank had discovered an abandoned account with \$51 million smackers in it. The account apparently belonged to one of his foreign customers who died along with the entire family in a 1999 car accident.

Fred says that Ghana banking guidelines (as though Ghana had any guidelines, or banks for that matter) requires his bank to release the \$51mil to a next-of-kin and so far nobody has showed up. Since no one has showed up after 6 years the money is now transferred to the bank's treasury account.

Here is the really good news. Fred writes, "Upon this discovery, I and other officials in my department have agreed to make

business with you and release the total amount into your account as the Heir of the Fund since no one came for it." I have been a lot of things in my life, all the way down to the Hair of the Dog, but never an Heir of the Fund.

First of all I am not inclined to do business with someone that says "we have agreed to make business with you." But since Fred offered me 30% of the \$51 million maybe we can make some business. After all \$15 million is a pretty good return just for sending him my private telephone number, fax number, and full name.

After I send Fred my info he plans to send me the modalities for the bank to approve me as the next of kin then re-profile the funds with my name, which will enable the bank to transfer the sum to me. I don't know what the hell all that means but I've gotta tell you, this is about the easiest \$15 million I've ever made.

Fred opened his email by saying "Please I need a trustworthy person." So I am not going to reply to Fred after all because I am not really a trustworthy person to make business with. Especially with a Ghana banker that considers me

a complete idiot and tries to rip off my personal information.

If I had a chance to screw Fred in this deal before he screwed me I would do it in a New York minute but that is not being trustworthy.

So see Fred I am really sorry but I'm afraid I can't pretend to be a trustworthy person any more than you are really a Ghana banker.

I just hope that none of the several million innocent people you sent the email to fall for your stupid scam. Some will I'm sure, otherwise you wouldn't keep sending this same email everyday for the last two years.

If you have senior citizens in your life who are bordering on forgetfulness or mild dementia or just plain old age, ask them about their junk mail, especially their junk email.

Scams from Nigeria or Ghana promising large amounts of money for very little effort are often interesting to our more helpless or gullible citizens.

A senior citizen, home alone and lonely, might take the Ghana email seriously and hand over their life savings. You can help by being concerned.

If it looks like a duck and sounds like a duck it's probably a duck.

If it looks different, it probably is!

Maybe you have noticed we have been experimenting with different styles and looks in the newspaper the past few weeks. I have been tinkering with the look here on Page Two.

This week we went back to the "Out Here" title for my weekly column and put my picture back on top of the page. My computer guru Nathan Parson designed the heading. He almost made me look like I have hair. Good job Nathan.

Page Two is my page. Most every article or photo or cartoon on Page Two is selected by me. Of course I get to okay everything that goes into the newspaper but Page Two is my special "bulletin board" for opinions and other stuff I find of interest. I hope you enjoy looking over Page Two each week.

We especially like to hear from readers via fax, email, or a plain old letter. Naturally we like compliments but we'll take the criticism too. In the meantime we'll probably keep on tweaking. Hope you don't mind. ron carr

Chisum prefers heteros as foster parents

By Paul E. Scott, Equality Texas

Buried deep within a Thursday, February 8, *Austin American-Statesman* article on his goals as chair of the powerful House Appropriations Committee, State Representative Warren Chisum (R-Pampa) laid the groundwork for creating a "preference system" for foster care placement. Chisum stated he "favors tweaking state law to give heterosexuals preferred status as foster parents over gay parents."

"Chisum is directly contradicting his own statements, made after the Proposition 2 Marriage Amendment passed, that he would no longer attack gay families. He is placing our state's most vulnerable children at risk to the radical right's continuing crusade against gay and lesbian parents," says Paul E. Scott, Executive Director of Equality Texas.

Chisum is on record, in a piece by W. Gardner Selby in the *Austin American-Statesman* on November 9, 2005, as having stated: "I'm not about to go out and beat up on a homosexual community. Some of them do a fabulous job of stepping in (as foster parents) when no one else will."

How can Chisum say in one breath that gay and lesbian parents do a "fabulous" job of foster parenting, while in a sec-

ond, assert they should only be allowed to do so if no one "better" is available?

Representative Chisum has his own personal views on what a family should look like. He believes that a foster child's welfare is better served by placement with a married husband and wife over any other parental structure. While we respect Representative Chisum's opinion, decades of empirical research show that it is factually inaccurate.

"Thirty years of credible, peer-reviewed research shows that children raised by gay and lesbian parents are just as happy, just as secure, and just as well-adjusted as those raised by heterosexual couples," said Paul E. Scott. "To imply that a person's sexual orientation has any bearing on their ability to parent is groundless and patently wrong. What counts in parenting is the ability to nurture a child, which is to provide a safe, financially and emotionally stable environment that supports their growth and development," he added.

Austin attorney and Atticus Circle founder, Anne S. Wynne, who debated Chisum several times during the constitutional amendment campaign in 2005, said, "I was surprised to read that Representative Chisum

thought we should give preferred status to heterosexual couples over gay and lesbian parents. The last time we visited about this he told me he thought gay parents did a "wonderful" job as foster parents. I suggest we give preferred status to "wonderful" parents, period. That is what's in the best interest of the child," she added.

"If Chisum's true concern was for the well-being of Texas' children, he would not damage their lives by 'tweaking' an already

overburdened foster care system to potentially discourage the applications of capable, loving parents," says Scott.

(The mission of Equality Texas is to work toward the elimination of social, legal, and economic discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity through lobbying, education, and research directed toward the Texas Legislature and other state governmental agencies.)

Seliger files coal project bill

A federal project named FutureGen is looking for a location for a \$1 billion clean-coal demonstration site. FutureGen is a federally sponsored project that will use gasification technology to produce coal-fueled electricity with near zero emissions, according to a press release from Senator Kel Seliger's office.

Four sites are being considered, two in Texas and two in Illinois. The two sites in Texas are near Odessa in West Texas and Jewett in East Texas. Seliger introduced legislation to provide sales tax relief and exempt the electricity produced by the plant from commercial sales tax.

The proposed Odessa site is located in Seliger's senatorial district. He has joined with State Representative Byron Cook of Corsicana, whose legislative district includes the proposed East Texas site, to file identical legislation in the House.

Seliger's bill proposes an aggressive package of financial and other incentives designed to bring FutureGen to Texas. Final offerings for each proposed site are to be submitted by Texas and Illinois in June this year. A FutureGen host site will be selected and announced by September 1, 2007.

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FRIONA SCHOOLS

FRIONA HAS THE DISTINCTION OF BEING THE FIRST TOWN IN TEXAS TO INTEGRATE ITS SCHOOLS. THE FIRST SCHOOL OPENED ON THIS SITE IN 1908 IN A ONE-ROOM FRAME BUILDING, WITH ROXIE WITHERSPOON TEACHING 18 PUPILS. A TWO-STORY BRICK SCHOOL FINISHED IN 1911 BURNED AFTER BEING STRUCK BY LIGHTNING IN 1922. A NEW TWO-STORY BRICK HIGH SCHOOL OPENED IN 1924. ATTENDANCE GREW IN THE 1940s, WHEN RURAL SCHOOLS AT LAKEVIEW, MESSENGER, BLACK AND RHEA CONSOLIDATED WITH FRIONA.

THE SCHOOL ACHIEVED ITS GREATEST FAME IN 1954. RACIAL SEGREGATION OF SCHOOLCHILDREN WAS CONSIDERED LEGAL IN THE 20TH CENTURY, REAFFIRMED BY THE U.S. SUPREME COURT IN 1896 IN THE CASE OF PLESSY V. FERGUSON. ON MAY 17, 1954, THE COURT OVERTURNED THE DECISION, DECLARING SEGREGATION UNCONSTITUTIONAL IN BROWN V. BOARD OF EDUCATION. CHIEF JUSTICE EARL WARREN WROTE, "WE CONCLUDE THAT, IN THE FIELD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION, THE DOCTRINE OF 'SEPARATE BUT EQUAL' HAS NO PLACE." FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT MOVED SLOWLY TO IMPLEMENT CHANGE, BUT IN FRIONA, PROGRESS WOULD NOT WAIT.

THE ROBERT WALKER, JR. FAMILY CAME TO TOWN IN SEPTEMBER 1954. WHEN SUPERINTENDENT DALTON CAFFEY CHOSE TO ENROLL WALKER'S THREE AFRICAN AMERICAN SONS IN FRIONA'S ONLY SCHOOL, HE QUIETLY ACHIEVED THE FIRST INTEGRATED PUBLIC SCHOOL IN TEXAS. CAFFEY THEN INFORMED THE SCHOOL BOARD OF HIS DECISION, AND THINGS GENERALLY WENT SMOOTHLY FOR THE SCHOOL AND THE NEW STUDENTS. THE WALKERS MOVED AWAY DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR, AND IN THE SPRING OF 1955 THREE MORE AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENTS ATTENDED SCHOOL HERE. SINCE THAT WATERSHED YEAR, FRIONA SCHOOLS HAVE CONTINUED TO UPHOLD CAFFEY'S WISH FOR EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY.

New Historical Marker at Friona Elementary

commentary

Glad to have you.....!

The 2007 Relay for Life cancer walk is set for Friday June 22. It takes a lot of muscle and volunteer labor to pull this event off and Friona, Bovina, and Parmer County are to be congratulated for the participation and fundraising. Last year's Relay raised over \$32,000.

An equally important part of this year's Relay is the role of Greg and Jamie Lewellen. The young newlywed couple has volunteered to serve as co-chairmen at least this year and next, being tutored and guided by veteran chairmen Jyl and Barbara Grimsley.

Greg Lewellen and Jamie Slagle Lewellen are both Friona high school graduates who went away for a short while but returned to Friona, went to work, got married, bought a house, and are doing their best to be a part of the community. Jamie works for Darin Hofferichter at Wilbur-Ellis and Greg is the Director of Information Systems for Kendrick Oil Company. Both have families that live and work here as well.

These young folks are still in their 20s but have chosen to make Friona their home. They have chosen to do more than just live here. They participate in community activities such as the upcoming Relay for Life. As rural areas grow smaller because young people go away after high school, it is nice to welcome home a young couple like Greg and Jamie.

Small towns like Friona need young citizens to be a strong part of the community and carry-on when some of us get older and tired. When you see Greg or Jamie around town tell them thanks and that we are glad they are part of the community.

There are several other young folk who have returned to live here. Daniel and Landon Wiseman come to mind. The Schueler boys are raising their families here. We don't want to overlook anyone so if there are other young citizens who have stayed here or moved back, send us an email at frionastar@wtrt.net. We would like to recognize them also. Thank you.

Calendar of Events

- February 17**
Special Olympics basketball tournament all day.
- February 27**
County spelling bee at 10 a.m. in the junior high auditorium.
- March 3**
Bovina Chamber of Commerce banquet.
- March 4**
St. Teresa's Mexican Dinner from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- March 6**
Chamber of Commerce banquet at 6:30 p.m. Tickets \$15 at Chamber office, \$20 at door.
- March 20**
WTRTC annual meeting at 6 p.m. in the Hereford Bull Barn.
- March 24**
Ladies spring luncheon. Time and place tba.
- March 27**
Deaf Smith Electric Co-Op annual meeting at 5 p.m. in the Hereford Bull Barn.
- April 15**
Senior Steak Lunch at the junior high cafeteria.
- June 22**
Relay for Life cancer walk.
- July 21**
2nd annual Friona Cheeseburger Festival.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
Letters to the editor are always welcome. Views expressed in letters are those of the writer and do not always reflect the views or opinions of the editor or staff of the Friona Star. Submission of a letter does not guarantee publication. All letters are subject to editing for grammar, style, or length. Letters must be signed and include name, address, and phone number of sender for verification. Anonymous letters are never considered for publication.

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Letters To The Editor

I enjoy reading your current online edition and would subscribe to the full paper if available online.

Congratulations to both basketball teams as they move into the playoff rounds.

Bill H. Bailey
Penske
(via email)

Hey Ron,

I noticed you give a shout out to out of town subscribers. One of those is Karla Wright Garcia, daughter of Wade and Amelia Wright, one a local retired PCA officer and the other a retired teacher (respectively).

Their granddaughter, Morgan Lapel (Karla's daughter), has qualified for the state swim meet on February 16 and 17. What makes this interesting to me is that Morgan is a senior at Lake Travis High School which is Friona's "Robin Hood" school. Karla and I graduated from Friona in 1986.

Morgan has worked so hard (they swim at 6 a.m., if there is no ice cover on the water, they swim) every morning except Sundays, even during holidays. She has stuck with it and we are so proud of her. Her proud Friona supporters are her grandparents, Wade and Amelia, her Uncle John and Aunt Beverly Ingram and cousins, Kahlie, Meghan and Ashley Ingram. And myself, her honorary admirer, Robin Houlette...Good Luck Morgan!
(via email)

Thursday, February 15, 2007

Memorial services for Jean Castleberry, 86, of Friona were held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday morning, February 12, 2007, at the Sixth Street Church of Christ, with Jeff Procter, grandson, officiating. Honorary bearers were grandsons and great-grandsons. A private burial was held earlier on Monday morning in the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Friona Funeral Home of Friona, Texas.

She died on Thursday, February 8, 2007 in Friona. She was born on August 6, 1920, in Vernon, Texas to Walter O. Luetta (Thomason) Smith, Sr. and married Lawrence "Barnes" Castleberry on March 11, 1949 in the same home she was born in. He died on November 1998.

Jean graduated from Vernon High School in 1937. She was a homemaker and later a floral signer for 25 years. She was

Lawrence Martin, 83, of Friona, died on Wednesday, February 7, 2007, in Friona after a lengthy illness. Funeral services for Mr. Martin were held on Saturday, February 10, 2007 at Calvary Baptist Church in Friona, with Reverend Rick Linton, pastor, and Reverend St. Patterson, pastor of the Friona United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home in Friona.

Lawrence was born on November 14, 1923, in Elk Oklahoma, and graduated from Merritt Schools, where he enjoyed playing baseball. After graduation he was drafted into the U.S. Army Air Corp. serving during WWII. With the end of WWII, Lawrence was discharged and moved to La Colorado, where he began farming and ranching. He also summed playing baseball, enjoyed

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Obituaries

Jean Castleberry

Memorial services for Louie Jean Castleberry, 86, of Friona, were held at 11:00 a.m., on Monday morning, February 12, 2007, at the Sixth Street Church of Christ, with Jeff Procter, grandson, officiating. Honorary pallbearers were grandsons and great-grandsons. A private burial was held earlier on Monday morning in the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.



Jean Castleberry

She died on Thursday, February 8, 2007 in Friona. She was born on August 6, 1920, in Vernon, Texas to Walter O. and Luetta (Thomason) Smith. She married Lawrence "Barney" Castleberry on March 11, 1939 in the same home she was born in. He died on November 20, 1998.

Jean graduated from Vernon High School in 1937. She was a homemaker and later a floral designer for 25 years. She was a

long time member of the Wilbarger St. Church of Christ in Vernon. She and Barney retired and moved to Friona in 1988 where she enjoyed crocheting, gardening, and taking care of her family. She became a member of the Sixth Street Church of Christ and in October of 2000, she moved into

Prairie Acres Nursing Home. Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, and two sisters.

Survivors include one son, Larry Castleberry and wife Angela of Aledo, Texas; two daughters, Libby Procter and husband Ron of Fort Stockton, Texas; and Ann Faver and husband David of Amarillo. She is also survived by seven grandchildren, Jill Merrett and husband Jeff, Jon Castleberry, Kris Hamilton and husband Brad, all of Aledo, Texas; Jeff Procter and wife Monica of Gilmer, Texas; Jenny Nations and husband Tim of Arlington, Texas; Cari Faver of Lubbock; Aaron Faver of Waco, Texas; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Prairie Acres Love Fund, 201 E. 15th, Friona, TX 79035. Attention: Jo Blackwell.

Lawrence Martin

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Lawrence Martin

Lawrence was born on November 14, 1923, in Elk City, Oklahoma, and graduated from Merritt Schools, where he enjoyed playing baseball. After graduation he was drafted into the U.S. Army Air Corp, serving during WWII. With the end of WWII, Lawrence was discharged and moved to Lamar, Colorado, where he began farming and ranching. He also resumed playing baseball, enjoy-

ing some notoriety for his curve and fastball, becoming known as "Fireball Martin".

Lawrence and Patsy Davis were married in 1952 and lived in Lamar, Colorado until 1954. They moved to South Dakota looking for greener pastures, but after two years decided they weren't suited for the climate.

In 1956 they moved back to Friona, making it their home. Lawrence spent the last 50 years in Friona continuing to work in the farm and ranch industry.

Survivors include his wife, Pat of Friona; three daughters and sons-in-law, Carolyn and Dave Wetmore of San Ramon, California, Susana and Jeff Harkey of Burkburnett, Texas, and Linda and Dr. Don Klinger of Fairview, Oklahoma; two sons and daughters-in-law, Loren and Jackie Martin of Friona, and Jerry and Mary Martin of Pleasant Hill, New Mexico; two sisters, Marilyn Nidey of Campo, Colorado and Betty Wallace of Creston, Iowa; one brother, Clarence Martin of Friona; 15 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Prairie Acres Nursing Home, 201 East 15th St., Friona, Texas, or a favorite charity.



courtesy photo

Jack Patterson and his lovely bride of 64 years, Ona, were present at the Friona Evening Lions Club on Thursday February 8th. Jack talked about his early growing years and experiences of life in the service of our country. Shown with them is program chairman RJ Renner

Russell appointed nursing director at Hansford Manor

Bovina graduate completes Army basic training

Army Pvt. Gerardo Rubalcava has graduated from Basic Combat training at Fort Knox, Kentucky. During the nine-week training period he received instruction in drill and ceremony, weapons, rifle marksmanship and bayonet training, chemical warfare, field training and tactical exercises, armed and unarmed combat, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history, traditions, and core values.

Pvt. Rubalcava is a 1995 graduate of Bovina High School. This information received from the Army & Air Force Hometown News in San Antonio.

Hansford County Hospital District has announced the promotion of Janee Russell, RN, to the position of Director of Nursing Services (DON) for Hansford Manor.

Ms. Russell, formerly of Bovina, has served HCHD for eight years, first as a Certified Nurse Aide (CNA), and later as a Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) and Registered Nurse (RN), in both Hansford Manor and Hansford Hospital.

Her recent responsibilities at Hansford Manor as Care Plan Coordinator have made her familiar to many Hansford Manor residents and families. She has also served as instructor for the Manor's Nurse Aide certification courses for more than one year. She has also been named HCHD Employee of the Month and was a recipient of the HCHD nursing scholarship.

Ms. Russell grew up in Bovina. Her parents are Jim and Scooter Russell and her sister is Tammy Kunselman. They are all now residents of Spearman. Ms. Russell has two children Rene' Griffin of Spearman and Tony Griffin of Landstuhl Air Force Base, Germany, and six grandchildren.



Janee Russell, RN Formerly of Bovina

At Friona State Bank we've been "cheering on" the community for almost a century



The 1980 Junior High Cheerleaders. Bottom, L-R, Teresa Wilcox, Rachel Bermea, Stephanie Miller, and Missy Ortiz. Top, L-R, Cory Lundy, Wendy Tatum, Shannon Allen, and Rachel Perez

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The Valentine King and Queen at Prairie Acres were Charlie Wise and LoRee Pruitt.



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A herd of Mustangs stampede down the floor, led by Jesus Rocha. The Mustangs will enter the state playoffs in 1A Division I as the 3rd seed in their district behind Sudan and Olton. The Mustangs will play the Gruver Greyhounds February 22 at 6 pm at Amarillo High School. They play a practice game Saturday vs. Whitharral at Randall High School at 3:30 p.m.

Mustangs in 1A playoffs as third seed vs. Gruver

The Bovina Mustangs played into a playoff game vs Gruver. The Mustangs will play the Olton Mustangs Monday night in Sudan for 2nd and 3rd seed in the district. Olton won the game, which puts Bovina into a playoff game vs Gruver. The Mustangs will play a practice game Saturday, February 17, vs. Whitharral at the Randall High School gym. Game time is 3:30 p.m.

Courthouse Notes Sheriff's Report

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from January 31, 2007 to February 07, 2007:
 Nicholas M. Biagini and Rachel Biagini - Joe Albert Torres and Martha Alicia Torres, L3 S55' L2 B2 RIDGELEA.
 Farwell Mennonite Church - Becky London, L4-8 B21 FARWELL.
 Michael J. Greer and Betty Greer - Betty J. Douglas, L7 B1 STALEY.

Panhandle artists' hanging

The Amarillo Museum of Art and Art Museum Alliance present the Panhandle Artists' Hanging, Friday, March 9, and Sunday, March 18, at the Amarillo Museum of Art, 2200 South Van Buren.
 The Hanging is a unique initiative designed to give artists of all ages and levels of experience an opportunity to exhibit their work in a museum setting. It is open to any artist working in any medium. Only one work per person is allowed. The show is hung by the artist, salon style, from floor to ceiling.
 Artists may hang their work on Thursday, March 8, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday, March 9, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. All work must be dry and ready to hang. AmoA will furnish pins, nails, hammers and a limited number of pedestals. Work may not exceed 5 x 5. Label material will be furnished. No additional label material will be allowed.
 There will be an Opening Party on Friday, March 9, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$10 per person. AmoA members are free.
 All artwork submitted is subject to review to assure the exhibition is appropriate for an audience of all ages. For additional information, please call the Museum at 806-371-5050.

Comptroller sends January sales tax

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said the state collected \$1.76 billion in sales revenue in January, up 12.9 percent compared to January 2006.
 "Local sales tax collections are up, but not by double digits," Combs said. "This confirms what retailers reported earlier regarding their holiday sales. Sales were up, but not as strong as some businesses expected."
 January state sales tax collections and February's local sales tax allocations primarily represent sales made in December, but also include earlier sales by businesses that report sales tax to the Comptroller on a quarterly or annual basis.
 The Comptroller's next local sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, March 9.
 Parmer County's January 2007 payment totaled \$50,969.67 broken down as Bovina \$8,818.47; Farwell \$10,926.93; and Friona \$31,224.27. In January 2006 the tax payment total was \$53,042.96.
 Comparing January 2006 to January 2007 tax receipts were down -3.90%, broken down as Bovina down -8.27%; Farwell down -6.11%; and Friona down -1.78%.
 For the year, Parmer County cities have received a total of \$89,083.40 as compared to \$89,350.44 for the same period last year.
 The Comptroller's next local sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, March 9.

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

- February 5, 2007, Juan Cenicerros, 19, of Clovis, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana, less than two ounces, pending County Court.
- February 5, 2007, Raul Ramirez, 17, of Clovis, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana, less than two ounces, pending County Court.
- February 6, 2007, Ronald Croft, 46, of Clovis, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, paid fine, court costs, and restitution.
- February 6, 2007, Christy Gonzales, 20, of Clovis, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a Lubbock County Warrant, released to Lubbock County.
- February 8, Ronald Ivy, 66, of Dimmitt, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while intoxicated, 3rd offense or more, pending Grand Jury.
- February 9, 2007, Mark Cansler, 44, of Amarillo, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with driving while intoxicated, 3rd offense or more, pending Grand Jury; and possession of marijuana, less than two ounces, pending County Court.
- February 9, Mark Hancock, 37, of Clovis, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with forgery, pending District Court.
- February 10, 2007, Carlos Ortiz, 29, of Friona, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a Deaf Smith Warrant, released to Deaf Smith County.
- February 10, 2007, Johnny Eisen, 29, of Friona, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while intoxicated, 3rd offense or more, open container, pending Grand Jury; and failure to identify, pending County Court.
- February 11, Ronnie Brothers, 47, of Clovis, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana, less than two ounces, pending County Court; and resisting arrest, pending County Court.
- February 11, Sandy Brothers, 44, of Clovis, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana, less than two ounces, pending County Court.
- February 11, Travis J. Steelman, 21, of Bovina, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with driving while intoxicated, 2nd offense, pending County Court.
- February 12, 2007, Jeff Provenco, 40, of Texico, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, fine, court costs, and restitution.
- February 13, 2007, Senque Polk, 25, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with possession of marijuana, less than two ounces, pending County Court.
- Sex offenders registering with the Parmer County Sheriff's Office: February 1, 2007, Aaron Little, 46, currently residing 6 miles N Farwell on State Line Road.

Cornyn meets with ag council

U.S. Senator John Cornyn hosted a meeting with members of the Southwest Council of Agribusiness (SWCA) to discuss various issues important to the Texas farm and ranch community, including reauthorization of the Farm Bill.
 "The Texas agriculture community creates one out of five jobs in Texas and plays an important role in our economy," Senator Cornyn said. "I was grateful for the opportunity to meet with members of the Southwest Council of Agribusiness so I could listen to their needs and concerns first-hand. As we move forward on authorization of the Farm Bill, I'll continue working hard to ensure we do what's right for Texas farmers and ranchers."

The Southwest Council of Agribusiness is an alliance of nearly 50 farm and ranch organizations, implement dealers, bankers, farm credit associations and other main street businesses in and around Texas that was formed to advocate maintenance of a strong U.S. farm policy, which is critically important to rural communities.
 In attendance for the meeting were various leaders of SWCA, including its president, Mark Williams, of Farwell, who is also a past president of the Plains Cotton Growers. In addition, the following members of SWCA also participated in the meeting: Vice President Dee Vaughn, of Dumas, and Secretary/Treasurer Steve Verett, of Lubbock. And the following board members: Bud Holmes, of Lubbock; Mitchell Harris of Lubbock; Matt Huie of Beeville; and Tag Webb of Kansas City, Missouri. Senator Cornyn meets regularly with members of the Texas agricultural industry. He has addressed the Texas Farm Bureau's annual convention several times and has held roundtable discussions with agricultural leaders in the state.

Food certification course offered

Texas Cooperative Extension will be offering the Food Service Manager Certification Course and testing in Hereford on February 20 and 21.
 This is the class that enables food establishments to meet the Texas Board of Health adopted rules to implement the past legislative session statute requiring each food establishment to have one certified food manager.

The 16-hour class will be offered in Hereford on Tuesday, February 20, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1-5 p.m., and on Wednesday, February 21, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1-5 p.m., in the Panhandle Worksource, at 121 West Park Avenue. Testing will begin at 1 p.m. and end at 5 p.m. on February 21.
 Registration deadline is Friday, February 16. Registration will be accepted at the door as long as space is available. Class size is limited. To register for certification training, contact the Texas Cooperative Extension office in Deaf Smith County, at 364-3573, to obtain a registration form.
 New registration cost for the 2-day training is \$89 per person; for the test only the cost is \$50. Class registration includes participant study guide and test. Test-only registration does not include a study guide. Food establishments are urged to register immediately in order to be in compliance with state guidelines. Food establishments should complete registration immediately for the class and make a call to the Deaf Smith County Extension office. If any special assistance or accommodations are needed in order to attend this event, please contact the local Extension office, (806) 364-3573, in advance, so accommodations can be made.
 For further information contact Dawn Watson, CEA-FCS 364-3573.

School Lunch Menu

- February 19- February 23**
 (All meals are served with Ice cold Milk)
- Monday, February 19**
 Meat loaf, hot rolls, mashed potatoes, corn, yogurt.
- Tuesday, February 20**
 Frito pie, ranch style beans, garden salad, peaches.
- Wednesday, February 21**
 Steak fingers, hot rolls, mashed potatoes, fresh veggie dippers, peaches.
- Thursday, February 22**
 Tacos, spanish rice, pinto beans, pineapple.
- Friday, February 23**
 Hamburgers, french fries, fruit, assorted gelatin.


Estate - Real estate auction
Estate of Leo and Lottie Bails

Nice brick home, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, kitchen, and living area, 2 car garage, large utility room, closed in back porch, steel quonset barn and two other barns.

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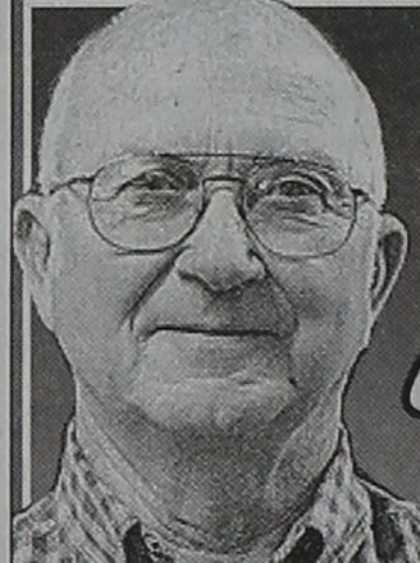
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Thursday, February 15, 2007

A few sayings I grabbed from the Hansford County paper:

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February	19	Little
	23	Bovina
	26	Boys
	27	West
March	2	Boys
	6	West
	9	Santa
	15	Friona
	20	Mul
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April	3	Dimmitt
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	14	Dimmitt
	21	Dimmitt
	24	Tulia *

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APPLICATION Bennett applied to the Texas Com TXG920000 for authoriza milking in Parmer County this general permit excep wastewater will be benef south side of County Ro Highway 1731 in Parmer Lake in Segment No. 124

The TCEQ executive dire the general permit. Pers meeting and persons who of Chief Clerk of the exe decision was based. The

PUBLIC COMMENT/PU the proposed facility. At maps and other facility da comments by mail before considering written public of Intent (NOI) and techni

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A copy of the notice of i general permit is available Street, Farwell, Texas 79322 Ag Engineering, Inc., at (806

Issued: February 12, 2007

ACROSS

1 this Carter founded the Fort Worth Star-Telegram

5 TXism: "you're hanging your wash on my ____"

6 TX Gary Morris' "The Love She Found ____"

7 TXism: "drawing a ____ on it"

8 ex-Mav Tarpley's Greek team

17 So. Padre Island sun acquisition

18 TXism: "wrap ____ this" (taste it)

21 ____ Lago, TX

22 word with "inner" or "toothpaste"

23 TXism term of endearment

24 big name in TX restaurants

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30 Laredo FM

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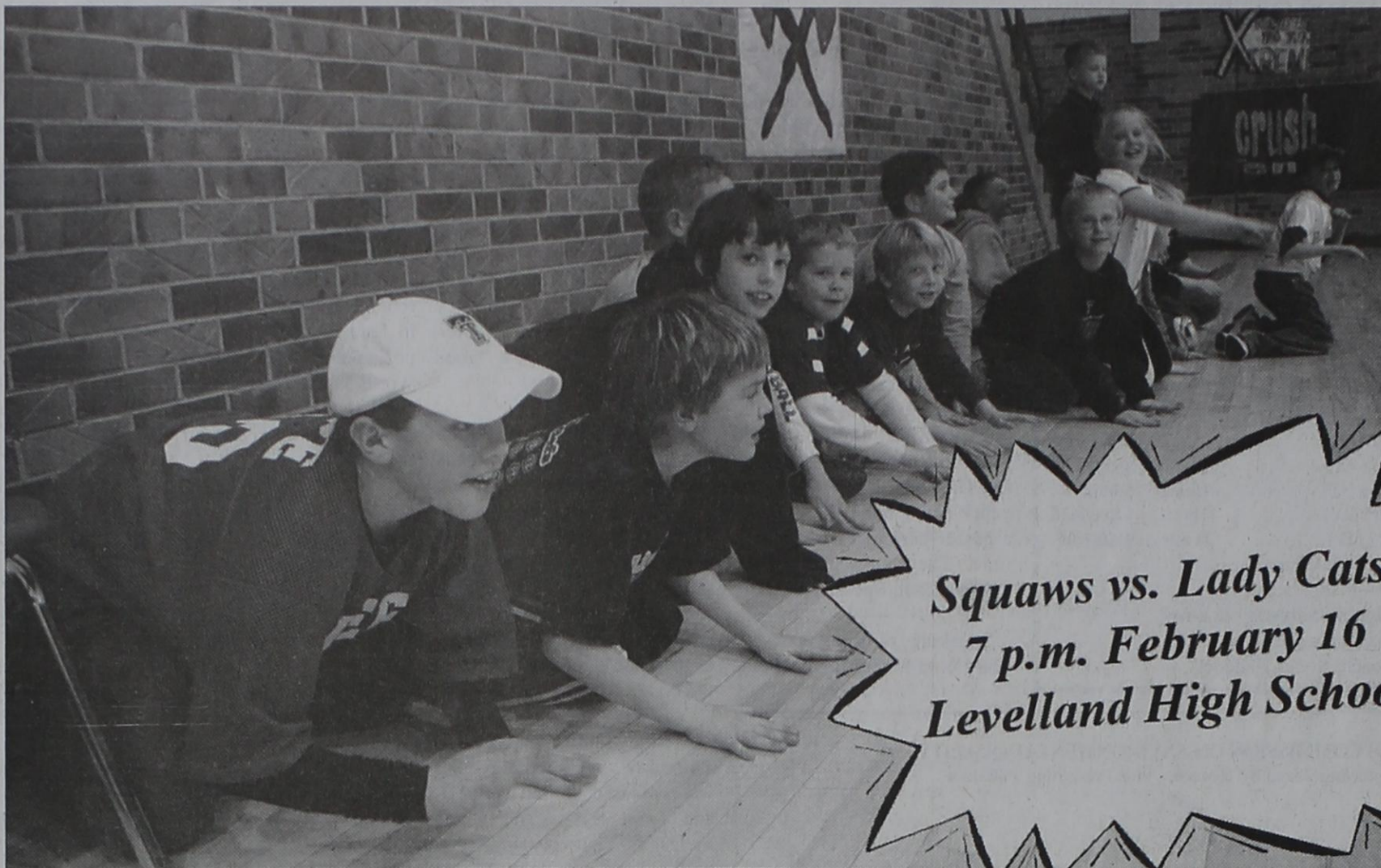
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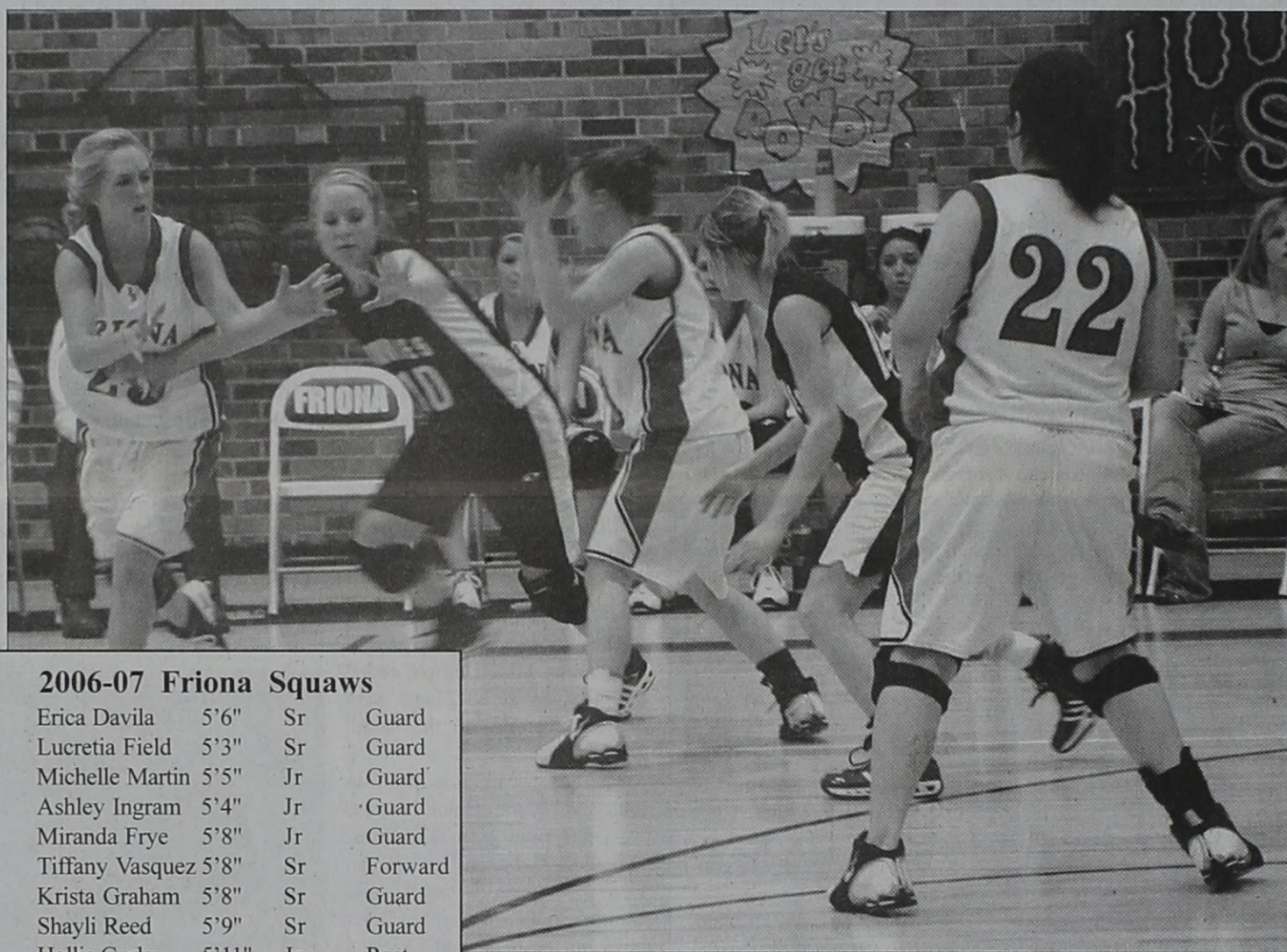
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Chief & Squaw boosters come in all sizes!



Squaws vs. Lady Cats
 7 p.m. February 16
 Levelland High School

Go Squaws, Beat Littlefield!



2006-07 Friona Squaws				
10	Erica Davila	5'6"	Sr	Guard
11	Lucretia Field	5'3"	Sr	Guard
12	Michelle Martin	5'5"	Jr	Guard
20	Ashley Ingram	5'4"	Jr	Guard
21	Miranda Frye	5'8"	Jr	Guard
22	Tiffany Vasquez	5'8"	Sr	Forward
23	Krista Graham	5'8"	Sr	Guard
25	Shayli Reed	5'9"	Sr	Guard
30	Hollis Gurley	5'11"	Jr	Post
32	Erin Anthony	5'7"	Jr	Forward
33	Staci Murphree	6'	Sr	Post
40	Briar Barnett	5'10"	Jr	Post

holly campbell photos

All Chieftain/Squaw boosters and these local merchants support the teams as they head to the playoffs. Good Luck!

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Byron, Carol, Kylie and Justin Boyd <i>Good Luck Teams</i>	Friona Farmer's Co-op Gin Jerry Butman, Mgr	Parmer County Farm Bureau Mitch Smiley, Mgr	Friona State Bank <i>We're banking on victory</i>
First National Bank - Friona Banking Center <i>Go, Fight, Win</i>	State Farm Insurance Homer A. Haile Agent	Lowe's - Friona <i>From all of us Good Luck</i>	Prairie Insurance Mike Hutson and Bud Rainey
WT Services Cindy Butman and the gang	West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative <i>You are champions</i>	Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative A Touchstone Energy Cooperative	Intheden Graphics Clint Mears
Property Associates Realtors Holly Campbell	Campbell Electric Danny, Robin, & Brent <i>Go Chiefs & Squaws</i>	Cargill Meat Solutions <i>We're behind you all the way</i>	Kathryn Gurley, Attorney John, Kathy, Hollis and J say <i>Good Luck</i> <i>Chiefs and Squaws</i>

Ruby

BY RON CARR
 In 1960, a six-year-old girl named Ruby Bledsoe became the first black child to attend the white school in New Orleans. The little girl was escorted to school by four federal marshals while white people stood along the streets and all sorts of seamy mullarkey.
 She was wearing a dress that first day, and boys adorning her with the white bigotry of their parents pulled their

This famous photo and federal marshals in Orleans. Later on a Rockwell painting.

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Ruby Bridges: Through My Eyes

BY RON CARR

In 1960, a six-year-old black girl named Ruby Bridges, was the first black child to attend a white school in New Orleans. The little girl was escorted to school by four federal marshals while white people stood across and along the streets shouting all sorts of segregation mullarkey.

She was wearing a white dress that first day with white bows adorning her hair. Because of the white bigotry of the day, parents pulled their kids out of

William Frantz Public School. Ruby Bridges was the only student in the school for several weeks until a few parents dared send their children.

The white children who crossed the line and attended were also threatened and shouted at as they ascended the steps of the school. Ruby Bridges arrived at William Frantz Elementary on November 14, 1960, and her life changed forever.

That first year she was the

only student of a Mrs. Henry, a white teacher. The two were reunited in 1996 on Oprah Winfrey's show and have become friends and co-authors in the interim years.

On Thursday, February 8, Ruby Bridges brought her message to students at Friona High School and Friona Elementary. Mrs. Bridges was in Friona in conjunction with the historical marker dedication signifying Friona as the first Texas school district to integrate. Her visit

was arranged by Friona high school teacher Patsy Allen and her service learning students.

To chronicle her experiences, Ruby Bridges has written a book entitled "Through My Eyes." She brought and signed 300 copies of the book for Friona students last Thursday. The book is published by Scholastic Inc. and intended for school student use only.

The event of her attendance at the New Orleans school, escorted by the marshals, was shown on 1960 black and white TV across the nation. Her book is a fascinating view of those events as seen and told through the eyes of a six-year-old. It is recommended reading. Books are available at the school library.

Mrs. Bridges lives in New Orleans now. She had four sons. About one week before Hurricane Katrina hit the area, her oldest son was shot and killed. The circumstances surrounding the murder are still under investigation. Because of her loss, Patsy Allen invited local author Holly

Campbell to meet Mrs. Bridges. Campbell's book, Rainbows Through The Storm, chronicles her family's loss of two children. The two ladies shared their experiences and exchanged books.

Ruby's book traces her journey through life from that tense time, with contributions from her teacher Mrs. Henry, and a child psychologist named Robert Boles who wrote a book about her also.



courtesy photo

This famous photo from 1960 shows Ruby Bridges leaving school with her mother and federal marshals after the first day of school November 14, 1960, in New Orleans. Later on Bridges and her white dress were the subject of a Norman Rockwell painting.



ron carr photo

Ruby Bridges visits with Friona High School principal Denver Crum.



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From left, Pedro Ramos, Patsy Allen, Ruby Bridges, Gayle Murdock, and Holly Campbell visit in the Friona elementary library last Thursday. Mrs. Bridges signed about 300 copies of her book, Through My Eyes, for Friona elementary students.



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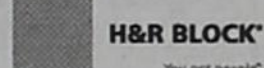
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New Arrivals

Kaleb Andrew

Brandi Curphey and Anthony Nunley, of Friona, proudly announce the birth of their son, Kaleb Andrew, born on December 5, 2006, at 5:55 p.m., in Hereford Regional Hospital.

He weighed six pounds, four ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long.

Kaleb has an older brother, Evan, 21 months old, to help welcome him home.

His grandparents are Teena & Tony Nunley, and Jennifer and Jimmy Gonzales.

Great-grandparents are Mayme and Everett Gee, James Gee and the late Ann Gee, Gerald Shavor and Wanda of Clovis, and Dorothy Blankenship



Kaleb Andrew

Kaleb's great-great-grandmother is Laura Irvin of Haskell.

Think about this

Coming to grips with your mortality

BY T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

William Saroyan was an accomplished writer. He was known throughout the literary world. His name was familiar in the best seller lists and he had received the Pulitzer Prize.

However, in 1981, he lay dying in New York City, of cancer. As he lays there reflecting on his life, what the future might hold, he decides to place a call to the Associated Press. He identifies himself to the reporter who answers and he poses this question to his listener. It would be the final statement used after his death in May of 1981. He said, "Everybody has to die, but I have always believed there would be an exception in my case. Now what?" He then hung up the phone.

I hope this is not the way you think about death. You might say, "I don't want to think about it", but one of these days it will be forced upon you. (Read Hebrews 9:27.)

So how do you come to grips with your dying? Of course, the only way you can deal with that reality is if you're a Christian. Being a Christian gives one a completely different perspective regarding that dark intrusion we call death.

I want to spend the next few articles identifying at least three distinct features regarding what the Christian's attitude ought to be toward death.

I also want you to remember that I love you very much and I want to spend eternity with you in heaven. If I can help you as you travel to your destination, I'd be delighted. Just give me a call or come by.

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Czech sausage dinner in Canyon

St. Ann's Catholic Church of Canyon's 16th Annual Czech Sausage Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 4, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Parish Family Center, 605 38th Street, in Canyon, (806) 655-3302.

The menu will include Czech sausage, sauerkraut, bread, parsley potatoes, cobbler and all the trimmings.

A new drive thru and take out will be available, as well as a drawing, Country Store, and religious articles. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children. Children five and under eat free.

We are the salt of the earth, but some of us need a lid on our shaker

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

As far as I'm concerned, the ingredients for a fine dinner begin with the main course. Read the following instructions and guess what I am describing: Twist off the claws. Crack each claw with a nutcracker. Separate the tailpiece from the body by arching the back until it cracks. (Hint: I went through this process in college to remove a surprised cat from my leg.) Actually, this describes part of the process for correctly eating a lobster. I simply left out the massive sucking noises.

I never eat anything for which the instructions include "Open the remaining part of the body by cracking sideways". I want to eat my food, not perform an autopsy on it. To properly eat lobster, you must have access to a bib, lemon, clarified butter (I prefer confused butter), a shell cracker, and a lobster fork. That is more equipment than

David used to face Goliath. The bib is to give protection from the "wonderful juices that burst forth from the recesses". Call me wacky, but I don't want my table food bursting forth from any recesses.

Just by reading the instructions, one of the strangest dishes you will ever prepare is sauerkraut. Does this sound enticing? "Place a layer of thinly shredded cabbage in a stone crock...sprinkle lightly with noniodized salt...pound vigorously with a wooden stomper." That sounds like a gourmet dinner at a tractor pull.

It continues: "Place a board on top and place something on the board to weigh it down." That, of course, will keep the sauerkraut from escaping if it becomes violent from being pounded. Here's the kicker: "Set in a warm place to ferment. After about six days, remove the scum that has formed on top." Again, call me wacky, but since Beverly's first two or three meals, I just don't eat anything that requires scum removal.

Remembering how the sauerkraut was cooked, try this recipe for meatball glaze: "1 cup sauerkraut, 1 cup cranberry sauce, 8 oz. bottle chili sauce." It's not good for the stomach, but it would be perfect for bricking a driveway, killing the Loch Ness monster, or lubing an Abrams A1 tank.

God has prepared a great banquet and everyone is invited. The cooking is done, the table is set, and the main course is the Bread of Life. The only problem is we have spent so much time arguing over the menu or who sits at the head of the table that we have gotten behind on deliv-

ering personal invitations to His feast. Not everyone is going to accept, and we must be careful how we ask.

It only takes a pinch of salt to make food pleasing to the palate. We are to be the salt of the earth, but when others see us as holier-than-thou, we have used too much salt and ruined their appetite for spiritual food. If we ever get around to offering the invitation, it falls on deaf ears and hungry hearts.

The key to the number of people at God's banquet depends on our knowing the difference between being salt...and being salty.

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Squaws/Chiefs playoff action preview

BY RON CARR



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Ryan Geris (22) fires from the corner during the practice game vs. Lorenzo. Also shown are Ryan Schwab, Caleb Miller (32), Sawyer Reed (3), and Hector Sanchez (23). The Chiefs will have their first playoff game next weekend. Time, date, and opponent to be determined.

Texas Tech announces guaranteed tuition

In an effort to increase access to higher education, Texas Tech University System Chancellor Kent Hance announced a plan to offer free tuition and mandatory fees to some Texans.

During testimony before the Texas House of Representatives Higher Education Committee, Hance announced a plan that would guarantee 100 percent of tuition and mandatory fees for the average course load for all new freshman students from Texas whose family's adjusted gross income does not exceed \$40,000. The plan will go into effect for the fall 2007 semester.

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Texas Tech students who are enrolled in 15 credit hours per semester currently pay \$6,800 in tuition and mandatory fees per year. Under the new program, tuition and mandatory fees will be paid by a combination of federal, state and institutional funds.

Eligible students are encouraged to learn more at www.redraiderguarantee.ttu.edu.

receive a first round bye also. Playoffs for the boys officially begin next Tuesday. Floydada beat Abernathy last Tuesday to tie for 2nd and 3rd seed in their district. At press time the two teams were scheduled to meet in a tie-off game for seeding.

Then either Abernathy or Floydada (whoever wins) will play Idalou in bi-district. The Chiefs will then play either Abernathy/Floydada, or Idalou in the area round Friday February 23 (or Saturday) in Canyon at either the Event Center, Canyon High School, or maybe at The Box.

Nothing like having a bunch of options. Coach Graham said the coaches had agreed to play the area game in Canyon with the location and date to be determined.

The Chieftains lost their last district game to Bushland 75-49 but were still 9-3 and district champs. In a practice game Monday at Plainview, the #1 ranked 1A Division II Lorenzo Hornets beat the Chiefs 44-36 in what was a close game until the 4th quarter when Lorenzo played stall ball and the Chiefs shooting was cold. Through three quarters the game was close

but the Chiefs managed only two points against the Lorenzo defense in the fourth quarter.

The Chieftains will participate in the playoff preview practice games Saturday at Randall High School in Canyon. Friona will meet Perryton at 6:30 p.m. Coach Graham said the Saturday game will be the final practice game for the Chiefs before the area playoff.

All playoff updates are posted at terryssportspage.com. The info above was accurate as far as we knew at our Wednesday press time. Good luck to both the Squaws and Chieftains in the playoffs.

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Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under ten-years-old.

Takeouts will be available at no charge and the Country Store will have baked goods and craft items for sale.

White joins realtor marketing system

Troy White of 3V Realty has become a member of the REALTOR.com marketing system. White says he now benefits from an enhanced presence on the Internet's No. 1 real estate site, REALTOR.com, the official site of the National Association of Realtors.

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