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# In Memorial

The Friona Cemetery was in great shape for the Memorial Day weekend as recent rains have been very beneficial to the trees and the grass. Thanks to Mr. Rackley and Mr. Monk and the volunteers who put flags at the graves of veterans for the holiday.

The Friona Cemetery Association received a donation from the Friona Riding Club. The club recently disbanded and Carol Zetsche presented the check last week to the city. To make a donation, send check to the Friona Cemetery Association, PO Box 823, Friona, TX 79035.

#### **Commissioners Receive Cargill Overpass Project Update**

Parmer County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, May 22nd, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom of the Parmer County Courthouse in Farwell, Texas. The meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Texas Flag.

Parmer County Judge Izzy Carrasco recently met with Cargill officials and received a tentative schedule for the upcoming Highway 60 overpass project east of the plant. Judge Carrasco told the Court that the expected start date would be October 2023 and would consist of eight phases. Completion date for the project is August 2027 or earlier depending on weather delays or material shortages.

Commissioners proved a motion to take bids on a project to chip seal and re-build the shoulder of CR 19 and Cemetery Road in Precinct 1. A motion for the demolition and removal of two old county dwellings in Precinct 4 was also approved. An agreement with John Gurley for office space rental was not renewed.

Chief Deputy Sheriff Mario Vidaurri reported to the Court that the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center is currently housing nineteen inmates of which one is

a paying customer from Dawson County. The mutual aid agreement between Parmer and Bailey County was renewed.

A motion to fund a full-time secretary position for the Juvenile Probation office was approved. Parmer County will pay 60 percent of the salary and Bailey County will pay 40 percent.

In other business, line item transfers and budget amendments for 2022 were approved.

A bond for new Tax Assessor/Collector Deputy Clerk Kathy Vargas was approved. A request to join the Region O Water Planning District was declined.

Items for discussion only included possible renovations to the old jail, TXDOT virtual meetings, and budget workshop dates.

There were no comments from the public during the open forum. Minutes from the May 8th meeting were read and approved. Commissioners approved the payment of the accounts payables as presented by County Treasurer Sharon May. The Treasurer's Payroll Report was also approved. The next regular meeting is Monday, June 12th.

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

#### Frio Draw Roars Back To Life



Torrential rains late Friday night and early Saturday morning turned the mild-mannered Frio Draw into a small river last weekend. Local weather recorder John Gurley said most of the Friona area received 5 inches or more of rain from May 25-27. The rain total for May is over 7 inches which definitely puts a dent in drought the area has experienced the past few years.



**2023 Pool Team** — Front (l-r) Angelica Reyes; Reese Stowers, Assistant Pool Manager; Jonathan Gonzalez; Michael Bautista; Back (l-r) Lily Abarca, Reyna Arias, Duvy Ortiz, William Husted. Pool Manager is Carrie Arias.



#### Opening Day will be June 2nd 50% OFF Opening Day

**Daily Admission Prices** Adults: \$4.00 Children: \$3.00

**All Summer Splash Passes** Family Splash Pass: \$300.00

Summer Splash Pass: \$100.00 1 child \$200.00 1 adult

### Summer Fun in the Sun

#### **Friona City Pool Summer Hours and Events**

(806) 250-5279 **Open Swim** 

**Water Aerobics** Tuesday-Thursday

Tuesday-Saturday

1:00 pm-5:00 pm

6:00 pm-7:00 pm **Night Swim (Must** be 12 or older)

Friday's Only 7:00 pm-10:00 pm

**Pool Parties** Swim Lessons Tuesday-Saturday 7:00 pm-10:00 pm

Sunday 2:00 pm-8:00 pm

\$100.00 1 Hour \$150.00 2 Hours \$200.00 3 Hours

(50% deposit is required for party reservations)

June 5-8 and June 15-18

9:00-11:00 am

\$50.00 for 4 sessions

\$100.00 for 8 sessions

Children 9 and under must have an adult present at all times during Open Swim



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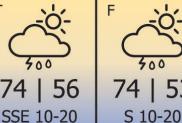
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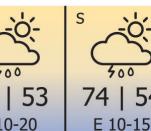


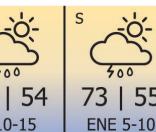
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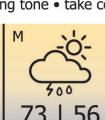
Friona Weather June 1-7











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### **Community Calendar**

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

#### June 1

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

#### June 5

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

#### June 7

- Summer Reading Program at 9:30 a.m. in City Park
- Library Book Shop at 618 Euclid is open from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

#### June 8

 Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

#### **June 12**

 Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

#### **June 14**

Flag Day

#### **ON YOUR PAYROLL**



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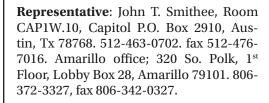


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#### Sirena Del Rio to visit Friona

Jessica Mejia is on a mission. The mission to help children improve their language skills while promoting their mental health and teaching them to respect nature, is always on her mind. She has been working with children for over 18 years, and her programs are all designed to give them a space to think, share, and play.

Jessica's passion for learning began at a young age when her mom would take her and her sister to the local library where reading would allow them to expand horizons and open their minds to limitless opportunities. It was part of a mental well being effort during a divorce. Although mental health was not something discussed for children at that time, her mom was empathetic enough to know the library was a happy place Jessica and her sister. That house of books just happened to be the Friona Public Library.

Now, Jessica looks forward to returning to Friona next Wednesday as Sirena Del Rio: The Indigenous Mermaid of the San Marcos River. She created this first-ofits-kind bilingual mermaid program where children with English and Spanish language skills are encouraged to help one another in an inclusive environment. An important part of her role as Sirena is the mermaid costume. Children are mesmerized by her unique appearance and the enchanting stories she tells about diversity and compassion. Water steward-

ship and caring for the earth will also be recurring themes. Kids will have adventures coloring the earth, taking a walk, and enjoying other crafts.

The Sirena Del Rio program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library, will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 7th at the Friona City Park. In addition to her mermaid role, Jessica is also working on a series of bilingual children's books in an effort to inspire and educate children for many years to come.



Karlee Osborn recently competed in the state UIL Speech & Debate Tournament. She won sixth place in the Prose Interpretation category. Congratulations Karlee!!!





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#### SHERIFF'S REPORT

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

(5/22/23) Aaron Gomez, 20, of Friona was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on three Parmer County Warrants/VOP/MTR involving charges of Burglary of Habitation, Murder, and Aggravated Assault with Deadly Weapon.

(5/22/23) Marcus Diego Orozco, 24, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of Deadly Conduct Discharging Firearm Individuals, and on a Parmer County Warrant/VOP/MTR on a charge of Assault Causing Bodily Injury to Family Member.

(5/22/23) Paul Anthony Riordon, 60, of Amarillo was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of Possession Marijuana < 2 OZ.

(5/22/23) Kaylop Villalobos, 23, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of Deadly Conduct Discharging Firearm Individuals, and on Parmer County Warrants on charges of Speeding 10 Percent above Posted Speed and Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor.

(5/23/23) Goldie Lorrine Larson, 65, of Canyon was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of Possession CS PG1  $\geq$  1G < 4G.

(5/23/23) Cameron Isaac Marquez, 21, of Amarillo was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's office on a charge of Terroristic Threat Causing Fear of Imminent

(5/27/23) Catarina Qryseis Davila, 23, of Hereford was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety on a Deaf Smith County Warrant/VOP/MTR on a charge of Criminal Trespass.



#### Courthouse Notes

Susie Spring, County Clerk

#### Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from May 18, 2023 to May 25, 2023

(5/19/23) Christine Putman — Johnny Alvarez — All of the West 80 Feet of Lot 8 in Block 4, of the McMillen Fergus Addition to the City of Friona, Parmer County, **Texas** 

(5/19/23) Barrett King LTD — Clayton Cutter Glover, Jordan Brooke Glover — All of the Southeast Quarter of Section 66, Block Y, W.D. and F.W. Johnson Subdivision of Parmer County, Texas

(5/19/23) Greg L. Ray, Jennifer K. Ray — Jeffrey J. Jones - Lots 17-19 and the South 20' of Lot 20, in Block 20 and a Tract in the right-of-way of Avenue F all in the Original Townsite to the City of Farwell in Parmer County, Texas

(5/22/23) Kenneth James Palmer — Living Trust of Kenneth Palmer, Kenneth James Palmer — Lot 24-27, Block 12, Original Town of Farwell

(5/24/23) Matthew Schwertner, Kelli Schwertner — Kyle Blakey, Kalee Blakey — A Tract of Land in the East Half of Section 65, Block Z, W.D. and F.W. Johnson Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas

#### **Parmer County Voters**

Notice of public hearing to allow parmer county to participate in the county wide polling place program

Allowing all registered voters to vote at any of the four vote centers in the county

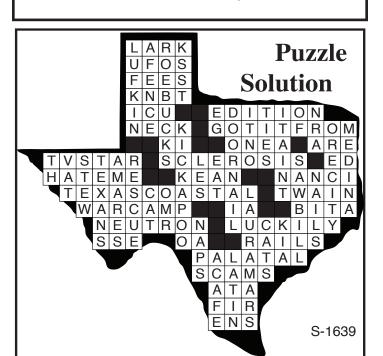
> Monday, June 12, 2023 At 10:00 am Parmer County Courthouse 401 3rd street • Farwell, TX 79325

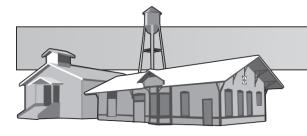
#### Votantes del condado de Parmer

Aviso de audiencia publica para permitir que elcondado de Parmer participe en el programa de lugares de votacion en todo el condado

Esto permitiria que todos los votantes registrados puedan votar en cualquiera de los cuatro centeros de votacion en el condado

> Lunes, 12 de Junio 2023 A las 10:00 am Parmer County Courthouse 401 3rd Street • Farwell, tx 79325





## TOWN TALK

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#### **TxDOT Hosting Public Meeting**

 Information on a route study to identify potential mobility improvements to US 60/70/84 or FM 292 in Parmer County will be presented at an open house in Farwell that will take place from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. (CST) on Thursday, June 8, at the Farwell ISD Administration Building, located at 805 Avenue G. The route study includes assessing at which location of the existing BNSF railroad crossing at the Texas-New Mexico state line could be improved by building a bridge structure spanning the crossing.

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Gunfire at the Ballpark — The Friona Police Department was paged last week when gunshots were heard near the baseball parks south of 5th street. Baseball games were interrupted as players, coaches, and fans scrambled for the dugouts, trees, and vehicles for cover. Friona

police officers, with help from Parmer County Sheriff officers, found the individuals responsible and two arrests were made.

\*\*\* **Golf Tourney To Benefit Preg**nancy Resource Center — Cre-

ated with Purpose of West Texas announced that it will host its 3rd Annual Birdies for Babies Golf Tournament fundraiser on Thursday, June 22nd at 5:30 p.m. (CST) at the Farwell Country Club. This year's event is titled "Fiesta on the Fairway" and will include a taco bar, refreshments, prizes, and giveaways. It will be a 4-Person Team Scramble format and the entry fee is \$500.00 per team. Call 806-251-4673 or email office@cwpwtx.com to register or for more information.

#### \*\*\* Raffle Winners announced —

The Parmer County Babe Ruth Baseball League announced the winners of their fundraiser raffle. Sergito Chaparro of Dimmitt won the Henry Lever Action .22LR Garden Gun, Turett Schlabs of Farwell won the Glock 22 .40Cal Pistol, and Dusti Kelley of Sudan won the CZ Home Defense 12 gauge shotgun.

Next Week — FFA Banquet highlights

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#### **National Days**

June 1 — World Milk Day June 2 — Doughnut Day June 3 — Prairie Day June 4 — Cancer Survivors Day June 5 — Gingerbread Day June 6— D-Day June 7 — Running Day

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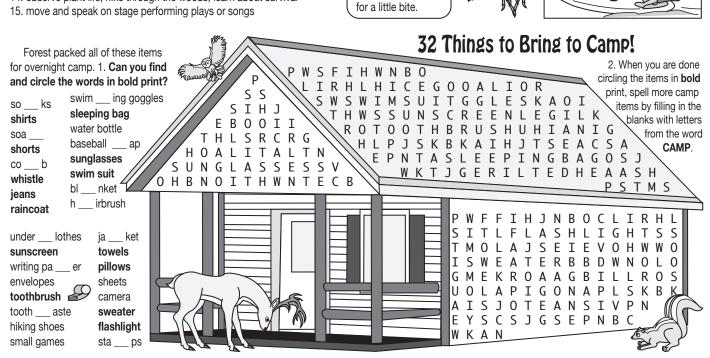
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#### Come have Fun with us at Malouf's Fabric

These are the classes scheduled this summer June 10......T-Shirt Class June 24...... Tote Bag Class July 8 ..... Beginning Sewing Class July 14, 15 ...... Handi Quilter Education Event July 22 ......3 Yard Quilt Class

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- 4. swim instructor 5. groundskeeper

1. nurse

2. bus driver

3. campers

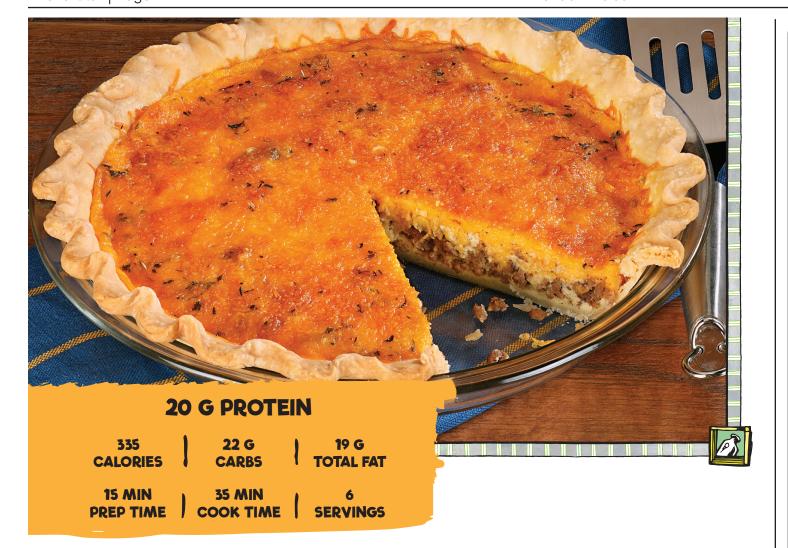
5. naturalist

4. director

B. sets menus, prepares meals and snacks C. leads children in activities, answers questions

A. leads children in sport activities

- D. in charge of keeping the camp beautiful E. teaches water safety, swimming skills
- A. helps when you're not feeling well B. join in the activities and fun
  - C. head of camp, runs programs, greets campers -D. teaches about the world around us E. in charge of getting us to camp



### Cheeseburger Pie

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 3/4 pound ground beef
- 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
- 1 (9-inch) unbaked pie crust with fluted edge
- 2 cups (8 ounces) shredded Cheddar cheese
- 3/4 cup milk
- 4 teaspoons cornstarch
- 1/2 cup light sour cream
- 3 eggs
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon Italian herb seasoning, optional

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

Preheat oven to 350°F. Cook ground beef and onion in skillet until browned. Drain fat if needed. Place meat and cheese in pie crust. In a bowl whisk together milk and cornstarch. Whisk in sour cream, eggs, salt, pepper and Italian seasoning until blended. Pour mixture into shell. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes or until golden brown and puffy.

Note: If using a frozen pie crust, a deep dish crust will be needed.



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# **End of the Civil War**

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

On April 9, 1865, Robert E. Lee surrendered to Ulysses S. Grant at the Appomattox Court House, in Virginia, but that ceremony did not finish the Civil War. The strife ended on June 2 when "Confederate General Edmund Kirby Smith, commander of Confederate forces west of the Mississippi, signed the...terms offered by Union negotiators," according to History.com.

A little more than a year later on August 20, 1866 Andrew Johnson, President Abraham Lincoln's vice president and successor, formally culminated the combat by proclaiming that "said insurrection is at an end and that peace, order, tranquility, and civil authority now exist in and throughout the whole United States of America."

The Grateful American Book Prize endorses



Elizabeth R. Varon's **Appomattox: Victory, Defeat, and Freedom at the End of the Civil War.**Source: History Mat-

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

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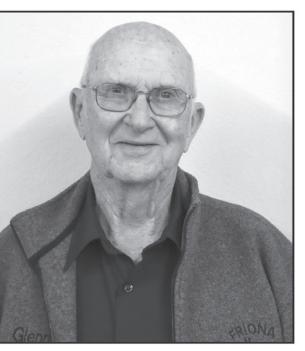


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Happy Birthday

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Cara Speer
Kiley Gibson
Terri Cummings Zerfas
Cindy King
Fabiola Dominguez
Miranda Pina
Kayla Alexander
Logan Stewart

June 1

Pam Mercado

June 2

Tonda Clark

Brian Carrol Huddleston

Chaz Silva

Kayla Alexander Logan Stewart Jennifer Martinez June 6
Holly Campbell
Jennifer (Smith) Jolly
M'Kenzie Hurst
Cindy Todd
Erin Parsley-Grimsley
Ashley Landrum

June 4

Pam Hamilton Jesse Allen

Tara Kendrick

Jackson Reeve Fluck

Angelina Gonzalez Kyle Lambert

June 7

**Azriel Flores** 

Kevin Schueler Kelci Osborn Charlie Brewer Larry Johnston Gisela Rosas Andrew Husted

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# Summer gas prices look to be stable

By GasBuddy

Average gasoline prices in Texas rose 6.4 cents last week, averaging \$3.09 per gallon, according to Gas-Buddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Prices in Texas are 4.6 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 113.0 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was priced at \$2.39 while the most expensive was \$4.17 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 2.7 cents in the last week, averaging \$3.55 per gallon. The national average is down 3.2 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 105.5 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has fallen 4.9 cents in the last week and stands at \$3.91 per gallon.

"Gasoline prices have drifted higher in the last week due to some relatively minor refinery kinks and low gasoline supply, but it may not be a trend that lasts too much longer," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

De Haan explained, "As we unofficially start the summer driving season, the national average is likely to spend much of the summer in the range of \$3.35-\$3.85 per gallon, though it could go higher if unexpected refinery outages flare up, or we see a major hurricane or economic development. While gasoline prices have inched up slightly, we're still faring much better than we did last year, when the national average started to soar after Memorial Day on its way up to the \$5 per gallon mark. In addition, gas prices may temporarily rally if there's a debt ceiling deal that passes through Congress in the weeks ahead, based on the optimism that such a deal could avert a major recession, keeping oil demand stronger this summer"

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

# Renewing your mind

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Romans 12:2 says "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect," (ESV). One of the blessings and curses of our modern age is the abundant access to information of all types and through various mediums. Christians must be on guard to not become enamored and enslaved by the endless fodder of info and entertainment at the expense of not renewing our minds with the truth of God. The businesses that are garnering for your attention, such as TV, streaming platforms, social media, print media, tictok, youtube, and such are all committed to doing what it takes to seize your attention and lay hold of it for the sake of increasing sales, usage and growing their audience. Their aim to gain a greater audience is not some diabolical plan to take over the world, but simple business. Unfortunately, the dark side of this issue is that gaining and maintaining an audience usually trends toward a path that leans into the depraved tastes of the human heart. For example, it has been said, "Sex sells," which is true and explains why gals in bikinis are a much more effective ad campaign in selling alcohol than a delusional man who thinks he transitioned to become a girl. Sexual immorality is definitely not the singular theme to grow an audience and revenue, but an out of balance focus on self, beauty, identity, feats of great strength, skill, major fails and foolish stunts seems to hold attention in one minute spans stacked up in an endless attempt to keep a viewer hooked. Politics has no lack of scandal, corruption and dysfunction, while other interests such as cooking or sports can easily eat up more time in front of a screen than one realizes.

In light of all these realities and dangers, what's the point? The point is what scripture says in Proverbs 4:23 that you must "Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life," (ESV). Some translations say "guard your heart", and the reality is that you are to guard your heart and mind from sinful and worthless mental fodder, but you also must guide your heart in the Lord's truth, growing your walk with Him. Guarding and guiding your heart are two sides of the same coin that calls you to store up for yourself treasures in heaven, and give evidence of your faith while on earth (Matthew 6:20).

#### **Panhandle Parables**

# Prayer for Seniors 2023

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

It hardly seems possible that another school year has ended. I am sure the kids are ready for summer break, the teacher wouldn't mind a little break either and the Senior Class of 2023 is ready to test their wings. Let's pray for these young adults launching into the world.

Dear Heavenly Father,

Your Majesty is beyond words and we give you praise as You have remained faithful as You have promised. Father, we pray for the Senior class of 2023. We ask that You grant them wisdom beyond their years, courage to face new challenges and an ever growing faith in Your Son and His work in this world.

Lord, give them strength for when the road gets steep and clouds cover the peak. Let their steps be steady and forward.

Father, open their minds to always learning something in each day, whether great or small let them continue to grow in their understanding of their pur-

pose in this life and may they rise to the challenges of the day.

Lord, give them confidence in where they have been and eagerness to keep moving forward. Let them grow in their compassion for others and desire to find success through service.

Give them an anchor when the storms of life get real and tough. May You be that anchor.

Bless their lives, Lord with victory and even a few defeats that they may humbly look to You for help in this life.

Father, we thank you for having the opportunity to raise them, share them and watch them become who You need them to be. May You forever be glorified in their lives with each decision that they make. Keep them safe and bring them back to us as often as possible that we can remind them they are loved.

It is through Your Son, Jesus Christ that we pray. Amen. Congratulations to the Class of 2023.

#### **Being Reverent, Part 1**

#### By Teena Hughs

We have a man in our church named Bob. Besides making the best peach cobbler in the world, Bob is a good, good man. He is our acolyte and fix-it man, and he takes his jobs seriously. One day, Feller and I were talking about Bob. I couldn't find the word I wanted to use to describe Bob, and Feller said, "He's reverent." But, what does it really mean to be reverent, to live a life of reverence?

After doing a little research, I have to agree that the best way to describe Bob is reverent!

Got Questions says, "Reverence is honor and respect that is deeply felt and outwardly demonstrated. Because of the Lord God's awesome power and majesty, He is deserving of the highest level of reverence (Leviticus 19:30)."

Cindi McMenamin says, "The Bible uses reverence and fear interchangeably. To revere God is to fear Him in the fullest sense of the word...to have a wholesome dread of ever displeasing the Lord". "To simply respect Him is not strong enough. We should fear to disappoint Him because He's a Holy God and [we should] revere--or worship--Him for His holiness."

How we live our lives determines whether or not we are reverent. Are we willing to follow Titus 2:12 and "say NO to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age"?

We know God does not like us to sin, so do we fear sinning and the consequences of committing sin?

Do we fear displeasing God, or disap-

pointing Him? Do you take God serious-

Does it bother you to disrespect God by saying, "Oh, my God" or OMG, or calling Him "the Man Upstairs", or saying "Jesus Christ!" in a fit of anger or amazement? I know a man who says he calls God "Bud". Got Questions points out that "we may not intend to be irreverent, but when we invoke His name in casual chatter, we are being just that." Most of us pray every Sunday from Matthew 6:9-13, "Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be your name." Got Questions reminds us that hallowed "means 'set apart as holy."; therefore, "we are to treat the name of God with reverence."

Got Questions points out, "Reverence for God is a quality missing in much of what masquerades as Christianity today. Instead of the kind of reverence we see demonstrated throughout the Bible, modern Christianity has adopted a Jesusis-my-buddy attitude that grossly downplays the holiness, power, and righteous wrath of the Sovereign Creator...Once we truly know who God is, we reverence Him in our hearts."

Do we always reverence God in our hearts? I am encouraging myself, and you, to spend the next week looking in the mirror. What are the ways you feel that you are reverent, and what can you do to become more reverent? Next week, I am going to share some suggestions from Got Questions and McMenamin that may offer some help in becoming a more reverent person. In the meantime, take care, and have a great week!

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# Retirement Reception to honor Judge Campbell

You are cordially invited to a reception to celebrate Judge Deborah Campbell's 13 years as Friona Municipal Judge. Festivities are from 2-4 p.m. in the Friona Court Complex at 617 Main Street on Friday, June 2nd. Her love and dedication to the Municipal Court has been phenomenal! She has served her community proudly and diligently. Retirement is not the end of the road. It is the beginning of a new adventure! Refreshments will be served. Third



graders from Friona Elementary School recently stopped by on a tour of the court and to meet the judge. Happy Trails!!!



# **College News**



#### **South Plains College**



#### Spring 2023 — Academic Awards

South Plains College presented academic and service awards to 146 students who displayed the highest level of achievement throughout the 2022-2023 academic year. Award winners included **Katheryne Avila** of Friona.

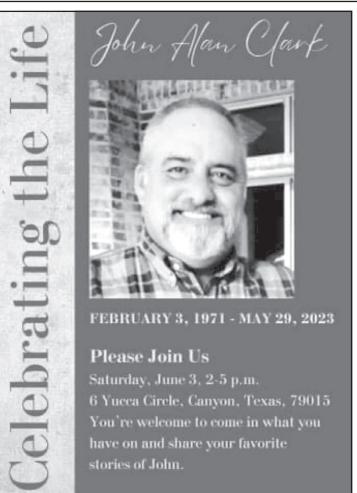
#### Spring 2023 — Deans' List

South Plains College congratulates more than 680 students who were named to the Fall 2023 Deans' List including **Katheryne Avila** of Friona. To qualify, students must earn a GPA of 3.25 or higher and complete a minimum of 12 credit hours.

#### Spring 2023 — Graduates

South Plains College congratulates the more than 1,800 students who received their academic degree or certificate on May 12th, 2023. Graduates from Friona included **Breanna Rivera** who graduated with an AA in General Studies, **Nishna Soto** who graduated with an AA in Psychology, and **Katheryne Avila** who graduated with an AS in General Studies.

South Plains College is a comprehensive, two-year community college that serves the greater South Plains area of Texas.



#### **Angelo State University**



#### Spring 2023 – Dean's List

Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas, has announced the students achieving the Dean's List for the 2023 spring semester. To be eligible for the ASU Dean's List, full-time undergraduate students must maintain a 3.25 or better grade point average on a 4.0 scale. Students from Friona making the Dean's List included **Magdalena Licerio** (Interdisciplinary Studies), and **Lizbeth Rojas** (Nursing Generic Option).

#### **Spring 2023 Graduates**

Angelo State University in San Angelo, Texas, conferred 830 undergraduate and graduate degrees on 825 graduates during the 2023 spring commencement exercises on May 12-13 at the ASU Junell Center/Stephens Arena. The graduates included **Lizbeth Rojas** of Friona, who earned a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in Nursing Generic Option magna cum laude.

Angelo State University is a thriving four-year public school and is part of the Texas Tech University System with campuses across the state.



Lizbeth Rojas

# Bill ending vehicle inspections heading to Governor's desk

Vehicles registered in Texas will no longer be required to pass safety inspections under a bill headed to Governor Greg Abbott's desk.

House Bill 3297, sponsored by Rep. Cody Harris, R-Palestine, also creates a new annual \$7.50 inspection replacement fee that will be added to annual vehicle registration fees. Thus, owners won't save any money but will not have to take their vehicle to a licensed inspection station.

If Abbott signs the bill or allows it to become law without his signature, it will go into effect September 1st.

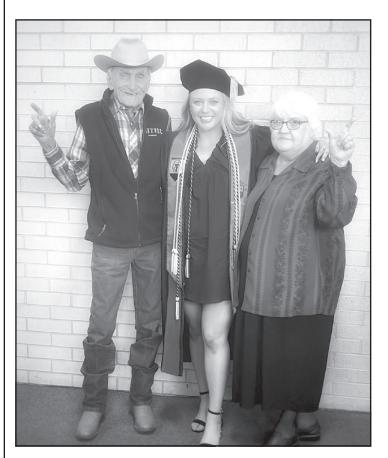
Texas is currently one of 15 states still requiring regular inspections.

# **Brackens graduate**

Laura Bracken [Wilson] received her Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Southern New Hampshire University and attended the graduation ceremony in Manchester, New Hampshire held on April 29, 2023. Laura is the daughter of the late Cody Bracken of Friona and Lana Bracken of Canyon and the granddaughter of Rex and Darla Bracken and her late grandparents Teddy and Shirley Fangman all of Friona. Laura was accompanied by her husband, Tyrel Wilson of Fort Worth and her mother.

Lexie Bracken Greenwood received her Doctor of Pharmacy Degree from the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Jerry H. Hodge School of Pharmacy in Amarillo on May 20, 2023. Lexie is the daughter of the late Cody Bracken of Friona and Lana Bracken of Canyon and the granddaughter of Rex and Darla Bracken and her late grandparents Teddy and Shirley Fangman all of Friona. Her husband John Greenwood of Lubbock, and many other families were blessed to attend the ceremony. Her family hosted a graduation celebration party in Canyon honoring Lexie and Laura following the

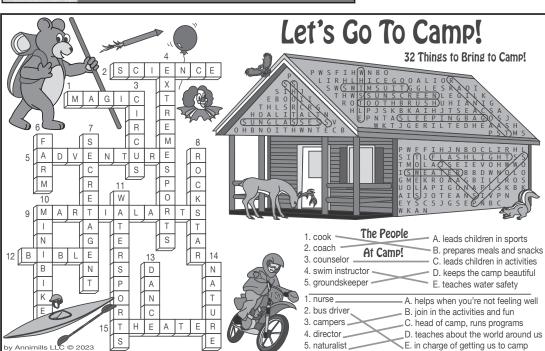
graduation.



Lexie Bracken Greenwood at her degree ceremony from the Jerry Hodge School of Pharmacy Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Amarillo.



Laura Bracken [Wilson] at her degree ceremony from SNHU.





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Friona ISD está buscando una persona que ayude a limpiar la escuela a tiempo completo. El horario es de 7 am a 5 pm con 1 hora de almuerzo y un descanso de 30 minutos por la mañana y la tarde. El pago inicial es de \$10 por hora. Los solicitantes interesados pueden llamar a Friona ISD 806-250-2747 o Martha Moreno 806-346-2091.



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# FISD Staff Awards Dinner

May 24th at Country Rose



**JoAnn Padillo**Staff Member of the Year



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**Diamond Stephens**Primary Teacher of the Year



**Jordan Jarecki** Elementary Teacher of the Year



**Candice Geske**Junior High Teacher of the Year



*Kelly Jo Ashlock*High School Teacher of the Year



### **Obituaries**

#### **Glendel Day Jones**

Glendel Day Jones, 82, life-long Friona resident passed away May 29, 2023 in Amarillo. Viewing will be held from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM Wednesday, May, 31, 2023 in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY with Celebration of Life Services at 10:00 AM Thursday, June 1, 2023 at Calvary Baptist Church of Friona with Rev. D. Jay Lewis and Rev. Brett Hoyle, officiating. Burial following in the Friona Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Fu-

neral Home of Friona. Glendel was born May 3, 1941 in Friona to Loyd Cayson and Thelma Curry Jones. He later married Olivia Perez, June



20, 1991 in Friona. Glendel was a proud Friona supporter helping with the kids fishing day at Reeve Lake, working in carpet flooring, the Friona, I.S.D., and the City of Friona. As much as he loved Friona, he loved his Lord even more and wanted to tell everyone of his joy whether it be

singing or speaking in his home church of Calvary Baptist or the jail ministry in Farwell.

Glendel is preceded in death by his parents, 1 brother-L.A. Jones, and 1 sister-Billie Wall.

Those that will mourn his passing include his wife Olivia of Friona, 1 daughter-Becky Harmon of Lubbock, 1 grandchild-Kirsten Harmon, and many, many friends.

You may send blessings to the family and sign the online guest book at: hansardfamily.



#### Eladio Mendoza Rocha

Eladio Mendoza Rocha, 71 of Friona passed away May 27, 2023 in Friona. Viewing will be held from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM with Rosary Services set for 6:00 PM Thursday, June 8, 2023 in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY. Cremation to follow by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.

Eladio was born in San Francisco, Nieves, Zacatecas, Mexico to Aurelio Rocha Orona and Florinda Mendoza Davila. He dedicated most of his life to working for Cargill Meat Solutions, working for 30 plus years. He loved horse racing and dancing, and watching baseball.



He is preceded in death by his parent, 1 son-Joel Alberto Rocha, several brothers and sisters.

Those to mourn his passing include 2 sons-Elizar Rocha of Hereford and family Carlos, Lorenza, Lenny and Julian Daniel, Areli, Jazlynn Cadena, and Emely, and also Eladio Rocha Jr of Del Rio, and family Rachel, Evelyn, Isaac, and Eleanor, 1 daughter Maria Florinda Vargas of Alden, Iowa and family Nicandro, Destiny, Jonathan, Isaiah, Joshua, Ethan, and Sebastian, daughter of Joel - Brianna Lynn Rocha of Friona, and 1 sister- Carolina Rocha of San Francisco de los Gallardos Zacatecas, Mexico.

You many send blessings to the family and sign the online guest book at: hansardfamily.



# Friona ISD WILL SERVE UP GOOD NUTRITION FOR LOCAL CHILDREN THIS SUMMER.

Bringing healthy summer meals to "Friona" children ensures kids have a healthy vacation and return to school ready to learn.

Friona – This summer, Friona ISD will connect children 18 and younger and enrolled student with disabilities up to 21 years old with healthy, no cost summer meals. The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a U.S. Department of Agriculture nutrition program administered in the Lone Star State by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). For the children who rely on school meals during the academic year, these meals offer a source of good nutrition when school is out for the long summer vacation.

"Friona children need good nutrition year-round so they can learn, grow and succeed in life," said "Ashley Smith, Director of Student Services". "With nearly 2 million food insecure children living in Texas, these healthy meals are vital to nourishing young Texans during the summer vacation."

Friona Junior High Cafeteria May 30, 2023- June 23, 2023 Breakfast 7:30 am – 9:00 am Lunch 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Friona ISD is one of the nonprofit organizations partnering with TDA to serve meals across Texas. Families are encouraged to use these three tools to find a meal site anywhere in the state:

- Call 2-1-1 to speak to a live operator
- Visit www.SummerFood.org for an interactive site locator map
- Text FOOD or COMIDA to 304-304

Organizations partner with TDA to serve meals in areas where more than 50 percent of children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals in the National School Lunch Program. Eligible sponsoring organizations include schools, faith-based groups, nonprofit summer camps, government agencies and other tax-exempt organizations. All meal sites must be sponsored by an organization that has a contract with TDA.

Summer meal sites help children succeed by providing the nourishment they need to return to school in the fall ready to thrive.

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Llevar comidas saludables de verano a los niños de "Nombre de la Comunidad Aquí" asegura que los niños tengan unas vacaciones saludables y regresen a la escuela listos para aprender.

Friona – Este verano, Friona ISD conectará a los niños de 18 años o menos y a los estudiantes matriculados con discapacidades de hasta 21 años con comidas de verano saludables y sin costo. El Programa de Servicio de Alimentos de Verano (SFSP) es un programa de nutrición del Departamento de Agricultura de los Estados Unidos administrado en el Estado de Texas por el Departamento de Agricultura de Texas (TDA). Para los niños que dependen de las comidas escolares durante el año académico, estas comidas ofrecen una fuente de buena nutrición cuando la escuela está fuera para las largas vacaciones de verano.

"Friona los niños necesitan una buena nutrición todo el año para que puedan aprender, crecer y tener éxito en la vida", dijo Ashley Smith, la Director de Servicios Estudiantes. "Con casi 2 millones de niños con inseguridad alimentaria que viven en Texas, estas comidas saludables son vitales para alimentar a los jóvenes tejanos durante las vacaciones de verano".

Friona Junior High Cafeteria

30 de mayo de 2023- 23 de junio de 2023

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- Llame al 2-1-1 para hablar con un operador en vivo
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- Envíe un mensaje de texto a FOOD o COMIDA al 304-304

Las organizaciones se asocian con TDA para servir comidas en áreas donde más del 50 por ciento de los niños son elegibles para comidas gratis o a precio reducido en el Programa Nacional de Almuerzo Escolar. Las organizaciones patrocinadoras elegibles incluyen escuelas, grupos basados en la fe, campamentos de verano sin fines de lucro, agencias gubernamentales y otras organizaciones exentas de impuestos. Todos los sitios de comidas deben ser patrocinados por una organización que tiene un contrato

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Patricia Lanier Junior High / 15 years



Jordan Jarecki Elementary / 5 years



Cynthia Santiago Elementary / 5 years



Katie Gilley Elementary / 15 years



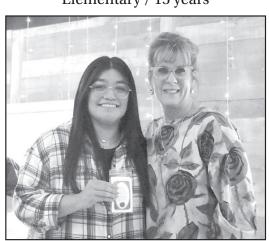
Rosa Flores Elementary / 20 years



Caroline Estrada Elementary / 25 years



Julie Colella Primary / 5 years



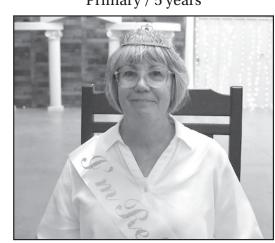
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Lupe Garcia Primary / 35 years



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Lupe Garcia Retired / 35 years



Retired / 36 years



Retired / 38 years

MariCruz Licerio Central / 5 years

Tammy Villanueva Junior High / 5 years

Victor Parra Central / 5 years Sadie Armendariz

Primary / 5 years

Crystal Waldrop Central / 5 years

Santa Lewis Primary / 5 years

**Not Pictured:** 

Aide Mendoza Central / 15 years

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Maria Rivera Veronica Quintana

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