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# Friona Star Since 1925

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#### 66th Annual Maize Days Celebration

#### Thursday, September 15

Bonfire at 8:30 p.m. | Reeve Lake

#### Friday, September 16

Homecoming | Chieftain Field Queen Ceremony at 6:30 p.m. Football Game at 7:00 p.m.

#### Saturday, September 17

Maize Days Parade | Main Street Line-up at 9:00 a.m. on Euclid | Parade begins at 10:00 a.m.

#### Food + Fun in the Park

9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.

"50 for 50" Drawing at 1:00 p.m. in the park

**Moon over Muleshoe** — Goalpost view of the Harvest Moon rising last Friday night in Mule country.

# Business developers visit Friona

The City of Friona entertained a visit from Texas High Ground, the Office of the Governor, and the Texas Department of Agriculture on September 7th to perform a client tour of local businesses in Friona who have participated in the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) of WTAMU.



**In the photo** — Front Row (l-r): Carol Faulkenberry, Texas Department of Agriculture, Gina Woodward, SBDC at WTAMU. Back Row (1-r): Lee Davila, Friona City Manager, Anna Ramirez, SBDC at WTAMU, Kasey Coker, High Ground of Texas, Michelle Howington, SBDC at WTAMU, Adam Jiwa, WTAMU Enterprise Center, and Shane Groff, SBDC at WTAMU.

#### The New Royals

Twelve Pages



Miss Friona 2022 | Kitzy Welch



Little Miss 2022 | Arribelle Hernandez

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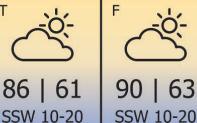
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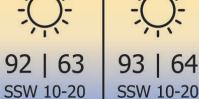
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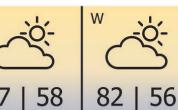






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#### **Community Calendar**

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#### September 8

 Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

#### September 11

- Little Miss Pageant at 2:00 p.m. and Miss Friona Pageant at 6:00 p.m.
- Patriot Day

#### September 12

 Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

#### September 13

- Snack Pak 4 Kids packing at 2:30 p.m.
- at North end of Methodist Church
- Parmer County Retired Teachers meeting at 1:30 p.m. at The Farmwife Kitchen

#### September 14

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

#### September 15

 Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

#### September 17

• Maize Days Parade at 10:00 a.m. on Main Street

#### September 19

- Senior Citizens meal at noon
- at Senior Citizens Center
- Noon Lions Club meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen



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#### Western Deaf Smith communities reunion is September 17

#### By Jim Steiert

Call it a "way out west bash," or a "prairie neighbors get-together."

Whatever it's called, a celebration of communities in western Deaf Smith County is scheduled for Saturday, September 17 at the Hereford Civic Center when the Walcott, Westway and Bippus reunion gathers.

Such an observance has occurred only twice in the last century according to organizers Adair Melton Murillo and Mary Ruth Weaver Baird, who invite anyone who lives or has lived in these far west communities to attend and share stories and memories.

Activities on September 17 get underway at 10 a.m. and will include lots of visiting, and a brown bag bring your own lunch. Participants will gather at the Civic Center at 10 a.m. to mount up for a tour of the "Little School on the Prairie" at Walcott, prior to returning to the Civic Center for lunch. Joe Weaver, former Deaf Smith County librarian and noted story teller, will give a presentation rich with Deaf Smith County history. Activities will continue through 7 p.m. A drawing for door prizes will be held. Details on the event can be obtained by contacting Adair Melton Murillo at 806-928-1013 or Mary Ruth Weaver Baird at 806-240-0744.

Preceding the Saturday gathering, a casual get-together will be held at the Holiday Inn Express on Friday, September 16 from 6-9 p.m. Attendance at church services at the Westway Baptist Church is also planned for the morning of Sunday, September 18, with the time to be announced.

"It's hard to get people who were once neighbors together, but so important. My Dad attended the Walcott School on the Dameron Ranch, and my grandmother, Bess Seed was the original owner of The Vogue in downtown Hereford, so I have strong roots in Deaf Smith County," says Adair Mu-

Chronicled in the pages of Deaf Smith County: The Land and Its People 1876-1981, the history of the communities involved in the reunion includes:

#### **WESTWAY**

Appropriately named, Westway was the lane by which pioneers reached a large expanse of prairie land west of Hereford. With roots dating back to the Tierra Blanca Camp of the XIT Ranch, Lewis Arnold, working for the XIT, became the first settler in the Westway community. The first school in the community was taught by Watsie Thomas at Tierra Blanca Camp at the camp house. Eventually the syndicate gave the Schneider house for school use and it was eventually moved to a place owned by O.J. Christy and later Grady Wilson. In 1919 a little school house was built west of the Christy place, called Tierra Blanca. In 1923 Tierra Blanca school was moved to

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Westway and the school was fittingly named West Way to show the direction from town, preceding the current one-word use of the name. Two south rooms were added to the building after it was moved. East and west bus routes were operating in 1927. A total of 50 students were enrolled in 1939, later there were more. First through ninth grades were taught. The school was consolidated with Hereford ISD in 1947.

In 1919 a Sunday School was organized at Tierra Blanca School. Union Sunday School was held until 1930, when R.A. Kelly helped organize the Baptist church in the community. In 1960 a Baptist church was built a halfmile east of Westway. In 1934 a Methodist Church was organized, and in 1961 it disbanded with members moving to First Methodist Church of Hereford. A non-denominational group started services in 1974 in the Community Building, and by 1978 moved to a new building in Hereford.

Phineas Short started a store in 1927, sold out two years later to R.M. Gunn, who operated it for 17 years, selling to Elmer Combs in 1946. After a succession of owners the structure eventually became a hamburger bar and ceramics store, and by 1981 was home to the County Kitchen Café.

The Westway of the 1980s included the Baptist Church and parsonage, the former school serving as the community building, a fertilizer plant, an elevator, and a roping arena, all still evident today.

#### **BIPPUS**

Located in far northwestern Deaf Smith County, the Bippus community has generally known the ups and downs of rain-challenged country and was at one time a part of the XIT Ranch.

George Bippus Sr., who came to the US from southern Russia in 1886 at age four, came to the northwest Deaf Smith County area in the spring of 1910 from South Dakota with his daughter, Ernie, and sons Ted, Fred, Bob, Bert, and Curt, eventually building a nine room home with a basement about 1911.

Following harvest of a crop in South Dakota Mrs. George Bippus Sr., Mr. and Mrs. George Bippus Jr. and a daughter, Lillie, and his sisters Helen and Tillie came to Endee, New Mexico by train bringing livestock and belongings.

While several families tried north west Deaf Smith County for a time, all except the Bippuses had left Deaf Smith County by 1925, but a number of new families gave the area a try. Many of the family names familiar to that area at the time still persist in northwestern Deaf Smith County in the modern era.

A school was eventually moved to a site donated by George Bippus and named for him, giving the community is present name. The Bippus, Rutter, Samuelson, Daniel and Swasnik children attended the school. Eventually a new one-room school was built about half a mile south of the old school, still on Bippus land.

The Bippus community reached a zenith in the late 1920s and early 1930s when a new community house was built two miles east of the school. Numerous dryland famers moved into the area, sowing wheat crops and running cattle.

Sunday school and church were disbanded in the 1930s, but reorganized in 1946 with a number of visiting preachers. Eventually fifth Sunday singings were held for a time and from 1967 until 1978 Gene Brock served as pastor until regular services were discontinued.

However, the general Bippus community still gathers for special occasions in the old church building, now the community building, and holds an every other year Homecoming event to celebrate the heritage of northwest Deaf Smith County and the hardy folks who still make homes and a living in that area near the New Mexico border.

#### WALCOTT

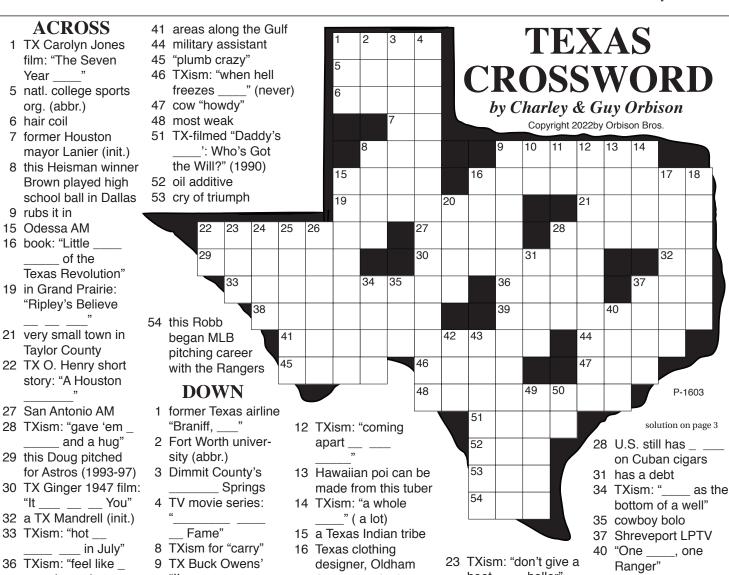
Remaining as the only school district with the exception of Hereford in Deaf Smith County, this community is primarily identified with its education institution, aptly called by former KVII TV Meteorologist Steve Kersh "the Little School on the Prairie." Most of the land in Walcott was part of the historic XIT Ranch until its breakup shortly after 1900 with the sale of land to settlers, and the ongoing saga of farmers and ranchers enduring and surviving amidst drought and market ups and downs since.

The present Walcott School District derives from the Walcott, Bippus, and Messenger school districts, all formed from other smaller school districts in the rural countryside. The first Walcott School was 13 miles northwest of Hereford amidst the Walcott, Platt, Arnold, and O'Brien ranches, in a 20x20 building. Later the school was torn down and relocated closer to the Arnold and O'Brien ranches. In 1928 a new wooden building was constructed on Dameron Ranch land.

Most Walcott area families were farmers in the 1920s and 1930s, with some being absentee "big wheat farmers."

When the Walcott, Bippus and Messenger schools consolidated in 1950 a new brick building with four rooms and an auditorium was build and opened in 1951 with 34 pupils and four buses. Additions have been made since that time, with two more classrooms and a bus barn built in 1968. The district covers about 500 square miles.

Walcott School remains viable with numerous bus routes and a steady enrollment, and also serves as a gathering point and community center for western Deaf Smith County residents.



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#### Courthouse Notes

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from September 1, 2022 to September 8, 2022

(9/1/22) Danny Campbell, Holly Campbell — The City of Friona — Lot 15E in Block 1 of the Lakeview Addition to the Town of Friona Texas

(9/7/22) Freddy A. Campos — Aguilar Arturo Campos, Martha Campos — All of Lots 5 and 6, Block 12 of the Original Town of Friona Parmer County Texas

(9/7/22) Juan Juarez, Antonia Ramirez, Guadalupe Juarez, Victoria Costilla, Gloria Juarez, Maria Teresa Torango — Eloy Juarez, Hilda Juarez — All of Lot 8, Block 1, Hillcrest Addition to the City of Farwell, Parmer County Texas

#### **City of Friona** By the Numbers

**August 2022** 

#### **Public Library**

22 days open 399 e-visits 448 in-house visits 11 new patrons 409 items circulated 114 new items added

#### **Police Department**

202 calls 2 arrests 39 citations 133 warnings 172 stops 2,641 miles driven

#### **EMS**

23 transports (911) 5 transfers 17 non-transports (911) 1 no patient 4 standby 49 total runs

#### **Volunteer Fire Department**

(date, incident, firefighters, trucks) 4th — 4 gas leak — 2 and 1 8th - wreck - 7 and 211th — pit fire — 4 and 1 11th — controlled burn — 4 and 1 15th — wreck — 8 and 3 15th — wreck — 8 and 3 16th — wreck — 10 and 4 16th — gas leak — 4 and 2 22nd — pole fire — 7 and 1 22nd — pole fire — 5 and 2 25th — wreck — 8 and 4 28th — wreck — 9 and 3

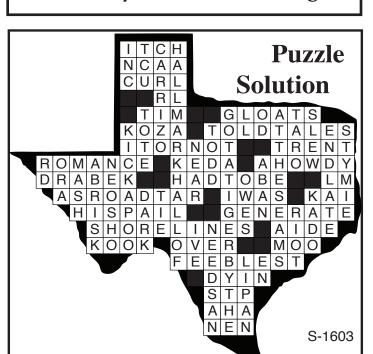
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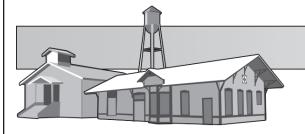
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#### TOWN TALK

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**First Maize Days** — In the 1950s, the City of Friona celebrated its birthday in September/October with plenty of activities including a pony express horse race, cooking events, and a parade with tons of floats. This tradition culminated in 1956 as Friona celebrated its 50th birthday. However, in 1957, the emphasis shifted from a birthday celebration to a celebration of harvest and thus "Maize Days" was born. Agriculture exhibits and a "Maize Queen" contest were added to the list of activities and the rest is history.

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The Harvest Moon — The full Moon that happens nearest to the fall equinox (September 22 or 23) always takes on the name "Harvest Moon" (see photo on front page). Unlike other full Moons, this full Moon rises at nearly the same time—around sunset—for several evenings in a row, giving farmers

several extra evenings of moonlight and allowing them to finish their harvests before the frosts of fall arrive. While September's full Moon is usually known as the Harvest Moon, if October's full Moon happens to occur closer to the equinox than September's, it takes on the name "Harvest Moon" instead. In this case, September's full Moon is referred to as the Corn Moon.

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**Tickets Still Available** — The Friona Volunteer Fire Department's "50 for 50" fundraiser drawing will take place at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 17th at the City Park. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold. Tickets can be purchased from any member of the Friona Volunteer Fire Department. They will also be selling sausage wraps in the park on Saturday.

Attention All Reunioneers —

Please send photos of your class reunions to frionastar@wtrt.net so we can add you to next week's edition.

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Next week — More Miss Friona and Little Miss photos along with parade and reunion photos.

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**Save The Date** — The 6th National Night Out is scheduled for Tuesday, October 4, 2022 from 6-8 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center in Farwell, Texas.Call 806-481-3303 for information.

**National Days** 

September 15: Felt Hat Day September 16: Cinnamon Raisin Bread Day September 17: Constitution & Citizenship Day September 18:

Cheeseburger Day September 19: Talk Like a Pirate Day September 20: Punch Day September 21: Pecan Cookie Day

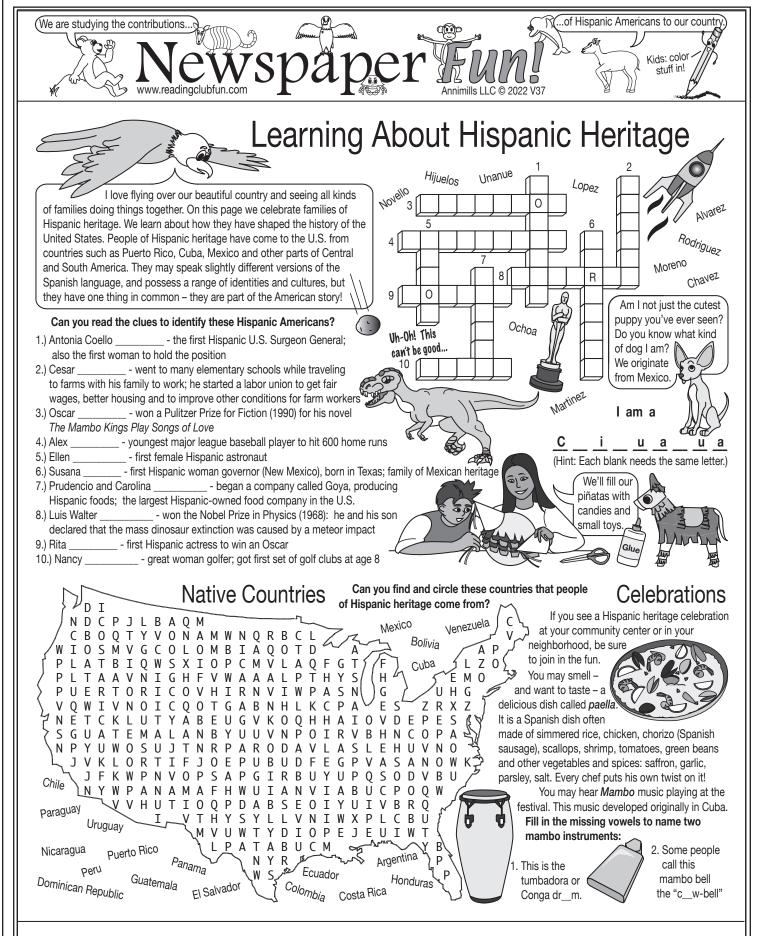
#### Friona will receive \$51,750.93 in sales tax allocation for September

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced this week that he will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts \$1.04 billion in local sales tax allocations for September. The total disbursements represent a 13.1 percent increase over the amount paid out in September

2021. These allocations are based on sales made in July by businesses that report tax monthly.

The City of Friona will receive \$51,750.93 in sales tax allocation for the month of September. This is a modest 0.35% increase over the \$51,567.78 received in September of 2021. However, the 2022 year-to-date total of \$571,672.87 is still a whopping 30.88% higher than the \$436,770.13 received last year during the same time frame.

The Friona Economic Development Corporation (FEDC) will receive \$12,937.73 of the allocation for its operating budget.



Borrowed Words!

About 40 million Americans speak Spanish at home. The majority of these people also speak or are learning English too. The words below came into the English language from words in Spanish. Some of them were originally words that the Spanish adopted from Native American words. Match each word to its definition: A) tropical plant, red leaves; Christmas decoration

1) mosquito 2) cafeteria

3) chocolate

4) poinsettia 5) canoe

6) burro

B) this female pest's bite will leave you itching C) strong, surefooted; sometimes used by people to carry heavy items

D) treat made from roasting, grinding cacao beans E) light, narrow boat with pointed ends (Native Americans made them from tree trunks)

F) place where one selects a meal, carries it on a tray to table

2) manatee 3) canyon 4) barbecue 5) rodeo 6) chihuahua

1) hurricane

A) event where cowboys ride broncos, compete B) powerful, twisting storm, comes off the ocean

C) small, Mexican dog, very little hair, barks a lot D) "Sea Cow," large, endangered water mammal

E) deep valley, cliffs on sides, often a stream in it

F) a fireplace used for cooking meat, or a gathering where meat is cooked on one

# Small Town Cookin' By Jeri Lynn White

#### Cinnamon Raisin Bread

National Cinnamon Raisin Bread Day is celebrated on September 16th. Cinnamon Raisin Bread is a guilty pleasure of mine. I don't

usually like things with raisins, but for some reason raisins in cinnamon raisin bread just works. It is especially delicious toasted with butter. Here is a recipe to try in case you want fresh, homemade bread rather than the store bought.

#### **Cinnamon Raisin Bread**

www.food.com

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 1 cup warm water (must be between 110-115 degrees)
- 2 (1/4 ounce) packages active dry yeast
- 3 eggs
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup unsalted butter, softened
- 1 cup raisins
- 8 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 cup white sugar
- 3 tablespoons ground cinnamon
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted (approx.)

#### **DIRECTIONS**

Warm the milk in a small saucepan on the stove until it just starts to bubble, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat. Let cool until lukewarm, about 120-125 degrees. Dissolve yeast in warm water and set aside until yeast is frothy, about 10 minutes or so (make sure your water is at the correct temperature or the yeast won't activate.) Then mix in eggs, sugar, butter salt and raisins (stir in the cooled milk slowly so you don't cook the eggs.) Add

the flour gradually to make a stiff dough. Knead the dough on a lightly floured surface for a few minutes until smooth. Place in a large, buttered, mixing bowl and turn to grease the surface of the dough. Cover with a warm, damp cloth and let rise (I like to let my bread rise in the oven with the light on. It has just the right amount of heat and keeps the bread out of drafts.) Allow to rise until doubled, usually about 1 1/2 hours. Roll out on a lightly floured surface into a large rectangle 1/2 inch thick. Moisten the dough with 2 tablespoons milk and rub all over the dough with your hands. Mix together 1 cup of sugar and 3 tablespoons cinnamon and sprinkle mixture evenly on top of the moistened dough. Roll up tightly (the long way). The roll should be about 3 inches in diameter. Cut into thirds, and tuck under ends and pinch bottom together. Place loaves into well- greased (you can use Crisco or butter for this) 9 x 5-inch pans and lightly grease tops of loaves. Let rise in warm place, uncovered, again for about an hour. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until loaves are lightly browned and sound hollow when tapped. Remove from oven and let cool on rack. Take melted butter and spread over tops of loaves. After about 20 minutes, lay loaves on their sides

#### **Check Your Mirrors**

By Sue Jane Sullivan

and remove from pans. Allow to cool before slicing.



#### Not Born to Be Queen

Of course, a history teacher is going to write about Queen Elizabeth II's passing. Even if you are not a monarchist, a fan of royalty history, or a Corgi lover (as was the Queen) the story of her ascension to the most enduring throne in the world is a once-in-a-lifetime story. She was never supposed to be the main character in Netflix's The Crown.

What if her Uncle Edward had not fallen in love with an American divorcee?

What if she had perished in The Blitz, the eight-month long bombing by the German Luftwaffe?

What if her father had not died relatively young from lung cancer, when Elizabeth was only 25?

When Elizabeth was ten, her uncle King Edward VIII gave up his title because Parliament would not consent to his marriage to the twice-divorced American socialite Wallis Simpson. The next year Edward and Wallis married, visited Germany, and proclaimed that "Hitler was not a bad chap." Would the outcome of WWII changed had Edward remained King and indeed been a Nazi sympathizer? Regardless, the stark contrast between his choices and what would become his niece's trademark sense of duty reveal that fate intervened.

During The Blitz, which lasted from September 1940 to May 1941, cities and towns suffered nightly air raids. Millions of children were evacuated to rural areas, parents hoping that their sons and daughters would be safer in remote locations. However, Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret would remain. "The children won't go without me. I won't leave without the King. And the King will never leave," said their mother.

Instead, the princesses were moved to Windsor Castle, which proved fortunate. On September 13, 1940, the Nazis bombed Buckingham Palace. Fate graced the accidental heir once again. Elizabeth went on to join the women's branch of the British Army, making her the first woman of the royal family to be an active-duty member of the British Armed Forces. She was only 18.

These were compelling chapters in Elizabeth II's rise to the monarchy, but her "crowning" achievement came in a treehouse in Kenya. Princess Elizabeth and her husband Philip were visiting on official business. On February 6, 1952, while she slept in a treehouse after a day of animal watching, her father King George VI passed away in England. Elizabeth was now the Queen—and would be for the next 70 years.

Many argue the monarchy is outdated and should be abolished. What should never be abolished are the leadership qualities this remarkable woman exhibited.

"Resolute. Faithful. Intelligent. Funny. Curious. Spiritual. Committed. Involved. Selfless. Wise."

World leaders described the Queen with these words last week.

Through public family failures, Elizabeth II faced what many women, wives, mothers, sisters, and grandmothers experience. During these difficult times, she had to walk the tightrope balanc-

ing love and duty. Her earthly reign ends, but the world would do well not to bury her spirit. She gave us the example of faithful devotion to the best traits of leadership. God Save the

(BBC interviews and Britannica used for some information provided in this column).

# Happy Birthday

#### September 15

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

#### September 16 Avery McGowan

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#### September 17

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



#### September 18

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

#### September 19

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

#### September 20

Chris Alexander **Quay Schueler** Landon Martin Jessie London Chance Hutson Bertha Mendoza Magean Garner Hannah Alger Emma Rector JoAnn Padilla Génesis Aguirre

#### September 21

Randy McCasland Gail Sifford Nathan Moroney Caroline Estrada Glen Shirley **Kevin Reeves** Zenka Ortiz

#### Gas prices continue decline

By GasBuddy

Average gasoline prices in Texas fell 13.6 cents in the last week, averaging \$3.10 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Prices in Texas are 34.4 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 28.7 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was priced at \$2.75 while the most expensive was \$4.73 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline has fell 7.6 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$3.67 per gallon. The national average is down 26.9 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 52.3 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has declined 5.5 cents in the last week and stands at \$5.01 per gallon.

"We continue to see the national average price of gasoline decline, now for the thirteenth straight week. But, we're seeing drastically different price behaviors from coast to coast, with some areas seeing noticeable increases while others are seeing decreases," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

De Haan continued, "Refinery issues in California are leading to increases in areas supplied by the state's refineries, including areas of Arizona, Nevada, Oregon, Washington and of course, California. Gasoline supply remains tight for the East Coast with some modest moves up, while prices continue to edge lower in the Plains, South and areas of the Great Lakes. For now, I believe the drop in prices will overpower the increases, leading to potentially another decline this week, but we're in a very fragile time and certainly could see a broader move higher in the weeks ahead."

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#### **Be Committed**

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Psalm 37:5 says "Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act." Full commitment to the Lord is non-negotiable in following Jesus Christ, but sadly, distractions, drifting, complacency, apathy or intentional sin will chip away at the surrendered commitment that Christ expects of his church. Committing to the Lord involves intentional love, obedience, faith and trust as you follow His leading through His

Word and by His Spirit in your life. Full commitment to the Lord is a daily call to 'deny yourself and take up your cross daily' as you follow Jesus (Luke 9:23-25). Oftentimes our commitment to the Lord can become chilled, but in September you will have an exciting opportunity to build up and grow your faith.

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#### **Panhandle Parables**

#### **Path of Least Resistance**

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

Water often takes the path of least resistance, thus rivers are hardly ever straight. It is natural on some level for animal or human to choose an easier route.

We have had in the past a bird feeder in our back yard and the birds flock to it. There is an assortment of birds that stop by, but for the most part Sparrows are the majority of the clientele. We also have a bird block (some sort of glued together birdseed in a 21lb block.) What we have found is, as long as, there is seed in the feeder the block hardly gets touched, but once the feeder is empty the crew heads over to the block for a work out to get a meal. Boy are they glad when they can get back to the easy meal.

Jesus knew this story well. It is not new. He describes in his Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5-7) that there was a wide path and a narrow path, and if you read what he suggests we do throughout the whole sermon you will find why few find the narrow path. It takes effort.

If you want to follow Jesus it is an all or nothing sort of proposition. It is one thing to say I believe, it is quite another to say, "I love my enemies and am praying for those persecuting me." (Hint the latter is narrow way stuff.) Or to say, "I have never committed adultery." But then Jesus takes it a step further by saying don't lust. (Narrow way stuff) It is the narrow way stuff that we find Jesus, but the narrow way calls for much soul searching. I encourage you to go read Matthew 5-7 and be challenged to take your faith to the next level.

Paul said toward the end of his life, "I have fought the good fight, finished the race and kept the faith." That doesn't sound like it was the path of least resistance that he took. Nor Jesus, for that matter, the cross He bore was for real. Here is the reality. No matter how tough, a life with Christ is, it will always be better than the alternative. Choose your path well.

#### **God Had Other Plans**

By Teena Hughs

The Methodist conference our church was in during the mid 1990s, sent a minister, Don Tumlinson, here to pronounce our church dead and bury it. God had other plans though, and He used Don to grow our little church. It continues to thrive today, and I am so very thankful!!!

A member of our church passed away early Saturday morning. She had told her sons she wanted her service to be in her church. And so it was! Dorothy's family agreed to let us host a luncheon for them following the service for 65 people.

Five of us gathered at the church early Monday morning and cleaned it.

Our church has seating for 56 people, about 84 with extra chairs. With the way things are arranged in our Fellowship Hall, it would be difficult to seat more than 65.

We have about 14 active people who can help in a situation like this, but two were at a church meeting, two were at jury duty.

Thankfully, the other 10 showed up and helped at various times the day of the funeral.

People looked to Feller and me for guidance and direction. My first thought was, "How did we do this in Friona?" Well, ladies were called and asked to bring a meat, salad, vegetable, or dessert for 10 people. It is a simple system, and it is a system that works. Plus, it is very organized.

Based on our numbers, I couldn't use what I had learned in Friona. Everyone desperately wanted to help and serve, so they were offering to bring everything. While it wasn't organized, and at times it was a little chaotic, it worked!!!

Of course, we had more food than we needed, because isn't that the way it always is at church dinners?

So, why did we do this? Dorothy had not lived in Barksdale in years, so she had not attended church here in a long time. One of her sons belongs to our church, but he seldom attends. Our little church must have

meant a great deal to his mother, or she wouldn't have wanted her service to be here.

I did not hear a single person question what we were doing or why. We did it because we love Jesus, and we wanted to be Him to this family and their friends. We were hoping to show them His kindness and compassion in their hour of need and sadness.

We are the smallest church in this area, but as I have said before, it is one of the most loving churches around. God uses us to meet a definite need in the community. When you have willing hands and feet of God, it doesn't matter how large you are, because you can do anything!!!

How sad it would have been today if the doors on our church had been locked permanently! Not only would this family have had to find another place for their mother's funeral, 10 people would have missed an opportunity to serve Jesus! Thank You, Jesus, for having different plans for my little church!

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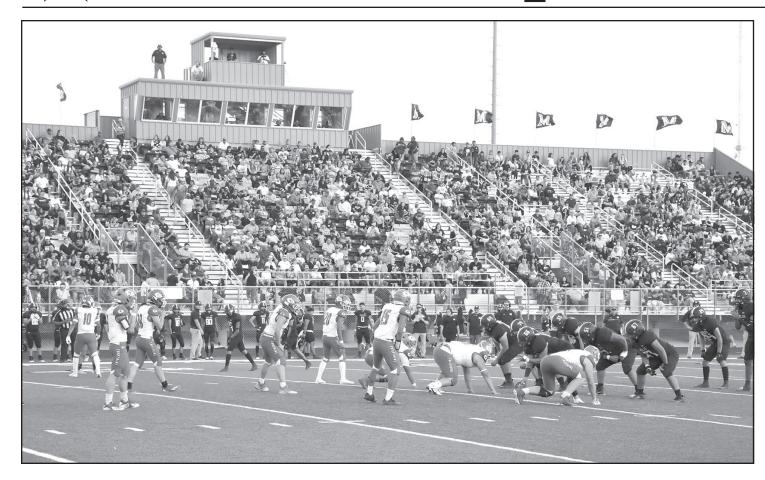


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# **Sports**







#### Friona 21 Muleshoe 39

M - Sebastian Kirven 58 yard run (Irvin Torres PAT good)

M - Daniel Sianez 2 yard run (Irvin Torres PAT good) 2nd Quarter

M - Irvin Torres 38 yard pass from Sebastian Kirven (Irvin Torres PAT no good)

F – Abisai Torres 54 yard run (Jorge Garcia PAT, good) M - Irvin Torres 6 yard pass from Sebastian

Kirven (2 pt. conversion no good)

#### 3rd Quarter

F - Damien Sanchez 13 yard pass from Jose

Saucedo (Jorge Garcia PAT, good)

#### 4th Quarter

M – Irvin Torres 12 yard pass from Sebastian

Kirven (Irvin Torres PAT no good) M - Bones Cinceros 43 yard pass from Sebastian

Kirven (Irvin Torres PAT good) F - Martin Godinez 6 yard run (Jorge Garcia PAT, good)

	Rushing Stats	Carri	Carries		<b>TDs</b>	Avg		
2	Martin Godinez	5		15	1	7.0		
3	Damian Sanchez	1		-5	-5.0			
4	Mario Bautista	24		117	0	4.9		
13	Jose Saucedo	1		-1	0	-1.0		
24	Abisai Torres	5		59	1	11.8		
44	Alexis Rivas	6		55	0	9.2		
	<b>Rushing Totals:</b>	31		260	2	8.4		
	Receiving Stats	Receptions		Yards	TDs	Avg		
1	Isaac Olmos	1		10	0	10.0		
2	Martin Godinez	1		11 0		11.0		
3	Damian Sanchez	1		17	1	17.0		
4	Mario Bautista	2		2	0	1.0		
11	Heston Grimsley	1		10	0	10.0		
24	Abisai Torres	1		13	0	13.0		
44	Alexis Rivas	1		29	0	29.0		
	<b>Receiving Totals:</b>	8		92	1	11.5		
	Passing Stats	Comp	Att	Yards	TDs	INTs		
2	Martin Godinez	4	10	62	0	0		
13	Jose Saucedo	4	13	30	1	2		
	Kicking Stats	Extra Pt	Att	Field Goal				
22	Jorge Garcia	3	3		0			

<b>Defensive Stats</b>	UN	AST.	TOT	TFL	FR	$\mathbf{FC}$	INT	SACK
Bautista, Mario #4	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Ally, Stef #8	6	13	19	-	-	-	-	-
Rodriguez, Tony#10	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
Grimsley, Heston #11	1	8	9	1	-	-	-	1
Gonzalez, Johnny #14	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-
Lopez, Anthony #15	1	7	8	-	-	-	-	-
McGaughy, Owen #16	1	8	9	1	-	-	-	-
Dominguez, Josiah #20	2	10	12	1	-	-	-	-
Rosales, Aaron #21	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Ally, Deiter #28	1	5	6	-	-	-	-	-
Munoz, Edwin #33	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-
Rivas, Alexis #44	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-
Juarez, Edaurdo #51	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Jaramillo, Erik #58	2	2	4	-	-	-	-	-
Alvidrez, Jose #59	-	9	9	0.5	-	-	-	-
Perez, Hevilat #65	1	1	2	0.5	-	-	-	-
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Yards allowed; Rushing 175, Passing 243, Total 418

# **Sports News**

#### **High School Football**

A big offensive line allowed Muleshoe's quarterback plenty of time to locate his receivers and pass for 243 yards Friday night as the Mules won their homecoming game 39-21 over the Chieftains. Friona's defense would force long 3rd and 4th down situations but could not contain the Muleshoe offense. The Chieftain offense also had some good drives also but could not convert their 4th down opportunities like their opponents did.

#### **Junior Varsity Football**

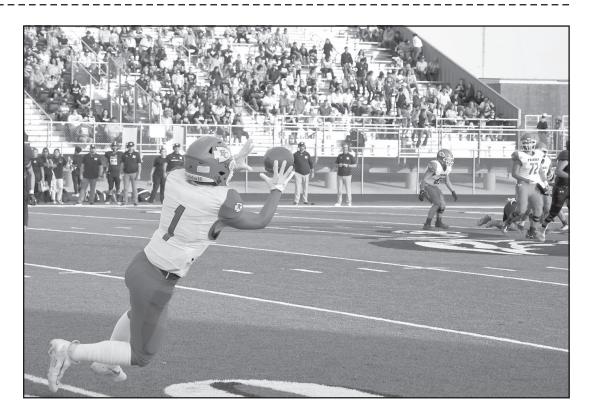
The Friona JV walked away with a narrow 34-32 victory over the Muleshoe JV thanks to a last minute 60-yard touchdown pass from Sigi Morales to Jameson Daniels who, with a burst of speed, outran the Mules to give the Chieftains the victory with just 15 seconds remaining in the game.

In the 1st Quarter, Sigi Morales threw a 17 yard TD pass to Jameson Daniels but the 2pt try was no good. In the 2nd Quarter, Rafael Rocha had a 2 yard TD run and Sigi Morales rushed for the 2pt conversion. Later in the quarter, Sigi had a 65 yard TD run and then passed to Jameson Daniels for the 2pt conversion. In the 3rd Quarter, Sigi completed a 27 yard TD pass to Gabriel Ramos but the ensuing 2pt try was no good. In the 4th Quarter, Sigi Morales threw the winning 60 yard TD pass to Jameson Daniels but the 2pt try no good. The JV Chiefs will play at Dalhart at 5:00 p.m. this Thursday.

#### **Junior High Football**

The 7th grade Braves defeated Muleshoe 38-6. Isael Guzman ran 14 yards





for a TD and Hector Aguirre ran for the 2-pt. conversion. Next, Octavio Arias ran 9 yards for a TD. Aguirre again ran for the 2-pt. conversion. Arias ran 3 yards for his second TD and Aguirre ran for his third 2-pt. conversion. Later, Arias returned a kickoff 72 yards for a TD and Guzman ran for the 2-pt. conversion. Aiden Tafoya ran 1 yard for the Braves' last TD and the extra point attempt was no good. Octavio Arias had 62 yards rushing and Isael Guzman had 57 yards rushing. On defense, Jorge Castillo had a fumble recovery and JD Villegas had an intercep-

The 8th grade Braves lost to Muleshoe 40-16. Joaquin Arias had a 51 yard TD run and Izaac Ortiz ran for the 2-pt. conversion. Later, Ortiz had a 50 yard TD run and Arias ran for the 2-pt. conversion. For the game, Joaquin Arias had 101 yards rushing and was 4-8 with 49 yards passing yards. Izaac Ortiz had 80 yards rushing.

The teams will host Dalhart this Thursday at Chieftain Field starting at 5:00 p.m.

#### **High School Volleyball**

The Squaws defeated Wildorado Tuesday evening. Friona will host the Chia Warriors on Saturday. The C team will play at 10:00 a.m. followed by the JV and the Varsity games. The JV and Varsity will travel to Wellman next Tuesday evening.

#### **Junior High Volleyball**

The 7th Grade Maidens and 8th Grade Maidens will host Perryton on Monday, September 19th staring at 5:00 p.m.

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Jeff Scott is the executive director/president of the Texas Junior Anglers and has been traveling to Friona and Hereford to stage youth fishing events for 29 years. "We always look forward to coming to Friona and the weather and lake conditions were great this year for

fishing." Scott continued, "The fish were big this year and everyone had a great time. I would like to thank City Manager Lee Davila and Chamber Executive Director Chris Alexander for their help in staging and promoting the event. See you in May 2023!"



(l-r) Game Warden Sarah Wennersten, Jeff Scott (Arlington), Jason Smart (Arlington), and Sylvia Mendoza (Hereford)



Mia Lucero | 28" Overall Winner & 1st Place (6U)



Asher Solano | 23 4/8" 2nd Place (6U)



Kaysen Green | 25 2/8" 1st Place (7-11)



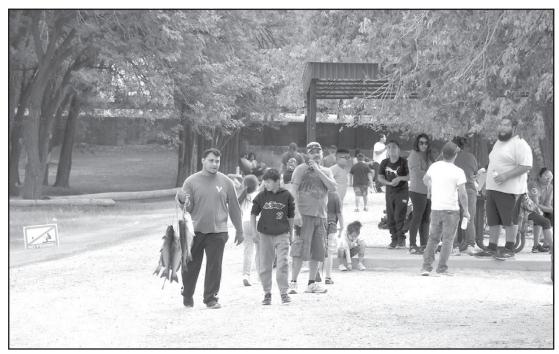
Javier Pantoja | 24 1/8" 2nd Place (7-11)



Rene Reyes | 25 4/8" 1st Place (12-16)



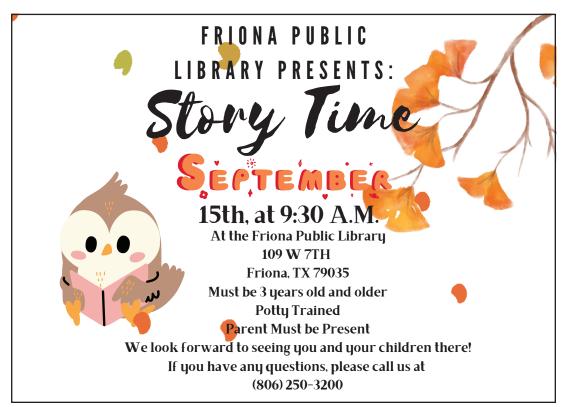
Malachi Rangel | 23 5/8" 2nd Place (12-16)

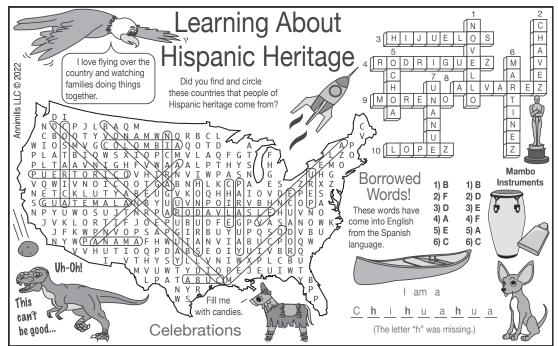


Recent rainfall, cooler temperatures, and big fish made for a great afternoon last Sunday at Reeve Lake.



Sarah Wennersten, Game Warden for Parmer, Castro, and Deaf Smith counties, presents "First Fish" awards to four new fishing buddies.







#### Obituary



#### Mary Nell (Crosby) Israel

Mary Nell (Crosby) Israel, age 84, went to her heavenly home on Saturday, September 10 after battling pancreatic cancer with great endurance, courage, selflessness, and faith for two and a half years.

Mary was born on December 8, 1937 in Longview, TX to Lloyd and Bonnie (Duggan) Crosby. Mary was the youngest of three children and the only daughter. Mary began her education in a little one-room schoolhouse in Bulu, TX and completed her training in elementary education at Abilene Christian University in 1960.

Mary never did learn it all, as she spent the next 35+ years in the classroom, teaching primarily kindergarten and then pre-K. "Mrs. Israel's" teaching style was similar to that of her Mother's: strict but beloved.

Mary was the "pretty young school teacher down the road" who was wooed and won by a good ol' boy from Levelland. Mary and Curtis were married on June 9, 1963 and were married for 53 years until his passing in 2017. Like true "Israelites", Mary and Curtis lived many places during their years together, including Clovis, NM; Carlsbad, NM (three times!); Centralia, IL; New York City, NY; Houston, TX; Lubbock, TX; Tulsa, OK; Denver City, TX; Friona, TX (twice!); and Midland, TX. Wherever they lived, Mary and Curtis were always actively involved in their church home. Mary often taught the "cradle roll" class and kept the babies mesmerized by singing about Jesus and the Bible.

Mary's all-time favorite "student" was her one and only granddaughter, Hannah. From pre-K through sixth grade, "Granny and Papa" would pick up Hannah each day after school, and Granny would go over the homework with Hannah. Most afternoons after the work was done, they would "play school," with Hannah teaching this time! Granny was not shy about telling her daughters that Hannah was her favorite!

Although she was especially fond of the "little ones," Mary loved people of all ages, shapes, sizes, colors, and backgrounds! She would stand for hours – in the aisle of the grocery store, across the neighborhood fence, in the church foyer – visiting with friends, new and old. She carried with her



their stories and prayed for their struggles.

Mary's love for people was also expressed in her faithful correspondence to friends and family. She was an extremely gifted writer who also had textbookperfect penmanship. Her letters always began by recounting Hannah's adventures current and always ended with words of encouragement, complete with a Scripture chosen just for that friend in that moment.

Mary's "love language" was service. She was always the first to bring a casserole to a sick friend or to volunteer to wash dishes after a fellowship luncheon. She loved to surprise her family and friends with things she thought they needed, but a gift to her would always prompt the same response, "You shouldn't have gotten me that! I don't need a thing!"

Mary was especially blessed by the "NEST-ers," a precious group of widow ladies from church who formed friendships that will last well past eternity. It was not known whether she enjoyed eating out or playing dominoes more, but she sure looked forward to Mondays!

Mary was quirky decked out in her signature color of bright orange lipstick and fingernail polish. She was always ready with a joke, although many times, the punchline eluded her. One Christmas, she was feeling especially herself. After a gift was opened, she would sneak to the back room and rewrap it, complete with a bow and name tag. When the lucky recipient would open it (again,) Mary would exclaim with great delight, "Now, you have TWO!"

Mary loved to make people laugh, intentionally or otherwise. She was joyful, kind, compassionate, silly, strong, and generous. She held herself and others to a high standard.

Above all, Mary loved her Lord. Her well-worn Bible, which was missing its front cover and held together by packing tape, testified to her love of His Word and to her passion for writing His words on her

heart. She usually sat towards the back of the church service, but her singing voice carried throughout the sanctuary. Whether cooking, cleaning, driving, or just sitting in her chair resting, she could frequently be found singing to herself and to her Lord. Her beautiful voice and the sound of her praises could be heard inside the gates of heaven long before she arrived.

Mary was a faithful Christian, wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. She kept the two greatest commandments well: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. And love your neighbor as yourself."

She would want us to remind you, as she did her doctors and nurses, friends and family, passing acquaintances and anyone who would listen: "I am blessed. God always takes care of me. I don't worry about anything because I know God. He is faithful, and His promises are true." One of her dear friends said, "She showed me that what we go through is nothing if we trust in God."

Mary is survived by daughter Amy (Israel) Penland, son-in-law Hayes Penland, and favorite granddaughter Hannah; and daughter Bonnie Israel - all of Midland, TX; brother John (and Marlene) Crosby of Radnor, PA; sister-in-law Yvawn Crosby of Littlefield, TX; brother-in-law Chester (and Sherry) Israel of Levelland, TX; stepsister Pat Gottlob of Lubbock, TX; and stepbrother Bennie Williams of Dallas, TX.

Mary is preceded in death by her parents, Lloyd and Bonnie Crosby; step-mother, Willie Gertrude (Williams) Crosby; brother, James Duggan Crosby; and nephew, Tommy Gene Crosby.

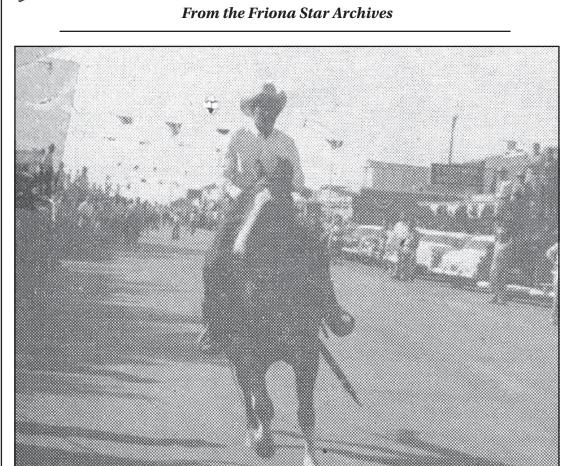
Services will be held at Fairmont Park Church of Christ on Thursday, September 15 at 2:00 p.m. with visitation and dessert to follow in the fellowship hall. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the educational and mentoring work of Opportunity Tribe at 3310 W. Wadley Dr., Midland, TX 79707. (https://opportunitytribe.org/)

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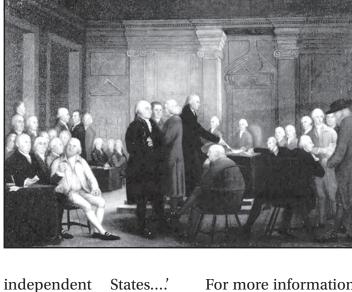
**HERE HE COMES!...**Johnie Hand dashes his horse up to the finish line of the pony express race Saturday morning. Hand, who rode all eight miles of the race, made the time in 21 minutes, 47 seconds. Excitement ran high in this event as Friona celebrated her 50th birthday. (Friona Star, Thursday, September 27, 1956)

# Name Changer

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

The American Revolution might have commenced April 19,1775, but by September 9, 1776, the Continental Congress had officially changed the name of the country from the United Colonies to the "United States of Amer-The declaration ica." stated, "That in all continental commissions, and other instruments, where, heretofore, the words 'United Colonies' have been used, the stile be altered for the future to the 'United States."

"A resolution by Richard Henry Lee, which had been presented to Congress on June 7 and approved on July 2, 1776, issued the resolve, 'That these United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and



As a result, John Adams thought July 2 would be celebrated as "the most memorable epoch in the history of America." Instead, the day has been largely forgotten in favor of July 4, when Jefferson's edited Declaration of Independence was adopted," according to History.com.

For more information, the Grateful American Book Prize recommends *A Young People's History of the United States* by author Howard Zinn and Rebecca Stefoff.

Source: History Matters: Showing our children that their past is prelude to their future at the gratefulamericanb ookprize.com website.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Jennifer L. Baize, Deceased, were issued on August 18, 2022, in Cause No. P03314, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: Robin E. Baize.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: Betsy S. Clark Attorney at Law PO Box 236 FRIONA, TX 79035

**DATED** the  $\frac{10^{th}}{2}$  day of  $\frac{5000}{2}$ ,

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# Miss Friona Pageant Highlights



Yvonne Legarreta
The Nutrition Spot



Anna Jo (AJ) London JEL Land & Cattle



Amy Montana Andy Montana Insurance



Makayla Ramos The Looks of Impressions



Breanna Rivera Friona Interbank



Janessa Garcia Chieftain Nutrition



Reese Stowers Friona Body Shop



Madison Tyler LoneStar Ag



Kitzy Welch Hi-Pro Feeds



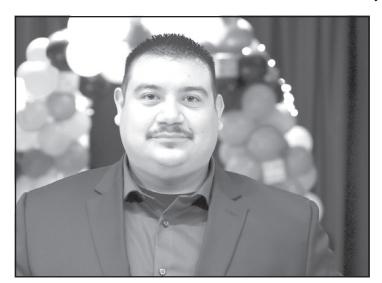
Nadia Snyder Bunker Trucking



Karlee Osborn Desert Nomad Boutique



Miss Friona Kitzy Welch, Karlee Osborn (1RU), Madison Tyler (2RU), Breanna Rivera (3RU)



John Torres - Master of Ceremonies



Kaden Jeter & Eduardo Rodriguez



Eduardo Guaderrama - Entertainment



# Little Miss Contest Highlights



Harper Pack Friona Interbank



Laryah Miller Bucky's Trucking, LLC



Arribelle Hernandez New-Tex Feedyard



Aubree Guerra First National Bank - FBC



Kiana Chico Chico's Welding Construction



Ariana (Ari) Balli The Farmwife Kitchen



Haylee Aragon Bucky's Trucking, LLC



Camila Andrade TW&M, LLC



Yahdriel Faudoa



Marco Arias



Laryah Miller (2RU), Little Miss Arribelle Hernandez, Camila Andrade (1RU)

# Thanks to all the Miss Friona & Little Miss Contestants for participating in this year's pageants

Congratulations to our
Little Miss contestant
Camila Andrade
We are very
proud of you!!!



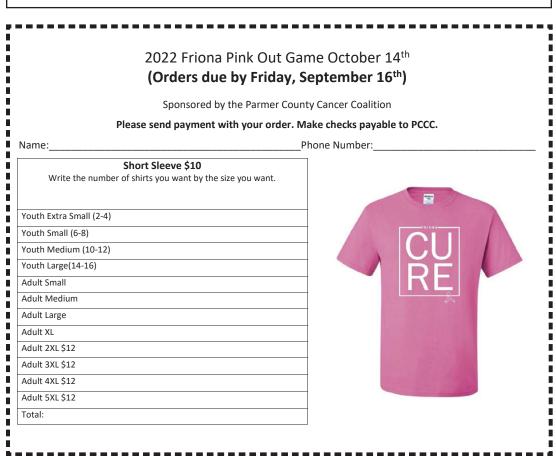




The 2022 Homecoming Queen candidates are (l-r): Gisselle Dorame Sarellano, Blanca Chavez, Lizbeth Toledo, Arianna Arzate, and Breanna Rivera. The new Homecoming Queen will be announced during the pre-game festivities Friday night starting at 6:30 p.m. at Chieftain Field.









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