

NEWS BRIEFS

Educational Fund for Gomez family

An Educational Fund has been established for Chelsie and Jessie Gomez at Friona InterBank in memory of their mother, Christine Gomez. Contact Friona InterBank for more information, (806) 250-5000.

September PMC prenatal classes

The Healthy Baby Coalition of Parmer County provides free education to expectant mothers in Parmer County. The classes are for not only first time moms, but mothers who already have one or more children. Classes are available in both English and Spanish.

To sign-up for classes, please stop by the Parmer Medical Center conference room Saturday, September 9, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Classes are typically held on Saturday mornings once a month, but times can also be customized to meet special needs.

Mothers who participate in the classes earn points to use for free baby items for their newborn. The "Baby's Bin" has a great selection of items from car seats to diapers. Mothers who have been through the classes have a wide selection of items to choose from.

For more information about the coalition, see a HBC Board member or contact Heidi Eichenauer at 806 250-2754 or JoDonna Terry at 295-8291.

Parmer 4-H Archery coaches needed

Parmer County 4-H is looking for an archery coach or coaches. County Extension agent Sergio Mendez is currently the coach. If you are interested or know of someone that would like to help, contact the Extension office at (806) 251-5120.

4-H/FFA: Time to order pig tags

If you are in third grade or are a new student to the area and want to show a swine project at the local or major shows, it is time to order your tags. If you are showing with FFA, contact your teacher. For Parmer County 4-H showmen contact the Extension office at (806) 251-5120. Deena Leuea will walk you through the steps for placing your order for pig tags.

Chieftains corral Steers 28-16

The Friona Chieftains opened their 2017 season with a 28-16 win over the Farwell Steers Friday, September 1 in Farwell.

Sergio Flores led the team with 23 carries for 151 yards and one touchdown. Marco Monreal had 11 carries for 27 yards and one touchdown. Julius Orozco carried four times with four yards. Rodrigo Munoz carried once for five yards and Marco Maldonado carried three times for 16 yards.

Maldonado led the Chieftains with four receptions for 114 yards and two touchdowns. Jonathan Hernandez had three receptions for 48 yards while Rocky Barrios had three receptions for 33 yards. Angel Hernandez had one reception for seven yards.

Monreal passed 21 times and completed 12 with two touchdowns and one interception. Punter Hernandez punted once for 47 yards. The offense had 71 plays for 421 yards at an average of 5.9 yards per play.

The Chieftains will travel to Stinnett Saturday, September 9 to take on the Booker Kiowas at 1:30 p.m.

Kelly, Glover win Week 1 contest

The first week of the Friona Star Football Contest is in the books. Jordan Kelly, of Plano, took home the top prize by correctly guessing 10 games and missing the score of the North Carolina State/South Carolina game by only one point. Jack Glover earned the second place prize by also guessing 10 games correctly. Jack missed the tiebreaker game by eight points. It was a close race.

Due to a minor oversight, the Lubbock Cooper/Randall game had to be eliminated as did the Hereford/Greenwood tiebreaker.

Seven entries guessed 10 games correctly. Those seven included Kelly and Glover as well as Jeremy Dearing, Tim Elmore, Ambrosio Rios, Jr., Rodney Shelby and Tyrone Shelby.

Sixteen entrants chose nine games while eighteen got eight games correct. The full results from Week 1 are on page 2.

Remember to enter every week to win the weekly prize and be in the running for the grand prize of \$100.

New law prohibits drivers from texting while driving

Effective September 1, 2017, texting while driving will be illegal across the state of Texas as the result of a new texting-while-driving ban passed during the 85th Texas Legislative Session. The law prohibits motorists from reading, writing or sending electronic messages while driving.

"One in five crashes in Texas is caused by distracted driving," said TxDOT Executive Director James Bass. "We are pleased the Texas Legislature recognizes the extreme danger caused by texting and driving. The new law sends a very clear message to Texans to put down their phones and focus on the road. We are hopeful this new law will help save lives and reduce injuries."

Last year, 109,658 traffic crashes in Texas involved distracted driving. Those crashes resulted in 455 deaths and 3,087 serious injuries.

While distracted drivers risk injuring or killing themselves and others, they also now face penalties under the new statewide law. A first offense is punishable by a fine up to \$99; any subsequent offense carries a fine up to \$200. Drivers should be aware that some cities have additional ordinances that are more restrictive. Exceptions to the new law include emergency communication or electronic messaging when the vehicle is stopped.

For those under 18 years of age, Texas law already bans all cell phone use while driving, including hands-free, except in the case of emergencies. Additionally, drivers are currently banned from texting and using hand-held cellular devices while driving in school zones. School bus operators also are prohibited from using cell phones while driving if children are present.

To help educate the public on the new law, TxDOT will be posting information on portable roadside message signs as well as permanent signs along interstate and U.S. highways.



Who will be the next Miss Friona?

courtesy photos

One of these young ladies will be crowned Miss Friona on Friday, September 8 at the Friona High School Auditorium at 6 p.m. The contestants are, above, l-r, Natali Godinez, Danielle Trevino, Nishna Soto, Brooklyne Johnston, Kylee Sifuentes, M'Kenzie Hurst, Noelia Correa, Erica Barrera, Lizbeth Vasquez, Adaline White, Graci Stallings, Victoria Williams and Miranda Rivera; right, l-r, Adriana Ortiz, Kessly Salinas and Rickie Lee Castillo. At the pageant on Friday the Little Miss Friona will also be crowned. There are eleven little girls entered.



Pageant begins 61st Annual Maize Days festivities

The 61st Annual Maize Days celebration begins on Friday, September 8 at 6 p.m. at the Friona High School Auditorium with the Miss Friona and Little Miss Friona pageants. The pageants will once again be held simultaneously. Miss Friona 2016 Sydney Frye and Little Miss Friona 2016 Aylene Moreno will crown the new Miss Friona and Little Miss Friona.

Tickets will be available at the door for \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and \$4 for children 4 years of age and under.

This year there are sixteen Miss Friona contestants and eleven Little Miss Friona contestants.

The Little Miss contestants are: Yulancy Carrasco is the 5-year-old daughter of Adam and Julie Carrasco. She is sponsored by Friona InterBank; Jayleigh Raye Contreras is the 6-year-old daughter of Juan and Raquel Contreras. She is sponsored by Ag Texas; Sophia September DeLaCruz is the 6-year-old daughter of Jesse and Marissa DeLaCruz. She is sponsored by Lineage Logistics.

Abigail Ariella Guerra is the 5-year-old daughter of Noel and Jessica Guerra. She is sponsored by First National Bank Friona Banking Center; Sophie Lewellen is the 6-year-old daughter of Greg and Jamie Lewellen. She is sponsored by Kendrick Oil Company; Emery J'Lynn Rangel is the 6-year-old daughter of Matthew and Desiree Rangel. She is sponsored by Legacy Pump and Irrigation.

Karleigh Jae Rangel is the 5-year-old daughter of Matthew and Desiree Rangel. She is sponsored by Legacy Pump and Irrigation; Ella Rector is the 5-year-old daughter of Jason and Karla Rector. She is sponsored by Hi-Pro Feeds; Karyme Aralyn Rocha is the 6-year-old daughter of Amador and Judy Rocha. She is sponsored by Wilbur Ellis.

Sophia Avery San Miguel is the 5-year-old daughter of Jesus and Gracie San Miguel. She is sponsored by Tasty Cream; and Avril Alessandra Wells is the

6-year-old daughter of Jason and Pat Wells. She is sponsored by Wells Farms.

The Miss Friona contestants are: Erica Barrera is the daughter of Joy Davila and Eric Barrera. She is sponsored by Chico's Welding and Construction; Adriana Ortiz-Carrillo is the 16-year-old daughter of Erika Carrillo and Ramon Ortiz. She is sponsored by Parmer Medical Center; Rickie Lee Castillo is the 16-year-old daughter of Santiago and Claudia Serna. She is sponsored by Serna Repairs.

Noelia Correa is the 17-year-old daughter of Guillermo and Sarah Correa. She is sponsored by Tangled Mane; Natali Godinez is the 16-year-old daughter of Fabiola Godoy and Mark Godinez. She is sponsored by Friona Wheat Growers; M'Kenzie Hurst is the 17-year-old daughter of Clay Hurst and M'Lissa Hurst. She is sponsored by Parmer County Implement.

Brooklyne Johnston is the 17-year-old daughter of Bryan and Allison Johnston. She is sponsored by Friona InterBank; Miranda Rivera is the 16-year-old daughter of Antonio and Maria Rivera. She is sponsored by Friona Texas Federal Credit Union; Kessly Salinas is the 16-year-old daughter of Aaron and Rufina Salinas. She is sponsored by Bi-Wize Pharmacy.

Kylee Jo Sifuentes is the 15-year-old daughter of Michael and Tasha Stanberry. She is sponsored by Stanberry Trucking; Nishna Soto is the 19-year-old daughter of Cynthia Casado. She is sponsored by Creative Chaos; Graci Stallings is the 16-year-old daughter of Tommy and Trista Stallings. She is sponsored by Chieftain Sports and Fitness; Danielle Trevino is the 15-year-old daughter of Daniel and Raquel Trevino. She is sponsored by Milk House Market.

Lizbeth Vasquez is the 17-year-old daughter of Serafin and Concepcion Vasquez. She is sponsored by Hi-Pro Feeds; Adaline Ruth White is the 15-year-old daughter of Bill and Jeri Lynn White. She is sponsored by Kathryn Gurley, Attor-

ney at Law; Victoria Williams is the 16-year-old daughter of Billy and Stephanie Williams. She is sponsored by Parmer County Implement.

The Gospel Gathering sponsored by the Friona Christian Ministries will be Wednesday, September 13 at the Friona High School Auditorium at 6 p.m. Admission is free to the public. The event is a community Christian worship time.

Homecoming festivities begin on Friday, September 15 with the crowning of the Homecoming Queen before the Chieftains take the field against the Bovina Mustangs at 7:30 p.m.

The Dixon Memorial 6 Mile & 2 Mile Run/Walk will begin at 7 a.m. on Saturday, September 16 at Reeve Lake. Entry fee is \$5. For more information, con-

tact Joel Duffield at (308) 641-3034 or the Chamber office at (806) 250-3491.

This year the theme of Maize Days is "Harvesting for Health" and everyone is invited to line Main Street at 10 a.m. for the annual parade. If you are interested in entering a float or being part of the parade contact the Chamber office.

The Stitching Post will once again host a **Quilt Show** at the Depot after the parade.

The Friona Volunteer Fire Department will be drawing for the lucky winner of a Mossimo ATV and trailer at 1 p.m. in the park. Tickets are \$10 and available from any fireman.

Vendors and exhibitors will be in the Friona City Park during the parade and throughout the day.



2016 Miss Friona Sydney Frye and Little Miss Friona Aylene Moreno will crown the new Miss Friona and Little Miss Friday night.

Community Calendar

Send Calendar information to:
frionastar@wtrt.net
call (806) 250-2211 or fax (806) 250-5127

September 7

- FHS Freshmen Football at Bovina JV 5 p.m.
- Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters

September 8

- Miss Friona/Little Miss Pageant at FHS Auditorium 6 p.m.

September 9

- First Baptist Clothes Closet 10-11 a.m.
- PMC free pre-natal classes 9-10 a.m.
- FHS C Volleyball at Denver City C Tournament
- FHJS 7A/7B/8A/8B Volleyball at River Road Invitational in Amarillo
- FHS Varsity Football vs. Booker at Stinnett 1:30 p.m.
- FHS/FJHS Cross Country at Plainview Cross Country Invitational

September 10

- GRANDPARENTS DAY**
- First Baptist Church Protestant Reformation journey session 6 p.m. (9 sessions)

September 11

- PATRIOT DAY**
- FJHS 7A/7B/8A/8B Volleyball vs. Littlefield at home 5 p.m.
- Parmer County Commissioners meeting at 10 a.m. in Farwell
- Friona City Council meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- Friona ISD Board of Trustees meeting at 7 p.m.
- Parmer Medical Center Hospital Board meeting

September 12

- Friona Heritage Estates Game Day at 2 p.m. The community is invited to come play games with the residents
- FHS C/JV/V Volleyball at Texico 5/6:15/7:30

September 13

- USDA/PCSWCD Local Working Group meeting from 10-11 a.m. at XIT Activity Center in Bovina
- Gospel Gathering at FHS Auditorium at 6:30 p.m.**

September 14

- FHS JV Football at Bovina 5 p.m.
- FJHS 7th/8th Football vs Bovina at home 5/6:30

September 15

- Aging and Wellness Workshop at Heritage Estates 11 a.m.
- FHS Varsity Football vs. Bovina at home 7:30 p.m. **HOME-COMING**

September 16

- Dixon Memorial Run at Reeve Lake 7 a.m.**
- Maize Days Parade and Events 10 a.m.**
- FHS Varsity Volleyball at Plainview Christian 1 p.m.
- FHS JV Volleyball at Texico JV Tournament
- FJHS 8A & FHS C Volleyball at Wilderado 10 a.m./11 a.m.
- FHS/FJHS Cross Country at Tascosa Rebel Run
- Wildflower Workshop at Buffalo Lake National Wildlife Refuge 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

September 18

- FJHS 7A/8A Volleyball at Idalou 5/6

September 19

- Friona Heritage Estates Game Day at 2 p.m. The community is invited.
- FHS C/JV/V at Brownfield 4:30/4:30/6
- Family Bingo Night at Prairie Acres at 7 p.m.

September 21

- PEACE DAY**
- Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters
- FHS JV Football vs. Floydada at home 5 p.m.
- FJHS 7th/8th Football at Floydada 5/6:30

September 22

- AUTUMN BEGINS**
- FHS Varsity Football at Floydada 7:30 p.m.

Country Thoughts
dana jameson



Lists and errant thoughts

Have you ever had one of those weeks that you start off with the thought you will be more organized and do one project at a time and do it well, and as soon as Monday begins that thought is shot all to pieces?

I have had quite a few of those weeks lately.

I wake up on Monday morning with a plan to attack my week and cut down on my stress. As soon as I set foot outside my apartment that plan starts fading fast and with each subsequent step it starts to disappear as if it is being blown away by the harsh Texas wind.

I have even gone so far as to write down everything I need to get done. I lose the list two minutes after I walk into the office.

Some would say that I just need to make the plan and stick to it. It is a good thought but when planning a day you never know the X-factors.

The X-factors are the things that you have

no way of expecting or planning for. You can not plan for phone calls that take longer than 5 minutes. Your plan does not include customers that come in the door needing help placing an advertisement. Migraines, illness and cancer are not part of the plan either.

Some would say that I need to get some ADD medication and I would line things out much easier. I don't really think I have ADD or ADHD but then I am not a doctor.

I think it is more like Some-timers. Some-timers moments are when I get bogged down with the initial list and keep trying to go back to it. Sometimes I remember it all and at other times it is completely lost to the blondness of my mind.

I wonder sometimes if Some-timers is the precursor to Alzheimers. I hope not. I have too much to remember.

Someone told me I need to get more rest. I am not sure what that is because I do sleep but I wake up thinking about the same thing

I went to sleep thinking about. I even dream about it. (Thank goodness the day doesn't go like dreams!)

I have a very good friend that makes his list each week and only seems to get through a few of the items. He seems happy most of the time and doesn't worry about the unfinished items. He says that he will get it all done eventually.

I always feel like I have forgotten something...even with a list.

Feeling scattered is not a good feeling. Unfortunately, that is usually where the list went...Scattered Land. I need to visit Scattered Land and hunt down all those errant thoughts that keep wandering off like a new puppy exploring the backyard.

Maybe I need a leash for those errant thoughts...one of those leashes that retracts just when the thoughts get too far out. But, would that give them whiplash? Then, what would I do with them?

TSCRA policy conference

The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) will hold its annual Policy Conference from Sept. 27-29, 2017 in San Antonio Texas. The Policy Conference is where cattle raisers come together to tackle tough issues and develop grassroots policies that guide TSCRA leaders and staff as they advocate for ranchers in Austin and Washington.

The conference will open with Evan Smith, CEO and co-founder of the Texas Tribune, who will share his perspective on the recent Texas legislative session. Attendees will also have the opportunity to receive valuable updates from numerous guests on topics like private property rights, transportation issues, water rights, beef sustainability, property taxes, surface damages, border issues, beef research priorities and much more. Other notable guests include:

Senator Donna Campbell (R-New Braunfels) on recently passed annexation reforms;

Colonel Grahame Jones of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department on recent game warden activities;

Allison Cooke from the National Cattlemen's Beef (NCBA) on the association's federal government affairs activities and transportation issues impacting ranchers; and

Matt Walters of H-E-B on trends in consumer beef purchasing.

On Thursday evening, TSCRA will also host a reception at the Briscoe Western Art Museum, where attendees will have the opportunity to interact fellow ranchers in a fun and relaxed setting.

TSCRA members, as well as anyone with an interest in cattle, ranching or other related topics, are encouraged to attend. Registration details and tickets are available online at tskra.org/policyconference, and can also be purchased at the event. Discounted registration is available through Sept. 18, 2017.

School Menu

September 11-15

Monday

- Breakfast: Cereal, cinnamon roll, apple juice, pears, milk
- Lunch: Chicken nuggets, roll, fresh tomatoes, mashed potatoes, pears, milk

Tuesday

- Breakfast: Cereal, orange pineapple juice, banana, milk
- Lunch: Hot dog, Doritos, corn, green beans, Mandarin oranges, milk

Wednesday

- Breakfast: Cereal, apple Frudel, grape juice, oranges, milk
- Lunch: Cheeseburger, broccoli, French oven potatoes, mixed fruit

Thursday

- Breakfast: Cereal, sausage pizza, orange juice, diced peaches, milk
- Lunch: Spaghetti meatball, pasta, carrots, mixed California veggies, snowball salad, milk

Friday

- Breakfast: Cereal, sausage biscuit, fruit punch juice, apples, milk
- Lunch: Cheese enchiladas, lettuce & tomato salad, pinto beans, fruit salad, milk

Small But Not Forgotten

CALLING ALL PARMER COUNTY CITIZENS!

Donations are now being accepted for Hurricane Harvey victims.

Please donate all sizes of clothing, baby items, cleaning supplies, etc.

Drop off items at
Vet Industries, Bi-Wize and
Parmer County Implement

For more information go to
Small But Not Forgotten on Facebook

2017 Football Contest Results Week 1

10-Jeremy Dearing, Tim Elmore, Jack Glover, Jordan Kelly, Ambrosio Rios, Jr., Rodney Shelby, and Tyrone Shelby.

9-Bailee Braillif, Claire Brown, Scott Brown, Jess Dearing, Ronald Diaz, Jon Field, Mike Field, Phillip Johnson, Mal Manchec, Rusty (John) McFarland, Harley Merritt, Erika Montana, Isabel Rios, Christen Stowers, Dorothy Stowers, and Kayla Tallant.

8-Raul Braillif, Frank Dominguez, Brett Field, Elizabeth Field, Lance Field, Laura Field, Wm. Gromowski, Steve Horrell, Greg Lewellen, Mack McFarland, Andy Montana, Drew Montana, Tenna Montana, Joy Morton, Robert Rios, Enrique Rodriguez, Teresa Shelby, and Kathryn "Beth" Tallant.

7-Sandra Berend, Raymond Diaz, Eddie Gauna, Amy Montana, Tyson Neill, Linvell Rose, and Mitchell Smiley.

6-Mark Galan and Zachery McKenzie.

5-Quentin Shelby.

ON YOUR PAYROLL

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ACROSS

1 TXism: "___ as a baby's bottom"
5 Robert De ___ was in "Cape Fear" with TX Joe Don Baker
6 TX moonwalker, Bean
7 Laredo's NBC TV affiliate
8 ___hart in East TX
9 he was "Patton" (init.)
12 "R" of the NRA
17 tall tales are part of TX ___
19 TXism: "safe as ___ mouse in a haystack"
21 paper "snot rag" (2 wds.)
22 a pro soccer player in Houston
23 TXism: "packed as tight ___ of sardines"
28 pecans, e.g.
29 Columbus is the "City of Live ___ and Live Folks"
30 TX school policy, "___ No Play"
31 "Happy Birthday ___" (song)
35 this Paul starred with TX Farrah in "The Burning Bed"
36 TX-born Steve Martin 1982 film: "___"
42 in Starr County on FM 1017 & FM 2294

DOWN

1 TXism: "a dead bite" (beware)
2 the East TX Field created this in the 1930s (2 wds.)
3 seat of Robertson County
4 USS Lexington, at Corpus, weighed 36,000 ___ loaded
9 strong rush of wind
10 Pappy O'Daniel's 1st band: "Light ___"
44 TXism: "___ dog to keep under the porch" (uncontrollable)
46 TXism: "he camps out in the amen corner"
48 rattlers, e.g.
49 TX Rice University mascot: "Sammy the ___"
50 in Van Zandt County: ___ wood
51 TX King Ranch has 825,000 of 'em
52 this TX White was 1st to walk in space (init.)
53 Bell ____, TX
54 follows orders
56 lyric poem
57 a yelp
58 org. for tourism in space (abbr.)
11 TX Nash's "I Can ___ Clearly Now"
12 one measure of radiation exposure
13 TXism: "___ you gotta pay the fiddler"
14 this oil company is now owned by TX-based Alon USA
15 seep or ooze out
16 disease killed many of these trees
18 San Marcos univ.
20 TX Willie's "Why ___ I Have to Choose"
23 TXism: "bend ___ elbow" (drink)
24 "sun" in Mexico
25 gorillas
36 "___ in" (eat)
37 actress Adams
38 TXism: "mean as ___ bull"
39 Maureen of 1950 film "Rio Grande"
40 TXism: "buck ___"
41 TX ZZ Top album: "___ Hombres"
43 Mexican "yes"
45 ex-Cowboy LB, Darrin (init.)
47 TXism: "___ up" (finalized)
48 cheap food: "___ Club"
55 opposite of "nopes"

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Town Talk

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*The Parmer County Commissioners will meet Monday, September 11 at 10 a.m. in Farwell at the County Courthouse. The public is welcome to attend.

*Monday, September 11 will be busy with the Friona City Council meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The Friona ISD Board of Trustees will meet at 7 p.m. at the FISS Administration building and Parmer Medical Center Hospital Board will meet that evening as well. All meetings are open to the public.

*Friona Heritage Estates will be hosting a Community Game Day every Tuesday at 2 p.m. If you need a ride call Connie Johnson at (806) 295-6044.

The will also be hosting a monthly Aging and Wellness event with Bluebonnet Home Health. This month the event will be held on Friday, September 15 at 11 a.m. If you would like to stay for lunch remember to RSVP by Thursday, September 14.

*Community Bingo will be held at Prairie Acres on Saturday, September 30 at 3 p.m. The community is invited to come out and enjoy a rousing game of Bingo. Mark your calendar for this fun-filled event.

*Miss Friona and Little Miss

Friona will be crowned on Friday, September 8. Come out and enjoy the pageant at the Friona High School Auditorium beginning at 6 p.m.

*Prairie Acres and Friona Heritage Estates wants to wish their residents, clients and staff a "Happy Birthday". Those celebrating in September are Christine Zorns (Sep. 8), Jo Wells (Sep. 29), Tina Eddins (Sep. 8), Gloria Escobedo (Sep. 9), Bertha Mendoza (Sep. 20), Amber Mondragon (Sep. 23), Marie Saiz (Sep. 24), and Sandra Padilla (Sep. 29).

*The Gospel Gathering is scheduled for Wednesday, September 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Friona High School Auditorium. Local singers will be showcased during this event. Admission is free to the public. Come early to get a good seat.

*The Friona Chieftains will host the Bovina Mustangs for Homecoming on Friday, September 15. The Homecoming Queen will be crowned before the game. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

*Grandparents Day is Sunday, September 10. Celebrate your grandparents.

*First Baptist Church of Friona will embark on a Protestant Reformation journey starting

Sunday, September 10 at 6 p.m. This is a nine-session journey to be carried out over the next nine weeks.

*FHS Volleyball has a busy schedule that will have them traveling most of the month of September into October. The Varsity Squaws are number 16 on the TGCA State Volleyball Poll this week. Way to go, Squaws!

*If you are interested in having a float or being part of the Maize Days parade, contact the Chamber Office at (806) 250-3491. They also have vendor forms if you are interested in having a booth during the Maize Days festivities.

*Story Time has begun at the Friona Public Library. If you have a child 3-years-old or older contact, the library to get them registered. Every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. children will enjoy a story and fun activity presented by the Library staff.

*If you have not gotten your tickets for the Friona Volunteer Fire Department raffle, you need to hurry. The FVFD will draw a winner at 1 p.m. in the City Park on Saturday, September 16 during the Maize Days festivities. They will have a booth in the park but tickets can be purchased from any firefighter. Tickets are \$10.

*Small But Not Forgotten is calling upon all Parmer County residents to donate clothing, baby items, cleaning supplies, etc. for the victims of Hurricane Harvey. Items can be dropped off at Vet Industries, Bi-Wize and Parmer County Implement. Donated items will be taken to the Houston area in the next few weeks.

*The Action for an Ambulance fund may have gotten

a grant but they still need donations to reach their goal of \$220,000. Contact Kitty Gallman for more information or to make a donation.

*Congratulations to Jordan Kelly and Jack Glover for winning first and second place this week in the Friona Football Contest. Both contestants guessed ten games correctly and were only seven points apart on the tiebreaker.

*I owe a huge THANK YOU to Daniel Rosales, Jake Ebeling and Tommy DeLeon for sending me stats for the Varsity, JV and Freshman games played last week. You are awesome!

*Happy Anniversary wishes go out to Mike & Becky Riethmayer and Rex & Chuck Blackburn this week. Mike and Becky have been married for 48 years. Rex and Chuck are celebrating 61 years together.

*Friona Primary School will

end this week with GRANDPARENTS' DAY on Friday, September 8. Grandparents are invited to share lunch with their students at the times listed below. Please note that plates will be \$4.00 per adult. All grandparents visiting should sign in at the cafeteria doors located just across the street from our school. Lunch times: - PK 10:35 AM - Kinder 10:55 AM - First 10:45 AM - Daycare 11:00 AM.

*Spirit Shirts are still available. Support the Chieftains, Squaws, Braves and Maidens. Contact Maria Garcia at (806) 433-7152 to place your orders. Short sleeve t-shirts-\$16. Long sleeve t-shirts-\$18. Short sleeve Dri-fit-\$18. Long sleeve Dri-fit-\$20. Soft tee Triblend-\$24.

*Snack Pak 4 Kids will be packing backpacks every 2nd and 4th Thursday of most months. If you are interested in helping meet at the Friona United Methodist Church at

4:30 p.m. on those days.

*The NRCS will host a Local Working Group meeting next Wednesday, September 13 from 10-11 a.m. at the XIT Activity Center in Bovina. For more information, contact Earl Behrends, district conservationist, at (806) 481-3311 ext. 104.

*The Varsity Chieftains travel to Stinnett this Saturday to meet the Booker Kiowas at 1:30 p.m. Go Big Red!

*FHS Athletic Director Jimmy Arias notified the Star of a few updates to the football schedule. The Freshmen Chieftains will travel to Idalou on September 14 and play at 5 p.m. and the October 19th game has been cancelled with Littlefield.

The 7th grade Braves will travel to Sundown on September 14 and play at 5 p.m.

*The FHS/FJHS Cross-Country teams will be participating in the Plainview Cross Country Invitational on Saturday, September 9.

*Keep the victims of Hurricane Harvey in your prayers. You might include those people that will have to endure Hurricane Irma in the upcoming days.

"I'm a greater believer in luck, and I find the harder I work the more I have of it" — Thomas Jefferson



ACTION FOR AN AMBULANCE

Ambulance Trivia

UIL rules include the requirement that a designated emergency vehicle be present at athletic contests. If an ambulance is not available, another suitable vehicle should be ready for quick utilization. Friona EMS provides an ambulance for all home High School and Junior High football games. If the ambulance has to leave the game for a transport call from the hospital, the game has to stop until it returns. Transport calls mean that a patient is needing immediate transport to a higher level of care. The 911 ambulance can be used only for 911 calls and cannot go to the game or leave town for a transport call. A third ambulance would certainly alleviate this problem.

*Small But Not Forgotten is calling upon all Parmer County residents to donate clothing, baby items, cleaning supplies, etc. for the victims of Hurricane Harvey. Items can be dropped off at Vet Industries, Bi-Wize and Parmer County Implement. Donated items will be taken to the Houston area in the next few weeks.

*The Action for an Ambulance fund may have gotten

Clark appointed to SWCD Board

Garrett Clark, of Friona, was appointed to represent subdivision 1 of the Parmer Soil and Water Conservation District. Parmer SWCD's headquarters are located in Farwell.

Clark is a current member of NCPB and NSP. Parmer SWCD's purpose is to make available to local landowners and operator's technical, financial and educational resources to help them better conserve the soil, water and related resources, which they manage or own.

The Parmer SWCD is a political subdivision of state government and is divided into five subdivisions. Subdivision 1 boundaries include the northwest corner of the county, including Bovina.

As a member of the board, Clark will play a significant role in helping the district provide technical assistance to district cooperators who wish to implement conservation programs on their land.

Library Corner

By Darla Bracken



'A clear and present danger...'

Hurricane Harvey*, an almost unprecedented natural disaster, is a great example of 'a clear and present danger'. From now on, this Hurricane will evoke many dramatic images in our minds of both terrible destruction and amazing acts of courage and kindness.

Not every challenge we face will be as well defined, but in all situations and at every crossroads we are called to meet, we must bring the best we have to bear to be able to make the wisest decisions. All of our training will be necessary to achieve success.

Will we always make the best decisions? Probably not, and therefore, we must also learn to acknowledge and correct our mistakes. It is the difference between living our lives to the fullest and facing our challenges or becoming overwhelmed by them. We must remain true to our core values, beliefs and morals; our destiny depends upon it.

Whether we are just beginning kindergarten, junior high or high school, college or retirement, starting a new job or facing job loss, maintaining our wellbeing or enduring health issues, achieving financial success or overcoming ruin, getting married or facing divorce, welcoming a new baby or saying goodbye to a loved one—every stage of life presents its own challenges. Always be willing to help others meet their challenges and blessings as well.

Always be true to yourself and your values. Hang on to all you have learned. Compare it to all the preparation required for a football game—you have to use it all to win.

Many have invested their love and their best in you. Pay it forward!

Never compromise your values. Keep your core and be better prepared to meet your life. Choose the right path not by compromising but by building upon the good.

"Mother Nature at its worst brings out the best in human nature"...let us hope so.

*27 trillion gallons of water from over 50 inches of rain in six days, \$180 billion in damages, 100,000+ homes damaged, millions temporarily displaced, \$7.9 billion in aid to FEMA meant to be a modern 'ark' for survival and recovery, 59 (and counting) dead...and Hurricane Irma is on its way.

New on the bookshelf: Barely Legal by Stuart Woods, Paradise Valley by C. J. Box, Last Tudor by Philippa Gregory, Lying Game by Ruth Ware, Breakdown by B.A. Paris, Body in the Clouds by Ashley Hay, Store by James Patterson, Seeing Red by Sandra Brown, Crime Scene by Jonathan Kellerman, Any Dream Will Do by Debbie Macomber.

"Clear and Present Danger" is a legal phrase used in the 1989 title of the same name by Tom Clancy.

Friona Flashbacks



News from the week of September 7, 1975

*The Chieftains blitzed rival Farwell, 44-6 and sent the steers reeling in the wake of a six-touchdown volley that sent the hosts into a 44-0 lead early in the final quarter.

*Beverly Sweny is Friona's new librarian, replacing longtime librarian Billie Fairchild, who resigned her position after six years at the library. Mrs. Sweny is originally from Hereford.

*State Representative Bill Clayton has been tabbed by the Friona Chamber of Commerce as parade marshal of the 1975 Maize Days parade, to be held on Saturday, September 20.

*Kenny Stowers and Davy Carthel have been elected as team captains for the 1975 Friona Chieftains. The team will have two additional "honorary" game captains each week. The first week's honorary captains are David Barnett and Bobby

Zetzche.

*Mr. and Mrs. M.C. Dennis won a color television set during the promotion sponsored by St. Teresa's Catholic Church.

*This will be the largest field in the Maize Queen contest in recent years with 28 contestants.

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The Friona Wheat Growers held their Annual Membership meeting Tuesday, September 5 at the Friona Junior High Cafeteria. After a meal catered by Canna Ray the board meeting was held and door prizes were distributed. Pictured are the Managers and Board of Directors, l-r, Darrin Gilley, Jason Wright, Kurt Wales, Greg O'Brian, Todd Northcutt, and Bill White.

Panhandle Parables

Category Five

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

I do often write about weather topics. Growing up here in the Panhandle of Texas, weather has always been more than just a topic of conversation. It has impacted people in deep and sometimes difficult ways.

Texas has survived Hurricane Harvey, unfortunately it loved Texas almost as much as we do and stayed past its welcome. People are in the process of dealing with all sorts of levels of loss, from material to loved ones. The storm was no respecter of persons.

While we watched Houston sink beneath heavy flood waters, off the coast of Africa a little disturbance we now call Irma began to trek across the Atlantic to destinations yet determined, but presumably US depending on the track. As I write it is a Category Five Hurricane (three words no one wants to see put together).

Do you ever feel that way about life? Just as one storm with its faith testing moments is gone, the next one appears on the horizon. You have yet to catch your breath much less sort out all that has just happened and the sirens sound the clouds gather and you think to yourself, "I have nothing left to give, God I am tapped out." "And by the way God, I thought you wouldn't give me more than I can handle?" There you find yourself at the crossroads between faith and failure, and for a moment failure looks to win the day.

There is truth in those moments. You get to choose whether you will trust Him with this storm? I know we often think God will not give us more than we can bear, yet if we look closer at the scripture we find He will not allow us to be tempted more than we can bear. Interesting, I think God gives me more than I can handle all the time. It is what causes me to lean on Him, because I need someone bigger on my side and He is it. So, I face the storms in faith. It is the temptation to abandon ship that Satan is working on me to give in to sin. Yet, God is the answer in those times, as well.

In storms, remember you are not alone. In sin, remember you are not alone. In both, we can find strength in each other as we follow Jesus, the Christ. The strength to overcome. Hang on.

Everyone Needs Foundation

By TEENA HUGHS

Football season is here, so we were at Jones AT&T Stadium in Lubbock last Saturday. It was good to see our friend from First Baptist in Lubbock who sits beside us. We enjoy visiting with him, because our conversations usually turn to church and God.

He brought up something I had never really thought about: everyone needs a foundation, and what do we do for those who don't grow up with one. I usually think of Jesus being our foundation, and He is, but there is another foundation we all need.

He said an employee found Jesus about 10 years ago, is married, has children, wants to live a good life but he doesn't know how. I read an article last week about at Tech football player, Justin Stockton, who is in the same situation. I don't know if he knows Jesus, but he is married, has one child, and another one on the way; he is going to school, playing football, trying to be a good husband and father. The problem is he never had a father around to show him how to do all of these things. A father and example is the foundation these two men are missing.

So many men and women are in this situation...they want to do right, but they simply don't know how; they don't know what they are supposed to do.

Well, friends, that is where we come in. Just like our friend from First Baptist, I think we have to be willing to give our time to these people. We have to be willing to listen to them; we have to be willing to share ideas and Scriptures from the Word with them; and, we have to be willing to point out when they are going in the wrong direction.

It is hard to understand how people grow up in today's society without a foundation: knowing how to act, how to live; knowing the difference between right and wrong; knowing morals and values; knowing that on Sunday morning, you go to church. That is the world we live in today, and it is up to us to help change it!

OBITUARY

Christine Gomez



Christine Gomez, 44, of Friona, died August 30, 2017 in Amarillo. Celebration of Life services were held Saturday, September 2, 2017 at First Baptist Church of Friona with Rev. Daniel Hutchins and Jason Daniels, officiating. Burial was held Tuesday, September 5, 2017 in Tiffany Cemetery at Tiffany, Colorado. Arrangements were under the direction of Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona. Christine Gomez was born June 18, 1973 in Durango, Colorado to Benjamin Ramaldo and Maria Evangela Trujillo Lopez. She married Ramon Celco Gomez April 4, 2000 in Hereford. She was a Loan Secretary for Friona Interbank.

Christine was a wonderful wife and mother and dearly loved her family, reading the Bible and serving others.

She is preceded in death by her father and two brothers, Charlie Lopez and Ross Lopez.

Survivors include her husband Ramon Gomez; one daughter, Chelsie Gomez and one son, Jessie Gomez, all of Friona; her mother, Mary Lopez; and one

brother, Alex Lopez of Allison, Colorado.

Memorials can be made to: Chelsie and Jessie Gomez Education Fund -Friona InterBank P.O. Box 549 Friona, Texas 79035.

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



PPHM debuts Lonesome Dove exhibition Sept. 8

Go behind the scenes of the LONESOME DOVE miniseries, one of the most loved westerns of all time. Photographs from the filming of LONESOME DOVE are on display at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum September 8 until December 3, 2017. LONESOME DOVE is a traveling exhibition created by the Wittliff Collections at Texas State University in San Marcos, in partnership with Humanities Texas, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Taken by Bill Wittliff, award winning screenwriter, author and photographer, the photos capture the essence of the four-part drama. Wittliff wrote screenplays for the iconic miniseries and won a Writers Guild of America Award in 1990 for Season 1, Episode 1: "Leaving," and a Bronze Wrangler award from the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum. The television phenomenon was watched by 26 million, at a time when the western genre was considered dead by those who thought they understood what viewers wanted.

It was an adaption of a 1985 novel of the same name by Larry McMurtry. At the time of publication, Lonesome Dove was the first published book, but third installment of series written by McMurtry. It won the 1985 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction. The novel and the miniseries focused on a trail drive made by two former Texas Rangers - Captain Woodrow F. Call and Captain August "Gus" McCrae. When asked by readers about the origin of the characters, McMurtry said they were not modeled after historical character, but had similarities with real-life cattle drivers Oliver Loving and Charles Goodnight.

"It is very exciting for PPHM to host this exhibition," said Carol Lovelady, director, "because we have the real thing - the chuck box used by Charles Goodnight and the oldest extant image of Oliver Loving in a public collection."

PPHM will host an opening event on September 8 starting at 6 p.m. to celebrate this exhibition. The evening will begin at the home of Alice and Doug Hyde followed by a "dinner on the trail" at PPHM. Two Knives catering by Becky McKinley and Kristi Aragon will offer an immersive experience. Following the meal there will be an opportunity to get the first look at the exhibition and visit with acclaimed photographer, screenwriter, and author Bill Wittliff. Tickets are \$250/pair or \$150 for a single ticket. For ticket information please visit panhandleplains.org or call (806) 651-2242 prior to September 5, 2017.

**~Psalm 47~
Clap, Shout & Sing**

BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

I went to a World Series game a few years ago, and it was exciting. The crowds were cheering, people were standing, music was playing and there was so much excitement that the home team might win. Can you imagine if Christians approached worshipping Jesus with the same excitement sports fans go to a professional game?

When was the last time you clapped your hands, shouted to the Lord at the top of your lungs, sang praises wholeheartedly, and allowed music to accompany your worship? Hopefully you can say that it was recently, but for many Christians the reality is that clapping, shouting and singing wholeheartedly is foreign even to their idea of praising the Lord. This sad reality is sharply rebuked in Psalm 47, which is an all out Psalm of praise to the Lord Most High.

The purpose of praising God with clapping, shouting, singing, and instruments, flows from a humble heart that sees, believes and know the truth of how God is a great and mighty King over all the earth. God sits on his holy throne, nations submit to His power and sovereignty, and He alone is to be worshipped with all that you are. Seeing the greatness of who God is, especially his grace and love in Christ Jesus, causes one's hands to lift in worship, one's voice to loudly proclaim His grace in song, and calls for instruments to accompany one's praises.

FBC to examine Protestant Reformation impact/history

October 31, 1517, is one of the most important days in Western History and in Church History since post-apostolic times. On this date, almost 500 years ago, Martin Luther nailed his ninety-five thesis to the door of the Wittenberg Castle Church, in an attempt to bring reform to many of the teachings and practices of the Catholic Church of his day. Luther's ideas soon grew in support and developed into the Protestant Reformation, which has shaped our churches and western society in a profound way over the past five centuries.


On Sunday, September 10, at 6:00 p.m., First Baptist Church, Friona, invites you on a journey examining the history and the impact of the Protestant Reformation. This nine session class will be in the Fellowship Hall, will be less than an hour, and filled with history, scripture, songs from the Reformation, as well as inspiring stories that will encourage your faith. This will be a great class for all ages, that will be taught by Pastor Brett Hoyle, and is something you won't want to miss! A nursery will be provided for children 4 years and under.

Gospel Gathering September 13

The Friona Christian Ministries is once again sponsoring a "Gospel Gathering" for the community in conjunction with the Friona Chamber of Commerce Maize Days Celebration. The Gospel Gathering is Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 6:30 pm and will be held in the Friona High School Auditorium. The Gospel Gathering is a community Christian worship event. Our aim is to exalt our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in a way that will be worshipful and enjoyable to all ages in accordance with biblical, historic Christianity. For more information or to participate, call Brett Hoyle at 806-250-3933.

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.
Ephesians 6:12 NIV

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JV Chiefs trounce Steers 38-6

The FHS JV Chieftains started their 2017 season with a resounding win over the Farwell JV Steers, 38-6.

In the first quarter, Jeremiah Rando had a 3-yard run for a touchdown but the 2-point conversion failed to add points on the scoreboard. Eduardo Chavez had a 3-yard run and the 2-point conversion was good by Rando.

Jose Grado passed to Elian Mendoza in the second quarter for a touchdown. The 2-point conversion was good with a pass from Grado to Mendoza.

Chavez scored with a 3-yard run in the fourth and then completed the 2-point conversion. Grado passed to Zeke Garcia for 7 yards for the final touchdown. Rando ran in the 2-point conversion.

"The defense played an excellent game to hold Farwell to only six points," said Coach Tommy DeLeon.

Freshmen Chieftains defeat Herd 29-0

The FHS Freshman Chieftains met the Hereford Freshman B team last Thursday, August 31 on Chieftain Field and came away with the first win of the season, 29-0.

Malachi Torres and Angel Carranza combined for 115 yards rushing. Luis Garcia accounted for almost 5 yards passing along with three touchdowns. Rafael Carranza returned an interception from the 30-yard line for a touchdown.

The Freshmen will meet the Bovina JV Mustangs on Thursday, September 7 in Bovina at 5 p.m.



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FRIONA ISD MEAL POLICY NOTICE

The Friona ISD today announced an amendment to the policy for serving meal for students served under the National School Lunch and Breakfast Program for the 2017-2018 school year, which would allow for all students at all campuses to be served meals at no charge.

For additional information please contact:

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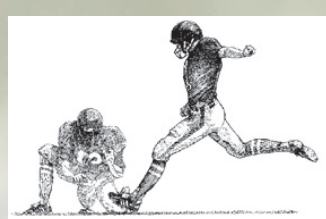
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New FISH Employees



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Friona High School added seven new employees to their rolls this year. New at FHS are, l-r, Eduardo Rojas (Spanish/Coach), Senora Rodriguez (Special Education), Kayle Jesko (Agriculture), Heather Gillihan (English), Victoria Bueno (English), Erin Barnett (Family and Consumer Science) and Richard Gordon (Spanish). "We are so happy to have all of these teachers on staff to carry on the tradition of excellence," said FHS Principal Erika Montana.



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New faces at Friona Junior High School this year are, l-r, Maggie Shelby (Credit Recovery Teaching Assistant), Abby White-Dunnam (Health/Keyboarding/Girls' Coach), Jesse Galdean (Principal), Trisha Steelman (Teaching Assistant), and Jessica Dominguez (Special Education Teacher).

Time will tell what Harvey did to coastal landscapes

Unlike people and animals, plants can't evacuate when threatening weather approaches, and long tenures in flood waters can take a toll.

But as water recedes and people recover their homes in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, landscapes also will need to be watched for signs of stress, said Stephen Brueggerhoff, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service horticulture agent in Brazoria County.

"A little bit of rain is not too bad, but too much rain can be detrimental to the health of any plant," Brueggerhoff said. "These were extraordinary circumstances, so at this point it is really just a matter of waiting to see what the impact is."

Brueggerhoff said soil saturation is key.

"For perennial plants, what we really are concerned with are saturated soils that create conditions for root rot," he said. "When the rain saturates the soils causing a collection of water, plants may be standing or submerged in water."

Once saturated, there are not many options to help perennial plants, he said, except to watch for signs of stress.

"The roots of all plants need oxygen through the soil," Brueggerhoff explained. "Once the soils get saturated, that creates an anaerobic environment where the roots are not getting proper oxygenation within the soils."

"Just wait a little bit for the plant to tell you if there are signs of decline. It is not necessary to move the plants immediately," he said. "But if stress does begin to show, the owner may decide to move those plants away from the saturation."

Stress reveals itself in plants through discoloration, often as yellowing or purplish leaves, he

said.

Another situation that might impede plant recovery is debris that remains from floods.

"When the water recedes, there may be other organic matter deposited on the plants," he said. "As soon as you can get to the plants, pull off that matter and let that area dry out a little bit."

When the soil is less saturated, Brueggerhoff said, residents can return to "regular maintenance mode."

"If we get into the rest of our summer without unusually heavy rains, soils appear not to be supersaturated, and the plants are absorbing moisture from the soil, re-mulch them," he said.

Woody species such as shrubs and trees take longer to show stress, he noted.

"They often don't tell us too quickly what is going on with them as far as decline. Sometimes we will not see a tree or shrub responding to those kinds of environmental conditions for six months to a year," Brueggerhoff said.

He described an ash tree that stood in 4 feet of water near his home for two days.

"The water receded quickly, so two days of saturation probably is not going to hurt that tree," he said. "But if we have plants that are under saturation for up to a week, for some plants it can cause a decline in the long run. Sometimes those kinds of conditions can be an entry point for other pathogens to grow. And things of that nature can cause the plant to decline in the long run."

"At this point, it is just a matter of waiting to see how our plants respond."



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Dr. Pam Ray, FISH Superintendent, visited with Bovina retirees Sarah Owen and Carolyn Widner at the September 5 meeting of Parmer County Retired Teachers and Service Personnel. Dr. Ray and Tracy Ellis, Retired Teacher President, addressed the group, noting the importance of a good relationship between current and retired educators.



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School principals were luncheon guests of Parmer County RTSP at the home of Sue Wells on September 5. About twenty-five retirees and guests attended the meeting. Pictured are Friona High School Principal Erika Montana, Junior High Principal Jesse Galdean, Elementary Principal Travis Victory, and Primary Principal Jill Trollinger.

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Lizbeth Vasquez is the 17-year-old daughter of Serafin and Concepcion Vasquez. She is a senior at FHS. She enjoys spending time with family, singing and acting. She has been in choir for four years and participated in the musical for two years. She attends St. Teresa Catholic Church. After graduation, she plans to attend Amarillo College and becoming a medical lab tech. Lizbeth is sponsored by Hi-Pro Feeds.



Adaline Ruth White is the 15-year-old daughter of Bill and Jeri Lynn White. She is interested in art, music, band, books and computers. She has been in 4-H for eight years, participated in stock shows, showing pigs, photography, and food & nutrition. She is the President of the Friona 4-H this year. She enjoys volunteering. She is involved with the Friona Methodist Church Youth. She has qualified and competed in State Solo and Ensemble. After graduation, she would like to join a band, create new music and tour the world. Adaline is sponsored by Kathryn Gurley Attorney at Law.



Noelia Correa is the 17-year-old daughter of Guillermo and Sarah Correa. She has interests in flags and band. She has been in band for four years, choir for two years and helped with the yearbook for one year. She attends Trinity Fellowship Church. After graduation, she wants to go into the Air Force then attend Texas Tech University to become a cardio thoracic surgeon. Noelia is sponsored by Tangled Mane.




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Brooklynne Johnston is the 17-year-old daughter of Bryan and Allison Johnston. She enjoys reading, spending time with her family & friends and music. She has been involved in choir, band, journalism, musical One-Act play and speech for four years. She enjoys volunteering with the Texas Youth Association and helping with the Summer Drama Workshop. She has been in the All-State Choir, State Solo and Ensemble Band and regional academics qualifier for three years. After graduation, she plans to attend West Texas A&M University where she will pursue a double major in music education and music business with an emphasis on technology. Brooklynne is sponsored by Friona InterBank.



Erica Barrera is the daughter of Joy Davila and Eric Barrera. She is a senior at FHS. She enjoys stock shows, sports, spending time with family & friends and traveling. She participates in varsity volleyball, basketball, track & field, tennis and FFA. She attends Victory Family Worship Center. She is a member of the NSHSS, NEHS and National Spanish Honor Society. She plans to attend West Texas A&M University to finish her prerequisites and then applying to Texas Tech University to become a doctor. Erica is sponsored by Chico's Welding and Construction.



Kessly Salinas is the 16-year-old daughter of Aaron and Rufina Salinas. She enjoys running, dancing and reading. She has been involved in band, UIL, One-Act play, speech and debate. She is involved with the youth group at St. Teresa's Catholic Church. She volunteers with the Texas Youth Association, has been in All-Region band and gone to Regionals in Ready Writing. After graduation, she plans to attend Texas Tech University to study science or the medical field. Kessly is sponsored by Bi-Wize Pharmacy.

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M'Kenzie Hurst is the 17-year-old daughter of Clay Hurst and M'Lissa Hurst. She enjoys spending time with family & friends, reading, showing pigs and her cat Ali. She is involved in volleyball, basketball, choir, FFA and Friona Methodist Youth. After graduation, she plans to join the Air Force to become an audiologist. M'Kenzie is sponsored by Parmer County Implement.



Nishna Soto is the 19-year-old daughter of Cynthia Casado. She enjoys doing make-up and working out. She participates in band, volleyball, stock show and FCCLA. She attends Victory Family Worship Center. She plans to attend WTAMU to pursue a degree in criminal justice. Nishna is sponsored by Creative Chaos.



Danielle Trevino is the 15-year-old daughter of Daniel and Raquel Trevino. She is a sophomore and enjoys cooking, spending time with family and taking care of animals. Danielle participates in track, theater arts, FFA, volunteers with the Texas Youth Association and is involved with the Friona Methodist Church Youth Group. She plans to attend medical school to pursue a doctorate degree. Danielle is sponsored by Milk House Market.



Karyme Aralyn Rocha is the 6-year-old daughter of Amador and Judy Rocha. She enjoys watching The Descendants movie and playing with make-up. She has a dog named Nina. She has one sister, Anneliese, and one brother, Ediel. Her favorite colors are pink, violet red and purple. She enjoys dressing up like Elena of Avalon. Karyme is sponsored by Wilbur Ellis.



Ella Rector is the 5-year-old daughter of Jason and Karla Rector. She enjoys playing with Barbie's and dressing up as a ballerina. She has three dogs, Minnie, Daisey and Mia. She has two sisters, Emma and Molly. Her favorite color is pink and she enjoys playing Tag. Ella is sponsored by Hi-Pro Feeds.



Adriana Ortiz-Carrillo is the 16-year-old daughter of Erika Carrillo and Ramon Ortiz. She is interested in reading, old movies and photography. She participates in marching band, One-Act play, powerlifting and track. She is active in the Texas Youth Association, Friona 4-H and helps with Snack Pack for Kids. She plans to pursue a career in neo-natal care. Adriana is sponsored by Parmer Medical Center.



Kylee Jo Sifuentes is the 15-year-old daughter of Michael and Tasha Stanberry. She is interested in running and drawing. She is involved in volleyball, basketball, cross-country and track. She attends Victory Family Worship Center. She plans on attending college and pursuing something in the medical field. Kylee is sponsored by Stanberry Trucking.



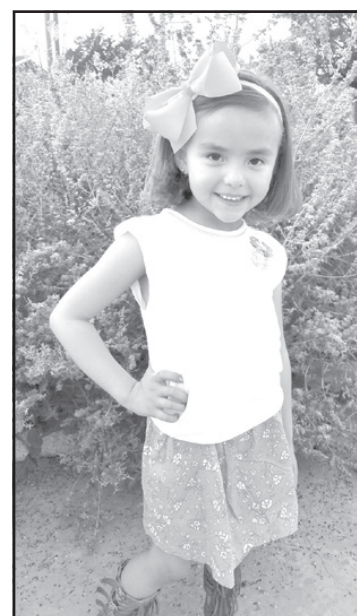
Abigail Ariella Guerra is the 5-year-old daughter of Noel and Jessica Guerra. She enjoys making videos, dancing, singing, make-up, and playing with Barbie's. She has a brother, Abram, and a sister, Aubree. Her favorite colors are pink, red, blue, white, purple, and all the colors. Her favorite game is Tic Tac Toe. Abigail is sponsored by First National Bank.



Avril Alessandra Wells is the 6-year-old daughter of Jason and Pat Wells. She enjoys arts & crafts and dancing. She has two dogs, Bandit and Bear. She has a brother, Alek. Her favorite color is pink and her favorite game is Hamster Highway. Avril is sponsored by Wells Farms.



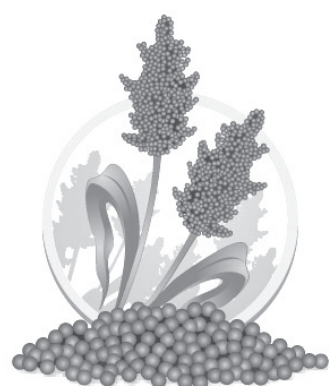
Miranda Rivera is the 16-year-old daughter of Antonio and Maria Rivera. She is a junior at FHS. She enjoys playing basketball and listening to music. She has been in band for three years. After graduation, she plans on going to Angelo State University. Miranda is sponsored by Friona Texas Federal Credit Union.

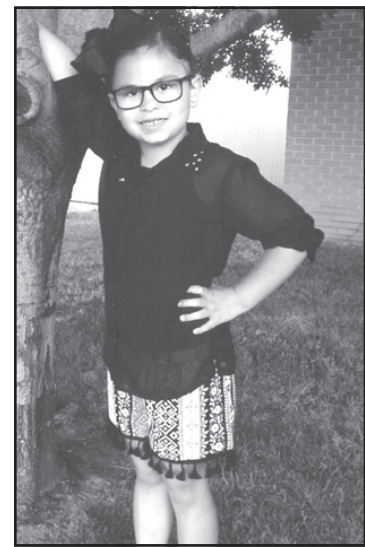


Karleigh Jae Rangel is the 5-year-old daughter of Matthew and Desiree Rangel. She enjoys playing games, bouncing basketballs, and watching YouTube. She has a dog named Lincoln. She has two sisters, Emery and Averie. Her favorite colors are sparkly pink, purple and gold. Her favorite games are basketball and volleyball. Karleigh is sponsored by Legacy Pump and Irrigation.



Emery J'Lynn Rangel is the 6-year-old daughter of Matthew and Desiree Rangel. She enjoys riding bikes, playing games and watching YouTube videos. She has a dog named Lincoln. She has two sisters, Karleigh and Averie. Her favorite colors are black, white and gold. She enjoys playing Hide & Seek, Tag, races and school. Emery is sponsored by Legacy Pump and Irrigation.





Jayleigh Raye Contreras is the 6-year-old daughter of Juan and Raquel Contreras. She enjoys riding her bike, playing board games and reading. She has three siblings: Xavier, Nicole and Makayla. Her favorite color is turquoise and her favorite game is Pie Face. Jayleigh is sponsored by Ag Texas.



Graci Stallings is the 16-year-old daughter of Tommy and Trista Stallings. She enjoys reading and working out. She is involved in volleyball, basketball, track and cheer. She has been a State qualifier in journalism. She volunteers for Vacation Bible School at the Methodist Church and Saint Benedicts in Lubbock. After graduation, she plans on going to college and studying to be an occupational therapist. Graci is sponsored by Chieftain Sports and Fitness.



Sophia Avery San Miguel is the 5-year-old daughter of Jesus and Gracie San Miguel. She enjoys jumping on the trampoline and doing cartwheels. She has a German shepherd named Athena. She has two siblings, Saraya and Isaiah. Her favorite color is pink and her favorite games are Monopoly and playing with babies. Sophia is sponsored by Carnerceria Hernandez.



Victoria Williams is the 16-year-old daughter of Billy and Stephanie Williams. She enjoys cooking, reading, spending time with family & friends and watching scary movies. She is interested in piano, cake decorating, firearm safety and gardening. She volunteers with the Texas Youth Association, organized the cupcake decorating activity with the 2016 Little Miss contestants, and helped with the Kids Building Camp. She has earned a 1+ and blue ribbon for Performance Evaluation Program for two years. She plans to attend Clovis Community College before attending West Texas A&M University to earn a BSN and wants to be a traveling nurse in third world countries. Victoria is sponsored by Parmer County Implement.



Sophie Lewellen is the 6-year-old daughter of Greg and Jamie Lewellen. She enjoys going to the park with friends and playing soccer. She has one sister, Shelby. Her favorite color is turquoise and her favorite games are Chutes & Ladders, Uno, and Toasted & Roasted. Sophie is sponsored by Kendrick Oil Company.

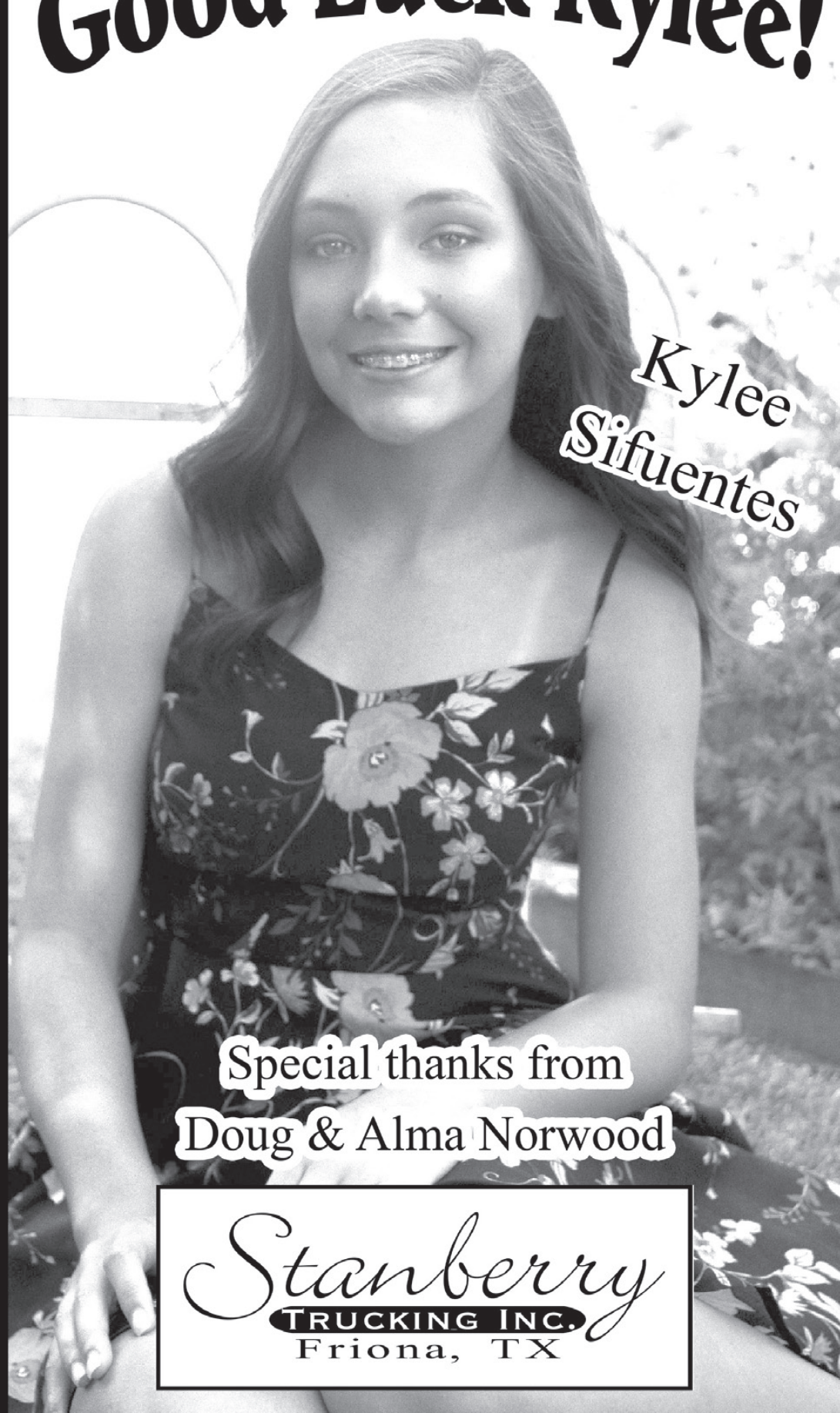
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Rickie Lee Castillo is the 16-year-old daughter of Santiago and Claudia Serna. She enjoys hanging out with friends. She has been involved in volleyball, basketball, track and as cheerleading mascot. She advanced to Regionals in pole vault. She enjoys volunteering for Vacation Bible School. After graduation, she plans to attend Texas A&M in Corpus Christi and major in sports medicine. Rickie is sponsored by Serna Repairs.



Yulaney Carrasco is the 5-year-old daughter of Adam and Julie Carrasco. She enjoys dancing and singing. She has a horse named Estrella. She has two siblings: Yazmyne and Deiondre Romero. Her favorite color is purple and her favorite game is Hide & Seek (in the dark). Yulaney is sponsored by Friona Inter-Bank.



Natalia Godinez is the 16-year-old daughter of Fabiola Godoy and Mark Godinez. She enjoys photography, baking, decorating, coloring and playing with dogs. She has been involved in band, volleyball, basketball, FCCLA, cheer and tennis. She is also involved with the Friona Methodist Youth. After graduation, she plans to attend college and become a social worker. Natali is sponsored by Friona Wheat Growers.



Sophia September DeLaCruz is the 6-year-old daughter of Jesse and Marissa DeLaCruz. She enjoys playing with her little two brothers and her sister and going to her grandpa's house. Her favorite color is sparkly colors and her favorite games are Jenga, Skip-Bo Jr., and Temple Run on her tablet. Sophia is sponsored by Lineage Logistics.

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Back-seat belt use overlooked aspect of traffic safety

While the overall use of safety belts has increased over the decades, a look into the back seat of many vehicles today tells a different story," said Bev Kellner, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service traffic safety program manager, College Station.

"According to a recent Insurance Institute for Highway Safety survey, four out of the five adults who admit to not using a safety belt in the back seat said they are least likely to use them during short trips or when using a taxi or ride-share service," Kellner said.

She said the survey exposes a common misperception among vehicle passengers that sitting in the back seat of a vehicle is safer than sitting in the front.

"Using a safety belt in the back seat is just as important as using one in the front seat," Kellner said. "It may have been true in the past that the rear seat was safer, but that's not really the case now thanks to new technologies and improved vehicle manufacturing."

The tendency to not wear safety belts in the back seat of a taxi or ride-share vehicle could become a habit for the non-use of back seat safety belts in a regular vehicle, she said. And this was validated by the study, which showed those who reported most of their trips as a rear-seat passenger in hired vehicles were also less likely to use rear-seat safety belts in their personal vehicles.

"As it becomes a habit for people to use their safety belts, it can become a habit not to as well, especially if there's a mistaken perception that the back seat is already a safe space," she said. "And a habit that develops when using a service like a taxi, Lyft or Uber can carry over into the use of a personal vehicle."

In its study of 1,172 respondents, the IIHS study found that among respondents who said they had ridden in the back seat of a vehicle during the preceding six months, 72 percent said they always used a back seat belt while 91 percent said they always use their front seat belt.

The study showed adults 35 to 54 were the least likely to fasten their safety belts while in the back seat of a vehicle. Only 66 percent of this age group buckled up in the back seat, while 76 percent of adults 55 and older and 73 percent of adults 18 to 34 reported buckling up. In addition, women and adults who had attended college were more likely to use a safety belt in the rear seat. And only 57 percent of passengers in hired vehicles reported always using their belt in the rear seat.

"Another misperception addressed by the IIHS study is that rear-seat passengers feel in a collision their non-use of seat belts will not have any effect on the driver or front-seat passengers," Kellner said. "But the fact is any item or person in the back seat can become a 'pro-

jectile' to be tossed around the interior of the vehicle and kill or badly injure other passengers. That's one of the reasons you should never hold a child in your lap while inside a vehicle. And in the case of rollover crashes, unbelted passengers, whether in the front or rear seat, can easily be thrown from the vehicle."

"Front-seat occupant safety has received a great deal of attention and vehicle manufacturers have taken great strides by enhancing protective features in those positions," said Joseph Colella, owner of Traffic Safety Projects based in Charleston, South Carolina, and a nationally recognized traffic safety expert. "While rear seats have not received the same level of attention and progress, crash statistics prove that buckling up properly is crucial for all occupants, regardless of their seating positions. Unless everyone in the vehicle is properly restrained, none of the occupants are optimally protected."

Kellner said while the study noted the main reason people gave for not buckling up in the rear seat was they felt it was safer, other reasons included not being in the regular habit of using a safety belt, belts were uncomfortable or fit poorly, and belts were difficult to find and use.

"The survey also showed not having a law that required rear-seat passengers to buckle up was an impediment," Kellner said. "Fortunately, in Texas our law requires all passengers — both front and back, including those in multi-passenger vehicles — to use their seat belts. It also requires children under 8, unless taller than 4 feet, 9 inches, be put in a car seat used according to the manufacturer's requirements."

Kellner said while it is the responsibility of the rear-seat passenger to buckle up, technology and others in the vehicle can help ensure they do.

"Another interesting part of the IIHS study was that almost two-thirds of occasional or non-users of rear-seat safety belts said an audible reminder would make them more likely to buckle up," she said. "Unfortunately, only a very small percentage of vehicles currently on the road have such reminders. But drivers and other passengers can have an influence on rear-seat passengers by politely asking them to buckle their safety belts."

The study also showed having more comfortable belts would improve the likelihood of rear-seat passengers using them, Kellner said.

"Those surveyed said softer or padded belts and adjustable shoulder belts that don't irritate the neck would be preferred, as would somewhat looser or less restrictive belts," she said. "But even though passenger comfort is desirable, a little discomfort or annoyance while buckling up is a small price to pay for one's personal safety and the safety of others."

Best Wishes to Natali Godinez at the Miss Friona Pageant

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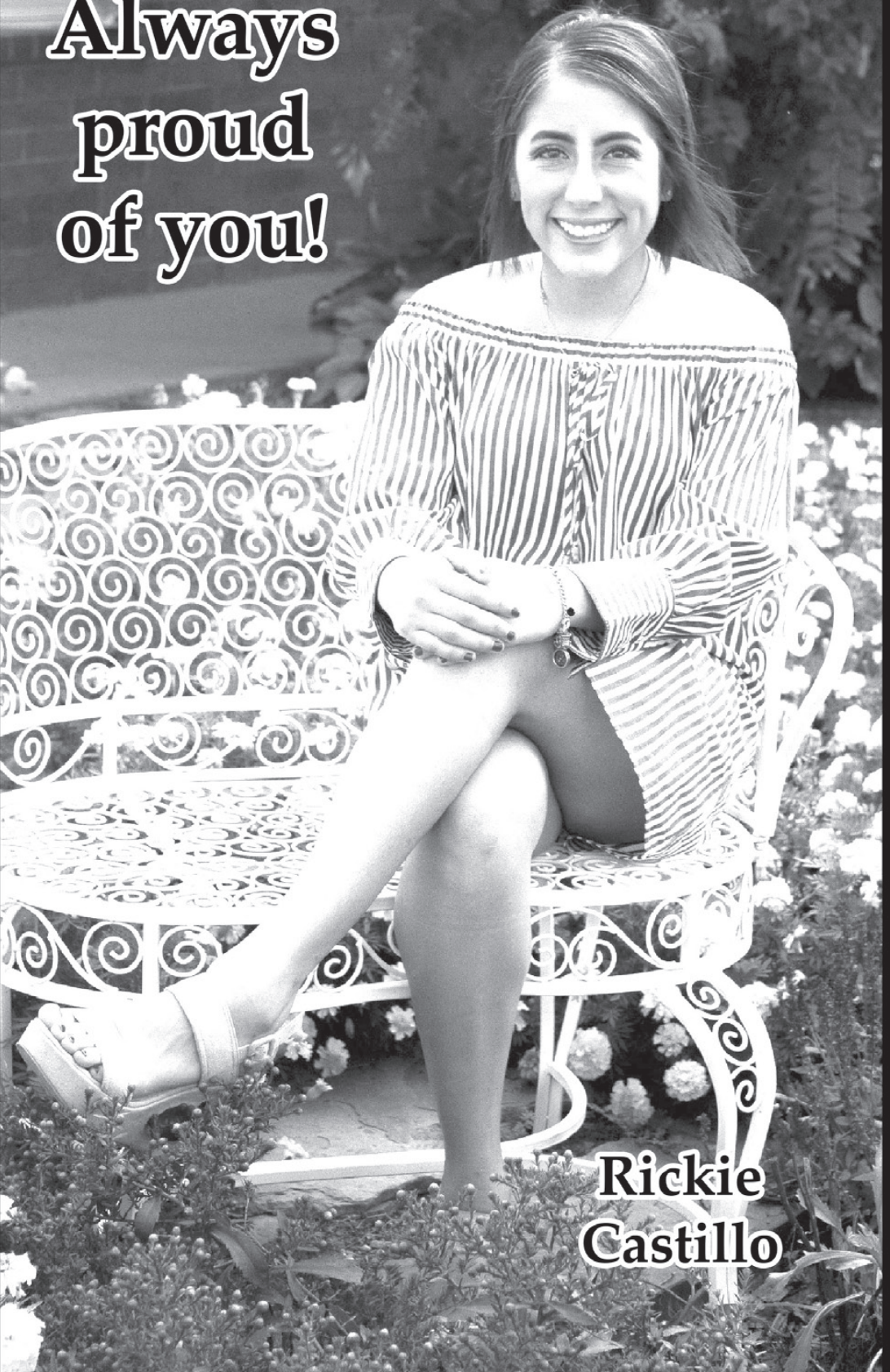
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