

## Texas gas pumps will soon sport new TDLR stickers

AUSTIN - Gas pumps across Texas will soon display new consumer information stickers to reflect the Fuel Metering and Quality Program's new home: the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation. Senate Bill 2119 in the 86th Legislature moved oversight of the Fuel Metering and Quality program to TDLR from the Texas Department of Agriculture as of Sept. 1, 2019.

The new design has a Texas shape and includes information about the amount of state and federal taxes charged for every gallon of fuel sold, as well as a telephone number and a QR code that consumers can use to file a complaint with TDLR regarding the quality or quantity of fuel that was sold. Consumers can also use the contact information to report possible credit card skimmer activity to TDLR.

The design also includes a cue to look for possible tampering with a pump that could indicate that a credit card skimmer may have been placed on the device - as well as a reminder to "Drive Friendly - the Texas way."

"The new stickers reflect our agency's commitment to consumer protection and safety. We hope that this reminder that consumers, vendors and TDLR are partners in protecting fuel pumps will resonate with everyone," said TDLR Executive Director Brian Francis. "Motor fuels make the Texas economy prosper. We want to make the process as safe and secure as possible."

The new stickers are available for fueling stations and licensed service companies to order online from TDLR starting today (<https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/fmq/fmq.htm>).

## Keep Friona Clean Roll-off box to open up for waste items

The City will open up the roll-off box this Saturday, January 11, from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Please come by to dump those items that don't belong in your dumpster and do your part to help Keep Friona Clean!

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



cans (with or without liquids), electronics and appliances, drums/barrels, brick, wood and concrete, railroad ties. Items not accepted in the roll-off box are tires, oil and tree limbs. To dispose of these items, please contact the City office at 806-250-2761.

## 2019 Rainfall Data Released

Friona weather tracker John Gurley released his annual rainfall report this past week. The chart shows rain received by the month and year for the past decade. For the calendar year 2019, Friona received 21.34 inches of rain. This year was the 3rd wettest of the decade. The average annual rainfall for the past ten years is 18.80 inches per year.

This year also marked the first time since 2015 that we received some type of moisture in all twelve months. During the decade there were eight months in which we re-

ceived no measurable precipitation. Also, if you look at the "average" column on the far right of the chart you will notice that Friona received approximately 80% of its rain each year from May through October. On average, August was the wettest month for the past decade.

For the past decade, 2011 was the driest year with only 7.21 inches of rain and 2015 was the wettest with 35.76 inches of rain. Also of note is that Friona received 66.28 inches of rain during the first half of the decade and 121.69 inches during the last half.

## County stock show starts Tuesday

The 83rd Annual Parmer County Junior Livestock Show is set to begin on Tuesday, January 14th and will run through Thursday, January 16th. Board President Greg O'Brian said there are 430 entries ready to impress the judges. He invites everyone to come out to the Friona Event Center and support the local and county 4-H and FFA students. Greg said he would also like to thank all of the volunteers, sponsors, and buyers who make the show such a success and keep it growing.

Judges for the 2020 Show are: Garrett Holder (steers); Leo Sellers (goats and lambs); Emily Turpen (rabbits); and Shane Brinning (barrows). There will be a concession stand open during all of the events.

The Premium Sale will start at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 18th. Will sell 140 Head or 40% of each species. Exhibitors will walk through

the ring without their animals. Two percent of the selling price of the animals will be retained by the Stock Show Board for repair and improvement of the stock show facilities. Premium on animals will be by the head. Sale order will be Steers, Goats, Barrows, Lambs, and Rabbits. Grand and Reserve Grand of each species will sell in the same order.

The Parmer County Stock Show Board consists of President: Greg O'Brian, Vice-President: Wade Schueler, Secretary: Kelly Patrick, and Treasurer: John Jarecki. The Advisory Committee is Dr. Brett Whitten (Bovina), Stephen Schilling (Farwell), Mark Osborn and Dale Schueler (Friona), and Rick Seaton (Lazbuddie).

Stock Show Board Members include: (County 4-H) Janelle Duffey - Parmer County Extension Agent, Chris Timms, Clint Hurst, Chris Antillon, Rodney

Swierc, and Sergio Mendez, alternate; (Farwell) Sid Morris - Agriculture Sciences Teacher, Jared Flores - Agriculture Sciences Teacher, Darren Haseloff, Vince Smith, Dusty Urbantke, and Keith Hadley, alternate; (Friona) Malia Blackburn - Agriculture Sciences Teacher, Dalton Howard - Agriculture Sciences Teacher, Tracy Bunker, Kody Kimbrough, Glen London, and Monty Schueler, alternate; (Lazbuddie) Seth Byers - Agriculture Sciences Teacher, Daniel Schacher, Casey Russell, Dustin Cleavinger, Cody Kirby, and Cobey Branscum, alternate.

Stock Show Officials include: General Superintendent: Scott Johnson, General Assistant Superintendent: Terry Jesko, Swine Superintendent: Lesley Curtis, Lamb & Goat Superintendent: Shane Mason, Beef Superintendent: Roddy Berend, Rabbit Superintendent: Michelle Lookingbill.

### Stock Show Schedule:

- Tuesday, January 14**  
10:00 a.m.  
Steers weighed/classified  
10:30 a.m.  
Steer Show  
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
Goats & Lambs weighed/classified
- Wednesday, January 15**  
8:00 a.m.  
Goat Show  
Lamb Show  
2:00 - 6:30 p.m.  
Barrows weighed/classified  
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Rabbits check in  
7:00 p.m.  
Rabbit Show
- Thursday, January 16**  
8:00 a.m.  
Barrow Show
- Saturday, January 18**  
1:00 p.m.  
Premium Sale



Brynlie Cleavinger showed the Grand Champion Steer at the 2019 Parmer County Junior Livestock Show. The 2020 Livestock Show will begin on Tuesday at the Friona Events Center. (photo by Donna Schueler)

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Avg.
January	1.42	-	0.18	0.49	-	2.06	0.09	1.63	-	0.13	.60
February	1.94	0.70	0.32	1.03	0.27	0.80	0.17	-	0.12	0.42	.58
March	0.97	0.25	0.36	0.12	0.18	0.56	0.08	1.61	0.18	1.85	.62
April	0.87	0.03	0.16	0.05	0.33	0.82	1.19	2.36	0.70	1.63	.81
May	2.12	0.07	2.22	1.35	3.52	7.43	2.01	1.54	1.24	3.15	2.46
June	2.17	0.71	1.88	2.64	2.31	4.03	2.73	1.97	1.18	2.35	2.20
July	4.30	0.08	0.46	4.04	4.32	4.30	1.34	3.48	4.30	1.38	2.80
August	4.40	0.30	1.19	1.14	1.36	2.73	3.50	11.70	2.87	0.82	3.00
September	0.60	2.16	1.44	1.14	3.47	2.85	3.58	3.05	1.63	2.03	2.19
October	0.81	1.12	0.54	0.04	0.29	7.15	-	3.27	4.83	5.71	2.38
November	0.46	0.17	0.04	0.80	-	0.89	1.05	-	0.54	1.03	.50
December	0.09	1.62	0.67	0.45	0.12	2.14	0.26	-	0.39	.84	.66
<b>Total</b>	<b>20.15</b>	<b>7.21</b>	<b>9.46</b>	<b>13.29</b>	<b>16.17</b>	<b>35.76</b>	<b>16.00</b>	<b>30.61</b>	<b>17.98</b>	<b>21.34</b>	<b>18.80</b>

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Friona Weather	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	Precipitation	Burn Ban:
January 2-8	44   27 NNW 10-20	46   23 NW 15-25	56   33 WSW 10-20	56   29 N 10-20	50   24 W 10-25	46   23 NNW 10-20	51   28 SW 15-25	December 0.00 Year 0.00	No

# 83rd Annual Parmer County Stock Show Regulations

## GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** The Parmer County Junior Livestock Show is open to all 4-H & FFA members under the supervision of the county agent or vocational agriculture teachers of the county. Exhibitors must be enrolled in grades 3 through 12 in one of the four public schools in the county or they must be a resident of Parmer County attending a home/private school in grades 3 through 12. All exhibitors must be verified in the Quality Counts Program. The youngster's Quality Counts number must be on each entry card.

2. Entry cards and fees must be returned to the exhibitor's supervisor. All entries are due the third Friday of December. Late fees will be double and cash only. Entry fees have been set at a rate of \$15.00/steer; \$15.00/lamb; and \$15.00/barrow and \$15.00/goat, and \$5.00/Rabbit, Heifer \$30.00.

3. Floor prices will not be set on any animals. All animals

will be taken home by exhibitors after the show.

4. Weigh-in will be as follows: Sheep, and Goats will be classified and weighed in from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. Tuesday. Barrows will be classified as weighed from 2:00—6:30 p.m. Wednesday. Re-weighs : any animal that does not weigh within the required weight ranges at its first weigh-in will be allowed one re-weigh. The re-weigh must occur during the scheduled weigh-in time. Beef check in on Tuesday turn in Steer weights.

5. Validation tags will be used for ear tags in each species. Tags of other shows will not be allowed.

6. Pens will be assigned by community.

7. Exhibitors may show four animals per species ( 4 goats, 4lambs, 4 steers, 4 barrows) however, exhibitors may only enter seven total.

8. All animals entered in show will have been owned by exhibitor and fed under the supervision of the county

agent or vocational agriculture teacher as follows: Rabbits no ownership deadline, Goats and lambs by November 1, 2019, barrows by December 1, 2019; and steers by July 1, 2019. Steers, Lambs, Goats, and Barrows must be validated under the Texas Validation system by the appropriate date. All animals must be continuously owned for the designated period immediately prior to the show. Animals must not have been sold through a premium sale during the ownership period.

9. Each exhibitor may only sell two animals in the premium auction. If an exhibitor places more than two animals high enough to qualify for the premium auction, the premium sale animals will be designated as follows: an exhibitor's highest placing animals will be sold. Should an exhibitor have more than two animals qualify for the sale and be the same placing, then the heavier weight animals will sell. (EXAMPLE: 1st place steer, 3rd place barrow, and 3rd place lamb. The steer and the barrow would sell. The steer was the highest placing animal, and the barrow weighed more than the lamb of equal placing.)

10. If an animal that has placed high enough to qualify for the premium sale is dropped because an exhibitor has two other animals in the sale, the next lower placing animals in the class will move up into that sale position.

11. **SHOWMANSHIP:** Steer, Barrow, Lamb & Goat shows will have two age divisions, Junior 8-13 and Senior 14 and up. Each species judge will select showmanship winners within their division. Showmanship classes will be held upon the completion of judging each species and will be open to all exhibitors of that species, within each age division. Showmanship selection will be based on the exhibitor efforts within the classes as well as during showmanship competition class. ( All ages will be as of January 1, 2020)

12. All animals must remain on the show grounds from weigh-in until released by the superintendent.

13. Any exhibitor found in violation of rules set forth in this booklet is subject to a review before the stock show appeals committee and possible dismissal of the exhibitor from all show activities.

14. **PROTESTS:** Any protest must be in writing accompanied by \$250.00 cash deposit and a written statement to the general superintendent of show. Appeals committee will air this pro-test and if valid re-

fund the money; if invalid, the money will be placed in the general fund. Their decision will be final.

15. The appeals committee shall consist of one member from the stock show committee from each community and 4-H (5 in all). A majority (3) shall represent a quorum.

16. Substitute showman: If the animal's owner has one of the following situations, a substitute showman is permitted; if a conflict with other school related activities, physical injury or illness, family emergency, more than one animal in the same class.

17. The state mandated "no pass, no play" rules will apply. If an exhibitor is not scholastically eligible by U.I.L. rules, then the exhibitor and his/her animals are not eligible to compete in this show.

**Heifers**

1. This show will be a jackpot show and these animals are not eligible for he premium sale. 2. Ownership and Registration: Animals must be owned by the exhibitor and registered in the records of the respective breed association (in the name of the exhibitor) on or before November 1st. Permanent Identification (i.e. brand or tattoo) must be present and must match the registration paper of the animal. 3. Partnerships. Original registration papers must be solely in the name of the exhibitor. Partnerships of any form will not be allowed. 4. Age: Heifers may not be over 24 months of age on the day of the Par-mer County Jr. Heifer Show. 5. Validation: All junior breeding beef heifers (including potential substitute heifers) Must be validated through the Texas 4-H and FFA Breeding Heifer Validation Program. Heifer validation will include online registration paper submittal and physical validation with DNA Hair sampling for all entered and potential substitute heifers. 6. ID Verification: The tattoo or brand will be checked on heifers during check-in and must match the permanent ID that appears on the original registration paper. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure the brand tattoo is legible prior to arrival of the show. Exhibitor's will be disqualified if their heifer does not have a matching tattoo or brand, or if the tattoo or brand is illegible. 7. Classification: Heifers will not be divided by breed. They will be divided into classes by date of birth. Classes will be determined after all heifers have been checked in. 8. Grooming: Heifer grooming guidelines will be the same as the Steer Show. 9. General show rules apply. Entry fee-

\$30.00/head.

**Steers**

1. Breeds will be as follows: A. British Breeds, B. American Breeds, C. Crossbreds 2. Class sizes will be determined at the superintendent's discretion. 3. Steers must weigh 900 pound to show. 4. Any steer deemed wild or unruly will be barred from the show. 5. The first place steers in each breed will compete for Breed Champion. The second place steer to the Breed champion may compete for Reserve Breed Champion. The three Breed Champions will compete for Grand Champion. The Reserve Breed Champion behind the Grand Champion may compete for Reserve Grand Champion. 6. Grooming: A. No change of the major color pattern of the animals by painting or dying, will be allowed. B. Any grooming material that allows color to come off form any animals will not be allowed at show. No adhesive materials will be allowed. 7. General show rules apply. Entry fee-\$15.00/head

**Market Goats**

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**Rabbits**

1. General Show rules apply 2. Age Limit is 12 weeks old 3. Grand & Reserve Grand rabbits will sell in the premium sale. 4. Jackpot show payout being 3rd-50%, 4th- 30%, and 5th- 20%. 5. Exhibitors will be limited to 4 entries. 6. Recommended any meat rabbit. 7. Exhibitors are responsible for bringing and showing their rabbit to judging table. 8. Weigh- In begins @ 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday Jan 15, 2020. 9. Entry Fee \$5.00/head.

## Community Calendar

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

**January 9**

- Snack Pak 4 Kids at 4:40 p.m. at Friona United Methodist Church
- Parmer County Area AA meeting at the Friona Methodist Church (north entrance) at 7 p.m.

**January 13**

Parkinson Support Group Meeting at 5:30 p.m. (MST) Clovis Community College Rm. 101 Main Bldg. Clovis, New Mexico

**January 16**

- Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Los Arcos
- Snack Pak 4 Kids at 4:40 p.m. at Friona United Methodist Church
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**January 20**

- Martin Luther King Jr. Day

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### ACROSS

1 error by an Astro pitcher

5 TXism: "tame as \_\_\_ dog"

6 TX "Babe" helped start this golf assn.

7 British knight titles

8 in Hidalgo County: "Santa \_\_\_ National Wildlife Refuge"

9 TX Marshall Allman 2005 film with Bruce Willis

16 a restaurant restroom

18 atop the TX Capitol dome: "Goddess \_\_\_"

21 TXism: "right from the get-\_\_\_"

22 honky tonks, in part landmark TX case: "\_\_\_ v. Wade"

24 Young County seat 30 workers

34 this TX Licon swam for UT (init.)

35 Ted Turner was one to \_\_\_ black & white film

36 TX Lynda Day George was in TV's "Mission Impossible" with this Barbara

37 only one TXn has won the \_\_\_ Peace Prize, Dr. Norman Borlaug

39 wet Fort Worth attraction (2 wds.)

43 TXism: "if it ain't true, \_\_\_ ain't a cow in Texas"

## TEXAS CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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44 TXism: "a \_\_\_ and a dollar short"

45 TX Willie's "Farm Aid \_\_\_" was in Manor, TX

46 previously owner car

47 Longhorns' enemy

49 dug up a graveyard body

52 "one," south of the border

53 TX \_\_\_ "Bum" Phillips

54 TXism: "\_\_\_ on the back burner"

55 "boot \_\_\_" (danced)

### DOWN

1 tree sap used for perfumes or medicines

2 home of Sul Ross State University

3 once the location of the "Chicken Ranch" brothel

4 Fabens Christian FM station

9 Santa's word

10 TX Parker poem: "The Story \_\_\_ and Clyde"

11 TX Bonnie & Clyde did \_\_\_ a few

12 word before "gauge" or "pressure"

13 a student who played hooky

14 an American multinational conglomerate

15 make a mistake

17 Mexican hat

19 JPMorgan Chase building has \_\_\_ over Houston since 1982

20 TXism: "bellered"

24 TX Guy who wrote "Desperados Waiting for a Train" (init.)

25 TXism: "get your ducks in a \_\_\_"

26 British boy (2 wds.)

27 TXism: "\_\_\_ a Cadillac bumper"

28 TX Clint Black's "Where \_\_\_ Now" (1991)

29 this Brando was a TX sheriff in 1966 film "The Chase"

31 cushion, e.g. "a boldface \_\_\_"

33 TXism: "\_\_\_ my upper lip is mildewing"

38 bedevil

40 Gen. Richard Montgomery \_\_\_ led a TX brigade in the Civil War

41 consumed

42 award for a touch-down (2 wds.)

48 cummerbund

50 TX-based restaurants: "Pizza \_\_\_"

51 Colorado Indian

56 "street" in Mexico pungent bulb

### ON YOUR PAYROLL

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## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office:  
Randy Gerles, Sheriff

1-2-20 — Marcella Gomez, 24, of Friona was arrested by the Friona PD on a charge of DWLL, pending County Court.

1-3-20 — Joaquin Marin, Jr., 34, of Bovina was arrested by the Bovina PD on a Deaf Smith County warrant, pending transport.

1-4-20 — Isahiah Martinez, 21, of Dimmitt was arrested by the DPS on a charge of possession of marijuana < 2 oz., pending County Court.

12-30-19 — Trinten Baba, 21, of Amarillo was arrested by the Parmer County SO on a charge of possession of marijuana < 2 oz. and DWI, pending County Court.

1-2-20 — Sherida Price, 29, of Portales, New Mexico was arrested by the Parmer County SO on a charge of deadly conduct, pending County Court.

1-2-20 — Otto Cain, 43, of Amarillo was arrested by the Farwell PD on a charge of theft mail w/10 addresses, pending County Court.

1-4-20 — Jesus Gamez, 22, of Bovina was arrested by the DPS on a Deaf Smith County warrant, bond & released.

1-5-20 — Mireya Armijo, 23, of Amarillo, was arrested by the Friona PD on a charge of DWLL, pending County Court.

## Texas Government Insider Texas population outpaces others in 2019

Texas' population growth continues to surge as the state recorded the largest population increase in the United States between mid-2018 and mid-2019, according to U.S. Census Bureau estimates released December 30, 2019.

The state's population rose by 367,000 people during that period to take the number of people living in Texas to nearly 29 million - second only to California's 40 million residents.

Should this trend continue, Texas is predicted to gain several U.S. House seats after the 2020 census if the count is accurate and participation is high.

Population growth in Texas and most of the South contrasts a drop in the nation's natural increase (births minus deaths) to below 1 million for the first time in decades. Between 2018 and 2019, natural increase was 956,674, reflecting 3,791,712 births and 2,835,038 deaths. Forty-two states and the District of Columbia had fewer births in 2019 than 2018.

With fewer births in recent years and the number of deaths increasing, natural increase has declined steadily over the past decade. The nation's population was almost 328.24 million in 2019, growing by 0.5 percent between 2018 and 2019, or about 1.55 million people.

**State sets historic unemployment record**  
Texas neared the end of last year on a six-month streak of record low unemployment, according to the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC).

The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate held at 3.4 percent in November 2019 to mark the sixth consecutive month of record low unemployment in the state starting in June 2019. It is the lowest unemployment rate since series tracking began in 1976.

Leading job growth in November was the education and health services category with 10,200 jobs added, followed by the trade, transportation, and utilities industry adding 8,000 jobs, and manufacturing which added 6,300 jobs.

The Midland Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) recorded November's lowest unemployment rate among Texas MSAs with a non-seasonally adjusted rate of 2.1 percent, followed by the Amarillo and Austin-Round Rock MSAs each with an adjusted rate of 2.5 percent. The College Station-Bryan and Lubbock MSAs each recorded the third lowest rate at 2.6 percent.

TWC produces employment estimates in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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## COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty deeds as reported by the County Clerk's Office from the week of December 19, 2019 through January 2, 2019:

Michael L. Koehn, France R. Koehn — Chelsea Ward, Zachary Ward — A tract of land in NW 1/4 Sec 7 T11S R3E Capitol Syndicate Subdivision

Pablo Lucio, Roberto Lucio — Pablo Lucio, Estate of Santiago Luco by co-executors Pablo Lucio — A tract of land in West half of Sec 17 B Z W.D & E.W Johnson Subdivision League 500 Parmer County

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Phyllis Ann Herington — Richard Riley Camp, Kenneth Don Magness, Teresa Lynn Gamble Desantis, Richard Riley Camp, Shelby Leigh Camp — All of L 7 and 8 being the S/2 of NE/4 and all of L 9, 10, 15, and 16 being SE/4 of Sec Num 9 Township 16 S Range 1 E of Capitol Syndicate Subdivision 240 acres land

Don Carthel, Cindy Carthel — Fidel Ortiz, Mary Ortiz — A 3.91 acre of tract of land out of Sec 1 B B L E Mcminn Survey 2902.54 acre tract conveyed to Don Carthel in General Vol. 27 Pg. 393

Tanny Adkins, Norman Boyce — Robert Carl Maxwell — 205 acre tract of the E half of Sec 17 WD & FW Johnson B Z

Alyson Elam Moy — Monica Sierra — All of certain L tract or parcel of land lying and being situated in the county of Parmer

Don Spring, Gladys Spring — Eric Gonzales, Blanca Pacheco — All of L 19 of B 63 of original town of Friona

Monica Sierra — Alyson Elam Moy — S 1/2 of L 1 of block 30 of original town of Bovina

Charles Coleman Wilkins, Rhonda Jean Wilkins — Jake Ware, Tennille Ware — The W/2 of sec 15 B A Capitol Syndicate Subdivision NE/4 of Sec 15 B A Capitol Syndicate Subdivision

Jordan James Pool, Ashely Nichole Pool — Hancock Farms LTD, Hancock Farms LTD, Lawrence A Hancock, Hancock Farms LTD — NE/4 of Sec 27 B X W.D & E.W Johnson Subdivision NW/4 of Sec 27 B X W.D & E.W Johnson Subdivision Vol. 137 Pg. 507

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Our loved ones are a gift to us, their presence a blessing when they are on earth. After they are gone, we mourn and then we celebrate the life they lived, the love they shared, the difference they made for being in our lives.

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# We Will Be Held Accountable

By Teena Hughs

For the last couple of weeks, God has been dealing with me about accountability...accountability to Him, and accountability with others.

Romans 14:11-12, "For the Scriptures say, 'As surely as I live,' says the Lord, 'every knee will bow to Me and every tongue will confess allegiance to God.' Yes, each of us will have to give a personal account to God." Matthew 12:36-37 says we "must give an account on judgment day of every idle word you speak...either you will be justified by them or you will be condemned."

Lately, a number of self-professing Christians have disappointed me for the way they treat others; the things they

say to others; the fact that they don't lift a finger to help people truly in need. God is very clear that we will be held accountable for what we say and do, and for what we don't say or do.

It is pretty easy to think no one is watching or hearing us when we don't behave as the Christian we profess to be, but try as we might, we all know this is not true. Hebrews 4:13 tells us, "Nothing in all creation can hide from Him. Everything is naked and exposed before His eyes. This is the God to whom we must explain all that we have done."

The bottom line is this: when we meet God, and we have to account for all of our actions and words, we determine how

God will judge us. It is our choice to be the absolute best Christian we can be while we live on planet Earth; it is our choice to focus on Jesus and being like Him rather than doing what we always want to do; it is our choice; it is all about the choices we make. What choices will you make?

2 Corinthians 5:10 reminds us, "For we must all stand before Christ to be judged. We will each receive whatever we deserve for the good or evil we have done in our bodies." Hopefully we will all choose God and His way for our lives, so that when we do have our day of accounting, it will be a day of true joy!!! Take care and happy new year!!!

# Llamados a Conocerle Friona Para Cristo

By Pastor Aurelio & Cynthia Silva

God Is Good all the time and all the time God is Good. We have had an awesome year in 2019. But the best is yet to come. I believe that the Latter Glory will be greater than the former Glory. We have been witnesses of how a small community can come together as one whenever the need arises. Not looking at race or social status or religious preference. But looking past all that and seeing a need, in which for one person would be overwhelming but as a group as a city is very doable. And we in Friona have been a witness of Gods mercy and love. How we can all come together and be Gods hands, his feet, his mouth,

and being an instrument of his love. May we continue showing Gods grace, love, and mercy not just when the need arises but every day. Blessings always for Friona.

Dios es Bueno todo el tiempo y todo el tiempo Dios es Bueno. Hemos tenido un ano tremendo en 2019 . Pero lo mayor es por venir. Yo creo que la Gloria postrera sera mayor que la primera. Hemos sido testigos de como un pueblo pequeno pueda unirse como uno solo, cuando ay una nesiedad grande. No mirando el color de su

piel, ni el status social, ni su religion. Pero mirando mas alla , la nesiedad, en lo cual para una persona era imposible, pero como un grupo como pueblo, lo podimos alcanzar. Y nosotros aqui en Friona hemos sido testigos de la misericordia y amor de Dios. Como nos unimos juntos para ser las manos, pies, boca de Dios y ser un instrument del Amor de Dios. Que podamos continuar mostrando la gracia, amor, y misericordia de Dios. No solamente cuando ay una nesiedad pero todo los Dias. Bendiciones siempre por Friona.

# Beginnings

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Life is full of beginnings and endings that lead to more beginnings. I like the idea of a fresh start. Sometimes it is easy to get bogged down, buried and stuck and you just need a fresh start -a new beginning. God being divine, infinite and without beginning or end, knew we would have to start somewhere and the first words in Genesis is "In the beginning..." By the end of six days God had created a perfect world. His creation was perfect, as was every creature. At the top of His creation was mankind, and He saw that it was good. I can only imagine and barely that because, I was not there in the beginning, I grew up in a broken world a corrupt and selfish place. It is easy to look at our world and see its brokenness. It is easy to feel the pain and disappointment when our trust is put in the created verses the Creator.

This would be hopeless, if God had simply cast Adam and Eve out of the garden and walked away, BUT He did not walk away, He began to walk with us. At first it was discouraging to Him. By the 6th chapter God was sad He created all this to be used so selfishly. What did man need? A new beginning and He found it in the man Noah. Noah lis-

tened to God and it would be Noah, his wife, his three sons and their wives and a whole lot of animals that would start again. History would continue to have its ups and downs, its high points and low point, but God continued to seek those who could hear His voice. The Bible could have very easily ended at Genesis 6. Moses would begin writing God's story and for over the next 1500 years and with 40 different authors He would show man just how wide and deep His love was for them, for us.

What began in the garden of Eden ended with an empty tomb and an exalted Savior, Jesus Christ, Son of God, Redeemer of us all. All who believe in what God has been doing from the beginning. I heard someone say once and it bears repeating even though I do not know who authored it, "God has never looked in the mirror you are looking in and wished you were someone else." He made you! His hope is that you will love Him. I encourage you as you begin this new year to pick up your Bible start at the beginning and listen to Him tell His story about His love for you. You are valuable to Him. So, if you feel burdened, look to the One who can give you a new beginning.

# Book Review

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

"It's me again, Hank the Cowdog," has been the beginning of over seventy Hank the Cowdog books all written by author and Perryton native, John R. Erickson. In 2019 a different addition to the Hank series was released called Finding Hank: The Most-Often Asked Questions About Hank the Cowdog. In the 168 pages of this hard-back book John R. Erickson answers countless questions with great insight, wit, humor and intrigue as he details his life and how he and Hank's paths merged leading to an astonishing literary success.

Readers and listeners of Hank the Cowdog will immensely enjoy the content, answers and variety of photographs surrounding Erickson's life and work, but so will people who may have never turned a page on one of Hank's adventures. The heart of this book is not glorifying Erickson's literary success or accomplishments, but through the conversational atmosphere the reader is able to see one man's diligent and often failed attempts to pursue his dream of writing. Erickson's truth about his years of publishing rejections and failures before Hank's success, sets the tone

for one of the biggest parts of Erickson's life that is weaved through the book, his faith. As he unfolds his story of success in his field, and as he exposes his life to the world, the strong Christian faith of John and his wife, Kris, shines through. Their faith shines through with the occasional scripture quotation, and numerous mentions of the importance of following God and serving in their church.

His willingness to naturally display how Christ affects his life, his family and his career as a rancher and as a writer is why this book was such a blessing to me my family. Sometimes as Christians we can wrongly think that there are holy careers and secular careers, but any employment a Christian undertakes is to be done unto the Lord (1 Cor 10:31, Col 3:23-24). God is not only concerned in what you do, but especially how you do it. Christ should transform the work of a Christian worker into a holy occupation, no matter if it is working at a church or out in the community. This truth resonates from Colossians 3:23, "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for me," (ESV).

# New Arrival



**Carson Geoffry Beyers**

Adam & Lindsey Beyers of Vernon, Texas are the proud parents of a baby boy born Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at United Regional Health Care Systems in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Named Carson Geoffry, the new arrival weighed 8 lbs. 9 ozs. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Proud big sisters are Brynlee, age 8, Sophee, age 5, and Lillee, age 18 months.

Grandparents are Mark & Lisa Neill of Friona and Geoffry & Linda Beyers of Vernon, Texas. Great grandparents are Bobby & Glenda Nichols of Vernon.

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# State Capital Highlights

By Ed Sterling



## Abbott, Patrick react after shooting incident at church

AUSTIN — Gov. Greg Abbott and Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick released statements following a deadly shooting on Dec. 29 at West Freeway Church of Christ in White Settlement, a city of 16,000 people on the west side of Fort Worth.

Two church members were killed in the shooting, which occurred during Sunday services. A possible motive for the shooting is under investigation.

The shooter was shot and killed at the scene by a member of the congregation who is a member of the church's volunteer security detail and is a firearms instructor.

"Places of worship are meant to be sacred and I am grateful for the church members who acted quickly to take down the shooter and help prevent further loss of life," Abbott said.

Patrick said the Texas Department of Public Safety is leading the investigation in cooperation with the White Settlement Police Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office.

## Revenue total is higher

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar on Jan. 3 reported that state sales tax revenue totaled \$3.01 billion in the month of December, 4.8% more than the amount reported for December 2018.

"Growth in state sales tax revenue was led by receipts from the construction, information services and restaurant sectors," Hegar said in a news release. "While revenue growth was slightly buoyed by collections from remote sellers and online marketplace providers, collections from retail trade were depressed due to significantly fewer Christmas shopping days in November this year compared to the previous year."

The majority of December sales tax revenue is based on sales made in November and remitted to the agency in December. Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in December 2019 was up 6.0% compared to the same period a year ago.

Sales tax is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 57% of all tax collections, according to the comptroller's office.

In December 2019, Texas collected the following revenue from other major taxes:

- Motor vehicle sales and rentals, \$427.3 million, up 7.9% from December 2018;
- Motor fuel, \$310.7 million, down 1.1% from December 2018;
- Natural gas production, \$114.0 million, down 33.8% from December 2018; and
- Oil production, \$362.5 million, up 18.3% from December 2018.

## Texas HHS Receives Grant to Improve Nutrition for Older Texans State's Congregate Meal Program to Help More Seniors

AUSTIN - Texas Health and Human Services will use a three-year, \$750,000 grant to increase participation in the congregate meal program, which provides nutritious meals in a community setting to people age 60 and older.

"Having a place to go to share a meal and good company reduces hunger and food insecurity, and is important to maintaining good health," said Wayne Salter, deputy executive commissioner for HHS Access and Eligibility Services. "Serving meals in a group setting is more than just nourishment for the body, it nourishes the soul for those who participate."

While Texas' aging population continues to grow, participation in the congregate meal program is declining. Established through the Older Americans Act of 1965, the program provides a wholesome meal in a community setting where people can socialize and participate in activities offered at the site, such as board games. The program includes nutrition education classes, chronic disease prevention classes, and other activities.

The grant will fund modernization of Texas' congregate meal program through the creation of the Texas Congregate Meal Initiative. As part of the initiative, HHS will partner with Texas A&M University to conduct research to identify causes for the decline in program participation.

The Texas Congregate Meal Initiative will also provide training and project development practices, inspire innovation, increase participation in local congregate meal programs, and improve satisfaction, health, and well-being among the senior population in Texas. "This is great news for our senior citizens," said Rep. James White. "We stand on the broad shoulders of these great Texans and I am elated that HHSC will provide our local communities with more resources to serve our seniors."

According to the US Census Bureau, between 2005 and 2017 the population of individuals age 60 and older has increased by 65 percent in Texas while the number of meals served through this program has decreased by nearly 25 percent. Participation in congregate meal programs has declined nationwide as well.

"We are especially pleased to be partnering with the Mays Business School, Texas Health and Human Services, and the Area Agencies on Aging on a project with the potential for improving the quality of life for aging populations throughout Texas," said Nandita Chaudhuri, research scientist at the Public Policy Research Institute at Texas A&M University. "This type of project fits perfectly within the mission of the Public Policy Research Institute. The

## Toll hike takes effect

The Texas Department of Transportation's annual toll rate increase took effect Jan. 1.

According to TxDOT, the biggest increase will be felt by drivers who still pay by mail, as the surcharge for those transactions will increase to 50% of the base rate paid by all toll users. Motorists with a TxTag account will experience an even larger comparative discount on tolls - a discount of 33% compared to Pay By Mail rates, the agency said in a late-December news release.

The 50 percent surcharge for Pay By Mail transactions helps defray the rising administrative costs associated with these mailed payments, such as viewing license plate images, generating and mailing invoices and processing payments. Raising the surcharge to 50% also brings TxDOT Pay By Mail rates in line with other toll authorities in Austin and Dallas and across the country, and further incentivizes having a TxTag account.

## Flu season hits hard

In its weekly update on Jan. 2, the Texas Department of State Health Services encouraged "everyone to get vaccinated now."

The most recent flu surveillance report shows widespread flu activity in Texas and high levels of influenza-like illness. There have been eight pediatric flu-related deaths reported in the 2019-2020 flu season.

Influenza is a contagious respiratory illness caused by one of a number of related viruses. The flu vaccine is made up of strains similar to ones likely to be circulating in North America, and vaccination is especially important for people with chronic health conditions and weaker immune systems and their caregivers, the DSHS said.

Additional information about influenza and ways to stop the spread of the flu virus can be found online at [texasflu.org](http://texasflu.org).

## Ag chief hosts show

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller in mid-December announced he would host a new weekly television show to premiere on the RFD-TV network. The first show is set to air on Jan. 21.

The show, Texas Agriculture Matters, will spotlight Texas agriculture for 52 million viewers nationwide, according to Miller's office. The show is produced by RFD-TV in agreement with the Texas Department of Agriculture and recorded at the RFD-TV/The Cowboy Channel studio in the Fort Worth Stockyards, with Miller hosting in his capacity as Texas agriculture commissioner and receiving no compensation for his participation.

results have the potential to reduce social isolation among aging populations by connecting seniors to other members of their community through congregate meals."

As a part of this initiative, HHS will utilize Texas' 28 Area Agencies on Aging and their congregate meal providers to gather comprehensive statewide data. Area Agencies on Aging provide supportive services to people age 60 and older, their family members, and caregivers across the state's 254 counties. These services give individuals the resources to maintain healthy and independent lives in their communities.

Seniors interested in participating in the congregate meal program can call 2-1-1 for the nearest location. For more information about HHS programs and services, visit [hhs.texas.gov](http://hhs.texas.gov).

Carson Geoffrey Beyers Adam & Lindsey Beyers of Vernon, Texas are the proud parents of a baby boy born Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at United Regional Health Care Systems in Wichita Falls, Texas.

Named Carson Geoffrey, the new arrival weighed 8 lbs. 9 ozs. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Proud big sisters are Brynlee, age 8, Sophee, age 5, and Lillee, age 18 months.

Grandparents are Mark & Lisa Neill of Friona and Geoffrey & Linda Beyers of Vernon, Texas. Great grandparents are Bobby & Glenda Nichols of Vernon.



## Oats

With the beginning of the year upon us, I thought it appropriate to start with some recipes for the beginning of the day. Oatmeal is a classic go-to for breakfast although it could be an easy and light nighttime meal as well. Oats are often used in many baked goods and snacks such as granola bars.

Oats, *Avena sativa*, are an annual grass and have been cultivated for around 4,000 years. Initially, oats were grown for feeding livestock, but soon humans realized its nutritional value and began to eat the oats themselves. Oats are among the most nutrient-dense food you can find. They are rich in carbs, fiber, protein, fat, antioxidants, and vitamins such as manganese, phos-

phorus, magnesium, copper, iron, zinc, folate, thiamin and vitamin B5. Oats are also known to help reduce LDL and total cholesterol. They help stabilize blood sugar because of their low glycemic index. Eating oats increases ones feeling of fullness and increases the growth of good

bacteria in the gut. Oats are naturally gluten free. However, they are often processed in facilities with grains that do contain gluten and can become contaminated.

Oats come in a variety of cuts. The chart below is a quick summary of all your oats choices.

Groats	Whole oat without the hull, toasted and cleaned, not cut or rolled
Steel Cut Oats	Groats that have been cut into two or four pieces with a sharp, steel blade. Have a nutty flavor and chewier texture. Well suited for overnight crockpot oats but not for baked goods.
Scottish Old Fashioned Rolled Oats	Groats that are ground into a meal-like texture. Made by steaming and then rolling the whole groats. They cook faster than steel cut oats and have a thick, creamy texture. Good for cooked cereal and baked goods.
Quick Cooking Oats	Similar to old fashioned oats but steamed longer and rolled thinner. These are good for cooked cereals and baked goods.
Instant Oats	Usually come in individual packets. These are steamed longer and rolled thinner than the quick cooking oats and then dehydrated. These are the most processed form and usually contain added sugars, salt, and other additives.

This week I have shared a few recipes with oats mainly for breakfast. The muffins and overnight oats are new to me, but I have prepared the pressure cooker oats several times. If you need more info about oats, you can find it at [wisegeek.com](http://wisegeek.com), [notquiteamishliving.com](http://notquiteamishliving.com), or [healthline.com](http://healthline.com).

## Healthy Oatmeal Muffins (No Flour No Sugar No Oil)

<https://brendid.com>

### Ingredients

2 ½ cups old-fashioned oats (1.5 cups ground, 1 cup whole)	¾ cup milk (or non-dairy milk)
2 Tbsp old-fashioned oats for muffin tops	2 tsp real vanilla
2-3 large overripe bananas (1 cup mashed or 1 cup applesauce)	2 tsp baking powder
2 large eggs, (lightly beaten, may use flax eggs)	1/2 tsp baking soda
1/3 cup honey	1/2 tsp salt
	1 tsp cinnamon

### Instructions

Preheat oven to 325°F to toast oats. Place oats on a baking sheet and toast until lightly browned, stirring once (about 4 to 6 minutes). Let cool to room temperature. (If you are in a hurry you can skip the toasting step, however the toasting adds flavor!) Divide oats into portions of 1.5 cups, 1 cup and 2 Tbsp. Turn oven heat up to 350°F degrees to bake the muffins. Place 1.5 cups of oats in a food processor and blend/pulse until they reach a rough, flour like consistency. Mash bananas well, they should have no lumps. I use my mixer to mash them before adding the other wet ingredients. Add eggs, honey, milk and vanilla. Mix to combine. Add dry ingredients (including the ground oats and 1 cup whole oats) to wet ingredients and mix until just incorporated. Allow these to sit for 10 minutes to soak the oats. Optional: Fold in 1/2 cup fruit, raisins, or nuts. Scoop into muffin tin, well-greased or lined with parchment muffin wrappers (makes 14 muffins). Sprinkle muffin tops with the 2 Tbsp of reserved oats, press lightly to make sure they stick. Bake at 350°F for 20-23 minutes. (Tops should spring back when lightly pressed and/or a toothpick inserted in the center of a muffin should come out clean.)

## Pressure Cooker Steel Cut Oats

[www.barbarabakes.com](http://www.barbarabakes.com)

### Ingredients

½ cup Steel Cut Oats	1 tablespoon oil
2 cups water	Dash of salt

### Directions

Combine ingredients in pressure cooker pot select high pressure and set 10 minutes cook time. (It took the pressure cooker 10 minutes to come up to pressure and 20 minutes for a natural pressure release after the cook time, for a total prep time of 40 minutes. A quick release is not recommended with grains.) Top with milk fresh or dried fruit, chopped nuts or granola, and your favorite sweetener - brown sugar, white sugar, maple syrup, or agave syrup. I like to add apples to my oats, but I quick cook them in the microwave before adding them to the oats. I peel and chop my apples, place them in a microwave safe bowl with butter and cinnamon. Then I cover and cook them for about 2 minutes or until apples are tender. I don't add them to the oats in the pressure cooker until after the oats are cooked and the pressure releases. If you cook the apples with the oatmeal, you will just have apple sauce in your oatmeal.

## Overnight Oatmeal

<https://lifemadesweeter.com>

### Overnight Oats Base Recipe:

1/2 cup rolled oats gluten free as needed  
2/3 - 3/4 cup almond milk or your favorite milk (for a non-vegan version - you can add half milk and half Greek yogurt for creaminess as well)  
2 teaspoons chia seeds

### Overnight Oats Base Recipe:

1. Add oats, milk and chia seeds together in a mason jar, resealable container or a bowl. (If you like your oatmeal creamier, you can add more milk and less if you like them on the chunkier side - you can also add an extra 2 tablespoons yogurt (dairy free if needed) to make them creamier).

Shake jar or mix and combine with a spoon. Seal and chill in the fridge for at least 4 hours or overnight.

Enjoy cold or heat up in the microwave or stove top.

For different flavors, you can add these ingredients.

### Apple Cinnamon Overnight Oats:

1/2 cup chopped apples (I used gala)  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1-2 teaspoons maple syrup honey or low carb liquid sweetener (optional)

### Apple Cinnamon Overnight Oats:

1. Add apples, cinnamon (and sweetener if desired) to a mason jar.  
2. Shake jar or mix and combine with a spoon. Seal and chill in the fridge for at least 4 hours or overnight. Enjoy cold or heat up in the microwave or stove top.  
3. Serve with more milk as desired and top with additional chopped apples and ground cinnamon before serving, if desired.

### Banana Walnut Overnight Oats:

1/2 very ripe banana mashed or chopped for chunkier texture  
1 teaspoon maple syrup honey or low carb liquid sweetener  
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon nutmeg, optional  
2 Tablespoon walnuts chopped, for topping  
banana slices for topping, optional

### Banana Walnut Overnight Oats:

1. Add mashed banana and cinnamon to a mason jar  
2. Shake jar or mix and combine with a spoon. Seal and chill in the fridge for at least 4 hours or overnight. Enjoy cold or heat up in the microwave or stove top.  
3. Serve with more milk as desired and top with fresh banana slices and walnuts before serving, if desired.

### Blueberry Vanilla Almond Butter Overnight Oats:

1/4 teaspoon pure vanilla extract  
1 Tablespoon almond butter  
1-2 teaspoons maple syrup, honey or low carb liquid sweetener  
1/4 cup fresh blueberries plus more for toppings  
Blueberry Vanilla Almond Butter Overnight Oats:

1. Add vanilla, and blueberries (and sweetener if desired) to mason jar.  
2. Shake jar or mix and combine with a spoon. Seal and chill in the fridge for at least 4 hours or overnight. Enjoy cold or heat up in the microwave or stove top.  
3. Serve with more milk as desired and top with fresh blueberries and almond butter before serving.



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If you turned 65 years old as of January 1, 2020, then you need to sign up for the "65 and older" Homestead Exemption. This is a permanent exemption so if you already have signed up for it, you don't have to re-apply.

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If you have purchased a home since you signed up for the Homestead Exemption, you need to re-apply for this exemption.

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Agricultural use exemptions are available for all who have purchased agricultural property. If you purchased ag property during the past year, you need to apply for this exemption.

Vehicle exemption forms for those who qualify are available online at [www.parmercad.org](http://www.parmercad.org) or come by our office to apply.

Call, or drop by our office, for your application(s). They will be mailed to you upon request.

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**Friona ISD Nominations for Gifted and Talented Program**

Friona ISD students in Kindergarten – 12th grade are eligible for parent or teacher nominations to the Gifted and Talented Program offered by Friona ISD for the 2020-2021 school year.

Parents who desire to nominate their child for this program may contact the principal or counselor in their child's building for the appropriate form.

Forms need to be completed and returned to the principal by January 31, 2020. A certified Gifted and Talented teacher will administer the necessary tests for admission to the program.

Los estudiantes de Friona ISD en los grados de K-12 tienen el derecho de ser nominados por padre o maestro para el programa que se ofrece en nuestro distrito de niños Talentosos por el año escolar 2020-2021.

Los padres que desean de nombrar a su niño para este programa pueden hablar con consejera o el principal de la propia escuela para pedir las formas necesarias.

Las formas necesitaran ser completadas y entregadas a la oficina del principal para el 31 de enero del 2020. Los estudiantes nominados serán considerados y tomara n evaluaciones las cual determinaran admisión al programa.



# OBITUARIES



## Patricia "Pat" Sue Waller

Patricia "Pat" Sue Waller, 78 of Friona passed away December 30, 2019 in Amarillo. Viewing will be held Thursday, January 2, 2020 from 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home with Celebration of Life Services scheduled for 2:00 P.M. Friday, January 3, 2020 in the chapel with Rev. Gary Johnson, officiating. Burial following in the Holy Family Cemetery in Nazareth, Texas by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.



Pat was born November 1, 1941 in Weslaco, Texas to Clyde Lee and Nita Virginia Crooks Copeland. She later was a 1960 graduate of Dimmitt High School and attended West Texas State University where she majored in music and drama.

Pat started her family in 1964, but found time to continue her love for music, vocally and artistically as she

continued to sing and paint. But she also continued her life of service as a teacher's aide and a case worker for Child Protective Services. She is preceded in death by her parents and 1 sister-Carole Wilson.

Those to carry on her legacy include- 5 daughters-Lisa Neill and husband Mark, Jennifer Baize and husband Robin of Friona, Cara Speer and Enrique Ronelas of Carlsbad,

New Mexico, Laura Brockman of Frisco, Texas and Valerie Brockman and Brian Brogden of Amarillo, Texas 1 son-Nathan Brockman of Mountain View, Oklahoma, 2 sisters-Sandie Dolfini and husband Joe of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Kathie Burris and husband Rick of Maumelle, Arkansas, grandchildren-Tyson Neill, Chase Speer, Corbin Neill, Lindsey Beyers, Andrew Diaz, Thomas Speer, Logan Inmon, McKinley Brockman and Seth Greene, great-grandchildren-Trapper, Archer and Weston Neill, Adan and Aubrey Diaz, Brynlee, Sophee, Lillie and Carson Beyers, Angelina and Jonathan Speer.

You may send condolences to the family and sign the online register book at: [www.hansardfamily.com](http://www.hansardfamily.com)

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## Carlos Rosalio Olvera



Carlos Rosalio Olvera, 21 of Friona passed away December 30, 2019 at Umbarger. Viewing will be held from 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. Friday, January 3, 2020 at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona. Mass of Christian Burial Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. Saturday, January 4, 2020 at St. Teresa's Catholic Church with Father Gregory Bunyan as Celebrant. Celebration of Life Services will be held 2:00 P.M. Saturday, January 4, 2020 at Friona Para Cristo Llamados a Conocerle Church in Friona with Pastor Aurelio Silva, officiating. Burial following in the Friona Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.

Carlos was born in Clovis,

N.M. to Cynthia Perez. He was a 2016 graduate of Friona High School. He had a heart transplant at the age of 10 and was known as a fighter never giving up. He loved to work on cars and dance. He was loving, funny and always had a smile.

Those left behind to mourn his passing include his mother Cynthia Sanchez Martinez, 1 brother-Junior Alfredo Sanchez, grandparents-Gloria Morales de Perez, Rosalio Gabaldon Perez, uncle and aunt, Ruben and Imelda Saucedo, all of Friona, and uncle and aunt Ruben and Gloria Quezada of Hobbs, N.M., and cousins-Giselle, Yasmin, Ruben, and Jaime Quezada, Angel, Jarretzi and Ebany Saucedo.

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## Sarah Berniece Cooper



Sarah Berniece Cooper Owen. 81 of Friona passed from this mortal life on January 6th, 2020 in Friona, Texas. Viewing will be held Wednesday, January 8, 2020 from 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. with family visitation 6:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. that evening in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona. Celebration of Life Services set for 2:00 P.M. Thursday, January 9, 2020 at the Union Congregational Church, 1601 Euclid Ave. Friona, Texas with Pastor Randy Gomez of Clovis, officiating. Burial following in the Bovina Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.

Best known as the long-time school nurse for Farwell, Bovina, and Lazbuddie schools, Sarah was pleased to have spent this Christmas season with widely scattered children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She spent a few days in the new year just to say she saw every decade, having been born in the '30s and died in the '20s, before departing this life. She was born January 18th, 1938 in Robstown, Texas to RL and Berniece (Harmon) Cooper. She attended Texas Lutheran College before going on to earn an RN in Nursing from University of Texas School of Nursing in 1961. She worked in several hospitals and medical services before becoming the beloved school nurse of Farwell, Bovina, and Lazbuddie schools during the 1980's and '90s.

A talented musician, she played the piano and organ for several local churches and served in musical and leadership capacity for the Bovina United Methodist Church. She was the Friona Chamber of Commerce woman of the year in 1970, then repeated that feat as the Bovina Chamber of Commerce Woman of the Year in 1984. She helped with numerous civic organizations and activities, and she was on the Prairie Acres board in the mid 90s, and instrumental in founding Heritage Estates Assisted Living Center in Friona, where she resided at the end of her life. She assisted with the very first Summer Drama Workshop in Friona, and was camp nurse for Camp New Dawn at Ceta Canyon 1978-1984. Later in life, after moving to Clovis, she volunteered with the Lighthouse Mission and Beacon of Light Ministries, finding renewed purpose in service to these. She served as secretary for the Eastern

New Mexico Pintores Art League and gave cheerfully to the Semper Fi Fund and USO. She had many extended church and work families, and love to spare for extended family of her own. It was her marriage to Dr Robert Alexander that brought her to Parmer County in 1965. It was 25 years of wedded bliss to Bob Owen that brought her to Bovina, until his death in 2002. And upon moving to Clovis, she found late-in-life love with partner and eventual husband Ed DesLauriers until his passing in 2012.

Her legacy is carried on in her children, Julie McCune (Steve), Robert Alexander (Theresa), Rod Owen (Lina), Cindy Alexander, Andy Alexander (Julia), 13 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great-grandchild. She has 1 surviving brother, Johnnie Cooper (Barbara), the memories of her 3 brothers and sister who passed before, and the love of the entire Cooper-Harmon extended family.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the Beacon of Light Church, PO Box 952 Farwell, TX, or to the Semper Fi Fund, or the charity of your choice.

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## Billie "Ruth" Tucker



Graveside service for Billie "Ruth" Tucker, age 84, of Muleshoe, Texas, is scheduled for 1:30 PM, Saturday, January 11, 2020 at Wheeler Cemetery in Wheeler, Texas with Don Martin and Norman Jones officiating. Ruth went to be with her Lord on Monday, January 6, 2020 in Henderson, Texas. She was born June 4, 1935 in Wheeler to Lee and Polly Morris. She married Teddy Tucker in Pampa, Texas on September 2, 1956.

In 1944, Ruth moved with her family from Wheeler to Mobeetie, Texas, where she graduated from Mobeetie High School in 1954. She won many awards for basketball in high school and went on to play in one of the first semi-professional women's leagues, the Dowell's Dolls in Amarillo, Texas. After marrying Teddy, she worked for First National Bank in Pampa from 1956 until 1962. Teddy and Ruth moved to Friona in 1962, raising her kids until she returned to the workforce fulltime at Hi Pro Feeds and Animal Health from 1971 until 2001. In 1982, Ruth was recognized as the Most Courteous Employee by the

Friona Chamber of Commerce. After retirement, she moved to Wheeler, where she and Teddy enjoyed the country life, raising cattle and having a large garden. She moved to Muleshoe in 2014. Ruth enjoyed sports, especially watching her children and grandchildren play, sewing, gardening and traveling. Ruth was a lifetime member of the VFW Women's Auxiliary, and the Muleshoe Primitive Baptist Church. She loved the Lord, her church, her family and friends. Ruth is preceded in death by her husband, Teddy; her parents; and her 2 sisters, Faye Morris and Opal Henderson.

Ruth is survived by her

son, Mark Tucker and his wife, Irene of Muleshoe, Texas; her daughter, Alesia Martin and her husband, Jason of Henderson, Texas; her 7 grandchildren, Mikel Tucker and his wife, Megan of Muleshoe, Texas; Stefan Tucker of Tahoka, Texas, Shelby Martin of Henderson, Texas, Dillon Martin of Henderson, Texas, Pam Smith of Spring, Texas, Becky Brooks of Dickinson, Texas and Carley Dampier of McLean, Texas; her 6 great-grandchildren, Rylee Tucker, Maddox Tucker, Regan Smith, Gunner Perry, River Dampier and Asher Brooks; and her special friends, Donita Martin, Laura Coffey and Charla Chesher.

Ruth said to her family, "I love you dearly. I hope you miss me, but grieve not for I am in God's Hands and not suffering. God bless you all and see you in Heaven, where we will have front row seats to Women's College Championship Basketball!"

The family suggests memorials be sent to the Muleshoe Senior Citizens, PO Box 292, Muleshoe, Texas, 79347 or the Mobeetie School Reunion Fund. Online condolences may be made at [www.ellisfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ellisfuneralhomes.com).

## FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



**NEW TRUCKS, SUITS... Mail carriers on Friona's two mounted city delivery routes received their new mail trucks recently, and also are decked out in new blue postal uniforms. Here, Valton Howard is shown as he makes a stop. Howard has the eastern half of town on the delivery route. (Friona Star, Thursday, October 17, 1968)**

## Texas Weekly Fuel Update and Outlook

Texas gas prices are unchanged in the past week, averaging \$2.27 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations. Gas prices in Texas are 6.8 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and 35.4 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$1.99 while the most expensive is \$3.19 per gallon. The cheapest price in the entire country today stands at \$1.89 while the most expensive is \$4.99 per gallon. The national average price of gasoline has fallen 2.2 cents in the last week, averaging \$2.57 per gallon. The national average is down 2.4 cents from a month ago and stands 34.3 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

"To start the first week of a new decade, the national average has seen little change, but with the U.S. targeting and Iranian General in an attack last week, there is a distinct possibility that escalations in tensions may have an affect on gas prices moving forward," said Patrick DeHaan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. "For now, there's been no physical disruption or retribution from Iran, but it has been prom-

ised. Oil markets have risen on the rising risk of Iran retaliating, but until it happens, don't expect gas prices to see much of a jump. For now, I could see a small 5-10 cent per gallon increase over the next couple of weeks, but the real potential for fireworks at the pump will be contingent on retaliation, and whether that retaliation targets oil infrastructure like Iran struck last year. For now we're in limbo, but typically gas prices decline slightly in January and February thanks to seasonally weak gasoline demand."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data spanning nearly two decades. Unlike AAA's once daily survey covering credit card transactions at 100,000 stations and the Lundberg Survey, updated once every two weeks based on 7,000 gas stations, GasBuddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy data is accessible at <http://FuelInsights.GasBuddy.com>.

## State Sales Tax Revenue Totaled \$3 Billion in December

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said state sales tax revenue totaled \$3.01 billion in December, 4.8 percent more than in December 2018. "Growth in state sales tax revenue was led by receipts from the construction, information services and restaurant sectors," Hegar said. "While revenue growth was slightly buoyed by collections from remote sellers and online marketplace providers, collections from retail trade were depressed due to significantly

fewer Christmas shopping days in November this year compared to the previous year."

The majority of December sales tax revenue is based on sales made in November and remitted to the agency in December. Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in December 2019 was up 6.0 percent compared to the same period a year ago. Sales tax is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 57 percent of

all tax collections.

In December 2019, Texas collected the following revenue from other major taxes: (1) motor vehicle sales and rental taxes — \$427.3 million, up 7.9 percent from December 2018; (2) motor fuel taxes — \$310.7 million, down 1.1 percent from December 2018; (3) natural gas production taxes — \$114.0 million, down 33.8 percent from December 2018; and (4) oil production taxes — \$362.5 million, up 18.3 percent from December 2018.





### Boys Basketball Results

**January 2nd**

	1	2	3	4	Final
Canadian	21	24	10	19	75
Friona	3	8	9	6	26

Josiah Rejino 6 points, Jose Grado and Bryan Chavira 5 points each.

**January 4th**

	1	2	3	4	Final
River Road	6	7	19	22	54
Friona	8	8	13	11	40

Bryan Chavira 10 points, Jared Rejino 9 points

**January 7th**

	1	2	3	4	Final
Highland Park	10	21	15	10	56
Friona	7	8	7	7	29

Jared Rejino 9 points, Bryan Chavira 7 points



### District 1-3A Boys Basketball

Team	District	Overall
Bushland	2-0	7-6
Canadian	2-0	3-1
Tulia	1-1	17-5
Spearman	1-1	11-7
Dimmitt	1-1	9-10
River Road	1-1	3-14
Muleshoe	0-2	6-11
Friona	0-2	3-10

### District 1-3A Girls Basketball

Team	District	Overall
Bushland	4-0	10-8
Spearman	4-0	16-8
Canadian	3-1	17-6
River Road	2-2	9-11
Tulia	2-2	6-16
Muleshoe	1-3	11-8
Dimmitt	0-4	4-17
Friona	0-4	5-12



## Friona Junior High Basketball Tournament January 9 & 11, 2020 8th Boys

**Game 1** Friona A DR6 Vs Bovina DR5  
Thur @ Main 8:30 PM

**Game 2** Amarillo Flames DR6 Vs Farwell DR5  
Thur @ AC2 7:30 PM

**Game 3** Littlefield H Vs Sudan V  
Thur @ JH 6:30 PM

**Game 4** Dimmitt DR5 Vs Highland Park DR6  
Thur @ AC1 4:30 PM

**Game 5** Wildorado Vs Bye x

### Championship Bracket

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    graph TD
        W1[Winner 1] --> G10[Game 10 Sat @ Main 1:15 PM]
        L6[Loser 6] --> G6[Game 6 Thur @ AC1 8:30 PM]
        W5[Winner 5] --> G6
        L7[Loser 7] --> G7[Game 7 Sat @ AC1 1:15 PM]
        W4[Winner 4] --> G7
        W3[Winner 3] --> G7
        W10[Winner 10] --> G13[Game 13 Sat @ Main 5:30 PM]
        W6[Winner 6] --> G13
        W2[Winner 2] --> G8[Game 8 Sat @ AC1 10:00 AM]
        L4[Loser 4] --> G8
        L3[Loser 3] --> G9[Game 9 Sat @ AC2 11:15 AM]
        W8[Winner 8] --> G9
        W9[Winner 9] --> G12[Game 12 Sat @ AC2 4:30 PM]
        L1[Loser 1] --> G12
    
```

### Consolation Bracket

```

    graph TD
        L5[Loser 5] --> G10
        L1[Loser 1] --> G10
        L2[Loser 2] --> G8
        L3[Loser 3] --> G8
        L4[Loser 4] --> G9
        L5[Loser 5] --> G9
        L6[Loser 6] --> G12
        L7[Loser 7] --> G12
    
```

**Entry Fee \$100.00**

Main - HS Main Gym  
AC1 - Activity Center (Wood)  
AC2 - Activity Center (Rubber)  
JH - Junior High

## Friona Junior High Basketball Tournament January 9 & 11, 2020 8th Girls

**Game 1** Friona A DR6 Vs Bovina DR5  
Thur @ Main 7:30 PM

**Game 2** Amarillo Flames DR6 Vs Farwell DR3  
Thur @ AC2 8:30 PM

**Game 3** Friona B DR2 Vs Sudan DR3  
Thur @ Main 4:30 PM

**Game 4** Dimmitt DR6 Vs Highland Park DR5  
Thur @ AC1 3:30 PM

**Game 5** Wildorado DR1 Vs San Jacinto DR4  
Thur @ AC2 3:30 PM

### Championship Bracket

```

    graph TD
        W1[Winner 1] --> G11[Game 11 Sat @ Main 12:15 PM]
        L6[Loser 6] --> G6[Game 6 Thur @ AC1 7:30 PM]
        W5[Winner 5] --> G6
        L7[Loser 7] --> G7[Game 7 Sat @ AC1 12:15 PM]
        W4[Winner 4] --> G7
        W3[Winner 3] --> G7
        W11[Winner 11] --> G14[Game 14 Sat @ Main 4:30 PM]
        W6[Winner 6] --> G14
        W2[Winner 2] --> G8[Game 8 Thur @ AC2 6:30 PM]
        L4[Loser 4] --> G8
        L3[Loser 3] --> G9[Game 9 Sat @ Main 9:00 AM]
        W8[Winner 8] --> G9
        W9[Winner 9] --> G13[Game 13 Sat @ AC2 3:30 PM]
        L2[Loser 2] --> G13
    
```

### Consolation Bracket

```

    graph TD
        L5[Loser 5] --> G11
        L1[Loser 1] --> G11
        L2[Loser 2] --> G8
        L3[Loser 3] --> G8
        L4[Loser 4] --> G9
        L5[Loser 5] --> G9
        L6[Loser 6] --> G13
        L7[Loser 7] --> G13
    
```

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AC2 - Activity Center (Rubber)  
JH - Junior High

## Friona Junior High Basketball Tournament January 9 & 11, 2020 7th Boys

```

    graph TD
        W5[Winner 5] --> G5[Game 5 Sat @ AC2 9:00 AM]
        L1[Loser 1] --> G5
        W1[Winner 1] --> G1[Game 1 Thur @ Main 6:30 PM]
        L2[Loser 2] --> G1
        W2[Winner 2] --> G2[Game 2 Thur @ AC2 5:30 PM]
        L3[Loser 3] --> G2
        W3[Winner 3] --> G3[Game 3 Thur @ JH 5:30 PM]
        L4[Loser 4] --> G3
        W4[Winner 4] --> G4[Game 4 Thur @ AC1 6:30 PM]
        L5[Loser 5] --> G4
        W6[Winner 6] --> G6[Game 6 Sat @ AC2 10:00 AM]
        L6[Loser 6] --> G6
        W7[Winner 7] --> G7[Game 7 Sat @ Main 8:00 AM]
        L7[Loser 7] --> G7
        W8[Winner 8] --> G8[Game 8 Sat @ AC1 9:00 AM]
        L8[Loser 8] --> G8
        W9[Winner 9] --> G9[Game 9 Sat @ AC1 2:30 PM]
        L9[Loser 9] --> G9
        W10[Winner 10] --> G10[Game 10 Sat @ AC2 12:15 PM]
        L10[Loser 10] --> G10
    
```

**Entry Fee \$100.00**

Main - HS Main Gym  
AC1 - Activity Center (Wood)  
AC2 - Activity Center (Rubber)  
JH - Junior High

## Friona Junior High Basketball Tournament January 9 & 11, 2020 7th Girls

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    graph TD
        W5[Winner 5] --> G5[Game 5 Sat @ AC1 8:00 AM]
        L1[Loser 1] --> G5
        W1[Winner 1] --> G1[Game 1 Thur @ Main 5:30 PM]
        L2[Loser 2] --> G1
        W2[Winner 2] --> G2[Game 2 Thur @ AC2 4:30 PM]
        L3[Loser 3] --> G2
        W3[Winner 3] --> G3[Game 3 Thur @ Main 3:30 PM]
        L4[Loser 4] --> G3
        W4[Winner 4] --> G4[Game 4 Thur @ AC1 5:30 PM]
        L5[Loser 5] --> G4
        W6[Winner 6] --> G6[Game 6 Sat @ AC2 8:00 AM]
        L6[Loser 6] --> G6
        W7[Winner 7] --> G7[Game 7 Sat @ Main 11:15 AM]
        L7[Loser 7] --> G7
        W8[Winner 8] --> G8[Game 8 Sat @ AC1 11:15 AM]
        L8[Loser 8] --> G8
        W9[Winner 9] --> G9[Game 9 Sat @ AC2 1:15 PM]
        L9[Loser 9] --> G9
        W10[Winner 10] --> G10[Game 10 Sat @ AC2 2:30 PM]
        L10[Loser 10] --> G10
    
```

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# Retired teachers hold meeting

On January 7, 2020, approximately twenty-five members of Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel from Friona and Bovina met at the home of Melissa Randolph for a soup and cornbread luncheon. Tracy Ellis, President, conducted the business meeting. Sharon White, legislative chair, cautioned retirees to watch for fraudulent information regarding Medicare. Martha Aronce Hartgen presented a very interesting program about immigration regulations and procedures and the services provided by the Aronce/Tabor Law Center in Friona.



Martha Aronce Hartzen

The last meeting of the school year will be on March 3rd at 2:00 p.m. at the Parmer County Heritage Museum with a tour conducted by Gladys Spring. Guests are welcome to attend this meeting.



Lots of smiles from these Smileys! Vicky Field and Kim and Mitchell Smiley were among twenty-five people attending a PCRTSP soup and cornbread luncheon at the home of Melissa Randolph.

# Lizbeth in London



Friona High School student Lizbeth Rojas was one of 800 high school cheerleaders from across the U.S. who participated in the world famous London New Year's Day Parade in London, England. The cheerleaders were invited to perform in the celebration as part of the All-American program. They were chosen based on their superior athletic and leadership skills exhibited at summer camps across the country last year. Only the top 12% of athletes who attend the camps earn the chance to perform in the holiday spectacular.

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