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### Friona + Star **\$1.00** THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2017 **TEN PAGES**

### The Longest Day--June 21

Bluebonnet Home Health and Hospice, the Alzheimer's Association, the Ellis family and the Friona Star are proud to present a 3-part series over the next three weeks for The Longest Day.

The Longest Day is all about love. Love for all those affected by Alzheimer's disease. On the summer solstice, June 21, 2017, people across the world will join the Alzheimer's Association to do an activity they love-or an activity loved by those affected-to help end Alzheimer's. Together, they will raise funds and awareness for care and support while advancing research toward the first survivor of Alzheimer's.

#### Step 1-Select an activity you love

Visit alz.org/thelongestday to sign up and select an activity. Do something you love-to honor a caregiver, someone living with Alzheimer's, or someone you've lost by selecting his or her favorite hobby. From swimming to scrapbooking, you're limited only by your imagination.

#### Step 2-Pick a way to participate

Start or join a team, host an event, or register as an individual. Choose the way that works best for you.

#### Step 3-Raise money and move the cause forward

To advance critically needed research and provide care and support, each participant is asked to raise funds for the efforts of the Alzheimer's Association. Start fundraising early and you'll see you total skyrocket. Association staff and volunteer committee members can help with tools, tips and advice.

#### Step 4-Make plans for the longest day

If you're hosting an event or participating as part of a team, get organized now-send invitations, organize supplies and strategize for the big day. If you're participating solo, think about the support you need during your activity. A photographer? Cheerleaders? Ask friends and family to help.

#### Step 5-Participate—and celebrate!

On The Longest Day, you're part of a global movement to help end Alzheimer's disease. Share your photos; stories and fundraising successes on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to show your love across the world. Use #TheLongestDay and #ENDALZ.

Carol Ellis will be sharing excerpts from her journal in the June 8 and June 15 editions of the Friona Star. She will share her experience as a spouse of a loved one that was afflicted by this mind debilitating diseases

To learn more and/or donate please contact alz.org/thelongestday or call 800-272-3900.

### Calling all cooking teams

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

**Light work!** 



#### dana jameson photos

Bright and early Tuesday morning TxDOT workers were out installing new traffic signals with flashing vellow left turn arrows on the lights on Highway 60 at Main Street and **Cleveland Avenue. Remember to be cautious** when approaching these intersections and in any road construction.



### Two intersection signals along US 60 being upgraded

The Texas Department of Transportation is set to install new traffic signals with flashing yellow left turn arrows along US 60 in the city of Friona as part of an effort to upgrade the signals to meet Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) standards. The traffic signals on US 60 at the Cleveland Avenue and Main Street intersections are scheduled to be installed and set to go online next week. Work was scheduled to begin on Tuesday, May 30.

were adopted in 2009 by the FHWA as the national standard for permissive left-turn signals," said Steve Warren, P.E., TxDOT Lubbock District engineer. "The signals are now being used by TxDOT and local jurisdictions across the state."

Motorists should be aware that oncoming traffic has a green light when the flashing yellow arrow is displayed.

"The flashing yellow-arrow, left-turn signals are gradually being phased in to "The flashing-yellow, left-turn arrows replace the traditional circular green sig-

nals," Warren added. "The flashing yellow arrow is being used to indicate traffic is permitted to turn left but must still yield to oncoming traffic. This is different from the old green arrow signal which means traffic turning left is protected and has the right of way.'

Flashing yellow arrows will continue to be retrofitted where appropriate at existing signals when traffic control equipment is upgraded or replaced.

Work will take place weather permitting.

### Friona Blood Drive to celebrate Dairy Month

The community of Friona names will be put in a drawing low these instructions: Center will celebrate Dairy Dairy Max and the Friona click on the Donor EXPRESS

and Coffee Memorial Blood for a year supply of milk.

1) Visit thegiftoflife.org, then



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The Friona High School Class of 2017 gift to FHS was the Alma Mater wall hanging, above, that will hang in the gymnasium for all the visitor to view. The wall hanging was created and designed by Bobby Thompson and **Thompson Ink.** 

### Aging and wellness workshop offered at Heritage Estates

#### By Rhonda K. Sanders, LMSW

May is considered National Older Americans Month. Older American Month has been observed since 1963 and its purpose is to raise vital aging issues across the country. This year's theme was titled 'Age Out Loud'. People age with uniqueness. Ageing, resilience, and healthy change are the focus of the monthly workshop. People learn from each other and sharing healthy coping skills is very therapeutic.

Please join us for the next workshop to be held

the third Friday of the month, June 16 at 10:45 a.m. at Friona Heritage Estates Day Room. Lunch is an option that is offered at noon for the cost of \$3.00. It is required to RSVP the day before if you choose to stay for lunch. Please phone 806-250-5599.

This event is open to the community and is cosponsored by Bluebonnet Home Health and Hospice and Friona Heritage Estates. For more information, call Rhonda at Bluebonnet 247-0057.

Month in a big way on Thursday, June 22 at Calvary Baptist Church from noon to 7 p.m. Every eligible donor who is present to donate will receive a Dairy Month themed t-shirt, a pint of milk, a cup of ice cream and a squeeze cow. Donors'

Noon Lions will be providing cheeseburgers to the donors. A radio-remote will be aired from the drive to promote the drive.

Donors can use Donor Express to register online to make the process quicker. Just fol-

link at the top of the page.

2) Answer the health history questions confidentially.

3) Print the bar-coded page that contains hidden responses.

4) Bring that page to the blood drive that same day. Save a life, give blood.

### Squaw basketball fundraiser

A fundraiser brisket sandwich meal for the Friona Squaws Basketball team is scheduled for Saturday, June 3 starting at 11 a.m. at Milk House Market. The meal includes: sandwich, chips, drink and a cookie for \$10. All proceeds go the Squaws Varsity basketball team. Donations are welcome.



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

Coffee Break for Caregivers is a.m. for coffee and donuts fol-

tential resources for patients and family. Join them Friday, June 2 at the First National Bank Community Room in Friona at 9:30

lowed by a meeting at 10 a.m.

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

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Mark Sundre, Minnie Ureste, Kathy Eppers and Kathy Terry were honored at a Retirement Reception held Wednesday, May 24 at the FISD Administration **Building Board Room.** 

### Community Calendar

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

#### June 1 Friona Public Library Summer Reading Program begins

#### June 2

Caregivers Coffee Break at First National Bank Community Room 9:30 a.m.

#### <u>June 3</u>

Friona Squaws Basketball Brisket Sandwich Meal fundraiser starts at 11 a.m. at Milk House Market

#### June 4-8

First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

#### June 4

San Jose Church Annual Jamaica at Dameron Park in Hereford

#### <u>June 7</u>

Summer Reading program: Nancy Worcester & Friends at the FJHS

a.m.

10 a.m. at FJHS auditorium

### June 18

First Baptist Church Vacation Bi-



#### Friends

My friend Jim Steiert said something prolific this week. "Sometimes columns fall into your lap." He was right.

Last week as we were preparing to send out the graduation edition, I realized just how tired I really felt. I had been selling ads for over a month and it was nice to know that the light at the end of the tunnel was not a train.

Anyway, the phone rang Wednesday morning and it was my friend Monica Bermea. She wanted to know if I was going to be at the office and could she come by? I told her it would be great. I haven't seen her in a while.

Monica and I were in the same bible study class and I found that I enjoyed her company so much that I would go early just to talk to her.

A few minutes later, the front door bell rang out and she came in with a bag in her hand. In that bag was one of her beautiful quilts.

She handed it to me and said she found this piece of material and thought of me. It has newspaper ads from the old days of newspapers.

How did she know that I had been selling ads for a month and was getting ready to set them free on our readers?

She just knew.

To date, it is one of the best gifts I have ever been given. She didn't have to go to all the hard work for me...but she did.

She is one of those people that is the calm while the storm rages all around. She has a good heart. Monica has not had the easiest of lives but she has managed to come out the other side as someone that is good both inside and out.

How do you thank someone who worked so hard to make you a beautiful present...just because?

I racked my brain for the perfect thank you.

**'50 for 50'' fundraiser set for July 4** 

The Friona Volunteer Fire will benefit the fire department.

win.

claim the winning gun.

## **June 5-9**

ange pineapple juice, applesauce, milk.

Lunch: Corn dog, Doritos, cheese broccoli, Ranchstyle beans, Mandarin oranges, milk.



be supplied.

partment.

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7. Ruger 10/22 Carbine, 22LR, 8. Glock 19, 9mm, GEN 4 357mag, 6", Blued 10. Ruger Bearcat, 22LR, Tyler Gun Works Custom 11. Springfield SDS, 9mm,

12. Benelli Supernova, 12 ga, Pump

I don't sew. I don't do crafts like I used to. I don't

So, here is my way of saying thank you for being such

Monica, you are the best example of a friend I have

ever been honored to know. We may not speak often, but

we don't have to. You were given the gift of knowing.

That is a mighty awesome gift and you share it with your

every action. So, thank you for being my friend. I can

only hope that I can repay you your kindness some day.

to your good memories and wrap yourself in them, like a

warm quilt, when the times are not so good. I now have

followed my own advice and I when times get rough

I will literally have a quilt to stave off the bad times.

Thank you Monica for showing me what a friend truly

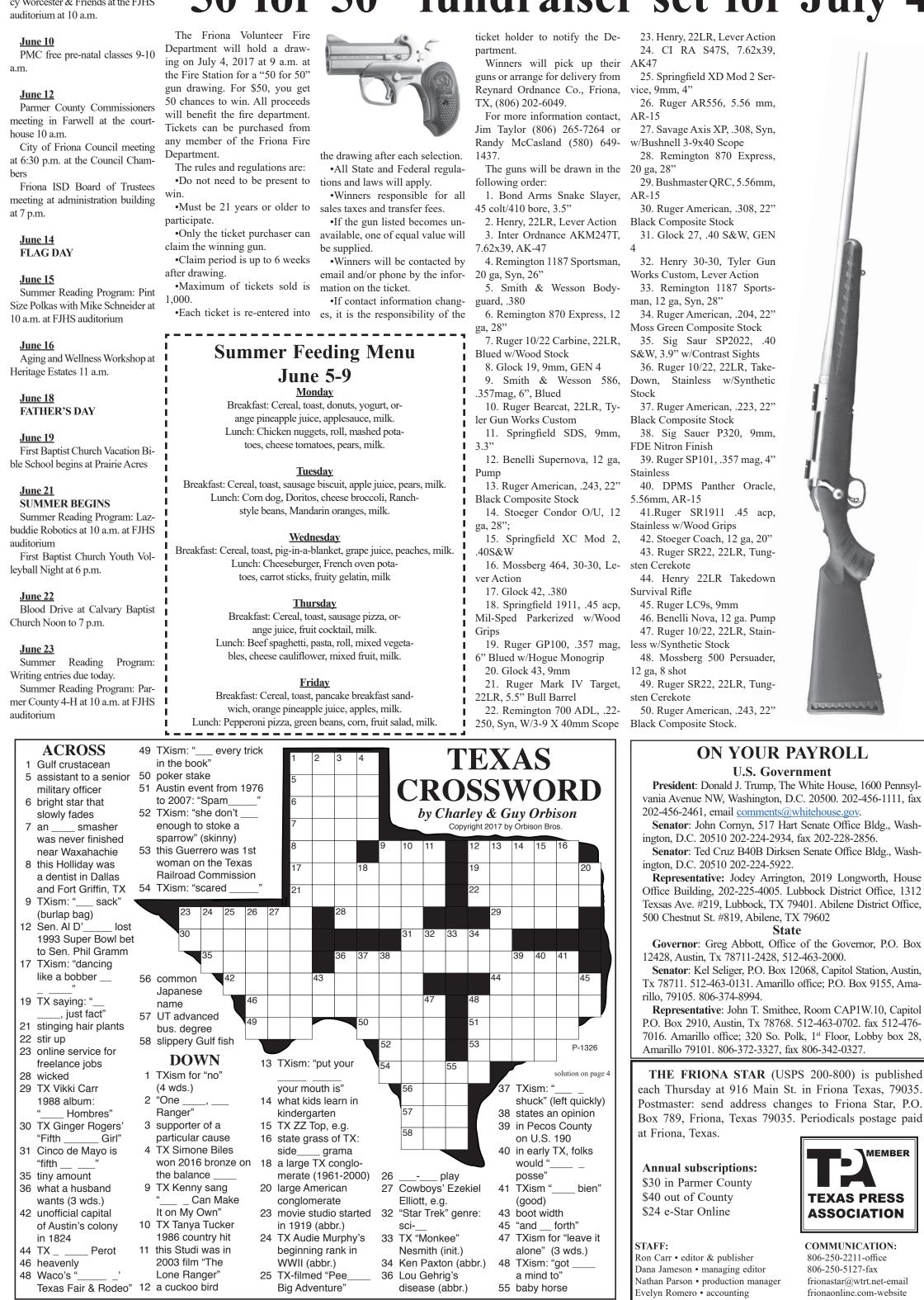
Last week my advice to the senior class was to hold on

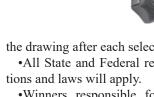
paint or anything like that. I work with words every day.

How hard is that?

a good hearted and beautiful friend.

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### Fax: 806-250-5127 email: frionastar@wtrt.net

### **Phone:** 806-250-2211 Cell: 806-206-9524

If you are looking for a reason not to cook lunch on Saturday, June 3, come by Milk House Market for the Friona Squaw Basketball Team Brisket Sandwich Fundraiser. It begins at 11 a.m. For \$10, you get a brisket sandwich, chips, drink and a cookie. All the proceeds go to the Squaws basketball team. \*\*\*\*

Daniel Jet Pena and Chris Rodriguez have been selected to play in the GWTBCA (Greater West Texas Baseball Coaches Association) All-Star Game on Saturday, June 24, 2017 at 2 p.m. at Hays Field on the campus of Lubbock Christian University. Way to go Daniel and Chris! \*\*\*\*

Richard and Monica Bermea will be celebrating 25 years of marriage on June 6. Congratulations and Happy Anniversary Richard and Monica! \*\*\*\*\*

We found out last week that Jackie Hefner had a heart attack and was in the hospital in Amarillo. We wish her a speedy recovery. \*\*\*\*

Hollis Horton reported that Jodey Arrington was in Friona last Friday visiting with a group of local farmers and business owners at Headquarters Restaurant. He discussed the first 120 days of this year's Congress. He discussed the agriculture farm porting any suspicious activity Freshman Congressman. \*\*\*\*

The Friona Swimming Pool is open for the summer. Kendall and Kim Kimbrough are the managers. The pool is open Monday through Saturday from 1-5 p.m. for public swimming. Water aerobics classes will be held from 6-7 p.m. each day for \$2.

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If you haven't signed up for the 9th Annual Pudge Kendrick Memorial Golf Tournament, you need to soon. Space is limited to 80 teams. The tournament will be July 29-30 at John Pitman Golf Club in Hereford. It is a twoperson scramble. The entry fee is \$250 per team. The proceeds from the tournament benefit the Parmer County Cancer Coalition and the Hereford Cancer Coalition. For more information, contact the John Pitman Golf Club at (806) 363-7139.

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The Friona Police Department posted on Facebook that they have received a number of vehicle burglaries and stolen vehicles reports.

Please help the FPD by re-



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Congressman Jodey Arrington was glad to get back home to a good West Texas chicken fried steak. He was in Friona at a meeting held Friday, May 26 at the hand for the drive. Come on out Headquarters Restaurant. He discussed his first 120 to the Calvary Baptist Church on days in Congress with a number of local farmers and June 22 from noon to 7 p.m. and business people.

programs, taxes, deficits and il- around your home and lock your legal immigration. He was ap- vehicles. If you have informapointed to the Farm, Veterans tion about any vehicle burglaries and Budget committees. These or stolen vehicles, call the FPD are important assignments for a at (806) 250-2711 or call Parmer County Crime Stoppers at (806) 481-9178. You may remain anonymous.

#### \*\*\*\*

The Friona Volunteer Fire Department still have tickets available for the "50 for 50" drawing to be held on July 4 at 9 a.m. at the fire station. Contact any of the firefighters or call Jim Taylor at (806) 265-7264 or Randy Mc-Casland (580) 649-1437. \*\*\*\*\*

The Cheeseburger Festival is just around the corner. If you have a winning recipe and want to win some moolah, get your team together and call the Chamber office at (806) 250-3491. \*\*\*\*

Plans are in the works for the Parmer County Sheriff's Office National Night Out, which will be held Tuesday, October 3 from 6-8 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center in Farwell. Contact Tanya Hunn at the Sheriff's Office (806) 481-3303 to be a part of this community-binding event. \*\*\*\*

The Allsup's West makeover continued this week. Workers were spotted removing the old awning over the gas pumps and tearing up concrete in the parking lot. It looks like it will be a completely new place when the work is all done but until then be careful entering and exiting the parking lot. \*\*\*\*

The Friona Blood Council met Tuesday, May 30 at Hunan Restaurant to discuss the upcoming Blood Drive on June 22. There were 63 donors at the Blood Drive April 13. This number exceeded the previous blood drive numbers. At the June Blood Drive Dairy Max will be on hand with pints of milk, cups of ice cream and squeeze cows for every donor. The Friona Noon Lions will be cooking up cheeseburgers for all the donors. According to Jon Solis, Coffee Memorial Blood Center Account Consultant, there

will be a radio remote crew on

and give the gift of life. \*\*\*\*

Summer Reading at the Friona Public Library begins this week. There is a calendar of events on page 3 for the upcoming programs at the Friona Junior High Auditorium. Check it out! You could win special prizes just for reading and/or writing. Door prizes will be given away at each program. Support you local Library programs.

MARK YOUR CALEN-DARS...A free Aging and Wellness workshop is scheduled for Friday, June 16 at 10:45 a.m. at the Friona Heritage Estates Day Room. If you want to stay for lunch, the cost of the meal is \$3. If you plan to stay for lunch, call in your RSVP to (806) 250-5599. \*\*\*\*

Caregivers Coffee Break will

be this Friday, June 2 at the First National Bank Community Room with donuts and coffee at 9:30 a.m. followed by a meeting at 10 a.m. For more information call Bluebonnet Home Health & Hospice at (806) 247-0057 and ask for the social worker. \*\*\*\*\*

If you are into acting, make plans to be a part of the Summer Drama Workshop July 10-22. This is a time honored summer activity. There will be more information in the Star as it is released. Stay tuned! \*\*\*\*\*

Ron's chemo and radiation are going well. His two youngest children, Megan and Zac, are now residents of Friona. They will be taking care of their father and taking him to his treatments. Thank you to everyone that has driven Ron to Amarillo, brought by food, and come by for a visit

in the past few months. He really appreciates your generosity. \*\*\*\*

The AgriLife Extension Office reminds all 4-H kids that if they want to be part of the District Pistol contest they need to register by Friday, June 2. The contest is June 13 at South Plains College in Levelland.

The H2O Camp is coming up on Wednesday, June 14. This event is sponsored by the 4-H Association. The cost is \$20 and you can RSVP to your club leader or the Extension office. The deadline is Monday, June 12. For more information, contact the local agents at (806) 251-5120.

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"Summer afternoon-summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language." ~ Henry James



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The West Allsup's is undergoing a complete makeover. The store will be expanded and all new gas and diesel pumps will eventually be installed. Right now they are dismantling and moving tanks. The store remains open. Be cautious when you enter and exit the parking lot.

## **Library Corner By Darla Bracken**



#### Build a Better World with summer reading...

2017 National Collaborative Library Summer Program. Our local program will begin June 1 and continue through June 30. Registration will begin June 1 and continue anytime thereafter. Friends of the Friona Public Library will sponsor four programs this year. All readers and families are welcome at our programs, but only readers can win door prizes. We will have a writing contest also.

Nancy Worcester and Friends, a profes-

'Build a Better World" is the theme for the expertise in robotics competition for our summer readers on Wednesday, June 21 also at 10 a.m. in the auditorium.

> Parmer County 4-H will share their program information with us on Friday, June 23 at 10 a.m. in the auditorium. Please come and bring someone with you if you can...

> Writing contests entries will be due on June 23 so be sure to get your entry blanks early so the writing can begin. Please mark your calendars with these important dates during your busy summer. NOTE the different dates!

enjoy a delicious cheeseburger

## **Friona Flashbacks**



### News from the week of May 30, 1987

\*Former Congressman Kent Hance, recently appointed as a member of the state's College Coordinating Board, will be the speaker at Friona High School's Commencement Exercises Sat-

urday. Honor graduates are included a brush with tornado dox and Jeff Dickson.

buffeted with severe weather

Past issues of the Friona Star are archived at **Texas Tech University** www.swco.ttu.edu

Kathy Boeckman, Mika Mad- clouds and severe hail. For the week, the city received a total \*The Friona area has been of 2.75 inches of rainfall. \*Diana I. Medina of Friona

during the past week, which has been selected along with nine other American teenagers to spend the summer in the Philippines with Filipino volunteer host families under a scholarship program funded by the United States Information Agency and administered by Youth For Understanding (YFU) International Exchange.

## The Stevens 5 Star Deal of the Week!



sional ventriloquist, will kick off the summer on Wednesday, June 7 at 10 a.m. at the Friona Junior High Auditorium.

Mike Schneider of Pint Size Polkas will perform on Thursday, June 15 at 10 a.m. also in the auditorium. Mike is from Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Lazbuddie Robotics will demonstrate their

We will have door prizes at each program so don't miss any of them! All participants will receive book bags, bookmarks, reading logs, calendars and face tattoos when you register. We will offer incentives for each set of five books read up to 20 books read but keep reading all summer and see how many books you can read.

Build a Better World • June 2017								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	/ Thursday	r Friday	Saturday		
		All programs will be held at the Friona Jr High Auditorium.		1 2017 Summer Reading Begins!	2 Remember to register so that you can start reading.	3		
4	5 Be sure to write the books you read in your log.	6	7 Nancy Worcester & Friends Ventriloquist 10 AM	8	9	10		
	12	13	14 Flag Day	15 Pint Size Polkas with Mike Schneider. 10 AM	16	17		
18 FATHER'S DAY Read with your Dad.	19	20	21 Lazbuddie Robotics 10 AM	22 Writing Entries are due Tomorrow, June 23 <sup>rd</sup> .	23 Parmer County 4H 10 AM	24		
25	26	27	28 Note: Changes in the programs are due to Summer School dates May 30-June23.	29	<b>30</b> Summer Reading ends, but keep on reading!			

### **Build a Better World**

Summer Reading Program

### **Begins**

June 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>



at the

**Friona Public Library** 

109 W 7<sup>th</sup>

250-3200

All ages welcome.



Hayden Smiley, rising Junior at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts, spoke to the Friona Evening Lions Club at their regular Thursday night meeting on May 25. Hayden is the son of Mitchell and Kim Smiley.

The club enjoyed Hayden's enthusiasm about his life on the Harvard Commons and the great city of Boston, Massachusetts. He is studying the romance languages and music with added time with the Harvard Glee Club make for a full-time schedule.

Hayden will leave for his second summer study in Genoa, Italy. After studying Italian last summer, he will be adding French and German this summer. Genoa is the birthplace of Christopher Columbus and a beautiful metropolitan city of 575,000 people. It is located in Italy on the west side, top of the boot and near France.



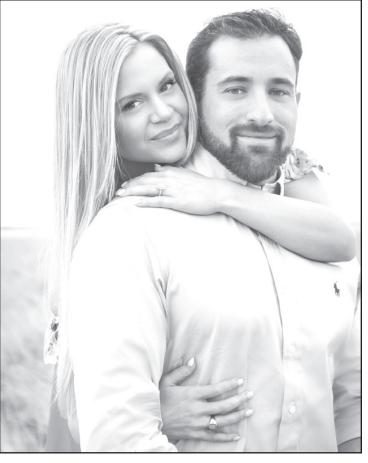
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Hayden Smiley, center, spoke to the Friona Evening Lions at their regular meeting on Thursday, May 25. Pictured with Hayden are his parents, Kim, left, and Mitchell, right.



holly campbell photos Carol Ellis, former Friona Star owner, celebrated her





### Welch, Methvin to wed in August

Kevin and Linda Welch of Friona are proud to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their son, Dillon Gene Welch, to Ariana Adair Methvin on August 29, 2017 at 6 p.m. at the Eberly Brooks Event Center in Wolfforth, Texas.

Dillon is a 2008 graduate of Friona High School and a 2014 graduate of Texas Tech University with a Bachelors in Petroleum Engineering and a minor in Mechanical Engineering. He is currently employed at Mewborne Oil Co. in Hobbs, New Mexico.

Dillon is the grandson of Mildred Welch & the late Gene Welch of Friona, and Shirley Wise & the late Frank Wise of Dimmitt.

Ariana is a 2011 graduate of Levelland High School and a 2015 graduate of Texas Tech University with a Bachelors in Agricultural Communication. She is currently studying for her real estate license where she will be employed by Kellar Williams of Lubbock.

Ariana is the daughter of Kevin and Sharla Methvin of Levelland, Texas and granddaughter of Patsy Methvin & the late Bill Methvin and Donnie Webb & the late Laquita Webb, all of Levelland. The couple will make their home in Seminole, Texas.





holly campbell photo

Laura Hart, left, and Carol Ellis, right, have shared a great deal over the years. Soon they will share the same age. Carol turned 80 recently and was given a birthday party at Raider Ranch in Lubbock. Laura was on hand for the party and will turn 80 soon. Happy Birthday Carol and Pre-Happy Birthday Laura!



Erin Anthony & Steffan Busch Reagan Procter & Tyce Tucker Ryan DeWit & Kathryn Collier Josephine Samarron & Albert Solano Dillon Welch & Ariana Methvin Michael & Kelsey White Roberts Kreisun Dominguez & Lee Caywood Brenner Barnett & Kinsey Johnson

lvy Cottage • 250-8073 Milk House Market -Wedding Registry-Kinsey Johnson V Brenner Barnett Ariana Methvin V Dillon Welch Kelsey White 🧡 Michael Roberts Kathryn Collier 🤎 Ryan DeWit Emily Agee 🤎 Dalyn Dalton

80th birthday with friends and family recently. Laura From Dr. Gary Cash: By fall or the end of September Ellis Garcia, left, hosted the party for her mother at this guy [I photographed him a month or so ago] will **Raider Ranch in Lubbock where Carol now resides.** 

be a genuine recordbook contender.

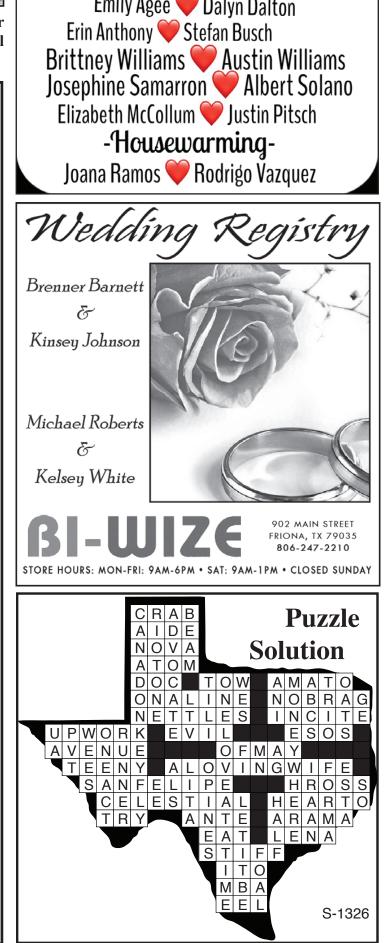


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### **Panhandle Parables**

### Charlie's Web Revisited

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

I am not a fan of spiders, give me snakes, lizards, buzzards, and worms, but spiders are just creepy. At any rate, one day I found a little spider making a web in the corner of the men's restroom in the church building in Sudan. I was gracious and did not dispatch the creepy little critter and the only reason was he was little. I thought it funny this little fellow making a web in the far reaches of any activity that might land him a meal. I named him Charlie and tried to explain to him his efforts would be futile in such a remote location. (Not much happens in a church building during the week so you have time to talk to spiders.) Yet he continued to weave his little web. Each day he patiently waited and each day I checked in to see an empty web. Then one day, I walked in greeted Charlie and to my surprise a fly, a really big fly stuck in the web and Charlie was busy processing his prize and I think he was smiling.

As Christians we are all in different places at different times. Some of us live in small little West Texas towns, others a bit more "cityfied" yet wherever we are we must trust the One who placed us there and do what He needs us to do. You may think Friona is a remote little corner of the world where not much happens and efforts here to serve the Lord are futile. Yet God weaves people in and out of our lives that we have an opportunity to serve to His glory. You may never know how many people you touch, but God does and all He asks of you is to trust Him enough to spin your web in your place and let Him give the increase. So whether you're in Friona or somewhere else, trust that God is using you to do great things. I know because He used a very small eight legged creature to teach me.

(I wrote this story four years ago. What I know now for sure is: you have purpose here in Friona. It remains for me a blessing to be here and I am often humbled and thankful that I get to live here. Keep spinning, God is not through with you yet.)

"Now learn the parable from the fig tree: when its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near." Matthew 24:32

### Active or Passive Christian???

#### **By TEENA HUGHS**

Last Sunday, Skip Hodges, minister at Friona United Methodist Church, preached on Acts 1:6-14. Skip's main question was: What will you be doing when Jesus comes back? Will your head be looking to Heaven waiting for Him to return, or will your head be down, actively serving Him?

Following worship, Feller and I were discussing this. Skip was asking his question from the Scripture, but I believe there will be people who won't be doing either.

Last week a friend and I visited, and she talked about the difference between active and passive Christians. Active Christians are the ones with their heads down, living their lives in relationship with Jesus, serving Him, studying His Word, trying to become more like Him. Passive Christians believe God exists; they just don't do much beyond their belief. They go through life trying to make a living, thinking they can do everything on their own, never thinking they actually need God in their lives.

Just like Scripture says, we have no idea when Jesus will return, but we have the opportunity to examine our own lives and what we opened at its new location in Lea Hall on -which gives a glimpse of the more of tools littering the landscape amidst are doing until He returns. Will we be active or passive? Will we the Portales campus. The new gallery is a say we are tired of serving and be on a "break" for a while? Will we dynamic work-in-progress featuring sciconsider it a privilege to serve Him no matter our age, our financial entific research that has occurred at the situation, or how much we have done to serve in the past? To be honest, I get tired, or I think I am. But, when Jesus comes back, I can't think of anything worse or more disappointing than Him finding me feeling sorry for myself or having a pity party because I think I need to take a break from being an active Christian. He actively serves me and loves me ALL the time, and I should do the same for Him, ALL the time.

### frionastar@wtrt.net OBITUARY

### Luann Hough

Graveside services for Luann Hough, 76, were held on Tuesday, May 30, 2017 at the Friona Cemetery. The funeral service followed at the First Baptist Church in Friona with Reverend Brett Hoyle, pastor, officiating. Services were under the personal supervision of Parkside Chapel Funeral Home. Mrs. Hough died and went to be with the Lord on Thursday, May 25, 2017.

Luann Hardesty was born on November 13, 1940 in Plainview, Texas to Wesley and Fayola Hardesty, and lived in Abernathy until they moved to Friona in 1944. Luann graduated from Friona High School in 1959.

Luann's father taught her the Bible from a young age. She knew the Bible inside and out and was a fabulous Bible teacher. She lost her mother when she was 15 years old and at that time decided to make sure she had fun every day because life was short. God told her after her mother's death that she was going to marry Charles Hough. They were married December 27, 1959. They had two children, Doris who was born in 1962 and David who was born in 1965.

Luann was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. She loved being a wife, mom, homemaker. Not only did she take care of her family, she also had the usual job description of every farm wife of driving tractors and trucks. Luann was always there when you needed her.

Luann was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Friona where she loved to sing in the choir and teaching Sunday school to all ages.

She soon became a grandmother to Ashley, Tyler and Tru- ona, Texas 79035.

The ants are not a strong people, But they prepare their food in the summer. Proverbs 30:25

man. They were the light of her life. In her eyes, they could do no wrong and she spent all the time with them that she could. She loved to cook with the grandkids. They made lots of cookies, blueberry muffins, and popcorn balls.

Luann had a very special relationship with David's wife, Rene. Our family could not have survived without the loving care that Rene has given to all us since she and David married, and especially since the loss of Charles.

Luann was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Charles. Survivors include her daughter, Doris of Ft. Worth; her son, David and wife Rene of Friona; her three grandchildren, Ashley, Tyler and Truman; and two sisters.

Luann will be deeply missed by her friends and family. As we are all grieving here, she is happily in heaven with the love of her life, and our Dad, Charles, who she has missed so much since he passed away in 2010.

The family asks that memorial donations (in lieu of flowers) be made to the First Baptist Church of Friona, 404 W 5th Street, Fri-

### ~Psalm 35~ Rated V for Vengeance

#### **BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church**

When was the last time you prayed for God to slay your enemies by running them through with a spear and javelin, or maybe for destruction to fall upon evildoers unawares? Honestly, I usually don't pray that way, it just seems a little mean or ungodly, but such was the prayer of David in Psalm 35.

David was a man of many enemies, Goliath and Saul are the most notable, but in light of the possible attacks, David was quick to call on the Lord for protection and vengeance. In fact, in Psalm 35:24 he cries, "Vindicate me, O Lord, my God, according to your righteousness, and let them not rejoice over me." We all want to be vindicated by God and shown right to those who are against us, but is your desire for justice based on your preferences, or God's righteousness? Did you notice that the prayer is "according to Your righteousness?" Praying for God to defend you and show His justice in your life is a good and right prayer to pray, but make sure that His standard is the measure of your prayers and not simply your anger or bitterness. When you ask God to defend your cause according to His righteousness, it calls you to pull the log out of your own eye, and deal with your sins first, then move to seek His justice and timing. When your heart is set on the Lord, even in the midst of attackers and enemies you can say "Great is the Lord, who delights in the welfare of his servant!" (Ps 35:27b).



### In Times of Need

#### By Rhonda K. Sanders, LMSW

Volunteerism has a tremendous history in America. From 'soup kitchens', 'clothes closets', emergency shelters, and health care volunteers across America continue to make a huge impact.

One might say the volunteers of organizations like the American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, Volunteer Fire Departments, Volunteer First Responders, etc all deserve a two thumbs up applaud for all the hand out services provided to folks in time of need.

Most volunteers are volunteering because they love doing for others and are highly effective in making a tremendous difference at a difficult time.

Volunteerism in America has a long history of making an impact on human lives. If volunteering is something you have considered before and haven't pursued then please be informed of a local opportunity with a local hospice.

Meaningful moments with people at a difficult time can make a big difference. Just 'little things' can add up to big support when one's time, energy, and emotions are stretched to the max.

If volunteering has been something you are interested in and you haven't pursued the interest because of different reasons then please call and at least explore the option with me. I am Rhonda K. Sanders, LMSW, and Volunteer Coordinator for Bluebonnet Home Health and Hospice. My desire is to work with volunteers so that the assignment is a comfortable rewarding experience; not a burden. I know people's time is important and we here at Bluebonnet will acknowledge that when it comes to matching volunteers with a hospice case. Feel free to call and openly explore hospice volunteer work with me. If this is not the type of volunteer work that you desire, I will be

the first one to encourage an alternate choice. Let's talk at 247-0057 (Bluebonnet Home Health and Hospice). Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

### **ENMU Blackwater Draw Museum re-opens in new location**

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The Blackwater Draw Museum at tile points, but outstanding bone preser- Paleoindian occupation of the site is by perishable possessions of the inhabitants. an enormous number of megafauna and

Clovis site over the past 85 years.

The museum features artifacts from The Blackwater Draw National Landmark, a 640-acre landscape of human activity areas in an upland containing a spring-fed Pleistocene Lake. Not only is there a panoply of stone tools and projec-

Area Church Directory

Many species of extinct fauna are found in cultural levels, as are implements made from stone, bone and ivory by the region's first inhabitants. As a major water source in the area, this locality was used throughout the entirety of prehistory and well into historic times, leaving an archaeological record of occupations and cultural activities. The smaller animal kills.

Summer hours at the museum will be from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and noon until 5 p.m. on Sundays. The National Historic Landmark, located one mile north of Oasis State Park Road on NM 467, is currently open weekends from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 575-562-2103.

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#### Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office: May 16, 2017

Casey Vega, 28, of Lazbuddie, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of theft of cattle/ livestock less than \$150,000.

#### May 17, 2017

Marseline Ruiz, 37, of Muleshoe, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of driving with license invalid with previous. Ruiz was fined court costs and 30 days in jail.

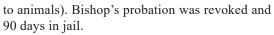
Timothy Ammon, 45, of Tularosa, NM, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of possession of a controlled substance PG 1 more than one gram and less than four grams. The case is pending in District Court.

#### May 18, 2017

Corey King, 23, of Roswell, NM, was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on charges of possession of marijuana less than two ounces and unconcealed weapon. The case is pending in County Court. King was also charged with possession of a controlled substance PG2 less than one gram. The case is pending in District Court.

#### May 22, 2017

David Bishop, 36, of Bovina, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a motion to revoke (cruelty



Oscar Orozco, Jr., 37, of Farwell, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of burglary of a habitation. The case is pending in District Court.

Manuel Perez Pablo, 18, of Friona, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of failure to identify. The case is pending in County Court. May 23, 2017

Vanessa Bustamante, 29, of Hereford, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of possession of a controlled substance PG1 more than one gram and less than four grams. The case is pending before the Grand Jury.

#### May 25, 2017

Jason Longo, 45, of Texico, NM, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of possession of a g controlled substance PG1 more than one gram and less than four grams. The case is pending before the Grand Jury.

Jerry M. Prieto, 42, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department on charges of assault causing bodily injury and interfering with an emergency call. The case is pending in County Court.



Warranty deeds are reported by the County Clerk's Office from the week of May 19 through May 24, 2017:

Timothy Wayne Black and Tammy Denise Black-ELTJE Frans Brand, SW/4 S27 WE and FW Johnson Blk. Y 160 Ac., N/2 S26 WD and FW Johnson Blk. Y 320 Ac.

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William David Martin and Yaunda Martin-J and S Dairies, Inc., All SW/4 S64 Blk. Z WD and FW Johnson.

Irvin Vela-Randy Kennedy and Juanita S. Kennedy, All L6 and 7 Blk. Ridgelea.

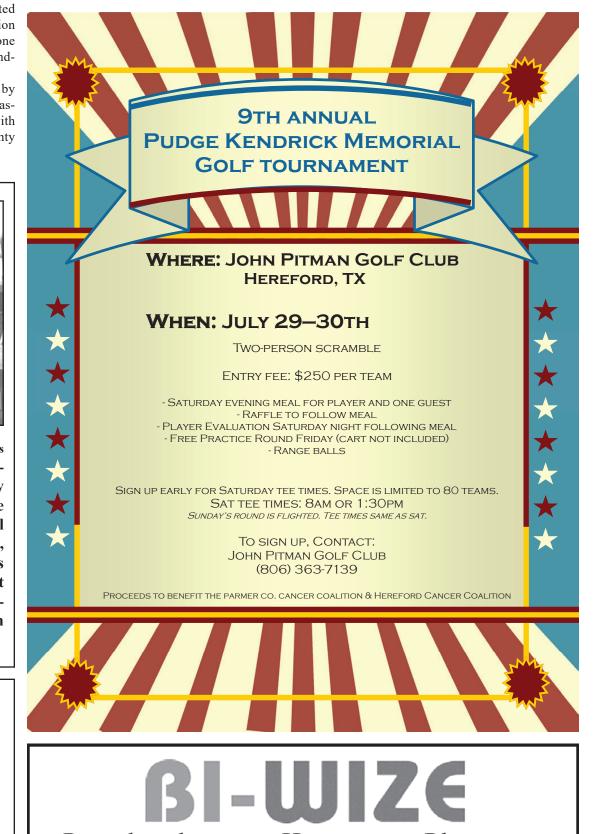
Maximo Hernandez and Maria Hernandez-Ruben Juarez Villanueva and Florina V. Juarez, E/2 L1-2 All L3-4 B86 OT Friona.

Carl Kirkland and Rhonda Kirkland-Brandon Don Kirkland, 178.768 Ac. SW/4 S49 Blk. A CSS.

Ricardo Cano and Yaneth Cano-Jose L. Rodriguez and Maria E. Rodriguez, SE 70' L1 B101 OT Friona.

Daniel J. Haeflinger and Kandice Runyon-Kristopher K. Zimmerman and Kasey M. Zimmerman, N 5' L20 All L21-22 B30 OT Farwell.

Estate of Ronnie Glen Stevick and Cris Ingram-Yanina Stevick, All L6 E 25' L7 B3 Western Friona.







dana jameson photos Volunteers of all ages converged on the Friona Cemetery on Thursday, May 18 to get the cemetery ready for Memorial Day. They picked up trash, old, faded flowers and other debris that had collected over the last few months. The Cemetery Association sponsored the clean up day.

FIELD

The FRIONA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT is participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all children without charge and are the same for all children regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the site and times as follows:

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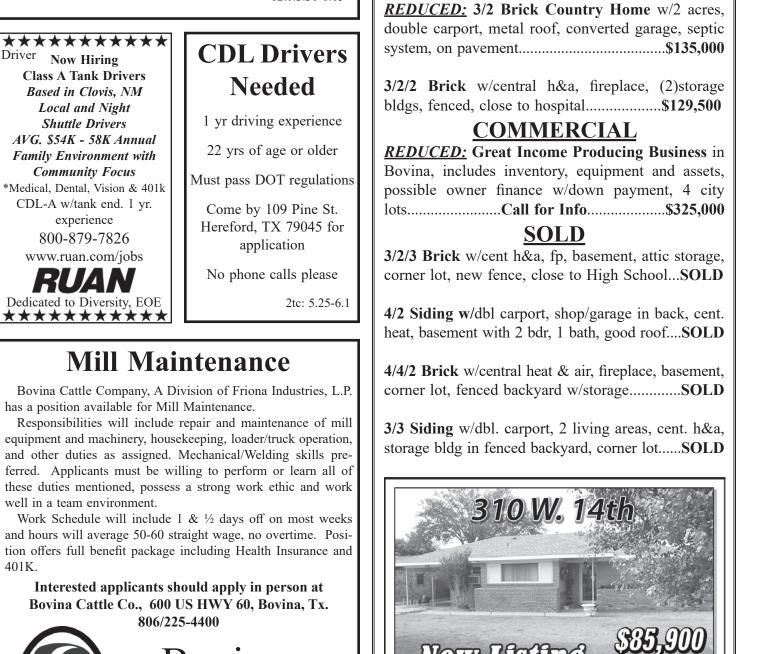


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### **Garage Sale** 1718 W. 9th St. Friday, June 2: 3-6pm Saturday, June 3 : 8am - 1pm Clothes, Housewares, etc.

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megan carr photos A Memorial Day Service was held at the Friona Cemetery on Monday, May 29. Above, 6th Street Church of Christ Pastor Jeff Procter leads the assembled group in prayer. Right, among the brave veterans buried in Friona was Charles Henry Veazey.



### State approves funding for Muleshoe municipal airport

The Texas Transportation Commission approved approximately \$2.1 million to make improvements to the Muleshoe Municipal Airport during their regular monthly meeting held May 25. The funds will be used for planned airport enhancements that include making pavement improvements.

Construction on the improvements will begin this summer. The project is being funded through the city of Muleshoe and the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) Aviation Facilities Grant Program, which preserves and improves the state's general aviation system, including the Muleshoe Municipal Airport.

This year, TxDOT expects to provide approximately \$60 million in funding for planning,

constructing and maintaining community airports. Approximately 275 community airports in Texas are eligible for funding.

Arrivals and departures from community airports account for more than three million flight hours per year and provide aircraft facilities for agricultural, medical, business and commuter use.

### **PPHM to participate in Blue Star Museums**

The Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum is one of more than 2,000 museums across America to offer free admission to military personnel and their families this summer, a collaboration among the National Endowment for the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense, and more than 2,000 museums across America to offer free admission to the nation's active duty military personnel and their families from Memorial Day through Labor Day. The program provides families an opportunity to enjoy the nation's cultural heritage and learn more about their community, especially after a military move. A list of participating museums is available at arts.gov/bluestarmuseums

them with gratitude. Waiving our admission fee is the least we can do for these dedicated men and women," said, Carol Lovelady, PPHM director.

"The Blue Star Museums program is a great opportunity for the NEA to team up with local museums in every state in the nation to support our service members and their families," Tennessee; the Hagerman Fossil 3 Beds National Monument in Hagerman Idaho; and the Buffalo Bill Center of the West in Cody, Wyoming. Museums are welcome to join Blue Star Museums throughout the summer.

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"It is a privilege to have those who have served our country visit the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum. We welcome said NEA Chairman Jane Chu. "It means a lot to offer these families access to high-quality, budget-friendly opportunities to spend time together."

This year's Blue Star Museums represent not just fine arts museums, but also science museums, history museums, nature centers, and dozens of children's museums, including newly participating museums: the Edgar Allen Poe Museum in Richmond, Virginia; The Blues Foundation's Blues Hall of Fame Museum in Memphis

ter animals at the aquarium, Blue Star Museums will help service members and their families create memories this summer," said Blue Star Families Chief Executive Officer Kathy Roth-Douquet. "This fantastic collaboration with the NEA brings our local military and civilian communities together, and offers families fun and enriching activities in their home towns. We are thrilled with the continued growth of the program and the unparalleled opportunities it offers."



#### Notice of Property for Sealed Bids Sale City of Bovina Public Works City Barn located at 208 E. North Street Bovina Texas

The Land as described as follows:

13.29 acres of land out of the North portion of Section 15, Township 7 South, Range 2 East, of a Capitol Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas, described by metes and bounds as follows: BEGINNING at an iron pipe in the East line of Bovina Townsite set for the NW corner of a certain 20acre tract, being the South 20 acres of the North 35.78 acres of said Section 15;

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THENCE South 50 degrees 11 minutes West, 704.2 feet to another jog in said Pasture; THENCE South 59 degrees 44 minutes 22 seconds West, 307.4 feet to an iron pipe in the South line of Main Street, extended, in the Bovina Townsite;

THENCE South 58 degrees 17 minutes West, along the South line of said Main Street, 400.0 feet to an iron pipe in the East line of said Townsite;

THENCE South 39 degrees 49 minutes East, 496.0 feet to the place of beginning, SAVED AND EXCEPT 5 acres heretofore conveyed to Bovina Roping Club by deed dated April 9, 1971, recorded in Volume 151, Page 214, Deed Records, Parmer County, Texas.

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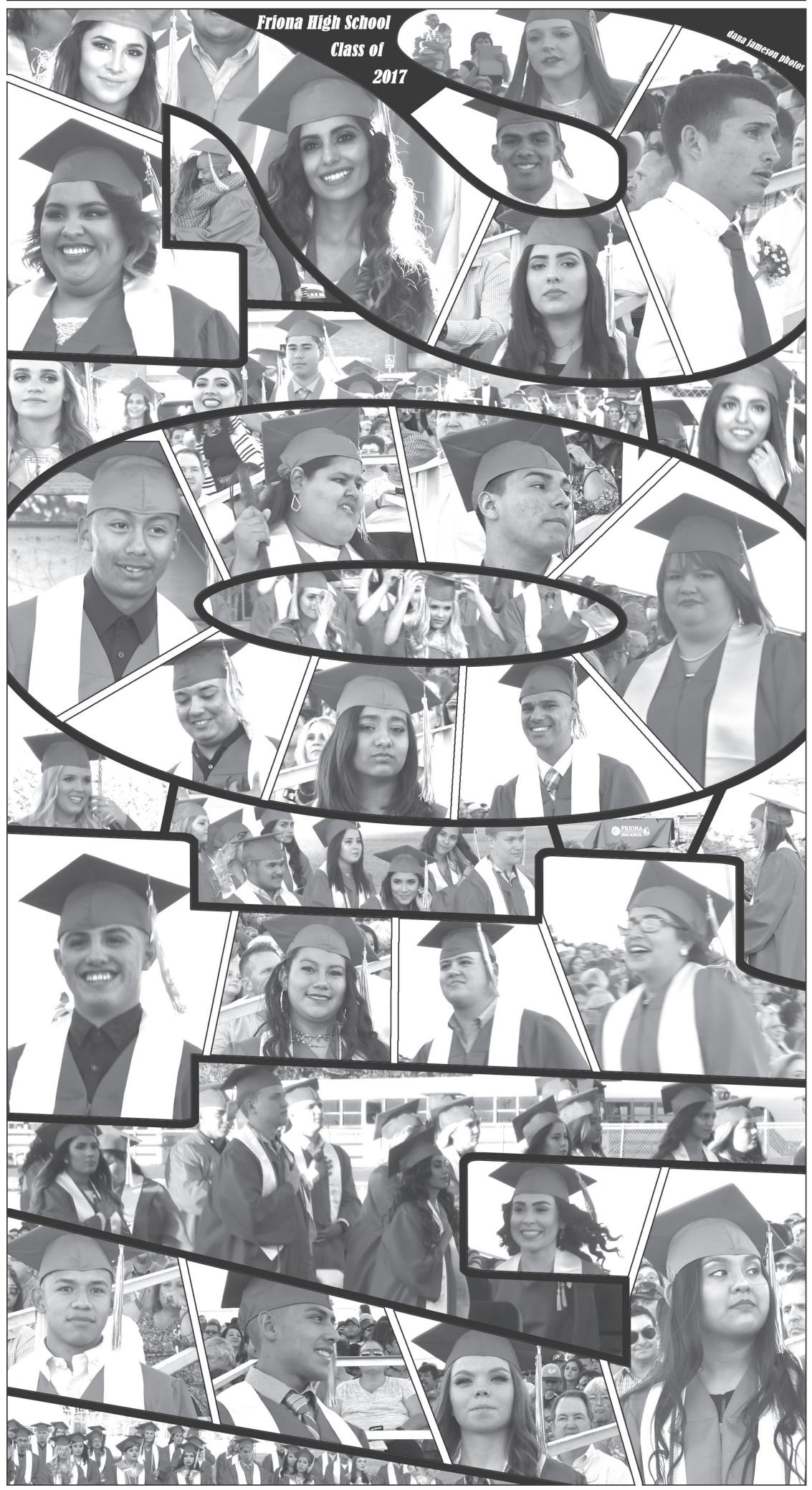
The City of Bovina will begin accepting sealed bids, Starting Friday, May 12, 2017. **Deadline** for submitting bids will be **Monday, June 19, at 5 pm**. Bids should be sent to Bovina City Hall Attn. Lesley Gama, P.O. Box 720, Bovina Texas or dropped off at City Hall, 205 North St., Bovina, Texas.

The Property is sold as is. The City of Bovina Reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids



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The Friona High School Class of 2017 celebrated the end of their high school careers. Graduation exercises were held Friday, May 26 at Chieftain Field with 69 graduates crossing the stage to receive their diplomas.

### District seal coat season has begun

The Texas Department of Transportation (Tx-DOT) is set to begin work this week to seat coat several roadways across the Lubbock District. The work is part of TxDOT's annual road maintenance program and will make \$12.3 million in improvements to preserve the roadways.

"Seal coating provides a variety of benefits to the roadway including providing a waterproof surface that prevents moisture from entering and weakening the roadbed," said Mike Craig, P.E., TxDOT Plainview Area engineer and project manager. "Seal coating also reduces deterioration and cracking of the asphalt surface, which prolongs the life of the pavement."

More than 339 miles of Lubbock District roads will be seal coated this summer. Roadways undergoing seal coat improvements at various locations are:

US 70-Bailey County SH 86-Castro County SH114, SH 214-Cochran County US 85-Crosby County FM 2053, FM 2370, US 180-Dawson County FM 378-Floyd County SH 83, US 180-Gaines County SH 207, US 84, FM 651, US 380-Garza County US 70-Hale County FM 300, SH 114, FM 303-Hockley County

US 70, US 385, US 84-Lamb County FM 179, FM 2528, FM 1729, I-27 frontage roads, Spur 326, Spur 309, US 84, US 62, FM 835, Loop 193-Lubbock County FM 211, FM 380-Lynn County SH 86-Parmer County SH 86-Swisher County US 385, FM 2196, US 82-Terry County SH 83, SH 214-Yoakum

Project contractor, Ronald R. Wagner & Co., LP, of Kendalia, TX, will begin operations on June 2 beginning in Lynn and Garza counties and then moving into the district's northern counties before working back towards the south.

"With two work crews performing seal coat operations, more than one road in an area may be affected at the same time. Drivers can expect day-time lane closures and traffic to be guided through to construction are via pilot car during the operations. Motorists are asked to drive with caution through the work zone for their safety and the safety of the workers," Craig said.

Seal coat operations and restriping of the roadways will take several weeks to complete with all work anticipated to be completed by late-August. Work will take place weather permitting.

# Most popular baby names in Texas for 2016

The Social Security Administration today announced the most popular baby names in Texas for 2016. Noah and Emma topped the list.

The top five boys and girls names for 2016 in Texas were:

- Boys:
- 1) Noah
- 2) Liam
- 3) Sebastian
- 4) Daniel
- 5) Matthew
- Girls:
- 1) Emma 2) Mia
- 3) Sophia

4) Olivia 5) Isabella

Nancy A. Berryhill, Acting Commissioner of Social Security, announced last week that Noah and Emma were the most popular baby names in the U.S. How does Texas compare to the rest of the country? Check out Social Security's website -- www.socialsecurity.gov-- to see the top national baby names for 2016. As is tradition on Baby Names Day, Acting Commissioner Berryhill encourages everyone to visit the agency's website, enjoy the baby names list, and create a my Social Security

account at www.socialsecurity.gov/ myaccount. my Social Security is a personalized online account that people can use beginning in their working years and continuing through to the time they receive Social Security benefits.

Social Security beneficiaries can have instant access to their benefit verification letter, payment history, and complete earnings record by establishing a my Social Security account. Beneficiaries also can change their address, start or change direct deposit information, and print a replacement SSA-1099 online. People

receiving Social Security can request a replacement Medicare card online. Individuals age 18 and older who are not receiving benefits can also sign up for a my Social Security account to get their personalized online Social Security Statement. The online Statement provides workers with secure and convenient access to their Social Security earnings and benefit information, and estimates of future benefits they can use to plan for their retirement.

The agency began compiling the baby name list in 1997, with names dating back to 1880. At the time of

a child's birth, parents supply the name to the agency when applying for a child's Social Security card, thus making Social Security America's source for the most popular baby names.

In addition to each state's top baby names (and names for U.S. territories), Social Security's website has a list of the 1,000 most popular boys and girls names for 2016.

To read about the winners for the biggest jump in popularity and to see how pop culture affects baby names, go to https://www.socialsecurity.gov/ news/press/releases/.



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