



Save the Dates

Tuesday, August 17th

Meet The Teacher

at Primary

& Elementary School

3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Community Open House

at New Primary School

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 18th

First Day of School



Ready or not there will be an open house at the new Primary School building on Tuesday. The photo above shows the south entrance to the building and the mural is midway down the hall and across from the library.



Bryan Chavira finds some "running room" during last week's two-a-day workouts. The special protective covering on the player's helmets is an added safety measure to help prevent injury during the preseason. The Chieftains scrimmage at Sundown on Friday, August 13th at 6:00 p.m. and will host Bushland for a scrimmage at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 19th.

City Council approves proposed tax rate

The Friona City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 9, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 619 Main in Friona, Texas. The meeting began with a roll call, an invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Council approved a proposed 2021 Tax Rate of \$0.6626 per \$100. Notice of the meeting to vote on the tax rate can be found on page 10.

Two requests by homeowners to encroach on easements were approved by the Council. Both requests had been submitted to the Planning & Zoning Commission for review and approval. The requests were then sent to the

Council for final approval.

A request by Jose Quinones and Angelica Lopez to receive city water at the prescribed rate was approved.

Approval was given to an interlocal contract with the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC) for project administration services regarding Friona's 2021 Texas Parks & Wildlife grant funded project.

A request by Friona residents regarding the paving of 7th and 8th Streets between Grand and Ashland was discussed. The City of Friona is developing a long-term plan to upgrade some of the 45 unpaved city blocks. However, the City must determine how to

finance the project and it would probably not go into effect for another 2-3 years. Currently it costs \$125,000 to pave a block.

Minutes of the July 12, 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved. The Accounts Payable for July 2021 and the Financial Statement for July 2021 were also approved.

All meetings are open to the public. The City Council reserves the right to go into Executive session at any time. Visit cityoffriona.com to find agendas and minutes from previous meetings. Information in this article is only a summary. Any questions concerning specific actions should be directed to the City Council.

Ag Association sells out (of pork)

The Friona Vocational Agriculture Association hosted a "Pulled Pork Lunch" fundraiser last Friday in the Vet Industries parking lot. They began at 11:00 a.m. and were sold out by 12:30 p.m. FVAA President Greg O'Brian said "We had a feeling by the amount of pre-sales that we would sell everything but we didn't realize it would go that fast." O'Brian emphasized, "We really appreciate our fundraiser customers! Their loyalty allows us to support 4-H, FFA, and FCCLA students and programs in our community."

The local ag group cooked 32 pork butts (close to 300 pounds)

which translated into 500 "pulled pork" sandwiches and 15 bags of pork available for purchase. Kim Kimbrough

used a family recipe for the potato salad and Tonia Abarca, Katie Gilley, and Porter Gilley joined in as part of the

serving crew. Plans are underway for smoked hams/turkeys for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.



(l-r) Mark Osborn, Keegan Hurst, Greg O'Brian, Clint Hurst, Greg Lewellen, Cade Hurst, Kody Kimbrough, Aaron Abarca, and Gabe Villareal

BE A HERO. DONATE BLOOD.

The Friona Noon Lions Club is sponsoring a Friona Community Blood Drive on Thursday, August 19th from Noon until 7:00 p.m. in the Calvary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall located at 1500 Cleveland. The blood supply in the panhandle is still critically low so please schedule an appointment today or make plans to be there on August 19th.

All donors will receive a Boots & Badges t-shirt and a \$10 bonus play card to Cinergy. The Noon Lions Club will cook hamburgers and dessert for all donors & workers.

To schedule an appointment, call 1-806-331-8833 or visit yourbloodinstitute.org. Walk-ins are always welcome.

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Friona Weather August 12-18	T 88 63 S 10-20	F 80 62 SSW 10-15	S 82 61 SW 5-10	S 84 61 SW 5-10	M 87 62 SSW 10-15	T 88 63 SSW 10-20	W 92 64 SSW 10-15	Precipitation August 0.00 Year 12.38	Burn Ban No
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Community Calendar

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

August 12

• Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center

August 13

• Snack Pak pickup from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church

August 16

• Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center
• Junior High Open House from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

August 17

• Meet the Teacher from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.
• Community Open House for Primary/Elementary from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

August 18

• First Day of School

August 19

• Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center

August 20

• Snack Pak pickup from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church

August 23

• Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center
• Meet the Chiefs & Squaws at Chieftain Field from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Class of 1971 Celebrates their 50th Reunion

The Friona High School Class of 1971 met for their 50th class reunion on Friday, August 6th - Sunday, August 8th at the Elegante Hotel in Lubbock. 26 classmates, their spouses & guests gathered for a weekend of fun & festivities. The weekend kicked

off on Friday afternoon with visiting in the hotel hospitality room followed by dinner at the Triple J Chophouse. Saturday activities included breakfast, a golf tournament at Shadow Hills golf course, lunch at Cook's Garage, wine tasting at McPherson Cel-

lars, a catered fajita buffet dinner & program in the hotel Heritage room. During the program 14 deceased classmates were honored. The weekend ended with everyone sharing breakfast before saying goodbye & agreeing to get together again soon.



Front row left to right: Dwayne Bauer, Pete Rando, Conrad Renner, David Carlton, Dale Schueler, Don Fortenberry, Donnie Lewellen, Rick Jennings, Mike Taylor & Wesley Clark.

Back row left to right: Bruce Fite, Dennis Anthony, Esther Smith Stout, Ginger Murphree Smiser, Debbie Wassom Monroe, Susie Spring, Lana Renner McKelvy, Jayn Massie Looper, Donnie Meason, Nancy Scales Farmer, Kathy Schueler Terry, Mike Buchanan & Larry Johnston.

Not pictured but attended earlier: Susan Floyd Phillips, Gary Pope & Clyde Schilling.

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Brandon Barrick & Ashley Skalsky
Will Herring & Amanda McCollum
Taylor Stallings & Dallin Woods

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Commissioners consolidate voting precincts for November Amendment Election

The Parmer County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, August 9, 2021 at 10 a.m. in the County Courtroom of the Parmer County Courthouse in Farwell, Texas. The meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Texas Flag.

Judge Trey Ellis was not present at the meeting. Precinct 1 Commissioner Kirk Frye conducted the session. There were no public comments. Minutes from the July 26th meeting were read and approved. Commissioners approved the payment of the accounts payables as presented by County Treasurer Sharon May. The Treasurer's payroll report was also approved.

Commissioners approved the consolidation of Parmer County voting precincts for the November Amendment Election. There will be 4 voting precincts for the election instead of the usual 9 precincts. The precincts will be: (1) Friona - 101 and 102; (2) Friona - 402; (3) Bovina - 201, 202, and 203; (4) Farwell - 301, 302, and 401. Polling locations, dates, and times will be announced at a later date.

The Proposed 2022 Parmer County Budget was approved and the County Road and Bridge Fee was kept the same as last year.

In other business, Commissioners approved an Inter-Local Agreement between the Regional Public Defenders Office Local Government Corporation

and Parmer County. A request to run a water line under a county road was also approved.

Sheriff Randy Geries reported that he was currently housing 28 inmates in the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center. Eight of the inmates are from Deaf Smith County.

The next scheduled Commissioners Court meeting is Monday, August 23rd.

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Milk House Market
Wedding Registry
Regan Anthony & Scott Bednorz
Stephen Albarado & Kendra Harman
Will Herring & Amanda McCollum
Taylor Stallings & Dallin Woods

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Thursday 11-5
Friday 11-5
Saturday 10-3

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Farmhouse to Your House

ACROSS

- Guadalupe River floater
- TXism: "that sticks in my ____"
- former SMU pres., _ Kenneth _
- TX-based _ Chico large TX conglomerate (1961-2000)
- Falfurrias is seat of this county
- TXism for "carry"
- TXism: "I need that like a ____ an umbrella"
- preowned vehicle (2 wds.)
- characteristic
- tiny film role (2 wds.)
- TX Patrick Swayze was ____ Main in "North and South"
- in Columbus, TX: "Preston Kyle ____ Wildlife Museum"
- TX-filmed "The Andromeda ____"
- this Bruce won the Byron Nelson twice
- Cloris of TX-based "The Last Picture Show" (init.)
- Gulf contaminations (2 wds.)
- inheritor
- TX George Jones' "____ Thinks I Still Care" (1962)
- TX-born "Supergirl," Benoit
- TXism for "good" (2 wds.)
- astronaut Slayton

DOWN

- label for the late TX Charley Pride
- in Smith County on highway 135
- La Grange is seat of this county
- in 1991, a \$1200 rookie Nolan Ryan card accidentally sold for this (2 wds.)
- "____ Pines Forest" near Bastrop
- TXism for "make peace" (3 wds.)
- ____ Cola
- TXism: "mighty fine"
- classic song "Home ____ _"
- TXism: "____ fond of"
- Gulf shrimp catchers
- TX Johnny Nash's "I Can ____ Clearly Now"
- San Antonio de Arco Airport (abbr.)
- Texas is number one producer of natural ____
- "sorry, ____" (have a significant other)
- Mexican for "a lot"
- unfreeze
- public FM and TV in Dallas/Fort Worth
- TXism: "cold as an outhouse ____ in January"
- old Arlington Stadium was first called "____ Stadium"
- "double-dog ____ you"
- TXism: "keep your wagon between the ____"
- purloined
- former Oiler CB, Dishman (1988-96)
- A&M degree, e.g.
- OJ's judge
- quick haircut
- when one's face turned white
- walkways at AT&T Stadium, e.g.
- comedy sketch
- TX Tanya Tucker hit: "Can ____ You Tonight"
- TX journalist Linda Ellerbee's birth name (init.)
- TXism: "he ____ deep in the saddle" (experienced)
- TX moonwalker, Alan
- TXism: "____ to" (intend)
- spectrums
- TXism: "attracted like ____ to a prairie dog"
- once a popular Mansfield event: "____ Bell Rodeo"

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SHERIFF'S REPORT

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office:
Randy Gerles, Sheriff

(8/2/21) Efrain Rocha, 31, of Friona was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a MTR - Evading Arrest, pending District Court; and a MTR - DWI and Possession Marijuana < 2 oz., pending County Court.

(8/3/21) Jose A. Vasquez, 25, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a MTR - Assault, pending County Court.

(8/6/21) Rodrigo Munoz, 20, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on charges of Possession CS PG 1 < 1g in Drug Free Zone, pending Grand Jury; and Possession Marijuana < 2 oz., pending County Court.

(8/8/21) Erick L. Vazquez, 29, of Farwell was arrested by the Bovina Police Department on a charge of DWI - 2nd, pending County Court; and a Roosevelt County Warrant, pending transport.

COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from July 29, 2021 to August 5, 2021

(8/2/21) Richard M. Barrett, Brenda Barrett — Hein Hettinga, Ellen Hettinga, Hettinga Revocable Trust — The E 70.13 Ac of SE/4 of Sec 1 Edward K. Warren Subdiv Num 1 Blk W Parmer County, The W/90 Ac of the SE/4 of Sec 1 Blk W Warren Subdiv in Parmer County, and the Mineral Reservation dated April 21, 1941 Vol 62 Pg 333 in Parmer County

(8/2/21) Lonestar Ag Inc. — Jeremy Lee Reed — Lot 1 and the N 112 of 2 Blk 7 Staley Addition to the City of Friona in Parmer County and Lot 1 Blk 12 Staley Addition Unit No 2 An Vol 117 Pg 17 in Parmer County

(8/3/21) Claudine Purvis — Route 77 Dairy LLC — The E/2 of Sec 8 Blk A Capitol League Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer

(8/3/21) Javier Arpero — Ruben Salazar, Martina Salazar — A Tract of land in the S 1/2 of NW 1/4 of Sec 19 T4S R4S R4E Parmer County

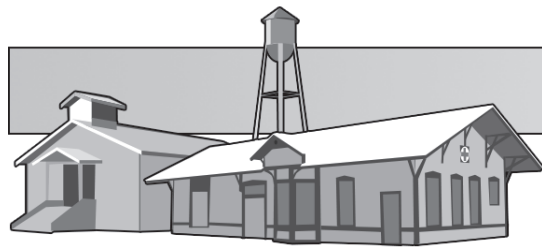
(8/3/21) Trumi Wiloth — Curtis Christian Christian, Sheryl Stovall Christian — The NE Quarter of Sec 16 Township 15 S R Two R2 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County

(8/4/21) Friesen Ad LLC, Friesen Ag LLC — All of the SE/4 of Sec 2 Township 15 S R 2 E Parmer County and All of the SE/4 of Sec 2 Township 15 S R 2 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County and 5 Ac in Se Quarter Sec 2 T15S, R2E, Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County and All the SW 1/4 of Sec Num 7 of Township 7 of 14 S R 3 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv of Parmer County, The N/2 of the SW/4 the NW/4 and N/2 of the NE/4 of Sec 11 of Township 15 S R 2 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County and 2 more Tracts

(8/4/21) Rachel Lee Clark, James Daniel Clark — John Darrel Ray, Pamela Nelson-Ray — the E 5.0 ft of Lot 33, All of the Lot 34, and W 55.0 ft of L 35 All in the Blk 2 Western Addition City of Friona in Parmer County

(8/4/21) Foster Bros Farms LLC — Joshua Ryan McDonald, Kristen Marie McDonald — The NW/4 of Sec 28 Township 11 S R 3 E Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County and the County of Parmer and the NE/4 of Sec 29 Township 11 S R 3 E Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County

(8/4/21) Jessie Soliz — Janette Sue Soliz — All of Lots No 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14, and 15 in Blk 16 of Original Town of Bovina in Parmer County



TOWN TALK

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DVDs of Summer Drama Workshop 2021 are now available. The DVD contains the Elementary Show and the Junior High Show. Due to technical issues, the High School Show was not recorded. Each DVD is \$10 and can be purchased at the Friona Star office at 208 E. 11th, or Intheden Graphics at 1215 Elm. Call 806-265-5200 for info.

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The entry forms for the 65th Annual Miss Friona Scholarship Pageant and the Little Miss Friona Pageant are now available in the Chamber of Commerce Office or online at www.frionachamber.com. The rules and eligibility requirements will be available with the entry forms. The deadline for entries will be on Wednesday, August 25, 2021 so start making plans for the pageants!

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Freshman Orientation/Open House will be on Thursday, August 12th, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the FHS Auditorium.

The Title I meeting will be on Friday, August 13th, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the FHS Auditorium.

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The Junior High will have an open house on Monday, August 16, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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The Friona Volunteer Fire Department has added an online payment link to their website for the 50 for 50 Gun Raffle. Tickets can also be purchased from Friona Firemen, 4-Way Pump, CHS, Property Associates, or by calling 806-265-7268. The drawing is scheduled for September 11, 2021. For more information about the rules or the prizes visit www.frionafire.com.

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Vendor forms for the 64th Annual Maize Days Celebration are available in the Chamber Office or online at www.friona-chamber.com. The deadline to submit the vendor forms is on Friday, September 3, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

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Snack Pak 4 Kids bags have been available for pickup every Friday during the summer months. The last Friday to pick up bags will be on August 20th from 1:30 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Snack Pak 4 Kids will continue to provide bags throughout the school year for the students by

distributing them at school on Fridays.

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Don't forget to be a hero and stop by the Calvary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall next week (Thursday, August 19th) to donate blood at the community blood drive!

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The first day of school is Wednesday, August 18, 2021. We hope the students, teachers, staff, and administrators have a great first day to kick off the school year!

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Best wishes to our summer intern, Kessly Salinas, as she continues her college education this fall. She is currently a journalism student at St. Edward's University in Austin. Her brother, Juan Diego, will start his college career this fall at St. Edwards. Both are Friona High School graduates. Kessly and Juan Diego also became first-time blood donors at the blood drive in June.

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National Days

- August 12- Middle Child Day
- August 13- Left Handers Day
- August 14- Bowling Day
- August 15- Relaxation Day
- August 16- Tell a Joke Day
- August 17- Thrift Shop Day
- August 18- Fajita Day

We really like all the modern... ...technology in schools today. Kids: color stuff in!

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School Then and Now!

Long ago it was hard to get a good education. People had to work long days just to survive. Some taught their children at home or sent them to craftsmen to learn a skill. Then Americans realized that the country needed people who could lead and do many kinds of jobs. Laws were passed that required all children to go to school so they would have the chance for a good education.

Did you know that years ago:

- housewives taught children their alphabet, and about religion, in their kitchens for a small fee? These were called "_____ Schools."
- teachers in schoolhouses were almost always men and were called _____?
- _____ working hard just to survive had to teach their children at home?
- _____ was very expensive and scarce?
- students used a flat, wooden board with a handle called a _____? A paper with a lesson was placed on it.
- wealthy families hired _____ to teach in their homes?
- some students had to _____ many miles in all kinds of weather to get to school?
- _____ often stayed home to learn skills for running a household: sewing, cooking, the alphabet, etc?
- students were lucky to have charcoal or _____ pens to write with?
- one way to teach reading was by using pictures in stories, called _____?

Today:

- _____ like painting, dancing, music are taught in all schools
- students may have handheld _____ computers
- _____ education helps kids learn about keeping fit
- classes go on _____ trips to visit places: museums, zoos
- classrooms are _____: students, teachers of many cultures
- _____, as a child, has to attend school
- many students ride on a _____
- _____ schools teach useful trades for work
- _____ gives students access to information from all over the world
- after school _____ teach teamwork

Draw a ring around 11 things we have or do... NOW!

one room school	spankings for bad behavior!	computers
moveable desks and chairs	media libraries	wood for heat
teacher stays with families	P.T.A.	pump for water
teachers continue their own studies at college	hornbooks and benches	paper scarce
very few books	total silence most of the time	students visit from other countries
blackboards	gym classes	teacher paid with food or wood
	educational T.V. programs for kids with special needs	every child goes to school

Say Whaaat? Then... or Now?

Words and phrases continuously change throughout the years. Read the clues below to fill in this crossword puzzle with the words that kids would have used in colonial times:

Draw a ring around 11 things we have or do... NOW!

one room school, spankings for bad behavior!, computers, media libraries, wood for heat, pump for water, moveable desks and chairs, P.T.A., students visit from other countries, teacher stays with families, hornbooks and benches, total silence most of the time, teacher paid with food or wood, every child goes to school, teachers continue their own studies at college, gym classes, educational T.V. programs for kids with special needs, very few books, blackboards

Sweating School!

Forest is really sweating because school is starting tomorrow and he's lost his backpack. Can you help him find it?

Oh, no! Where did I leave it?

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Small Town Cookin' By Jeri Lynn White

S'Mores

By the time you get this week's paper, you will have missed National S'Mores Day on August 10, but it is never too late to try a new s'mores recipe. You can celebrate any day you please.

Chocolaty S'mores Bars
www.tasteofhome.com

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup butter, cubed
- 1 package (10 ounces) large marshmallows
- 1 package (12 ounces) Golden Grahams cereal
- 1/3 cup milk chocolate chips, melted

Directions

In a large saucepan, melt butter over low heat. Add marshmallows; cook and stir until blended. Remove from heat. Stir in cereal until coated. Press into a greased 13x9-in. pan using a buttered spatula. Drizzle with melted chocolate. Cool completely before cutting. Store in an airtight container.

Test Kitchen Tips

Use a butter wrapper to press the cereal into the pan. For a rich twist on a classic, add 1/4 cup of peanut butter to the marshmallows and stir a handful of chopped peanuts into the cereal. Make a s'more (and lots of friends) by using one of these bars (halved lengthwise) instead of the graham cracker used in a traditional s'more. Yes, we went there.

Pot of S'mores
www.tasteofhome.com

Ingredients

- 1 package (14-1/2 ounces) graham crackers, crushed
- 1/2 cup butter, melted
- 1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk
- 2 cups semisweet chocolate chips
- 1 cup butterscotch chips
- 2 cups miniature marshmallows

Directions

Prepare grill or campfire for low heat, using 16-18 charcoal briquettes or large wood chips. Line a cast-iron Dutch oven with heavy-duty aluminum foil. Combine cracker crumbs and butter; press into bottom of pan. Pour milk over crust and sprinkle with chocolate and butterscotch chips. Top with marshmallows. Cover Dutch

oven. When briquettes or wood chips are covered with white ash, place Dutch oven directly on top of 6 of them. Using long-handled tongs, place remaining briquettes on pan cover. Cook until marshmallows begin to melt, about 15 minutes. To check for doneness, use the tongs to carefully lift the cover.



A portable building finds a new home at the north end of the old Primary School site. A second building will also be moved to its new home later in the week. In the foreground you can see part of a new sidewalk that was constructed on the west side of the lot. A new half-size football field and a parking area on the south end of the block will be installed in the next few weeks.

Happy Birthday

August 12

- Becky Jones
- Lisa Weatherly
- Mindy Johnson
- Ann Schueler

August 16

- Marta Reyes
- Christie Bauer
- Debbie Williams
- Lora Followill
- Donna Mullins

August 13

- Nancy Norwood
- Keith Hunt
- Amber Alexander
- Huddleston
- Daniel Hutchins
- Jesalyn Jarecki
- Glenna Holt
- Keyana Fletcher

August 17

- Kathy Terry
- Sylvia Rios
- Tommie Boeckman
- Kathy Sandoval
- Marisa Ramon
- Jeff Ray
- Jaelin Rainey
- Brenna Rushing
- Peggy Johnson
- Amy Cumpston
- Sandra Samarron

August 14

- Deirdre Osborn
- Alex J. Guerra
- Tenna Montana
- Ruby Bentley
- Misty Villanueva

August 15

- Ryan Geries
- Velena Vazquez
- Sandra Bautista
- Karen Fabela
- Rosa Pineda
- Candice (Baca) Geske
- Stephanie (Downey) Chaney
- Vickey Jackson
- Laura Bracken
- Jonathan Romero

August 18

- Jason Wright
- Becky Weatherly
- Vickie Samarron
- Anahis Marnelarena
- Vickie Turner
- Suzanne London
- Edward Burchett
- Kaylee Steiner



Gas prices down on weaker demand

By Gas Buddy

Texas gas prices have fallen 0.3 cents in the past week, averaging \$2.85 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Gas prices in Texas are 1.6 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand \$1.01 per gallon higher than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$2.58 while the most expensive is \$3.54 per gallon. The national average price of gasoline has risen 0.6 cents in the last week, averaging \$3.18 per gallon. The national average is up 3.5 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands \$1.02 per gallon higher than a year ago.

"Motorists have seen average gas prices edge slightly higher over the last week, even as the price of oil saw selling pressure. This leads me to believe that the tide may soon turn on gas prices, so long as we don't see hurricanes target the country. In addition, GasBuddy data showed a decline in gasoline demand last week as we inch towards the end of the summer driving season, a time when demand softens," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy.

De Haan continued, "With the factors that drive prices higher now softening, I'm hopeful that in the next few weeks, we'll start to see average gas prices declining. However, motorists shouldn't get too excited yet - larger declines will likely not come until late September and October, as we transition back to cheaper winter gasoline."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data spanning nearly two decades. GasBuddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy data is accessible at <http://FuelInsights.GasBuddy.com>.

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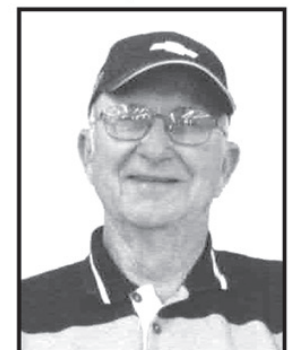
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We Expect God to Bless the USA???

By Teena Hughs

Live organ harvesting is going on at the University of Pittsburgh (Pitt), the University of New Mexico (UNM), the University of California at San Francisco, and no telling where else; live organ harvesting from babies in their mother's wombs. In China, no anesthesia is used during the harvesting. The people doing this want the baby to be far enough along in its mother's womb so that the blood is still flowing through the organ, as early as six months, to make sure the organs are alive when they are harvested. And, guess what? Our tax dollars are paying for it through NIH (National Institute of Health) funding. As Father John Lovell said, "This is Satanic!" Raynard Jackson says it is "barbaric." It is unimaginable; it is horrific!!! And, we expect God to save our country when viable babies, many of them Black and minority babies, are treated like this???

Jack Posobiec says this is just another way of taking God and morality out of our country, and it is. People do this horrific act "in the name of science." He also says that all of this started

with a man who professes to be a Christian; to me, that is impossible!!!

The people doing this are not Christian; they do not believe in God; they do not believe in Heaven as our eternal home. So, they are trying to prolong their lives here on Earth; this is their eternity. This is all about controlling population numbers and controlling people. Raynard Jackson, a Black man, says estimates are that 30 - 40 million Black babies have been aborted since the Roe vs Wade Supreme Court ruling in 1973. And, we ask God to bless our country???

So, why am I writing about this? When I heard this report on Real America's Voice, I could hardly believe it. Father Lovell said we have to get the word out about what is going on, because most people don't know it is happening.

This horrible thing is going on in our country that was founded by God, and now God is being totally disregarded; human life is being totally disregarded, all for science???

all about saving lives; what about the lives of innocent babies; where is the concern for their lives? Then they insist we all take a vaccine that hasn't been approved by the FDA, just to save our lives and the lives of others, but they do nothing to save the life of innocent babies!!! Friends, not only are God and morality leaving our country, but so is common sense and Christianity, and it's all being replaced with lies and hypocrisy.

We have to contact our congressman and two senators and tell them to stop funding this un-Godly act. We need to pray for this situation: for the people involved in promoting this and supporting this killing of babies; for the doctors who do this; for the women who are pawns in these evil schemes. We need to pray that our government will stop funding this and support life. We need to pray for judges who think abortion is ok; help them to see how precious life is. We also need to spread the word and get this stopped! It is what God expects Christians to do!!! Maybe then God will bless the USA again!!!

Is Anybody there?

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Atop Mount Carmel one of the greatest showdowns in all the Bible took place as Elijah, the prophet of the Lord, faced off against the prophets of Baal. The occasion was to answer the question of which God was real, Baal or the Lord. The prophets of Baal went first and spent much time, effort and energy to garner their god's attention and prove he was real. In fact, scripture says that after all their rituals and religion that "No one answered; no one paid attention," 1 Kings 18:29. In other words, Baal was not real, and all their conjuring could

not summon to life and action their false god no matter how hard they believed or how hard they tried.

After the antics of the false prophets, Elijah stepped forward and fearlessly prepared his altar, soaking it with water then called upon the Lord. 1 Kings 19:37 records a portion of Elijah's prayer where he cried out "Answer me, O Lord, answer me, O Lord, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back." Elijah's motive was that people would turn to the Lord, and see that the Lord is real and near. His de-

sire was that God would be magnified, not himself. Elijah's faith was unwavering in the Lord, and God answered his prayer by consuming Elijah's sacrifice and altar with the fire of the Lord. God's presence was clear, terrifying and powerful as the people were shown that God is real. The people were confronted with the reality of God's presence and power, and they rightly fell on their faces in worship. God revealed himself mightily, the people responded emotionally, but the Lord's desire was not for a short lived emotional high, but a life of commitment to the Lord.

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Social Security is born

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

On August 14, 1935, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt signed the Social Security Act, into law, and—suddenly—millions of retirees had a safety net of income.

When Roosevelt became president in 1933, the country was thrashing about with great unemployment, poverty, and mass desperation. He devised his “New Deal,” to help those—in particular—who needed assistance.

The Works Progress Administration (WPA) and the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC)—in contrast—provided more vigorous Americans with access to employment opportunities.

For more information about the Great Depression, the Grateful American Book Prize recommends Murray



N. Rothbard's America's Great Depression.

Source: History Matters: Showing our children that their past is prelude to their future at the gratefulamericanbookprize.com website.



FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



ALL THESE AND ELEVEN MORE....Larry Moyer, Billy Sifford, and Sonny Pipes are pictured holding seven of the eighteen fish they caught to set a new record for a three day catch at Ute Lake. The trio caught 109 pounds of fish breaking the previous record of 101 pounds. From left to right the fish weigh 12 1/4, 8, 15, 10 1/2, 3, 2, and 3 pounds. They are all channel catfish. (Friona Star, Thursday, August 19, 1971)

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dealers, (2) View prices online and look for local ads for similar vehicles, and (3) Document special features or custom parts on your car.

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Media Release for Seamless Summer Option Free Meals in School Year 2021-2022

Friona ISD announced its policy today that this school year, healthy meals will be offered every school day to all students at no cost. Typically, a student's household must meet income eligibility requirements to qualify for free or reduced-price meals. However, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued guidance that allows schools to offer meals to all students at no cost for the 2021-2022 school year. Each school/site or central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed upon request.

While no application or eligibility determination process is required for your student to receive free meals this school year, the income eligibility requirement will likely resume in the 2022-2023 school year.

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Si bien no se requiere ninguna solicitud o proceso de determinación de elegibilidad para que su estudiante reciba comidas gratuitas este año escolar, el requisito de elegibilidad de ingresos probablemente se reanudarán en el año escolar 2022-2023.

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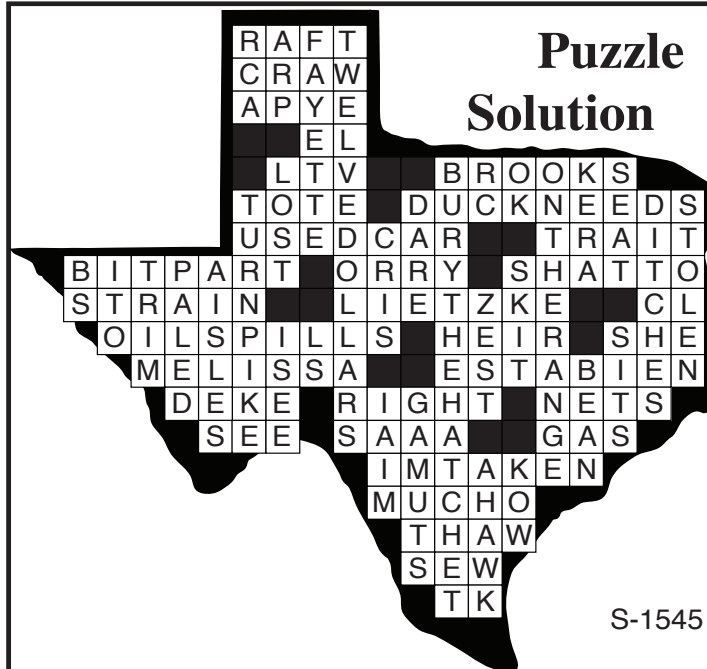
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Obituaries



Lucy Beth Hinkle

Viewing for Lucy Beth Hinkle, 80, of Friona will be held from 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. Thursday, August 12, 2021 in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY with Celebration of Life Funeral Services set for 10:30 a.m. on Friday, August 13, 2021 at the First Baptist Church in Friona with Rev. Brett Hoyle, Pastor, officiating. Burial following in the Friona Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona. Her faith in her beloved Savior became sight when she left this earth on Saturday, August 7, 2021 at Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona.

She was born at Deaf Smith County Hospital in the midst of a "blackout" by the light of flashlights November 25, 1940 in Hereford, Texas to Norman and Lois Smith Miller. She attended grade school in Dawn, Texas and then High School in Hereford, Texas where she graduated in 1959. She moved to Friona in 1962 as a new graduate from Hendricks School of Nursing in Abilene, Texas and served as a Registered Nurse at Parmer County Community Hospital for over a year, later serving as a nurse in Canyon, Texas, Lawton, Oklahoma, and then again in Friona.

On October 3, 1964, she married the love of her life, Jerry Dean Hinkle also of Friona. They faithfully loved each other and partnered in life together until his death in 2009. She gave birth to three children: Jeffrey Brent, Wendy Renae, and Jerry Wade.

Lucy Beth was truly a servant leader and one that well represented the God she worshipped, the family she loved, the church she attended, the town she lived in, and the nation that allowed her the freedom to "go about doing good for others".

Her church activities were numerous includ-



ing teaching Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Team Kids, going on numerous mission trips, and directing children's choirs. She played the piano for more than 40 years at First Baptist Church and was also active in the church choir. She was a generous supporter of many charities including Faith City Mission, Samaritan's Purse, and YWAM.

Her community service included service with Meals on Wheels, as an election clerk during local elections, and on the Board of Directors at Prairie Acres from 1987 to 1995. She helped fix hair for many residents of Prairie Acres over the years and read the Bible to residents of Heritage Estates. She read to preschool children during "Story Hour" at the local library and served as Room Mother, Class Sponsor, Booster Club member, and all-around fan for many sports, music and other extra-curricular activities. She was recognized as the Friona Chamber of Commerce Woman of the Year in 2006.

Lucy Beth participated in Community Choirs and the Living Christmas Tree. She has played the piano for numerous weddings, funerals and Thespian plays. She taught piano lessons for over 20 years to many young students.

For about 25 years, she prepared a Christmas Dinner for widows in the community. She hosted many parties and celebrations for friends

and families, bridge parties, and an annual New Year's Eve game night for friends for many years

Family was always tremendously important to Lucy Beth and was seldom happier than when visiting her children, grandchildren or having them as special guests at home. For the last 27 years, so many precious memories have been made with grandchildren who were always treated as royalty with many traditions including crafts, reading, road trips, games, puzzles, hugs, and always lots of great home cooked favorite meals. She was a devoted daughter providing care and support for her mother until her passing at 101.

She was known for kindness and anyone she was around always felt as if they were the most important person in the world. Her kindness, generosity, hospitality, and selflessness were always apparent.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include a brother Bob (wife Carolyn) of Amarillo, a sister Gail (husband Richard) of New Braunfels and a second brother Bill of Friona; a son Brent of Friona, a daughter Wendy (husband J.B.) of Colorado Springs, and a second son Wade (wife Rebekah) of Burleson; nine grandchildren, Bethany, Brooke, Morgan, Landry, Faith, Abby, Grant, Gage and Claire. Also a nephew Michael Turner, and two nieces, M'Lynn Miller and Michelle Manjen; and one great-grandchild Zoe.

The family suggests memorials to

First Baptist Church
Benevolence Fund
404 W. 5th Street
Friona, TX 79035
https://www.fbcfriona.com/online_giving

Hansard Family
Funeral Home

Isabel Lara Leal

Isabel Lara Leal, 99 of Bovina passed away August 8, 2021 in Bovina. Viewing will be held Friday, August 13, 2021 beginning at 1:00 P.M. at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina with Rosary Service at 6:00 P.M. Mass of Christian Burial Services will be held 10:00 A.M. Saturday, August 14, 2021 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina with Father Gregory Bunyan as Celebrant. Burial following in the Bovina Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.

Isabel was born November 5, 1921 in Robstown, Texas to Felix and Juanita Rodriguez



Lara. She later married Seferinio Leal on March 21, 1936.

Isabel was member of the Catholic Church and was active in many areas of her church. She loved to cook and was known for her great tamales. She also loved to sew.

She is preceded in death by her parents,

husband, and 1 daughter-Janie Ramirez.

Those to carry on her legacy include 3 daughters-Susan Munoz of Dalhart, Delores Telles of Amarillo, and Rosa Medina of Dallas, 6 sons-Seferino Leal, Jr. and Ruben Leal of Dalhart, Jimmy Leal of Friona, Tim Leal, David Leal and Tommy Leal, all of Bovina, and 1 sister-Alice Soto of Robstown.

You may send condolences to the family and sign the online guest book at:

www.hansardfamily.com

Hansard Family
Funeral Home

Jeff Moser

Jeff Moser, age 47, of Friona, Texas, died Wednesday, August 5, 2021 in Friona. He was born January 10, 1974 in Muleshoe, Texas to Jackie and Hattie (Dawson) Moser.

Jeff loved to collect guns of all kinds. He was also an avid fan of wrestling. Jeff was a member of First Baptist Church in Friona. He is preceded in death by

his mother, Hattie.

Jeff is survived by his father, Jackie; and his three sisters, Carla Moser of Friona, Texas, Brenda Perry and her husband, Brandon of Lubbock, Texas, and Norma Norris and her husband, Tim of Amarillo, Texas.

Online condolences may be made at www.ellisfuneralhomes.com.



Edna Ruth Miller

Edna Ruth Miller, 97, of Friona, TX passed away on Tuesday August 3, 2021. Viewing was held on Friday August 6, 2021 at Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel in Friona, TX from 9 am to 8 pm. Family Visitation was from 5 - 7 PM on Friday August 6, 2021. Graveside services was on Saturday August 7, 2021 at the Friona Cemetery with Gary Johnson Officiating. Arrangements by Hansard Family Funeral Home of Friona, TX.

Ruth was born in Westover, TX to James Lemuel Taylor and Lue Vennie Cooper on February 18, 1924. She was a loving mother, wife, grandmother and sister. She was a homemaker, and enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, crafts, fishing and camping. She married



Roy Miller on June 11, 1957 in Las Vegas. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church. Edna was a very loving mother.

Preceded in death by her husband Roy Miller 2 daughters Kathy Vene Coker and Janice K. Miller, 1- son Gary Lynn Coker along with 3 sisters Quinne Burkett, Maggie Long, and Peggy Sue Howard, 3- brothers James Taylor, Ruben Taylor and Duward Taylor.

She is survived by 4

sons and 2 daughters. Roy Max Miller and wife Brenda of Bridgeport, TX, Danny Miller of Kerrville, TX, Eddie Miller and wife Debbie of Lazbuddie, TX, Roy Don Coker and wife April of Lazbuddie, TX, Carol Ann Taylor of Irving, TX and Diane Reeve of Cotton Center, TX. Daughter-in-law Johnnie Beth Coker 15- grandchildren, 20-great-grandchildren and 2- great-great grandchildren, 1 Sister Joyce Marie Jones of Clovis New Mexico.

Family suggests memorials be made to Blue Bonnet Home Health and Hospice, Prairie Acres Nursing Home, or Calvary Baptist Church.

Hansard Family
Funeral Home

Edward Samuel White

Edward Samuel White 89, of Clovis, formerly of Friona passed away August 5, 2021 in Lubbock. Viewing was held from 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. with family visitation from 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Monday, August 9, 2021 in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY with Celebration of Life Services scheduled for 2:00 P.M. Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at the Friona United Methodist Church in Friona with Rev. Skip Hodges, officiating. Burial following in the Friona Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.

Edward was born October 19, 1931 in Friona to Edward Samuel and Fern Hamm White. When of age, he entered into the United States Army. After his military service he married the love of his life Doris Bradley on January 25, 1956 in Clovis. Together they



owned and operated White Grocery Store in Friona for many years and were always the first to help in a time of need of grocery supplies.

He loved spending time with family watching sports and going with his daughter to the Dairy Queen to get ice cream.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his beloved wife, 1 son-Martin Dean White, and 4 sisters-Ann Campbell, May Holder, Irene Roberts, and Lois Nolte.

Those to carry on his

legacy include 2 sons John Claude White and wife Nita of Whiteface, and Larry Gene White and wife Anita of Lubbock, 1 daughter-Sami Renae Trollinger and husband Russ of Clovis, 2 brothers-Richard White of Amarillo, and Raymond White of Mississippi, 2 sisters-June Cannon of Amarillo, and Sue Hinds of Canyon, 6 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Hansard Family
Funeral Home





Obituaries



Andy Sandoval

Andy Sandoval, 53, of Amarillo, passed away on Sunday, August 1, 2021. Memorial services were held at 2:00 PM Saturday, August 7, 2021 at Cox-Rowley Funeral Home Chapel, 4180 Canyon Drive.



Andy was born July 13, 1968 in Tucumcari, New Mexico to Andy and Rose Sandoval. In 1990, he married his wife Melanie and had three sons. He loved to be outside working. He loved his job working for Advance Pavement. To say that Andy was a Dallas Cowboys fan is an understatement. He knew everything about them. Andy loved sports, music, dancing and just always having a good time. He was a person who would teach things, and work with you through

any problems. He always had an answer for when things would get tough. Andy loved his family more than anything, especially his grandchildren. He always made sure we were taken care of before his own needs. We will never know another man who is as wonderful, amazing, strong and loving as Andy Sandoval. He will always be with us.

Andy was preceded in death by his father, Andy Sandoval; and his grandfather, Benigno Martinez.

Survivors include his wife, Melanie Sandoval; three sons, Darvan Sandoval and Taylor, Jordan Sandoval and Marissa Stewart, and Darren Sandoval and August all of Amarillo; his mother, Rose Sandoval; a brother, Robert Sandoval of Amarillo; a sister, Michelle Mask of Amarillo; four grandchildren, Brilee Winn, Zaelie Sandoval, Andrew Sandoval, and Augden Sandoval (on the way).

The family suggests memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, at www.cancer.org.

Douglas Cecil "Boomer" Daniels

Douglas Cecil "Boomer" Daniels, 77 of Friona passed away on August 4, 2021 in Friona, TX. Viewing was held Saturday, August 7, 2021 from 9:00 AM until 8:00 PM at Hansard Family Funeral Home in Friona with Cremation services to follow. Memorial Service scheduled for 11:00 AM Monday, August 9, 2021 at First Baptist Church of Friona with Rev. Brett Hoyle and Rev. Dale Moreland officiating. Arrangements by Hansard Family Funeral Home of Friona, Texas.

Douglas was born November 28, 1943 in Shattuck, OK to Cecil Douglas and June Agee. "Boomer" married the love of his life, Diann Bonsal on August 9, 1975 in Clayton, NM. He served in the Air Force from 1963-1967. He worked in maintenance for many years. He loved spending time with grandkids, computers, BBQ's, trips to Branson, and watching Oklahoma Sooners football.

He is preceded in death by his parents: Cecil and Mary Daniels, June Agee, aunt and uncle who raised him - Geoffrey and Bess Gibbs, 3 brothers - Jerry, Thomas Ray, and Gene.

Those mourning his passing include his wife - Diann Daniels and son Jason Daniels and wife Shanna of Friona, TX grandchildren - Reagan, Jameson and Owen, sis-



ter - Cecilia Pitts of Oklahoma City, and also survived by David Daniels and Family, and Michael Daniels and family.

You may send condolences to the family and sign the online guest book at:

www.hansardfamily.com



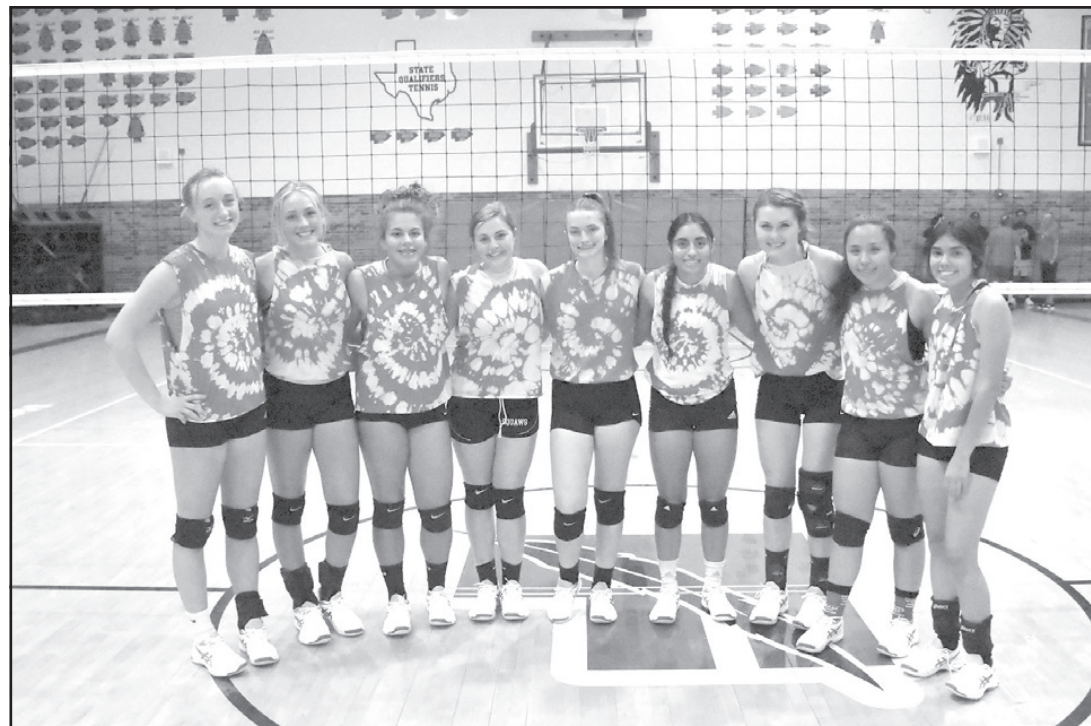
Sports



Friona Squaw Volleyball

The Friona Squaws wrapped up the preseason with a match against a team former Friona players. The "old folks" limped away with a 3-1 victory. The Squaws then opened the regular season with 3-0 match victories over Holy Cross and Fort Elliot. In

the home opener Tuesday night, the Squaws fell to San Jacinto 3-1. The Squaws are 2-1 for the season and will be "on the road" for the next few weeks. The next home game will be against All Saints on Tuesday, September 7th.



2021 Friona Squaws Volleyball Team (l-r) Reese Stowers, Kitzy Welch, Reyna Arias, AJ London, Jacee Burney, Anahi Gonzalez, Emma Schueler, Audrianna Trevino, Destini Nava. Not pictured are Magdalena Licerio and Noelia Bautista.



Alumni Team (l-r) Andrea Chavez, Kayli Stone, Megan Stone, Mariah Trevino, Kambree Kimbrough, Jodie Denton, Emma Rector, Bailey Pope, and Rickie Castillo



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Back Together Again

On July 22nd, Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel met for the first time in over a year and a half to welcome new retirees. About 25 members gathered at the Union Congregational Church for a supper of homemade ice cream, cookies, fruit, and plenty of visitation.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, all meetings were conducted by Zoom. Some members were lost due to Covid-19 or other health issues during that time, and they were missed. Newer, younger members were welcomed with a passing of the leadership torch anticipated. The next meeting

will be a Fiesta Pile-On luncheon at the home of Sue Wells on September 21 at 12:00 noon. County school administrators will share news from their campuses. PCRTSP is the local unit of TRTA, an organization that fights for both retired and current school employees. Anyone can join for a minimal fee.



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Statements required in notice if the proposed tax rate does not exceed the lower of the no-new-revenue tax rate or the voter-approval tax rate, as prescribed by Tax Code §26.061.

NOTICE OF MEETING TO VOTE ON TAX RATE

A tax rate of \$0.6626 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of CITY OF FRIONA.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.6626 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.6498 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.6626 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2021 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for CITY OF FRIONA from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that CITY OF FRIONA may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that CITY OF FRIONA is not proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year.

A PUBLIC MEETING TO VOTE ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 13, 2021 at 6:30 PM at Friona City Council Chambers, 619 Main Street.

The proposed tax rate is also not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, CITY OF FRIONA is not required to hold an election to seek voter approval of the rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting City of Friona of CITY OF FRIONA at their offices or by attending the public meeting mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE TAX RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount = (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

(List names of all members of the governing body below, showing how each voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase or, if one or more were absent, indicating absences.)

FOR the proposal:	ALAN MONROE, BRENT LOFTIN, BRUCE FLEMING, GREG LEWELLEN
AGAINST the proposal:	NONE
PRESENT and not voting:	NONE
ABSENT:	JEFF STOWERS

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The 86th Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by CITY OF FRIONA last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by CITY OF FRIONA this year.

	2020	2021	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.6894	\$0.6626	3.88% decrease
Average homestead taxable value	\$84,247	\$89,069	5.72% increase
Tax on average homestead	\$581	\$590	1.54% increase
Total tax levy on all properties	\$939,864	\$963,094	2.47% increase

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for CITY OF FRIONA at (806)2511405 or pead@parmercad.org, or visit parmer.truthintaxation.com.

State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



Delta variant spurs huge increase in COVID-19 hospitalizations

The number of Texans hospitalized with lab-confirmed COVID-19 cases is increasing faster than at any other point since the pandemic began in early 2020, due to the highly contagious delta variant.

As of Sunday, the Texas Department of State Health Services reported 8,892 people were in Texas hospitals. That is up more than four-fold from a month ago. The Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University reported 96,807 cases in the past week and 384 deaths. That is nearly eight times the number of new cases reported a month ago and more than double the deaths.

In Austin, health authorities warned the public that a surge in cases has swamped hospitals, according to a New York Times report. Intensive-care units are

near capacity, with only a handful of ICU beds available.

Gov. Greg Abbott has barred local governments and public schools from reinstating mask mandates but is urging people to get vaccinated against COVID-19. The vast majority of those hospitalized have not been vaccinated.

A total of 12.84 million Texans are fully vaccinated, about 44% of the state's total population, according to DSHS.

Second special session underway; Dems still AWOL

Abbott convened a second special session just hours after the first session expired but there still wasn't a quorum present to pass bills. Many Texas House Democratic legislators remained in Washington, D.C. in an effort to both block a quorum and lobby members of Congress to pass a fed-

eral voting rights bill.

Abbott has put forth a 17-item agenda that includes the election reform bill, bail reform, border security and other issues that were presented but not passed during the regular session.

"I will continue to call special session after special session to reform our broken bail system, uphold election integrity, and pass other important items that Texans demand and deserve," Abbott said when announcing the new session. "Passing these special session agenda items will chart a course towards a stronger and brighter future for the Lone Star State."

Texas House Democrats predictably were critical. State Rep. Ina Minjarez said Abbott is "wasting" taxpayers' money, chiding the governor in a tweet with the hashtag #StopGaslightingTexans.

Additional month of legislative funding announced

Texas Capitol employees won't have to go without a paycheck in September after all.

Abbott vetoed a portion of the state budget that funds the Legislature and its staff after House Democrats walked out during the regular session. But Ab-

bott, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, House Speaker Dade Phelan and others announced an additional month of funding for the Legislature before the second special session that began Saturday.

"Texans should not have to pay for Legislators who quit their jobs and leave unfinished business," Abbott said. "...Funding is being temporarily restored for legislative staff that will be necessary to pass critical legislation..."

At least \$12.6 million will be transferred from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to both chambers and the legislative agencies that support them, the Texas Tribune reported. The biennial budget, which is already funded, ends Aug. 31. Without the additional funding, more than 2,000 state workers might not have been paid after that date. The special session by law lasts no more than 30 days.

Pandemic help for timber harvesters, haulers

Texans who make a living cutting or hauling timber, or processing wood by chipping or grinding, are eligible for grants from a fund of up to \$200 million provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture under a pandemic as-

sistance program. The new program, Pandemic Assistance for Timber Harvesters and Haulers (PATHH), encourages timber harvesters and haulers to apply. The deadline is Oct. 15.

"We Texans pride ourselves on our rugged individualism and self-reliance. However, when the entire forestry supply chain crashed as a result of the pandemic response, it was more than just a hurdle to overcome," said Rob Hughes, executive director of the Texas Forestry Association. "That's why TFA and Texas A&M Forest Service, along with many other partners, have been actively involved in pushing for the Logger Relief Act, which passed in the last federal pandemic relief bill."

Loggers and truckers can apply for PATHH by working with their local Farm Service Agency office. To find a local office, go to farmers.gov/service-locator or call 877-508-8364.

Avoid scams when buying a used vehicle

With used-vehicle demand soaring and inventories shrinking, it's easy to fall victim to scams, according to the Texas Department of Insurance. At least part of most sales now take place either on apps or online, and a lot can go

wrong. Here are some tips from TDI to avoid being swindled:

- If the price is amazingly low, odds are high that it's a scam.
- Take your time. Be skeptical when sellers claim they must sell quickly because they're moving soon, or say they need to sell the vehicle for a relative. And never pay for a vehicle with gift cards.
- Some scammers use the same photo on different sites, with different prices and contact information. This scam can be avoided by using a "reverse image search." To learn how, look up "reverse search" in your preferred search engine.
- See the vehicle in person and take it for a drive. Buying a vehicle sight unseen can lead to disaster.
- Check the VIN to make sure the vehicle wasn't stolen, flooded or totaled after a wreck. A VIN search will also ensure there isn't a lien on the vehicle you are buying.

Gary Borders is a veteran award-winning Texas journalist. He published a number of community newspapers in Texas during a 30-year span, including in Longview, Fort Stockton, Nacogdoches and Cedar Park. Email: gborders@texaspress.com.

Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



Just what you need: another columnist who wants to share her take on life. More than likely, my life is much like yours, so what's the draw to reading Check Your Mirrors? Using the tried and true three main points format, I will attempt to persuade some new readers to check out my weekly offering.

To begin with, my roots are here in this part of Texas. Raised in Snyder, graduated from college in Abilene, worked for 41 years teaching in the same small in Borden County, and now retired in Fisher County—I am at home in this area, at least geographically. Sometimes, my thoughts about religion, politics, and humor will seem a bit foreign to you, but be patient. I really am a good person.

Another aspect of my writing that may appeal to you is that my interests run the gamut. I may write about that time I had fajitas with Nolan Ryan, followed by a column on how Jack Black is the most underrated actor of our time. PBS documentaries and baseball, love for El Caminos (I have an '86) and ice cream, family history and U.S. Presidential history, Biblical stories and poetry, country music and classical—all of these topics fascinate me, and I enjoy sharing what I learn by researching and reading about each of them.

Finally, a column called Check Your Mirrors has purpose. After fourteen years of teaching driver education in the summer to fifteen-year-olds, this phrase was seared in my head. I repeated it often because that perspective of surroundings is one of the most vital aspect of being a good driver. I want you to be readers who look at your long-held beliefs. Examine your opinions. Be truthful in your assessment of your heart and soul. What I write in my columns is not only for you, but for me as well—learning and growing is not just for kids. As adults, when we take time to truly face what is in front of us and around us—when we look hard at the truth in the mirror—that is when we do better.

The adage is powerful—can we look at ourselves in the mirror at the end of the day and be proud of who we see? Not the self-righteous kind of pride. Not judgmental hubris. Do we see honor? Truth? Integrity? The wrinkles and blemishes are much like metaphors for the inevitable mistakes we make, signs that we tried and got up and kept going. Don't be ashamed when those show up in your mirror's image.

I hope my columns will make you laugh. I hope my words will inspire, motivate, and encourage.

I hope you will learn from history and search for truth in this present age of misinformation.

And if you still need convincing that my column will be worth your two-to-four minutes of reading time, consider this: I eat ketchup on most everything. This either makes me very relatable or weird.

Either way, keep an eye out for Check Your Mirrors.

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