



## Friona will receive a \$62,869.80 February tax allocation payment

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced last week that he will distribute \$1.3 billion in monthly sales tax revenue to local governmental entities. The total is a 9.3 percent increase over the total amount in February 2022. Cities will receive \$855.7M, transit systems will get \$280.8M, counties get \$80.2M, and special purpose districts will get \$121M. These allocations are based on sales made in December by businesses that report tax monthly; October, November and December sales by quarterly filers; and 2022 sales by businesses that report tax annually.

The City of Friona will receive \$62,869.80 in sales tax allocation for the month of February. This payment is a 8.09% decrease from the \$68,403.80 received in February of 2022. For the first two months of 2023, Friona has received \$116,775.01 which is a 14.48% decrease from the YTD amount in 2022. The Friona Economic Development Corporation (FEDC) will receive \$15,717.45 of the allocation for its operating budget.

## Friona Primary School Book Fair is next week

Friona Primary School Principal Deirdre Osborn announced this week that the annual Primary School Book Fair will be held on February 20-24 and will be open from 7:45 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. each day. There will be a wide variety of books for all age groups.

Osborn encouraged everyone to bring the entire family, including grandparents and friends, on "Family Day" which is Friday, February 24th from 7:45 a.m. till 4:00 p.m.

The proceeds from the book fair in the past have benefited the students and the campus. Some of the items purchased with the proceeds include: books for students, playground equipment, benches at the entries, lending library, and shade trees.

All major credit cards, cash, and personal checks will be accepted. You can also order online at [www.scholastic.com/fair](http://www.scholastic.com/fair).

Principal Deirdre Osborn emphasized, "This is one of our major fundraisers, so please come out and support our school as well as children's literacy." Osborn added, "We look forward to seeing you there!"



Roger & Susie Almonrode were pronounced King and Queen at the Senior Citizens Meal on Monday.



On Monday evening, Friona City Council members (l-r) Alan Monroe, Bruce Fleming, Esmeralda Mills, and Cindy Trevino presented Melodie Graves with a proclamation from the the City of Friona declaring February as Black History Month. Melodie is a motivational speaker and inspirational community activist from Amarillo and spoke at Friona High School earlier in the day.

## Council reviews Community Center renovation ideas

The Friona City Council met in regular session on Monday February 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at 617 Main in Friona, Texas. The meeting began with roll call, an invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The session opened with an opportunity for public comment. Marie Samarron addressed the council concerning the possibility of installing speed bumps on 4th Street. There are no intersections in the 3-block stretch and speed as well as safety for children has become a concern. Interviewing residents on the street for their input and checking on costs in-

involved were among the areas of agreement.

Also, Mayor Pro Tem Alan Monroe read a proclamation declaring February as Black History Month in Friona. The proclamation from Mayor Lewellen was presented to Melodie Graves (see photo above). Mayor Pro Tem Monroe pointed out that Friona has the distinction of being the first school in the State of Texas to integrate.

The regular session began with the reading and approval of the Minutes of the January 9, 2023 meeting.

Council members got to review

plans and artist's renditions concerning the Community Center Renovation Project. Some of the features include outdoor seating, handicapped parking areas, front door drop-off area, and concealment of trash bins and A/C units. Drawings and renditions will be published when available.

Motions to call for a City Officers' Election as well as joint election agreement with FISSD and Parmer County Hospital District were approved. This may be the first joint election agreement ever between the city and the hospital district.

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## Solo and Ensemble



These FHS students recently performed at the Regional Solo-Ensemble Contest.

In the photo (l-r) — Charlie Herring (Bari Sax), Jennyfer Munoz (Alto Sax), Bryce Appling (Tuba), Emmanuel Gonzalez (Trombone), Carter Gilley (Trumpet), Kaysen Stanberry (Baritone), Ramon Ortiz (Trumpet), Sophia Leon (Tenor Sax), Nicholas Gutierrez (Alto Sax), Amy Montana (French Horn), Reagan Daniels (Snare Drum), Valeria Corralez (Clarinet), not pictured Yvonne Legereta (Marimba).

Advancing to the State Solo-Ensemble Contest are soloists Valeria Corralez and Reagan Daniels as well as the Brass sextet consisting of Carter Gilley, Emmanuel Gonzalez, Amy Montana, Bryce Appling, Kaysen Stanberry, and Ramon Ortiz. The State Contest will be held in Austin at the end of May.

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Friona Weather February 16-22	T 37   15 N 15-25	F 51   24 WSW 10-15	S 61   37 SW 20-30	S 67   46 W 20-30	M 69   44 W 25-35	T 67   36 W 20-30	W 62   35 WSW 20-30	Precipitation February 0.31 Year 0.86	Burn Ban <b>Yes</b>
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# State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



## Community Calendar

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

- February 16**
  - Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
- February 17**
  - Last day for candidates to file for place in General Election
  - Early school release for Students Only
- February 20**
  - Presidents' Day
  - Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
  - Noon Lions Club meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen
- February 22**
  - Library Book Shop at 618 Euclid is open from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
- February 23**
  - Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
- February 24**
  - Student Holiday / Parent Teacher Conferences
- February 27**
  - Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
- February 28**
  - Packing SP4K bags at 2:30 p.m. at Friona Methodist Church north door

### Abbott issues disaster declaration, seeks fed help

Gov. Greg Abbot has issued a disaster declaration for Texas counties affected by the early February ice storm and is seeking a federal declaration as well for areas in Southeast Texas affected by rare January tornadoes. The ice storm caused considerable damage to property and power outages in the affected areas. The declaration for ice-storm damaged counties includes Denton, Hays, Henderson, Milam, Smith, Travis and Williamson counties.

"Through this disaster declaration, we will be able to provide additional assistance to Texans and communities who have experienced property damage and localized power outages from this ice storm," Abbott said.

The ice storm brought tree limbs snapping and crashing onto power lines. More than 170,000 Austin households were without power for several days, with some going more than 10 days without power.

Abbott also requested a presidential disaster declaration for counties in Southeast Texas hit by tornadoes and severe storms in late January. That request includes Harris, Jefferson, Liberty

and Orange counties. If that request is granted, residents and businesses in those counties would have access to federal loans and grants.

### Religious freedom bills draw bipartisan support

Three bills have been filed in the Texas House aimed at improving Texans ability to practice their religions. The Austin American-Statesman reported that state Rep. Salman Bhojani, D-Euless, filed the bills to expand the state's list of optional holidays to include more religious holy days; prevent standardized tests being given on those days; and ensure that religious leaders of all faiths can legally perform marriages.

Bhojani, one of the state's first Muslim legislators, was joined at a news conference by Republican state Rep. Jacey Jetton, R-Richmond, who is Christian, and fellow Muslim state Rep. Suleman Lalani, D- Sugar Land.

"As legislators, it is our duty to ensure that Texas is the religious freedom state, where we can practice our faith with pride, where we can pray in a church, synagogue, mosque, temple, jamatkhana or gurdwara, where we can love God by any name," Bho-

jani said.

### Plan to ban TikTok on state-owned devices released

Abbott last week also announced a security plan to ban the use of the popular video app TikTok as well as other software on all state-issued devices, as well as personal devices used to conduct state business. Abbott contends the Chinese-owned company can harvest data from TikTok user's devices and poses a security risk to Texas.

After Abbott issued the initial order in December, The University of Texas at Austin banned TikTok on all its Wi-Fi networks. The latest security plan also includes other lesser-known apps, such as WeChat. A number of hardware manufacturers are also prohibited from being used by state agencies and employees.

TikTok, which is known for its short videos, is owned by the Chinese company ByteDance and has more than 86 million users in the United States.

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## Council reviews Community Center renovation ideas

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A Mural Project with Mason Fleming was approved. Possible venues are still being considered. Bruce Fleming abstained from voting.

Hi-Plains Civil Engineers, Ltd. gave a presentation regarding a draft water study report. The City of Friona is in good shape in regards to water supply and delivery. At current levels, Friona would not run out of water until the year 2070. Estimated population at that time is 6,698 residents. Short-term needs are more elevated storage (water tower) and replacing

old pipe with slightly larger pipe when repairs are needed. Council action will not be taken until the next meeting. The City of Friona was given high marks for its forward-looking plans regarding the water supply.

Friona Police Chief Isidro Jiminez presented the department's racial profiling report and it was approved by the Council.

Motions to approve an FEDC incentive agreement with TW&M Properties LLC concerning the housing project west of Legacy Pointe Senior Apartments and

an agreement between the City of Friona and TW&M Properties LLC was approved. Council Member Cindy Moreno abstained from voting on both motions.

The Council authorized the City Manager to solicit bids for a Bathroom Remodel/Replacement Project for the Friona Community Center. The City Manager was also authorized to solicit bids for Daycare Service Provider. Plans are to have it operational by the time school starts in September.

An agreement with O'Reilly's Auto Parts could not be reached

and the company has chosen not build a store in Friona. Plans are underway on other possible uses of the old 4-Way property and also for city property located at the old Campbell Electric building.

In other business, the accounts payable for January 2023 were approved. The financial statement for January 2023 was also approved.

The next City Council meeting has been rescheduled for March 20, 2023.

All meetings are open to the public. Information in this article is only a summary.

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**ACROSS**  
1 Guadalupe River floater  
5 TXism: "busy as \_\_\_\_\_ tender on pay day"  
6 Laredo smelter turns stib \_\_\_\_\_ into antimony  
7 large TX family  
8 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ mouth" (discouraged man)  
17 TXism: "sticks like tar \_\_\_\_\_ road"  
18 TX Willie Nelson & George Strait, e.g.  
21 TXism: "let it \_\_\_\_\_"  
22 TX "\_\_\_\_\_ -Million" Gates risked everything on barbed wire famous TX heart surgeon, Denton  
23 "Texas Water \_\_\_\_\_" boat race  
29 flowerless plant  
30 soldier beds  
31 Cowboy or Texan score (abbr.)  
32 near Newton: "\_\_\_\_\_"  
34 "Canyons" trails charged atoms  
35 Stetson can be used to \_\_\_\_\_ a fire  
36 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ old range cow"  
37 Houston beat Santa \_\_\_\_\_ at San Jacinto  
38 TX Willie film: "Honeysuckle \_\_\_\_\_"  
39 an account to pay taxes and insurance for property  
40 TXism: "hook, \_\_\_\_\_, and sinker" (all)  
41 TX Patrick Swayze film "\_\_\_\_\_ Dancing"  
42 sax's sound? (2 wds.)  
44 "Get along, little \_\_\_\_\_"  
45 TX singer Orbison (init.)  
46 TXism: "plows \_\_\_\_\_ row" (dependable)  
48 news/weather program  
49 Garth Brooks album: "\_\_\_\_\_ ' the Wind"  
14 horse gaits  
15 health care groups  
16 TXism: "slippery as an \_\_\_\_\_"  
19 sample again?  
20 TX William \_\_\_\_\_ Porter was O. Henry  
22 TXism: "feel like I've \_\_\_\_\_ rode hard and put up wet"  
24 dir. to Pittsburgh from New Boston  
25 TXism: "I \_\_\_\_\_ to"  
26 TXism: "high tail it"  
27 track sprint (2 wds.)  
28 bitter resentment  
29 defects  
30 holder of TX Blue Bell scoops

**DOWN**  
1 TX Patrick Swayze's former spread in California (2 wds.)  
2 Taylor County seat  
3 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ boardinghouse cat"  
4 current style  
9 TXism: "horse \_\_\_\_\_" (western)  
10 "\_\_\_\_\_ ' Wild"  
11 gun assn. (abbr.)  
12 "\_\_\_\_\_ I knew then . . ."  
13 in Montague County on U.S. 82



# COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

**Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from February 2, 2023 to February 9, 2023**

(2/2/23) Elpidio Banuelos — Santiago Salas, Maria Del Carmen De La Cruz — All of Lot 3, of block 59, of the Original Town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas

(2/3/23) David White, Paula White — Mickee L. Mounce, Virginia R. Mounce — All of Lot 23 and 24 of Block 14, of the Original Town of Farwell, Parmer County, Texas

(2/3/23) Rosa Maria Munoz — Enrique Marez Beltran, Blanca Estela Beltran — S/2 of Lot 1 and All of Lots 2, 3, 4, and 5, Block 42, Original Townsite, City of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas

(2/3/23) Bovina Methodist Church — Crossroads Community Church of Bovina Inc. — All of Lots 1 and 2, in Block 77, of the Original Town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas; All of the East 15' of Lot 3, Block 77, of the Original Town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas

(2/8/23) GRG Ag LLC — 86 Farms LLC — All of the Interest in the W/2 and the SE/4 of Section 13 Less 3.69 Acres previously conveyed to the State of Texas of the Right-Of-Way All in Township 5 S Range 4 E Capitol Syndicate Subdivision in Parmer County and All of the S 159.2 Acres of Section 25 Township 5 S R 4 E of Capitol Syndicate Subdivision in Parmer County

# SHERIFF'S REPORT

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

(2/7/23) Delana Lea Barron, 63, of Friona was arrested on Parmer County Warrant by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of Driving While Intoxicated/Open Alcohol Container.

(2/9/23) Travis Jacob Steelman, 37, of Bovina was arrested on a charge of Assault Causes Bodily Injury Family Member.

(2/10/23) Ramon Banda IV, 30, of Bovina was arrested on a Parmer County Warrant by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of Driving W/Lic Inv W/Prev Conv/Susp/W/O Fin Res.

(2/11/23) Nicole Jimenez, 27, of El Paso was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on charges of Possession CS PG 1 ≥ 4g < 200g and Possession Marijuana, 2oz.

(2/12/23) Jasmin Marie Murillo, 28 of Muleshoe was arrested the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on charges of Man/Del CS PG 1 ≥ 4g < 200g and Resisting Arrest Search or Transport.

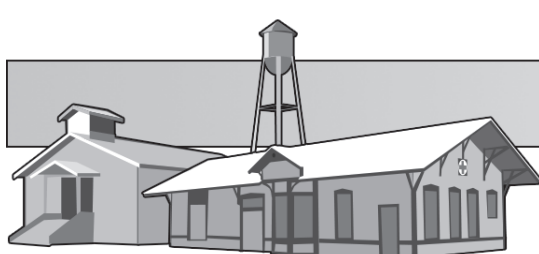
(2/12/23) Sergio Vironche, 37, of Andrews was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on the following charges: Parmer County Warrant for Man/Del CS PG 1 ≥ 4g < 200g; Parmer County Warrant for Fail to ID Fugitive Intent Give False Info; Andrews County Warrant for Fail to ID Fugitive Intent Give False Info; and Curry County, New Mexico Warrant for Man/Del CS PG 1 ≥ 4g < 200g.

**UPTAIN SELF-STORAGE SYSTEMS**

Rental office at State Farm Office  
Homer Allan & Patty Haile - Owners  
1015 W. Hwy 60 - Friona, TX  
806-250-2555 Cell 265-7923

### Puzzle Solution

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# TOWN TALK

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**Hospital Auxiliary News** — Connie Neelley informed the Friona Star this week that the generous citizens of Friona gave \$3,156.24 to Project Christmas Card this year. The funds will be used to purchase a small ultrasound machine for the emergency room at Parmer Medical Center. Connie said that the Parmer County Hospital Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who donated and make Friona a special place to live.

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**Filing period ends Friday** — The candidate filing period for positions on the Friona Independent School District Board of Trustees, Friona City Council, and Parmer County Hospital District Board of Directors ends on Friday, February 17th at 5:00 p.m. The general election will be held on Saturday, May 6th 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 Jamie Lewellen and Wade Schueler are expiring. School board members serve three year terms. Anyone who is interested in filing for the election can contact Claudia Castillo at the Fisd administration office at 909 E, 11th, Friona Texas or call 250-2747.

There are three positions up for election on the city council. The terms of council members Bruce Fleming, Esmeralda Mills, and Alan Monroe are expiring. Council members serve two year terms. To

file as a candidate, go by City Hall at 623 Main, Friona, Texas or call 250-2761 for information about the election.

The Parmer County Hospital District Board will have two positions open for election. The terms of Ricky Barnett and Danny Kendrick are expiring. Board members serve two year terms. Individuals interested in running for the hospital district board can contact Rocio Carrasco at Parmer Medical Center, 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas, call 250-2754 for information, or pick up forms at City Hall at 623 Main, Friona, Texas.

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**The Star has moved** — the Friona Star has officially moved to its new home. It is now located, with Intheden Graphics, at 1215 Elm Ave. You can park on the north side (14th St.) and walk up the sidewalk to the office door.

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**New tenants at old Star building** — Dr. Shane Hand and the Amarillo Family Wellness Group have moved to the old Star building at 208 E. 11th. Dr. Hand works in Friona on Wednesdays. When you enter the front door take a left to enter the waiting room. Plans are being finalized for another tenant to utilize office space in the center right portion of the building.

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**Save the Date** — The 67th Annual Friona Chamber of Commerce

& Ag Awards Ceremony is set for Tuesday, March 7th. The theme this year is "There's No Place Like Home" and suggested attire is casual. Tickets are \$30. Order yours today.

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**The Main problem** — Work has begun on the Downtown Revitalization Project and causing some parking and navigational issues. Some underground work is necessary before new sidewalks can be installed.

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**Let it snow...and rain** — So far this year we have received two good snows and an unexpected thunderstorm. Hopefully we are on track to receive more rain this year. The predictions are that the weather pattern will change to a more favorable outlook of precipitation for us.

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**Time 2 Laugh** — (1) What type of sandals do frogs wear? Open-toad! (2) What do you call a boomerang that doesn't come back? A stick! Source: <https://www.rd.com/list/short-jokes>.

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### National Days

- February 16— Almond Day
- February 17 — Caregivers Day
- February 18— Battery Day
- February 19 — Arabian Horse Day
- February 20 — Presidents Day
- February 21 — Sticky Bun Day
- February 22 — Ash Wednesday

## Newspaper Fun!

www.readingclubfun.com

In school we are studying ... ...the lives of all of the U.S. Presidents. Kids: color stuff in!

### Presidents Day

At one time, England ruled 13 colonies on the eastern part of North America. Each colony had its own government and ran things its own way. To create unity and keep the peace, the Continental Congress was formed, and a few men from each colony went there to discuss things and find answers. They complained to England about many problems. But, when those problems were not fixed, fighting began between the colonies and England. Armed colonists were brought together by the Congress to form an army, the first military group serving all of the colonies. Colonel George Washington was named commander-in-chief of all the armed forces who would fight for freedom (1775). Washington also had a small Navy to stop British ships that brought supplies to America. When the war ended, so did the small, brave Navy. But, years later, as president of the new United States of America, Washington launched a permanent U.S. Navy.

**Read the clues to fill in the crossword about George Washington:**

- was our country's \_\_\_\_\_ president
- was born on February 22, 1732 in Westmoreland County, \_\_\_\_\_
- had no middle \_\_\_\_\_
- had 9 \_\_\_\_\_, 4 were half-brothers and sisters
- was over 6 \_\_\_\_\_ tall, which was rare
- his favorite \_\_\_\_\_ was fox hunting
- when young, worked as a surveyor — a person who \_\_\_\_\_ out the borders of land
- was married to \_\_\_\_\_ Custis in 1759
- had no \_\_\_\_\_ of his own, but helped raise his wife's two children
- was a great \_\_\_\_\_ during the American Revolution
- defeated the \_\_\_\_\_ army at the Battle of Yorktown
- was the only President not to live in the \_\_\_\_\_ House
- would not allow anyone to refer to him as any kind of royalty or \_\_\_\_\_
- was well-known for being \_\_\_\_\_
- was retired for less than 3 years when he died at age 67 of a \_\_\_\_\_ infection

**Begin at the star above (number one) and follow the dots to see a famous silhouette!**

### Remembering the 'Forgotten President'

Franklin Pierce was the only U.S. president from the state of New Hampshire. He had a hard life. Sometimes he is called a "Forgotten President." **Read each clue below to learn about this president. Study the crossword puzzle frame to fill in the correct word.**

**President Franklin Pierce:**

- was \_\_\_\_\_ in 1804 in Hillsborough, New Hampshire.
- (his) \_\_\_\_\_ was a farmer and the governor of N.H.
- was a great lawyer. When he was elected as a U.S. Senator, he was one of the \_\_\_\_\_ ever.
- served during the Mexican War, a war that happened after a large area of what we know now as \_\_\_\_\_ and parts of several other states broke away from Mexico and "joined" the U.S.
- was not expected to \_\_\_\_\_ in the primary race that would in turn allow him to run for the office of President.
- was what is known as a "dark-\_\_\_\_\_ " candidate.
- was \_\_\_\_\_ the 14th President.
- was in a \_\_\_\_\_ wreck; his 11-year-old son was killed.
- expanded the \_\_\_\_\_ of the United States by buying what is now Southern Arizona and New Mexico.
- tried to buy \_\_\_\_\_ from Spain.
- was not a popular \_\_\_\_\_ and he was not chosen to run for a second term.
- left office and took care of his sick wife. He lived in his house, in Concord, until his \_\_\_\_\_ in 1869.

### Who Are We?

In 1775 the Continental Congress adopted an army for the colonies. Two other branches of the U.S. armed forces have roots this far back. One was founded "to serve on land, on sea and in the air." The other started with just a few vessels and a handful of brave sailors. **To find out, color this puzzle following the color key.**

**B = Blue**  
**R = Red**  
**Y = Yellow**



# Small Town Cookin' By Jeri Lynn White

## National Almond Day

Almonds are especially delicious and a nutritious snack. The following recipes incorporate almonds as one of the main ingredients so you can enjoy National Almond Day on February 16th.

### Honey Sesame Almonds

www.acouplecooks.com

#### Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons honey
- 2 cups roasted unsalted almonds
- ¼ teaspoon kosher salt
- ¼ teaspoon cayenne
- ¼ cup sesame seeds

#### Instructions

Preheat the oven to 350°F. Place 2 tablespoons honey in a small, microwave-safe bowl or measuring cup and microwave for 15 seconds. In a large bowl, mix the honey with

the remainder of the ingredients. Place the mixture on a parchment covered baking sheet and roast for 10 minutes. Allow to cool fully, then gently break apart the almonds. Store in an airtight container.

### Honey Almond Granola

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#### Ingredients

- ¼ cup vegetable oil
- ¾ cup honey
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 6 cups old fashioned rolled oats
- 1 cup sliced almonds
- ½ cup slivered almonds
- 1 ½ cups raisins

#### Instructions

Preheat oven to 300°F. In a large bowl, mix ¼ cup vegetable oil, ¾ cup honey, 2 teaspoons vanilla extract, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, and ¼ teaspoon salt. Add 6 cups oats, 1 cup sliced almonds, and ½ cup slivered almonds. Stir with wooden spoon to evenly coat. Spread onto a parchment paper-lined baking sheet and bake around 45 minutes until golden, removing the pan to stir every 15 minutes. Remove from oven and let cool completely, then add 1 ½ cup raisins to the cooled mixture. Store in air-tight container.

## Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



### Presidents Day Quiz with no help from Google

In honor of Monday's federal holiday honoring the men who have landed in the Oval Office, take this little test. Some questions relate to their time in office; others may involve before or after their administrations. If you fail, go back to 5th Grade.

- Which President had the most children (15, by two marriages)?
- Which President traveled to San Antonio where he interviewed and enlisted men who would serve in a volunteer calvary regiment?
- Which President's love for and interest in science helped bring about the founding of the Smith-

- sonian Institution and proposed a national observatory as the "light-house of the skies?"
- Which President became a millionaire as a mining engineer before entering public service?
- Which President lost his youngest son (after having buried two other sons) in a train accident just two months before the President's inauguration?
- Which President was born on the 4th of July?
- Which President's wife earned a journalism degree from the University of Texas?
- Which President was elected to his second term after suffering

- a heart attack in his first term?
- Which President began his second inaugural address with the words, "With malice toward none, with charity for all?"
- Which President played baseball at Yale?
- Bonus: Who is the oldest living child of a former President?
- [ANSWERS: John Tyler (with one living grandson in 2023!), Theodore Roosevelt, John Quincy Adams, Herbert Hoover, Franklin Pierce, Calvin Coolidge, Lyndon B. Johnson, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Abraham Lincoln, George H.W. Bush, Lynda Bird Johnson Robb]



Work has begun on a Housing Development Project just finalized by the Friona City Council Monday evening. TW&M Properties LLC will construct new homes on the block between 15th & 16th Streets and west of Legacy Pointe Senior Apartments.

## Happy Birthday

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Tiffanni Procter  
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Alli Hoehle  
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Jared Turner

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## Diesel prices down again

By GasBuddy

Average gasoline prices in Texas fell 10.9 cents last week, averaging \$2.95 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Prices in Texas are 7.3 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 18.3 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was priced at \$2.27 while the most expensive was \$4.17 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline has fallen 7.3 cents in the last week, averaging \$3.37 per gallon. The national average is up 10.9 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 10.2 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has fallen 7.3 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.53 per gallon, the lowest level since March 5, 2022.

"For a second straight week, the national average price of gasoline has declined, alongside the price of diesel which has fallen to its lowest level in nearly a year," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

"While diesel prices likely have a long way to fall as inventories continue to improve, gasoline prices in some areas have gone up in the last weeks as the transition to summer gasoline is just around the corner. In addition, GasBuddy data shows that gasoline demand has risen for the third straight week, a trend that will likely continue as we gradually see temperatures warm and the heart of winter moves to the rear view. Also, refinery maintenance season will soon be in full force, likely putting upward pressure on prices. On average, gasoline prices rise between 35 and 85 cents per gallon between March and Memorial Day, so motorists seeing prices fall should enjoy the declines while they last."

GasBuddy data is compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

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# Handling Anxiety and Worry, pt 2

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

If you had a stroke or a heart attack, you would get to the ER asap. If you had a flat tire, you'd go to the tire shop pronto. If you had some tax problems or questions you'd find an accountant, but what is your plan of action when cares, worries and anxieties hit?

1 Peter 5:7 gives you a plan of action when you may struggle with anxieties and the cares of life. This verse says, "casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you." Notice that when the cares of life begin to crowd in on your soul, you are to go to the Lord with them. You can cast your cares and anxieties on him. This is much better than having a 10 step plan, or some other method that calls you to pull yourself up by your bootstraps, but casting your cares on the Lord is an invitation to lean on his presence, power and promises as you walk life.

Casting your cares on the Lord begins with prayer that lays those cares bare before the father and confesses the sin of being anxious, but it does not simply stop at prayer. Such drawing near to the Lord also grows faith and trust in the Lord by standing on his promises in the Bible, and living in light of those. Further, casting cares on the Lord involves surrounding yourself with other believers who can build you up in the Lord and be praying for you. In the end, casting your cares and anxieties on the Lord is not an effort to rid yourself of these burdens for the sake of an easier life, but it is an intentional clinging to the Lord in light of the trials and challenges before you, knowing that Christ himself is your peace (Eph 2:14) and that only Christ can calm the storm that anxiety, worry and fear churn up.

## Panhandle Parables

# Rain, Wind and Cold!

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

Well, the weather around here keeps you on your toes. It was nice Monday night to hear a little thunder and see a little rain. I was told we received around a quarter of an inch. We will take it. It is a quarter more than we had, but Tuesday proved it doesn't hang around long with wind gust over 50 mph. As I write we are preparing for a little dose of cold by Thursday.

Life at times, seems to imitate the weather. You get a little blessing (rain) and the next thing you know that blessing gets snatched away (wind) before it could fully be enjoyed. Leaving you with a cold dreary result. Satan is often quick to rob us of that moment of bliss, challenging our faith and hoping that cold empty feeling will move us a little further

away from our hope. Encouraging us to question our resolve and doubt that there is something greater beyond the clouds. This plays out in all our lives because storms come and sometimes all in one week.

This would be a desperate way to live if you do not know the Master of the storm and the King of our peace regardless of the circumstance. Sometimes, even when I can't comprehend all that is happening at a particular moment I must pause as the apostles did and marvel at the One who can calm the storm or see us through it. Don't lose hope, Jesus remains on His throne and all that is will one day bow to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. So, rain, wind or cold matters not to the one basking in the Son.

# Rejoice Through Suffering

By Teena Hughs

Romans 5: 3-5 says, "we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us."

Twice in the last week, I have been reminded of these verses! It makes me wonder what is coming my way????!!!!?

A friend was totally overwhelmed and devastated when her husband unexpectedly passed away. It has been a tough three years for her. She bought a house and moved out of the house she and her husband shared, but she had not completely moved out. She had gotten to the point where she did not want to go to the house, so she wasn't checking on it as often as she once was. Over Christmas, she found out pipes had burst in an upstairs bathroom, completely flooding and destroying the home. She felt terrible guilt, and what broke my heart was that she felt so ashamed for what happened. I prayed for her over the phone, and the next day she told our group of friends what happened, and we all

prayed for her.

During Bible study, a lady answered a question by saying we need to face our trials and challenges with joy, something my sweet lady had none of at that point. I told her we were going to pray for her to experience joy as she finished going through the things in her house. My prayer is that as she goes through things, wonderful memories will come to mind, and she will be filled with joy.

I was in a group with another lady I didn't know. She shared she voiced her Christian beliefs to a friend. The friend did not agree with her point of view, and was quick to let her know it in front of the lady's child. Of course the lady was upset, especially since her child had to witness her being berated.

We all face challenges of different kinds, and it is difficult to even think of facing them with joy, but that is what Scripture tells us to do. If we don't face them with joy, how will we ever build endurance, character and hope in ourselves; things that will help us face future trials and sufferings.

My friend's house can be fixed and sold, but it is going to probably take a little while for the other lady to get over how she

was treated, especially in front of her child. It is tough enough for some of us to speak what we believe, especially in this day and time when people are so quick to be critical of us, to our face, in front of our children, to others, on social media, etc. So what do we do in these times of trial?

It helps to know the Word. It is the only true guidebook for our lives, and we need that guidance more now than ever!

The difficult part for me is maintaining my composure: not getting mad, loud, flustered; feeling defeated, unequipped, etc. I need to be honest about my shortcomings and seek God's help in turning them into something useful for me and Him.

I need to work at rejoicing during my trials and sufferings. I know that when I do, things are never as bad as I think they are. It seems I get through them easier and faster than if I have negative feelings.

Last, I need to be still and depend on God to help me, or in some cases, fix my problems. That can be tough too, but we know that when we do it, everything always works out for THE BEST!

Take care, and rejoice in your trials!!! They are good for you!!!

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# Sports



## Friona Youth Sports Basketball Season Week 2

Week 2 of Friona Youth Sports Basketball season was in full force this past weekend, the Friona 1st & 2nd grade boys "Friona Hornets" took the win vs. Bovina "B-Town Elite" 22-2 with Matthew Marquez leading them to the win scoring 16 points. The Friona "Red Storm" won vs. Bovina "B-Town Elite" 32-9 Yahdriel Faudoa scored 12 points, Jett Jarecki 8 points for the win!

Moving forward with the 3rd & 4th grade boys Friona "Friona Chiefs" won vs. Bovina "Rebels" 32-18, Anthony Marquez scoring 22 & Wylie Steelman scoring 10. Also in the same division the Friona "Friona Warriors" won vs. Farwell "Bonestroo" Elian Aguirre scored 5 of the winning points.

The 3rd & 4th grade girls Friona "Red Diamonds" won vs. Friona Sparkle Stars 29-6 Amayah Rojas scoring 27 points!

The 5th & 6th girls Friona "Hot Shotz" won vs. Farwell "Lady Blue" 40-2 D'Nasha Shelby scored 15 points, Genesis Aguirre 12 points & Emery Rangel 8 points for the

win. In this division we also had the Friona "Friona Squaws" won vs. Farwell "Lady Blue" Jaylee Perez scored 26 points and Ivanna Guevara 8 points. The Friona "Friona Hotshotz" second game they took the win vs. Farwell "Blue Thunder" 26-14 D'Nasha Shelby scoring 12 of the winning points.

The 3rd & 4th grade boys second game (Friona) "Friona Warriors" won vs. Bovina "RL Trucking" 26-21 Logan Taylor scoring 12 points & Elian Aguirre 8 points.

We want to thank coaches, participants, and parents for being a part of Friona Youth Sports, also our sponsors & Friona ISD FHS custodians, for making this a possibility. Thank you to referees and all FYS board members & volunteers we couldn't do this without your continued support.

Please follow us on Facebook for the latest information, send pictures to frionayouthsports@gmail.com to be published weekly and also text the word "connect" to 806-454-9040 to sign up for text message updates.



## Deaf Smith Electric Co-op Names Winners of Annual Speech Contest

Since 1965, Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative has proudly participated in the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's Government-In-Action Youth Tour program.

Recently, 7 students competed for 5 spots via a speech contest and panel interview. They earned the opportunity to join almost 2,000 of their peers from electric cooperatives across the country this summer on an all-expenses-paid trip to Austin and Washington, D.C. The trip is sponsored by DSEC and Golden Spread Electric Cooperative.

The students chosen are: Aubrey Schueler — Aubrey is the daughter

of Wade and Candice Schueler and is a sophomore at Friona High School. Masyn Friemel — Masyn is the son of Landon and Brianna Friemel. He is a junior at Vega High School. Emma Schueler — Emma is the daughter of Wade and Candice Schueler and is a senior at Friona High School. Paul Luke Betzen — Paul is the son of Nathan and Amy Betzen. He is a senior at Hereford High School. Charlie May Trimble — Charlie is the daughter of Charlie and Ginger Trimble. She is a senior at Farwell High School.

Students on the tour learn about electric cooperatives, American

history, and U.S. government. They attend educational seminars, visit with their members of congress, and see the historical sites around Washington, D.C.

"This trip is a fantastic way for the students in rural America to experience a host of national sites like the National Cathedral, Lincoln Memorial, Mount Vernon, the Smithsonian Museum and Arlington National Cemetery and others. They get to experience the Texas State Capitol and see how our government works, both at the State and National level," said Tim Burkhalter, President and General Manager of DSEC.

"No matter what your thoughts on government are, this trip gives these students the opportunity to see what makes America special in an effort to ensure that rural values continue to have a place in future leaders of our country, state and local areas," he said.

Youth Tour has been a Texas co-op tradition since 1965, when co-ops—inspired by then-Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson who encouraged youths to go to Washington to see their American heritage and government

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Emma Schueler, Masyn Friemel, Paul Betzen, Aubrey Schueler, Charlie Trimble

at work, "what the flag stands for and represents"—began sponsoring teens on this trip. Educating and mentoring young people fit in with co-ops' mission to support the communities they serve. Co-ops not only power homes and businesses across rural and suburban Texas but also invest

time, energy, and compassion into improving their members' quality of life.

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative is a distribution cooperative with headquarters in Hereford, serving portions of Castro, Deaf Smith, Oldham and Parmer counties on the high plains. Founded in 1937, the

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## Scoreboard

### Varsity Boys Basketball

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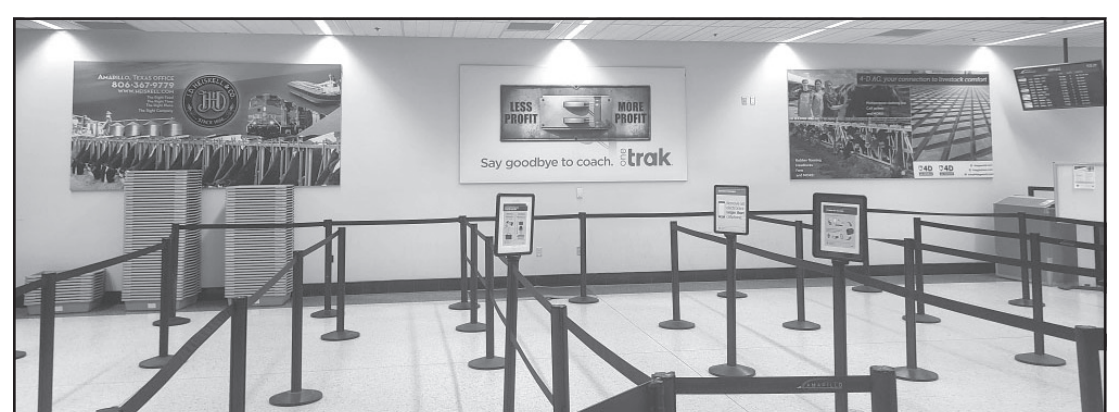
Lamesa	25	8	9	20	<b>62</b>
Friona	0	4	10	6	<b>20</b>

*Brice Jeter 5 points, Justen Trevino and Jameson Daniels 4 points each*

**Friday 2/10/23**

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Friona	7	10	2	4	<b>23</b>

*Justen Trevino 12 points, Bryer Stanberry and Johnny Gonzalez 4 points each*



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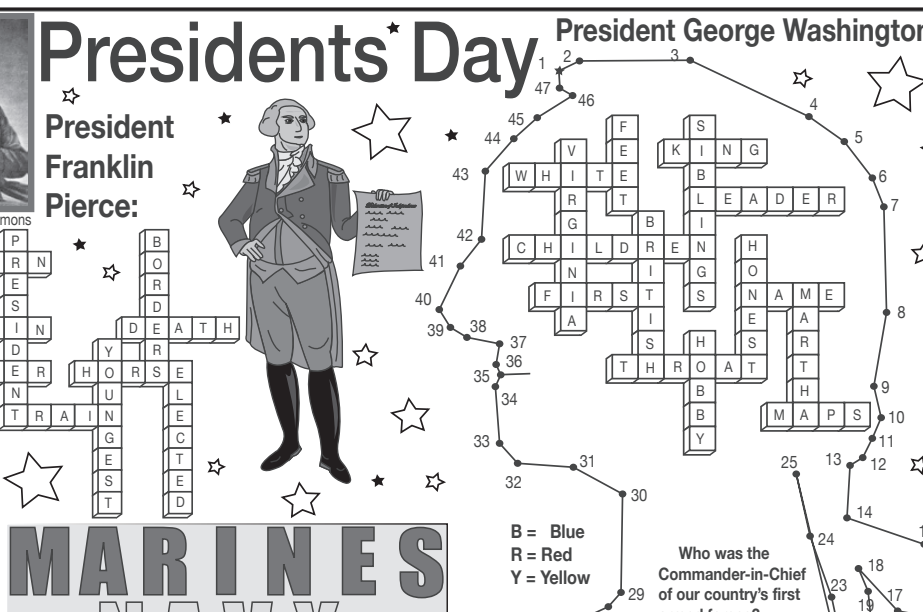
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Obituaries

Joyce A. Wilkins

Joyce A. Wilkins, 89, of Carlsbad, NM, passed away February 8, 2023 in Friena, Texas. A graveside service was scheduled for 2:00 PM, Friday, February 10, 2023 at Carlsbad Cemetery, Carlsbad, NM with Pastor Gary Davis officiating. Friena arrangements by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friena. New Mexico arrangements by Denton-Wood Funeral Home of Carlsbad, NM. Joyce A. Wilkins was born February 19, 1933, in Paris, Texas to Hubert and Myrtle (Bradley) Jones. She lived in Friena, Texas for a number of years before moving to Roswell, NM then to Carlsbad. Joyce enjoyed crafting and her friendships at the San Jose Senior Center. She was

a member at the Happy Valley Church. She was preceded in death by her parents, grandson, Michael Wilcox and sister-in-law, Carol Jones. Survivors are daughter, Anndrea Wilcox and husband, George of Lamesa, Texas; daughter, Dixie Williams of Houston, Texas; son, Charles Wilkins and wife, Rhonda of Friena, Texas; son, Eddie Wilkins and Tearsa of Carlsbad, NM; 9 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandsons; siblings: Carl Jones and wife, Sandy of Paris, Texas, Howard Jones of Carlsbad, NM and several nieces and nephews. Condolences may be expressed at dentonwood.com

William Fallwell III (Bill)

William Fallwell III (Bill) left his earthly body on January 30st, 2023. He was 67 years old. A memorial service will be February 25th @ 2:00PM at Lifeway Baptist Church 3315 Hancock St. Amarillo Texas. Bill was born on December 13, 1955 to William (Buddy) & Frances Fallwell. He was a graduate of Friena High School in the class of 1974. Bill had been retired for 2 years from running his own pest control business & being a home inspector. Bill loved to fish, watch football & spend time with his boys & grandchildren. He had 2 cats that he was crazy about. He is survived by his sons William (Willy) & wife Megan Fallwell, and Jason & wife Dakota Fallwell & 7 grand-



children. 5 Sisters Sarah Lappin of Mt. Vernon Texas, Linda McKean & husband Pat, Hazel Yavari, Terri Fallwell, and Bonnie Pope & husband Mike all of Amarillo. 2 brothers Gary Fallwell of Bullard Texas & Larry Fallwell of Cannon City Colorado. Lots of nieces & nephews. Bill was preceded in death by his parents & his wife.

Hansard Family Funeral Home

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La amabilidad sale del corazón y se expresa y proyecta de diferentes maneras.  
Yo escijo ser amable  
Dando las gracias a las señoras de la Cafeteria  
Matteo

Matteo / 1st Place (Pre-K)

So I was about to go to my house. Acenet was playing with me. She was being so so so nice and she was filling my bucket.

Manolo / 2nd Place (Pre-K)

So Jude picked me up when I fell. And Jude had a flower in his pocket. Then he gave it to me. I feel good.

Juan / 3rd Place (Pre-K)

Yo soy amable cuando ayudo a mis amigos y a mi maestra cuando estoy en el salon. Ser Amable es mi super poder.

Abe / 1st Place (Kindergarten)

me and my family  
How hands we are  
Being nice

Diego / 2nd Place (Kindergarten)

stetson

I was helping my friend after they fell off the swing.

Stetson / 3rd Place (Kindergarten)

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Kindness looks like Friends for Ever  
Kindness smells like Christmas trees  
Kindness tastes like cherries  
Kindness feels like filling a bucket  
Kindness sounds like talking nicely  
BY: Analee

Analee / 1st Place (1st Grade)

Kindness looks like sharing  
Kindness smells like sunflower  
Kindness tastes like is kream  
Kindness feels like fluff  
Kindness sounds like wind  
BY: Ahyanna

Ahyanna / 2nd Place (1st Grade)

Kindness looks like feelz  
Kindness smells like chocolate  
Kindness tastes like freas  
Kindness feels like cheer  
Kindness sounds like amide  
BY: Maykol

Maykol / 3rd Place (1st Grade)





## FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



It was a hot time at the baseball field Saturday. After the game with Dimmitt ended, this fire along the fence line was started by a couple of youngsters and rapidly spread to the dry timber, threatening a few vehicles parked nearby. Friona firemen were called and made short work of the blaze. Ron Carr photo. (Friona Star, Thursday, February 21, 2013)

## Speak softly

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

On February 15, 1898, an American battleship—anchored in Havana harbor—exploded; two hundred sixty sailors—out of approximately 400—perished.

A U.S. Navy court investigated the incident and ruled that a mine had been used to sink the ship. The court did not blame Spain for the incident. But according to History.com, “much of Congress and a majority of the American public expressed little doubt that Spain was responsible and called for a declaration of war ... Subsequent diplomatic [overtures] failed to resolve the...matter, coupled with [the] United States’ indignation over Spain’s brutal suppression of the



Cuban rebellion and continued losses to American investment, led to the outbreak of the Spanish-American War in April 1898.”

Four months later, an armistice was declared, and by the end of the year, a treaty was signed.

The Grateful American Book Prize recom-

mends **Theodore Roosevelt’s The Rough Riders. The 26th president fought in the Spanish-American War.**

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

## 2022 Was Another Record Year for U.S. Farm Exports

The American agricultural sector posted its best export year ever in 2022 with international sales of U.S. farm and food products reaching \$196 billion, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced today. Final 2022 trade data released earlier this week by the Commerce Department shows that U.S. agricultural exports increased 11 percent, or \$19.5 billion, from the previous record set in 2021.

“This second consecutive year of record-setting agricultural exports, coupled with a record \$160.5 billion in net farm income in 2022, demonstrates the success of the Biden-Harris Administration’s efforts to create new and better markets for America’s agricultural producers and businesses,” Vilsack said. “We’re strengthening relationships with our trading partners and holding those partners accountable for their commitments. We’re making historic investments in infrastructure to strengthen supply chains and prevent market dis-

ruptions. We’re knocking down trade barriers that hamper U.S. producers’ access to key markets. And we’re continuing to invest in export market development programs, partnering with industry to bring high-quality, cost-competitive U.S. products to consumers around the world.”

The value of sales increased in all of the United States’ top 10 agricultural export markets – China, Mexico, Canada, Japan, the European Union, South Korea, Taiwan, the Philippines, Colombia and Vietnam, with sales in seven of the 10 markets (China, Mexico, Canada, South Korea, Taiwan, the Philippines and Colombia) setting new records.

“While we remain committed to our established customer base around the world, we are also setting our sights on new growth opportunities in places like Africa, Latin America, the Middle East and Southeast Asia. Overall, there were 30 markets where U.S. exports exceeded \$1 billion in 2022 – an increase

from 27 markets in 2021 – demonstrating the broad global appeal of American-grown products,” Vilsack noted.

The top commodities exported by the United States in 2022 were soybeans, corn, beef, dairy, cotton and tree nuts, which together comprised more than half of U.S. agricultural export value. International sales of many U.S. products – including soybeans, cotton, dairy, beef, ethanol, poultry, soybean meal, distilled spirits and distillers’ grains – reached record values.

“At the end of the day, agricultural trade is all about opportunities – for America’s farmers and ranchers, for our rural communities, for the U.S. economy and for our global customers. We extend our gratitude to the Americans across the agricultural industry who create and support those opportunities by growing, processing, selling and shipping our farm and food products to the world,” Vilsack said.

*Source: USDA Office of Communications*

## All public schools required to have an IPM program

By Susan Himes

“This year it is more important than ever that IPM coordinators for their schools are aware of new rules and law changes they must adhere to,” said Janet Hurley, AgriLife Extension integrated pest management specialist, Dallas, and school IPM training instructor.

All public schools in Texas are required under Texas Administrative Code to adopt, implement and maintain a school IPM program, but Hurley said many school districts are still not implementing their IPM programs to the letter of the law.

The Texas law requires each school board adopt an IPM policy that follows all legal requirements for pesticide use. The schools must make their policy available for the public to review. Importantly, each district must designate an IPM coordinator who ensures compliance with the IPM policy.

“In addition to our in-person classes, we also offer a six-hour school IPM course or the one-hour school IPM refresher course online,” Hurley said. Participants may register for online trainings at <https://tx.ag/OnlineSchoolIPM>.

### NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID

The City Council of the City of Friona, Texas is soliciting sealed bid proposals for a Bathroom Remodel/Replacement Project for Friona Community Center located at 601 W 15<sup>TH</sup> Street, Friona, Texas 79035.

The City will be the sole arbiter of what offer, if any, constitutes the best value for the City. The City is seeking a combination of the best construction price for the Project as well as the best long-term benefit to the City and the citizens of Friona, Texas.

Sealed bids will be received until 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 3, 2023, at City Hall located at 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035. All bids received at or prior to such time will be opened and read aloud on Monday, March 6, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. Bids received after such time will not be opened or considered. The highest, best or most acceptable bid or bids will be presented to the City Council for review and possible approval at a meeting on March 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Bidders are expected to inspect the property and to inform themselves of all local conditions. Bidders may also contact the City of Friona to schedule an onsite inspection of the property by calling (806) 250-2761. Additional information, such as designs of the bathroom, may be obtained at City Hall, 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035 or by calling City Manager Leander Davila at (806) 250-2761.

**WAIVER OF CLAIMS: BY TENDERING A BID TO THIS INVITATION TO BID, THE BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT HAS READ AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING A BID AND THE PROCESS USED BY THE CITY FOR SELECTING A BEST BIDDER. FURTHER, BY SUBMITTING A BID, THE BIDDER FULLY, VOLUNTARILY AND UNDERSTANDINGLY WAIVES AND RELEASES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY AND ANY OF ITS COUNCIL MEMBERS, OFFICERS, AGENTS AND/OR EMPLOYEES THAT COULD ARISE OUT OF THE ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, OR RECOMMENDATION OF ANY BID SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THIS INVITATION TO BID.**

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and must be plainly marked “City of Friona Bathroom Remodel/Replacement Project Bid” in the lower left-hand corner and must be received before the above stated time. To be valid, the bid must be manually signed in ink by an authorized person. By such signature, the bidder agrees to strictly abide by the terms, conditions, specifications contemplated in this invitation for bids. Failure to comply with any bid requirement will result in the bid being considered void by the City.

Bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to the official opening. Alterations made prior to the opening time must be initialed by the Bidder to guarantee authenticity. After the official opening, bids may not be amended, altered or withdrawn without the approval of the Friona City Council.

The City reserves the rights to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids received and to accept the bid that best serves the interest of Friona, Texas.

CITY OF FRIONA, TEXAS  
By: Leander Davila  
City Manager

### NOTICE OF INVITATION TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL

The City Council of the City of Friona, Texas is soliciting proposals from businesses regarding daycare services and what they could provide the City of Friona residents for city property located at 704 Ashland, Friona, Texas 79035 formerly known as the Girls Scout Building.

The City will be the sole arbiter of what offer, if any, constitutes the best value for the City. The City is seeking a combination of the best practices for the Project as well as the best long-term benefit to the City and the citizens of Friona, Texas. Those interested need to submit their proposal which should at a minimum include a cover letter, operational plan, safety plan and cost/benefit analysis, and rent request.

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Proposals shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and must be plainly marked “City of Daycare Proposal” in the lower left-hand corner and must be received before the above stated time. To be valid, the proposal must be manually signed in ink by an authorized person. By such signature, the business agrees to strictly abide by the terms, conditions, specifications contemplated in this invitation for proposal. Failure to comply with any requirement will result in the proposal being considered void by the City.

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John Everett and Sandra Lookingbill were announced as "King and Queen For a Day" at the Prairie Acres Valentine Party on Tuesday.

**Geske signs with Wayland**

On Thursday, February 9th, Caleb Geske signed a letter of intent to play baseball for the Wayland Baptist University Pioneers. The signing ceremony was held in the Friona High School gym and was attended by family, friends, and current Chieftain teammates. Caleb has been playing baseball since he was 5 years old and has attended several baseball camps

including two at Wayland Baptist University. In fact, WBU was the first camp he ever attended. Pioneer Associate Head Coach Brett Cook had been recruiting Caleb and when WBU made an offer this past week, Caleb knew that was where he wanted to continue his baseball career. Besides being a first baseman for the Pioneers, Caleb plans to study Criminal Justice while attending college.



Caleb signs as his parents, Eric and Candace, look on.



Caleb is joined by classmates to celebrate his signing with Wayland.

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