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Friona Star

Thursday, September 6, 2018

Youth Fishing Day is Sunday

The Friona Economic Development Corporation has announced that Sunday, September 9th is Youth Fishing Day. The event will be conducted by the Texas Junior Anglers, Inc. and will take place from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Reeve Lake just south of the Friona Community Center.

No pre-registration is required and the event is free to participants 16 year of age and under. A registration form must be completed and turned in at the event site. A waiver of responsibility must also be signed by a parent or legal guardian. Catch and release of fish is encouraged and all state, federal, and local game and fish laws apply and must be observed by all participants. You may bring your own equipment or TJA will provide all the necessary equipment for you.

The pond will be stocked with adult sized channel catfish giving participants an excellent opportunity to land the BIG one. 6 years and under, 7-11, and 12-16 age groups will be awarded trophies and prizes for 1st and 2nd longest fish. Randomly drawn prizes will also be awarded at the conclusion of the event. Prizes will consist of sporting goods and fishing equipment. Souvenir trophies will also be available and proceeds will benefit TJA and help support this FREE event.

The City of Friona is the title sponsor for the Youth Fishing Day and other event sponsors include The Sportsmen's Club of Fort Worth, Texas Parks & Wildlife, Plfueger, Academy Sports & Outdoors, Shakespeare USA, and Moritz Chevrolet.

"Friona Rocks" for Maize Days

The 62nd Annual Maize Days Celebration is just around the corner. Festivities will be held from September 15th through September 22nd. "Friona Rocks" is the theme this year and the Friona Chamber of Commerce would like to encourage everyone to adopt a 50s rock 'n roll attitude during the week.

Saturday, September 15th

The Miss Friona Scholarship Pageant & Little Miss Contest will start at 6:00 p.m. in the Friona High School Auditorium.

Friday, September 21st

The 2018 Homecoming Football Game will feature the Friona Chieftains playing host to the Lubbock Roosevelt Eagles. The Homecoming Queen for 2018 will be announced during the pregame festivities which will begin around 6:30 p.m. at Chieftain

Saturday, September 22nd

The Dixon Memorial Run will start at 7:00 a.m. at Reeve Lake and will feature a 2 mile and 6 mile Run/Walk. Pre-registration is \$20 (with t-shirt) or \$25 (no shirt) for registration at the event. Proceeds will benefit Parmer Paws.

Line-up for the parade will begin a 9:00 a.m. at 10th & Euclid and the Maize Days Parade will start at 10:00 a.m.

Quilt Show, Rock Climbing, Food & Fun in the City Park.

There will be handicap accessible parking available on the south side of the park on Saturday.

Two tie-breakers not enough for Week 1

If the first week of the Friona Star Football Contest is the standard, then we are in for an exciting year of pigskin prognostication. Two tie-breakers were not enough to separate the top two contestants. Harley Merritt and Drew Montana both correctly picked 10 games; both missed the first tie-breaker by 15 points; and both missed the second tie-breaker by 59 points. Since there is no third tie-breaker, they are the co-champions for the week and will split the \$30 first place and \$20 second place prize.

Four other contestants correctly picked 10 games. They were Scott Brown of Muleshoe, Birdie Owens of Plainview, David Smalts of Hereford and Edward Castillo of Plainview. Scott was 19 points off the first tie-breaker and will receive the \$10 third place prize. The Frenship vs. Amarillo game was given to all contestants because it was played on Thursday before the deadline. The toughest game of the week was Texas vs. Maryland. Only two contestants picked Maryland to beat the Long-

The ineligible editor of the Star managed to pick just 6 out of 12. Full results from Week 1 can be found on page 2. Remember to enter each week for a chance to win the three weekly prizes and to have a shot at the grand prize. Printable entry forms are available online at frionaonline.com.



Friona Chieftains vs. Bovina Mustangs Friday, Sep. 7 · Chieftain Stadium · 7:00 p.m.

Free Hamburgers provided by Cargill Free French Fries provided by Friona Noon Lions Club





#63 Zach Ramos, #10 Jose Rodriguez, and #4 Johnny Carranza lead the Chieftains out the tunnel before the game against Farwell last Friday night. Friona won the game 27-19. See the sports page for more details.

Xcel Energy has deep impact in Texas and New Mexico

in 2017 with vendors based in its Texas and New Mexico service area as it continued a long streak of capital improvements to the region's electricity grid.

"This spending supports thousands of jobs and families across our Texas and New Mexico service area," said David Hudson, president, Xcel Energy - New Mexico, Texas. "And the dollars we spend to build and maintain the power grid ensure abundant, safe and clean energy resources for communities across the region that are building their economies and creating a greater quality of life for everyone."

Xcel Energy operates in 94 towns and cities in a 52,000-square-mile service territory that includes the Panhandle and South Plains regions of Texas and a large portion of eastern New Mexico. The company's high-voltage transmission network stretches from southwestern Kansas down to southeastern New

Throughout this region, Xcel Energy

A recent analysis of Xcel Energy's fi- owns and operates valuable generat- omy to grow larger as it lays plans for adnancial operations shows that the com- ing stations, power lines and substa- ditional investment in the power lines pany spent close to a half billion dollars tion facilities that generate a significant and generating equipment that will amount of tax revenue for local governments. In 2017, Xcel Energy paid more than \$71 million in taxes and franchise fees in Texas and close to \$45 million in taxes and franchise fees in New Mexico.

> "With around 1,500 employees in Texas and more than 200 in New Mexico, our greatest contribution is the talent and commitment of the men and women who serve our company and their communities," Hudson said. "More than one in ten employees are military veterans, but they all have a strong sense of their place in the community and a desire to serve their neighbors."

> Employees are active in their communities, and gave close to \$700,000 to local United Way organizations in Texas and New Mexico, a number that includes a corporate match from Xcel Energy. Additionally, employees gave more than \$260,000 to area nonprofits and volunteered more than 4,500 hours.

> Looking ahead, Hudson expects the company's impact on the regional econ

drive the regional economy for years to come. In the spring of this year, Xcel Energy gained approvals to move ahead with a \$1.6 billion plan to build and own 1,000 megawatts of new wind energy generation at planned facilities near Plainview, Texas, and Portales, N.M.

Construction started on the Hale Wind Project in Texas in June, bringing with it 300 construction jobs and eventually close to 20 full-time, permanent positions. The Hale project, combined New Mexico's Sagamore Wind Project and 230-megawatts of wind energy to be acquired through a power purchase contract, will generate savings of close to \$2 billion for regional electricity customers over 30 years. Additionally, these wind facilities will generate \$2.6 million in annual landowner royalty payments in New Mexico and \$1.9 million in Texas. They will generate close to \$132 million in local property tax payments in New Mexico and \$22 million in Texas over 25 years.

City of Friona and Hi-Pro Start Curb Painting Project

The City of Friona and Hi-Pro Feeds will be joining efforts to paint curb address numbers on September 20, 2018 for free. This will help out our post office to deliver mail to the correct address as well as our EMS to find your address in case of an emergency. If you would like your curb address to be



painted for free, stop by the City Hall and fill out a form or email us your name, phone, email and address

cityinfo@frionatx.us. The deadline to submit your address is September

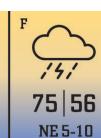


Water Weekly For the week of 09/03/18 Water conditions The latest drought map, for conditions as of August 28, shows drought expanding and intensifying around the state. The total area of the state in drought increased 2 percentage points. Rains over Labor Day weekend should bring some improvements to the next map. **Drought conditions** ♦ 62% now ♦ 60% a week ago Intensity ♦ 40% three months ago D0 abnormally dry ♦ 1% a year ago D1 drought - moderate Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought D2 drought - severe D3 drought - extreme D4 drought - exceptional

Friona Weather September 6-12



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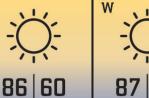




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Community Calendar

Send Calendar information to: frionastar@wtrt.net

call (806) 250-2211 or fax (806) 250-5127

September 6

-Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters

September 7

- -Caregivers Coffee Break at First National Bank Community Room 9:30 a.m.
- -Deadline to enter Little Miss pageant

September 8

-PMC free pre-natal classes 9-10 a.m.

September 9

- -Grandparent's Day
- -Youth Fish Day 1-4 at Reeve Lake

September 11

-Patriot Day

September 15

-Miss & Little Miss Friona Pageants 6 p.m.

September 20

-Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters

September 21

-Peace Day

September 22

- -Autumn Begins
- Maize Days Parade

October 2

-4th Annual Parmer County Sheriff's Office National Night Out from 6-8 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center in Farwell.

October 4

-Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters

October 5

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

October 8

-Columbus Day

October 13

-PMC free pre-natal classes 9-10 a.m.

October 16

-National Bosses Day

October 18

-Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters

October 24

-United Nations Day



Blood Drive results

Drive was conducted on Thursday, August 23rd in the fellowship hall of the Calvary

A Friona Community Blood Baptist Church. 54 applicants was not working and the drive remind donors that there is no 45 were able to donate. Unfor-

signed up to give blood and had to be stopped earlier than planned. Approximately 10-15 tunately, the air conditioning people had to be turned away.

Even though the 45 units donated was below average for Friona, the Coffee Memorial Blood Center would like to

substitute for life-saving blood, which brings hope, healing, and comfort to patients and their families. Any and all donations are deeply appreciated. The next blood drive is scheduled for November 8th.

Football Contest Standings

Week 1

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Harley Merritt Drew Montana Scott Brown Birdie Owens **David Smalts Edward Castillo**

9 Sandra Berend Enrique Rodriguez Yvette Garcia BaiLee Braillif Jon Field Zachery McKenzie Greg Lewellen

Tim Elmore Claire Brown

Logan Loflin Joy Morton Quentin Shelby Darrin Gilley Brett Field Jeremy Wearing Amy Montana Andy Montana Greg O'Brian Mike Field Lester Fennell

7 Raymond Diaz Teresa Shelby Ronald Diaz Wm. Gromowsky Linvell Rose Tyrone Shelby Rusty McFarland **Dorothy Stowers** Tenna Montana John Curtis Mal Manchee

Frank Dominguez Jr. Rodney Shelby Robert Rios Eddie Guana Brent Loflin Laura Field Mack McFarland Phillip Johnson

5 Rosendo Tena Liz Field Erica Montana Jimmy Anima 4

Branden Paschal Ambrosio Rios Jr.

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Friona Fire Department **MAIZE DAYS RAFFLE**



Win a 36" Traeger Pellet Grill Drawing held at 1:00 p.m. Sept. 22, 2018 in City Park You don't need to be present to win. Tickets available from any firefighter for \$5 donation.

ACROSS

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- 5 ex-Cowboy Tommie 6 Chan was star of
- TX-filmed film "The Big Brawl" 7 TXism: "como
- (How are you?)
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- **NASDAQ**
- 9 TXism: "shoot hip"
- 16 TXism: "wouldn't touch that with a
- -foot pole" 17 Leakey is its seat
- 20 "Cowboys" artist Reid (init.)
- 21 force out
- TXism: " a banker's heart"
- 23 TXism: "feel like I've been ridden hard up wet"
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- a rug" (dance hard)
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Smith (init.) **DOWN**

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- 3 UNT & TWU town
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- German_ 10 TXism: "smart as a
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- of "Watergate"
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- With the Wind" (init.)
- 16 29 42 50 "Alamo City"

51 ex Cowboy RB 14 Hawaiian two-step 15 TXism: "got the short of the stick"

- 17 Chinese guitar 18 TX wine samplers 19 oldest mission in TX
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(in El Paso)

- (abbr.) 24 ex-Cowboy Staubach fought here
- 25 LBJ sang with dog, Yuki 26 TXism: "
- his cards close to his vest" (careful)
- 48 49 50 27 TXism: "ain't square with all
- the facts" 28 TXism: "camps

out in the

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corner" (religious) 29 a Dallas Jack Ruby dancer "Candy"

shed" (bar)

- 33 TXism: " a small dog with a big bone" 34 Hill Country critters 36 TXism for "jail" 37 reconstruction
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governor Elisha

- 43 gymnast Retton coached by Houston's Karolyi (init.)
- 46 infamous Roman emperor

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Little Miss Friona deadline to sign up is September 7, Border Bash!

2018 and pageant is September 12, 2018. For more information contact Kathy Rector (806) 577-6130 or Erika Carrillo (806)400-6113

Castro's County Fair/Harvest Days is on September 8, 2018 in Dimmit.

Do not forget to get your tickets from the Friona Fire Department for the Maize Days Raffle. Winner will be announced September 22nd.

Save the date! Parmer County Sherriff's Office will be having a National Night Out Tuesday, October 2nd, 2018 starting at 6:00 p.m. and finishing at 8:00 p.m..

Help support Friona Elementary by shopping at Lowe's. Friona Elementary will receive free educational equipment and supplies when you shop at Lowe's and send the receipts to the Elementary.

Congratulations to the Chieftains on their first win this season, 27-19 against Farwell!

Congratulations to the 7th

grade A Team for winning the Championship at the

Congratulations to the Varsity Volleyball for winning the Logan Tournament over Grady.

Good Job to the JV Volleyball for making it to the 2nd place Championship match at the Border Bash.

Congratulations to the C Team Volleyball for winning the Consolation Bracket in the Border Bash

Youth Fishing Day is September 9 from 1-4 p.m. at the Reeve Lake.

Cargill will be sponsoring the hamburgers and the Friona Noon Lion Clubs will be sponsoring the French fries for the Friona Chieftain and Bovina football game this Friday, September 7,2018.

Homecoming Game for the Chieftain is September 21st against Lubbock Roosevelt Eagles.

Enter the football contest every week for a chance to win a prize. Prizes will go to 1st place, 2nd place, and 3rd

place.

Thanks goes to everyone who participated on last weeks blood drive! Upcoming blood drive will be on November 8th.

Join us for entertainment by Balat Folklorico by San Jose Catholic Church. The event will be at Prairie Acres on September 15 at 3:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Help us find Conan! He is a Boston Terrier dog that was last seen on 09/01/18 by the 907 Columbian Avenue alley

Handicap accessible parking will be available during Maize Days.

Third graders and any new youth 3rd-12th that would like to show swine at our local, county or major stock shows. It is time to order tags for the new 2018-2019 show season. Swine tag orders are due by September 25th. They will be \$17.00 each. If you will be showing FFA please order your tags through them, if you will be showing 4-H please call the office @806-251-5120 or email parmer@ag.tamu.edu to order your tags.

Texas Fuel Update and Outlook

fallen 0.5 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.59/g yesterday, according to Gas-Buddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. This compares with the national average that has fallen 1.4 cents per gallon versus last week to \$2.82/g, according to GasBuddy.

Including the change locally during the past week, prices yesterday were 10.2 cents per gallon higher than a year ago and are 4.4 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The national average has dropped 4.4 cents per gallon during the

Gasoline prices in Texas have last month and stands 18.3 head of petroleum analysis for cents per gallon higher than a vear ago.

> "We've closed the door on the most expensive summer at the pump since 2014, finishing the period from Memorial Day to Labor Day with an average of \$2.87 per gallon, a full 55 cents higher than last summer, but still 71 cents per gallon cheaper than 2014. Much of the blame for the summer's higher gas prices can be blamed on OPEC's longterm decision to cut oil production to better balance supply and demand, pushing prices higher," said Patrick DeHaan,

GasBuddy. "Now that summer is over, gas prices are likely to seasonally decline by the end of the year, but with Tropical Storm Gordon likely to impact the sensitive Gulf Coast region, gas prices may move higher before we see the seasonal down trend emerge. We're carefully watching the storm for possible disruptions to refineries and gas stations, and will continue to do so until hurricane season ends.

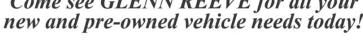
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Friona Flashbacks From the Friona Star Archives

September 4th 2008

Youth fish day at Reeve Lake. The city of Friona and Texas Junior Anglers will host a youth Fishing Day Sunday September 7 from 1-4 p.m. at Reeve. No pre-registration is required. Age groups 6& under, 7 to 11, and 12-16 will be awarded trophies and prizes for 1st and 2nd longest fish. Random prize drawings for sporting goods and fishing equipment will be awarded at the conclusion of the event. The lake will be stocked with adult size catfish prior to the event. Fishing equipment and bait will be provided.

August 31,1996

Fans invited to tailgate in Littlefield. The Friona Chieftains booster club has organized a tailgate party in Littlefield on Friday September 6, prior to the Chieftains season opener at Littlefield. The Tailgate gettogether will begin at 6 p.m. on the football stadium parking lot. Bring your own hamburger patties and buns. The boosters will cook your burgers, warm your buns, and provide all the burger fixin's and drinks. It is a

great way to kick-off the 1996 Chieftains football season and the Boosters invite all fans to participate.

September 10, 1978

Local residents attend seminar. George Bush . candidate for the Congressional seat being vacated by George Mahon, told more than 100 supporters at a George Bush for Congress Workshop in Lubbock recently, that he will win the November 7th General Election because of the grass roots organizations the campaign has generated. Bush also told the gathering he will run an optimistic positive campaign. "Everyone will know where I stand on the issues. I won't kick the President of the United States," said Bush. "However, I will criticize the Carter Administration where it has erred in the policies." "a vote for my opponent will be a vote for the continuation of the Carter Administration and an endorsement of the policies of the administration over the past two years," said Bush. Bush cited an interview with Carter that appeared in has been announced.

the August 21 issue of the U.S. New World Report in which the President said Democratic wins in November would be a sign of approval for what the administration is doing and has done. Attending the workshop from Friona were Carolyn George, Wanda and Joe Reeve, and Jack and Peggy Hamil, co chairmen of the Parmer County George Bush for Congress Committee. Bush praised the supporters for giving of their time and energy for the campaign. "Our campaign is the best organized. Your help and hard work is greatly appreciated. It will make the difference November 7th" said Bush.

August 20, 1960

Dan True, Channel 10's weather caster will serve as the master of ceremonies during the annual Maize Days Queen' Contest, announced Deke Kendrick, chairman of the contest, this week. In the other news concerning the annual celebration, the addition of a donkey ball game between members of the Friona Jaycees

Notice of Tax Revenue Increase

The PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL conducted public hearings on August 27, 2018 and September 4, 2018 on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 3.497357 percent.

The total tax revenue raised last year at last year's tax rate of 0.254500 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$1,397,785.79.

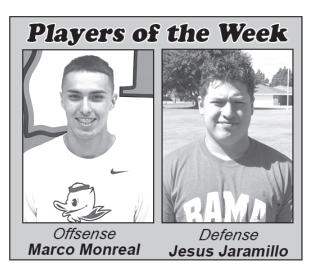
The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of 0.245900 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$1,400,591.39.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of 0.254500 for each \$100 of taxable value, including tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$1,453,826.55.

The Parmer County Hospital is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 10, 2018 at Parmer County Hospital Conference Room, 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 at 7:00 PM

Listen to Daniel broadcast Chieftain Football this season!







Online broadcast, WT Services channel 76, or on the app.

www.West11Sports.com

This Week's Game:

Friona Chiefs vs Bovina Mustangs at Friona on Friday, September 7 at 7:00 p.m.

Friona Primary School menu for September 10-14

Monday 10th

Breakfast: Cereal, Waffles WG, Apple Juice, Pears, Milk Lunch: Chicken Grilled Sandwich, Mashed Potato, Fresh Tomatoes, Peaches, Milk

Tuesday 11th

Breakfast: Cereal, Pig in a Blanket, Orange Pineapple Juice, Apples, Milk

Lunch: Hot Dog, Doritos, Corn, Green Beans, Mandarin Oranges, Milk

Wednesday 12

Breakfast: Cereal, Grape Juice, Banana, Milk Lunch: Cheeseburger, French Oven Potato, Broccoli,

Mixed Fruit, Milk

Thursday 13 Breakfast: Cereal, Sausage Pizza, Orange Juice, Peaches,

Lunch: Pepperoni Pizza, Carrots, Mix Veggy California, Fruity Gelatin, Milk

Friday 14

Breakfast: Cereal, Cinnamon Roll WG, Fruit Punch Juice, Oranges, Milk

Lunch: Cheese Enchiladas, Mexican Rice, Lettuce & Tomato Salad, Pinto Beans, Fruit Salad, Milk

Happy Birthday Friona Folks!

Sept. 6

Kathryn Gurley Doug Moyer Aaron Rivera **Brittian TeBeest Rusty Rainey**

Sept. 7

Dr. Dale Schueler Marca Herring Sean Lookingbill Chris Wiseman Greg Lewellen Davy Carthel Madeline Garcia Jodi (Looper) Allen **Cheryl Speters** Antonio Avila Ken Jeter

Sept. 8

Othelia Bennett Varla Wilcox Tina Eddins **Adam Beyers** Glen London Mandy (Daniel) Pettit

Sept. 9

Shanna Daniels Matthew Hoyle

Sept. 10

Glenn E. Reeve, Jr. **Kyle Potts** Gigi Spring Katie Parker **Gary Williams** Adrienne Anthony Mike Trevino KitKat Perez Carlos Pina Diane Hamilton

Sept. 11

Carolyn Dement

Sept. 12

Dee Ann Hutson Hailey Rector Lydia Alexander Cynthia McCasland Peggy Padilla **Charley Saiz** Galen Jack Wilda Quillin Jim Cook



To have your birthdays listed in the newspaper, email them to frionastar@wtrt.net or call @806.250.2211

Friona *Star is online at frionaonline.com



Dr. Mindy Neal 1100 Hwy. 86 Bovina, TX

Buyers' Club fundraiser to promote ag projects

Friona Buyers' Club will be raffling off three pistols to raise money for the purchase of Friona FFA and 4-H livestock projects at the county livestock show. They will also be cooking fajitas in the park for maize days to raise money as well. You can buy their tickets at Parmer County Implement and Friona Wheat Growers or catch Bill White, Clint Hurst, Darrin Gilley, Greg O'Brian or Kody Kimbrough. In the past they have relied solely on the generous donations from the community and would appreciate any and all. The three guns available to win are:

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COURTHOUSE NOTES

Warranty deeds as reported by the County Clerks for the week of August 22-29, 2018

Juan P. Vela, Eric and Amy Montemayor -Sw/2L1B47Ot Bovina Dana M Lewis, Diversified Ira Llc - All L150 B2 Western Addition Friona

Glenda Downey, Quicken Loans - All L10 w/pt L11 B3 Lakeside Addition Friona

Ella Kirton and Benjamin I Kirton, Paul Allen Mireles - L23 B6 Lakeview Addition Friona



Randy Geries, Sheriff 8/31/18 - Adrian Vazquez, 19, from Friona was arrested by

Sheriffs Office for criminal mischief and possession of marihuana <2 oz. - Pending County Court 9/01/18 - Kyle Wood, 49, from Farwell was arrested by Farwell

Police Department for public intoxication- Fine \$260.00. 9/01/18 Ramon Gaubay- Salogas, 31, from Clovis, arrested by DPS for DWI- Pending County Court.

9/02/18- Jose A. Rodriguez,42, from Friona was arrested by Friona Police Department for cruelty non-livestock animal-Pending Grand Jury and Aggravated assault with deadly weapon - Pending Grand Jury

9/02/18- Mario Izunx Morales, 23, from Friona was arrested by DPS for DWI- Pending County Court



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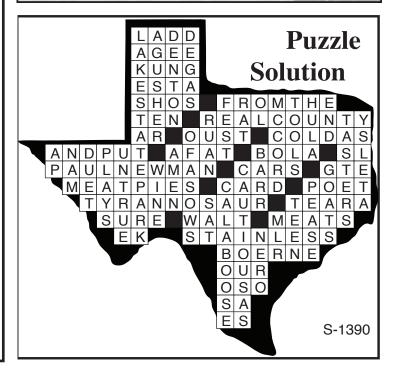
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Sept 6— Psalm 95—Worship with a Warning Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

What comes to your mind when you hear the word worship? You may think of sitting in the mountains reading your Bible, enjoying a worship service with modern praise, acapella singing, or maybe it is a choral arrangement being sung with an orchestra. Do you ever think about God's warnings to you when you think of worship? Probably not, but Psalm 95 is a powerful Psalm that exalts the Lord in worship and warns the Lord's people in a clear

The first half of the Psalm calls you to praise the Lord with singing, praising and bowing down. God is to be praised for who He is and what He has done. God's nature is sublime, sovereign and Wayne Boydstun officiating. salvific, which is why He is worthy of all our praise!

Worship, though, is more than a church service, but true wor- in Clinton, OK to Neal Fulks ship carries the warning of hardening your heart against the and Agnes Birchfield Fulks. Lord. The second half of Psalm 95 begins, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts..." The atheist and agnostic harden their hearts in denying that God exists, but the Christian can also have a hard heart by acknowledging God, yet not obeying Him. Hypocrisy, lip service, or convenient Christianity are forms of a hard heart. Ancient Israel was prone to hard heartedness and you are as well. The solution to developing a hard heart Friona, TX. Bobby was an avid it to maintain a heart that is humble and in pursuit of Christ, yet Harley Davidson Motorcycle hardened to the things of the world. A loving heart obedient and attentive to the Lord is what God desires of you, and is only possible through full surrender to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Llamados a Conocerle Friona Para Cristo

By Pastor Aurelio & Cynthia Silva

La identidad de la Iglesia de Jesucristo: Marcos 16:15-18. En el versiculo 17 & 18 la escritura nos declara de que estas senales seguiran a los que creen: En mi nombre echaran fuera demonios; hablaran nuevos lenguages; tomaran en sus manos serpientes,y si tomaran algo venenoso no les hara dano; pondran sus manos ensima de los enfermos y sanaran. El mismo Senor se indentifica por las senales. En Isaias 35: 4-6 en el verso 4 nos hace una promesa que vendria a este mundo. Y las senales que se manifestarian como; 1. los ojos de los ciegos se abriran 2. los oidos de los sordos se abriran. 3. El cojo saltaria como un ciervo, 4. Y cantaria la lengua del mudo. Jesus se identifica por las senales. Cuando Juan el Bautista estaba en la carcel casi por un ano, y se confunde al escuchar los echos de Jesus y le envia dos de sus dicipolos para preguntarle a Jesus, eres tu al que abia de venir o esperaremos a otro? Mat 11:2-5 aqui se cumplio lo que fue dicho o profetizado en Isaias 35 :4-6. Y vamos a continuar hablando de la Identidad de la Iglesia to speak on the identity of the de Jesucristo en las proximas semanas.

The Identity of the church of Jesus Christ: Mark 16:15-18. In verses 17 & 18 the scripture clearly states: And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new languages; they will pick up snakes; if they should drink anything deadly, it will not harm them; they will lay hands on the sick and they will get well. The Lord himself is identified by signs. In Isaiah 35: 4-6 verse 4 gives us a promise that he would come to this world. And the signs that would manifest through him would be 1. the eyes of the blind would be opened. 2. the ears of the deaf would be opened 3. the lame would walk. 4. and the mute would sing. Jesus is identified by the signs. When John the Baptist after being in jail for almost a year, he is confused when he hears all that Jesus is doing and he sends 2 of his disciples to ask Jesus are you the one we are waiting for? or should we wait for another. Mat 11:2-5 here we see the fulfillment of what was prophesied in Isaiah 35:4-6. We will continue church of Jesus Christ in the coming weeks.

Bobby Neal Fulks

Bobby Neal Fulks, 77, of Clovis, NM died Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at University Medical Center in Lubbock, TX. A graveside service was held at 10:00 am on Saturday, September 1, 2018 at Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens, 1601 E. Llano Estacado, Clovis, NM, with

Bobby was born July 14, 1941 Bobby married Bobbie Baker on May 30, 2000 in Clovis, NM. He served in the US Navy from 1958 to 1962. He worked as an Auto Body Technician for Bobby's Auto and Coach Clinic in Rider. He loved country music and anything with wheels.

Survivors include: his wife; Bobbie Loflin of Clovis, NM, two daughters; Lori Shipp of Farwell, TX, and Lisa Masters of Cotton Center, TX, two sons; Wayde Loflin of Oklahoma City, OK, and Mark Loflin of Elizabethtown, KY, two sisters; Virginia Blackwell and Donna Lee, eight grandchildren; Zack

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Loflin, Jacob Loflin, Cheyenne Loflin, Anthony Silva, Jesse Masters, Morgan Houk, Kelly Shipp, and Kyle Shipp, and great-grandson; Benjamin Masters. He was preceded in death by his parents; Neal and Agnes Fulks, and two sisters; Nancy Fulks and Tootie Robbins.

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Windmills & Water

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

I will never forget my first drink from a windmill. The day was hot and the water cold. I didn't drink from the tank, (not that tough), but straight from the pipe and oh how refreshing it was to taste the water, filtered by God and chilled to perfection. Living here on the High Plains of the Texas Panhandle it is not uncommon to see an old windmill off in a pasture somewhere. Many are worse for wear missing various parts whether the weather vane or iconic blades, many no longer pump and the shafts are disconnected. They stand as mere relics of a time gone by, but they transformed this country one breeze at a time. Yet, if you are fortunate you will find a 100 year old windmill still doing what it has always done turn wind into water.

Sometimes Christianity looks a lot like those old windmills. No longer in use, relics and missing parts, driving through small towns or where there once was a town you see old buildings, no longer thriving with people praising God, now roosts for pigeons and other critters. We look at a world drinking the latest "Koolaid" no longer thirsting for the only Water to give eternal life. Honestly, a little discouraging, makes you want to head for the hills and ask God why? Elijah did that once, and God reminded Him He was still on His throne, still working to save those who would let Him and told Elijah to get back to work. (1 Kings 19

Maybe I need to be reminded too! If I look a little closer, I still see Christians facing challenges, following the Truth and sharing the Water. We have a source that will never run dry. We have a King who will never lose and we do have Water. So when you see the old windmills remember there is work to do and Water to share. Would you like a cup?

God is in control

By Teena Hughs

I grew up being very independent. I liked to do everything by myself, and it has always been very difficult for me to accept help from anyone, including God.

As I grew in my walk with God, I matured, and I came to realize that He is in control, and I am not! He knows everything, and I do not! He always knows what is best for me, and I do not!

Over time, I have surrendered myself to God, and life has become increasingly more and more amazing!!! I have felt an unimaginable peace and joy. I felt a huge burden being lifted off my shoulders. In times of grief, hardship, tough seasons with my children, I have felt joy, something that never used to happen!

Admitting that God is in control, and I am not, was a huge step for me; believing it and living it was an even bigger step.

It is not a cop-out to say that I let God handle the "stuff" in my life; it is a sign of maturity in Him. It is recognition there is a God who knows all, who loves us more than we could ever possibly imagine, and who wants the very best for us.

Surrendering our lives to God does not mean we do nothing. Everyone needs a leader, and He is our leader. Our job is to listen to Him and be obedient to whatever He asks us to do.

Surrendering to God has been a process for me; a process I didn't even know was happening. That is just God for you; taking care of me in ways I never knew. I come from a long line of people who worry about any and everything. However, surrendering my life to God has broken that! God is an amazing God; we just need to surrender our lives to Him so we can see exactly how amazing He is. Take care, have a great week, and never forget, God is in control!!!

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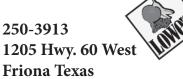
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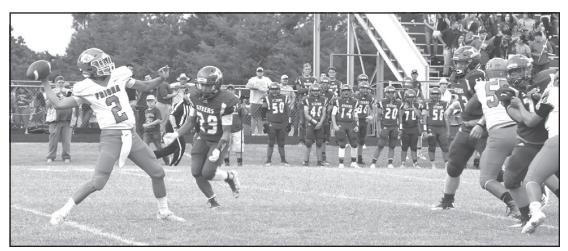


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Friona 7th Grade Volleyball - 1st Place Border Bash



Friona 8th Grade Volleyball



Friona JV Volleyball - 2nd Place Border Bash



Friona Squaws win Logan Tournament

Scoreboard

Friona Squaws Volleyhall

8/28/18						
Olton	0	6	6	9	-	-
Friona	3	25	25	25	-	-
Plainview Christian	0	13	10	5	-	-
Friona	3	25	25	25	-	-
9/1/18 (Logan Tournament)						
Cimarron	0	7	16	13	-	-
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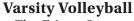
The Friona Chieftains opened the season on the road with a 27-19 victory over the Farwell Steers. Angel Hernandez scored the first touchdown of the season on a pass play from quarterback Marco Monreal. For the game, Marco completed 15 passes for 239 yards which included 3 for touchdowns. He was also the leading rusher for the game with 62 yards. Sergio Flores rushed for one touchdown and Jonathan Hernandez caught 2 passes for touchdowns. Sergio made 3 of 4 extra point conversions. The Chieftians had 431 yards of total offense. Jonathan and Rodrigo Munoz were the leading tacklers with 9 each. Omar Estrada and Jonathan Hernandez each had an interception. The defense held Farwell to just 224 total yards of offense.

JV Football

The Friona Junior Varsity football team hosted the Plainview Bulldogs at Chieftain Field last Thursday. In the 1st quarter Josiah Rejino scored on a 5 yard run and threw a 30 yard touchdown pass to Angel Carranza. Malachi Torres scored on 2 point conversions after each touchdown. In the 2nd quarter Malachi scored on a 70 yard run. Later in the quarter, Juan Trejo ran 26 yard for a TD and Angel scored the 2 point conversion. In the 3rd quarter, Josiah made the last TD of the game on a 10 yard run and Josiah passed to Edwin Barraza for the 2 point conversion. The defense pitched a shutout and the JV Chiefs won by a final score of 44-0 over the Bulldogs.

Freshman Football

The Freshman football team traveled to Bushland last Thursday to open the season against the Falcons. Jacob Bautista scored touchdowns on runs of 43, 6, and 13 yards respectively. He also caught a 41 yard TD pass. Bryan Chavira scored on 42 and 60 yard TD runs and completed passes of 41 yards and 20 yards for touchdowns. The 20 yard TD pass was caught by Isaias Olmos. The 2 point conversions were scored by Andrew Rivera, Bryan Chavira, Salome Viernes, and Jacob Bautista. Alberth Arguellos made two 2 point catches. The defense caused 2 turnovers and the Freshman Chiefs beat Bushland by the final score of 54-22.



The Friona Squaws won the Logan Volleyball Tournament this past weekend. With their win Tuesday night over Estacado they improved their record to 23-4 for the year. They are ranked 7th in the Texas Coaches Association Top 20 Poll this week. Denver City and Bushland are the two top-ranked teams.











Friona JV Football







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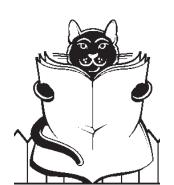
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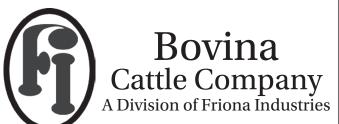
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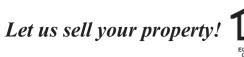
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USDA today launched the trade mitigation package aimed at assisting farmers suffering from damage due to unjustified trade retaliation by foreign nations. Producers of certain commodities can now sign up for the Market Facilitation Program (MFP).

USDA provided details in August of the programs to be employed. USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) will administer the Market Facilitation Program (MFP) to provide payments to corn, cotton, dairy, hog, sorghum, soybean, and wheat producers. An announcement about further payments will be made in the coming months, if warranted. USDA is currently working to determine how to address market disruptions for producers of almonds and sweet cherries.

The sign-up period for MFP is now open and runs through Jan. 15, 2019, with information and instructions provided at www. farmers.gov/mfp. MFP provides payments to cotton, corn, dairy, hog, sorghum, soybean, and wheat producers who have been significantly impacted by actions of foreign governments resulting in the loss of traditional exports. Eligible producers should apply after harvest is complete, as payments will only be issued once production is reported.

A payment will be issued on 50 percent of the producer's total production, multiplied

by the MFP rate for a specific commodity. A second payment period, if warranted, will be determined by the USDA.

Market Facilitation Program

Commodity Initial Payment Rate Est. Initial Payment (in \$1,000s)**

\$276,900 Cotton \$0.06/lb. Corn \$0.01/bu. \$96,000 \$0.12/cwt. Dairy (milk) \$127,400 Pork (hogs) \$8.00/head \$290,300 Soybeans \$1.65/bu. \$3,629,700 Sorghum \$156,800 \$0.86/bu. Wheat \$119,200 \$0.14/bu. Total \$4,696,300

**Initial payment rate on 50% of produc-

MFP payments are limited to a combined \$125,000 for corn, cotton, sorghum, sovbeans, and wheat capped per person or legal entity. MFP payments are also limited to a combined \$125,000 for dairy and hog producers. Applicants must also have an average adjusted gross income for tax years 2014, 2015, and 2016 of less than \$900,000. Applicants must also comply with the provisions of the Highly Erodible Land and Wetland Conservation regulations.

For more further information or to locate and contact local FSA offices, interested producers can visit www.farmers.gov

Parmer County RTSP meeting

About thirty five members of Parmer County RTSP met on Sept. 4 at the home of Sue Wells. Members enjoyed lunch and learning about what is new at school from local administrators. Those attending were Friona Superintendent Jimmy Burns, Principals Erika Montana, Jesse Galdean, M'Kell Jeter, and Deirdre Osborn, Bovina Superintendent Denise Anderson, and Lazbuddie Superintendent Scott

After lunch, President Tracy Ellis conducted the business meeting, which included legislative updates from Legislative Chair Sharon White. Members were encouraged to research candidates and vote in the upcoming election.

The next meeting will be held at the Friona Interbank hospitality room at 2:00 on Nov. 5 with a presentation by Darla Bracken on Parmer County history. All retired school employees and guests are invited to attend.



Bovina Superintendent Denise Anderson and Lazbuddie Superintendent Steve Wolf join retiree Carolyn Widner and other members of Parmer County RTSP for lunch on Sept. 4.



Officers and Committee Chairs for Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel for 2018 are

Back row: President Tracy Ellis, Wellness Chair Connie Johnston, First Vice President Connie Slagle, and Social Chair Melissa Randolph.

Front row: Second Vice President Amelia Wright, Volunteer Chair Linda Griffin, Legislative Chair Sharon White, and Treasurer Sue Wells. Not pictured is Secretary Linda White.



Friona Superintendent Jimmy Burns addresses retirees and fellow administrators at recent Parmer County RTSP meeting.

NOTICE OF SHERIFFS SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF PARMER

By virtue of a Orders of Sale issued out of the Honorable 287TH DISTRICT COURT of PARMER County in the following cases on the 29 day of Chigast, 2018 and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at 10:00 A.M. on the 2nd DAY OF OCTOBER, 2018, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the OFFICIAL door of the Courthouse of said PARMER County, in the City of FARWELL, Texas, the following described property located in PARMER County, to-wit:

Cause No. 10970 BOVINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT vs. FUENTES, **NICOLE**

TRACT 1: GEO: R1575

The North one-half of Lot Two (2), of Block Sixty-One (61) of the Original Town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas

Cause No. 10973 FRIONA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT vs. GONZALES, JIMMY & JENNIFER

TRACT 3: GEO: R3037

Lot 5 and the NE/2 of Lot 6, Block 9, of the Third Installment to Staley #3, an addition to the City of Friona, Parmer County, Texas

Cause No. 10983 BOVINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT vs. MEZA, CLEMENTE & ESTELLA

TRACT 1: GEO: R1695

40 feet of Avenue H and the Northwesterly 60 feet of Lot 2, of Block 91, of the Original Town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas, more fully described by metes and bounds as follows: BEGINNING at the most Northwesterly corner of Lot 2, of Block 91 for a beginning point; THENCE South 39° 17' East along the common boundary of 9th Street and said Lot 2, 60 feet to a point; THENCE North 50° 43' East and parallel to Avenue I to the Westerly boundary line of the alleyway as designated by instrument of record in Volume 120, Page 176, of the Deed Records of Parmer County, Texas; THENCE North 39° 17' West 100 feet along the westerly line of the alleyway to a point being the original centerline of Avenue H, which has heretofore been closed by instrument recorded in Volume 118, Page 46, of the Deed Records of Parmer County, Texas; THENCE South 50° 43' West to a point being the Easterly boundary of 9th Street; THENCE South 39° 17' East along the Easterly boundary line of 9th Street, 40 feet to the PLACE OF BEGINNING.

Cause No. 11072 FARWELL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT VS. BERMEA, ARMANDO

TRACT 1: GEO: R3463

All of Lots 15 and 16, Block 21, Original Town of Farwell, Parmer County, Texas.

Cause No. 10975 LAZBUDDIE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT vs. HALL, SAMMYE BETH CARROLL

TRACT 1: GEO: R6353

The North 1/2 of Section 4, Block H, Thomas Kelly Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas, containing 314.57 acres of land, more or less.

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SHERIFF PARMER COUNTY, TEXAS

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NOTICE OF SHERIFFS SALE

You're getting a new Medicare card

By Bob Moos/Southwest public affairs officer for the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Your new Medicare card is coming soon.

From now until April 2019, Medicare is mailing new cards to the more than 60 million Americans with Medicare. The 3.9 million Texans with Medicare will begin receiving their cards this month.

The new cards will no longer have your Social Security number on them. Instead, they'll have a new Medicare number that's unique to you and will be used for only your Medicare coverage.

Don't worry. Your Medicare benefits will remain exactly the same. Nothing about your health care coverage will change.

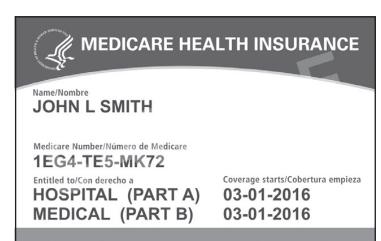
A recent federal law requires the removal of Social Security numbers from Medicare cards

to help protect you from identity theft. Many people asked for the new safeguard, and Congress responded.

You don't need to do anything or pay anyone to get your new card.

If someone claiming to be from Medicare calls you and requests your Social Security number or other personal information, that's a scam. Hang up and call Medicare at 1-800-633-4227 to report the inci-

Likewise, if anyone tries to charge you a fee for the new card -- or for processing a "temporary" card until your new card arrives -- that's a scam, too. It's another scheme to get your bank or credit card information.



uninvited and ask you to provide personal information to receive your new card.

Medicare will send your card to the address you have on file with Social Security. So, if you need to update your mailing address, contact So-Medicare will never call you cial Security at ssa.gov/myac-

Congressman Jodey Ar-

rington is a member of the

U.S. House of Representatives serving the Nineteenth

Congressional District of

Texas. He serves as a mem-

ber of the Farm Bill Confer-

ence Committee, House Ag-

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Budget Committee, Joint

Select Committee on Budget

and Appropriations Process

Reform, and Chairman of

the House Veterans' Affairs

Subcommittee on Economic

Opportunity.

count or call 1-800-772-1213.

Because of the many cards to be mailed, they're being sent out in waves - several states at a time. Texans with Medicare will receive their cards over the next month.

When you do receive your card, destroy your old one. Don't just toss it in the trash, where a crook can get hold of it. Cut it into small pieces so that your Social Security number can't be read.

Then start using your new card right away. Doctors and other health care providers know the new cards are beginning to arrive in mailboxes and will ask for yours when you need care, so carry it with

Protect it as you would any other card with personal information. Removing your Social Security number will safeguard you against most identity theft, but thieves might still use it to try to get medical

One final note: If you're in a Medicare Advantage plan, your plan's ID card will remain your main card for health care benefits. Keep it and use it when you require care, though it's smart to have your new Medicare card as well.

For years, people who mistakenly gave out their Medicare numbers have fallen victim to identity theft and discovered their bank accounts emptied. The redesigned Medicare cards should help prevent that.

Look for your new card in your mailbox soon. If you have any questions or need help, visit medicare.gov or call 1-800-633-4227.

West Texas has seats at the table when it comes time to finish crafting a Farm Bill to ensure a strong, viable ag sector for West Texas and rural America

By Representative Jodey Arrington

Now that the House and Senate have passed their respective versions of the Farm Bill, a bipartisan "conference committee" made up of both House and Senate members has been established to work out the differences between the two and send a final version to the president's desk.

I am honored to have been appointed by the Speaker to serve on the Committee and thrilled to work alongside my friend and fellow West Texan, Chairman Mike Conaway. Our mission is straightforward and clear: to establish policies that support a vibrant agriculture economy, strengthen rural communities, maintain food security in America and tighten up work requirements for food stamp recipi-

West Texas will get two voices for the price of one with Mike and me at the table. That is only appropriate since our region is one of the largest agriculture production centers in the world. The Farm Bill represents more than just economic development for rural communities or even the 20 million agriculture-related jobs in the United States. Getting U.S. agriculture policy right is about maintaining our ability to feed and clothe our own citizens independent of foreign sources of food and fiber - a national security issue for all Americans. When you combine food security with energy independence, there is not a more important region in the country than West Texas - the food, fuel and fiber capital of the world!

This Farm Bill comes at one of the most challenging economic times for the agriculture industry in our nation's history. Since the last Farm Bill in 2014, net farm income has dropped more than 50 percent - the steepest decline since the Great Depression - and farm bankruptcies are up nearly 40 percent over the past two years.

The biggest brunt of this downturn was borne by our cotton producers who were completely exposed to the commodity market's nosedive after being the only row crop removed from Title I of the Farm Bill's safety net in 2014. Fortunately, we were able to restore cotton's safety net status, and furthermore, improve it by covering the value of cotton as a seed as well as a lint. That is the most significant feature of this new Farm Bill for folks living in the largest cotton patch in the world, but we must also establish

the right agriculture policies for all commodities in order to deal with the new market realities of 2018 and beyond.

Farm Bills come once every five years and not only set our nation's agriculture policy, but also include funding for one of the largest welfare programs - the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), also known as food stamps. SNAP accounts for more than 80 percent of the Farm Bill's funding and costs taxpayers more than \$70 billion a year. Keep this in mind: the total cost of U.S. agriculture policies (apart from the food stamp program) is less than half of one percent of the entire federal budget. That's a small cost to taxpayers for the enormous benefit of a stable and affordable food supply.

With our economy growing at historic rates, unemployment at historic lows and nearly 7 million surplus jobs, I believe it would be a travesty not to reform the food stamp program so we end policies trapping people in a perpetual cycle of dependence on the government. Sadly, millions of able-bodied adults are using the welfare system in this country as a lifestyle with no intention of getting a job. Any responsible welfare program - whether it has to do with food, health care, or housing - must encourage work-capable people to maximize their God-given talents and seize workforce training and employment opportunities that will not only benefit them and their families, but our entire economy and future pros-

The House Farm Bill will be my benchmark going into these negotiations. However, given the 60-vote rule in the Senate, we will need the support of at least ten Democrats in order to pass it. Whatever compromise is reached, we must ensure our final legislation achieves three key objectives: first, a viable and responsible safety net for all commodities; second, an investment in broadband technology, water conservation, and other critical infrastructure for sustaining rural communities; and third, long-overdue reforms to the food stamp program to encourage ablebodied adults to work.

If we get this Farm Bill right, we will not only ensure a strong, viable ag sector for West Texas and rural America, but we can ensure our economy continues to grow and that all Americans have the opportunity for a better quality of life.

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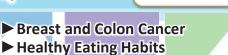
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