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In a few weeks these fine youngsters in the Class of 2007 will trade their sombreros for caps and gowns. They were having fun here at the St. Teresa's Catholic Church senior banquet. Graduation for the Class of 2007 is May 25, 8 p.m., in the junior high auditorium.

Ethanol will increase price of beef

By Blair Fannin, Texas A&M Extension Center

Future ethanol production and demand for distiller's grains will leave cattle prices lower and lead to higher consumer meat prices, a Texas Cooperative Extension economist said.

Dr. David Anderson, Extension livestock marketing economist, gave an overview of the interaction between renewable energy production and the livestock industry at the recent 2007 Texas Ag Forum in Austin. Livestock producers should keep these possibilities in mind as ethanol production grows across the country, Anderson said.

- Higher feed costs.
- Feeder cattle and calf prices adjusted to the price of corn.
- Reduced production in terms of cattle weights and profitability.
- A livestock industry that is less competitive in the world market.

The boom in the number of ethanol plants is primarily centered in the Corn Belt, Anderson said, leading to large supplies of distiller's grains, the by product which is used primarily as livestock feed. "Supply of distiller's grains is ex-

pected to increase to well over 30 million tons per year," he said. "At that rate of growth, supplies will exceed demand, leading to lower distiller grains relative to corn."

For each 56-pound bushel of corn used to make ethanol, about 17 pounds of distiller's grains is produced, Anderson said. "While the starch is taken out of the corn to make ethanol, the remaining nutrients are concentrated in the distiller's grains," he said. "It has more protein and energy than corn, per pound. The energy comes from the fat that was in the corn."

Portions of phosphorus, potassium and sulfur are increased as well, he said, noting if the corn

used to make ethanol had aflatoxin, "it too is concentrated three times in the resulting distiller's grains." Thus, distiller's grains "presents a number of management issues related to handling and storing," Anderson said. "It's a highly variable product," he said. "At that rate of growth, supplies will exceed demand, leading to lower distiller grains prices relative to corn."

Overall, Anderson predicts livestock producers will see higher-priced feed and "lower returns and reduced profitability." "It results in a less competitive livestock industry in world markets and regionally in the U.S. It will also result in higher food prices for consumers," Anderson said.

Relay for Life meeting April 2

The Relay for Life committee and team captains will meet Monday, April 2, at 6:30 p.m. at the Friona State Bank community room.

Agenda items will include luminaries, concession stand, and sponsorships. Sponsorships are due May 2.

All committee members, team captains, and volunteers are encouraged to attend.

Rain is benefit for area farmers

Local weather guy John Gurley reports that from last Friday through Monday Friona received 2.86 inches of rain. The majority of the rain (2.09 inches) fell Friday night into Saturday as the area was pelted with rain, wind, and tornado warnings most of Friday evening.

Some rain gauges out in the county reported over 3-inches of rainfall. Many farmers had already turned their fields in preparation for planting and the rain was especially positive for them. The good rain put a smile on the wheat farmers' faces also. The wheat had already benefited from earlier snowfalls. This rain plus future spring rains should bode well for the 2007 wheat crop.

Neugebauer named taxpayers' friend

Congressman Randy Neugebauer's votes in 2006 in favor of limited government and lower taxes have earned him the "Taxpayers' Friend Award" from the National Taxpayers Union (NTU).

Neugebauer, whose 2006 voting record resulted in an "A" grade from NTU, noted his commitment to fiscally responsible policies that help working families and small businesses.

"Lowering the tax burden and making the federal government more accountable to taxpayers help to grow the economy and increase prosperity for American citizens and businesses," said Neugebauer. "To continue our current economic growth, it is vital that Congress extends current tax relief policies and works to balance the budget without raising taxes."

NTU looks at every vote affecting fiscal policy and gives each member of Congress a rating based on his support for limited government, less taxes, and deficit reduction. For 2006, 199 votes were part of the scoring system for House members.

According to its website, the mission of the NTU is "to educate taxpayers, the media, and elected officials on a non-partisan basis on the merits of limited government and low taxes."



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Looking for a winner. At the Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative annual meeting Timothy Wimberley drew the winning names from the hopper helped out by DSEC employee Larry McNutt. Timothy is the son of Bill and Dorrie Wimberley of Dawn. More photos from the co-op meeting available at frionaonline.com.

DSEC annual meeting packed

Maybe it was the fried chicken and fish from Danny's Hens and Fins. Maybe it was the 45 door prizes or the appearance of Hank the Cowdog author John Erickson.

The Hereford Bull Barn was packed Tuesday evening for the 69th annual membership meeting of the Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative. Members were

handed capital credit checks totaling \$1,500,000. Vick Christian and Jerry Roberts were re-elected to the co-op board during the business meeting. President and general manager Steve Louder and Golden Spread Cooperative general manager Bob Bryant brought members up to date on the availability of electric power in the future and the ongo-

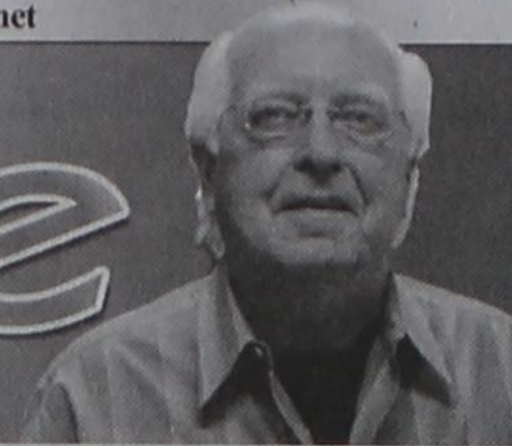
ing wind power issue. Membership services manager Steve Horrell, assisted by DSEC employees handed out 45 door prizes including a 13-inch color TV. Charles Ray of Summerfield won the grand prize of two American Airlines tickets to anywhere American flies in the U.S. Horrell announced that close to 500 co-op mem-

bers were registered at the meeting and they served 1,494 meals.

John Erickson, former cowboy and ranch manager from the Perryton area, is noted as the author of the famous Hank the Cowdog series of books and audio tapes. Erickson entertained the capacity crowd with songs and tales of Hank the Cowdog.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



super nanny! looking out for you

Somebody once said, "If you want to get something done, give it to someone that is busy." It was probably one of those big muckelky muck motivators like Zig Zigar or Norman Vincent Peale. Or maybe it was Larry the Cable Guy. The inference is that people who are busy are getting things done. That is why they are busy. So you just pitch your task on

their pile and they will get it done quicker than someone that is not busy. Sayings like that are just so much fluff. Here is another warm proposition that I have disproved at least a couple of dozen times: "whatever the human mind can believe or conceive it can achieve". Right. Trust me, I conceived a few situations along the way that never had a smidgen of a

chance of being achieved. It was fun though to actually believe that I could wrap Rosemary Moore around my pinky finger when we were in high school. Never happened. Wasn't ever going to happen. Maybe it is the process of believing, not the outcome, that keeps one going in a positive direction. Whatever it is I figured out that Zig and Norm really wanted to sell their books and tapes. They weren't too concerned whether I climbed the mountain or fell off. I am not a motivational success story.

If we all found our way to motivational perfection they wouldn't have any one left to tell what a miserable life we are living. It was comedian Brother Dave Gardner who said, "What'll the preachers do when the devil is saved?" The big motivator for the average Joe today is the government. Take your pick. State or Federal. Our elected officials are convinced that we are all too stupid and preoccupied to take care of ourselves and our families. They want to save us from harming ourselves and encourage us toward healthy behavior by passing laws to protect us. These laws are being called "nanny laws."

For example, a California nanny law that would have made spanking a kid a crime was withdrawn. Probably after the bill's sponsor got a few death threats.

Here in Texas, Super Nanny Susan Combs is after our behavior again. Susan was the Texas Agriculture Commissioner who banned most kid food from school cafeterias and playgrounds because all the little boogers were getting

fat and lazy and the state did not want to foot their medical bills when they grow up with obesity diseases. You remember Susan don't you?

She is now the state comptroller. She beat Grandma what's-her-name. It is a financial office. Has nothing to do with health. Nevertheless Susan has put the state's obesity problem in dollars and cents now to remind us she is still on nanny patrol.

She says obesity cost Texas businesses \$3.3 billion in 2005 and could cost employers \$15.8 billion annually by 2025 "if the trend continues unchecked." Counting Costs and Calories is the title of Combs' first significant research project. The \$3.3 billion figure, she says, includes the cost of health care, absenteeism, decreased productivity, and disability.

What Super Nanny Susan wants now is to scare the hell out of businesses and get them to crack down on their employees to stem the tide of obesity that is sweeping the state. She asks businesses to "Encourage employees to choose healthy lifestyles, offer motivation, knowledge, and opportunities to make healthy choices and provide financial incentives to employees."

What she is saying is those little fat kids she looked after as Agriculture Secretary are going to grow up to be fat, unemployable, unhealthy employees. We don't want that. We want all Texans to be slim and healthy so they can work and pay taxes and not be running to the clinic every two days with some fat problem. She says 70% of overweight children will become overweight or obese adults. Duh. I say, so what.

You can read the report, *Counting Costs and Calories—Measuring the Cost of Obesity to Texas Employers*, on Susan's website, www.window.state.tx.us.

If a person has a choice between donuts and a long life they should be free to make that choice. This is America.

It is not the government's business to diddle around with personal behavior no matter how stupid and obnoxious or anorexic or obese we may be. According to Combs' report, by 2025, most of those overweight children will be in the workforce as overweight or obese adults at a considerable cost to their employers.

Besides, what would the doctors and nurses do if we all had rosy cheeks and flat bellies and were the picture of health?

Hand me that donut box.

commentary

legal killing area expanded.....!

Texans will now be allowed to use deadly force for self-defense, without retreat, outside the home. If someone is attacking you at home, in your workplace, or in your vehicle, you can kill them. You have to wait until September 1, 2007, to start shooting though.

Senate Bill (SB) 378, signed into law by Gov. Perry, extends Texans' rights for means of self-defense, without retreat. The "without retreat" part is their wording, not mine and is key to the new law. In 1995 the Texas Legislature amended a statute which required a person to retreat in the face of criminal attack. The exception allowed a person to use force without retreat when an intruder broke into your home.

As of September 1 you can stand your ground and fire away without retreating if a crook is attacking you or your family at work or in the family SUV. The law is not too clear about killing attackers in, say, the grocery store, or while you are having a picnic in the park.

If a criminal is committing violent crimes or is attempting to commit violent crimes, is unlawfully trying to enter a protected place, or unlawfully trying to remove a person from a protected place, SB 378 says you can shoot, stab, or strangle them without going to prison. The law also provides civil immunity for the legal killer. The law doesn't specify what type of weapons are authorized so you can flail away with a baseball bat if one is handy.

This is part of SB 378: The use of deadly force is not lawful when it is used to provoke or if a crime other than a Class C misdemeanor is committed by the victim.

Sometime after September 1 someone is going to kill someone and claim it was legal under SB 378. They will then have to prove that harm was imminent, lawyers will be arguing about the definition of "imminent harm", and they will still end up having to justify the killing in court.

This law is nice to have but it may not last long in its present form.

Stand your ground and good hunting to you.



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Panhandle wind art. Teddy Fangman spotted this tree south of Earth, Texas. It is bent over and beaten by the Panhandle winds but like many hardy pioneers it is still standing.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I fully intended to write this letter much earlier, but due to circumstances beyond my control, I was not able to do so. However, I did not want it to go unwritten.

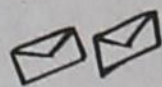
I want to take the opportunity to remind Friona folks how fortunate they are to have such a wonderful nursing home facility as Prairie Acres. Our mother was there from October of 2000 to the day of her passing in February 2007. Over the years we knew this was a quality place. The last two weeks of her life, we had the privilege of observing the compassion and care going on daily in the facility.

The nursing staff, administration, and doctors are dedicated to the resident at the highest level. The idea of "home" is the prevailing attitude toward the residents at all times. Not only during that time was mother cared for with great compassion, the staff was never remiss in asking if there was anything we needed.

We know the nursing home decision is a hard one, but we also know beyond a doubt there are circumstances when it is the right one. We are quite sure most folks in Friona are aware of the quality of this home, but please know that it is a one of a kind facility and you are fortunate it is in your town.

Sincerely,

Libby Proctor, Fort Stockton
Ann Faver, Amarillo



Don Spring on KFDA Early Show

Don Spring, author of the book "Odis", has been invited to appear on the Early Show Monday April 2. The Early Show is produced by Matthew Leblanc and co-anchor Laura Rojas. The show highlights local happenings, news, and local folk.

Leblanc read "Odis" and liked it very much so he invited Spring on the program to talk about writing and "Odis" in particular. The segment will probably air between 7:00 and 7:30 a.m. April 2.

Don and Gladys Spring are residents of Bovina and are chairpersons of the Parmer County Historical Commission.

Books Available at Friona Star office

- Odis by Don Spring
- Rainbows Through the Storm by Holly Campbell
- Friona on Parade by Bill Ellis

Office hours

Mon-Wed 9-5, Thurs 9-12

Closed Fri

Mark Your Calendar

April 1

Special service at Calvary Baptist Church at 6 p.m.

April 7

Citywide Easter egg hunt, 9:30 a.m. Friona city park

April 8

Annual Bovina Lions Club Easter egg hunt City Park at 2 p.m.

April 9

City council meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers on Main Street.

April 15

Senior Steak Lunch at the junior high cafeteria. Advance tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for children age 10 and under. Tickets at the door will be \$11 and \$9.

April 19

FISD school board meeting at 7 p.m. in the administration building, 909 E. 11th.

April 29

Friends of the library fundraiser at 2 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

May 3

Living History Day activities at Parmer County Museum. Call Wendy Carthel for info at 265-5712.

May 5

Parmer County Centennial Celebration at Farwell City Park

May 10

Friona cemetery clean-up day starts at 5 p.m.

May 13

Mother's Day
Kid-Fish at Reeve Lake 1-4 p.m.
EMS safety day at Community Center
Burger lunch for ambulance fund

May 25

Friona high school graduation in the junior high auditorium at 8 p.m.

June 22

Relay for Life cancer walk
For information contact Jyl Grimsley at 250-5700 or Jamie & Greg Lewellen at 250-3545.

July 21

2nd annual Friona Cheeseburger Festival.

September 15-22

51st annual Maize Days celebration

Friona Star

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Standard open display rates are \$4 per column inch. Volume discounts available.

Classified ads are a minimum of \$5 or 25-cents per word for the first 20 words and 20-cents per additional word. Borders and special type are \$4 column inch with a \$5 minimum.

Card of Thanks is printed with border and are at the \$4 column inch rate with \$10 minimum.

Engagement, wedding, anniversary, and birth announcements are \$10.

We reserve the right to limit the amount of space used for wedding announcements without extra charge.

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.

DEADLINES

News articles and advertising are due by 5 p.m. Tuesday to guarantee publication. Articles and ads submitted after the deadline are accepted only on a space available basis. Deadlines may be changed from time to time for holidays or special issues.

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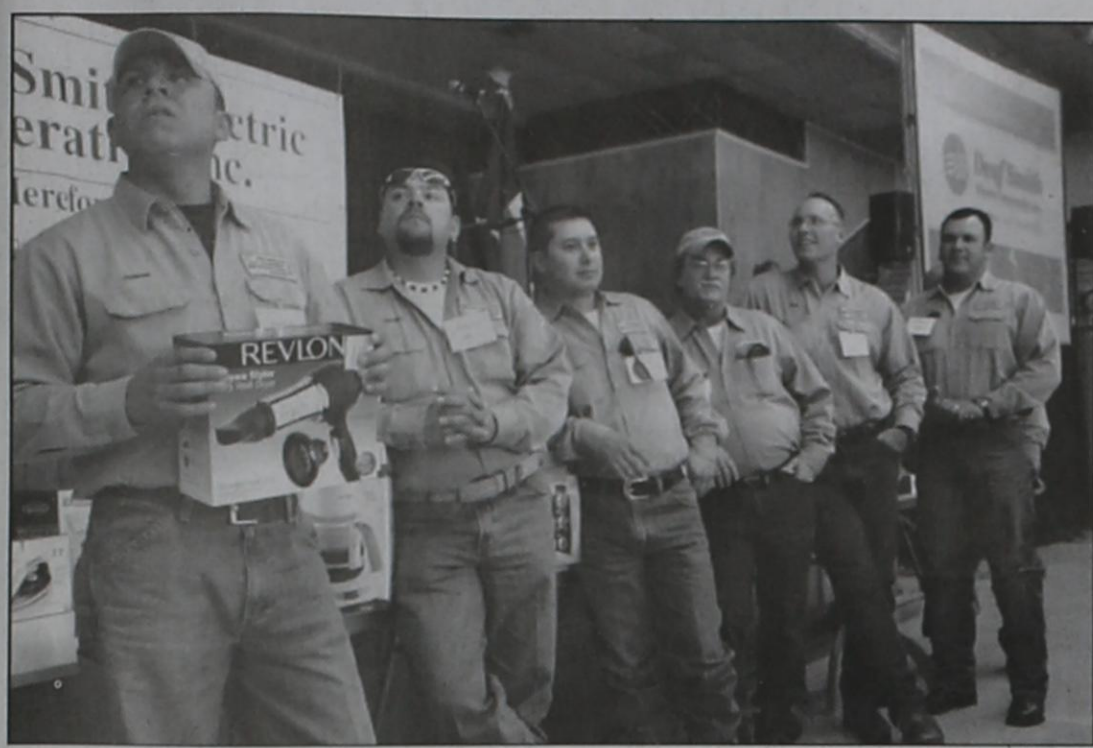
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Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative employees handed out the many door prizes during the drawing at the co-op's annual membership meeting Tuesday. More photos of the meeting can be viewed at the *Friona Star* website, frionaonline.com.



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Hank the Cowdog author John Erickson autographs t-shirts for a group of admiring young ladies at the Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative annual meeting Tuesday at the Hereford Bull Barn.

ALee Gee's make-a-wish was a trip to Disney World

The Roberts family of Friona, all six of them, spent a week at Disney World in Florida thanks to the Make-a-Wish Foundation in Amarillo.

ALee Gee, 15-year-old daughter of Ashlee Roberts, was born with spinal bifida. Throughout her life ALee has had numerous surgeries and while she is confined most of the time to a wheelchair it has never dampened her energy and enthusiasm, including entering the Little Miss Friona pageant a few years back.

Today ALee is a freshman at Friona High School. Her family is stepdad Kevin Roberts, mom

Ashlee Roberts, and siblings six-year-old twins Natalee and Emalee Roberts and 18-month-old Keeton. A lady in Canyon associated with Make-a-Wish submitted ALee's name to the organization.

During spring break, March 12-17, the entire family packed up and were guests of Make-a-Wish for an all-expense paid trip to Orlando, Florida, and Disney World. Mom Ashlee said they were treated like royalty from departure to return. The family flew out of Amarillo and were met in Orlando by a shuttle van that whisked them to

Disney's Give the Kids the World Villas which is used exclusively for Make-a-Wish families.

Make-a-Wish provided airfare, hotel, meals, and shuttle van service as well as tickets to the Magic Kingdom, Epcot, and Sea World. Ashlee said one day they stayed at the Villas to swim, play games and rest. Strollers were available for the youngsters around the different parks to help the family move around without tiring so easily.

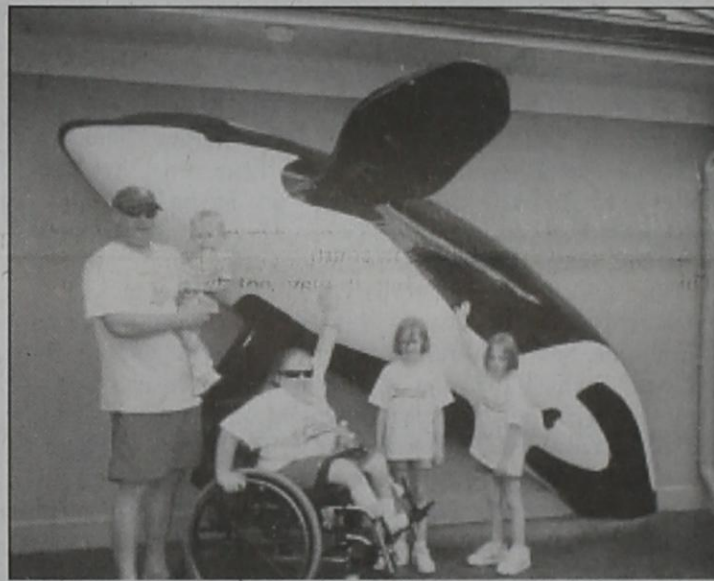
It was the trip of a lifetime for a deserving young lady and one she will not soon forget.

Make A Wish



courtesy photos

Fun with the Disney characters. Above, Emalee, Natalee, ALee and Keeton have fun with Mickey and Minnie and friends. Right, Kevin Roberts holds Keeton, and ALee, Natalee, and Emalee visit Sea World. Make-a-Wish made their dream come true. See related story.



Do you have a debit card?

We recommend you DO NOT use your debit card for:
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 car rental reservations
 to purchase gasoline

These businesses may put a temporary "hold" on your account pending your final purchase amount, the number of nights you actually stay, or the number of days you keep a rent car.



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Also a reminder that you have until April 17 this year to contribute to your IRA account because April 15 is on a Sunday. Come in soon to add to your IRA

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Happy Birthday

Apr. 1-Sue Proctor, Hanna Carmichael, Elpidio Gonzales Jr., Christi Herbert, David Gonzales, Kelby Monroe, Steven Hunt, Whitney Tasillo, Ty Grimsley, Stan Miller, Evangelina Casas, Emma Schueler

Apr. 2-Daniel Gowens, Monte Rule, Olive Massie, Kristi Steelman, Samuel Frye, Grace Whitefield, Judy Gurule

Apr. 3-Charla Cheshier, Rusty Ridley, Micoe Stokes, Alex Ferguson, Montessa Moore, Glendel Jones, Aaron Osborn, Roel Robledo, Pat Ware, Wade Easley

Apr. 4-Gloria Preston, Glenn Rebber, Richard Fitzgerald, Randy Thomas, Kristen Behrendsen,

Sergio Bustos, Kelly Lookingbill, Caitlin Carthel
 Apr. 5-Cindy Rando, Trudy Reeve Banner, Brian Clark, Teresa White, Tim Hendricks, Will Hughs, David Spring, Lois Miller, Joyce Read, Dickie Clayton

Apr. 6-Jennifer Cantu, Richard Dickson, Mary Lou Venhaus, John Paul Gonzales, Steffan Busch, Chad Hutson, Magaly Anaya

Apr. 7-Sherry O'Brian, Laura Goen, Susan Neill Baker, Don Bate, Danny Auburg, Bill Stovell, Bruce Fleming, Lexie Bracken, Ricky Downs, Yuruby Schlenker, Craig Louis Schueler, Brecken Scott



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OBITUARIES

Laura Alice (Sellers) Irvin

Laura Alice (Sellers) Irvin, age 92, of Haskell, passed away Monday, March 26, 2007, at her residence in Haskell. A funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m., on Wednesday, March 28, 2007 at Trinity Baptist Church. Burial followed in Willow Cemetery



Laura Alice Irvin

under the direction of Holden McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell. Mrs. Irvin was born December 13, 1914 to William Columbus "Bill" and Alice Victoria Bell Sellers in Callahan County. She married William Oris Irvin on January 8, 1934 in Eastland County. He preceded her in death on August 24, 1983. She was a Mother and a homemaker. She always made everyone that entered her home feel welcome and a part of her family. She was a Granny to so many, not just her immediate family. Her memory will always be cherished by her family and friends.

She is survived by two daughters, Mayme Gee and husband Everett, and Marlene Mueller and husband Joe, all of Friona; two sons, Bobby Irvin and wife Billye of Houston, and Rick Irvin and wife Lynn of Graham. Twelve grandchildren, twenty-two great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren also survive.

She was preceded in death by her parents Bill and Alice Sellers; one son, W.O. "Sonny" Irvin Jr.; one daughter, Darlene Swinney; four brothers, Darry, Pat, Glad and W.C. Sellers; and two grandchildren, Monty Mueller and Rhonda Snapp.

The family requests that memorials be sent to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 102454 Atlanta, GA 30368-2454; The American Heart Association, 50 Court Street - 306 A Brooklyn, NY 11201-4801; or Autism Speaks, Walk for Autism Research, 99 Wall Street Princeton, NJ 08540.



Eudell Prather

Graveside services for Eudell Prather, 82, of Friona, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 17, 2007 at Marlow Cemetery, Marlow, Oklahoma, with Dr. Joe Ligon officiating. Arrangements were by Brooks Funeral Directors of Canyon & Happy.

Eudell was born on July 12, 1924 in Danville, Arkansas to William and Susan Hunt Norwood. She married Tom Prather at Chickasha, Oklahoma on February 19, 1944. She moved to Canyon from Marlow in March 1999 and had lived there for the past year in Friona. She was a retired bookkeeper.

Survivors include five nieces, Glenda Wilkerson and Suzan Norwood both of Canyon, Rebecca Goebel of Abernathy, Bettie Roberson of Lakewood, Colorado, and Sandy Hillary of Fallon, Nevada; and numerous other nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family suggests memorials be to The Heritage Estates, 201 E. 15th Street, Friona, Texas 79035 or Parmer County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035.

The Friona Evening Lions met Thursday November 22. The program was presented by DPS Trooper Trey Ellis, a familiar face in our community. Trooper Ellis reminded the members of the Slow Down or Move Over law which can cost up to a \$500 fine.

Drivers approaching stopped law enforcement and public safety vehicles that have emergency lights activated must either slow down 20-miles per hour below the speed limit or vacate the lane closest to the stopped vehicles (move over) if the road has multiple lanes traveling in the same direction.

Trooper Ellis said, "You should only move over if you can safely do so, otherwise slow down 20 miles per hour below the speed limit."

The Evening Lions meet the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at the Modern Study Club clubhouse, 9th and Pierce.



DPS Trooper Trey Ellis, left, and Evening Lions Club program chairman Dave Thompson visit at the Thursday club meeting. Trooper Ellis gave the program.

courtesy photo



Sheriff's Report

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

March 21, 2007, Daniel Guerra, 23, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with assault, pending County Court.

March 25, 2007, Mauricio Gonzalez, 21, of Bovina, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with driving while intoxicated, pending County Court.

March 25, 2007, Manuel Mendoza Saquic, 24, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with failure to identify, pending County Court; resisting arrest, pending County Court; assault on a police officer, pending Grand Jury; and unauthorized use of a vehicle, pending Grand Jury.



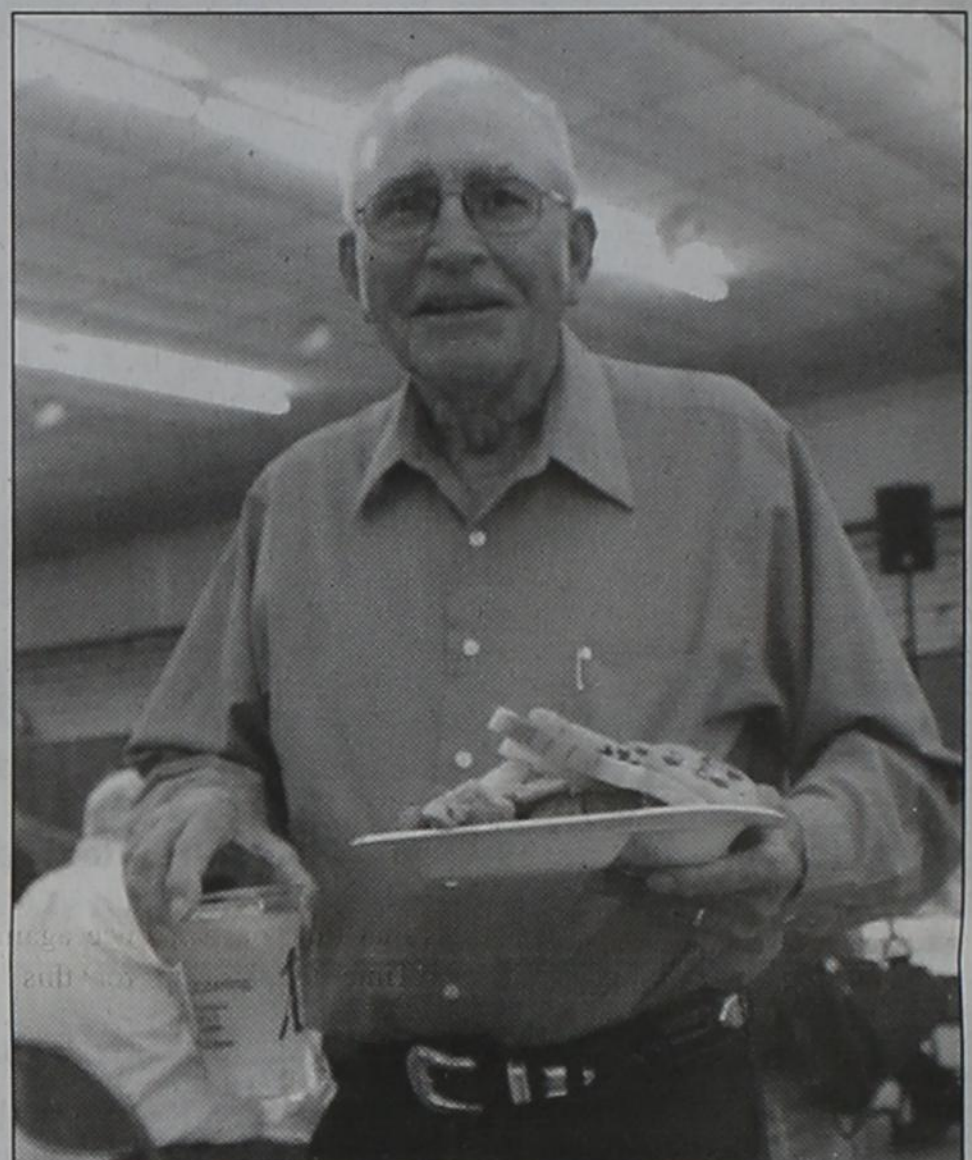
Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deed from March 14, 2007 to March 21, 2007:

Al E. Jennings, Virginia Jennings, Mina Sheets, and Harry Sheets - John Neil Agee, 114.54 AC N/W4 S36 DOUD & KEEFER. Wade Wright and Amelia Wright - John Ingram and Beverly Ingram, W40' L1 B70 FRIONA.

Tomasa Carranza - Doroteo Carranza, 4 AC S6 T4S. Friona State Bank - Classic Lone Star Home Builder Inc., L11 & 13 B7 L4 & 7 B6 LAKEVIEW.

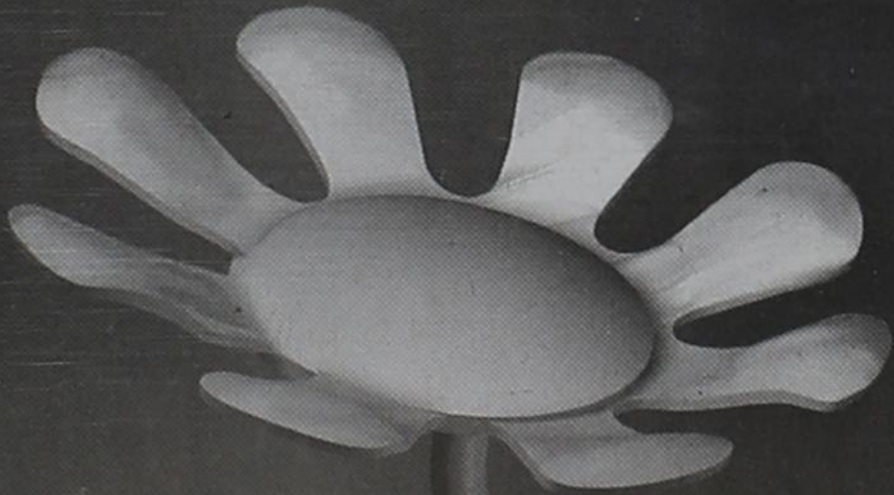
Rickey Dale Pierce and Denise Marie Pierce - Wayne Pierce, L12-14 B27 FARWELL.



Hitting the chow line. Harrell Mays was spotted at the electric cooperative meeting shortly after he cleared the buffet line.

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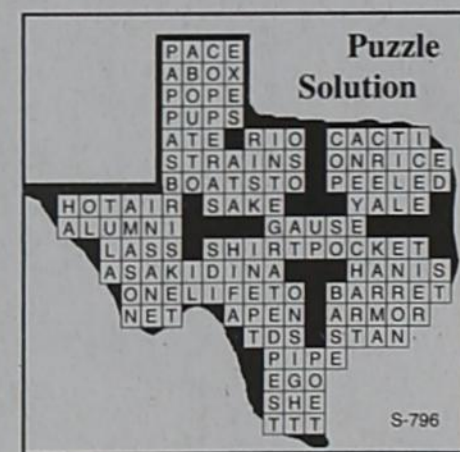
Parmer County Relay for Life June 22, 2007

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TDH immunization April schedules

Immunization clinics offering the vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases are scheduled for April 2007 in Friona and Bovina.



The clinic in Friona will be Friday, April 6 at 616 Euclid from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.; and Friday, April 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The clinic in Bovina will be Monday, April 9 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.

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

YOUR EYES

What's a Refraction?

"Which is better: A or B?" It's a question heard thousands of times in doctor's offices around the country. Have you ever wondered how your doctor checks for what power you need in your glasses? If so, read on.

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Thursday, March 29, 2007

Chieftains, l-r, Sean Lo... conference on the mound

Boys run

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400m relay Juan Reyes, E Martinez, Valente Casas, Juan R 4th 45.47; 1600m relay C Martinez, Justin Bridges, Phillip 5th 3:53.40; Shot put Aaron A 1st 43'7.5"; Alex Dunnam 6th 40.00.

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400m relay Steven Mendoza, Jo Ramirez, Oscar Reyes, Jordan Kelley

Mules kick

Chiefs 11-

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TT Lady Raiders basketball camp

The 2007 Texas Tech Lady Raiders basketball camp schedule is:

Parent/daughter camp, grades K-8, June 2.

Overnight camp, session grades 3-12, June 3-6.

Overnight camp, session grades 3-12, June 16-19.

Team camp, grades 9-12, June 8-10.

Elite camp, grades 9-12, June 11-12.

Position camp, grades 6-11, June 13-15.

Day camp, grades K-6, July 30-August 2.

For more information visit www.carycamps.com or call 800-742-7705.



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4th 50.00; 800m relay Jesus Sarabia, Michael Chico, Ricardo Monreal, Michael Chico 4th 1:48.44; 1600m relay Alex Ferguson, Jose Ramirez, Oscar Reyes, Jordan Kelley 5th 4:12.48; pole vault Ricardo Monreal 3rd 8'6".

Coach Rex Cumpton said of the meet, "The weather conditions were not the best but under the circumstances the kids did well. Some of our times really improved. They did a combined points deal so as an

entire group we finished 4th overall."

State powerlift results

Coach Jimmy Arias of Friona and Coach Hector Guevara of Bovina chaperoned the area powerlifters to the state meet in Houston last weekend.

Dillon Welch placed 6th with a total lift of 1340 pounds. Victor Guerrero was 9th with a lift of 1260 pounds. Both are from Friona.

Bovina's Frank Martinez placed 11th in his weight class with a lift of 1260 pounds.

deadline Apr 13

Friona Kids Inc. baseball signups are now underway

It is that time of year once again when area kids get batter up fever. Time to sign up for this summer's Kids Inc. baseball leagues.

Forms are being handed out at the schools and extra forms can be obtained at First National Bank-Friona Banking Center, 710 W. 11th. Here are the league breakdowns:

T-Ball ages 5-6; Pinto ages 7-8; Mustang ages 9-10; Bronco ages 11-12; and Pony ages 13-14-15. The cost is \$25 which includes cap and shirt. The family rate is \$25 for first child and \$20 per child thereafter.

Make your checks payable to Friona Kids Inc., and return forms to FNB-Friona Banking Center. The deadline is April 13. For more information contact Charlie Pope at 250-2303 or 346-3000.

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Friona boys and girls Tulia golf results

The Friona girls' golf team won 1st place at the Tulia golf meet. Lauren Hughes also won 1st place medalist and Briana Wright was 3rd place medalist. The boys' team placed 5th in the tournament. Scoring for the Chiefs were Jared Boyd 86, Sean Lookingbill 90, Eric North 93, Alex Vega 95, and Chance Lewellen 96.



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Chieftain Junior Trent Hudson fires off the mound at Dimmitt. At left is first baseman Stephen Campbell. The Chiefs lost to Dimmitt 12-4 and are 0-2 in district.

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



NOTICE OF CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION APPLICATION

General Permit Authorization No. TXG920820

APPLICATION. Lonnie Dewayne Guess Revocable Trust, 14498 Avenue 208, Tulare, California 93274-9391, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920000 for authorization to operate an existing dairy replacement heifer facility at 25,500 head, of which zero head are milking cows in Parmer County, Texas. The notice of intent was received by TCEQ on August 7, 2006. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions or events. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The existing facility is located on the north side of County Road E, approximately 3.5 miles east of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 3140 and Highway 60 in Parmer County, Texas. The facility is located in the drainage area of the Upper Prairie Dog Town Fork Red River in Segment No. 0229 of the Red River Basin.

A copy of the notice of intent, application, the Executive Director's technical summary, and the CAFO general permit is available for viewing and copying at the Parmer County Courthouse/County Clerk's Office, 401 3rd Street, Farwell, Texas 79325.

The Executive Director of the TCEQ has made a preliminary decision to approve coverage of this facility under General Permit No. TXG920000.

PUBLIC COMMENT. Written public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. In addition, the public may request a public meeting. If significant interest exists, the Executive Director will direct the applicant to publish a notice of the public meeting and hold the public meeting. The applicant must publish notice of a public meeting at least 30 days prior to the meeting in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the CAFO is proposed to be located. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the applicant meets the requirements of the general permit and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the notice of intent for coverage under the general permit.

INFORMATION. Written public comments should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For additional information, about the application or the procedure for public participation in the general permit process, individual members of the general public may contact the Office of Public Assistance at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

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APPLICATION. Gallman Payloader Service, Inc., 775 County Road 22, Friona, Texas 79035-7530, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920000 for authorization to operate a new mature dairy cattle facility at 3,000 head, of which 2,400 head are milking cows in Parmer County, Texas. The notice of intent was received by TCEQ on October 16, 2006. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions or events. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The proposed facility will be located on the south side of County Road X, approximately 2 miles east of the intersection of County Road X and State Highway 214 in Parmer County, Texas. The facility will be located in the drainage area of the Double Mountain Fork Brazos River in Segment No. 1241 of the Brazos River Basin.

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Don't get hit with a penalty! "Render" your taxable property by April 16th

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

Who must file a rendition?

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

Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value to the appraisal review board.

- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.

- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2006. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2007.

What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 2007 renditions is April 16. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 16 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

Parmer County Appraisal District

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

If you have any questions, please call 806-251-1405

e-mail parmer@amaonline.com

Curby Brantley - Chief Appraiser

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SERVICE is guaranteed and their people know the importance of a smile. They want to do all they can to make sure you enjoy your visit to TAQUERIA JALISCO. They are located at 628 W. 1st St. in Hereford, phone (806) 364-4211. With the lowest prices and through efficient service, they are able to maintain low prices without sacrificing the fine quality of their food. *When you compare the service, comfortable atmosphere and food quality with anyone else, we know you'll agree the TAQUERIA JALISCO gives you more for your money. Open 7 days (week).* The editors of this 2007 Spring Business Review recommend the quality food and great service of this outstanding Mexican establishment.

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Raul Pesina - Owner

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People from throughout the area speak highly of the quality workmanship which goes into every job that CHRIS GABEL AUTOMOTIVE does, and, as we all know, a job well done is the best possible recommendation. The editors of this 2007 Spring Business Review urge all of our readers to trust their auto repairs to this professional shop.

SAMARITAN HOSPICE

Hospice services are available from SAMARITAN HOSPICE to persons who can no longer benefit from curative treatment; the typical hospice patient has a life expectancy of six months or less. All receive care at home or in a home-like setting such as a nursing home or assisted living. Services are provided by a team of trained professionals...physicians, chaplains, nurses, social workers, counselors, aides and volunteers...who provide medical care and support services not only to the patient, but to the entire family. Referrals for Hospice care are accepted from physicians, patients and their families, ministers, and social service agencies. A member of the Hospice staff will make a home visit to determine if hospice care is appropriate.

SAMARITAN HOSPICE is located at 400 Ranger Dr. in Hereford, phone (806) 364-0661. Call soon and find out more about this concept of care with dignity. The editors of this 2007 Spring Business Review urge our readers to check out this concept of caring called Hospice.

LLOYD'S MACHINE SHOP INC.

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LLOYD'S MACHINE SHOP INC. is located at 114 Norton in Hereford, phone (806) 364-3450. They maintain a machine shop that is unsurpassed in service, workmanship, and supplies, and wish to extend to the people of this district appreciation for their patronage. *They are the headquarters in this area for complete automotive machine work and all kinds of machine services.* They employ machinists of outstanding accuracy and ability. This shop is noted for prompt and efficient service and in having work ready when promised. Their charges are reasonable for all work and if any article is beyond repair, they will promptly tell you so.

For honest and dependable workmanship, being your repair work to LLOYD'S MACHINE SHOP INC. They welcome small jobs as well as those which may require several days work. *Contact them for an estimate without obligation for any job you have.* The editors of this 2007 Spring Business Review commend them on their precision work and fair dealings.

DETTEN'S FURNITURE & FLOORING

A world of beauty awaits you at DETTEN'S FURNITURE & FLOORING located at 209 E. Park Ave. in Hereford, phone (806) 364-4073. This quality conscious dealer features *everything* you need to beautifully decorate your home, cover your floors or purchase a special gift for a bridal couple. Featuring a fine selection of gift items and accessories as Hereford's exclusive bridal registry. One-stop shopping for furniture, carpeting, tile and other decorator items for your living room, bedroom, dining room...even your kitchen and bath becomes a pleasant reality at DETTEN'S FURNITURE & FLOORING. *They carry such fine gifts as Lenox China, Mikasa, Fiesta, Oneida and others, along with a full line of colors and styles in fine home furnishings and decorator gift items to compliment any decorating scheme and will gladly offer their assistance in helping you select the style that's just right for your home or for that special person.*

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ERIC L. HIGGINS, D.P.M.

"Foot Specialist"

Podiatry is something that a lot of people are not familiar with. For example, did you know that the foot is a biological masterpiece with 26 bones, numerous ligaments, muscles and blood vessels withstanding several pounds of pressure every time you walk? A Podiatrist can help you with warts, ingrown toenails, corns, bunions, calluses, hammertoes, sports injuries, athletes foot, arthritis and many other foot disorders including manifestations of diabetes or kidney problems, i.e....loss of feeling and ulcerations can be found in the feet. Remember preventative care of all foot problems can be the most helpful deterrent to major problems.

DR. ERIC L. HIGGINS - a licensed podiatrist in the (HEREFORD HEALTH CLINIC), located at 300 Witherspoon Ave. in Hereford, phone (806) 349-9252 wants you to take care of this vital part of your body. **DR. ERIC L. HIGGINS can diagnose your problems, by means of x-ray if necessary,** and treat it in the most productive method of which modern medical science has to offer. In writing this 2007 Spring Business Review, we the editors, want you to "step up to foot health care" and heed the advice of this podiatrist.

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You can find anything at Wal-Mart, including Elvis and Jesus

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

You may not have noticed, but August is one of our more holiday-impaired months. To combat this lack of planning on the part of our forefathers, I decided to do something celebratory. I had a brain lapse the size of Idaho and went to opening day at a new Wal-Mart Supercenter.

It was everything a soccer riot dreams about being when it grows up. Except for changing my first dirty diaper, it was the most stomach-turning, tension-filled, blood pressure-raising, nausea-inducing ninety minutes of my life. Then I found a parking place and went inside.

Before I could enter the inner sanctum, the first thing I had to do was get past the much-too-happy and smile-too-big-for-her-face former prison guard at the front trying to force me to take a buggy. Once I convinced her I did not need one, I felt like calling a cab to get from one end of the store to the other. Now I know how a Chihuahua feels in the Astrodome.

I had not seen so much stuff since our last garage sale. The Wal-Mart Supercenter had everything I didn't know I needed until I got there. I was so entranced I almost bought some deodorant featuring the slogan "So effective you could skip a day". I resisted. With all of my aches and pains from being the oldest person on our church softball team, I figured if I tried skipping for a whole day, I would get injured.

With cunning survival skills learned from years of shopping on the day after Thanksgiving, I carefully made my way to the Elvis Presley display in the electronics section. We may celebrate our independence in July, but August has "International Elvis Week", commemorating the anniversary of the death of the real king of rock-'n'-roll. (He beat out Chubby Checker for the title simply because no one would take seriously a king named Chubby, although we did have a president named Rutherford.)

When Elvis walked into a room, girls screamed. In my

younger days, girls screamed whenever I walked into a room, but they usually calmed down after I washed off my acne cream. Through Elvis impersonators and Elvis sightings, Elvis Presley is as popular today as he was years ago. I have never personally made an Elvis sighting, although I once had a sixty-five-year old secretary named Rosie who did a great Elvis impersonation. The closest I've ever been to the king of rock-'n'-roll is my wife calling me Chubby.

The hoopla over the opening of Wal-Mart and the events surrounding Elvis did inspire me to compare his life to that of another King. One king lived in a mansion called Graceland. This King is preparing a mansion for us, built

on grace. One king died and, contrary to what some may believe, is still dead. This King died and, contrary to what some may believe, rose from the dead after three days.

On the anniversary of one king's death, the day is filled with mourning. On the anniversary of this King's death, joy comes in the morning. One king is gone. This King is coming. People claim to see one king all the time. God only knows if people see the King of kings in us.

I, too, am a fan of the king of rock-'n'-roll. More importantly, I am a child of the King who rolled the rock away. It was He who wrote the Song of Life, and I, for one, will forever be indebted to His Musing.

Elvis had some great music, but Elvis has left the building. Jesus is still here, singing His Song. Our job, as followers of the King, is to increase the number of listeners.

Think about this Who's in control around here?

BY T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

God's sovereignty also involves His Purposeful Sovereignty. That means that God's sovereignty moves toward a particular end, a specific purpose. Paul was talking to Christians when he said, "It is God who works in you to will and to act according to His good purpose", (Philippians 2:13).

God's purpose is to bring His creation to fullness and completion. God has a direction, a purpose in all that He does.

Another important aspect of God's sovereignty is Freedom. Divine sovereignty does not mean that everything which occurs in this world is God's will. God has created a world in which freedom is a real possibility. His permissive will provides for human freedom and the laws of Nature. This freedom means that sovereignty must always be distinguished from "fate" or "destiny". Fate or destiny is the belief that everything which occurs in the world has been predetermined, scheduled in advance by God. This view, carried to the extreme makes us pawns or puppets of a mechanical universe in which all choices are made in advance and where freedom is not possible.

Yet, the good news of the gospel is that human beings find genuine freedom. Not in doing everything they wish but in submitting themselves to the sovereign will of God.

More next article.

Seeds From The Sower

By Michael A. Guido

Psychology students in North Carolina took two rats and put them in different containers that were half full of water.

One was sealed. Escape was impossible. The rat gave up and died in less than three minutes.

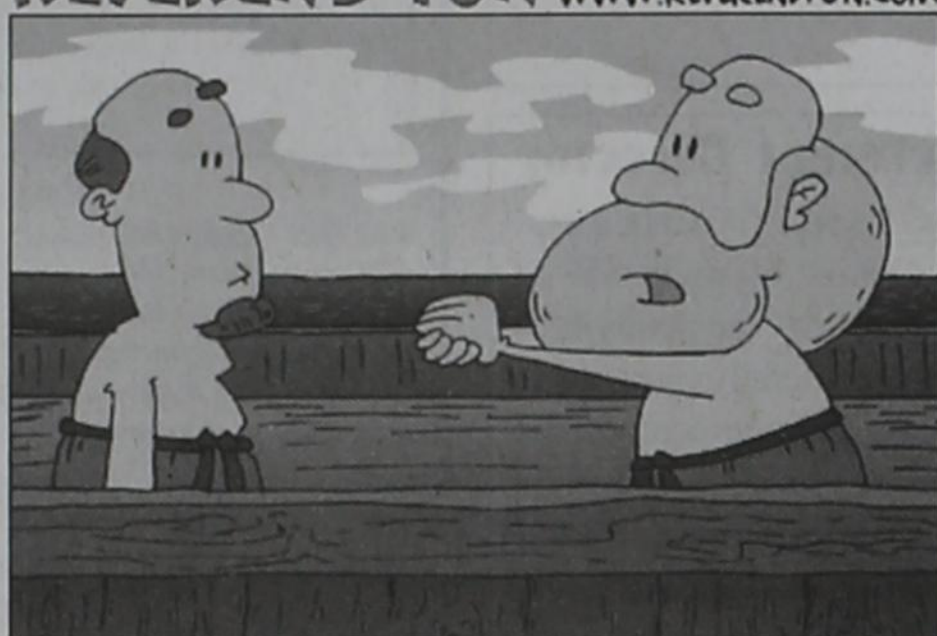
The other was partially sealed. Escape was possible. That rat swam for thirty-six hours before dying of exhaustion.

The difference? Hope. Life for the disciples was about to cave in. What enabled them to go on and preach the gospel? Hope.

Our Lord said, "In My Father's house are many mansions. I go to prepare a place for you. I will come again, and receive you unto Myself."



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Thursday, March 29, 2007
Parmerton-m
 The townsite of Parmerton is located in Friona county at 4,202 and has very near the exact center of our town, as passing southwest on the Texas Railroad in 1898. Amarillo with Albuquerque county seat when the town was first founded in May 1907. Our first judge at that time also served as the first county judge. The county tax collector, J.F. McKee, clerk while Norman Williams County tax assessor was for property owned since valuation, except in District valuation. A poll tax of \$1.21 to 60 years of age. \$1.00 one-half the sum levied on Can't you just feel the

This painting was done in 1974 shows the original plus a home for the located north of the Texas State Historic 100 yards north of the Quicker for watering

Hi-Pro horse feed promotion
 Alexis Atwood, Hi-Pro Director of Equine Services has announced a special equine promotion for 2007. Pro and partner Althea rewarding Hi-Pro horse customers with a special away for a Kubota RT valued at \$10,000 plus foot single axle flatbed trailer. The promotion begins 1. Customers can fill out blanks located on the back of Hi-Pro premium horse Entry blanks must be turned in to the local feed dealer by July 31 or postmarked by same date to be considered eligible.
 The drawing for the winner will be held during the American Futurity at Ruidown, New Mexico on September 2. For information locate a dealer near you 800-447-7620 or www.hiprofeeds.com

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Parmer County Centennial Moments

By Darla Bracken fridarla19@yahoo.com

Parmerton—more than just a switch

The townsite of Parmerton is the highest elevation in our county at 4,202 and has been called Parmerton "Hill". It is also very near the exact center of the county. It began, as did all of our towns, as passing switches on the Pecos Valley and Northern Texas Railroad in 1898 when the railroad was built to connect Amarillo with Albuquerque, New Mexico. It was designated the county seat when the county was organized in an election in May 1907. Our first judge, sheriff and commissioners were elected at that time also even though there were still very few people in the county at that time. W.L. Townsen, a former Texas Ranger, was the first county judge. E.T. Stevens was the first sheriff and tax collector. J.F. McKay served as our first county and district clerk while Norman Wilson served as county treasurer. The first County tax assessor was J.B. McMinn. The first taxes levied were for property owned since Jan. 1, 1906 and were 10 cents per \$100 valuation, except in District 9 where taxes were 20 cents per \$100 valuation. A poll tax of 25 cents per year was levied on all males 21 to 60 years of age. 'Special occupation' taxes were set equal to one-half the sum levied by the state of Texas.

Can't you just feel the excitement they must have felt at their

being the first people in a new place? Everything was ahead of them and the future looked very bright. The Parmerton townsite Company had purchased 200 acres from the Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company and J.S. McCleary had filed the mapped survey of the townsite on May 11, 1907 with Deaf Smith County officials. Parmer and Deaf Smith were originally under Oldham County which was part of the gigantic Bexar District of Texas. Officers of the Parmerton townsite were Wallace Good, President, Norman Wilson, Vice-President and W.L. Townsen, Secretary. The streets running north and south in the new prairie town were named for Texas heroes: *Austin, Travis, Crockett, Bowie, Houston, Ross, Cabel, Reagan and Mills*. Parmerton Plat was laid out in a public or town square design, the only one of our towns to be so designed. It had 74 blocks with 1st through 11th streets running east and west. Most towns are designed around a main street not a town square although the main street design can accommodate space for a courthouse also.

Parmerton was also the site of the Model Farm established by the Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company of Chicago which tested the Campbell Dry Farming method. This method, overseen by B.H. Campbell the farm manager, consisted of deep plowing to a depth of 12 inches and then packing the subsoil at the base of the furrow with packer wheels to try to hold what natural moisture did fall according to Frank Hastings. These wheels were known as camel packers. A lush wheat crop was harvested using this method in 1906. This was all way before any irrigation took place although another experiment with fruit trees near Black was also done.

County Officials elected in May of 1907 and having received 'a majority of vote' included as aforementioned: County Judge—W.L. Townsen, a multiple hat wearer in the new county; Sheriff and Tax Collector—E. T. Stevens; County & District Clerk—J.F. McKay and Tax Assessor—J. B. McMinn. County Judges were W.P. McMinn, Precinct 1; C.W. Arthur, Precinct 2; Norman Wilson, Precinct 3; and J.F. rush,

Precinct 4. County Commissioners elected were W.P. McMinn Precinct 1; F.L. Spring, Precinct 2; Tom Hogland, Precinct 3 and C.A. Woodford, Precinct 4. It was during this same election 'having received a majority vote' that Parmerton was officially named the county seat.

A Post Office was established on September 14, 1907 with William Lyles 'Uncle Bill' Townsen as postmaster (Ex. many hats—he also owned and operated the Bovina Hotel). It operated until August 15, 1908. A temporary courthouse building 28 by 30 feet was built to house our first courthouse and the post office was also housed in this building. In October, the order came to build a new courthouse building: a one story 30 feet by 40 feet structure at a cost of \$1,380 plus an adobe vault which was to cost no more than \$360. A cook shack to serve residents and those passing through was across the road from the courthouse.

The first marriage license issued in Parmer County was to Henry Curtis and Grace Haynes who were married at the Farwell Inn March 1, 1908. According to Mr. Curtis in an interview with Hugh Moseley in 1970, he remembered riding the train to Parmerton to get the license and that it was some distance about a quarter mile from the railroad to walk to the courthouse in the tall grass. The tracks were moved 121 feet further south in 1909.

Parmerton's fame as the county seat was short-lived when Bovina businessmen began to worry that nothing would develop there since Farwell, although a border town, was already established. The movement to change the location was on and in December 1907 another election was held to determine where the courthouse should be. The results were:

Precinct	Voting For Parmerton	For Friona	For Farwell
1	4	0	0
2	1	1	11
3	9	0	0
4	12	0	15
5	0	0	67
6	0	0	6
Totals	26	1	99

Approximately 5 months later in May 1907, the records were move to the 'Hamlin Brick' in Farwell as the first marriage license was issued to W. H. Butler and Mrs. Sallie Cress on May 9, 1908. The first commissioner's court meeting was held in the Hamlin Brick location on Monday, May 11, 1908. Evidently, not only the records but also, the people, the buildings—everything was moved. The temporary courthouse building was moved into Friona on the west side of main (in the space between where Suds 'n Scissors and Unique Image beauty shops now stand.) It was Dr.Rohrbaugh's drug store, the first home of the First Baptist Church and Scott Wier's Used Furniture store which burned down in 1957 killing one—a sad end to the historic building. The Hamlin Brick was also destroyed by fire in 1913 and the current courthouse was constructed in 1916 at a cost of some \$43,000.



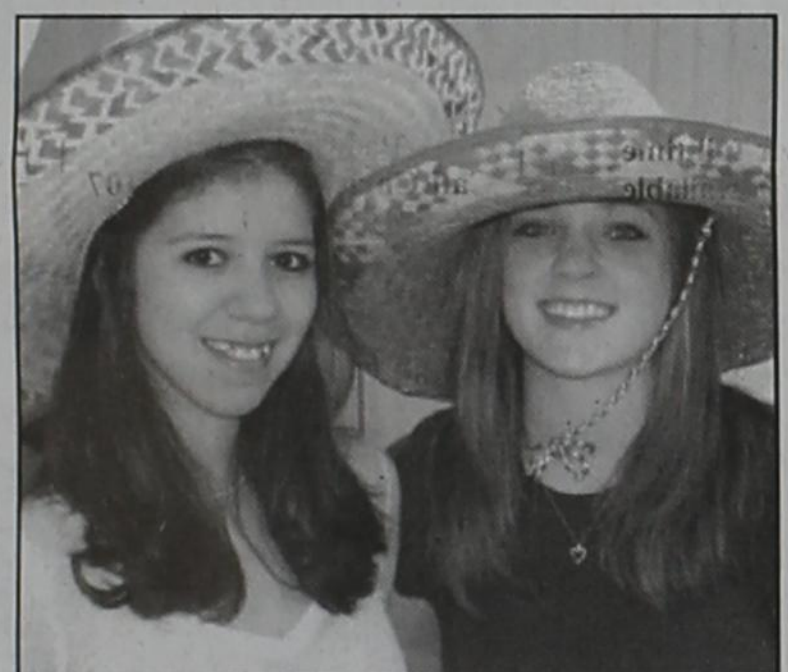
This painting was done by Billie Long Homer for "A history of Parmer County" in 1974 shows the courthouse, the adobe vault, a cook shack and the windmill plus a home for the county judge, Townsen... Note: The town of Parmerton was located north of the railroad as designated by the historical marker placed by the Texas State Historical Commission in 1971. The windmill was originally located 100 yards north of the original Highway 60 and was still in use until 1954 by I.W. Quickel for watering his livestock.

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Alexis Atwood, Hi-Pro Feeds Director of Equine Services, has announced a special equine promotion for 2007. Hi-Pro and partner Alltech, are rewarding Hi-Pro horse feed customers with a special giveaway for a Kubota RTV-900 valued at \$10,000 plus a 12-foot single axle flatbed trailer.

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The drawing for the winner will be held during the All American Futurity at Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico on September 2. For information or to locate a dealer near you call 800-447-7620 or visit www.hiprofeeds.com.



Julie Echevarria and Briana Wright



Valente Casas and Caleb Miller



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Having fun at St. Teresa's Senior Banquet were, Back, l-r, Caleb Miller, Tolby Wilcox, Stephen Campbell, Nathan Hoon, Sean Looking bill, Chance Lewellen; Middle, l-r, Tiffany Vazquez, Krista Graham, Shayli Reed, Jordan Jamerson; Front, l-r, Staci Murphree, Lucretia Field.

Ollie Liner antique tractor show Mar 30-31 in Plainview

Step back into yesteryear and see some of the most powerful engines used on the farm at the 15th annual Ollie Liner Antique

Tractor and Equipment show March 30-31 at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview. The event is sponsored by the Texas Plains

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The mission is to promote interest of the public in the preservation and restoration of antique agricultural tractors and farm equipment. All brands of tractors will be at the show.

There will be displays featuring antique tractors and equipment, antique engines, and antique pedal tractors. Also on hand will be arts and crafts vendors and toy vendors. Free tables are available to take part in the show.

Also there will be games and activities and the public will be able to vote for the People's Choice award. Other awards will go to the oldest tractor, most unique farm equipment, oldest engine, and furthest distance traveled.

FFA Clubs will show off their restoration projects. Concessions will be provided by Hale County Farm and Ranch Museum. Grand prizes are a John Deere pedal tractor and a John Deere kids' bicycle. Door prize drawings will be held every hour.

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Town Talk II

By Ron Carr

What a great rain over the weekend. The bad news is the tornadoes that struck in Clovis and Logan, New Mexico. Luckily no one was killed either place although an elderly lady died days later from injuries received during the Clovis tornado. Many Friona folks have vacation homes or trailers at Logan and were on their way up there Saturday and Sunday to check for damage.

On Wednesday this week employees of Cargill Meat Solutions of Friona sent a team led by Rick White over to Clovis to team up with the Salvation Army to cook lunch for workers and volunteers cleaning up after the tornado. Rick said they planned to cook 400 hamburgers at the Clovis fairgrounds.

We ordered lunch last Wednesday from Tasty Cream. We eat in every Wednesday since that is our final layout day. Hamburgers, Texas toothpicks, and fries were just like the old days. Nathan, our production guy, ordered a Giant Double Cheeseburger. At Tasty Cream you can get a regular cheeseburger, a double cheeseburger, or the giant double cheeseburger. There is no size after that. Nice to have them back.

At the senior citizen's lunch last week we learned Henry Gauna was in for some eye surgery and welcomed Kay Huckabee's sister Dorothy Glazner from Shamrock, Texas as a visitor. Hope I spelled her name right. Glad to have you Dorothy. Henry was back collecting money this week. At Monday's lunch Rex Blackburn and Shara Lookingbill showed pictures of tornado damage from Clovis and Logan.

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Evelyn Hartley, mother of Rev. Alvin Petty. She lived in Friona for a brief period and was a Heritage Estates resident also for a short time (I think) before the Pettys moved to Andrews.

Evelyn used to eat with us at the senior center as her health permitted.

Our special sympathies go to our co-worker and Friona Star employee Marlene Mueller and her sister Mayme Gee, on the death of their mother, Laura Alice Irvin, in Haskell Texas. Mrs. Irvin was 92 and passed away Monday at her residence in Haskell. Her obituary is in today's paper. Our sincere sympathies to Marlene and Mayme and the family.

Do you like peanut brittle? Go by Fast Stop. Next to the cash register they usually have a couple of baskets of some of the best peanut brittle you will ever eat. It is light, brittle and very tasty. It is made by a church from Clovis. I didn't pay attention to how much it costs but I buy it for the office here and it doesn't last the day.

A reminder that Bi-Wize Drugstore and the Friona Star office have collection boxes for your used eyeglasses which are donated to the local Lions Clubs. Used glasses are refurbished and given to needy people around the world by Lions International. So when you are doing your spring cleaning, bring us your used eyeglasses. Bless you.

The Book Shoppe will now be open Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Julia Alexander has volunteered to open the Shoppe during those extra hours. The Book

Shoppe is also open Tuesday and Thursday from 4-6 p.m. The Book Shoppe is located at 6th and Euclid and sells used books and surplus books from the Friona Public Library and private donations. It is a project of the Friends of the Library.

Wendy Carthel is planning to open her Farm House Designs store next door to Ivy Cottage on April 17. She sells flowers and all sorts of decorative items. There is an ad elsewhere in today's paper. Wendy is only open for a couple of months I believe so get by and see her as of April 17.

Allan Haile, local State Farm Insurance agent, has opened his Chieftain Self Storage units behind his insurance office at Highway 60 and Etta. There are about 27 units of different sizes, some are climate controlled. They are lighted at night and have security systems in place. He is ready to rent you a unit now so stop by the State Farm office and inquire.

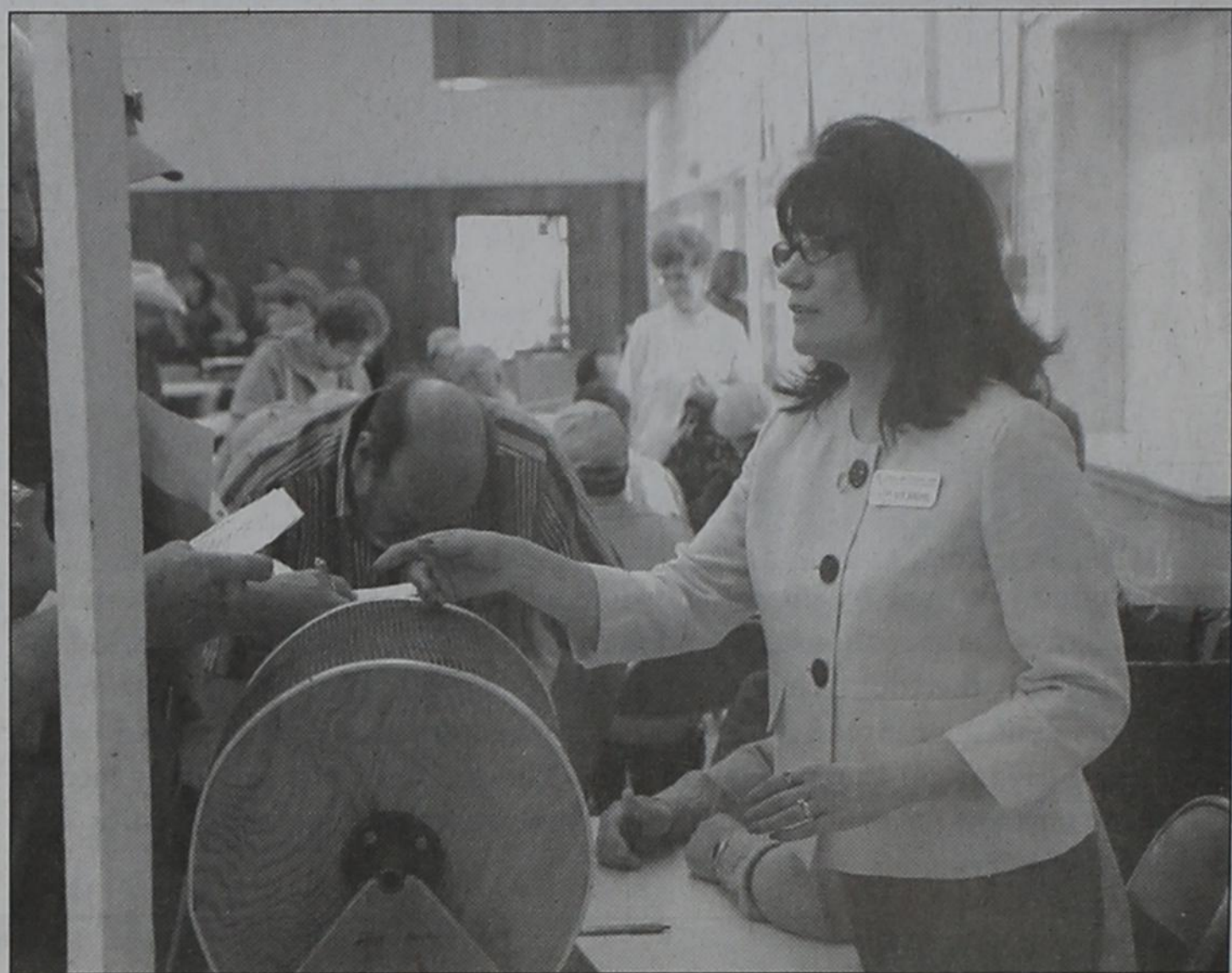
Our subscriber hello this week recognizes Billy Sifford of Bella Vista, Arkansas, and Jerry and Cindy Hawkins of Erie, Colorado. Thanks for reading the Friona Star. We appreciate all of our subscribers, local and long distance.

Everyone is invited to share local news and concerns with us so keep us in your address book. Thank you.



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Serving chow at the senior citizen's Thursday lunch were cooks Taryn Chisom, left, and Nora Rios. The ladies cook lunch twice a week for the area seniors. All seniors are invited to participate. Lunch is served each Monday and Thursday at the Friendship House.



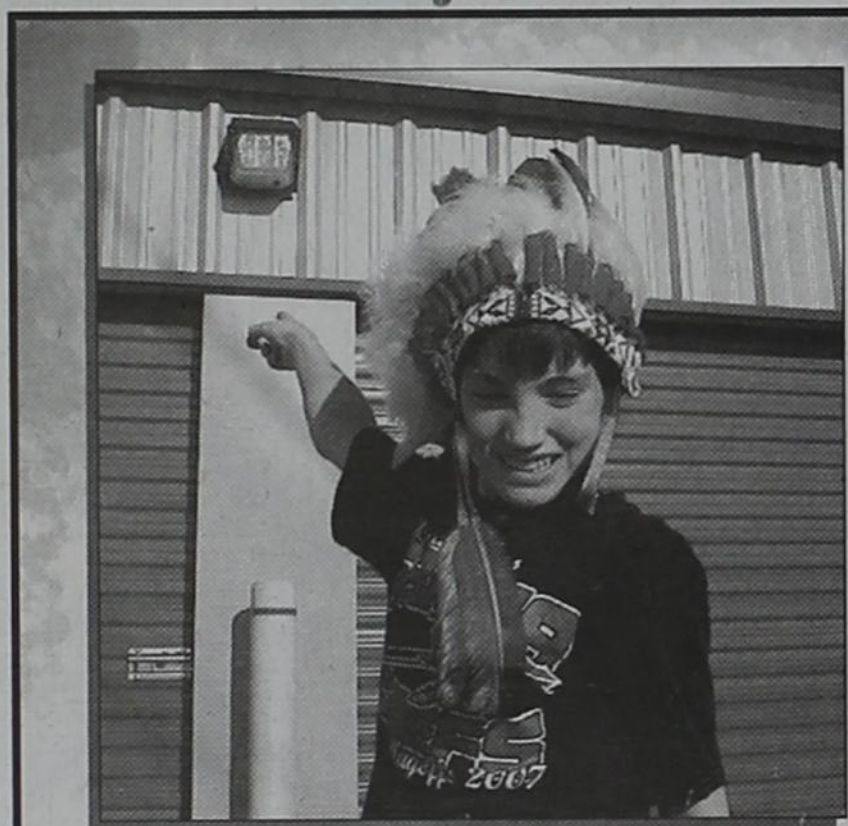
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Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative employee Jane Alejandre works the door prize sign-up table at the Co-op's annual meeting Tuesday in Hereford.

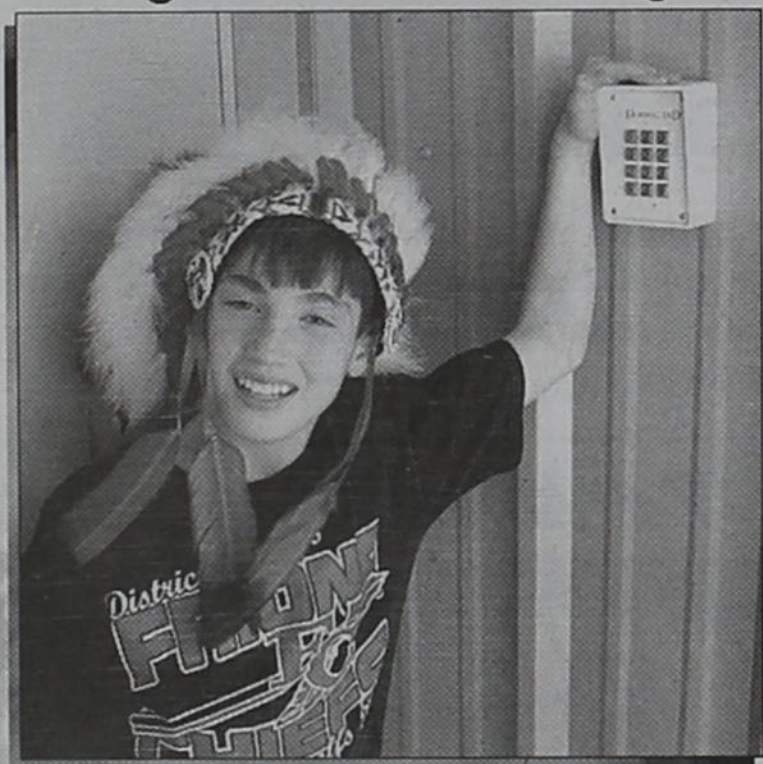


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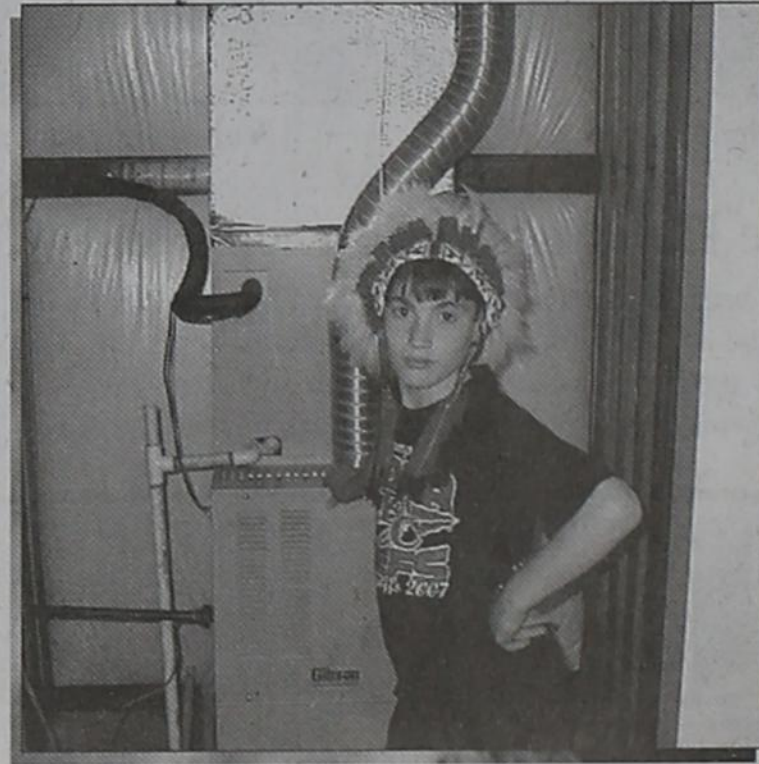
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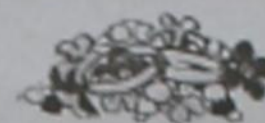
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35 Scottish "girl"
36 where a cowboy
keeps his Skoal?
(2 wds.)
42 TXism: "happy
candy store"
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46 TX Al Freeman, Jr.
soap opera: "
Live"
48 middle name of
Alamo's Travis

ENGAGEMENTS



WEDDING



Grimsley & Weatherly



Jayson and Jill Grimsley of Friona and James and Cindy Weatherly of Canyon announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Jacy and Landon.

Grandparents are David and Uldene Grimsley and William and Kathryn Gromowsky, all of Friona; Leland and Jo Hutson of Canyon; and the late Clyde and Lois Weatherly of Friona.

Jacy graduated from Friona High School in 2002 and is currently a student at Texas Tech University School of Pharmacy in Amarillo. She will graduate in May 2009. She is currently employed with CVS Pharmacy in Amarillo.

Landon is a 2005 Canyon High School graduate and completed the Bell Helicopter program with Aerospace Manufacturing certification. He is currently employed with Micro Beef Technologies in Amarillo.

The couple will be married in Playa del Carmen, Mexico, on Thursday, June 7, 2007.

Trisha CheLyn Maddox and Ronald Gene Brown, Jr., both of Lubbock, exchanged wedding vows on Saturday, March 10, 2007, at 4:30 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church in Lubbock, with Doug Chapman officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Gary and Cherie Maddox of Springlake. Grandparents are Judy Maddox of Ropes, Texas, and Don and Betty Smith of Slaton, Texas.

The groom is the son of Ron Brown of Farmer Branch, Texas and David and Patti Leyerle of Arlington, Texas. Grandparents are Buz and Pat O'Brien of Fort Worth, Texas.

The bride was presented in marriage by her father, Gary Maddox. She wore a one piece Maggie Sottero strapless gown in diamond white with layered chantilly lace, white pearls, white seed beads, and white bugle beads. A specially detailed braided ribbon closure adorned the back of the gown.

She wore a cathedral length veil and a pearl and gold bead necklace given to her by her grandmother, as she carried a cascading bouquet of red and white roses, white stephanotis and white gardenias.

Brittany Franks of Lubbock was the maid of honor, with Jennifer Brown of Dallas, and Krista Grant of Arlington, both sisters of the groom, serving as bridesmaids.

The bride's attendants wore long, strapless, black satin

gowns with a white inverted pleat inset, black gloves, and a three-strand choker pearl necklace.

When the bride and groom arrived the meal was served buffet style with carved roast beef, a tossed green salad, green

red glass hurricane vases filled with fresh red roses and greenery, sitting on a bed of white chiffon, illuminated with miniature white lights.

The wedding cake was a square four-layered Italian cream cake with cream cheese filling, whipped white icing, and white pearl accents with red rose petals sprinkled throughout. The bottom of each layer was surrounded by black ribbon and a strand of white pearls.

The groom's cake was German chocolate with cookies and cream filling, topped with a Texas Tech monogram, with tuxedo strawberries at all four corners.

Joey Gonzaga of Lubbock served as the disc jockey and provided the music and a slide presentation of the couple and family getting ready before the wedding.

After honeymooning in Montego Bay, Jamaica the couple will make their home in Lubbock, Texas.

The bride is a graduate of Springlake Earth and is employed as a pharmacy technician at CVS Pharmacy in Lubbock.

The groom is a graduate of Arlington High School and Texas Tech University, and is also a former Marine. He is currently employed as an MT for Enterprise.



Mrs. Ronald Gene Brown
nee Trisha CheLyn Maddox

The groom wore a black tuxedo with a red vest and red tie.

Michael Estes of Dallas was the best man, with Joshua Maddox and Brandon Maddox, both of Lubbock, both brothers of the bride, serving as groomsmen. The groom's attendants wore black tuxedos with white vests and black ties.

Brent Leyerle of Winter Park, Colorado, Adam Schiffman of Farmers Branch, Texas, David Farrell of San Antonio, Texas, Dillon Boyer of North Richland Hills, Texas, and Chris Ray of Lubbock served as ushers.

Allison Hampton of San Antonio attended the registry.

The first 28 rows of the church were decorated with black and white tulle bows with the remaining rows decorated with red and white roses, tropical lilies and greenery. Two pedestal urn arrangements of red and white roses, tropical lilies and greenery decorated the altar.

A reception was held at Texas Tech Market Alumni Center. Guests arrived to appetizers of fresh fruit with pina colada dip, cheese with assorted crackers, chicken pico with homemade tortilla chips and a cheddar berry ring with assorted crackers.

beans, carrots, braised onions, mashed potatoes with gravy, and hot rolls.

The tables were draped in black cloth with white cloth napkins. Centerpieces were large



Johnson & McLemore

Joe Bob and Connie Johnson announce the engagement of their daughter, Mindy, to Doug McLemore, the son of Gerald and Martha McLemore of Elkhart, Indiana.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Velma and the late Carl Schlenker of Rhea, and the late Edith and Herschel Johnson of Friona.

A graduate of Southern Methodist University, Ms. Johnson received a BFA in theatre studies in 1996. She is currently a project manager for Gary Musick Productions in Nashville, Tennessee.

The future groom is the grandson of Edith and the late Dillard McLemore of Mishawaka, Indiana, and the late Edwin and Velma Robertson of Florence, Alabama. He currently resides on Tellico Lake, near Knoxville, Tennessee, where he works as a commercial construc-



tion superintendent for p.m. on June 29, 2007 at Cedarwood Mansion in Nashville, Tennessee. The wedding is set for 6:30

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- 1 San Antonio picante sauce
- 5 TXism: "brains in ___" (computer)
- 6 ___ John Paul II visited TX in '87
- 7 TXism: "sharp as a ___ tooth"
- 8 TXism: "bit a biscuit"
- 9 ___ Grande
- 12 more than 100 species of these plants grow in TX
- 17 exerts a lot
- 19 TXism: "covered like white ___"
- 21 TX Guy Clark CD: "___ Build"
- 22 TXism: "keep your eyeballs ___"
- 23 Plano fall festival features ___ balloons
- 28 TX Mayes CD: "For Pete's ___"
- 29 Bushes' alma mater graduates from any TX university
- 31 in Milam Co. on 79
- 35 Scottish "girl"
- 36 where a cowboy keeps his Skoal? (2 wds.)
- 42 TXism: "happy ___ candy store"
- 44 D'___ TX
- 46 TX Al Freeman, Jr. soap opera: "___ Live"
- 48 middle name of Alamo's Travis

- 49 most Dirk Nowitzki shots: "all ___"
- 50 cattle corral (2 wds.)
- 51 what TX Comanche Iron Jacket wore into battle
- 52 Cowboy Tony Romo objectives (abbr.)
- 53 TX Jamie Foxx played ___ Tookie Williams in '04 TV movie
- 54 TXism: "lead ___ cinch"

- 56 conceit
- 57 TX Prentiss TV: "He & ___"
- 58 TX "Deck of Cards" singer (init.)

DOWN

- 1 Houston eatery: "___ House"
- 2 Travis Tritt CD: "It's All ___ Change"
- 3 ___ Cove, TX
- 4 TX Strait's "All My ___ Live in Texas"
- 9 drilling a wildcat well?
- 10 farming system: "___ Management"
- 11 "bear" south of the border"
- 12 "___ a plea"

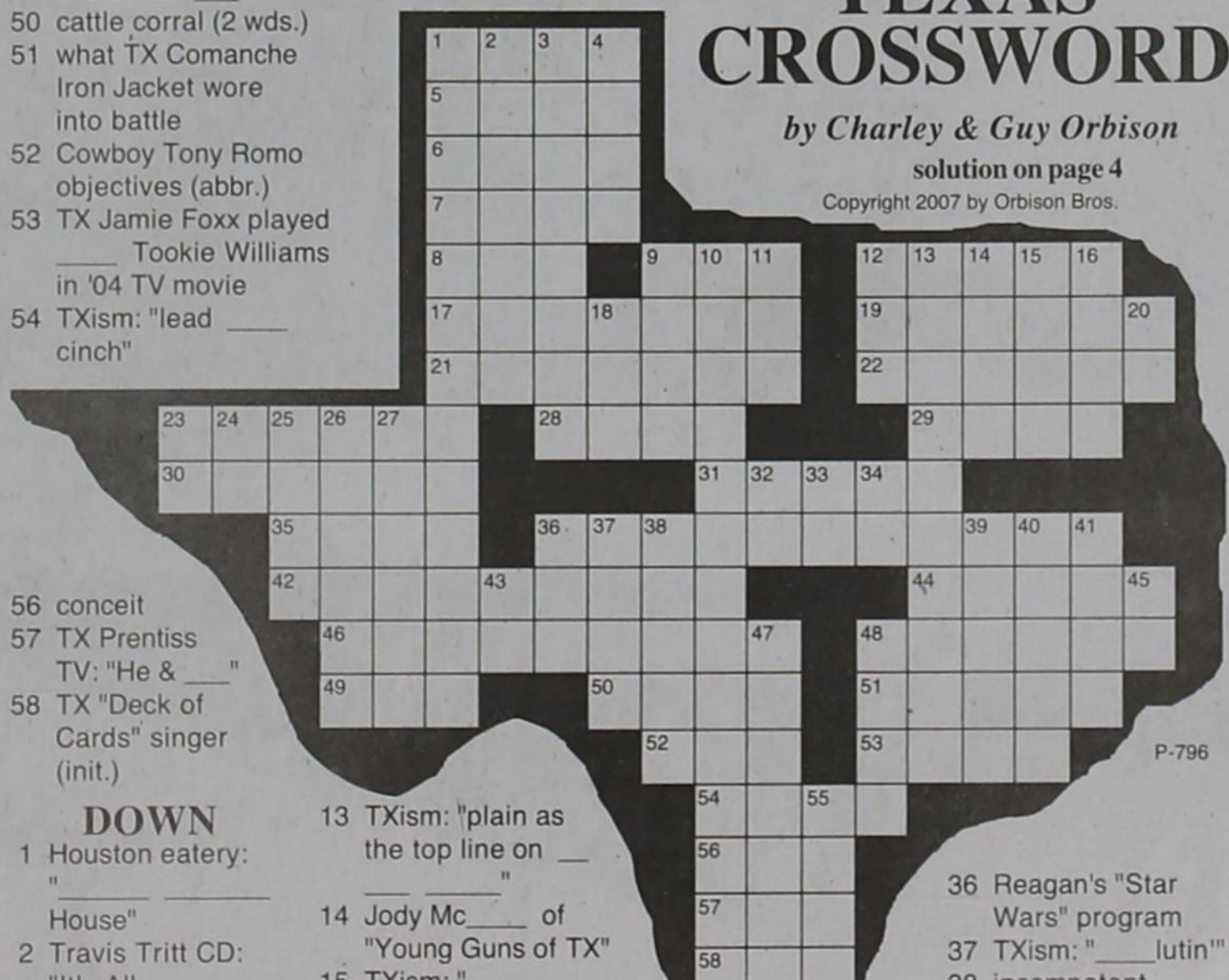
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- 13 TXism: "plain as the top line on ___"
- 14 Jody Mc___ of "Young Guns of TX"
- 15 TXism: "___ hell freezes over"
- 16 it came before TX 7-11's Slurpee
- 18 TX Tanya's "One Love ___ Time"
- 20 Begley of "Hang 'Em High" ('68)
- 23 laugh sound
- 24 TXism: "good ___ boy"
- 25 TX Cyd Charisse: ___ Ellice Finklea
- 26 bricklayer (2 wds.)
- 27 TXism: "touched in the head"
- 32 TXism: "chompin' ___ the bit"
- 33 TXism: "that gets my dander ___"
- 34 TX Ellerby book: "And ___ It Goes"
- 36 Reagan's "Star Wars" program
- 37 TXism: "___ lutin"
- 38 incompetent
- 39 Hindu concept
- 40 infamous TX co. that cooked its books
- 41 a single layer
- 43 birth state of TX Goodnight (abbr.)
- 45 ___ Jo, TX
- 47 "shoot ___"
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*Relay for Life cancer walk
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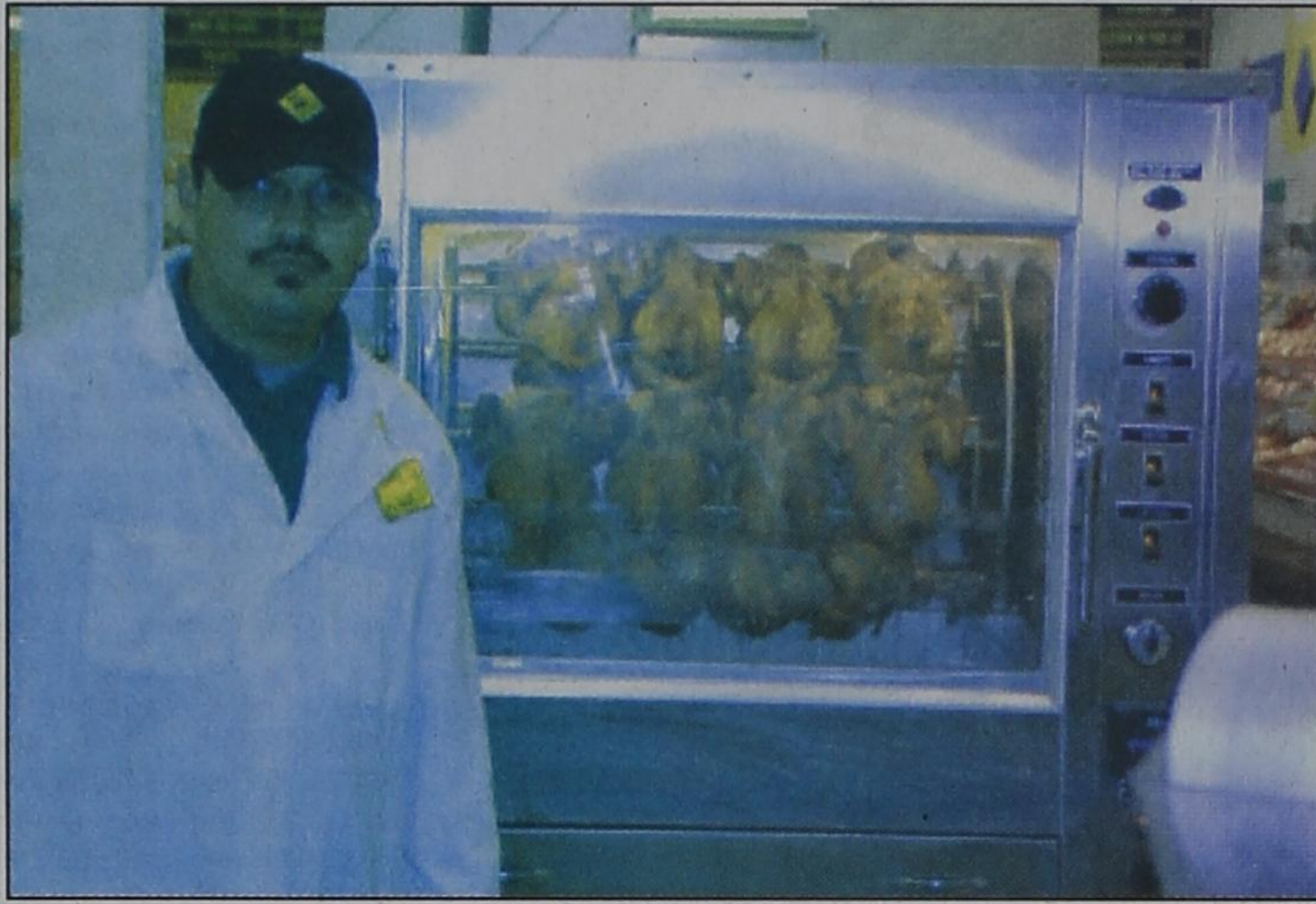


All donations and assistance will be appreciated



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Percy Parson, left, and Bovina artist Jim Bob Swafford are shown with the Brahma bull painting that Parson commissioned based on a long ago experience. See story.



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Lowe's meat market manager Alonzo Perez shows off the new rotisserie at the store. The rotisserie can cook 24 whole chickens at a time. The whole fryers are available for \$3 each and will be available in individual sacks in the lower door of the rotisserie. The store will also offer cooked chicken quarters.

Brahma bull chase turns into painting

Percy Parson of Friona and his friend Dennis Bryan were moving cattle in Las Vegas, New Mexico, when an old black Brahma bull decided to break and run. Percy and Dennis, ropes in hand, gave chase. Percy, riding his twenty-

five year old Palomino, tossed a header rope while Dennis heeled him and brought the chase to a sudden end. At the time there were no cameras around but Percy had the moment in his thoughts for a long time.

To capture the action of the moment Percy commissioned Bovina artist Jim Bob Swafford to create it in an oil painting. The result is a painting of a couple of cowboys chasing down an old black Brahma bull.

First Ag returns \$8.2 million

First Ag Credit, Farm Credit Services' stockholders are enjoying their part in the almost \$8.2 million cash patronage dividend that was distributed based on 2006 financial results. The dividend reduced most customers' net cost of borrowing by approximately 70 basis points, or almost three-quarters of a percent.

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