



General Election

May 6, 2023

FISD Board of Trustees
(Candidates for 2 positions)
Glen London
Shawn Pitsch
Wade Schueler
John Jarecki

7 am to 7 pm
Friona City Council Chambers
619 Main Street, Friona, TX

PCHD Board of Directors
(Candidates for 2 positions)
Danny Kendrick
Greg O'Brian
Ricky Barnett

7 am to 7 pm
Friona City Council Chambers
619 Main Street, Friona, TX
7 am to 7 pm
Bovina EMS Building
109 3rd St., Bovina, TX

Roll-off box to open up for waste items

The City will open up the roll-off box this Saturday, May 6th, from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Please come by to dump those items that don't belong in your dumpster and do your part to help Keep Friona Clean!



The roll-off box is located at East 8th and South Jackson Ave. It is a free service provided to Friona residents. Examples of items not allowed in dumpsters includes: steel and metal, mattresses and furniture, refrigerators/AC units, paint cans (with or with-

out liquids), electronics and appliances, drums/barrels, brick, wood and concrete, railroad ties. Items not accepted in the roll-off box are tires, oil and tree limbs. To dispose of these items, please contact the City office at 806-250-2761.

They broke it, they own it!!!



Friona High School junior Yvonne Legarreta (left) and sophomore Kitzy Welch (right) broke three school track & field records last week at the Region 1 Class AAA Track Meet in Abilene. Their efforts also qualified them for the state track meet next week.

On the track, Yvonne ran a 11:28.89 while winning the 3200M Run. That broke the existing record of 12:01.10 set by Emmie Crutchfield in 2004. Later in the meet, Yvonne ran a

5:21.11 in the 1600M while finishing third behind two runners from Holliday. That broke the existing record of 5:26.40 set by Jena Grimsley in 1999. Even though she finished in third, Yvonne still qualified for the state meet as a wildcard by having the ninth fastest time in the state at regionals. Note: Holliday repeated this year as Regional Champions.

In the field, Kitzy threw the discus 130' 8" to claim the silver medal in the event. That broke the existing

record of 128' 10" set by Amy Murphree in 2001. The winner of the event was from Childress who finished at 150' 01" which was just 2' short of the Regionals record.

Yvonne and Kitzy will travel to Austin next week to compete in the State Track Meet at Mike Meyers Stadium. Tentative schedule is Thursday, May 11th at 9:00 a.m. for Kitzy and Yvonne will run on Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and sometime after 5:00 p.m. Go Big Red!!!

Three city employees recognized

City of Friona's newest employees were recognized this week in the new courtroom at City Hall.

Guadalupe Salinas is the new Animal Control Officer for the City of Friona. She received a certificate of completion from Zoonosis Control for completing

the Animal Control Officer Basic Training Course. Training is conducted through the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Marie Samarron passed the exam administered by the Texas Municipal Courts Education Center and received her Municipal

Court Clerk Certification. She is now a Certified Court Clerk Level 1.

Danny Campbell is the new Fire Marshall/Code Compliance Officer. His wife, Holly, was at the ceremony to pin on his new badge.



Guadalupe Salinas
Animal Control Officer



Marie Samarron
Certified Court Clerk 1



Danny Campbell
Fire Marshall
Code Compliance Officer

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Friona Weather May 4-10	T 83 56 SW 20-30	F 83 52 WSW 10-20	S 86 51 WSW 15-25	S 84 49 WSW 15-25	M 85 51 WSW 15-25	T 82 49 W 15-25	W 82 48 W 15-25	Precipitation May 0.00 Year 1.19	Burn Ban Yes
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Community Calendar

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

May 4

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

May 6

• Election Day

May 8

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

May 11

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

May 14

• Mother's Day

May 15

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
• Friona Noon Lions Meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen

May 16

• Snack Pak 4 Kids packing at Methodist Church north entrance at 2:30 p.m.

ON YOUR PAYROLL

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State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



House OKs \$4.5 billion for teacher pay raises

The Texas House last Thursday passed two education-related bills, one that allocates \$4.5 billion for teacher pay raises and another to increase the annual per-student base funding from \$6,160 to \$6,300 – a 2.3% increase.

The Austin American-Statesman reported the bill would create minimum salaries for teachers ranging from \$35,000 to \$63,000 depending on experience and level of education. It would also increase funding for special education and fine arts.

Some education advocates worry the per-student funding is insufficient to keep up with inflation, which has grown by 17% in the last four years, the Statesman reported.

The bill also creates a method to adjust the per-student funding for inflation every other year, starting in 2025.

nectivity often was crucial for schools and people trying to work from home. However, state Comptroller Glenn Hegar said in March that it would take closer to \$10 billion to get all Texans connected.

The state is also expected to receive federal dollars for broadband expansion out of the infrastructure package passed by Congress in 2021, though it is unknown how much Texas will receive out of the \$42.45 billion allocated for broadband expansion. The state will need to match one-fourth of whatever it receives from the federal government.

Bill calls for armed officers at all schools

A bill that would require school districts to place at least one armed officer on each campus has

passed the Texas House, the Statesman reported. The measure comes almost a year after a gunman killed 19 children and two teachers in a mass shooting in Uvalde last May.

Any officer or school employee would have to complete handgun safety training. The measure also requires at least one audit for intruder detection each year in all districts. The state would provide at least \$100 per student and \$15,000 per campus to maintain and improve school safety.

State Sen. Roland Gutierrez, D-San Antonio, has filed several gun control measures in that chamber that have yet to receive a hearing. Gutierrez represents Uvalde and says more needs to be done besides the House measure.

“Let me be very clear: I’m for anything that’s going to make our schools safer,” Gutierrez said in the Statesman story. “But the three things that is going to really make our schools safer is extreme risk protective orders, you take guns out of the hands of the mentally ill, Florida did it, it worked; raising the age limit, take guns, AR-15’s out of (the hands of) 18-, 19- and 20-year-olds, Florida did it, it worked; closing the gun show loophole and universal background checks.”

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



Lions Club News



At the Friona Noon Lions Club meeting last Monday, Sharon Rector presented two checks from the Girls Scouts organization totaling \$6,767.57 to United Way president Jimmy Burns. Since the Louisa Wilson Building will be the new home for daycare in Friona, it was deemed necessary to return those funds earmarked for scouting back to the United Way to be used for other beneficial endeavors. Mayor Greg Lewellen was the guest speaker and presented an update on all of the activities underway around town including the future daycare facility.

ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "got a mind to"
- 5 Lufkin's code is 956
- 6 TX A. J. Foyt won here four times
- 7 traveled by horse
- 8 Texas Tarzan, Ron Hewlett-
- 9 runs its U.S. business from Texas
- 16 USS Texas aided the Normandy landings on great sound at Dallas' Meyerson John Connally's wife (init.)
- 22 actor Grant of 1958 "Houseboat" with TX Martha Hyer
- 23 TX Mahomes, e.g. national clothing retailer (2 wds.)
- 30 TXism: "let's horse trading" (negotiate)
- 34 anno Domini abbr.
- 35 Dallas NE suburb
- 36 TXism: " 'nuff"
- 37 TXism: "she has to sneak mirror to fix her hair" (homely)
- 39 romantic night setting? (3 wds.)
- 43 TXism: "does a bull give?" (no)
- 44 TX Ivory Joe's "Met You Baby"
- 45 dir. to Nacogdoches from Trinity
- 46 "a whole"(lots)

- 48 Fort Worth "Horned Frogs" university
- 49 UT grad actor Wallach
- 51 sensational newspapers
- 54 TXism: " in cement" (permanent)
- 55 San Antonio based Inns: Quinta
- 56 jacket or saddle leather
- 57 TX Willie's "Farm" was in Lincoln, NE in 1987

- 60 TXism: "dumb as a stump"
- 61 Reese Force Base was in Texas
- 62 TXism: "never let 'em you sweat"
- 63 Eden Echo income producers

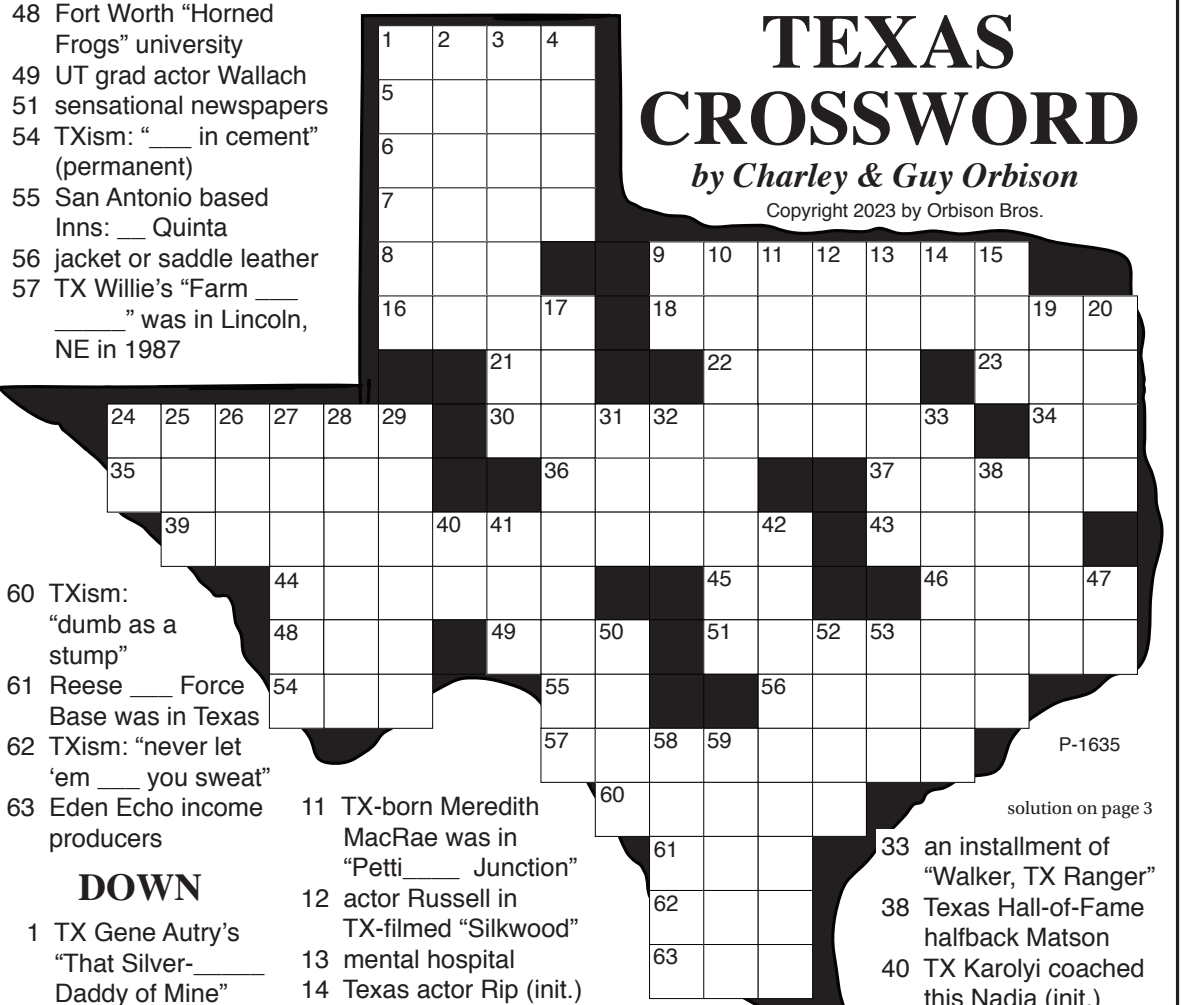
DOWN

- 1 TX Gene Autry's "That Silver-Daddy of Mine"
- 2 TX Byron Nelson's pal Palmer
- 3 Fort Worth boot-maker: M.L. Sons
- 4 This Dunaway was TX Bonnie Parker
- 9 Gov. " Ferguson oil was discovered by in Corsicana in 1894
- 11 TX-born Meredith MacRae was in "Petti Junction"
- 12 actor Russell in TX-filmed "Silkwood"
- 13 mental hospital
- 14 Texas actor Rip (init.)
- 15 TXism: " your bill" (drink)
- 17 Father of Mexico: Father Miguel Hidalgo
- 19 started the pickup
- 20 TXism: "dull as week old pop"
- 24 former Cowboys GM Tex (init.)
- 25 and eggs

TEXAS CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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- 33 an installment of "Walker, TX Ranger"
- 38 Texas Hall-of-Fame halfback Matson
- 40 TX Karolyi coached this Nadia (init.)
- 41 Conway Twitty's wife
- 42 Texas coast areas
- 47 jockey, TX Willie (init.)
- 50 TXism: " to"
- 52 TXism: " some boot leather" (run)
- 53 TX Tommy Jones
- 58 TXism: "got as much to hibernating bear" (idle)
- 59 attempted
- 26 friendly or "green"
- 27 is Enchanted Rock haunted by these?
- 28 Texarkana slogan: "Twice"
- 29 brittle
- 31 amateur sports org.
- 32 syllable in Dublin or Marlin

COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from April 20, 2023 to April 27, 2023

(4/21/23) Sarah Viss, Esther Steelman, Angie Clarissa Nunez Flores, Fernando Martinez Castillo, Jessica Yana Viss — Nemecio Rodriguez, Maria Rodriguez — A Tract of Land in the West Half of Section 10, Block E, Capitol Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas; A 20.00 Acre Tract of land more or less, out of the NW/4 of Section 10, Block E, Capitol Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas

(4/21/23) Michael Scott Gutierrez — Kathleen Gutierrez, Paul Darvin Lamm, Andrea Lynne Lamm — All of Lots 17, 18, 19, 20 of Block 59, Original Town of Farwell, Parmer County, Texas

(4/24/23) Rex Wells, Wells Partnership — Ruben Chico — Block 1, Otis-Ford Addition, Friona, Parmer County, Texas; Lot Numbers 4 and 5, in Block Number 5 of Lakeside Addition to the City of Friona, Parmer County, Texas

SHERIFF'S REPORT

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

(4/27/23) Michael Brandon Chavez, 25, of Mule-shoe was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a Bailey County Warrant for Assault on a Security Officer

(4/28/23) Lathen Jerry Scott Helton, 19, of Lubbock was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of Criminal Mischief ≥ \$100 < \$750

(4/29/23) John L. Gamble, 32, of Fort Sumner, New Mexico was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of Possession CS PG1 ≥ 4g < 200g

(4/29/23) Alvin Lawrence Washington, 34, of Clovis, New Mexico was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of Possession Marijuana ≤ 4oz > 2oz

(4/30/23) Jeremias Castro Gutierrez, 19, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of Public Intoxication

(4/30/23) Manuel Patizibal Bartolo, 23, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on charges of Assault Causing Bodily Injury to Family Member and Terroristic Threat of Family/Household

HHSC Reminds Medicaid Recipients to Submit Renewal Packets

Deadline to return information is May 15

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission is reminding Medicaid recipients who received renewal packets in April to return their information to the agency to avoid potential gaps in coverage if they are still eligible.

To ensure all Medicaid recipients who received renewal packets in April have at least 30 days to respond, as required by federal guidelines, HHSC has extended the deadline to return renewal packets from May 8 to May 15.

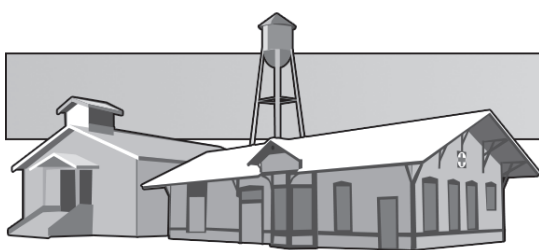
HHSC is staggering Medicaid redeterminations over multiple months, prioritizing redeterminations for those most likely to no longer qualify for Medicaid.

HHSC is informing recipients by mail or electronically when it is their time to renew. HHSC is mailing all Medicaid renewal notices in a yellow envelope that says "Action Required" in red. HHSC is also sending electronic notices to recipients who have a Your Texas Benefits account and opted to go paperless.

More information about the end of the continuous Medicaid coverage requirement is available at hhs.texas.gov/update. Texas residents can visit the Your Texas Benefits website to learn about programs and services.

Puzzle Solution

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TOWN TALK

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More about May — May is the fifth month of the year in the Gregorian and its predecessor, the Julian calendar. Named after the Greek goddess, Maia who is also identified as Bona Dea (the Roman goddess of fertility). Originally the third month of the year, May later moved to the fifth month when January and February were added to the calendar. May is also the last month of Spring. Some Native American tribes called the May full moon The Full Flower Moon, the Corn Planting Moon or the Milk Moon.

Back on the Board — This past week Governor Greg Abbott re-appointed Mindy Neal, D.C. to

the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners. The Board is responsible for regulating the practice of chiropractic in the State of Texas. Governor Abbott first appointed her to the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners in 2018. Neal is a Bovina resident and owner of The Bone Joint Chiropractic. She is a member of the Texas Chiropractic Association and the American Veterinary Chiropractic Association. She received a Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Science from Texas A&M University and a Doctor of Chiropractic from Parker College of Chiropractic. The appointment is subject to confirmation by the Texas Senate.

Laundry List — Tuesday is National Lost Sock Day Memorial Day. This holiday should not be confused with Inside-Out Shirt Wednesday, Twisted Bed Sheet Thursday, Coins Rattling Friday, Melted Cough Drop Saturday, or Disintegrated Kleenex Sunday. Some people even give up laundry - for lint.

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National Days
May 4 — Star Wars Day
May 5 — Cinco De Mayo
May 6 — Nurses Day
May 7 — Lemonade Day
May 8 — Red Cross Day
May 9 — Lost Sock Memorial Day
May 10 — Clean Up Your Room Day

FYS holds inaugural Friona Small Town Tournament

Friona Youth Sports had a successful 1st Annual Friona Small Town Basketball Tournament. Teams from all over the Texas Panhandle and Eastern New Mexico participated.

Special thanks to the following: (1) The Friona Independent School District and the staff members who helped, for allowing us the use of their facilities, and willingness to do whatever we needed in order for this to be

successful. (2) The refs who came out and endured long hours of running with the the kids. We know it's not easy doing the job that you do and dealing with the things that you do. (3) The coaches for all the endless unpaid hours you put into the kids and the dedication of bringing them to tournaments like ours.

Also, (4) The parents for allowing your children to become a part of



something bigger than themselves. (5) The athletes who spend hours in the gym trying to do better for themselves and willingness to participate in sportsmanship. (6) To all of the custodians who kept the facilities in

pristine condition. (7) Finally, all of the parents and our kids who helped make this be a success by working gates, concession and score keeping. See photos on page 6. Looking forward to future tournaments!!!

Newspaper Fun!

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...us how to build and fly stunt kites!
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What's Blowing in the Wind?

A gentle breeze is refreshing. A hurricane wind causes destruction. Wind-driven rain cleanses the air. Wind spreads the pollen and seeds of trees and plants. Many things are carried by moving air. Can you use the 12 clues to fill in this crossword with the names of things blowing in the wind?

- bursting
- sinking
- flapping
- whipping
- blowing
- puffs of
- lifting
- whirling
- climbing
- splendid
- turning
- racing

Windy Workout!
Circle the 15 things that we can do with air or on air, and things that air can do:

sit on it flutter soar burp
huff blow inhale gasp
throw it float
catch it feed it puff
glide fly pant sneeze
wheeze sail

Windstorm Watch!

1. Uh-Oh! Get wind of this stormy weather report. I guess our chances of winning the race are gone with the wind.
2. Gosh, just when I was getting my second wind. This sure takes the wind out of our sails!
3. Tough!
4. Oh that's dangerous! You're just a windbag!

Safety Note: Head indoors at the first sign of lightning or thunder when a storm is coming.

A. I'm sharing news of bad weather with the others. I think our chances of winning are lost forever.
B. I think this person is too daring and talks too much.
C. Too bad about the storm. I say we take the risk and race no matter what.
D. I felt refreshed and ready to race. This sure slows us down.

Windy Names!

The wind has many names! The names are based upon the strength, speed and location of the wind. Read the clues to fill in the puzzle with some "windy" names:

- forceful rush of air that comes and goes in an instant
- violent, destructive funnel-shaped storm, usually over land (40+ mph)
- wild wind storm, especially one with rain, hail or snow
- spiraling wind, as small as a bunch of leaves swirling or tornado-sized
- it begins over warm water and has winds moving 72 mph and faster
- gentle, mild breeze
- sudden, strong blast of wind
- small gust or puff of wind, air, vapor or smoke



National Egg Month

May is National Egg Month. I found this fun twist on breakfast burritos as a way to celebrate eggs this month. Hope you enjoy.

Breakfast Egg Rolls [Air Fryer and Oven Recipe] www.livinglocurto.com

Ingredients

- ¼ cup chopped bell peppers optional
- 8 eggs
- 1 tablespoon sour cream salt and pepper to taste
- 6 egg roll wrappers
- ½ cup shredded cheese
- 1 cups vegetable oil
- 1 cup pork sausage
- 1 country gravy mix packet
- 1 cup milk

Instructions

Egg Roll Directions

In a skillet, cook bell peppers in a little bit of butter over high heat for 2-3 minutes. Mix eggs, sour cream, salt, and pepper into a bowl. Turn heat to low and pour egg mixture into skillet and scramble until they are done. Once the scrambled eggs are done, assemble the egg rolls. Sprinkle egg roll wrappers with water and smooth the water out over the wrapper to make sure they are sticky before

rolling. Place the wrapper in front of you in a diamond. Lay your scrambled eggs in the middle and sprinkle with a nice amount of shredded cheese. Begin rolling by taking the piece closest to you and tucking it under the scrambled eggs. Bring in the sides of the egg roll wrapper and continue rolling. Wet the last of the wrapper with your finger to seal closed. Once you have all breakfast egg rolls wrapped, set aside.

Sausage Gravy

Mix the gravy according to the packet directions (1 cup water and 1 cup milk) and pour over your cooked sausage. Mix well until you have a nice thick consistency. In a skillet, brown sausage. Drain any fat. Serve your breakfast egg rolls with the sausage gravy as a dipping sauce.

Oven Directions

Pour vegetable oil into a large skil-

let and heat until very hot. Make sure you have about an inch of oil. Deep fry your breakfast egg rolls turning them until both sides are golden brown. Remove and place on a paper towel until ready to serve.

Air Fryer Directions

Place the wrapped and ready to go breakfast egg rolls in your air fryer on an even layer making sure they don't touch. Brush them lightly with oil. Cook at 350°F for 6 minutes. Flip the egg rolls. Brush with oil a second time on this side and cook for 5 more minutes until brown and crispy.

Notes

Oven-Baked Directions: Place the breakfast egg rolls on a non-stick baking sheet and bake at 325oF until golden brown.

To make ahead of time: Assemble the breakfast egg rolls, freeze, and cook within 7 days.

Happy Birthday

May 4

Dr. Gary Cash
Nathan Brockman
John Duke



May 5

John Osborn
Peggy Neely
Ralna (Roden) Bailey
Lucinda Stokes
Nate Keyes
Jackson Stewart

May 8

Randy Boeckman
Susie Davis
Jennifer (Lamb) Gonzales
Emma Talley
Jared Brown
Maegan Davis
Elizabeth Romero

May 6

Calvin Shields
Nancy Peace
Staci (Mueller) Duran
Blake Williamson
Jayton Moyer
Hadley McGowan
Amelia Soltero

May 9

Greg O'Brian
Linda Rushing
Claira Garcia
Mike Prather
Tommy Alger
Jeff Rainey

May 7

Jordon Peace
Misti Davis
Stephanie Cabrera
Karen Baker
Julia Alexander
Ruby Moroney

May 10

John David Haile
Justin Jeter
Stan Ellis
Patti Zachary
Nancy Castaneda
Brandi Brailiff
J'Lond Jarecki
Hillary Bermea
Trevor Steiner
Clayton Halford
Joan King

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

Gas prices drop again

By GasBuddy

Average gasoline prices in Texas have fell 12.0 cents last week, averaging \$3.14 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Prices in Texas are 1 cent per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 71.1 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was priced at \$2.49 while the most expensive was \$4.17 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline fell 6.3 cents last week, averaging \$3.58 per gallon. The national average is up 8.2 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 59.6 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has fallen 5.3 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.07 per gallon.

"After declining the prior week at a slow pace, the drop in the national average has gained momentum. Oil prices have come under additional selling pressure along-

side wholesale gasoline prices, giving retailers room to pass on the lower prices," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

De Haan added, "Diesel prices have followed, falling to their lowest in over 13 months as demand remains weak due to concerns over the economy. With refinery maintenance wrapping up, we should see supplies start to build in the weeks ahead, just in time for the summer driving season, potentially putting more downward pressure on prices. However, while a majority of states saw gas prices drop, some, particularly in the Northeast, have yet to join in thanks to being the last to make the switch to summer gasoline - but relief will be on the way soon in areas that have resisted the fall thus far."

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

Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



When childhood ends

My granddaughters are soon to be home for summer. With only a dance recital on June 3 and a commuter basketball camp, the girls are set for some care-free time with their parents. One more round of swimming lessons, and they will be good to go for pool time. If all goes as planned, their Aunt Julie will welcome them to North Carolina in July.

However, the summer of 2023 is shaping up to provide them with what the girls enjoy most: playing outside and "pretend play" inside. Just last weekend, after baseball in the front yard, the girls and I moved indoors. I found myself a vital role-player at Rosie's Grocery

Store, Rosie's School, Rosie's Daycare, Lillie's Vet Clinic, and church. I shopped, was sent to the principal's office, burped two baby dolls, took a stuffed lion's temperature, and was saved—in that order.

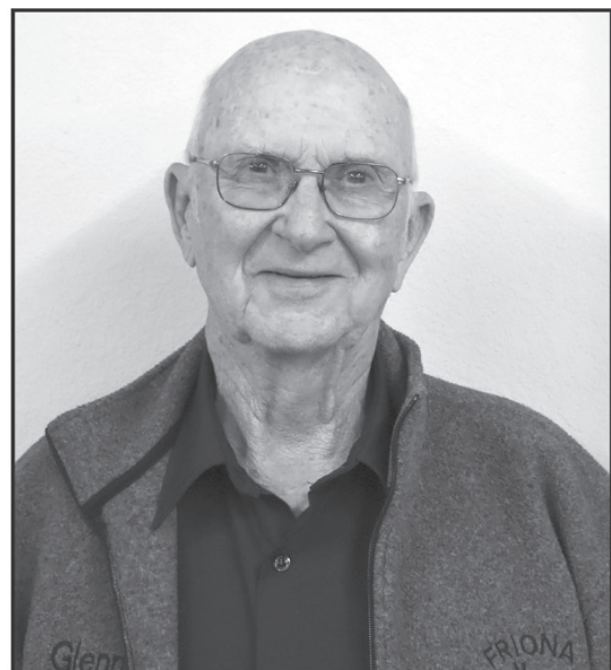
Lillie and Ellie wake up, as most children do, ready to live. When I pull up in front of their house, they still shoot through the door and run to greet me. I reciprocate that joy. These little girls cannot know childhood will end—that blissful naivete is part of what makes them so happy. Their maternal grandmother knows well the trajectory of time and uses this knowledge to "be in the moment" with them every chance she gets.

As summertime approaches, many families will find themselves at the ballpark twice a week. Some will be involved with week-end travel ball or stock shows, rodeo events, church activities, and possibly summer school. Just promise me, young parents, that you will listen to your little ones. Let them help set the schedules, too.

It might be children are ready for a break or some down time to play grocery store with their siblings or kickball in the front yard with the neighbors. Maybe they want to ride a horse or walk their dogs just for the fun of it. Spend a day in the kitchen making a mess and a cake

and call it a day well spent. Of course, farm work and ranch work are a part of the equation for some children. Balance that, when possible, with library visits or museum days, watching the old Disney Peter Pan followed by Disney's newly released Peter and Wendy, or play Uno. Take out old family photos and see if your children can identify which ones are their aunts and uncles or grandparents when they were children.

Pile into the family vehicle and go. Those moments matter, too. But make time to open the door to simple everyday living before the window of childhood closes. It seals shut before you know it.



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Book Blessings

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

The great commission is the direction that Jesus has given the church until he returns, and there is a vast amount of work to be done in getting the gospel to people in all nations around the globe. The arduous, exciting and rewarding task of taking the gospel to the nations is an essential component of a biblical church and it is also an area that requires much attention in being faithful servants of the Lord and the lost. Elliot Clark's book, *Mission Affirmed: Recovering the Missionary Motivation of Paul* is an excellent book that draws from Paul's missionary journeys in scripture to help the church think through vital aspects of gospel missions. Clark, a former missionary in a very

difficult location, talks through false entrapments of western missions over the past few decades and provides a robust vision of being faithful to the gospel as it is taken forth, and doing this in a way that seeks to establish a church in the power of the Holy Spirit. His personal stories and scriptural insights come together to form a passionate plea to advance the gospel based on scriptural principles and not simply on the trends of the world.

The book not only looks at the big picture and aim of missions, but also seeks to address those who may be called to serve the Lord in this way. In one sense, the missionary call is a call to suffer with Christ, but it is also a call that casts one's attention on the

great reward and honor of serving Christ faithfully. 1 Corinthians 9 combines these truths as Paul proclaims in verse 23 and 26-27 that "I do it all [preach the gospel] for the sake of the gospel that I may share with them in its blessings...So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified." As you share Christ and as you support gospel work to the nations, Elliot's book is a tremendous encouragement to remain faithful to scripture, diligent in evangelism and discipleship, burdened for the lost who need Jesus, and steadfast to our Lord and Savior, who alone can save.

Panhandle Parables

Planting In Faith

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

I love this time of year, winter for the most part is history except for the occasional cold front that can still blast in from the North and remind us of its lingering presence. Life is awakening everywhere and the farmers are busy preparing the land for harvest. Those who planted wheat prepared for harvest last fall when they turned the soil, planted the wheat and in faith wait for God to do what God does, grow things. As they prepare for harvest in a couple of months, others are turning the soil getting ready for cotton, corn, milo (I still call it maize) and a few other crops.

The city slicker might drive through our part of the country and not know what all the hustle

in the field is about. After all harvest is not till late fall. Yet, we know there won't be a harvest then if we don't plant the crops now. It takes a lot of work and a lot of faith to put those crops in the ground and watch them grow. It does take faith and at times a good measure of patience, but it must be done now if done at all.

When growing a spiritual life, it is not much different, except that there are many who think spiritually they can just show up for the harvest. The problem, they haven't put anything in the spiritual ground and therefore are found wanting at the harvest. A spiritual walk with the Lord does not just happen it is cultivat-

ed, tended, fed, watered that growth may come and harvest to follow.

So now that we are to May and planting soon to begin, how are you doing spiritually? Are you preparing your heart to receive the blessings? Are you preparing the heart to weather the storms? The power of God and His Word are ready to help, but you in faith must plant the seed, in your own life, as well as, in others.

I do pray for good crops and plentiful rain both for our land and for our souls. So, go ahead invest in your spiritual walk that it may lead to harvest in due time. Jesus came to restore relationship and a relationship with our Lord is worth planting in faith.

Getting in Sync

By Teena Hughs

A number of years ago, Feller and I attended the Cowboy Symposium in Ruidoso. It was a weekend filled with great dance music and lots of dancing!!!

One couple was enjoyable to watch. Both were outstanding dancers. They even coordinated what they wore, but more importantly, they knew exactly what the other one was going to do as they danced; they were in sync. They were definitely the most noticed couple on the dance floor!

The next time we went to Bob Wills Days at Turkey, we recognized some of the people we saw at Ruidoso. The noticeable couple was there, but separately. A friend of mine kept up with them on facebook, and she told me they broke up, and the woman married her high school sweetheart. She loves to dance, and her husband is not the dancer her former part-

ner was.

This weekend I saw pictures of the former partner on facebook, and it just didn't seem like he was the same dancer he was with his partner in Ruidoso. The noticeable couple worked great together, but separately, they weren't in sync with other people.

It caused me to think about how some people just fit together, and some don't. This is true in marriage, in business, in work places, etc. Sometimes you get just the right combination of people in an organization, and everything works smoothly. Everyone helps everyone; everyone wants the best for everyone else; everyone has everyone else's back, and the team is the priority, not self!

I thought about how this relates to Jesus and people. If we aren't studying His Word; if we don't have a relationship

with Him; if we don't serve Him, we can't be in sync with Jesus. If we aren't in sync with Jesus, things simply will not work as they should. We are Jesus' priority, and He has to be our priority. We have to surrender to Him and be dependent on Him if we are going to be in sync with Him.

Whether it be dancing, business, marriage, or Jesus, being in sync requires work. It takes putting others ahead of yourself; it takes doing what is best for everyone and every situation; it takes wanting to be in sync. Life is better in sync, most importantly with Jesus. He wants you to be in sync with Him. I hope you will do whatever it takes for you to get in sync, starting with Him first. Getting in sync with others will naturally follow after that! Take care, and I hope you find that getting in sync with God helps life go better for you!

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High School Boys 2nd Place - Clovis Wildcats



1st and 2nd Grade Boys Champions - Los Rams



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Caleb Geske
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DISTRICT 1-AAA Final Baseball Standings						
TEAM	District			Overall		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Bushland	10	0	0	23	3	0
River Road	7	3	0	14	10	0
Dalhart	5	5	0	10	7	0
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- 800 Meter Run**
Yvonne Legarreta..... SCR
 - 1600 Meter Run**
3. Yvonne Legarreta 5:21.11
 - 3200 Meter Run**
1. Yvonne Legarreta 11:28.89
 - 100 Meter Hurdles**
11. Kitzy Welch.....16.78
 - Shot Put**
16. Reyna Arias.... 30-11.25
 - Discus**
2. Kitzy Welch..... 130-08
 - Pole Vault**
15. Ella McFarland 7-00.00

- Varsity Boys (30th Place)**
- 100 Meter Dash**
4. Abisai Torres.....10.82
 - 200 Meter Dash**
9. Abisai Torres.....22.86
 - 110 Meter Hurdles**
9. Kaden Jeter 15.70
 - 300 Meter Hurdles**
13. Kaden Jeter 15.70
 - Shot Put**
13. Mario Garcia ... 42-9.75
 - 16. Ishmael Flores. 37-9.75





Obituaries



Cassey Wade Perkins, II

A Mass of the Resurrection for Cassey Wade Perkins, II was held at 11:00 A.M., on Wednesday, May 3rd, 2023, at St. Theresa's Catholic Church in Friona, Texas. A Rosary was held at 10:30 A.M. with Father Arturo Mesa officiating. Honorary pallbearers were Daniel Perkins, Adam Perkins, B.J. Hudson, Eddieington Hudson, Richard Toscano, David Woody, Dave Williamson, Storm Randall, Alex Adams, Robert Felix, Ruben Sepulveda, Nate Larson, and Hector Ortega.



Cassey Wade Perkins II was born on March 4th, 1983, in Friona, Texas to Leslie Wade Perkins and Becky Beatrice Gonzales Perkins. He overcame many hardships and enjoyed loving life to the fullest. He was an artistically talented and well

accomplished musician. He loved to create music and write songs with his two brothers. He also enjoyed spending his free time at the gym working on his personal health and positive growth. He enjoyed his employment at the cheese plant where he worked close to all of his friends and family. He was fond of making others laugh with his loving sense of humor and had an out of this world per-

sonality. He was a kind and respectful person. He will be truly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Cass Perkins was preceded in death by his father Leslie Perkins, and grandparents Cassey Wade, Marie Perkins, Pablo R. Gonzales, and Cruz P. Gonzales.

He is survived by his children Rosalyn and Pilate Perkins; his younger brothers Daniel Perkins and daughter Constantine, and Adam Perkins and wife Tiffany and daughters Peyton, Reagan, and Breeland; his uncle Paul "Lucky" Gonzales and wife Susan; his aunt Darla Bracken and husband Rex; his aunt Susie Hudson and husband Jack; his aunt Josie Bautista and husband Lupe; and his uncle Felix Perez and wife Socorro.

Teresa Ann Burkart

Teresa Ann Burkart, 62 of Friona passed away April 27, 2023 in Lubbock. Memorial Services will be held at a later date. Cremation arrangements by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.



Teresa was born January 13, 1961 in Athens, Tennessee to Clifford Lee and Annie Laura McKelvey Nunley. She worked at several restaurants in years past, and at Cargill Meat Solutions for over 20 years. She loved her family and enjoyed spending time

with them, taking care of her cat Sam, and watching TV, especially the SYFY channel.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Clifford and Annie, 1 son-Charlie Burkart, 1 brother-Tony Nunley.

Those to mourn her passing include 1 son-Dusty Stowers of Friona, granddaughter Makayla Day and husband DeShane of Amarillo, 2 other grandchildren Isabella and Lucas, and 2 great-grandchildren-Havyn and Carson.

You may send your memories of Teresa and blessings to the family exclusively at: hansardfamily.com



Max Dewaine Wells

Max Dewaine Wells, 88 of Friona passed away April 26, 2023 in Amarillo. Viewing was held from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM Monday, May 1, 2023 in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY with Celebration of Life Graveside Services scheduled for 2:00 PM Tuesday, May 2, 2023 in the Friona Cemetery with Jeff Procter, officiating. Burial following by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.



Max was born September 24, 1934 in Hereford to Harland Clay and Jewell Lola Johnson Wells. He later married Jo Ann Godfrey April 24, 1965 in Dimmitt.

Max was a longtime

area farmer that was very much about business and making sure his land was cared for first and best. His family would say that Max had a good and long memory, was a bit bossy, but still kept a sense of humor.

He is preceded in death by his parents-Harland and Jewell, his wife -Jo Ann Wells, and

1 brother-Harold Joe Wells.

Those remaining to mourn his passing include 2 brothers-Jim Roy Wells and wife Cherry, and Rex Wells and wife Sue, all of Friona, 1 sister-Janice Chesher of Hereford, and 1 sister-in-law-Joyce Wells of Friona.

Please send memorial donations to Prairie Acres Nursing Home 201 East 15th St. Friona, Texas 79035.

You may send memories of Max to the family by visiting his personal web page exclusively at: hansardfamily.com



Right on Track

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

For decades after the Revolution, horses were the only method of bi-coastal mobility; then in the 19th century that relationship was eclipsed by the Civil War, and progress was stymied until the conflict ended in 1865. By 1869 the Central Pacific Railroad traveling out of Sacramento, California on May 10, 1869, joined with the Union Pacific coming from Omaha, Nebraska at Promontory, Utah.



"For all the adversity they suffered," says History.com, "the Union Pacific and Central Pacific workers were able to finish the railroad-laying nearly 2,000 miles of track by 1869, ahead of schedule and under budget. Journeys that had taken months by wagon train or

weeks by boat now took only days. Their work had an immediate impact: The years following the construction of the railway were years of rapid growth and expansion for the United States, due in large part to the speed and ease of travel that the railroad provided."

The Grateful American Book Prize suggests David Haward Bain's *Empire Express: Building the First Transcontinental Railroad*.

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

INVITATION FOR BIDS RE-PUBLISHED

City of Friona, Texas, will receive bids for construction of community park redevelopment improvements, TPWD contract #54-00231 until 2:00 P.M. on the 15th day of May, 2023, at Friona City Hall, 623 North Main Street, Friona, TX 79035, at which time and place all bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids may be sent to the City of Friona, Attention: Lee Davila, City Manager.

Bids are invited for the construction of the following:

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A Bid Bond in the amount of 5% of the bid, issued by an acceptable surety, shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to City of Friona, or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (at par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Commerce and contained in the Contract Documents must be paid on the project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

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City of Friona, Texas reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Bids may be held by City of Friona, Texas for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidders' qualifications prior to awarding of the contract.

FFA Contest Results



Land Team
34th Place
Dylan Haseloff
Jose Luis
Jaden Phillips
Kaleb Nunley

Dairy Cattle Team
10th Place
Dieter Ally (14th)
Erik Estrada
Elijah Robledo



Meats Judging Team
33rd Place
Gabriel Abarca
Dieter Ally
Aubrey Schueler
Emma Schueler

Floriculture Team
65th Place
Maria Nunez
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Emma Schueler



Thank You, Friena

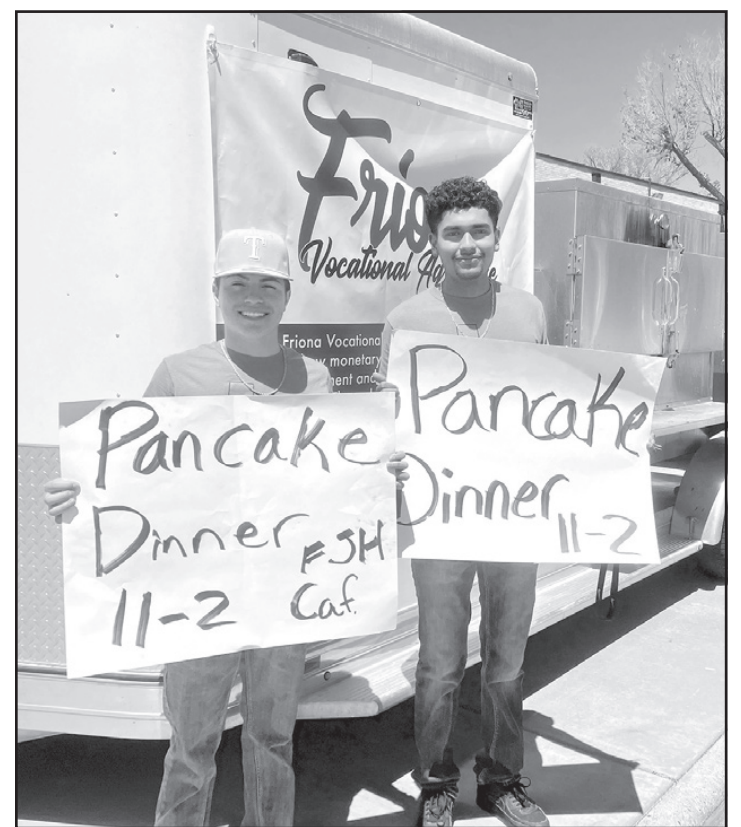
FCCLA would like to thank everyone for supporting their Pancake Dinner last Sunday to raise funds to pay for travel expenses to Regionals in Dallas and Nationals in Denver this July. Special thanks to the Friena Vocational Agriculture Association for cooking the meal and supporting FCCLA!!!



Headed to Denver this July — Fabian Salinas, Blanca Chavez, Janessa Garcia, Nadia Snyder, and Gael Garcia.



The Flapjack Gang (l-r) — Richie Herring, Mark Osborn, Dustin Thompson, Shawn Pitsch, Kody Kimbrough, Oyama Buchanan, Greg Lewellen, Tracy Bunker, Clint Hurst, Greg O'Brian, Roy Robledo, Aaron Abarca



Victory Family Worship Center Hosts Senior Banquet



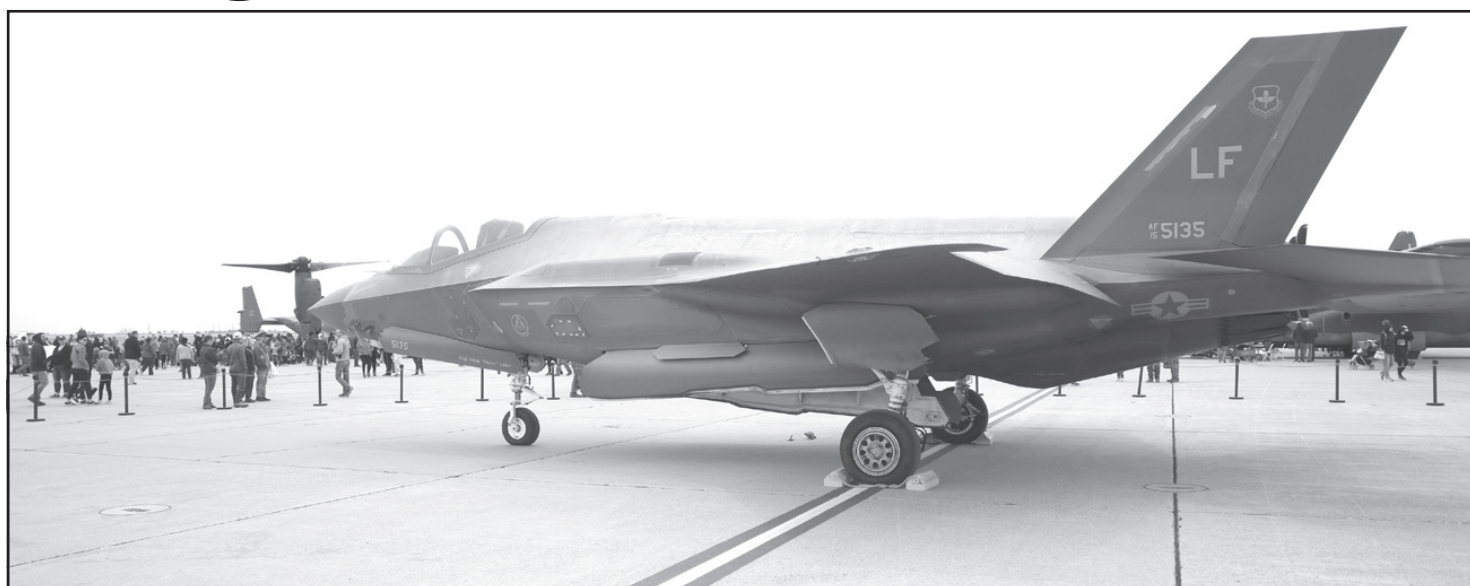
Victory Family Worship Center hosted the fifth FHS Senior banquet of the season last Monday evening. The Class

of '23 dined on sub sandwiches and ice cream floats. After words of encouragement, games were played and door

prizes were awarded. Thanks to all the volunteers for making it a memorable evening. Conexiones Divians will host

the next banquet on Monday, May 8th. See photos from the banquet tour at www.frienaonline.com

Wings Over Cannon Air Show



A huge crowd turned out for the *Wings Over Cannon* air show at Cannon Air Force Base just outside of Clovis, New Mexico. It was the first airshow conducted at the base since 2018. FHS yearbook advisor Benjamin Monk was one of the attendees from Friona and provided the photo above. The plane is a Lockheed Martin F-35 Lightning II and is a single-seat, single-engine, all-weather stealth multirole combat aircraft that is also able to provide electronic warfare and intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance capabilities. Randy and Sarah Gerles were also in attendance and took this photo of their grandson, Nash Rigler, who lives in Abernathy.



Six State Parks on the Horizon for Texans

Over the next 12-15 years, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) will open six new state parks from Big Bend to the Hill Country and Texas coast. Texas Parks & Wildlife magazine highlights these future getaways in a special May commemorative issue, on newsstands now.

“There is a need to provide more recreational opportunities for the growing population of Texas,” said Texas State Parks Director Rodney Franklin. “Until the recent passage of Proposition 5, we haven’t had the funds to develop some of the properties we have in our inventory. So, it’s exciting that we can build new state parks for future generations of Texans to enjoy.”

New parks in the works include Palo Pinto Mountains State Park near Fort Worth, the Dan A. Hughes Unit

of the Devils River State Natural Area near Del Rio, Albert and Bessie Kronkosky State Natural Area near Boerne, Powderhorn State Park near Port Lavaca, Chinati Mountains State Natural Area near Presidio and Davis Hill State Natural Area near Houston.

Texas Parks & Wildlife magazine staff devoted the entire issue — sponsored by Texas Parks and Wildlife Foundation — to the Texas State Parks Centennial. With 100 pages honoring 100 years of parks, the issue features a Texas-size helping of information about the state park system — the places and the people, the history and the future, the magic and the memories.

Inside, there are recommendations about the best parks to hike or bike a trail, fish, paddle or catch a glimpse of wildlife. A quiz helps readers find their state park personalities and

which parks suit each type. State parks are perfect for picnics; this issue supplies inviting sites, innovative menus and recipes. Vintage photos of Texans enjoying state parks in decades past accompany a timeline of the century’s highlights. Lyle Lovett, Daytripper Chet Garner and other notable Texans share state park memories.

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Friona team wins basketball tourney

The 5/6 grade Friona girls basketball team competed in the Whirlwind Shootout in Floydada on Saturday, April 29th. They won 1st place in their division. Go Big Red!

Game One: Friona 22, Floydada 13 — Scoring: Jaylee Perez 4, Preslie Goyno 2, Brynlee Smith 2, Amayah Rojas 2, Aylen Moreno 4, D’Nasha Shelby 8. **Game Two: Friona 27, Nike Elite 11** — Scoring: Kamila Moreno 1, Jaylee

Perez 3, Preslie Goyno 7, Genesis Aguirre 2, Amayah Rojas 4, Ivanna Guevara 6, Aylen Moreno 2, D’Nasha Shelby 2. **Game Three: Friona 23, Wreck Em U 15** — Scoring: Jaylee Perez 8, Genesis Aguirre 10, Ivanna Guevara 2, Aylen Moreno 2, D’Nasha Shelby 1. Championship Game: Friona 24, Wreck Em U 16 — Scoring: Jaylee Perez 7, Genesis Aguirre 2, Ivanna Guevara 11, Aylen Moreno 2, D’Nasha Shelby 2.

FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



EXCEL Plant Is 25 Years Old . . . Friona’s Excel Plant as seen from the air on April 29, 1993. Photo by Lisa McLellan and air service by Rick Jennings. (Friona Star, Friday, April 30, 1993)

State Sales Tax Revenue Totaled \$4.1 Billion in April

On Monday, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said state sales tax revenue totaled \$4.09 billion in April, 6.7 percent more than in April 2022. The majority of April sales tax revenue is based on sales made in March and remitted to the agency in April.

“April sales tax revenue growth, moderately in excess of general price inflation, suggests economic expansion continues in spite of higher interest rates and fears of a recession,” Hegar said. “The strongest growth continues to be from sectors primarily driven by business spending.”

“Receipts from the oil and gas mining sectors once again showed the strongest growth among all sectors compared with the same month a year ago, with remittances approaching a 50-percent gain for the fourth straight month. Receipts from the con-

struction and manufacturing sectors were up by double digits, while receipts from wholesale trade slowed and dipped below the year-ago level, as building materials prices have come down from the peak reached last year.

“Remittances from the retail trade sector were positive in April compared with the same month the previous year, after falling in March for the first time in 12 months. Within the sector, receipts from electronic shopping and grocery stores both showed double-digit increases compared with April 2022, and collections from general merchandise were up again after falling last month.”

“Restaurant receipts increased in line with the inflation rate for food away from home in March.”

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in April 2023

was up 8.8 percent compared with the same period a year ago. Sales tax is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 56 percent of all tax collections.

Texas collected the following revenue from other major taxes: (1) motor vehicle sales and rental taxes — \$507 million, down 3 percent from April 2022; (2) motor fuel taxes — \$319 million, down 5 percent from April 2022; (3) oil production tax — \$453 million, down 32 percent from April 2022; (4) natural gas production tax — \$203 million, down 40 percent from April 2022; (5) hotel occupancy tax — \$83 million, the highest monthly collections on record, up 9 percent from April 2022; and (6) alcoholic beverage taxes — \$163 million, the highest monthly collections on record, up 7 percent from April 2022.

What’s Blowing in the Wind?

Wow! What a rush of wind! My umbrella!

Windy Names! The wind has many names!

Windstorm Watch!

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2023 Friena Chieftain Baseball Team — Back Row (l-r): Assistant Coach Derreck Hernandez, TJ Vasquez, Jameson Daniels, Heston Grimsley, Eduardo Juarez, Martin Godinez, Issac Olmos, Assistant Coach Jimmy Burns, Assistant Coach Joshua Portillo. Front Row (l-r): Head Coach Daniel Rosales, Aaron Rosales, Rafael Rocha, Jonathan Gonzalez, Abram Rocha, Caleb Geske, Gabriel Ramos, Owen McGaughy.

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