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Band boosters meeting

The Friona Chieftain Band Boosters will have their first meeting of the new school year Monday September 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school band hall. All parents and band supporters are encouraged to attend to make plans for a successful year.

Seliger to visit Friona

Have questions about the state's business? State Senator Kel Seliger will hold a town hall meeting at the Old Depot in the city park Wednesday September 4 from 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Seliger represents Senate District 31 which includes Parmer County. All interested citizens are invited to attend the meeting.

Chieftain/Stratford tickets

Advance tickets for the Chieftain vs. Stratford football game at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo Friday August 30 are available at the Friona ISD administration office. Cost is \$8 adults, \$4 students. Tickets will cost more at the gate. Kickoff is 4:30 p.m.

Johnston hired as county auditor

Parmer County Commissioners met Monday August 26 at the courthouse in Farwell.

They approved an interlocal agreement for the 911 service now being provided out of the Sheriff's Office. Effective September 1, 2013 people called to jury duty will be paid \$40 per day after the first day if they are selected for a jury.

Polling places will be consolidated for the November 5 state constitutional amendment election. Four polls will be open, one each in Friona, Farwell, Bovina, and Lazbuddie. Increases in County Clerk fees was discussed but tabled until the next meeting.

The rate charged for out of county inmates housed in the Parmer County jail was increased from \$33 per day to \$45 per day. The county jail houses many inmates from Clovis.

County Judge Trey Ellis said 287th District Judge Gordon Green has hired Larry Johnston of Friona to serve as the full time County Auditor.

The next commissioners meeting was re-scheduled from September 9 to September 10, 2013. County Commissioners meetings are open to the public.



From Dr. Gary Cash: These sunsets change by the minute, not a lot of difference but a difference, then a jet flew over, probably going to Canon A.F.B.

Don't chase the moisture with stocking rates

By Robert Burns

"Don't chase the moisture." That's the advice of a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert to livestock producers who are considering planting winter forages or rebuilding herds at this time in hopes it may rain.

With 85 percent of the state still under drought conditions, and climatologists predicting the drought may continue or worsen in the coming months, it's wishful thinking that there may be enough rain for winter forages to emerge, much less maintain growth, said Dr. Larry Redmon, AgriLife Extension state forage specialist, College Station.

"I would certainly give heed to these drought monitors and forecasts, and would ask producers that wherever they are with their stocking rates right now to keep them or even consider further culling," Redmon said.

Not only do climatologist predict a droughty fall for much of the state, but the long-range forecasts are for five or more years of continued drought, he said.

"If that's the case, we don't need to be chasing the moisture with our cow stocking rates," Redmon said. "That's always a loser for you, because you're buying when the cows are high and selling when cows are cheap."

Instead, he recommended a watchful-waiting strategy. If there are substantial good rains next spring or summer, and producers need to use up the resultant flush of grass, they can

always get some calves or lease out the grazing, he said.

Though hay supplies are certainly better than they have been in the last couple of years, stocks remain low, according to Redmon.

Of course, many winter wheat producers will probably go ahead and plant, rain or not, he said.

"When you're in that business—and there are not any hobby wheat farmers—when that's your primary source of income, they're probably going to plant into a dry seedbed and hope they get enough moisture to get that crop up," Redmon said.

But as for livestock producers for whom wheat is not their primary source of income, the better strategy will probably be to use stored hay for winter feeding, though it's a more expensive option than if they have winter grazing, he said.

In Texas, winter wheat and most cool-season forages are planted six to eight weeks prior to the first historical frost date, he said.

"Just a little bit of moisture is not going to get them by," Redmon said. "What they need is not only enough moisture to germinate the seed, but adequate moisture in the profile so those roots can grow into a moist soil."

Panhandle: The weather turned hot and dry again. However, earlier rains helped dry-land crops, mainly sorghum, but also rangeland and pastureland. More rain was needed. Corn silage was being cut, and cotton

responded well to the warmer temperatures. Sorghum looked good and was completing grain fill. Weeds were a problem in both rangeland and crops. Wheat growers were preparing fields for planting. Some wheat was already planted, mainly for winter grazing. Corn for grain neared maturity, and many producers were about to turn off irrigation pumps. Irrigators had also about finished watering grain sorghum, soybeans and cotton. Insect issues declined in corn, while they increased in cotton.

South Plains: There was no rain throughout the region, and temperatures returned to the 90s. The heat was good for cotton maturation. There was only light insect pressure in cotton, but there was increased need for weed control due to previous rains. Some crops were drying out again and showing signs of moisture stress. Most cotton was in the cutout or boll-fill stage. Crosby County reported some boils were already cracked and expected to see full boll opening very soon. Some late-planted cotton had just reached early bloom. Early planted sorghum was coloring, but most of the sorghum replanted after lost cotton was in the boot stage or heading. Wheat growers were plowing fields in preparation for September planting. Rangeland and pastures were mostly in good condition, but additional growth will require more rain. Some rangeland was recovering but still had limited grazing capacity. Livestock were mostly in good to excellent condition.



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Buddy the Dinosaur (he's the one in the orange) visited the Friona Public Library last Friday for a visit with the children. He is sponsored by the PBS TV station in Amarillo. Lynn Groom of PBS reads a dinosaur story to the kids. Library Director Darla Bracken is at the right. Library Story Time for three year olds starts Thursday September 5 at 10:30 a.m.

Football contest starts next week

The annual Friona Star football contest will begin in the Thursday September 5 issue. The contest will run for 12 weeks with a \$25 cash prize to the weekly winner and a \$100 grand prize to the overall point winner. In case of a tie at the end of the 12 weeks the grand prize will be divided.

Each weekly contest will include 15 games, five each high school, college, and NFL. We will tally the weekly entries and keep a record of individ-

ual totals based on the number of correct games picked. The contestant with the most correct games over the season will win the grand prize so it is important to enter every week. We have never had a winner that did not enter every week.

There will be two tie-breaker games every week in which you will enter the total score in the game. The second tie-breaker will be used in case contestants tie on the first tie-breaker.

Only official entry forms will be accepted. No entries on tablet paper or other scratch paper. You can submit a copy of the entry form. The official entry blank will be available on our website, frionaonline.com by late Wednesday evening. We will not accept entries online or email.

Entries can also be faxed to 806-250-5127 or dropped off at the red mailbox in front of the Friona Star office on Main St. and at Dorothy's Beauty

Shop in Bovina. All entries are due by 4:00 p.m. each Friday. Mailed entries need to be post-marked by 4 p.m. Friday and mailed to Friona Star, PO Box 789, Friona 79035. We hope you will enter the competition and have some fun, maybe win some cash, or at least earn some bragging rites. We appreciate our football contest sponsors who make this annual football contest possible. Look for the first contest Thursday September 5 and good luck.



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Head Coach and Athletic Director Mike Prokop talks to the Chieftains at the end of Monday's practice. The boys and coaches have been working hard to prepare for the 2013 season. Opening game is Friday August 30 vs. Stratford. Game time is 4:30 p.m. at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo. Friona is the home team. Go Big Red.

Chiefs season opener Friday vs. Stratford

The 2013 Friona Chieftains travel to Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo Friday August 30 for their season opener with the Stratford Elks. Game time is 4:30 p.m. Friona will be the home team.

Head coach Mike Prokop and his staff have had a chance to evaluate the Chieftains after scrimmages with Panhandle and Shallowater. The coach says they still have a lot of work to do but with several skill players returning with another year of experience they expect to improve over the 1-9 record last year.

Junior quarterback Mason Loflin will be tossing to receivers like senior Brad Stowers and sophomore Dallin Woods. Senior Jacob Osborn will be in the center/defensive lineman rotation. Edgar Guerrero, a state powerlifting competitor will anchor the defensive line.

There were reassignments on the coaching staff as well. The coaches and their assignments are Creighton Henderson, offensive coordinator and quarterback; Styler Haddock, running backs; Chris Ruckman,

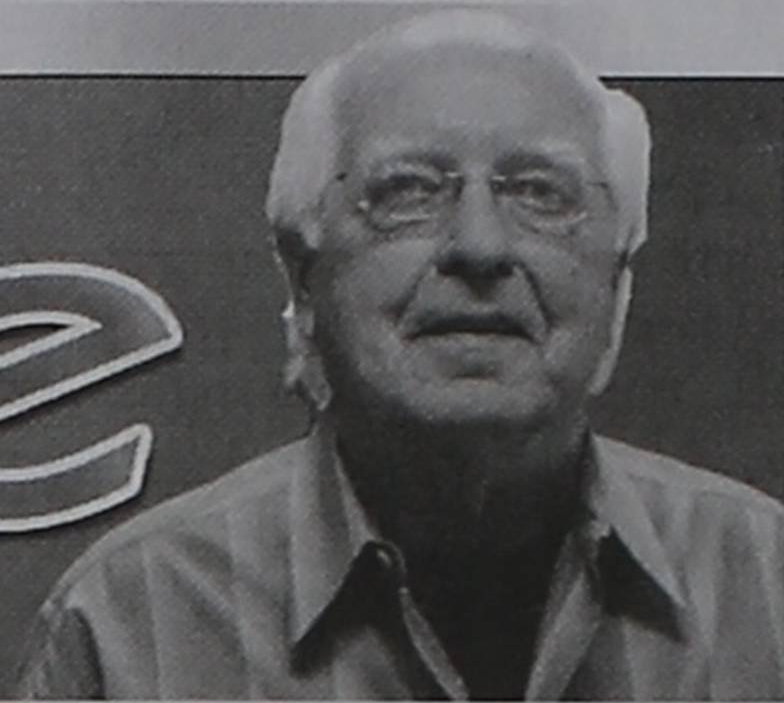
receivers; Ross Prokop, offensive line; Daniel Hutchins, defensive line; David Towner, outside linebackers; David Woods, secondary; and head coach Mike Prokop, inside linebackers.

Coaches Ruckman and Hutchins will also coach the JV Chiefs. The junior high football coaches are Nick Gonzales and James Andrews.

The Chiefs have an open date next week, then travel to River Road September 13 and host Idalou September 20 for homecoming.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



Letter to the Editor

calculating my calculus

Quiet please, I'm working on my calculus.

Definition. "A highly systematic method of treating problems by a special system of algebraic notations, as differential or integral calculus." Or, it's a stone formed in the gallbladder. I looked it up in my Random House Webster's College Dictionary, the one with the red cover that sits on my bookshelf.

Yes I know there are many places I could have looked on the Internet but, hey, I like to turn the pages and find the word and read the definition like we did in the days of old. Besides they say you can't trust Wikipedia.

Calculus is one of those words that when I hear it my mind goes blank. Words like calculus, geometry, algebra, and algorithm scare me. I generally go

deaf and experience confusion. I do know how to calculate up to a point but unlike President Obama, I don't have a calculus.

Remember he said if Syria uses chemical weapons it would "change his calculus." Between you and me I doubt the president ever had a calculus but it sure sounds fancy for him to say it. It caught on with many TV pundits too. I've heard the word 'calculus' used several times by the TV people who read the news that other people prepare for them.

To me calculus and geometry were high school classes where the boys walked the halls with a slide rule in their back pocket, a sort of status symbol I guess. I don't remember that girls took those difficult classes but some probably did. I did take Latin. It was

hard. Never used it much after graduation.

So the president declared his famous "red line" that Syria better not cross but they apparently crossed it so now he has to back up the bluster by threatening Syria with his changed calculus. We will find out soon what his calculus changed to, although I don't think we knew what his calculus was to start with.

There will be no positive results from whatever the president unleashes in his new calculus. Both sides fighting in Syria are enemies of the U.S. so either way we are going to help a group that wants to kill us all. I sure would hate to have to make the president's decision. Glad that is not my calculus to make.

I did make good grades in English and typing though.

Ron,

The PCCC will once again sponsor the various county school district's "Pink Out" football games. Friona's game will be Friday, October 4th, versus Dalhart. We will be selling t-shirts, \$7 for youth small through adult extra large, and \$9 for adult 2XL - 5XL. Order forms will be distributed to Friona ISD schools soon, with a firm deadline to order of Thursday, September 19th. Attached is an image of the design.

Also, If you can run the attached grant application for the next few weeks, leading up to the Pink Out games. We have helped 46 families over the past three years with this program. The only requirements for the grant are that you be a current resident of Parmer County, and have proof of a cancer diagnosis. There are no financial requirements to qualify, and the grant may be used as the recipients choose. We have funding for 20 grants this year, ending May 2014, of which we have given four as of August.

We have also contributed \$9,865 directly to the American Cancer Society since 2010. The funds donated help local families, but also help the larger cause of cancer research and prevention. Donations can be made directly to the Parmer County Cancer Coalition at Friona InterBank.

Our annual Survivor Dinner will be Thursday, November 14th this year. More details to come soon.

Thank you again for your continued support,
Greg Lewellen

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor

As noted in a Letter to the Editor last week, Gilberto Hinojosa, Chairman of the Texas Democratic Party, encouraged local residents to travel to Austin to hear Debbie Wasserman Schultz, Chairwoman of the Democratic National Committee, address the Party.

Chairman Hinojosa was excited to have Ms. Schultz coming to Texas and wanted others to travel to Austin to "celebrate all we've accomplished this summer and to talk about the future of the Democratic Party in Texas." A future he wants to build with "committed Democrats."

Chairman Hinojosa needs help because of Greg Abbott and the Republican Party that has "zero respect for women." He believes Texans deserve a "better leader than Greg Abbott."

Democrats can certainly be noted for their consistency as liars. Evil Republicans, zero respect for women, war on women. Well, let's take a brief look at the exemplary record of "committed Democrats."

This year abortion supporters celebrated forty years of abortion following the Roe v. Wade decision and, as we all know, the majority of "committed Democrats" wholeheartedly support abortion with a rabid fanaticism that rivals the fanaticism of radical Islamists.

Since Roe v. Wade, abortion has massacred 55 million innocent unborn children. Adolf Hitler only butchered 9 million innocent Jews in the holocaust. Hitler's barbarism is not celebrated by anyone. It is held up as a reminder of evil and condemned. In the United States, the murdering of 55 million innocent babies is CELEBRATED! What a sick and depraved

country we are! Oh, and Hitler's cohorts were tried at Nuremberg for crimes against humanity.

I don't know the exact breakdown, but let's assume that of those 55 million abortion victims they are split 50/50 male and female. That means 27.5 million dead male and 27.5 dead female. Regardless of the exact number, it is safe to say millions of females have been murdered in the womb.

So we can say that the Democratic Party, which reminds us of their great love of the female gender, is guilty of a real war on women that has murdered millions of them in the womb, a war in which they have real blood on their hands.

Next, let's look at some of the great leaders in the Democratic Party and their record with women. First we have ex-President William Jefferson Clinton known adulterer, serial philanderer and exploiter of women.

Then there is ex-Presidential candidate John Edwards. Another adulterer who fathered a child while having an affair with a campaign staffer as his wife was dying of cancer.

Next is Elliot Spitzer, the former Governor of New York, who cheated on his wife while consorting with prostitutes.

Not to be outdone is the esteemed Rev. Jesse Jackson who also cheated on his wife and fathered a child during an affair.

More recently, we have the grand sext-plots of Anthony Weiner, who wants to be Mayor of New York City.

And last but not least Mayor Bob Filner of San Diego. A man whose sexual predations were known back to his days in Congress but the San Diego Democratic Party refused to eliminate him as a candidate because they just had to have a Democrat

as Mayor.

This is certainly a stellar, all-star, hall of fame line up of adulterers, perverts and predators of women and a list that "committed Democrats" can be proud of and great examples for the "committed" who aspire to higher positions in the Democratic Party.

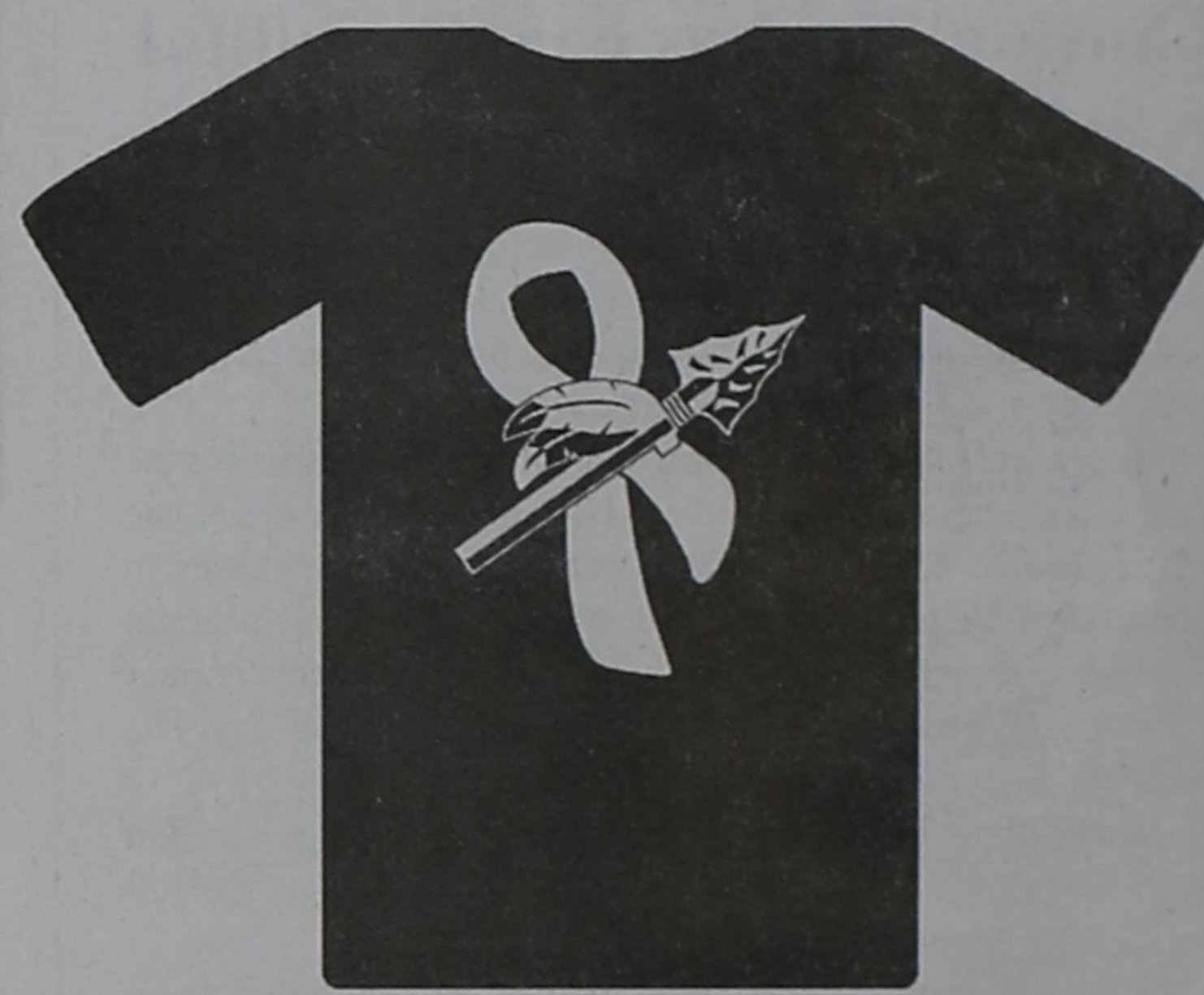
So, why just settle for bringing the Chairwoman of the Democratic National Committee to Austin to address "committed Democrats?" Since Chairman Hinojosa wants to extol the outstanding record Democrats have with women, why not have one of the above mentioned grand perverts of the Party address the committed?

Not only do all of them fully support the continued murder of women in the womb, they feel that those that survive are fair game for their uncontrolled animal lusts.

Texas Democrats probably had a grand time in Austin this last weekend. Too bad that while they were all there they couldn't have had a ceremony where they each could claim at least the corpse of one female victim of abortion as their very own. With millions aborted I'm sure there are plenty to go around. Heck, I bet Kermit Gosnell would be willing to share a victim or two of his, maybe even one of the pregnant women who died because of his great skills as an abortionist.

Yes, Chairman Hinojosa, go ahead and celebrate the above accomplishments of your Party and the actions of your "committed" leaders. It clearly is a real, factual record of a war on women and one that "committed Democrats" should be eager to brag about.

Alan Mowery
Friona, Texas



This is what the pink shirts will look like.

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July 24, 2013 Galesburg, Illinois

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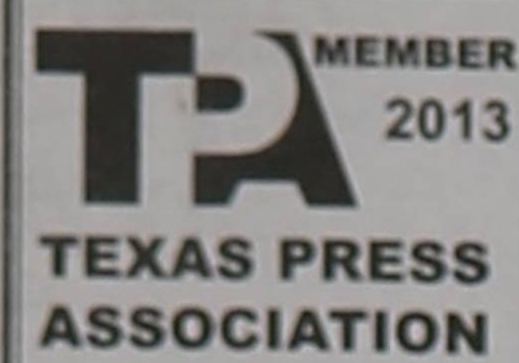
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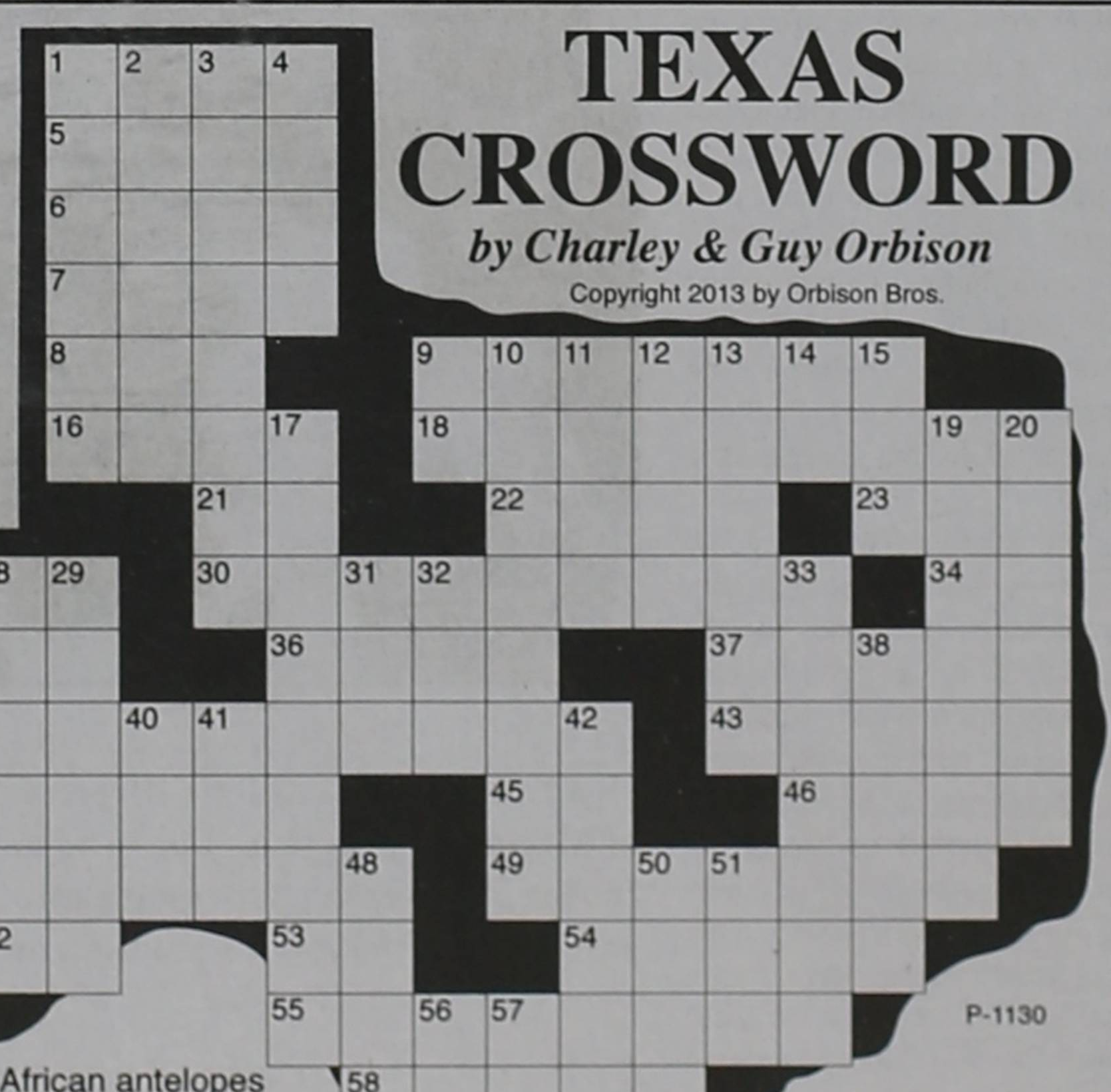
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- ACROSS**
- 1 in East TX: "Lake _____ Pines"
 - 5 TXism: "_____ like death warmed over"
 - 6 TXism: "sounds like a dry _____" (bad singer)
 - 7 TXism: "useless as panty _____ to a pig"
 - 8 TX Charley's "_____ Losing You?"
 - 9 Reba's "_____ Life Out There?"
 - 16 NASA drink?
 - 18 TXism: "popular as _____ daughter"
 - 21 TCU All American center Charles "_____ Aldrich"
 - 22 1st female TX Sec. of State, Meharg
 - 23 TXism: "smart as a bunkhouse _____"
 - 24 "_____ work"
 - 30 TXism: "_____ better, I couldn't stand it"
 - 34 Jason Witten's position on the Cowboys (abbr.)
 - 35 TXism: "tall hog at the _____" (VIP)
 - 36 TX Roddenberry's "Star _____"
 - 37 a daughter of TX Gene Tierney
 - 39 TXism: "beats a _____ with a sharp stick"
 - 43 Burlison Co. town that hosts "Chillfest"

- 44 former name of Houston's "El Paso Energy" building
 - 45 tree chopper
 - 46 Winnsboro gospel FM
 - 47 natural height
 - 49 "_____ of Laredo"
 - 52 Elvis pos. on the Rangers (abbr.)
 - 53 TX actress Sandy (init.)
 - 54 TXism: "got _____ blood in his veins" (lover)
 - 55 traps
 - 58 sour tasting substance
 - 59 once a big "news wrangler" (abbr.)
 - 60 TXism: "two-nag" (poor horse)
 - 61 TXism: "_____ some gravel" (fell)
- DOWN**
- 1 TXism: "at the drop _____"
 - 2 TX-OK lake
 - 3 TX Browning won 52 diving gold in _____, Finland
 - 4 Gen. Robt. _____
 - 9 TX Buddy Holly died in this state (abbr.)
 - 10 TXism: "_____ an egg-sucking dog"
 - 11 TXns Landry & Kite
 - 12 TXism: "gave _____ dose of his own medicine"
 - 13 African antelopes
 - 14 "Dang Me" singer TX Roger (init.)
 - 15 TXism: "can't make a silk purse out of a sow's _____"
 - 17 TXism: "never look a _____ in the mouth"
 - 19 TX Walker was commander of the United _____ forces in Korea
 - 20 chicken fried _____
 - 24 TX singer Hank (init.)
 - 25 in Smith Co. off 64
 - 26 TXism: "it's _____ hog or die"



- 27 TX Waylon sang "_____ of Hazard" theme
- 28 border patrollers
- 29 TXism: "_____ hen's teeth"
- 31 anger, wrath
- 32 TX Ben Hogan: "The _____ Ice Mon"
- 33 Rangers NY foe
- 38 TXism: "tough _____ hoe"
- 40 Gulf fish catcher
- 41 Fort Worth Univ. (abbr.)
- 42 deliver a fugitive to another jurisdiction
- 48 Jackson Co. seat
- 50 this Calhoun was TX "Domino Kid"
- 51 Tex-Mex prison mafia: "El _____"
- 56 Gulf coast is good for _____ diving
- 57 TXism: "_____ in the bud"

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Town Talk II

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

School has begun and so has the SnackPak4Kids program furnishing weekend food for needy children. The children are selected by teachers and names are kept private. A volunteer sign-up for the SnackPak4Kids 2013-2014 school year will be held Thursday, September 5, from 5-6 p.m. at the Senior Citizens building, 1410 Washington. Donations of 16 oz peanut butter and Pop Tarts are always accepted. Money donations are also accepted to help with this important program. For more info ask Becky Jones or Jo Beth Gipson. You can help.

A Curry County inmate named Shuntae Byrd, 35, was housed in our Parmer County jail. Curry County (Clovis) pays our jail to house many of their prisoners. Shuntae Byrd got mad because, according to Sheriff Geris, he didn't get his evening Tylenol on time so he knocked a sprinkler head off flooding part of the jail. Sheriff Geris said they will file damage charges against Shuntae Byrd and estimated the damage at \$2,500.

Shuntae Byrd was in the Clo-

vis jail on felony kidnapping and criminal sexual penetration charges. After the Parmer County incident, Curry County let him go when he posted 10% on a \$25,000 bond. Guess they didn't want him tearing up their jail.

Weather report: no rain lately. Been hot but not too hot but hot enough. Maybe rain soon but they aren't saying. Fall begins Sunday September 22. Have a nice Labor Day.

With FHS speech and drama teacher Erika Montana being promoted to assistant principal, her predecessor Joy Morton has been coaxed out of retirement to return to the halls of FHS. Joy said she agreed to help for at least one semester taking over the speech and drama classes again.

Anniversaries to spotlight this week: Jim and Rhonda Murphree 32 years; Ted and Glenda Procter 40 years; Gail and Gary Hand 45 years; Patsy and Eugene Bandy 62 years. Thanks to Facebook for a couple of these

and congratulations to you each and every one. Let us know if you or someone you know are celebrating an anniversary.

Beginning September 3 the Panhandle Plains Museum in Canyon will have new hours. It will be closed on Sundays and Mondays. From September to May the museum hours will be Tuesday-Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Just had a chance to look at the December calendar. Christmas Day is on Wednesday December 25. That makes for an awkward work week for many. The Friona Star will not publish a paper that week. Our last 2013 paper will be Thursday December 19. We will take a few days off and be back in the office Monday December 30.

There will be at least nine contestants for the September 7 Miss Friona Pageant according to the organizers. The young ladies had a makeup and photo shoot Sunday August 25. Here are the nine contestants as of Wednesday Aug 28: Holly Johnston, Jasmine Rodriguez, Mercedes Rodriguez, Courtney Bunker, Mykelti Rhodes, Bekah White, Christina Green, Karina Hernandez, and Kailey Lucas.

We will feature all of the Miss Friona contestants in next week's September 5 Friona Star. Little Miss contestants will be included in the September 12 newspaper. The Little Miss Pageant is Tuesday September 17.

The Friona ISD school calendar for September is included in this issue of the Star. We always recommend parents clip out the monthly calendar to keep up with the many monthly school events.

Freeman Melton was a nice man, a decent human being, loved by many, and my former neighbor. He and Rosemary at-

tended every Chieftain home football game for many years. He drove his little red pickup and played golf often with a group of cronies. About a month ago they sold their home in Friona and moved to Amarillo mainly due to health concerns and to be near family. After only three weeks in Amarillo, Freeman died Friday August 23. He was 87 and had cancer. Services were Tuesday at the Methodist Church. Our sympathies to the family. He will be missed.

On August 26, 1920 the 19th Amendment became law allowing women the right to vote. Ninety three years ago this week. And the government is still hawking about voter's rights.

If you are visiting the State Fair in Dallas this year you can enjoy Southern Style Chicken Fried Meatloaf, deep fried Nutella, Fernie's deep fried King Ranch casserole, and golden fried Millionaire pie among many other fried goodies. Still hard to beat the state fair corn dogs and turkey legs. Lot of good memories of attending the fair in Dallas for many years.

Saw Larry Gonzales at the high school this week. Larry retired as a custodian at the end of last year but is back working some part time. He is still seeing doctors in Amarillo for his cancer. He has completed chemo and radiation for now but will soon go back for MRI/Cat Scan and possible surgery. Good to see Larry and we wish him all the best.

Stopped by football practice Monday evening as the Chiefs prepare to open the season vs. the Stratford Elks. The boys and coaches are working hard.



First day of school, Abigail Marquez, Pre-K

Coach Prokop and staff are instilling a positive attitude in the boys. He said they were forming a Fellowship of Christian Athletes group. It will be a big test Friday in Amarillo. Stratford enters the season ranked 6th in state 1A. Game time is 4:30 p.m. See you there.

Last Friday I heard a yellow and orange dinosaur was coming to the Friona Library so I went by to see and sure enough there was Buddy. His visit was sponsored by KACV TV, the PBS station, from Amarillo. Buddy entertained the kids (he didn't talk or sing though) while Lynn Groom from PBS TV and librarian Darla Bracken read a story to them. Story time for three year olds (must be three by Sep 1) begins Thursday September 5 from 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. I love the library. Nice folks over there.

Tuesday evening a loaded

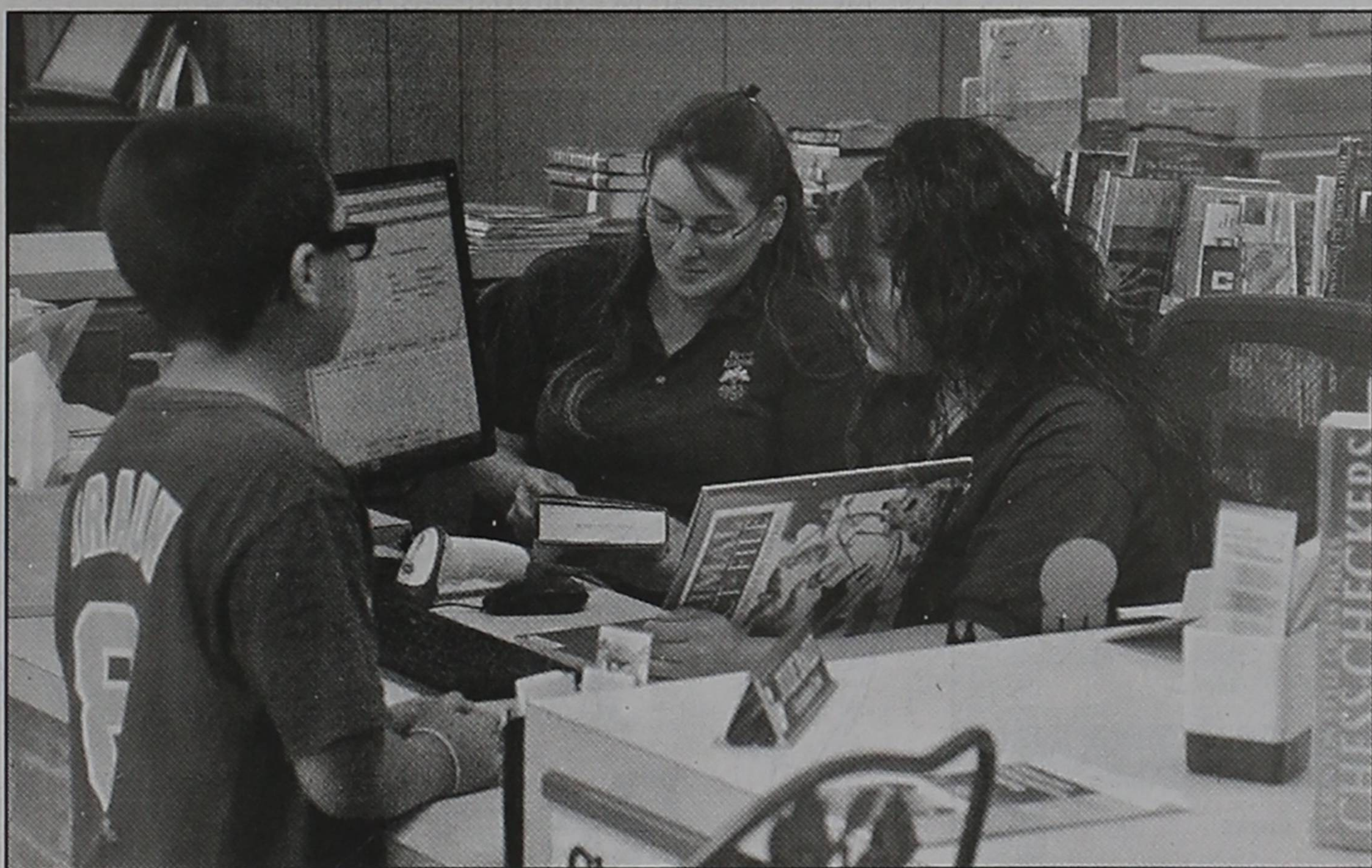
silage truck overturned on the FM2397 double curve south of town. The driver was transported to the Friona hospital by Friona EMS. Friona firemen and Sheriff's deputies were dispatched. The firefighters used the jaws of life tool to extract the driver from the cab. The accident was investigated by DPS Trooper Izzy Carrasco.

Karla Rector and Lezli St. Clair call themselves Krazy Ladies Photography. These creative ladies are available for photo shoots of all sorts. See their ad on the classified page.

KNNK Radio in Hereford at FM 100.5 has plans to broadcast the Chieftain football games this year. You can also hear the game on WT Services channel 6 and on the web at KNNK.net. Have a nice safe Labor Day weekend. Until then!



First day of school, Jules Etue, Kindergarten



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Friona public library clerks Julie Balli, left, and Ruby Rodriguez help another young reader check out a book. The library's Story Time for three year olds begins Thursday September 5 from 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.

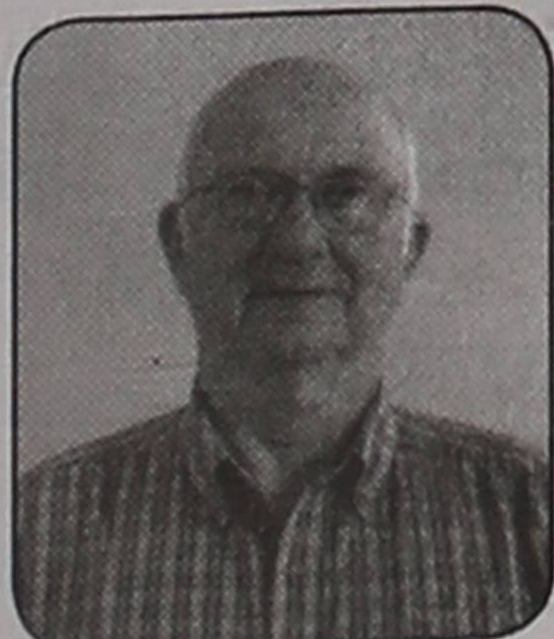
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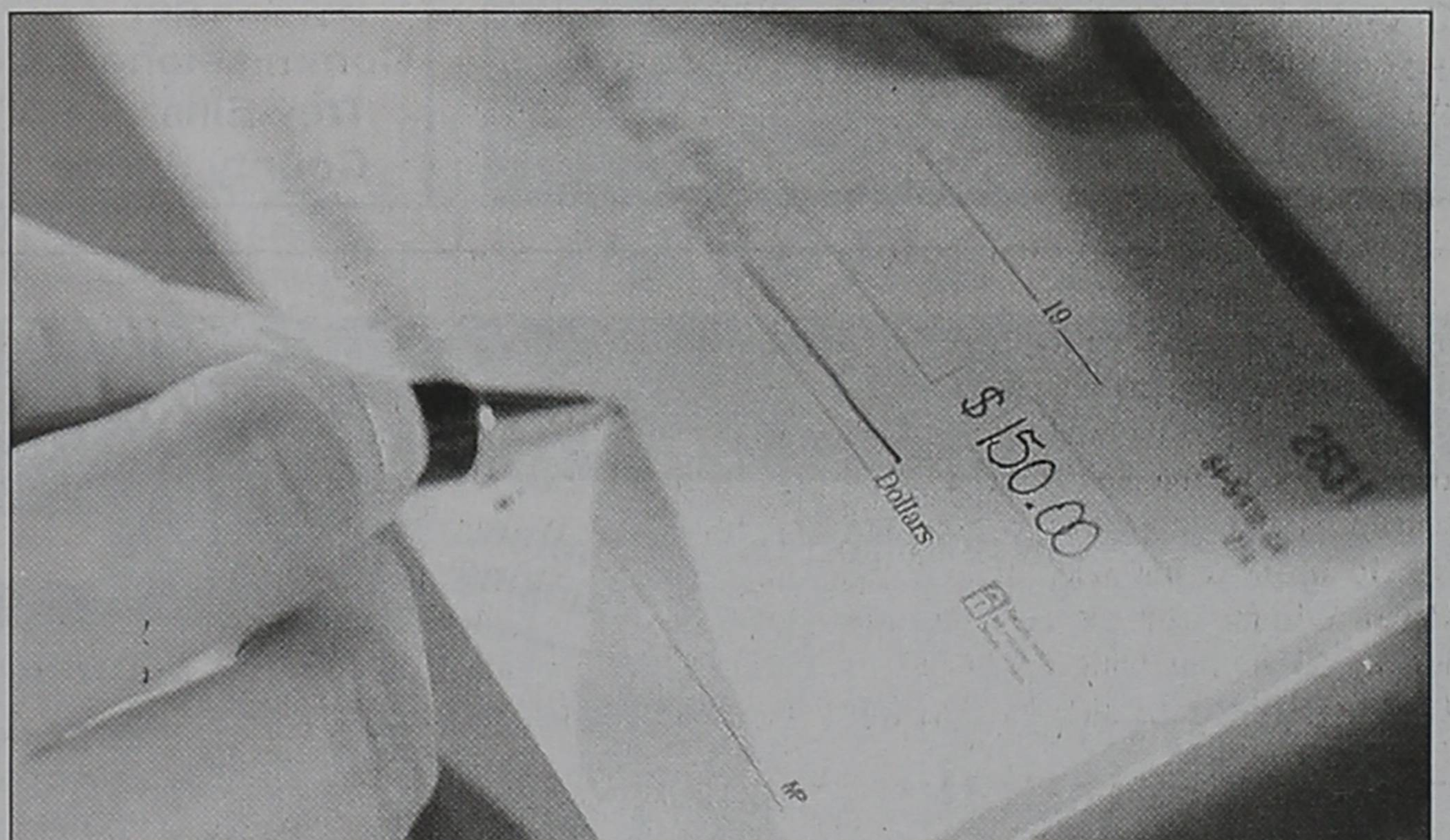
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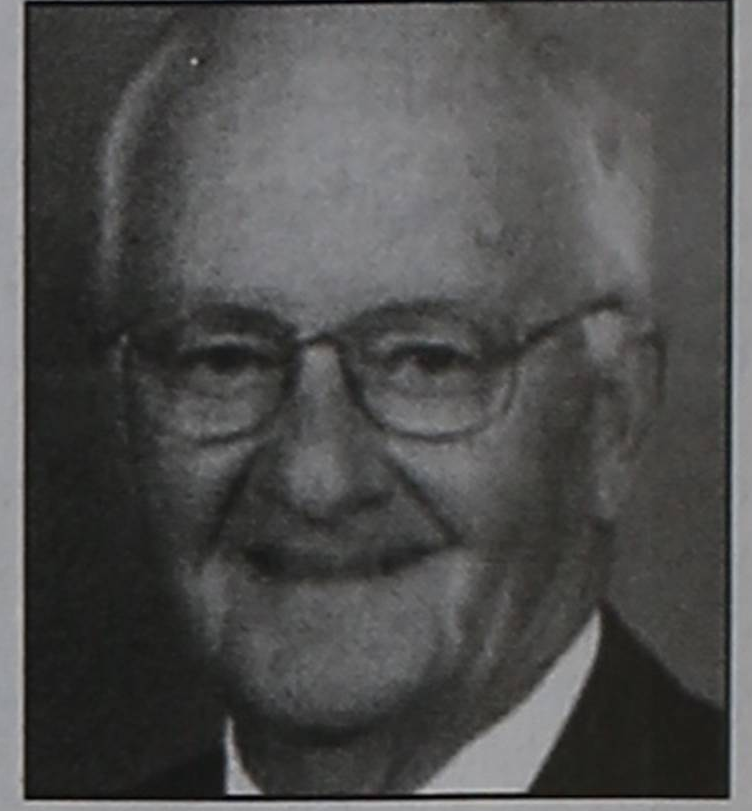


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OBITUARIES

Freeman Melton, Jr.

Freeman H. Melton, Jr., 87, of Friona died August 23, 2013 in Amarillo. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday August 27, 2013 in the First United Methodist Church of Friona with Rev. Brett Hoyle and Rev. Kurt Borden officiating. Burial followed in West Park Cemetery in Hereford. Arrangements by Lagrone-Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Home of Amarillo.



Freeman Melton, Jr.

Mr. Melton was born January 15, 1926 in Wellington, Texas. He was an outstanding athlete at Wellington High School and a member of the school's Hall of Honor. After serving two years in the Navy at the end of World War II he attended West Texas State College on the G.I. Bill and football scholarship. He graduated in 1949 before going on to earn his Master of Education degree.

He married Rosemary Phillips in 1949. Freeman coached high school sports for three years before becoming principal at McLean High School in 1953. By 1954 he became McLean's superintendent, making him one of the youngest top administrators in the state of Texas. He also served as

superintendent of Panhandle Schools and elementary principal at Friona where he retired in 1987.

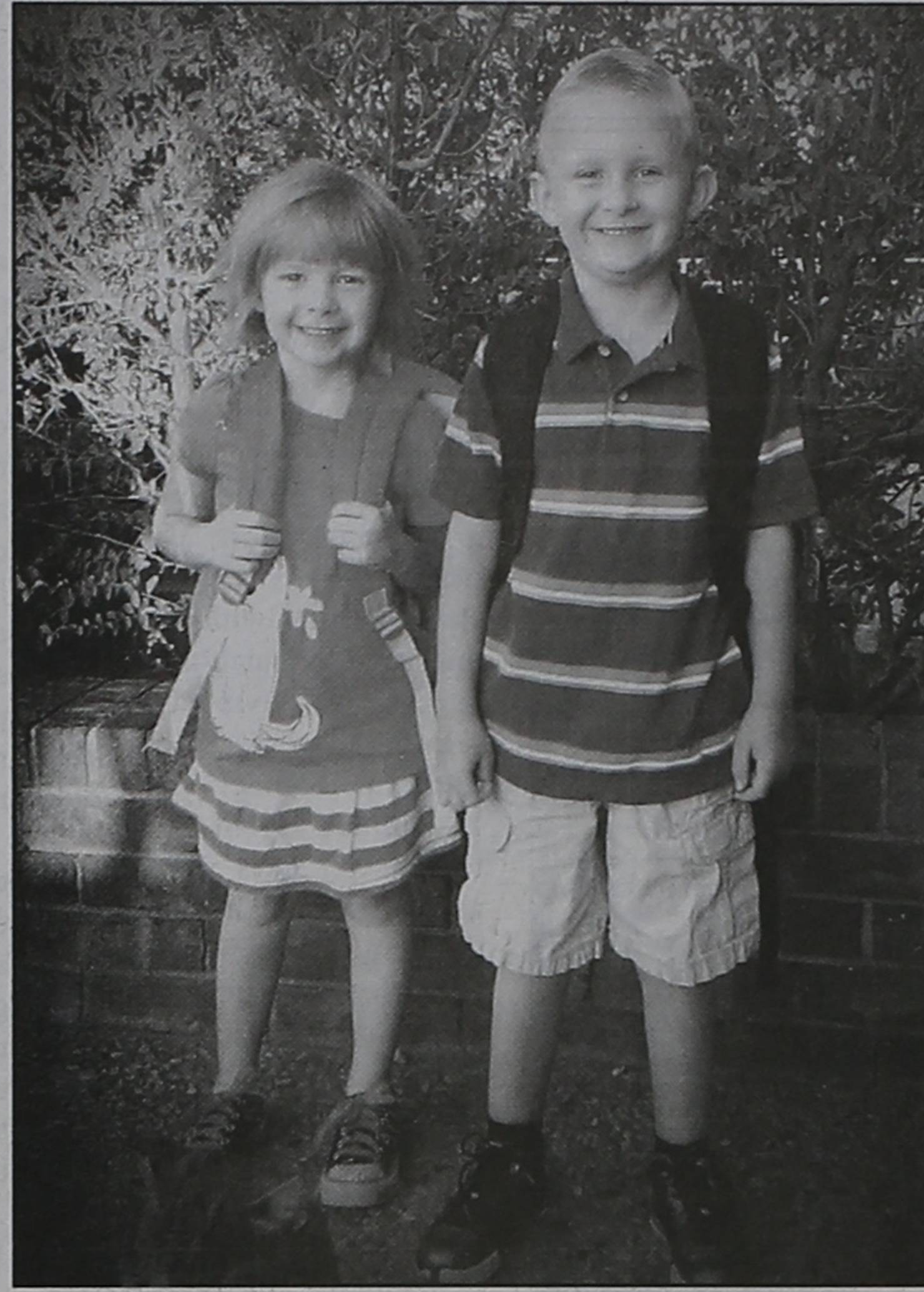
He was an avid golfer and devout member of the First United Methodist Church. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Conrad, and a sister, Mozelle.

Survivors include his wife Rosemary; two daughters, Julie Winegeart and husband Eddie of Amarillo and Joyce Vance and husband Frank of Amarillo; two sons, Steve Melton of Austin and Paul Melton and wife Jan of Fort Worth; one sister, Claudine Elliott of Muleshoe; five grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

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1	2 -Chieftain Band Marching Rehearsal 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. -Labor Day Holiday	3 -JV/V Volleyball @ Melrose 5:30/7:00	4	5 -OPEN	6 -OPEN	7 -Jr. High/High School Cross Country @ Plainview -Miss Friona Pageant
8	9 -Chieftain Band Marching Rehearsal 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. -7th/8th Volleyball @ Olton 5:00/6:00	10 -C/JV/V Volleyball @ River Road 4:30/5:30/7:00	11	12 -B/7th/8th Football @ River Road 4:00/5:00/6:30 -Fr/JV Football vs. River Road 5:00	13 -Varsity Football @ River Road 7:30	14 -C/JV Volleyball Tournament @ Denver City -Jr. High/High School Cross Country @ Plains
15	16 -Chieftain Band Marching Rehearsal 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. -JV/V Volleyball vs. Elida 5:30/7:00 -7th/8th Volleyball vs. Littlefield 5:00/6:00	17 -Little Miss Friona	18 -Gospel Gathering - FHS Auditorium 6:30 p.m.	19 -B/7th/8th Football vs. Idalou 4:00/5:00/6:30 -Fr/JV Football @ Idalou 5:00	20 -Varsity Football vs. Idalou 7:30 HOMECOMING -Cargill serving burgers @ football game	21 -Jr. High/High School Cross Country @ Hart -JV/V Volleyball vs. Plainview Christian 12:00/1:30 -Maize Days
22	23 -Chieftain Band Marching Rehearsal 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.	24 -C/JV/V Volleyball @ Brownfield 4:30/4:30/6:00 -JH Cookie Dough Sales Kickoff	25	26 -B/7th/8th Football @ Roosevelt 4:00/5:00/6:30 -Fr/JV Football vs. Roosevelt 5:00	27 -JV Volleyball Tourney @ Portales -Varsity Football @ Roosevelt 7:30	28 -Choir TMEA All State Round 1 @ Tascosa High School -Jr. High/High School Cross Country @ Amarillo Tascosa Rebel Run -JV Volleyball Tourney @ Portales -JVC/V Volleyball @ Olton 12:00/1:30
29	30 -Chieftain Band Marching Rehearsal 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. -7th/8th Volleyball @ Dimmitt 5:00/6:00					



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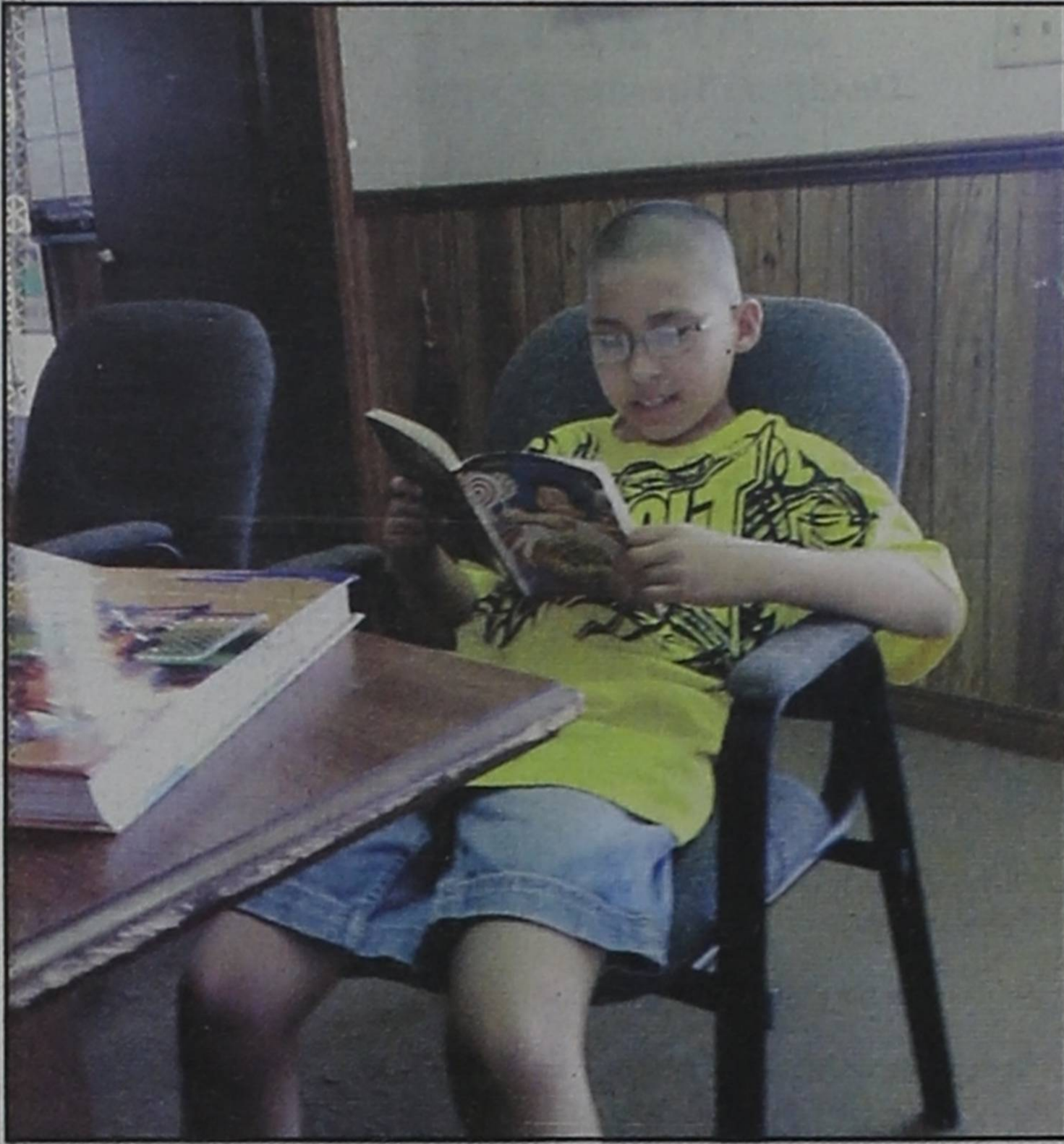
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First day of school for Alex Hernandez, 5th grade.

From Coach Bryan Masse

The Friona Squaws volleyball team participated in the Shallowater tourney August 16-17. They opened up pool play with three wins in a row over Christ the King, Tulia, and Brownfield.

In the last pool play game the Squaws were beating Shallowater when a long delay from the scorers table took place. After the long delay the Squaws could not regain the momentum and lost a close match to the Fillies.

In bracket play on Saturday the girls opened with a short handed Littlefield team and made quick work of the district opponent. Then came Lubbock Christian. The squaws fought hard but lost a close match that could have gone either way.

In the third place game the Squaws did not have enough energy after the disappointing loss and fell short to Snyder, claiming fourth place in the tournament. After the tournament the Squaws record was 6-3.

Squaw volleyball update

The next weekend the Squaws returned home from the Littlefield tournament as the consolation champions. They finished third in their pool on Friday with losses to Shallowater and Plains and a win over Olton. The girls were really close to being first but lost two very close games.

On Saturday the girls played good for part of the first game vs. Plainview Christian but came upon hard times and lost a game that should have been won. After the loss the Squaws rebounded to beat Post, Dimmitt, and Olton to capture the consolation title.

We came together and played better as a team after the first loss to finish on a high note.

The Squaws went to Brownfield Tuesday to play the lady Cubs and the Plains Cowgirls. In the "C" team match the Squaws came out with a win in their first match of the season.

The JV team took the court against

Brownfield and Plains. Although there were some bright spots the ladies were not consistent enough and lost both matches.

The varsity opened with a 3-0 victory over Brownfield. The Squaws played well and never let the Lady Cubs get comfortable, winning 25-15, 25-21, 25-13. In the second game the girls played well for a 25-21 victory against Plains. In the second game the Squaws stayed even with the Cowgirls but did not win the last part of the game and fell 19-25.

The third game was a lot like the second one in that it was back and forth until the last part of the game and lost 21-25. Losing two games very close seemed to take its toll on the tired Squaws and the score showed it, 14-25.

The Squaws are 11-7 and play in the River Road tournament Friday August 30. The ladies open with Borger at 2:00 p.m.



First day of school, Audrey & Ashley Rivera, Headstart



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