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## 2012 weather report

Friona's official weather guy John Gurley brought the 2012 weather results and a comparison to years past.

For 2012 he recorded 9.46" of moisture. The best month was May, 2012 with 2.22" of rain. In December, with the snow, he recorded 0.67" of moisture.

By comparison, in 2010, a good year, we received 20.15" of moisture. We fell hard in 2011, recording only 7.21" of moisture. We had freezing temperatures for lows throughout most of the month of December 2012



The home of Clarence and Peggy Monroe was the winner in the Chamber of Commerce Christmas decoration judging. The prize was \$100 in Friona Bucks.

## GED classes to begin in January

Registration and placement testing for GED classes will be held Monday, January 7, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Redeemer Center, 1304 Virginia. Those interested must attend the meeting. Classes will be Mondays and Wednesdays from 6-9 p.m. The first class for the spring session will be January 9, 2013. The instructor is Karen Renner.

## Caregiver support group meeting

The first caregiver support group meeting for 2013 will be Tuesday January 15 at 10 a.m. at Friona Heritage Estates. The meeting is open to the public and is for anyone interested in learning or needing support in the role of caregiver. Resource links, information, and support is available. Rhonda Sanders of Bluebonnet Home Health & Hospice says, "Come join us for coffee and learn what information is available." For more information call 806-247-0057.

## Suit: Bovina officials extorted residents

(Headline and article reprinted from the Saturday, December 29, Amarillo Globe-News front page. Article by Jim McBride.)

Nine people filed a federal civil rights lawsuit Friday against the city of Bovina, its ex-police chief and other officials, alleging they hatched an "illegal scheme" to harass some residents and extort money from them to fill city coffers.

The suit, filed in Amarillo's U.S. District Court, names as defendants former City Manager Jana Pitcock, Municipal Judge Donna Mitchell, former Police Chief Gary Sinclair

and former police officers Jonathan Jimenez, Manny Jimenez, and Owen Foster.

The suit was filed by Sandra Moreno, Carlos Moreno, Eliseo Castaneda, Federico Vela, Jose Vega Gonzales, Jose Vega, Briselda Rodriguez, Martha Jaramillo, and Rogelio Martinez.

"The pattern of harassment and extortion began following the city's decision to raise additional revenue by forcing citizens and property owners to make improvements to their property against their will," the suit said. "This illegal scheme, concocted by then-City Manager Jana

Pitcock, was approved by the City Council and implemented by the Bovina, Texas, Police Department."

The suit alleges, among other things, that police officers unlawfully arrested some of the plaintiffs for various offenses in 2010 and 2011, and that charges against most of them were dismissed.

The suit further claims former city officials engaged in a policy to generate revenues by harassing and illegally arresting some residents through false accusations.

The suit alleges former officer Jonathan Jimenez tried to file criminal charges

against one woman and instigated a failed complaint against her with Child Protective Services after she stopped Jimenez from stunning a handcuffed man with a Taser.

Police filed a criminal charge of interfering with a peace officer against the handcuffed man, the suit said, but the charge was dismissed about six months later.

The suit claims another man was arrested and forced to pay a \$324 fine for failing to have a three-digit number painted on the curb where he lived, a residence he did not own.

"No municipal judge or

other magistrate was present when the officers confiscated his money to pay for the citation," the suit claims.

The suit seeks unspecified damages against the plaintiffs for conspiracy, excessive force, and intentional infliction of emotional distress."

A woman who answered the phone Friday at Bovina City Hall said no one was available to comment on the lawsuit.

Hereford attorney James B. Johnston, who filed the suit, said Friday he could not comment on the case, but referred to the allegations contained in the lawsuit.

## Chamber accepting citizen nominations Banquet & live auction Tues. March 5

The Friona Chamber of Commerce banquet is Tuesday, March 5 at 6:30 p.m. at the community center. Tickets are \$25 and will be sold in advance only. No tickets at the door. A live auction will be held. Any business or individual

who wishes to donate auction items should contact the Chamber. Deadline for auction item donations is March 15.

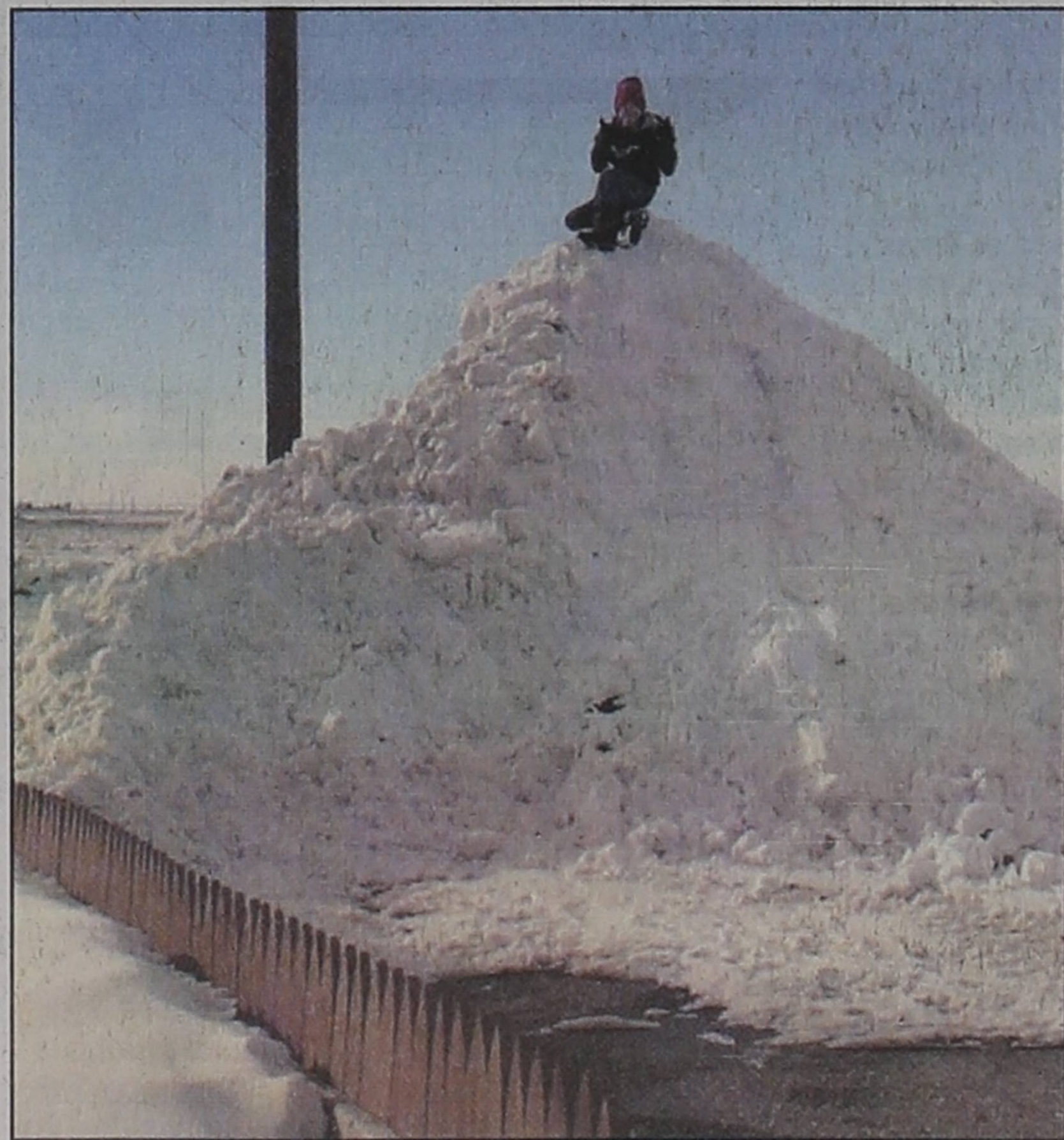
The Chamber will be accepting nominations for the annual citizen awards to be presented at the banquet.

If you want to nominate a deserving citizen for one of the following awards you can submit their name by picking up an application from the Chamber of Commerce office at 621 Main St. The deadline for submitting nominations is

3 p.m. Friday, February 15.

Award categories are: Citizen of the Year; Man and Woman of the Year; Girl and Boy Students of the Year; Most Courteous Employee; and Teacher of the Year. For more information about the nomina-

tion process contact the Chamber at 250-3491. The earlier nominations are submitted the more time the Chamber board has to review them. More banquet details will be published as they become available.

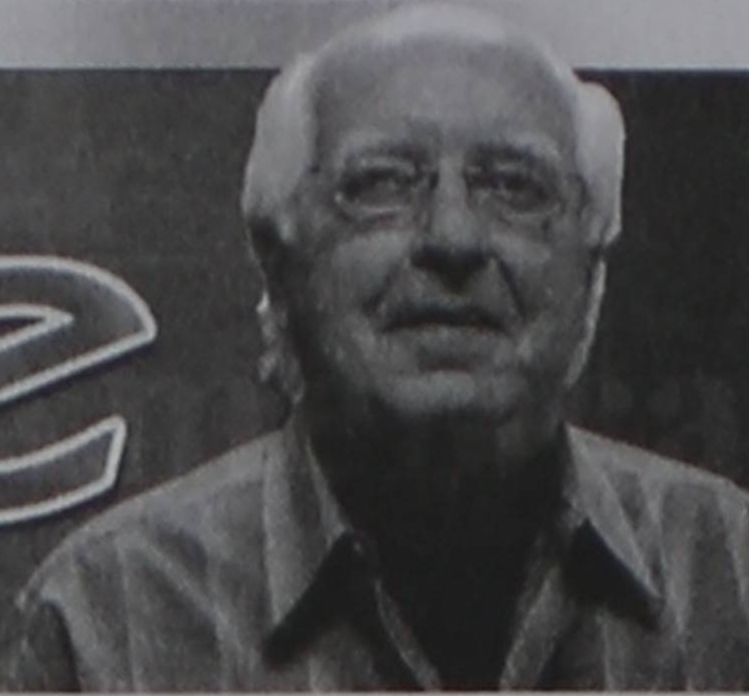


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The Christmas snow and wind caused deep drifts throughout the area. At left, Josh and Ricky Barnett look over the Barnett Igloos. At right is Rector Mountain, snow bladed into a pile from drifts around the house and barn of Rickey Rector. The 2" - 4" of snow received Christmas day amounted to about 0.35" of actual moisture.

# Out Here

By Ron Carr



King Kamehameha and King Obama are relaxing in Hawaii while the rest of us try to figure out what just happened.

It is reported that taxpayers will fork over more than \$4 million to pay for the Obama family's holiday sabbatical to the islands. The President was in Hawaii but flew home to participate in the arm twisting and negotiating of the tax hike on the rich. That is if you call making more than \$400,000 a year rich.

I had the extreme displeasure of listening to Harry Reid and Nancy Pelosi cackle about how they "saved the middle class" from an economic disaster. I can never really tell what Mrs. Pelosi is talking about. And Senator Reid? Well, he is the most dan-

gerous politician in America in my humble opinion.

Mr. Reid was lecturing the Republicans about revenue and expenses while his Senate has not passed a budget in almost four years. That should be a criminal offense.

Mr. Obama spoke late Tuesday night about how he promised to raise taxes and he did while making sure folks on Medicare continue to receive healthcare, yadda, yadda, yadda! He spoke like he was in a hurry. Didn't take any questions. Turns out he was in a hurry. Air Force One was leaving for Hawaii.

I make light of the politicians because that is the only way I can abide them. They are without accountability, above the common man, and totally dysfunctional.

They may know something about business practices but fail to apply any business principles to the operation of the government. Budget surpluses are a thing of the past.

Mr. Obama and his followers have no intention of cutting spending. On the contrary, they will be increasing spending and the tax hike they just approved will not cover even a miniscule portion of the spending increase. By the way, if you work for a paycheck, your Social Security tax deduction just went back to 6.2% from 4.2% so your checks will be a little smaller but you can be secure in the fact that you are giving your fair share.

On the plus side, we should have some really nice roads

and bridges soon. Oh, and they are giving \$49 million to some group for algae research. Seems the Democrats think algae can soon replace gasoline as the fuel of the future. And we might even send a NASA team to land on an asteroid.

The election is history. Obama won. The Republicans turned into a bag of wieners and wimps. There is no longer any one to turn to as a leader. Enjoy the next four years and be sure to try and get your share.

My hope would be that Americans would make an effort to be more informed about the government and the politicians but that ain't likely to happen.

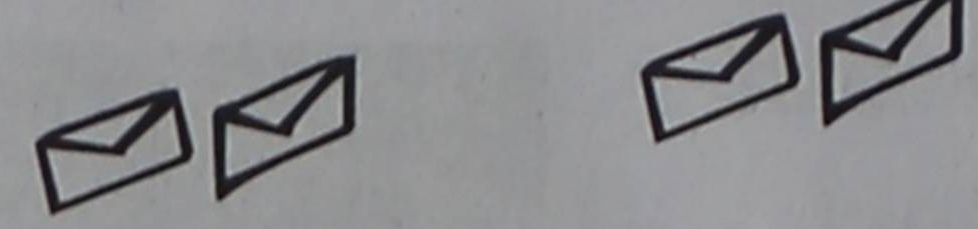
Have a great 2013 and God Bless America.

## Letters to the Editor

Thank you Friona for making Christmas a happy one for 54 kids. The United Way funds and all the donations from the citizens made this possible.

A big thanks to the USDA meat inspectors for the toys and food. Could not have done this without the help of several very special ladies helping me shop. And thanks Ron for all of your help.

Peggy Monroe  
Empty Stocking Fund



Congressman Randy Neugebauer released this statement after voting against the fiscal cliff deal negotiated by the Senate:

The last few days have been extremely disappointing. I promised my constituents to always vote for what I believe is in the best interest of West Texas and our country, and after carefully reviewing the Senate plan I decided this legislation did not meet that standard.

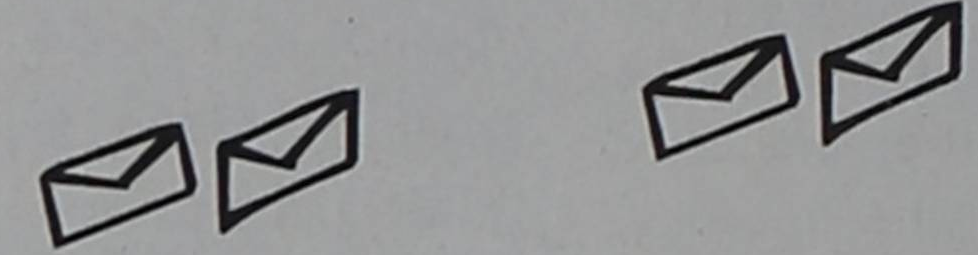
I support smaller government, lower taxes, and a balanced budget, but the Senate plan increased taxes and included no substantial spending cuts. The plan called for increasing taxes by \$41 for every one dollar reduction in spending, further funding the government's spending habit.

The American people work hard for their money and deserve to keep as much of it as possible. They already pay a substantial amount in taxes. I think it's irresponsible that our government isn't addressing its spending problem, but simply asking Americans for more money.

What's worse, this plan increases our \$16.4 trillion national debt by nearly \$4 trillion. The President campaigned on the fact we need to address the nation's exploding debt. He called on Congress to increase revenues and implement spending cuts. But in the end, the President and the Senate put together a bill that will push America further down the path to bankruptcy.

Washington continues to prove it cannot make the difficult decisions required to cut spending. This week our country hit our statutory debt limit yet again. I don't know of a clearer signal that we need to cut spending.

The President's policy of taxing, spending, and borrowing will severely limit the opportunities available to our children, grandchildren, and generations to come. I cannot, in good conscience, vote for legislation that kicks the can down the road yet again and does not seriously reform government spending.



Your title is nursing home but you are so much more than that. I know who you are. You are Prairie Acres Nursing Home.

It was you who gave quality nursing home care for my mother Grace Opal Strickland.

With such amazing kindness and compassion. It was you who helped me to see things that I couldn't see or perhaps didn't want to see. You touched my hand and comforted me with your understanding heart.

Several months went by and your presence in our lives became a priceless gift. Because of you I was able to relinquish some of the caregiving tasks that had fatigued me over the previous three years when I was the caregiver. Because of Prairie Acres I could rest a bit and restore my body and my mind. I was confident that my mother was being cared for with dignity and respect.

Soon you began to occupy a very special place in our hearts. A place of high honor! Perhaps I shall call you an angel. Angel of compassion and love.

You are a caregiver friend. You gave us strength when our hearts were so strained. You nourished us with gifts of love and compassion. You listened to our cares and concerns.

Did I ever really thank all of you? Can you ever really know how much the nursing home in our little town of Friona, Texas meant to both me and my mother.

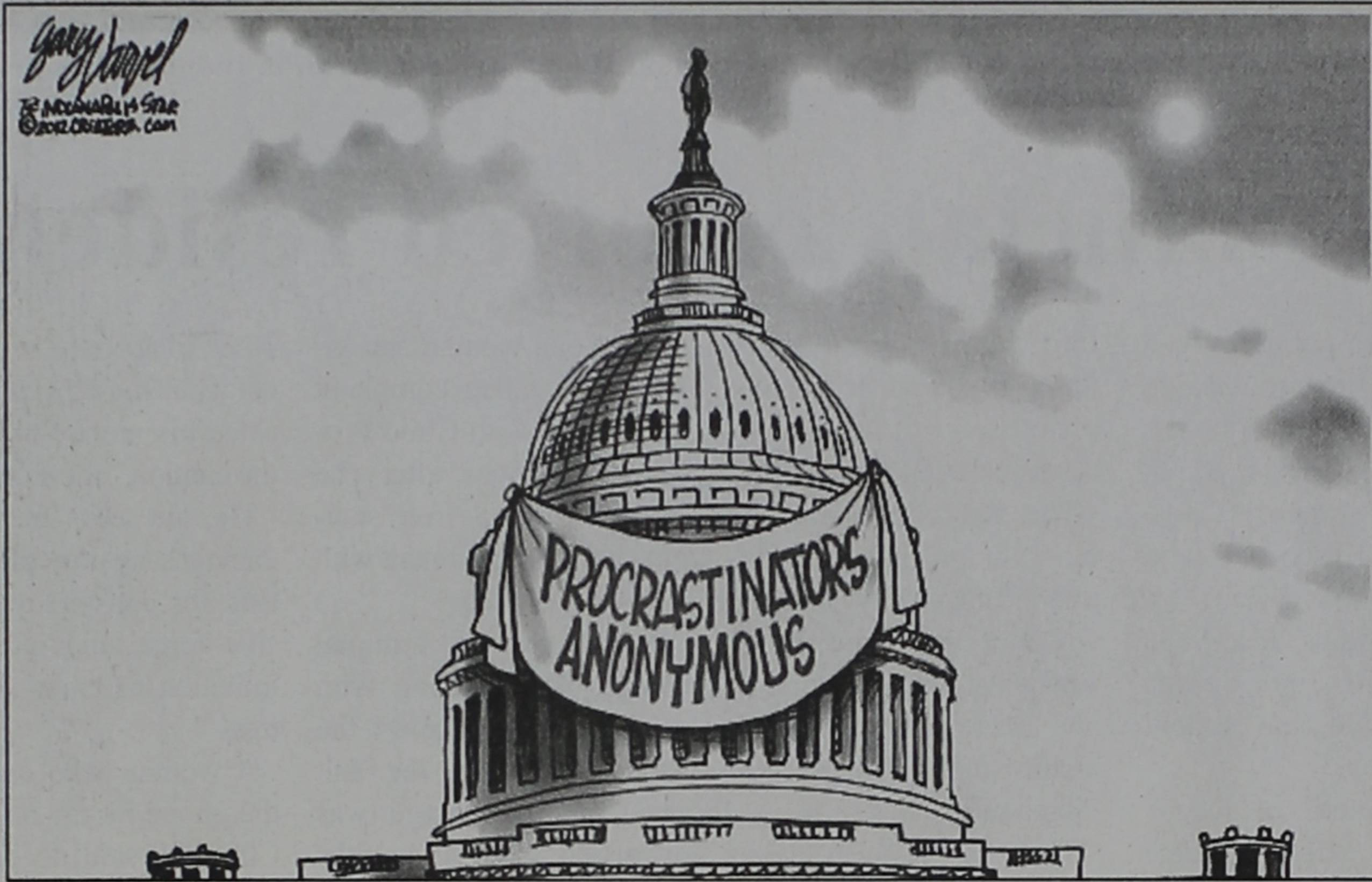
I guess it is never too late to say thank you but those words seem too inadequate. I would really like to tell you what a difference you made in my life. Most probably all of you don't often receive the praise and recognition you deserve.

And so today I am writing this letter. It comes with the utmost respect for the nursing home we have in our little town and the highest regard for the difficult tasks you perform each day.

It has taken quite a while for me to process the death of my mother. I see it as a perfect plan to bring me to where I am in my life now. As a caregiver I have first hand knowledge of the kind of nursing home we really have in Friona.

Our nursing home brings sunlight into the lives of the elderly and their families. What an incredible contribution you make in the sacred cycle of living and dying.

Elwanda Campbell  
Daughter of Grace Opal Strickland



## A resolution for rural America

By Chuck Hassebrook, Center for Rural Affairs

It's time for an adult conversation with rural Americans, said Secretary of Agriculture Vilsack. With our shrinking population, he said, we are becoming less relevant to American politics and we need to reverse it.

He makes an important point. But it goes both ways. It's also time for us rural folks to have an adult conversation with our representatives; because their politics in Washington are becoming less relevant to the challenges that confront us.

Take the farm bill for example. The big fight was about whether farm payments would be favored by Midwestern or southern interests. But the perfect payment won't help rural America if we lose our family farms. And as long as Washington provides unlimited farm and crop insurance subsidies to mega farms, it will subsidize them to drive family size farms out of business. But it's not being addressed.

Our small towns are also fighting for their lives—but not

for lack of potential. There are promising small business opportunities in small towns. And we have learned from experience that providing aspiring entrepreneurs with reasonable credit, business training, and help with business planning sprouts successful rural businesses.

But federal investment in rural small business and community development has fallen in half over the decade. We must invest in our future if we are to have a future. But you don't hear that in the farm bill debate.

Washington politics are losing relevance. It's up to us—to engaged citizens—to get them on course.

*(The Center for Rural Affairs was established in 1973 as an unaffiliated nonprofit corporation under IRS code 501(c)3. The Center for Rural Affairs was formed by rural Nebraskans concerned about family farms and rural communities and we work to strengthen small businesses, family farms and ranches, and rural communities.)*

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## Town Talk II

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2013, 2013, 2013. Practicing writing the correct year. Hope the date of this first 2013 edition of the Star is correct on the pages. Happy New Year everyone.

White Christmas indeed. The area received snow Christmas Eve night and into Christmas day. I stayed home warm all day. The scanner was busy as DPS troopers, Sheriff deputies, Bovina firemen and EMS were called to a variety of wrecks along Hwy 60 and Hwy 214. The local K3 wrecker service was in big demand on Christmas day as well. Thanks to all of the first responders in the county for your 24/7 service.

Karen Renner will be instructing a GED class beginning January 9, 2013 at the Redeemer Center, 1304 Virginia. Classes are from 6-9 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Registration and testing is Monday January 7 at 6 p.m. Those interested must attend the Monday meeting.

Former resident Andy Hurst has moved from Lubbock to an assisted living facility in Nacogdoches where he will be living near his son Rick and family.

Congratulations to Clarence and Peggy Monroe. They are the winners of the Chamber of Commerce Christmas decoration judging. The Monroes are neighbors of mine and their home was really well decorated this Christmas season, a deserved prize.

On Friday, December 21, Friona first graders went to the Methodist Church to ring the church bell 26 times in memory of the 26 people killed in the Newtown, Connecticut tragedy. They were participating in a nationwide bell ringing remembrance.

The 83rd Texas Legislature convenes January 8 for the biennial

140-day session. What are the odds something good will be accomplished? They typically introduce over 1,500 new laws to be passed. Don't we have enough laws already? Anything of interest happens we will let you know.

Floyd Reeve had a heart transplant in Dallas. They received the call Christmas Eve and the operation began at 10:20 p.m. that evening. It lasted about 6 hours. At this time Floyd is reported to be recovering well, has walked a few steps and doctors are tending to his kidneys. He is on dialysis for now but that is expected to be temporary. Floyd will be in the hospital for a few more days then has to stay in the Dallas area for 4-6 weeks. His transplant was the 4th of 5 transplants doctors performed during that period. Here's to a good full recovery and our thoughts remain with the Reeve family.

Anniversaries to report. Jeff and Monica Procter 16 years, Kirk and Annette Frye 28 years, and Kirby and Jonnie (Hand) Williams 52 years. Congratulations to all. We find some anniversaries on Facebook but if you have one upcoming let us know.

The Amarillo newspaper did not make it to Friona last Saturday due to a fire in the Globe-News offices late Friday evening. It did finally arrive a day late though.

Adriana Stowers was shopping at Dillard's in Amarillo before Christmas. She laid her cell phone down and someone stole it. The iPhones have a tracker in them. She was able to track her phone to an address in River Road in Amarillo. She called the Amarillo police who in turn called the residence and told them if they have it better turn it in. Sure enough a day later it was dropped off with the police

and Adriana now has it back. My daughter Megan had a similar experience in Denton and got her phone back. The lesson is don't steal an iPhone. On second thought, don't steal period.

Shaylee Anderson, daughter of Denise Anderson of Bovina, is a 6'1" senior on the Texico basketball team. She has been a volleyball and basketball standout for the Lady Wolverines for four years. The Clovis News Journal reported that Shaylee suffered a season-ending knee injury before Christmas and will miss the rest of her senior year. Always hate to see something like that happen to our high school athletes. Keep smiling Shaylee, there is a big future ahead.

School starts back on Monday Jan 7. The Chiefs and Squaws travel to Dimmitt Friday Jan 4 to resume district play. They host Littlefield here Tuesday Jan 8. Game time is 5 p.m. for JV, 6:30 p.m. for Squaws and 8 p.m. for the Chiefs. Been some real good food at the concession stand so come out and support Chiefs and Squaws basketball.

The Parmer County Junior Livestock Show is coming up January 16, 17, and 19 at the community center. A dairy show is Jan 15, weigh-in and classing is Jan 16, the show starts at 8 a.m. Jan 17 and the sale starts at 1 p.m. Jan 19. Good luck to all the youngsters competing in the 2012 livestock show. The local Friona livestock show is Sunday January 13, also at the community center.

At Prairie Acres, the resident of the month is Virgie Wikle and the employee of the month is Lupe Cordova. The staff sends thanks for everyone who adopted a resident for Christmas. The Christmas party was a success with the Methodist Bell Choir

entertaining, and Sharon White and Allison Johnston leading Christmas carols. The Prairie Acres Santa was Devin Black. Administrator Billy Ray Johnston says there will be a community work day in the near future to paint a hall of rooms.

Peggy Monroe and her group of Empty Stocking Fund volunteers went shopping in Amarillo and provided 54 children with needed clothing from Santa.

The USDA inspectors at Cargill provided toys and food to the Empty Stocking Fund program for distribution to the children. The goods were delivered to the school and the parents were notified to come and pick up the gifts for Santa. Nice job folks. Bless you all.

Holly Campbell has been recovering at home after foot surgery Dec 27. Holly usually proofs our newspaper every

week so if there is a glaring error in this week's Star it is all Holly's fault. Take it easy and get back on your "foot" real soon Holly. We miss you around here.

Okay, well, here we are in 2013. No choice but to make the best of it. This is the first of 52 Stars coming your way this year. We hope you will come along. Until then!



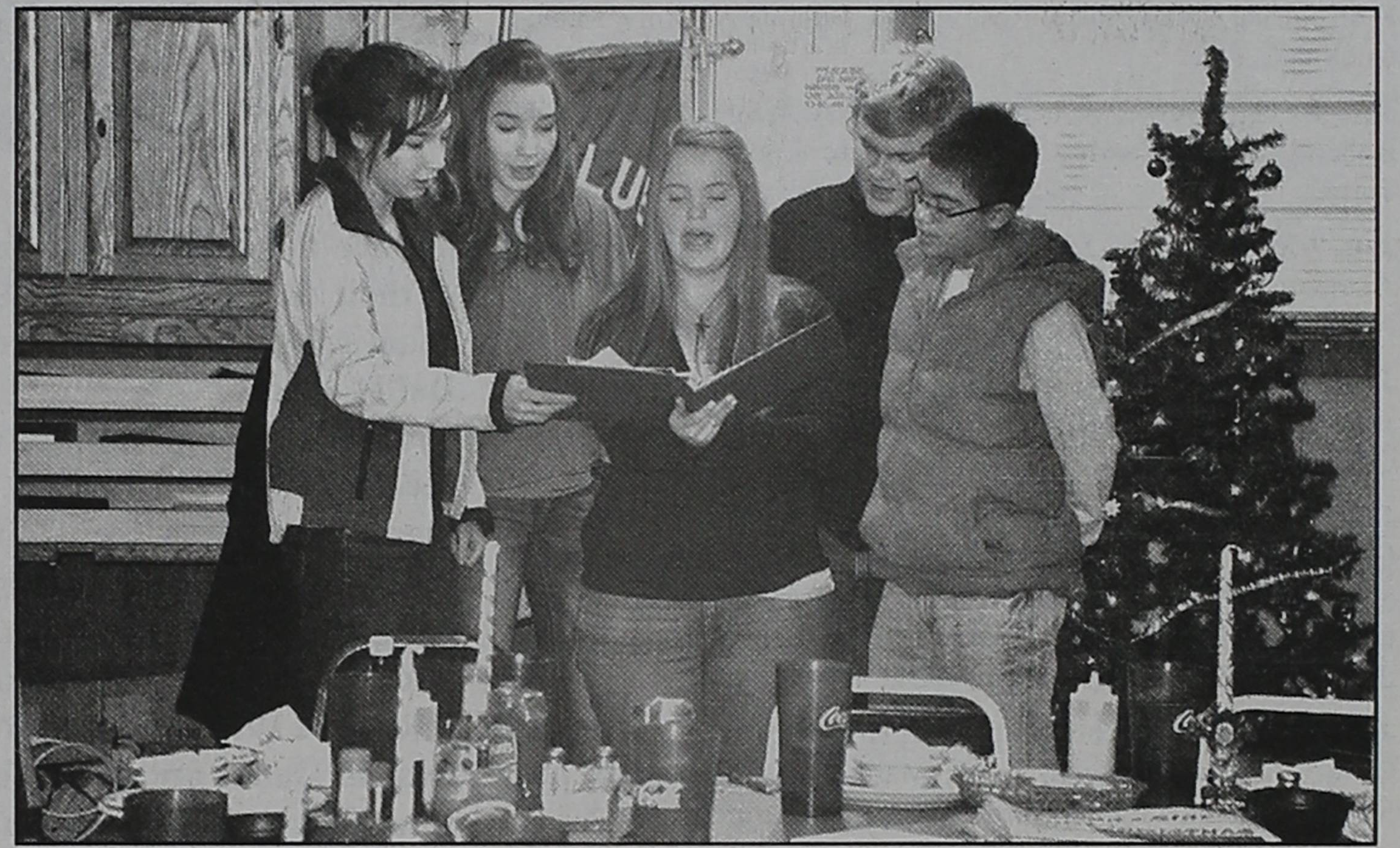
### Lions Club News

The Friona Noon Lions regular meeting December 20 had 17 members and five guests present. Boss Lion Clint Mears cooked steaks served with trimmings by the Headquarters Restaurant girls. Club sweetheart Holly Johnston and four of her high school choir mates sang Christmas carols then led the Lions members in some carol singing.

Clint Mears reported the club raised over \$1,800 at the football game burger and fries tailgate party

in November. Thanks to everyone in the community for their support of the Lions Club. Choir members attending the meeting were Cassidy and Candice Malone, Isaac Gallardo, and Haden Smiley.

The Noon Lions will meet Thursday Jan 3 and Thursday January 17 at Headquarters Restaurant. The club meets the first and third Thursday of each month and new members are always needed and welcome.



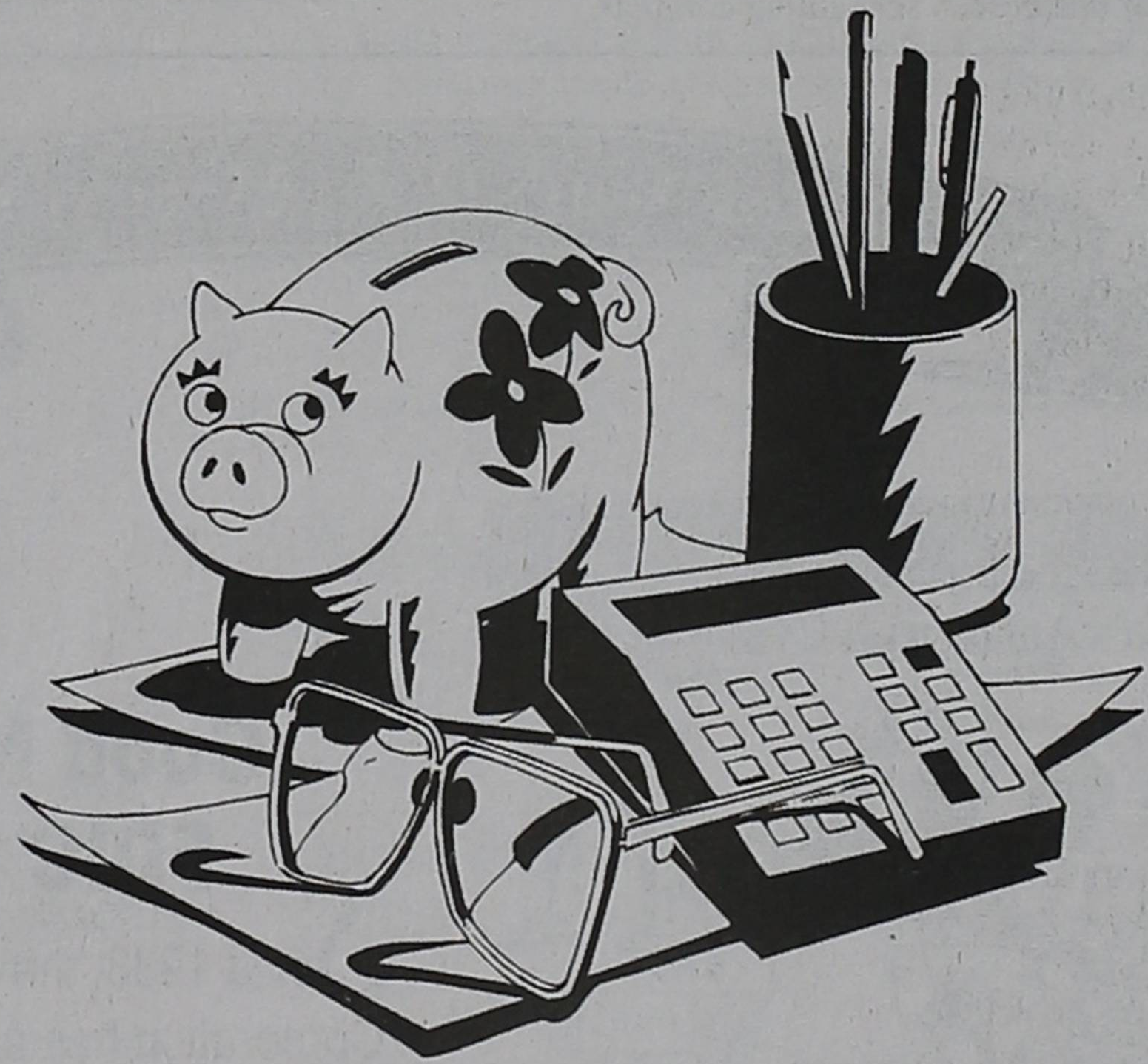
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Friona high school choir members, l-r, Cassidy and Candice Malone, Holly Johnston, Haden Smiley and Isaac Gallardo sang Christmas carols for the Noon Lions December 20 meeting.



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The Friona and Lazbuddie 4-H Clubs delivered sweat suits to Prairie Acres residents for Christmas.

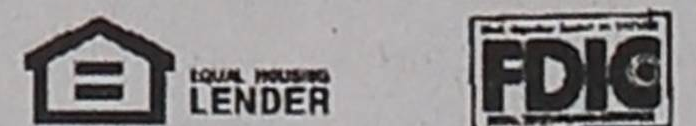
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**Dec. 30, 2012 – Jan. 12, 2013**

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

**Dec. 30-**Jerry Goen, Larry Sanders, Jessie Gonzales, Jianna Davenport, Sarah Hendley, Jessica Jamerson

**Dec. 31-**Bill Ellis, Glenda Ellis Kitten, Keith Martin, Staci Murphree, Oscar Torres, Michelle Stanberry, Frankie Lindeman, Emily Marie Epperson, Janice Richards, Tonya Rainey

**Jan. 1-**Hack Corbell, Gary Stowers, Richard Wilson, Cordella Jeter, Loree Myers, Benny Pryor, Corbin Jay Potts

**Jan. 2-**John Bill McFarland, Sunny Horton Ratliff, Dr. Neil Veggeberg, Buford Hartwick, Jose Luis Prieto, Deanna Duke, Sherry Carr, Cynthia Escobedo

**Jan. 3-**Vicki Kube, Jennifer Brockman Baize, Marriott Horton, Jeremy Reed, John Jarecki, David Moseley, Jolynn Tongate, Keylan Moore, Dale Mann, Jayden Merket, Vondale Mann

**Jan. 4-**Wanda Wilhelm Gibson, Debbie Stowers, Mike Sunderlin, Judy Hromas, Brad Hromas, Peter Vanegas, Sandra Cockerham, Joe Black, Sr., Sterling Osborn

**Jan. 5-**Courtney Stowers, Carolyn Kaufman, Keith Moore, Jalyn Scott, Destiny Sandoval, Sarah Zagorin, Nora Fuentes, Charlise Eubanks, Ricky Jamerson, Jim Bob Scott, John Allen, Elsie Allen

**Jan. 6-**Wesley Barnett, Randy Lee Sharpe, Megan Conlee, Linda Griffin, Don Teague, Carlene Grissom, Zachary Duke

**Jan. 7-**Jeff Hamilton, Mike Lamb, Laquita Dodson, Harold Taylor, Kelli Spring, Drew Baize, Rosa Anaya, Belinda Anthony, Michael Cook

**Jan. 8-**Dave Buske, Ruben Gomez, Betty White, Richard Allen Roberts, Sherry Dawn Campos, Richard London, Loren Marie Turner

**Jan. 9-**Joe Bill Jones, Jennifer Baker, Joel Hight, Cindy Weatherly, Anthony Nunley, Lorine White, Mitchell Wiseman, Galen Carson, Aaron Ramon, Jerry Rocha, Ava Lee Daigle

**Jan. 10-**Chris Houlette, Ben Neelley, Loy Loanman, Joshua Snyder, Jeff Moser, Larry Rogers, Rocky Bartlett, Gaylon Rhodes, David Collins, Roscoe Parr

**Jan. 11-**Harold Reed, Slade Clark, Sam Landrum, Michael Jeter, Cleburne Stokes, Angela Green, Leanna Grissom, Bennie Widner, Monica Dominguez, Maria Mendoza, Frances Milner, Arlisa Denton, Angela Thompson, Erith Hawkins, Juan D. Hernandez, Geraldine Taylor, B. J. Widner, Adam Jucha

**Jan. 12-**Gary Don Schueler, Charles Hough, Sherri Jo Rector, Jeff Brown, V'Lynda Wilcox, Loren Martin, Jesse Castaneda, Andy Stormes, Melinda Ramon, Brett Riley, John Harmon, Saidi Soliz

## State Health Services immunization schedule

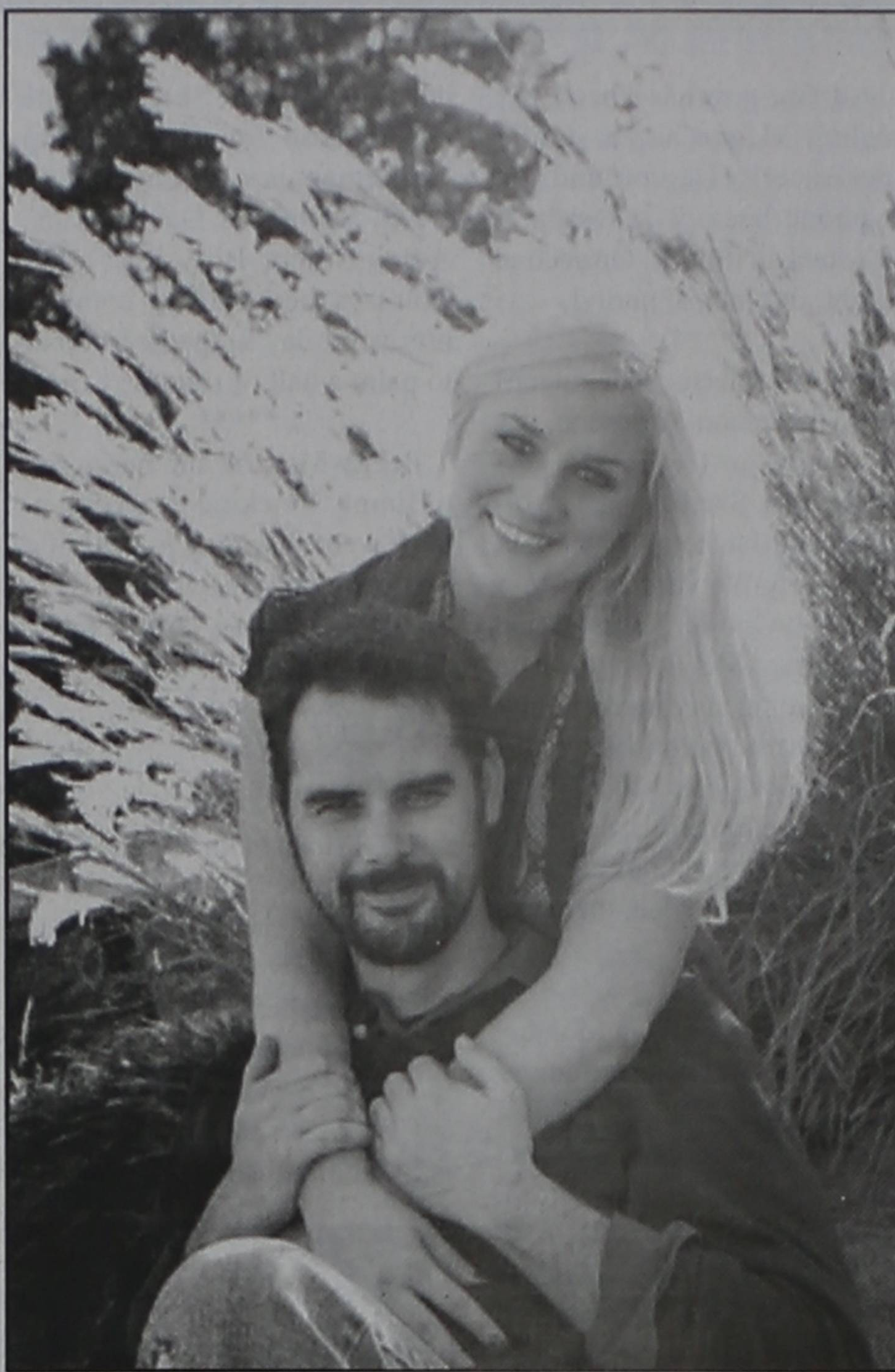
The Department of State Health Services immunization clinic schedule for January 2013:

January 7 in Friona at the Migrant Center, 618 Main. Hours 9:30-11:30 a.m., first 10 clients and 1-3 p.m. first 10 clients.

January 14 in Bovina at the EMS building, 109 3rd St. Hours 1:30-3:30 p.m. first 10 clients. January 14 in Farwell at the community center. Hours 9:30-11:30 a.m., first 10 clients.

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

## Engagement



Randy and Sarah Geries of Friona proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Andrea Lynn Geries, to Rhett Michael King, son of Mark King and Elaine King, of Dallas, Texas.

Andrea, a 2005 graduate of Friona High School, received her MS Degree in Hospitality and Management from Texas Tech University in 2010. She currently lives and works in Dallas. Andrea is the granddaughter of Sam and Donna Mears of Friona and the late Don and Linda Geries of Farwell.

Rhett, a 1996 graduate of Duncanville High School, lives in Dallas and is currently Director of Partnerships for a private advertising firm.

Andrea and Rhett will be married March 15, 2013, in Dallas where they also plan to make their home.

## Sheriff's Report

In 287th District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

On December 6, 2012, Arleen Keithley, 32, of Muleshoe, charged with violation of community supervision, was sentenced to community supervision revoked, 18 months State Jail Division (TDCJ), \$611 court costs, \$250 fine, and \$140 restitution.

On December 11, 2012, Aureliano Gonzalez, 31, of Friona, charged with DWI 3rd or more, was sentenced to 6 years in TDCJ, probated 6 years, \$484 court costs, and a \$1,000 fine.

On December 11, 2012, Michael Don Bomer, 55, of Muleshoe, charged with attempted aggravated assault, was sentenced to 3 years deferred adjudication, \$324 court costs, \$500 fine, and \$1,616 restitution.

On December 11, 2012, Victor Castillo, 34, of Fort Sumner, charged with possession of a controlled substance, was sentenced to 6 months in Parmer County jail, \$299 court costs, and \$140 restitution.

On December 11, 2012, Victor Pena, 46, of Dimmitt, charged with manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance, was sentenced to 6 years deferred adjudication, \$384 court costs, \$1,000 fine, and \$140 restitution.

On December 11, 2012, Juan Martinez, 38, of Friona, charged with evading arrest, was sentenced to 3 years deferred adjudication, \$324 court costs, and \$1,000 fine.

On December 12, 2012, Jessie Dimas, 41, of Friona, charged with possession of a controlled substance, was sentenced to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for five years, \$384 court costs, \$1,500 fine, and \$140 restitution.

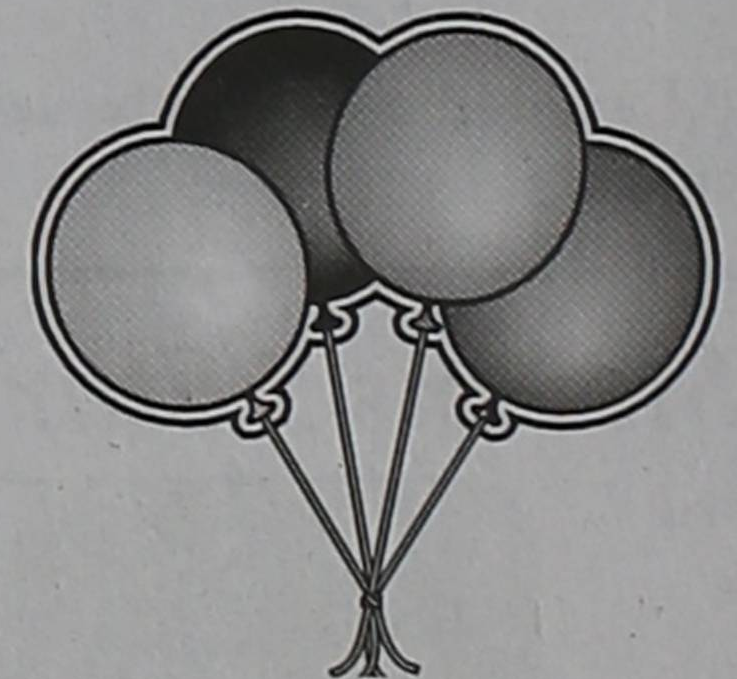
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## New Arrival

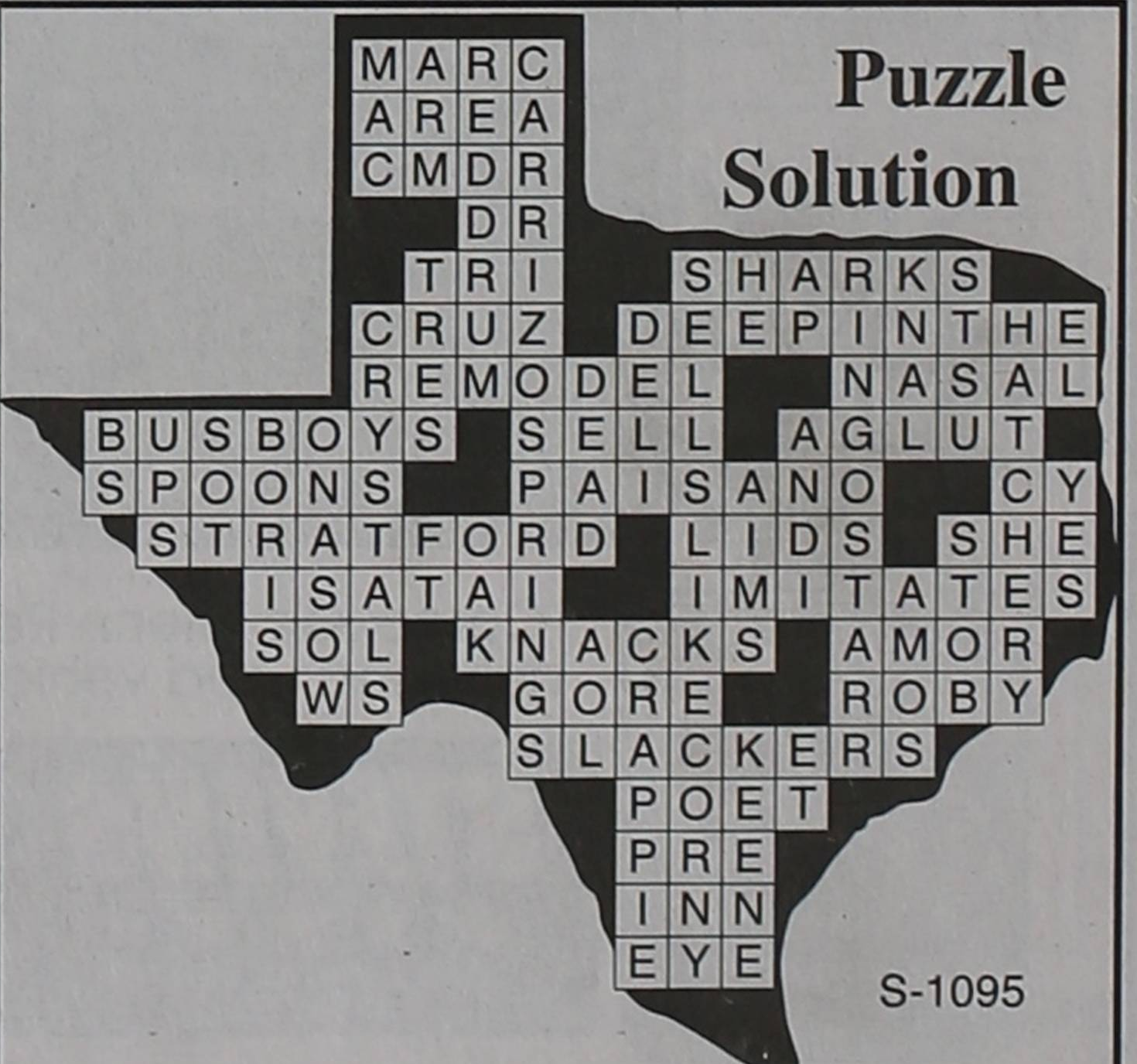


Bryleigh Addison Field was born December 22, 2012, at 11:15 a.m. at Baptist St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo. She was 7 lbs 2 oz and 19 1/4 inches long. Proud parents welcoming their first child are Lance and Brittany Field.

Proud grandparents are Jon and Laura Field and Mark and Belinda Anthony, all of Friona. Great-grandparents are James and Kristina Anthony of Friona, C.B. and Norma Eddins of Portales, New Mexico, and L.D. and Sue Taylor of Hereford. Great-great-grandparents are Katherine Woodard and Jaunice "Tiny" Taylor of Friona, Jo Field of Amarillo, and Donald Smith of Hartley, Texas.



## Puzzle Solution

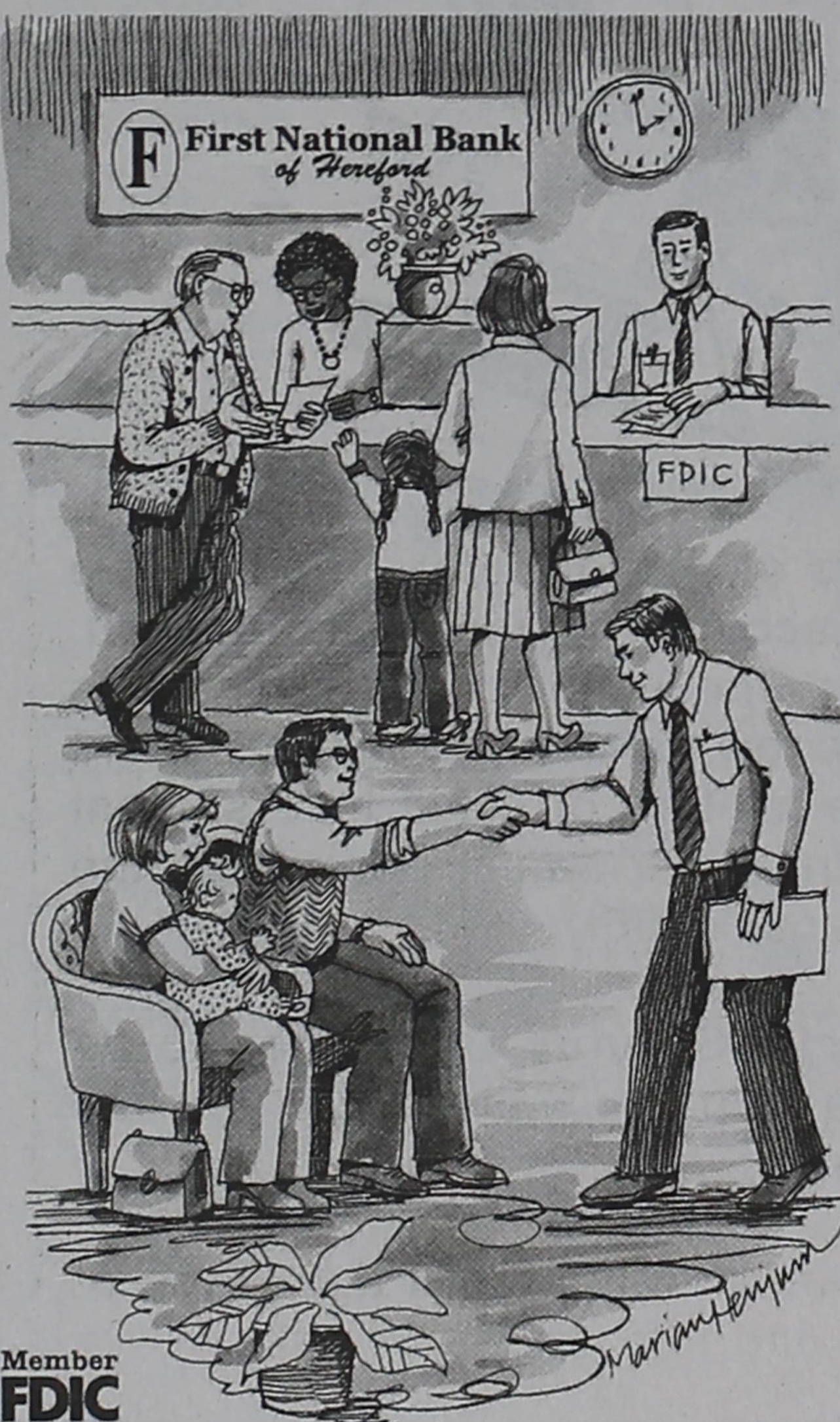


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## Parmer County Extension offers opportunities

By Benji Henderson, County Extension Agent

As we are going into a new year, we at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office in Parmer County would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension offers many opportunities for the citizens of Parmer County. Shana Fleming, County Extension Agent Family and Consumer Sciences and I, Benji Henderson, County Extension Agent Agriculture, would like to let all the citizens of the county know that we are

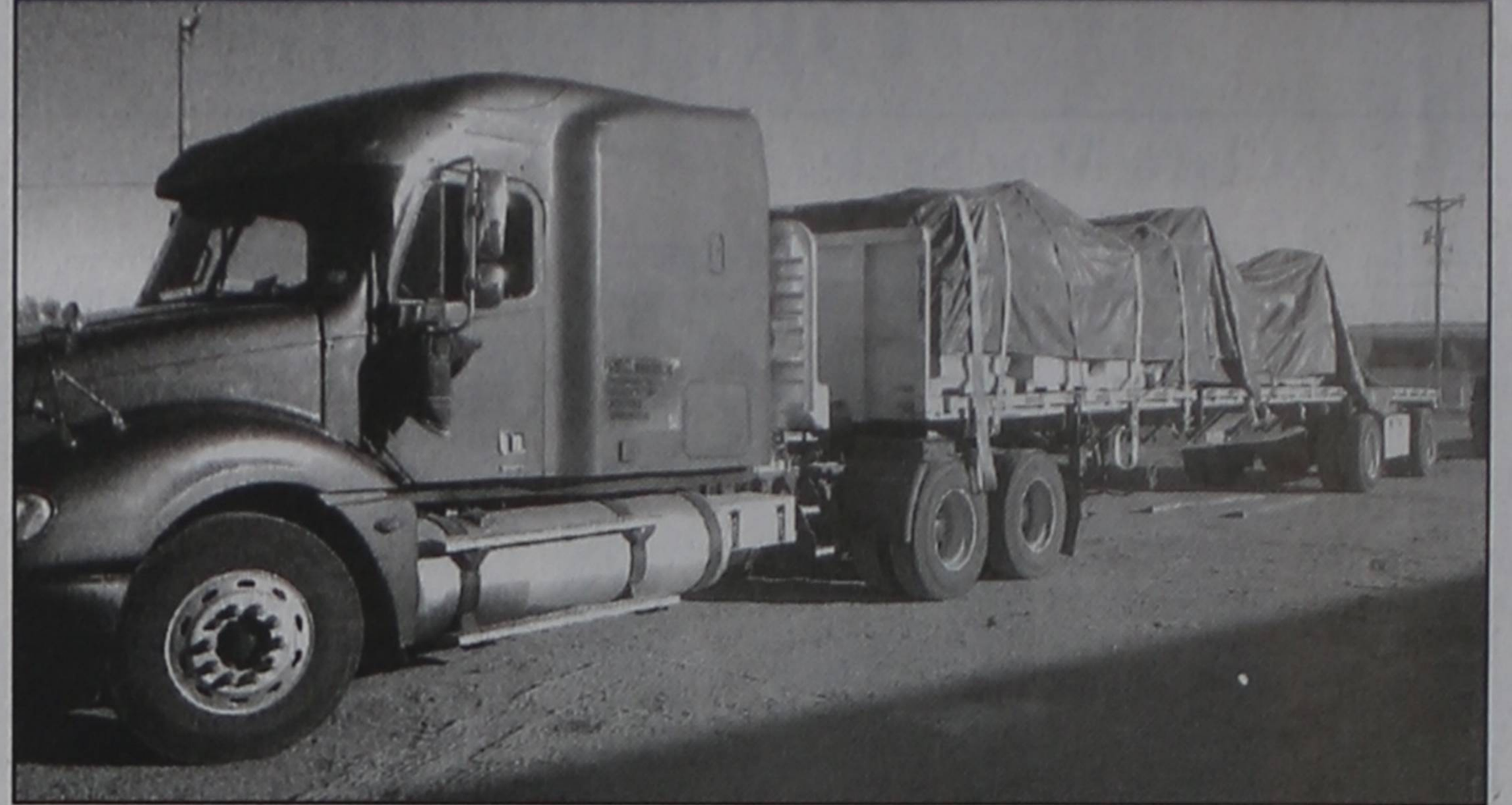
available for your needs.

The extension programs offer educational events in agriculture production, horticulture, Better Living for Texans, healthy lifestyles, emergency management, community and economic development, and 4-H and Youth Development.

We as agents offer educational events in which we are working to improve the lives and aid our clientele in all of their needs. As we move into 2013 we would like to invite you as the citizens of Parmer

County to call us when you have a need that we can help you with.

We are housed on the third floor of the Parmer County Courthouse and may be reached daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at our office, 806-481-3619. Again, we are here to serve the needs of Parmer County citizens and have many resources at hand to serve your needs through the Texas A&M system. We look forward to serving you in 2013.



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This truck is loaded with all of the old computers and other electronics collected by the City of Friona for recycling this year. It delivered the load to a recycling center in Tulia. This is the third year the city has participated in the recycling program and it has grown each year.

# INGRAM'S

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### School menu

Here is the breakfast and lunch menu for Jan 7-11, 2013.

Monday Jan 7

Choice of cereal, yummy muffin, sausage, orange juice, ice cold milk.  
Chicken nuggets, hot rolls, mashed potatoes, broccoli, applesauce, ice cold milk

Tuesday Jan 8

Cereal variety, breakfast biscuit, mandarin oranges, apple juice, ice cold milk  
Steak fingers, hot rolls, lettuce & tomato salad, carrot sticks, fruit cocktail, ice cold milk

Wednesday Jan 9

Choice of cereal, pig in a blanket, orange juice, ice cold milk  
Hamburger, baked beans, French fries, grapes, ice cold milk

Thursday Jan 10

Cereal variety, breakfast pizza, apple juice, ice cold milk  
Popcorn chicken, crackers, green beans, corn, tropical fruit, ice cold milk

Friday Jan 11

Choice of cereal, donuts, orange juice, ice cold milk  
Tacos, refried beans, Mexican rice, pineapple, ice cold milk



gary cash photo

Dr Gary Cash says of this photo "Sometimes when you go "birding" you get a bonus. Those horns are sharp. I wouldn't want to stir him up!"

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### Friona School Calendar for January 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 -New Year's Holiday	2 -New Year's Holiday	3 -New Year's Holiday	4 -JVB/JVG/VG/VB Basketball @ Dimmitt 5/5/6:30/8:00 -Teacher Workday	5
6	7 -BEGIN 4TH SIX WEEKS -7th/8th/9th Basketball vs. Abernathy Girls (T) Boys (H) 5:00/6:15/7:30	8 -JVB/JVG/VG/VB Basketball vs. Littlefield 5/5/6:30/8:00	9	10	11 -Area Choir Auditions @ Abilene -Elementary Awards Assembly -JVB/JVG/VG/VB Basketball @ Tulia 5/5/6:30/8:00	12 -Area Band Auditions @ Lubbock
13 -Local Stock Show	14 -7th/8th/9th Basketball vs. Muleshoe Girls (H) Boys (T) 5:00/6:15/7:30	15 -JVB/JVG/VG/VB Basketball @ Abernathy 5/5/6:30/8:00	16	17	18 -All Region Clinic for JH and FHS Bands -JVB/JVG/VG/VB Basketball vs. Muleshoe 5/5/6:30/8:00	19 -All Region Concerts for JH and FHS Bands @ WTAMU Mary Moody Northern Hall in Canyon @ 2:00 p.m.
20	21 -Primary Book Fair	22 -Primary Book Fair -JVB/JVG/VG/VB Basketball vs. Melrose 5/5/6:30/8:00	23 -Primary Book Fair	24 -Primary Book Fair -JH Basketball Tournament @ Friona	25 -Primary Book Fair -Elementary D.E.A.R. Day -JVB/JVG/VG/VB Basketball @ Olton 5/5/6:30/8:00 -Kindergarten to Discovery Center	26 -JH Basketball Tournament @ Friona
27	28 -7th/8th/9th Basketball vs. Olton Girls (T) Boys (H) 5:00/6:15/7:30	29 -JVB/JVG/VG/VB Basketball vs. Dimmitt 5/5/6:30/8:00	30	31		

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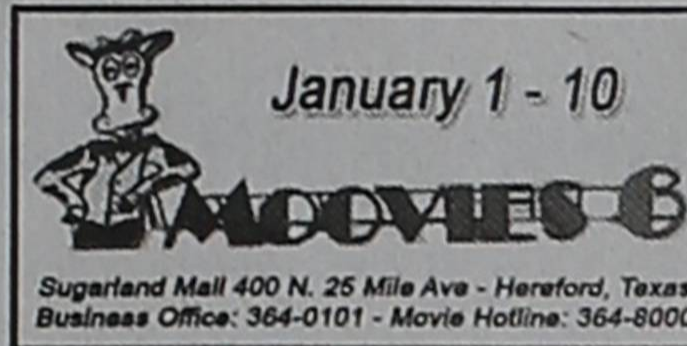


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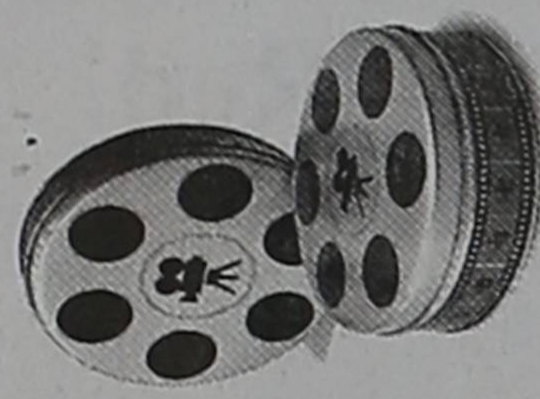
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**Les Miserables**  
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 R 1:00 • 4:20 • 7:30

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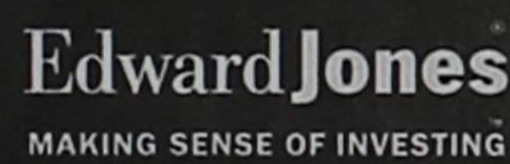
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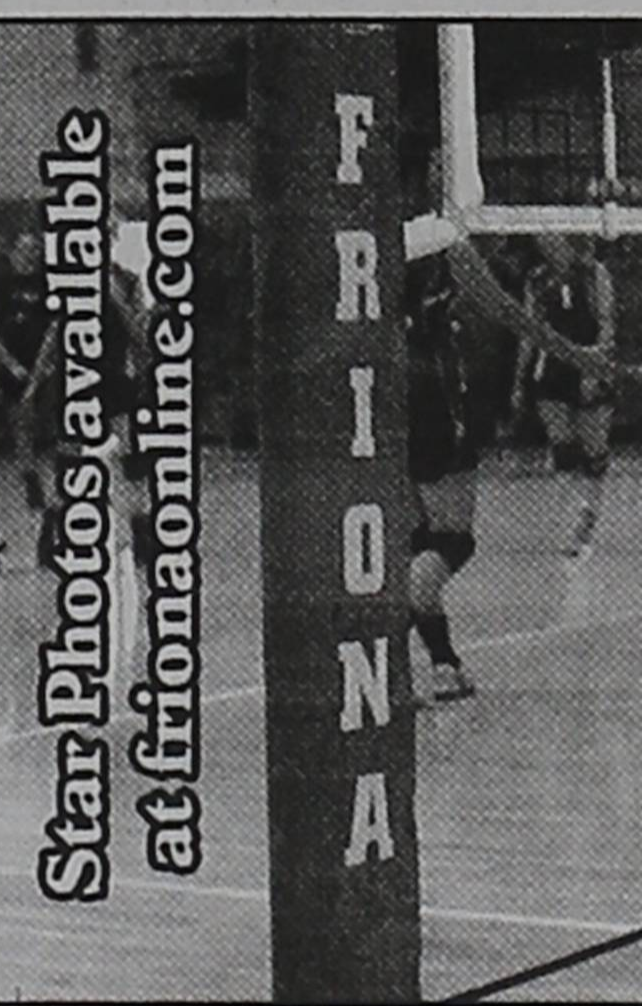
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