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## City council will okay elections, discuss school resource officer

The Friona city council will meet in regular session Monday February 11 at 6:30 p.m. in council chambers, 619 Main St. All council meetings are open to the public. Time for public comments is always included in the agenda prior to any business items.

Among other business, the council will consider and take action on an order calling for the city officers and special officer election to be held May 11, 2013. The council will also consider a resolution authorizing a joint election agreement with Friona ISD. Both the city and school elections, if needed, will then be held in the same location at 619 Main St.

(The sign-up period for a seat on the city council or school board is now open until March 1, 2013. There are four openings on the city council, including the mayor, and two on the school board. Applications are available at city hall or the school administration office.)

In law enforcement business the council will consider the 2012 Friona Police Department racial profiling report, consider a resolution to sub-

mit a criminal justice division application to the Office of the Governor, and consider approval of an agreement between the city and school district for a school resource officer.

The council will "Consider and take action on approval of a resolution supporting the legislative activities of the Alliance of Xcel Municipalities (AXM) during the 83rd legislative session of the Texas legislature with regard to regulations of electric utilities."

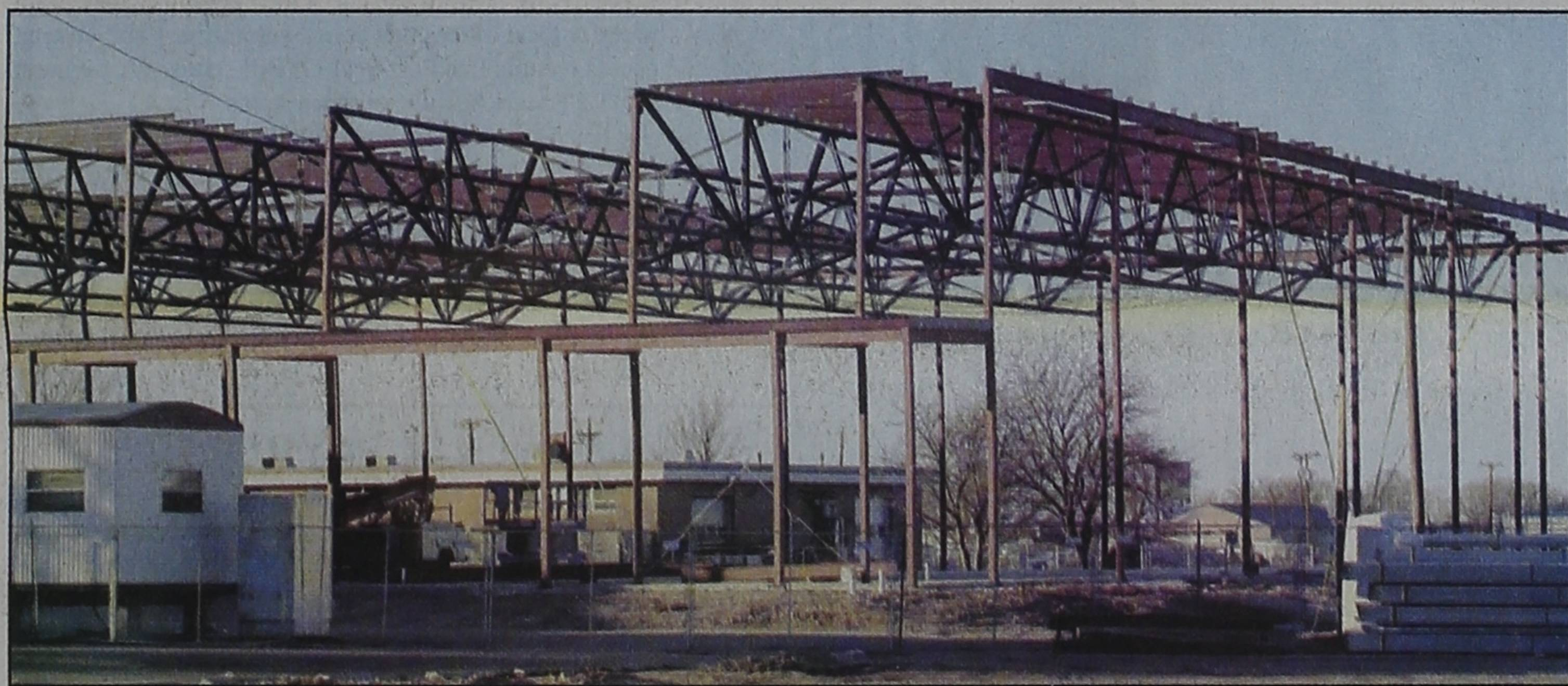
A request will be considered from the Friona Economic Development Corporation to pay \$14,936.00 due to Playground Etc., until the Amarillo Area Foundation can disburse funds in April. This is for the new playground area at Reeve Lake behind Fast Stop.

Accounts payable and the financial statement for January 2013 will be discussed and voted on. All business items included in this report are on the tentative agenda and subject to change. The final official agenda for the meeting is posted on the city hall window Friday afternoon, 72 hours prior to the meeting.



ron carr photo

The 2013 Friona High School Basketball King and Queen are Jake DeWitt and Dakotah Hicks. The two seniors were announced Tuesday night at Friona gym before the games with Tulia. Congratulations Jake and Dakotah.



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Work continues on the high school activity center. The trusses were lifted into place last week.

## Free baby items, pre-natal classes

The Healthy Baby Coalition of Parmer County is having sign-up for free pre-natal classes Saturday February 9 from 9 – 11 a.m. in the conference room at Parmer Medical Center. All expectant mothers are encouraged to register for the free classes.

Mothers who participate in the classes earn points to use for free baby items for their newborn. Classes are available in English and Spanish. The coalition will also be accepting donations of new or gently used baby items at the same time.

For more information about the coalition contact Heidi Eichenauer at 806-250-2754 or JoDonna Terry at 295-8291.

# Deceased Baseball Hero Stan Musial Touched The Life of A Friona Family

By Carol Ellis

People in this part of the country have been using wind energy for many decades; especially if their family farm bordered the line between Parmer and Bailey Counties. Bill Ellis grew up on the family farm in Bailey County during the 1940's and early '50's, where they had an irrigation pump for the field and a windmill for water to the house. Then there was the smaller windmill up next to the house to be used as a battery charger to run the radio.

Little Billy, his Grandpa Ellis, and a few uncles and cousins would hunker around that big old Philco radio and listen to the baseball games every time an opportunity came along. Little Billy got inspired listening to those games. Between doing chores on the farm, he spent hours out in the back yard pitching a ball onto the porch steps where it would bounce back to him as he caught it in his mitt. He imagined himself growing up to be another Mickey Mantle, Roger Maris, Hank Aaron, Stan Musial, Roberto Clemente, Warren Spahn, or Sandy Koufax. Of all those, Stan Musial

was his favorite. At that time, Bill did not realize he would one day grow up and personally meet his hero Stan Musial.

After graduating from Texas Tech in 1959, Bill and wife Carol, went out to California for a "vacation". Bill found a job as a sports writer on the daily San Mateo Times, located on the San Francisco Peninsula, which was a pretty plum job for a youngster just fresh out of college. He got to cover the Olympic Trials of 1960, the first ever American Football League game, the 1961 Major League All-Star baseball game and the Cardinals vs. San Francisco Giants at Candlestick Park.

Out on the field and wearing a badge identifying himself as a member of the press, Bill had the opportunity to photograph and speak to many of his favorite players from back in the days of listening to those games on the radio long ago down on the farm. The best part of all was when he went to the dressing room after the Cardinals game to shake the hand and interview his all-time hero Stan Musial.

Bill says Musial was a fine

gentleman who treated him just like he would any of the more experienced sports reporters. At that point in his life, Bill still looked like a high school kid. He was so impressed with Musial that he named his first son Stanley Ellis, born at Parmer County Hospital in 1964.

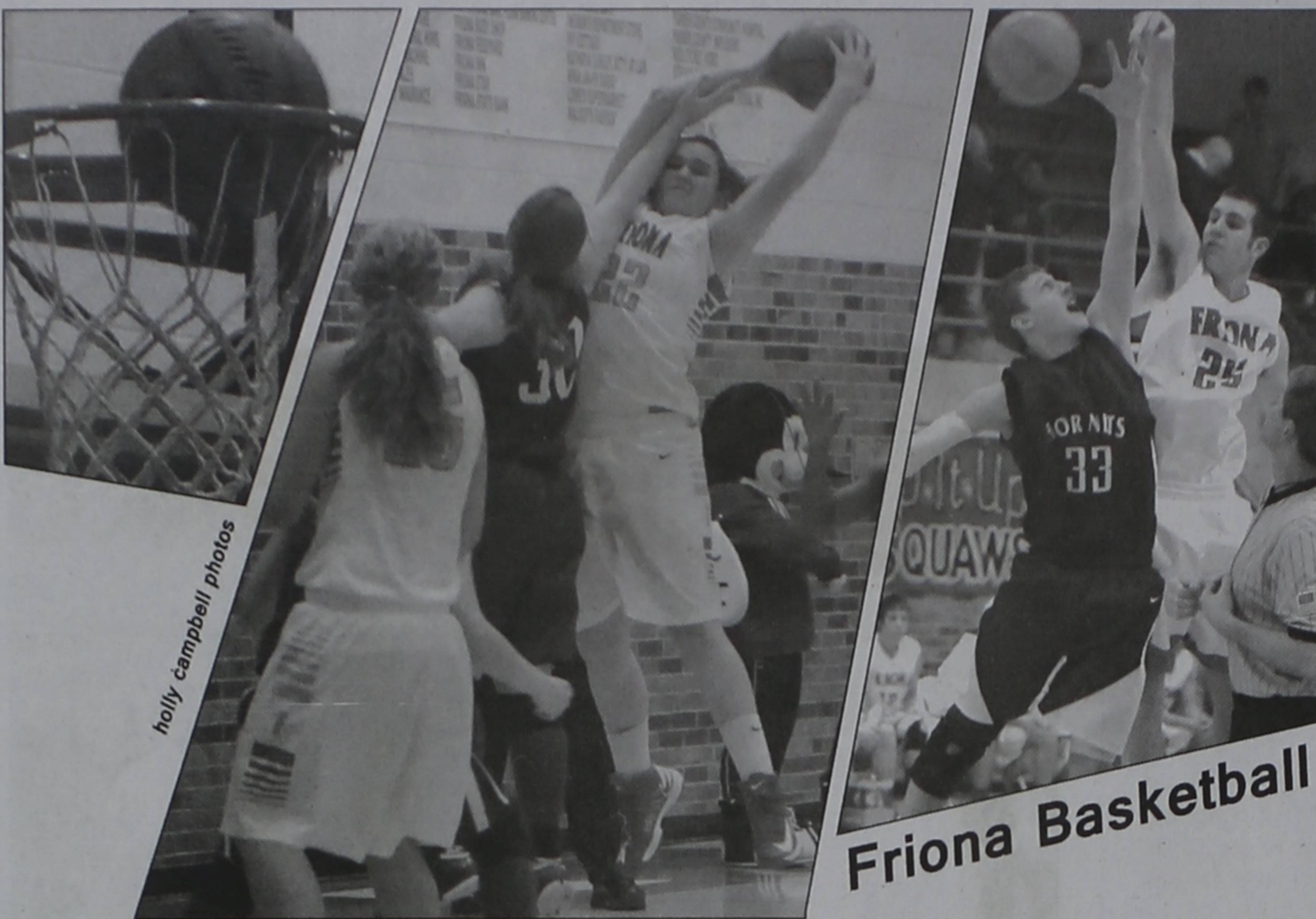
Five years ago Stan Ellis, living and working in San Antonio, decided to do something he had never done before. He would write a fan letter to Stan Musial in St. Louis, Missouri, telling him about being his namesake and to ask if there might be a chance of actually meeting his Dad's hero. At that time, Musial was getting up in years and the chance to meet did not happen, but he was kind enough to autograph a bat and send it to his younger namesake down in Texas. It was a total surprise to Stan who wasn't really expecting a reply or anything else.

Mr. Musial passed away last month in St. Louis (Jan.19, 2013), at the age of 93.

Stan Ellis is pretty doggone proud of that autographed bat and has had it framed under a glass box.



Father and son, Bill and Stan Ellis, admire the autographed baseball bat sent to Stan from his Dad's hero, Stan Musial of St Louis, Missouri. Bill and Carol, gave their first boy the name Stanley because Stan Musial was Bill's all time hero.



**-- Randy's Roundup --**

**A Weekly Newsletter  
from Congressman  
Randy Neugebauer**

**A Tragedy for America**  
This weekend, America lost a hero and I lost a friend. Chris Kyle, a decorated Navy SEAL sniper, was shot and killed Saturday afternoon at a gun range near Stephenville, Texas. It is devastating that after four tours at war in Iraq and Afghanistan, Chris came home and was killed trying to help a friend and fellow veteran. Dana and I had the opportunity to get to know Chris in recent years. He was a kind and humble man, and America has truly lost one of our best. My thoughts and prayers are with Chris' family and friends.

**More Progress for MF Global Customers**  
On Thursday, a bankruptcy judge approved a settlement that will give MF Global's former customers 93% of their original investment. Before this settlement, customers were only likely to get 80% of their money back. Additionally, the trustee charged with returning customer funds has laid out a plan that—if approved—could return 100% of funds by distributing some of MF Global's general estate.

This is good news for customers who were devastated by MF Global's bankruptcy in October of 2011. Unfortunately, it's taken more than a year to get to this place and that's just unacceptable for the customers. When MF Global collapsed, \$1.6 billion in customer funds went missing. What was most troubling was that those customer funds were supposed to be segregated from the firm's other activities. Farmers, ranchers, and small businesses trusted MF Global to manage their accounts properly, and that trust was violated. Someone needs to be held accountable.

That's why in my role as the Chairman of the Financial Services Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, I conducted an in-depth investigation into what went wrong at MF Global. Last year, I released a report that analyzed how and why customers lost their money, what regulators did wrong, and how we can prevent losses like this in the future. I'll keep working to ensure that our regulators don't spend so much time expanding their authority that they neglect basics like protecting customer funds and preventing financial fraud.

**DOD and Veterans Affairs Improve Online Access to Benefits Information**

West Texas has a long military tradition, and is home to a number of veterans. After proudly serving our country, America's veterans should be able to easily access the benefits provided for them. So I'm pleased that Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense have improved the functionality of eBenefits, a website that provides veterans with online information and access to military and veterans' benefits resources. Now veterans can check their eligibility for certain benefits, search for local offices that assist with military and veteran cases, and access records like Post-9/11 GI Bill status, VA payment history, and DOD Tricare health insurance status.

This service has been provided since 2009 and has helped over 2 million American heroes. Now, it's easier than ever to use. If you are a veteran or active military, I encourage you to learn more about this service specifically designed for you. To learn more about eBenefits go to [www.ebenefits.va.gov](http://www.ebenefits.va.gov), and to find information about VA benefits, visit <http://www.benefits.va.gov>. I also want to encourage you to contact my office if you need any assistance with veterans and military benefits.

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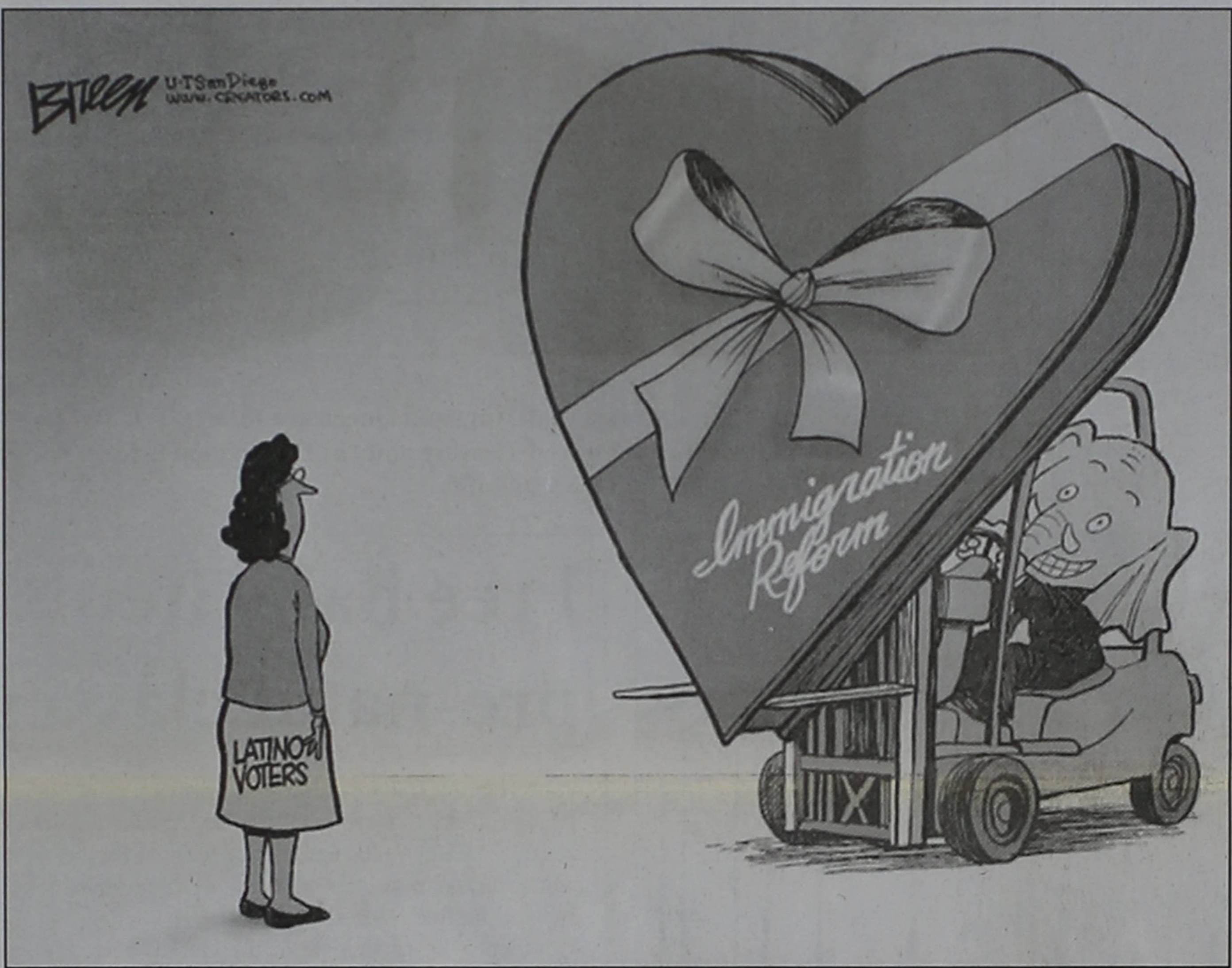
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**Letter to the Editor**

Texas U.S. Senator John Cornyn issued the following statement after President Obama missed the legally-mandated deadline for submitting his budget to Congress:

After failing to submit a budget on time for four of the last five years, how can the American people take the President's pledges to cut spending as anything less than window dressing?

For more than three and a half years President Obama and Senate Democrats have refused to pass a budget for the federal government. During that time families and small businesses across Texas have had to meet deadlines and live within their means, and there is no reason their government should operate any differently.

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**ACROSS**

1 grass to tend

5 NFL Hall of Fame site: Stanton, \_\_\_\_\_

6 all the judges of a TX Ct. of Appeals: "en \_\_\_\_\_"

7 TXism: "up \_\_\_\_\_ snuff"

8 TXism: "active as a fox in a \_\_\_\_\_ house"

9 courses of travel

15 Comanche s historic log courthouse "Old \_\_\_\_\_"

16 in east Hidalgo Co.

19 TXism: "if \_\_\_\_\_, he ll bark"

21 medical pictures

22 TX film stunt pilot, Tom

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28 NE Fort Worth suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ City

29 snapshots

30 TXism: "got a \_\_\_\_\_ big as Texas" (kind)

32 TXism: "he s \_\_\_\_\_ spring chicken"

33 New \_\_\_\_\_, TX

36 this Clay was only person prosecuted for death of JFK

37 infielder Caminiti who played for Astros & Rangers

38 "Old Yeller" actress Dorothy

39 soft in the noggin?

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**DOWN**

1 high tennis shot

2 cry of discovery

3 in Runnels Co. on 83

4 TX baseball glove co.: "\_\_\_\_\_ Goods"

8 one who chops weeds

9 Fort Worth facility: Will \_\_\_\_\_ Center

10 TXism: "drawing a bead \_\_\_\_\_ it"

11 Austin university

12 song: "\_\_\_\_\_ Die"

13 TX Heisman winner Campbell

14 bed board

15 TX country singer Mark

16 TX Katherine Helmond s character on "Who s the Boss?"

17 TX actor in the "Mighty Ducks" films

18 this Marie was "a little bit country"

20 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ a bull give milk?" (no)

22 TX soft drink (abbr.)

23 founder of giant TX Belo media group (init.)

24 Dallas sportscaster Hitzges

25 TXism: "sharp as \_\_\_\_\_"

26 former Ranger knuckleball pitcher, Charlie (1980-90)

28 this Lukas starred with TX Martin in "Leap of Faith"

31 sound of a boot hitting the floor

34 TX s "lone star" has \_\_\_\_\_ points

36 TXism: "let \_\_\_\_\_ rip!"

37 Dallas public TV & FM station

40 Maureen O \_\_\_\_\_ film: "Rio Grande"

43 bomb type

44 this TX Lawson won "Nashville Star" program in 2008

50 country singer, Haggard

51 Darin of TX-filmed "State Fair" (init.)

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## Town Talk II

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

Do you have any new or gently used baby items to donate? The Parmer County Healthy Baby Coalition will accept them in conjunction with their free pre-natal classes. They are registering expectant mothers Saturday February 9 in the hospital conference room from 9-11 a.m. and will accept your items at that time. More info about the classes on the front page.

Local elections, if necessary, will be held May 11, 2013. That's a Saturday. Voting will be at the city council chambers, 619 Main St. Filing for a seat on the school board or city council is open now until March 1st. Applications at city hall or the school admin office. Three council seats, the Mayor's chair, and two school board seats will be up for election.

Anniversaries: Norman and Gay Taylor celebrating 55 years. Misty and Kip Frye been married 17 years this week. Mike and Bonnie Pope celebrated 36 years this week. On February 11 Vernell and James Cunningham are celebrating their 70th anniversary by shell-

ing 500 pounds of pecans with a new pecan sheller they ordered. Vernell is 87 and James is 92. Happy anniversary to all and God bless.

In hospitals: my mother Hannah Lookingbill is still in PMC with a vertebrae fracture and lots of pain. Took her for a bone scan in Amarillo Wednesday to see where we proceed from here. E. G. Phipps is in Northwest Texas Hospital. He was here in PMC for pneumonia when other concerns developed. Tom Parson was in BSA in Amarillo for some continuing health issues. Wanda Jones is in Plano seeing a specialist for some heart procedures. Betty Lewellen has been in PMC recovering from surgery but went home Wednesday. Jim Zorns was transferred from PMC to the VA Hospital in Amarillo. We wish all a restful recovery.

Sherry (Walker) Zehner's daughter Tomi was the victim of a domestic violence attack by her ex-husband down in the Dallas area. On January 18 he ran a truck into the house where Tomi was staying with a friend. She was seriously injured and

airlifted to a Plano hospital. Has subsequently had surgery with more planned. Sherry says she went back to work this week and the ex- was in jail on a \$150,000 bond. A tragic circumstance.

We heard a rumor that Peggy Monroe went to school with Waylon Jennings. Might ask her about it when you see her around town.

The man that robbed the Friona Credit Union last August, John Michael Garibay, was sentenced to 4 years and 9 months in federal prison and fined \$6,541 restitution.

Congratulations to local FHS grad Pedro Ramos. He received his U.S. citizenship recently. Pedro is a graduate of West Texas A&M. He works in management at Cargill and was helped along on his road to citizenship by Dennis and Connie Slagle. Way to go Pedro.

Another FHS graduate, Trent Hudson, earned his degree from West Texas A&M last August and was hired as a junior high football and wrestling coach in Hereford ISD. Trent was a

standout baseball player at Friona High and is also coaching the Hereford freshman baseball team. They scrimmaged the Chiefs here this week. He lives in Hereford and is engaged to be married soon. Always nice to follow the lives and successes of our Friona graduates.

Guess you watched the Super Bowl. We had Fast Stop pizza at the hospital in my mom's room and ordered pizza for the hospital staff too. Does that qualify as a Super Bowl party? She was tired so we went home at the half. Rush Limbaugh said it took Alicia Keyes 2 minutes and 35 seconds to sing the National Anthem (I missed that part.) He says it shouldn't take more than 45 seconds to sing it. I'm afraid I agree. I dislike the long, slow, dramatic, drawn-out versions of our National Anthem. Sing it and be done with it. (Large one-topping thin crust pizza at Fast Stop for \$7.99.)

Spring activities are in full swing around the school campuses. District CX debate, Region 1 FCCLA, ACT testing in the cafeteria, baseball season is here, so is track. The Friona junior high track meet is February 28 and the Friona varsity meet is March 1. Not to forget the one-act play competition, science bowl in Canyon, solo and ensemble competition, high school open house, and boys and girls golf. Monday February 18 is a holiday (President's Day) so there is no school.

Before you know it there will be spring break, prom, all-sports banquet, and graduation for the Class of 2013. Stick around, we'll try to keep you up-to-date on the happenings.

Friona elementary school students received a thank you card from the Ronald McDonald House in Amarillo for collecting aluminum can pull tabs for the House. Mrs. Hamilton took the donation to Amarillo and said the people were so delighted and grateful for the donation.

Singing valentines will be all around town next Tuesday February 12. The high school choir is taking orders to deliver a singing valentine to your sweetheart. It is still just \$10. Any choir member or Allison Johnston can take your order.

Tuesday night February 12 at 7:30 p.m. you can catch music by Flamenco guitarist Ronald Radford, sponsored by the Friona Public Library. Concert will be in junior high auditorium. Admission is free.

The final boys basketball game here will be Friday February 8 vs. Abernathy. JV and varsity boys only. Game times are 5p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Tune in Saturday morning at 10 a.m.

to WT Services channel 76 for video replay of Chieftain/Squaw basketball. The boys end their season Tuesday February 12 at Muleshoe.

The next meeting of the Prairie Acres Family council will be Thursday February 21 at 7 p.m. in the board room. The nursing home will be scheduling a work day to paint some of the rooms and will need volunteers. The Prairie Acres Valentine party will be Thursday February 14 at 3 p.m. The resident-of-the-month is Dickey Garner and the employee-of-the-month is Tina Eddins. Your participation and support of our elderly is appreciated.

The post office will stop delivering mail on Saturday effective August 1. You folks who get your Friona Star on Saturday will get it on Monday I reckon. We'll get used to it and if it saves them money that is a good thing. We need our post office. Have a great week and don't forget your valentine next Thursday. Until then!

**Don't forget your Valentine!**  
We have plants, flowers, balloons, candy bouquets, and more!

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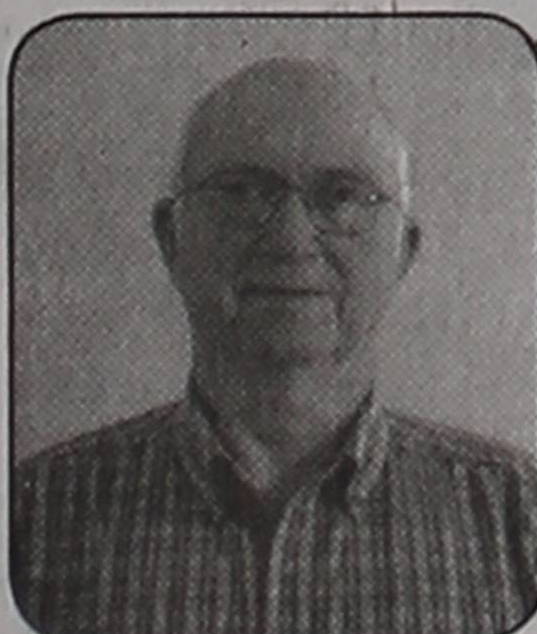
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## Happy Birthday

Feb 10 – Feb 16, 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.)

**Feb. 10-**Hayes Jones, Frank Saiz, Robert Saiz, Seth Houston, Chris Shufelburger

**Feb. 11-**Holly Whatley, Nancy Jackson, Jerry Harrelson, Shephen Allen, Christy Stover, Gail Melton Blouch, Wesley Barnett, Dale Widner, Debbie Smith, Kody Kimbrough

**Feb. 12-**Leon Coffey, Jeff Schueler, David Howard, Marilyn Stovell, Christina Santellana, Aundrea Frye, Sandy Houston, Lori Merket, Patricia Martinez, Christian Keathley

**Feb. 13-**Mary Pryor, Mike Schueler, Robin Peace, Donny Campbell, Jimmy W. Norwood, Mary Steelman, J.T. Hammonds, Kevin Mitchell

**Feb. 14-**Tasha Cain, Wayne Schueler, Wade Schueler, Billy Jo Hand, Jimmy Broyles, Skyla Gay Knapp, Jimmy T. Norwood, Karen Conaway Cummings, Loraine Anthony, George Rushing, Terry Widner, Faustino Salazar, Leon Saddler, Margarita Samarron, Montie Turner

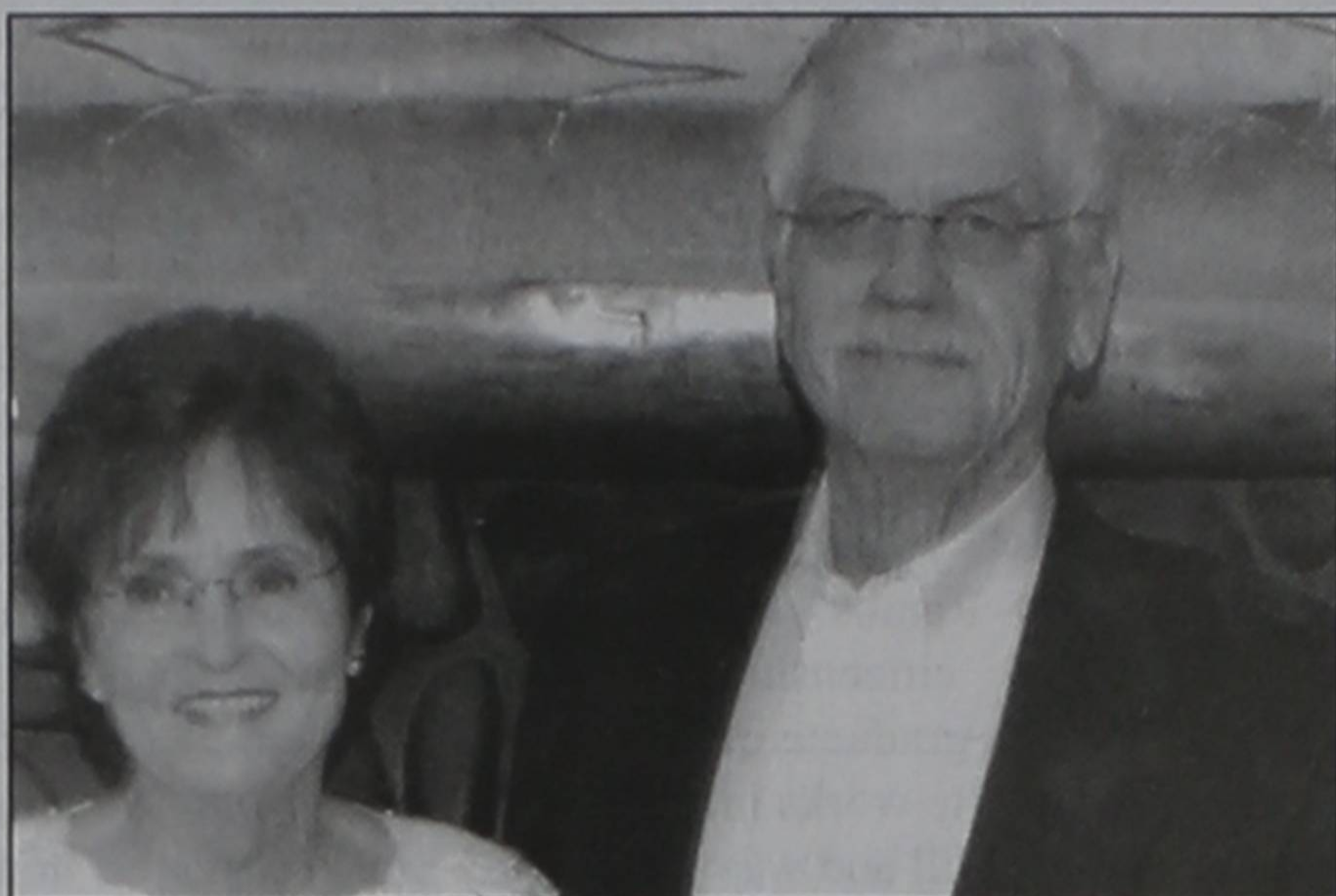
**Feb. 15-**Lee Allen Kube, Donna Schueler, Tonya Stovell, Delbert Putman, Ashleigh Hayes Brewer, Walter Kessler, Rose Boren, Mary Kate Ratliff, Jamie Pena, Eliza Espinoza, Benjamin Anthony, Braxton Irwin

**Feb. 16-**Carol Boyd, Melissa Bass Wright, Minnie Albert, Shaun Butler, Gloria Burkhart, Tommy Jones, Amy Kelly Schueler, Russell White

## 50th Anniversary



The Smiths 1963



The Smiths 2013

Danny Smith and Adabeth Akens were married on Sunday, January 27, 1963 in Dimmitt, Texas with Rev. Hugh Blaylock officiating. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Red River, New Mexico (the site of their honeymoon) on Sunday, January 27, 2013, with their children Ron and Dana Rains, Steven and Tammy Smith, and Amy Read and their grandchildren, Jordan Rains, Kirstie Smith, and Daniel Smith. One granddaughter, Tarah Read, was unable to attend. She is a college student at Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Florida.

## Treat Your Valentine



To an evening of free musical entertainment  
Sponsored by Friends of the Friona Public Library  
Featuring Flamenco Guitarist  
Ronald Radford

Tuesday, February 12, 2013  
7:30 PM Friona Junior High Auditorium  
Celebrating 50 years of Library Service

## ENGAGEMENT



Randy Egan and Michelle Mainprize announce the engagement of their daughter Reagan Egan to John Schueler, son of Gene and Holly Schueler. The wedding will be held March 30, 2013, in Texico, New Mexico.



## Courthouse Notes

Warranty deeds reported by the County Clerk's office for the week of January 24-30, 2013.

Gwen Clements Estate – JKS Storage Inc L1 B4 Ridgelea  
Ronald Gene Brookfield, Joan Gail Brookfield – Thomas Glen Stallings, Trista Nevon Stallings E20' L7 All L8 B6 Staley Add #3.  
Secretary of Veterans Affairs – Dana Matthews 2.5 ac SE/4 S20 T5S R4E.

Randy D Mitchell – Tammie K Mitchell L17-20 B57 Farwell  
Tammie K Mitchell – Monty Foster, Carolyn Foster L17-20 B57 Farwell.

Richard Bermea, Monica Bermea – David Gonzalez L56 B2 Western.



## Sheriff's Report

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office.

January 31, 2013 Robbie Johnson, 31, of Farwell was arrested by the Sheriff's Office for assault X2, interfere with emergency call, pending county court.

January 31, 2013 Rodolfo Rodriguez, 46, of Friona was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on motion to revoke, DWI 3rd or more, pending district court.

February 1, 2013 Jayson Clement, 34, of Farwell was arrested by Farwell Police for aggravated robbery, pending grand jury, and criminal mischief more than \$50 less than \$500, pending county court.

February 2, 2013 Jorge Castillo, 28, of Friona was arrested by Friona Police for possession of marijuana, less than 2 oz in a drug free zone; motion to revoke, terroristic threat; motion to revoke title of property, pending county court.

February 2, 2013 Andrew Cordova, 24, of Friona was arrested by Farwell Police for public intoxication, posted bond, released.

February 3, 2013 Carlos Rodriguez, 49, of Friona was arrested by DPS Trooper for DWI, pending county court.

In 287th District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding: January 22, 2013 Nancy Pierce, 52, of Friona charged with violation of community supervision (possession of a controlled substance), was sentenced to community supervision revoked, 16 months state jail division and \$572 court costs.

## Crime of the Week

Crime Stoppers need your help on two theft reports.  
On January 31, 2013, some unknown person (s) stole a Dell laptop computer from the office of Chaney Fertilizer.

Also on January 31, 2013, some unknown person(s) stole a hay grinder from a farm equipment auction at the Friona Co-Op Gin. They were seen driving a white Ford pickup leaving the auction site towing the hay grinder.

If you have any information at all about these or any other crimes, call Crime Stoppers at 806-481-9178 or 800-774-8477. You will remain anonymous and if your tip leads to an arrest you might earn a cash reward up to \$1,000.

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# OBITUARIES

## Rita C. Mast

Rita C. Mast, 88, of Friona, formerly of Bovina, passed away January 31, 2013 after a long illness. A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date. All arrangements by Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.

Rita was born in Wilbarger County, Texas on October 28, 1924. She was a long time resident of Bovina, Texas. She graduated from Bovina High School and went to college at Texas Tech and graduated with a degree in teaching. She taught school in Bovina for many years.

She was a huge advocate for children and reading and spent much of her time teaching and tutoring children to read. She felt that reading could change a person's life.

She is survived by six children: Carol Gutierrez and husband Al of Gilroy, California; Chris Alexander of Friona; Cathy Bowers of Carlsbad, California; Honey Sue Gist and husband Bill of Bovina; Buzz Mast and wife Robin of Elbert, Colorado; and Broox Mast and wife Anita of San Marcos, California; 8 grandchildren and 4



Rita C. Mast

great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews; and a very special friend Stuart Bailey.

Her husband Arthur Mast precedes her in death.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be given to Bluebonnet Home Health & Hospice, 304 East 11th St., Friona, Texas 79035, or the Friona Public Library, 109 W. 7th St., Friona, Texas 79035.

The family would like to thank the local and area doctors, nurses, hospice, and the church. With a special thanks to Maria Rodriguez and Minda Aguillar. They truly blessed our lives.

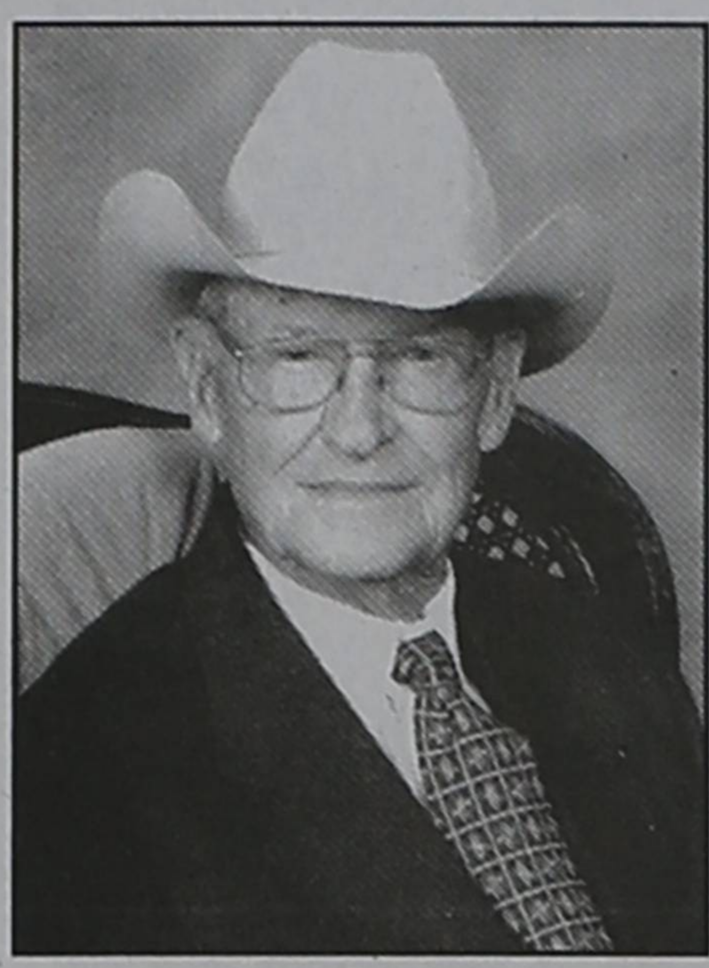
## Dallas Earl Coldiron

Dallas Earl Coldiron, 90, of Lubbock died Sunday, February 3, 2013 in Amarillo.

Memorial gathering will be 10 a.m. to noon Thursday, February 7, 2013 in Boxwell Brothers Ivy Chapel, 2800 Paramount Blvd. Burial will be at 2 p.m. in Llano Cemetery. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2800 Paramount Blvd.

Mr. Coldiron was born August 9, 1922 in Lorenzo to Lura and Dallas Herald Coldiron. He was a veteran of the Army Air Force serving during World War II and then Korea after ROTC at Texas A&M. He spent his entire career as an automobile salesman in Amarillo and briefly in Lubbock.

He was preceded in death by his son, David Earl Coldiron and his wife of over forty years, Joyce Coldiron.



Dallas Earl Coldiron

He is survived by his daughters, Pat Coldiron and Charlotte Clark; a son, Ron Coldiron and wife Barbara; four grandsons, two granddaughters; seven great-grandsons and five great-granddaughters.

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## Panhandle Parables

# Barnyard Politics

JEFF PROCTER, Minister, 6th St. Church of Christ

It seems that in every barnyard, regardless of the type of animal you may be talking about, there is an unwritten code. The pecking order, as it is known. The pecking order decides who eats first and who eats last, who sleeps in the barn and who sleeps outside in the rain. I guess some animal-ologist could give me the scientific reasoning behind such, but although natural, it seems odd. I saw a chicken one time without a feather in its head. Obviously, from the events that I saw, this little chicken was at the bottom of the so called pecking order. All the other chickens would run him off. He could do nothing right, and there were several self-appointed chickens who were determined to set him straight according to their opinion of straight. It was constant: peck, peck, peck, peck, peck, peck. Finally, I scared off the bigger chickens, because it was obvious this little fellow had not improved according to them and didn't have many feathers left to be pecked.

It happens in the world of humans too, minus the beaks! I am not an idealist in the sense that I think everybody gets along all the time. Sometimes, however, we get in the habit of pick, pick, pick, picking on one another. It happens between husbands and wives, it happens in church families, it happens with co-workers, it happens to everybody. Why?

As Christians, we are encouraged in scripture to be "like minded." We must remember our goal is heaven and our leader is Christ. We have a mission and we have a purpose that is made complete through Jesus Christ. The Jew had a difficult time accepting the Gentile because of the pecking order in their society. Paul says in Romans, all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Meaning, I am no better than anyone else, and if I think I am, I better watch out because I am sure there will be a big chicken somewhere that will gladly remind me.

## Do you have a dedicated heart?

BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

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You may think, "I love Him enough already," and "I do enough for both of us to be happy," but putting a cap of sinful complacency on your love for God is wrong, because you and I can always love God more than we do now. Imagine if your spouse asked you if their love for you was good enough, and if they could stop trying to love you more. Would you wonder about their commitment to you? Wives, would you smack your hubby? This question would reveal an insincere love that falls back, instead of presses on to know one another more. Sadly, this is what many disciples of Jesus do. They deceive themselves into a place of apathetic love for Jesus, and stop striving to give God their whole heart each day.

Thank you to everyone for visits, prayers, and gifts during my stay in the hospital October 14 thru December 17th

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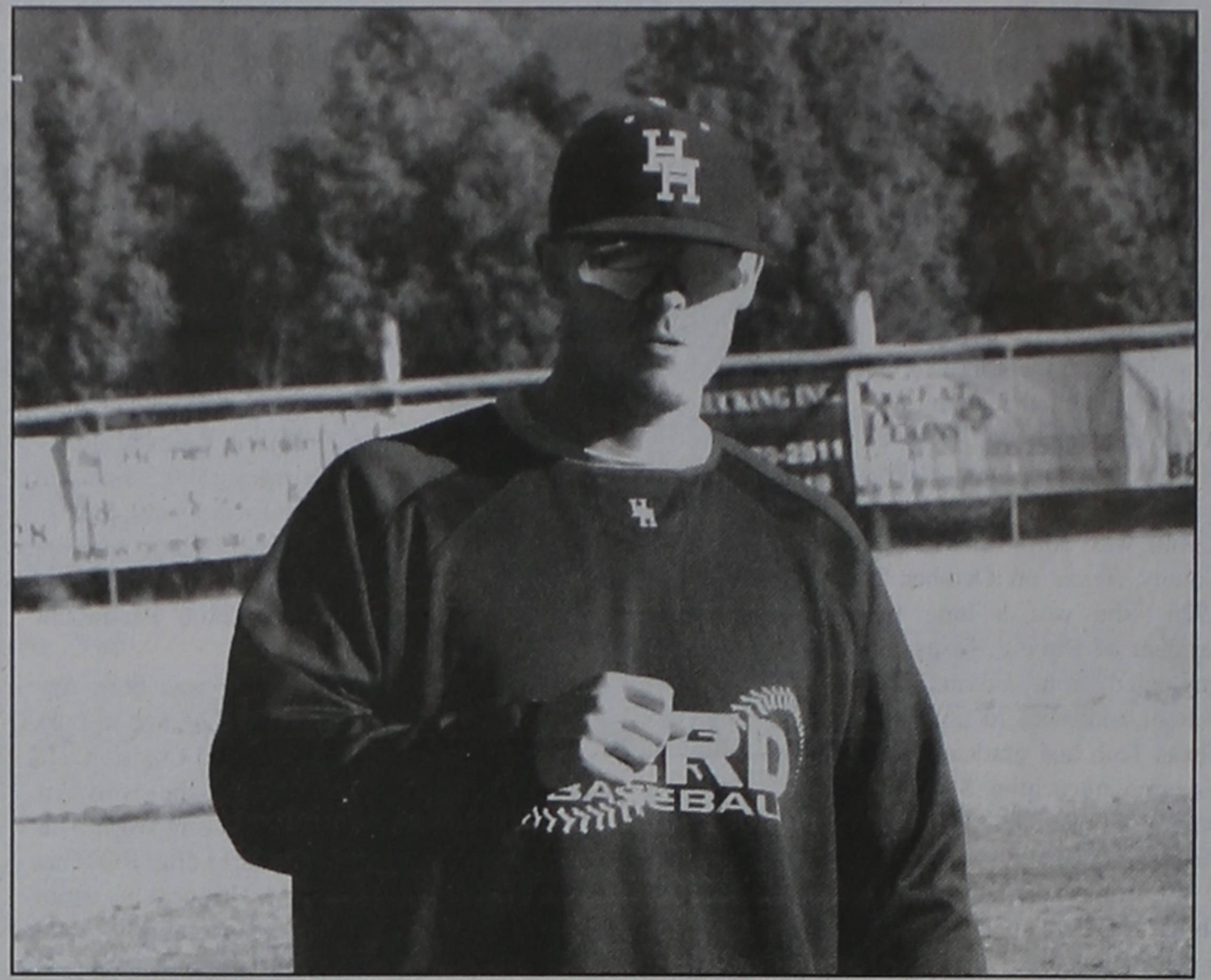
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Chieftain baseball coach Styler Haddock works on the baseball field. Chieftain baseball season is underway. Baseball schedule is on page 8.



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Friona high school graduate Trent Hudston was a catcher on the Chieftain baseball team. He is now baseball coach for the Hereford freshman. They were in Friona Tuesday for a scrimmage with the Chieftains.

## Powerlift results at Dalhart

The Friona powerlifting teams, with Coaches David Towner and Daniel Hutchins, participated in the powerlift meet in Dalhart Saturday February 2.

The Squaws had seven lifters and six placed: 1st Selena Hernandez 181 lb class; 1st Hope Montoya 198 lb class; 2nd Promise Tapia 165 lb class; 3rd Lupita Salinas 220 lb class; Cesia Boyzo 148 lb class; 5th Breanna Campos 148 lb class; Lilly Meza placed outside the top 5 in her class.

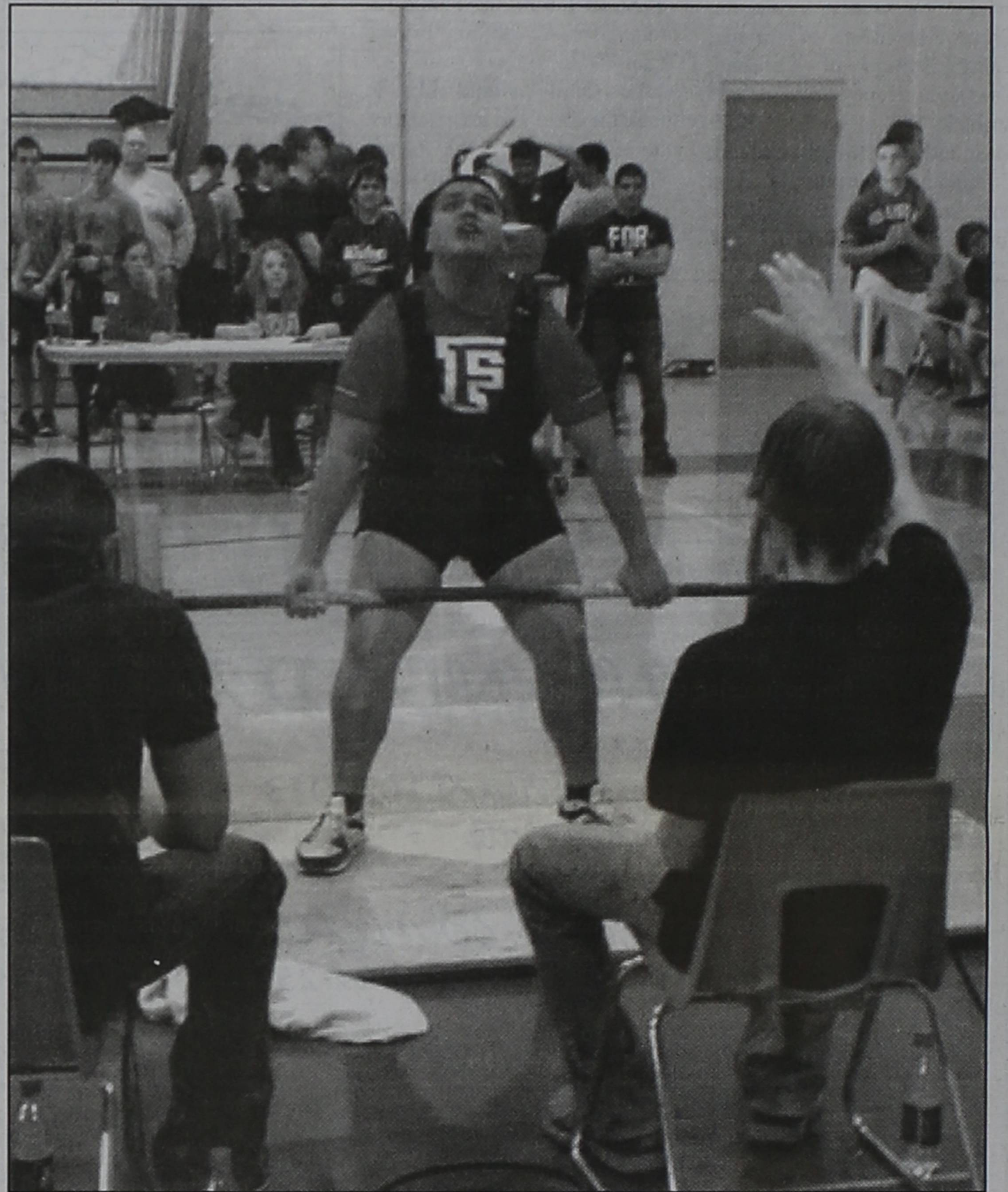
Four Chiefs participated: 1st Adan Ramirez 165 lb class; 3rd Michael Garcia 18 lb class; 6th Juan Samarron 242 lb class; 6th Eddie Garcia 148 lb class.

The Chiefs will participate in the Seminole powerlift meet Saturday February 9. The Squaws have the weekend off.



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These Friona powerlifters earned medals at the Dalhart meet. From left are Selena Hernandez, Michael Garcia, Promise Tapia, Adan Ramirez, and Hope Montoya. Not pictured is medalist Lupita Salinas.



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Juan Samarron competes in the deadlift at the Dalhart Powerlift Meet.

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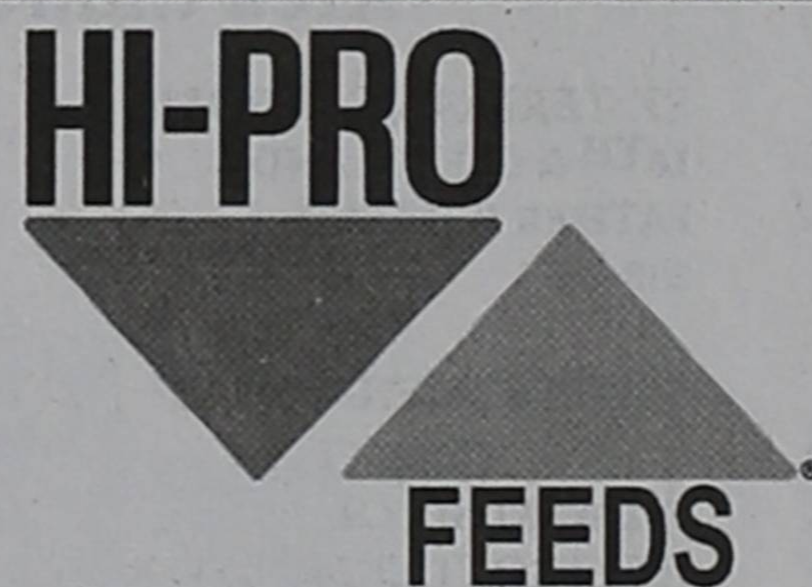
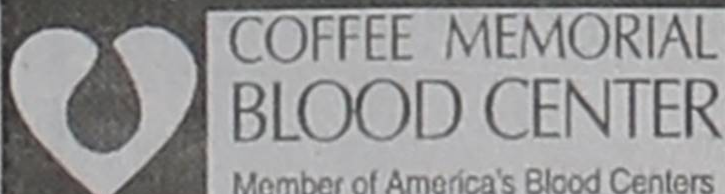
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# Chieftain/Squaws basketball wrapup

The Chiefs lost to Dimmitt last week at Friona gym but rebounded to beat Littlefield there and the Tulia Hornets here. The JV and varsity Chiefs host Abernathy here Friday night then end the season at Muleshoe next Tuesday. Friday night game times are JV at 5 p.m. and varsity at 6:30 p.m.

Chiefs 59 Dimmitt 72; It was close at the half but the Bobcats outscored the Chiefs 42-33 in the second half to claim the win. Scoring: C. Stowers 17, DeWit 10, Woods 10, B. Stowers 8, Cigarroa 7, Osborn 3, Douglas 2, Haile 2.

Chiefs 64 Littlefield 59. The Chiefs led 38-34 at the half and played even with the Wildcats in the second half for the narrow 64-59 victory. Scoring: B. Stowers 22, Cigarroa 15, C. Stowers 14, DeWit 10, Haile 2, Woods 2.

Chiefs 74 Tulia 63. The Chiefs scored 43 points in the first half and led by 19 at the break. The Hornets came back in the second half with 39 points but the Chiefs held on for the win. Scoring: C. Stowers 22, DeWit 19, Cigarroa 11, Loflin 7, Osborn 6, Woods 5.

Squaws 34 Littlefield 35 The Squaws played even with the dis-

trict leading Lady Cats but lost by one point. Scoring: Dakotah Hicks 15, Maddie Murphree 5, Brianna Miller 7, Kendall Kimbrough 4, Marisol Posada 3.

Squaws 46 Tulia 59: The Squaws closed out their season at home Tuesday night with a loss to the Tulia Lady Hornets. No individual stats were available at our press time.

The Tulia games will be shown Saturday morning at 10 a.m. on WT Services channel 76. On Saturday February 16 the games with Abernathy will be shown, same time same station.



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Kendall Kimbrough (11) drives for a shot past a couple of Tulia Lady Hornets. The Squaws lost to Tulia 59-46 in their last game of the season.



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Sawyer Osborn (5) launches over a Tulia Hornet to score Tuesday night at Friona Gym. Chiefs beat Tulia 74-63. Video of the Tulia games will be shown Saturday, February 9 at 10 a.m. on WT Services channel 76.

### School menu

The school breakfast and lunch menu for February 11-15, 2013.

**Monday:**  
cereal, waffles, fruit, juice, milk.

Chicken fried steak, roll, mashed potatoes, carrots, fruit, milk

**Tuesday:**  
cereal, pancake sausage on a stick, fruit, juice, milk

Ham & cheese sandwich, broccoli, French fries, fruit, milk

**Wednesday:**  
cereal, breakfast toaster, fruit, juice, milk

Macaroni & cheese, green beans, tomatoes, fruit, milk

**Thursday:**  
cereal, pizza, fruit, juice, milk

Taco salad, Mexican rice, ranch style beans, ice cream, milk

**Friday:**  
cereal, cinnamon roll, fruit, juice, milk

Fish, peas, cole slaw, fruit, milk

## Water district public hearing

The High Plains Underground Water Conservation District Board of Directors will hold a public hearing February 19 at 10 a.m. in the A. Wayne Wyatt board room of the Water District office, 2930 Avenue Q in Lubbock. The hearing is to consider rule amendments allowing a one-time only extension of the deadline for submitting production reports to the district for groundwater produced in 2012.

The amendments would extend the March 1, 2012 deadline for submitting the annual groundwater production report to June 1, 2013. All annual production reports thereafter would be due on March 1. Problems with the district's meter entry web site prompted the rule amendments. Interested members of the public are invited to attend. Persons may provide comments either verbally or in written form at this hearing.

Visitors are encouraged to park their vehicles in the lot immediately west of the HPWD building. If full then overflow parking will be on 30th Street.

## Pesticide applicator training in Amarillo

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Potter County is offering private pesticide applicator license training February 14 at the AgriLife Extension office at 3301 E. 10th Ave. in Amarillo.

The session begins at 8 a.m. The three and one-half hour training will give participants the needed information to take the private applicator license test, which will be administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. Cost of the training is \$60 and all materials are provided.

Anyone in the Texas Panhandle may and are encouraged to participate if they need a private pesticide applicator license. The private pesticide applicator license is for agricultural producers and land owners who apply restricted use pesticides to their own property.

Those planning to attend are asked to call Brandon Boughen a 806-373-0713 by February 12 to reserve a seat.

## Chamber of Commerce needs nominations!

The Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for Citizen, Man, Woman, Teacher, Boy Student, Girl Student of the Year and Most Courteous Employee. These awards will be given during the Chamber banquet March 5, 2013. Nomination forms available at the Chamber office or on the website, [www.frionachamber.com](http://www.frionachamber.com). The deadline for nominations is 3 p.m. Friday February 15. For information call 250-3491. Banquet tickets are \$25 each and available at the Chamber office. No tickets will be sold at the door.

### Friona Chieftain Baseball Schedule 2013

Date	Opponent	Site	Time	modified 2/1/13
2/4	Hereford Freshman	Here	4pm	Scrimmage
2/9	Clarendon	There	1pm	Scrimmage
2/11	River Road	Here	4pm	Scrimmage
2/15	Hereford Freshman	Here	4pm	JV Scrimmage
2/16	Dimmitt	There	12pm	Scrimmage
2/18	Tulia	There	4:30 PM	Varsity Only
2/23	Olton	Here	12Pm	Varsity 1st
2/25	Dimmitt	Here	4:30 PM	Varsity 1st
2/28-3/2	Littlefield Tournament	There	TBA	Varsity Only
3/5	Muleshoe	Here	5pm	Varsity 1st
3/7-3/9	Tulia Tournament	There	TBA	Varsity Only
3/23	*Bushland	There	12pm	Varsity 1st
3/25	*Bushland	Here	4:30 PM	Varsity 1st
3/30	*Boys Ranch	Here	12pm	Varsity 1st
4/5	*Boys Ranch	There	4:30pm	Varsity 1st
4/9	*Sanford Fritch	Here	4:30 PM	Varsity 1st
4/13	*Sanford Fritch	There	12PM	Varsity 1st
4/16	*Bushland	Here	4:30 PM	Varsity 1st
4/20	*Boys Ranch	There	12PM	Varsity 1st
4/25	*Sanford Fritch	There	4:30PM	Varsity 1st
4/27	*Bushland JV Dist Tourn	There	TBA	JV only
Head Coach:	Styler Haddock	Principal:	Dr. Pam Ray	
Asst. Coach:	Chris Ruckman	Superintendent:	Kenny Austin	
Athletic Director:	Michael Prokop	*District Games*		

## GRAND OPENING!

Creative Chaos & Chaotic Tees

Saturday February 9

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 613 Main St.

Refreshments and drawing for a cross !!

Clothing - Jewelry  
Accessories  
Gift Baskets - T-Shirts



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Adriana Stowers

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