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FJHS Spring Open House

Friona Junior High School will host the Spring Open House on Tuesday, March 8, from 6:30 p.m. until 7:15 p.m. All parents are encouraged to attend if possible. Door prizes will also be given out.

Farewell reception for Aycocks Sunday

Charles and Margaret Aycock of Farwell will be feted with a farewell reception Sunday, March 6, at Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church, 324 5th St., from 2-3:30 p.m.

The Aycocks, he is the former Parmer County Attorney, will be moving to Amarillo soon. Everyone is invited to come and tell them goodbye.

TDH immunization schedules for March

Immunization clinics offering the vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases are scheduled for March 2005 in Friona and Bovina.

The clinic in Bovina will be Monday, March 7, in the Bovina EMS Building, 109 S. 3rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The clinic in Friona will be Friday, March 18, at 616 Euclid from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

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

Bovina Chamber banquet March 5

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce banquet is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday, March 5, in the school cafeteria. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased in advance at the Bone Joint Clinic, Parmer County Tax Appraisal office, or at the school administration office.

Entertainment will be provided by former Bovinans Butch and Ben McCain. The brothers are the sons of Les and Rose McCain of Bovina and have built successful careers in the television and movie industry.

Miller's anniversary reception Tuesday

Roy & Eva Miller will receive friends at their home Tuesday, March 8 from 2:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. to celebrate the 75th wedding anniversary. The address is 1650 CR E. No gifts please.



Election filings deadline Monday

The deadline for persons to file for city council or school board seats on the May 7 election ballot is Monday, March 7. Applications are available at city hall or the school administration building.

At press time no one had filed for the three Friona city council openings. For the FISD board of trustees, incumbents Danny Hand, current school board president, and Tracy Bunker have filed for election to the two three-year terms. Former board member Alan Monroe has filed for the two-year term vacancy. A two-year term is on the ballot because of the resignation of school board member, now county attorney, Kathryn Gurley.

In Bovina, three openings are coming up for city council. Two candidates have filed. They are Gaylon Rhodes and Radford Venable. Larry Mitchell and Esther Steelman have filed for the two openings on the Bovina school board.

Friona public school week activities



THE FRIONA LifeSmarts team from FHS will be in Austin Monday March 7 for state LifeSmarts competition. They will be accompanied by their coach Gayle Murdock. LifeSmarts is a consumer oriented program for teens in high school. The girls are, l-r, Nena Ortega, Lurdes Herrera, Daisy Delgadillo, Misty Adams, Angelica Arellano, and Brittany Anthony. courtesy photo

LifeSmarts team heads to Austin

Monday, February 28, the LifeSmarts team from Friona High School was notified that they are eligible to compete at the state competition in Austin March 7. The Friona LifeSmarts Team is one of over 45 teams registered in Texas according to LifeSmarts coach Gayle Murdock. Over 50 Friona students competed.

The top scores were averaged and the top scoring students then travel to Austin for the state contest. Top scoring students from Friona were Magdalena Ortega, Lurdes Herrera, Daisy Delgadillo, Misty Adams, Brittany Anthony, and Angelica Arellano.

According to Ms. Murdock, LifeSmarts is an educational opportunity that develops the consumer and marketplace

knowledge and skills of teenagers in a fun way and rewards them for this knowledge. The program complements the curriculum already in place in high schools and can be used as an activity for classes, groups, clubs, and community organizations.

LifeSmarts, run as a game-show style competition, is open to all teens in the U.S. in grades 9-12. Teams compete in district and state matches with the state winners going on to national competition to vie for the national LifeSmarts title. LifeSmarts is a program of the National Consumers League. Congratulations and good luck to Gayle Murdock and the LifeSmarts team in Austin.

March 10

Chamber banquet to feature Phillips

The Friona Chamber of Commerce banquet is ready to go next Thursday, March 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the Friona Community Center. The activities will begin with a dessert competition. Each dessert entrant will have a table to display their wares for judging. Winning recipes will be included in a cookbook celebrating Friona's 100th anniversary next year. All the desserts will then be promptly devoured by banquet attendees.

The entertainment will be provided by Lyndy Phillips of Amarillo. Phillips

is a humorous motivational speaker that incorporates sleight of hand and audience participation in his presentation.

Honors will be given to Friona's man and woman of the year, students of the year, teacher, citizen and most courteous employee of the year.

Chamber directors are cooking the meal of prime rib and all the trimmings. Tickets are \$15 per person in advance or \$20 at the door and may be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce office or from



LINDY PHILLIPS

any Chamber officer or director.

For more information call 250-3491.



March 2 Texas Independence Day

Relay for Life kickoff meeting Sunday Mar 6

The 2005 Parmer County Relay for Life fundraiser supporting cancer research will be held June 10 at the Friona high school track. Organizers have scheduled a Relay for Life kickoff meeting for Sunday, March 6, at 3 p.m. in the Friona State Bank community room. Guest speaker will be Susan Rawlins. She is a cancer survivor and regional event chairperson for Relay for Life who trains relay organizers.

Last year 21 teams with 311 team members participated. There were 47 cancer survivors that participated also. Over \$34,000 was raised to benefit the American Cancer Society.

Relay for Life spokesperson Jyl Grimsley said, "This has proven to be a great event and we are looking forward to another successful relay this year. We appreciate all the local support from area sponsors and teams."

Anyone interested in hearing Susan Rawlins speak or is interested in being a part of the relay this year is invited to attend the meeting Sunday.

Medicare changes planned for 2006

By KAY LEDBETTER

The new year is only a couple of months old. But it's not too early to start getting ready for Medicare changes scheduled for 2006, said a Texas Cooperative Extension program specialist.

Medicare's new drug benefit, also known as Part D, will start next January, said Andrew Crocker, Extension program specialist in gerontology and health. Enrollment of beneficiaries will begin in November.

"Enrollment in Medicare Part D will be optional but you may pay an additional premium if you do not enroll in the program within a certain period of time after becoming eligible," Crocker said. "Private companies will be contracted by Medicare to offer the Part D benefit, but there will

be no separate application. Medicare will help you decide which plan is best for you and process your enrollment in it," he said.

Making that decision requires a little math, Crocker said. To begin-with, the monthly premium for Part D will be \$35, which will be deducted from beneficiaries' Social Security checks. The plan also has a deductible of \$250 each year.

Multiply the monthly premium - \$35 - by 12 months per year and the annual premium comes out to \$420, Crocker said. And don't forget to add the deductible.

In the end, this benefit will cost you \$670 annually before you ever receive help from Medi-

care," Crocker said. "If your prescription drug expenses (excluding over-the-counter medications, which are not covered) are less than \$670, you will not benefit from this program." However, people with more costly prescription medications might want to consider enrolling for Part D.

After meeting the deductible, Medicare Part D will pay 75 percent of prescription drug costs, up to \$2,250 each year. Beneficiaries are responsible for the total cost of prescriptions between \$2,250 and \$3,600 annually, and Medicare will cover 95 percent of the costs above \$3,600.

Confused yet? Crocker offered an example to help clear things up: assume your annual expense

for prescription medications is \$1,850. You are responsible for the premium - \$35 each month or \$420 each year - and the \$250 deductible. That means after you pay the initial \$670 - the amount of the annual premium plus the deductible - Medicare will pay 75 percent of your prescription medications (up to \$2,250). In this case, that means 75 percent of the \$1,600 that remains after the \$250 deductible is subtracted from \$1,850. You are responsible for paying the other 25 percent - \$400.

Some low-income beneficiaries will be eligible for even more savings under Part D, Crocker said. Beneficiaries who are single and have annual incomes of less

From Jim Parker FISD Superintendent

Friona students recently completed February TAKS testing. Tests on February 22-25 covered a wide range of subjects and grade levels from grade three through high school exit level tests.

Students and staff are ready for a change of peace and are eager to showcase the exciting happenings at our campuses. We have several new mobile computer labs at the campuses and the Primary School recently upgraded their Waterford Technology curriculum and equipment.

Texas public schools celebrate partnerships with parents, taxpayers, and the community in March. Friona schools will be having open house celebrations. Additionally, the March school activity calendar can be found in this edition of the Star. For a special treat, everyone is invited to join their favorite students for lunch in the cafeterias. Adult visitor meals are \$2.75.

The Primary School and Elementary School will hold open house activities on Thursday, March 3. Visiting times overlap between 6:00 and 7:30.

The Primary School will host a "Back to School" night for all interested parties. The theme will be "Texas". There will be lots of displays in the hallways and classrooms.

The Elementary School will be having a "Reading Emphasis" night. There will be a focus on healthy snacks and good nutrition. Parents will have an opportunity to visit in the classrooms.

Friona Junior High School will hold an open house on Tuesday, March 8 from 6:30 until 7:15 p.m. Door prizes will be given. Parents will be able to visit classrooms as needed.

Friona High School will announce open house activities later in conjunction with some of the student award programs.

Kay Ledbetter is a Communications Specialist at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo.



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

Baptist prayer played a part in the recent capture of the BTK killer in Kansas.

Maybe you have been following the case. Police in Wichita, Kansas, recently arrested Dennis Rader, 59, as the so-called BTK serial killer responsible for the murders of at least 10 people. The murders started in 1974 with a family of four killed.

Over the years the killer killed again and again and taunted authorities with clues. He dubbed himself the BTK killer which stands for 'bind, torture, kill'. He is said to have killed his first 8 victims between 1974 and 1986. Then he dropped out of sight.

He resurfaced about a year ago when he started sending letters and clues to police and the media. Good police work and the killer's taunting of the evidence led investigators to Dennis Rader. Latest word is he confessed to many of the murders. Over the 30 years authorities never solved the cases although it was reported that at one time Dennis Rader was questioned. Now they are sure they have him.

Among the many news releases we receive are those on a Baptist Press website called BP News. I check it once a week mainly because I am interested in how various people

view religion and apply it in today's society. Articles we think are of interest, like the one in today's issue about the chaplain in Iraq, we reprint.

While checking the site this week an article that said prayers played a part in BTK's capture tweaked my interest. I have my own view of prayer, as we all do. Prayer doesn't work every time does it? If prayer were guaranteed to work we would all have the knees worn out of our britches. I know plenty of people that say prayer doesn't work because they have been disappointed many times when they didn't get what they asked for.

I know people that have suffered personal tragedies and do not understand why tragedies happen when they pray for them not to happen and they happen anyway. It is difficult to convince some to 'trust in God with all your heart' when their heart has been torn and ripped and broken by tragedy and disappointment.

That is risky territory so I'll move on. The BP News article said the Immanuel Baptist Church in Wichita, Kansas, had a noon-hour prayer meeting on January 11. The 150 members that showed up even during an ice storm prayed that the BTK killer would be captured. Immanuel Baptist's pas-

tor Terry Fox said now "the community can see what can happen because of prayer."

The church members prayed on January 11. There was no explanation why God waited until the end of February to capture the killer. Reverend Fox continued: "There is going to be a huge momentum to pray more here. Our members are saying 'God really heard us.'"

Pat Bullock is the director of missions for the Heart of Kansas Southern Baptist Association. He too was delighted "over an answer to a prayer in a relatively short time." It was another of Bullock's quotes that really raised questions for me. He said, "We put God out on a limb and I believe that's what He wants us to do. I felt it was a little risky to do but I still believe with all my heart that when I pray things happen all around the world. If I didn't believe that, I wouldn't be praying."

I don't mean to be disrespectful to the religious leader community but I have never felt that God wanted us to put him out on a limb. In fact I don't even know what that means.

Reverend Fox had this to say about his church's successful prayer effort: "We felt that Satan had just blinded the police department from being able

to capture this guy. It had been a 30-year investigation. When we realized the police needed support that's when we stepped up to the plate." I'm sure the police appreciated the positive feedback.

Reverend Fox did not say why his congregation had not assisted the police with prayer at some time earlier in the 30-year investigation or why God had not intervened on his own. Members of the Kansas Baptist Association were calling each other with congratulations after the killer was captured. They are convinced that their prayers had an important part in the BTK capture.

Here is the big question. What if the police had not captured BTK and what if he had killed again after the congregation prayed? What then? Would they be equally convinced that prayer does not work?

Did the Kansas prayers capture the killer? Does prayer work? You decide.

Don't put me out on a limb.



"We put God out on a limb"



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR

KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



Texans stand out in their support of our troops

Do not tell Staff Sergeant Kevin Hinds, a Guardsman from Orange, that the Texas National Guard is composed of "weekend warriors". He knows better. He has spent months in the mountains of Afghanistan helping train 800 Afghans to become soldiers. These Afghans will become the core of an army helping defend that country's fledgling democracy.

Sergeant Hinds' experience shows that the days when the men and women of the National Guard and Reserves could be called part-time soldiers are long past. Although they were always part of our military, they were originally planned to be mobilized in the event of all-out war, as well as to cope with domestic natural disasters of civil emergencies. Their role evolved into a more active participation in our national security over time, particularly when our armed forces were downsized after the end of the Cold War.

The Reserves and Guard shouldered an increasing part of our defense burden as the operational tempo of our military increased during the 90s, with peacekeeping duties in countries such as Bosnia and Haiti. However, after the 9-11 attacks in 2001, they came into their own. National Guard and Reserve troops protected vital installations throughout the United States. Others participated in the liberation of Afghanistan. Finally, the Guard and Reserve helped overthrow Saddam Hussein's dictatorship and freed the Iraqi people.

Of the National Guard's 15 best-trained, best-equipped and most ready-to-deploy combat brigades, all but one are either in Iraq now, have demobilized after returning from a one-year tour in that country, or have been alerted for duty in 2005-2006. Although the percentage of Reserve and National Guard troops serving in Iraq is slated to go down in the next troop rotation, today the mix stands at 50-50.

These men and women have all stepped up to their duty to defend freedom. While they directly bear the burden of service, their family, friends and their employers also face demands during their tours of duty overseas. The job is made easier, however, because their neighbors in Texas are providing them a great deal of support.

For instance, when the 56th Combat Team of Texas' 36th Infantry Division shipped out for Iraq, 30,000 people gathered in Waco for the send-off. Imagine what it means to those young men and women that so many of their fellow Texans cared enough to come out and wish them well. I am extremely proud that the Lone Star State is so supportive of our soldiers.

Employers play a significant role when a reservist is activated, because many of them struggle when key personnel report for long tours of duty. Recently, I traveled to Addison to attend a ceremony recognizing an employer's commitment to our troops and their families. The company, Concentra, was receiving the 5-star award from the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve for its support for the men and women who make up our National Guard and Reserve forces.

Concentra is entering an exclusive club. Nationwide, only one percent of the 8,500 companies who support their Guard and Reserve employees have achieved the 5-Star Level of Recognition. This award means the employer has signed a statement of support for their National Guard and Reserve employees and supplements their salaries.

In addition to the above, Concentra has done something new. It helped create the Military Spouse Corporate Career Network - called the MSCCN. This organization is a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to providing career opportunities and job portability for military spouses through a nationwide network of employers. With the frequent transfers that are a feature of military life, many spouses have found it difficult to pull up stakes and find work. In addition, they have often found themselves having to start from the ground floor at each new community where their spouse has been transferred.

MSCCN was started, with Concentra's assistance, by volunteer military spouses to help spouses find jobs and build careers despite the frequent moves. This organization charges no placement fees to employers, service members or military spouses and is funded through the support and commitment of its network members. I applaud those who are willing to improve the lives of our soldiers and their families.

Texas stands behind our citizen soldiers because they are one of America's unique traditions. The shot heard around the world at Concord Bridge was fired by our first National Guardsman, a Minuteman. They are always on duty to defend our freedom, and it helps them to know that all of us appreciate the sacrifices they make on our behalf.



Ashton Ferguson

Meet the Class of 2016

Ashton is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. Her parents are Bob and Deirdre Ferguson.

Ashton likes playing with her dog, Star, and going to football games. Her favorite foods are pizza, and spaghetti. Her favorite colors are pink, purple, and red.

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We raised the flag!

A glimpse of homespun history from the Treasury Islands

By C.L. VESTAL

(Editor's Note: This was written by C.L. Vestal, the late husband of Nola Faye Vestal. At some point C.L. gave a copy to his friend A.L. Black. Mr. Black died recently and the copy was found among his possessions and passed on to us by his daughter, Kitty Gallman. We thought you would enjoy it. RC)

The morning of November 11, 1943, started off as usual; hot and humid! These were the days when we were real short on food and sleep. For breakfast, a piece of bacon maybe two inches long, half a tablespoon of powdered eggs, half of a hard tack, (about the size of and looked like a ginger snap) and a third of a canteen cup of coffee. This would be our big meal for the day, plenty of coconuts to pick up off the ground to eat.

After breakfast, we were just loafing around; these islands were secure and all we had to do now, was build a Navy base with no tools or supplies!

Mr. Murphy came up to us and said, "We just got word over the radio, that Ol' Bull (Admiral Halsey) is coming by to see us today. We have won this island with sweat, blood and human lives. Looks like if any of you boys had any respect for the men we have lost, you would see to it that our flag would be flying when he

gets here." That's all that was said, so Okie and me took my machete and went back in the jungle and found a tree that suited the purpose, cut it down and trimmed it up. Joe Fincher got the flag; we don't remember where or who from and don't remember how we attached it to the tree flagpole; but we commented on the fact, "Wish we had a bugle and someone to play colors," or a record player with the Star-Spangled Banner to play.

I thought that it was a clear day that morning, but when we looked up at the Ol' Red, White and Blue; flying so free, we had to wipe water out of our eyes. It was so good as we sat down on a log to rest and watch the other fellows as they would come out of the jungle into our little clearing of a camp. They would be stooped, a little hungry, sleepy and tired, but when they spotted Ol' Glory flying, they were able to stand a little straighter, give a sharp salute, then wipe a tear out of their eyes.

That flag that morning was everything that we were not, but wanted to be. Up above the rot and filth of the hot steamy jungle floor, with rotten coconuts, land crabs and centipedes. It's Red, White and Blue colors were so fresh and bright and clean and free, flying above with so much energy and life

about it. That's where Gods' Children belong—! That had to be the first American flag to ever fly over these Treasury Islands—of the Northern Solomons in the Southwest Pacific.

Halsey's visit was pleasant but he didn't eat. I guess he thought every bite he took would be like taking two bites from us. He was a spry ole fellow. When he left that afternoon, he jumped into the boat that took him out to the sea-plane and he said, "You fellows are doing great, goodbye and God bless you."

We were surprised that he had any connections with God that he could order Him to bless us. But in those days, we were glad to get a recommendation from anybody for a blessing.

On December 31, 1944, a group of us boys loaded on a LCI going to Guadalcanal (taking us to our troop ship). Our orders read, this is a one-way trip to Uncle Sugar (U.S.A.). As we were loading, Mr. Murphy was standing on the dock, looking like he had lost his last friend. I said, "Mr. Murphy, what would you say if you were told you had five minutes to lash up your gear and go with us?"

Without a smile on his face, his reply was, "That would be the most wasted 4 minutes and 59 seconds, I ever knew of."

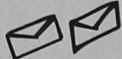
As we circled through the harbor we were laughing and joking. After we had gotten out of the entrance to the harbor, we looked back. There flying side by side was Old Glory and the New Zealand flag. Flying side by side over row after row of white crosses and few Stars of David.

Four of those crosses, Anderson, Beacon, Campbell, and ole Sandy, seemed to cry out, "Hey fellows, please don't ever forget us. Remember we started the cemetery the morning you boys started the Navy base." We'll never forget those boys.

December 13, 1945, I got my discharge at Long Beach, California. There were approximately 1200 boys in this building. There was a spot light in the back of the room shining on the American Flag, hanging there over the stage. The Navy band was playing the Star Spangled Banner. Three and one half years of war time Navy passed in review in our minds. Always in the background was this little jungle island and the little cemetery with Old Glory and the New Zealand flag flying.

There wasn't a dry eye in that room. When an American fails to shed a tear or feel some sort of pride in his heart, when he sees the American Flag, we are in trouble!

Letters to the Editor



Dear Editor:

When abuse and neglect occurs, and children are no longer able to safely remain in their own homes, we are fortunate enough to have individuals willing to provide care and support to them in licensed foster homes. Foster care provides a temporary safe haven for children as Child Protective Services (CPS) caseworkers and foster parents work toward uniting children with their families. These children, through no fault of their own, were placed in abusive or neglectful situations by their biological parents. In some situations, they are not able to return home and deserve a chance for a new life with adoptive parents who can teach them that family can be a safe place.

There is an urgent need for more families to open their hearts and homes by becoming foster and adoptive parents. To learn more about fostering and adoption, attend an informational meeting the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Meetings are held at the CPS office located at 6200 I-40 West, in Amarillo. The next meeting is Tuesday, March 8, at 7 p.m.

Darla Ingram, CPS



Mr. Carr

This is Sergeant Darran Procter U.S. Army stationed at Bagram Airfield Afghanistan. I just want to thank everyone in Friona who has sent cards or packages to me and my men, especially the Church of Christ in Friona, as well as Bovina. Both churches sent several packages.

I would also like to thank the Friona Fire Department for the package at Christmas. It was awesome for Jim and John and all the guys to do that. I would also like to thank everyone who has prayed for me and my men while we have been here.

Friona is an awesome place and a place that is dear to my heart and I will be back there around the middle of April and hope to see as many people as I can. Thanks again!

Darran Procter

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Around Town

K. Winings & K. Grimsley exchange vows in Lubbock

German sausage for sale from St. Ann's

St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina has German sausage for sale. Regular and jalapeno are available for \$3.50 per pound. Call Tami Schilling at 825-3031 for details.

World Day of Prayer set for March 4

The World Day of Prayer is set for March 4 at noon at the Methodist Church Chapel. Soup and sandwiches will be served following the services. This is a non-denominational service. Everyone is welcome to attend.

St. Teresa's annual Mexican dinner March 6

St. Teresa's Catholic Church will host their annual Mexican Dinner Sunday March 6 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Parish Hall. A delicious meal of meat enchiladas, tacos, beans, rice, hot sauce & chips with coffee, tea and dessert. Donations of \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 12 will be accepted. Take-outs at no extra cost. All proceeds will go to a new religious educational building.

St. Ann's Czech sausage dinner set

St. Ann's Catholic Church of Canyon will hold its 14th annual Czech Sausage dinner on Sunday, March 6 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Parish Family Center, 605 38th Street, Canyon. The menu will consist of Czech sausage, sauerkraut, bread, parsley potatoes, cobbler and all the trimmings. Cost for this feast is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children 6-12 and children 5 and under eat free. Take-outs are available by calling 806-655-3302.

Fellowship of Christian Women to meet

The Fellowship of Christian Women will meet Tuesday March 8 at 7 p.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church at 1500 North Cleveland. There will be a program and refreshments followed by a rousing game of Bunko. Invite your friends and enjoy the fellowship

Chamber banquet tickets available

Make plans to attend the Friona Chamber of Commerce banquet March 10. The tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door and are available at the Chamber office, 621 Main St., or from any Chamber board member.

Mexican pile on meal set for March 13

The Calvary Baptist Church has planned a Mexican pile on meal for March 13 from 12 noon till 1:30 p.m. at 1500 North Cleveland. The cost of the meal is on a donation basis. All money will go to the J.P. Sims Scholarship fund. For more information call 250-3000 any morning till noon.

Men's prayer breakfast scheduled

A men's prayer breakfast is scheduled for March 16 at 6:30 a.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church at 1500 North Cleveland. Invite your friends and enjoy the fellowship with the men of Friona. The breakfast will be over by 7:30 a.m.

Citywide Easter egg hunt set for March 26

A citywide Easter egg hunt sponsored by the Calvary Baptist Church is planned for Saturday, March 26 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Friona City Park. There will be divisions for toddlers, preschool, kindergarten, 3rd grade & 4th grade and 6th grade. All children are invited to attend and have a good time.

"The Dynamics of Faith" classes at CCC

"The Dynamics of Faith" by Paul Tillich will be taught by Rev. Alvin Petty at Clovis Community College on Mondays, April 4, 11 and 18 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. mountain time. To register and for more information call 505-769-4760. This class is about faith in relation to science, religion and philosophy. It will define faith. Faith is your relationship to God it is not believing in something as true. This definition rightly understood helps solve all kinds of spiritual, scientific, psychological, historical, and philosophical problems for people of faith. This is a non-credit class.



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Guests entered St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Lubbock, Texas on Saturday, August 28, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. to witness the exchange of vows between Kiley Jo Winings and Kyle David Grimsley. Deacon Sid Little performed the wedding ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Winings of Dalhart and the granddaughter of Jean Ford of Dalhart, and Arlene Winings of Atkinson, Nebraska.

The groom is the son of Lynda Grimsley of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Grimsley of Friona and the grandson of Louise Gomez of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. David Grimsley of Friona.

Lindsey Looper and Tiffany Birell of Lubbock, and Kenna Sluder of Amarillo, registered guests upon arrival. Kyler Winings and Tyler Wilks, both nephews of the bride, greeted the guests at the doors of the chapel.

The center aisle was covered in white rose petals and the round baptismal at the entrance of the chapel was lined with white candles. Each side of the altar was decorated with a pair of wrought iron candelabras each holding seven white candles. The candelabras were draped in white organza and flowers including white roses, calla lilies, tulips, orchids and hydrangea. Three pairs of single candle, wrought iron stands lined the steps leading to the altar and the unity candle was placed on five-foot tall candelabra, decorated with white organza and greenery.

Trumpets sounded as the bride entered the chapel, escorted by her father to the traditional Wedding March. The bride selected an elegant gown of white English netting from the collection of Christina Wu. The strapless gown was embellished with beaded lace and the satin mermaid skirt fell gracefully to the floor. To complete the gown, the v-back was adorned with an illusion chapel length train. The bride also selected a cathedral veil for the ceremony and a fingertip illusion veil for the reception. She carried a bouquet of white roses, peonies, calla lilies and lily of the valley, accented with feathers, and a ribbon made of stephanotis fell from the bouquet. She also wore diamond drop earrings and her mother's diamond bracelet.

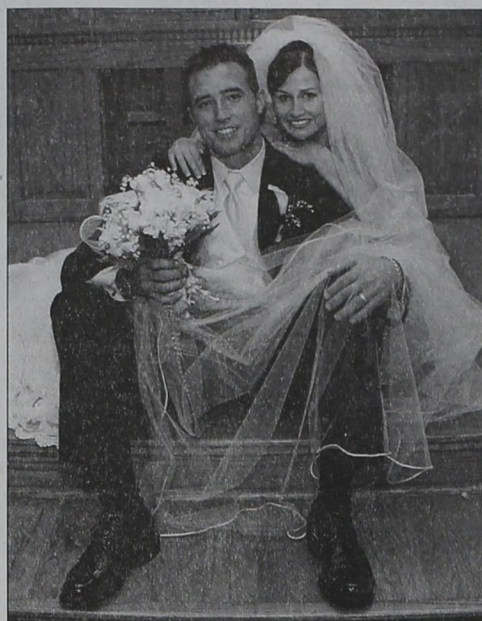
Brittany Hicks, friend of the bride, from Dallas served as Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Amber Dennis of Arlington, Texas, Courtney Hicks of Weatherford, Oklahoma, Lindsey Phillips and Nichole Rysavy of Lubbock, and Angi Seidenberger of Amarillo.

The female attendants wore black strapless tea length dresses, accented with a satin belt finished with a rhinestone buckle. Diamond drop earrings, a gift from the bride, completed their look. They carried blush calla lilies and white stephanotis with a pearl center, and stems wrapped in white satin ribbon.

The groom wore a black tuxedo with a white-checked vest and satin tie. His boutonniere was a single white calla lily, with lily of the valley and bear grass, accented with black feathers.

Richard Davila, brother-in-law of the groom, of Lubbock, served as Best Man. Groomsman were Cody Grimsley, brother of the groom, Lance Looper, Nick Becker and Jesse Mendez of Lubbock, and Steven Haley of Dallas. The male attendants wore black tuxedos with black-checked vests and satin ties.

Ushers were Kurt Winings of Overton, Texas and Khris Winings



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of Dalhart, both brothers of the bride, Brent Phelps and Scott Rundell of Lubbock, and Aaron McMullen of Abilene, Texas.

Honorary bridesmaids were Holly Davila and Poppy Grimsley of Lubbock, both sisters of the groom, Brooke Winings of Dalhart and Jamie Winings of Overton, Texas, both sisters-in-law of the bride. The bride's personal attendant was Beth Watts of Dallas.

Flower girls were Emmi-Claire Winings of Dalhart, niece of the bride, and Emmeline Davila of Lubbock, niece of the groom. Train bearers were Kade Winings of Dalhart, nephew of the bride, and Nicholas Davila of Lubbock, nephew of the groom. The ring bearer was Talon Winings of Overton, Texas, nephew of the bride.

The reception was held at the Merket Alumni Center located on the Texas Tech campus. The elegant ballroom included three

large chandeliers with hanging white candles and greenery. The head table sat in front of the fireplace and was decorated with crystal rose bowls and vases of different sizes, each holding a white candle. The tables were covered in layers of floor length cloths and were decorated with crystal rose bowls with hydrangea and rose petals or tall candelabras adorned with white roses, tulips, lilies, orchids, and plumose alternated throughout the room.

The parlor included the bride's table covered in a white satin and silk tablecloth with lace and crystal accents. The five-tier, fondant wedding cake was surrounded by candlelight. Each base border was lined with edible pearls and glitter ribbon surrounding each tier and was topped with edible sugar stephanotis and bow loops covered in glitter. The bride chose strawberry and the traditional white flavors for her

cake. The groom's cake was a three-tier square fondant cake covered in strawberries and drizzles in light and dark chocolate. The groom chose Kailua fudge for his cake flavor.

A four-layered chocolate fountain surrounded by fruit, cracker and various other dipping delights seemed to be one of the most popular tables. A three-foot tall heart and dove ice sculpture and two champagne fountains completed the horsedoeuvre table.

The courtyard was decorated with white lights, hanging tree ornaments, and a stone water fountain lined with candles and filled with rose petals.

During the wedding celebration, the couple chose to dance to "I Can Only Imagine". The bride and her father chose "Isn't She Lovely", and the groom and his mother chose "I Hope You Dance".

The couple left the reception through an array of bubbles and sparklers in a pearl white Escalade limousine.

Several wedding parties honoring the couple were held preceding the wedding. An engagement party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Keast in Dalhart and bridal showers were held at the home of Pat Gustin in Dalhart and in Friona at the Sixth Street Church of Christ. A bridal luncheon was held at the home of Helen Sage in Amarillo.

The rehearsal dinner was held on the 15th floor of the Lubbock Club in Lubbock.

The bride is a 1999 graduate of Dalhart High School and graduated from Texas Tech University in December 2004 with a Bachelor of Arts in Public Relations.

The groom is a 1997 graduate of Friona High School and graduated from Texas Tech University in December 2002 with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing. He is currently employed by Glazers, Inc. as a marketing and sales representative.

After a honeymoon cruise, the couple made Lubbock their home.

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by **TINO SALINAZ**

Friona Police Department

(en Espanol)

Counterfeit Checks

There has recently been a rash of counterfeit checks that have turned up in the Panhandle including Amarillo, Hereford, Clovis, and Canyon. We have had one show up in Friona. The check here is one of hundreds that have been passed in the area lately.

It appears that the subjects involved are using a computer to print the checks. They are using fake names and addresses, but actual routing numbers on the checks.

The subjects involved are a fairly large ring of thieves that are stealing mail to get the information and then are going from town to town passing these checks.

Business owners should be aware, and if in doubt they should ask for positive identification and/or contact the Friona Police Department, before accepting a check.

It is possible that these thieves may start working smaller communities. If you come in contact with someone trying to pass one of these counterfeit checks, or you have any questions concerning these checks, please contact the Friona Police Department at 806-250-2711.

Parmer county sales tax collections for Feb

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn has reported that state sales tax collections rose for the 17th consecutive month in January. The state collected \$1.39 billion in sales tax, up 6.1 percent compared to January 2004.

January state sales tax collections and February's local sales tax allocations primarily represent sales made in December, but also include some earlier sales by businesses that report sales tax to the Comptroller on a quarterly or annual basis. The Comptroller sent \$344.4 million in sales tax to Texas cities, up 5.5 percent compared to February 2004 payments. Texas counties received February sales tax payments of \$28.5 million, up 6.4 percent.

The Comptroller's next local sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, March 11.

Parmer County's February 2005 payment totaled \$51,255 broken down as Bovina \$8,696; Farwell \$11,075; and Friona \$31,484. In February 2004, the tax payment total was \$42,726.

Comparing February 2004 to February 2005 tax receipts, Bovina is up 25.16%, Farwell is up 95.24%, and Friona is up 4.57%.

For the year 2005, Parmer County cities have received a total of \$81,823 compared to \$73,755 for the same period last year. For the year, Bovina tax revenue is up 18.24%, Farwell is up 57.00%, and Friona is down 0.82%, for an overall increase of 10.93% for the county.

Cheque Falsificados

Ha habido recientemente un sarpullido de cheques falsificados que han aparecido en el Panhandle de Amarillo, Hereford, Canyon y Clovis, Nuevo Mexico. Uno a sido pasado aqui en Friona. Este cheque es uno de cientos que han sido pasados ultimamente por esta area.

Aparentemente parece que los sujetos involucrados usan una computadora para imprimir los cheques. Estan usando nombres y direcciones falsos, pero usan numeros raduales actuales en los cheques.

Los sujetos involucrados, pertenecen a un anillo bastante grande de ladrones que roban correo para tomar informacion. Parece que van de pueblo en pueblo pasando estos cheques.

Duenos de negocios deben estar alertas y si sospecha de un cheque debe pedir indicacion positiva del individuo antes de aceptar el cheque. Oh comunicarse con el Departamento de Policia de Friona, si ai cualquier duda de que el cheque sea legitimo.

Es probable que estos ladrones empiesen en comunidades pequenas, si alguien viene en contacto con uno de estos individuos tratando de pasar estos cheque porfavor de comunicarse co el Departamento de Policia aqui en Friona con Tino Salinaz, Jefe de Policia.



BIRTHDAY GIRL: The Friona State Bank drive-thru was festooned for a 50th birthday celebration last week. The birthday girl was Ginger Quinn, seated, joined by co-workers, l-r, Candice Schueler, Belen Trevino, Ella Kirton, and Cynthia Escobedo.

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PPHM western art show & sale opens March 5

If you are interested in western art, the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum (PPHM) invites you to visit. From March 5 to April 3, 2005, the museum will host its 6th Western Art Show and Sale.

The March 5 grand opening will feature a fixed-price sale from 7-9 p.m. in the Foran Galleries of the Canyon museum. According to the PPHM spring newsletter, 50 western artists have been invited to exhibit their

paintings for sale. Last year's event raised over \$53,000 for PPHM's art acquisition program which brings fine historic Southwestern art to the museum collection. Inviting gifted and sought-after artists to exhibit in the Panhandle-Plains Invitational complements the museum's outstanding art collection. The Invitational is curated like any other museum exhibition and only the highest quality works will be shown.

Sheriff's Report

February 24, Juan Carranza, 21, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with possession of marijuana-less than 2 ounces, pending County Court.

February 25, Gaudencia Garcia, 40, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with injury to a child, pending Grand Jury.

February 25, Leslie Lunday, 42, of Friona, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with hindering secured creditors, pending District Court.

February 26, John Rupp, 37, of Colorado, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of marijuana-less than 2 ounces, pending County Court.

February 26, Christine Villarreal, 20, of Bovina, was arrested by the Friona Police on a Potter County warrant for theft by check, posted bond and released.

February 27, Ricky Rodriguez, 29, of Dimmitt, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check in Castro County, posted bond and released.

February 27, David Castillo, 29, of Dimmitt, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with violation of probation in Castro County, pending transport.

February 27, Luis Zapata, 30, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with DWI, pending County Court.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from February 16, 2005 to February 22, 2005.

Buddy Wiseman and Betty Wiseman - Alan Rhodes and Lynn Tate, NW/4 S30 T5S R4E.

J.C. Redwine Estate - Harold Redwine and Leslee Redwine, N/2 S26 T6S R3E; NE/4 S2 T11S R3E.

Danny Campbell and Holly Campbell - Ramon Gonzalez and Josephine Gonzalez, L4 B44 FRIONA.

Kay Willis Rogers and Kay Lynn Willis Rogers - Glen Black and Kylene Black, 504.347 AC N/PT S6-7 BLK A RHEA; SW/7 S15 BLK A RHEA BROTHERS; W/2 SE/4 W/2 NE/4 S13 BLK C RHEA BROTHERS; S14-18 BLK C RHEA BROTHERS; S/2 S20 S/2 S21 BLK C RHEA BROTHERS; S 333.521 AC S21 BLK C RHEA BROTHERS.

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THINK ABOUT THIS

Love – a word study #2

By T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

As stated in a previous article, love is really an ambiguous word that we use rather loosely. It's important that we love the way God wants us to love. We noted the Greek words Eros, Storge, and Pathos in our last article. We introduce three more this time.

(1) **SPLANCHNA** is the word that identifies "tender mercies" and is rendered as affections in II Cor. 6:12, 7:15.

The last two to be identified are both used numerous times in the New Testament and are tremendously important if we are to become Godly in our character.

(2) **PHILEO** means tender affection, brotherly love. This is the most commonly used word indicating a general attraction towards a person or thing. It is used to describe the love of God the Father for His Son (Jn. 5:20). It's used to describe God's love for believers (Jn. 16:27). Phileo is never used as a command for men to love God, however, it is used as a warning (I Cor. 16:22).

The final word and really the most important is:

(3) **AGAPE** ... Agape simply is sacrificial love. It involves more of the will than the emotions. It is a sacrificial, active, good will love, even to our enemies.

This word is used numerous times in the New Testament. It describes God's love for humanity (Jn. 3:16) and it describes God's love for the believer (Jn. 14:21). Agape love can be known only from the actions it prompts. It is this kind of love that is the permanent key to all healthy relationships. It says, "I love you...period. Regardless of who you are or what you do." It's a choice!

Don't forget it! If we genuinely love each other, we can't keep from expressing it in word and deed.

I love you!

BSA Hospice offers grief counseling

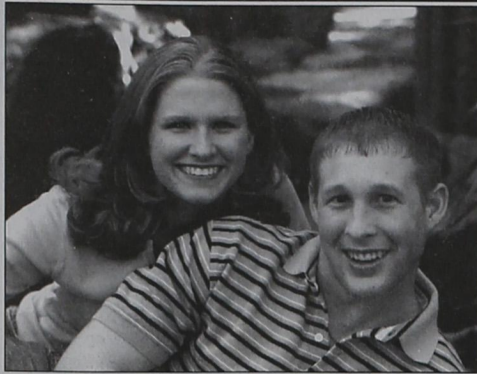
BSA Hospice offers, **Grief: What to Expect**, a one-hour informational session designed to help bereaved individuals understand the grief process. Sessions are presented the second Thursday of each month.

Meetings are held in the Hospice Facility, 600 N. Tyler in Amarillo from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and again in the evening, 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Please enter on the West Side of the building. There is no charge to attend and registration is not necessary. For more information, call BSA Hospice (806) 212-8028 or toll free 1 (800) 316-6209.

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The Friona Star invites all area ministers to submit articles for publication on our church page. Please keep your message 250 - 300 words on the topic of your choice. Deadline is Tuesday at 5 pm. We look forward to hearing from you!



CRYSTAL HODGES & TRISTAN THOMA

C. Hodges & T. Thoma will marry in Wolfforth

Randy and Charity Hodges, of Lubbock, announce the engagement of their daughter, Crystal La Nae Hodges, to Tristan Nathaniel Thoma, the son of Rusty and Jency Thoma also of Lubbock.

Crystal is the granddaughter of Harrell and Eddie Mays of Friona, and Jackie Hodges and the late Leo Hodges of Plainview.

Tristan is the grandson of Jeanne Thompson and the late Jack Thompson of Hartley, and Russ and Jane Thoma of San Angelo.

They plan to marry on Saturday, June 25, 2005, at First Baptist Church of Wolfforth.

The bride-elect is a Frenship High School graduate and a graduate of South Plains College in Cosmetology. She is currently employed by American State Bank.

The prospective groom is also a Frenship High School graduate and currently attends Texas Tech University. He is employed by RTR Engineers, Inc.



New Arrivals

Shaun Mykle Stone

Charles and Yvette Stone of, Cottontown, Tennessee, are proud to announce the birth of their first child, a boy, Shaun Mykle Stone was born at 10:08 p.m. on Friday, February 25, 2005.

He weighed 5 pounds, 12 ounces and was 19 inches long. His grandparents are Wayne and Mary Stone of Friona.



MISS Sara Rylie Dixon celebrated her 1st birthday February 20 in Weatherford, Texas. Her parents are Kim and Mendan Dixon. She has a 5-year-old sister, Shelby Rhea. Her grandparents, shown above, are Jim and Jane Dixon of the Rhea community. Her granddad Jim said she is part of the Scot-Irish clan of the McLeans and may God bless her life. courtesy photo

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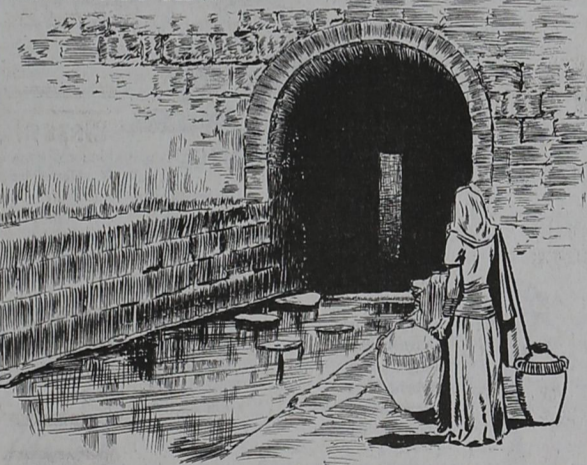
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Chaplain in Iraq learned to rely 'on God like never before'

By KEN WALKER, Baptist Press

Captain Jay Padgett has been back from Iraq for nine months, yet the Army National Guard chaplain hasn't abandoned pastoral care for Iowa's 234th Signal Battalion. The 650-member battalion, composed of personnel from several states, was stationed at Baghdad International Airport, with Padgett as the first Army National Guard chaplain from Kentucky to serve in Iraq.

Back in the states, Padgett has conducted a reunion briefing for military families about the emotional challenges of reuniting with loved ones returning from battle. He has conducted the funeral of an 18-year-old National Guardsman in southeastern Kentucky whose death was not related to the war and he has officiated at two weddings in Iowa.

The 41-year-old Padgett has been minister of music for nearly six years at Graefenberg Baptist Church in suburban Frankfort, Kentucky. Although he has completed 20 years of National Guard service, he has no plans to retire from the Guard. "God has called me to this and at this time I don't feel He wants me to quit," said Padgett, who spent 15 months away from home in training and wartime duty. "There's a shortage of chaplains and a ministry need."

Padgett is one of nearly 2,400 SBC-endorsed chaplains, more than 1,000 of whom serve in the U.S. Armed Services. He was endorsed by the North American Mission Board in 1999 after graduating from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

Although stationed at the Baghdad airport, members of the battalion served at outposts stretching from Kuwait to Mosul. That meant many trips through the countryside to visit battalion members, an often nerve-wracking experience that tested his faith. "Every time you got into a vehicle you couldn't help but be afraid because of road bombs," Padgett said. "It changed your prayer life. Over here when you see litter or a dead animal on the side of the road you don't think a thing about it. Over there the enemy put bombs on dead carcasses on the side of the road or hung them from overpasses."

In such circumstances, the chaplain often turned to his deployment Scripture - Psalm 23:4, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me" - in times of prayer and in visits with battalion members before convoys departed.

"When you're that far away from family and hear mortars landing and hear reports of soldiers getting killed every day, it makes you depend on God like never before," Padgett said.

With his unit installing Internet service and handling other support duties, nobody died in combat. But that didn't relieve him of counseling men and women through the stresses of marital problems, homesickness, financial issues and job duties.

Padgett also talked three soldiers out of committing suicide, convincing them to put down their weapons and taking them to meet with a combat stress team. "It gave me a new perspective on being a chaplain," Padgett said. "[At home] you don't deal with a lot of issues on a regular basis. If you go to drill on a Saturday morning and you have a big issue, you can wait until Saturday night to visit with your local pastor."

Besides counseling, Padgett prepared weekly devotional newsletters for soldiers and their families. He organized three talent shows and a five-kilometer run to boost troop morale. And he led in the creation of a multi-city humanitarian outreach that distributed more than 500 boxes of clothing, toys and school supplies at



BAPTISM IN BAGHDAD - Captain Jay Padgett baptizes a soldier on Easter Sunday 2004 on the grounds of Baghdad International Airport. The Army National Guard chaplain baptized a dozen soldiers during active duty service in Iraq.

Iraqi schools and orphanages.

The latter was cited when Padgett received the Bronze Star, awarded at his home church last October by the state's adjutant general. However, Padgett downplays the honor, saying it belongs as much to the residents of numerous states who shipped the supplies to Iraq and the soldiers who distributed them.

"The other night I was watching the news and they showed a soldier who got the Bronze Star for bravery and courage under fire," Padgett said. "I told my wife [Carrie] that compared to him, I didn't deserve one."

Although he calls the award a highlight of his time in the Middle East, Padgett is equally pleased about the eternal results. He performed two dozen baptisms, half of them during training at Fort Riley, Kansas, and the other half on the battlefield. Padgett also led numerous soldiers in prayers rededicating their lives to Christ, in addition to weekly worship services and midweek Bible studies.

While Padgett met many Southern Baptist troops, the majority who attended services came from other backgrounds. In such an environment, Padgett said, "It was all about asking, 'Lord, help me through this day.' I preached Jesus Christ and the hope we have in Him. It was a sweet and beautiful thing." Nor did political disputes matter. Arguments back home about the war were a moot point in the field, meaning the troops spent little time discussing or arguing about it, Padgett said.

Day-to-day survival became uppermost in his mind, particularly the time his convoy took a wrong turn in downtown Baghdad and found itself surrounded by hundreds of Iraqis. In such situations, Padgett would pray and often see immediate answers. "All of a sudden a car would pass and a beautiful, brown-eyed girl would pass, smiling and waving," the chaplain recalled. "Or an old man would smile, put thumbs up and wave at you, like 'Way to go'. That stuff would make fear melt away and make you feel like you were doing something worthwhile."

FLASHBACKS

75 Yrs. Ago
March 7, 1930

Nine Friona citizens journeyed to Plainview Wednesday in response to a call of the secretary of the Plainview Board of City Development. The meeting had been called for the purpose of stimulating an interest in railway facilities for the Plains country, as it appears there is a large scope of country between Plainview and Tucumcari, New Mexico that has no sufficient railway facilities. Attending from Friona were M.A. Crum, J.M. Osborn, T. J. Crawford, J.J. Horton, F.W. Reeve, O.G. Turner, C.W. Dixon, Clyde Goodwine and John White.

55 Yrs. Ago
March 3, 1950

Vera Ann Jones, a Friona High School junior, was crowned Miss Friona of 1950 at the beauty contest and "woman-lieness" style show sponsored by the local American Legion Auxiliary Tuesday night.

40 Yrs. Ago
March 3, 1965

Ignoring the fact that March is the first month of spring, winter weather dumped the area's largest amount of snow of the year Monday, the first day of the month. The two-inch snow was preceded Sunday night by a small amount of rain.

A Friona product, Kay Burleson, will reign during the coming year as "Miss Lubbock," as a result of winning the title over 27 other beauties last Saturday night.

35 Yrs. Ago
March 4, 1970

At least 26 houses will be moved here on a three-block plot of land on Second and Third Streets south of Highway 86 and will be known as Eastview Addition. The project, estimated at about \$300,000, was completed here within the past few days.

K.S. Reynolds was recently issued a permit to construct 60 apartment units in Friona. The permit, which paced a record month locally, was for \$721,000.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

March 6, 2005-March 12, 2005

- Mar. 6-Pat Fleming, Reba Buske, Rainey Jo Beth Williams
- Mar. 7-Teresa Wilcox, Steve Stephens, Rick Jennings, Frieda Dickson, Thomas Villalobos, Jeremy Roth, John Stephens, Sybil Hewitt, Betty Renner, Dub Ingram, Tina Sides, Charles Gilbreath
- Mar. 8-David Sifford, Mary Schueler, Rob McDaniel, Ruby Neathland, Bianca Burkett, Sarah Geris, Gail Hand, Kay Venable, Bonnie Scaff, Rob McDaniel
- Mar. 9-Linda White, Billie Tongate, Cindy Cleveland, Will Romero, Sean Campbell, Kay Hinton
- Mar. 10-Jerry Poarch, Jo Blackwell, Park Weatherly, Patsy Gresham Riggins, Beth Bridges, Victor Favela, Ona Patterson, Tony Chisom
- Mar. 11-Bryan Walker, Corbin Riethmayer, Koby Rogers, Jeffery Rogers, Rhonda Fields, Jeanette Thurman, Nelline Spicer
- Mar. 12-Justin Boyd, Lonnie Wilkerson, Amy Geris, Mindy Wilson, Justin Grimsley, Mike Mills, Dianne Hendricks, Berta Cooper, Elaine White Harmon, Susan Kerby, Alberta Shephard

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All-district team

Winebrinner is District 6-2A Co-MVP

Friona Squaw senior Trisha Winebrinner has been selected as Co-Most Valuable Player on the District 6-2A girl's basketball all-district team. Winebrinner shared the Co-MVP honor with Floydada junior Lindsey Leatherman.

Squaw teammates Katy Welch and Andrea Geries, both seniors, were also selected to the 6-2A all-district first team. One player from each school is chosen for the all-district defensive team. Senior Misty Adams was chosen to represent Friona. Brenda Murphree, another Squaw senior, was named as honorable mention all-district.

Winebrinner was the Squaws scoring leader with 401 points in 32 games, an average of 12.5 points per game. She also tallied 41 assists, 73 steals, 4 blocks, and 145 rebounds on the year. Trisha is a four-year varsity player.

Other 6-2A all-district selections were Niki Holt, Desiree Grubb, and Til-Lois Fifer of Tulia; Jennifer Garibay and Trevino of Olton; Karah Hrbacek, Tori Terrell, and Amber Dorman of Lockney. Trevino and Fifer are sophomores; Dorman, Terrell, and Leatherman are juniors; and the rest of the selections are seniors.



TRISHA WINEBRINNER
District 6-2A Co-MVP



KATY WELCH
1st team all-district



ANDREA GERIES
1st team all-district



MISTY ADAMS
6-2A defensive team



IT WAS chilly on the golf course Monday. These girls are members of the FHS golf teams. They are, front, l-r, Chance Barrett, Kimberlee Jones, and Briana Wright. Back, l-r, Kourtnee Williams, Crystal Garcia, Allison Jones, and Hannah Stovall. Not pictured are Lauren Hughs, CeCe Benavides, and Stephanie Tirado.

photo by Don Herbert

Friona girls win golf tournament

You may have noticed activity at the Friona Country Club golf course this week. A different tournament has been scheduled each day as Friona hosts tournaments for area schools. Wednesday the course was busy with 4A schools.

Monday the girls had a shot at the course. Golf coach Donald Herbert had two teams in the competition. One of them won 1st place with a team score of 394. Shallowater was 2nd at

421, followed in order by Olton, River Road, Bovina, Friona, and Tulia. Morton, Dimmitt, and Floydada also sent girls to play but did not have enough for team competition.

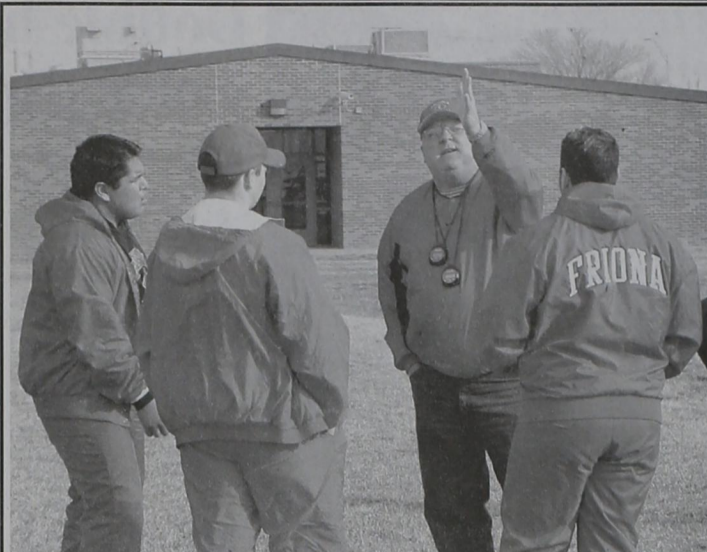
The Friona team and their scores were Chance Barrett 93, Kourtnee Williams 94, Kimberly Jones 101, Briana Wright 106, and Crystal Garcia 117.

In individual play Chance Barrett (93) won 1st place,

Kourtnee Williams (94) 2nd and Samantha Soliz of Olton 3rd place with a 98.

On the second Friona team Lauren Hughs shot 100, CeCe Benavides 122, Allison Jones 127, Hannah Stovall 130, and Stephanie Tirado 139.

The Bovina girls' team and their scores were Giselle Alvarado 107, Karla Rivera 115, Vanessa Garcia 120, and Elizabeth Alonzo 120.



"YOU throw it up this way." Friona track coach Lanny Crow talks with his discus throwers at the Highland Park meet. From left are Pedro Ramos, Stephen Campbell, and Chris Carrillo. Right, Carrillo unwinds a toss. He placed 5th and Ramos was 3rd..

holly campbell photos



Results of Highland Park track meet

Friona varsity boys and varsity girls took part in the Amarillo Highland Park track meet Friday and Saturday, February 25-26. Lanny Crow and Richard North are head track coaches.

The varsity boys finished in 11th place with 16 points. Chris Carrillo won 2nd place in the shot put with a distance of 43'2 1/2". In the discus, Pedro Ramos won 3rd place with a toss of 113' 6 1/4" while Carrillo finished 5th at 112'.

The varsity girls had a 10th place finish and

24 points, led by Emmie Crutchfield and Karla Padilla. Crutchfield had a 3rd place finish in the 800m run with a time of 2:40.40. Padilla also had a 3rd place finish in the 400m run at 68:49.

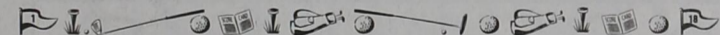
Others were Anayeli Ramos 4th in the 200m run at 29.12. The 1600m relay team of Padilla, Ramos, Crutchfield, and Darcy Daniel earned a 4th place finish in a time of 4:39.56.

Friona will host its annual track meet this weekend, March 4-5 at Chieftain Field.



PARMER COUNTY runners Kole McNary of Bovina, left, and Willy Castillo, right, of Friona fly down the track at Highland Park.

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KARLA PADILLA

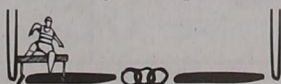


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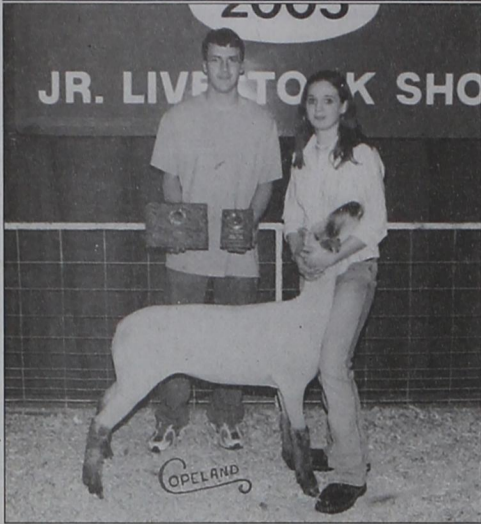
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HIGH JUMPER Eric North edges over the bar.

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CHRISTIE SMITH is the daughter of Roy Don and Carol Ann Smith of Dalhart, Texas. Her grandparents are David and Betty Smith, and her great-grandmother is Othelia Bennett, all of Friona. Christie is a member of the Dallam County 4-H Club. She had the Reserve Champion at Dallam County and was Breed Champion of Dallam-Hartley County.

4-Hers exhibit at San Angelo, San Antonio Livestock Shows

Parmer County 4-H students participated in the San Angelo Livestock Show February 20-26. Placing were Caleb Christian 2nd class 1 hamp; Michelle Wauson 5th place class 3 duroc; Drew Johnson 8th place class 1 cross; and Michelle Wauson 14th place class 2 BOPB. Other 4-Hers attending the show were Colton Christian, Abby Johnson, Jill Johnson, Levi McCormick, Kami Schmidt, and Alisha Wauson.

Stancell 1st place class 2 duroc; Levi McCormick 2nd place class 13 hamp; Jill Johnson 2nd place class 2 spot; Caitlyn Stancell 2nd place class 5 spot; Taylor Stancell 2nd place class 2 duroc; Drew Johnson 3rd place class 15 hamp; Bretton Stancell 3rd place class 1 spot; K'Leigh White 4th place class 1 chester; Ryan DeLeon 5th place class 1 poland; and Dan Patterson 10th place class 1 landrace.

Local 4-Hers also exhibited projects at the San Antonio Livestock Show February 12-19. Members placing were Zacarey

Other 4-Hers at the San Antonio show were Jennifer DeLeon, Ashlie Martin, Amberli Martin, and Matthew Martin.



SISTERS Stephanie (l) & Sabrina Barber with Coach Jimmy Arias.

dana d. jameson photo

Sisters qualify for powerlifting regionals

They are twins, they are freshmen, and they are girls, but this weekend Stephanie and Sabrina Barber will be competing in the regional powerlifting tournament at Kermit. The two sisters, who are also on the FHS golf team, have been consistent competitive powerlifters this year, according to Coach Jimmy Arias, and he is not

surprised they reached the regional competition. Sabrina lifts in the 132 pound weight class and twin sister Stephanie lifts in the 191 class. They are the daughters of Esther Barber and the late Curtis Barber.



Double header yields experience

BY DANA D. JAMESON

In the first double header for the 2005 season the Chiefs hosted the River Road Wildcats on Saturday, February 26.

With a 0-0 score in the bottom of the second the Chiefs were pitching well and fielding even better. But the Cats scored two unanswered runs in the third, three runs in the fourth and twelve runs in the seventh to distance themselves for a final 17-1.

Senior pitcher Derek Fairweather allowed only six hits and five runs, one walk and one strike out in four innings.

Sophomore Caleb Miller took over pitching duty in the fifth and allowed two hits, four runs, five walks and three strikeouts. Sophomore Sean Lookingbill finished the pitching duties for the Chiefs.

In game two of the double header the Chiefs fared better scor-

ing two runs in the first. The Cats answered in the third with five runs.

In the fourth the Chiefs scored two runs to make the score 5-4 River Road.

The Chiefs could only score one run in the seventh to bring the final score to 7-5 Wildcats.

Patton pitched a complete game for the Chiefs, gave up eight hits and three walks, and struck out 12.

The Chiefs scored five runs on seven hits by Ramon Salcido and Derek Fairweather who were each 2 for 4. Antonio Monreal, Trent Hudson, and Jon Nava each added one hit for the Chiefs.

The Chiefs hit the road to rattle the bats with Boys Ranch on Tuesday, March 1 and will compete in the Littlefield Tournament March 3-5.



TWO of the many sophomores on this year's Chieftain baseball team are, left, Stephen Campbell at 3rd base and Sean Lookingbill on the mound.

ron carr photo



SOPH Caleb Miller lets fly from the pitcher's mound Saturday in the River Road double-header.

holly campbell photo

Chiefs beat Roughriders

BY DANA D. JAMESON

Coach Greg Hazelwood's Chiefs traveled to Boys Ranch Tuesday March 1 and came home victorious.

Jon Nava pitched a complete game of five innings giving up six runs, sixteen hits and one walk with three strikeouts.

Tied in the bottom of the first 4-4 the Chiefs came back with two unanswered runs in the second inning, 6-4. Boys Ranch scored one run in the third, 6-5. Friona came back with two runs in the fourth, 8-5. In the fifth both teams scored one run making the final score 9-6.

Derek Fairweather, Hayden Patton and Ramon Salcido were 2 for 4 and Jon Nava went 2 for 3. Patton and Salcido had two RBI's each. Nava and Nathan Hoon each had 1 RBI.



FRESHMAN catcher Trent Hudson buckles on the armor for another inning behind the plate.

ron carr photo

Chiefs host Muleshoe

BY DANA D. JAMESON

In their second game of the season, the Chieftain baseball team lost to Muleshoe 9-4.

Senior pitcher Jacob Hoon led the Chiefs in the first and held the Mules to only one run in the first and second inning aided by a tremendous catch by second baseman Kelby Monroe.

Center fielder Antonio Monreal hit a single in the bottom of the first, followed by a double from shortstop Hayden Patton on a big hit to deep center field. First baseman Jon Nava brought Monreal and Patton home with a hit to right field.

In the third inning Hoon was injured in a collision with a base runner and taken to the hospital. He is expected to be out for two weeks due to a grade two concussion.

Nava took over pitching duties in the fourth, but the Chiefs still could not catch up. The Mules scored in every inning.



A GREAT follow through by Chieftain 1st baseman/pitcher Jon Nava.

ron carr photo

FHS powerlifters at Lockney meet

Several Friona high school powerlifters participated in a recent meet at Lockney. The students and placing in their individual weight classes were:

Ben Santiago 1st; Daniel Aguilar 2nd; Edward Godoy 2nd; Lupe Gonzales 4th; Javier Sanchez 4th; Octavio Moreno 4th; David Mendez 5th; and Dillon Welch 5th.

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Friona ISD Monthly School Calendar March, 2005

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 HS Baseball @ Boys Ranch 4:30 Chiefs & Squaws in the Muleshoe Tennis Dual @ Friona	2	3 Primary Open House 6:00 - 7:00 Elementary Open House 6:30 - 7:30 One Act Play Festival Boys B Golf Team @ Friona HS Baseball @ Littlefield Tournament	4 Friona Relays - Jr High, JV Boys, Var. Girls & Boys One Act Play Festival HS Baseball Tournament @ Littlefield	5 One Act Play Festival Friona Relays - Jr High, JV, Boys, Var. Girls & Boys HS Baseball Tournament @ Littlefield
7 JH Cheerleading Parent Meeting 5:30 Houston Livestock Show Girls B Team Golf @ Farwell	8 JH Spring Open House 6:30 Houston Livestock Show HS Baseball vs. Boys Ranch - H 4:30 Boys B Team Golf @ Farwell Girls A Team Golf @ Highland Park	9 Progress Reports Houston Livestock Show HS Cheerleader Tryouts Boys A Team Golf @ Highland Park	10 Primary Spring Pictures Elementary Spring Pictures 8:00 Houston Livestock Show Chamber Banquet 7:00	11 Elem. TAG field Trip Houston Livestock Show HS Baseball vs. Sanford Fritch H 4:30 Chiefs & Squaws Tennis Tournament @ Dumas Springlake Relays - Jr High, JV Boys	12 Houston Livestock Show Chiefs & Squaws Tennis Tournament @ Dumas Springlake Relays - Jr High, JV, B, V, G & B
14 Houston Livestock Show CX Debate	15 Houston Livestock Show Spring	16 Houston Livestock Show Break	17 Houston Livestock Show HS Baseball Tournament @ Muleshoe 14th - 18th	18 Houston Livestock Show HS Baseball Tournament @ Muleshoe	19 Houston Livestock Show HS Baseball Tournament @ Muleshoe Chiefs & Squaws Floydada Tennis Tournament @ Plainview
21 1st Grade to Amarillo to see the play "Pippy Longstocking" 3rd Grade Field Trip St. Teresa's Senior Banquet Girls A Team Golf @ Olton Girls B Team Golf @ Tulia	22 HS Baseball @ Dimmitt 4:30 Boys A Golf Team @ Tulia Boys B Golf Team @ Olton	23	24 District One Act Play @ Tulia 2:00 Chiefs & Squaws Tennis Tournament @ Lubbock	25 Baseball @ Tulia 5:00 Track @ Levelland JV Boys, Var. G & B	26 HS Baseball @ Tulia 4:30
28 HOLIDAY Girls Golf A Team @ Sunray	29 Boys A Team Golf @ Sunray Girls B Team Golf @ Abernathy HS Baseball vs. Floydada - H 5:00	30 Boys B Team Golf @ Abernathy	31 JH Track Meet @ Muleshoe District UIL @ Olton Speech/Academic		

Mustang baseball begins again

BY RON CARR

It has been more than 10 years since Bovina high school last fielded a baseball team. Hector Guevara remembers playing baseball his senior year in 1992. "We had good teams. My senior year we advanced to the area round baseball playoffs in Lubbock."

Guevara went off to college and later Bovina dropped its baseball program. Fast forward to 2004-05. In order to provide additional sports opportunities to students that may not play football or basketball, the Bovina school board last fall approved and added baseball back to Bovina athletics.

Now Coach Hector Guevara, assisted by Coach Steve Arias, is charged with resurrecting Bovina baseball. First there was the matter of a field to play on. Bovina's city baseball field has been used mainly for Kids Inc. games and softball. In order to accommodate high school baseball, the field had to be re-designed. A joint effort by the City of Bovina and the Bovina school district is currently completing renovation to the field.

New fencing, new concrete for new dugouts, a restructured infield, and all new baseball equipment and uniforms for the players are just a few of the challenges required to get the program up and running. The outfield fences were moved back. "Center field is 350 feet dead center," Guevara said. "It

is going to take a big poke to clear it."

The dirt and clay infield is still being smoothed and a major walk through will be needed to assure the field is free of dangerous debris like nails, glass, etc. Workers were busy Monday digging fencepost holes around the perimeter. Rolls of heavy chain link fencing were nearby and ready to be installed. Guevara said Duke Kirkland, owner of Bovina Pump



HECTOR GUEVARA

Co., donated all the steel pipes being used for fence poles. "He probably gave us 2,000 feet of pipe," Guevara said, "and we appreciate the help we have gotten from the community in getting ready to play baseball."

BISD maintenance employee and Bovina mayor Stan Miller and First Baptist Church pastor Aaron Reed were busy Monday on a backhoe getting the two dugout areas ready for concrete to be poured to expand them. City employees had finished drilling the post holes. Officials hope to build a new

backstop in the future and move it back. Right now from home plate to the backstop fence is about six feet, a nice distance for Kids Inc., but not regulation for high school baseball. Don't look for many runs to be scored on passed balls at Bovina's field this year.

Guevara said they have about 22 boys out for baseball right now. He and Arias are still sorting out their position players and lineup. "We haven't found the right player for third or catcher yet. And we have a lot of boys that want to pitch but a main pitcher hasn't emerged either," Guevara said. "These boys have a lot of enthusiasm and I'm confident we will jell and play some good baseball here. It is just going to take some time."

Bovina's schedule is not a cakewalk either. They have been assigned to a 1A district that includes Nazareth, Ralls, Hale Center, Crosbyton, New Deal, and Kress. Their opening game was supposed to be last Friday at Plains but it was rained out. They traveled to Whiteface Tuesday and are supposed to play a doubleheader with Morton Saturday March 5. However, Morton is still in the basketball playoffs so Guevara hopes to schedule a game against Cotton Center who is also starting a baseball program this year. District play opens Friday March 11 at Nazareth.



CONSTRUCTION is still underway, above, in getting the Bovina baseball field ready for high school competition. The Mustangs opened their season this week at Whiteface and host Nazareth Friday March 11 for their first home game. Below, Coach Guevara sends his players out for another practice. ron carr photos



EDGAR ORTIZ



HILDA QUINTERO



HORTENCIA LARA



LUCERO SAUCEDO



ASSISTANT Bovina baseball coach Steve Arias in the batting cage with a Mustang hitter. ron carr photo

Bovina in Mean Sting Relays

The Bovina varsity boys and girls competed in the Mean Sting Relays track meet at Amarillo Highland Park last Saturday.

The varsity boys placed 8th with 34 points. Edgar Ortiz was a 1st place winner in the 3200m run with a time of 10:30. He also placed 3rd in the 1600m run at 5:02.57

The varsity girls scored 21 points and finished 11th. Hilda Quintero placed 3rd in the 3200m run with a time of 13:17.45 and earned another 3rd in the 1600m run at 6:09.11.

The teams will compete in the Friona track meet this weekend, March 4-5.



JOSH SHELBY
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dana d jameson



DOROTHY MARTINEZ

Bovina drops first game 14-4

The Bovina Mustangs took the field for their first baseball game in over 10 years as they visited Whiteface Tuesday. In spite of a 3-run first inning, the youngsters lost by a score of 14-4 on the 10-run rule after five innings.

Michael Ortiz was the starting pitcher. He was relieved by Javier Guevara in the 3rd. Leading hitters for the Mustangs were Ortiz 2 for 3, Josh Guevara 1 for 3, Javier Guevara 2 for 3, Frank Martinez 2 for 3, Miguel Nunez 2 for 2. Nunez scored 2 of the Mustangs 4 runs.

The Mustangs collected 15 hits and only 4 errors in their first effort.

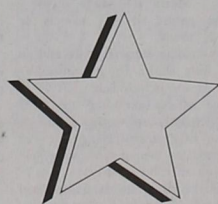
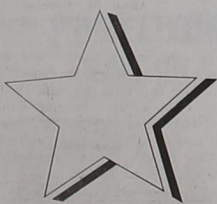
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OBITUARIES

Mary Ruth Knowles

Celebration of Life services were held for Mary Ruth Knowles, 85, of Lubbock, at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 1, 2005, at Resthaven's Abbey Chapel with Don Holloman and Dr. David Peebles officiating.

Mary Ruth passed away on Thursday, February 24, 2005, at Covenant Medical Center. She was born on June 6, 1919 in Swisher County to Roy C. and May (Ratliff) Lang.

Mary Ruth was raised in Kress, graduated from a Lubbock Nursing School and worked as an LVN for West Texas Hospital and the Lubbock State School, until she retired in 1987. She was camp nurse at Blue Haven in Las Vegas, New Mexico for several summers. She



MARY RUTH KNOWLES

enjoyed traveling, crocheting, and sewing. Mary often made satin pillowcases for her children and grandchildren.

She was a Charter Member of Northside Church of Christ in Lubbock. She received great joy from being with and doing

for her many friends. Mary Ruth served her country as a civilian during WWII working at Douglas Aircraft Factory as a "Rosie the Riveter".

Her parents, her husband, James A. Knowles, three brothers, and a sister preceded her in death.

Survivors include her three children, Beverly Byers and husband Ronny of Lubbock, Larry Knowles and wife Linda of Friona, and Carole Bayles of Ft. Worth; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Camp Blue Haven, P.O. Box 1300, Canyon, TX 79015 or the Widows' Group at Northside Church of Christ, 103 E. Tulane, Lubbock, TX 79403.

Funeral services for Mary Lee Cass, 85, of Friona, will be held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, March 3, 2005 at the Friona United Methodist Church with Reverend Steve Patterson, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mrs. Cass died Sunday, February 27, 2005 at Prairie Acres Nursing Home where she had lived for the past year. She was born May 14, 1919 in Wellington, Texas and married Kenyth Cass on May 11, 1935 at the First Methodist Church in Wellington.

They farmed in Dodson and Littlefield, moving to Phoenix, Arizona and then Albuquerque, New Mexico, where Kenyth worked as a carpenter. In 1951, they moved to Friona, purchasing land and farming until

Mary Lee Cass



MARY LEE CASS

Kenyth's death in 1988.

Mary Lee was active in the Friona United Methodist Church and in United Methodist Women. She loved writing poetry and spending time with her family and friends. She enjoyed cooking and offering hospitality to those she loved.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Louis Jerrell and Hattie (Gollighugh) Jones and a brother, L.J. Jones, Jr.

Survivors include her son, Jerry Cass and wife Karene of Clovis, New Mexico; her daughter, Gay Price and husband George of Midland, Texas; her sister, Dorothy Ingram and husband W.S. of Friona; five grandchildren, Laurie Sheppard and husband Frank of Houston, Texas, Russell Price of Ft. Collins, Colorado, John Cass and wife Renee of Bryan, Texas, Jennifer Burks and husband Brian of Flint, and Mary Frances Weatherly and husband Ben of Round Rock; two great-grandchildren, Rylee Cass and Hannah Burks; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials to Prairie Acres or Friona United Methodist Church.

Jerusha Marie Welch

Graveside services for Jerusha Marie Welch, 84, were held at 4:00 p.m., Friday, February 25, 2005 at Sunset Terrace Cemetery in Farwell, Texas with Reverend Steve Patterson, pastor of Friona United Methodist Church officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Welch died Thursday, February 24, 2005 at Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona. She was born October 28, 1920 in Boise City, Oklahoma, to Jessie Cleetus Brown and Lena Tidwell Brown.

She married Joseph Ronald Welch in 1942. He preceded her in death March of 1968. She had been a Friona resident since May 1, 2004, moving from Farwell, where she had lived for some 30 years.

Survivors include one daughter, Jo Moss of Texico, New Mexico; one son, Ronald Welch of Lubbock, Texas; two sisters, Mary Josephine Craig of Hemet, California and Theodocia Goodenough of Sacramento, California; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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TO: Jerry L. McDowell, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 28th day of March, 2005 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on January 26th, 2005, in this case numbered SC0630 on the docket of said court, and styled,

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Jerry L. McDowell

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TO: Rafael Navarro, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 28th day of March, 2005 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on January 26th, 2005, in this case numbered SC0631 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS

Rafael Navarro

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TO: Cynthia Stegall, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 28th day of March, 2005 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on January 26th, 2005, in this case numbered SC0634 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS

Cynthia Stegall

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Roque Soltero, Jr.

Funeral services for Roque Soltero, Jr., 11-day-old infant son of Roque Soltero, Sr. and Veronica Soltero, were held at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2005, at St. Teresa's Catholic Church, with Father Ed Sweeney officiating. Burial followed in the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

He died Tuesday, March 1, 2005 at North-

west Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Roque was born on Friday, February 18, 2005 in Amarillo, Texas.

Survivors include his father, Roque Soltero, Sr. and mother, Veronica Soltero of Friona; grandfathers, Jacinto Rivas and Arnulfo Soltero of Mexico; and grandmother, Maria Soltero of Mexico.

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TO: Jason Baca, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 28th day of March, 2005 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on January 26th, 2005, in this case numbered SC0615 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS

Jason Baca

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TO: Alfredo Chavez, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 28th day of March, 2005 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on January 26th, 2005, in this case numbered SC0619 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS

Alfredo Chavez

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TO: Maria Del Gado, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 28th day of March, 2005 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on January 26th, 2005, in this case numbered SC0625 on the docket of said court, and styled,

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Maria Del Gado

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TO: Luis Del Gado, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 28th day of March, 2005 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on January 26th, 2005, in this case numbered SC0626 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS

Luis Del Gado

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TO: Alfonso Escamilla, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 28th day of March, 2005 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on January 26th, 2005, in this case numbered SC0627 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS

Alfonso Escamilla

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TO: Angel M. Fuentes, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 28th day of March, 2005 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on January 26th, 2005, in this case numbered SC0628 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS

Angel M. Fuentes

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Blood Center Purchases Building Site

(Reprinted from the Coffee Memorial Blood Center Winter 2005 Newsletter.)

Coffee Memorial Blood Center's vision to create a larger, more efficient, full-service blood center recently advanced another step with the closing on four acres of land. Construction on a multi-million dollar facility in the Harrington Regional Medical Center should begin this summer.

"We must increase our collection of blood products in order to keep up with the growing needs of patients in the High Plains Region," said James T. Rutledge, PhD, CEO and president of the Blood Center. "In order to meet this demand, and as the sole supplier of blood products and associated transfusion services for the region, the collections and laboratory facilities must be expanded."

The new building will enable the Blood Center to increase whole blood collections, increase platelet collections and make stem cell collection and therapeutic treatment programs efficient.

"One of the major reasons we must build is to provide for federally mandated changes in blood

processing and testing methods," said Rutledge. "For example, pathogen reduction technology is currently in the final phase of clinical trials and may become another element in testing blood. Implementing this technology would necessitate at least a doubling of the Blood Center's current laboratory space."

Plus, the current 12,600-square-foot facility, built in 1985 and enlarged in 1993, is inadequate to meet operational needs. As services have expanded in the past four years, the number of employees has risen from fewer than 60 to almost 100. To handle this increase, the Blood Center has leased office space for the past two years.

"During a recent period of excellent blood collection, we were dangerously close to exceeding our refrigerated storage capacity, and there is no efficient way to increase blood storage in the existing building," said Rutledge. "We simply cannot delay this project. We must build a new facility to continue meeting our life-saving mission."

CMBC to build new facility

(Reprinted from the Coffee Memorial Blood Center Winter 2005 Newsletter.)

Coffee Memorial Blood Center's 55th year promises both significant challenges and tremendous achievements. To continue ensuring a safe, adequate blood supply, CMBC will build a new blood collection facility.

As a member institution of Harrington Regional Medical Center, Inc., and the only blood

center, CMBC has an obligation to meet the needs of this population.

"We must stay up-to-date with required blood banking technologies so that the safety and quality of the area's blood supply is never compromised," said James T. Rutledge, PhD, CEO, and president of CMBC.

"Our overall facilities plan must offer maximum flexibility and make better operational and eco-

nomical sense."

"The building at 1915 S. Coulter is outdated and far too small for current needs, let alone those that will certainly develop in the near future. Our vision is to create a larger, more efficient, full-service blood center."

Estimated cost of the building project is \$6.5 million, which includes the building site, equipment, furnishings and other related expenses.

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Playa lake management workshop March 9

Playa lakes are a common sight across the Panhandle and eastern New Mexico, as numerous as one per square mile in some parts of the region. Such prevalence means most landowners, farmers, ranchers, or homeowners, spend a lifetime grappling with how to manage playa basins on their property.

Landowners with playas will find helpful information, resources, and new ideas at a Playa Lakes Management Workshop slated March 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Home Mercantile Building, 101 Second St., in Nazareth. The workshop is sponsored by Ogallala Commons, Running Water Soil & Conservation District, Parmer County Soil & Water Conservation District, and Playa Lakes Joint Venture.

"Playa lakes are more easily spotted this year due to all the rainfall," notes Darryl Birkenfeld, Director of Ogallala Commons. "But over the long term, playa lakes go through both wet and dry cycles. They provide habitat for wildlife, especially waterfowl, but also shore birds and prairie songbirds. Numerous studies show that playa lakes account for about 90% of recharge for the Ogallala Aquifer."

Since most playa lakes are on private land, Birkenfeld said that landowner management is essential to maintaining and preserving playas in the water cycle.

The March 9 workshop will

present an overview of playas and their benefits by Bill Johnson, wetlands biologist with Texas Parks and Wildlife. Farm Service Agency and Natural Resource Conservation Service will review federal programs that provide incentives for playa conservation. Jim Steiert, outdoor writer and water fowl expert from Hereford will discuss the possibility of hunting as an additional income option for playa lakes. Several other topics will be covered.

After a catered lunch the workshop will visit a nearby playa farm and ranch in Deaf Smith County. Along with stocker, grower cattle operations, his crop production has included wheat, corn, cotton, grain sorghum, seed milo, black-eyed peas, soybeans, and sugar beets. In 1979, he earned an Agriculture Business and Economics Degree at West Texas State University.

Cleavinger currently serves on the Texas Rural Communities, Inc., (TRC) Board and chairs the TRC Loan Committee. Cleavinger is a former member of the Wildorado I.S.D. School Board and is an active member of Trinity Baptist Church of Amarillo. He has been married to his wife, Jackie, for 26 years. They have two children, a daughter, Kelly, who is a student at Midwestern State University and a son, Kent, who is pursuing a degree in Agriculture at West Texas A&M University.

After a catered lunch the workshop will visit a nearby playa

and will conclude with a session on formulating individual management plans. Cost of the workshop is \$10 per person which includes lunch. To reserve a place at the workshop, or for more information, contact Darryl Birkenfeld at 806-938-2529.

Wildorado farmer elected national wheat officer



DAVID CLEAVINGER

David Cleavinger, a Texas wheat farmer from Wildorado, was elected as the new Secretary/Treasurer of the National Association of Wheat Growers (NAWG). Cleavinger was elected during the North American Grain Congress in Reno, Nevada, last month. NAWG is a nonprofit partnership of U.S. wheat growers formed in 1950 to solve common problems and make decisions for the future of American wheat producers.

Cleavinger has been an advocate for agricultural policy at the state and federal level for more than 15 years. He served as Chairman of the Texas Wheat Producers Board in 2000 and served on the NAWG Domestic Policy Committee during negotiations of the current Farm Bill. In 1996, he traveled with a U.S. delegation to Europe and the Middle East to promote U.S. wheat products to foreign buyers.

"With new farm bill negotiations around the corner, I feel this is the time for me to step up and serve the wheat farmers of Texas. As Secretary of the Na-

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PCG disaster calculator has error

By ROGER HALDENBY, Plains Cotton Growers

An error on the 2004 Single Year Disaster Calculator has been pointed out to us. It affects any calculation on less than 100% crop share, so it will give erroneous answers on data for a landowner/operator operation.

If you have downloaded the 2004 Single Year Disaster Calculator, please re-visit our website <http://www.plainscotton.org> and click on the link to Disaster Calculators, to download the updated and corrected version. Our apologies for any inconvenience.

The calculators are provided for estimation purposes only. The calculators are Microsoft Excel Workbook files and you will need Microsoft Excel to open them. They can also be opened using CALC, part of the OpenOffice suite, available for free download from <http://openoffice.org/product/calc.html>.

Record crop, record classings, tired ginners

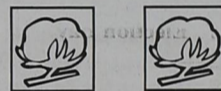
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We all know it's a record cotton crop for PCG's 41-county area, for the state of Texas, for the U.S. and for the world. And, it's getting closer to being complete as each day goes by. It looks like area ginners have got a little less than 400,000 bales left to gin from the final tally that is estimated to exceed 4.6 million bales, as of February 24. Both the Lubbock and Lamesa Classing Offices have surpassed their existing record numbers of bales classed in a season. Lamesa broke their 1988 record of 937,056 bales classed a couple of weeks ago. Now the Lamesa office classings for the 2004 crop are standing at 980,394 bales and should be nudging the million mark before they're through.

The Lubbock Classing Office has not only broken its own record, but now stands as the U.S. record holder at 3,277,917 bales classed and still rising. Their previous record number of bales classed in Lubbock was in 2002, when they called the grade on 2,711,976 bales. The U.S. record was held by the Memphis, Tennessee Classing Office for a few short weeks on this 2004 crop with 3,165,060 bales.

At gins across the High Plains, everyone is exhausted both physically and mentally from the long ginning season, the long hours, and the problems they've faced ginning and marketing this crop. Even though many gins are getting finished, there are also quite a few that the end is still not in sight.

I hope that producers will take a moment at some time and say "thank you" to the folks who have taken their crop from the field, ginned it, stored it, classed it and marketed it. They all deserve a pat on the back, or even a hug, for the work they've done this season!



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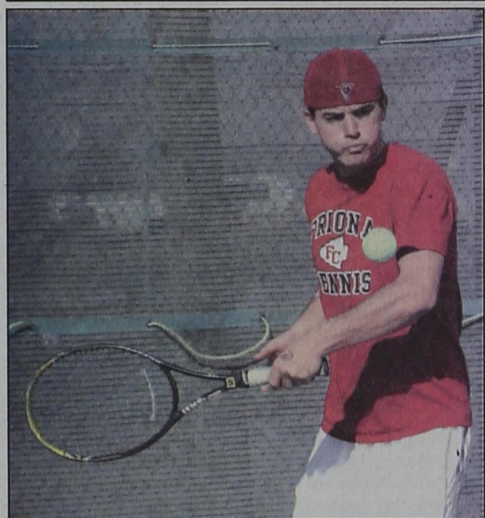
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SEE YA AT LOWE'S



SOME OF the varsity tennis players hosted a practice match with Muleshoe Tuesday. The group posed for an impromptu photo on the court. Back, l-r are Ryan Gerries, Sawyer Reed, Chance Lewellen, and Matt Gammon. In front are, l-r, Meagan Ingram, Laura Rósas, Krista Graham, Andrea Gerries, Brenda Murphree, and on the ground, Ramey Alaniz.

dana d jameson photo



SENIOR Chad Hutson shows his winning form at the Friona courts Tuesday. Hutson won his singles division at Amarillo.

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Hutson wins tennis singles in Amarillo

FHS senior Chad Hutson brought home a 1st place in the boys A division singles tennis touney in Amarillo. Hutson defeated Kile of Perryton 6-4, 7-5, to win the finals.

In the girls doubles, seniors Andrea Gerries and Brenda Murphree scored 8-5, 8-0, 9-7 victories to make it to the finals but lost to Dalhart and settled for 2nd place.

Other tennis team members that participated in the touney are Courtney Adams, Jordan Jamerson, Meagan Ingram, Lauren Hughes, Chance Lewellen, Alex Gurley, Krista Graham, Ashley Ingram, Matt Gammon, Ramey Alaniz, Jeremy Mendoza, Osvaldo Castanon, Erica Wylly, and Hollis Gurley.

The tennis coach is Ky Graham. The next outing for the group is a tournament in Dumas March 11-12.

Election Schedule

March 7	Last day for filing as a candidate for school board, city council, hospital board.
April 7	Last day to register to vote
April 20	First day of early voting
May 3	Last day of early voting
May 7	Election day

March 4-5

Chieftain Relays will host 15 schools

FHS track coach Lanny Crow told a group of volunteers Tuesday night that Friona will host 15 schools and about 1400 track kids and coaches for Friday and Saturday's Chieftain Relays. Money from the concession stand and entry fees will raise more than \$4,000 during the event. Crow said costs would be about \$2,000 to run the two-day program.

Money raised from the annual track meet is used to purchase and update school athletic equipment. Crow said that money from last year was used for a new track timer system which is in place for this year's running events.

Field events for varsity and JV

boys and girls will begin at 3:30 p.m. Friday. This includes triple jump, high jump, long jump, discus, shot put and pole vault. Running events for junior high will start at 3:45 p.m. Friday and continue on a rolling time schedule.

Saturday morning, junior high

field events and varsity and JV running events will begin at 9 a.m. The finals will start at 2 p.m. or 1 1/2 hours after the last event of the morning. The order of running in the finals will be 7th girls, 7th boys, 8th girls, 8th boys, varsity girls, JV boys, varsity boys.

The finals will begin with the playing of the national anthem followed by the weight man relay, a popular event where the "big guys" get to run track. Everyone is invited to come out and support the track program and the kids and coaches that participate.

CASA volunteer training set for April 5, 7, 9, & 12

Do you have a little extra room in your life to make a lifetime of difference for an abused child? Help break the cycle of child abuse by becoming a Court Appointed Special Advocate Volunteer.

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CASA volunteers ensure children don't get lost in an overburdened legal and social service sys-

tem. They may be the only guiding presence involved from the beginning to the end of that child's case. For these children it can mean the difference between instability and permanence, insecurity and learning to trust, invisibility and being made a priority.

The April training will be April 5, 7, 9 and 12, in Hereford. For more information about becoming a CASA volunteer or the training, please contact Jackie Francis at 363-1211.

"We hope you decide to join our family of volunteers, everyday people, who are committed to improving abused children's lives. It is easier than you think - again for more details on this flexible and hugely rewarding volunteer opportunity, please call your local CASA office at 806-363-1211," Francis said.

Breast cancer education, fashion show at Cargill

Cargill Meat Solutions in conjunction with the Amarillo Breast Health Coalition of Amarillo will present a Breast Health Education and Fashion show for Cargill employees and family members on March 10, 2005 at 1:30 p.m. This show is a tribute to breast cancer survivors and a celebration of breast health awareness. This program will be held at the Friona facility in Classroom A. Dr. Aragon, MD, with BSA Images will be the featured speaker and will be available to answer questions. Nancy Rudolph, RN, Nurse Narrator with BSA Images, will narrate the program.

"We are very pleased to have three local breast cancer survivors to model various spring fashions from Ingram's of Friona and Yota's of Hereford, while their story is shared," a Cargill spokesperson said. Door prizes will be given away, but you must be present to win. Punch and cookies will also be provided. Please call (806) 295-8290 to RSVP by March 9, 2005.

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- ladies' tote (2 wds.)
- TXism: "jump"
- this TX Gwynne was star in the 40s
- TXism: "squeaks like a rusty"
- TXism: "fits like hide ___ horse"
- Jimmy coached in this football division after Dallas
- what Dallas Stars haven't had in '04-'05: "___-off"
- go from UT to UNT
- TXism: "good ___ boy"
- high part of the foot
- Johnny Ringo fought in the Mason Co. "Hoo ___ War"
- hwy. 21 follows old "Gaminio ___"
- a full Conestoga
- TXism: "kick ___ your heels"
- TXism: "outhouse ___" (catalogs)
- house
- TXism: "riled up"
- old-time TX Ranger noted for bravery
- kitchen utensil
- TX's 3rd president: Mirabeau ___
- "that is" (abbr)
- "plastic money" company
- TXism: "slippery as an ___"
- TX-born runner Whitfield who won 5 Olympic medals in '48 and '52

DOWN

- TXism: "___ bones" (skinny)
- fruit used in TX "Blue Bell ice cream"
- TXism: "if it ain't true, there ___ in Texas"
- "Eyes of Texas" song began as a prank by the UT ___ Club
- TXism: "high as popcorn ___ a picture show"
- Mount Vernon is seat of this county
- caught by the law
- TX was hit hard by the ___ & ___ scandal
- TX Audie Murphy film: "Hell and Back"
- TXism: "useless as screen ___ on a submarine"
- rock concert protection
- TXism: "would trade all the mineral rights in Texas ___" (strongly desire)
- TX Janis Joplin tune: "Me and Bobby Mc ___"
- WWII battleship: "___ Houston"
- TX Cornyn's time zone at work (abbr.)
- this poet Sandberg said, "Texas is valor and swagger"
- name before Exxon
- TXism: "nick ___ on a dog's back"
- Austin's first 2 initials
- this Williams was the 1st mgr. of the Texas Rangers
- expand a thought
- Michael Irvin ran 'em for the 'Boys'
- TXism: "horse ___" (western)
- this Blocker designed XIT brand
- eye steak
- Astro stat ___
- TXism: "___ a monkey's uncle"
- TX ladies
- TXism: "big fish in ___ pond"
- six-shooter
- TXism: "fits like scales ___ fish"
- no. 1 woods in golf
- Rotolids & Maalox are anti-___
- this Clint started the Cowboys (int.)
- Buchanan ___ TX
- most dangerous
- Houston rock singer Meat ___
- TXism: "near ___"
- swamp
- TXism: "rounder"
- Buda newspaper: The Free ___

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