

FHS Baseball Senior Day

Three FHS Senior baseball players and their parents will be recognized after the varsity game Friday, April 28 against Tulia at Chieftain Baseball Field. The games will start at 4:30 p.m. The game was previously scheduled for Saturday, April 29.

Farewell performance Sunday

The Friona High School Thespians will present their farewell performance of "The Anatomy of Gray" on Sunday, April 30 at 3:30 p.m. at the FHS Auditorium. Cast members are Lydia Alexander, Brooklynn Johnston, Angel Mills, Julian Cruz Cruz, Mariah Rivera, Paige Upton, Kessly Salinas, Tommy Hutchins, and Drew Montana. The play is directed by Katherine Thompson, FHS Theater director.

National Day of Prayer

The National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 4. That morning at 7:00 a.m. at the Depot in the Friona City Park there will be a prayer gathering. Everyone is welcome to come for a time of praying to the Lord Jesus for our city, state and nation. For further questions contact Brett Hoyle at 806-240-0275 or pastorbretthoyle@gmail.com.

FFA Car Wash Saturday, May 6

Agriculture Education Director Catie Parish Roach announced this week that the FHS FFA will hold a donation car wash and sausage wrap sale on Saturday, May 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the InterBank parking lot. Everyone is invited to come out and get their car washed and enjoy a sausage wrap.

Calling all cooking teams

The Friona Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture is looking for cooking teams for the 12th Annual Cheeseburger Festival Cook-off on Saturday, July 15 at the City Park. Entry forms with a complete list of contest rules are available at the Chamber office at 621 Main or by calling (806) 250-3491. Deadline for entry is Friday, July 7.

County approves balanced budget

The Parmer County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, August 24.

Parmer County Auditor Larry Johnston reported that for the first time since 2010 they have a balanced budget with a 24 percent net increase of \$855,000. The cash reserves peaked in 2009 but have been down for the last seven years before the latest increase.

The commissioners extended the burn ban. They stressed the importance of abiding the ban. The one exception to the ban is that if someone wants to burn they must abide the following: if the wind is less than 10 miles per hour; and they must call the Sheriff's Office (806) 481-3303 and the local fire department.

The fire departments in Parmer County are as follows: Friona Volunteer Fire Department (806) 250-2711; Bovina Volunteer Fire Department-day (806) 251-1116 or night (806) 251-1212; Rhea Community Volunteer Fire Department-Chief Monty Schueler (806) 265-5337; Lazbuddie Volunteer Fire Department-Chief Kasey Whatley (806) 647-8320; or Farwell Volunteer Fire Department-Chief Daniel Kaltwasser (575) 799-3439.

If someone does not follow these mandates, they are in violation of the burn ban and will be issued a citation. If they are given permission to burn, they may still be liable for damages if the fire gets away from them.

In other business the commissioners authorized County Judge Trey Ellis to sign on behalf of the county for the purchase of the property in Bovina. The land being purchased is at 301 Gardner and houses the Justice of the Peace, AgriLife Extension and DPS.

The next commissioners meeting will be May 8 at 10 a.m. in the County Courtroom in Farwell.



Hard Work and Smiles!

dana jameson photos

Despite the cold, windy weather on Saturday, the Parmer County Memorial Cemetery Association brought their muscles & smiles as well as weed eaters and rakes to tackle the big job of cleaning up the cemetery west of Friona. The members of the association thanked everyone that came out to work on this project. They are planning another workday at a later date to finish the job.



Four vie for FISSD School Board Trustee seats

As the May 6 election nears for the Friona Independent School District Board of Trustees, the candidates are clarifying their positions for

the voters. There are two seats open and the four candidates are Maria Monreal Garcia, Jamie Lewellen, Corbin Riethmayer and incumbent

Wade Schueler. The candidates shared their thoughts on family, community and why they want to be on the FISSD School Board.



Jamie Lewellen:

"I have many unique experiences which I think would help me make good decisions and represent residents in the school district. I attended Friona schools growing up, and now our children attend Friona Primary and Elementary. I want to see our school move forward and provide opportunities for our diverse student body.

I grew up in Friona, graduated from Friona High, and then attended Abilene Christian University. My mother, Connie Slagle,

is a retired Friona ISD teacher, and my father, Dennis Slagle, is a farmer. I am married to Greg Lewellen and we have two daughters, Shelby, who is a 2nd grader, and Sophie, who is in Pre-K.

I am on the District Leadership Committee for FISSD as well as the Safety Committee for Friona Elementary. I spend a lot of hours at the different campuses helping with Chieftain Store, BIGS in Schools, speech & drama, and numerous other activities.

In 2010, Greg and I, along with several local citizens, formed the Parmer County Cancer Coalition. I have served the past seven years as co-chair along with serving on the board of Friona Kids, Inc. for the past four years.

Along with these volunteer activities, I also assist a local caterer and serve as the web manager for the Friona Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture. I enjoy attending my girls' activities, golf and traveling."

I have strong ties to the community and the school system. If elected, my priority would be finding ways to increase success for each student and teacher. I am interested in improving campus safety, investigating the possible benefits of the wind industry for our school system, and increasing student motivation through extracurricular, college preparation, or vocational opportunities. I would love to be able to serve our community on the school board."



Corbin Riethmayer:

"I am from Friona and have lived here all my life with the exception of the years I spent studying at college. I attended Tarleton State University for two years before transferring to Texas A&M University where I graduated with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Agricultural Economics.

I am currently in the running for a trustee position on the Friona ISD school board and would appreciate your vote.

My wife, Jenny Hamilton Riethmayer, and I have family roots originating in Friona and are currently raising our family here. We have three children, Colton, Kamryn, and Matthew, all of whom attend Friona ISD.

I am a farmer/rancher and Jenny works as a kindergarten teacher for Friona ISD. I have served on the Friona Chamber

of Commerce in the past and since 2008 I have served as a Board of Director on the West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative board."

I would bring these past and current experiences to the Friona ISD school board in an effort to be a positive addition to an already outstanding school board. Thank you."



Wade Schueler, Incumbent:

"I was born here and have lived here all my life except when I was attending West Texas A&M University. I am married to Candice and we have three daughters, Ivy (7), Aubrey (10), and Emma (13). I am a farmer and serve on the Parmer County Livestock Show Board. I am a volunteer firefighter for the Friona Volunteer Fire Department.

I have served for six years

on the school board and would like the opportunity to keep serving as a trustee.

I care not only for my kids but for all kids. I want all the students of FISSD to have all the opportunities they can have.

The next few years could be critical in ways I don't think we have ever seen before. We have the possibility of wind money coming in.

I would appreciate your vote on May 6."



Maria Monreal Garcia: Maria was unavailable for comment.

Early voting began Monday, April 24 at the Friona ISD Administration office at 909 E. 11th. Voters can cast their ballots April 24-28 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and May 1-2 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. The May 6 election will be held at the City of Friona Council Chambers from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Friona Cemetery Association holds annual meeting Apr. 13

The Friona Cemetery Association had their annual meeting on Thursday, April 13, 2017 at the Friona City Hall Council Chambers. Ballots for election of Board Members were tabulated along with the annual business meeting. The public was welcome to attend. A local resident suggested we add to our cemetery sign, so the association will begin work on that improvement.

Annual dues are \$30.00 and any donations are welcome for upkeep of the cem-

etry. The cemetery association's aim and purpose is to assist the City of Friona in the care, maintenance, upkeep and improvement of our cemetery.

The annual cleanup workday will be held Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

If you have flowers or other decorations you want to keep, you need to get them before this time so they won't be thrown away. Faded and old flowers and decorations will be thrown away at that time. This is open to

the public and your help would be appreciated. The chapel will be open with drinks and cookies so please feel free to come visit, even if you can't help clean.

There are memorial cards and your donation is acknowledged to the family you designate. Be sure to include your name and address so the person receiving the memorial card will have the proper address. Send to the Friona Cemetery Association, PO Box 823, Friona, TX 79035.



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The FHS FFA will have a Donation Car Wash & Sausage Wrap Sale on Saturday, May 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the InterBank parking lot. Get a clean car and a yummy sausage wrap while you wait.

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Former Friona folks are making news across the state.

Among them are former Friona police officer Houston Gass. If you remember, Gass was shot in the face and shoulder two years ago while responding to a domestic disturbance. He has fully recovered and will be the

new police chief in Fritch. Congratulations Houston.

FHS graduate Mark Madrid has been named to the Latino Business Action Network (LBAN), an NGO that is collaborating with the Stanford Business School to help scale Latino Businesses throughout the United States for the general benefit of the US economy. Congratulations Mark!

Nancy Norwood wanted to express the Parmer County Memorial Cemetery Association's appreciation to everyone that came out Saturday to clean up the cemetery west of Friona. She said the turn out was great despite the cold, windy conditions. They are planning on another work day but a date has

not been set.

This week is Soil & Water Stewardship week. A proclamation was signed on Monday, April 24 by Parmer County Judge Trey Ellis.

Becky's Burritos Grand Opening of the new building will be Friday, May 5. Run by for a burrito, see Becky and the gang and check out the facilities.

Got news last week that Larry Gatlin will be the entertainer at the Kings Manor Founder's Day Dinner in Hereford on Saturday, July 15. This is the big fundraiser for King's Manor. According to sources, they are making big plans for the auction. As details

are announced we will keep you informed.

Longtime friend and Friona Star reader Jim Steiert told us that his granddaughter has deduced that he is the one hiding the Easter eggs instead of the Easter bunny. They grow up so fast, Jim.

If you are a caregiver and need a little break come by the First National Bank Community Room on Friday, May 5 for Coffee Break for Caregivers. Coffee and donuts will be served at 9:30 a.m. followed by a meeting at 10 a.m. The subject this month will be part two of "The Talk". This event is sponsored by Bluebonnet Home Health and Hospice. For more information call (806) 247-0057.

Bluebonnet Home Health will be at Friona Heritage Estates in the Day Room on Friday, April 28 at 2:30 p.m. for an Aging and Wellness Workshop. This is a free community education event. The public is invited to attend. The topic this month is "Give Yourself a Pat on the Back!"

I went to the Panhandle Press Association's awards luncheon last Saturday in Amarillo. I got to see some old friends and enjoy a delicious Italian dinner at Eddie Napolis. The Friona Star brought home a 1st place in Editorial Writing, 2nd place in Human Interest Photo, 2nd place in Spot News Photo, 2nd place in Humorous Column and a 3rd place in Advertising Design.

This event is held each year and it has been a number of years since the Friona Star participated.

I am sure you are wondering about Ron. He started chemo and radiation this week. Friends and family are driving him to and from his appointments in Amarillo. Thank you for all your prayers and well wishes.

Remember to get out and vote in the Fisd Board of Trustees election. Early voting is going on right now and the election is May 6.

Check out the Fisd calendar on page 8 and the Community Calendar on page 2 for upcoming events. May is looking to be

pretty busy.

We got a very nice "Thank You" note from the Friona Star Friona Kids' Inc. team. "Just a note to say thank you for being our team sponsor and we're praying for God's peace and comfort as you recover." They also included a schedule for their upcoming games. Their coach is Shanna Daniels and she had each member of the team sign the card. Thank you Shanna. Ron appreciates all the well wishes and looks forward to getting back to work.

Spring cleaning is upon us. If you are cleaning your windows, come by the Star office and get a few newspapers to get the job done. They are free and make windows sparkle.

If you have a graduating senior and will packing them up for college, we have newspapers for that as well.

"What the caterpillar calls the end of the world, the master calls a butterfly." ~ Richard Bach

Have a great weekend! We will see you next week!



courtesy photo

Cub Scout Troop 56 cleaned up around Reeve Lake on Monday, April 1. Pictured are, l-r, Aydan Pena, Quirt Rogers, Damian Moreno and Dorien West.



From Dr. Gary Cash: Three of a kind. Well, almost. One is wide, one is heart-shaped and the other one hooks back. All youngsters.

Friona Flashbacks

News from the week of April 26, 1962

*Bond burning ceremonies at the city hall Thursday marked the end of the last of the City of Friona Refunding Bonds, series of 1945.

The last three of the thirty-five \$1,000 bonds, which replaced bonds, valued at \$41,500 issued in 1931 were redeemed by the city last week.

*Board of directors for the proposed new Farmer's Co-op gin reports that over \$30,000 have been raised for the installation of the gin.

The board members have begun checking blueprints and consulting different authorities in connection with the actual installation of the plant, according to Keith Brown, board member.

*The Irrigation Belt league will officially open its 1962 baseball season Sunday at 2:30 p.m. when the local nine meet the Silverton team on Reeve Field here.

*Joe Bailey Douglas, Jr., of Friona, who has been a cadet at the New Mexico Military Institute for the past four years, has just achieved a promotion in the

Corps of Cadets.

He has been assigned to command Company "K"—one of the ten companies in the cadet Regiment.

*Two automobile accidents in Friona this week involved parked cars. Wednesday at 4:50 p.m., Louis Parsons, a sailor from San Diego, was driving the 1958 sedan, which collided with the back of a parked 1957 sedan belonging to Connie Dale Dodson, Friona. The first such collision occurred at 6:20 p.m. Sunday when a car driven by Newman Loafman, 16, collided with the automobile belonging to Elda Hart on Main Street.

*Someone suggested that perhaps it would be a good idea to

keep a good supply of tranquilizers on hand from now until school is out. It is true, of course, that there are always a lot of things to do and places to go this time of year, but would any of us want it any other way?

Would anyone want to do away with band concerts, junior-senior banquets, graduation exercises, recitals or other activities just because there was on of each last year, and the year before, and the year before that?

Think it was Shakespeare who said, "All the world's a stage and men and women are merely players." Perhaps the setting on the stage isn't too important, but the players are when they are your children and ours.

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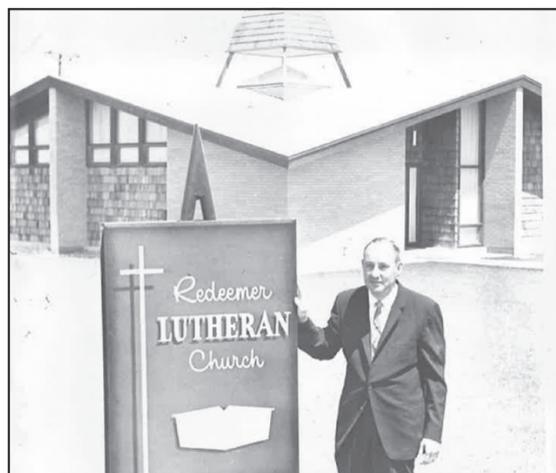
By Darla Bracken

The Redeemer Center



The Redeemer Literacy Center as the Friends refer to the building, officially known as the "Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church" when it was first organized as a mission church of the Immanuel Lutheran Church at Rhea. The Church, organized in 1962, had 14 original families as members. In January 1963, the church purchased Block 4 of the Drake Addition in Friona and by November 1964, construction had begun. Matlock Builders served as contractors for the construction of the church. The unusual design is unique among churches in Friona. The first service was March 4, 1965 and their pastor Reverend Ervin Binger, of the Immanuel Lutheran Church at Rhea served this church. A Ladies Aid Society began in 1963 as well as a Walther League and then later the men's organization Laymen's League in 1967. Other pastors included Reverend Ervin Binger 62-63, Reverend Fred Beversdorf 63-66 (during the construction); Reverend Otto Kretzmann 66-71; Reverend Duane Kirchner 72-75; Reverend William Rumpel 76-79; finally, Reverend Reuben Haase 80-?

The Lutheran Church in Parmer County had an interesting beginning going as far back as 1909 when Herman F. Reinking from Indiana decided to purchase land in Texas. At 60, he had already seen the development of land in Nebraska and Iowa. He saw the potential, bought land directly from the Wright Brothers, and bargained for land reserved exclusively for German Lutheran settlers. "Lots of land in one spot"—10 sections with 40 acres of it reserved for a church and a colony house decided to



German Lutheran Congregation Missouri Synod. Reinking specifically asked them to donate \$1,000 for the construction of a chapel. The Wright Bros readily agreed and promised Rev. Reinking a bell for the chapel as well although this is the only part of the requests agreed to but not delivered.

Reinking eventually brought his son and his daughter (his wife stayed in Indiana and refused to come to Texas) to the Panhandle and to the 280 he had purchased. Like many early settlers, Reinking brought his livestock and farm equipment with him by rail. The biggest obstacle for the settlers other than infrastructure (house, barn, pens, etc.) was that there was no rain, none at all! However, they were not used to that. Nevertheless, they persevered and soon, by 1910, had established a 4 inch well and a colony house and church to try to attract more settlers and soon all the land sold and the Wright Brothers allocated more land to be reserved for these 'German

Lutheran' settlers. [story by his son Herman J. as written in 'A History of Parmer County' c. 1976]

The Redeemer Lutheran members graciously donated the building to the City of Friona in 1999 because its members had passed away or moved from Friona and no longer met for services. In 2009, the Friends added new flooring in the kitchen and bathrooms and carpeting elsewhere. We received gifts of new appliances, a stove and a refrigerator, from Linda White and Bi-Wize Drug. Hugh Moseley kindly donated a painting by Bobby Wied, a member of the church. Since 2012, the Friends of the Library have used the Redeemer Center for ESL Classes and annual meetings. In 2016, the City of Friona added landscaping, a flagpole and a new sidewalk in addition to inside painting and new countertop in the kitchen. We hope we have honored the tradition of the members of the Redeemer Lutheran congregation by keeping the facility nice.

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Caregiving a BIG responsibility

By Rhonda K. Sanders, LMSW

For those who are in a caregiver role or have been in a caregiver role they know that it is a big responsibility. Family caregivers carry a big burden 24/7 and may be in that role for years. The burden and responsibilities range from giving medication to helping someone with normal activities of daily living such as personal hygiene or getting in and out of bed.

Statistics from the Family Caregiver Alliance report that approximately 43.5 million caregivers are in this role without pay; thus, the financial value of services provided by unpaid caregivers nearly matched the value of the sales of the world's largest company, Walmart at \$477 billion (2015). This astonishing figure reflects the economic value that unpaid caregivers are to society. So not only is the caregiver's role a big responsibility they are a huge economic value to society.

The variables that are involved in a caregiver's role can be numerous. Variables can include whether or not they have support for relief, meeting their own financial needs, and perhaps juggling their own family and jobs. Needless to say for most caregivers the responsibilities generally increase before they get less.

Bluebonnet Home Health and Hospice is sponsoring a monthly meeting for caregivers to provide a networking opportunity, a link to potential resources, and education information to help caregivers. This is a free community education event and is hosted at the First National Bank Friona Community Room. The time is the first Friday of every month. At 9:30 a.m. coffee and donuts are provided and at 10 a.m. the meeting takes place. This is a time that allows for caregivers to take a break from their caregiver role, network with others in this role, and learn what is available to aid their role and responsibility.

Topics covered include providing care related to the recipient's disease process, addressing physical and emotional changes that may be associated with the disease process, and incorporating self-care.

Come join us for a time of growth, enjoyment, and for a learning experience. Feel free to bring a friend or family member and learn together! For more information call Bluebonnet at 247-0057.



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The Friona Texas Federal Credit Union held their annual meeting on Tuesday, April 25 at the Junior High cafeteria. The meal of fried fish and chicken was catered by River Smith's of Lubbock. Chairman of the Board of Directors Bruce Fleming, above, addressed the assembled group. FTFCU President/CEO Nancy Davis reported 2016-17 increases across the board in all areas. She recognized Ginger Stephens, Loan Officer, for her 24-years of service to the community and new employee Danielle Perez, Teller. Elections for members to the board were held and no changes were made. The meeting concluded with drawings for door prizes.



Sheriff's Report

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office:

April 17, 2017

Andy Armendariz, 21, of Dumas, TX, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a violation of probation (forgery). The case is pending in District Court.

April 18, 2017

Victor Garcia, 24, of Farwell, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of public intoxication. Garcia was fined \$260.

Nety Jah Sala, 23, of Clovis, NM, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces. The case is pending in County Court.

Larry White, 43, of Lubbock, TX, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department on a charge of possession of marijuana less than two ounces. The case is pending in County Court.

April 20, 2017

Marselino Ruiz, 37, of Muleshoe, TX, was arrested by the Sheriff's office on a motion to revoke (driving while license invalid with previous). The case is pending in County Court.

April 21, 2017

Maria Juarez, 40, of Earth, TX, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of violation of probation (false report to a police officer). The case is pending in County Court.

April 23, 2017

Juan Rivera Guevara, 25, of Friona, was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on a charge of driving while intoxicated. The case is pending in County Court.

Regina Casey, 41, of Clovis, NM, was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on a charge of driving while intoxicated with a child under 15 years of age in the vehicle. The case is pending before the Grand Jury.

Miguel Perez-Maltos, 29, of Albuquerque, NM, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department on a charges of possession of marijuana less than two ounces and driving while license invalid. The case is pending in County Court.



Courthouse Notes

Warranty deeds are reported by the County Clerk's Office from the week of April 14 through April 19, 2017:

Osvaldo Castanon-Sandra Herrera Moreno, All W 50' L3 and E 50' L4 B3 Western.

Rogelio G. Ureste and Herminia Ureste-Ezequiel Reyes and Flora Reyes, All L3 B6 Drake Revised Friona.

Judy Shelton and Ronald D. Shelton-Ronald D. Shelton Revocable Trust and Judy L. Shelton Revocable Trust, 282.273 Ac. E/2 S102 Kelly.

Angela Jaime-Robert Lucio and Lucia Lucio, All L3 B34 OT Farwell.

Caregiver Coffee Break May 5

Are you a family caregiver or caregiver? There is a free community service available to you offered on the first Friday of every month.

Coffee Break for Caregivers is a good place to learn about potential resources for patients and family. Join them Friday, May 5 at the First National Bank Community Room in Friona at 9:30 a.m. for coffee and donuts followed by a meeting at 10 a.m. The will present part 2 of "The Talk".

Coffee Break for Caregivers is sponsored by Bluebonnet Home Health and Hospice. For more information call (806) 247-0057 and ask for the social worker.

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Friona Industries receives top honor for workplace safety

Texas Mutual Insurance Company announced recently that Friona Industries in Parmer County has been awarded the company's top honor for workplace safety. Texas Mutual, the state's leading provider of workers' compensation insurance, recognized this company for its dedication to workplace safety.

"These awards support Texas Mutual's commitment to promoting workplace safety and educating employers about safe work practices," Richard Gergasko, president and chief executive officer of Texas Mutual Insurance Company, said. "It's important that we lead the way by recognizing Texas companies for their dedication to workplace safety and their commitment to the safety of their employees."

To qualify for this honor, a company must demonstrate its commitment to workplace safety by implementing an exemplary safety program and controlling workers' compensation losses.

This year, Texas Mutual distributed 200 safety awards to policyholders throughout the state who have exemplary safety records and exceptional safety programs.

FLiP Lesson 31 Word List

1. adjust (v.)	to set right; to fit; to regulate
2. citadel (n.)	fortress; stronghold
3. clamor (n.)	outburst of sound; loud cry; noise of discontent
4. garret (n.)	attic; part of house immediately under roof
5. perplex (v.)	to puzzle; to confuse; to complicate
6. prodigal (adj.)	wasteful; thriftless
7. slink (v.)	to move in stealth and silence; to lurk
8. squabble (n.)	a quarrel, usually short-lived and of little importance
9. subside (v.)	to abate; to lessen in intensity; to ebb
10. unaccountable (adj.)	not capable of explanation; mysterious

Ivy Cottage Bridal Registry

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OBITUARIES

Ila Burchett

Ila Burchett, 89, of Friona, died Wednesday, April 19, 2017 in Friona. Graveside services were held Friday, April 21, 2017 at the Friona Cemetery in Friona with Rev. Brett Hoyle, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Friona, officiating. Burial followed in the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.

Ila was born in Mead, Oklahoma to William Washington and Athol LaDelle Serner Smith. She married Olin D. Burchett January 1948 in Sherman, Texas.

She was a charter member of the Mead Baptist Church in Mead, Oklahoma. Ila loved to cook and was a cook for the hospital in Friona for many years. She loved to read, walk, and was a big Cubs fan.

She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two brothers, Bill and Millard Smith; and one sister, Kathrine Layton.

Survivors include two sons, James Burchett of Friona, and Edward Burchett and Teresa



Hernandez of Brownwood; one daughter, Mary Ford and husband Kenny of Friona; four grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

You may sign the online register book at www.blackwellmullins.com.



The National Day of Prayer

BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Thursday, May 4, 2017 is the National Day of Prayer. The National Day of Prayer Task Force leads a national effort, calling people to pray. On their website they state, "It [The National Day of Prayer] exists to communicate with every individual the need for personal repentance and prayer, to create appropriate materials, and to mobilize the Christian community to intercede for America's leaders and its families. The Task Force represents a Judeo-Christian expression of the national observance, based on our understanding that this country was birthed in prayer and in reverence for the God of the Bible." The importance of prayer at formative times in our nation is clearly traced throughout our history from the Pilgrims, to the American Revolution, to the Civil War, through World Wars, and up to today as well.

The need for prayer has never been greater, yet many believers are lulled into apathy simply because a favorable political party is in control for now. Shame on us! Sin still abounds, the lost are still headed for hell, and salvation will never come from Washington DC, but only from the cross and empty tomb of JC. As you make prayer for our nation a priority, may your prayers be guided by Daniel's prayer in Daniel 9:19, which says, "O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive. O Lord, pay attention and act. Delay not, for your own sake, O my God, because your city and your people are called by your name." Daniel's prayer of holy passion grieved over the sins of his nation, begged God for grace and mercy, and sought God's glory to be made known.

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May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. ~Romans 15:13 NIV

It Happened Again

By TEENA HUGHES

It happened again. I prayed and prayed and prayed for Texas Tech to win a baseball game, and they lost, and I got mad. I got mad at a group of 18, 19, and 20 year olds I don't even know for not winning a baseball game. And, if I am totally honest, I was probably mad at God for not saying YES to my prayers.

After I got over my mad, I felt ridiculous and ashamed. One of the frustrating things about getting upset over a ball game is that I don't seem to learn. I have written about this before; I know that besides praying there is nothing I can do; I know that winning or losing a ball game does not determine whether anyone gets into Heaven; so, why can't I just "blow it off" and enjoy the game, win or lose.

Well, for one reason, I love Texas Tech, and I want them to win at anything they do.

Secondly, we all like to win, and we all like to watch and support winners.

Third, Tech does have a great team, and I just want them to win every time they take the field!!!

We don't know God's plans, but sometimes good things come from losing. Lessons are learned that help teams win down the road; attitudes change and players become determined to win; maybe they learn that they can't win all on their own, and they need help from God.

As for me, I am just glad God is fighting for me to overcome my obsession for my teams to win. I know that when I mess up like I did Sunday, He forgives me when I ask, and I get to start over with new opportunities to do better.

Most importantly, I am so glad we have a Savior who died on a cross so I can be forgiven and receive opportunities for do-overs. When I think about Jesus and what He did for me, losing a ball game just doesn't matter. I just need to remember that and live it. Take care and have a great week!

Panhandle Parables

Planting In Faith

By JEFF PROCTER, Minister, 6th Street Church of Christ

I love this time of year, winter for the most part is history except for the occasional cold front that can still blast in from the North and remind us of its lingering presence. Life is awakening everywhere and the farmers are busy preparing the land for harvest. Those who planted wheat prepared for harvest last fall when they turned the soil, planted the wheat and in faith wait for God to do what God does, grow things. As they prepare for harvest in a couple of months, others are turning the soil getting ready for cotton, corn, milo (I still call it maize) and a few other crops.

The city slicker might drive through our part of the country and not know what all the hustle in the field is about. After all harvest is not till late fall. Yet, we know there won't be a harvest then if we don't plant the crops now. It takes a lot of work and a lot of faith to put those crops in the ground and watch them grow. It does take faith and at times a good measure of patience, but it must be done now if done at all.

When growing a spiritual life, it is not much different, except that there are many who think spiritually they can just show up for the harvest. The problem, they haven't put anything in the spiritual ground and therefore are found wanting at the harvest. A spiritual walk with the Lord does not just happen it is cultivated, tended, fed, watered that growth may come and harvest to follow.

So now that we are to May and planting soon to begin, how are you doing spiritually? Are you preparing your heart to receive the blessings? Are you preparing the heart to weather the storms? The power of God and His Word are ready to help, but you in faith must plant the seed, in your own life, as well as, in others.

I do pray for good crops and plentiful rain both for our land and for our souls. So, go ahead invest in your spiritual walk that it may lead to harvest in due time.

Conserve water this spring & summer

Outdoor water use can account for 50 to 80 percent of a home's total water use in the spring and summer. Much of this water is often wasted by inefficient landscape watering practices, including runoff.

High Plains Underground Water Conservation District (HPWD) encourages people to incorporate water-efficient practices into their landscapes to avoid water waste.

Add water efficient plant varieties to your landscape. These plants are native or well-adapted to climate conditions in your area. Additional information is available at texasreplanting.tamu.edu and texasuperstar.com

Reduce water evaporation by irrigating at proper times. Evaporation losses can be 60 percent or higher during the day. You can reduce this by irrigating in early morning or late evening. Be sure to follow your town or city landscape watering ordinances, if applicable.

Do not water landscapes on windy days. Wind drift and evaporation increase water losses.

Consider use of drip irrigation to water narrow parkway areas or reduce turf in those areas with water-wise plant varieties that can thrive on less water.

Position sprinklers so that driveways and sidewalks are not irrigated. Check spray patterns for variations caused by changes in water pressure.

Consider rainwater harvesting to collect/store water for future use in your landscape rainwaterharvesting.tamu.edu

Use mulch to retain soil moisture, reduce runoff, moderate soil temperature, and to slow weed growth.

Use a low-angle sprinkler that throws large drops of water—rather than one that sprays a fine mist of water that can evaporate quickly.

Homeowners with automatic sprinkler systems should regularly check spray nozzles to make sure they are operating properly. Be sure to replace any broken sprinkler heads, valves, seals, or pipes.

Adjust the run time and frequency of automatic landscape sprinkler systems in response to changes in rainfall/temperature.

Remember ... "There's no substitute for water! Use it wisely without waste!"

Yvonne Stevenson

Yvonne Stevenson, 82, of Bovina, died April 21, 2017 in Clovis. Graveside services were held Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at the Bovina Cemetery in Bovina with Rev. Larry Mitchell of the Bovina United Methodist Church in Bovina, officiating. Burial followed in the Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.

Yvonne was born August 18, 1934 in Cook County, Texas to Elijah Horace and Mildred Ethel Shaw Moody. She married Oakley Stevenson September 15, 1954 in Clovis. She was a longtime member of the Bovina United Methodist Church where she was very active in many organizations. She was also active in the Bovina community including the bridge club. She loved to cook, and crochet, but her greatest love was to serve and give from goodness and a servant's heart.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband and one brother, Alfred Moody.

Yvonne is survived by one son, Stephen Stevenson and wife Karen of Farwell; one daughter, Annette Stevenson-Larson and



husband Eddie of Pfafstown, North Carolina; two sisters, Louise Hawkins and husband Gene of Lubbock, and Sue Phillips of Dimmitt; one brother, Weldon Moody of Plainview; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

You may send memorials to the Alzheimer's Association at alz.org or a favorite charity.

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Five FHS students complete TCFA program

Five students from Friona completed the Cattle Care & Handling portion of the Feedyard Technician Certification Program April 18 and 19 at West Texas A&M University (WTAMU) in Canyon. The goal of the program is to give students a basic understanding of the knowledge and skills necessary to work in the fed beef industry. "Those of us who work in the fed beef industry have one of the most important jobs in the world—to produce food for a growing population," said Karli Schilling, Friona Industries. "Hav-

ing qualified young people who want to work in the industry here in our area is crucial. Friona Industries is one example of a feedyard that looks forward to hiring students from this program. Those that have come on with us are an asset to our team, and some have moved up to management positions within our company."

Friona students who graduated from the program are Miguel Davila, Gabriella Douglas, Guillermo Quintana, Jose Rodriguez and Kaylop Villalobos. WTAMU students who are working toward a degree in Ag-

riculture Education tested participants on cattle care skills, such as pharmaceutical knowledge and proper administering and implanting technique and accuracy. To complete the certification process, students were tested over their skills with written exams and were individually interviewed by feedyard industry leaders on the topics they covered in training.

The program is a collaboration between Texas Cattle Feeders Association, WTAMU and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Services.

Students in the program are

identified by their Agricultural Science Teacher, feedyard managers or have expressed interest to be accepted into the program. They should be enrolled in at least one high school agricultural class each semester, participate in extra-curricular activities such as FFA and have a supervised agricultural experience project.

If you are interested in potentially hiring students who have participated in the program, please contact Brady Miller at brady@tcfa.org or Rachel Hernandez at rachel@tcfa.org, or you may call (806) 358-3681.



courtesy photo

The Stallings sisters, Taylor and Graci, represented Friona in fine fashion Friday, April 21 at the State UIL Academic Meet. Taylor, right, placed 7th in Editorial Writing. Graci, left, placed 5th in Headline Writing. According to FHS Counselor Allison Johnston, there are 1,300 member schools in UIL across the state of Texas. This translates to a total of 15,600 journalism spots at the first level of competition. At the state meet there were a total of 288 journalism spots available across 1A-6A (72) in each classification. This translates to 1.8% of the students who started this process. Congratulations Taylor and Graci. Great Job!



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FHS students Guillermo Quintana, Miguel Davila, Gabriella Douglas, Kaylop Villalobos, and Jose Rodriguez completed the TCFA Feedyard Technician Certification program on April 18-19 at WTAMU.



Graci Stallings placed 5th in state at UT last weekend. Her coach is Allison Johnston. Both should be congratulated for showcasing the talents of our youth in Friona.



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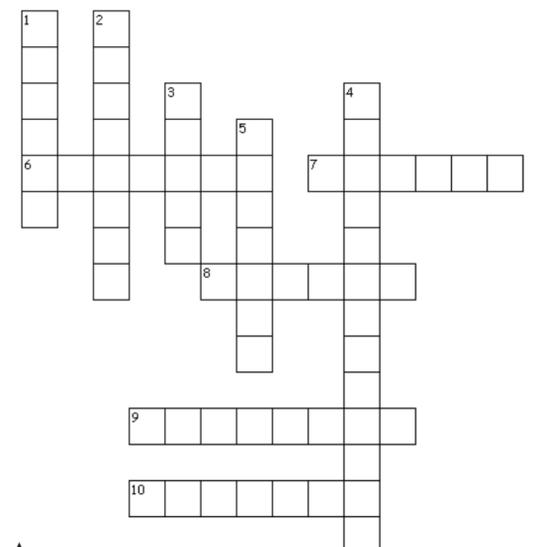
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- 9. wasteful; thriftless
- 10. fortress; stronghold

Down

- 1. to set right; to fit; to regulate
- 2. a quarrel, usually short-lived and of little importance
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Library Friends celebrate Literary Basket Raffle

By Darla Bracken

Jeri Lynn White, President, presided over the 49th Annual Membership of the Friends of the Friona Public Library, April 23. The Friends, a 501(c)3 non-profit, was organized in 1968 and has been the dedicated 'helping hands' of the library ever since. President White welcomed everyone including these special guests Patricia Phipps, City Manager; Martha Barker, City Council; Dana Jameson, Friona Star; Kitty Gallman and Teddy & Jim Bob Jones, Centennial Endowment Committee members; and Sharon White, Parmer County Historical Museum Board.

A brief business meeting included a progress report on the current \$14,150 budget and current balances by Darla Bracken, treasurer, who also delivered the Director's report reflecting on the changes and advances through the years since 1963.

Approximately 25 members, who included five past presidents, attended the meeting and the refreshments served included cookies and punch provided by Jyl Grimsley, Hospitality Chairperson.

Jeri Lynn continued with standing committee updates including: Membership, Kathy Sandoval; Literacy ESL, Linda White; Book Shoppe, Connie Slagle; Scholarship, Kitty Gallman; Garden, Sue White; and Fund Raising, Katie Gilley.

Vice-President/President-Elect Katie Gilley thanked the donors of this year's baskets for the raffle including: Friona Junior High, Mercado Latina, Milk House Market, Friona Primary School, Friona Elementary School, Kitty Gallman, Frio Draw Driving School, Friends of the Library Book Shoppe, Parmer County Retired Teachers, Veterinary Industries in addition to the Friends iPad basket.

Friends recognized Candice Geske, retiring secretary, for her service and welcomed Shanna Daniels as the incoming secretary. The drawings were held for the winners with help from assistants Ellie Jo and Bennett Weatherly and Matthew Rithmeyer.



Katie Rushing (with Ethan, Audrie and Nate) winner of Mercado Latina Basket



Merita Lopez winner of Book Shoppe Building Bridges Basket



Ruby Rodriguez winner of Milk House Market Basket



Raye Jene London winner of Kitty Gallman's Plant a Garden Basket



M'Lynda Jarecki winner of Friona Primary Basket



Rita Prieto winner of Friona Elementary Basket

Friona School Calendar for May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 -Biology/US History EOC -Senior Banquet @Victory FWC	2 -Kinder Music Program @2pm & @5:30pm -FJH Tennis Tournament in Littlefield -Spanish AP Exam	3 -FJH Algebra I EOC -Algebra EOC -English AP Exam	4 -EOC Makeup Day	5 -FHS Choir Trip (Amarillo & Lubbock)	6
7 -Senior Academic Awards @2pm	8 -STAAR Math 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th Re-Test -STAAR Testing for 6 th , 7 th & 8 th Grade -Music Theory AP Exam	9 -STAAR Reading 3 rd , 4 th , and 5 th Re-Test -STAAR Testing for 6 th , 7 th & 8 th Grade -All Sports Banquet	10 -Daycare Fieldtrip -STAAR Science 5 th Grade -STAAR Testing for 6 th , 7 th & 8 th Grade	11 --STAAR Testing for 6 th , 7 th & 8 th Grade -Band Spring Concert @6pm -State Track Meet @Austin	12 -Pre-K Mother's Day Tea @11:30 -FJH Awards Ceremony @2:15pm @ FJH Auditorium -State Track Meet @Austin -FHS Awards Assembly	13 -State Track Meet @Austin -Prom
14	15	16 -Pride Tribe Trip to Hereford -Choir Follies @7pm	17 -Pre-K Fieldtrip -Elementary Science Fair -Senior Hi-Fives	18 -Elementary Awards Ceremony for 2 nd & 3 rd @1pm/4 th & 5 th @2:15pm -8 th Grade Day @Wonderland	19 -Field Day -FHS Pride Tribe/Chieftain Challenge	20
21	22 -Primary Award's Ceremony @2pm -5 th Grade Field Trip	23 -Primary's Field Day -Elementary A/B Honor Roll Field Trip to Amarillo (Western Bowl)	24 -Semester Exams	25 -Elementary Talent Show @9am -Semester Exams -End of 6 th 6wks	26 -Teacher Workday -Graduation @8pm	27
28	29	30	31			

Orthopedic care returns to HRMC

Hereford Regional Medical Center's commitment to providing world-class care for patients is reaching new heights as the hospital has announced a partnership that will bring orthopedic care back to area.

On April 26, Hereford Regional Medical Center welcomed Covenant Health Plainview orthopedic surgeons, Joshua Rollins, D.O. and Benjamin Farr, D.O., who will be opening a satellite clinic.

Over the past few years, Farr and Rollins have earned a radiant reputation in caring for the orthopedic needs of their patients. The physicians specialize in the full spectrum of orthopedic surgery, ranging from arthritis and joint replacement to sports medicine, arthroscopy, fractures and ACL repair.

"We are very excited about the opportunity to serve the people of Hereford," said Rollins. "It's a great honor and privilege

to provide this service for the Hereford hospital. There is definitely a need in this community for orthopedic care, so we can help provide care here locally opposed to patients having to drive long distances for care."

Joshua Rollins, D.O. received his doctrine in Osteopathic Medicine from Oklahoma State University and completed his residency at Michigan State University's College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Rollins appreciates the almost instant benefits orthopedic surgery can have in the lives of his patients; either that being from performing a total knee or hip replacement or easing the pain of severe arthritis.

"I want to fix it and get them back on their feet. In orthopedics, we are making an actual long-term difference in somebody's life for the better," Rollins said.

Rollins grew up in a small town in Wyo-

ming, adding that he and his family really feel at home serving the communities of the South Plains.

Benjamin Farr, D.O. attended Medical School at Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed his Residency at Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine. He specializes in Orthopedic Surgery because it allows him to use hands-on processes in helping people heal. Dr. Farr takes great joy in the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of his patients.

"What I really enjoy about Orthopedics is being able to take someone, for example, who has severe arthritis-and give them a knee replacement or a hip replacement, and have them be able to walk again, improve their quality of life, and do things with their family that they were unable to do," stated Farr.



The Friends of the Library Annual Meeting

Parmer County Treasurer's Report

REPORT OF Altha K. Herington, County Treasurer of PARMER County, Texas, of Receipts and Expenditures from January 1, to March 31, 2017 Inclusive:

JURY FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$79,608.69
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	13,508.72
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	974.00
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$92,143.41

GENERAL FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$2,058,055.36
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	2,671,081.60
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	1,178,683.18
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$3,550,453.78

FARM TO MARKET FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$1,503,684.16
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	1,025,678.56
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	477,465.24
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$2,051,897.48

CONTINGENCY FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$65,053.44
Amount Received since Last Report.....	200,581.41
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	0.00
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$265,634.85

PARMER COUNTY FORFEITURE FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$39,853.50
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	24.31
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	4,140.25
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$35,737.56

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$102,983.63
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	53,541.75
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	0.00
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$156,525.38

REVENUE FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$125,772.27
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	37,921.28
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	34,816.94
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$128,876.61

JUVENILE PROBATION FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$3,856.92
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	0.00
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	0.00
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$3,856.92

COUNTY ATTORNEY - CHECK COLLECTION FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$6,772.71
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	1,077.55
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	1,103.31
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$6,746.95

DISTRICT CHECK COLLECTION - 287TH FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$3,166.61
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	227.68
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	137.68
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$3,256.61

DISTRICT ATTORNEY FORFEITURE FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$ 57,141.52
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	35.72
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	0.00
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$57,177.24

COUNTY ATTORNEY FORFEITURE FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$4,753.18
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	0.00
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	0.00
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$4,753.18

INTEREST & SINKING FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$155,129.87
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	180,126.76
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	223,087.50
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$112,169.13

LATERAL FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$0.00
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	0.00
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	0.00
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$0.00

PARMER COUNTY ATTORNEY PRETRIAL DIVERSION FUND

Balance Last Report, Filed December 31, 2016.....	\$5,236.70
Amount Received Since Last Report.....	0.64
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report.....	1,009.59
03/31/17 Balance.....	\$4,227.75

RECAPITULATION

Jury Fund.....	\$92,143.41
General Fund.....	3,550,453.78
Farm To Market Fund.....	2,051,897.48
Contingency Fund.....	165,634.85
Parmer County Forfeiture Fund.....	35,737.56
Permanent Improvement Fund.....	256,525.38
Revenue Fund.....	128,876.61
Juvenile Probation Fund.....	3,856.92
County Attorney - Check Collection Fund.....	6,746.95
District Check Collection - 287 th Fund.....	3,256.61
District Attorney Forfeiture Fund.....	57,177.24
County Attorney Forfeiture Fund.....	4,753.18
Interest & Sinking Fund.....	112,169.13
Lateral Fund.....	0.00
Parmer County Attorney Pretrial Diversion.....	4,227.75
TOTAL.....	\$6,473,456.85

LIST OF BONDS AND OTHER SECURITIES ON HAND

- Certificate of Deposit
- General Fund
- Jury
- Permanent Improvement
- Investments
- TOTAL**

TREASURER'S REPORT PARMER COUNTY, TEXAS THE STATE OF TEXAS

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Altha K. Herington, County Treasurer of Parmer County, who by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

Altha K. Herington
County Treasurer
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th Day of April, 2017.
Trey Ellis
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Cotton varieties eyed in AgriLife trials across Texas High Plains

By Kay Ledbetter

With a growing number of producers interested in cotton due to good markets and prices, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service variety trials are sure to get more attention in the coming weeks and years, an agency agronomist said.

Although producers in the southern part of the Texas High Plains have more experience with cotton, it is still fairly new in the northern part and more farmers with little to no experience are looking at the crop, said Dr. Jourdan Bell, AgriLife Extension agronomist in Amarillo.

"We will be planting our annual cotton variety trials in the next few weeks, where we will be evaluating early and early to mid-maturing varieties," Bell said. "But also important, we will be looking at some new herbicide chemistries that are gaining a lot of attention."

Bell said they will have eight locations; six irrigated trials in Deaf Smith, Hartley, Hansford, Parmer, Sherman and Swisher counties, and two dryland trials in Gray and

Randall counties.

"Variety selection is one of the most important decisions a producer can make," she said. "When we talk about cotton in the Panhandle, we are in a growing-degree day limited region, so our AgriLife Extension variety trials provide the opportunity to look at multiple varieties across multiple environments and management scenarios."

"In evaluating the different varieties being offered by various companies, we are able to provide an unbiased data set on stability and yield potential."

The new component of the 2017 trials is many of the varieties have a triple-stacked herbicide trait, meaning they are glyphosate-tolerant, glufosinate-tolerant and either dicamba or 2,4-D tolerant, Bell said. She said they will be evaluating the yield potential of these varieties and not the herbicide performance.

"Producers are really excited to see how varieties with these new herbicide traits perform," she



said. "We have 12 varieties that are positioned for the High Plains production that will be included in this year's trial."

Bell provided a brief description of each variety based on company descriptions and/or previous varietal performance:

– DeltaPine 1518 B2XF – An irrigated early variety widely planted with good yield potential and resistance to bacterial blight with the XtendFlex herbicide

trait.

– DeltaPine 1522 B2XF – A stable variety for the Panhandle with good yield and quality with the XtendFlex herbicide trait in both irrigated and dryland. It is susceptible to bacterial blight.

– DeltaPine 1549 B2XF – A dryland variety with the XtendFlex herbicide trait that performed well in 2016.

– DeltaPine 1612 B2XF – This variety is positioned as a high

yielding variety on dryland and limited irrigation with the XtendFlex herbicide trait in both irrigated and dryland.

– FiberMax 1320 GLB2 – This early variety had good yield and proven quality in both irrigated and dryland.

– FiberMax 1888 GLB2 – Another early maturing variety with good early vigor and high yield potential in the northern Panhandle on both irrigated and dryland.

– Stoneville 4747 GLB2 – This large seeded variety is favored for its early season vigor on both irrigated and dryland. It is a short stature variety with good yield potential.

– NexGen 3406 B2XF – This early mid-maturing variety with the XtendFlex herbicide trait performs well on both dryland and irrigated acres.

– NexGen 3640 B2XF – Variety known for its high turnout and strength in both irrigated and dryland with the XtendFlex herbicide trait.

– NexGen 3699 B2XF – An

aggressive, early maturing variety that is ideal for high input systems in both irrigated and dryland with the XtendFlex herbicide trait.

– Phytogen 243WRF – An early maturing variety with good verticillium tolerance and adapted to both irrigated and dryland.

– Phytogen 300W3FE – An early to mid-maturing Enlist variety that performs well on dryland and irrigated acres with good verticillium tolerance.

– Phytogen 330W3FE – An early to mid-maturing Enlist variety that performs well on dryland and irrigated acres.

– Phytogen 490W3FE – A mid-maturing variety with a high yield potential and quality. Under dryland conditions, Phytogen 490W3FE is reportedly determinant with a strong yield potential in early environments.

Bell said producers who would like to look at the yield and quality results of the 2016 cotton trials in the High Plains can find them at <http://bit.ly/2l5oloq>.

Xcel Energy recognized for lasting wind leadership

The American Wind Energy Association (AWEA) released its annual market report and recognized Xcel Energy for its sustained commitment and contribution to the wind industry. AWEA named Xcel Energy the nation's top utility wind energy provider, a position it has held for more than a decade.

"We recognized years ago the benefits of operating in a wind-rich area of the country where we're able to harness the resource to meet customers' expectations for clean, renewable energy," said Ben Fowke, Xcel Energy chairman, president and CEO. "Wind energy plays a significant role in our future plans as an emissions free resource that brings fuel savings and low cost energy to customers."

Xcel Energy serves eight states from Minnesota to Texas and currently has more than 6,600 megawatts of wind ener-



gy on its system companywide. That is about 8 percent of the total U.S. wind capacity and enough to power about 3.3 million average-size homes.

"Xcel Energy continues to hold the title for most wind energy on a utility system in 2016, even as other utilities also ramp up low-cost, reliable wind power," said Tom Kieran, CEO of AWEA. "Xcel Energy's pioneering leadership shows how we can use even more of our great American

wind resources while creating new jobs throughout the heartland."

Last month, Xcel Energy announced the nation's largest multi-state investment in wind energy with the addition of 3,380 megawatts of new wind generation to its system. The proposed wind farms will operate in seven states; Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, Texas, New Mexico and Colorado.

The new wind energy brings

economic value to Xcel Energy customers with a total of nearly \$8 billion in fuel cost savings over the life of the projects. Federal production tax credits, combined with today's low wind costs, allow the company to secure low energy prices for wind.

Xcel Energy's wind portfolio will contribute to an estimated 45 percent reduction company-wide in carbon emissions from 2005 levels by 2021, if the company is able to fully imple-

ment approved and proposed renewable energy plans.

States and communities served by Xcel Energy are already seeing economic benefits from existing wind farms. New wind farms will benefit many more local communities by generating nearly \$400 million in property taxes over the life of the projects. Landowner

payments are another economic benefit. Most of the new wind farms are large projects of 200 megawatts or more. Wind developers generally estimate about 200 temporary construction jobs and a dozen full-time jobs for a large wind farm. In total, the new wind farms will create 2,000 construction jobs and full-time jobs.



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CARGILL SERVICE DINNER

45 YEARS



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Coy Burch, right, has been with Cargill for 45 years. He began his career when Richard Nixon was in office and has seen the company change from Missouri Beef Packers to Cargill. He received congratulations from Curby Brantley during a standing ovation.

40 YEARS



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Cargill employees celebrating 40 years with the company were, l-r, Sam McIntosh, Pablo Martinez, and Ricky White.

35 YEARS



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Celebrating 30 years with Cargill were, back, l-r, Miguel Sandoval, Rodney Shelby, and Sam Valdez; front, l-r, George Guillen and Bacilio Viernes. Not pictured were Manuel Arellano, Jesus Mendoza, and Diamond Perez.

30 YEARS



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Cargill employees receiving recognition for 30 years of service were, back, l-r, Valente Casas, Gerardo Rivera, Aaron Salinas, and George Richardson; front, l-r, Juan Tijerina, Francisco Garcia and Alberto Soto. Not pictured were Robert Tapia, Victor Lira, Juan Sanchez, Ramiro Alaniz and Eufemia Cardenas.

25 YEARS



dana jameson photo

Cargill employees were celebrated Saturday, April 22 at the annual service dinner held at the Hereford Country Club. Receiving recognition for 25 years were, back, l-r, Adelaido Negrete, Ricardo Monreal, Luis Gomez, Juan Lara, Juan Garcia, Martin Ramos, and Mario Rodriguez; front, l-r, Maria Rodriguez, Adela Mendoza, Veronica Trevino, Olga Mills, and Efigenia Rodriguez. Not pictured were Jesus Rueda, Juan Roldan, Ernesto Perez, Miguel Neri, Facundo Saenz, Sergio Roldan, Ismael Mojica, Norma Fernandez, and Irene Ramirez.

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