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Filing period ends December 9

The filing period for county offices is open now to December 9. The primary election will be held March 4. Filing for re-election are the following incumbents:

District Judge Gordon Green, Justices of the Peace Pam Haseloff-Farwell, Sandra Clayton-Bovina, Jo Beth Gipson-Friona, County Judge Trey Ellis, County Commissioner Lloyd Bradshaw, County Treasurer Altha Herington, and District Clerk Sandra Warren.

Precinct 2 County Commissioner James Clayton will not seek re-election. Mitch Terry has filed for the commissioner position. County Clerk Colleen Stover will not seek re-election. Gerri Bowers, who has worked in the county clerk's office for 15 years, has announced she will seek the county clerk's position.

Elizabeth McLellan is the County Republican chairman and Robert White is the County Democratic chairman. Persons interested in running for any of the county offices need to contact their county chairman before December 9.

Don't forget the Country Market at the Community Center

Friday & Saturday November 22-23

Lots of arts & crafts and

concession stand by Canna Ray and style show by Ingram's Department Store



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The new owners of Bi-Wize Pharmacy are Joshua and Christina Moore. The Moores own the pharmacy in Tulia and reside there. The pharmacist in charge is Friona native Andy Alexander. They are presently remodeling the prescription pick-up area to make it more open. We welcome the Moores to the Friona community.



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The city is providing a trailer behind city hall until December 15 for free recycling of electronics only. Computers, monitors, printers, and televisions etc. can be put on the trailer. Only electronics please.

Hospital/clinic get education support

Friona, Texas (November 18, 2013) – A decision by Preferred Management Corporation to fund Health.edu will ensure continuous availability of health education programs at Parmer County Medical Center and Friona Rural Health Clinic. Provided by Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, the program offers staff at the hospital and clinic in Friona with access to over 500 on-line courses, including more than 200 hours of new programming per year.

"These continuing education programs enhance the knowledge of our staff and the quality of care we provide," said Gayla Quillin, hospital administrator. "The courses also help our physicians, nurses, physical therapists, clinical laboratory professionals, emergency medical services personnel, radiology technicians, pharmacy, medical records personnel, so-

cial services, physical therapy, dieticians and other staff to maintain their licensing or certification," she continued.

Health.edu also offers general and safety education programs that help all hospital and clinic staff including administration, the business office, housekeeping, maintenance and other support departments meet the requirements of various regulatory agencies such as the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) and the Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS).

"In the last 12 months, hospital and clinic staff members have participated in almost 700 hours of education through this program," noted Quillin. "Since it is a web-based service, staff can access the programs from work, home or on the road any time of day, any

day of the week."

The program had been previously funded through a federal grant that has been terminated, reported Mike Easley, chief operating officer of Preferred. The Texas Department of Agriculture has found additional funds and announced plans to issue a new request for proposal that may result in the reinstatement of the program.

"Continuing education is very important to our staff and the communities we serve," said Easley, "so we have stepped in to provide the funding necessary to maintain the program at all of our hospitals."

Recognized locally and nationally as a provider of comprehensive health education materials, Health.edu delivers course material to over 200 hospitals and clinics in Texas, with a national market of more than 500 hospitals and military sites.

Memories from a Retired Teacher

November 22, 1963 – President John F. Kennedy's Assassination

I began my teaching/coaching career in September 1963 in Friona, Texas. I was hired one afternoon in mid July 1963, having just graduated from West Texas State University. Passing through Friona one July afternoon, I decided to stop by the Friona ISD offices for a visit, and it turned out to be a life changing afternoon. On that exciting afternoon, I was blessed to meet two of the finest men I've ever known, on a journey filled with outstanding men, Mr. Alton Farr, Superintendent of Friona Schools and Tom Jarboe, the principal of Friona Jr. High School. These two men would become great contributors to the lives of my wife, Sue and I, in the next four years, and for all these years that have come to pass. My wife was hired by Mr. Farr as one of his secretaries, and I was hired by Mr. Farr and Mr. Jarboe to teach Texas History and physical education, with promised coaching position when it became available.

When Mr. Farr told me that I would be making the beginning teaching state salary of \$4,016 per year, and with the \$200.00 bonus that Friona paid, I would make a total of \$4,216.00, I was thrilled beyond all imagination, and surely must have jumped from his front porch to our car! Sue and I had found the end of the rainbow in Friona, Texas!

School began in those years usually the day following Labor Day. I had been twenty-two years old for just ten days when the sun rose on my first day as a teacher. What an exciting time it was in our lives. Mr. Jarboe was a fine principal, a very good man and he was the consummate professional, all of which suited me just fine. A necktie, a professional look, professional behavior at all times, being in charge of one's class and pride as a teacher – hey, I hung on his every word in our first teachers' meeting. He was a role model I would continue to follow in my teaching, coaching and counseling career, including my exciting years later in life with The Texas Longhorns and The University of Texas at Austin, where I eventually retired following a thirty-five year career in education.

Although I have so many good memories from my first year of teaching, the most memorable day for me, and in all probability, of the twenty-eight young seventh graders in my fourth period Texas History class, occurred shortly after noon on November 22. My wife, Sue, came to my classroom door and called me out into the hallway. She told me President Kennedy had been shot in Dallas, and that it was a very bad situation. I was totally taken back by her words and after a quick word to the kids in my class that I would be "right back", I

went straight to Mr. Jarboe's office. He was totally shocked, as I was, and he immediately turned on the radio. The news was very bad and I'm sure it was the beginning of one of the most challenging days of his career as a principal. In a few minutes, he called all of the teachers to his office and he told everyone the news. Shortly after, Walter Cronkite made his unbelievable announcement to all of America. We were all stunned, of course, and didn't quite know what to do next.

Mr. Jarboe told us to return to our rooms, tell our students to fold up their books, work, etc. He told us that we were to tell our students the news of the assassination, and of the death of President Kennedy. I don't remember exactly what I was thinking as I walked back to my classroom, but I'm sure I was shaking all over, knowing what I was about to tell a room full of twelve and thirteen year old kids. I'm sure as they looked at me standing before them, they must have seen me shaking and very unsteady. After all, I was only ten years older than they were on that cruel afternoon. As I told them the news, all were shocked. Several of them laid their heads down on their desks, and I remember one female student, someone I've never forgotten, just burst out in tears. It was a very emotional few moments for all of us and we were all put to the test of handling a situ-

ation that no one would even dare to think could happen in our nation. Mr. Jarboe then turned on the school radio for all of us to listen to the afternoon's continuing news. As I think back to that day, I remember saying years later to a group of teachers; I started that day twenty-two years old and finished that day five years older.

Though it will soon be fifty years since that terrible day, I've never forgotten the emotions of that afternoon, the positive actions of Mr. Jarboe, nor have I ever forgotten the kids in my classroom in fourth period that day. I can still call most of their names and remember the emotions we all shared and the terrible event that has linked us together throughout our lives. I know many of them share these same memories.

If any of these former students still live in Friona, or keep in touch with friends in Friona, I would be thrilled to hear from them. My wife, Sue and I, have lived in Georgetown, Texas for almost forty years now and we are both retired, travel a lot and enjoy four young grandchildren and their three dogs.

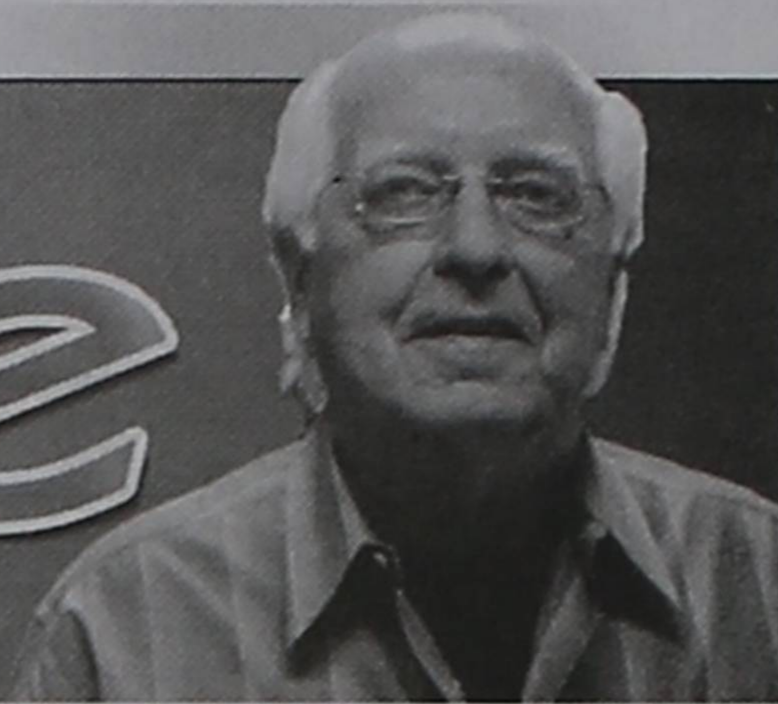
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Out Here

By Ron Carr



November 22, 1963.

Like Lee Harvey Oswald, I was 24-years-old. I lived in my first home in Irving which I bought for \$10,800. Oswald spent the night before at a friend's in Irving.

I worked the 3:30 - 11:30 p.m. shift in the Braniff Airways print shop in the basement of the Braniff Building at Harry Hines Blvd. and Mockingbird Ln.

That Friday morning I drove to downtown Dallas to City Hall to pay a traffic ticket. I parked at Main and Hartwood and went across the street to the building where Oswald would be shot in the basement two days later. It was a time when I paid no attention to politics. I didn't know a Catholic Democrat from a Baptist Republican.

When I paid the ticket and

headed down Main St. back to Stemmons Freeway I noticed a bunch of people gathering along the sidewalks and it was then I remembered that President Kennedy was coming to Dallas. It was about 10:30 a.m. and my first thought was to get out of downtown and avoid the traffic.

At the end of Main St. I turned right then left onto Elm toward the Stemmons underpass, the same route the Kennedy entourage would later take and the spot where he was shot by Oswald. I remember passing Market Hall where a crowd was already gathering to hear President Kennedy speak at a luncheon.

My only thought at the time was to get out of downtown and back to Irving. When word came of shots fired on the Kennedy party I was sitting on the couch in our tiny den folding

clothes and watching the World Turns on our black and white TV. From that moment, like millions of Americans, I was glued to the TV until the funeral on Monday.

When Ruby shot Oswald on Sunday I was watching live, still from our couch. What had happened did not sink in for a few seconds. Did someone actually shoot Lee Harvey Oswald in the basement of the police station and I saw it happen? Holy Cow. I said something like that but I don't think it was Holy Cow.

The reports on TV were constant. I followed the reports of Officer Tippett killed in Oak Cliff and Oswald being captured in the Texas Theater. When I first moved to Dallas in 1959 I lived in Oak Cliff and watched many movies in the Texas Theater. Oswald and

his family lived in an Oak Cliff rooming house.

It was all mesmerizing and to an extent unreal. Over the days and years I followed the conspiracy theories and read countless accounts in newspapers and magazines. I have enjoyed seeing all of the Kennedy assassination stories being rerun in memory of the 50th anniversary.

The school book depository building at the time had a huge yellow Hertz Rent Car billboard on top of it. In fact most local Dallas folks referred to it as the Hertz building. You could see the sign from miles. Because of the frequent local and international television coverage of the building it did not take Hertz long to remove the sign.

It was indeed an event that changed the world in many ways and I was almost there.

Letters to the Editor

Friona is a great place to live in; a small town has its advantages and disadvantages. The biggest disadvantage living in a small town is that everybody knows your business, such as your neighbor. It was at that time when I was in Friona that I can guarantee you I wouldn't even walk a block before someone would stop, pick me up, and help. You do not get that in a large city. In a small town we all come together when someone is in need. We'll help each other whether we like each other or not.

Saturday, November 9th, my sister Delia Samarron Jackson went to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and my momma, dad, brother Juan and many aunts and uncles. It was at that time many, many people in Friona started calling and offering to help in any way they could. Even before her surgery Friona people came together for Delia, Billy and Megan by praying, visiting, and giving monetary donations for gas expenses.

After my sister passed away many Frionians brought lots of food, paper goods, plants, and comfort to the family. I know it was a little confusing for a lot of you because we really didn't have a set place to get together. There were times we were together at my sister, Elvira's house, or we would get together at Billy and Delia's house and at my brother Jose's house. Many of the same people went to BSA to be with us. The ones that were not able to make the trip to Amarillo were at home or at church keeping us in prayer.

Everybody just kept offering a hand and reaching out to us. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. What a great community we live in! I didn't understand why these things happen but now I have a better understanding after talking to several people and that has helped me.

I did not realize how many people my sister touched until this happened. She touched a lot of people's lives, a lot of people shed tears for her. Many loved each her, she loved each and every one of them, and she loved each and every one of us!

The morning before surgery she told me she was going to see momma, but I thought it was the tumor talking. Boy was I wrong. I just want to thank everyone that prayed for us, cried with us, brought food, and flowers. I want to thank Templo Bautista Pastor Antonio Rocha, and pastor Sammy Rando for the use of the church for the Wednesday night service. Thanks to the First Baptist Church, Pastor Brett for the use of the church as well. The church held about four hundred people and there was around two hundred overflow, so that's about six hundred people total. Thank you once again First Baptist Church for housing our friends and family.

Thanks to Victory Family Worship, Pastor Robert Kerby where Delia, Jose, and myself are members. Thanks for the meal for the family after the service. A word has it there were a hundred and ten family members; that's a lot of people to feed. May God Bless the hands that prepared the meal. It was delicious!

Last but not least, thank you Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home. The staff there is unbelievable! I walked in with my family to make arrangements. I was not doing well at all but by the time Dusty Hansard got done talking to me I was a different man. That man deserves a raise! I hope the Mullins know what they have in Dusty Hansard; Ron Smiley very kind man as well.

That's what happens in a small community such as FRIONA. We are blessed to live here in Friona! Thank You Friona for everything! May God Bless each and everyone of you. I say Friona because there are too many to thank individually. If I mention everyone that had something to do with this, Ron Carr would run out of ink. Everybody even knows the newspaper man!

Richard Samarron



HE GAVE US THE MOON...AND LEFT BEHIND A WORLD OF POSSIBILITIES...

Gettysburg Address, 150 years ago, November 19, 1863

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle-field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we

dedicated to the great task remaining before us -- that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion -- that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain -- that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom -- and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

Abraham Lincoln
November 19, 1863

But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate -- we can not consecrate -- we can not hallow -- this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here

"I care about one thing and one thing only and that is how to use every minute of the remaining 1,276 days of my term to make the country work for working Americans again. That's all I care about."

President Barack Obama
July 24, 2013 Galesburg, Illinois

DID YOU KNOW?

Amendment 9. The enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

This amendment is a guarantee that rights not listed in the Constitution are still protected. The writers of the Constitution wanted to be certain that the people understood that these Bill of Rights amendments were not thought to be the only possible rights.....Mary Johnston

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22 TXism: "good Lord willing and the creek don't _____"
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34 TXism: "let _____ rip!"
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Town Talk II

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Bundle up. By the time most of you read this it is going to be cold and perhaps what they like to call wintry precipitation. Watch the weather, especially if you plan on driving to Amarillo and beyond.

The annual community Thanksgiving service will be held Sunday November 24 at 6:00 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church. Everyone in the community is invited to attend.

Mastercard security called me Wednesday morning. Seems my son Zac's debit card from First National Bank here in Friona was deactivated because someone in China attempted to charge \$2,000 on it. First time I've experienced any kind of

credit card theft. Zac lives in Austin. Not sure how they got his number but it will be about 10 days before he gets a replacement. That part might be a good thing.

Adopt-a-Resident at Prairie Acres for Christmas. Many residents need pajamas, robes, throws, or other necessities. You can provide for them by calling Elizabeth Romero at 250-3922 for details.

The Empty Stocking Fund to provide clothes and shoes and socks and a toy for local needy children is accepting donations. You can drop off a donation at Friona Interbank or contact Peggy Monroe.

Chris at the Chamber of Commerce says the trees in the park are marked and ready for decorating. They were hoping to have folks decorate Friday and Saturday but the weather may interfere. Christmas in the Park is Monday December 2. Santa will appear about 5:30 p.m. Larry Rector has built a sleigh for Santa's arrival. Lights will be turned on and there will be Christmas music. Plan to come to the park and enjoy the start of Christmas season.

Don't forget to sign up at local merchants participating in the Chamber's Ho! Ho! Home for the Holidays promotion. You could win \$25 or \$100 in Friona Bucks.

The annual Project Christmas Card Project has also placed donation canisters around town for donations or you can go by Friona Interbank to donate. This is sponsored by the Hospital Auxiliary and donations will be used to purchase equipment for our hospital.

Martha Barker, proprietor of Suds and Scissors, has some not so good news for her hair customers. Martha dropped a butcher knife on her foot Monday and severed some tendons. She managed to call for EMS and she had foot surgery Wednesday. Martha says she will be out of work for 6-8 weeks. We hope you make a full recovery Martha. Friona hairdos need you.

For the 11th year, Deena Leuea and Deanna Curtis are collecting money to provide sweat suits for nursing home residents in Friona and Farwell. If you would like to donate for a sweat suit, help with wrapping or delivery call Deena at 575-693-2506/806-481-3619, or Deanna at 575-693-3984/806-251-1405.

Like to say thanks to Sharon White for the article last week about the vote in 1938 to move the county seat to Friona. Glad we still have copies of many Friona Stars from the 20s, 30s, and 40s.

Friona graduate Steven Ortiz, son of Mary and Fidel Ortiz, is a trainer for Midland High School. They are in the football playoffs so mom and dad might be in for some traveling. They got to visit with Steven when Midland High beat Tascosa in Amarillo last week.

I attended the cancer survivor

dinner last Thursday sponsored by the Parmer County Cancer Coalition. Nice Italian lasagna and trimmings. Thanks to Greg and Jamie Lewellen and the 6th St. Church of Christ and the Cancer Coalition board for hosting. Good to see friends Kay and Radford Venable from Bovina and Francis Kube from Farwell.

Happy 34th anniversary to Carolin and Glenn Reeve this week. Went up to see Glenn at Stevens 5-Star in Hereford last week and took a look at the 2013 Chevy Avalanche. This is the last year Chevy will make the Avalanche. The first one was in 2002. Glenn says when he had a Chevy dealership in Friona many years ago he remembers thinking when Chevrolets got to \$10,000 nobody would buy one. The Avalanche was just south of \$50,000. Time always marches on.

Shana Fleming, County Agent and 4-H sponsor, had a nice group attend her cooking class last Saturday in Bovina. I stopped by on my way to Clovis, just in time to eat with the group. The bacon wrapped cream cheese thing was really good. It was all tasty. Enjoyed some grazing.

Firemen were called to a fire at Teddy Fangman's residence Saturday. An electric wire rubbing along his metal roof complicated by the high winds sparked a fire on a corner of the roof. Teddy wasn't home but Bobby Thompson and his son Collin spotted the smoke and notified the fire department. The prompt response contained the damage.

Von Edelman is back home from a brief EMS run to BSA

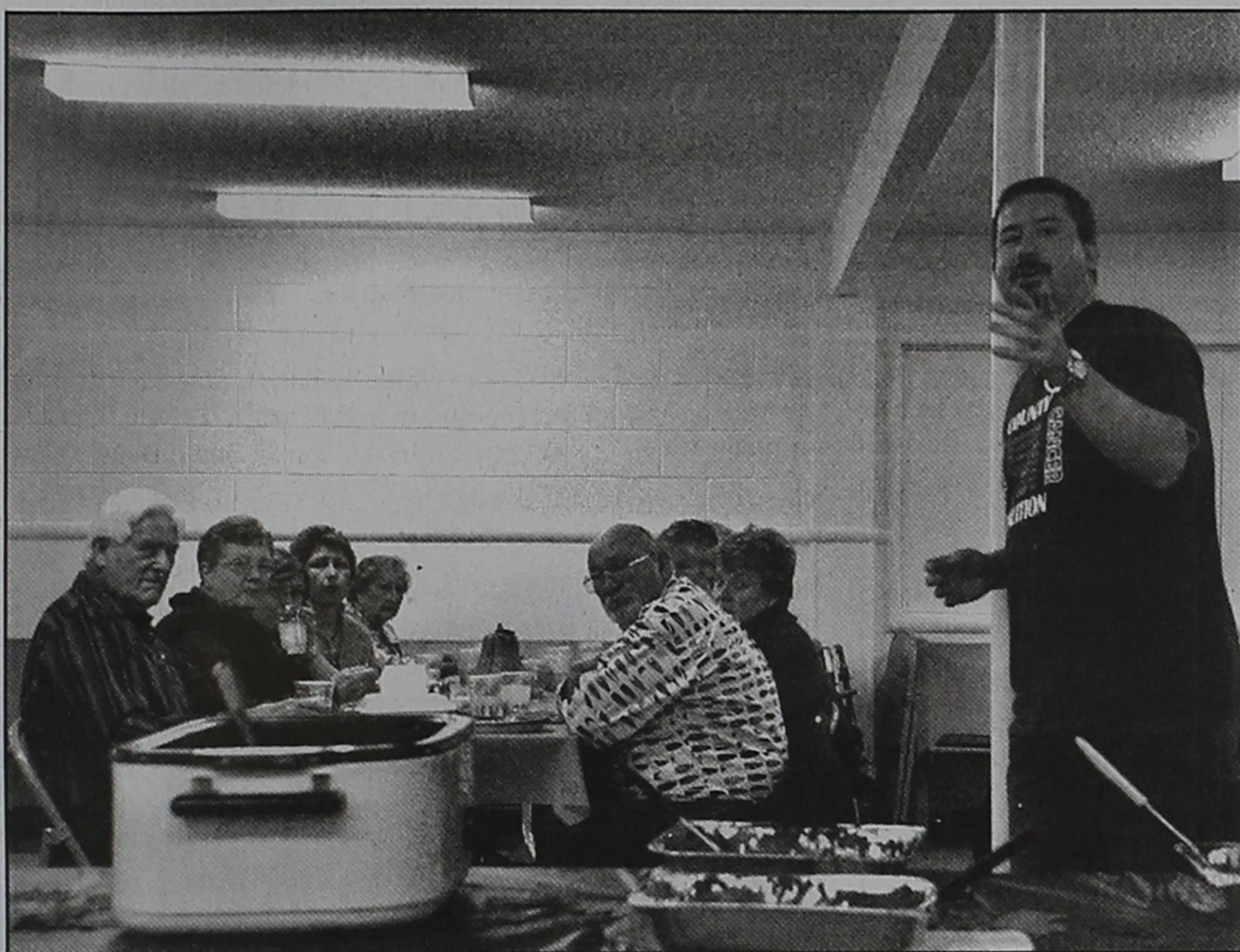
in Amarillo last Saturday and a few days stay at the Amarillo hospital. Thoughts and prayers to Von and Nancy and the family.

Enjoyed a brief visit with Joshua and Christina Moore, new owners of Bi-Wize Pharmacy. The Moores also own and operate the pharmacy in Tulia where they reside. No I don't imagine they will be moving to Friona. Christina is Sylvia Ingram's niece. Very nice young couple. They are remodeling the prescription pick-up area to open it up a bit. Joshua said they would probably move the cash register to the back also. Our own Andy Alexander is the Pharmacist in Charge.

Did you notice the Christmas decorations are on the poles along Main St. Since we office on Main I usually notice when Xcel Energy puts them up but I missed it this year. Or have they been up since last Christmas?

Angie Gonzalez at the Donut Shop changed the hours for her homemade Mexican breads. She started out selling her breads from 5-8 p.m. but that made for some long hours. Now she is still baking bread at the Donut Shop along with the donut hours, 4:30 - 11:00 a.m. Donuts or bread or both. Go by and see Angie.

Hope I didn't miss any news this week. We rely on our readers to send news items to share. A lot of you do and we appreciate it. Remember to watch the weather this weekend. I'll be bundled up with my coffee pot and television and some of Tina Carrillo's banana bread. See you next week. Until then!



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Greg Lewellen, right, Co-Chair of the Parmer County Cancer Coalition welcomed folks to the cancer survivor dinner held at the 6th St. Church of Christ last Thursday.



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A cash prize of \$200 will be awarded to our 1st place winner and \$100 for 2nd place. The entries will be judged on taste and appearance and the judges will be the public. Please have your entry cut into bite size pieces.

In order to enter, please fill out the following form and return to Friona InterBank. If you have questions please give us a call at 806-250-5000. Happy cooking!

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TYPE OF FOOD ENTRY (COOKIES, DIPS, ETC) _____

NAME OF ENTRY _____

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Lions Club News



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Evening Lions program chair Dave Thompson, left, Orville L. Blake, Bill Wakefield, and Chet Calcote brought a great night of country music for guests and Evening Lions at the Thursday November 14 meeting. Former Parmer County farmer Orville L. Blake and the Amarillo Country Band entertained with famous old country songs and original ones written by O.L. He can be found on the internet by looking for Hank L. Lynn. His CDs are "Back to the Ole Country" and "Ole Country." His backup musicians are Bill Wakefield on acoustic guitar and Chet Calcote on bass. Bill is an Amarillo musician who has played for the blues record label Ichiban and in his spare time is a rancher. Chet, a musician since he was 10-years-old, has played with the Texas Playboys, Charley Phillips, and Leon McAullife.



The children and grandchildren of Pat Martin are hosting an open house on Saturday, November 23rd from 2:00 - 4:00 pm in honor of her 80th birthday. Please join us at the Friona Senior Center, 1410 Washington St., to celebrate and enjoy some refreshments.

School menu

School breakfast/lunch menu for November 25-27.

Monday: Cereal, pig in a blanket, fruit salad, V-8 juice, milk
Spaghetti, hot rolls, lettuce & tomato salad, mixed veggie Italian, fruit salad, milk

Tuesday: Cereal, waffles, oranges, grape juice, milk
Chicken roasted, hot rolls, baked beans, mashed potatoes, mandarin oranges, milk

Wednesday: Cereal, French toast sticks, apples, grape juice, milk
Pepperoni pizza, carrot sticks, cole slaw, pineapple, milk

Thanksgiving holiday.

Happy Thanksgiving

Courthouse Notes

Warranty deeds reported by the County Clerk's Office for the week of November 7-13, 2013

Citimortgage Inc - Fannie Mae, Federal National Mortgage Assn L20 B3 Staley Addition Friona.

Joan Schwertner - Arnold Schwertner S35 T4S R4E, SE 160 acres S26 T4S R4E, SE/4 S2 T5S R4E.

Ricardo Rojas - Maria Rojas - Christian Rojas L16-17 B12 Bovina.

Owen Moore, Margaret Moore - Nathaniel Shepherd Jr, Rodney Dewayne Shepherd 2.69 ac W/2 5.38 ac S/PT S9 Blk E.

Hal Stephen Anderson, Jean Anderson, Davy Denison - Blue Sky Farms LLC SE/4 S4 T14S T3E.

JP Morgan Chase Bank NA - Michael Scott L13-15 B2 Jones Friona.



Happy Birthday

November 24 - November 30

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

Nov. 24-Junior Mata, Angela Van Valkenburg, Jeremy Burkart, Ashley Schlenker, Pat Martin, Dee Willard, Brandon Countiss

Nov. 25-Laura Ellis Garcia, Eddie Wilson, Lucy Beth Hinkle, Gladys Day, Michelle Mendoza, Sharon Mills, Melissa Collier, Polly Rivera, Edward Rivera, Sharon White, Lisa K. Taylor, Frank Galvan, Kris Galvan, Kati Cox,

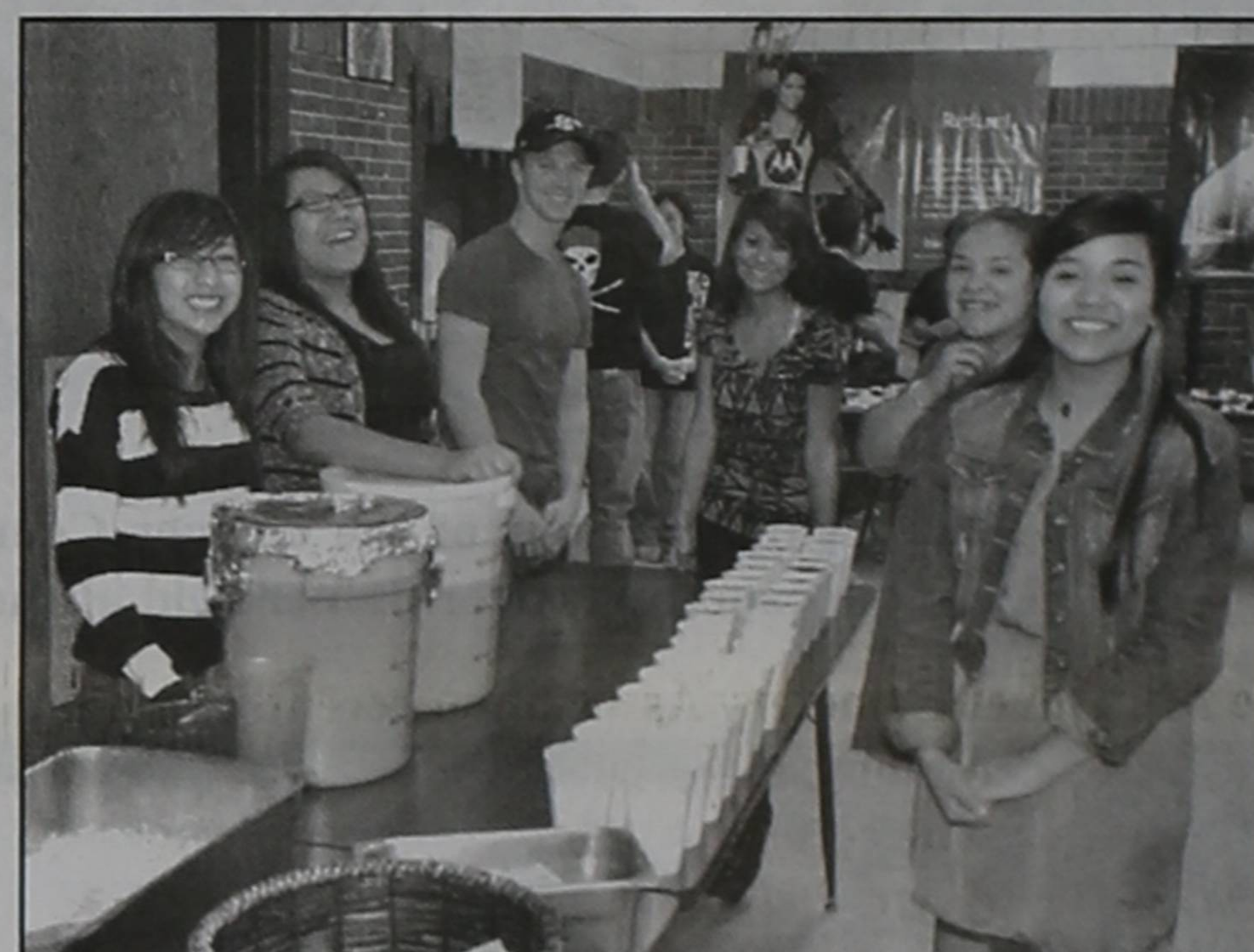
Nov. 26-Jamie Reeve Epperson, Don Maynard, Kim Ready, Oma Lee George, RyLee Vanleave

Nov. 27-Johnna Blackburn, Jacob Nelson, Lana Fangman Bracken, Jordan Monroe

Nov. 28-Nelda Talley, Cason White, Rena Burnett, Nell Carlton, R.J. Barrett, Caitlin Davenport, Michael Trevino Jr., Dean Stanberry, Taylor White

Nov. 29-Mitchell Gibson, Lisa Cummings Gonzales, Nicole Talley, Ky Graham, Timothy Padron, Terry Foster, Anthony Ramon

Nov. 30-Shauna Maynard, Robin Rector, Dean Agee, Macey Ni'Kohl Townsend, Brea Brown, Alryna McElreath



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These Chieftain band students served iced tea with a smile at Sunday's brisket dinner.

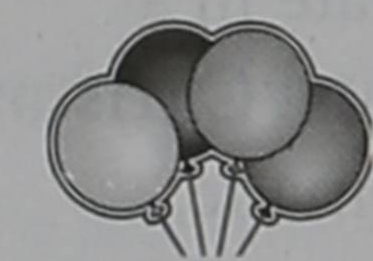


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The Republican Party has accepted the affidavit for placement on the ballot from Jo Beth Gipson, incumbent, for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, Place 1, Parmer County, Texas. Mrs. Gipson says, "I have enjoyed serving you this last term and ask for your support for the coming term. I will continue to be forward-thinking, honest, efficient, and always courteous. Remember, every vote counts."



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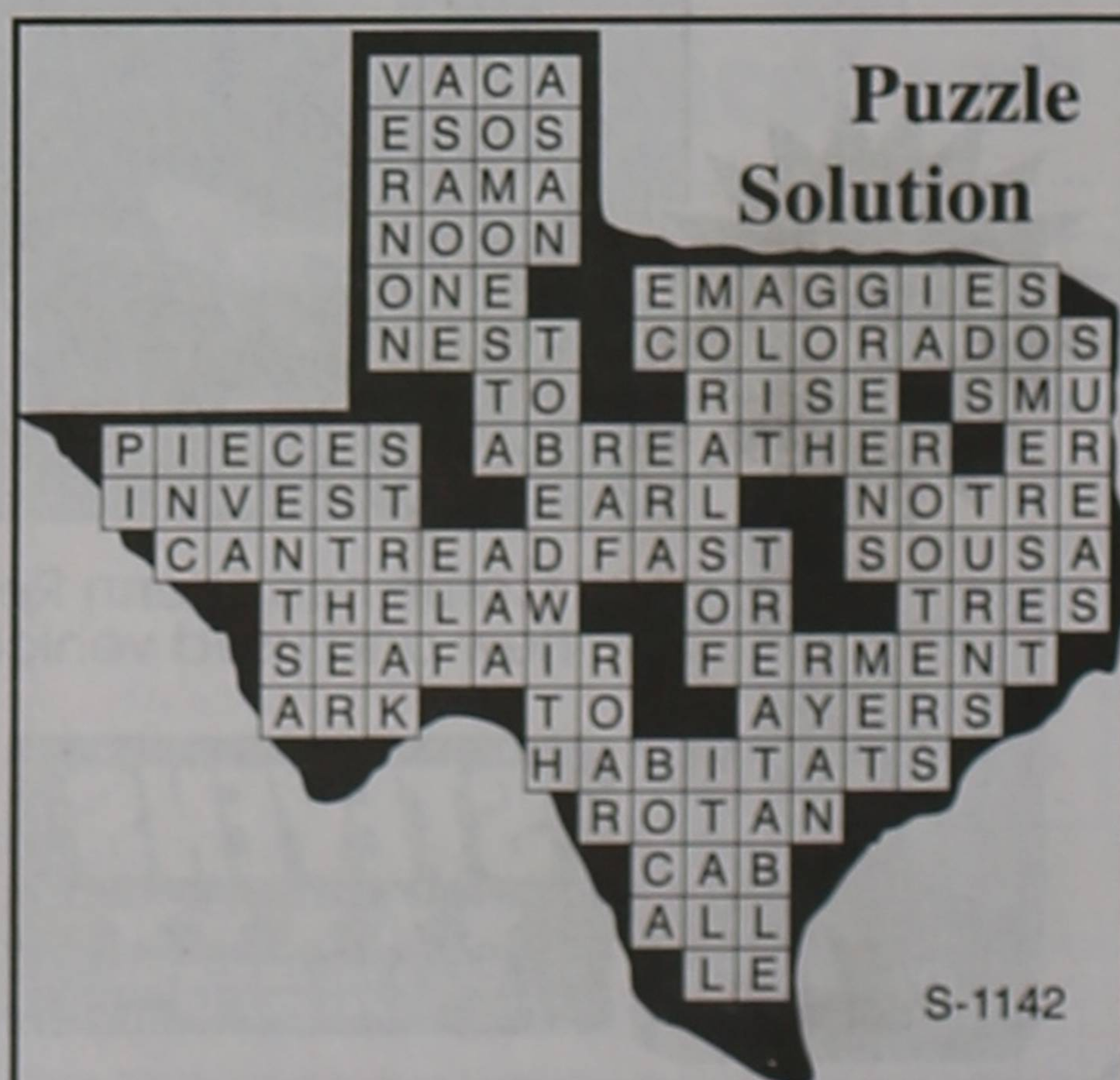


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BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

2 Kings 4:38-44 tells us of a situation in which the great prophet Elisha paused to serve his fellow prophets, which almost cost them their lives, if it wasn't for the purifying work of God. In this instance God was gracious to purify a poisonous pot of stew that had been cooked up, and to provide abundantly for the prophets thereafter in regards to their nourishment.

The purifying work of God in 2 Kings 4:38-44 is such a powerful reminder of God's purifying work in His children. First, God's purifying work begins with a putrid pot. God's grace is so amazing to purify us from sin because we are so inherently sinful. Secondly, the purifying work of God can cleanse even the vilest of vessels. In other words, there is no heart too dirty for God to wash clean with the blood of Jesus. Finally, those who have experienced the purifying work of God are in a position to enjoy His provisions and promises. To some degree all mankind experiences the common graces of God (life, breath, relationships...), but they do not experience the peace and fullness of life that God's purified, redeemed church does. If you have never experienced the peace of God in your life, follow Him in repentance and faith, and His purifying work will change your life.

We, the family of Delia Jackson, are overjoyed with a heartfelt love for all the generosity the community has shown during our time of loss. We are extremely grateful and blessed by actions shown to us the last couple of weeks, even now an out pouring of love continues.

We would like to recognize the following people for their love and support;

Parmer Medical Center, Parmer County Implement, Interbank, Blackwell-Mullins Funeral home, Templo Bautista - Pastors Antonio Rocha & Sam Rando and members, First Baptist Church - Pastor Brett Hoyle and members, Victory Family Worship Center - Pastor Robert Kerby and members, Iglesia Bautista Hispana - Pastor Rafael Marin

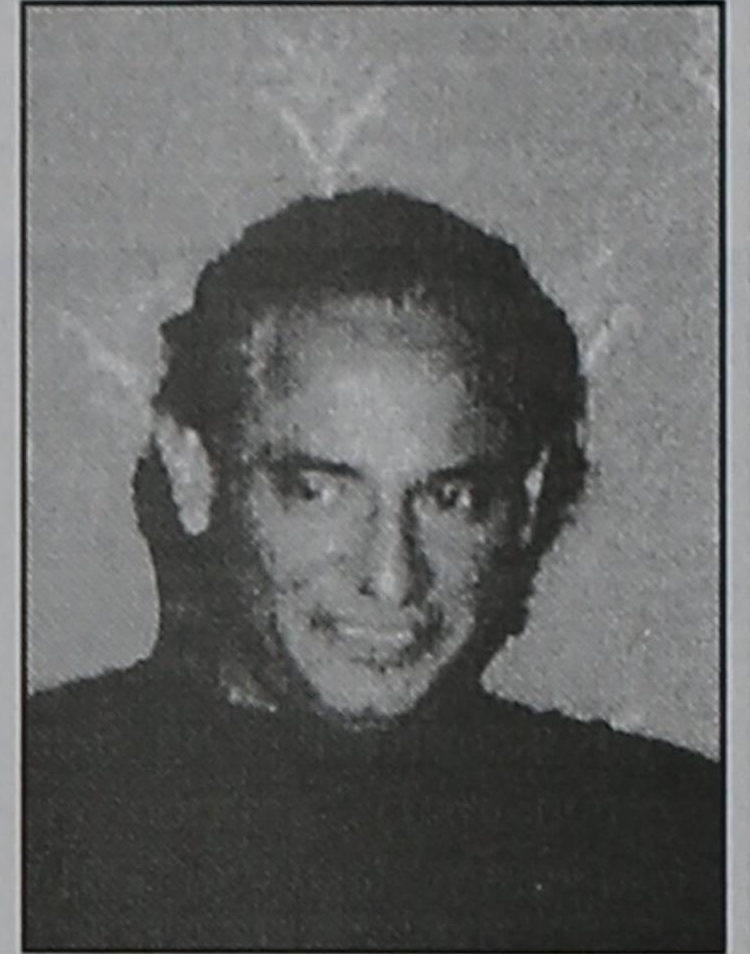
To all of the community of Friona, we thank you for the love you have shown, for prayers, visiting, food, flowers, and monetary donations. Megan would personally like to thank her teachers; Mrs. Gonzales, Mrs. Jack, Mrs. Hickman, Mrs. Suarez, Mrs. Kerby, Mrs. DeBons, Mrs. Huckins and all the students at Friona Elementary school for the cards they made, love, and support. We are blessed to live in this community! It has been a blessing to see the whole community come together during this time.

Thank you once again,
 Billy, Megan Jackson and Family
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OBITUARIES

Joe Hernandez, Jr.

Joe Hernandez, Jr., 53, of Friona, died Wednesday, November 13, 2013 in Amarillo. Prayer service was held Thursday November 14, 2013 at Templo Bautista in Friona. Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, November 15, 2013 at Templo Bautista in Friona with Pastor Rafael Marin, officiant. Burial was in Friona Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home in Friona.



Joe Hernandez, Jr.

Jose Hernandez, Jr. was born August 18, 1960 in Petersburg, Texas to Joe Benito Hernandez, Sr. and Maria Garcia Hernandez. He was an X-ray technician, generous and kind, he had a good sense of humor, and looked for ways to serve people.

He was preceded in death by his brother Jacob Hernandez.

Survivors are four daughters, Amanda McCampbell of Amarillo, Veronica Hernandez of San Marcos, Texas, Angel Hernandez of Rusk, Texas, and Andrea Nicole Porras of Ft. Worth; one son, Steban Hernandez of Ft. Worth; parents, Joe B. and Maria Hernandez of Friona; one

brother, Jesse Hernandez of Friona; four sisters, Sylvia Carrasco of Amarillo, Sandra Hernandez of Austin, Suzy Hernandez of Alba, Texas, and Sally Cox of Friona; and two grandchildren, Kobe McCampbell and Dani McCampbell.

To sign the register book online go to blackwellmullins.com.



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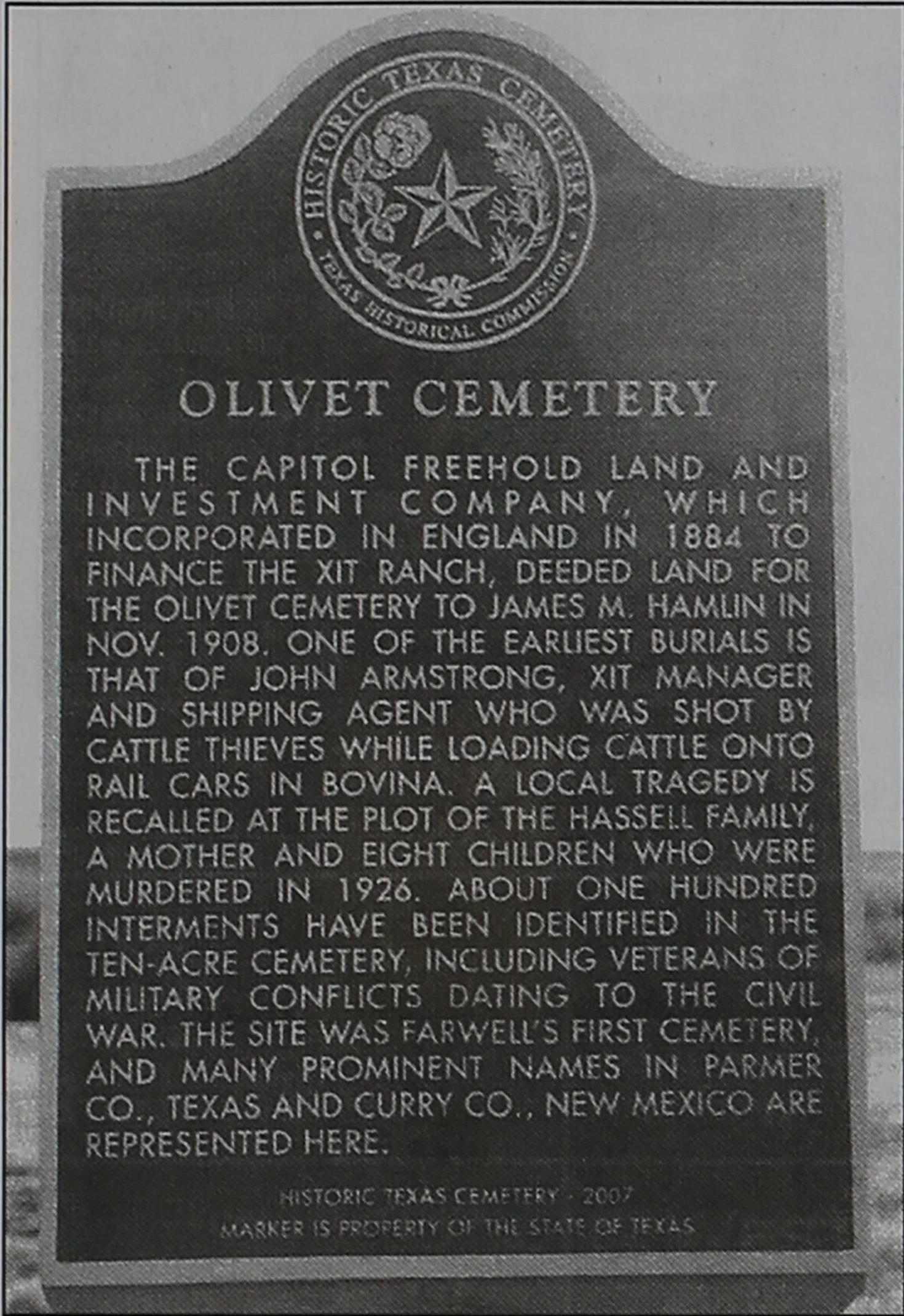
1095

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


One thousand and ninety five, a number whose significance will be short lived and then pass on. 1095 for me marks the number of days since our move back to Friona. The three year threshold happened quietly last week. For me, it has gone by quickly, but I am sure that some who worship with us might think otherwise. (Just kidding) It has truly been a blessing to be home, to work with the loving group of folks that meet on the corner of 6th St and Prospect. We have enjoyed this community, as well, the games, the plays, the concerts, parades, cheeseburger festivals, Friona Star © etc...There is a lot to enjoy here.

What gives me pause is the fact that 1095 is a mark of time, and time seems to march on. If I had a dollar for each day, I would have \$1095.00. If I had added a friend on Facebook everyday I would have a whole lot of new friends. If I had taken advantage of just one opportunity each day to say a kind word, or help someone in need. You get the idea although it is a mere mark in time, when I reflect on how well have I used my time for His purposes?

This is what gives me pause, because Satan would have me look back and be discouraged, by all I didn't do. I admit it IS discouraging to think and reflect on all that I have wasted. BUT there is hope you see if you are reading this you are alive today, and today the Lord graciously gives us another opportunity. "His mercies are new every morning." (Lamentations 3:22-23) So look out day 1096 or 1097 or whatever time mark you are using and step into today to His glory in His Service. Have a blessed day and use it well.



The Parmer County Historical Commission and the Mt. Olivet Cemetery Association recently held a dedication ceremony of the Olivet Cemetery Historical Marker. The ceremony took place on November 10, 2013 at the Mt. Olivet Cemetery located south of Farwell. The guest speaker was John Armstrong of Farwell who spoke about some of the more notable individuals who are buried in the cemetery. Cemetery board member Mack Heald read the names and unit affiliations of the numerous Veterans buried there. Gladys Spring, Chair of the Parmer County Historical Commission, officially dedicated the historical marker on behalf of the State of Texas and Parmer County.



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Squaw volleyball all-district

Volleyball district honors for District 2-2A have been released.

Topping the list for the Squaws was senior Kendall Kimbrough, named as District Outstanding Setter. Aubrey Williams, a junior, was one of two

named District Outstanding Defensive Player.

Senior Kailey Lucas and freshman Kendall Barnett were named to first team all-district. Receiving honorable mention were senior Mercedes Rodriguez and junior Christina Green



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Ariana Moreno (10) grabs a rebound away from a couple of Lubbock Christian defenders. Also shown are Kendall Kimbrough (23), Christina Green (4), and Marisol Posada (24). Friona will host Slaton Friday November 22. JV at 5 p.m., Squaws at 6:30 and Chiefs at 8:00.

Chiefs scramble for a rebound. Mason Loflin (3) left, Cole Stowers (23), Brad Stowers (15), and Dallin Woods (1) control this scrimmage with the Lubbock Christian Eagles.

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Kendall Kimbrough (23) and Christina Green corner a Lubbock Christian Lady Eagle during last Friday night action. More basketball photos at frionaonline.com.



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Taylor Stallings looks for someone to pass the ball to. She is one of several freshmen on the varsity Squaw basketball team. The girls lost a close game to the Lubbock Christian Lady Eagles Friday night. Looking on is Ariana Moreno (10). The boys and girls host Slaton Friday night. More action photos at frionaonline.com.



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Chieftain Jacob Dickson passes to a teammate during action with the Lubbock Christian Eagles.



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Jose Zamudio (2) scores on a fast break in the Chieftains basketball season opener last Friday against the Lubbock Christian Eagles. The Chiefs jumped out to an early lead but lost to the Eagles. The Slaton Tigers will visit Friday night Nov 22. More Chief action photos at frionaonline.com.

Chieftain & Squaw basketball photos available at frionaonline.com



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The Friona volleyball team, the Ball-E-Bratz, were champions in their Hereford volleyball league. They have been playing since 2nd grade. Their coach is Casey Sharrock. They went 8-0 in the season and 3-0 in tournament. Back row, l-r, Adaline White, Carly Drake, Lizbeth Rojas, Madyson Vazquez, Jaci Trevino; front row, l-r, Mariana Pina, Kylee Sifuentes, Maddie Sharrock, Alysia Albarado, and Karina Gomez.



donald herbert photo

The Hereford YMCA 5th & 6th Flag Football Team, The Braves, had a great year. They went 9-1. Back row: Rogelio Palacios, Eduardo Chavez, Drew Montana, Coach Andy Montana, Gustavo Torres, Johnathan Torres, Jose Rodriguez. Front Row: Julian Ramirez, Alex Santiago, Hugo Gonzalez, Zeke Garcia, Malachi Torres. Special thanks to my other coaches not in Picture, Roman Garcia and Gerardo Torres.



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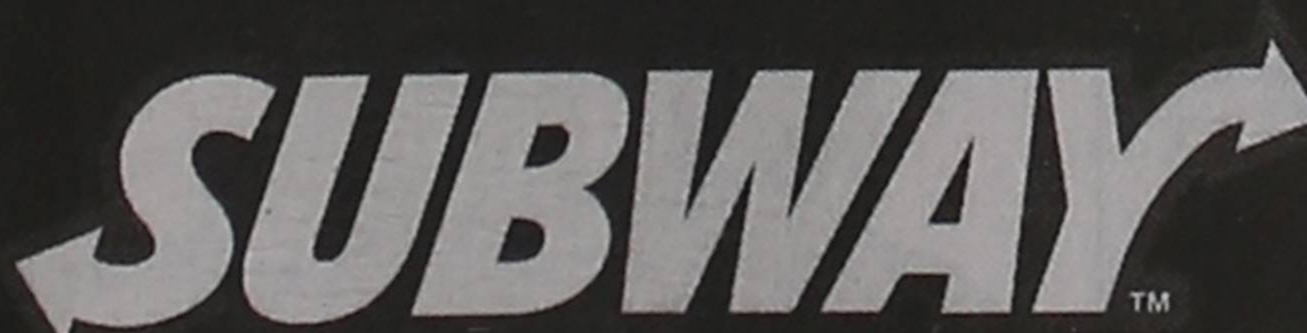
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Mailed entries should be postmarked by 4 p.m. Friday.

Each correct game picked counts as one point. Player with the most total points at the end of the contest will win a Grand Prize of \$100.

Only one entry form per individual. Must be 10-years or over to enter. Newspaper employees and their immediate families are not eligible to enter.

For questions or more information call: 806-250-2211.

All entries must be on the official entry form.

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<p>Bi-Wize Pharmacy Phone 250-3010 or 250-2270 902 Main Street Friona</p>	<p>Friona Wheat Growers Greg O'Brian Darrin Gilley Manager Assistant Manager 103 E. 5th • 250-3211</p>	<p>BLACKWELL-MULLINS FUNERAL HOME Dusty Hansard - Funeral Director</p>	<p>American Canvas Roddy Berend 1106 West Hwy 60 250-3611</p>
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Sally Gonzalez Week 11 winner

The winner of the Week 11 football contest is Sally Gonzalez of Bovina. Sally was the only contestant to pick 13 of 15 correct in Week 11. There is one more contest to play. The Week 12 contest is included in this Star.

Three contestants picked 12 of 15 correct: Dorothy Stowers of Bovina, Bailee Brailiff of Friona, and Lester Fennell of Plainview. Eight contestants managed to get 11 of 15. They are Tim Elmore, Jess Dearing, Christen Stowers, Myrtle Melton, Mark

Galan, Brandon Berend, Rusty McFarland, and Mal Manchee.

The point total leader is Rick Castaneda with 117 followed by Sandra Berend with 115 and Dorothy Stowers with 114. Good luck to everyone in the final Week 12 contest.



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Community healthcare related education is a focus for Parmer Medical Center and plans are to have an educational event at least every other month. November's educational event, the "Medicare Check-up", provided attendees an opportunity to get current information regarding open enrollment, Part D and Medicare changes for 2014. Please see the advertisement in this week's paper for additional information regarding Medicare Advantage plans.

Football Contest Standings – Week 11

Point totals after eleven weeks. Only contestants that enter all weeks are listed.

117 – Rick Castaneda
 115 – Sandra Berend
 114 – Dorothy Stowers
 111 – Frank Dominguez, Christen Stowers
 110 – Bailee Brailiff
 109 – Mark Galan, Rusty McFarland, Mal Manchee, Aubrey Parson
 108 – Myrtle Melton
 107 – Brandon Berend, Jeremy Dearing, Lance Field, Lester Fennell, Jesse Morales
 106 – Scott Brown, Claire Brown, Brent Loflin
 105 – Jack Glover, Frank Gonzalez, Procoro Rodriguez
 104 – William Gromowsky
 103 – Martin Brito, Aprile Hudson, Harley Merritt, Tyrone Shelby
 102 – Raul Brailiff, Mitch Smiley, Ron Smiley, Jimmy Walker

101 – Pam Fennell, Benito Ortiz, Birdie Owens
 100 – Ronald Diaz, Quintin Shelby
 99 – Sally Gonzales, Mack McFarland, Enrique Rodriguez, Teresa Shelby
 98 – William Martin
 97 – Destiny Sandoval, Brian Simons
 96 – Linnell Rose
 95 – Sue Walker
 94 – Martha Rodriguez
 92 – Logan Loflin, Raymond Diaz
 91 – Ivan Duran
 90 – Tim Elmore, Jonathan Espinoza
 89 – Rodney Shelby
 86 – Sylvia Ortiz
 85 – Darlene Case, John Haile, Clayton Smiley
 84 – Isabel Rios
 81 – Isaac Duran, Kenny Stone

PPHM Christmas open house

Experience the holidays at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum's 37th annual Christmas Open House on Friday, December 6, from 6:00-9:00 pm and Saturday, December 7, from 2:00-6:00 pm. color-for-webThe museum will be bustling with Christmas activity as role players in Pioneer town invite you step in and step back to Christmas in the 1890's. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be ready to take requests from children who visit them in their sleigh in the snowy woods of Hazlewood Lecture Hall. In the basement, children can make holiday crafts in the craft corner. In the Petroleum Theater, storytellers

will weave Christmas stories in a cozy living room setting with a crackling fire while songs by children's choirs and entertainers fill the rest of the museum with music from the Derrick Room. On Saturday only, adults and kids can decorate their own holiday cookie at the museum. IMG_8337 for web 2

The event is free of charge and will be sponsored in part by the Underwood Law Firm. Suggested admission is one can of food per person to benefit the High Plains Food Bank. PPHM's Christmas Open House began collecting donations for the food drive three

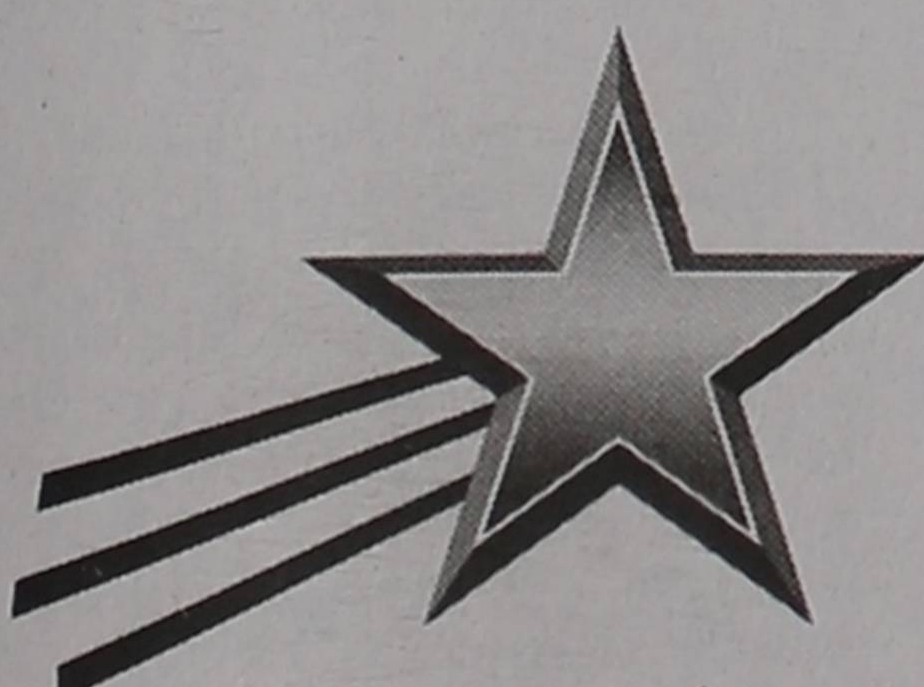
years ago and is now the area's largest single event food drive.

Located on the campus of West Texas A&M University, the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum is the largest history museum in Texas, with more than 285,000 square feet—and over two million artifacts—dedicated to preserving this area's past. PPHM offers visitors a chance to step into panhandle history with special exhibits, a permanent collection, Pioneer Town, cell phone tours, educational tours and special events. For more information about PPHM events please visit www.panhandleplains.org.

What You Should Know About Medicare Advantage

1. Medicare Advantage Plans are commercial insurance plans. **If you join a Medicare Advantage Plan you are no longer enrolled in traditional Medicare.**
2. Medicare Advantage Plans are not supplemental insurance plans. **If you have a Medicare Advantage Plan, you cannot be sold a supplemental plan and must pay 100% of any deductibles and co-payments associated with your plan.**
3. You can purchase a Medicare drug plan without enrolling in Medicare Advantage.
4. If you enroll in a Medicare Advantage Plan, your doctor and other providers may not be in-network for this plan. **As a result, you may not be able to use — or may have to pay more to use —** Parmer Medical Center and Friona Rural Health Clinic
5. If you do not comply with Medicare Advantage Plan rules, such as pre-authorization, **your out-of-pocket costs may increase, or your coverage could be denied leaving you responsible for all charges.**
6. In order to avoid charges for services not covered by your plan, please **check your enrollment status** and let your provider know if you have enrolled in any Medicare Advantage Plan or Medicare Drug Plan before you request services.
7. If you are already in a Medicare Advantage Plan, **you can switch back to traditional Medicare from October 15 through December 7 by calling 1-800-Medicare.**

Parmer Medical Center and Friona Rural Health Clinic are committed to meeting the needs of community members covered by Medicare. We encourage you to carefully evaluate any Medicare Advantage Plan before you decide to give up traditional Medicare, and to check with the hospital business office at 806.250.2754 to see if the plan includes your local hospital and providers.



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FCCLA: Feed Friona First

Friona Red FCCLA partnered with Cargill Cares and Calvary Baptist Church to "Feed Friona First." The activities were done to focus on World Hunger Day, October 16. FCCLA members implemented a campaign to educate other students about the huge role the Friona area plays in feeding people throughout the world with beef, grains, and dairy products. They distributed 3180 food fact cards to primary and elementary children. The cards featured pictures of high school students and facts about nutrition, hunger and food production. FCCLA members dis-

covered that 1 in 7 people in the United States go to bed hungry and that hunger threatens the lives and health of 19 million children throughout the world. The fact cards also taught about the products that are grown in Friona that go all over the world. Students created displays about the history of agriculture in Friona and the value of water for the production of food. Their research revealed that it takes 1300 gallons of water to make a cheeseburger!

The FCCLA members reminded students to donate canned food to "Feed Friona

First." Friona is no longer eligible to participate in the food bank from Clovis. The Primary contributed 416 items, Elementary brought 320 cans, Junior High brought 34 items and the High School had 471 food items. Cargill employees added another 500 cans for a total of 1,741 non-perishable food items. Coach Towner's Tribal Council class had the most donations from the high school. They delivered the items to Calvary Baptist Church who is developing the local food bank. The cash donations of \$108.02 will be donated to the Friona Snack Paks for Kids.



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FCCLA students, l-r, Stephanie Martinez, Abel Palacios, Marcie Gomez, and Elizabeth Gonzalez pack cans for the food bank.



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Coach David Towner's junior Tribal Council collected the most cans at the high school. They delivered the food to Calvary Baptist Church and helped to organize the food bank for Friona.



ron carr photo

This vehicle did only minor damage to the Ingram's building on Main St. last Thursday. The driver, Mrs. Ollie Pearl Taylor, was transported to PMC and released with only minor injuries.

Do You Know Your BMI?

By Melanie Gallman Braun

Last week's take away was that the weight on the scale wasn't as important as what made up the weight. Body composition is the amount of body fat and lean body mass you have. The more muscle you have the more you are going to weigh, so the number on the scale doesn't always indicate how healthy you are. We are going to look at BMI this week as an *estimate* of a healthful body weight. Remember, I said an "estimate"—BMI is a quick and dirty estimate! Before you stress, see the exceptions in the last paragraph. If you do the math here, and you are concerned, talk to your doctor about what a healthy weight should be for you.

Body mass index (BMI) provides an important clue to your overall health. It is commonly used and is a comparison of your body weight to your height. The equation is $BMI = \frac{\text{weight (lb)}}{\text{height (in)}^2} \times 703$. So for someone who is 6' and weighs 180 pounds, their BMI would be 24.4 ($180/5,184 \times 703$). If you are allergic to math, there are also numerous BMI calculators on the Internet that you just plug in your height and weight and tada! It gives you your BMI. They usually provide charts that show you what class you are in. **Underweight** is defined as having a BMI of less than 18.5; **normal weight** is defined as a BMI of 18.5-24.9; **overweight** is

defined by a BMI of 25.1-29.9; **obesity** is defined as a BMI between 30-39.9; and **morbid obesity** is defined by a BMI of greater than or equal to 40.

Research shows that your risk for type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, and many other diseases increases significantly when your BMI exceeds 30. Take note that being underweight and having a very low BMI also increases your risk for health problems. Think Goldilocks here...

The BMI method is limited when used with children, teens, and adults over 65. It is also not a good estimate for people who have a disproportionately high muscle mass for a given height.

Turkey shoot, community breakfast set the stage for pheasant season

By Jim Steiert

Events preliminary to and coordinating with the upcoming opening of pheasant season on December 7 are being prepared by local organizations.

First up will be the annual Easter Lions Club turkey shoot this Sunday, November 24, at the Easter community south of Hereford.

Also coming up soon is the annual pheasant hunters' and community breakfast, set for the early hours of December 7 at the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church, 501 North Main.

The Easter Lions Club turkey shoot is a long-standing tradition of helping hunters to shoot all of the misses out of their fowling pieces in advance of the opening day of pheasant season, and a primary fund raiser for the organization that benefits scholarship and community service efforts.

With a drought on, pheasants will be unfortunately scarce this season, but the Easter Lions Club will have clay targets flying in abundance at the club trap field just south of the Easter Community Building at the southwest corner of the intersection of FM

1055 and FM 2397 south of Hereford on 1055.

Rounds get underway at 1 p.m. and will continue until sunset.

Shotgunners can try their luck at breaking the most targets in a five-shot round for \$7.50. After claiming their first turkey, winning gunners will be handicapped by being moved farther from the traphouse to maximize the number of winners. Imaginative trap operators from the Lions Club also come up with their own ways of leveling the playing field, and miss-conscious shooters can always blame the angle of the sun or gusts of wind for their fowling fowl-ups.

Top target busters will win their choice of waterless ham, turkeys, and thick-cut bacon.

For those suffering trap-trepidation, there's a virtually surefire way of bringing home the bacon, ham, or turkey. The popular patterning target square blastout will be back. Entrants can purchase two target squares for \$1. Entrants place their names on squares, and target sheets are hung on a hay bale, then blasted with birdshot from an open cylinder 20-gauge at 30 yards. The square with the most

pellet strikes from the shot wins the prize. The can't miss feature of the event is a whole-card buyout, priced at \$20—guaranteeing a win without a shot being fired. As always, proceeds from the turkey shoot are used by the Easter Lions Club for community assistance projects and scholarships.

Those with questions or desiring to buy target sheet squares can contact Dee Taylor at 276-5217.

For diehard pheasant hunters and those just hunting for a good deal on breakfast, the Celebration Class of First United Methodist Church will be turning out eye-opening fare from 5:30 to 9 a.m. December 7.

Featured menu items will include coffee and juice for a jump-start, and eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits, gravy, and cinnamon rolls to round the meal off.

Admission will be by donation, with proceeds to be used toward renovations of the library at FUMC.

There's no scientific evidence that participating in the breakfast prior to going afield after pheasants will improve hunting success—but it certainly couldn't hurt.



ron carr photo

Roofers are still working in town since the June 5 hailstorm. These workers were busy Tuesday putting a new roof on the library.

Water level data available online

Annual water level measurement data from the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District (HPWD) observation well network is just a mouse click away—via a new interactive map on the district's web site (www.hpwd.com).

"These water level data are most often requested by customers. Development of this interactive map provides users additional access to reliable groundwater data for the Ogallala Aquifer within the district's 16-county service area," says Manager Jason Coleman.

The map will be updated each year following completion of the district's annual water level measurements. Initially, it will feature the most current water level measurement for each well site. Additional historic data will be added when the map is updated to reflect results of the

2014 water level measurements.

Persons can access the map by going to www.hpwd.com/maps-and-charts and clicking the link, "Observation Well Measurements."

The next web page provides a link to the interactive map as well as instructions on how to navigate the site using the toolbar.

Clicking on the link brings up a map showing the location of water level observation wells within the district. There is an option to view the map with either a road map or aerial photography as the background.

Clicking on an individual water well site, shown on the map as a blue dot, allows access to the most current water level measurement for that site. Values are displayed as the depth-to-water from the elevation of the land surface at that location.

"If you are not comfortable using a computer—don't worry! The results of the water level measurements and average annual change in feet for a one-year, five-year, and 10-year period will continue to be published in The Cross Section, the water district's monthly newsletter," said Coleman.

He encouraged people to visit the district's web site and use the interactive map feature.

"The district would appreciate any and all feedback. HPWD staff want to make this a beneficial tool that is user-friendly to all," he said.

Created in 1951 by local residents and the Texas Legislature, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 is charged with conserving, preserving, protecting, and preventing waste of groundwater within its 16-county service area.



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Parmer County Extension Agent Shana Fleming had a nice turnout for her cooking class held Saturday morning at the Bovina Recreation Center. Shana included a cookbook for the attendees and they all got to eat the food prepared during the class.

Applications for Conservation Programs Being Accepted At Parmer County NRCS Office

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) District Conservationist Earl Behrends announces applications for funding opportunities with the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP) are currently being accepted at the NRCS offices located at Farwell, Texas.

NRCS in Texas has received its initial allocation of EQIP and WHIP funding for 2014 and will begin ranking and obligating contracts after January 17, 2014. All agriculture producers interested in submitting a contract application for 2014 should do so before this ranking deadline.

EQIP—one of the largest programs in the Farm Bill—is a voluntary conservation program that promotes environmen-

tal quality and assists producers to meet local, state and federal regulations.

"EQIP is a valuable tool to help Parmer County's agricultural producers implement conservation practices that provide environmental benefits to help sustain agricultural operations," says Behrends.

"WHIP helps landowners restore and improve fish and wildlife habitats, and benefit at-risk species," says Behrends. "This funding will give landowners across the state the opportunity to address wildlife concerns in Texas."

EQIP and WHIP are continuous sign-up programs that allow landowners or operators to apply for financial and technical assistance for the application of specific conservation practices; but the deadline for the first 2014 funding

allocation is **January 17, 2014**. Contracts are offered periodically depending on budgetary allocations. Applications made after the deadline will be considered in the next funding cycle. Higher priority will be given to those applications that address national, state and local priorities and provide higher cost efficiency.

EQIP offers technical and financial help to install or implement structural, vegetative, and management practices that can benefit the soil, water, air, plants, livestock, and wildlife. WHIP applications must address traditional natural resource issues such as water quantity, water quality, grazing lands, forest health, soil management, emerging natural resource issues, and climate change.

Each county in the state is funded

yearly to assist producers financially with these land management practices.

Last year, NRCS in Texas funded over 4,500 EQIP contracts with \$91 million to accomplish conservation practices such as irrigation efficiency, minimum tillage, brush management and more on 3.6 million acres across the entire state. Additionally, NRCS funded 200 WHIP contracts with \$7.1 million to improve wildlife habitat on over 380,000 acres in Texas.

In addition to helping our environment, Farm Bill conservation program funds support rural communities. In Texas, it is estimated that each dollar of NRCS and private matching expenditures on NRCS conservation programs generates an additional \$2.54 in sales of goods and

services locally.

For more information, including eligibility requirements, call the USDA Service Center office in Farwell at (806) 481-3311. Service center locations and program information can be found on the Texas NRCS Web site at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

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