



Parmer County COVID-19 stats



Tested at Parmer Medical Center
875

Negative Results from Parmer Medical Center
587

Pending Results from PMC
5

Positive Results from PMC
283

Parmer County Residents Positive Results From All Test Sites
360

No Test Needed to Return to Work or School

TMA COVID-19 Task Force backs CDC guidance

People who have recovered from the coronavirus should not need a test to get back to work. The Texas Medical Association (TMA) COVID-19 Task Force announced support of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendation that individuals should not be required to provide a negative COVID-19 test result or a note from a physician to return to the office or classroom after being sick, unless in specific circumstances.

"We know that time and reduction of symptoms are the most accurate indications that a person is no longer infectious," said Valerie B. Smith, a Tyler pediatrician and TMA COVID-19 Task Force member. "People diagnosed with COVID-19 can shed [inactive and noncontagious] viral particles for several weeks after they are no longer infectious and may continue to have a positive test," because it could reveal those viral particles. "Requiring a test to return to work or school would potentially require a person to stay in isolation while no longer infectious."

Except in specific circumstances, CDC no longer recommends using COVID-19 testing results to end self-quarantine. That's because

some tests can yield false negatives if taken too soon. Alternately, false positives can occur on tests when individuals with confirmed COVID-19 continue to test positive even after the infectious period has passed, due to the inactive viral particles showing up on a test. Also, during periods of high disease transmission, testing facilities may be experiencing higher than usual volumes, resulting in strained capacity, limited availability, and higher wait times both to get tested and to receive results.

Instead, CDC had adopted a symptom-based strategy to determine when patients diagnosed with COVID-19 can end their self-quarantine. People with mild to moderate COVID-19 remain infectious no longer than 10 days after their symptoms began, according to CDC researchers. People with more severe illness or who are severely immunocompromised remain infectious no longer than 20 days after their symptoms began.

"The symptom-based strategy allows COVID-19-positive patients to return to work or school after 10 days of isolation as long as they have been without fever for 24 hours and have improvement of their

other symptoms," said Dr. Smith. "The TMA approach to return to school and work is consistent with the CDC guidance that will allow us to protect our community and allow those infected with COVID-19 to return to their daily lives as soon as possible."

The few patients who might still need testing to return to

work or school include those who are severely immunocompromised and whose infectious disease physician recommends a test, or people seeking to end their isolation or other precautions earlier than would occur under the symptom-based strategy. They would need two consecutive negative test results

taken at least 24 hours apart.

TMA is the largest state medical society in the nation, representing more than 53,000 physician and medical student members. It is located in Austin and has 110 component county medical societies around the state. TMA's key objective since 1853 is to improve the health of all Texans.



These Pre-K students are preparing to head home after a successful Day 1. Friona schools reopened on Wednesday, August 19th and held their first day of classes since last March due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Most of the kids were already looking forward to Day 2.

New Game Warden Campbell filling gap

Local post open several years

By Jim Steiert

It's a long way from the dripping humidity and limb-gnawing chiggers and ticks of ArkLaTex to the lofty heights of the Llano Estacado. Mount Pleasant native Tanner Campbell, 25, is learning the lay of farms and ranches of the area as the new Texas Game Warden for Deaf Smith, Castro, and Parmer counties.

Campbell came on scene in May. He was among a host of Texas Game Warden cadets who participated in the seven months of intensive training at the 63rd Texas Game Warden Academy in Hamilton, near Brownwood.

Seven members of that class have moved into assigned duty stations in the Amarillo, Lubbock and Abilene districts.

In addition to Campbell, other wardens for the region and their assigned duty stations are: Wesley "Casen" Driskell, Oldham County; Zack Fisher, Childress and Hall Counties; Josue Hernandez, Lamb, Bailey and Cochran Counties; J.D. Cuellar, Borden and Dawson Counties; Trent Walker, Scurry and Garza Counties; and Larry Hampel, King and Knox Counties.

Campbell is filling a much-felt gap that has existed for several years in the Deaf Smith, Castro, and Parmer County post since the de-

parture of Warden T.J. Tweedle, who now serves in Jack County. Driskell steps into the post vacated with the retirement of long-time veteran Oldham County Warden Matt Marshall.

Campbell is learning that good landowner contacts and positive relations with local hunters can come in every bit as handy as high-power binoculars and a spotting scope, which are the standard tools of his trade.

Duties of a Texas Game Warden include enforcement of all state laws as well as hunting, fishing, and water safety regulations. As fully commissioned peace officers, they respond to emergencies, assist other law enforcement agencies, and work to educate the public about conservation issues.

All graduates of the 63rd academy met state-mandated requirements for peace officer certification, including criminal and constitutional law, firearms, self-defense, use of force, defensive driving, arrest, search & seizure, ethics, and first aid.

Campbell and his fellow new wardens join more than 500 game wardens currently in the field and will help enforce Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) regulations and carry the department's high standards statewide.

Fresh off recent training



Tanner Campbell

and orientation work at Lake Meredith, Campbell paused to visit August 13th and explained that officer water survival and rescue training at the academy is handy to have in the resume on a daunting water body like Lake Meredith where the wind and waves can come up swiftly.

"This is my first time up here in the Panhandle. When local guys were showing me the ropes they were wading right into tall grass and I was thinking—what are they doing—ticks and chiggers, man—that's a first reaction for somebody from Mount Pleasant," he observed.

A graduate of Mount Pleas-

ant High School—where he dated his wife, Heather, a native of Omaha, in high school, Campbell went on to attend Stephen F. Austin University in Nacogdoches, where he received a Bachelor's degree in Animal Science.

He worked at "animal science" with a poultry company after college graduation, but admits he was only marking time until he could get into the next Game Warden Academy.

"It was always my dream to pursue a career as a game warden. I graduated college in December of 2017 and had to wait a year to get into the next academy. I'm an avid waterfowl and deer hunter and I just grew up dreaming of this," he said.

"I'm a passable duck caller. We hunted ducks on private sloughs and deer hunted at Rock Springs and on a small ranch at home. Poking around after ducks I find the leaks in my waders most every year. I'm a farm and ranch kid, so I learned how to work growing up."

Campbell will concentrate his local efforts initially on deer and pronghorn and waterfowl regulations enforcement. He said encountering sandhill cranes in this area should prove interesting.

His work toward enforcing mule deer and whitetail regulations is likely to be

well appreciated by some local landowners who have had to endure problems with big game poachers in recent years, and flagrant cases of poaching and wanton waste of wildlife relative to mule deer.

"I've been riding with DPS Troopers and Sheriff's Office Deputies learning the country and the landowners, and retired veteran local wardens have been giving me some pointers, too. One thing I've learned is that rural roads can get slick in a hurry when it rains and you can wind up in the ditch pretty easily. Matt Marshall advised me to find the concentrations of water, and that's where I'm going to find the game and the hunters," he said.

Tanner and wife, Heather, are expecting their first child in December—just in time for the busy part of the hunting season locally. They also have a black Labrador Retriever.

Heather works as a labor/delivery nurse at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

"I'm enjoying meeting local ranchers and landowners, and look forward to positive encounters with the region's hunters and anglers," he said.

Jim Steiert is an award-winning member of the Texas Outdoor Writers Association and a Certified Texas Master Naturalist.

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Friona Weather	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	Precipitation	Burn Ban:
August 20-26								August 0.59	Yes
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Community Calendar

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

August 20

• Blood Drive at Calvary Baptist Fellowship Hall from Noon till 7:00 p.m.

August 25

• Snack Pak 4 Kids at 3:00 p.m. north entrance of Friona United Methodist Church

September 7

• Labor Day Holiday

September 8

• Snack Pak 4 Kids at 3:00 p.m. north entrance of Friona United Methodist Church

September 11

• Patriot Day

COVID-19 News

Coronavirus cases confirmed

As of August 10, 2020

Texas Panhandle:
9,661 cases, 148 deaths
8,222 recoveries

- Armstrong County: 8
- Briscoe County: 12
- Carson County: 17
- Castro County: 209
- Childress County: 53
- Collingsworth County: 13
- Cottle County: 18
- Dallam County: 202
- Deaf Smith County: 853
- Donley County: 49
- Gray County: 234
- Hall County: 14
- Hansford County: 93
- Hartley County: 103
- Hemphill County: 45
- Hutchinson County: 133
- Lipscomb County: 22
- Moore County: 1,082
- Motley County: 6
- Ochiltree County: 100
- Oldham County: 14
- Parmer County: 360
- Potter County: 3,866
- Randall County: 1,978
- Roberts County: 7
- Sherman County: 44
- Swisher County: 83
- Wheeler County: 43

Eastern New Mexico:
852 cases, 7 deaths
Curry County: 597
Quay County: 50
Roosevelt County: 175
Union County: 30

Oklahoma Panhandle:
1,128 cases, 7 deaths,
1,090 recoveries
Beaver County: 39
Cimarron County: 11
Texas County: 1,077

Texas:
577,000 cases
10,798 deaths

United States:
5,500,000 cases
172,000 deaths

Worldwide:
22,000,000 cases
777,000 deaths
14,000,000 recoveries

**Wash your hands
Stay 6 foot away
Wear your mask
Stay at home if sick**

Voting by mail in Parmer County

By Susie Spring - Parmer County Clerk

Due to all of the talk and at times, misinformation, on social media and the broadcast news; I would like to clear up the Texas process for Vote By Mail Ballots. My office has received numerous phone calls asking questions about this subject.

In Texas, the Election Code is set by the Legislature and it is up to the Secretary of State to set guidelines and to conduct all elections. Each County has an Election Administrator or County Clerk in charge of elections for that particular county.

The State of Texas, and thus no county in Texas, mails out universal ballots. In Texas, absentee voting and voting by mail are essentially the same thing. **All ballots by mail must be requested by the individual voter.** Once requested, they are checked to verify qualification.

You may vote by mail if you are over 65 years of age, have a disability, will be absent from the county on Election Day, in the military and stationed out of county, or in some instances in jail. The Texas Supreme Court has determined that fear of the COVID-19 virus is not a disability.

Once our office receives your application for voting by mail, your name is checked against the Registered Voters in the county. If your name does not appear, you will not be mailed a ballot. If you qualify and a ballot is mailed to you it is reflected in the Secretary of State's software and in our pollbooks. Thus, if you show up to vote in person, you would not be able to vote since you were already sent a ballot. If you bring that mailed ballot to the polling place and turn it in as rejected by you; you could then vote in person.

The last day to register to vote in the upcoming November election is Monday, October 5, 2020. The last day for an application to vote by mail can be received by our office is Friday, October 23, 2020.

I feel very confident in our ability to have one person, one ballot, one vote in the state of Texas.

I do however, worry about the ability to receive our mail quickly as evidenced by some recent phone calls and delays in our receiving other documents.

Your ballot must be received by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 4th, the day after Election Day; and MUST be postmarked prior to 7 p.m. Tuesday, November 3rd, Election Day, to be counted.

Please call my office if you have any questions 806-481-3691.

Deaf Smith EC awards \$30,000 in Scholarships

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative announced this week that 15 area students have been awarded scholarships to help further their academic careers. The \$2,000 awards were presented to deserving, qualified students from Deaf Smith EC's service territory. Each scholarship will be awarded in increments of \$1,000 over two semesters.

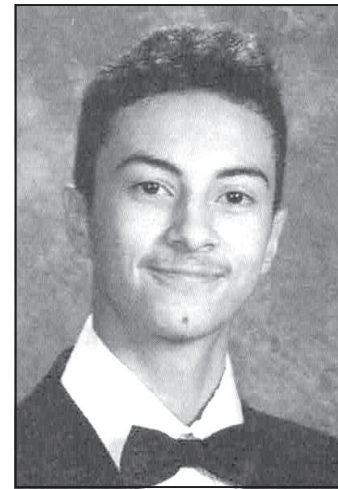
The scholarships are available to immediate families of active members and employees of Deaf Smith EC. The recipients were selected from a field of highly qualified candidates by a committee of members representing DSEC's entire service area. Over \$420,000 in scholarships have been awarded since the program began in 1998.

Parmer County students receiving scholarships were: Ainsley Actkinson, Ezekiel Garcia, Truman Hough, Cutter Pohlman, Michael Wales, and Adaline White.

Other area recipients were: JaDee Brumley, Hereford High School; Annalycy Carrillo, West Texas A&M University; Kwynn Guess, Amarillo High School; Molly Johnson, Nazareth High School; Anita Knoll, Vega High School; Katelin McCathern, Hereford High School; Logan Paetzold, Hereford High School; Annaka Schaap, Vega High School; and April Schmucker, Nazareth High School.



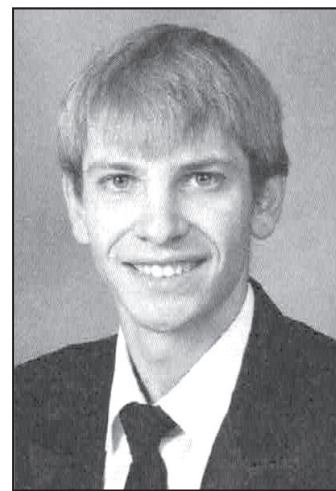
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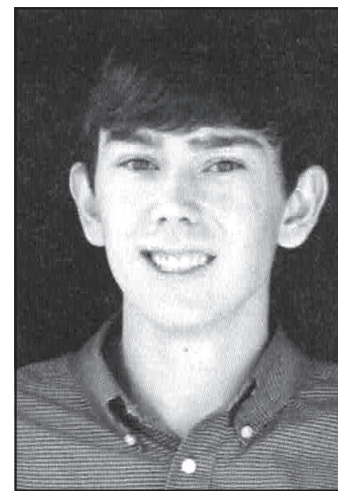
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Friona High School



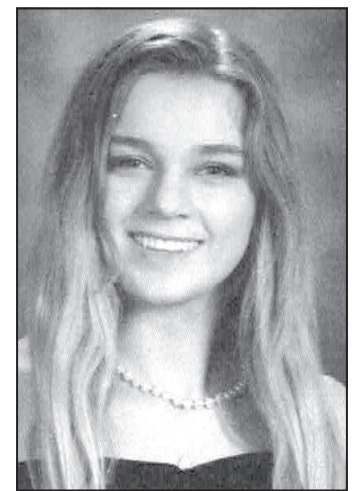
Cutter Pohlman
Home School



Truman Hough
Farwell High School



Michael Wales
Lazbuddie High School



Adaline White
Friona High School



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- 1 Dyess Air Force _____ in Abilene
- 5 many Texans have a license to carry it (2 wds.)
- 6 Coleman County event: "Fiesta _____ Paloma"
- 7 after noon abbr.
- 8 TX Willie's "_____ Party's Over" (1967)
- 9 decorative disk on a car wheel
- 15 genre of TX singer Joe Tex
- 16 spicy red fruit (2 wds.)
- 19 TXism: "a _____ to keep under the porch" (good hound)
- 21 this Lloyd started TX-based CAF
- 22 book without leaf numbers
- 27 on the border in Starr County
- 28 shriek
- 29 TXism: "don't give a _____ a holler"
- 30 TX Ivory Joe's "Since _____ Baby" (1956)
- 32 "Texas, our Texas, _____ wonderful . . ."
- 33 TXism: "_____ horse trading" (haggle)
- 36 "Hamiltons"
- 37 "the" when the French ran Texas
- 38 Harry Ransom Ctr. has photo of this "Wonderland" Alice

DOWN

- 1 TX Jimmy Dean's "Big _____ John"
- 2 "act your _____"
- 3 _____ Springs, TX
- 4 TXism for "dentist" (2 wds.)
- 8 TXism: "hot enough to sunburn a horny _____"
- 9 TXism: "tall _____" (VIP)
- 10 Austin univer.
- 11 this gunman Ben _____ was marshal of Austin (init.)
- 12 football injury
- 13 "love" in Mexico
- 14 TX-born S.A. Griffin 1985 western: "_____ Rider"
- 15 this TX actress Ann was the "Oomph Girl"
- 16 TXism: "bring _____ the bacon" (earn)
- 17 persons who poke fun at others
- 18 TX charges a sales tax _____ items
- 20 world's first domed sports stadium: Astro _____
- 22 _____oh (yikes)
- 23 cattle auction bid
- 24 _____ville, TX

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- 34 ex-Cowboy Jason Witten's pos.
- 35 what nurses provide (abbr.)
- 37 TXism: "_____ enough to wake the dead"
- 40 _____ in one
- 43 TXism: "_____ worth didley squat"
- 44 disallowed contacts in 2020 pandemic
- 50 TXism: "_____ toter" (lawman)
- 51 TX Kristofferson's "Help Me Make _____ Through the Night"

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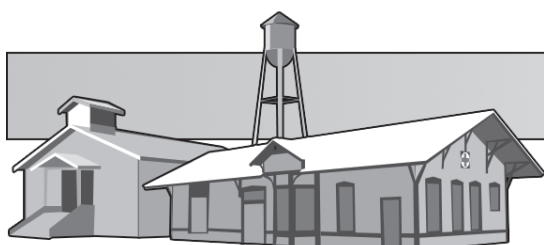
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After a 5-month Spring Break, our schools are back in business. Best wishes to the students, teachers, staff, and administration. Be cautious and stay safe!!!

★★★
The Cadillac Ranch, or as I prefer, "Stonehenge on the Prairie" has been in the news lately. It is a popular tourist attraction especially in August as families try to squeeze in their vacations before school starts. See comparison below.

★★★
Pace Lawson spoke to the Friona Lions Club last Monday

about addictions and habits (see Lions Club News on page 6). A "good" habit for everyone to develop is to wear a mask in public, social distance, wash your hands regularly, and stay at home if you are sick. Unfortunately, Pace could not help our club break the habit of being obnoxious. First of all, most of us couldn't spell obnoxious if we were spotted the four consonants. Pat, I would like to buy a vowel.

★★★
Pray for rain!!! We are still designated as a "severe drought" area. See drought map on page

9. Just as a "watched pot never boils," a watched radar on your iPhone never brings rain to Friona!

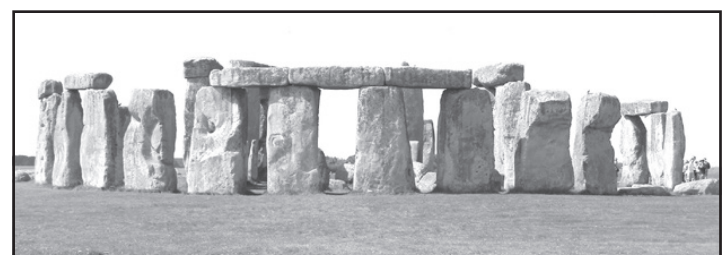
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Speaking of prayers, another facet of life that has changed in the COVID-19 era is that the patients in hospitals have no one to visit them. Family members,

relatives, friends, and church members are not allowed in for visits. Our prayers for those who are in our hospitals are more important than ever.

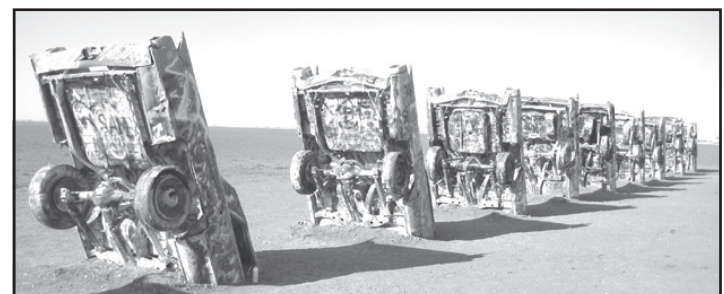
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Don't forget the Friona Community Blood Drive on Thursday, August 20th. See details on page 6.

National Days

- August 20 — Radio Day
- August 21 — Senior Citizens Day
- August 22 — Tooth Fairy Day
- August 23 — Ride The Wind Day
- August 24 — Waffle Day
- August 25 — Kiss and Make Up Day
- August 26 — Cherry Popsicle Day



Stonehenge is a prehistoric monument in Wiltshire, England, two miles west of Amesbury. It consists of a ring of standing stones, each around 13 feet high, seven feet wide, and weighing around 25 tons.



Cadillac Ranch is a public art installation and sculpture two miles west of Amarillo, Texas, USA. It consists of ten Cadillacs (1949-1963) buried nose-first in the ground.

Retail beef price drop reflects lower wholesale prices

By Adam Russell

Beef consumers should be seeing lower prices on beef, whether steaks or ground chuck, at grocery stores as production increased and wholesale prices continue to decline, said a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert.

David Anderson, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension economist, College Station, said the U.S. Department of Agriculture retail market report showed prices on beef and other meats are moving downward.

Retail choice beef of all cuts - steaks to ground chuck - averaged \$6.84 per pound in July compared to \$7.56 per pound in June, he said. However, prices are still higher than this time last year when choice beef

averaged \$6.07 per pound. "Even though they're coming down, we're way above prices at this time a year ago," he said.

Anderson said the price decline for beef at grocers reflects a lower wholesale price trend. Retail prices for pork and chicken also slipped since June.

Wholesale choice beef cutout value was \$2.05 per pound last week, basically where it was before COVID-19, he said. Wholesale prices were falling, and retail prices are just now catching up.

Despite wholesale prices dipping, COVID-19 restrictions continue to contribute to retail prices being higher than a year ago, Anderson said.

FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



FINALLY UP...Howard Love, city of Friona employee, admires water supply sign he erected Tuesday. The signs, which now grace the highways leading into Friona, took a lot of work to achieve. (Friona Star, July 26, 1962)

"Restaurants are still not open or open at full capacity, so there is stronger demand at the grocery store for beef," he said. "There is more costs to put products on shelves, packaging and demand for different cuts compared to restaurants, adjustments to how the stores operate, and stores don't have an incentive to lower prices if the product is in high demand."

Anderson said research shows lower prices can be delayed between wholesalers and the consumers. Retail prices go up quicker than they come down.

"There's research on what's called asymmetric prices - they don't go up and down at the same pace," he said. "There's a term 'sticky prices,' regarding grocery store prices that may be higher than expected considering wholesale prices, but that are nevertheless going down as data suggests. As buyer we'd like to see them come down quicker."

er corn and feed prices than a year ago adds more value to maintaining herds.

"Calf prices are better, and we aren't seeing emerging drought in parts of the state leading to large runs of cattle that might affect prices negatively," he said. "That could change in the coming weeks without rain."

Drought monitors show extreme drought continues in parts of West Texas and the southern Panhandle, but much of North and Central Texas has been trending toward drought conditions due to lack of rain and triple-digit temperatures.

If that trend continues, Anderson said culling could flood local markets and lead to price declines for producers.

If calf and cattle prices continue their steady climb or begin dropping due to cattle sell-offs in drought-stricken parts of the state, the ripple effect likely won't reach consumers anytime soon.

Calf prices improving

Calf prices are trending higher for 500-600-pound steers yet still a little lower than pre-COVID-19 prices, but Anderson said that could be seasonal. March prices are typically higher compared to mid-summer. And calf prices have been steadily climbing since before the pandemic.

Anderson said there is a demand for cattle, and low-

"We shouldn't see any sharp price adjustments," he said. "Prices are moving the direction they should for consumers and producers, but with restaurants dealing with the pandemic, a large number of unemployed Americans, a huge reduction in GDP, those recessionary impacts plus increasing meat supplies should reflect lower prices at the register."

COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from July 30, 2020 to August 6, 2020

(8/6/20) Michael James Pope, Bonnie Jean Pope — Samuel Chihuahua, Jose Chihuahua — L 21 B 3 Staley Addition City of Friona in Parmer County

(8/6/20) Thomas W. Reed, Lisa Reed — Dennis Wayne Field, Vickie Gayle Field — W 50' of L 18 and all of L 19 B 3 Western Addition City of Friona in Parmer County

(8/7/20) Juanita Nail, Janie Nail — William Nail — All of my undivided interest in the following, All that certain L of Tract of Land out of Sec 70 B H Kelly Subdiv in Parmer County in Vol 77 pg 169 in Parmer County

(8/10/20) Jeff Grissom, Denise Grissom — Timothy Michael Foote, Dana Kay Foote, Garrett Michael Foote — The S 181.5 Ac of the N/2 of Sec 28 B C Capitol Syndicate Subdiv Abstract #56 in Parmer County, The S/2 of Sec 28 B C Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County

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(8/12/20) XIT Options Inc — Jose Guadalupe Cruz Jr — L 1 and 2 B 99 Original Town of City of Bovina in Parmer County

Ivy Cottage

Bridal Registry

Anna Murphree & Jeff Chambliss
Maegan Davis & John O'Brian
Cassidy Devault & Tyler Hough
Lindy Wiseman & Lino Tarango

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We like to watch busy ants scurry... ...back to their colonies with crumbs.

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Ants, Ants, Ants

Ants are world-famous insects. There are over 8,000 kinds of ants. They seem to be everywhere except in very cold areas of the world. They have been found in the ground, in rotting wood, under sidewalks, in buildings and even on ships at sea! Ants can be helpful to us because they control pests. However, sometimes ants sting or bite us, or get into our food supplies. Then we think they are the pests!

How much do you know about ants? Read the clues to fill in the crossword:

- called this because they live and work together and help each other
- will share food stored in this part of his body with other ants
- these sense flavors, sounds, odors; also used to "talk" to other ants
- these ants "march," keeping on the move, carrying everything
- ants that build and defend the nest, care for the young, gather food and do all of the other work
- a group of ants
- ants help us by getting rid of these
- young queens and males have these to fly
- largest ant, lays all the eggs
- often built in the earth or in wood
- most ants have 2 compound _____, each made up of tinier ones
- used to travel from room to room in nest

1. found in the hot Saharan Desert (Africa)
 2. main food is seeds, which they gather and store
 3. build nests in dead wood; often leave a trail of sawdust
 4. have large jaws; can sting prey; (mostly in Australia)
 5. march to raid others' nests and take what they can
 6. raid other ant colonies; steal the pupae (ants in the stage before they become adults) and raise them to work
 7. will sting, leaving you with a red bump; burning feeling in skin
 8. use silk to hold their nests together
 9. don't eat the leaves they cut up, use them as compost to feed fungus which they do eat
 10. they overeat, bloat, then feed other ants

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There are more **clichés** on this page than you can shake a stick at.

Marching to a Picnic!

Can you help the ant find his way to the food in the picnic basket?

Start

Weigh In!

Scientists have learned that ants lift 10-50 times their own weight. If a 56 pound 8-year-old girl could do this, she could easily lift a one-year-old elephant that weighs about 660 pounds, or even 2 polar bears that weigh a ton (2,000 pounds)! Read each math problem and match it to the answer:

- if a man who weighs 220 pounds could lift 10 times his own weight, he could lift:
- if a 140 pound woman could lift 50 times her weight, she could pick up:
- if a 12-year-old girl weighs 93 pounds and she can lift 30 times her weight, then she can lift:

A. a 7,000 pound white rhinoceros

B. a 2,790 pound American bison - the largest land animal in the Americas

C. a 2,200 pound crocodile

All Worn Out?

Sometimes people keep saying phrases that we get tired of hearing. The phrases are no longer funny or interesting to hear. These worn-out sayings are called **clichés**. Can you read the next passage and find the 7 clichés that are used in it? Underline the ones you find.

Do you think many people use **clichés** that are as old as the hills because time flies by and they are as busy as bees? Now, I don't mean to cry wolf or make a mountain out of a molehill, but wouldn't a new, exciting expression be something to write home about? You said it!

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Breakfast: Strudel, Yogurt

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Texas gas prices up slightly

By GasBuddy

Texas gas prices have risen 2.0 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$1.86 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations. Gas prices in Texas are 4.9 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and 48.8 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$1.48 while the most expensive is \$2.53 per gallon. The national average price of gasoline has fallen 1.2 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging \$2.16 per gallon. The national average is down 3.9 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 45.2 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

"For the seventh straight week and now some 53 days, the national average price of gasoline has stayed in a range of less than a nickel, an incredible feat for the summer driving season, and a level of summer stability we haven't seen in decades," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. "However, with new data from the Pay with GasBuddy payments card showing weekly demand last week rose to a fresh coronavirus high, we may

see some upside in oil prices propelled by the good news that demand is solidly moving higher again. Should demand continue to rebound, its only natural that with less oil on global markets, prices are likely to drift to the upside if the situation continues to improve."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data spanning nearly two decades. 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>.

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Meredith Peace
Keila Gabel
J.B. Douglas

August 21

Joy Trimble
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August 22

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August 23

Jean Roberts
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Brady Hansard

August 24

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Byron Brewer
Randy Richards

August 25

Mike Maynard
Edwina Davenport
Trey Ellis
Mary Ford
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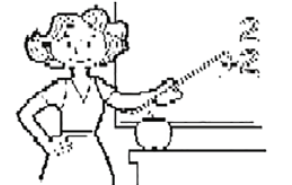
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Small Town Cookin'

Refrigerator Pickles

By Sarita Ellis Reeve for Dorothy Ellis
Submitted to the Friona United Methodist Church

Peel and slice enough cucumbers to fill a gallon jar. Add a few sliced onions. Fill half of the jar with either white or cider vinegar and the rest with water. Then add as much sugar as you like to your taste as well as salt and pepper.

Sarita said, "My Grandmother Dorothy would make these and have them in her refrigerator for all of us to snack on at her house. When you visited, you didn't get away from her house without her offering and expecting you to eat something! Everyone loved these.

Bread and Butter Refrigerator Pickles

By Edna Minor
From Duck, Drake Family Cookbook

1 large cucumber (2 c) slice 1/4" thick
1 medium onion (3/4 c) sliced thin
1 c sugar
1/2 c white vinegar

1 tsp salt
1/2 tsp mustard seed
1/4 tsp celery seed
1/4 tsp turmeric

Mix in 2-quart glass container. Microwave on high 7 - 8 minutes, stir twice, until cucumber is tender-crisp, and onion is translucent. Cool. Keep covered in glass container in refrigerator.

Sweet Pickles

Marilyn Kemery Miller
From Duck, Drake Family Cookbook

1 c vinegar
1 tsp alum

1 tsp canning salt
1 tsp pickling spice

Wash cucumbers and leave whole. Put them in quart jar. Mix all ingredients and pour over filling rest with cold water. Seal and leave six weeks. When ready to use, rinse pickles well. Slice and mix 1 c sugar in a bowl or in jar. Let sit overnight. Serve.

God's Grace and Disobedience

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Obedience to God is essential for the believer, requires commitment, is a display of genuine love for Christ, is better than sacrifice and is better than understanding, but believers are incapable of perfect obedience. In other words, in this life Christ's followers will fail, but even when we fail, God's grace is there to correct and cleanse us from our sin.

Various passages in scripture are clear about the grace upon grace of God that trumps our disobedience, and points to the ultimate sovereignty of God. Genesis 26 is one passage that jumps into a crazy time in the life of Isaac, whose disobedience did not derail God's direction for his life. The chapter starts

out with God telling Isaac to move because of a massive drought. Isaac obeys, but when he gets to his destination, he lies about his wife being his sister out of fear of those around him. Can you believe that?! He was obeying God, and in the midst of being obedient, he tells a HUGE lie about his very own wife. That is so deceptive and shameful! Thankfully though, he gets caught in his lie, and has to confess this falsehood to the pagan King, who rebukes him severely. After this, though, God did not move Isaac away, but Isaac began to work hard caring for his flocks and his family by digging wells in that area. In the midst of his hard work, God blesses him abundantly and those around him begin to see God's anointing on his life. The incredible reality of this chapter is that even in the midst of Isaac's major failure, God is able to redeem and sustain him in spite of his sin.

In this discussion, there may be some sins, failures or missed opportunities that burden your soul. Confess and repent of the sin, and then move ahead in the direction that God leads as you are guided by His Word, led by the Spirit and encouraged through godly counsel. Resting in Christ's salvation takes the performance driven load off your soul, and allows you to live beyond the shame of sin and walk in the mercy of God.

When I received the reminder that I was supposed to attend the workshop (that I had forgotten I signed up for), it was at the end of the semester. I was tired; I was behind on everything I wanted to do for Christmas; etc., etc., etc. And, I remember wondering why I didn't sign up for the tour of Fort Stockton or the Color Me Beautiful workshop!!!

Panhandle Parables

Squash (The Mini-Series)

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

It is that time of year when those who garden begin to receive the bounty of their efforts. Every year you can't wait for the produce to start coming off. By mid-August there is so much squash you have to share and by the 3rd week in August folks start locking their cars while attending church services because they can't look at another one. Yet those little squash plants just keep on producing until they meet the sharp end

of a hoe or frost. Yet without a doubt they will be back next year and we will all be ready.

God's love for us can be viewed similarly in that it just keeps on coming. He loves us, desires a relationship with us and would even pay the penalty for our sins, by allowing Jesus Christ to die in our place. It is hard to escape that love, in fact, you just about have to lock the doors of your heart, or otherwise it will find its way

to present itself.

Unlike our friendly little yellow gourd, once we taste it, we can't get enough ever. It is true there are times it is hard to swallow, "How could God love me so?" But He does. I do hope you enjoy your squash this year and remember, God so loved the world...

Next week the next installment from "Squash, The Mini-Series" Now get out there and share His love.

By Teena Hughs

Improve Yourself

In the fall of 1984, I started teaching journalism at Fort Stockton High School. Fort Stockton schools had A LOT of money, so teachers got to pick what in-service programs they wanted to attend before the second semester started. Our choices were amazing: fun things, self-help programs, motivational programs...you name it, they had it!

Being new to the school district, I thought I would pick something that could really help me, and possibly impress someone; so, I chose a workshop on time management. I have never been worth a flip at managing my time, and this workshop was going to cure that!

When I received the reminder that I was supposed to attend the workshop (that I had forgotten I signed up for), it was at the end of the semester. I was tired; I was behind on everything I wanted to do for Christmas; etc., etc., etc. And, I remember wondering why I didn't sign up for the tour of Fort Stockton or the Color Me Beautiful workshop!!!

Even though I dreaded it, I showed up at the appointed time on the appointed day! Bar none, this was THE BEST in-service workshop I ever attended!!! I listened to every word the two presenters from Midland had to say.

After the workshop, they told me they would look at me when they thought they were losing the audience to see if I was still with them, and I was!!

Their suggestions were practical; they made sense; but, not all of them worked for me. For example, they suggested that when your refrigerator needs cleaning, just clean one shelf a day. That way, you are accomplishing something, but you are not burdening yourself with a huge job in perhaps a short period of time. When I clean my refrigerator or stove, I have to do it all at one time. I could clean a shelf or burner today, but it may be another week before I get back to it. So, in time management, we just have to figure out what works for us and go with it.

During Covid, many people have used their time to clean out closets and their garage; some have organized their kitchens and tool sheds; others have used the time to fix up their houses and yards. Whatever they have done, they have made improvements, and hopefully they have made their lives better, more functional and efficient. But, I wonder how many people have done something to improve themselves spiritually?

You see, these ladies at the

workshop told us we needed to spend an hour a day devoted to ourselves: soaking in the tub; reading a good book; going to your "happy place" and enjoying peace and quiet.

One hour out of 24 doesn't sound like much time to devote to yourself, but when you are a mom with a full-time job, or a father who is the family "bread winner", it is hard to find five minutes for yourself, much less an hour, but I want to encourage you to find SOME time, to spend with Jesus. It may be reading a chapter out of the Bible a day; it may be reading a good devotional; just find whatever works for you, and the time of day that works out for you. You may be surprised at the great peace and joy you find when you spend the time devoted to you, with Jesus.

As I said, not all of the ladies' suggestions about time management worked for me, but God's Word, although I may not understand all of it, and sometimes it doesn't make sense, it does work for everyone every time it is obeyed. What better improvements can we make to our lives than having a relationship with Jesus and obeying Him? Take care, and have fun spending time with Jesus and improving yourself!

"We Live by Faith, Not by Sight." 2 Corinthians 5:7

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Lions Club News



Adilene Carrillo, Bruce Gipson, and Pace Lawson

The Friona Noon Lions Club conducted a meeting last Monday at The Farmwife Kitchen. Lion Bruce Gipson introduced his guests, Adilene Carrillo and Pace Lawson. Adilene is a Supervision Officer with the Community Supervision & Corrections Department. Pace was the guest speaker and he spoke about mitigating addiction problems and developing positive habits for a more productive lifestyle. Bruce is a Special Case Probation Officer with the 287th Judicial District.

Ants, Ants, Ants

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State Capital Highlights

By Chris Cobler



Texas tries nation's first virtual criminal trial

A Texan's speeding ticket put her in the legal history books last week.

To combat the backlog in criminal cases created by the pandemic, a Travis County justice of the peace conducted the nation's first virtual criminal trial. The case was livestreamed on YouTube, and the jurors deliberated in a private Zoom room.

Legal experts debated whether trial by Zoom properly balanced constitutional concerns such as the right to a speedy trial and the right to confront witnesses.

The test case? A nurse's misdemeanor ticket for speeding in a construction zone. The jury found the nurse, Calli Kornblau, guilty of speeding but acquitted her of the construction zone violation. She received a deferred sentence and was ordered to pay a \$50 fine, plus court costs.

The jury is still out on whether Zoom is the courthouse of the future. The Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association had some fun on Twitter with the practice: "A JP is having a virtual jury trial this morning on a speeding ticket. Does that mean the JP will have to have virtual coffee with the police officer before the trial starts, too?"

Texas docs: Get your shots

Texas doctors are taking their best shot at encouraging people to get immunized.

August is National Immunization Month, and the Texas Medical Association is distributing a series of columns by physicians in support of vaccinations.

"Vaccines are among the safest and most effective tools available to and used by physicians. Yet vaccine hesitancy and even refusal are increasing," Dr. Sue Bornstein, a Texas Medical Association board member, wrote in her column.

Doctors should make recommending vaccinations a part of routine patient visits, she said. The pandemic makes this even more important as researchers race to develop a vaccine for COVID-19, she added.

This job will take you places

SpaceX aims to put people on Mars from its launch site near Brownsville. First, though, the spaceport needs an out-of-this-world resort.

The company placed an unusual help-wanted ad last week: for a resort manager in the tiny unincorporated Boca Chica Village near Brownsville on the mouth of the Rio

Grande River. The right candidate will develop the resort from inception to completion, according to the ad.

The job requires a bachelor's degree and five-plus years of experience in construction management. One additional requirement: Must be able to travel for short and extended trips as needed.

SpaceX, which made history recently as the first private company to send astronauts safely to space and back, also released footage of a successful 150-meter hop Aug. 4 by its Starship SN5 prototype.

Ports-to-Plains plan

The Ports-to-Plains corridor study of Interstate 27 will be navigated during a virtual public hearing at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25, and Wednesday, Aug. 26.

Texas Department of Transportation officials will make the presentation and allow time for public comment. People also may mail or email comments about the study until Sept. 10.

The Legislature approved last session a study of expanding I-27. The interstate runs from Amarillo to Lubbock. The plan calls for extending the road north of Amarillo and south about 500 miles from Lubbock to Laredo.

filed a request last week for an opinion from the Texas attorney general's office. He attached a 1975 AG opinion that such wearing of multiple hats was not legal.

The deputy ran for and was elected as an alderman in Van Horn, the Culberson County seat in West Texas. He has since been promoted to chief deputy.

"Issues have been raised about 'dual-office holding,' inasmuch as both 'offices' pay sums of money to the deputy on a monthly basis," the county attorney wrote. "Additionally, there appear to be issues regarding common law or constitutional 'conflicts of interest.'"

The yin and yang of ranching

"The Future of the Wildlife Enterprise" will be at your fingertips through a free Zoom symposium offered by two departments at Texas A&M-Kingsville.

The Oct. 29-30 sessions will highlight the challenges and opportunities of balancing ranching and wildlife resources. Registration is required and free. Visit krirm.tamuk.edu/symposium to register and download the complete agenda.

Correction

The Texas Primary Care Consortium sent an open letter to Gov. Greg Abbotts to ask him to take a variety of steps to increase residents' access to health care. Last week's column incorrectly reported the organization's name.

Chris Cobler is a board member and past president of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas. He welcomes email at ccobler@texaspress.com.

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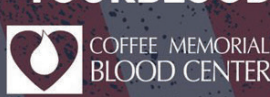
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Friona Interbank is seeking individuals to fill a teller position. To apply online, please go to interbank.com. Thank You.



The City of Friona will accept applications for the Public Works Department:

UTILITY MAINTENANCE WORKER I (1 position)
Full-Time, 40 hours a week
Salary: starting at \$10/hr.

Candidates will perform construction, repair, and maintenance work on water/sewer lines; operate light equipment and perform extensive manual labor. Candidates may have other duties assigned to them by the Public Works Director. The applicant chosen for this position shall be required to submit to a pre-employment drug test at the cost to the individual.

Job descriptions and application forms may be picked up at the Friona City Hall, 623 Main Street, Friona. If you would like an application emailed to you, please email cityinfo@frionatx.us. Applications will be accepted until job is filled.

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3/2/2 Brick w/cent. h&a, fp, all electric, new storage building, new patio cover, sprinkler f&b.....SOLD

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Food Safety Should be on Your Back-to-School List

A new school year is approaching and with it, changes to your usual routine.

"Parents are juggling many decisions as students may be returning to school for the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic began, and others may still be distance learning," said Dr. Mindy Brashears, Under Secretary for Food Safety at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). "You don't want to add foodborne illness - commonly called food poisoning - to your list of concerns, so take time to plan and prepare your children's lunch meals safely."

USDA encourages families to be prepared by adding a few essential items to your back-to-school shopping list. They can be used to avoid mistakes in the kitchen that can lead to illness.

"Having the whole family follow some simple food safety behaviors can help them avoid all kinds of illnesses this time of year, including foodborne illness," said Paul Kiecker, Administrator for USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service. "This list of items can help you and your family make sure lunches and snacks are safely prepared, following the USDA's four steps to food safety: Clean, Separate, Cook, and Chill."

1. Hand wipes, hand sanitizers, soap and towels

Now more than ever, it's important to keep these items visible as a reminder to clean hands and surfaces. People tend to rush through the steps of washing when they are on-the-go. Recent USDA research conducted in test kitchens revealed par-

ticipants were not washing their hands properly up to 99 percent of the time before and during meal preparation. Wash hands with clean, running water (warm or cold) and soap for at least 20 seconds and dry them with a clean cloth or towel. Hand wipes and 60 percent alcohol-based hand sanitizers can be used to clean hands and surfaces if water and soap are not available. Remember to wash cutting boards, dishes, utensils and countertops with soap and hot water after preparing each food item and before proceeding to the next item. A bleach-based solution can be used to sanitize surfaces and utensils.

2. Different colored cutting boards

If you're preparing perishable foods that require cutting (for example, bacon and chicken for salad) make sure you separate raw meat and poultry from ready-to-eat foods (such as fruits, vegetables, cheeses, etc.) to avoid cross-contamination. Harmful bacteria can spread throughout the kitchen and get onto cutting boards, utensils, countertops and other ready-to-eat foods you're preparing. Different colored cutting boards are a good reminder of this step. Use a green cutting board for fresh produce and another color for meat and poultry.

3. Food thermometers

A food thermometer is the only way to know that foods are safely cooked to a temperature high enough to kill any harmful bacteria that might be present. Have a food thermometer easily accessible. It will be easier to

remember the cook step if the thermometer is always reachable.

4. Insulated soft-sided lunch boxes, gel packs, and appliance thermometers

If children have lunch outside of the home, make sure they have an insulated, soft-sided lunch box or bag to keep perishable items in their lunch cold. A frozen gel pack, combined with a frozen juice box or bottle of water, should keep lunches chilled and safe until lunchtime. Place them on top and bottom of perishable food items to keep them cold and avoid the "Danger Zone" (temperatures between 40 and 140 degrees Fahrenheit where bacteria can multiply quickly and cause illness).

5. Insulated containers

When children take a hot lunch outside of the home, insulated containers are important to keep food that should be served hot safe. Use an insulated container to keep soup, chili, and stew hot at 140 degrees Fahrenheit or above. Fill the container with boiling water, let it stand for a few minutes, empty, and then put in the piping hot food. Keep the insulated container closed until lunchtime to keep the contents hot.

Stop by the food preparation aisle at your grocery store to find many of these items on your back-to-school food safety list. By using them, you can keep your children (and the rest of your family) safe from foodborne illness.

If you have questions about storage times for food or beverages, download USDA's FoodKeeper application for Android and iOS devices.

Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



To commemorate the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment and women's constitutional right to vote, buildings and landmarks across the country will light up in purple and gold on August 26, 2020, as part of the nationwide Forward Into Light Campaign, named in honor of the historic suffrage slogan, "Forward through the Darkness, Forward into Light."

2020 Women's Vote Centennial Initiative
www.2020centennial.org

In the 1860s, the territory of Wyoming was considered a part of the Wild West. It would be a saloonkeeper and government official in the Wyoming Territory's governing body who would introduce a bill granting the right to vote to all-female territory residents 21 and older. It was not the first such gesture for equality on the part of territory officials. The men had already made it law for women teachers to be paid the same as men and made it possible for married women to have property rights apart from their husbands.

In 1870, a lady named Louisa Swain, a 69-year-old "gentle, white-haired housewife," became the first woman to cast a ballot under the law in her town of Laramie, Wyoming. (www.history.com). I had imagined that some Stevie Nicks-type-free spirited-tattooed-spitfire-entertainer-of-saloon ranch hands had made that first historic vote. But Granny Louisa it was, and Wyoming women were in the history books.

In the next few days, I will

research the 1920 and 1952 presidential election records for Fisher County and Scurry County. That would have been my grandmother Bessie and my mother Lillie's first times to vote. Grandmother would have been 30 and Mother 21 at the time of their first votes. Their choices in those elections were Warren Harding or James Cox in 1920 and Dwight D. Eisenhower or Adlai Stevenson in 1952. The research is simply to see if Grandmother and Mom's names appear on the local voting precinct registries as having cast a ballot on those November days.

While my ancestors were new to the vote, my granddaughters will have their say in 2034 and 2036. Hopefully, Lillie and Ellie will appreciate the privilege and respect the responsibility of enfranchisement. Step into the light, girls, and remember what some remarkable women did on your behalf so many years ago.

The 19th Amendment is 100 years old. A Girls Night Out is in order.



National Museum of the American Latino moves closer to becoming a reality

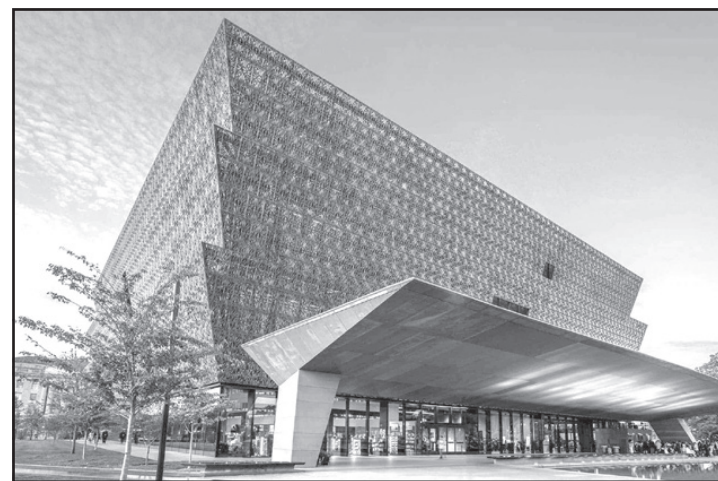
On July 27th, the U.S. House of Representatives unanimously passed legislation (H.R.2420) to create a National Museum of the American Latino. Now the National Museum of the American Latino Act (S.1267) must pass the Senate. There are currently over 40 bipartisan co-sponsors in the Senate.

The House bill has passed with wide bipartisan support. The United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors urges the United States Senate to pass the National Museum of the American Latino Act. They also wish to thank Senators Cornyn (TX), Capito (WV), Rubio (FL), Portman (OH), McSally (AZ), and Tillis (NC) for championing the bill.

There has been productive dialogue with the White House and the effort enjoys the support of more than 100 national partners from across our country. Since its opening in 2016, the incredible success of The National Museum of African American History and Culture has been further evidence of the value and need for ethnic-based museums. The time for this museum is now.

Background information courtesy of U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Latino history is American history. As the largest ethnic group in the country with arguably the oldest ties to the founding of this nation, dating back more than 500 years, it is critical that we have an American Latino Museum on the iconic National Mall and join the many prestigious Smithsonian institutions that welcome more than 20 million tourists and residents each year. Unfortunately, by its own admission in its 1994 Willful Neglect report, the Smithsonian Institution has drastically underrepresented the contributions of American Latinos in its collections.



National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, D.C.

Among the ten recommendations in that report, was the creation of a National American Latino Museum. In 2004, the campaign kicked off with the introduction of the National Museum of the American Latino Commission Act, which passed in 2008 and was signed into law by President George W. Bush.

Having contributed positively to every aspect of American society and impacting the areas of military, health, science, business, faith, arts, sports, politics and more, the Latino community has proudly enriched our nation's competitiveness, culture and prosperity throughout the generations. Therefore, we find it vital that we proudly share our incredible stories and celebrate a more complete telling of American history.

Here is a summary of facts that show the contributions of Hispanic Americans:

Essential to our History

- Latinos have fought in every American war dating back to before the Revolutionary War, making significant contributions, including 60 Hispanic Medal of Honor recipients.

- The oldest city in our nation is St. Augustine, Florida - a Spanish settlement.
- The oldest capital city in

the U.S. today is Santa Fe, New Mexico—a Spanish settlement.

- Before Brown v. Board of Education there was Mendez v. Westminster—this case regarding Mexican-American segregation in California was the precedent for the landmark Supreme Court case.

Population Size and Growth

- At nearly 61 million people making up 18% of the U.S. population, Latinos are the largest diverse population segment and account for over 50% of total population growth from 2008 to 2018.

- Today, one in four (25%) children under 18 is of Hispanic descent.

- Hispanics are projected to become 30% of the population by 2060.

- 65% of all Hispanic Americans are born in the United States.

Thriving Business Community

- Latinos are opening more small businesses than anyone else in the U.S.

- With a total of 4.7 million Latino-owned businesses in the U.S., one in four new businesses in the U.S. is Latino-owned.

- Over the past ten years, the number of Latino business owners grew 34%, compared to 1% for all business owners in the U.S.



Friona hosted Shallowater Tuesday in a rematch of last year's Bi-District playoff game. The Fillies defeated the Squaws in November to advance to the Area round of the State playoffs. The Fillies won again Tuesday night by the final score of 3-0. Set scores were 25-16, 25-13, and 25-11.



2020 Home Opener

Friona vs Brownfield

Friday, August 28 • 7:00 p.m. • Chieftain Field
Tickets will be available at www.frionaids.com

Covid-19 guidelines will be enforced

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The FRIONA ISD will hold a public meeting at 5:30 PM 08/31/2020 in Friona ISD Boardroom Friona, Texas 79035. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$0.929800 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters	\$0.334000 /\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	0.489000% (increase) or	% (decrease)
Debt service	2.091000% (increase) or	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	2.580000% (increase) or	% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$436,325,948	\$473,665,570
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$609,435	\$289,234
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$415,799,766	\$480,188,433
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$609,435	\$289,234

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
 ** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
 *** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness:	\$24,712,425
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* Outstanding principal

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$0.970000	\$0.334000*	\$1.304000	\$5,612	\$6,872
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$0.933350	\$0.298840*	\$1.232190	\$5,075	\$7,277
Proposed Rate	\$0.929800	\$0.334000*	\$1.263800	\$5,717	\$6,926

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$90,222	\$91,043
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$58,886	\$63,707
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.304000	\$1.263800
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$767.87	\$805.12
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$0.00	\$37.25

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.263800. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of 1.263800.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$5,691,667
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$40,882

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

FRIONA STAR SUBSCRIPTIONS

IN PARMER COUNTY: \$30 PER YEAR • OUT OF PARMER COUNTY: \$40 PER YEAR
 Call 806-250-2211 for more information

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Statements required in notice if the proposed tax rate does not exceed the lower of the no-new-revenue tax rate or the voter-approval tax rate, as prescribed by Tax Code §26.061.

NOTICE OF MEETING TO VOTE ON TAX RATE

A tax rate of \$0.2416 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.2416 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.2371 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.2416 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2020 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT from the same properties in both the 2019 tax year and the 2020 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT is not proposing to increase property taxes for the 2020 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 14, 2020 at 7:00 PM at PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM.

The proposed tax rate is also not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT is not required to hold an election to seek voter approval of the rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting Parmer County Hospital of PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT at their offices or by attending the public meeting mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE TAX RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

(List names of all members of the governing body below, showing how each voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase or, if one or more were absent, indicating absences.)

FOR the proposal:	DALE SCHUELER, BRETT WHITTEN, DENNIS ANTHONY, RICKY BARNETT
AGAINST the proposal:	N/A
PRESENT and not voting:	DANNY KENDRICK
ABSENT:	N/A

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The 86th Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT this year.

	2019	2020	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.2470	\$0.2416	2% decrease
Average homestead taxable value	\$82,863	\$71,758	13% decrease
Tax on average homestead	\$205	\$173	16% decrease
Total tax levy on all properties	\$1,500,941	\$1,531,253	2% increase

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT at (806)250-2754 or quillim@parmermedicalcenter.com.

INVITATION TO BID

The City of Friona is accepting competitive bids from qualified contractors for the New Library Bookshop Project which will be connected to the Friona Public Library located at 109 West 7th Street, Friona, Texas 79035.

Sealed bids will be accepted by Leander Davila, City Manager, until 10:00 a.m., Friday, August 21, 2020. Bids received after 10:00 a.m., August 21, 2020 WILL NOT be opened or accepted. All accepted bids will be opened and read aloud on Monday, August 24, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at Friona City Council Chambers, 619 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035.

Bid proposals may be considered at the September 14, 2020 Friona City Council Meeting. Criteria for selection/acceptance of bids will include the following: experience, cost, reliability, project timeline and references. For specifications on the scope of work, please contact the Friona Public Library Director Anahi Gomez during regular business hours at (806) 250-3200 or email: library@frionatx.us.

Bids may be delivered as follows:
 Hand Delivered, Mailed, Express Delivery
ACCEPTED until 10:00 AM – AUGUST 21, 2020 (Extended to September 4)

City of Friona
623 Main Street
Friona, Texas 79035
Attention: Leander Davila

The Friona Public Library will be open to contractors to view from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. on Mondays thru Fridays. All other visits to the Friona Public Library can be scheduled by calling the Friona Public Library at (806) 250-3200.

City of Friona reserves the right to waive any formalities or to reject any or all bids. No bid proposals may be withdrawn until the expiration of 60 days from the date bid proposals are opened and read.

Census News



2020 Census Self-Response Rate Information – August 17, 2020

National Response Rate	63.9%
Texas Self-Response Rate.....	59.0%
Parmer County Self-Response Rate	44.9%
Friona Self-Response Rate.....	53.9%
Bovina Self-Response Rate	40.5%
Farwell Self-Response Rate	30.1%

Water Weekly

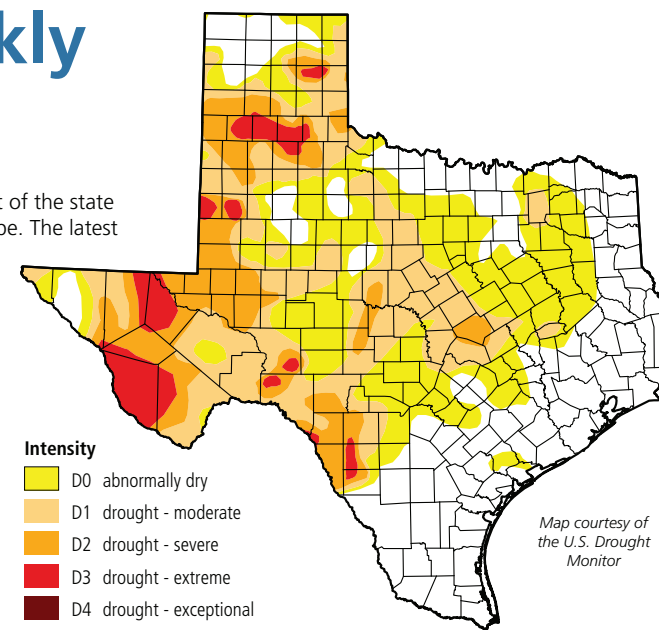
For the week of 08/17/20

Water conditions

Weeks of dry and hot conditions for most of the state have started to take a toll on the landscape. The latest drought map for conditions as of August 11 shows 40 percent of the state in moderate or worse drought, an increase of seven percentage points from the previous week.

Drought conditions

- 40% now
- 33% a week ago
- 15% three months ago
- 22% a year ago



Map courtesy of the U.S. Drought Monitor

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Statements required in notice if the proposed tax rate does not exceed the lower of the no-new-revenue tax rate or the voter-approval tax rate, as prescribed by Tax Code §26.061.

NOTICE OF MEETING TO VOTE ON TAX RATE

A tax rate of \$0.6894 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of CITY OF FRIONA.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.6894 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.6982 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.7149 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2020 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for CITY OF FRIONA from the same properties in both the 2019 tax year and the 2020 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that CITY OF FRIONA may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that CITY OF FRIONA is not proposing to increase property taxes for the 2020 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 14, 2020 at 6:30 PM at Friona City Council Chambers, 619 Main Street.

The proposed tax rate is also not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, CITY OF FRIONA is not required to hold an election to seek voter approval of the rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting City of Friona of CITY OF FRIONA at their offices or by attending the public meeting mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE TAX RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

(List names of all members of the governing body below, showing how each voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase or, if one or more were absent, indicating absences.)

FOR the proposal:	Bruce Fleming, Greg Lewellen, Brent Loflin and Alan Monroe
AGAINST the proposal:	N/A
PRESENT and not voting:	N/A
ABSENT:	Jeff Stowers

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The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by CITY OF FRIONA last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by CITY OF FRIONA this year.

	2019	2020	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.6894	\$0.6894	0% increase
Average homestead taxable value	\$86,371	\$86,704	0% increase
Tax on average homestead	\$595	\$598	1% increase
Total tax levy on all properties	\$922,444	\$943,175	2% increase

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for CITY OF FRIONA at (806)250-2747 or citymgr@frionatx.us, or visit cityoffriona.com.



The concrete pad was poured last week for the storm shelter portion of the the new Primary School building. The next step is framing and sheathing which will begin soon.

Friona City Council approves grant application to make improvements to Community Center

Earlier this month, the Friona City Council approved a grant application with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department provides funding assistance for outdoor recreation facilities through the Texas Recreation and

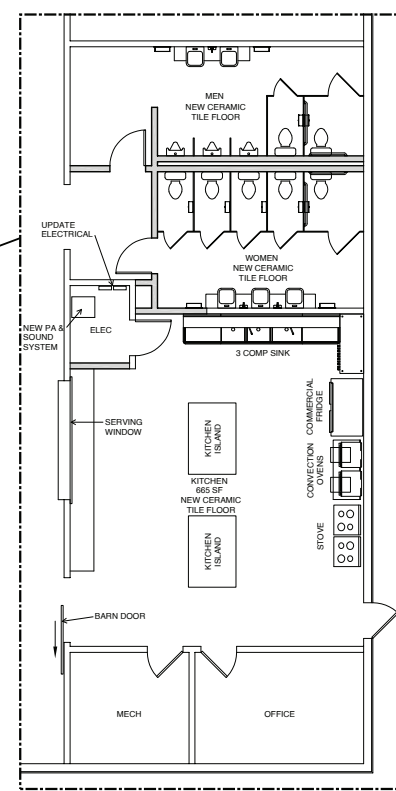
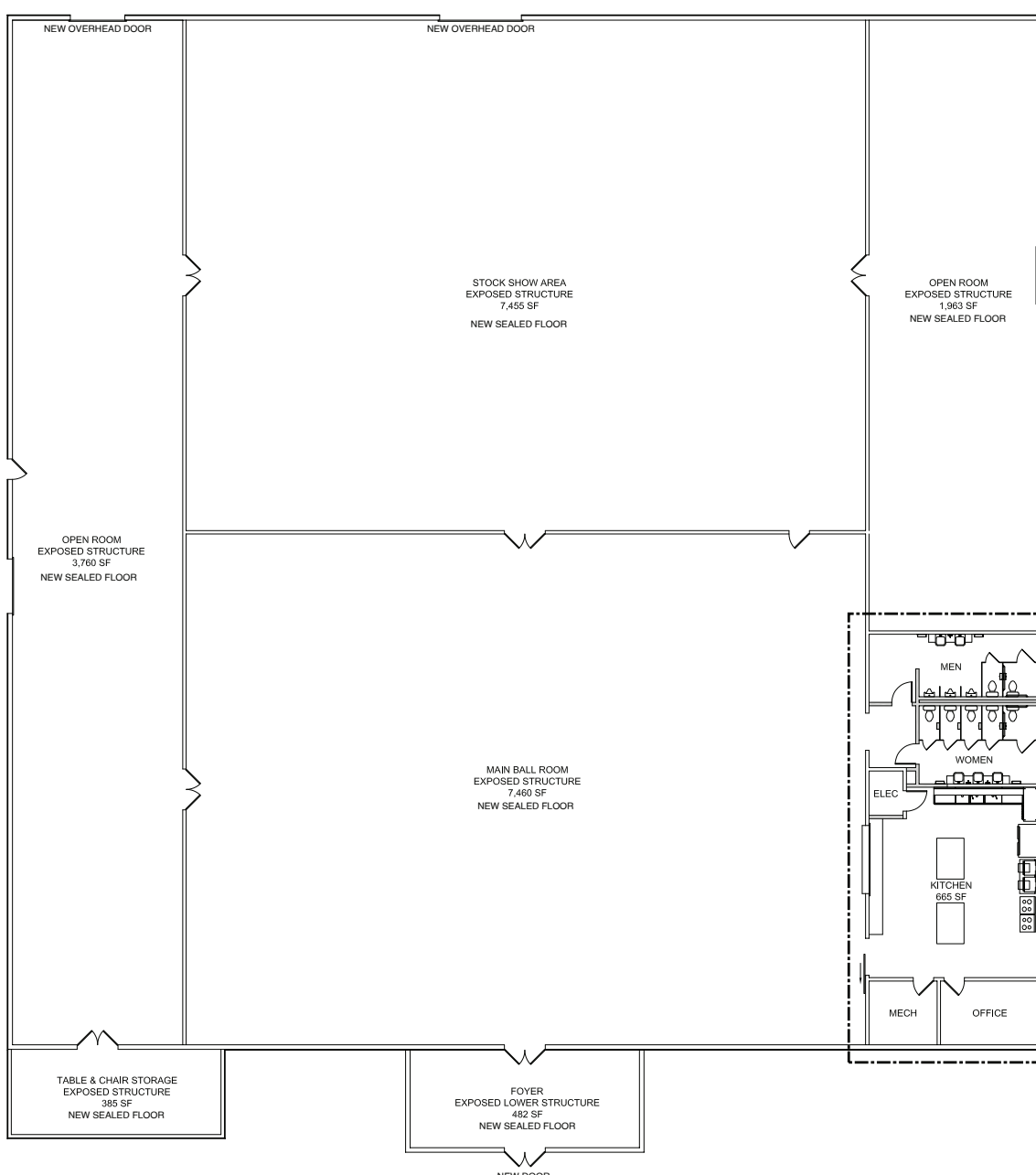
Parks Account Grant Program. This grant, the Small Communities Program Grant, will assist with renovations to the Friona Community Center. The grant provides 50% matching fund reimbursements to cities with a population of 20,000 or less. The

maximum amount that can be applied for is \$150,000. If awarded, the City would match the maximum amount giving the City \$300,000 for future community center renovations.

In 2019, the then newly created Visitor Impact Commission was

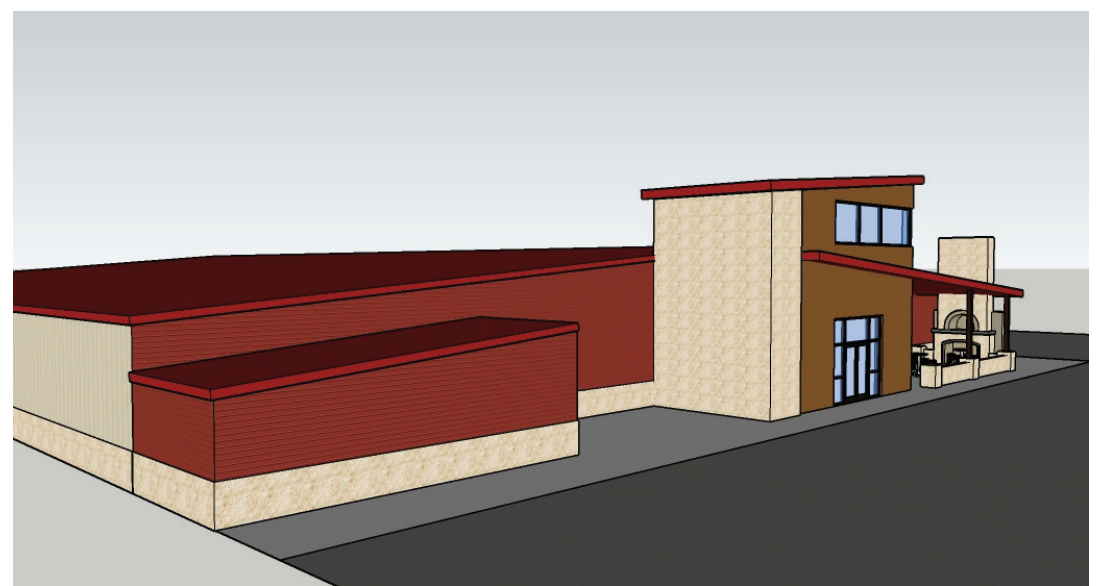
tasked with prioritizing renovations to the community center and making budgetary and planning recommendations to the Friona City Council for the community center. The group prioritized the new roof and central heating/air as its top 2 priorities this year.

Now, they want to see renovations to the bathroom and kitchen areas. If money is left after these projects, they would like to focus on the exterior of the building. The goal of the commission is to have a newly renovated community center by 2024.



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