



Mighty Chieftain Band Marches On



Threepeat for FHS Band! — For the third year in a row the Mighty Chieftain Marching Band has qualified for the Area Marching Contest. The band performed its “Val-halla” routine last Saturday afternoon at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo and received three “1s” for its performance. The Texas UIL Marching Band contest is scored using a rating system from 1 (superior) to 5 (poor). Three judges independently evaluate all aspects of the show, including musical tone, technical proficiency, and visual execution. A band must receive a “1” rating from the majority of judges to advance to the area contest. The Mighty Chieftain Band is scheduled to perform at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 1st at Lowery Field in Lubbock, Texas.

Act Now – Mammograms Save Lives!

Are you, or persons you know, 40 years of age or older? Has it been more than one (1) year since you, or others you know, have had a mammogram? Are you or your friends medically uninsured?

If you answered “Yes” to any of the above questions, this message is for you! Grant programs pay for mammograms for women living in the Texas Panhandle who would otherwise not be

able to receive them. Don’t miss this opportunity to get a free mammogram. Hurry, this offer is time limited.

How to apply for a Free Mammogram
Contact Rocio Carrasco at

806-729-7352 to fill out an application and to arrange for transportation (if needed). For more information about free mammograms, you can contact Panhandle Breast Health or the WISE Woman

Program at (806) 331-4710 or by email to pbhadmin@panhandlebreasthealth.org. Funding is provided by State and area grants, The Ryan Palmer Foundation, and contributions.

Actúe ahora: ¡Las mamografías salvan vidas!

¿Tiene usted o alguien que conoce 40 años o más? ¿Ha pasado más de un (1) año desde que usted o alguien que conoce se hizo una mamografía? ¿Usted o alguna de sus amigas no tiene seguro médico?

Si respondió “Sí” a alguna de las preguntas anteriores, ¡este mensaje es para usted! Existen programas que cubren mamografías para mujeres que viven en el Panhandle de Texas y que de otra manera no podrían recibirlas.

No pierda esta oportunidad de obtener una mamografía gratuita. ¡Date prisa, esta oferta es por tiempo limitado!

Cómo solicitar una mamografía gratuita
Comuníquese con Rocio Carrasco al **806-729-7352**

para completar una solicitud y coordinar el transporte (si es necesario). Para obtener más información sobre mamografías gratuitas, puede comunicarse con Panhandle Breast Health o el Programa WISE Woman al (806) 331-4710 o por correo electrónico a pbhadmin@panhandlebreasthealth.org. La financiación proviene de programas estatales y locales, la Fundación Ryan Palmer y contribuciones.

Clays Corner Crash Kills One, Injures Another

An early morning collision on Wednesday, October 15th between two semi trucks at the intersection of State Highway 214 and Farm to Market Road 145 left one driver dead and another seriously injured. According to a preliminary report by the Texas Department of Public Safety, Wilnick Saint-Paul, 46, of Naples, Florida was driving east on FM 145 in a 2020 Kenworth truck tractor and towing a

semi-trailer. Juan Soliz, 30, of Hereford, Texas was driving south on SH 214 in a 2014 Peterbilt truck tractor and towing a semi-trailer. At approximately 9:03 a.m. as both were approaching the intersection of SH 214 and FM 145, Saint-Paul disregarded the stop sign and struck Soliz’s truck tractor on the passenger side. Both truck tractors caught fire upon impact and began to burn. Soliz was able



to exit his truck tractor before it was fully engulfed in flames. Saint-Paul was pronounced deceased on the scene due to the injuries he sustained in the crash. Soliz was transported by Aerocare to University Medical Center in Lubbock with serious injuries. At the time of the crash, weather conditions were clear and road conditions were dry. Saint-Paul was not wearing a seat belt and it is unknown if Soliz was wearing his. The crash remains under investigation. The community in and around the intersection of SH 214 and FM 145 is known as Clays Corner. The community of Hub is 11.9 miles to the north and is another site of numerous fatal accidents over the years. Clays Corner is 18.1 miles south of the City of Friona. All three communities are located in Parmer County.

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Friona Weather October 23-29	T 75 50 SW 10-20	F 75 45 WNW 10-15	S 70 46 NNW 5-10	S 80 48 WSW 10-20	M 75 47 WNW 10-20	T 71 38 NNW 10-20	W 64 38 NE 10-20	Precipitation October 1.08 Year 21.72	Burn Ban No
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Community Calendar

Send Calendar information to:
frionastar@wtrt.net or call (806) 250-5200

October 23

- Community Noon Meal Fundraiser @ Friendship House

October 27

- Community Noon Meal @ Friendship House

October 29

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

October 30

- Community Noon Meal @ Friendship House

October 31

- Trunk or Treat at Prairie Acres parking lot from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

November 1

- Band Class 3A Area Marching Contest at Lowery Field in Lubbock

November 3

- Community Noon Meal @ Friendship House

November 4

- Election Day

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State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



Early voting underway for November election

Early voting began Monday across Texas with voters deciding the fate of 17 proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution, as well as local races for city and school board, bond measures, and tax proposals. The Houston Chronicle reported that many of the propositions intend to lower property taxes for homeowners and businesses. There are two proposed changes to the homestead exemption.

Prop 13 would raise the exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000 for all homeowners. The amendment's authors say that it would save homeowners an average of \$363 annually. Prop 11 would raise the tax exemption for disabled Texans and those 65 and older from the current \$10,000 to \$60,000, bringing their total homestead exemption to \$200,000.

The additional property tax exemptions would cost the state \$4 billion in property tax revenue over the next two years.

Prop 9 would raise the tax exemption for businesses' personal property from \$2,500 to \$125,000. Other propositions include small property tax cuts for specific groups, such as surviving spouses of deceased veterans.

Prop 4 would create a \$1 billion annual fund for water infrastructure projects, financed by state sales tax revenue. Half of the money, if it passes, would go for new water projects. The other half would go to fix deteriorating infrastructure.

A non-partisan explanation of all 17 propositions provided by the Texas Legislative Council can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/mt3yjwfd>.

Parental rights law leaves families, school nurses confused

A new form required af-

ter passage of the state's new education law has left both parents and school nurses confused, the Texas Standard reported. Senate Bill 12, which was billed as a parental rights law, requires parental permission before a school employee can provide physical or mental health care.

Unclear wording in a few paragraphs is being blamed by some for the confusion. School nurses worry they might unknowingly break the new law, according to Becca Harkleroad, executive director of the Texas School Nurses Organization. "The law was very clear that if you provided any services without written consent, disciplinary action was coming your way," she said. "So that gave a lot of people pause."

The bill's authors, state Rep. Jeff Leach, R-Plano, and former state Sen. Brandon Creighton, R-Conroe, acknowledged the confusion and urged educators "not to suspend common sense when it comes to providing basic care for the children at their schools."

Leach and Creighton have asked the Texas Education Agency to provide "consistent and clear guidance" to schools on

how to implement the law. That guidance was released last month, but Jack Frazee with the Texas Nurses Association said he is awaiting additional details from TEA to provide more clarity.

Texas continues to rank tops in trade

With 32 official ports of entry and two intermodal logistics facilities to connect different modes of transport, Texas continues to lead the nation in overall value of trade commodities, according to the comptroller's office.

The state's trade value fell to \$634.6 billion during the 2020 COVID pandemic but has increased by 67.6% since then, to \$1.1 trillion.

Port Laredo leads the country in total trade with \$339.5 billion of commodities coming through that port of entry. Port Houston ranks first in the nation in exports flowing out of the port at \$129.9 billion.

Another dry, hot October for most of Texas

This month is shaping up to be a repeat of last October, with much of the state staying both drier and warmer than average, according to Dr. Mark Wentzel, hydrologist with the Texas Water Development Board. By the end of September, 24% of the

state was in drought, up four percentage points from late August.

While a very wet July slowed down the expansion of drought conditions, soil moisture across the state has been much reduced since. With 40% of the state now classified as abnormally dry, the National Weather Service is predicting drought conditions to expand to cover most of Texas. The next few months are expected to be warmer and drier than normal in the state.

Those dry conditions are increasing the chances of wildfires. The forest service now classifies Texas at Level 3 in what it calls Wildland Fire Preparedness Levels, with wildfire activity affecting several regions. Level 5 is the highest level.

As of Sunday, there were three active wildfires in Texas, the largest being the 195-acre Bronco Creek fire in Wheeler County in the Panhandle. It was 75% contained.

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, Lufkin and Cedar Park. Email: gborders@texaspress.com.

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ACROSS

- 1 fraudulent business scheme
- 5 TX Orbison's "She's A Mystery" ____
- 6 succulent plant grown in the Valley
- 7 camping shelter
- 8 "Gig '____ Aggies!"
- 9 San Angelo was named for one
- 12 this TX English was on the Lawrence Welk show
- 17 TXism: "it's cats and dogs"
- 20 TXism: "got ____ as big as Texas" (kind)
- 22 San ____ , TX
- 23 WWII book: "Texas ____ War"
- 24 chemical compound that neutralizes acid
- 29 TX Forrest played Hondo on this show
- 30 held at 22 across: "Texas Mardi ____"
- 31 fin on Gulf sharks
- 32 TXism: "flush '____" (hunting phrase)
- 36 former Fort Worth mayor, Willard (1965-67)
- 37 Copperas Cove newspaper (2 wds.)
- 43 "Giant" star Liz also played this queen
- 45 this Warren was in "Tough Enough" with TX Dennis Quaid
- 47 TXism: "wouldn't know him from ____"

- 48 illegal block in the back
- 50 TXism: "it'll kill it or ____" (medicine)
- 51 TXism: "two peas in a ____" (alike)
- 52 TX Audie in WWII
- 53 makes eyes at
- 54 words with Chico & Fenix
- 55 star of "Silkwood," filmed in Dallas
- 56 explosive used by Texas oilfighter "Red" Adair

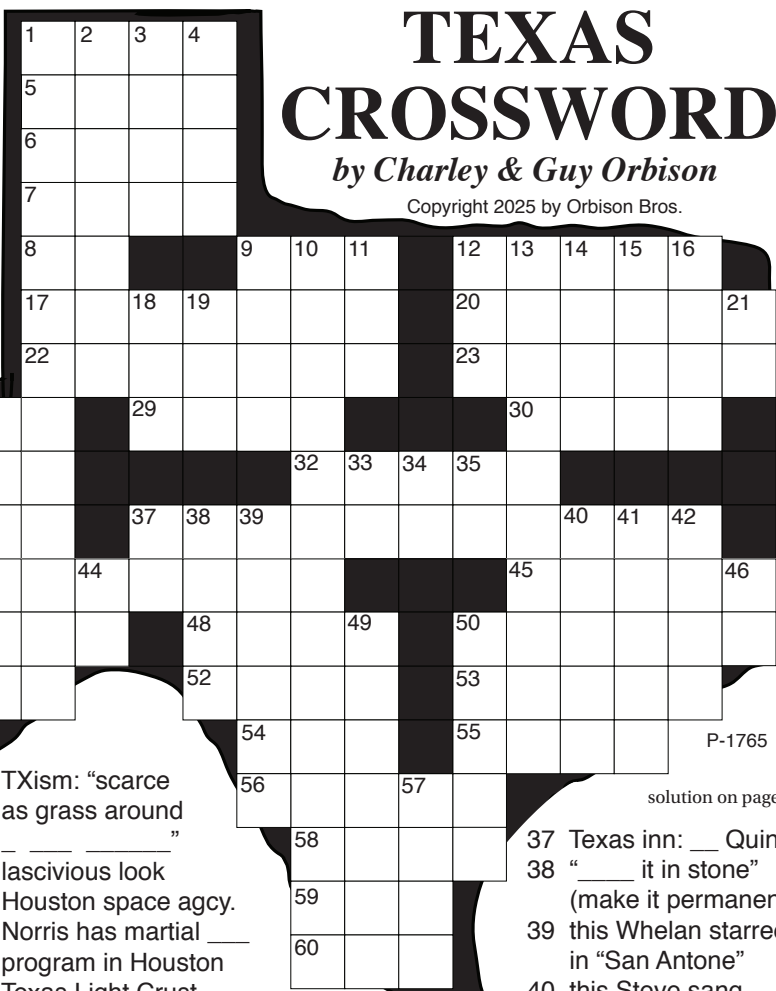
- 58 former athletic assn. of Mid-western State
- 59 TXism: "could strut sitting down"
- 60 a ____ of dominoes

DOWN

- 1 runs between Rusk & Palestine: "Texas ____"
- 2 it's a county and town on U.S. 84
- 3 early Fort Worth publisher, Carter
- 4 "Antique Auto Swap ____" in Wise County
- 9 this Columbus ship replica came to Texas in 1992
- 10 a company that flies into DFW (2 wds.)
- 11 "Stop '____'"
- 12 TXism: "limp as a dish ____"
- 13 TXism: "scarce as grass around ____"
- 14 lascivious look
- 15 Houston space agcy.
- 16 Norris has martial ____ program in Houston
- 18 Texas Light Crust Doughboys tune: "When ____ Round-up Time In Heaven"
- 19 Garth tune: "What She's Doing ____"
- 21 film: "Gone ____ Texas"
- 24 this TX Dexter sang "Pistol Packin' Mama" (init.)
- 25 Yo ____ Digo Creek
- 26 Abilene TV station

TEXAS CROSSWORD

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- 37 Texas inn: ____ Quinta
- 38 "____ it in stone" (make it permanent)
- 39 this Whelan starred in "San Antonio"
- 40 this Steve sang "San Antonio Girl"
- 41 TXism: "speaks cow like a ____"
- 42 Fiesta Diez y ____
- 44 after lunch (init.)
- 46 ____ Jo, TX (abbr.)
- 49 TXism: "sticks like a ____ stamp"
- 50 young'uns drink
- 57 "One ____, one Ranger"

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Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from October 9, 2025 to October 16, 2025

(10/9/25) Alejandro Ortiz — Maria Garcia — All Lots 13, 14, 15, and 16, Block 63 Original Town of Friona, Parmer County

(10/9/25) Paul P. Gonzales, Susan V. Gonzales — Beatrice G. Perkins — Lot 5 and West 10 foot of Lot 4, Block 2 of the Ridgeview Addition to the City of Friona, Parmer County

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(10/10/25) Laureano Gomez — Alga Alicia Gonzalez Morales — Lot 10, Block 2 of the McMillen Fergus Addition to City of Friona

(10/10/25) Estate of David Werna Brown, Cheryl Lynn Blasius, Wesley Glidewell — Juanita Marie Brown — 1 Acre in NE/4 of Section 82, Block H, Kelly Subdivision, Parmer County

(10/10/25) Viva Farms LLC — Joe Angel Pena — 10.03 Acre in Section 33, T9S, R1E SCL Survey, Abstract 112, Parmer County

(10/14/25) Jerry Don Danner, Estate of Joanne Danner — Jerry Don Danner — East 210 Acres of S/2 of Section 100, Block H, Thomas Kelly Subdivision, Parmer County

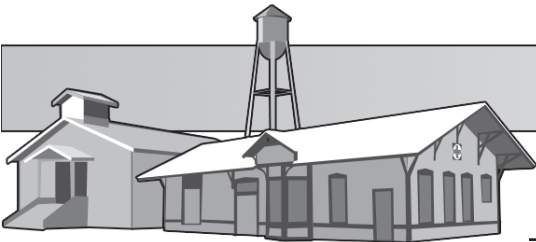
(10/14/25) KN Telecommunications Inc. — OXY USA Inc. — 5.93 Acre NW/4 of Section 13 T11S, R3S Capitol Syndicate, Subdivision, Parmer County

(10/15/25) Cherub Investments LLC — Belinda Kay Saunders — Lot 52 and East 5 foot of Lot 51, Block 2 of Western Addition to City of Friona, Parmer County

(10/15/25) Christie Ferkin, Cathie Sharp, Charles Edward Trimble III — Gallman Equipment and Farm Supply — ME/4 of Section 16, Block A, Capitol Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County



Toys for Tots — It's time to kick off the annual toy drive. The Friona FFA officers have been dropping off donation boxes all over town. The officers would like you to know that you can bring a new unwrapped toy to any of their friends at LoneStar Ag, Ivy Cottage Flowers & Gifts, Houlette Petroleum, Hi-Pro Feeds, or First National Bank Friona. Grab a toy, swing on by, and do a little shopping while you're there. Collection boxes will be out until December 16th.



TOWN TALK

Local, State, National & International News

They Only Come Out At Night — This year's Trunk or Treat event is scheduled for Friday, October 31st from 6:30 p.m. till 7:30 p.m. in the Prairie Acres parking lot. The event is sponsored by Prairie Acres, Legacy Pointe, and the Parmer County Sheriff's Office.

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Special Football Week — Next week's football games have been moved to different days because of the Halloween holiday next Friday. The 7th & 8th grade Braves will play on Tuesday at Tulia at 5:00 and 6:15 p.m. The JV Chiefs will play on Tuesday at Chieftain Field at 5:00 p.m. On Thursday, October 30th, the Chieftains will play at Tulia starting at 7:00 p.m.

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Save The Date — St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina is having their 65th Annual Turkey Dinner on Sunday, November 2nd. Serving time is 11:30 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. (Texas time) in the St. Ann's Parish Hall at 409 3rd Street in Bovina. The meal will be a buffet of Turkey & Dressing and all the trimmings. Donations will be \$15.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children under 6. Take-out plates will be available at no additional charge.

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Election stuff — Early voting continue this week and next week. You can find a listing of the constitutional amendments and a sample ballot on our website at www.frionaonline.com and click on the Notices button.

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Fruit Time — FFA members are out selling fruit and gifts to help raise money for the chapter. The money raised

goes to help with entries and costs associated with LDE's, CDE's, Area Camps, Area/District meetings, and Conventions. The sale will run from 10/20 through 11/10 with expected delivery the week of 12/8. Go to the Friona FFA Facebook page for more information and to place an order.

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More Power — The United States has significantly increased its military presence across the Caribbean as part of a new, expanded campaign targeting drug-trafficking networks operating near Venezuela. Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth an-

nounced the creation of the counter-narcotics Joint Task Force coordinating air, maritime, and special-operations missions, marking the largest U.S. military effort in the region in decades. *The Flyover*

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Fowl News — Fears of a Thanksgiving turkey shortage are rising after the nation's turkey flock shrank to its smallest size in 40 years, primarily due to an outbreak of the avian flu. The USDA reported that nearly 514,000 turkeys have been affected this month alone. This loss of birds and tighter production have caused

wholesale turkey prices to rise 40% from last year, with prices forecast to hit about \$1.32 per pound. Major producers like Butterball assure that plenty of frozen birds will be available. *The Flyover*

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National Days

October 23:
TV Talk Show Host Day
October 24:
Bologna Day
October 25:
Greasy Foods Day
October 26:
Pumpkin Day
October 27:
Navy Day
October 28:
Chocolate Day
October 29: Cat Day

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
CITATION

CAUSE NO. P03424

Determine Heirship and Order Granting Independent Administration and
Issuance of Letters of Administration

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF ANTONIA ACOSTA BARRAZA, Deceased, Cause No. **P03424**, in the County Court, Presiding Judge Isabel Carrasco of Parmer County, Texas:

Richard Barraza filed in said Court on September 25, 2025, an **APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP AND ORDER GRANTING INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION AND FOR LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION** upon the estate of Antonia Acosta Barraza, Deceased, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of Antonia Acosta Barraza, Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in said estate.

Said Application and any opposition will be heard and acted upon by said Court. at any call of the docket on or after 10 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of twenty (20) days from date of posting this citation, the same being 10th day of November, 2025, at the Parmer County Courthouse, 401 3rd St., Farwell, Tx 79325.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court at said above mentioned time and place **by filing a written answer or contest** to said Application should they desire to do so. **To ensure its consideration, you or your attorney must file any objection, intervention, or response in writing** with the County Clerk of Parmer County, Texas **on or before the above-noted date and time.**

The officer executing this citation shall post the copy of this citation at the Parmer County Courthouse door of the county in which this proceeding is pending, or at the place in or near said Courthouse where public notices customarily are posted, for not less than 20 days before the return day thereof, exclusive of the date of posting and return the original copy of this citation to the clerk stating in a written return thereon the time when and the place where such copy was posted.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court at office in Farwell, Texas, on October 21, 2025.

Susie Spring, COUNTY CLERK
Parmer County, Texas

Small Town Cookin' By Jeri Lynn White

Crock Pot Cooking

If you're looking for a hearty, comforting meal that's easy to prepare, this slow cooker ravioli lasagna is perfect for busy weeknights or lazy Sundays. With simple ingredients and minimal prep, you can enjoy layers of savory beef, flavorful sauce, and tender ravioli, all cooked to perfection in your crock pot.

Randy's Slow Cooker Ravioli Lasagna
www.allrecipes.com

Ingredients

- 1 pound ground beef

1 tablespoon chopped garlic

1 teaspoon garlic powder

1 teaspoon salt

½ teaspoon ground black pepper

2 (24 ounce) jars prepared pasta sauce
- 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning

1 teaspoon dried basil

1 teaspoon dried oregano

1 (25 ounce) package frozen cheese ravioli

2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese

Directions

Heat a large skillet over medium-high heat. Cook and stir beef, garlic, garlic powder, salt, and pepper in the hot skillet until meat is browned and crumbly, 5 to 7 minutes. Drain and discard grease. Stir pasta sauce, Italian seasoning, basil, and oregano into ground beef mixture. Ladle a generous layer of meat sauce into the bottom of a slow cooker; add a layer of ravioli. Ladle another layer of meat sauce over ravioli layer; alternate with remaining ravioli and meat sauce until all ingredients are used. Cook on Low for 3 to 5 hours. Sprinkle ravioli mixture with mozzarella cheese and continue cooking until cheese is melted, 45 minutes to 1 hour more.

Friona ISD School Board Excellence Awards October 2025

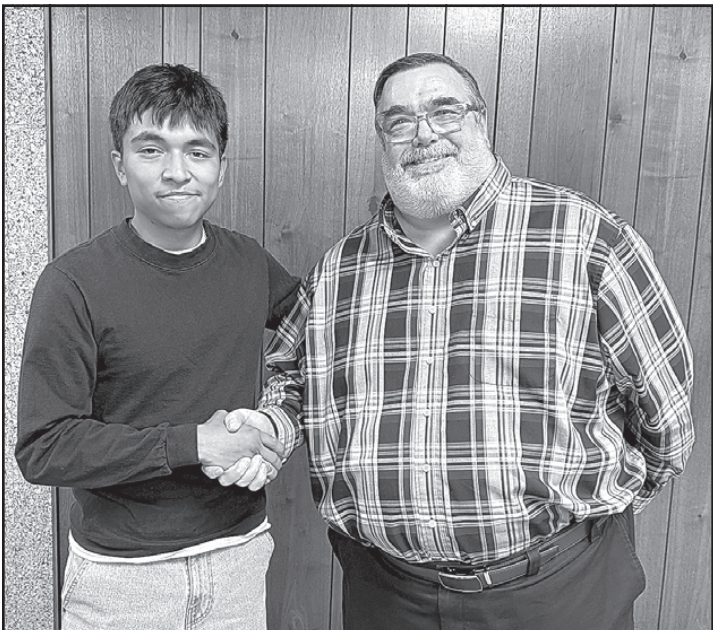
For making a profound and positive impact on Friona ISD and serving as a model for FISD's values of Integrity, Visionary, Excellence, Empowerment, & Accountability.



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HS Principal Matthew Tucker, School Board President Marla Hart



Shanna Daniels | FJHS Teacher
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JH Principal Kevin Wiseman, School Board President Marla Hart



Marco Leon | FHS Student
HS Principal Matthew Tucker



Ella Rector | FJHS Student
JH Principal Kevin Wiseman

Happy Birthday

- Oct. 23**
Pamela Kendrick
Jessie Kube
Jett Jarecki
April Thomas

Oct. 24
Winfield Davenport
Ben Santiago
Corina Ortiz

Oct. 25
Tommy Hefner
Philip G. Martinez
Jodie Denton
Mike Roberts
Shayla (Weatherly)
Shelburne
Tammy Odell
Chuck Mills

Oct. 26
Mary Maddox
Ethan Tongate
Susan Bailey
Dawn Henry
- Oct. 27**
Dr. Felipe Jubay
Carolyn Lane
Jared Buske
Colby Whitten
Amanda Maricle
Jayn Looper
Refugio Guevara

Oct. 28
Kirk Wright
Billy Williams
Sawyer Osborn
Zachary Barrett
Shirley Brazeal

Oct. 29
Ron Davenport
Monique Tamez
Linda Welch
Tiffany Sandoval
Natalia Posada



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These are the classes scheduled this summer

October 25th:
Paper piecing class

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Average national gas price falls below \$3

By GasBuddy

Average gasoline prices in Texas fell 7.6 cents last week, averaging \$2.54 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. The lowest price in the state yesterday was \$2.09 while the highest was \$3.99 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline fell 4.1 cents last week, averaging \$2.98 per gallon. The national average price of diesel decreased 3.7 cents last week and stands at \$3.59 per gallon.

"Gas prices have finally fallen below \$3 per gallon nationally— the earliest date we've seen a \$2.99 national average since 2020, when COVID was the primary driver of low prices," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

"OPEC+ deserves much of the credit for this trend, having steadily raised oil production for much of 2025. Currently, 35 states have average gas prices below \$2.99/gal, and GasBuddy even recorded the first \$1.99 cash price at a station in Evans, Colorado, with stations in Oklahoma and Texas not far behind. Barring any major disruptions, gas prices are likely to remain slightly below year-ago levels and could stay under \$3 for much of the next few months," De Hann added.

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

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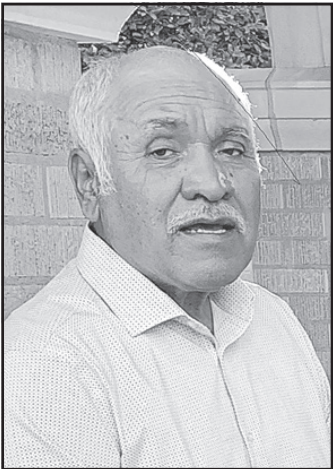
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Obituary

Simón Salinas



Simón Salinas, 68, of Hereford, Texas, passed away on Monday, October 13, 2025, surrounded by his loving family in Amarillo, Texas. Mass of Christian Burial was held on Friday, October 17, 2025, at 2:00 PM at San Jose Catholic Church with priest Shane D. Wieck officiating. Burial followed at St. Anthony’s Cemetery. Viewing was held on Thursday, October 16, 2025, from 12:00-8:00 PM and rosary at 6:00 PM at the funeral home. Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mendez and Mullins Family Funeral Home of Hereford, Texas.

Simón was born on November 26, 1956, to David and Maria Luz (Garcia) Salinas in Uirio, Guanajuato, Mexico. He met and married the love of his life on February 20, 1982, in Mexico. Together they had a beautiful life and four sons. Simón has been in the agriculture industry for the majority of his life and also worked at Cargill for 10 years. Simón enjoyed working, singing, walking, and enjoying nature. He

enjoyed socializing and making friends. Simón had many hobbies and entertainments, but his favorite was spending time with his family and grandchildren. He always had encouraging words of advice for his family and friends. Simon was a loving son, husband, father, grandfather, brother, and a wonderful friend to so many. His presence, sense of humor, laughter and big heartedness will be missed by all who love him.

Those left to cherish and treasure his memories are his parents, David and Maria Luz Salinas of Friona; his wife, Maria Gloria Salinas of Hereford; his four sons, Simon F. Salinas, Jr. and his wife Raquel of Friona, David B. Salinas and

his wife Ruby of Amarillo, Juan Pablo Salinas of Hereford, and Jimmy Salinas and his wife Emily of Hereford; eight grandchildren, Fabian, Merary, Mateo, Sofia, Kaleb, Illyana, Isaac and Arilynn; his siblings, Jose Salinas and his wife Antonia of Hereford, Mario Salinas and his wife Martha of Friona, Bernardo Salinas and his wife Amelia of Friona, Cornelio Salinas and his wife Margarita of Hereford, Serafin Salinas and his wife Imelda of Hereford, David Salinas, Jr. and his wife Elvira of Friona, Emma Zepeda and her husband Salud of Dimmitt, Aaron Salinas and his wife Rufina of Friona, Flor Ortega and her husband Rafael of Houston, and Maria Rivera and her husband Antonio of Hereford and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

Simón is preceded in death by his paternal and maternal grandparents.

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It’s God

By Teena Hughs

This morning, when the sun was just starting to come up, there was a pink outline of the top of the mountains. It was beautiful, but how did it happen? Do I miss this beauty every morning? Will I see it in the morning? I don’t know; but the only way I can explain it is: It’s God.

We have cats; in fact, we have A LOT of cats, every size, shape and color. We have this one cat that looks like someone took paint brushes with different colors of paint and shook them all over her. She had four tiny kittens: one yellow, two black and white, and one Siamese. I have NO idea where the Siamese came from. My mother LOVED Siamese cats, but the last time Lauren can remember her having a Siamese cat was when she was four years old, 32 years ago. The only way we can explain it is: It’s God.

Today, I tried to rearrange some doctors’

appointments so that I could take care of all of them in one day. I really didn’t think I could move two of them to the day I wanted, but I did. Now, some people would say that it’s just luck that I could get these appointments moved to November 3rd; I think it’s God who helped me out today, and I do appreciate His help!

When a friend tells you that they are going through the hardest time of their life, but good things are happening; he’s making positive changes in his life; he’s doing everything he can to make the best out of his current situation, that’s God helping turn a bad season of life into good.

When a man who loves Jesus and wants to be known for the courage of his faith gets assassinated, and people start buying Bibles and reading them for the first time; they start going to church, getting

baptized, re-dedicating their lives to the Lord, that’s God, once again making good out of evil for His Kingdom!

As I have gotten older, I have become more aware of God and what He is doing. I know I miss so much of what He does, or today wouldn’t have been the first time I saw the pink outline of the mountains, and I would know if I am going to see a repeat of this beautiful scene in the morning.

In our busy world, it is easy to overlook the things that we can only attribute to God, but what joy and peace come to you when you do realize you are looking at something that you can only explain by saying: It’s God!!! It is worth the time and effort to look for God and how, when, and where He is working. You will definitely be blessed and draw closer to God, the giver of all good and magnificent things!

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Romans 12:12-13 NIV

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Romanos 12:12-13 NVI

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Panhandle Parables

Walmart Wind

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

I wrote this article originally in 2017. I came across it and was saddened to know the things I was writing about then have not improved and possibly are worse as I add the escalation to assassination of Charlie Kirk for speaking directly to the youth of our nation only to be silenced. Sad... read on, again?

When our daughter was about three, we lived in East Texas. We moved out there just a few months past her first birthday. She was a smart kid then, and still is very smart. The wind as we understand it here was virtually nonexistent there. So, at three Elaina hadn't seen much in the way of wind.

One day we were coming out of Walmart in Longview and my guess is the wind was blistering by us in 25 mph gusts. Elaina, sitting in the basket, stood, stretched out

her arms and said, "Be still wind, Be still." The authority with which she spoke, I halfway expected the wind to die down. I said she was smart, she knew it worked for Jesus so... maybe. Well, it kept blowing and now living back in the Panhandle the last 15 years she is a little more accustomed to its presence, yet there are times, even now that I marvel at her faith as she has grown up on us.

I share that little story to say this. My prayer is for us to "Be still!" There needs to be a little peace in our land. I am saddened by the events of recent times. Hurricanes, mass shooting, looting, chaos, and noise from every side blaming the other side, protests that appear to have failed to resolve any social injustice, just another noise in the crowd. "Be Still!" "Peace, Be still."

Sadly, I realize all this

plays into Satan's hand. Distraction decreases focus, lack of focus moves us further from solution, less solutions creates more blame, and more blame equals greater chaos and the cycle continues.

Yet, in the midst of the storm there is One who has the power to calm the waves, still the wind and heal the land. But for that to happen, I must surrender to Him. I must quit judging people and situations without knowledge. I must trust Jesus and do His will, which has a lot to do with what is going on now in that we should be light. Light with a purpose, to guide others to know Jesus, not a light to blind people from the truth. Maybe if we could recognize God for who He is He would show us what He intended for us to be. Maybe...and the wind continues to blow.

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This Week in Sports

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Varsity Football
The Chieftains fell to 0-2 in district play after a 65-7 loss to the 8th-ranked Canadian Wildcats. Jameson Daniels was the leading rusher with 63 yards on 10 carries and had a touchdown called back on a questionable out-of-bounds ruling. JD Villegas caught 2 passes for 51 yards and Tony Diaz had 43 yards on 2 receptions. Mason Ramos completed 5 of 16 passes for 92 yards and Izaac Ortiz-Carrillo completed a 6 yard pass. Mario Garcia scored Friona's lone touchdown on a 1 yard run and also kicked the extra point. On defense, Mario Garcia was the leading tackler with 9 while Rafael Rocha had 7 and Eden Mills recorded 6 tackles and a quarterback sack. Frank Silva also had 6 tackles. The Chieftains are open this week and will resume district play on Thursday, October 30th when they travel to Tulia to battle the Hornets with a game time at 7 p.m. at Younger Field.

Junior Varsity Football
The JV Chiefs are 3-5 for the season and will host the Tulia Hornets on Tuesday, October 28th with a game time of 5:00 p.m. at Chieftain Field.

Junior High Football
The 7th grade Braves lost their first game of the season last Thursday when they fell to the visiting Canadian Wildcats by a score of 38-16. They are now 5-1 (1-1 in district). Yuvia Arias scored Friona's first touchdown on a 45 yard pass from Anthony Marquez. Marquez ran for the 2-point conversion. Isaiah Snyder scored the other touchdown on a 44 yard fumble return. The conversion was no good. Marquez had 46 yards rushing to lead the team. The 7th grade Braves are open this week and will travel to Tulia on Tuesday, October 28th for their next game which will start at 5:00 p.m. at Younger Field.

The 8th grade Braves improved to 5-1 (2-0 in district) by defeating Canadian 56-16 last Thursday. Just like last week, Vicente Quintana scored Friona's first three touchdowns on runs of 9, 43, and 82 yards, respectively. Gabriel Garcia ran for all three 2-point conversions. Next, Garcia scored a pair of touchdowns on runs of 1 yard and 54 yards, respectively. Quintana ran for one of the conversions and RJ Hernandez ran for the other one. Quintana added two more touchdown runs which covered 45 yards and 39 yards. Garcia added on conversion and Joel Ramos caught a pass from Jace Jarecki for the other conversion. On defense, Owen Daniels had an interception and Adriel Gomez recovered a fumble. Quintana led the team with 337 rushing yards and Garcia added 101 rushing yards. The 8th grade Braves are open this week and will

travel to Tulia on Tuesday, October 28th for their next game which will start at 6:15 p.m. at Younger Field.

High School Volleyball
The Friona Squaws are 4-3 in district play after a 3-0 () victory over Dimmitt on Tuesday evening. The C Team Squaws are 2-2 and JV Squaws are 3-3 in district play. The teams will conclude season play when they host Bushland on Saturday. Game times are 11/12/1 at the FHS activities center.

Junior High Volleyball
The 7th and 8th Maidens travel to Dimmitt on October 27th for their last regular season match of the year. Games begin at 5:00 p.m. and will feature 7th A&B and 8th A&B teams.

Cross Country
Fernando Moreno and Avram Hernandez competed in the UIL Region 1 Cross Country Championship on Monday, October 20th at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock. Fernando finished in 51st place with a time of 18:17.70 and Avram finished with a time of 18:18.60 and finished in 53rd place. There were 176 entrants in the championship meet and the winning time was 15:20.50 ran by Noah Strohmman of Holiday.

Friona 7 Canadian 65

1st Quarter
C – Slayden Dickinson 58 yard run (Fabian Diaz kick)
C – Gunner Brady 14 yard pass from Weston Mitchell (kick no good)
C – Junior Cervantes 38 yard pass from Mitchell (Dickinson run)
C – Dickinson 7 yard run (Diaz kick)
C – Cervantes 42 yard pass from Mitchell (Diaz kick)

2nd Quarter
C – Dickinson 23 yard run (Diaz kick)
C – Safety ball kicked out of end zone
C – CJ Jimenez 33 yard pass from Mitchell (Diaz kick)
C – Riggs Pennington 4 yard pass from Mitchell (Diaz kick)

3rd Quarter
C – Jet Cervantes 1 yard run (Diaz kick)

4th Quarter
F – Mario Garcia 1 yard run (Garcia kick)

Rushing Stats	Carries	Yards	TDs	Avg
8 Izaac Ortiz-Carrillo	2	1	-	0.5
10 Jameson Daniels	10	63	-	6.3
16 Mason Ramos	8	-3	-	-0.4
24 Rafael Rocha	8	2	-	0.3
53 Mario Garcia	1	1	1	1.0
Rushing Totals:	29	64	1	2.2

Receiving Stats	Receptions	Yards	TDs	Avg
0 Brice Jeter	1	6	-	6.0
2 Tony Diaz	2	43	-	21.5
8 Izaac Ortiz-Carrillo	1	-2	-	-2.0
15 JD Villegas	2	51	-	25.5
Receiving Totals:	6	98	0	16.3

Passing Stats	Comp	Att	Yards	TDs	INTs
16 Mason Ramos	5	16	92	-	-
8 Izaac Ortiz-Carrillo	1	1	6	-	-
24 Rafael Rocha	0	1	-	-	-

Defensive Stats	UN	AST.	TOT	TFL	FR	FC	INT	SACK
2 Tony Diaz	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
3 Frank Silva	3	3	6	-	-	-	-	-
4 Gael Lara	1	3	4	-	-	-	-	-
8 Izaac Ortiz-Carrillo	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-
10 Jameson Daniels	1	4	5	0.5	-	-	-	-
11 Michael Alvarez	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-
15 JD Villegas	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
17 Hector Aguirre	2	3	5	-	-	-	-	-
20 David Tafoya	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
21 Jacob Gonzalez	2	6	8	-	-	-	-	-
24 Rafael Rocha	-	7	7	-	-	-	-	-
33 Kaysen Stanberry	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-
50/#44 Diego Quezada	2	2	4	-	-	-	-	-
53 Mario Garcia	1	8	9	0.5	-	-	-	-
55 Eden Mills	1	5	6	1.5	-	-	-	1
66 Julio Escobar	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
74 Heriberto Gallegos	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-

Yards allowed - Total: 558, Passing: 221, Rushing: 337

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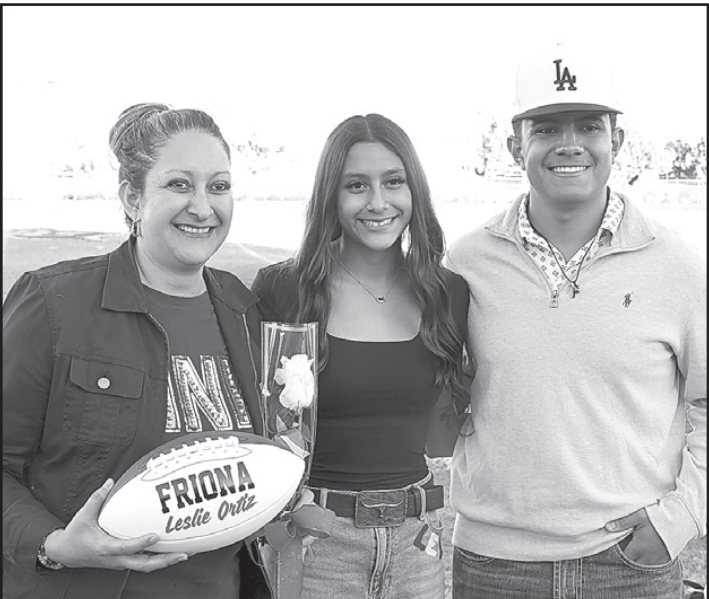
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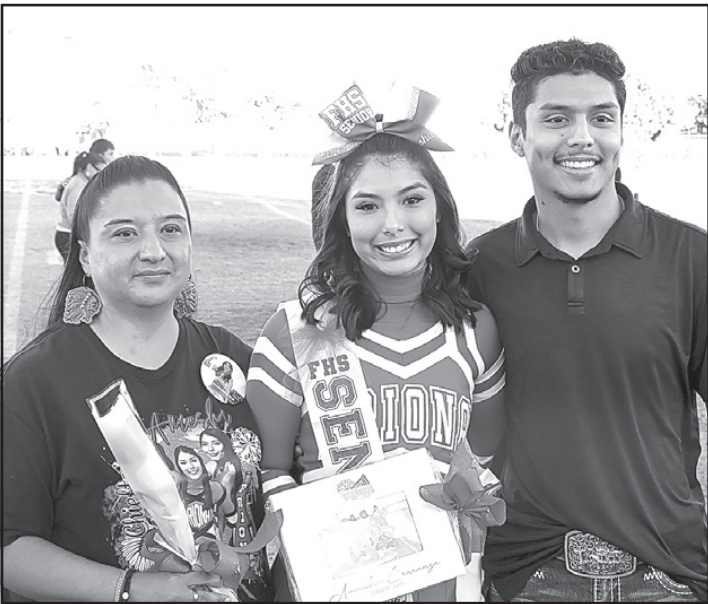
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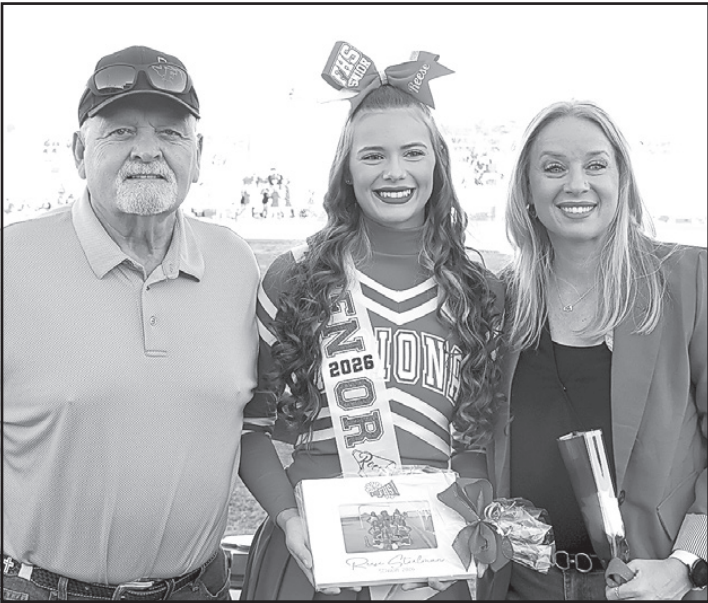
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Cross Country

Cheerleading

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Merary Salinas | Cross Country



All In The Family — Fernando Moreno and Avram Hernandez (l-r in center) competed in the UIL Region 1 Cross Country Championship this week at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock. They were supported by family, friends, fans, and coaches. Fernando finished in 51st place with a time of 18:17.70 and Avram finished with a time of 18:18.60 and finished in 53rd place. There were 176 runners in the championship meet and the winning time was 15:20.50 run by Noah Strohmman of Holiday.



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