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St. Teresa's jamaica at city park Sunday

The annual jamaica celebration of St. Teresa's Catholic Church will be held Sunday, August 1 at the Friona city park from 12 noon to 8 p.m.

Food items will be abundant featuring carnitas, hamburgers, gorditas, fajitas, barbacoa, turkey legs, and tacos. There will be live music, train rides, dart games, and lots of fun for all ages. The public is invited to attend.

Volleyball practice begins on Monday

The official Friona Squaw volleyball two-a-day workouts begin Monday August 2 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. All girls trying out for volleyball must have physicals before they are able to practice. Volleyball coaches are Bryan Masse, Darrell Ray, and Liz Burton. If there are any questions contact Coach Burton.

Yearbooks will be here Monday

FHS yearbook coordinator Allison Johnston said the 2009-2010 Chieftain/Squaw yearbook should be available for pick-up Monday August 2 at the high school choir room.

If you have not already ordered a yearbook there will be a few extra available at a cost of \$65. If you ordered a yearbook but did not pay you will need to pay for it when you pick it up. Mrs. Johnston has copies of all orders and receipts for money paid. If you have any questions call her at 806-250-3951 or 806-220-1610. She would appreciate it if folks would pick up their yearbooks as soon as possible.

School supply lists on FISD website

Parents will soon need to get busy with back-to-school planning. Note that the annual Texas tax free weekend is August 20-21, 2010.

Certain clothing items, backpacks, and school supplies are included on the tax free list for that weekend. School begins on Monday August 23.

Friona ISD has provided a list of school supplies for primary, elementary, and junior high on its website, www.frionaisd.com. Click on the Schools tab for the complete lists.

School policy on cell phones and other devices

The following is Friona ISD policy on electronic devices for the 2010-2011 year.

Students are not permitted to display or use such items as pagers, radios, CD players, tape recorders, camcorders, MP3 players, iPods, or other electronic devices or games, or telecommunications devices with text messaging at school unless prior permission has been obtained from the principal.

Of particular interest are cameras and camera phones. Due to concerns with confidentiality and student rights to privacy, any unauthorized use of cameras or camera phones will result in disciplinary measures.

Cell phones are not allowed to be used, displayed, or in operational mode until the end of the school day. The best practice

would be for students not to bring cell phones into the building. Phones that are visible or being used during the school day will be confiscated and turned over to the administration. If a cell phone or electronic device is confiscated, the following procedures will be implemented:

1st offense - The student may pick up the device at the end of the school day and pay an administrative fee of \$10.

2nd offense - The student may pick up the device at the end of the school day and pay an administrative fee of \$15.

3rd offense - The parent must pick up the device and pay an administrative fee of \$15.

Any disciplinary action will be in accordance with the student code of conduct.



ron carr photo

Jenny Riethmayer, left, leads a group of students in creative crafts during the primary school summer camp at the Early Childhood Learning center Tuesday July 27. The camp theme was "Nursery Rhymes & Fun Times" and each child received books to take home. The annual back-to-school tax free weekend is August 20-21. School begins in Friona Monday August 23. School supply lists are available on the frionaisd.com website. Click on the Schools tab.

School projects ongoing as deadlines loom

School starts in Friona Monday August 23. Teachers report for staff development the week of August 16-20. Several construction projects are underway facing deadlines of completion prior to the start of school and athletics.

Official Chieftain football and Squaw volleyball practice starts Monday August 2. The first Squaw scrimmage is August 7 at Highland Park. The new volleyball coach is Bryan Masse and new assistant coach is Darrell Ray. Complete football and volleyball schedules are included in today's issue of the Star.

At the primary school, workers are busy installing a new roof and updating the air-conditioning and heating throughout the building. Project manager Gary McKinney of Lubbock said his goal was to have the primary school project completed by August 2.

The primary school building was built in 1954. Classrooms were still using cast-iron radiators for heat and window units for cooling.

Now each classroom will have its own individual heating and cooling thermostat. The office, restrooms, and hallway will have separate controls also.

The new primary school principal is Autumn Sloan who will be moving to Friona from Amarillo, replacing former principal Tracy Ellis who retired at the end of the 2009-10 school year.

After completion of the primary school project, McKinney said they would move to the high school and gym to put on a new roof and install heating and cooling units to service the coaches office and boys locker room. The skylights in the gym will be sealed and covered over by the new roof.

Another deadline is the new track being installed at the high school football field. The first scrimmage is scheduled with Panhandle here on Saturday August 14. School officials are hoping the track will be finished by then. Plans also include paving and building about 60 parking spaces on the east side of the football field

along Grand St. to be utilized for visitor parking.

The 2010-2011 school calendar is available at frionaisd.com. The school year will have 180 days of instruction with the last day of school May 26, 2011 and graduation May 27, 2011.

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summer work continues



ron carr photos

Workers remain busy around town. Above, the hallway at the primary school shows signs of the construction to the school's roof and air conditioning/heating system. Below, the Fast Stop C-Store gets a new look with a bright green façade and new signs.



Friona All-School Centennial Reunion Sep 10-11, 2010

All ex-students, teachers, and staff are encouraged to be part of the nostalgia!

Homecoming - Chiefs vs. Idalou Friday night.

Maize Days Parade and City Park fun on Saturday.

All-School Reunion meal Saturday 5 p.m. at Junior High Cafeteria.

If your class needs a room to meet in call 806-265-7759.

Registration \$10 per person

c/o Friona State Bank, P.O. Box 549, Friona TX 79035

Welcome Ex-Students! See You There!

Town Talk II

By Ron Carr, Phone-250-2211, Fax-250-5127, Email-frionastar@wtrt.net

Thanks to a Saturday night rainstorm we added another inch to our monthly total which is now about 4.5". Not too far away, at Walcott, the area reported 7" of rain Saturday night. The moisture and warm weather still looking good for cotton and corn crops.

Received word that Friona resident Billie Fairchild has decided to move to Austin to be near her family. Her son Weldon and wife Ruby Lee, and daughter Phyllis Parker and husband Johnnie live in the Austin area along with Billie's grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Billie and her late husband Carl were married in 1939 and farmed on land that was part of the XIT ranch. They moved into Friona where Carl operated a pool hall and Billie was the librarian for many years. The family lived in an apartment at the back of the pool

hall until the late 50s. They later moved the apartment and added on to make their home. It is still the location where Billie lives today. Carl passed away in 1980.

Good luck to Billie and thanks for all she has done to make Friona a better place. Enjoy your family.

Spoke with former Friona coach Rex Cumpston last week. He had nine screws put in his broken leg and is still recuperating at home for now. He was run over by one of his Hobbs football players during a practice session. Rex says their first game of the year is a 5-hour drive. Not looking forward to that with a broken leg I guess. Keep on keeping on coach. Keep that golf cart charged up. We'll be cheering for you.

Stormi and Brent Choate are Friona short-timers. Brent has accepted a teaching position in Odessa and

they will be moving in the next few weeks. Stormi has been an important contributor to the Chamber of Commerce board and the Miss Friona and little Miss pageants. I know her chair massage clients and her fellow employees at the Hereford Wal-Mart will miss her. Good luck Stormi and Brent and Amber. We will miss you too.

Sympathies to the Parsons family on the passing of Mike Parsons in Austin. He was 57, a lawyer, son of Margaret and the late Percy Parsons, and brother to Dale Parsons and Rhonda (Parsons) Murphree. Obituary in this issue of the Star.

Stop by the Credit Union and purchase some raffle tickets for a charcoal grill. The raffle is being used as a fundraiser to assist with medical expenses for Minnie Aguirre. Minnie has been battling cancer and

after some good progress she was recently diagnosed with another tumor so her treatments continue. The tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Or send your donation to Nancy Davis, c/o Credit Union, P.O. Box 848, Friona 79035. She will enter you in the raffle.

On page 559 of the 2nd edition Parmer County History Book, published in 1981, it states that Bi-Wize drugstore had been robbed 10 times in 21 years and only one had been caught because he remained inside the building. If you were one of those other 9 robbers and burglars that got away, it is about time to fess up and turn your self in. What were you thinking?

From around the area: The Claude News says the roof collapsed at the pharmacy in Claude. Not sure when or how they can re-open. Clarendon Enterprise reports the city secretary, city manager, and city maintenance employee all resigned in Hedley. They hired new ones but then they resigned during their first week on the job. What's up in Hedley? Apparently it is not all peaches and watermelons there along 287.

On Monday the school year unofficially begins for us here at the newspaper. That is the first official UIL day for football and volleyball two-a-day practices. Plus the Maize Days and All-School Reunion activities will be speeding up. The Maize Days week celebration will be about two weeks earlier this year. The reason is the Chieftains are in an 8-team district the next

two years so that bumps the homecoming game earlier since there will only be three non-district games. We are about to get busier after a lazy slow summer.

The Chamber of Commerce has applications for Little Miss and Miss Friona candidates. They need young ladies from the community to sign up for the competition to represent Friona during the next year. Contact the Chamber for more info at 250-3491. The Miss Friona Pageant is Saturday September 4 and the Little Miss is Tuesday September 7. The big weekend is September 10-11 with homecoming, Maize Days parade, activities at the city park, and the all-school reunion, plus the Chamber of Commerce golf tournament.

The 6th St. Church of Christ hotline (250-3495) reports this week that Joy Graham is 'doing great', Jim and Sherry Atwell's son-in-law Jason Bullard has been diagnosed with Stage 4 liver cancer, Kenneth Hall is in Muleshoe hospital with pneumonia, and Gene Welch is finally back in Friona at PMC and continues to progress.

Had an opportunity to meet our two new volleyball coaches this week. Bryan Masse is the head coach moving here from Roswell, NM. He has 30-years coaching experience and went to Eastern New Mexico University long ago with Friona's Kenny Austin and Don Herbert. Assistant v-ball coach Darrell Ray lives in Clovis and will be commuting. He was head coach at Clovis High for 10-years. We welcome both gentlemen to

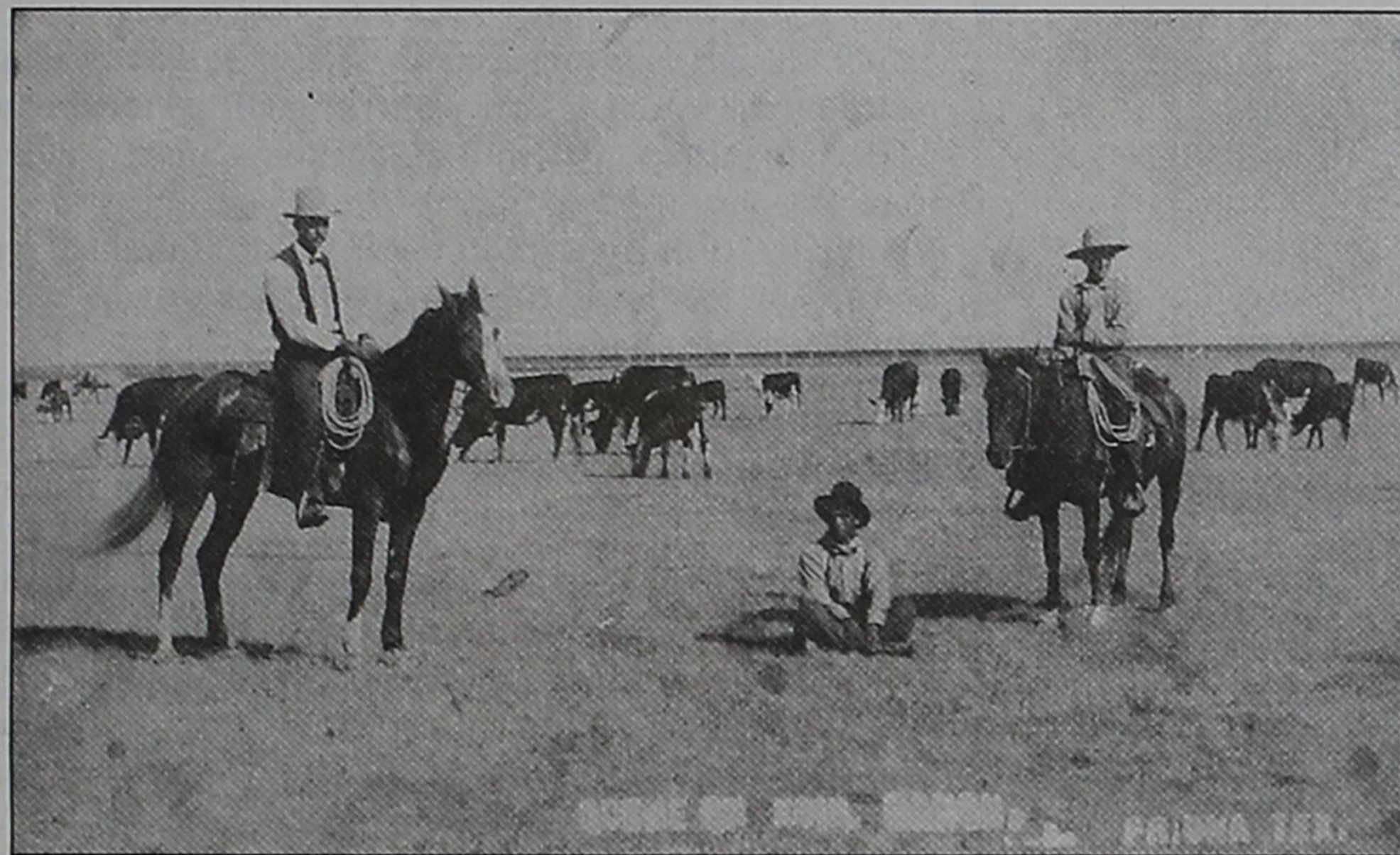
Friona schools and will have more info and photos after the season kicks off next week.

I stopped by the Early Childhood Learning Center on Tuesday to take a few photos during their summer camp session for primary school students. May I say a huge GOD BLESS YOU to the teachers and teacher aides of this age group. They were patiently cutting, coloring, and reading with the kids. Some were making spiders (I think) out of Ritz crackers, peanut butter, and pretzels. Others were learning to jump rope and tie their shoes. Another group had a hand puppet thing going on.

It takes a particular kind of patient, loving, dedicated person to nurture and teach kids of primary school age. I'm not endowed with that kind of patience and dedication but they are and we should be grateful for them. See you next week. Until then!

Out of our Lives, Always in our Hearts
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 You never said I'm leaving
 You never said goodbye
 You were gone before
 I knew it,
 And only God knew why.
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 A million times I cried
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 You never would have died.
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 In death I love you still
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 It broke my heart to lose you,
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 For part of me went with you,
 The day God took you home.
 Willie M. Brailiff
 March 4, 1935-July 30, 2008

Can you help?



We received this early 1900s photo via email from Doug Kohl. It shows his grandfather Frank Kohl on the Kohl ranch in Friona. He is seeking any information about Mr. Kohl and the Kohl ranch. We were unable to find any reference to the Kohl name in either of the Parmer County history books. If you have any information about a Kohl ranch or the Kohl family in Parmer County send it to the Friona Star or you can email Doug Kohl direct at sierracomm@gmail.com.

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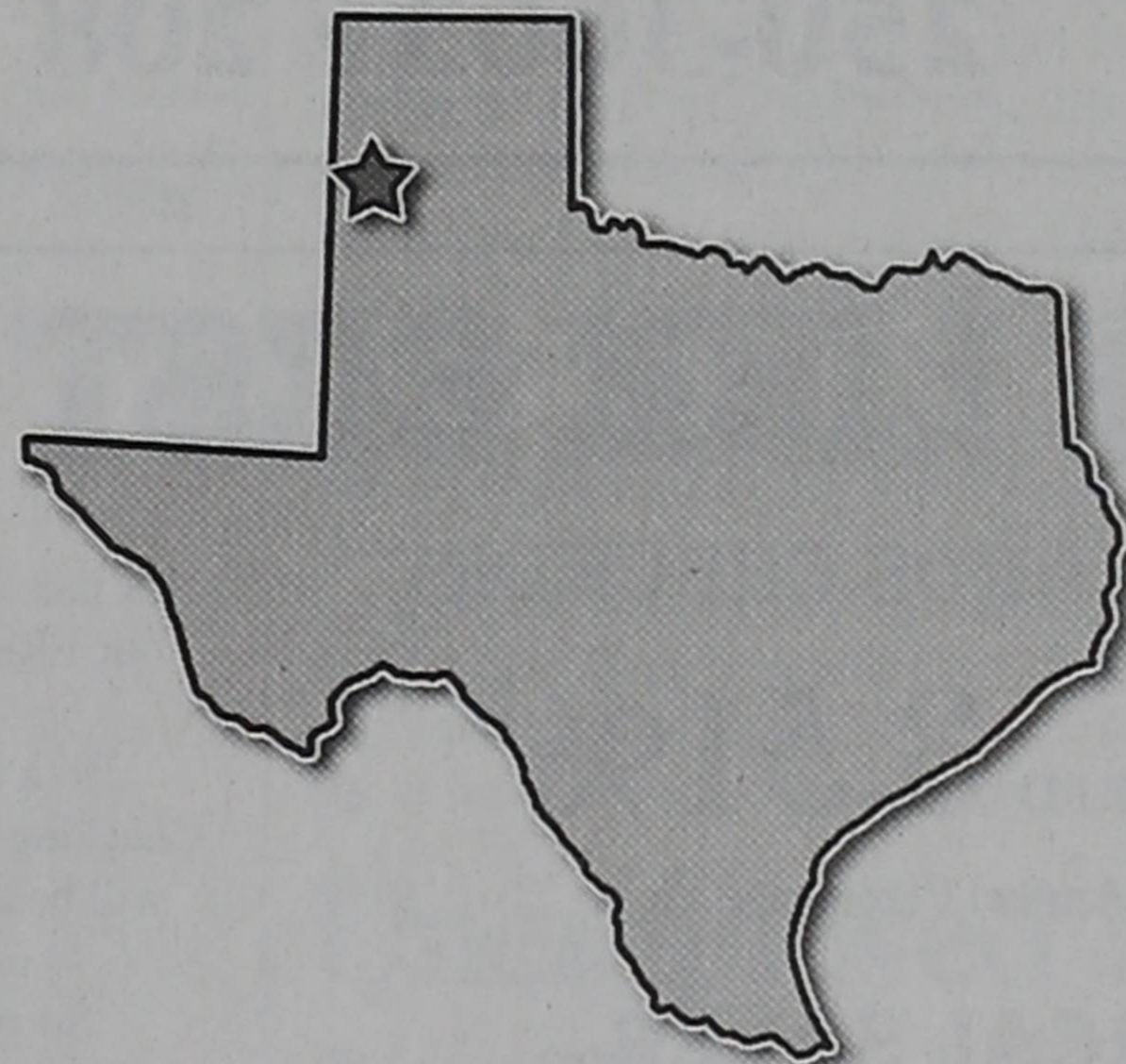
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 1 - August 7, 2010

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

Aug. 1-Hanna Beth Stephens, Larry Rector, Barrett Dickson, Delaney Barnett, Scott Johnson, Kiri Neill, Johnna Thompson

Aug. 2-Billy Sifford, Dusty Ryedell Rosario, Pepper Weatherly, Vuthill Loafman, Brenda Jackson, Jack Turner, Hunter Widner, Millie Lou Moore

Aug. 3-Connie Johnson, Valerie Brockman Greene, Peggy Stowers, Norbert Schueler, Jason Wells, Wendy Harris, Mac Glasscock

Aug. 4-Ashley Smiley Gutierrez, Shannon Grissom, Rosa Reyes, Quint Ellis, Trapper Alan Neill

Aug. 5-Amber Grager, Ruby Stone, Earlene McCreary, Kirk Frye, Lori Woods, Cindy Adams, Lindsey S. Bowyer, Amber Drager, Ivy Schueler

Aug. 6-Charlotte Paiz, Mary Lou Castaneda, Paul Mohr, Destiny Cruz, Kaleb Rainey

Aug. 7-Sarah Widner, Wayne Case, Jared Beard, Dusty Fleming, Jud Sims, Vickey Pipes, Veda McKay, Leigh Burleson, Kayl Schueler

DPS unveils new website

The Texas Department of Public Safety's Driver License website has a new look and feel.

The redesigned Driver License website (<http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/DriverLicense/>) features easy-access links to the most-visited portions of the DPS Driver License website.

"The increased functionality of our Driver License website will help our fellow Texans to find the information they need, quickly and efficiently," said Rebecca Davio, DPS assistant director. "We think many people will be able to conduct their driver license related business on our website, when it's most convenient for them, instead of having to follow our schedule." The DPS website was last redesigned in early 2001

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from July 19, 2010 to July 21, 2010: Jose Luis Gonzalez and Gladys Pinedo - Sixto Reveles and Maria Elena Reveles, L12 B2 HICKS.

Tony Newton and Mary E. Newton - Anthony Eric Ramirez and Celeste Marisol Ramirez, L7 S15' L8 B1 FRIONA.

New Arrival

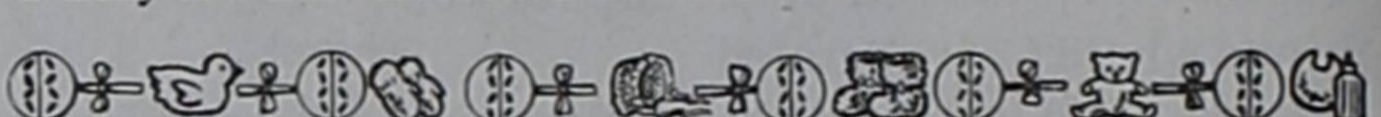


Reese & Annison Steelman

Annison Laney Steelman

Big sister, Reese, and her parents, Jake and Trisha Steelman, want to announce the birth of her sister, Annison Laney, born on June 15, 2010.

She weighed 8 pounds 3 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long. Annison's grandparents are Joe and Esther of Bovina, and Danny and Dawna Roach of Hereford.



Sheriff's Report

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

July 13, 2010, JoAnn Linares, 26, of Friona, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office for driving while intoxicated (2nd) with an open container, pending County Court.

July 20, 2010, Alejandro Lopez, 19, of Muleshoe, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol for driving while intoxicated, pending County Court.

July 20, 2010, Antonio Lozano, 28, of Farwell, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office for a motion to revoke order (furnishing alcohol to a minor), pending County Court.

July 21, 2010, Leo Brown, 36, of Hereford, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office for a Deaf Smith County warrant charge, pending transport.

July 22, 2010, Gabriel Rios, 24, of Clovis, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office for Curry County warrants charges, pending transport.

July 24, 2010, Angel Cazares, 17, of Muleshoe, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office for a Bailey County warrant charge, bonded and released.

July 25, 2010, Juan Villicana, 39, of Bovina, was arrested by the Bovina Police Department for failure to identify and public intoxication, both pending Bovina City Court.

July 25, 2010, Jose Mendoza, 19, of Friona, was arrested by the Bovina Police Department for attempted aggravated assault with a vehicle, pending District Court.

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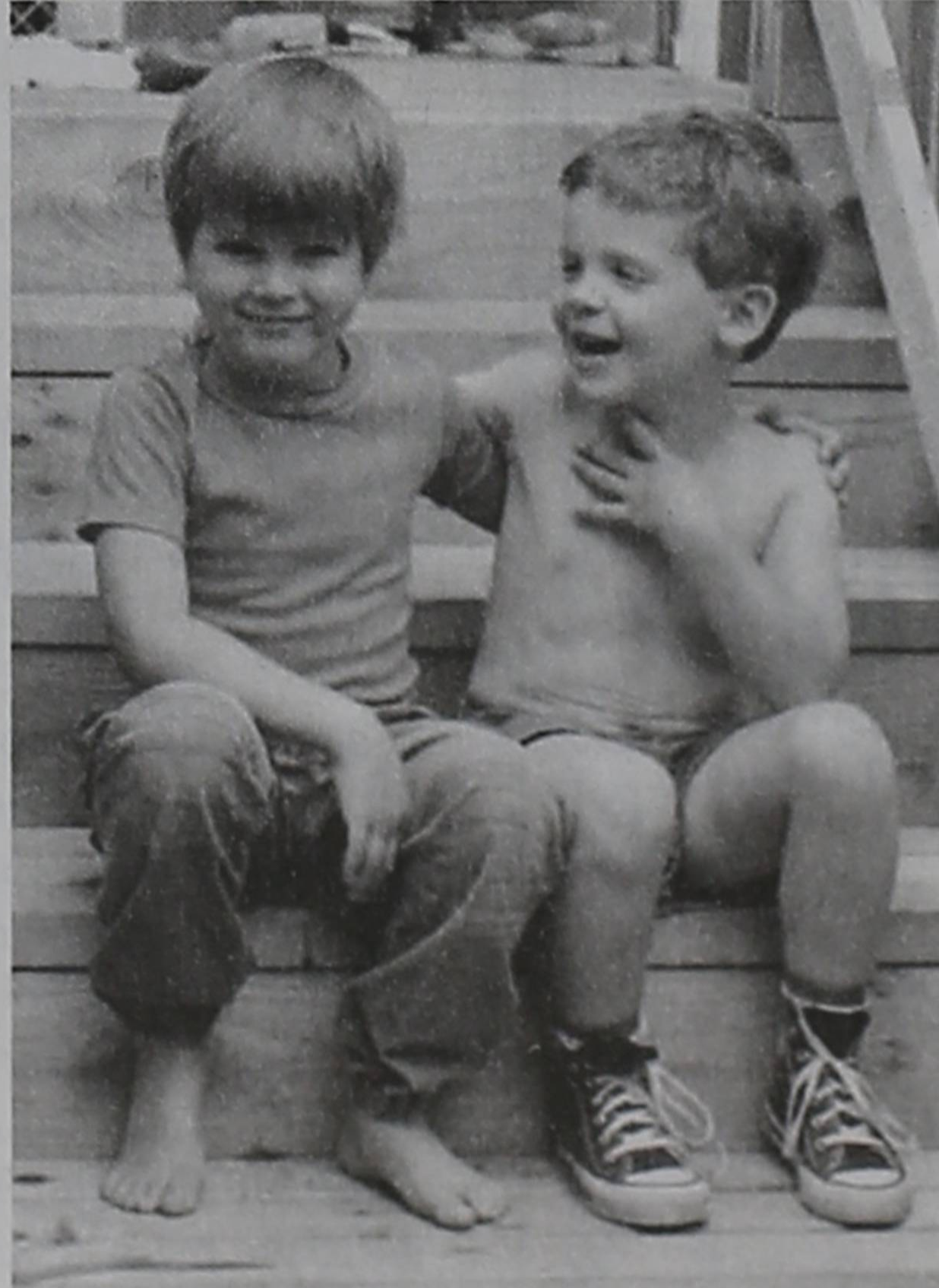
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- Krista Graham & Kyle Wheeler
- Jordan Monroe & J'Lond Jarecki
- Sarah Rushing & Paul Mansour
- Cory Hamilton & Laura Oberg
- Calvin Shields & Arika Hand
- Cody Jamerson & Micah Mayfield
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Jacob Isom and his sister Abby at the Ballpark in Arlington. Jacob was named a Lone Star State Scholar and recognized during a Ranger game last weekend.

Jacob Isom is Lone Star Scholar

Jacob Isom, son of Jeff and Brittany Isom, was nominated to the Lone Star State Scholars by his teacher Jennifer Sundre. Lone Star State Scholars is a Who's Who for 3rd - 8th grade students based on academic excellence, character, and extra-curricular ac-

tivities including athletics, church and community organizations. The students were recognized before a Rangers baseball game last weekend at the Ballpark in Arlington. They were given motivational talks by former Rangers Jim

Sundberg and Jeff Russell about making goals, being leaders, and pursuing knowledge to make your dreams come true. Brittany Isom said, "We had a great time and are very proud that Jacob was both nominated and accepted."

Sales tax holiday helps back-to-school budgets

Parents anxious to get their back-to-school shopping underway might want to wait a bit.

Texas' annual Sales Tax Holiday will help outfit kids with tax-free clothes, and school supplies. The tax-free holiday weekend period is August 20-22.

School supply lists for Friona primary, elementary, and junior high can be found on the website,

frionaisd.com. Click on the Schools tab.

Shoppers will pay no state or local sales tax on many school supplies, school backpacks, and most children and adult clothing and shoes priced at less than \$100. Texas Comptroller Susan Combs says, "As our economy continues to recover, this tax break will help families get more bang for their back-to-school bucks."

shoppers will save \$59.3 million in state and local sales taxes during the tax-free weekend, which takes place each year on the third weekend in August.

The tax holiday has been an annual event since 1999. To help families plan to make the most of the sales tax holiday, lists of tax-free apparel and school supplies can be found on the Comptroller's website at www.window.state.tx.us.

2010 Friona Squaws Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	F	JV	V	Place	Time
Aug. 7	Highland Park Scrimmage	X	X	X	Highland Park	10:00
Aug. 9	Triangular WT, Holy Cross			X	Holy Cross	TBA
Aug. 10	Plainview	X	X	X	Plainview	4:00
Aug. 13&14	River Road Tournament	X			River Road	TBA
Aug. 13&14	Shallowater Tournament			X	Shallowater	TBA
Aug. 17	Sanford Fritch	X	X	X	Friona	4:00
Aug. 20&21	Trinity Tournament	X	X		Trinity	TBA
Aug. 24	Open					
Aug. 27&28	SJCA Tournament		X	X	San Jacinto	TBA
Aug. 31	Levelland	X	X	X	Levelland	5:00
Sept. 4	Olton		X	X	Friona	10:00
Sept. 7	Lubbock Christian		X	X	Lubbock	5:00
Sept. 14	SJCA		X	X	Friona	5:00
Sept. 18	Open					
Sept. 21	Lubbock Christian		X	X	Friona	5:00
Sept. 25	Dimmitt		X	X	Friona	5:00
Sept. 28	Tulia		X	X	Tulia	5:00
Oct. 2	Plainview Christian		X	X	Plainview Christian	10:00
Oct. 5	Littlefield		X	X	Littlefield	5:00
Oct. 9	Denver City		X	X	Friona	11:00
Oct. 12	Tulia		X	X	Friona	5:00
Oct. 16	Dimmitt		X	X	Dimmitt	11:00
Oct. 19	Open					
Oct. 23	Littlefield		X	X	Friona	11:00
Oct. 26	Denver City		X	X	Denver City	5:00

Games in bold denote district games

Angelo State Dean's List

The 2010 spring semester Dean's List has been announced at Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas. To be eligible students must be enrolled full time and maintain a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Three students from Friona are included on the list. They are Hannah Carthel, Lucia Mendez, and Alonzo Rojas.

TDH August immunization clinics

Immunization clinics offering the vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases are scheduled for August 2010 in Friona and Bovina.

Please bring a copy of your child's shot record for immunizations to be administered.

The clinic in Friona will be open Monday, August 16, at the Migrant Center, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., first 10 clients, and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., first 10 clients.

The clinic in Bovina will be open Monday, August 9, in the Bovina EMS Building, 109 S. 3rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., first 10 clients, and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., first 10 clients.

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

Perry applauds EPA suit

Governor Rick Perry issued the following statement regarding Texas' legal action challenging the EPA's takeover of Texas' 16-year-old air permitting process:

"This legal action is the next step in our ongoing commitment to fight back against the Obama Administration's ever-widening effort to undermine our air quality initiatives and force a heavy-handed federal agenda on the people of Texas.

"The EPA's overreach is as potentially devastating as it is unnecessary, as Texas has achieved greater improvements in air quality than the nation as a whole since 2000, through our use of incentives and innovation. Instead of worrying about cleaner air, the EPA seems intent upon putting the jobs of tens of thousands of hardworking Texans at risk, mainly so the EPA can impose a system it says will be easier for Washington bureaucrats to understand. The EPA's actions would likely result in significantly higher prices for energy and just about everything else, a frightening prospect during a time so many Americans are struggling to make ends meet.

I applaud General Abbott's actions, and will continue to pressure Congress and the Obama Administration to get the EPA under some control, before irrevocable damage is done to one of the country's strongest economies."

Unemployed benefits for Texans extended

The deadline for jobless Texans to qualify for emergency unemployment benefits has been extended to the week of November 27, 2010. Congress passed HR 4213, the Unemployment Compensation Extension Act of 2010, on Thursday, setting this new filing deadline which allows long-term claimants to continue receiving unemployment benefits. President Barack Obama signed the bill shortly after it was passed.

Approximately 150,000 unemployment claimants in Texas had exhausted all available benefits due to the previous deadline. The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) has been advising claimants to continue requesting payment, so they now can receive payment for weeks since the last expiration date.

Claimants who are eligible for the federally funded extensions will receive statements from TWC with their new benefit amounts. TWC expects to begin sending payments to claimants in seven to ten days. Claimants should continue to request unemployment benefit payments on their scheduled day.

Claimants can find updated information on their claims at <http://ui.texasworkforce.org>, or by calling UI Tele-Serv at 1-800-558-8321 and pressing option 2. There is no need to call TWC to qualify for this extension unless claimants receive a letter telling them to call.

Emergency unemployment benefits are entirely federally funded, so Texas employers will not be charged for any claims paid on this extension.

TWC and the 28 local workforce development boards remain committed to providing work search assistance, training and other services to unemployed Texans. Thousands of job postings are available on WorkInTexas.com, TWC's online, job-matching Web site.

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DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
August 14	Panhandle	Friona Scrimmage	11:30
August 19	Levelland	Levelland Scrimmage	7:00
August 27	Abernathy	Abernathy	7:30
September 3	Stratford	Stratford	7:30
September 10	Idalou	Friona	7:30
September 17	Open		
September 24	Childress	Friona	7:30
October 1	Roosevelt	Roosevelt	7:30
October 8	Bushland	Friona	7:30
October 15	Muleshoe	Muleshoe	7:30
October 22	Slaton	Friona	7:30
October 29	Littlefield	Friona	7:30
November 5	River Road	River Road	7:30

2010 JV/Freshmen Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
August 14	Panhandle	Friona	Fr / JV 10:30
August 19	Levelland	Levelland	5:00 / 6:00
August 26	Abernathy	Friona	5:00/6:30
September 2	Stratford (JV Only)	Canyon	6:00
September 9	Idalou	Idalou	5:00/6:30
September 16	Open		
September 23	Childress	Childress	5:00/6:30
September 30	Roosevelt	Friona	5:00/6:30
October 7	Bushland	Bushland	5:00/6:30
October 14	Muleshoe	Friona	5:00/6:30
October 21	Slaton	Slaton	5:00/6:30
October 28	Littlefield	Littlefield	5:00/6:30
November 4	River Road	Friona	5:00/6:30

2010 Junior High Schedule 7th/8th

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
September 9	Idalou	Friona	5:00 / 6:15
September 16	River Road	Friona	5:00/6:15
September 23	Childress	Friona	5:00 / 6:15
September 30	Roosevelt	Roosevelt	5:00 / 6:15
October 7	Bushland	Friona	5:00 / 6:15
October 14	Muleshoe	Muleshoe	5:00/6:15
October 21	Slaton	Friona	5:00/6:15
October 28	Littlefield	Friona	5:00/6:15
November 4	River Road	River Road	5:00/6:15

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Former Friona coach wants Friona veterans names on correct war memorial

(The following article was in the Lubbock-Avalanche Journal recently. Thanks to Floyd Rector of Lubbock for bringing it to our attention.)

A Lubbock war memorial recognizes nearly two dozen area men and women as being killed in action in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The only problem is, two of the men died more than 35 years earlier in Vietnam.

What seems to be, in effect, a typo on a reflective wall of rare black African granite for more than two years, has misplaced the memory of two young men from Friona who met with gruesome fates in the jungles of Vietnam decades before American wars in Iraq.

The former middle- and high-school coach of James Fortenberry and Freddie Williams—the man who requested Lubbock's American Legion Post 575 put his former students' names on the wall after he learned they died—and Fortenberry's brother, are asking for the record to be set straight.

"I feel like they need to be recognized for the service they were in, which was Vietnam—especially since I'm the one who submitted their names," said Robert Taylor, who taught in Friona's public middle school and high school in the 1960s and is now retired in Lubbock.

Two years ago, Taylor noticed the two names were carved in white in a spot directly under the Iraqi Freedom section on the wall, he said.

Taylor said he's contacted leaders of Lubbock American Legion Post 575—the organization that oversees the memorial—several times, hoping to get the wall corrected.

"I've asked them many times over the past two

years, but nothing has changed on the memorial," he said. "I think I've done all I could do."

Bob Bland, post commander with American Legion Post 575, said he wasn't aware of any complaints Williams' and Fortenberry's names were misplaced on the wall. He suggested asking Lubbock post chaplain Jerry Dickson, who typically oversees wall maintenance, about the issue.

Multiple phone messages for Dickson over a three-week period were not returned.

Taylor, who was a football and basketball coach for the boys in high school and middle school, said he had fond memories of the good-natured young men who were separated in age by about four years.

James Fortenberry, who was born June 12, 1946, and would now be 64 years old, joined the Army after graduating from the Oklahoma Military Academy, his brother Don Fortenberry said.

James then joined the Army and reached the rank of procurement sergeant. He was following in the footsteps of his father, who served in the military during World War II.

Don, a 57-year-old businessman in Odessa, remembered his family drove to Lubbock to watch Texas Tech play the University of Texas one late September evening in 1970. It was during the game when an Army officer stopped by the empty Fortenberry house in Friona bearing horrible news. It wasn't until the officer returned the next day, when the Fortenberrys learned James had died.

Don said his older brother was killed in a helicopter accident September 24,

1970, somewhere in Vietnam.

"Two helicopters were coming in to land for a maneuver and their blades hit," he said.

James was hit and immediately killed by one of the shattered blades.

"It was probably the toughest time in our lives for our family," Don said. "It was really tough for my dad to understand how something like that happened."

James never married and had no children.

Nearly 40 years later, Don said he'd hear Lubbock had a war memorial, but didn't realize his brother's name was on it—let alone in the wrong place.

He visited the memorial on 82nd Street during a July 3 visit to the city.

He'd already been told about his brother's misplaced name during an interview with The Avalanche-Journal the day before, but didn't realize an old acquaintance—Williams—was on the wall just above his brother.

"Well, they got both of them in the wrong spot," Don said.

Williams lived across town from the Fortenberrys in a city of just more than 3,000 people.

"I knew him because it was a small town—you knew everybody," Don said. But Don said Williams was several classes ahead of him and the two were little more than acquaintances. He remembered Williams had died in Vietnam about a year before James, but didn't remember the details.

Avalanche-Journal attempts to locate Williams' family were not successful. Phone messages to phone listings for Williams in Friona were not returned. An

Internet search of National Archive and war memorial websites also didn't produce names of family members.

Taylor recalled Williams joined the Army just after his junior year in high school.

Williams, Taylor recalled, was reportedly killed when an enemy bomb exploded in an American mess hall in Vietnam just as he was preparing to head home after a tour of duty.

Records confirm Williams, a specialist in the Army who was born January 31, 1950, was killed by an explosive device on January 3, 1969, in the Hau Nghia province of South Vietnam. He was 18 years old.

Taylor said he filled out paper work to add his former students' names to the Lubbock Area War Memorial not long after it opened in 2005. He said he visited the site and realized their names weren't on the granite wall designated for servicemen killed in action. The wall lists Lubbock area soldiers

from World War I through today's conflicts in Iraq.

Bland said the American Legion confirms names through the Department of Defense before adding the names of war casualties to the wall.

But records for casualties of the Vietnam War are maintained by the National Archives, according to a Department of Defense spokesman in Washington, D.C. Greg Clarke, an archivist with the National Archives, confirmed official records for the more than 58,200 casualties of the Vietnam War were maintained by the archives and are available through its website.

Verification of both men's deaths in Vietnam was confirmed through the National Archives' online database and through the nonprofit national Vietnam War memorial page, www.vietnamwall.org. Both databases use the spelling "Freddie Williams" for the 18-year-old Friona man killed in Vietnam.

The memorial wall inscription, based on Taylor's submission to the American Legion, reads "Freddie Williams".

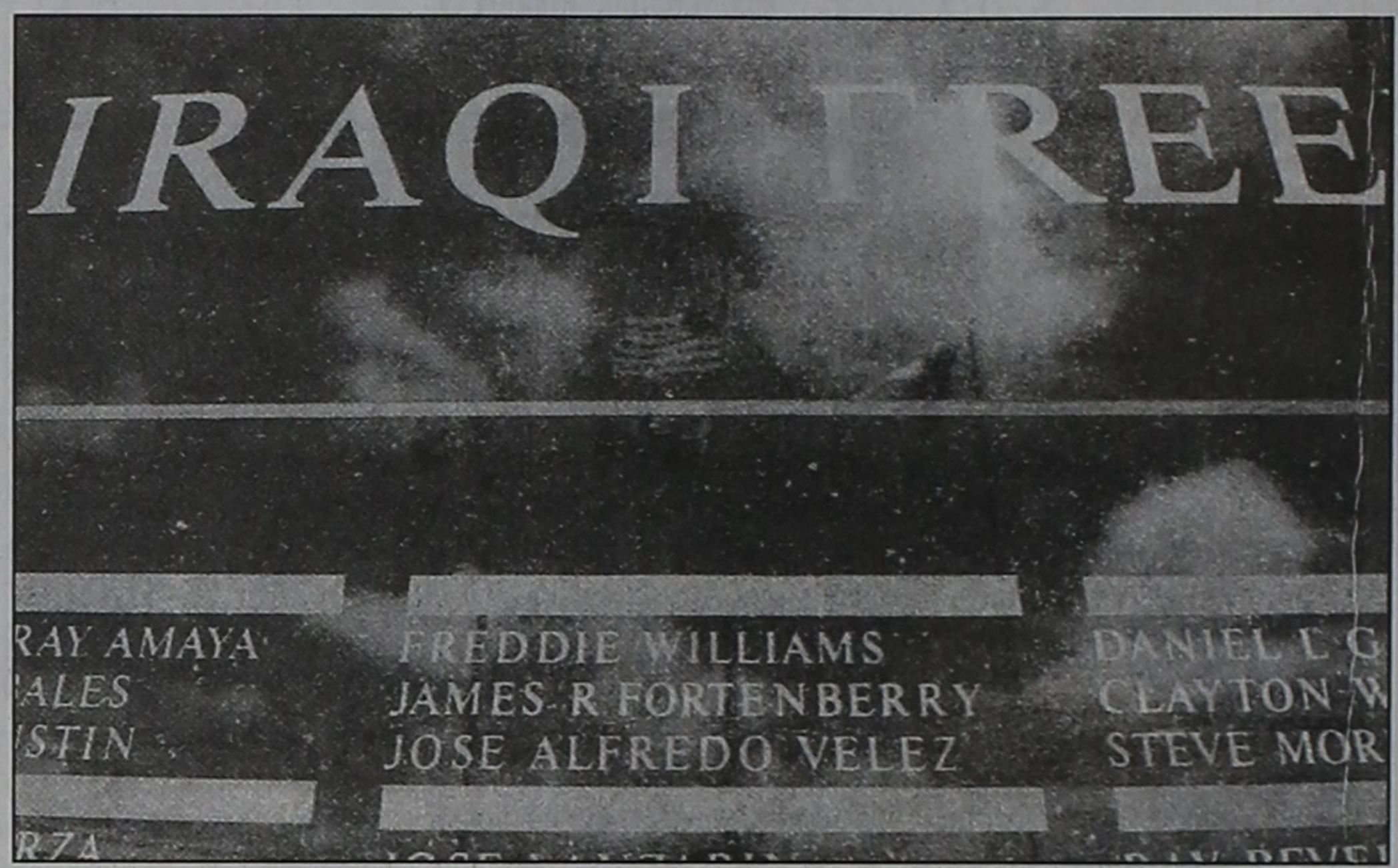
Department of Defense records, which do include more recent casualties from Iraq and Afghanistan, confirm there was not a "Freddie Williams" or "James Fortenberry" killed in Iraq or Afghanistan.

After seeing his brother's misplaced name, Don Fortenberry said he planned to pursue a correction to the wall through the American Legion.

Fortenberry on Friday said he talked with Dickson, who said "he'd have to do some research into it to see what the problem was."

Fortenberry said he's not angry about the misplaced name.

"I'd just like to see the name put in the right spot," he said. "You're talking about a completely different place and time... If they're going to go to that much trouble to have a memorial, they need to do it correctly."



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The names of James Fortenberry and Freddie Williams, center, were engraved under the Iraqi Freedom section in the Lubbock War Memorial on 82nd Street, even though they died in Vietnam more than 35 years earlier. Efforts are being made to correct the error.

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