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TEN PAGES

Plans finalized for Parmer birthday bash

By Don Spring

The Parmer County Historical Commission met on April 19, 2007 to finalize plans for the Parmer County Centennial Celebration to be held on May 5, 2007 on the courthouse lawn in Farwell. It has been a busy year for the commission and lots of hard work has gone into the success of the project.

One of the primary goals of the celebration is the re-dedication of the historical marker now located east of Farwell on Highway 84. The marker has been vandalized and hidden from view most of the time and plans were made early on to move the granite monument for the celebration. Concrete has been poured and it is hoped that by the coming weekend the monument will be set in its new location and then the commemorative bricks can be placed around the structure to honor the fine families of Parmer County, past, present and future.

It is planned as a living memorial and to grow as the county grows and prospers. As of this writing, 73 bricks have been ordered and should be here in time for placement at the site. It is doubtful if another order would arrive in time for the celebration but additional orders will be sent in and placed when they arrive. This promises to be a very beautiful monument and we are proud we are able to see the project fulfilled.

Bonnie Warren reported that most of the political dignitaries had declined the invitation to attend the fete. It's too bad our founding fathers did not see the necessity of organizing the county on an election year in which the political wannabees would be running out our ears. On a very positive note, "Doppler" Dave Oliver was the guest speaker at the Farwell Chamber of Commerce banquet. Gladys Spring invited him and his lovely wife, Carol, to the bash and he graciously accepted. Also the popular channel 10 weatherman promised to do his best to provide climate weather. We hope!!!

Recently Don and Gladys Spring had occasion to meet with Matthew LeBlanc and Laura

Rojas, the personable young anchor team of The Early Show on Channel 10. They both expressed an interest in attending. All these folk are great to visit with and very entertaining personalities. We recommend you meet and greet them in our neighborhood.

Activities chairperson Brenda Wilson reported on the events scheduled for the bash. The complete schedule of events will appear in the next week's issue of the county newspapers but I will pique your curiosities a tad. The list includes, The Farwell HS Band, Bordertown Band, Dynamite Barbershop Quartet, Friona High School Dancers, Cadena Spanish Band, Talking Tombstones, Youth Fiddlers and The Kwahidi Indian Dancers. That's just a few of the entertainers slated for the event.

Also there will be small carnival rides for the kids and exotic animal rides for the younger set. Guest speakers from each town and community in the county will be giving a brief history of the communities. Sandwiched in between these events will be the re-dedication of the Parmer County Memorial.

All these events are very interesting and attention grabbers so be sure to bring a lawn chair so you will be super comfortable for the entertainment.

I'm sure you're thinking to yourself, "man! I'm getting hungry just thinking about all that activity". Well, aren't we all. So to pique your taste buds as well, some of the food booths that will be granting your taste bud's every whim includes Friona Lions hamburgers, fries and funnel cakes, Lookingbill's roasted corn, First Bank Southwest/Hereford BBQ, First National Bank/Friona sausage wraps, St Teresa's/Friona BBQ and fajitas, and free ice cream courtesy of Southwest Dairy Producers. Are we taking care of you or what???

I think all the county folk are feeling the excitement of the centennial celebration and we can promise a good time and exciting future for all our county folk. Be there or bewell...left out.



ron carr photo

National Honor Society inductee Jamie Garza receives congratulations from FISD superintendent Jim Parker at Sunday's NHS induction ceremony. Jamie is a sophomore and was one of eleven FHS sophomore students named to the society. More photos from the ceremony can be viewed at frionaonline.com.

Luminaries for cancer walk available to order

The Parmer County Relay for Life cancer walk is scheduled for June 22. Deadline for sponsorship for the Relay has been set as May 2.

Luminaries are now being sold for \$5 each. The luminaries are dedicated to individual cancer victims or survivors. They are lined around the Chieftain Field track and the candles are lit at dusk as each victim or survivor name is read over the speaker system.

Luminaries are available by contacting Amy Cook at 250-2339. Beginning next week they can also be purchased at Kendrick Oil Co., the Chamber of Commerce office, the Friona Public Library, Ingram's Depart-

ment Store or from any team member.

Registration fee of \$10 and T-shirt size will be due by May 10. "We would still like the names of any cancer survivors so we can order shirts and in-

vite them to the Cancer Survivor Celebration dinner in June," Relay spokesperson Jyl Grimsley said.

For any questions or information you can call 250-5700 or 250-3545.

2007-08 freshman registration meeting Tuesday at FHS

Attention all 8th grade students and parents. It's time to think about high school.

FHS counselor Stephanie Barrett says all current 8th graders and their parents need to attend the freshman registration meeting Tuesday, May 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Barrett said all parents and students need to be present as this is the only formal meeting scheduled. The new "4X4" graduation plan that goes into effect next school year will be explained. Beginning with the 2007-08 school year, incoming freshmen will be required to take four years of math and science.

School board considers daycare, adjusts cafeteria compensation

The Friona Independent School District board of trustees met Thursday April 19 for their regular monthly meeting.

Dale Mann and Janet Burleson were in attendance representing the Friona Teacher Organization (FTO). The FTO provided refreshments for the meeting in appreciation to the board for their support.

The board heard a number of reports from the administration on staffing, curriculum, and technology and the new state requirements for the 2007-08 ninth grade class. This class will be the first to complete the additional science and math course for graduation.

Approval was given for administrators to investigate facility and staffing requirements for a school district employee daycare center. The facility would serve school employee children when they have their third birthday. Children would then be eligible for daycare service at a modest cost during the school day until they begin kindergarten. "It is the hope that a reliable source of daycare will serve as a recruiting and retention incentive for prospective employees as well as current staff," superintendent Jim Parker said.

Another topic of concern discussed by the board was staffing levels at the school cafeterias and the chronic shortage of qualified workers. Both cafeterias have operated short-handed regularly and on several occasions at less than 50% of normal staffing levels. The problem is due to a shortage of substitutes for employees who

were ill or had children out of school for illness.

The school board approved an adjustment to increase food service compensation rates effective immediately. Substitute food service workers and new employees will now receive \$6.15 hourly. Substitute workers with experience who begin work full time will receive \$6.35 an hour. Employment with the food service department does provide opportunities for parents to have the same schedule and holidays as the students.

Board discussion continued on district plans to upgrade heat and air conditioning equipment and install roofing at the elementary campus. Planning for this project is underway. A similar project at the junior high school is nearing completion. Each classroom now has central heat and air conditioning and the building has a new roof.

Window air conditioner units that have been in use almost 20 years will be removed. Also for the first time in more than 60 years the original steam boiler located in the basement of the junior high was not used. Parker says a repairman commented recently that Friona's boiler and a similar unit removed from the Plainview High School last year were the oldest he had ever run across that were still in use.

Parker said, "Boiler heat distribution and return lines had failed in recent years. Crawling through the distribution tunnels under the building to make repairs was a plumber's worst nightmare."



ron carr photo

Tulia head baseball coach Eric Wilson, at left, accepts a packet of monetary donations prior to Tuesday's Chieftain vs. Tulia baseball game. Baseball moms Tonya Lookingbill, third from right, and Holly Campbell, second from right, launched a campaign to collect money and non-perishable items for the Tulia community. About \$1,100 and other items such as bottled water, Gatorade, and canned goods were collected for the Tulia tornado relief fund. See story for more.

Baseball mom sparks Tulia tornado relief drive

After the senior class banquet at First Baptist Church Monday night, Tonya Lookingbill went to work her shift at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Tonya and Kelly Lookingbill's son Sean is a senior and a member of the Chieftain baseball team. The Chief's were scheduled to play their final game of the season the next day against district opponent Tulia.

A newspaper at the hospital detailing Tulia's tornado damage caught her eye and sparked an idea to help. Knowing the Tulia baseball team would be visiting Friona Tuesday, she got busy with an idea to help the tornado victims.

Her son Sean rallied the high school students Tuesday morning to donate non-perishable items. The plan was to collect

as much as possible on short notice and present it to the Tulia team.

Students gathered canned goods and other non-perishable items. The school athletic department chipped in about 15 cases of bottled water and cases of Gatorade. The collected items filled the back of a Suburban.

In the meantime, Tonya Lookingbill was going door-to-door in local neighborhoods soliciting money donations for the relief fund. She enlisted the help of another baseball mom, Holly Campbell, who canvassed local businesses for donations.

By Tuesday's 4:30 p.m. game time, the ladies had collected almost \$1,100 in cash and checks. All the collected items and the donations were taken to the ball park.

The game was designated as senior parents day since it was

Friona's final home game of the season. Senior parents were recognized at home plate before the game.

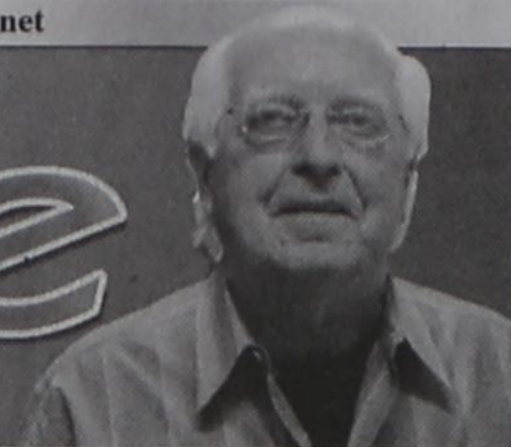
Then the players and moms called Tulia head baseball coach Eric Wilson to home plate where they presented him with the donations gathered during the day.

The non-perishables were loaded on the team bus after the game. Coach Wilson assured those present he would see that the monetary donations were passed on to the Tulia tornado relief funds set up at local Tulia banks.

Since the effort took place on such short notice an accurate list of donors was not available. Mrs. Lookingbill and Mrs. Campbell and the Chieftain baseball team wished to thank everyone who so willingly cooperated and donated to the effort.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



35 chihuahuas in a buick

I read a lot of newspapers and I'm not a pet lover.

This week's column is about both newspapers and pets. I'm not sure why except I found a hilarious pet story in a newspaper. If you want pets, have at it. Just give me some peace and quiet and a couple of newspapers.

Many of my newspaper colleagues around the Panhandle exchange newspapers. Here at the Star office any week we will have copies of newspapers from Farwell, Muleshoe, Dimmitt, Olton, Clarendon, Spearman (Hansford County), Littlefield, Memphis, Slaton, Floyd County (Lockney & Floydada) and Perryton. We also get paid subscriptions to the Hereford Brand and the Clovis News-Journal. And I usually buy the Amarillo Globe-News and Lubbock Avalanche-Journal daily at Fast Stop.

By exchanging with other weekly community newspapers we all share ideas. Sometimes we copy each other's ideas and use them ourselves. Next weekend the Panhandle Press Association annual convention will be held at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. We will sit around and exchange more ideas, what works and what doesn't. We also compete in a Better

Newspaper Contest, which is judged by our newspaper peers in South Texas. Awards are given for such categories as headline writing, column writing, sports and news photography, and several others. It is all in good fun and a gauge to measure how we are doing in serving our local communities.

Most of us weekly newspapers do not worry about losing readers to the Internet. Some of us have websites for our papers but don't put the entire newspaper on it. Other weeklies have an electronic version which they sell by subscription. We are working on that idea here at the Star for later this year.

People who track statistics say that weekly newspaper readership is increasing and the metropolitan dailies are decreasing. They blame it on 24-hour cable TV news and the Internet.

Here are a couple of items that didn't make the National TV news that I would have missed if it weren't for newspapers.

Over in Floyd County, Justice of the Peace and Municipal Judge Michelle Araujo was suspended with pay by Floyd County Commissioners. Seems she shot her husband three times during an argument and was caught selling liquor to mi-

nors at a liquor store she has an ownership interest in.

That behavior is frowned upon in the JP's code of conduct. Since they are paying her but she isn't working, it is putting a strain on their county budget.

All we have to worry about here is our JP Val Howard wrecking his motorcycle. At least we hope that's all we have to worry about.

Another fact you might have missed. Texas is growing. By 2060 (most of us won't be here) Texas' population is expected to double to 40 million folks. Experts say the growth will extend to rural Texas. Guess the big cities will be too big and out of room by then. As long as agriculture can remain as the backbone of rural Texas, weekly newspapers like ours will have a chance.

This story in the Clovis News-Journal really gave me a hoot. This is the pet part. In Fort Worth animal control officers and the Fort Worth police arrested a woman at a local gas

station who had 35 Chihuahuas in her Buick. Can you imagine being in a passenger vehicle with 35 of those little ugly, nervous, yapping, Chihuahuas. Even one or two would be a challenge.

Neighbor complaints led officers to the woman's residence where they found more dogs and other animals plus, pet lovers listen carefully, about a dozen animal carcasses in her freezer. She was described as an "animal hoarder" with compulsive behavior to protect animals as though they were her children. She was upset about officers taking the dead animals out of her freezer, which was in her kitchen, because she was planning to have them cremated.

A Chihuahua rescue group was said to be placing the dogs. The remaining animals, they said, will be evaluated to determine their health and psychological condition.

So grab a newspaper often. Where else can you get 35 Chihuahuas in a Buick.

CASA training for new advocates

Great Plains CASA for Kids will offer new advocate training in Hereford. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) are volunteers appointed by the court to be legal advocates for abused and neglected children too young to navigate the court and legal systems.

There is a mandatory 20-hour in-class training and 10-hour independent study program a prospective volunteer must complete before becoming a Court Appointed Special Advocate. For more information about this training or being a CASA volunteer call Elizabeth Holguin at 806-363-1211 or email casa2@go-herd.com.

Local CASA volunteers would probably be glad to offer information also. They include Jiselle Hand, Nancy Edelman, Kenny Austin, and John Gurley.

The next training schedule is: Friday April 27, 6-9:15 p.m.; Saturday April 28, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thursday May 10, 6-9:15 p.m.; Friday May 11, 6-9:15 p.m.; and Saturday May 12, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Cemetery board has annual meeting, sets clean-up day May 10

The annual meeting of the Friona Cemetery Association was held April 19 at city hall. Officer's re-elected were President John Fred White, Vice-President Eugene Bandy, Secretary Mary Joyce Barnett, and Treasurer Elizabeth McLellan.

In the recent election of board members Holly Campbell, Elizabeth McLellan, Mary Joyce Barnett, and Martha Hamilton were elected to remain on the board for another term.

Mrs. Hamilton said, "We are re-planting some trees at the cemetery and Osgood LaGrone Company will be continuing to

level some monuments this year and repair the fence.

Three visitors were welcomed at the meeting, Eldon and Tracie Sparkman of Abernathy and Joe Mejia of Friona. "We are pleased to have comments on the care and upkeep of the cemetery," Hamilton said. The annual clean-up of the cemetery is scheduled for May 10 beginning at 5 p.m. "We hope many from the community will come with hoes and weed-eaters to help with this project," she said. Plastic bags will be furnished for trash pickup. Let's get the cemetery beautiful for Memorial Day.

commentary

Distinguished graduates.....!

In about a month another class will graduate from Friona High School. These youngsters will suddenly have a new phase of life dead ahead. Where will they be 25-30 years from now? We can only hope all the best for them.

Some will leave with good memories while others will go forward and not look back. It is the same at every high school in the country. Some graduates will distinguish themselves while others will melt into the obscurity of living and never think about their high school again.

The weekend of October 5-6 we'll be in Hillsboro to celebrate our 50th class reunion, Class of 1957. Seems more like 10-20 years ago instead of 50. Not many out of that class have distinguished themselves along the way. We've gotten married (some several times), had kids and grandkids, held jobs, retired and lived ordinary existences.

Many of our classmates have died, some too soon. A few of us will gather and to hear us talk you would think we are all still hot stuff. High school memories seem to become more precious at 50-years than they were at 10.

Sunday May 6 Friona High School will hold their annual senior class reception and scholarship assembly. In conjunction with the assembly, three former Friona graduates will be added to the Hall of Distinguished Graduates. This is a program FHS Principal Denver Crum started a couple of years ago to honor Friona graduates who have distinguished themselves in their success and accomplishments.

Sort of a Friona High School Hall of Fame. You might recognize this year's inductees. They will be Lacy Osborn Ratliff, Class of 1987; Thomas Jay (Tom) Sanders, Class of 1962; and Lila Gay Buske Vars, Class of 1958. Next week we will detail their accomplishments and what makes them Distinguished Graduates of Friona High School.

The ceremony on Sunday May 6 will be at 2:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. A reception will follow. We know many of you will want to be there to welcome these friends and former students back to Friona.

Letters To The Editor



Dear Ron,

I know I am making an unusual request. We get the Friona Star every week and I have been saving them until I have time to go through them and cut out different articles of interest to me. In this stack I had all the papers from the first one in December until March 22. I have March 29.

Last night my son took that stack of Friona Stars to a friend of his who needed papers to help someone wrap dishes, etc., in as they were moving. I found out this morning that they were gone. I sure would like to get those issues of the Friona Star that were taken. If you happen to have any of them, please let me know. I will pay for them and also the postage.

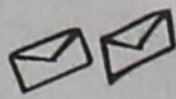
I do enjoy reading the Friona Star from cover to cover. I lived in Friona from June 1961-August 1965, when we moved back to Waxahachie. My husband's parents—Elwood and Mamie Vaughn are buried at the Friona Cemetery.

Ron, my husband Odell, was born at Peoria—not very far from Whitney and Hillsboro, where I have read that you were from.

Thank you so much.
Sincerely,
Mrs. Helen Vaughn
(Editor's Note: Since we don't want to deprive anyone of the Friona Star experience, your missing copies will be on the way shortly, as soon as we can gather them up.)

Yes, Peoria is only a few miles west of Hillsboro. My grandfather, Alva Carr, had a service station there before moving into Hillsboro. In my high school years, Hillsboro and Waxahachie were in the same district. We had lots of football and basketball battles with the Indians.

Good to hear from you!
Ron Carr.



Ron,

* Are you aware that the Amarillo school district has been offering a Bible course for years? I am acquainted with a minister who has been doing that for about 40 years at Amarillo High. The same is being done at the other high schools in Amarillo (Von thinks there is one that does not have the opportunity). The current law allows any school to offer it, but without credit. Don't know how the arrangements are made, but I do know that the salary is zero for the teacher.

The course is an elective and has been all of these years. The purpose of the course is not to espouse theology, but to make students aware of the stories and characters in the Bible. Literature is full of references to places and characters and stories that are found in the Bible, and this course helps to expand and enhance their knowledge. This course simply says "This is what is in the Bible". If you are interested in talking to the man who teaches this, I will be glad to give you his name.

We recall that he said that the only complaint that was made to the principal by a parent was that the course was too hard. The highest grade he ever gave in a class happened to go to a Buddhist.

Nancy Edelman
(Mrs. Edelman is a retired teacher.)



Mark Your Calendar

April 29
Friends of the library fundraiser at 2 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

April 30
Sixth Street Church of Christ senior class banquet

May 3
FHS Awards assembly at 9:30 a.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 6
Senior class reception, scholarship announcements
Hall of distinguished graduates at 2:30 p.m.
at the high school

May 8
All Sports Banquet at 6:30 p.m.
in the junior high cafeteria

May 10
Friona cemetery clean-up day starts at 5 p.m.

May 12
School board election

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 19
Junior/Senior Prom

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

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Thursday, April 26, 2007

The Saturday night... does tore a path across Panhandle inflicting damage on our neighbors in Cactus, and Olton.
Friona Chamber of Commerce executive vice-president Alexander has been in with the Red Cross in Arillo. Mostly they need donations. They can use baby stuff, diapers, clothes, twin sheets, blankets, and personal like shampoo, conditio toothpaste, tooth-bru and towels.
Chris said if you can with any of these don you can bring them by Chamber office and she see that they are delivered the Amarillo Red Cross. say money donations are best so they can buy people actually need.
The Red Cross is at So. Harrison in Amarillo phone number is 806-376-3491. Thanks for your help. Chamber phone number is 3491.

We note that Fast Stop is having a brisket plating Sunday April 29. There ad elsewhere in today's A dine-in or carryout pl brisket and other stuff ing Texas toast and a fo drink for \$6.89. Ask you tor to let you out a little to beat the crowd.
Also noted that the Pancho's Restaurant on way 60 is sporting a new Veronica's Panaderia. G will stop in one of these to check it out. Pan is S for bread and panaderia

Senator Kay Bailey Ha from Texas to discuss Kathryn Goddard, frional President. Sena left front row.

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Town Talk II

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By Ron Carr

The Saturday night tornadoes tore a path across the Panhandle inflicting damage on our neighbors in Cactus, Tulia, and Olton.

Friona Chamber of Commerce executive vice-president Chris Alexander has been in touch with the Red Cross in Amarillo. Mostly they need money donations. They can also use baby stuff, diapers, baby clothes, twin sheets, pillows, blankets, and personal items like shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, tooth-brushes, and towels.

Chris said if you can help with any of these donations you can bring them by the Chamber office and she will see that they are delivered to the Amarillo Red Cross. They say money donations are the best so they can buy what people actually need.

The Red Cross is at 1800 So. Harrison in Amarillo. The phone number is 806-376-6309. Thanks for your help. The Chamber phone number is 250-3491.

We note that Fast Stop Grill is having a brisket plate sale Sunday April 29. There is an ad elsewhere in today's paper. A dine-in or carryout plate of brisket and other stuff including Texas toast and a fountain drink for \$6.89. Ask your pastor to let you out a little early to beat the crowd.

Also noted that the former Pancho's Restaurant on Highway 60 is sporting a new sign: Veronica's Panaderia. Guess I will stop in one of these days to check it out. Pan is Spanish for bread and panaderia means

bakery. I believe she has food other than pastry though. Stop in to see Veronica and check out her menu.

Friona volunteer firefighters joined fire trucks from Rhea, Bootleg, Hereford and Wildorado about 18-miles up north Friday night to battle what Glenn Reeve described as a 5-mile long grass fire. He said it was probably started by lightning. Area firemen were out until almost midnight battling the blaze. Thank goodness for our fire fighting volunteers.

Junior high teacher and student council adviser Dale Mann said she was retiring at the end of this school year. I forgot how many years she said she had taught but it was way more than 20. Anyone who can survive that many years, especially in junior high, deserves a medal.

Dale's mother-in-law Christeene Mann is still recuperating from her recent hip replacement surgery. She is back home now but still hasn't been able to attend the senior citizen lunch yet. Hurry back Christeene, we miss you.

If there are any other teachers or school personnel retiring this year let me know at 250-2211 or email frionastar@wtrt.net.

Nice crowd for this week's Monday senior citizen lunch. It was Mexican food. Everyone bragged on the tortillas. Nora said she got them at the Lowe's Mercado in Hereford.

The good news is there was no bad news to report at the

lunch. No illnesses or other concerns were noted. D. L. Carmichael's sister-in-law Margaret Summerfelt was a guest for lunch. She is Pat Carmichael's sister. She had some interesting tales about a recent trip to Thailand. Glad to have you Margaret.

Today, Thursday April 26, as the senior citizens gather for lunch we will be singing happy birthday to Opal "Granny" Strickland who is 97-years-young. Most days I sit at the table with Granny at lunch. She is sharp, spry, and is a real hoot. A great big happy birthday from all of us Granny.

In case you were wondering the senior class officers for the Class of 2007 are Sean Lookingbill, president; Stephen Campbell, vice-president; Krista Graham, secretary; and Shayli Reed, treasurer. There is one more senior banquet left. It is at the 6th St. Church of Christ Monday. Then the all-sports banquet May 8, the prom May 19, and graduation May 25.

Our Friona Star Class of 2007 special graduation edition will be published May 17. This is the one with photos and bios of the graduating seniors along with "congratulations" advertising from most local businesses and organizations. If you have a favorite graduate or graduates you would like to honor with an ad stop by the office and we will go over rates and choices.

This Saturday, April 28, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Roden-

Smith in Clovis, there will be a rummage sale benefiting the Sundance Ranch Feline Sanctuary. They say baby items, toys, sports equipment, home decor, furniture, tools, and other stuff will be for sale. Roden-Smith is out near Walmart at 601 E. Llano Estacado. Scavengers may want to take note and make the drive. It helps out homeless cats.

And don't forget the Friends of the Library Book Fiesta Sunday at 2 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Entertainment, basket raffle, lots of nerdy fun but even if you

aren't a nerd like me I'm sure you will enjoy it. Come out and show your support for the library. I'm told Hal Blackburn, one of the featured artists, was a photographer for the Friona Star during his school years. They have some great baskets to raffle and the Centennial basket to auction this year to raise money for the Friends of the Library. We have a great library and a great library staff so let's be thankful and supportive.

Our subscriber spotlight shines this week on Holly

Davila in Lubbock and David Conners in Fairacres, New Mexico. Thanks for looking forward to the Friona Star every week. We appreciate our readers. On any given week somewhere around 3,500 people read the Star by the time it is passed around. Thanks to you all. And don't forget to keep us in the loop with news and concerns of local interest.

We would like to receive email from someone other than Viagra and Cialis peddlers, online pharmacies, and loan sharks. Don't forget to smile.



ron carr photo

Librarians Brenda Patterson and Darla Bracken, l-r, are shown with the Parmer County Centennial Basket which will be auctioned Sunday at the Friends of the Library Book Fiesta, 2 p.m., in the high school auditorium.



photo courtesy KBH staff/Jesse Davis

Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson recently met with fraternity and sorority leaders from Texas to discuss student issues. Among those attending was Friona's Kathryn Goddard, front row left. Mrs. Goddard is the Alpha Delta Phi International President. Senator Hutchinson, Texas' senior U.S. Senator, is second from left front row.

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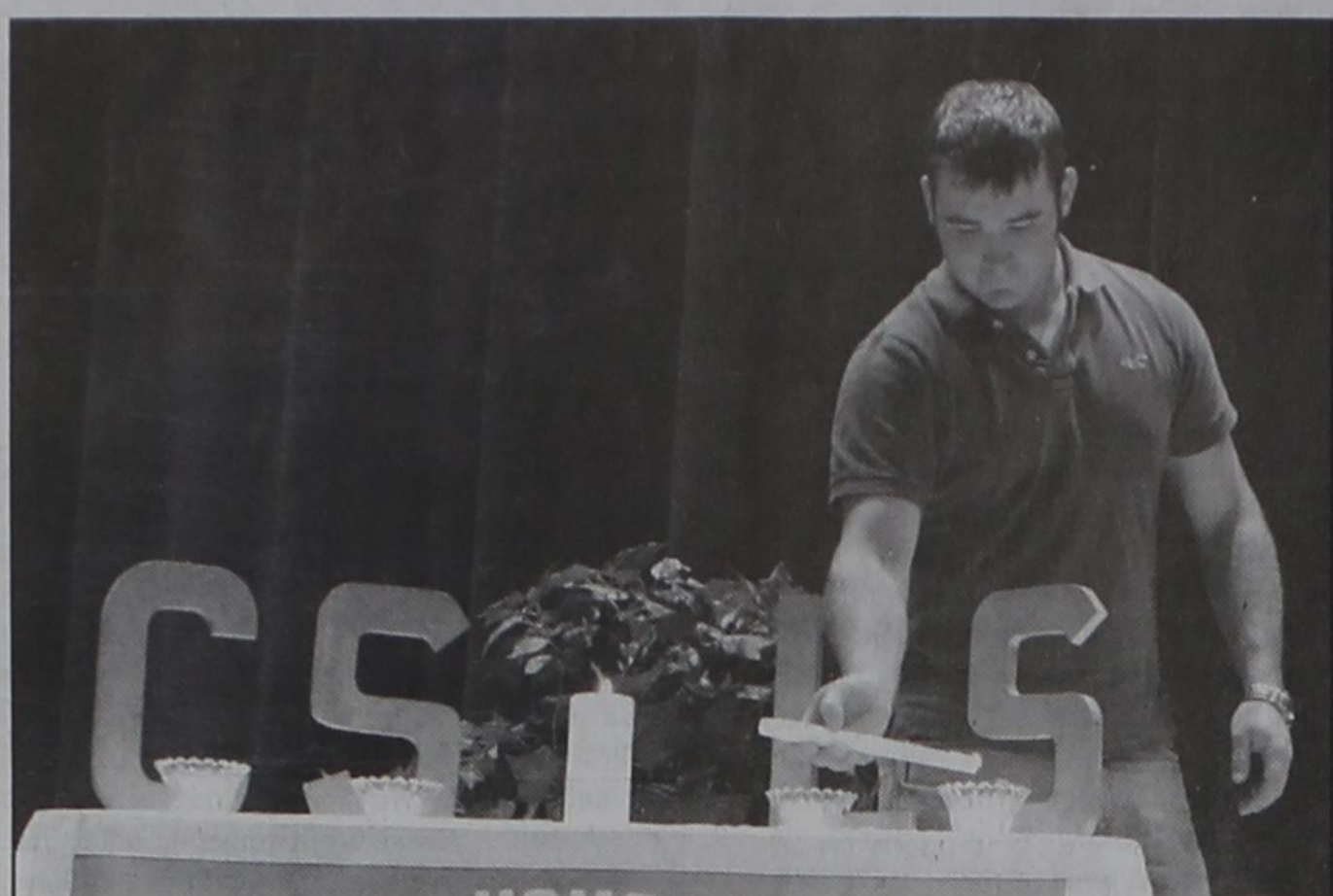
Friona Star January 1967

The library board discusses a new building for The Friona Public Library. From left are Gladys Spring, Wesley Foster, Jake Outland, Steve Messenger, Mrs. J.G. McFarland, Mrs. Lee Cranfill, and Zora Gaede, Photo taken at the historic Women's Clubhouse, home to the library in 1967.

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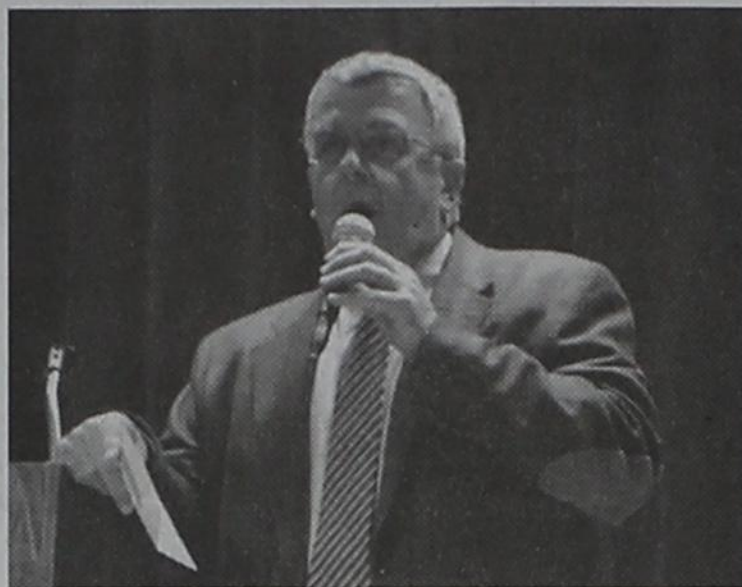
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Senior National Honor Society member Stephen Campbell lights a candle during the National Honor Society induction ceremony held Sunday at the school auditorium. The letters stand for Character, Scholarship, Leadership, and Service. Other senior participants were Isabel Romero, Tiffany Vazquez, Sandra Godoy, and Cindy Trevino.



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Superintendent Jim Parker was the guest speaker at the National Honor Society induction ceremony Sunday afternoon. Eleven sophomores were inducted to the Friona High School NHS.

Library Friends finalizing plans for annual book fiesta

The Friends of the Library are finalizing plans for the annual Friends Book Fiesta. The event will be held April 29 in the Friona High School auditorium. Two exciting speakers, Hal Blackburn and Tim McKenzie, have agreed to present the program. FCCLA students will present their Texas Plains Trails slideshow. Hal Blackburn is a graduate of Friona High School. He will speak about his new book, *Musings for a New Millennium*, which includes 150 essays dealing with human nature. He has also published *Meanings, Volume I*, a collection of black and white photo-

graphs, and *Photographs as a Ministry*. Tim McKenzie will present his book *Baxter Barret Brown's Bass Fiddle*. This is a children's book with appeal for adults as well. McKenzie brings a guitar, a harmonica, a fiddle, a bass, and a mandolin for his program. He lives in Shallowater, Texas. This year the Friends have collected ten fantastic baskets to raffie. These baskets are on display at the Library. A basket valued at \$750 featuring several Parmer County books as well as items unique to Parmer County will be auctioned at the end of the event.



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Odyssey HealthCare representatives, l-r, Shelly Rice, Sarah Lujan, and Maxine Benavidez gave the program at last week's Noon Lions Club meeting. The program was about hospice, medical power of attorney, and other medical concerns. Mrs. Lujan lives in Dimmitt and serves this area as a hospice nurse.

Happy Birthday

Apr. 29-Chance S. Butman, Bernard Gowens, Wayne Davis, Vincent Koelzer, Karen E. Burns, Rudy Torres

Apr. 30-Wanda Reeve, Teresa Ready, David Rebber, Andy Gomez, Kay Williams, Genevive Ezell, Brennen Montoya

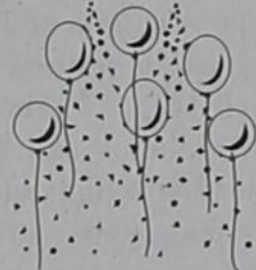
May 1-Amanda Sifford, Jerald Reed, Kayla Smiley, Vickie Copley, Amy Knowles, Gregory Koelzer, Joe Walters, Will Schueler, Karen Kirkpatrick, BaiLee Brailiff, Amanda S. Smith

May 2-Larry Drake, Julie Bracken, Becky Riethmayer, Sheryl Dement, Marc Haile, Jennifer Kendrick, Tom Randolph, Esther Steelman

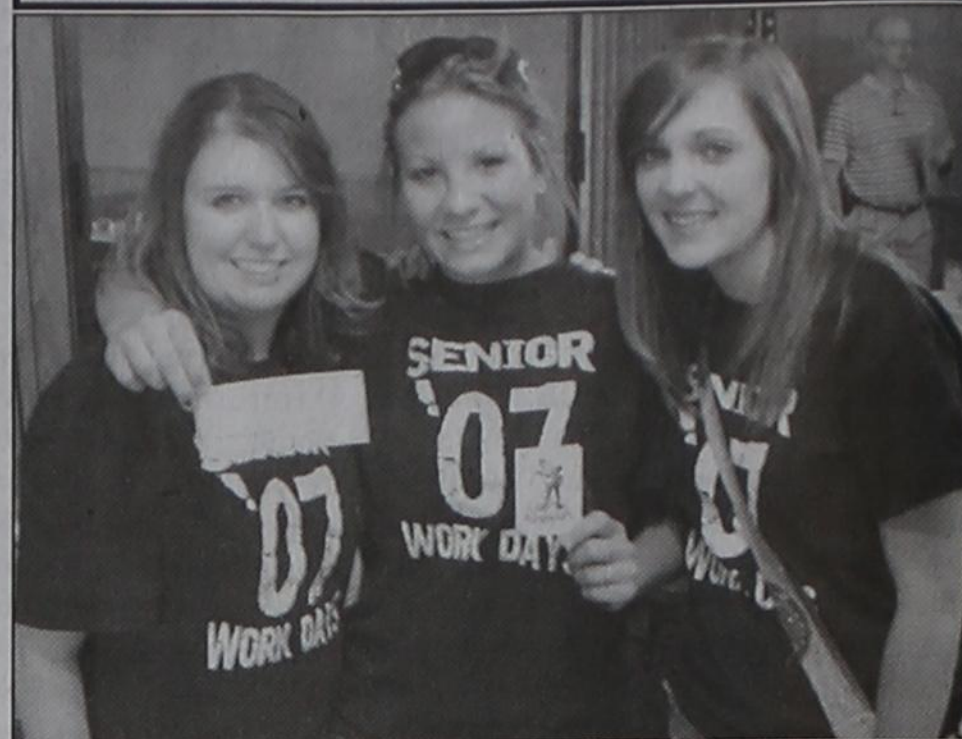
May 3-Angie Gomez, Cathy Spencer, Jenae Fleming, Shay Smith, Terry Hunt, Lori Austin, Zac Carr, Brandon TeBeest, Zachary Chavez

May 4-Dr. Gary Cash, Nathan Brockman, John Duke, Blake Clements

May 5-John Osborn, Peggy Cabrera, Willow White, Ralna Roden, Charlene Mann, Shaun Aguire, Elysha Mirella Galaviz, Lucinda Stokes, Nate Keyes



Lions Club News



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FHS students, l-r, Allison Jones, Maria Froystad, and Briana Wright were Noon Lions Club guests. Maria, an exchange student from Norway, holds her lucky card and a check from the club for winning the weekly jackpot. Allison is the Noon Lions Club sweetheart this year.

A big crowd attended the regular meeting of the Friona Noon Lions last Thursday. There were 18 members, 8 guests, and one new member present.

The guests were Sheriff Randy Geries; FHS students Allison Jones, Maria Kvalsvik Froystad, and Briana Wright; Raymond Chavez and Jerry Duenes of Atmos Energy; and new member Andy Montana. Also as guests were Sarah Lujan, Maxine Benavidez, and Shelly Rice representing Odyssey HealthCare, an Amarillo hospice.

Maria Froystad is an exchange student from Norway attending FHS this year and living with the Tim and Twila Brown family. She was the winner of the jackpot drawing held at each club meeting. Jerry Duenes is the local Atmos representative and lives in Friona. He is a Lion and is

transferring his membership from the Hereford Lions Club.

Andy Montana is an agent with Parmer County Farm Bureau. We are glad to have Jerry and Andy as new Noon Lions members and thanks to all the guests that attended last Thursday. The ladies from Odyssey Hospice gave members information about the role of hospice and advised everyone to consider having a living will and how to file a "do not resuscitate (dnt)" form. It was an interesting program and we appreciate their attendance.

Boss Lion Gurley advised of the May 5 fries and funnel cakes cookout at Farwell for the Parmer County Centennial. The next meeting of the Friona Noon Lions will be Thursday May 3 at Headquarters Restaurant. Visitors and prospective members are always welcome.

Sheriff's Report

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

April 17, 2007, Ronda Foreman, 49, of Texico, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, fine, court costs, and restitution.

April 17, 2007, Austin Monk, 18, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with burglary of a habitation, pending Grand Jury.

April 19, 2007, Donald Cox, 43, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with failure to identify, pending County Court.

April 20, 2007, Clint Deaton, 36, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with driving with an invalid license-enhanced, pending County Court.

April 21, 2007, Ramon Madrid, 25, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with failure to identify, pending County Court.

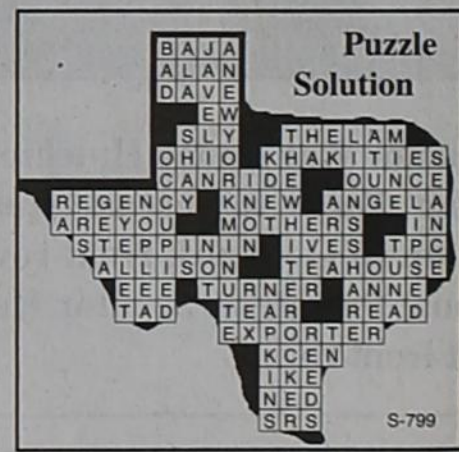
Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deed from April 11, 2007 to April 18, 2007:

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Max Jones and Yvonne Jones - Salvador Garcia, TR12 WEST LOOP DRIVE FRONA

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*Deadline for Sponsorship will be May 2nd.

*Registration fee of \$10.00 and t-shirt sizes will be due May 10th

*Names of cancer survivors are needed, please contact Jyl Grimsley @ #250-5700 or 250-3545

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Chiefs lose final game in extra inning

BY RON CARR

Making his final start on the mound as a Chieftain, senior pitcher Sean Lookingbill and his teammates turned in a fine performance against the Tulia Hornets.

It was an exciting and entertain-

ing game for fans as a strong wind blowing into the outfield helped spark three home runs, two by Tulia, and a two-run shot by Trent Hudson in the 6th inning. Friona took an early 1-0 lead in the 2nd but Tulia came back with 2 runs in

the 3rd and another in the 4th to hold on to a 4-1 lead.

Hudson's homer in the bottom of the 6th drove in Lookingbill and tightened the game to 4-3 with one inning left. In the bottom of the 7th David Schwab got on with his third single of the game. Gerardo Garza came in as a pinch runner, stole second, then scored on a Matt Martinez hit to tie the game 4-4.

But the Hornets pounded Lookingbill for 6 runs in the top of the 8th, then held Friona scoreless in their half of the inning. Final score was Tulia 10-Friona 4. Trent Hudson came on to pitch in the top of the 8th to close out the inning.

Chieftain hitters were David Schwab 3 for 3; Lookingbill 2 for 4 with a double and run scored; Hudson 2 for 4 with home run and 2 RBIs; Matt Martinez 1 for 4 and 1 RBI; Matthew Stanberry 1 for 4 and 1 RBI; and Stephen Campbell 1 for 3.

Coach Greg Hazelwood had this observation: "We played hard and competed. I am very proud of this group. They are winners and champions period, no matter what the record shows. All year we needed a big 2-out hit and didn't get it. The bottom line is that we need to play a lot of baseball this summer to get better and compete for the district title next year."



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Trent Hudson crosses the plate and is congratulated by teammate Sean Lookingbill (4). Hudson drove in Lookingbill with a two-run home run in the 6th inning. The Chiefs lost to Tulia in extra innings 10-4. More baseball game and senior parent photos at frionaonline.com.



Jordan Jamerson Qualified for State UIL in Lincoln Douglas Debate

FHS UIL regional qualifiers

Here are the regional qualifiers in UIL Academic competition as furnished by the high school.

Current Events & Issues, Lauren Hughes 1st; Spelling, Jessie London 2nd, Kenny Newhouse 3rd, and 1st place team Bianca Soto, Lacey Lookingbill, Jessie London, Kenny Newhouse; Informative Speaking, Deirdre Johnston 3rd; Ready Writing, Hannah Stovall 1st; Science, Alonzo Rojas 1st place overall, 1st Chemistry, 3rd Biology, 4th Physics, Justin

Echevarria 3rd; Accounting, Cindy Trevino 1st place, 1st place team Cindy Trevino, Blair Smiley, Kathy Anthony, Monica Sanchez; Poetry, Meghan Hendrickson 2nd, Kathleen Wyly 3rd; Lincoln Douglas Debate Jordan Jamerson 2nd.

Jordan Jamerson was the only regional qualifier to advance to state. She will be competing at the state UIL meet next weekend in Lincoln Douglas Debate. Good luck Jordan and congratulations to all of the regional qualifiers.



courtesy photo

The Friona High School UIL regional qualifiers are, back row, l-r, Alonzo Rojas, Kenny Newhouse, Deirdre Johnston, Meghan Hendrickson, Fernando Moreno, Jordan Jamerson, Blair Smiley, Justin Echevarria; middle row l-r, Gabriela Rivera, Jessie London, Kathleen Wyly, Lacey Lookingbill, Bianca Soto; front l-r, Monica Sanchez, Cindy Trevino, Kathy Anthony.

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Qualifier track meet results

Friona regional track qualifiers participated in a qualifiers meet in Lubbock last weekend in preparation for the regional meet this week.

In discus Dillon Welch was 3rd at 154'-3/2"; Ryan Schwab was 10th in the triple jump at 41'-2"; and Juan Reyes ran 11th in the 400m run with a time of 51.91.

Coach Rex Cumpston said, "This was a good meet for us because we saw some good competition that will prepare us for the regional meet."

Golfers can tee off on hunger May 21

Brown Pontiac-GMC and Southwest Honda are sponsoring a golf tournament to benefit the High Plains Food Bank. The "Tee'd Off at Hunger" Tournament will be held at Ross Rogers' Wild Horse Course in Amarillo May 21.

The format is 4-man team, 2 low balls, full handicap. Individual or team entries are encouraged. Pro will pair individual entries.

The entry fee is \$150 per person. Bring cash for mulligans or contests. Registration begins

at 11:30 a.m., buffet at 11:30 a.m., shotgun starts at 1 p.m., hamburger/BBQ dinner 5:30 p.m., and a \$10 raffle for two Southwest Airline tickets or Son of Brisket Cooker.

The raffle is open to the public, door prizes drawn before the tournament, deadline for entry is Friday May 17. Send check and golf info to High Plains Food Bank, P.O. Box 31803, Amarillo 79120 or email for info to zack@hpfb.org. Fore!

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 Entered: Jerome Schneeberger • Shawn [unclear] • [unclear]
- **Joe's Boot Shop & Nocona Amateur Match:**
 Entered: Jerry "Slo" Fulgham, Clovis • [unclear] • [unclear] • Mike Thompson, Hobbs • Greg [unclear] • [unclear]
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 Final Round Girls Match
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 Amateur Cowboy Match
 3rd Round of Open
 3rd Round of Dbl Muggin
 Short Round of Open

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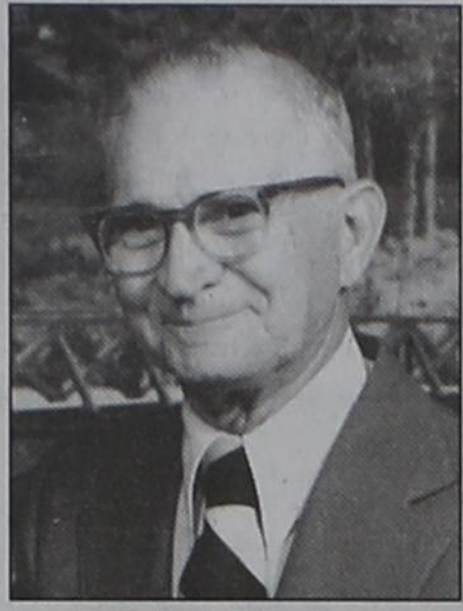
Ralph L. Thurman, 90, died Tuesday, April 10, 2007 in Amarillo. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 13, 2007 at Fortress Baptist Church with Reverend John Denton officiating. Interment was in The Garden of Serenity at Westlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Fritch.

Mr. Thurman was born on July 25, 1916 in Collinsville, Oklahoma. He retired from Huber in 1984 and worked as a draftsman for Phillips Petroleum Company. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Friona.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Claude and Ressie Thurman; his first wife, Jane; and one brother and one sister.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanette Thurman of Friona; one son, Mike Thurman and wife Patricia of Houston; two daughters, Diana McGarr and husband John of Canadian, Texas, and Elaine Bynum and husband Kenneth of Fritch; two sisters, Lela Lewis of Claremore, Oklahoma and Jewel Ingram of Wichita, Kansas; eight grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and six step-great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation, 1400 Wallace Boulevard, Amarillo, Texas 79106.



Ralph L. Thurman

Oma Lee "Kuykendall" George

Funeral services for Oma Lee Kuykendall George, 96, of Bovina, were held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 26, 2007 at Calvary Baptist Church, in Friona, with Reverend Rick Burton, pastor, officiating. Graveside services will be at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Flomot Cemetery, in Flomot, with Wilburn Martin of Flomot, officiating. Burial will follow by Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mrs. George died on Tuesday, April 24, 2007 in Farwell, Texas. She was born November 26, 1910 to John and Mabel Denison Kuykendall in Loraine, Texas.

She was a 1929 graduate of Flomot High School. She married J. H. George on April 27, 1930 in Hollis, Oklahoma. He died May 13, 1987.

She and her husband owned and operated a grocery store for many years in Flomot. She moved to Bovina 20 years ago from Flomot, where she had lived since 1929. She was a member of the Flomot Baptist Church.

She is survived by a daughter, Mable Sue Barrett of Bovina; two grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

The family suggests memorials be made to a favorite charity.



Oma Lee George

Parmer County Treasurer's Report

REPORT OF Altha K. Herington, County Treasurer of PARMER County, Texas, of Receipts and Expenditures from January 01, to March 31, 2007 Inclusive:

JURY FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$94,635.39
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	17,445.63
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	753.25
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$111,327.77

GENERAL FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$899,279.05
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	1,564,145.11
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	617,537.86
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$1,845,886.30

FARM TO MARKET FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$457,818.67
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	673,478.42
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	405,391.15
03/31/07 Balance.....	725,905.94

RIGHT OF WAY FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$162,956.01
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	228,054.50
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	280,000.00
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$111,010.51

PARMER COUNTY FORFEITURE FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$125,264.60
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	1,596.95
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	-0-
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$126,861.55

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$39,340.30
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	16,337.01
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	-0-
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$55,677.31

REVENUE FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$186,780.50
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	82,079.09
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	117,278.10
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$151,581.49

JUVENILE PROBATION FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$2,192.74
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	273.55
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	186.08
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$2,280.21

COUNTY ATTORNEY - CHECK COLLECTION FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$12,564.13
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	8,310.65
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	5,851.37
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$15,023.41

DISTRICT CHECK COLLECTION - 287th FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$4,887.54
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	4,580.90
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	6,579.25
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$2,889.19

DISTRICT ATTORNEY FORFEITURE FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$49,942.68
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	1,978.51
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	5,434.30
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$46,486.89

COUNTY ATTORNEY FORFEITURE FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$32,672.53
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	416.53
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	-0-
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$33,089.06

INTEREST & SINKING FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2006.....	\$161,620.60
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	95,683.87
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	185,325.00
03/31/07 Balance.....	\$171,979.47

RECAPITULATION

Jury Fund.....	\$ 111,327.77
General Fund.....	1,845,886.30
Farm To Market Fund.....	725,905.94
Right Of Way Fund.....	111,010.51
Parmer County Forfeiture Fund.....	126,861.55
Permanent Improvement Fund.....	55,677.31
Revenue Fund.....	151,581.49
Juvenile Probation Fund.....	2,280.21
County Attorney- Check Collection Fund.....	15,023.41
District Check Collection - 287th Fund.....	2,889.19
District Attorney Forfeiture Fund.....	46,486.89
County Attorney Forfeiture Fund.....	33,089.06
Interest & Sinking Fund.....	171,979.47
TOTAL.....	\$3,399,999.10

LIST OF BONDS AND OTHER SECURITIES ON HAND

Certificate of Deposit	
General Fund.....	-0-
Farm To Market Fund.....	-0-
Investments	
General Fund.....	1,028,783.04
Farm To Market.....	645,403.51
Jury Fund.....	830.67
Permanent Improvement.....	1,139.51
Right Of Way.....	102.97
Parmer County Forfeiture.....	720.24
TOTAL.....	\$1,676,979.94

TREASURER'S REPORT

PARMER COUNTY, TEXAS
THE STATE OF TEXAS)

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Altha K. Herington, County Treasurer of Parmer County, who by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

Altha K. Herington
County Treasurer

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23rd Day of April, 2007.

Bonnie J. Clayton-Heald
County Judge - Parmer County, Texas

TDH immunization May schedules

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

The clinic in Friona will be Friday, May 4, 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, May 18, 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, May 14, 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.

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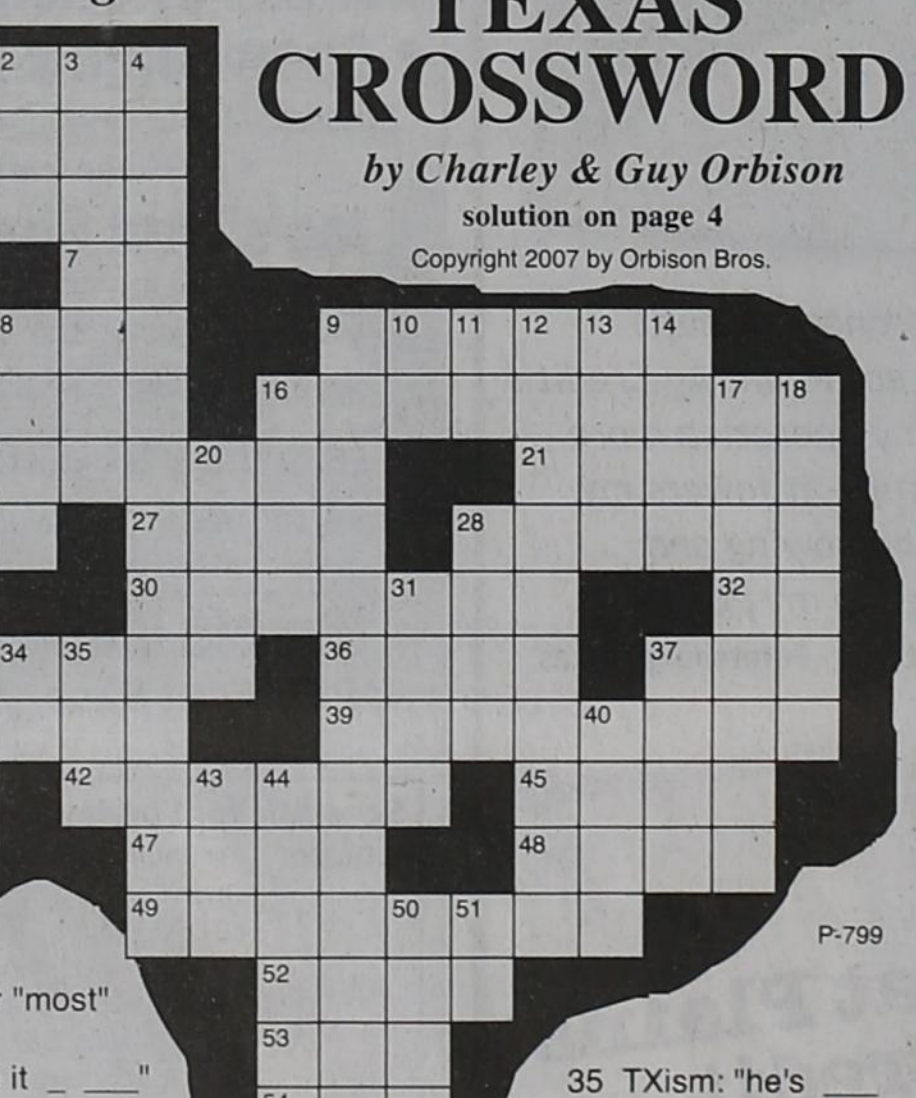
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- TX Dan Jenkins' "___ Oklahoma"
- Ladd of TX-based "The Big Land"
- former Cowboys head coach Campo
- this Warren headed JFK report (init.)
- TX Stone of group the "Family Stone"
- "Gone to Texas" meant "on ___"
- Aikman jersey hangs in Canton, ___
- military neckwear? (2 wds.)
- TXism: "he ___ all day and dance all night"
- "Big Texas" has free 72-___ steak for all who can eat it
- JFK spent last night in Hyatt ___ in Fort Worth
- TX Debbie Reynolds' "If I ___ Then"
- San Angelo was named for this nun
- TX Waylon's ___ Sure Hank Did It This Way"
- TXism: "clear as ___ milk"
- "Mexican Werewolf ___ Texas" (05)
- TXism: "___ high cotton"
- this Burl was in 2 episodes of "Daniel Boone" with TX Fess
- TX PGA tour stops are ___ courses

DOWN

- TX Jimmy Dean's "Big ___ John"
- pie ___ mode
- Carrizo Springs newspaper
- TXism: "quicker than ___"
- horse-drawn carriage
- NE Dallas newspaper (3 wds.)
- TX Wills: "Ah ___ take it away Leon"
- TX Keyes of "Gone With the Wind" (init.)
- TXism for "most" (2 wds.)
- "just give it ___"
- Presidio ___ produced silver & gold
- there's somebody in the outhouse
- Center AM station
- surpassed
- ritual to talk to dead
- privy to (2 wds.)
- UT dorm asst.
- hesitation sounds
- two words used with "life," "grip," or "job"
- shoelace opening
- TXism: "he's ___ playing with a full deck"
- former Cowboy coach Parcels: "The Big ___"
- a singleton in the wallet?
- actor Allen of "Down Laredo Way"
- TX BBQ requires lots of these
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**Think about this
Can you trust your heart?**

BY T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ
I hear an accepted belief tossed around in the world I live in. It's found in books, magazines, it's on T.V., radio and in the movies. It's the idea, the accepted belief by many, that real morality lies in following one's own heart. We need to understand that this idea, doctrine, belief or whatever you want to call it, is diametrically opposed to Christianity.
The heart I'm talking about is not that physical pump that keeps blood flowing in our veins. The heart I'm talking about is the center of our intellect, our emotions, our will. Our hearts are what God desires. "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind" (Matthew 22:37).
A.W. Tozer, a religious author, said in one of his books: "The wildest thing in the universe is not space; it is the potential capacity of the human heart. Being made in the image of God, it is capable of almost unlimited extension in all directions. And, one of the world's greatest tragedies is that we allow our hearts to shrink until there is room in them for little besides ourselves."
I want to spend a couple more articles looking at the spiritual heart of man and I ask the question: Can we trust our hearts? May God bless you as you read and consider.

Reese shower to be held April 30

Parmer County 4-H is honoring the conference room of the second floor of the courthouse from 4 to 6 p.m. County 4-H members, families and community members are invited to attend and meet Miss Bonnie Reese. Bonnie was born February 5, 2007.

5th Sunday Singing
Sunday April 29 at 6:00 p.m.
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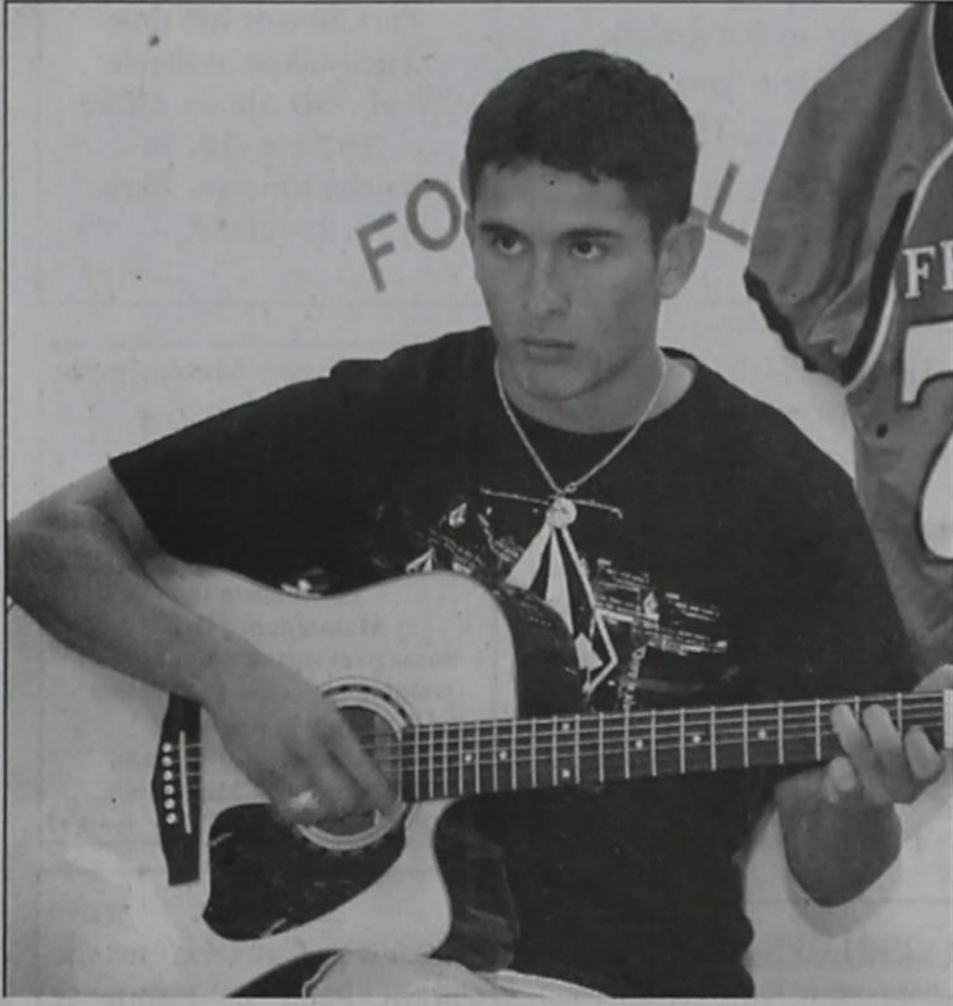
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Angela and Adam Carrasco are twins. The soon-to-graduate seniors of the Class of 2007 were enjoying the food and fun at the Baptist senior banquet Monday evening. Parents are Juanita and Pedro Carrasco.



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Senior Valente Casas and classmates have about one month before graduation. He strummed a few chords on a guitar at Monday's senior banquet sponsored by Calvary Baptist and First Baptist churches. More photos from the Baptist banquet are available at frienaonline.com.

Come and hear *Dr. Richard Jackson*
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
1500 Cleveland, Friena
May 6, 2007
Morning worship service at 11 a.m.
Dr. Jackson is the former pastor of the North Phoenix Baptist Church in Phoenix.

When did Caesar become a salad and Jeremiah a bullfrog?

Rewritten from "When Did Caesar Become a Salad and Jeremiah a Bullfrog" by Martin Babb.
Do you ever get the feeling that life in the new millennium is a NASCAR 500 race and you're driving a '49 Plymouth? It hit me when I read another article about those pesky research scientists. Do you think they are researching life-changing questions like "Why do so many sweet potatoes look like Richard Nixon?" or "Will a suddenly jolted cow give cottage cheese?" Of course not! They held a conference on medical terminology and decided to change the names of some of our body parts in order to make the medical language more universal.
With a universal parts language, doctors from all over the world can operate on me and tell internationally humorous body-membrane stories during surgery...without having to point.
First doctor: "Hey, Fred! Did you hear the one about the Baptist, the Methodist, and the ipsilateral aorta going to heaven?"
Second doctor: "Oh no! I dropped my gum!"
I just want the language to be simple so I will know what the doctor is talking about when he looks at my blood and says my triceratops are high.
Here are a few examples of the changes: Your elbow is now your *cubitus*, which could also mean you have just been bitten by a square Latin dog. The end of the small intestine is the *papilla ileal*, which comes from the Italian word for "sick pillow".
The Adam's apple is now the *laryngeal prominence*, which sounds more like a pope with a throat problem. If you have high cheekbones or "Northern" cheekbones, you now have a *zygoma*. Conversely, if you have low cheekbones or "Southern" cheekbones, you have a *Zygoma Pyle*.
Why couldn't they change the "funny bone" to the "if-you-hit-this-puppy-just-right-it-will-hurt-like-heck bone"? With all of the name changes, my primordial need is to be assured that during a routine operation to remove my tonsils, someone doesn't sneeze and take out my uvula.
Even with the changes, life goes on. In the restaurant business, Caesar is now a salad. In the music culture of the 1970s and '80s, ABBA was not Father, Madonna was not Mother Mary, and Jeremiah was a bullfrog. But in our fast-paced contemporary world, there is still one name that means the same as it did two thousand years ago...Jesus. And as the song reminds us, "there's something about that name." He continues to be Master, Savior, Lord; and His name still calls to mind words like *love, patience, kindness, and forgiveness*.
Too bad we can't say the same thing about the term *Christian*. The word is supposed to mean "Christlike". But these days, when *Christian* is mentioned, too many negative images are brought to mind. When did *Christian* become a bad word? I can't put a specific date on it, but it happens to us when we live our lives too far away from words like *love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, gentleness, and self-control*.
Is there something about *your* name? If you are going to call yourself a Christian...there is.

ANNUAL TEEN CIRCLE RIB SALE
Saturday May 5 Mark Osborn will be cooking ribs behind the elementary cafeteria.
The rib sale is to raise money for the annual Methodist Church girls' retreat.
Full rack \$25 - half-rack \$12.50
All orders must be prepaid and placed by April 29.
Payments can be made at the Methodist Church office during business hours or call Deirdre Osborn 265-5469, Kim Hofferichter 265-5046, or Terri Ellis 265-7946 for orders and arrangements.

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Sealed applications must be brought or mailed to Bonnie J. Heald, County Judge, 401 Third Street, Room 104, P.O. Box 506, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 10:00 a.m., Friday, May 18, 2007, at which time all applications will be considered.

The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications. The Depository Contract will be awarded at the Commissioners Court meeting on Monday, May 21, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.

By order of the Parmer County Commissioners Court, Bonnie J. Heald, County Judge.

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In one of the largest ranches by the Frerhold Land and Company, Thomas Kansas City, Kansas, has purchased 55,136 acres of the Syndicate Kelly 16 league (4,428.4 acres). An additional 4,284 acres were added to his land to Mr. Kelly's land, 65,376 acres, came the Star Ranch and Andy L. Laird, first foreman of the Ranch Headquarters, including structure, other buildings, corrals and eventually the ranch thousands of cattle.

CCC side May

Clovie Community Valle, Reynaldo Mance by the Bella 6 p.m. at the American Tickets are \$10 Mexican restaurants, children. Tickets available, unless sold out 4956.

Alice at Ar

Sixty-six Lamplight Theatre children, ranging from 6-17 will bring in "Wonderland" to 11-13 at Ordway Hall Amarillo College West Street Campus. Director Cynthia says "They are learning to be credible difficult during this production. Two of the cast members are as props and extras and leave the stage. One

Worker's con

The Amarillo Field Office, Division of Workforce, is looking for a brown bag education employer, human resource managers and employees. The topic is Disability held from 12 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Amarillo. This session is free and participants may ask questions. For more information contact the Office or Amarillo 806-351-1222; or email

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Parmer County Centennial Moments

By Darla Bracken fridarla19@yahoo.com

Star Ranch descendant...Lazbuddie, Texas

In one of the larger (50,000 acres or more) sales of XIT Ranch lands by the Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company, Thomas Kelly of Kansas City, Kansas purchased 55,136 acres in 1902. The Syndicate deeded Mr. Kelly 16 leagues of land [4,428.4 acres in a square league]. An additional 10,240 acres were added to the tract by Andy L. Laird when he sold his land to Mr. Kelly. This land, 65,376 acres, then became the Star Ranch in 1902 and Andy L. Laird became the first foreman of the ranch.

Mr. Kelly built the Star Ranch Headquarters, an imposing structure, other outbuildings, corrals and windmills. Eventually the ranch would run thousands of cattle and have

30 windmills. In this area of the Llano Estacado, the windmills became landmarks that helped residents identify different areas and also supplied water for everyone. The cattle were driven on the hoof to market in Kansas City although prairie grass was supplemented with a railroad car of grain per day; and the ranch still made a profit!

One such windmill was called Red Tower, which also included a camp and a dug-out. Residents gathered near these camps for both information and water. Eventually they built a school here in 1907 and the 'traveling school' was born. They would move the school nearest the families with young school age children so that they would not have to

walk so far and then move it again when new families with children came. It was moved at least 4 times.

The headquarters became a community gathering place and many dances and picnics were held there. The Star Ranch was in operation until 1908 when Mr. Kelly then began to sell it off in smaller tracts of land.

In 1924, when D. Luther "Laz" Green of Vernon, Texas and Andrew "Buddie" Sherley

purchased land in Parmer County and established a commissary in the area, Wayne Sherley suggested that they call it *Lazbuddie*. It soon became a general store and by May 4, 1926 Lazbuddie had a Post Office also located in the commissary; John H. Hennington was the first postmaster. Before rural electrification came in, it also had the only telephone in the community!

By 1930, three churches and another store had been added to Lazbuddie. The Lazbuddie Ladies Club organized in May 1926 and provided many recreational activities and improvements for the community. Some of their friendship quilts still survive today.

At the Cracker Box School they held quartet singing along with the preaching. Box suppers and quilting, horseshoes, games, 4th of July sack and relay races plus a community Christmas Tree with gifts for every child rounded out the fun for early citizens of Lazbuddie.

During the Depression, tent shows and medicine wagons came through with their special liniments and salves including *Cloverleaf & Miss Poody's*. The tents and wagons would set up just across the street from the commissary in town. For 10 cents you

could skate at the skating rink when it came to town or for 25 cents there was a silent picture show. By the 40s and 50s it was dominoes and Texas 42. Hunting area game: rabbits, coyotes, antelope has always been popular also.

The Lazbuddie Longhorns and the Lady Horns still provide much of the local excitement with the six-man football team and the basketball teams still attracting lots of attention. Today, Treider Electric and Hardware Store carries on in the tradition of the commissary and is well worth a trip to Lazbuddie according to Gladys Spring, chairman of the Parmer County Historical Commission. The Post Office is still housed in the original commissary store and the Longhorn Café is now on the web. Lazbuddie's population in 1990 was 248.



Original Lazbuddie Store

CCC sponsors Cinco de Mayo celebration

Clovis Community College will present Mariachi Paisano del Valle, Reynaldo Maestas, and Zumbale with a special performance by the Bella Vista Ballroom Dancers Saturday May 5 at 6 p.m. at the American Legion Post 25.

Tickets are \$10 which includes dinner from Clovis' finest Mexican restaurants, live music, dancing, and pinatas for the children. Tickets available at CCC cashier's window or at the door, unless sold out. For additional information call 505-769-4956.

Alice at Amarillo Youth Theater

Sixty-six Lamplight Youth Theatre children, ranging in age from 6-17 will bring "Alice in Wonderland" to life May 11-13 at Ordway Hall on the Amarillo College Washington Street Campus.

Director Cynthia Koetting says "They are learning incredibly difficult dances for this production. Twenty three of the cast members are used as props and extras and never leave the stage. One minute

they are a statue, the next minute they are doors, picture frames, or tables."

The musical production is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday May 11, 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday May 12, and 2 p.m. Sunday May 13. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and college students, and \$5 for children. No children under 3 will be admitted into the theatre. For info and tickets call 371-5353.

B. Barnett recognized at WTAMU luncheon

The Department of History, Political Science and Criminal Justice at West Texas A&M University recognized its outstanding students and awarded \$31,600 in scholarships at a special luncheon on March 31 on campus.

Beau Barnett, of Friona, a senior criminal justice major, was among those students recognized at the luncheon.

Faculty members in the department voted for outstanding students from each disci-

pline. Karl Snyder, senior history major from Amarillo, was recognized as the Outstanding Student in History. The Outstanding Student in criminal justice was Travis Leake, a senior criminal justice major from Amarillo. Jay Ferrell, a December graduate in political science, and Cassidy Daniel, a senior political science major from Hereford, were both recognized as Outstanding Students in political science.

Local wheat crop update

By Monti Vandiver, Extension Agent

A promising wheat crop continues to develop in the Northwest Plains. Producers should check their crop closely as moisture stress signs are beginning to appear. According to the Texas High Plains PET Network our wheat crop is using .25-.30 inches of water per day. Moisture stress signs could also be a result of damage to the stem resulting from the hard freeze the weekend of April 8. Stems with freeze injury may appear discolored, swollen, and/or split.

These stems limit the plants ability to move water and nutrients up the plant. Most stem damage locally has been observed in early planted fields and within four inches of the soil surface. Not all fields are showing signs of damage. It is difficult to predict the final impact on yield, but grain fill and lodging could be a problem.

Russian wheat aphids have been observed in local wheat, some of which had previously been treated with an insecticide. Russian wheat aphid is a potentially devastating pest with a relatively low economic threshold. Rust symptoms have been reported in a few fields on lower leaves.

Wheat should be routinely monitored to properly manage insects and disease. For more information contact Monti Vandiver, Curtis Preston or Cody Hill at the Texas Cooperative Extension at 272-4583 or 481-3300.

Worker's comp seminar in Amarillo

The Amarillo Field Office of the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (Division), is hosting a brown bag educational session for health care providers, employers, human resource managers, claims adjusters, case managers and employee organizations on Thursday, May 10. The topic is Disability Management. This free session will be held from 12 p.m. to 12:45 p.m., at 7112 IH-40 West, Building D, in Amarillo. This session will be an open forum in which participants may ask questions.

For more information, contact the Division's Public Information Office or Amarillo Field Office Manager Linda Marlow at 806-351-1222; or email Linda.Marlow@tdi.state.tx.us.

DID YOU KNOW?

The first school held in Farwell was in the Old Rock Church in the year of 1907. In 1908 portable buildings were moved to the present site of Farwell High School. Regular classes were held there until 1910.

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The Junior Livestock Show premium sale was another outstanding success for our young exhibitors. We sincerely appreciate the buyers and the add-ons that make it such a great country that supports our talented youth for all their hard work.

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Library baskets bonanza at Friends raffle, auction

Here is a list, name of donor, and brief description of the baskets to be raffled by the Friends of the Friona Library at Sunday's Book Fiesta at the high school auditorium at 2 p.m. Raffle tickets are only \$1 each so you can buy "oodles" of them. Tickets will be sold Sunday or at the Library in the meantime. The 10 baskets will be given away by drawing and the Centennial Basket will be auctioned.

1. **Family History Scrapbooking**—Karen Renner & Aimee Houston. Includes book, Family History Scrapbooking, many special scrapbooking tools, papers, trimmers, etc. Value: \$155.

2. **Favorites From the 50's**—FHS FCCLA. Includes Ruby Bridges books, Rainbow Slinky, M&M's, Play Doh, and many toys from the 50's. Value: \$50.

3. **Home Improvement**—Allen Humberg. Includes book, Lowe's Complete Home Improvement, cordless drill, level, many tools. Value: \$190

4. **Cowboy Wisdom**—Veterinary Industries, Inc. Includes book, Cowboy Wisdom, cedar post lamp, barbed wire welcome sign, cards, all fashioned by Renee Brown, plus Vet Indus-

tries cap and other gifts. Value: \$125.

5. **Deep South Staples**—Hardin Steakhouse. Includes book, Deep South Staples, Hardin's Special Seasoning, and assorted cooking utensils. Value: \$165.

6. **Flower Power**—Fam House Designs Greenhouse, Wendy Carthel. Includes Living plants, 12" geranium and other blooming plants plus \$100 in gift certificates from the greenhouse. Value: \$175.

7. **Dog Days**—Friona Primary School. Includes book, Move Over Rover plus dog toys, supplies, pet lovers items. Value: \$140.

8. **Ultimate Cooking**—Belinda Gatlin, Southern Living. Includes book The Ultimate Southern Living Cookbook, house decorations, ceramic pitcher, dish towels, and more. Value: \$140.

9. **Cargill Then & Now: From the Field to the Table**—Cargill, Inc. Includes book Invisible Giant Cargill and its Transnational Strategies, insulated picnic cooler on wheels full of great picnic things. Value: \$122.

10. **Under the Tuscan Sun: All Things Italy**—FPL Library Board. Includes book & cas-

sette Under the Tuscan Sun, map of Italy and several Italian inspired gifts. Value \$122.

The **Parmer County Centennial Basket** will be auctioned, with auctioneer and Parmer County Extension Agent Cody Hill presiding. The Parmer County Historical Commission pulled this basket together with the help of many kind donors. The Centennial Basket includes these books: History of Parmer County Scrapbook; A History of Parmer County; Prairie Progress; Courthouses of Texas; Parmer County Cemeteries; plus many items unique to Parmer County, plus a couple of cash donations from Friona State Bank and First National Bank-Friona Banking Center. Value: \$750.



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These First Baptist Church Youth were servers at the Baptist senior class banquet Monday evening. They are, l-r, Brady Hansard, Eric Hansard, Victor Parra, Krystal Hernandez, Shayla Parker, Lacy Teague, and Teresa Parra.

Medicare Part D Offers Choice and Competition

By Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

Since it was launched in January 2006, Medicare Part D has exceeded even the most optimistic expectations in providing affordable prescription drugs to America's seniors. Yet some in Congress have threatened to undermine this program by replacing free market competition with government intervention.

In its first year, over 23 million seniors, including two million Texans, enrolled in the Part D program. These seniors are now enjoying the benefits of prescription drug coverage — many of them for the first time. Monthly premiums are also dropping, from an estimated \$37 when the program was created, to \$24 in 2006 to an even-lower \$22 in 2007. Eighty-eight percent of beneficiaries in Texas have access to coverage with premiums lower than last year.

In addition to the 40 percent reduction in estimated premi-

ums, seniors are now saving \$1,200 per year on prescription drug costs, thanks to Part D. According to independent surveys, more than 80 percent of seniors say they are satisfied with the program.

Choice and competition from the Part D program is exactly what has made it so successful, yet a bill recently considered in Congress would have removed this principle. Instead of using the time-tested methods of choice and competition to lower costs, proponents of the legislation wanted to impose a one-size-fits-all government solution. Despite the proven results of the past year and expert opinion, they claimed that government negotiation would lower prescription drug costs. The non-partisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO) analyzed the proposal and concluded the government "would not obtain

significant discounts from drug manufacturers."

Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) are in fact already negotiating Medicare Part D prices on behalf of the federal government. The top five PBMs are larger in purchasing power than the federal government, and the CBO recognizes that the PBMs have been effective in lowering average monthly premiums.

Proponents of government negotiation often use the Veterans Administration as an example of the benefits of a government-run prescription drug program. But what they do not tell you is that allowing the government to negotiate Part D prices will actually increase prices for veterans. The American Legion wrote that removing the non-interference provision "is not in the best interest of America's veterans and their families." And veterans are not the only ones

who would be harmed. The CBO concluded that implementing a "best price system" like the one used by the VA and Medicaid would increase drug prices for the VA, Medicaid, and private purchasers.

Preserving Medicare Part D is not just an issue of saving money. It is about who has the fundamental right to make your health care decisions. A primary benefit of competition is that you the consumer — not the government — can choose what drugs you and your family use. As a result, you are not required to pay for a more expensive coverage plan that includes additional drugs that you do not need. These rights are reflected in the current Part D program, and I will continue to oppose efforts to take away those rights.



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Meghan Hendrickson makes a face at the Baptist senior banquet.

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