



## 68th Annual Maize Days

— Schedule of Events —

**Thursday | Sept. 12**

Noon • Senior Citizens

Pancake Fundraiser

@ 1410 N. Washington

8:45 pm • Bonfire at Reeve Lake

**Friday | Sept. 13**

6:30 pm • Queen Ceremony

@ Chieftain Field

7:00 pm • Football Game

@ Chieftain Field

**Saturday | Sept. 14**

9:00 am • Parade Line Up

@ Euclid Street

10:00 am • Parade

@ Main St.

11:00 am • Celebration Events

@ City Park

1:00 pm • Raffle Drawings

@ City Park

5:30 pm • Corn Hole Tourney

@ City Park

6:00 pm • Meal on Main

@ Main St. & City Park

(Take Out Orders at 5:00 pm)

## Pretty in Pink

Little Miss Liz'Marie Quezada | Miss Friona Kitzy Welch



2024 Miss Friona Court — (l-r) Lillianna Abarca, 2nd Runner Up; Karen Morales, 3rd Runner Up; Kitzy Welch, Miss Friona, and Delynda Wium, 1st Runner Up.



2024 Little Miss Friona Court — (l-r) Liz'Marie Quezada, Little Miss Friona; Adelaide Licerio, 1st Runner Up; and Amaya Mendez, 2nd Runner Up.

## 2024 Miss Friona Scholarship Donors and Awards

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### Other Scholarship Awards

Miss Congeniality | Emily Ibarra  
Best Interview | Kitzy Welch  
Best Talent | Delynda Wium  
Best Evening Gown | Kitzy Welch  
Best On-Stage Question | Delynda Wium

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**Community Calendar**

Send Calendar information to:  
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**September 12**

- Pancake Fundraiser at Noon Meal @ Senior Center
- Homecoming Bonfire at Reeve Lake

**September 13**

- Homecoming Football Game 7:00 p.m. at Chieftain Field

**September 14**

- Maize Days Parade
- Meal on Main

**September 16**

- Chicken Enchilada Casserole at Noon Meal @ Senior Center

**September 18**

- Library Book Shop at 618 Euclid is open from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

**September 19**

- Spaghetti & Meatballs at Noon Meal @ Senior Center

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**State Capital Highlights**

By Gary Borders



**New Texas laws now in effect**

It took some time, but a set of new laws and rules passed by the Texas Legislature in 2023 went into effect on Sept. 1, the Houston Chronicle reported. Prominent among these are the SCOPE Act, or Securing Children Online Through Parental Empowerment Act, which tightens restrictions for online users younger than 18.

Under the SCOPE Act, users must register their age on social media and other websites. Minors are prohibited from making purchases from those sites, which are also required to filter and block certain material. Examples include content that promotes suicide or bullying, as well as trafficking and other forms of exploitation.

Violators could be fined up to \$10,000 per incident.

One of the bill's co-authors defended its intent.

"Testimony from parents and children in committee gave graphic examples underscoring how desperately we need to better protect kids online," state Rep. Shelby Slawson, R-Granbury, wrote. "The SCOPE Act will do just that."

Others don't agree. The nonprofit Foundation for Individual Rights and Expression sued the state on Aug. 16, challenging the government restrictions.

"While these efforts to protect young people are well-intentioned, they lack perspective," the lawsuit states.

Another measure that took effect Sept. 1 updates qualifications for family violence shelters that provide lodging and care for domestic abuse victims in order to receive state funding. Criteria now includes providing direct services, establishing a referral service for victims, and having been in operation at least a year.

**Eliminating property taxes would require massive funding**

Eliminating the state's property taxes is high on the wish list of some Republican lawmakers. They received a reality check last week when state budget officials said doing so would require the state to produce \$81 billion each year to cover the costs of public schools, as well as the revenue now received by cities, counties and special taxing districts through property taxes.

The Texas Tribune reported that Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick directed the Legislative Budget Board to tally the costs of replacing property tax revenue, which funds teacher salaries, law enforcement and many other gov-

ernment functions. Eliminating the tax likely would require a massive increase in sales tax rates – something that appears highly unlikely.

State Sen. Paul Bettencourt, R-Houston, is Patrick's chief lieutenant on property taxes. He noted \$81.5 billion is "a huge amount of money to be able to replicate."

Lawmakers have worked to lower property tax bills the past few sessions by raising the homestead exemption and limiting how much school districts and local governments can collect. But without a state income tax, lawmakers are limited in how to completely replace property taxes with another form of revenue.

**Perry joins Phelan's team as adviser**

Former Gov. Rick Perry has joined House Speaker Dade Phelan's office as a senior adviser, the Texas Standard reported. The embattled speaker, who survived a tough runoff race, now faces at least three Republican challengers to his speakership.

"[Gov. Perry] understands every facet of the legislative process, and that will be a tremendous asset as we work to strengthen our state's economy, improve education and ensure every member's voice is heard in the Texas House this session," Phelan said in a statement.

Phelan has been under fire for backing an ultimately unsuccessful attempt to impeach Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton and for being perceived as not conservative enough by some of his Republican colleagues.

Perry will serve as a volunteer adviser until the 89th Legislature begins in January.

**Schools hiring more uncertified teachers**

Critical teaching shortages in Texas are compelling school districts to hire more teachers who have not received formal classroom training, The Texas Tribune reported.

The number of uncertified teachers in the state's public schools has risen dramatically since the COVID-19 pandemic, which prompted many longtime educators to leave the profession for various reasons – health concerns, lack of resources, and feeling burned out. As a result, uncertified teachers, many of whom work in rural school districts, accounted for about 38% of newly hired instructors last year.

Since 2015, school districts under the District of Innovation law have

been able to hire people with different professional experience who then would work on getting certified through alternative certification programs. The last legislative session ended with no significant base funding increases, leaving many school districts with budget shortfalls, and making it even harder to fill teacher vacancies.

"When you have a state where their coffers are full and local school districts where their coffers are empty, or in the process of being empty, you're going to have to have some state help to make sure that we're funding these types of programs," said Mark Henry, who served as Cy-Fair ISD's superintendent for more than a decade.

According to the Texas Education Agency, the attrition rate among Texas teachers has increased since the start of the pandemic from 9% to 12%. Texas ranks 30th in the nation for average teacher pay — \$8,828 less than the national average, according to the National Education Association.

**Paxton suing Bexar County over mail voter plan**

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton is suing Bexar County over its plan to mail voter registration forms to unregistered residents en masse, the Austin American-Statesman reported. The Bexar County Commissioners Court approved the voter registration plan last week, defying Paxton's warning that he would take them to court.

Paxton's suit argues that mail applications could entice felons and other ineligible people to register to vote. Commissioner Justin Rodriguez defended the plan.

"From our perspective, this was never a Democrat or Republican endeavor," Rodriguez told the Statesman. "It was making sure we used the resources within the elections office to be innovative, to be proactive when it came to registering voters, and we felt pretty strongly that we're doing everything (as it is) allowed by the Elections Code."

Paxton has warned repeatedly of potential voter fraud in November's general election. However, he has not provided evidence of widespread voter fraud in Texas, the Statesman reported.

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**ACROSS**

- Rangers & Astros sport: \_\_\_ ball
- "Hill Country State Natural \_\_\_"
- Jason Garrett was NFL Coach of the \_\_\_ in 2016
- Tahoka is seat of this county
- TX V.T. Hamlin comic: "Alley \_\_\_"
- general uneasiness
- regretted
- TXism: "useless as \_\_\_ a saw"
- TXism: "\_\_\_ hill for a stepper" (simple)
- TX Howard Hughes was a billion \_\_\_
- hosp. imaging tech.
- \_\_\_ chair (sits)
- Texas legendary pitcher for teams in 1-across
- star of Texas-based film "Hud" (init.)
- women of ill repute in early Texas: "\_\_\_ angels"
- Ciudad Miguel Aleman is across from this Texas city
- Texas-filmed "The \_\_\_ of Heaven"
- TXism: "get \_\_\_ \_\_\_ row" (prepare)
- throwing weapon
- former star Cowboy WR, Drew
- great Texas center fielder, Tris (init.)
- Hamiltons (money)

- 186,000 miles per second: \_\_\_ light
- muscle injuries
- Texans like it iced
- TX Buddy Holly's "That'll \_\_\_ the Day"
- TX Hagman had a part in epic "In \_\_\_ Way"
- TX Roddenberry's "Star Trek" genre: \_\_\_ fiction
- TXism: "I'd have \_\_\_ better to die" (sick)
- late "Turtle Lady," Loetscher
- TXism: "a sight \_\_\_ sore eyes"
- distress signal

**DOWN**

- Seymour's county
- Clint Black tune: "Where \_\_\_ Now"
- 2nd husband of Texas-born Robin Wright (2 wds.)
- "\_\_\_ your keep"
- first female governor "\_\_\_" Ferguson
- TXism: "short \_\_\_ \_\_\_ eyebrow"
- wild animal den
- TXism: "sounds like \_\_\_ axle" (bad singer)
- perfect examples
- it's used to speak without words (abbr.)
- this Myers designed the Texas State Capitol (init.)
- TXism: "dumb as a \_\_\_"
- children whose parents are dead
- Cowboy Haley's other team: Forty-\_\_\_
- Glenn of 1941 film "Texas" (init.)
- Lake \_\_\_ Hubbard
- \_\_\_ sided victory (rout)
- most sad

**TEXAS CROSSWORD**

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- TXism: "\_\_\_ your head for something besides a hat rack"
- dove sound
- TXism: "plain \_\_\_ \_\_\_ on a \_\_\_"
- former annual music event in Corpus Christi: "Bay \_\_\_"
- "\_\_\_ and rave"
- windshield wiper movement
- elaborate hairstyles
- dome-shaped Eskimo house

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## COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

### Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from August 29, 2024 to September 5, 2024

(9/3/24) Luis Miguel Trejo, Lirian Aguero — Alonzo Rolando Perez — All of Lot 2, Block 27, Original Town of Friona, Parmer County, Texas

(9/3/24) Rick Rodriguez, Sandra Rodriguez — Toledo Texas Investments LLC — Lot 1, Block 6, First Installment of Staley Addition, Unit No. 3, City of Friona, Parmer County, Texas

(9/4/24) Glenda Richards, Janna D. Preston — Meagan L, Balli — Survey of 3 Tracts of Land in the NW/4 NE/4 Section 1, T3S, R3E, Capitol Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas

(9/4/24) 1507 California LLC — Maria Guadalupe Marrufo Amaya — All Lots 14, 15, and 16, Block 10 of the Original Town of Farwell, Parmer County, Texas

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office  
September 2 to September 8, 2024

Eric Geske, Sheriff

(9/4/24) Sebastian Contreras, 27, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on three Parmer County Warrants involving charges of Tamper/Fabricate Physical Evidence w/Intent to Impair, Driving While Intoxicated, and Possess CS PG 1 < 1g.

(9/4/24) Assays Tewelderhan Habteslasie, 23, of Hereford was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of Collision Involving Damage To Vehicle ≥ \$200.

(9/6/24) Nick Vasquez, 29, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on charge of Possession CS PG 1 < 1g, and on a Bench Warrant (In-State) on a charge of Burglary of Building.

(9/7/24) Wayne Lee Frazier Jr., 28, of Amarillo was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of Possession Marijuana ≤ 4oz. > 2oz.

(9/7/24) Pedro Lorenzo-Hernandez, 38, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on charges of Assault Family/House Member Impede Breath/Circulation, and Fail To Identify Giving False/Fictitious Info, and Assault Causes Bodily Injury Family Member.

(9/8/24) Pedro Lorenzo-Hernandez, 38, of Friona was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a Bench Warrant (Out-of-State) on a charge of Out of State Fugitive from Justice (Assault of Pregnant Person).

## Notice of Public Sale

Chieftain Self Storage Systems of Friona, Texas will hold a Public Auction of Property to satisfy a landlord's lien. The sale will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 3, 2024 at 607 Main Street in Friona, Texas 79035. The property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash only. The tenant is Jesus Noel Acosta and the property for sale includes personal items.

### Come have Fun with us at Malouf's Fabric

These are the classes scheduled this summer

September 21

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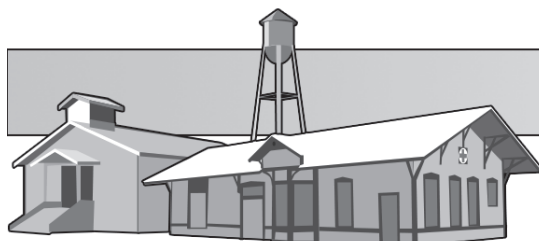
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"B" There — The next Bingo Night is scheduled for Tuesday, September 17th in Legacy Pointe dining area. Prizes will revolve around the theme of "Sound" and will include speakers, soundbars, wind chimes, alarm clocks, and more.

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Saved By the Bell — Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel will meet on Tuesday, September 17th at 12 noon at the Sixth Street Church of Christ in Friona. Members are asked to bring \$10.00 to cover costs for the fajita meal that will be served.

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Note from Deena Lucero — Pig Tags are ready to be ordered so contact your FFA teacher or Ag agent. The price is \$17.00 per tag and the deadline is Monday, September 23rd.

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Get Them While They Are Hot!!! — The Friona Methodist Youth will be selling fresh roasted Hatch chili peppers in the park on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The price is \$5.00 a pound.

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Support Your Volunteer Fire Department — Members of the Friona Volunteer Fire Department are sell-

ing tickets to win a Kubota Zero Turn Mower. Tickets are \$10 each and are available from any member of the fire department. The drawing will take place on Saturday, September 14th at 1:00 p.m. in the city park. You must be 18 or older to enter and you do not have to be present to win.

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Animals are People Too — You could be the lucky winner of a Recliner and/or Gliding Loveseat donated by Bi-Wize Furniture and Kendrick Oil Company. Parmer Paws Animal Outreach Center volunteers are selling \$10 tickets in a Maize Days Raffle to raise funds for Parmer Paws. The drawing will be held on Saturday, September 14th in the city park. You do not need to be present to win. You can also purchase tickets at Bi-Wize Furniture.

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Meal on Main — The Chamber of Commerce invites everyone to a Meal on Main on Saturday, September 14th from 6-9 p.m. The event will be held in the City Park and on Main Street. Live music by Ayden Hayes. The Friona Vocational Agriculture Association will serve pulled pork, ribs, coleslaw, beans, and water until sold out. Take-out orders

available for pick up at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$18 and are available now from any Chamber or Vocational Ag member.

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Reprint — Please see the reprint of the obit for Ramoncita "Yaya" Gaytán Jordán de Ávila on page 7. We inadvertently had the wrong name in last week's paper.

★★★

Texas Facts — When Mexico became independent in 1821, that included Texas. The state was thus a part of Mexico from 1821 to 1836. Source: funworldfacts.com

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### National Days

September 12:

Hug & High 5 Day

September 13:

Positive Thinking Day

September 14:

Parents Day Off

September 15:

Felt Hat Day

September 16:

Mayflower Day

September 17:

Constitution & Citizenship Day

September 18:

Cheeseburger Day

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## State Sales Tax Revenue Totaled \$4B in August

State Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced that state sales tax revenue totaled \$4 billion in August, 0.4 percent more than in August 2023. The majority of August sales tax revenue is based on sales made in July and remitted to the agency in August.

"August sales tax collections grew modestly from a year ago, and at less than the rate of general price inflation," Hegar said.

"Growth was muted from both consumer and

business spending-driven sectors, as consumer spending continued to subside from the post-pandemic inflationary surge and employment growth stalled in July.

"Sales tax receipts among sectors reliant on business spending were mixed, with gains observed from construction and wholesale trade and declines from mining and manufacturing. Consumers continued to boost receipts for the services sector significantly, but

receipts from retail trade grew barely more than 1 percent over the previous year.

"Receipts from restaurants declined slightly from a year ago, the first decline for the sector since the pandemic."

Sales tax is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 57 percent of all tax collections.

Texas collected the following revenue from other major taxes in August: (1) motor vehicle sales

and rental taxes — \$649 million, down 2 percent from August 2023; (2) motor fuel taxes — \$330 million, up 0.2 percent from August 2023; (3) oil production tax — \$543 million, up 8 percent from August 2023; (4) natural gas production tax — \$80 million, down 42 percent from August 2023; (5) hotel occupancy tax — \$69 million, down 2 percent from August 2023; and (6) alcoholic beverage taxes — \$139 million, down 6 percent from August 2023.

## First Annual Parmer County

## Drag Race

### Grand Prize Winner

#### 8-Pack of Hot Wheels Cars

Saturday, September 14  
after the parade  
at the  
**Smokin' Hot City**  
**Park Dragway**  
(in the City Park)  
— Admission is free —  
Bring your fastest car  
(Cars available @\$2 each)

## Engagement



### Fairweather | Guerrero

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Fairweather are proud to announce the upcoming wedding of their daughter, Staci, to Edgar Guerrero, son of Vicente and Maria Guerrero. The couple will wed on October 12, 2024 in Summerfield, Texas.

Staci is a 2009 graduate of Friona High School. Edgar is a 2015 graduate of Friona High School. The couple own a local business, Friona Repair and Performance. They have three children Kyleigh, Kayleigh, and Xavier. They plan to reside in Friona and raise their children. The couple have a registry selection on Amazon.

## Engagement



### Barrandey | O'Brian

Gerardo Barrandey, of Friona, would like to announce the engagement of his daughter, Esmeralda Barrandey, to Daniel O'Brian, son of Greg and Kay O'Brian, of Friona.

Dan and Esme are graduates of Friona High School and Amarillo College School of Nursing. They are employed by BSA in Amarillo as Registered Nurses. The couple will be wed on November 9, 2024 in Amarillo.

## Happy Birthday



**September 13**  
Allen Humberg  
Ty Potts  
Luis Rodriguez  
Mike Hanes

**September 14**  
Cameron Renner  
Galen Clark  
Freddie Walker  
Chad Hamilton  
Donald Shelton

**September 15**  
Betty Wiseman  
Nedra Cash  
Jeff Landrum  
Jana Renner  
Jessica A. Reeves  
Kayla Chavez  
Caleb Monroe  
Brice Jeter  
Betty Smith  
Eddie Gauna  
Glenda Downey  
Monica Guzman

**September 16**  
Avery McGowan  
Gayla Quillin  
Angela Daigle  
Sarita Reeve  
Victoria Williams  
Zachary Schueler  
Blair Neill  
Mark Anthony  
Ashley Ingram  
Abi Upton  
Noah Santiago  
Amber (Wyly) Benoit  
Suzie Rodriguez  
Dallas Fleming  
Danielle Perez  
Amy Mason

**September 17**  
Anna Vazquez  
Pamela Hankins  
Skip Hodges  
Kaegan Kerby  
Mike Hutson  
Don Rogers  
Sandra Lookingbill

**September 18**  
Dale Hart  
Annette Frye  
Hollis Horton  
Jaleigh Hopkins  
Breanna Villanueva  
Nathan King  
Tyler Jameson  
Wendy Carthel  
Rachel Burkart

**September 19**  
Harper Haile  
Gabriel Keen  
Phillip Saiz  
Robin Ott  
Misty Cheshier  
Adrienne (Osborn)Vazquez  
Milli (Dixon) Watson  
Shonda Bentley  
Noah Romero

To have your birthdays listed in the newspaper, email them to [frionastar@wtrt.net](mailto:frionastar@wtrt.net) or call: 806.250.5200

## Small Town Cookin' By Jeri Lynn White

### Tomatoes

This is a unique way to use up those tomatoes. The reviews on this recipe say it is good on grilled cheese sandwiches and scrambled eggs. Hope you enjoy.

**Tomato Bacon Jam**  
[www.allrecipes.com](http://www.allrecipes.com)

#### Ingredients

- ½ pound smoked bacon
- 2 pounds ripe tomatoes, chopped
- 1 yellow sweet onion, finely diced
- 1 cup white sugar
- 2 ½ tablespoons apple cider vinegar
- 1 ½ teaspoons salt
- ¼ teaspoon black pepper
- 1 dash hot pepper sauce (such as Tabasco) (Optional)

#### Directions

Cook bacon in a large skillet over medium-high heat, turning occasionally, until evenly browned, about 10 minutes. Drain bacon slices on paper towels. Crumble bacon when cool. Stir tomatoes, sweet onion, sugar, apple cider vinegar, salt, black pepper, and hot sauce together in a saucepan and bring to a boil, stirring constantly to dissolve sugar. Stir in crumbled bacon and cook over medium heat, stirring often, until the spread is very thick, about 1 hour. Adjust salt and black pepper. Cool and spoon into a clean 1-pint glass jar with a lid; store in the refrigerator for 1 week or frozen for 2 months. If freezing put spread into small jars and let jars thaw in refrigerator overnight before using.



### That Hit the Spot!

The Friona FFA Chapter hosted a Hamburger Feed last Wednesday evening in the back of the Ag Shop. Besides the main course, a wide variety of desserts were also available for attendees. Thank you FFA students and teachers for the great meal and good luck in the upcoming Fall events.

## Gas prices continue slide

### By GasBuddy

Average gasoline prices in Texas fell 2.2 cents last week, averaging \$2.80 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was priced at \$2.19 while the most expensive was \$3.73 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline fell 7.2 cents last week, averaging \$3.22 per gallon. The national average price of diesel has declined 4.5 cents in the last week and stands at \$3.62 per gallon, the lowest since early 2022.

"Impressively, for the sixth straight week, gas prices have dropped to their lowest since winter. GasBuddy now counts 11 states and over 45,000 stations with gas prices below \$3 per gallon," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

"With oil prices falling below \$70 per barrel, their lowest since 2021, there's solid room for gas prices and diesel to continue falling for some time. We expect the national average could fall below \$3 per gallon as early as October for the first time since 2021," De Haan noted.

GasBuddy data is compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

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# Little Pocket Jesus

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

*"My little pocket Jesus is so nice, he fits inside my pocket and I can bring him out at my choice.*

*Little pocket Jesus is my good luck charm, I pull him out when life seeks to bring me harm.*

*Little pocket Jesus is my friend only when I want him to be, because little pocket Jesus lets me live exactly as I want, free.*

*Free to live my life by my standard, because little pocket Jesus wants my life to be pampered.*

*Little pocket Jesus is Jesus in my image, a god of my own creation who I can leverage.*

*Little pocket Jesus doesn't demand my heart, just a prayer, some good behavior, and the occasional camp restart.*

*Little pocket Jesus is so sweet and so small, little pocket Jesus is not Jesus at all."*

My friend, Paul Fisher, Pastor of FBC Farwell, wrote these words and used it to challenge Friona teens last month to not reduce Jesus to a idol of our own making,

but to truly see that Jesus is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. The students listened intently, and will hopefully respond obediently in the days and weeks ahead. Thank you Pastor Paul for your message!

In all honesty, though, its not just the students who are prone to reduce Jesus to simply an endorsement of our lifestyles. Political parties love to stamp Jesus' endorsement on their ticket, but have no intention of lining up with God's word, and many believers have settled for a lukewarm, powerless faith, that brings little transformation and change to their lives. Following Jesus is not simply part of your life, but it is your life. In Luke 9:23 Jesus said "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me." Following Jesus has tremendous costs, but the rewards are far greater, and my prayer is that believers in Friona will get rid of little pocket Jesus and live in full commitment to him.

## Panhandle Parables

# Obituary of Somebody

? - 2014

By Jeff Procter, Minister, 6th Street Church of Christ

Sad news came today in the loss of one of our dear brethren. Somebody was a hard worker for the Lord. In fact, Somebody did most of the work that Anybody could have done.

Somebody always checked on Anybody and Everybody. He visited the widows when Nobody was around. He volunteered down at the hospital to help out Everybody. Somebody taught class for most of his life. Nobody remembers a time without Somebody teaching. Everybody used to say, "Boy Somebody should get that done." Thankfully Somebody showed up to do it. Nobody knows what all Somebody did, but if it didn't get done, Somebody was to blame. Everybody loved him and was thankful for all the work he did.

Nobody found him early one afternoon, because Everybody needed him to do something for Anybody. He passed away from apparent exhaustion never finding any time to rest because Nobody did anything to help lighten Somebody's load, and Anybody could have helped. Everybody knew Somebody was getting older, but Nobody even knew when he was born.

We are truly saddened at the loss, but thankfully, Somebody is survived by his son, Somebody Else. Our hope is that Somebody Else will fill the shoes of Somebody so that Nobody will have to step up and Everybody will be happy again. The irony of the whole little tale is most of the stuff Somebody did, Anybody could have done. But then again, you don't want just Anybody doing the Lord's work.

What if it were different? Somebody showed up to find Everybody and Anybody working hard so that Nobody was left without a job. Everybody was happy because the work that used to belong to Somebody and his son Somebody Else was now done by Anybody and Everybody gave praise to the Lord for the work that was done.

"Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn't do it, sins." James 4:17 NIV

Inspiration from Acapella's song, "Everybody Said..."

*I wrote this article 10 years ago. I can't believe Somebody has been gone that long.*

# Welcoming Prodigals Home

By Teena Hughs

In the last few weeks, I have heard two real-life prodigal son stories. In one story, the young man was told by his father that he would come crawling back home. When he did come home, it was more of an "I told you so" attitude on the part of the parents, and there is still a big, thick wall between the prodigal and his family.

In the other story, problems arose after the prodigal returned, and the prodigal moved and started a life for himself elsewhere.

When I heard these stories, I couldn't help but wonder why people can't welcome prodigals with open arms, like Jesus welcomes us when we admit we have messed up; why people aren't thrilled the lost has found his/her way home; why we aren't willing to help the prodigal get another start in life?

As I have written before, for the longest time, I saw myself as the oldest son in Jesus' parable in Luke 15:11-32, because I am the type that stays home and does what I am supposed to do. If my brother had been a prodigal, would I have welcomed him home with open arms? It would depend on my age and where I am in life. As a 30 year-old, I wouldn't have welcomed him; I would have been jealous of all the attention he was receiving; and my attitude toward him would not be forgiving!

At nearly 70, I see myself as a parent, and I work at seeing people like Father God sees us, and I would hope I would be welcoming, that I would help her/him any way I could, with boundaries. Having dealt with a prodigal, trust was a big issue with me. I wasn't sure I could let things go back to the way they were because I wasn't sure I could trust; behaviors do have consequences.

Surrendering pride is a great way to begin reconciliation. Hopefully the prodigal surrendered pride before starting his/her journey home, and hopefully the family receiving the prodigal surrenders their pride, whether it be concern for themselves and their feelings of hurt, jealousy, anger, etc. Surrendering pride knocks down a lot of

walls, and is a jump start to welcoming a prodigal home.

Forgiveness is another place to start in welcoming home a prodigal, on the part of the prodigal and the person having trouble welcoming home the prodigal. Sometimes we have to forgive more than once.

Taking life a little slow and easy helps, and patience goes a long way when a prodigal returns. Everyone changes when a prodigal leaves home and then returns. It takes adjustments, and it takes sorting out things to get life back to as close to "normal" as possible.

Praying is essential while a prodigal is gone from home, and when he/she returns. We want God's hand on our prodigal at all times while they are gone, but we also want His hand on us as we navigate life without our prodigal, and then when he/she comes home! Putting the whole situation of a prodigal in God's hand and letting Him handle it seems too easy, like we aren't doing enough to "fix" our prodigal, but God always knows best and what needs to be done!

Loving a prodigal, even when you are hurt, jealous, angry, etc. is the greatest thing for a prodigal, and you, when he/she returns home. It can take courage for a prodigal to leave. They think they are doing the right thing; that it is their life, and they can live it the way they want; but for sure, it takes courage to go home and have to face no telling what kind of reaction. Welcoming a prodigal home like the father did in Jesus' story of the prodigal son, knowing that he was loved, began the building of a father/son relationship. The way the older brother reacted made building a brother/brother relationship more difficult.

Life is short. We all have choices to make. I hate it when people, especially in families, are estranged. Sometimes we have to do things we don't want to do; we have to take that first step; we have to give that first hug; we have to be the first to say "I'm sorry," but it is definitely worth it when a relationship is healed!

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## September Bible Verse

*If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9 NIV*

*Si confesamos nuestros pecados, Dios, que es fiel y justo, nos los perdonará y nos limpiará de toda maldad. 1 Juan 1:9 NVI*

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# Obituary



## Ramoncita "Yaya" Gaytán Jordán de Ávila

Ramoncita "Yaya" Gaytán Jordán de Ávila, de 75 años, de Friona, Texas, falleció el sábado 31 de agosto de 2024 en Friona. La Misa de Entierro Cristiano se llevará a cabo el miércoles 4 de septiembre de 2024 a las 2:00 p.m. en la Iglesia Católica de Santa Teresa en Friona, con el padre Ramón Molina Mora y el diácono José Correa oficiando. Los arreglos y servicios de cremación han sido confiados a la funeraria Mendez and Mullins Family Funeral Home de Hereford. El martes 3 de septiembre de 2024, de 1:00 a 8:00 p.m., se llevará a cabo una visita de familiares y amigos en la funeraria con un rosario a las 6:00 p.m.



Jandro, todos de Friona, Texas, y Vidal Ruiz de la Ciudad de México; nietos, Jesús Armando, Mauricio y su esposa Juanita, Katheryne, April, Antonio, Juan, Kimberly, David, José Laurencio, Jonathan Alexander, Daniela Iván, David Iván y su esposa Wendy Jasmín; bisnietos, Iran Jokebed, Iker Ivan, Roman Baruch, Zaid Carim, Briana Scarlet y Brian Mauricio; hermanos, Benito Gaytán y su esposa María Elena de Camarog, Chihuahua, José Gaytán de Camargo, Chihuahua, México, y Jorge Gaytán y su esposa Mary Alonso de Kansas City, Missouri; y su hermana María de Jesús Gaytán de Camargo, Chihuahua, México.

Jordan. She has been a longtime resident of Friona, Texas for over 28 years. Ramoncita's pride was raising her seven children and caring for her husband Laurencio Avila for more than fifty-seven years. She was a lovely housewife all of her life. She enjoyed cooking and making all kinds of jam, jamoncillo, flour tortillas, and bread. She loved to talk with her family and friends from Mexico and watch her novelas.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Paz Gaytan and Paula Jordan; son, Jose Alonzo Avila; brother Miguel; and sisters, Juanita, Maria, Manuela, Margarita.

Those left to remember and cherish her memories are her husband Laurencio Avila, of Friona, Texas; children, Juana Armendariz and husband Eduardo, Antonio Avila and wife Maria Erika, Mauricio Avila and wife Isabelle, Santa Cecilia Luis, and her husband Victor Alejandro all from Friona, Texas, Vidal Ruiz of Mexico City, and Roque Rivas and his wife Kenia of Amarillo Texas; grandchildren, Jesus Armando, Mauricio and his wife Juanita, Katheryne, April, Antonio, Juan, Kimberly, David, Jose Laurencio, Jonathan Alexander, Daniela Ivan, David Ivan and his wife Wendy Jasmin; great-grandchildren, Iran Jokebed, Iker Ivan, Roman Baruch, Zaid Carim, Briana Scarlet, and Brian Mauricio; brothers, Benito Gaytan and his wife Maria Elena of Camargo Chihuahua Mexico, Jose Gaytan of Camargo, Chihuahua, Mexico, and Jorge Gaytan and his wife Mary Alonso from Kansas City, Missouri; and sister Maria de Jesus Gaytan of Camargo, Chihuahua, Mexico.

Ramoncita "Yaya" Gaytán Jordán de Ávila, 75, of Friona, Texas passed away on Saturday, August 31, 2024, in Friona. Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, at 2:00 P.M. at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona, with Father Ramon Molina Mora and Deacon Jose Correa officiating. Arrangements and Cremation Services have been entrusted to Mendez and Mullins Family Funeral Home of Hereford. A Family and Friend Visitation will be on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, from 1:00 - 8:00 P.M. at the funeral home with a rosary at 6:00 P.M.

Ramoncita was born on December 22, 1948, in Salinas de Haco Chihuahua, Mexico, to Paz Gaytan and Paula

## Retired Teachers Organization to meet on Tuesday

Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel (PCRTSP) will meet on Tuesday, September 17th at 12 noon at the Sixth Street Church of Christ in Friona.

Members are asked to bring \$10.00 to cover

costs for the fajita meal that will be served.

County school administrators will give updates about what is happening in their respective school districts and they answer any questions or concerns from the attendees.

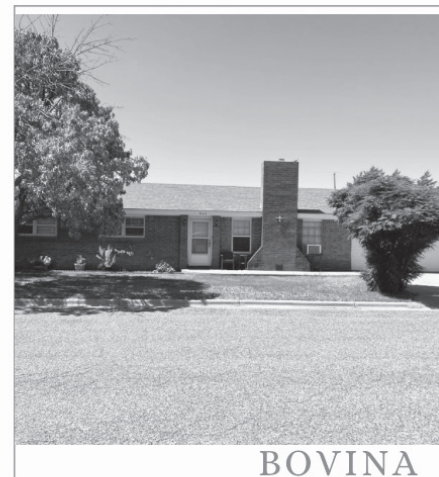
All retired school employees in Parmer County are invited to attend the meeting. You can contact Sharon White, Kim Smiley, Leslie Wright or any officer for information on how to join PCRTSP and TRTA.

## Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council of the City of Friona will hold a **Public Hearing** on the proposed budget for fiscal year, October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025, at **6:30 P.M. Monday, September 16th, 2024, in the Council Chambers** at City Hall, 619 Main Street, Friona. The proposed budget is on file with the City Secretary's Office and is available for inspection by any taxpayer. There will also be a public hearing at this same meeting for the 2024 proposed tax rate of \$0.585200/\$100 valuation for the City of Friona



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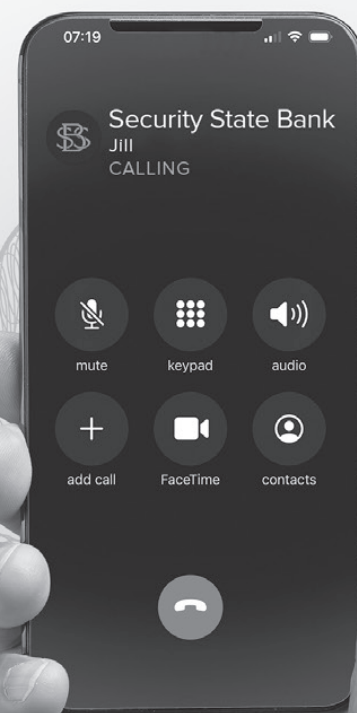
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## FRIONA FLASHBACKS

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**MEET THE CANDIDATE . . .** Publisher Bill Ellis and retired County Judge Porter Roberts, right, are shown visiting with Judge Bryan Poff, candidate for re-election to the seventh appeals court. Poff was in Friona the last of August for a campaign stop. (Friona Star, Saturday, September 10, 1994)



# Friona Fire Department News



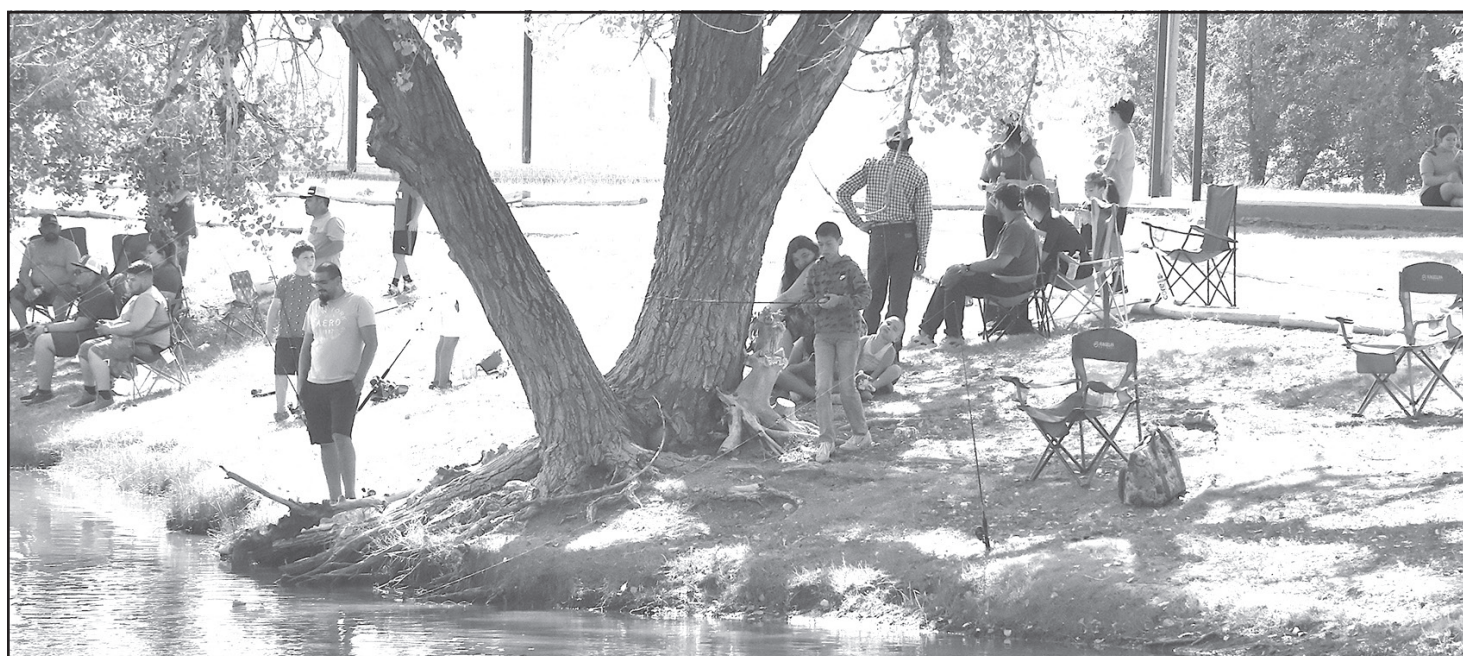
**Firefighters Recognized** — In the photo at left, Lieutenant Blake Stowers received a plaque from Assistant Fire Chief Chance Lewellen recognizing his certification as a Fire Instructor III. In the center photo, Captain Gary Stowers received a plaque from Lewellen recognizing his certification as a Firefighter II. In the photo at right, Lewellen received a plaque from Fire Chief Danny Campbell recognizing his certification as a Fire Instructor II.

## Youth Fishing Day Results

Approximately 105 kids turned out at Reeve Lake last Sunday to try their luck at catching channel catfish in the bi-annual Youth Fishing Day. Trophies were awarded in three age groups and the winners are listed below.

For the past 30 years Jeff Scott, executive director/president of the Texas Junior Anglers, has been traveling to Friona and Hereford in May and September to stage youth fishing events. "We always look forward to coming to Friona and the weather, water, and fishing was great this year at both events."

Scott added, "I would like to thank City Manager Lee Davila and the Friona Chamber of Commerce for their help in staging and promoting Youth Fishing Days. See you on May 18th!"



**Felipe Jaguz | 22 4/8"**  
1st Place (Age 12-16)



**Overall Winner | Bryan Rey | 25 2/8"**  
1st Place (Age 7-11)



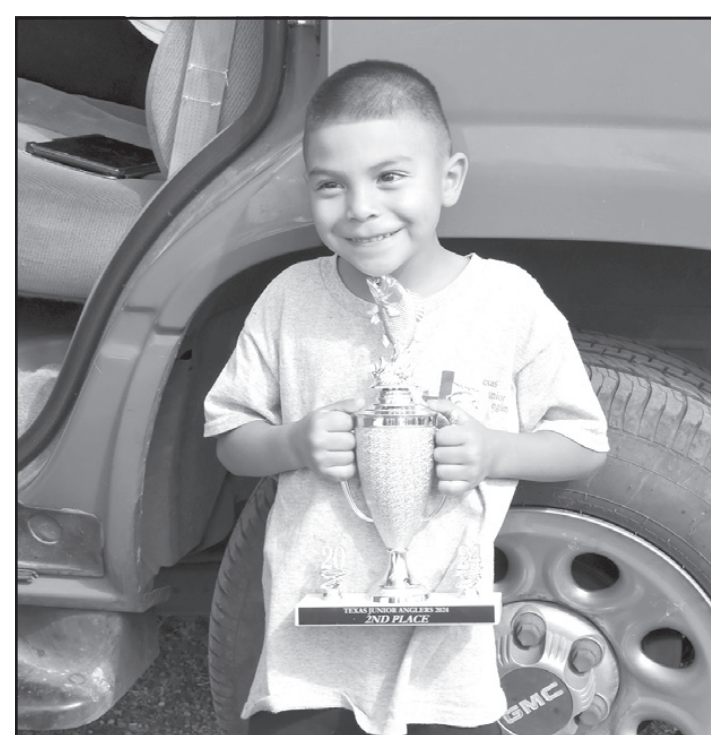
**Ariana Lopez | 23 2/8"**  
1st Place (Age 6U)



**Damian Moreno | 21 5/8"**  
2nd Place (Age 12-16)



**Aria Aguirre | 23 2/8"**  
2nd Place (Age 7-11)



**Pancho Mendoza | 22 1/8"**  
2nd Place (Age 6U)



**Gone Fishin'** — Front row (l-r) Sylvia Mendoza with her mom Priscilla and her daughter Clarissa; Back row (l-r) Jeff Scott (Arlington), Jason Smart (Arlington).





# Sports



**Pack of Lynx** — #10 Jameson Daniels finds himself surrounded by Spearman defenders during last Friday evening's football game at Chieftain Field.

## Spearman 43 Friona 0

### Scoring Summary

Qtr	Score
1	S - Jalian Vasquez 26 yd run (Pablo Garcia kick)
1	S - Hudson Swan 9 yd pass from Cy Davis (kick no good)
2	S - JP Carbajal 16 yd run (Garcia kick)
2	S - Vasquez 59 yd pass from Davis (kick no good)
3	S - Swan 49 yd run (Garcia kick)
3	S - Dallen Scroggs 10 yd run (Garcia kick)
4	S - Garcia 21 yd FG

Rushing Stats	Carries	Yards	TDs	Avg
2 Justen Trevino	5	-8	0	-1.6
3 Damian Sanchez	1	-2	0	-2.0
5 Izaac Ortiz	2	4	0	2.0
7 Aaron Rosales	9	31	0	3.4
10 Jameson Daniels	1	-4	0	-4.0
22 Iram Gonzalez	4	14	0	3.5
<b>Rushing Totals:</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1.6</b>

Receiving Stats	Receptions	Yards	TDs	Avg
7 Aaron Rosales	1	-2	0	-2.0
8 Tony Diaz	2	10	0	5.0
10 Jameson Daniels	4	24	0	6.0
20 Bryer Stanberry	1	18	0	18.0
<b>Receiving Totals:</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6.3</b>

Passing Stats	Comp	Att	Yards	TDs	INTs
2 Justen Trevino	7	13	45	0	1
7 Aaron Rosales	1	1	5	0	0

Kicking Stats	Extra Pt	Att	Field Goal
24 Rafael Rocha	0	0	0

Defensive Stats	UN	AST.	TOT	TFL	FR	FC	INT	SACK
Gonzalez, Iram #1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
Rosales, Aaron #7	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Daniels, Jameson #10	3	2	5	-	-	-	-	-
Alvarez, Michael #11	-	1	1	0.5	-	-	-	-
Lara, Gael #12	2	1	3	-	-	-	1	-
Ramos, Gabriel #15	2	9	11	-	-	-	-	-
Rocha, Abram #17	4	10	14	-	-	-	-	-
Stanberry, Bryer #20	1	3	4	-	-	-	-	-
Gutierrez, Frank #21	1	4	5	-	-	-	-	-
Munoz, Edwin #22	1	2	3	1	-	-	-	-
Rocha, Rafael #24	2	6	8	0.5	-	-	-	-
Gonzalez, Jacob #28	1	5	6	-	-	-	-	-
Quezada, Diego #50	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
Garcia, Mario #53	2	4	6	-	-	-	-	-
Perez, Hevilat #54	3	4	7	-	-	-	-	-
Flores, Ishmael #62	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-

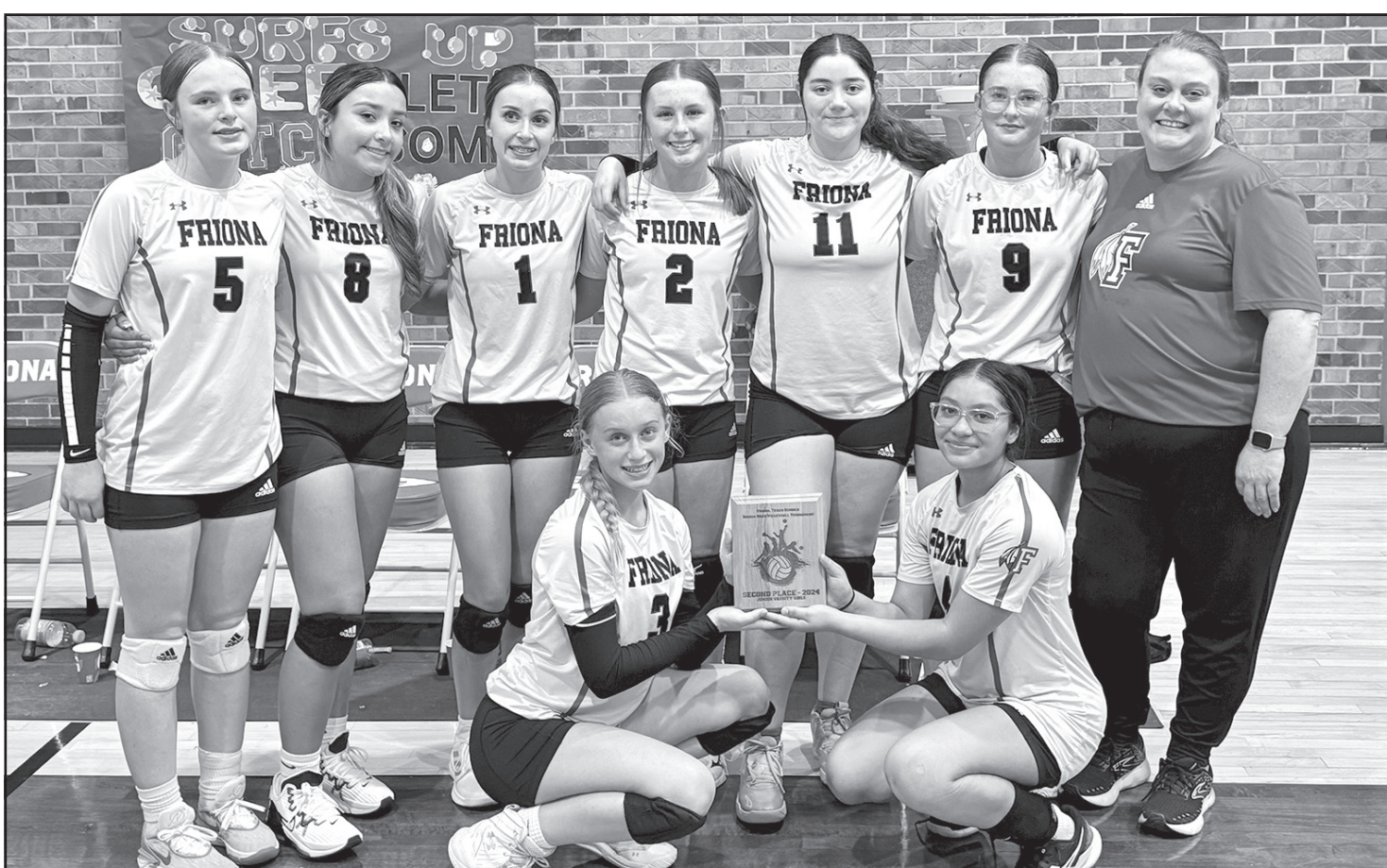
**Yards allowed; Rushing 402, Passing 77, Total 479**



7th Grade Maidens | 1st Place | Border Bash Tournament



8th Grad Maidens | 3rd Place | Border Bash Tournament



JV Squaws | 2nd Place | Border Bash Tournament



**Let's Get Started** — FHS Cheerleader Mascot Yaseline Faudoa leads the Chieftains onto the field last Friday night at the home opening football game against the Spearman Lynx.

## Sports News

### Varsity Football

The Chieftains are looking to rebound this week after a 0-2 start to the season. Friona only managed 85 yards of offense against a much improved Spearman team. On defense, Abram Rocha (14) and Gabriel Ramos (11) were the leading tacklers and Gael Lara recorded his second interception of the season. It's Homecoming week and the Chiefs will host the Wellington Skyrockets at 7:00 p.m. at Chieftain Field. Pre-game festivities start at 6:30 p.m.

### Junior Varsity Football

The JV traveled to Spearman to battle the Lynx and ended up on the short side of the score, losing 28-22. Hector Aguirre scored on a 62 yard run however the 2 point conversion was no good. Later, an 8 yard pass from Mason Ramos to JD Villegas was good for another touchdown. The 2 point conversion was also good with Hector Aguirre running it in. Rounding out the scoring was Mason Ramos on a 35 yard run. Ramos also scored the 2 point conversion. The JV travels to Wellington on Thursday with the game starting at 6:30 p.m.

### Junior High Football

The 7th and 8th Braves open their seasons this week by hosting Wellington. Games start at 5:00 p.m. and 6:15 p.m.

### High School Volleyball

The Friona Squaws fell to Denver City 3-0 and defeated Monaghan's 3-1 on Tuesday night to move to 19-5 for the season. The Squaws will play at Lubbock Christian on Saturday at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. and host Wildorado Tuesday evening at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m.



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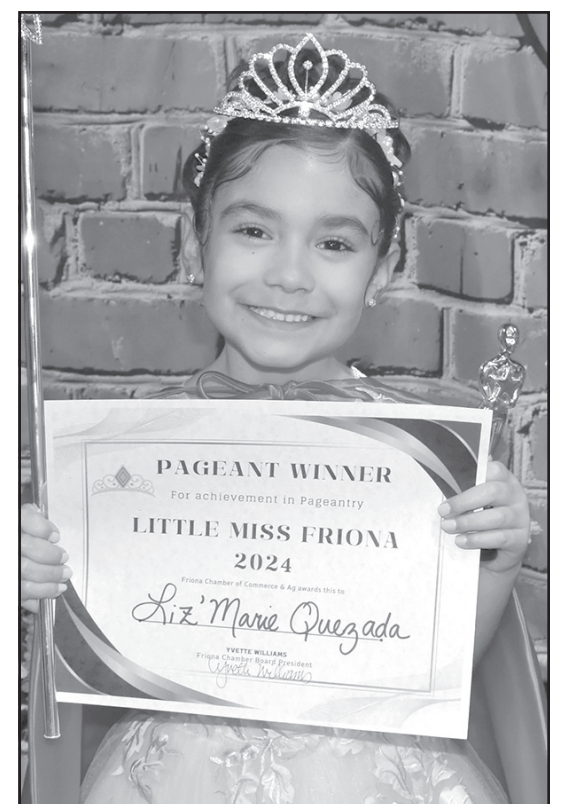
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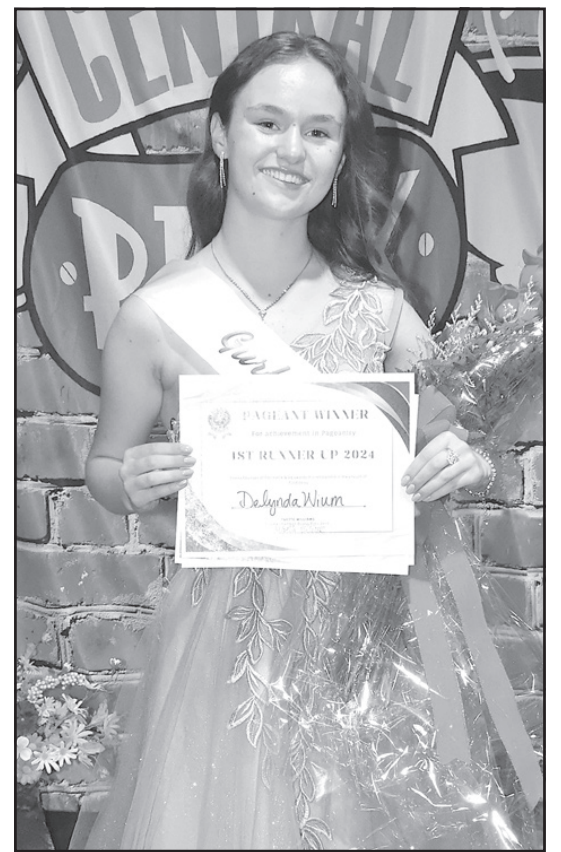
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**FHS Homecoming Queen Candidates** — (l-r) Leslie Rodriguez, Kitzy Welch, Reyna Arias, Odalis Faudoa, and Aubrey Schueler. The 2024 Homecoming Queen will be crowned in a ceremony starting at 6:30 p.m. at Chieftain Field.



**Miss Congeniality | Emily Ibarra**  
2024 Miss Frona Pageant



2023 Miss Frona Yvonne Legarreta (left) and 2023 Little Miss Ayva Lozoya (right) pose with 2024 Little Miss Winners Liz'Marie Quezada, Adelaide Licerio, and Amaya Mendez.

## “It’s like déjà vu all over again.”

— Yogi Berra

It seems that in the past few years Yvonne Legarreta and Kitzy Welch have been in more photos together than with family members. The two have held the Miss Frona title the past three years with Kitzy winning in 2022 and 2024 while Yvonne held the honor in 2023. If that wasn’t enough, the

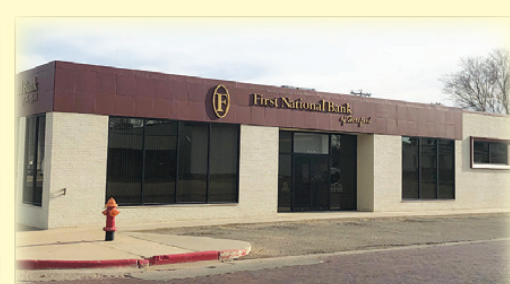
dynamic duo have also broke school records in Track & Field for the past two years. In 2023, they broke records previously set by others, and in 2024 they broke their own records. Kitzy owns the Discus (130-09’) record and Yvonne owns the 3200M (11:11.32) and 1600M (5:09.35) records.



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