



2024 Primary Election

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Early Voting Hours

February 20 – 23 | 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
February 24 | 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
February 25 | 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
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Election Day

Tuesday, March 5th
7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Friona

First Baptist Church of Friona
Fellowship Hall (west side)
404 W. 5th • Friona, TX 79035

Bovina

XIT Recreation Center
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Farwell

Farwell Community Center
207 9th St. • Farwell, TX 79325

Lazbuddie

Lazbuddie Methodist Church
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Making History: Past, Present, & Future



In the photo — Freddie Walker (left) receives the signed document from Mayor Greg Lewellen proclaiming February 2024 as “Black History Month” in Friona. In September 1954, Freddie and his brothers, Robert & Ray, were the first African American students to be accepted in a white school district in the state. By enrolling Robert Jr. & Mary Walker’s sons, Friona ISD Superintendent Dalton Caffey quietly made Friona the first integrated public school in Texas. A historical marker, located at the Elementary School and dedicated in 2006, commemorates the events. Seventy years later, this proclamation recognizes past accomplishments while also urging all residents to rededicate their beliefs in the principles of justice and equality for all people.



King & Queen of Hearts — Congratulations to Larry Johnston and Elizabeth McLellen. They were voted Valentine King & Queen at the Senior Luncheon last Thursday. Just a reminder: meals are served every Monday and Thursday at noon at the Senior Center located at 1410 N. Washington. Get a great meal for just \$6 and the menu can be found on the Community Calendar page.

Candidates set for May 4th election

The candidate filing period ended on Friday, February 16th for positions on the Friona Independent School District Board of Trustees, Friona City Council, and Parmer County Hospital District Board of Directors. The general election will be held on Saturday, May 6th from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The Fisd Board of Trustees has three positions up for election this year. Seven candidates

will be on the ballot. In alphabetical order, they are: Andrew Aguirre, Glen London, Karina Ojeda, Sawyer Osborn, Jason Rector, Simon Salinas, and Dustin Thompson. Rector and Thompson are incumbents. Antonio Rocha, current board president, did not file to run.

The Parmer County Hospital District Board has three positions open for election this year. Four candidates will be on the ballot. In

alphabetical order, they are: Dennis Anthony, Octavio Moreno, Dale Schueler, and Bret Whitten. Anthony, Schueler, and Whitten are incumbents.

Three positions are open for election as a city official. Mayor Greg Lewellen and city council members Cindy Moreno and Brent Loflin were the only three to file as candidates. The three incumbents will serve on the council for another two year term.



Go Chiefs! — Cade Seaman and Aaron Rodriguez were selected to the Blue Bell Ice Cream/Texas Sports Writers Association’s Class 3A All-State Football Team. Cade was named Second Team Defense Utility Player and Aaron was named Honorable Mention Offense Tackle. Congratulations to both.

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Community Calendar

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

February 22

• Chicken Tetrazzini at Senior Citizens Center @ Noon

February 26

• Green Chili Stew at Senior Citizens Center @ Noon

February 28

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

February 29

• Beans & Cornbread w/Beef Stew at Senior Citizens Center @ Noon
• Countywide Health Fair 10:30 a.m. till 2 p.m. @ XIT in Bovina

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State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



Federal judge appears skeptical of new border law

A federal judge is expected to rule quickly on the constitutionality of a Texas law about to go into effect that institutes new state penalties for illegal border crossings. During a hearing last week, U.S. District Judge David Ezra said he had concerns that other states would follow Texas' lead in creating their own immigration laws – a power given exclusively to the federal government under the U.S. Constitution.

The Austin American-Statesman reported the U.S. Justice Department sued the state over the law set to go into effect next month. It would allow any law enforcement official in the state to arrest someone here illegally, with mandatory sentences of between six months and 20 years.

An attorney with the Texas attorney general's office argued the state's immigration law should be seen as necessary because of increased illegal immigration. Ezra questioned the ramifications of Texas setting a precedent for other states to reject federal authority and create their own immigration laws.

"I will try to get my decision out as quickly as I possibly can," he said, noting that however he rules, it will be appealed.

Painfully slow rollout of broadband feared

Texas is due to receive \$3.3 billion in federal funds for expanding broadband internet, but internet providers in rural areas are worried the money won't be used efficiently to improve high-speed connections for the 7 million residents now lacking that re-

source.

The Texas Tribune reported a relatively new state office is trying to build a staff to oversee the work, noting earlier federal funding programs have seen limited success because many companies underestimated the costs to install broadband in sparsely populated areas.

"We want to make sure that there's a responsible allocation of these dollars," said Rusty Moore, COO of Big Bend Telephone Company in Alpine. "We've been very vocal about where the challenges are."

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act signed by President Joe Biden in 2021 provides \$42.5 billion nationwide for broadband access and aims to connect 2.5 million households in Texas. Texas received the largest portion of the funds and created the Broadband Development Office to manage disbursement of its share.

Nonmedical vaccine exemptions at record levels

Vaccine exemptions for nonmedical reasons hit record levels among Texas schoolchildren last year, the Chronicle reported, with 3.24% of Texas kindergarteners receiving an exemption "for reasons of conscience," according to the Texas Department of State Health Services. That's almost double the rate from 10 years ago.

The exemptions are part of the "post-pandemic momentum behind anti-vaccine messaging," the story said. A number of bills were filed during the 2023 legislative session to restrict education regarding vaccines and access to vaccines. House Bill 44 was signed into law and took effect last September. It threatens to withhold Medicaid

funding for physicians who refuse to offer vaccine exemptions for patients.

"I'm looking at the unintended consequences that lawmakers aren't necessarily thinking about because they want to get their win and move on," said Rekha Lakshmanan, chief strategy officer at The Immunization Partnership. "But then, all of us Texans are left holding the bag."

Computers now scoring STAAR essays

Written responses on the state's performance exam will most likely be scored by a computer, The News reported. The Texas Education Agency rolled out a new model for evaluating student answers on the State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness (STAAR) in December, saying three-quarters of written responses are graded by an "automated scoring engine."

The automated scoring engine is "programmed by humans, overseen by humans, and is analyzed at the end by humans," said Jose Rios, director of the student assessment division for TEA, told The News.

TEA officials said the new test format, which includes essays at every grade level, would require four to five times the number of human scorers and cost up to \$20 million more. Under the new format, only one in four student essays will be scored by a human.

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.



At the FISD Board Meeting on Monday evening, Candice Schueler presented a check for \$831 which represented proceeds from the Concession Stand at the recent Parmer County Jr. Livestock Show. The Board of Trustees voted to accept the donation which will be used in the Ag Department. Friona FFA Chapter officers were on hand to show their appreciation for the gift. **In the photo** — FISD business manager Dianna Wright, FFA officers Dieter Ally, Karen Morales, Edward Trevino, Aubrey Schueler, Caleb Nunley, Sergio Salazar, and Ag Instructor Magdalena Roque.

ACROSS

- San ____ County
- Palestine AM
- ____wood, Texas
- Greek god of love
- this Texas doctor was the first to implant an artificial heart (2 wds.)
- respect and wonder
- TXism: "book ____ horse smart" (wise)
- this Darrin helped the Cowboys win 2 Super Bowls (init.)
- TXism: "could shoot the eyes out of a ____" (good aim)
- 33rd Chief of Staff of the Army, Dennis Joe, who got training at Fort Bliss in Texas
- petitioned God
- when a tennis serve hits the net and then goes over (2 wds.)
- football snap
- TX Clint Black hit: "____ Tell Ourselves"
- TXism: "he can ____ and dance all night" (stamina)
- physcians, for short
- bikini top
- interprets a situation incorrectly
- TXism: "I can dance to that ____" (agree)
- TX Bob Wills sang "Ding Dong Daddy ____ Dumas"
- TXism: "cut ____ ____" (ease up)

- dribbles
- a Canadian "cent"
- TXism: "got to play the hand you're ____"
- early Rio Grande: "____ las Palmas"
- Bible's 2nd part (abbr.)
- ____ Ross State University in Alpine
- "yankee behaviors never ____ to amaze me"
- most wealthy

- "that puts ____ in my coffin" (detrimental)
- an explosive
- some Texas subdivisions have this type of assn.
- snakelike fish

DOWN

- TXism: "____ of here" (flee)
- western part of this county has two radioactive waste disposal sites
- poetic "go away" (2 wds.)
- school exam
- in Young County on highway 79
- tidy
- TXism: "fraidy ____" (coward)
- "use it ____ lose it"



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by Charley & Guy Orbison

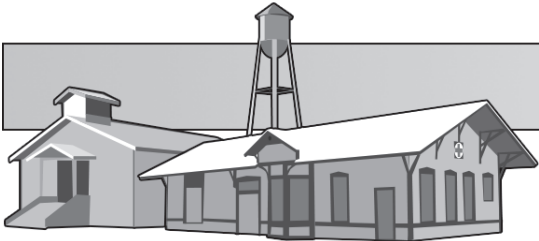
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- "I take ____ view of that" (disapprove)
- affirmatives
- TXism: "plain as the ____ a mule"
- totalled
- car horn sound
- "Gone to Texas" meant "on the ____"
- "fix it" tape

- TXism: "dainty as a June ____"
- TXism: "he sits ____ saddle"
- in Navarro County on highway 22
- TX Tommy Lee 1978 film: "Eyes of ____ Mars"
- "buenas ____" (good day)
- rod and ____
- exotic deer raised in Texas since 1932
- TXism: "paddle your own ____" (do it yourself)

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TOWN TALK

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★★★
Raffle Winners Announced — Noon Lions held their raffle drawing on Tuesday and here are the winners. Jayson Grimsley won the Weatherby shotgun. Josh Barnett won the Ruger pistol. Oney Avalos, J Gurley, Mitchell Smiley, Romeo Ramirez, and Ken Sorley each won 2 sticks of ribeye steaks. Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets to help support the Noon Lions Club. The club will be cooking fries for the All-Sports banquet and the All-Night FHS Graduation party. Don't forget, if you have used eyeglasses laying around, take them to Interbank, Bi-Wize, or the Friona Star and they will be recycled and given to those in need.

★★★
Why Can't We Be Friends? — Tickets are going fast for the 68th Annual Chamber Banquet to be held on Tuesday, March 5th. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased at the Chamber at 621 Main or visit www.friona-chamber.com to secure your place at the event.

★★★
On The Menu — St. Teresa of Jesus Church will host its annual Mexican Dinner on Sunday, March 3rd from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in St. Teresa's Hall. The meal consists of two enchiladas, one taco, beans, rice, salad, drink, and dessert. Donations are \$15.00 for adults and \$8.00 for children under 10. Take-out available. See you there.

★★★
National Chili Day — The fourth Thursday in February honors one of America's favorite dishes. It's also known as chili con carne. In Spanish, chili refers to "chili pepper" and carne means "meat". Chili is most commonly made up of tomatoes, beans, chili peppers, meat, garlic, onions, and cumin.

American frontier settlers used a "chili" recipe of dried beef, suet, dried chili peppers, and salt. All this was pounded together and formed into bricks and dried. They could then boil the bricks in pots on the trails.

At the Columbian

Exposition in Chicago in 1893, the San Antonio Chili Stand helped people from all over the United States appreciate the taste of chili. Because San Antonio was a significant tourist destination, it helped Texas-style chili con carne spread throughout the South and West.

In 1977, House Concurrent Resolution Number 18 of the 65th

Texas Legislature designated chili con carne as the official dish of Texas.

★★★
Texas Facts — Texas is the fifth biggest wine producer in the US. Fredericksburg is at the heart of Texas' wine country, and one of the top things to do in Fredericksburg is of course visiting wineries! Source: funworldfacts.com

National Days

- February 22 — Chili Day
- February 23 — Tile Day
- February 24 — Tortilla Chip Day
- February 25 — Chocolate Covered Nut Day
- February 26 — Set a Good Example Day
- February 27 — Retro Day
- February 28 — Floral Design Day

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Was an old piece of paper,
With words of grateful kindness
And simple unbelief.*

*My father could not believe
My mother was his
forever.*

*A Love note written years ago,
Written thousands of times
Years ago,
And to come.*

*I hope to write such a note
Someday.*

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COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from February 8, 2024 to February 15, 2024

(2/8/24) JKS Storage Inc. — Cesar Rico Marquez — Part of Lot 4 and Part of Lot 5, Block 1, Gardner Addition, Town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas
(2/9/24) Robbie Foster, Thomas Foster, Caroline Nelson, Teresa Harner — RTCT LLC — 224 Acres Out of the West Half of Section 16, Block "Z", W.D. & F.W. Johnson Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas; Part of Eat Part of West Half of Section 16, Block "Z", W.D. & F.W. Johnson Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas
(2/13/24) Betty Louise Lewellen, Evert Delton Lewellen, Betty Louis Lewellen Living Trust — Tyler Hough, Cassidy Hough — All of the SE 1/4 of Section No. 22 T1N, R4E, Parmer County; All of NW/4 of Section No. 23 T1N, R4E, Parmer County



Club Sweetheart Amy Montana draws the winners in the Lions Club fundraiser raffle on Tuesday while club president Andy Montana, her dad, looks on.

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Puzzle Solution

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Why are there 29 days in February?

Because 2024 is a Leap Year!

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Kids: color stuff in!

It's time to get the grandfather clock checked and oiled. It's a beautiful way to tell time, but most of the day I use a wristwatch or cell phone.

Sunrises and sunsets are natural ways to mark time.

When we speak about time we talk about the past, present or the future.

Read the clues to fill in the puzzle:

1. one hundred years
2. common way to tell time
3. shows events in order of when they happened
4. tool to keep track of activities, days and months
5. fun way to capture a moment in time (item is dug up later)
6. Baby _____ Year is full of energy to start the year
7. there are 24 time _____ throughout the world
8. _____ clock shows what time it is anywhere on the planet – often shown by a series of clocks on a panel
9. something that isn't affected by the passage of time
10. _____ Father Time is tired after working all year; he is often shown with a long beard, sundial and sickle
11. the start of each morning, dawn
12. time that has yet to pass
13. period of time marked by important events
14. parts of the year that mark temperature and weather
15. twenty-four hours

What is Leap Year?

Every year our calendar ends the year a bit ahead of Earth's trip around the sun. To keep it lined up with the actual timing of Earth's orbit we add one extra day to the calendar in February every four years.

Our calendar is based on the time it takes our planet, Earth, to orbit or travel around the sun. But, our calendar is not perfect.

Clocks and Watches

Read the clues below to fill in the puzzle:

Many kinds of clocks and watches have been invented through the years. A watch was even made for engineers to help them run the trains on time.

1. _____ clock, tall standing clock with swinging pendulum
2. _____ watch, timepiece you can wear to school
3. _____ watch, great for measuring races
4. _____ watch, can be underwater without being damaged
5. _____ clock, hangs on the wall and sings a song every hour
6. _____ watch, often on a chain and kept in a small pouch on vest

A Race Against Time!

Every day is packed with chores, activities and fun. Can you find the shortest way through this maze from morning wake-up to bedtime?

1. Start at the star wake up to a new day!

2. Next, find your way to the morning activity.

3. Then, go to the afternoon activity.

4. Travel along to your evening activity.

5. Finally, end your day at bedtime!

Morning Activity

Afternoon Activity

Evening Activity

Wake Up

Bedtime

Time Talk

Match up each saying about time to its meaning:

A. a race against time
B. all the time in the world
C. waste of time
D. time flies
E. time out
F. it's feeding time at the zoo
G. a stitch in time saves nine

1. not worth the effort
2. a break in the action
3. doing a task well now can save effort later
4. group of people eating in a noisy, untidy way
5. life moves quickly
6. rush to beat a deadline
7. plenty of time

Geesh! Please tell me that they aren't talking about us when they say "feeding time at the zoo!" We are so nice and neat.

1. cause someone trouble
2. no time left
3. stop working on something
4. enjoy yourself
5. be rushed to do something
6. you need every moment
7. not getting attention

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Small Town Cookin' By Jeri Lynn White

Game Day Goodies

Here is another easy and delicious recipe to try. You may need it for watching sports or maybe just a fun get together with friends. Either way, this pizza dip sounds yummy. Hope you enjoy.

Ingredients
8 oz. Cream Cheese, softened
¾ cup Sour Cream, can sub mayo
½ teaspoon garlic powder
½ teaspoon Oregano
½ teaspoon Basil
1/8 teaspoon red pepper flakes,
plus more for topping
1 cup Marinara Sauce
¼ cup Parmesan Cheese, finely grated
1 ¼ cups Mozzarella Cheese
15 slices Pepperoni
Crusty Bread, for serving

Pizza Dip
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Instructions
Preheat oven to 350°F. Combine the softened cream cheese, sour cream, garlic powder, oregano, basil, and red pepper flakes. Ideally, the sour cream shouldn't be cold when it goes into the oven to maintain a smooth consistency. Spread on the bottom of a 9-inch pie plate, baking pan, or cast iron skillet. Spread 1 cup of marinara sauce on top, then add the Parmesan and Mozzarella cheese. Add pepperoni or desired pizza toppings. Bake uncovered for 25-30 minutes, until the top begins to brown.
Optional: Garnish with additional red pepper flakes, freshly ground pepper, and roughly chopped parsley. Serve with crusty bread, pita/tortilla/bagel chips, or vegetables.

Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



Shoot it!

Little Dribblers basketball has several things happening at once. Kids are being told to look, pass, shoot, dribble, jump, grab, and steal. It's a tall order for these short humans.
When you do have someone who actually can run and dribble and shoot, the issue then becomes one of ball management. Does that little go-getter get free range and drive to the basket or shoot when open? Or, should he or she work on passing the ball and

getting teammates involved? At this point in the Little Dribbler experience, the bleachers become the focal point as a chorus of suggestions erupts.
"Shoot it!"
"Pass it to [child's name] —he's open!"
"Don't pick up your dribble!" (as if a six-year-old really knows what THAT means)
God bless the children who get up early on Saturday mornings just to run up and down the

gym floor for 40 minutes. May they figure things out about taking chances (driving in the lane to shoot), sharing (a bounce pass to a teammate who would like to touch the ball), and having fun (high fiving a player on either side who makes a rare basket).
May we parents and grandparents celebrate the images of healthy, happy children playing. Just playing for now, not competing. My wise old eyes are now on the lookout to see who has their

jersey on inside out, who extends a helping hand to someone who trips and falls (happens often at this age), who is listening to coach (happens less at this age) or waving to Nanna in the stands.
Basketball at these young ages is more of a track meet with a basket at both ends of an eighty-four-foot court. For now, enjoy the races. Practice and coordination, which comes with age, will help them improve. Guide them to figure out when to shoot and when to pass, and then take them out to eat pizza. Listen to them talk about the game, and then come home and take a good nap.

You'll wake up soon enough and realize that these short seasons will be gone. As trite as it sounds, you will want to know not how many points were scored but how positive the experience was for your child.
PS Remember how literal children are. Be sure to clarify that "stealing" in basketball does not break one of the Ten Commandments. Otherwise, someday they may be running from the court of law as by-products of Little Dribbler miscommunication.

Gas prices start spring fling

By Gas Buddy

Average gasoline prices in Texas have rose 11.1 cents last week, averaging \$2.88 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Prices in Texas are 23.8 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 8.0 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was priced at \$2.28 while the most expensive was \$4.29 per gallon.
The national average price of gasoline rose 8.7 cents per gallon last week, averaging \$3.26 per gallon. The national average is up 16.7 cents from a month ago and stands 11.6 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel rose 10.0 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.09 per gallon.
"Roses are red, violets are blue, Valentine's is over, and gas prices are going anywhere but lower," said Patrick De Haan, head

of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy. "With Valentine's Day now behind us, we have officially entered the time of year when gas prices traditionally start their spring fling, but we've already seen the streak of consecutive increases in the national average hit four weeks. While the early start could also mean an early end, we still have as many as 8 weeks that gas prices typically increase, and anything can happen between now and then."
De Haan added, "One of the most critical elements to how much gas prices will climb is how quickly and effectively refiners can finish their pre-summer maintenance, start producing EPA-mandated summer gasoline and build up supply of it before Memorial Day."
GasBuddy data is compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



TOP CITIZENS . . . These four Friona residents were honored at the annual Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture banquet Monday. From the left are Dale Smith (Most Courteous Employee), Mrs. V.J. Zeman (Woman of the Year), Mrs. L.B. McClain (Teacher of the Year), and B.E. Duggins (Man of the Year). (Friona Star, Thursday, February 27, 1964)

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Watch Out

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Our house sits on a busy curve just outside of town, which makes pulling out of the driveway an activity where we always need to be watching out for cars or trucks that may come flying around the curve. Thankfully, we haven’t had any wrecks, but there have been some close calls that serve as a reminder to watch out. In a similar manner, God tells his people to watch out for false teachers and false prophets who would lead his people on a path of spiritual wreckage. 2 Peter 2:1-2 and Jude warn against wolves in sheep’s clothing, who twist the truth “who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them...” Sadly, scripture also says that many will follow these ear ticklers who lead their listeners astray with twisted theology.

In the Old Testament God also warned the people of Israel about those who would lead them astray. Some-

times these influences came from those outside the Jewish people in the form of pagan influences that lured them away, but another danger was false teachers from within. Deuteronomy 12:29-13:18 warns against both influences and it is interesting that more time is spent focusing on false prophets who might arise from inside Israel than the pagan influences on the outside. In fact, 13:1, 6, and 13 warn against a “prophet or dreamer,” your “brother...son...daughter...wife...or friend,” or even a “worthless fellow” which rises up all with the purpose of leading people astray from the law of God. Although the temptation may come subtly, even from ones you know, it was to be resisted and punished severely so people would not be led astray from the Lord. Today the need still exists to guard against false teachers who would lead you astray and wreck your faith.

Panhandle Parables

When The Wind Blows

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

I have spent the majority of my life in the Texas Panhandle. There are several things I have noticed over the years. One is, a long time ago, a very good salesman must have come to our area and sold a great deal of Chinese Elm trees. Yes, we have a few oaks, maples and various fruit trees that don’t lose their fruit due to a late frost about every hundred years or so (kidding). Yet, for the most part Chinese Elms reign supreme.

I also thought it strange they all grow leaning to the northeast. I thought all trees grew leaning to the northeast until I visited places where their trees grew straight up. I suspect if we had Giant Redwoods they would grow leaning to the northeast, as well. Why? Well that brings me to another observation of the Texas Panhandle. When the wind blows, it blows and it blows often. The wind has been our constant companion, along with the Chinese Elms, of course.

So after years of observation this is what I have learned from all the north-

easterly leaning Chinese Elms.

Lesson #1: Be tough, if you are going to live here it requires a certain level of toughness, especially when the wind blows.

Lesson #2: Anchor deep. Life throws a lot at you and sometimes all at once, so you must have deep roots of conviction, especially when the wind blows.

Lesson #3: Share. Share your Lord, share your life, share the journey. I am thankful for all those little yellowish seed pods shared from the aforementioned trees that have been shared in my carport, especially when the wind blows.

Lesson #4: Resist, even if you have to lean a little northeast. There are lots of things that could cause us to lean, especially when the wind blows.

What I love about here? People are tough, they anchor deep, share what they have and know how to lean on each other, especially when the wind blows.

My encouragement for you on this fine day is to see the beauty of God’s creation, especially when the wind blows.

Why Do You Take Communion?

By Teena Hughs

My friend Jaclyn can drive me crazy asking questions that make me think!!! At my age, and my pea-sized brain, she can irritate me with her questions because they challenge me.

We recently attended the Mid-Texas Annual Conference of the Global Methodist Church. One of the speakers was the bishop from Bulgaria. He made the statement that they take communion often; I think he said three times a week. He said Methodism’s founder John Wesley said we should take holy communion as often as we can. Jaclyn objected to that, saying that it loses its meaning when you do it often. I understand that, BUT....

On the way home from the Conference, she asked me why I take communion? UGH!!! I already knew where she stood on the issue, so my brain had to start working. I gave my “I do it in remembrance of what Jesus has done for me” answer. BUT, her question made me start thinking about WHY I take communion. In the Methodist Church, the sacrament of holy communion is a Means of Grace, something that draws you closer to God.

I remember many a time sitting in the pew in Friona and praying for something to happen when I took communion. I wanted God to do something life-changing as I took communion, and nothing ever happened. Why? Because I wasn’t doing what I was supposed to be doing... remembering all that Jesus has done for me; how He was treated unmercifully and died on a cross so I can be forgiven of my sins and spend eternal life with Him; how He has taught me through the study of His Word; how He has corrected me and shown me how to do better; how He has transformed my life, not only through His Word, but through the people He has put in my life and the expe-

riences, good and bad, I have witnessed and lived through.

When I take communion now, I kneel at the altar, and I thank Jesus for everything He has done for me, and I call it by name. Now, I go through my day looking for Jesus so I can be more aware of where He is, where He is working, what He is doing in my life, and the life of others. As I become more aware of Jesus in my life, my relationship with Him will become closer and deeper, and I will want to be more like Him. Best of all, I will be focusing more on Him, and less on me.

I hate to admit it, but so many times I have just said ‘The Lord’s Prayer; I have just mouthed the words of The Apostles Creed; I have just taken communion without listening to what I am saying when we say the liturgy before we partake of the elements. In recent years, I have tried to concentrate on The Lord’s Prayer and Apostles Creed when I say them, but I have failed at holy communion. Thank goodness Jesus gives us second chances.

Even though Jaclyn sometimes irritates me with her questions, I am thankful for this question because it changed my way of thinking, and it changed my life! I haven’t changed her mind yet; she still thinks taking communion once a month is adequate. I already know I am not going to take communion more than once a month, even though I would be happy taking it every Sunday. I am just so glad Jesus has shown me what I have been doing wrong, and what I have been missing out on.

It doesn’t hurt to examine why you do certain rituals in your church service. Hopefully a little examination will change your thinking and your life, too! Take care and have a great week!

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Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. John 14:6 NIV

Yo soy el camino, la verdad y la vida —contestó Jesús—. Nadie llega al Padre sino por mí. Juan 14:6 NVI

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Friona FCCLA Qualifies for State

Congratulations to the twenty-five Friona FCCLA members who competed at the Region 1 Conference in Lubbock this past week. Ten members qualified for the FCCLA State Conference which will be held in Dallas on April 11-14. These teams

would love to present their projects to your business, organization or club. Give advisor Erin Barnett a call at 806-265-7674.

Other projects presented at regional were: Nadia Snyder and Jalie Cook – People’s Choice for Spot-

light on Projects Families First category; Thomas Cook – Sports Nutrition level 2; Stevie Herring – Cupcake Presentation level 2; Miranda Pina – Cupcake Presentation level 2; Sophia Leon – Student Body Spotlight; Ashley Maldonado –

FACTS Spotlight; Estefany Cecena, Nayeli Herrera and Genesis Hernández – Community Service Spotlight; Alessander Vega Online Website, results TBA later; FCSA Creed, Motto and Purposes, results TBA later — Abril Arzate, Adaly Rub-

alcava, Thomas Cook, Jocelyn Hernandez, Aurora Bolanos, Nadia Snyder, Molly Rector, Genesis Hernandez, Estefany Cecena, Ashley Maldonado, Jalie Cook, Emily Ibarra, Osvaldo Almaguer, Lilly Abarca, and Alessander Vega.



FCCLA Regionals - left to right, top to bottom - Thomas Cook, Osvaldo Almaguer, Nicholas Gutierrez, Alessander Vega, Nadia Snyder, Jacee Burney, Treasurer Saraya Luna, Jocelyn Hernandez, Aurora Bolanos, Molly Rector, VP Estefany Cecena, Abby Marquez, Jalie Cook, Emily Ibarra, Abril Arzate, Genesis Hernandez, Miranda Pina, Stevie Herring, Nayeli Herrera, Adaly Rubalcava, President Lilly Abarca, Desiree Raymond, Lexi Saldana, Not pictured: Sophia Leon and Secretary Ashlely Maldonado



Jacee Burney & Saraya Luna | 1st place
Promote and Publicize FCCLA level 3 state qualifier



Nadia Snyder | 2nd Place
Early Childhood Education level 3 state qualifier



Lexi Saldana | 2nd place
Teach and Train level 2 state qualifier



Jocelyn Hernandez & Aurora Bolanos | 2nd place
Focus on Children level 2 state qualifier



Desiree Raymond & Nicholas Gutierrez | 3rd place
National Programs in Action level 3 state qualifier



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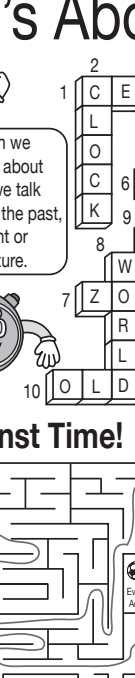
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Powerlifting Results

Highland Park Invitational - Highland Park HS - 2/17/2024 - THSPA Boys								
Wt.	Place	Athlete	School	BWT	Squat	Bench	Dead	Total
123	1	Bautista, Michael	Friona	121.4	385	275	420	1080
132	1	Garcia, Jorge	Friona	132	450	280	425	1155
132	5	Gutierrez, Francisco	Friona	128.7	315	155	350	820
148	1	Rosales, Aaron	Friona	147	470	295	420	1185
148	6	Estrada, Erik	Friona	148	395	215	440	1050
165	2	Rocha, Abram	Friona	164.2	450	270	365	1085
165	4	Lara, Gael	Friona	150.3	385	250	370	1005
165	11	Humphrey, Clayton	Friona	149	250	190	305	745
198	2	Rodriguez, Aaron	Friona	198	465	290	450	1205
220	1	Perez, Frank	Friona	218	620	365	535	1520

1st: Friona - 41 points; 2nd: Plainview - 36 points; 3rd: Amarillo Highland Park - 29 points; 4th: Borger - 24 points; 5th: Perryton - 23 points; 6th: Panhandle - 14 points; 7th: Bovina - 10 points; 8th: Dalhart - 10 points; 9th: Canadian - 7 points; 10th: Vega - 4 points

Highland Park Invitational - Highland Park HS - 2/17/2024 - THSWPA Girls								
Wt.	Place	Athlete	School	BWT	Squat	Bench	Dead	Total
105	2	Saucedo, Naara	Friona	104.2	215	135	215	565
105	3	Galaviz, Ellie	Friona	104.2	220	115	225	560
105	4	Carranza, Anaesha	Friona	102.4	215	85	230	530
114	6	Madrid, Amberly	Friona	110	155	80	165	400
123	4	Ortiz, Duvy	Friona	123	225	115	270	610
123	11	Hernandez, Evelyn	Friona	121.2	220	95	190	505
165	9	Garcia, Aubrey	Friona	155.8	210	125	230	565
181	1	Arias, Reyna	Friona	181	355	225	350	930
181	4	Rocha, Anneliese	Friona	175	275	130	265	670
198	3	Espinoza, Mercedes	Friona	198.4	280	130	265	675
198	5	Abarca, Lilly	Friona	184	210	140	240	590
242	2	Phillips, Marie	Friona	227.2	345	200	360	905

1st: Dumas - 42 points; 2nd: Friona - 30 points; 3rd: Amarillo Highland Park - 28 points; 4th: Perryton - 26 points; 5th: Panhandle - 17 points; 6th: Vega - 13 points; 7th: Borger - 11 points; 8th: Canyon - 7 points; 9th: Dalhart - 5 points; 10th: Bovina - 4 points; 11th: Plainview - 4 points (429.76 avg coeff total); 12th: Sunray - 0 points



Aaron Rosales



Abram Rocha



Ellie Galaviz



Champions | Highland Park Invitational



Aubrey Garcia

Junior High Classes
tour City Hall

Mr. Wiseman’s junior high classes visited City Hall last Wednesday. Highlights of the tour included a visit with Mayor Greg Lewellen, City Manager Lee Davila, and Chamber/FEDC EVP Emma Rector in the council chambers, a visit to the courtroom with Judge Marie Samarron, and a tour of the Public Library with Director Anahi Gomez, Asst. Director Becky Upton, and Circulation Clerk Alexa Garcia.





Election Season — John Smithee is a candidate for Texas HD86. A couple of weeks ago he took a tour of the Created With Purpose of West Texas pregnancy center in Bovina. In the photo — (l-r) Robert Fowler, Kirk Frye, Annette Frye, Erica Moore, Annie Williams, Rep. John Smithee, Dawn Byers, Patty Haile, and Allan Haile. On Tuesday, he visited the Friona Noon Lions Club. In the photo — Rep. Smithee and club sweetheart Amy Montana.

Friona Girls Place 2nd in Tourney

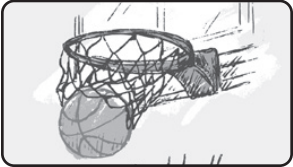
The Friona team competed in the Small Town Hoopin Tournament in the 7/8 Girls division in Anton, Texas on February 17-18.

First game
Friona 24 Snyder 31
Scoring Summary:
Genesis Aguirre (3)
Emery Rangel (2)
Ivanna Guevara (2)
Aimee Jimenez (4)
Aylen Moreno (3)
D’Nasha Shelby (6)
Harley London (4)

Second game
Friona 27 Dimmitt 15
Scoring Summary:
Kamila Moreno (2)
Jaylee Perez (1)
Genesis Aguirre (2)
Karleigh Rangel (2)
Ivanna Guevara (6)
Aimee Jimenez (4)
D’Nasha Shelby (7)
Harley London (3)

Third game
Friona 29 Dimmitt 21
Scoring Summary:
Jaylee Pérez (4)
Genesis Aguirre (3)
Emery Rangel (2)
Amayah Rojas (2)
Ivanna Guevara (3)
D’Nasha Shelby (10)
Harley London (5)

Fourth game
Friona 22 Snyder 26
Scoring Summary:
Genesis Aguirre (6)
Ivanna Guevara (4)
Harley London (12)





In the photo — Back Row (l-r): D’Nasha Shelby (7th), Genesis Aguirre (6th), Aimee Jimenez (8th), Harley London (8th), Emery Rangel (7th), Zaylee Dominguez (manager 7th), Kamila Moreno (6th), Jaylee Perez (7th), Aylen Moreno (7th); Front Row (l-r): Ivanna Guevara (7th), Preslie Goyne (6th), Karleigh Rangel (6th), Amayah Rojas (5th); Coaches: Andrew Aguirre and Cindy Moreno (not pictured)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

FRIONA PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Date: Thursday, March 7, 2024 **Time:** 5:00 p.m.

Place: City Council Chambers, City Hall, 619 Main Street, Friona, Texas

Applicant(s): Clint Hurst, Property Owner

The Friona Planning and Zoning Commission will consider in public hearing a request for the rezoning of LAKESIDE, BLOCK 6, LOT 22, as defined in Attachment A, plus one-half of all bounding streets, alleys, and public ways to change from “C” District – Apt/Multi-Family Dwelling District to “D” District – Local Retail District.

A recommendation to approve, deny, or modify the requested rezoning will be sent to the City Council.

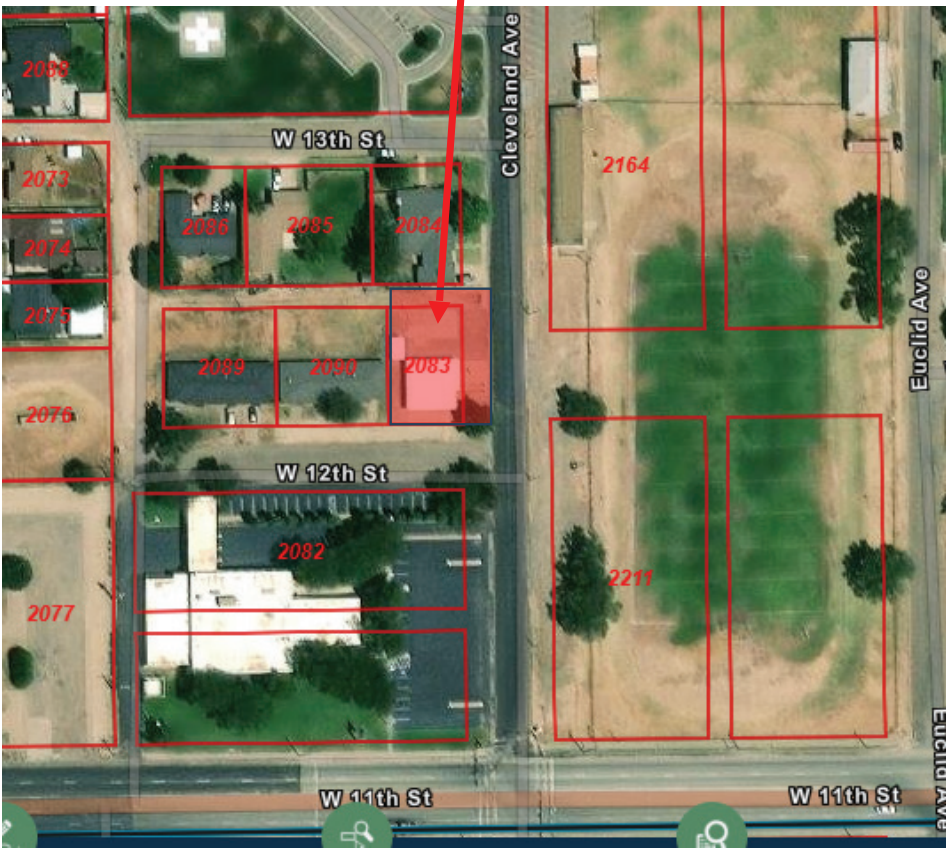
The Friona City Council will consider this proposed change in a public hearing on **Monday, March 11, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.** in the City Council Chambers of City Hall, 619 Main Street, Friona, Texas.

For further information, contact the Friona City Manager at (806) 250-2761

In the event of a lack of quorum to convene or continue either the Planning and Zoning or Council meeting described above, this matter will automatically be carried forward to the agenda of the next regularly scheduled meeting and succeeding meetings as necessary.

Attachment A

Legal Description: LAKESIDE, BLOCK 6, LOT 22



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on Valentine’s Day. Happy Valentine’s Day! — FHS floral design students got to put their own touch and make each

arrangement unique to their style. National Floral Design Day is Wednesday, February 28th. Galentine’s Day Market

— this special event was hosted by Nora Mendez at old Malouf’s building west of Los Arcos restaurant on February 10th.





On February 3rd, twenty FHS students traveled to West Texas A&M to compete in the regional round of UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest. In the photo — Back Row (l-r): Michael Alvarez, Aubree Salas, Amy Montana, Nicholas Gutierrez, Kaysen Stanberry, Caydee Humphrey, and Clay Humphrey. Middle Row (l-r): Andrez Gutierrez, Ramon Ortiz, Valeria Corrales, Gabriella Castillo, Karen Morales, Mario Molina, and Jarrett White. Front Row (l-r): Yvette Zentino, Adilene Rocha, Jocelyn Reyes, Shelby Lewellen, Reagan Daniels, and Yvonne Legertta



The following students received a Division 1: Jocelyn Reyes (Flute Solo); Valeria Corrales* (Clarinet Solo); Caydee Humphrey (Tenor Sax Solo); Ramon Ortiz (Trumpet Solo); Aubree Salas (Tuba Solo); Ramon Ortiz*, Jarrett White*, Amy Montana*, Michael Alvarez*, Kaysen Stanberry*, Aubree Salas* (Brass Sextet); Reagan Daniels* (Mallet Percussion Solo); Reagan Daniels* (Multiple Percussion Solo); Yvonne Legertta* (Mallet Percussion Solo). The 9 Advancing Students (*) will compete in Austin on May 27th.

UIL Regional Solo Ensemble Contest and State Choir



Congratulations to All State Choir Performers Andres Piñon and Evan Snyder (left and right) and Choir Director Caisey Fowler. Great year!!! In the photo below, Evan and Andre perform in the state choir.



2024 Dairy MAX scholarship applications now open

Applications are open until March 31 for three \$2,500 Dairy MAX scholarships. The Dairy MAX scholarship program supports local dairy farm families while investing in future generations. In the past 17 years, Dairy MAX has awarded more than \$90,000 in scholarships.

To be eligible for the Dairy MAX scholarship, students must reside in the Dairy MAX region, be a graduating high school senior or an undergraduate student currently enrolled in college and be a child of a dairy farmer, child of a dairy farm employee, or an FFA/4-H dairy show participant. For a complete list of eligibility requirements and information about applying, visit <https://www.dairymax.org/dairy/scholarships>.



Dairy farmers invited to upcoming High Plains Dairy Conference

The 2024 High Plains Dairy Conference, to be held March 5-6 at Embassy Suites in Amarillo, will once again provide dairy producers with the latest information on the current state of the science, dairy insights and producer perspectives. The conference will include a total of 15 talks and five panels over the two days. Visit highplainsdairy.org for more information.

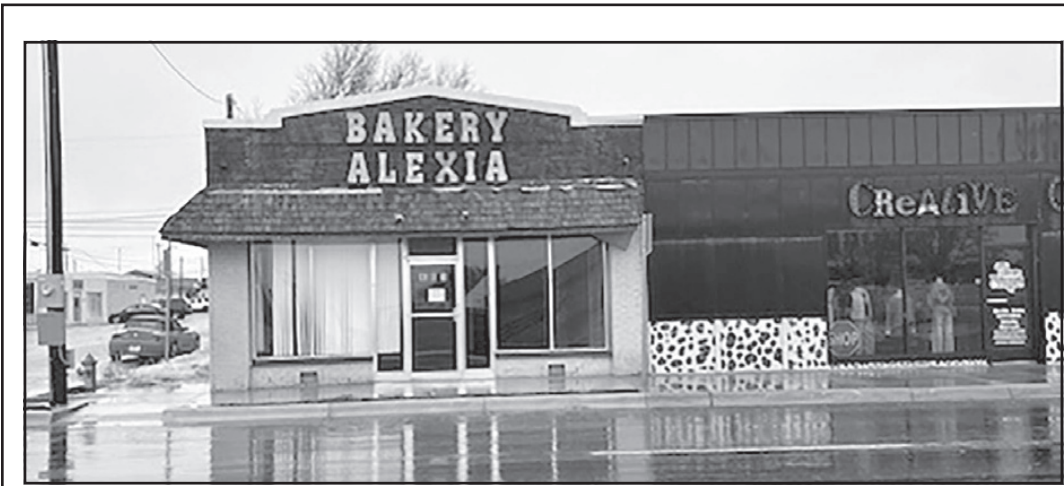
Among the topics to be covered: the global dairy industry and the future market outlook; alternative revenue streams; the future of exports; AI in dairy; beef on dairy; monetizing manure and carbon; and more.

Prior to the start of the conference, on the morning of March 5, the



High Plains Dairy Conference has partnered with both Texas Animal Nutrition Council and the Dairy Cattle Reproduction Council to provide the best of their respective programs through two concurrent workshops concentrated on either nutrition or reproduction. These workshops are included in the conference registration.

Following the conference is a Middle Managers Workshop on March 7. The five-hour workshop, to be presented in both English and Spanish, will focus on front-line supervisors and the challenges they face, from managing cows to managing people.



Building For Sale

The Bovina Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) is taking bids on this building located at 6th and Main in Friona, Texas. You may submit bids in the \$52,500 price range, or fair market value, until the end of February. If you would like to view the property, please call Bovina City Hall at (806) 252-1116 to set up an appointment. Contact Cesar Marquez, Bovina City Manager/Fire Chief at emarquez@cityofbovina.net for more information. The mailing address is City of Bovina, P.O. Box 720, Bovina, TX 79009.





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