



2020 champions Nate Adams and Colby Marsh are back to defend their title. Their score of 118 last year set the new tournament scoring record.

PK Memorial Golf Tourney is July 24th-25th

It has been a busy summer for the Kendrick Family. Fresh off celebrating the 70th anniversary of Kendrick Oil Company last month, the family now turns its attention to golf as they host the 13th Annual Pudge Kendrick Memorial Golf Tournament.

Danny Kendrick, CEO of Kendrick Oil, said, "We appreciate everyone that turned out for our hamburger cookout in June to help us celebrate 70 years in business. Our family would like to thank all of our customers for their support during the past seven decades."

The annual golf outing is the major fundraiser for the Parmer County and Hereford Cancer Coalitions. These organizations distribute grants to cancer survivors in Parmer County and Hereford, respectively.

The field is full, again. 105 two-person teams will tee it up on July 24th and 25th at the 13th Annual Pudge Kendrick Memorial Golf Tournament. This "second major" has grown in popularity since moving to Hereford in 2015.

Greg Lewellen, spokesperson for the event said he would like to thank the Deaf Smith Chamber of Commerce, the City of Hereford, and the staff at John Pitman Golf Course for their help in coordinating the annual event.

The tournament will be held at the John Pitman Golf Club in Hereford, Texas and each day the morning flight will start at 8:00 a.m. and the afternoon flight will begin at 1:30 p.m. Sunday's tee times are based on flighting from Saturday's results. On Sunday, prizes will be awarded in all flights.

On Saturday, prizes will be awarded for a holein-one on Holes #3, #6, #9, and #14. Also on Hole #3 a "Closest to the Pin" prize will be awarded. "Longest Drive" prizes will be awarded on Hole #8 (men) and Hole #13 (women). You will also be able to purchase a \$10 ticket for a chance to putt for a \$5,000 prize.

The event will include a variety of drawings for major prizes, including a Kubota side-by-side and trailer (August 1), and the Grand in Your Hand raffle event that leaves the winner holding \$1,000 in cash. There will also be a Silent Auction.

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Cheeseburger Champions



Miss Friona Esperanza Santiago presented the First Place trophy and People's Choice award to the Hilmar Cheese Company cooking team at last week's 15th Annual Cheeseburger Festival. Their prize winning "QiQi Burger" consisted of a toasted bun, apricot chipotle sauce, grilled onions, smoked gouda, medium-well burger, habanero pepper jack, pineapple, and citrus slaw.

Fast friends help cancer patients, raising funds through golf

Parmer County and Hereford Cancer Coalitions

By Jim Steiert

Those battling frightening reality of cancer need all of the support they can get from family, friends, and community.

Two women from Hereford and Friona-Julie Butler, who fought a protracted battle with cancer personally as a young adult, and Jamie Lewellen, who has uplifted family and friends in the great battle, are well-aware of that need and have built a fast friendship by nurturing such support on an impressive and growing scale.

Together, these J&J girls have merged efforts to raise funds in support of cancer patients that have resulted in 201 grants to cancer patients in Parmer County totaling \$102,100 since 2010, and \$77,600 in grants to cancer patients in Hereford since December, 2016.

Jamie Lewellen of Friona, a very communityminded young woman, wanted to help family and friends battling cancer when she saw the financial and emotional

toll that the fight imposed on them. She got involved in "Relay for Life" and other activities that raised substantial money in the cancer cause, but realized that the support dollars mostly left her community and went elsewhere.

Thinking there was a better way for the home crowd, she launched the Parmer County Cancer Coalition in 2010 with the help of husband, Greg, and family friend Jyl Grimsley to assist those battling cancer in her community with locally raised funds. Now, the Parmer County Cancer Coalition is administered by a 10-member

board. "Our first year we held a "Pink Out" and small fundraisers such "Walk For A Cure" and T-shirt sales. My dream was to be able to give back to the community that has given so much to me and my family," Mrs. Lewellen explained.

In 2009, the Lewellens, who were golfers themselves, became involved in the Pudge Kendrick Memorial Golf Tourna-

ment after the passing of well-respected Friona golfer and community supporter H.K. "Pudge" Kendrick of Kendrick Oil in Friona. The initial tournament benefited the Friona golf course and the Parmer Medical Center. In 2011, it was decided that the proceeds from this new "annual" event would benefit the Parmer County Cancer Coalition.

While all of that was go-

ing on, Julie Butler went through her own very personal years-spanning battle with cancer and is now 10 years cancer free since her diagnosis and eventual stem cell transplant.

"The community of Hereford poured much love and generosity into me and my family that I feel like I have a lifetime of giving back to do," said Ms. Butler.

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Greg and Jamie Lewellen of the Parmer County Cancer Coalition and Julie Schlabs of the Hereford **Cancer Coalition.** (courtesy photo)



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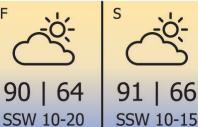


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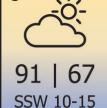
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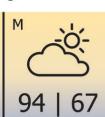








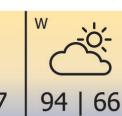




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Community Calendar

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

July 20-24

• 6th Annual Kidz Building Camp

July 22

- Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center
- Books & Bites program from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. at Friona Public Library

July 23

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

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Farmhouse to Your House

51st season of SDW is a wrap

The 51st season of the Summer Drama Workshop wrapped up production this past weekend. The annual event sponsored by the Friona Fine Arts Council to help kids develop and enhance their acting skills capped off its two week run with public performances that included pirates, witches, and twenty reasons not to even be in a play. Due to construction at the high school, all rehearsals and performances took place in the Friona Junior High Auditorium this year. Directors for SDW 2021 were Allison Johnston, Joy Morton, and Shawn Oakley Far-

As usual, the main question is how does the director of the Elementary Show manage to herd cats for two weeks and then produce a show that "wows" parents, grandparents, and even great grandparents? son Johnston has been working her magic for the past 34 years and this year marked her farewell voyage via a stage full of pirates. Allison retired from Friona ISD earlier this year and her talents, dedication, and love for kids will be greatly missed. We wish her the very best in her future endeavors!

Many Friona families have had multi-generational interactions with one Joy Morton. These family legacies are proof of her longevity. One such example is the Frye-Smiley-Gutierrez family. Kim (Frye) Smiley was a student in Joy's English 4 class during the 1978-79 school year. Fast forward to Kim's son, Haden, who was a drama, debate, and SDW disciple under her tutelage from 2011-2015. Continuing the lineage is Grayson Gutierrez, son of Kim's daughter Ashley and husband Jason Gutierrez. This year, Grayson was the Jester in "Pegora the Witch" under the watchful eye of director Joy Morton - the teacher, the mob, the legend.

FHS drama instructor Shawn Oakley Farrar directed an all-female cast in "20 Reasons Not to Be in a Play" which highlighted the acting chops that Friona students have displayed during the past few months. FHS had one of its most successful One Act Play (OAP) this year and the future looks even brighter. See you next year!



(l-r) Kim (Frye) Smiley, Jayson Gutierrez, Haden Smiley, and Joy Morton



Joy presents Allison with a plaque to commemorate 34 years in SDW



Editor's Choice for Best Line: Where did you hide the ship? Under 200 foot of seawater!

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Heed the call

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

If the timing had been different, Jack London could have been a candidate for the Grateful American Book Prize, but he was born too early: San Francisco, 1876.

At 21, he sailed to Canada's Klondike territories during the apex of their Gold Rush flush, but instead of sweeping for a fabulous fortune, London perused the land, its indigenous people, and pondered the plethora of piggish prospectors who grabbed for gold.

London's adventures surfaced in the form of a successful debut short story collection called The Son of the Wolf: Tales of the Far North.

Three years later, The Call of the Wild—a story of an abducted dog, was released, and became a best seller, that permanently pivoted the author's profile of prestige



Jack London

from evanescent to evergreen.

When he died in 1916 at the age of 40, London had already written fifty works of fiction and non-fiction that are still loved.

The Grateful American **Book Prize recommends** The Call of the Wild by Jack London.

Source: History Matters, a feature of The Grateful American Book Prize: Showing our children that their past is prelude to their future.



SHERIFF'S REPORT

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

(7/12/21) Edgar Chavira, 25, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz. in Drug Free Zone, pending County Court.

(7/12/21) Brandon Lee, 33, of Amarillo was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of Criminal Michief > \$2,500 < \$30K, pending Grand Jury.

(7/14/21) Zachary Bradshaw, 31, of Friona was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on charges of Burglary of Habitation and Burglary of Building, pending Grand Jury. Also, Unlawful Carrying of Weapon and Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz., pending County Court.

(7/15/21) Salvador Herrera, 20, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of License Carried/Exhibited on Demand 3rd, pending County Court.

(7/16/21) Craig Greunke, 52, of Friona was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of Assault, pending County Court.

(7/16/21) Elix Aguilar, 28, of Bovina was arrested by the Bovina Police Department on a charge of DWI, pending County Court.



COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from July 8, 2021 to July 15, 2021

(7/8/21) Denver Steve Collins, Darci Collins — Eddie S. Schaap, Sherri J. Schaap — A 1.023 Ac tract of land lying in the N part of Sec 4 Bl Blk a of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County

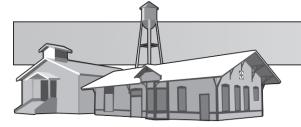
(7/9/21) Jerry Simmons, Cindy Simmons — Monica Acosta — Lot 5 Blk 5 First addition to the W Loop Drive Addition City of Friona in Parmer

County (7/14/21) Rick Jamerson, Ricky Don Jamerson — D'Lynn Jamerson — All of Grantors undivided interest in and the following property, All of the Tract 30 of Blk 1 of the Western Addition to the City of

Friona in Parmer County (7/14/21) Danny Allen, Delia Kay Allen — Curtis Allen, Debbie Allen — The E 1/2 of Sec 2 Township 1 N R 1 E Capitol Syndicate Subdiv. in Parmer County, a 39.91 Ac tract of land being SE/4 of Sec 35 Township 2 N R 1 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County, and a 3.411 Ac tract of land out of the SE corner of the SE/4 of Sec 32 Township 2 N R 1 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer

(7/14/21) Curtis Allen, Debbie Allen — Danny Joe Allen, Delia Kay Allen — A 240.15 Ac tract of land in the SE part of Sec 5 Township 1 N R 1 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Vol. 47 Pg. 117 in Parmer County





The 2021 Feed the Future Snack Pak 4 Kids Auction Fundraiser will be on Saturday, July 31st. Concert Tickets and Directions are available at www. Alposbarn.com. 100% of Auction proceeds and donations will be used for the support of SP4K programs in Friona, Farwell, Texico, Bovina, Muleshoe, and surrounding communities. Ticket purchase for admission is separate and required. For more information contact Mckenzie Hettinga at 518-429-0585 or Ashley Nichols at 817-481-4708.

 $\star\star\star$ Friona Interbank has recently celebrated the 15th anniversary of Sylvia Rios' employment at the bank. Sylvia has worked as a full time Teller since April of 2006 and has announced her retirement plans. Her last day at Interbank will be on July 21, 2021. Congratulations Sylvia, we wish you all the best in the future!

Friona Vocational Agriculture Association will be hosting a pulled pork lunch on Friday, August 6th, at the Vet Industries parking lot. Each plate will cost \$8 and has the pulled pork sandwich, potato salad, chips, and a drink. The fundraiser will begin at 11:00 a.m. and will continue until the food runs out. Delivery in Friona will be available if you order more than 10 plates. All the money that is raised will help local 4H, FFA, and FCCLA kids. Donations will also be accepted.

The 13th Annual Pudge Kendrick Memorial Golf Tournament will be next weekend on July 24th and 25th. There are 105 teams signed up for the tournament, which will be hosted at the John Pitman Golf Club in Hereford, Texas. This event raises funds for the Parmer County and Hereford Cancer Coalitions, which provide grants for local cancer

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patients.

A reminder that the City of Friona has passed a garage sale ordinance, which requires a permit for anyone that wants to have a garage sale. The permit is free but the seller must acknowledge that they will not post signs on public property or utility poles. The City will also help the seller by posting about the garage sale on social media.

TOWN TALK

Phone: 806-250-2211 • Fax: 806-250-5127

Farwell-Texico The Border Town Days will be on Saturday, July 31st. The parade begins at KKR Park in Texico, NM at 11:00 a.m. Central Time and ends at the Farwell City Park. Live entertainment, food, and vendor booths will be from noon to 4:00 p.m. Central Time at the Farwell City Park.

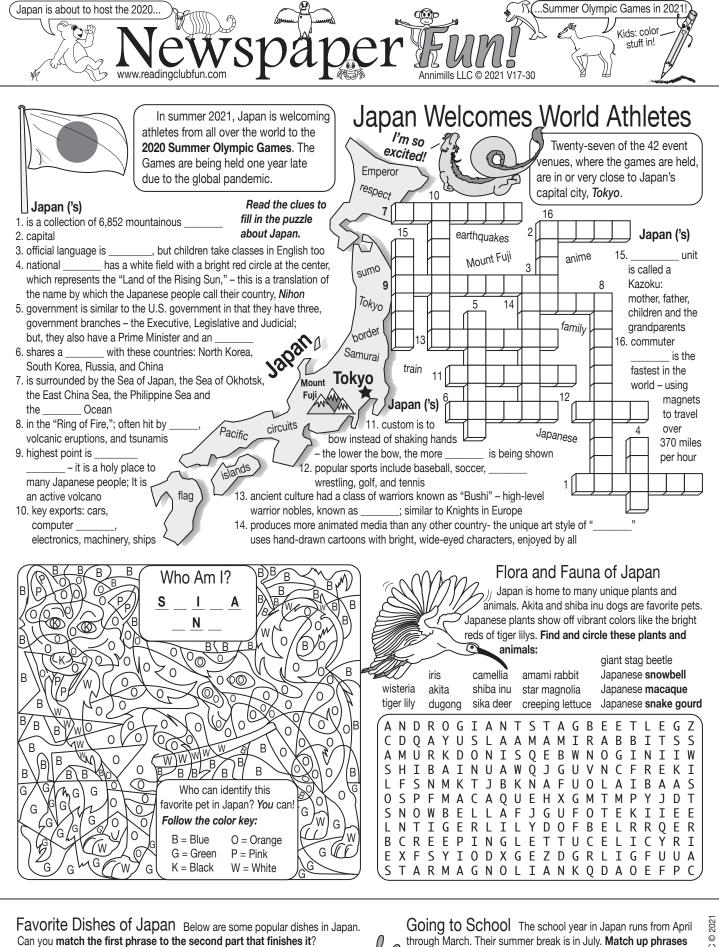
Texas Hunter Education Requirements say that every hunter (including out-of-state hunters) born on or af-

ter Sept. 2, 1971 must successfully complete a Hunter Education Training Course. Texas Parks & Wildlife Department has approved a Hunter Education Course in Muleshoe on Saturday, July 31st, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The minimum age for certification is 9 years old and the class will cost \$15. Registration is available at https:// tpwd.elementlms.com/ find-classes/. If you have any questions you can contact the instructor Gary Vaughn at 806-778-5140 or gvaughn5@ hotmail.com.

*** **National Days**

July 22: Mango Day July 23: Vanilla Ice Cream Day **July 24:** Cowboy Day July 25: Parents' Day

July 26: Aunts and Uncle's day July 27: Creme Brulee Day **July 28:** Waterpark Day



- 1. sushi is raw fish served in
- 2. soba is a thin noodle dish
- made from buckweat flour 3. bento boxes are a packaged collection of rice, cooked vegetables,
- meat or fish, tightly packed together 4. sukiyaki is a combination of beef,
- green onions, tofu, mushrooms and egg. 5. *yakitori* is chicken cut into small pieces and placed onto a
- A. the name for the box is from a word meaning "convenient"
- B. rice and wrapped in C. cooked and served in an iron skillet and soaked in a special sauce
- D. and dipped in a cold broth E. bamboo skewer with vegetables and lightly seasoned

through March. Their summer break is in July. Match up phrases **below** to compare students going to school in Japan and the U.S.

In Japan -

- 1. students wear uniforms 2. lunch around 12:30 p.m. (rice, meat, fish, boiled veggies)
- 3. school day is 7 hours (8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.) 4. only have to complete up to grade 9 (but 98% of students go on to finish high school)
- In U.S. -A . school 6 hours a day
 - (ex. 9:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.) B. most do not wear uniforms C. students must complete grade 12
 - D. lunch at about 11:00 a.m. (chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, peas, apple, cake)



Crème Brûlée

If I had to pick only one dessert to be my favorite, I would pick crème brûlée. I can rarely resist ordering this for dessert if it is on the menu. To say I have tried lots of crème brûlée, is an understatement. Lucky for us, National Crème Brûlée Day is July 21. The perfect time of

year to try this dessert at home. It isn't really that hard, you just need patience to let it set up and cool in the fridge. It is important not to skip the crust of sugar on top even if you have to use the broiler method. Trust me when I say the sugar crust is worth the effort.

EASY 3-INGREDIENT CREME BRULEE

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EQUIPMENT

Ramekins Kitchen torch - optional

INGREDIENTS

2 cups ice cream melted 4 egg yolks 4 TB sugar

INSTRUCTIONS

Preheat oven to 325°F. Scoop ice cream into a microwave-safe bowl. Scoop a bit more than 2 cups as it does become less as it melts. Melt in microwave until smooth, at 30-second intervals. Mine took 3 rounds. Separate 4 eggs, reserving the white to be used later. Whisk the egg yolks into the cooled melted ice cream. Once fully combined, pour the mixture into 4 ramekins in equal amounts. Place the ramekins in an oven-safe dish large enough to fit all ramekins

plus room to pour water around each. The dish will need to be deep enough to ensure water can be halfway up the sides of the ramekins. Heat enough water to fill your baking dish halfway in tea kettle or microwave safe pourable container. Once water is hot, place an oven-safe dish with ramekins in the oven on a middle rack - then pour water into the dish along the sides of the ramekins until they are submerged halfway. Bake custards at 325° in the oven for 40 minutes. Keep the oven closed. Remove from the oven, remove ramekins safely from the large baking dish. Let cool one hour at room temperature. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate at minimum one more hour and up to 3 days. When ready to eat, remove from refrigerating at least 30 minutes before serving time so they can come to room temperature. Sprinkle each with 1 TB sugar. Ensure sugar is in an even layer. Using a kitchen torch, wave the flame evenly over the sugar layer about 2 inches from the sugar. Keep the flame moving and not too close to ensure an even caramelization and for the sugar not to burn. If you don't have a kitchen torch, use the broiler in your oven to caramelize the sugar. Place them on a baking sheet on an oven rack directly under the broiler. Broil on high until golden and melted. You may need to slide the baking sheet around on the rack to ensure all parts of the sugar get equal heat under the broiler. Do not leave unattended and watch carefully. The edges of the ramekins will be hot from the torch and very hot if using the broiler method. Enjoy immediately.

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FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



FRIONA CHAMBER members and volunteers gathered for the official ribbon cutting for the Hand Family Chiropractic clinic. Shane Hand, center, is accepting patients and will travel from his office in Canyon to the local clinic on 9th Street near Main. Ron Carr photo. (Friona Star, Friday, July 20, 2001)

Happy Birthday

July 22

Johnnie Wiseman Amber Hansard Jayton Rainey Kirk Maberry Shelby Silva Doris Brazil

July 23

Peggy Monroe John Ingram Hadley White Tom Hefner Ella Rector Troy Talley Jason Randall Karen Rose Bonnie Pope Susie Perez

July 24

Phila May Weatherly
Lilah Gay Vars
Abraham Castanon
Briana Padilla
Sara Van Valkenburg
Ale Gonzales
Chelsi Bass
Amy Yosten
Darlene Case
Antonia Ramirez
Ale Rainey

July 25 Ruben Castaneda

Eddie Echevarria

July 26

Jo Drummond T.J. Randolph Faith Carr Carolina Camarillo Grady Beauchamp Sherri Taylor Miguel Soto

July 27

Kelley Cash Holli (Hudson) Blanton Noel Grajeda Mariah Smith Carol Hernandez

July 28 Dianne Tatum Sarah Coronado Katy Nelson Kyle Steen Geneva Vargas Rev. Heather Reed

Salma Ramirez

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



Gas prices remain steady

By GasBuddy

Texas gas prices have risen 0.9 cents in the past week, averaging \$2.84 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Gas prices in Texas are 10.0 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 94.8 cents per gallon higher than a year

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$2.49 while the most expensive is \$3.51 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 1.3 cents in the last week, averaging \$3.16 per gallon. The national average is up 10.2 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 98.0 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

"Gas prices across the country have been a bit sideways in the last week with a mixed bag of decreases and increases, but overall, the national average hasn't seen much meaningful direction as oil prices remain under their early-July levels thus far thanks to OPEC coming to an agreement on production over the weekend," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy.

De Hann continued, "OPEC's plan is to raise oil production by 400,000 bpd each month until 2022, at which time OPEC's oil production will be back at pre-Covid levels. It's a positive development in light of U.S. gasoline demand which last week rose nearly 2%, which should act as a loose ceiling on the price of oil, and could mean we're even closer to seeing a peak in the national average if we haven't already."

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

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Weed Control

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

t has been a wonderful few weeks with all the rain. We live in an area that knows how to appreciate such a blessing. The moisture does so much good on so many fronts, but there is a bit of a catch "careless weeds" seemed to have found their voice and have gone from solos to full blown choirs in what seems to be a matter of hours. They are everywhere, filling the voids left by months of drought. I am sure I could do some digging as to the name "careless weed", but I will keep it at the superficial level for today.

One little careless weed does not seem to be much, but give it a little space and water, and what was once a two-inch little stem with 4 leaves is now a foot tall and on the move. Left unattended it grows quickly and seeds out making more lovely little weeds to come. This cycle continues out of control leaving you in need of some weed control.

Sin sure behaves very similarly. It's just one little sin, but once fed and left unchecked it can go from a thought to an action, to a behavior and on it goes slowly choking out any good leaving destruction in its path. Until you realize you need to regain some control and that comes in a surrender to Jesus, the only One who can take our mess and make it right.

So, for now, mow them down, pull them up, spray a little weed killer. The battle to reclaim your yard is up to you. But if we are talking about your heart, then surrender, yield to the Savior, let Him remove your sin, reclaim your heart for Himself and in so doing will give you peace. God bless.

Sylia Rios celebrates and retires

Friona Interbank recently celebrated the 15th anniversary of Sylvia Rios' employment at the financial institution. Sylvia started to work at Friona State Bank (now Interbank) on April 18th, 2006. She began her banking career as a full-time Teller and has been greeting customers with a smile and a chirpy "hello" ever since.

Sylvia has also decided to retire after her 15 years of service at Interbank. Her last day at the bank was Wednesday, July 21, 2021. Everyone at Friona Interbank wishes her the best on her new adventures.

Sylvia is married to

Rudy Rios and they reside in Friona. They have one son, Daniel, and daughter-in-law, Sarah Rios, who live in Ama-



Friona Interbank President Justin Jeter (right) presents Sylvia Rios a gift in acknowledgment of her 15 years of employment at the bank.

The Holy Spirit as Guide

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Not too many years ago we had a problem at our house regarding directions. For some reason, certain map and gps applications would give the wrong location when our address was typed into a gps. Instead of taking people to our house just southeast of Friona, it would send people way out west of town. The problem was not only that bad guidance was being given, but also that some did not call on me or my wife to receive the correct guidance and directions to ensure they would end

up at the right location. In a similar way there are a lot of horrible directions being given in our world today that are getting people way off track. I am not talking about gps directions, but I am speaking about something much more important, directions in your life. Just like bad gps directions will take you away from where you need to be, bad advice in life will lead you astray and leave you in shambles.

Thankfully, Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to guide us, as he said in John 16:13 "When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he

will declare to you the things that are to come." Part of the Holy Spirit's ministry is to be our guide. He guides us through the Bible, which he inspired, he guides us through his leading, prayer and many other ways. We not only need the guidance of the Holy Spirit, though, but we need to follow his guidance, not one's own inclinations that they assume are from God. In fact, many people think they are on track with God, but in reality they are being misguided because they don't follow the Word of God or the Spirit of God, but their own feelings and the spirit of this world.

God's Word Doesn't Change

By Teena Hughs

In Sunday school last week, we were talking about the Bible and how the Word of God is always true. One member commented that she agreed, but she also understands that it is a book written over 2000 years ago.

The way she said her comment made me wonder if she thought some things had changed in God's Word over time.

God's Word has not changed. It is amazing that a book written so long ago is still true, still works for and applies to each of us today. That is the amazing power and grace of God; that He could put together a book for each and everyone of us for all times! Only God could do that!!!

While I do not think God's Word has changed, I do believe that some people have changed. Even though we may not understand every single verse, some of us believe what the Word says in its entirety, while some try to make the Bible into something they want it to say. Maybe they believe something so strongly that they twist the Word or look for scriptures that "fit" their viewpoints.

There is a difference between twisting God's Word to fit a viewpoint and interpreting a verse differently from someone. It is always interesting in Sunday school or Bible study to see how people interpret God's Word. God uses scripture to speak to us and teach us either personally or through others; that is how we expand our thinking and test our knowledge or lack thereof. That is how we experience God teaching and ministering to each of us exactly where we are in our lives.

At times I have wondered if I am wrong: has the Bible changed? When we get to Heaven, we will have to account for our actions and beliefs. I have wondered what I would do if God told me I was wrong on an issue I had used the Bible to formulate my opinion. I would rather follow His Word now and find out in Heaven that I have been wrong than not follow His Word!

God doesn't change; His Word doesn't change; He is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. That's why He and His Word work every time they are tried.

"We Live by Faith, Not by Sight." 2 Corinthians 5:7

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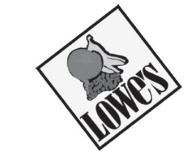
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Obituaries



John Frank Dixon

John Frank Dixon, 94, of Bovina, Texas, passed away on Monday, July 19, 2021. Celebration of Life Memorial Services will be at 2:00 PM on Saturday, July 31, 2021, at the Bovina United Methodist Church with Rev. Larry Mitchell officiating. Inurnment following in the Bovina Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.

John was born at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, Texas on April 23, 1927. He had so much hair, they had to give him a haircut before he left the hospital.

He attended Margaret Wills Elementary in Amarillo and Sam Houston Junior High while living in Amarillo. His family moved to Wellington, Texas where he attended Wellington High as a freshman for a single semester. Then, the family moved to Kress, Texas, and John finished high school and graduated from Kress High School in May of 1945.

John graduated from high school one day and then went to work at Johnnie's Butane the next day in Kress, Texas. He worked there until he was drafted into the Army on January 19, 1951, at the beginning of the Korean War. He went to boot camp at Camp Chaffee and finished his service at Camp Chaffee in Fort, Smith, Arkansas.

He met the love of his life, Eloise Perry, through mutual friends Wendall and Mary Tom



Tooley. After a short two month dating period, John proposed to her in January before he left for the Army. While in the Army, they married on May 7, 1951, on Saturday evening, but, he had to be back to camp for reveille on Monday morning. They celebrated over 50 years of marriage before she passed away on October 26, 2004.

After being discharged from the Army, he went back to Kress and began farming. In January of 1956, John, Eloise, and David moved to Bovina, Texas. Gail and Michael were born while living in Bovina. Farming was his livelihood his whole life. He lived through some lean years and some very good years but loved every minute of farming. Later, he began to raise cattle as a supplement to farming and loved looking at the cattle every morning. John belonged to the United Methodist Church in Bovina where he worshiped his whole life while living in Bovina. John and Eloise raised their three children in Bovina before the children headed out into the world.

John served his community by participating on the Bovina City Commission for two years and he served on the

Parmer County Farm Bureau board. He also held several offices on the Bovina United Methodist Church Board. In 2009, he was given the Heritage Award from the Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture. In 2019, John was named the Man of the Year by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, P.O and Ella Dixon, his wife, Mary Eloise Dixon, his sister, Mary Hazel Hill, and brother Robert Dixon.

He is survived by his three children and their spouses and their many grandchildren and great-grandchildren which include: David and Bobbie Dixon and their children Brandon Dixon, Michael Dixon, and Jennifer and Tom Walling; Gail and Kent Blain and their children Karis and Curtis Chamberlin, Trae and Kimberly Blain, Chelsea and Dave O'Neal; Mike and Sharon Dixon and their children, Scott and Jessica Dixon, Erin and Aaron Smith. John also has many greatgrandchildren which include Cooper and Mason Walling; Faith, Abigail, and Ian Chamberlain; Benjamin, Elizabeth, Rebecca, and Caleb Blain; Lance, Xander, and Calvin O'Neal; Grace, Wyatt and Clara Dixon; Alivia, Kinsley, and Rilee Smith. John is also survived by his sister Dixie Baker.

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



Bill Ray Jones, 91, of Texas,

Normangee, passed away on Thursday, May 15, 2021.

Bill was born April 11, 1930 to Corine and Raymond Jones in Friona, Texas. He grew up on a dairy farm and learned early the "joy" of hard work.

He attended Friona Schools and graduated from Friona High School on May 15, 1948 and enrolled in Texas Tech on June 1st. His studies at Tech were interrupted when he enlisted in the Air Force in January 1951. During his tenure in the Air Force, he was trained as an electronics technician and served as a flight line radio mechanic and as an instructor in the Advanced Airborne Electronics School.

He returned to Tech in January of 1955 after his discharge from active service. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Geology in August of 1956 and enrolled in Tech's graduate school in September of that year. At the same time, he became a member of the faculty as a lecturer. He taught Geology courses until he finished his Masters of Science degree in August

of 1959. He entered graduate school at the University of Texas in September of 1959 and transferred to A&M in September 1960, when he enrolled in their graduate program. During his tenure at A&M he was employed as a Research Geophysicist in the department of Oceanography for 5 years, and as a lecturer in Geology Department for one year. He completed his Doctor of Philosophy degree in Geology in 1968.

During his career Bill was author and co-au-

Bill Ray Jones



thor of several technical papers in publications of the Texas Bureau of Economic Geology, Society of Exploration Geophysics, American Association of Petroleum Geologist and Society of Professional Well Log Analysts. In 1997 he was awarded the Frank R. Frischknecht Award by the Near Surface Geophysics Section of the SEG for his contributions and support of the nearsurface geophysics community.

While Bill spent 14 years in academia, he was happiest when he was involved with business. He was partner or principle in founding 5 different companies. Some successful, some not so much. But it was something he loved to do. Every day was different, everyday brought new challenges, no chance of getting bored.

In March 1966 he married Katie Lou DeBouy. During the 47 years of their married life they lived in Deer Park, Bryan, Houston, Galveston and Normangee. He had been a resident of the Normangee area since 1975.

Bill taught high school math at Normangee High for two years and later served on the board of Trustees.

Bill and Katie organized a company in 1997 called, K D Jones Instruments, Corp. The company rented and sometimes sold, Geophysical Equipment nation and worldwide. This was Bill and Katies legacy and is still running in Wisconsin.

Bill also had a major part in The Geelan Community House. We all know the story of the child who tossed the starfish back into the ocean knowing that while he couldn't save all the starfish that had washed ashore, he could 'make a difference' for some. That was what Bill did. He made a difference. In 2012, he expressed a desire to have a place in town where, people could gather for a cup of coffee, a glass of tea, maybe play a game of dominoes, or just sit and visit with each other. That vision, like a grain of sand which becomes a pearl, became the Geelan Community House. A welcoming place where our local senior citizens come for fellowship, hot lunches, a friendly game of 42 and even for just a hot cup of coffee. All of this was made possible because of Bill's vision and his generous financial support to the Geelan House.

He was a member of Normangee United Methodist Church since 1975. He was an active church member serving on numerous committees. He taught an adult Sunday School Class for 32 years and was at various times a member of the choir (joyous noise section) as well as the bell choir.

Bill is proceeded in death by his parents Corine and Raymond Jones, his wife Katie, a brother Charles Jones and a nephew Bruce Jones. He is survived by his sister Vera Ann Banner of San Antonio, 3 nephews, Stephen Jones and wife Gloria, Barry Banner and wife Julie, Danen Banner and wife Wulan and a niece Valerie Ann Muskin, and a host of relatives and friends.

Bill is being cremated and A Celebration of Life was held at the First United Methodist Church in Normangee on May 29, 2021 at 11:00 am.

In lieu of flowers, donations should go to The Geelan Community House in Normangee, Normangee First United Methodist Church Memorial Fund, Brazos Valley Hospice or a charity of your choice.

Bill was just one man, but he made such a difference in the lives of so many. I know Bill is rejoicing with his Lord and Savior, with his beloved Katie by his side and I know that he heard "well done, my good and faithful servant" for his life here on earth.

Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



Facebook has created several modern-day trends-not all of which I enjoy. Memes and quotations can either be cute, snarky, satirical, cruel, out-of-context, inspirational, thought-provoking, anger-inducing, mean, rude, sympathetic, sappy, lovey dovey, or hilarious to all.

I am loath to like a quotation that is just thrown out there because it sounds good and has a nice background scene. Sometimes, the person quoted is not the one who actually said it. There have been occasions when I thought, "Do the people who create these memes have lives?"

I am not averse to phrases or sentences or quotations that have long endured the test of time. Those, if presented in the proper historic context, can be powerful. I remember a Sunday school teacher telling me one time that anyone can quote scripture, but unless he or she knows the (1) speaker, (2) the audience, (3) the setting and situation, and (4) the intent, then it is best to do some research instead of just taking those words at face value. For example, the letter to Philemon in the New Testament is written by Paul on behalf of Onesimus, a runaway slave of the wealthy Christian Philemon. Because Paul does not word-forword condemn slavery, some take this to mean he did not oppose it. However, what Paul does write (audience, setting, situation, motive) conveys to Philemon how Philemon should show true Christian love-forgive Onesimus just as God has forgiven Philemon and love Onesimus as a fellow believer and brother.

Keeping in mind the four criteria mentioned above, here are a few timeless quotations that I think hold up well. No, I do not sit around committing these to memory. I just read about people, watch movies, and make a note. These have stuck because they are politically measured, relatable, touching, proverbial, and funny—in context.

Our aim is not to do away with corporations; on the contrary, these big aggregations are an inevitable development of modern industrialism.... We are not hostile to them; we are merely determined that they shall be so handled as to subserve the public good. We draw the line against misconduct, not against wealth.

--Theodore Roosevelt in the 1902 State of the Union Speech to Congress, addressing trusts with what he called "the rule of reason."

My mama always said you got to put the past behind you before you can move on. And I think that's what my running was all about. --Forest Gump to the movie audience, when he acknowledges that the pain of losing Jenny may have been his initial reason to run but eventually realizes his running

was more about moving forward Fear leads to anger, anger leads to hate, hate leads to suffering.

--Yoda, The Phantom Menace, to young Anakin Skywalker, who did not heed these words and later became Darth Vader

Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers? The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

--Jesus, the Parable of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10, to his audience and disciples regarding merciful choices for all, not just those with whom we share common ground

It's just a flesh wound.

-- The Black Knight to King Arthur in Monty Python and the Holy Grail, after losing both arms in combat in the satirical 1975 British comedy (Aren't all British comedies satirical?)

Bring some meaning back to the meme. Choose your words, and your quotations, with care.





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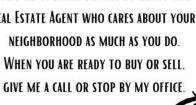
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Tournament History

HK "Pudge" Kendrick was a founding member of the Friona Country Club in 1962, and a two-time club champion. When Pudge passed away in April 2009, Larry Johnston approached his son Danny about starting a golf tournament in Pudge's honor, to continue his legacy at the Friona Country Club. This year marks the 12th year for hosting the tournament.

In June 2014, The Pudge Kendrick Memorial Golf Tournament was the last event ever held at the Friona Country Club. There were 69 teams with morning and afternoon tee times during that tournament. Dee King, the owner of the course at the time, closed the facility after play was finished that Sunday.

In 2015, the tournament moved to the John Pitman Golf Course in Hereford, at the urging, and with the help of Mike Mauldin and Rick Hanna. Mike was the President of First Financial Bank in Hereford, and Rick was the Hereford City Manager.

Past winners of the tournament, held in Hereford, include Jay Stevens/Nathan Sullivan (2015), Aaron White/Thomas Maldonado (2016), Aaron

White/Phillip Kahlich (2017), Phillip Shelton/ Darren Renwick (2018), Jerry Stevens/Linda Stevens (2019), and Nate Adams/Colby Marsh (2020).



WT Coaches Here... The group of West Texas State University coaches who were in Friona last Thursday to assist a season ticket sales drive took time after lunch for a round of golf. Standing, left to right, along with some local hosts, are Dean Rudd, Gene Mayfield, Leldon Hensley, Mike Zoffuto, H. K. Kendrick and E. G. Phipps. Kneeling are David Lee Carson, Gary Renner, Raymond Cook, Don Huckabee, Cotton Renner, and Gene Weatherly. (Friona Star, Thursday, June 22, 1972)

Fast friends help cancer patients, raising funds through golf Parmer County and Hererford Cancer Coalitions

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"You're forced to learn a whole vocabulary of things you never wanted to when you're a cancer patient. Once I was able to, I wanted to find a way to give back."

While she had not met the Lewellens, she became aware of their success in raising funds for community-based support of cancer patients in Parmer County. She contacted them, asking advice on how to start a similar coalition in Hereford, and the Lewellens provided "tremendous support" in forming the Hereford Cancer Coalition that got going five years ago.

"We keep things simple for those diagnosed with cancer in the community. The last thing anybody wants when they get a diagnosis is paperwork. All we require is proof of residence and diagnosis, and that they are receiving treatment or are under hospice care.

"When we provide a grant to a patient, there are no restrictions on use of funds, it can go for gas for travel to doctor visits, for treatments or prosthetics and so forth. These are gifts of love from a community that cares," said Ms. Butler.

After the PK Memorial tourney moved to Hereford in 2015, the Lewellens and Butler opted to combine efforts and the tournament has turned into a big draw that has grown steadily into the primary fundraiser for both coalitions. Proceeds from the tourneys are split right down the middle between the Hereford and Parmer County cancer coalitions.

"We also receive amazing support from the Hereford High School Student Council and the Hereford school system





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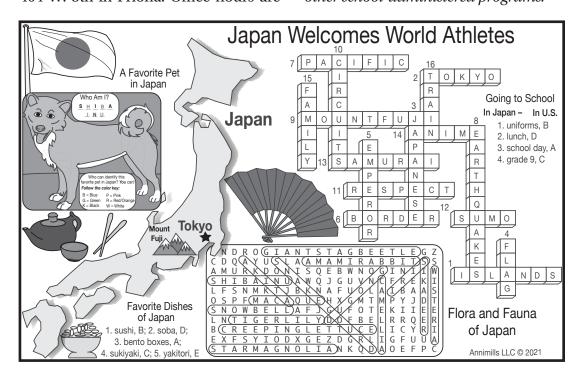
Enrollment open for SonShine School

First Baptist Church has opened enrollment for SonShine School. Son-Shine School will start on September 7, 2021. The program combines Christian teachings and values with early childhood learning. Days for SonShine School are Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. There are classes offered for ages 2 - 4. Placement of the child will depend on the child's age.

Registration is open and spaces are limited. A non-refundable \$40 enrollment fee will reserve your child's spot. Additionally, a \$50 supply fee is due at the beginning of each semester and tuition is \$100 a month. Registration forms may be picked up at the church office at 404 W. 5th in Friona. Office hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Forms are also available on our website at www.fbcfriona.com. For further information contact Candice Schueler at 250-3933.

Notice of Nondiscriminatory Policy as to Students:

SonShine School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.



NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that PARMER COUNTY SSA intends to destroy records of students who received special education services ending during the 2013-2014 school year. These records include only those located in the Parmer County SSA office located at 618 Main St., Friona, Texas. Records herein described include students receiving special education services in the following school districts: Bovina ISD, Farwell ISD, Friona ISD and Lazbuddie ISD. Legal parent/quardian or adult student with disabilities may request copies of these records by contacting Carrie Arias, Director of Special Education, at the PARMER COUNTY SSA office at 618 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035, phone number (806) 250-3315 by July 30, 2021. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THESE RECORDS MAY BE NEEDED FOR SOCIAL SECURITY PURPOSES.

AVISO

Se está avisando que EL CONDADO DE PARMER SSA tiene intención de destruir documentos de estudiantes que recibieron servicios de Educación Especial antes y durante el Aňo 20013-2014. Los únicos documentos que van a ser destruidos son los que están en la oficina de PARMER COUNTY SSA localizada en 618 Main Street, en Friona, Texas. Documentos en esta oficina son de estudiantes que recibieron servicio de los siguientes distritos: Bovina ISD, Farwell ISD, Friona ISD and Lazbuddie ISD. Padres/guardianes legales o estudiantes adultos con incapacidades fisicas/mentales pueden pedir copias de sus documentos. Pueden llamar o escribir a Carrie Arias Directora de Educación Especial, en la oficina de PARMER COUNTY SSA, 618 Main Street, Friona Texas 79035, Número de teléfono es (806) 250-3315, antes del 30 de Julio del 2021. POR FAVOR RECUERDEN QUE ESTOS DOCU-MENTOS PUEDEN SER NECESARIOS PARA EL SEGURO SOCIAL.



Lions Club News

Michael Lopez was the guest speaker at the Friona Noon Lions meeting held last Monday at The Farmwife Kitchen restaurant. Michael is the Golden Eagle District Executive for the Boy Scouts

of America. He told Lions club members that the Covid pandemic cancelled nearly all inperson activities during the past year. However, some groups held successful Zoom meetings and events. He also told

the attendees that one of his goals is to restart Cub Scout Pack #54 in Friona. For more information, you can contact Michael at 806-358-6500 or 505-699-6552 or by email at michael. lopez@scouting.org



Friona Lions Club President John Gurley (left) presents a check to Boy Scout representative Michael Lopez to help fund scouting in Friona.

Castro County Fair Booths available

If you are interested in a booth at the Castro County Fair/Harvest Days on Saturday, August 28th, 2021 in Dimmitt, Texas please contact Cathy Nelson at 806-869-7550. The fair will be held on

the Courthouse Square at the corner of Hwy 385 & 86. We cannot furnish electricity, awnings, tables, or chairs. You must bring your own. Booths are \$30 for 10x12 and \$40 for double size.

Notice Jurors to Report

Parmer County jurors that will be reporting for duty on Tuesday, July 27 will meet at the

> **Farwell Community Center** 207 9th Street, Farwell, Texas

We apologize for the inconvenience, but due to the large number of jurors that have been summoned, we will be processing potential jurors at the Farwell Community Center in advance of trial.

If you have any questions, please contact the Parmer County Sheriff's Office at (806) 481-3303.



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Cheeseburger Festival Review



Miss Friona Esperanza Santiago presented the Second Place trophy to the Southwest Cheese cooking team. Their "Mango Tango Burger" featured mango habanera cheese and mango salsa.







We have been told not to speak with our mouths full. Well, tell that to the judges at the 15th Annual Cheeseburger Festival and Cook-Off. Clay Rice (Pampa), Kaci Morris (Muleshoe), Athena Crumrine (Austin), and Trey Polston (Amarillo) had the daunting task of tastetesting eight specialty cheese-

burgers to determine the greatest cheeseburger ever made. At least for that day! Hilmar Cheese won the First Place Trophy and the \$1000 prize. They also won the People's Choice Award and a cheeseburger hat. Southwest Cheese won the Second Place Trophy and the \$300 prize which they donated back to the Chamber of Commerce. See photo on front page and this page.

Over 1,400 wristbands were sold at the festival that featured 8 cooking teams, 40 vendors, and news coverage by Channel 10 (KFDA) and Channel 7 (KVII). The Friona Noon Lions cooked 600 pounds of french fries and the snow cone vendor had the longest waiting line. With a high temperature only in the upper 80s and Reeve Lake full of water, it was truly a "Chamber of Commerce" day.



Cheeseburg







State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



Absent lawmakers stymie special session

Nearly 60 Texas House Democrats left the state last Monday for Washington, D.C. in an effort to stop passage of a Republican-led elections bill. This in effect blocks all legislation since the House doesn't have a quorum present. As the Austin American Statesman and other media outlets reported, Gov. Greg Abbott has threatened to arrest the absent lawmakers upon their return. While in Washington, the legislators have met with Vice President Kamala Harris and several Democratic senators to push passage of a federal elections bill that is currently stalemated.

The House Democrats have vowed to stay in Washington until the special session ends on Aug. 7. They are using private funds as well as campaign accounts to finance their decampment to the nation's capital and are mounting fundraising campaigns. San Antonio lawmaker Trey Martinez Fischer, one of the leaders of breaking the quorum, said Democrats are spending \$10,000 a day for hotel rooms and meals.

Abbott has blasted the Democrats' absences as a "taxpayer-funded junket."

Abbott orders investigation of juvenile justice department

Abbott last week directed the Texas Rangers to investigate "multiple allegations" of potentially illegal behavior among certain staff members of the Texas Juvenile Justice Department. The department operates five secure facilities and six halfway houses across the state for youthful offenders. The move comes after numerous complaints that children in state lockups are subject to widespread sexual assault and other violations.

In late 2020, Texas Appleseed and Disabil-

ity Rights Texas filed a complaint with the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, claiming "grievous violations of children's constitutional rights." TJJD has been under criticism for more than a decade for what critics term chronic understaffing, abuse and scandal, according to previous published reports.

Invasive silver carp found in Texas waters

Invasive silver carp has been found in Texas waters, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The invasive species was found in last month in Choctaw Creek, a tributary of the Red River, about 15 miles downstream from Lake Texoma.

"These are the first reports of silver carp from Texas waters, although they have previously been found in other areas of the Red River including just downstream from Lake Texoma in Oklahoma waters in 2019," said Dan Bennett, TPWD fisheries management biologist. "Invasive carp pose a significant risk to Lake Texoma's ecosystem and boaters and there is adequate flow and upstream river area for them to become established and reproduce in the lake if introduced."

The carp are not native to the United States but have become prolific primarily in the Mississippi River Basin. They compete with other species, such as shad and buffalo, and can even pose a risk to humans. They can jump up to 10 feet out of water when startled by boat engines, sometimes injuring boaters. Some can reach more than 4 feet in length and weigh nearly 90 pounds.

Anyone who catches either silver or bighead carp in Texas waters is asked to report the sighting with location information and photos to AquaticInvasives@tpwd.texas.gov. Silver and bighead carp are prohibited exotic spe-

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cies in Texas and must be killed upon possession by beheading, gutting, gill-cutting or other means or placed on ice. Neither species can be possessed live.

Federal funding for behavioral health services

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission is receiving more than \$210 million in federal emergency funding for mental health and substance abuse prevention services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"The pandemic has created much higher demand for mental health and substance use disorder services across Texas," said Sonja Gaines, HHS deputy executive commissioner for Intellectual and Developmental Disability and Behavioral Health Services. "The federal emergency funding will allow us to address challenges associated with the impact of COVID-19 and help get Texans who need behavioral support on the road to recovery."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that drug overdose deaths set a record in 2020, driven primarily by opioids. HHSC is using the emergency funding to create and implement a number of initiatives, including expanded access to treatment and recovery programs and diversion services that

keep folks with mental health or substance abuse issues out of jails and emergency rooms.

New COVID-19 cases rising sharply

Largely because of the delta variant of CO-VID-19 and a large percentage of unvaccinated Texans, the number of new COVID-19 cases in Texas rose sharply in the past week, with 22,773 new cases reported by the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University. That's close to double the number of cases the week before, and deaths reported also increased to 192. The Centers for Disease Control reports that 99% of deaths attributed to the virus are people who have not been vaccinated.

Hospitalizations of lab-confirmed COV-ID-19 patients also rose sharply, to 2,834 currently in Texas hospitals as of Sunday. That's up nearly 50% from the previous week. The number of Texans who are fully vaccinated rose slightly to 12.353 million — 42.3% of all the total state population.

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



Friona All School Reunion

Reunion Banquet

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Call 806-265-7031 for information Sharon White - President, Ex-Students Association





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Friona grad earns Teacher of the Year award

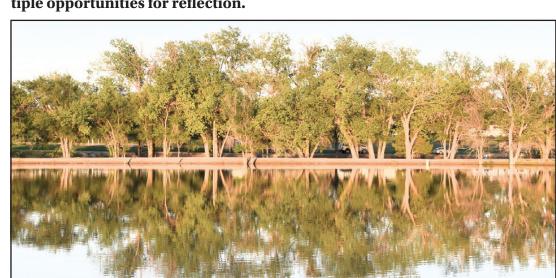
Misty Turbeville was recently named Teacher of the Year for 2020-2021 at Hawley High School. She teaches Science and has just completed her third year at HHS. The city of Hawley is located 14 miles northwest of Abilene.

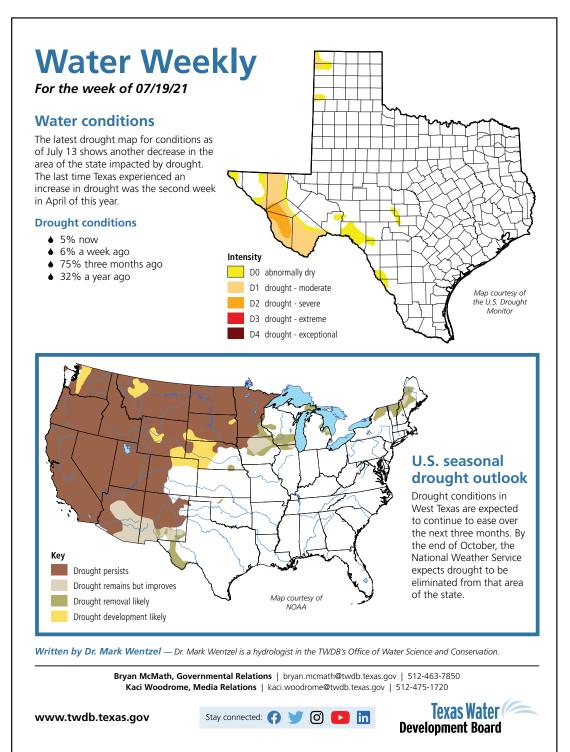
Misty graduated from Friona High School in 1994. She taught in the Clovis school system for 10 years before moving to Hawley. She taught in the Abilene school system for one year before joining the Hawley ISD. Misty is the daughter of Owen & Melody Drake of Friona.





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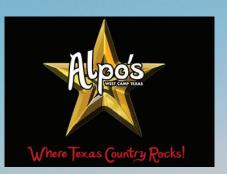




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