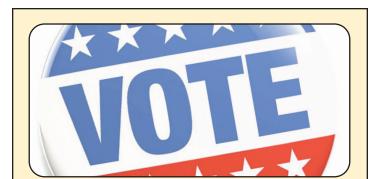


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2022 Primary Election

Parmer County Election Day Polling Locations Tuesday, March 1, 2022

7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Democrats & Republicans vote at the same locations

Precinct 101

Friona Senior Citizen's Center 1410 Washington • Friona, TX 79035

Precinct 201

XIT Recreation Center 215 North St. • Bovina, TX 79009

Precinct 202

Friona Community Center 601 W. 15th • Friona, TX 79035

Precinct 301 and 303

Farwell Community Center 209 9th St. • Farwell, TX 79325

Precinct 401

Lazbuddie Methodist Church Fellowship Hall 665 FM 1172 • Lazbuddie, TX 79053

Precinct 402

City of Friona Council Chambers 619 Main St. • Friona, TX 79035

Parmer County Races

as listed on ballots

District Clerk

Sandra Warren

County Judge

Izzy Carrasco Randy Geries Will Anderson

County Clerk

Susie Spring

Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1

Joe Lafuente **Rhonda Wilkins**

Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2

Deena Leuea

Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3

Pamela Hasseloff

County Treasurer

Sharon May

County Commissioner, Precinct 2

Gene Schueler **Charles Wilkins**

County Commissioner, Precinct 4

Casey Russell John O'Brian



Rescue 1 is a 2000 Saulsbury Freightliner Commercial Rescue truck with less than 20,000 miles. It is a dry truck (no water tank or pump), which allows extra room for storage. The Friona VFD will take possession of Rescue 1 this weekend.

Fire department purchases rescue truck

Report by Charles Cooper, FVFD Reporter

The Friona Volunteer Fire Department is excited to announce the upcoming arrival of a rescue truck purchased with funds raised by the department through fundraising events such as gun raffles, as well as the generous donations of the townspeople. We greatly appreciate everyone who has supported and continues to support the fire department. The

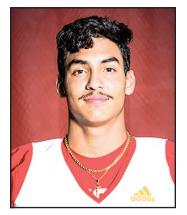
rescue truck will be used when responding to vehicle crashes, grain rescues, and structure fires. Currently all of the tools necessary for rescue are dispersed among several vehicles. The rescue truck will increase efficiency by consolidating all of these tools in a single vehicle. We are also in the process of obtaining a much needed pumper which will be purchased by the city and will replace one of our older engines. So far the fire department has responded to 6 calls in the month of February with a total combined response of 43 firemen, 12 trucks, and 127 volunteer man hours in calls, meetings, and training. More information on this and other fire department news will be coming in later issues of the paper.



Tourney champions

The SW Friona 16 Tex Mex volleyball team was the undefeated Div. III Gold Bracket Champions of the Southwest Volleyfest Tournament in Lubbock on February 12th. Their next tournament is February 26th at the Lucky Clover Tournament in Amarillo. They will be playing up in Division II. Back Row: (1-r) Casey Sharrock (coach), Kinzee Crow, Jacee Burney, Reese Stowers, and Kitzy Welch. Front Row: (l-r) Arela Sacerio, Ivory Shelby and Erin Creasy. Not in photo: Carrie Arias (coach) and Reyna Arias.

Four Chieftains selected to All-State teams



Jacob Bautista



Anthony Abarca



Bryan Chavira



Aaron Salinas

Friona High School seniors Bryan Chavira, Anthony Abarca, Jacob Bautista, and Aaron Salinas were selected as members of the Padilla Poll Coaches 2021 All-State Team for Class 3A, Division II. Bryan was named 1st Team running back and Jacob

was tabbed as 1st Team defensive back. Anthony Abarca earned 2nd Team offensive lineman and Jacob received a second honor as the 2nd Team running back. Aaron Salinas was named 2nd Team defensive lineman.

Bryan Chavira and Anthony

Abarca were also selected for Texas Sports Writers Association's Class 3A All-State Football Team. Bryan was named the Second Team utility player and Anthony was an Honorable Mention selection as an offensive tackle. Congratulations to all!!!



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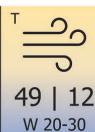
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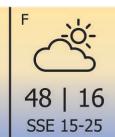
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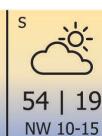


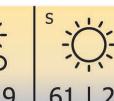
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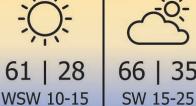
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Community Calendar

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

February 24

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

February 28

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

March 1

- Primary Election (7 a.m. till 7 p.m. at all polling locations)
- Snack Pak packing at 3 p.m. at Friona United Methodist Church (north entrance on 9th street)

March 3

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

March 7

 Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

March 14-18

Spring Break

March 17

• St. Patrick's Day





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Friday 11-5 · Saturday: 10-3

Call: 602-739-0813

Farmhouse to Your House

State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



Early voting ends Friday

Early voting for the March 1 primary ends Friday. Initial reports indicate turnout has been low, as is traditional in midterm primary elections, with less than a fourth of registered voters going to the polls most years.

Voters will pick nominees for Texas' governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, land commissioner, agriculture commissioner, comptroller and railroad commissioner, as well as legislative and county races.

Texas Secretary of State John. B. Scott's office provides a website that allows voters to see who is on the ballots in all races at votetexas.gov. Texas law allows registered voters to participate in either party primary, but not both. In addition, a voter in the Republican primary cannot participate in any runoffs in Democratic races, and vice-versa. However, in the November general election, voters are free to choose candidates from both parties.

Wildfire activity increases west

Blustery winds and freezedried vegetation are increasing the number of wildfires reported west of Interstate 35 and into South Texas, according to the Texas A&M Forest Service.

"Wildfire activity has increased across the state and is driven by underlying drought and abovenormal grass production from last year's growing season," said Wes Moorehead, Texas A&M Forest Service fire chief. "We have increased the number of personnel, equipment and aircraft in state to assist with response as we're concerned about large areas of the state."

Since Feb. 14, local and state firefighters have responded to 91 wildfires that burned 7,312 acres.

Nine out of 10 wildfires in the state are caused by humans, according to TFS, which has fully staffed task forces and fire-suppression equipment staged in Victoria, Kingsville, Childress, Amarillo, Lubbock, San Angelo, Burkburnett, Fredericksburg, Smithville, McGregor, San Angelo and Mineral Wells.

TEXAS

CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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Number of imprisoned Texans stays steady

After a drop last year when some inmates were released due to COVID-19 concerns, the state's prison population has stayed steady, according to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. As of January, 118,733 adults were in Texas prisons, up about 1,000 from a year ago.

The state's total operating capacity is 129,681 beds, according to TDCJ.

More than \$112 million in cancer prevention grants

The Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas announced 74 new cancer research and prevention grants totaling more than \$112 million.

"The grants awarded today illustrate the broad spectrum of CPRIT's impact in the fight against cancer," said Wayne Roberts, CPRIT's chief executive officer. "From recruitment awards bringing topflight researchers to Texas, continued investment in cancer prevention and screening programs across the state and supporting cancer-fighting innovation in early-stage companies, Texas just took another major step forward in becoming a national leader in conquering can-

The projects approved include 65 academic research grant awards, seven prevention awards, and two product development research awards, which were granted to 16 institutions and companies across the state. The awards are designed to expand access to clinical trials, incubate innovative cancer research, support the state's emerging biotechnology industry, provide needed cancer screenings for underserved Texans and recruit outstanding cancer researchers to Texas, according to the news release.

UTSA, Baylor gain Tier One academic ranking

The University of Texas at San Antonio and Baylor University have earned the national research ranking of Carnegie Tier One, joining nine other Texas universities that have been recognized for academic excellence at doctoral universities with "very high research activity."

In addition, Prairie View A&M University, Sam Houston State University, Tarleton State University and The University of Texas at Tyler have earned Tier Two research rankings for "high research activity."

"The Lone Star State is truly brimming with promise," Gov. Greg Abbot said. "The 22 Texas universities now ranked among the best in the nation as Carnegie Tier One and Tier Two research universities are a reflection of the breadth and depth of academic excellence at our institutions of higher education as they open the doors to opportunity for all Texas students."

The Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education was developed in 1970. It is based on an institution's annual research expenditures and other factors.

COVID-19 cases still dropping, but deaths up

The number of new cases of COVID-19 cases in the past week again dropped dramatically to 65,521, down 40% from the previous weeks and 85% from the record high set the week of Jan. 17. However, the number of new deaths in Texas increased to 1,588, according to the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University. The Texas Department of State Health Services reported 5,681 COVID-19 hospitalizations in the state, down 30% from the previous week.

Since the pandemic began, there have been 6.575 million confirmed COVID-19 cases in Texas with 83,648 deaths reported, according to the Coronavirus Resource Center. Meanwhile, the number of Texans who are fully vaccinated has slowly trickled upward to 17.16 million, with 6.18 million receiving a booster dose.

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.

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Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from February 10, 2022 to February 17, 2022

(2/11/22) Josh Verburg, Joni Verburg — Keith Meeks, Lacy Meeks — All of the East 75 feet of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, and All of Lots 6 and 7, Block 4 of the Original Town of Farwell, Parmer County, Texas

(2/22/22) Kathleen Elliot, Estate of Gloria Gay Elliott — C Bar D Farms — 8.524 Acre Tract of Land out of the Southwest Corner of Section 14, Township 10 South Range 2 East, Capitol Syndicate Subdivision in Parmer County, Texas

(2/11/22) Doyle L. Beauchamp, Hazel Beauchamp — Keagan A. Kerby — Lot 22, Block 1, Brock Subdivision of block 36 and Part of Block 37 West Boswell Heights Addition, Plainview, Texas

(2/11/22) Friona Land Holdings LLC — Anett Rodolfo Serrano, Sonia Lorenza, Enriquez Gonzales — All of Lots 1 and 2, Block 15, of the Original Town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas as shown by Plat of Said Town of Record in Vol. 2, Pg. 2 ET Seq., fo the Deed of Parmer County, Texas

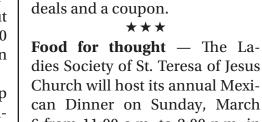
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(2/11/22) Coby Charles Summers, Joli Summers — Lynn Tate, Sondra Tate — An 85.38 Acre Tract out of the Northwest Quarter of Section 50, Block H, Kelly Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas

(2/11/22) Lynn Tate, Sondra Tate — Coby Charles Summers, Joli Summers — A 147.06 Acre Tract out of the Southwest Part of Section 49, Block H, Thomas Subdivision, in Parmer County, Texas

(2/14/22) Anthony Wayne Beauchamp, Traci Lynn Beauchamp — Anthony Beauchamp, Traci Beauchamp — The Southwest Quarter of Section 4, Doud and Keefer Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas; A Tract of Land in the SW 1/4, Section 4, Doud and Keefer Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas; more tracts on Exhibit A

(2/16/22) Richard Daniel Carpenter — The Hettinga Revocable Trust — Northeast of Section 14, Township 10 South, Range 3 East, Capitol Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas



Church will host its annual Mexican Dinner on Sunday, March 6 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the parish hall. The meal consists of enchiladas, a taco, beans, rice, dessert, chips & salsa, with tea and coffee. Donations are \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children under 10. Take-out available. Contact Lina Padilla or Susan Gonzales for more information.

Hop-In is back — The Hop-In

convenience store is back open

under new ownership. Please

see their ad on page 8 for special

Free Vaccination Clinics — Parmer Medical Center now has Pfizer Pediatric doses available for kids 5-11 years of age. Also, Pfizer for ages 12 & up and Moderna for ages 18 & up. Please call 806-250-2754 (ext. 120 or 163), 806-240-1562, or 806-240-1761 to schedule an appointment.

PMC will conduct shot clinics on Thursdays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Friona at the 6th Street Church of Christ and on Fridays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Bovina at the XIT Recreation Center.

In like a lion, out like a lamb

— Back in the days of the Julian

swirling in the sky! Help him drift

through the maze

to land gently on

the ground!

calendar when there were only 10 months and March started off the year, other sayings such as "A bushel of March dust is worth a King's ransom," and "March many weathers," reminded everyone of the swiftly changing and windy weather that March brings. The first three days in March were once considered bad luck. They called them the blind days. No one would plant, enter into an agreement, or a journey during

The March vernal equinox signals the beginning of spring (vernal means fresh or new like the spring). It is one of the two moments in the year when the Sun is exactly above the Equator and day and night are of equal length. When the Northern Hemisphere starts to tilt toward the sun in spring, the Southern Hemisphere starts to tilt away from the sun, signaling the start of fall.

these days.

The full moon in March is called the Worm Moon. It earns this name because of all the insects beginning to hatch. Historically, planting and war go hand in hand in March. Named for the Roman god of War, Mars, March became a time when armies began to march again and farmers tilled their soil. Spring sports — Congratulations to the FHS Powerlifting teams. They hosted their own tournament last week, the Friona Powerlifting Championships, with the girls finishing 3rd and the boys taking 1st place. The Squaws compete at regionals on March 5th and the Chiefs go to regionals on March 12th. Go Bid Red!

TOWN TALK

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All spring sports are now underway. Just a reminder that it is possible to have all four seasons in one day in the Texas panhandle. The track teams are at Muleshoe this week with the Junior High competing on Thursday and the High School on Friday, weather permitting. Spring sports schedules will be published in next week's edition.

National Days

February 24:
Tortilla Chip Day Day
February 25:
Skip the Straw Day
February 26:
Set a Good Example Day
February 27:
Love Your Pet Day
February 28:
Retro Day
March 1:
Pancake Day
March 2:
Ash Wednesday

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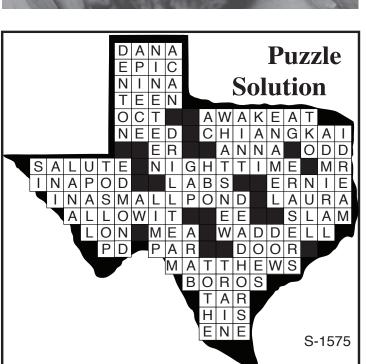
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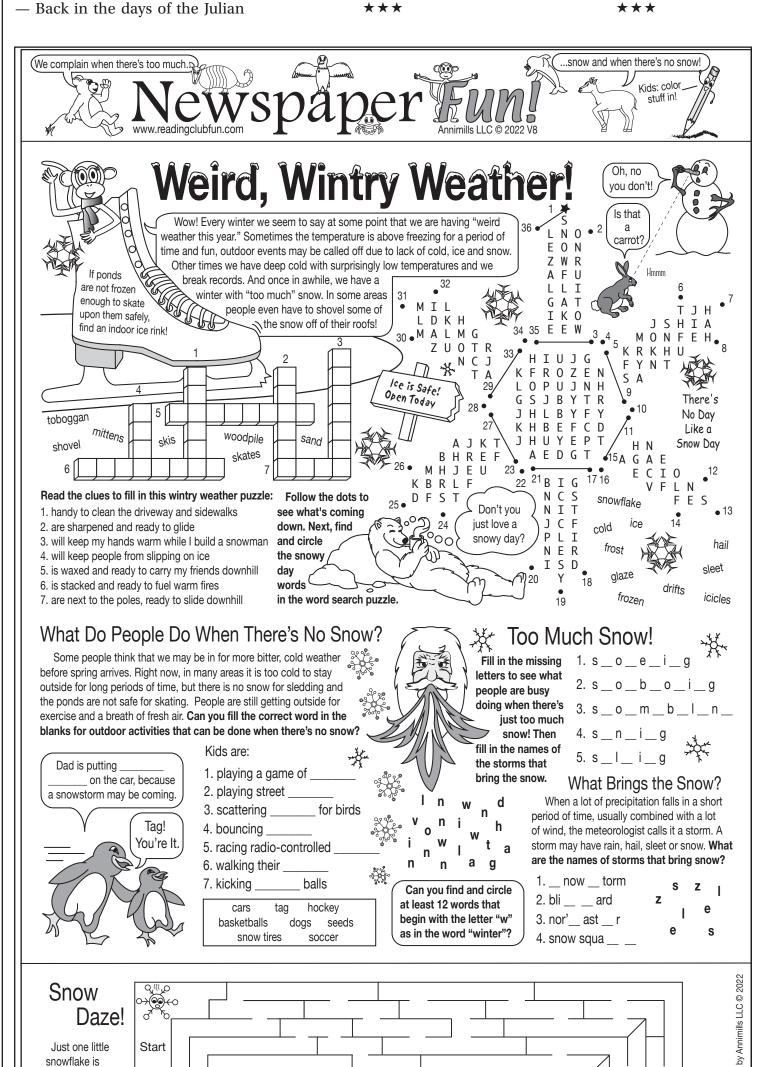
Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office: Eric Geske, Sheriff

(2/15/22) Nestor Mendoza, 33, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on three Curry County Warrants: Criminal Sexual Penetration in the 2nd degree (force or coercion, Child 13-18 yrs) F2; 2 Counts Criminal Sexual Contact of a minor (force or coercion, Child 13-18 yrs) F2; and Intimidation of a witness (F3).

(2/19/22) Enrique Aguilar-Vargas of Clovis, New Mexico, was arrested by the Friona Police Department on charges of Possession CS PG $1 \ge 1g < 4g$, pending Grand Jury; and Possession Marijuana < 2 oz., pending County Court.









Banana Bread

Everybody loves a good banana bread, and who doesn't have some black bananas waiting in the freezer, so they don't go to waste? Here are a couple of recipes that look promising to use for National Banana Bread Day on February 23rd.

Chocolate Banana Bread

www.simplyrecipes.com

Ingredients

3 large ripe bananas (easily mashable) 1/3 cup melted butter 3/4 cup brown sugar (packed, light or dark) 1 teaspoon salt (1/2 teaspoon if using salted butter) 1 large egg, beaten

- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract 1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour 1/4 cup natural unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda 1/4 teaspoon ground allspice 1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

Method

Prepare pan and preheat oven: Butter or spray with cooking spray the inside of a 5x9-inch loaf pan. Preheat oven to 350°F (175°C) with a rack in the middle. Purée bananas: Using a blender, food processor, or a fork, purée the peeled ripe bananas until smooth. You should have 1 1/2 to 1 3/4 cups of banana purée. Mix wet ingredients and sugar: Place the banana purée into a large mixing bowl. Stir the melted butter. Stir in the brown sugar and salt. Whisk to break up any clumps of brown sugar. Stir in the beaten egg and vanilla extract.

Mix dry ingredients: In a separate bowl, vigorously whisk together the flour, cocoa, baking soda, and allspice. Add the flour mixture to the banana mixture: Stir until just incorporated, then stir in the chocolate chips.

Bake: Pour batter into a buttered loaf pan. Place in a 350°F (175°C) oven and bake for 1 hour. Note that because of the chocolate chips that melt in the bread as it cooks, it's hard to check for doneness using a tester that you insert. One way to test is to gently push the center top of the chocolate banana bread down with your finger. If it feels relatively firm and bounces back when you release your finger, that's a good sign that it's done. Let cool completely: Remove from oven and let cool for 10 minutes in the pan. Gently remove the loaf from the pan and place on a rack to cool completely. Slice with a serrated bread knife to serve.

Notes:

Do not use Dutch processed cocoa for this recipe, only natural unsweetened.

Melted coconut oil can be used in place of the butter. The flavor will change a little and you may get a hint of coconut in the result.

There is only 1 egg and 1 teaspoon of baking soda in this recipe for leavening, so make sure your baking soda is still good! (See more info on baking soda and baking powder.)

Best Banana Bread

www.saltymarshmallow.com

Ingredients

1 Stick (1/2 Cup) Butter 3 Large Ripe Bananas 2 Large Eggs 1 teaspoon Vanilla Extract 2 Cups All Purpose Flour 1 Cup Granulated Sugar 1 teaspoon Baking Soda ½ teaspoon salt

½ teaspoon cinnamon

Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spray a loaf pan with non-stick cooking spray or grease with butter and set aside. Add the stick of butter to a large bowl and microwave for 1 minute, or until melted. Add the bananas to the same bowl and mash with a fork. Add the vanilla extract and egg to the bowl and use the same fork to mash and stir until no yellow streaks of egg remain. In a second large bowl whisk together the flour, sugar, baking soda, salt, and cinnamon. Add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients and mix together with a spatula just until combined. Pour the batter into prepared loaf pan and bake for 45-55 minutes until a toothpick inserted in the center of the bread comes out clean.

NOTE ON SUBSTITUTIONS: I've had a couple of questions about substituting the vanilla extract in this recipe. As always the recipe is best as written! I don't recommend using almond extract, because the flavors just don't seem to pair well and the almond overtakes the banana. You CAN add banana extract if you'd like, but, keep in mind it will have more of an artificial banana flavor.

NOTES ON STORING THIS BREAD: To keep your bread moist, allow it to cool completely. Then wrap in a layer of plastic wrap and then store in a freezer size zip-top bag, or a large plastic container with a tight-fitting lid. It will last on the counter for up to 3 days, or in the refrigerator for up to 6 days. Alternately, you can wrap and freeze for up to 2 months.

NOTE ON LOAF PAN: For this recipe you will use a standard size about 9x5 inch loaf pan for one loaf of bread. Alternately, you can use a standard sized muffin tin and bake for around 25-30 min-

NOTE ON ADDITIONS: You can add 1 Cup of chopped nuts or chocolate chips to the batter before baking if desired.

FRIONA HIGH SCHOOL TITLE 1 MEETING

Right before our cheer tryouts Friday, March 4, 2022 • 8:15AM @ FHS Auditorium

Feb. 24

Sharon Rector Janice Auburg Lisa Veggeberg Robin (Rushing) Stolzfus Carmella Hernandez Shirley Daniel Lacey (Lookingbill) Poage

Sabrina Vargas

Joe Bob Johnson

Mark Sundre

Feb. 25

Suzanne Bunker Alex Gurley **Hollis Gurley David Stephens** Amelia Sandoval **Emily Siegmund**

Feb. 26 Amy (Terry) Rushing JoJo Osborn **Sholby Reeve**

Jeannie Martin

Greg Young

Feb. 27 Raye Jean (London) Daniel Clyde Woodard

Becky (Osborn) Witt Tori Talley Feb. 28

Corbin Neill Cindy Alexander

March 1 Rachel Romero Ella McFarland John Burns Beth Alexander Silva Alex Cigarroa

Joe Osborn

March 2 Tania (Hand) Raindl Jay Don Reeve



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

Gas price surge continues

By GasBuddy

Texas gas prices rose 4.0 cent in the past week, averaging \$3.19 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Gas prices in Texas are 21.2 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 88.3 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$2.39 while the most expensive is \$3.89 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 3.2 cents in the last week, averaging \$3.52 per gallon. The national average is up 20.7 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 88.9 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

"With tensions still very high that Russia may invade Ukraine, gasoline prices kept moving higher, tugged by the rising price of oil as the market concentrates on possible outcomes from the situation that could affect global oil production amidst recovering demand," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy.

De Haan added, "However, with nuclear talks between Iran and global powers ongoing in Vienna, the possibility exists that a new deal could bring Iran's crude oil supply back to legitimate markets, helping to ease a slight portion of supply concerns. While the proposition remains in the air for the time being, we're also just a few weeks away from the traditional start of the spring surge in gasoline prices, brought on by the change to summer gasoline, seasonal maintenance at refineries and rising demand. The weeks ahead could be rather ugly with rising prices, especially if Russia pursues a strong-arm invasion of

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The Great Cattle Drive

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

For nearly nine years of my early existence I lived on Cleveland Street across from the Jr. High tennis courts. There were three boys my age that lived in the neighborhood. We played a great deal together and our imaginations would carry us from battling foreign invaders to anything cowboy. Sometimes we would have all out cattle drives that would require us crossing the great river known by everyone else as 10th St. Everyone knows just how hard it is crossing a herd of Longhorns in a fast moving river and it took every ounce of our ability to get them across and into my yard. The key is keeping 'em moving and together. If they ever stopped and started doubting

you could spend half a day getting the stragglers across 10th St. (I mean the great river.)

Once the cattle were across and settling into grazing, we would ride over to Spring Forrest for an apple. Mrs. Spring had a 100 acre forest for a backyard, ok maybe it wasn't that big but we sure enjoyed it when Mrs. Spring was out and would give us an apple right off the tree. It was a grand reward for us cowpokes out on the trail so far from...the back door.

People can be a little like cattle at times, keeping cattle moving was true to form a real good piece of advice. It is true: Keep them moving and focused in the direction you want them to go, otherwise things can get a little "western."

When I, as a follower of Jesus get distracted, lose focus and begin to doubt I begin to wander and that is only the beginning of my problems. The challenge is to keep moving. Keep moving closer to God, keep focused on maturing in His Word, stay close to your church family their is safety together, keep growing to look more like Jesus, keep serving that others may see the hope that you have in Christ.

So if you are breathing the dust and going in circles spiritually, saddle up, grab the Good Book and go for a ride. Follow the King, Who is leading us to a great river and crossing it will lead us to a grand reward we will call Home.

Peacock Prayers

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Would you rather own a peacock or a pig? The peacock you can gaze at because of its beauty, but with a pig you'll eventually get some ham and bacon. With a peacock you can decorate your house with its feathers, but with a pig you can fill your freezer with meat. With a peacock you will get squawks and struts, but with a pig you will get snorts and sausage. All this is to ask if your prayers are peacock or pig prayers? Is there any meat and substance to

In Matthew 6:5 Jesus warned of peacock prayers by saying, "And when you pray, you must

not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward." The prayers of the hypocrites were all for show in where they prayed, how they prayed, what they said and the attention they sought. Their peacock prayers may have been enamoring to those around, but it was a prayer the Lord ignored. In other words, there wasn't any meat in their prayers, because they sought the attention of man instead of the ear of God. This isn't to say their prayers weren't

pretty or profound, but it is saying their prayers were empty and power-

Instead of praying to make a show that impresses men, Jesus says in Matthew 6:6, "But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you." Prayer is a time of communication and retreat with God, not a public spectacle. Private prayer is a huge commitment, but it is an investment that will reap huge dividends as you call upon the Lord in a way that honors him.

Read, Pray, Listen, Obey

By Teena Hughs

your prayer life?

Two weeks ago, while I was watching the news accounts of the homeless and their not accepting offers to spend the night in a shelter, I asked God to help me understand why they would choose the street over a shelter. His reply: They have adjusted their lives to their circumstances.

I visited Texas Tech for the first time in the spring of 1974. While my mother and I were walking across the campus, I noticed most of the students were only wearing a light jacket or sweater, or they were in their short-sleeved shirts; I was cold!!! Well, a year later, I was one of those students walking across campus, not wearing a jacket or sweater, because I had adjusted my life to the South Plains weather. And, that is what the homeless have done, adjusted their lives to living on the street. I don't understand their choice, but maybe it is what they have gotten used to; maybe it is because they feel more secure and safe on the street; I just don't know.

Covid has certainly made us adjust our lives to our circumstances. Some people have adjusted to a life of fear; we have noticed that many people wear masks in this area; some quit going to church and haven't returned, because they have found it convenient to watch church on social media or television; some have quit socializing with their friends, hoping to avoid covid. No matter what you have chosen to do, or not do, your life has adjusted in some way to covid.

Politicians have adjusted their lives

to their circumstances. I believe most politicians go to Austin or Washington, DC with great intentions of lowering our taxes, being tough on crime and the border, etc., but after they get there, things begin to change. You are the "new kid on the block," not the 40+ year politician like Republican Mitch McConnell and Democrat Joe Biden. You want to fit in; you want to get things done; you want to get re-elected, so you start adjusting your life to your circumstances. You go along with the way things are done in the government swamp, and your beliefs and your values start changing. It is made even easier when you start receiving money from political action committees (PACs), lobbyists, and foreign influences like China. Before you know it, you have adjusted your life so much that you aren't even the person you were when you were first elected.

Life is filled with many different kinds of swamps, and most of them can be labelled as sin. So, when we realize we have allowed ourselves to sink into a swamp of any kind, how do we get out?

On Tuesday nights, Feller and I meet with a group of people who are reading through the Bible in a year. As a guide, we are using The Bible Year, A Journey Through Scripture in 365 Days. It is written by Magrey R. deVega, senior pastor at Hyde Park United Methodist Church in Tampa, Florida. Before each week's readings, he gives us an introduction to what we will be studying.

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FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



NEW EQUIPMENT...Postmaster Larry Rogers, right, and clerk Vernie Schacher, left, demonstrate the new computerized equipment at the post office for the Star cameraman. (Friona Star, Saturday, February 24, 1990)

Read, Pray, Listen, Obey

By Teena Hughs

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In transitioning from Numbers to Deuteronomy, deVega quoted Deuteronomy 10: 12, 13: "What does the LORD God ask of you? Only this: to revere the LORD God by walking in all His ways, by loving Him, by serving the LORD your God with all your heart and being, and by keeping the LORD's commandments."

DeVega points out that Deuteronomy says there will be heartaches, sufferings and swamps in our future, but there is one thing we can control, and that is the fact that we can stay true to God."You can remain steadfast in your love and trust of God. You can choose to remain faithful to

doing the right thing even when it is costly. You can live a life of integrity even when it is easier to compromise your principles. And you can stay in the one-way direction of God's path, even when the other way is wider and more popular."

Our lives are influenced by so many things in the world, and it is easy to let those worldly influences adjust our lives in a way that God does not approve of. Thank goodness for God and His Word. Deuteronomy tells us how to avoid swamps. It may be difficult to listen to God, but He has provided the answer; we just need to read the Word, pray, listen, and obey.

Filing period for May 7 general election is closed

Candidate filing for the May 7 general election closed on Friday, February 18th for positions on the Friona Independent School District Board of Trustees, Friona City Council, and Parmer County Hospital District Board of Directors.

The general election will be held on Saturday, May 1st from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The FISD Board of Trustees has two positions up for election this year. The terms of Jeri Lynn White and Darrin Gilley are expiring. School board members serve three year terms. The following have filed as candidates for the two school board positions: Jeri Lynn White, Ross Paiz, Sergio Mendez, Darrin Gilley, and Marla Hart.

There are three positions up for election on the city council. The terms of Mayor Ricky White and council members Brent Loflin and Greg Lewellen are expiring. Council members and the Mayor serve two year terms. Applications were being processed at press time and the names of the candidates will be announced next week.

The Parmer County Hospital District will have three positions open for election. The terms of Dale Schueler, Dennis Anthony, and Bret Whitten are expiring. Board members serve two year terms. The following have filed as candidates for the three hospital board positions: Dale Schueler, Dennis Anthony, Bret Whitten, and Greg O'Brian.

Governor Sets Special Election For Proposed Constitutional Amendments

Last week Governor Greg Abbott issued a proclamation setting Saturday, May 7, 2022 as the special election day for two proposed constitutional amendments in Texas. The proposed amendments were approved by twothirds of the members of both the Texas Senate and the Texas House of Representatives during last year's session.

The two proposed constitutional amendments on the ballot are:

PROPOSITION 1: The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for the reduction of the amount of a limitation on the total

amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for general elementary and secondary public school purposes on the residence homestead of a person who is elderly or disabled to reflect any statutory reduction from the preceding tax year in the maximum compressed rate of the maintenance and operations taxes imposed for those purposes on the homestead.

PROPOSITION 2: The constitutional amendment increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school purposes from \$25,000 to \$40,000.

Caregiver role is no easy task

Bluebonnet Home Health and Hospice is hosting a caregiver meeting on Friday, March 4th at the First National Bank (Friona Banking Center). At 9:30 a.m. coffee and donuts will be provided along with a time for fellowship with other caregivers. At 10:00 a.m. a meeting with information for caregivers will be provided by facilitator Rhonda K. Sanders, LMSW. Follow-up information and potential links to resources for caregivers will also be available.

Family caregivers, private paid caregivers, and community caregivers can attest to having no easy task on their hands when it comes to meeting a loved one's care needs. Care needs can increase, fluctuate, or change at any time due to the disease process, a new diagnosis, or even Covid. If you find yourself in this role and beginning to fatigue yourself, doubt your capabilities, or having frustration that is leading to your own decline in health and well-being it might be time to reach out for support.

Please come join us if you, or someone you know, could benefit from caregiver support information. Most often, caregivers learn from one another more than anything and enjoy the fellowship as well as being reminded they are "not the only one" in this very important, but demanding role.

The Road to Freedom

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

On February 27, 2006, Effa Manley became the first-and only womaninducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame as a trailblazing, non-player.

According to the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum, "Co-owner and business manager of the Newark Eagles from 1936 to 1948, Effa Manley was noted for running one of the most professional organizations in the Negro leagues. Using her position with Newark to crusade for civil rights, Manley made the Eagles a social force off the field and a baseball force on it, as the club was usually a top-division team and won the Negro League World Series in 1946. With the sale of Monte Irvin to the New York Giants, Manley established



the precedent that major league clubs should respect the contracts of the Negro leagues."

For more information, the Grateful American **Book Prize recommends** Baseball's Leading Lady: Effa Manley and the Rise

and Fall of the Negro Leagues by Andrea Williams.

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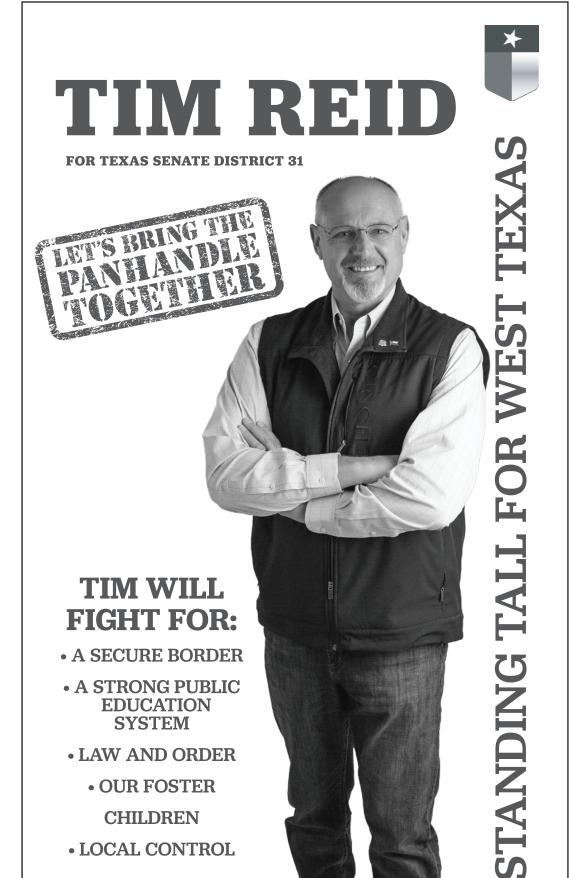
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Sports



Powerlifting Results

Friona Powerlifting Championships - Friona High School - 2/18/2022 - Boys

Team Results: 1. Friona 48 points; 2. Perryton 38 points; 3. Kress 24 points;

4. Tulia 19 points; 5. Panhandle 18 points; 6. Dimmitt 16 points;

7. Lockney 15 points; 8. Bovina 10 points; 9. Muleshoe 7 points

Wt.	Place	Athlete	BWT	Squat	Bench	Dead	Total
123	2	Bautista, Michael	121.8	325	195	335	855
123	6	Ramos, Gabriel	123	245	150	255	650
123	7	Estrada, Eric	122.7	230	105	270	605
132	2	Bautista, Mario	131.5	360	215	375	950
132	6	Garcia, Jorge	125.8	315	180	270	765
148	5	Garcia, Xuan	147.4	340	205	400	945
165	1	Ticum, Jose	164.7	510	300	470	1280
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165	8	Olmos, Isaac	156.8	325	195	350	8700
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Friona Powerlifting Championships - Friona High School - 2/18/2022 - Girls

Team Results: 1. Dumas 53 points; 2. Dimmitt 46 points; 3. **Friona 34 points;** 4. Lockney 9 points; 5. Dimmitt 6 points; 6. Hart 5 points; 7. Muleshoe 5 points; 8. Kress 4 points; 9. Bovina 0 points; 10. Panhandle 0 points

Wt.	Place	Athlete	BWT	Squat	Bench	Dead	Total
105	2	Ramos, Trinity	103.1	195	95	205	495
114	3	Galaviz, Ellie	109.2	185	75	185	445
114	4	Saucedo, Naara	109	170	90	180	440
123	8	Janessa, Garcia	121.1	160	105	200	465
123	9	Duvy, Ortiz	121.3	170	70	225	465
123	11	Makayla, Ramos	118.8	170	70	195	435
132	1	Licerio, Magdalena	130.3	265	165	275	705
148	1	Arias, Reyna	146.8	300	145	270	715
148	6	Mendez, Aylin	135.4	170	80	195	445
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On or about 3/15/2022, the City of Friona will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the release of Community Development Block Grant Program funds under Section 104 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as the City of Friona Downtown Revitalization Project #CDM21-0158 for the purpose of installation of approximately one thousand fifty-four linear feet (1,054) of concrete sidewalk, three hundred and fifty linear feet (350 l.f.) of curb and gutter, four (4) ADA ramps, install twenty-eight (28) pedestrian lights, related pavement repair, and all associated appurtenances, and associated administration and/or engineering activities, for an estimated cost of \$350,000.00 in HUD funds and \$53,300.00 in non-HUD funds. The project is located as follows: Sidewalk Construction on S. Main Street from W. 4th Street to W. 5th Street, on W. 5th Street from the Alley between Euclid Avenue and S. Main Street to S. Main Street and on W. 6th Street to the Alley between Euclid Avenue and S. Main Street to S. Main Street to S. Main Street from W. 5th Street to the Installation of pedestrian lights throughout on S. Main Street from W. 4th Street to W. 11th Street.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Friona has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at City of Friona, City Hall, 623 N Main St, Friona, TX 79035 and at the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, 415 S.W. 8th Avenue, Amarillo, Texas and may be examined or copied weekdays; Monday - Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm, aguerrero@theprpc.org.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Leander Davila, City Manager at Friona City Hall at citymgr@frionatx.us. All comments received by 3/14/2022 will be considered by the City of Friona prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

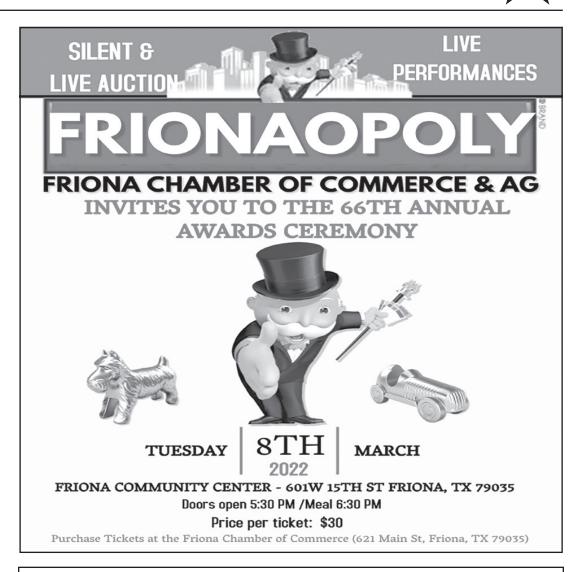
The City of Friona certifies to the State of Texas that Leander Davila in his capacity as City Manager consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The State's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Friona to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The State will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Friona's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Friona (b) the City of Friona has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the State; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Texas Department of Agriculture at

CDBG_EnvReview@TexasAgriculture.gov or PO Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. Potential objectors should contact the State to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Leander Davila, City Manager



AVISO DE HALLAZGO SIN IMPACTO SIGNIFICATIVO Y AVISO DE INTENCIÓN DE SOLICITAR UNA LIBERACIÓN DE FONDOS - AVISO

COMBINADO

24/02/2022

Ciudad de Friona

Calle principal 623

Friona, Texas 79035-2006

(806) 250-2761

Estos avisos deberán satisfacer dos requisitos de procedimiento separados pero relacionados para las actividades que llevará a cabo la Ciudad de Friona.

SOLICITUD DE LIBERACIÓN DE FONDOS

El 15/03/2022 o alrededor de esa fecha, la ciudad de Friona presentará una solicitud al Departamento de Agricultura de Texas para la liberación de los fondos del Programa de Subsidios en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario en virtud de la Sección 104 del Título I de la Ley de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario de 1974, como modificado, para emprender un proyecto conocido como Proyecto de Revitalización del Centro de la Ciudad de Friona #CDM21-0158 con el propósito de instalar aproximadamente mil cincuenta y cuatro pies lineales (1,054) de acera de concreto, trescientos cincuenta pies lineales (350 lf) de bordillo y cuneta, cuatro (4) rampas ADA, instalar veintiocho (28) luces para peatones, reparación de pavimento relacionada y todos los accesorios asociados, y actividades de administración y/o ingeniería asociadas, por un costo estimado de \$350,000.00 en fondos de HUD y \$53,300.00 en fondos que no son de HUD. El proyecto se ubica de la siguiente manera: Construcción de acera en S. Main Street desde W. 4th Street hasta W. 5th Street, en W. 5th Street desde el callejón entre Euclid Avenue y S. Main Street hasta S. Main Street y en W. 6th Street hasta el callejón entre Euclid Avenue y S. Main Street hasta S. Main Street. Luces para peatones en S. Main Street desde W. 5th Street hasta W. 11th Street. Si los fondos lo permiten, el proyecto propondrá continuar con la instalación de luces para peatones en S. Main Street desde W. 4th Street hasta W. 11th Street.

HALLAZGO SIN IMPACTO SIGNIFICATIVO

La ciudad de Friona ha determinado que el proyecto no tendrá un impacto significativo en el entorno humano. Por lo tanto, no se requiere una Declaración de Impacto Ambiental bajo la Ley Nacional de Política Ambiental de 1969 (NEPA). La información adicional del proyecto se encuentra en el Registro de revisión ambiental (ERR) archivado en City of Friona, City Hall, 623 N Main St, Friona, TX 79035 y

en Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, 415 S.W. 8th Avenue, Amarillo, Texas y puede examinarse o copiarse entre semana; Lunes - Viernes de 8:00 am a 5:00 pm, <u>aguerrero@theprpc.org</u>.

COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS

Cualquier individuo, grupo o agencia puede enviar comentarios por escrito sobre la ERR a Leander Dávila, administrador de la ciudad en el Ayuntamiento de Friona a citymgr@frionatx.us. Todos los comentarios recibidos hasta el 14/03/2022 serán considerados por la ciudad de Friona antes de autorizar la presentación de una solicitud de liberación de fondos. Los comentarios deben especificar a qué Aviso se

CERTIFICACIÓN AMBIENTAL

La Ciudad de Friona certifica al Estado de Texas que Leander Dávila, en su calidad de Administrador de la Ciudad, consiente en aceptar la jurisdicción de los Tribunales Federales si se inicia una acción para hacer cumplir las responsabilidades en relación con el proceso de revisión ambiental y que estas responsabilidades han sido satisfechas. La aprobación de la certificación por parte del Estado satisface sus responsabilidades conforme a la NEPA y las leyes y autoridades relacionadas, y permite que la Ciudad de Friona utilice los fondos del Programa.

OBJECIONES A LA LIBERACIÓN DE FONDOS

El Estado aceptará objeciones a su liberación de fondos y la certificación de la Ciudad de Friona por un período de quince días a partir de la fecha de presentación anticipada o la recepción real de la solicitud (lo que ocurra más tarde) solo si se basan en una de las siguientes bases: (a) la certificación no fue ejecutada por el Oficial Certificador de la Ciudad de Friona (b) la Ciudad de Friona ha omitido un paso o no ha tomado una decisión o determinación requerida por las reglamentaciones de HUD en 24 CFR parte 58; (c) el beneficiario de la subvención u otros participantes en el proceso de desarrollo han comprometido fondos, incurrido en costos o realizado actividades no autorizadas por 24 CFR Parte 58 antes de la aprobación de una liberación de fondos por parte del Estado; o (d) otra agencia federal que actúa de conformidad con 40 CFR Parte 1504 ha presentado una conclusión por escrito de que el proyecto no es satisfactorio desde el punto de vista de la calidad ambiental. Las objeciones deben prepararse y presentarse de acuerdo con los procedimientos requeridos (24 CFR Parte 58, Sec. 58.76) y deben dirigirse al Departamento de Agricultura de Texas a CDBG_EnvReview@TexasAgriculture.gov o PO Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. Los posibles objetores deben comunicarse con el Estado para verificar el último día real del período de objeción.

Leander Dávila, administrador de la ciudad

Vote March 1st - Republican Primary





Experience includes:

- Board member for Friona Senior Citizens
- Board member for Parmer County Cancer Coalition
- Central Plains Public Advisory Council
- Parmer County Leadership Advisory Council
- Project Frontier Advisory Board
- Parmer/Bailey County Juvenile Probation Board
- Regional Medicaid/Chips Advisory Council
- Recently retired from Parmer Medical Center after 26 years

I would appreciate your vote!

Pol. Adv. paid for by Rhonda Wilkins

Vote March 1st - Republican Primary



Re-Elect CHARLES WILKINS

County Commissioner Precinct 2

- Elected County Commissioner Precinct 2 in 2018
- Active member of the Bovina Chamber of Commerce
- Farming and cattle operatons in the Friona & Bovina area • Owned/Operated Charles Pump Co. in Bovina for 18 years
- Elected to two terms on the Bovina City Council
- Bovina Man of the Year in 2010

• Active in the United Methodist Church

- Served as a Volunteer Fireman in Bovina & Friona
- Served as a Volunteer EMT on the Bovina Ambulance
 - I would appreciate your vote!

Pol. Adv. paid for by Charles Wilkins



Randy **GERIES**

for **PARMER COUNTY JUDGE**

I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT AND YOUR VOTE!

Pol. Adv. Paid for by Randy Geries tres. 1614 W. 10th Friona, TX 79035

ELECT

Joe Lafuente for Justice of the Peace Precinct 1



Fair – Professional – Dedicated OF the Community WITH the Community FOR the Community

- Life long resident
- Veteran, Retired U.S. Navy Chief
- · Educated, B.S. in History and Psychology
- Personnel Management Certifications
- Experienced in researching and building cases for Litigators
- · Well versed in the Code of **Federal Regulations**
- Community & Church Volunteer
- Good Common Sense
- Sound sense of Fairness
- Ability to listen and be empathetic to all sides of the matter
- Respect for people from all walks of life
- Strong values in regards to Right and Wrong

Pol Ad paid for by Joe Lafuente

ELEGIR

Joe Lafuente para el Juzgado de Paz Precinto 1



Justo Profesional Dedicado DE la Comunidad CON la Comunidad PARA la Comunidad

- Residente de por vida
- Veterano, Jefe Retirado de la Marina de los Estados Unidos
- Educado, B.S. en Historia y Psicología
- Certificaciones de Gestión de Personal
- Experiencia en investigación y construcción de casos para litigantes
- Bien versado en el Código de Regulaciones Federales
- Voluntario comunitario y de la iglesia
- Buen sentido común
- Sentido sólido de la equidad
- Capacidad para escuchar y ser empático con todos los lados del asunto
- Respeto por las personas de todos los ámbitos de la vida
- Fuertes valores en lo que respecta al Bien y al Mal

Pol Ad pagado por Joe Lafuente

"I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VOTE"

- Lifelong County Resident
- Worked In Public Relations last 23 years
- · Will work toward improving County Roads
- Open Communication between County officials and the public is essential



Precinct 2 Republican Primary is March 1st

Early voting begins February 14th –

Pol. Adv. paid for by Gene Schueler

