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Easter Eggstravaganza set for Sat.



Victory Family Worship Church is hosting the 2017 Easter Eggstravaganza this Saturday, April 15 at the Friona City Park. The community is invited to come out and enjoy free hot dogs at 1 p.m. and the egg hunt will begin at 2 p.m. The Easter Bunny will be on hand for pictures. The egg hunt will be divided by age groups from age 2 to 5th grade. There will be over 2,000 eggs and cash prize eggs. Make plans to come out and enjoy an old-fashioned Easter egg hunt on Saturday.

Commissioners approve repairs to jail

The Parmer County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, April 10 at 10 a.m. in the county courtroom of the Parmer County courthouse in Farwell.

Gladys Spring addressed the commissioners concerning the old Rhea School Building in Bovina. She stated that the building had been the old Women's Club House and used by the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department for training. The Historical Society wants to preserve the building that was built in 1922-23. The Society wants to use the building as a museum as well to house the Chamber of Commerce and hold meetings in. She was asking for an annual fee for upkeep and repairs of the building.

After considering Spring's proposal the issue was tabled for now due to current Texas Senate bills that are being passed in Austin.

AgriLife Extension agents Wendy Case and Sergio Mendez updated the Commissioners on their recent and upcoming activities.

The Commissioners approved the certificate of resolution from AimBank, formerly known as Muleshoe State Bank.

Charlotte Maruffo was approved for a victim coordinator and li-

Sheriff Randy Geries addressed the Court concerning the wind damage to the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center. After receiving bids it was determined that an 8" flashing will be installed all the way around the building and all the rivets would all be resealed at a cost of \$5,675.

The Commissioners also approved for the Sheriff to enter into a contract with the Tarrant County Cooperative Purchasing Program for the purchase of a new county vehicle.

The Commissioners will meet again on Monday, April 24 at 10 a.m. All meetings are open to the public.

Athlete screening scheduled Apr. 22

Operation Screen Your Athlete will be offering free cardiac screening for children from 12-18-years-old in Muleshoe on Saturday, April 22, 2017 from 12-4 p.m. at the Muleshoe Area Medical Clinic at 708 S. 1st Street. Parents must be with the children.

Sudden cardiac death affects thousands of teens yearly. It is the Alvaro Gardea. leading cause of non-traumatic death in teens. Most victims of sudden cardiac death have no warning signs of cardiac problems until their initial cardiac arrest and 92% of those arrests are fatal.

Operation Screen Your Athlete (OSYA) is a non-profit organization based in Lubbock and created by a group of health care professionals. The purpose of OSYA is to provide free cardiac screenings in order to help prevent sudden cardiac death in kids. OSYA offers the free screenings for those 12-18 years of age. Cardiologists, nurses, EMTs, and echocardiogram technicians are available to perform theses exams.

Testing consists of a medical questionnaire, EKG, and limited echocardiogram if needed. Any child found to have abnormal results are referred to a cardiologist for further evaluation and treatment. Since their first screening in November 2015 they have screened 459 kids of which 70 have been referred.

Due to the high demand of these screenings, OSYA will be in children. He has been on the FISD Muleshoe on April 22 from 12-4 p.m. OSYA wants to reach as many kids as possible in the surrounding communities. To register or sign up for the screening go to www.operationscreenyourathlete.org.

Ambulance committee addresses city council

The Friona City Council met in regular session on Monday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m. on the Council Chambers to discuss current issues facing the council. All members of the council were in attendance.

Kitty Gallman and the Ambulance Project Committee spoke to the board of their efforts to begin the process of collecting donations for the purchase of another ambulance for Friona.

Gallman read a letter addressed to the council members outlining their goals and requesting guidance from the city on subjects concerning bank accounts and what they want from the committee.

"This is awesome," stated Friona City Manager Patricia Phipps. "We have never had anyone come forward to help. This is a bless-

The council approved to take action on joining the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative Interlocal Participation Agreement. This will assist the city when purchasing equipment such as new pickups for utility use. The council approved to have Phipps

look into purchasing 1-4 pickups for the public works department. Friona Police Department Lt. Pedro Sanchez delivered the monthly police report.

The council approved the review of the 2017 investment policy before adjourning for the evening.

The Friona city council will next meet on Monday, May 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. All meetings are open to the public. Notice of the meeting will be posted on the outside front door at the City Hall of Friona, 623 Main Street. For more city business see the Mayor's Minutes on page two.

Senior can recycling trailer available

The 2017 FHS Senior Class is asking the community to come together and recycle their empty cans for a good cause. The trailer is located at 102 E. 8th Street next to the Police/Fire Station. The proceeds from the recycling trailer will help fund the Alcohol/Drug Free Garcia. She continued by saying Senior All-Night Party after graduation. The Class of 2017 wish to thank the community for their support.

Here comes Peter Cottontail...



Forum features four school board candidates

The four Friona Independent School District School Board Trustee candidates came together Sunday, April 9 at the Friona High School for a Meet the Candidates Forum. Candidates for the upcoming election are Maria Monreal Garcia, Corbin Riethmayer, incumbent Wade Schueler, and Jamie Lewellen. The forum was hosted by Coach Darrel Ray and his Government/Economics class. Moderators for the event were Paige Upton and

The event began with each candidate introducing themselves.

Garcia is married and has four children. She is employed by Gato Express. Garcia and her husband attended Friona schools and have their children enrolled in Friona

Riethmayer is married and has three children. He is a farmer/ rancher. His wife teaches kindergarten at Friona Primary School. He was raised in Friona and attended Friona schools.

Schueler is married and has three school board for six years. He is a farmer and attended Friona schools.

Lewellen is married and has two daughters. She and her husband were raised in Friona and attended Friona schools. She is a stay at home mom who volunteers her time to the schools and other activities.

The candidates were asked what the school districts strengths were. They agreed that the school district was stronger because of the activities, parents, administration, staff and students. Garcia stated that if parents were more involved the district would be stronger. Riethmayer added that the district provides more activities to the students, which makes this an asset. Schueler praised the administration and staff. Lewellen praised the quality of teaching and community involve-

When asked what the district's greatest weakness was the candidates responded:

"To point out a weakness you must be on the inside (of the school board)," stated Riethmayer. "We are a poor district and lack money. Hopefully the wind mills will bring in money for a change."

"Test scores are low," stated Schueler. "We are bringing in people to work on strategies."

"We need more programs to improve the graduation rate," stated Lewellen. "Every student should feel like they can excel."

"Test scores are too low," stated the incoming immigrants seem to have held the teachers back.



dana jameson photo

Meet the Candidates Forum...FISD Board of Trustees candidates assembled on stage Sunday to answer questions. Candidates are, I-r, Maria Monreal Garcia, Corbin Riethmayer, Wade Schueler, and Jamie Lewellen. Remember to vote May 6.

Upton posed the question of home schooling vs. public school to the candidates. Schueler stated that he is a product of FISD. "It is a great system. I like Friona. I like the teachers. They will do their

Lewellen praised, "The teachers are phenomenal. There is diversity."

Garcia said, "We went to public school and my kids go to public school. Friona is the only perfect school for them."

Riethmayer stated, "Public school outweighed home schooling for us. If we home schooled we could not participate in organized sports, FFA, etc. We did not want to limit our children."

Gardea asked the candidates their thoughts on budget cuts and fund allocations. The candidates agreed that cutting funds to extracurricular activities and vocational programs is not possible.

Riethmayer stated that reallocations could be made by following the community and student body demands.

Schueler stated that the board has started not filling certain positions as they come open as a way of cutting back.

When asked what their personal strengths were and how it would benefit the board, Garcia stated that she would do what she can to see children blossom to leave the school district and find a great fu-

"I have a vested interest in the school with my children and my

wife," said Riethmayer. Schueler stated, "I am a team player. I will hear more opinions to get a good handle on the situation."

Lewellen said her strengths were in her volunteer work. She has ties to the community through The Parmer County Cancer Coalition and Kids Inc. "I can provide a voice for the community to the board."

The candidates agreed that changes to FISD should include the re-instatement of the Mechanics and Woodworking program as well as the expansion of the Ag program.

Schueler stated that with the wind money they could possibly bring these programs back.

Lewellen added that more vocational programs and more resources for the ESL program were needed. With these additions, the students will reach their maximum potential.

Garcia stated that adding more entry-level career classes would help the students be ready for the real world.

The candidates were asked about specific issues that they would show interest in.

Lewellen stated that the main goal was that all students were successful. Garcia agreed and added to get the staff to the level to help the students.

Riethmayer stated he would do what he can to help where he is needed and what he is asked. He will do what needs to be done to

help the community and the school. The moderators asked the candidates what they would do with the wind energy money. They all agreed that existing buildings would need to be assessed and the

possibilities of adding more buildings may become necessary with

the growing student body. The candidates were asked what the future of FISD held. Garcia stated that they will need more entry-level college classes to help the kids succeed.

Riethmayer stated that students can feel safe and learn. Moreover, those students can grow mentally and physically.

Schueler stated, "There is a bright road ahead of us."

"This is a great district," stated Lewellen. "We feel strongly about this school. We need to keep a variety of classes for the students."

In closing comments, Riethmayer thanked the current school board and praised them. Schueler thanked the community and said there was more to learn. Lewellen stated she was passionate about the school system and wanted a successful school district. Garcia said she wanted to give back and help in any way possible.

Early voting for the FISD School Board Trustee election is April 24-28 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and May 1-2 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the FISD administration office 909 East 11th. The May 6 election will be held at the City of Friona council chambers at 619 Main Street from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Applications for a ballot by mail may be mailed or emailed to: Patricia Phipps, 621 N. Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035 or cityhall@frionatx. us. Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on Tuesday, April 25, 2017.

Community Calendar

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

Pre-K Easter Egg Hunt Blood Drive at Calvary Baptist Church Noon to 7 p.m.

FHS Track @ Area Meet in in Tulia Friona Cemetery Association meeting at Friona City Hall Council Chambers @ 3 p.m.

Union Congregational Church Maundy Thursday Service at 6 p.m. & the service of Tenebrae at 7 p.m. FUMC Maundy Thursday services 7 p.m.

<u>April 14</u> **GOOD FRIDAY** No School

JV @ 2:30/V @ Noon Baseball @ Dimmitt

Prairie Acres Easter party at 3 p.m. Easter Eggstravaganza at City Park-Hotdogs at 1 p.m. & Egg Hunt at 2 p.m.

April 16 **EASTER**

FHS Choir Follies @ FHS Cafeteria @ 7 p.m.

Union Congregational Church Easter Service at 11 a.m.

FUMC Easter Sonrise Services at 7:30 a.m. in front of church followed by breakfast

FUMC Easter services at 11 a.m. followed by Easter egg hunt

April 17

Chieftain/Squaws Booster Club meeting at InterBank at 6 p.m.

Deadline for Filing Property Tax Renditions

Pre-K Registration at Primary School

April 18

Kindergarten Field Trip JV/V Baseball vs. Childress at Home 4/6:30

Prairie Acres Family Bingo Night at 7 p.m.

April 18-19

UIL Choir Concert & Sight Reading at WTAMU

State Academic Meet in Austin State OAP in Austin

April 21

FHS Track Qualifiers @ TBD JV Baseball @ Texico 1:30 MT PMC Scholarship Deadline 5 p.m.

April 22-24

Sales Tax Holiday on Emergency Preparation Supplies

April 22 **EARTH DAY**

Parmer County Memorial Cemetery Park Clean-up Workday at 9 a.m. Miss Friona Pageant Workshop at City Park Depot at noon

Cargill Service Dinner at 6:30 p.m. at Hereford Country Club

Operation Screen Your Athlete cardiac screening in Muleshoe from 12-4 p.m.

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Country Thoughts dana jameson

The bad, the ugly and the good!

What did you think about Mr. Trump's actions last week? Was he right to bomb Syria? Was he wrong? Did he go too far? Did he not go far enough?

If you have been watching any television since then you have heard the subject debated to death.

I was proud of him. He did not hem and haw around like a mindless fop.

Some of the more illustrious commentators were in awe that he would do something like that so suddenly.

However, describing this as suddenly is not right. Our previous leaders did everything to push the problem aside without actually addressing the fact that this dictator, Bashar Al-Assad, needed to be brought into check for his murderous activities.

I know the people he killed were citizens of his country and had no tie to America. Nevertheless, what stops him from branching out to kill outside his countries boundaries?

We have spent so many years patting these corrupt leaders on the head and telling them we

White, Kathryn Goddard, Skip

Hodges and Jeannie & Larry

By the time the money is

ised, there may be a need to re-

place one of the two ambulances

now in service. The committee

will be looking into several grant

possibilities, contacting the Am-

arillo Area Foundation, iden-

tify fund raising opportunities

through the year and soliciting

donations from individuals and

businesses in the community.

The committee also raised ques-

tions that need to be answered.

will have to do something to them if they do not settle down.

I know how this works with children. It does not work.

It does not work with grownup leaders of foreign countries

I am not a warmonger. One of my greatest fears is war. I fear it because of my children and grandchildren. If we do not do something to protect our way of life, we will be buried under the avalanche that is already taking over many parts of the world.

Over the weekend the news didn't get any better with the news that a passenger on a United flight was bodily removed after being asked to give up his seat. During the altercation, his nose was bloodied and he apparently was unconscious for a few moments. He was later shown re-entering the plane saying, "I just want to go home." This was all captured on video.

The news went into detail that there were United employees flying home and they needed the seats. Last time I checked they fly free or at a lower rate.

Mayor's Minutes

This man had paid for his What made him the target?

home on?

This world is pretty messed up when you pay your way and to get home.

Better news is...this weekend is Easter.

their Easter finest will be hunting Easter eggs and not caring about all the horrible things that happen in this mean old world. The parents and grandparents will forget for a little while and just enjoy their little tykes looking so adorable with baskets full of colorful treasures.

When I was going through RCIA classes to become a Catholic a few years ago, the instructor spoke about the Easter egg in relation to Catholic beliefs. Here is a synopsis of that speech:

"The Easter egg is symbolic seat just like everyone else on of the resurrection of Jesus the flight. He was offered \$800 Christ. Painting Easter eggs is to change his flight and all he an especially beloved tradition wanted to do was go home. in the Orthodox and Eastern Catholic churches where the Was there not another flight eggs are dyed red to represent to send these United employees the blood of Jesus Christ that was shed on the cross. Easter eggs are blessed by the priest at the end of the Paschal vigil and still get manhandled just trying distributed to the congregants. *The hard shell of the egg repre-*

sents the sealed Tomb of Christ, and cracking the shell represents Jesus' resurrection from the dead. Moreover, historically Christians would abstain from eating eggs and meat during Lent, and Easter was the first chance to eat eggs after a long period of abstinence.

Thursday, April 13, 2017

This explanation brings the tradition into focus.

Have a great weekend and find some joy in the season!

FISD Trustees discuss This weekend lots of little boys and girls dressed up in a wide-ranging agenda

School District Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, April 10 at the FISD Administration Building. tThe agenda included a report from the migrant students who attended the inauguration of President Trump in Washington D.C., school lunch program, and upgrading the phone system throughout the district.

Friona Primary Principal Ashley Smith and Friona Elementary Principal Travis Victory updated the board on activities at their campuses. Among the activities reported on were upcoming programs and field trips as well as the schedule for summer school. This year summer school will begin Wednesday, May 31 and run until Friday, June 23.

The Trustees approved the consent agenda as presented and the payment of the March bills.

Scott Wilkerson, child nutrition expert from Education Service Center 16 presented options to the FISD school lunch program. He presented a number of options to the current program. The board opted to table the matter at this time.

Martha Moreno presented an update on the FISD cleaning procedures and how they are being implemented in both English and Spanish.

FHS Band Director Chris Accounts payable equaled Rackley visited with the board about the possibility of creatwere paid and the city continues ing a 5th grade band program. He stated that over half of those surveyed would like to see the program created. Currently there are 96 students in the FHS band program and by adding the 5th grade program, it will give a leg up for those students who plan to compete in the future.

Lt. Pedro Sanchez and FISD

Friona Independent Special Programs Director Karen Barnes addressed the board with their findings after a practice drill during a recent in-service day. A number of strengths and weaknesses were noted. They also presented the plans for a district wide drill.

The Trustees approved the adoption of the Standard Response Protocol. This document outlines the uniform response to any incident. Weather events, fires, accidents, intruders and other threats to student safety are scenarios that are planned and trained for by school and district administration and staff. The protocol is based not on individual scenarios but on the response to the situation.

FISD Director of Technology Darla Hutchins presented an update on the current phone system in use in the district. They will submit public bids for a replacement system.

Hutchins also advised them Trustees on the current plan to continue offering iPads for student use. The trustees tabled the issue until more information could be gathered.

Chapter 21 contracts for Randy Johnson, Lindsay Subealdea, Roberta Johnson, Kay O'Brian and new school nurse Teresa Chavarria were approved. Contract extensions were approved for FISD Business Manager Dianna Wright and Director of Technology Darla Hutchins.

The board went into closed session after discussing a number of proposed summer proj-

The Trustees will meet again on Monday, May 8 at 7 p.m. at the FISD administration building at 909 E. 11th. All meeting are open to the public and the community is encouraged to at-

Sales Tax Holiday on Emergency **Preparation Supplies April 22-24**

With the potential for severe weather approaching this spring, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar reminds Texans they can purchase certain items tax free during the state's sales tax holiday for emergency preparation supplies, April 22-24. "Unfortunately, we can't predict when the next fire, flood or tor-

holiday helps Texans save money while stocking up for emergency situations before they happen." There's no limit on the number of qualifying items you can purchase. These include: batteries, fuel containers and flashlights priced

nado may strike," Hegar said. "But we can be prepared, and this tax

at less than \$75; hurricane shutters and emergency ladders priced at less than \$300; and portable generators priced at less than \$3,000. Purchases that do not qualify include: batteries for automobiles,

boats and other motorized vehicles; camping stoves and camping

supplies; chainsaws; plywood; extension ladders and stepladders; and tents. A list of emergency preparation supplies that may be purchased tax free can be found on the Comptroller's website.

The Comptroller's office estimates shoppers will save \$1.5 million in state and local sales taxes during the tax holiday, approved by lawmakers during the 2015 Texas Legislature.

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We were informed by the state being made. More to come! that the City of Friona would not Judge Campbell had 83 new be receiving funding needed to cases in March. There were purchase an ambulance through 32 trial-by-judge cases that the Governor's Extraordinary pled guilty and four cases dis-Emergency Fund. The state did missed. Total fines collected not agree with the city that this were \$8,784.65 and court cost warranted an emergency situaequaled \$3,221.84. tion. The ambulance committee EMS had 20 runs in March. members attended the city coun-There were seven calls for 9-1-1, cil meeting and expressed that nine calls for transfers and four they would like to begin raiscalls resulted in "no transport". ing money to purchase an am-Payments collected \$12,215.02 bulance in the future. Members and billing totaled \$24,985.68. of the committee in attendance Volunteer Fire Department rewere Kitty Gallman, Sharon sponded to one call this month.

On March 5, there was a fire at Carniceria Hernandez Restaurant. Responding to the fire, were 19 firemen and nine trucks.

The city pumped 16,202,300 gallons of water in March and sold 11,208,000 gallons. Payment collected totaled \$62,140.19 on 1430 accounts.

Chief Jimenez and the Friona Police Department officers responded to 279 calls. There were 139 stops, 82 warnings, 57 citations and 17 arrests. (3no drivers license, 2-driving while license suspended, 3-assault, 4-warrant arrests, 2-pos-

stance) The officers drove a total of 3773 miles patrolling and protecting our city.

by Ricky White

The library had 1,153 patrons visit in March, an average of 50 patrons daily. There were 258 new items added to inventory and 535 items discarded. The Friends Literary Raffle is going well. There are 11 baskets to be given away and you can win one of these baskets by purchasing a ticket for \$1. You can purchase tickets at the library. The drawing will be on April 23, 2017 at the Redeemer Center during the annual meeting. Everyone is welcome and invited to this

\$174,381.26 for March. All bills to be in good standing.

W.T. Services installed the phones and radios at the new Police Department. The DPS antenna needs to be moved and the new video cameras installed. Hopefully, by May, the Police Department will be able to move in. The city purchased another police vehicle. Officer Raul Martinez will receive the new vehicle and the Charger police

Your Mayor



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STAFF:

Happy anniversary to John & Kathryn Gurley (28 years) and Nathan & Crystal Moroney (12 years). Congratulations to these happily married couples.

We got a beautiful card and note from one of our longtime readers, Jocarrol Czeizinger. In it she wrote, "I still enjoy reading the Friona Star. About the people I knew when growing up in Friona, and about my cousins that live in Friona. Keep up the good work." Thank you Jocarrol.

FHS Baseball Coach Jesus Quiroz proudly announced that the Chiefs beat the River Road Wildcats 14-4 last Saturday. They won with a 3-run walk-off homerun in the bottom of the sixth hit by Chris Rodriguez. Way to go Chiefs!

Victory Family Worship Center will host "Easter EGG-STRAVAGANZA" on Saturday at the City Park. The community is invited to come out and enjoy free hot dogs at 1 p.m. and then

stay for the Easter egg hunt at 2 this week they will be hosting p.m.

First United Methodist Church invites the community to celebrate Easter with them. They will hold Maundy Thursday Service April 13 at 7 p.m. in the church sanctuary. On Sunday, they will hold Easter Sonrise Services at 7:30 a.m. in front of the church followed by breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Easter Services will be held at 11 a.m. in the sanctuary followed by an Easter egg hunt on the church grounds. If you are bringing eggs, please bring them to the church office this week or before the 11 a.m. service.

Victory Family Worship Center will host "The Road To Redemption" on Friday, April 14 at 7:30 p.m. at 110 E. 9th St. This is a Good Friday experience which is an unforgettable, high impact, fast paced multimedia video production. The public is invited to attend this event.

The Chamber announced a "Miss Friona Pageant Workshop" at the City Park Depot Saturday, April 22 at noon. All young ladies who will be a Sophomore, Junior or Senior enrolled in Friona High School or in a sanctioned Homeschool Program, for the 2017-18 school year are invited to attend. They will serve lunch at this informative workshop. They will learn beauty tips on how to sit, walk, talk and look like a model. They will also learn self-confidence. To stay up to date go to the Miss Friona Pageant 7 Little Miss Facebook Group Page or call the Chamber office at (806) 250-

The City of Friona is looking for people to join the EMS team. There is a shortage of qualified EMS employees. City Manager Patricia Phipps said they need ten people to sign up before a course can be set up in Muleshoe. If you are interested in becoming a part of this team, call City Hall at (806) 250-2761. Check out the classified ad for

the EMS on page 7.

The Ambulance Project Committee will be announcing soon where and how the public can donate to the purchase of a new ambulance for Friona.

PLAN AHEAD: The Parmer County Sheriff's Office announced the 2017 National Night Out will be Tuesday, October 3 from 6-8 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center in Farwell. This event keeps growing each year and features not only the Sheriff's Office but law enforcement officials throughout the county and surrounding counties. They also showcase all the county fire departments and EMS services. There will be hamburgers, music and numerous booths. Booths are available by calling the Tanya Hunn at the Sheriff's office at (806) 481-

If you are making long-range plans for fun, you might think about going to the 8th Annual Canadian River Music Festival in Canadian on May 13. You will have a fun-filled day of great music and family activities. This year's festival will feature William Clark Green, Blackhawk, Jason Boland & the Stragglers, Flatland Calvary, Rob Baird,

Red Shahan, Cody Sparks Band, Dykes passing away on Monand Hillbilly Stu. For more information email Kate Estrada at canadianrivermusicfestival@

The Spring Tea & Fashion Show will be held at Milk House Market on May 7 at 2 p.m. this is hosted by Friona Chamber of Commerce and will be featuring fashions from Creative Chaos, Ivy Cottage and Milk House Market. Everyone is asked to bring their favorite finger-desserts. Contact the chamber or Crystal Moroney for more infor-

AirMedCare membership enrollment forms are still available at the Chamber office. Membership is only \$55/\$65 per year for your entire household. For more information call 1-800-793-0010 or go to www.AirMed-CareNetwork.com.

The Chamber has two new board members and two new chamber members. New board members are Sergio Mendez with AgriLife Extension and Rev. Joe Schulte with Union Congregational Church. New member are Glenn and Carolyn

day. I met him a few years ago. He was at the visiting the Ford house in Lamesa and I was servicing their first aid kit and eyewash station. He was a very nice and approachable person. He will be missed.

Santa, the scissor sharpening man, will be at Malouf's Fabrics on Thursday, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. So get your scissors, knives, rotary blades, pinking shears, etc. rounded up and take them down to Malouf's for sharpening.

ENMU reported that five Friona and Bovina students were among 300 students that participated in the Eastern in Action (EIA) program on April 1. EIA allows students to give back to the Portales community through volunteer work. Students from this area were Alexis Alvarado, Adrian Munoz, Adilene Adame, Esmeralda Hernandez and Justin

Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. I hated to hear about Spike Dream. Discover.---Mark Twain

Texas Businesses

April 17 is Deadline for Filing Property Tax Renditions

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar reminds business owners that April 17 is the deadline for filing property tax renditions with their county appraisal districts. A rendition is a list of the taxable inventory, furniture and fixtures, machinery, equipment and other property owned or managed as of Jan. 1 of each year. The appraisal district may use the information to set property values.

Rendition allows property owners to record their opinion of their property's value and ensures the appraisal district notifies them before changing its recorded value. Exempt property, such as church property and equipment used for farming, is not subject to rendition.

Hegar also reminds owners whose property was damaged by storm, flood or fire last year that they may file a special decreased-value report that could lower their final tax bills for 2017. Property owners have until April 17 to file the decreasedvalue report, which indicates their property's condition on Jan. 1, 2017.

Rendition forms and de-

creased-value report forms are available from county appraisal district offices statewide, and can be downloaded from the Comptroller's property tax forms web page.

For more information about property rendition, deadline extensions, penalties and rendition forms, taxpayers may contact the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division at 800-252-9121 (press 2 to access the menu and then press 1 to contact the Information Services Team) or visit comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax.



Library Corner By Darla Bracken

The Blessing of Joy

ginnings, when the earth awak- hunt. We all felt very welcome. grasses, garden designs, making ens from its long winter's nap, we were blessed to see the pure joy that children can bring. Our annual Easter Egg Hunt at Prairie Acres provides some special moments of joy. The excitement of the children and the happiness of the residents as they watch them finding the eggs as if for the very first time. The residents had been very busy the day before coloring the dozens and dozens of real eggs for the children. This activity has long been a favorite since 1980 or so. In 2000, Heritage Estates Residents joined in the activity so there are always multitudes of eggs.

We do not have as many children as we used to have since we share time with other activities in the community, but we always have enough to have fun. This year our special guests included a baby girl on her very first Easter Egg Hunt (younger brothers and sisters of the Story Time children are always welcome.)

The residents come out onto the patio, if it is warm enough, to see them up close and the children are so sweet and gracious sharing their joy of finding a basketful of eggs with the seniors. We usually read a story first just to give everyone time to arrive—this year the selection was a lift-the-flap book about Peter Cottontail and his busy day preparing for just such a hunt as ours. In fact, he made an appearance in costume to the delight of all those present young and old!

When all the eggs have been found, it is time for a little rest and a snack, furnished by Prairie Acres and another chance for both age groups to visit a little bit more. This is a timeless favorite for the library's preschool children. Dana Jameson from the Star took some great photographs of these special moments that you can see in the newspaper and on Facebook.

Thank you to all the residents and staff at Prairie Acres and Heritage Estates who work hard to have the grounds looking nice

a relatively new area of the li-scented containers: great ideas brary that is the result of a partnership with Bluebonnet Home worker, Rhonda Sanders. We strive to present a collection of guidebooks for the caregivers in our community. Rhonda also provides a wellness meeting the last Friday of each month at 2 PM at Heritage Estates and Coffee Break for Caregivers the first Friday of each month at 9:30 AM at First National Bank, Friona Banking Center. Please call Bluebonnet 247-0057 if you need more information, and please know that you are welcome. Recent additions include Meditations for Caregivers: practical, emotional and spiritual support for you and your family, Someone cut up my quilt: a caregiver's journey with Alzheimer's by Campbell and the Caregiving Season.

Our display case in the west wing highlights gardening for all you green thumbs out there: Reader's Digest 1,519 all-natural, all-amazing, gardening secrets: expert tips for gardens and yards of all sizes; 20 best small gardens; Organic Garden Book: complete guide to growing flowers, fruit and vegetables naturally; New self-sufficient gardener; Perennial All-Stars: the 150 Best Perennials for great-looking, trouble-free gardens; Water smart gardening: save water, save money and grow the garden you want; Vines and groundcovers; Gardening with Rock and Water: the practical guide to design plants and features with over 800 step-by-step photographs and inspirational plans; Complete guide to water gardens, ponds and fountains; Lasagna gardening with herbs: enjoy fresh flavor, fragrance and beauty with no digging, no tilling, no weeding-no kidding; Lasagna gardening for small spaces: a layering system for big results in small gardens and containers;

During this week of new be- and to prepare the eggs for the Landscaping with ornamental Caregiver Resource Shelf is lawns, meadows and borders; for year round fragrance.

> Wish you could see them...it Health and Hospice's social is why I included the sub-titles. Books bring blessings also.

> Loved my conversation with informational and inspirational Elementary Reading teacher Lisa Reed this week.

> > Easter Blessings to you and

Friona Flashbacks



*A record crowd of 1,100 people attended the "Teacher Appreciation" program in Friona Monday night, which featured Art Linkletter as the principal speaker.

It was the largest crowd to date for a function in the new Showbarn-Community Center, and the program was very well received by all attending. "I never thought I'd get to see

Art Linkletter in person, without having to leave Friona," commented one old-timer following the program.

*District Champs...Friona

ary meet last Saturday at Littlefield. Qualifying for regional Mays, Patti Crump, Linda An-Land, Carol Bavousett, Phillip Jarboe.

*An "average" turnout of 421 voters re-elected the two incum- by Vice President Truman. bents, Wesley Barnett and Ron-

the district title in the UIL liter- annual Friona School Board election last Saturday.

*April 13, 1945...President were Bryan Johnston, Hope Roosevelt died shortly after 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon, acthony, Pam Veazey, Ronald cording to radio broadcsts. He died at Warm Springs, Georgia. Duggins, Pattijon Talley, Gary Early details were brief and no Stone, Charles Fleming, Jeanine immediate comments were made Jarboe, David Whitaker, Phillip by military authorities. Elected Hand, Mark Edelmon and Jay in 1932, Mr. Roosevelt has since served his country continually as president. He will be succeeded

*Carolyn Murphree, sophoald Smiley, and elected Floyd more music major at Wayland Baptist College, will appear with the "Spirit of America Singers" in "Kaleidoscope '75," a fully costumed, choreographed and lighted musical production at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 17 in Harrel Auditorium. Proceeds from the show will help finance the choir's European tour next

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AgriLife Extension Agent Sergio Mendez delivered pallet of water donated by Clint Hurst at Parmer County Implement to the Fire Relief in Pampa March 16 & 17.

Pre-K Registration Apr. 17-21

Friona Primary Principal Ashley Smith announced recently they will hold the 2017-2018 Pre-K and new student registration April 17-21 at the Primary School from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day except on Thursday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Students who will be 4 years of age on or before September 1, 2017 or will be new to Friona Primary for the upcoming school year are welcome to register at this time.

Parents are reminded to bring their child's shot record, birth certificate, social security card, parent/guardian identification, W-2/proof of income, Medicaid card and proof of residency.

The proof of residency must be from the approved list which includes: Xcel Energy statement; Atmos Energy statement; Deaf Smith Energy statement; West Texas Gas statement; City Water statement; Rent/lease receipt on company letterhead; or Direct TV, Cable, etc.

Proof of Residency must be in the parent's or legal guardian's name, must display the physical address, and must be dated the current month or one month prior.

Non-acceptable proof of residency are the following: telephone statement, title to land, property tax statement, driver's license, Medicaid, disconnect notices, unprinted/handwritten/general purpose rent/lease receipts, Texas Department of Human Services records, telephone book addresses, library cards, car insurance, P.O. Boxes or routes, or mortgage statement.

Presenting a false record or falsifying records is an offense under Section 37.10. of the Penal Code and enrollment of a child under false documents subjects the person to liability for tuition or other costs. (TEC Sec. 25.002

Arts and Drama Academy at ENMU

The Department of Theatre and Digital Filmmaking in Eastern New Mexico University's College of Fine Arts is hosting a Theatre Arts and Drama Academy for high school and junior high students in June.

High school students will stay, eat and learn on campus from June 18-22. There will be a day camp for junior high students from June

The cost is \$250 for resident campers, which includes housing and meals, \$220 for commuters, which includes meals, and \$195 for junior high students, which includes lunches.

Patrick McCreary, academy founder and lead teacher, has spent 42 years in the entertainment industry, internationally, onstage, in television and on film. He is an equity actor, director, producer, playwright, choreographer, designer, singer and stage combatant. He holds a B.A. and an M.F.A. in theatre, including 15 years of college teaching.

Registration and detailed information is at www.enmu.edu/theatrecamp for registration information.

For more information, call McCreary at 575-562-2720, or email onelincoln@icloud.com.

Sheriff's Report

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office:

April 8, 2017

Jerry Ruiz, 39, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of driving while license invalid. The case is pending in County Court.

April 9, 2017

Sebastian Ortiz, 18, of Friona, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of failure to identify. The case is pending in County

FLiP Lesson 29 Word List

1.	awe (n.)	fear; dread; amazement; wonder
2.	corrupt (adj.)	tarnished; evil; rotten
3.	disposition (n.)	a natural tendency or prevailing mood
4.	illustrious (adj.)	famous
5.	papist (n.)	a supporter of the pope
6.	redeem (v.)	to make amends or act to win forgiveness; to save from sin
7.	repress (v.)	to quell; to restrain heavily; to keep down by force
8.	stern (adj.)	severe; unrelenting in appearance and manner; humorless
9.	taint (n.)	stain; bare suggestion of sin and corruption; imperfection
10.	vie (n.)	to attempt; to strive; to compete



Courthouse Notes

Warranty deeds are reported by the County Clerk's Office from the week of March 30 through April 5, 2017:

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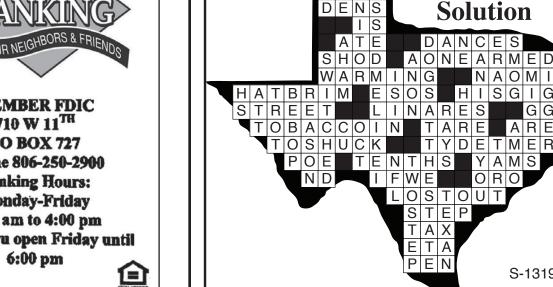
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An Easter Question

BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Then what shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" was the question that rang out across the crowd one dreadful morning in Jerusalem two thousand years ago. Pilate, the Roman governor, had yet his indecision allowed Christ's fate to the cross to be sealed by his detractors who were shouting, "Let him be crucified!" (Matthew 27:22-23).

Although Pilate's question that day allowed the crowd to sway his decision toward crucifixion, that question still rings through the ages, and is one that will be answered by all. Your answer to this question is the most important answer you will ever give, as it will determine your eternal fate. Those who answer with indifference, apathy, or hatred toward Jesus, refuse His loving offer of salvation from sin and peace within, and will endure regret and punishment for all of eternity separated from God in hell. Those who answer the question by saying, "I will follow Jesus," will experience forgiveness of sin, and have a wonderful future with God to look ahead to. Jesus came and actions. to our broken and sinful world, lived a perfect life, died a death you deserved, then rose from the grave and offers salvation to all who would call on His name. Wherever you are, whatever you have done Jesus will welcome you with open arms when you repent of your sin and selfishness and trust in Him alone to save you.

You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

Isaiah 55:12, NIV

FUMC Holy Week plans

The community is invited to attend First United Methodist Church Holy Week activities. Activities will include:

Thursday, April 13-Maundy Thursday Services in the church sanc-

Sunday, April 16-Easter Sonrise Services at 7:30 a.m. in from of 11 a.m.

the church followed by breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Sunday, April 16-Easter services at 11 a.m. in the sanctuary followed by an Easter egg hunt on the church grounds.

Why Church?

By TEENA HUGHS

Last week, I wrote about getting people to attend church. So, why do people need church?

I know people who don't feel like they need church. They beone man's life hanging in the balance between death and deliverance, lieve in God, but they don't like organized religion (denominations); they have seen the way people conduct business and how they act in church, and the two don't go together (hypocrites); they believe they experience God by working and living in His creation.

I am a person who NEEDS church, and I need to be involved in church! I need the structure church provides, because I find it hard to study and learn on my own. Sunday school, Bible study and sermons fill a huge part of that need for me.

I need community, fellowship, and accountability church provides. need friends in my life. I need people to help me in my time of need, but I also need to help others in their time of need. I need to be reminded of how I am supposed to live my life, and being involved in church and its leadership helps hold me accountable for my words

I need the church to remind me who Jesus is. He is unconditional love, and He loves each and every one of us, faults and all. People may use hypocrisy as an excuse for not attending church, but Jesus has told us to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. Who knows? The love we show someone may be the very thing God uses to change that person.

I need God. If it weren't for church, I would have missed out on so many opportunities to get to know Jesus and experience Him through His Word and music, through Holy Communion, baptisms, seeing people give, seeing people grow in Him; and oftentimes, if it weren't for church, I would never have the time to spend with Him because life is so busy.

We all have our reasons for needing/not needing church. Unless people go to church, they won't know if they need it or not, so may we continue to pray and invite people to church.

UCC Easter season services

The Palm Sunday service will be April 9 at 11 a.m. This service

The Maundy Thursday Service will be on April 13 at the Congregational Church Fellowship Hall with a simple supper of soup around the table beginning at 6 p.m. The service of Tenebrae will By JEFF PROCTER, Minister, 6th Street Church of Christ

Their Easter Service will be celebrated on April 16 beginning at

The community is invited to meet the new minister, Rev. Joe Schulte, and his wife, Beth, and celebrate the Easter Season at Union

The Union Congregational Church of Friona will have three spe-

cial services preparing for and celebrating the Easter Season.

will include Liturgy of the Palms and Liturgy of the Passion.

begin at 7 p.m.

Congregational Church, 1601 N. Euclid.

Too few chilling hours could affect Texas fruit crop

By Adam Russell

Warm winter weather could mean too few chill hours for much of the state's fruit production areas, said Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Ser-

Fruit trees, such as peaches and apples, depend on cool weather in the winter to promote proper physiological growth in the spring, said Dr. Larry Stein, AgriLife Extension horticulturist, Uvalde. If plants don't receive the required number of chill hours, the plants are slow to leaf out and this typically leads to poorly developed fruit or no fruit at all. Multiple seasons of inadequate chill hours can kill plants.

Damp, cloudy conditions and temperatures between 32-45 degrees are ideal for accruing chill hours, Stein said.

Chill hours begin to add up after the first freeze each fall, he said. Trees go dormant for the winter, but chill hours promote hormones that dilute growth inhibitors throughout the winter and prepare the plant to break dormancy and promote growth, bloom and set fruit.

But this winter has been one of the warmest on record and has experts and producers concerned the lack of chill hours could impact the state's fruit crops, especially peaches.

"Fruit trees need sufficient chill hours," he said. "The lack of chill hours is a big deal."

The lack of chill hours around the state has confused plants, Stein said, because growth inhibitors remain and are holding the trees back physiologically.

"Hormones in the buds are telling trees to remain dormant because the inhibitors are still there," he said. "Bloom has been delayed. Fruit set is erratic at best. Some fruit sets look like they may abort."

Jim Kamas, AgriLife Extension horticulturist in Fredericksburg, said

it was the warmest winter in Central Texas he can remember in 22 growing seasons. And local news reports noted this winter was the warmest in Central Texas since 1906.

Most peach trees in the Fredericksburg area need 800-850 chilling hours to break dormancy and set fruit properly, Kamas said. The area received 525 chill hours this year.

"The trees look like it's still winter," he said. "Leaves are still slow to

Some producers applied BudPro, a growth regulator that replaces winter chill and induces uniform bud break, to help fruit trees along.

"It helps speed up the termination of dormancy as if flower buds were exposed to chilling and fully differentiated," Kamas said. "But it's still stressful on plants and we're waiting to see how they perform. Insufficient chilling can detract from the size and shape of the fruit."

Kamas said fruit with low chillhour requirements, including some peach varieties, could perform well, though he said bloom and ripening times will be out of normal sequence.

Peach producers should know the extent of the damage within the next few weeks Kamas said. They will be cutting open fruit to see if viable seeds have formed.

Other fruits like grapes and blackberries, depending on the variety, were not affected by the warmer ries were being harvested and appeared to be fine. However, he said more susceptible to lack of chilling than peaches.

are hit or miss because they bud so early and typically face a freeze," could be their year."

OBITUARY

Rodney Ortiz

Rodney Ortiz, 46, of Eagle Lake, Texas, died April 1, 2017 in Houston. Rodney was born June 1, 1970 in Friona, Texas to Antonio and Olivia Horta Ortiz.

Rodney graduated Friona High School class of 1988. He then went on to become a welder.

Rodney was preceded in death by his father, Antonio Gonzales Ortiz, and mother, Olivia Horta Ortiz, as well as a stepson, Ricky

Survivors include his wife Ruby Estrada; son, Paul Anthony Valdez, of Corpus Christie, Texas; grandchildren, Paul Anthony Ortiz, Jr. and Ricky Louis Ortiz: stepchildren, Becky Alvarez and Steven Saenz; brothers, Paul A. Boling, Randy Ortiz and Patricia, of San Antonio; Missy Ortiz, of Friona, and Elpidio Gonzalez the direction of Wharton Funeral and Dinora of Friona; as well as Home. Condolences may be left numerous nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial was



Ortiz, Sr. and wife Bianca Ynacia celebrated on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church. Rite of Christian Burial followed in Evergreen Memorial Park. Serving as pallbearers were Jeremy Or-Ortiz and Norma, of Clovis, New tiz, R.J. Sanchez, David Horta, Mexico, Joe Ortiz and Connie, of David Ramirez, Robby Sanchez, and Dustin Ortiz.

> Funeral services were under at www.whartonfuneralhome.



Panhandle Parables

When Hope Is Empty

The word empty, does not often fill one with hope. (No pun in-

When traveling down the road and you look down to see the fuel gauge nearing empty it is not good news. Of course, right now, even filling it up is not good news either with gas prices climbing, as if,

When sitting at the table and the management of food vs. drink leaves you with an empty glass and one more bite, it is not good

When the last child leaves home and the nest is empty, there is a little sadness.

No one usually brags coming home from a fishing trip, "empty

I am sure I could go on for a while depressing you with one empty story after another. In fact, some may already be saying, "Ok Jeff, I got it, empty is bad..."

So when is empty ever good.

Is there anything in history that could redefine the word empty that would inspire hope?

One Sunday morning some twenty centuries ago, a tomb was found empty, and in an instance, eternal hope was born. This was not just any empty tomb, but the tomb of Jesus the Christ. I can only conditions, Kamas said. Strawber- imagine the thoughts of the ladies showing up to hear an angel say, "He is not here, He has risen."

I am sure there were many thoughts dealing with the how's and it could be a tough year for apple why's, but the fact remained the tomb was empty and that would orchards because the fruit trees are forever give the term new meaning.

Hope! There are few things in this world that carry the power of hope. Hope gives purpose. Hope fills us. Hope came and empty "Usually low chill hour varieties turned out to be good news. Jesus is ALIVE!

I still don't like the fuel gauge getting to "E", but it now serves as a gentle reminder that there is one great thing found empty worth Kamas said. "But this looks like it celebrating, and that gives me hope.--Jeff

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FCCLA MEDALS AT REGION 1 MEETING...FCCLA members competed in the Family and Consumer Science Assessment (FCSA) at the Region 1 meeting held in Lubbock February 24-25. The six students winning gold medals were Rosa Macias, Jasmin Salas, Lupita Hernandez, Alexa Garcia, Ashley Soltero and Vivianna Rivera. The four students winning silver medals were Lupe Macias, Allison Soltero, Kimberly Lozoya and Alexsia Amaya. Winning bronze medals were Sandra Gonzalez, Brenda Jaramillo, Ivette Ramon, Rickie Castillo and Natali Godinez. The gold and silver medal winners traveled to Dallas to compete in the State **Leadership Conference April 6-8.**



The FFA CDE (Career Development Event) Judging teams competed at the Tarleton Invitational CDE on Thursday, April 6. Pictured are, I-r, Edwin Garcia, Jesse Delgadillo, Zeus Zamudio, Moses Chavez, Tristan Stormes, Reagan Stowers, Cason Drake, Jose Rodriguez, Brandon Douglas, Gabbie Trevino, Gabbi Douglas, Kaylop Villalobos, Bryce Bunker, Seth Murphree, and Hadley White.



Taylor and Graci Stallings advanced to the State UIL Academic Contest to be held on April 21 in Austin on the University of Texas Campus. Taylor, right, placed 3rd in Editorial Writing and Graci, left, placed 2nd in Headline Writing at the Regional contest held in Abilene on April 8. "I am so very proud of these remarkable young ladies as well as their entire team," stated Allison Johnston, FHS Journalism coach.



School Menu April 17-21

sausage stick, fruit punch juice, lapplesauce, milk.

Lunch: Chicken patty, roll, fresh tomatoes, mashed potatoes, pears, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast: Cereal, Holland burrito, orange pineapple juice, apples, milk.

Lunch: Corn dog, Doritos, Icorn, green beans, Mandarin oranges, milk.

Wednesday

Breakfast: Cereal, grape Ijuice, banana, milk.

Cheeseburger. French oven potatoes, cheese brocolli, mixed fruit, milk.

Thursday

Breakfast: Cereal, sausage pizza, orange juice, diced peaches, milk.

■ Lunch: Cheese quesadilla, ■ Imixed California veggies, carrots, strawberries & bananas, milk.

<u>Friday</u>

Breakfast: Cereal, donuts,

pple juice, pears, milk. Lunch: Cheese enchiladas, lettuce & tomato salad, Ranch Style beans, fruit salad, milk.



Brandon Douglas will represent the FHS Golf Team at the regional tournament on April 24-25 at Shady Oaks Golf Course in Abilene. Douglas scored a total of 173 after two rounds in district competition to qualify as a medalist. Way to go Brandon!

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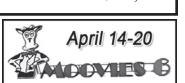
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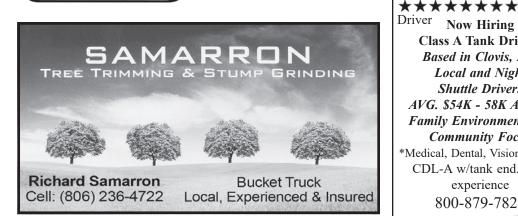
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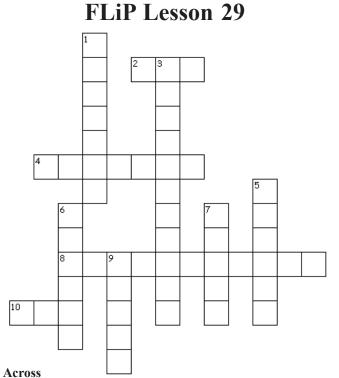
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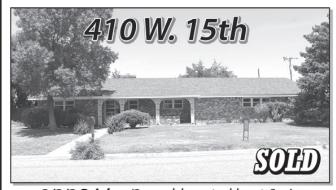
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FHS track compete in District 2-3A meet in Lubbock

Friona High School Varsity and Junior Varsity Boys' and Girls' track teams competed in the District 2-3A Track meet held at Lubbock Cooper High School Wednesday, April 5.

The Varsity Girls' team placed 5th in overall scores. The results are as follows: 100 Meter Dash Premilinaries: 5th, Anay Chihuahua, 13.59; 15th, Bailey Pope, 14.65.

100 Meter Dash Finals: 3rd, Anay Chihuahua, 13:10.

200 Meter Dash Preliminaries: 8th, Anay Chihuahua, 28.28.

200 Meter Dash Finals: 8th, Anay Chihuahua, 28.44.

400 Meter Dash Preliminaries: 4th, Anay Chihuahua, 1:06.69; 9th, Emma Rector, 1:09.76.

400 Meter Dash Finals: 3rd, Anay Chihuahua, 1:04.77.

1600 Meter Run Finals: 7th, Jackie

Legaretta, 6:07.74. 3200 Meter Run Finals: 2nd, Jackie

Legaretta, 13:18.20. 100 Meter Hurdles Preliminaries: 7th,

Carly Drake, 19.16; 9th, Rickie Castillo, 19.95.

100 Meter Hurdles Finals: 7th, Carly Drake, 19.70.

300 Meter Hurldles Preliminaries: 9th, Carly Drake, 57.38.

4X100 Meter Relay: 7th, Friona A (Sandra Gonzales, Nastassia Luna, Emma

Rector, Rickie Castillo), 54.45.

4X200 Meter Relay: 7th, Friona A (Sandra Gonzales, Nastassia Luna, Rickie Castillo, Vivianna Rivera), 1:56.06.

4X400 Meter Relay: 6th, Friona A (Sandra Gonzales, Nastassia Luna, Emma Rector, Vivianna Rivera), 4:31.05.

High Jump: 2nd, Kim DeWit, 4'10. Pole Vault: 4th, Rickie Castillo, 6'6". Shot Put: 2nd, Paige Upton, 33' 5"; 9th, Adrianna Ortiz, 29' 5 1/4"; 10th, Marilena

Viernes, 28' 9 1/4". Discus Throw: 5th, Paige Upton, 100' 6"; 8th, Marilena Viernes, 87' 9"; 9th

Adrianna Ortiz, 83' 2". The Junior Varsity Girls' team placed

4th in overall scores. The results are as

100 Meter Dash Premilinaries: 11th, Maddie Sharrock, 14.78.

200 Meter Dash Preliminaries: 4th, Adaline White, 30.60.

200 Meter Dash Finals: 8th, Adaline White, 33.53.

400 Meter Dash Preliminaries: 13th, Valerie Ramirez, 1:33.26.

800 Meter Run Finals: 1st, Kylee Sifuentes, 2:49.01.

1600 Meter Run Finals: 1st Kylee Sifuentes, 6:21.44.

3200 Meter Run Finals: 1st Kylee Sifuentes, 13:56.05; 5th, Valerie Ramirez, 18:42.81.

100 Meter Hurdles Preliminaries: 7th,

Graci Stallings, 21.66; 10th, Danielle Trevino, 22.16.

100 Meter Hurdles Finals: 8th, Graci Stallings, 22.01. 300 Meter Hurdles Preliminaries: 8th,

Danielle Trevino, 1:02.66; 9th Graci Stallings, 1:05.43. 300 Meter Hurdles Finals: 8th, Danielle

Trevino, 1:02.92.

4X100 Meter Relay Finals: 3rd, Friona A (Maddie Sharrock, Lizbeth Rojas, Mariah Rivera, Adaline White), 57.84.

4X200 Meter Relay Finals: 4th, Friona A (Maddie Sharrock, Mariah Rivera, Lizbeth Rojas, Adaline White), 2:03.53.

4X400 Meter Relay Finals: 5th, Friona A (Danielle Trevino, Lizbeth Rojas, Graci Stallings, Mariah Rivera), 5:16.55.

Long Jump Finals: 3rd, Graci Stallings, 13' 3".

Triple Jump Finals: 5th, Lizbeth Rojas,

Shot Put Finals: 1st, Jace Trevino, 32'

Discus Throw Finals: 2nd, Jace Trevino, The Varsity Boys' track team placed

8th in the overall standings. The results are as follows: 100 Meter Dash Preliminaries: 4th, Sal-

100 Meter Dash Finals: 4th Salvador Santiago, 11.70.

vador Santiago, 11.72; 9th, AJ Mendoza,

200 Meter Dash Preliminaries: 11th, Jonathan Hernandez, 24.58; 16th, Rodrigo Munoz, 25.10.

200 Meter Dash Preliminaries: 10th, Omar Estrada, 58.10; 11th, Rogelio Palacios, 58.28; 14th, Michael Valdez, 59.88.

800 Meter Run Finals: 5th, Alvaro Gardea, 2:05.77; 14th, Michael Valdez, 2:32.07.

1600 Meter Run Finals: 7th, Alvaro Gardea, 5:06.77.

3200 Meter Run Finals: 4th, Alvaro Gardea, 11:20.00.

110 Meter Hurdles Preliminaries: 3rd, Angel Hernandez, 17.00; 3rd, Marin Santiago, 17.00.

110 Meter Hurdles Finals: 6th, Marin Santiago, 18.60; 7th, Angel Hernandez, 22.73.

300 Meter Hurdles Prelimaries: 9th, Angel Hernandez, 53.38.

4X100 Meter Relay Finals: 8th, Friona A (Salvador Santiago, Marco Monreal, AJ Mendoza, Jonathan Hernandez), 46.52.

4X200 Meter Relay Finals: 8th, Friona

A (Salvador Santiago, Marco Monreal, Omar Estrada, Rogelio Palacios), 3:45.55. Shot Put Finals: 7th, Erick Prieto, 38' 9

3/4"; 10th, Cason Drake, 35' 8 ½"; 13th, Sterling Osborn, 33' 3". Discus Throw Finals: 4th, Erick Prieto, 119' 7"; 8th, Cason Drake, 107' 1"; 10th

Sterling Osborn, 102' 4".

The Junior Varsity Boys' track team millo, 106'9".

placed 8th in overall standings. The results are as follows:

100 Meter Dash Preliminaries: 13th, Jesus Jaramillo, 12.96; 20th, Drew Montana, 13.67; 22nd, Andrew Cigarroa, 14.65.

200 Meter Dash Preliminaries: 6th, Jonathan Torres, 25.36; 19th, Omar Garcia, 26.92.

200 Meter Dash Finals: 7th, Jonathan Torres, 25.29.

400 Meter Dash Preliminaries: 12th, Cody DeWit, 1:04.62.

800 Meter Run Finals: 11th, Eduardo Chavez, 2:27.18.

100 Meter Hurdles Preliminaries: 10th, Jesus Torres, 20.44.

300 Meter Hurdles, Preliminaries: 9th, Antony Padilla, 51.40.

4X100 Meter Relay Finals: 7th, Friona A (Jesus Jaramillo, Jonathan Torres, Alex

Santiago, Nathan Flores), 50.76. 4X200 Meter Relay Finals: 7th, Friona A (Jonathan Barrios, Eduardo Chavez,

Alex Santiago, Nathan Flores), 1:45.20. 4X400 Meter Relay Finals: 7th, Friona A (Jonathan Barrios, Cody DeWit, Alex

Santiago, Eduardo Chavez), 4:07.45.

Pole Vault Finals: 6th, Antony Padilla,

Shot Put Finals: 9th, Jesus Jaramillo, 32' 8"; 17th, Andrew Cigarroa, 30' 3 1/4"; 18th, Drew Montana, 30' 1 ½".

Discus Throw Finals: 3rd, Ariel Jara-

House Ag Committee Chairman Conaway wants next Farm Bill done right, on time **By Jim Steiert**

Mike Conaway, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, had an encouraging word for Parmer, Deaf Smith, and Castro

county farmers and ranchers and

their counterparts across Texas and the nation last week. "We're going to get the next Farm Bill done correctly and on time," Conaway vowed before an audience of cotton producers from the Panhandle and South Plains and representatives of various aspects of the cotton

ers, Inc. in Lubbock April 7. Well aware of one concern for virtually everyone in the room at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Banquet Hall, Conaway

industry during the 60th annual

meeting of Plains Cotton Grow-

repeated an important point twice—for effect. "We have got to get cotton back under Title 1 in the Farm Bill, period," he

Excluded from title 1 commodity policy in the 2014 Farm Bill, cotton is the only program that does not have any longterm price or revenue protection policy in the Farm Bill. Cotton producers have also sought to get cottonseed designated as a covered commodity and eligible for the Agriculture Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage programs, something that would tide cotton producers over until new farm law is put in place.

"You can't really call yourself an Agriculture Committee chairman until you've gotten a Farm Bill done. I hope to have a proposed Farm Bill on the House floor by the fourth quarter, or the first quarter of next year," he proclaimed.

Conaway emphasized that the 2014 Farm Bill—a policy of disappointing shortcomings for agriculture in Deaf Smith County and nationally, particularly for cotton producers who saw their fiber and seed excluded from Title 1 farm programs, shaved over \$100 billion in budget savings on the back of agriculture.

Amidst tough times on the farm and ranch, the Trump administration has now proposed chopping another \$4.7 billion—a 21 percent slash—from the agri-

"Agriculture has already given at the office when it comes to budget slashing—delivering more than four times the budget savings that were pledged with the 2014 Farm Bill. Sonny Perdue's nomination as Secretary of Agriculture will receive a full Senate vote on April 24, and given the proposed 21% cut in the agriculture budget, the sooner we can get him in the better. I think he's the right guy from an agriculture background to help the administration understand how tough times are in agriculture. I want to get the Farm Bill done on time," Conaway stressed.

Conaway says things are already happening in working toward the next Farm Bill, and feels that reforms to the Supplemental Nutrition (SNAP) program need to be done that can benefit recipients.

"Let's start with good policy. We have policy now that makes no sense—triggers are in place that mean you have to lose SNAP benefits if you get a little raise. People are trapped in the program—if they take steps to improve themselves they can lose important benefits, so they don't improve. Policy shouldn't penalize people for getting on their own two feet. We want people off the SNAP program because they have bettered themselves, not because of some trigger that makes no sense. It would be better to have only a short time we have to feed them because their situation improves," he said.

Conaway has no preference concerning whether the SNAP program remains with agriculture policy, or is split off, preferring agriculture policy that's workable for farmers and ranchers.

The Ag Committee chairman said listening sessions on farm policy will continue around the country so that local producers-rank and file farmers and ranchers, can be heard from.

"If you have wants for things in the Farm Bill, get your ideas to us now," he urged.

whether loved or hated, current farm policy is a good deal for the consumer every time.

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Mike Conaway, center, expressed his hope of being able to bring about a new Farm Bill that is done correctly, and on time, and said the House Intelligence Committee's investigation into alleged Russian interference in the 2016 election will move forward in a professional, bipartisan manner. Here, Representative Conaway visits with Paul Woodard of Lamesa, left, and Maureen Rush of Dora, New Mexico during the 60th annual meeting of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. in Lubbock.

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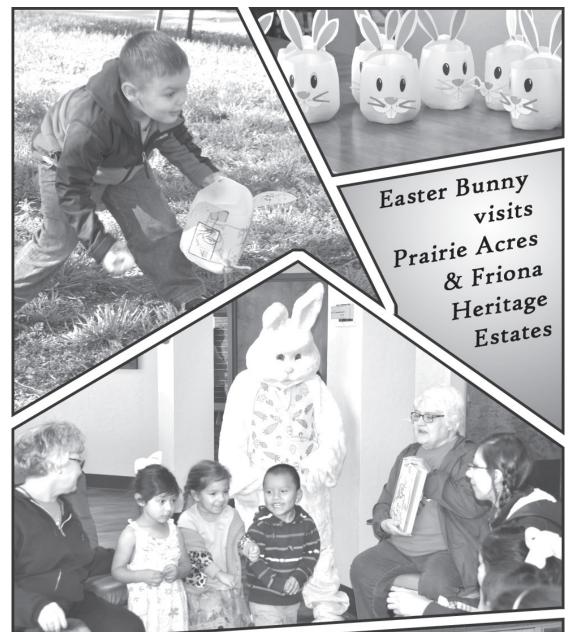
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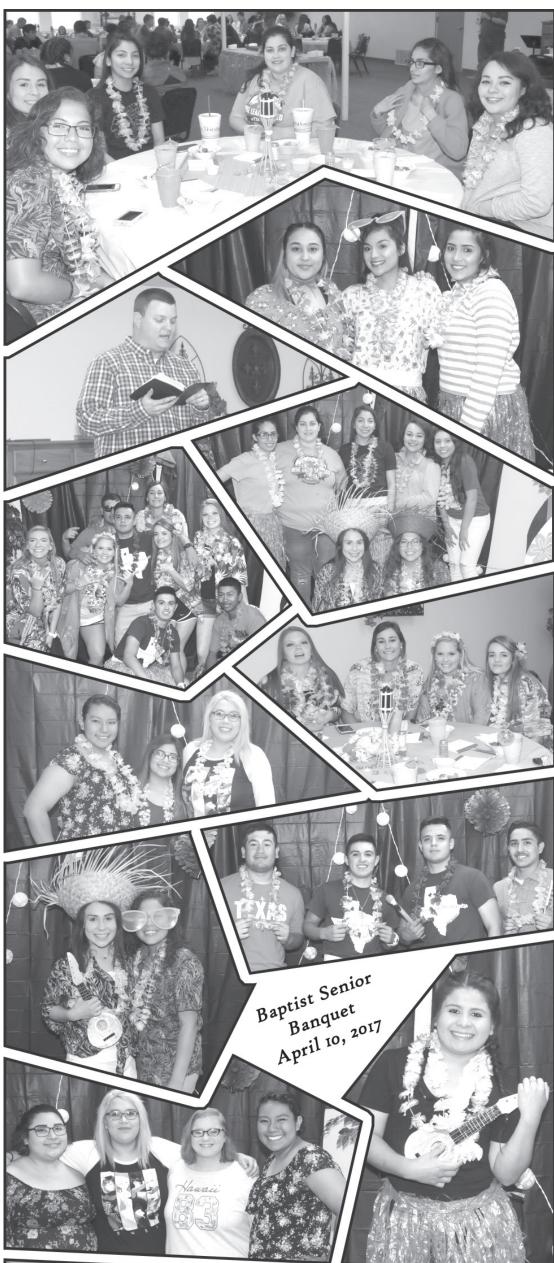
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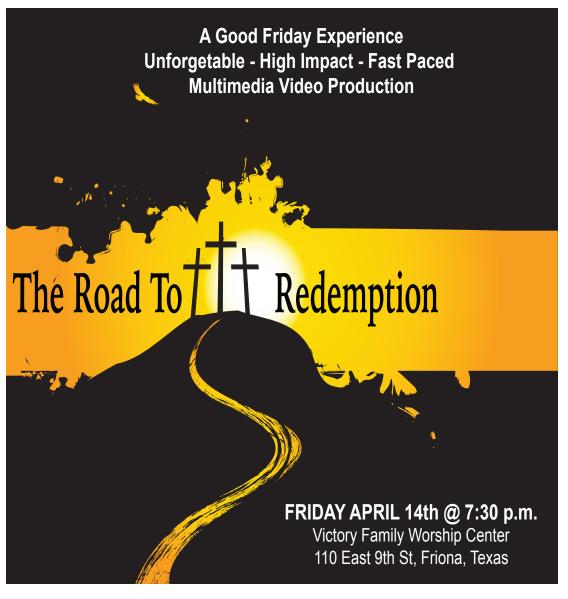












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