



Drive-thru Flu Shot Clinic
Sat., Oct. 3rd from 9 am-12pm
 1307 Cleveland Ave.
 806-250-2754

Friona United Way begins new year

Incoming Friona United Way president Jimmy Burns announced that the steering committee met on Wednesday to begin the application process for requesting funds. "If your organization plans to request funds this year, and you have not been contacted, please pick up an application form at the FISD Administration building," he said.

The deadline to apply for funding is Monday, October 12th. Please return your completed application form to the Admin building. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 14th at 7:30 a.m. in the Redeemer Center at 1304 Virginia Avenue in Friona. "The Friona United Way is looking forward to having another successful year," he added.



Estefany Cecena, Herman Marques, and Jackie Reyes are front and center as the Friona High School Marching Band performs its halftime routine at the Friona-Dimmitt football game last Friday night.

Natural gas costs to impact Texas electricity bills

After months of historic lows, costs for natural gas that fuels almost half the region's electricity production have gone up and will increase bills for Xcel Energy's Texas customers, but only for a short time before savings from a new wind farm are expected to bring those costs back down in early 2021.

"Abnormally low natural gas prices and new supplies of low-cost wind energy have combined to lower electric bills over the last two years, but now natural gas prices are on the upswing," said David Hudson, president, Xcel Energy - Texas. "The good news is our Saga-

more Wind Project in New Mexico is nearing completion and the savings it will deliver after the first of the year should bring fuel costs down once again."

Xcel Energy has filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas to revise the monthly fuel cost factor that collects for the cost of natural gas and coal that fuel area power plants, as well as the costs of electricity purchased from other suppliers. If approved, a typical residential bill of 1,000 kilowatt-hours would increase by approximately 6% or \$6.29 more per month beginning Nov. 1.

The two most recent fuel factor changes in Texas re-

sulted in a combined reduction of more than 9% in residential bills. Additionally, since January 2019 Xcel Energy has passed along multiple one-time fuel cost refunds totaling close to \$70 million, most recently in the May and June billing cycles.

"In spite of this increase, fuel costs over time have trended much lower than in the past," Hudson said. "We have made some permanent changes in how we generate electricity to reduce our exposure to natural gas prices, and these efforts will continue to pay off over time."

Xcel Energy has added 750 megawatts of wind energy capacity to the regional grid

since 2019, including the 478-megawatt Hale Wind Project near Plainview, Texas. Wind farms not only produce electricity using the free and abundant wind energy, but also generate federal production tax credits, 100% of which are passed along to customers in the form of fuel-cost savings.

The Hale Wind Project has generated close to \$80 million in annual fuel-cost savings. The Sagamore facility, now under construction in Roosevelt County, New Mexico, is also expected to generate a large amount of savings that should offset the recent increases in natural gas prices.

"We anticipate Sagamore will be operational by the end of December, and we will file in early 2021 to revise the fuel costs factors to reflect this low-cost resource in our fuel cost calculations," Hudson said.

Additional Detail:

- Fuel costs currently make up between 10 and 15% of a typical residential bill and are passed through dollar-for-dollar to customers with no profit to Xcel Energy.

- Xcel Energy's business and industrial customers in Texas also will see higher bills related to the change in fuel cost factors.

- The fuel cost factor in

Texas can be adjusted up to three times per year to reflect changing market conditions.

- Fuel costs for New Mexico customers and wholesale customers such as electric cooperatives and municipal utilities are adjusted monthly, and already reflect the higher natural gas prices that will impact Texas bills.

- Xcel Energy's Texas-New Mexico generating mix in 2019 was 47% natural gas, 25% coal, 26% wind and 2% solar.

Ag Association donates to FCCLA

Mrs. Barnett's classes and FCCLA organization are off to a great start because of a generous donation from the Friona Vocational Agriculture Association. Mrs. Barnett stated, "This donation helps supply appliances and equipment for the classroom and items needed for projects."

The students received 2 KitchenAid professional stand mixers, 3 folding carts, 5 pasta maker attachments, 5 dish racks, 8 toner cartridges, 5 Toshiba microwave ovens, and 2 professional grade steam irons. "The students are excited to use these new items and will be planning their FCCLA projects soon," she continued.

The Friona Vocational Agriculture Association provides monetary support to the youth of Friona who exhibit a commitment and dedication to 4-H, FFA, and FCCLA activities. Through this support, and their fundraising efforts, the association encourages young people to pursue endeavors that will enable them to become the future leaders of the community, state, and country.

Mrs. Barnett, her classes, and the FCCLA organization are sincerely grateful for this

donation made to her class. She concluded, "They have so many new skills to look

forward to learning and not only will these students be learning valuable lessons

from these resources but life lessons that they can use for the rest of their lives."



Back Row: Friona VoAg Association board members (l-r) Richie Herring, Aaron Abarca, Greg Lewellen, Mark Osborn, Kody Kimbrough (secretary), Greg O'Brian (president), and Tracy Bunker. Clint Hurst was unable to attend. **Front Row:** FCCLA students/teacher (l-r) Reese Stowers, Tiffany Sandoval, Duvy Ortiz, Alejandra Rodriguez, Adynaih Dominguez, Mercedes Espinoza, Naara Saucedo, Autumn Fletcher, Lluvia Reyes, and Erin Barnett.

Parmer County COVID-19 stats as of September 14



Tested at Parmer Medical Center
1082

Negative Results from Parmer Medical Center
735

Pending Results from PMC
15

Positive Results from PMC
332

Parmer County Residents Positive Results From All Test Sites
428



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Emergency Siren System: Alternating tone • Firefighters only | Weather Warning: 1 long tone • take cover — 3 short blasts • all clear | Tested 1st & 3rd Thurs. at 7 p.m.

Friona Weather October 1-7	T ☀️ 77 45 E 10-20	F ☁️ 83 51 SSW 15-25	S ☀️ 79 44 NNW 15-25	S ☀️ 80 48 SSE 10-15	M ☀️ 86 51 SW 15-25	T ☀️ 87 50 NNE 10-15	W ☀️ 88 52 SW 10-15	Precipitation October 0.00 Year 8.71	Burn Ban: Yes
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Community Calendar

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

- October 5**
• Friona Noon Lions Club Meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen
- October 6**
• Snack Pak 4 Kids at 3:00 p.m. north entrance of Friona United Methodist Church
- October 12**
• Columbus Day
- October 19**
• Friona Noon Lions Club Meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen
- October 20**
• Snack Pak 4 Kids at 3:00 p.m. north entrance of Friona United Methodist Church

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

COVID-19 News

Coronavirus cases confirmed

As of September 30, 2020

Texas: 781,000 cases 15,994 deaths	Worldwide: 33,700,000 cases 1,010,000 deaths 23,400,000 recoveries
United States: 7,220,000 cases 206,000 deaths	

FRIONA STAR SUBSCRIPTIONS

IN PARMER COUNTY: \$30 PER YEAR

OUT OF PARMER COUNTY: \$40 PER YEAR

E-STAR (EMAILED): \$24 PER YEAR

Call 806-250-2211 for more information

Friona sports are on the Air!!!

You can listen to Friona football and volleyball on KGRW 94.7 Kickin' Country and online at network1sports.com/station/kgw.

Brian Fortner is the voice of Friona ISD sports. He will provide full game coverage for all football games and the home volleyball games. Coverage will also include any play-off games.



National 4-H Week: October 4-10



Parmer County, TX - Every year, National 4-H Week sees millions of youth, parents, volunteers and alumni come together to celebrate the many positive youth development opportunities offered by 4-H. The theme for this year's National 4-H Week, Opportunity4All, is a campaign that was created by National 4-H Council to rally support for Cooperative Extension's 4-H program and identify solutions to eliminate the opportunity gap that affects 55 million kids across America.

With so many children struggling to reach their full potential, 4-H believes that young people, in partnership with adults, can play a key role in creating a more promising and equitable future for youth, families and communities across the country. In

4-H, we believe every child should have an equal opportunity to succeed. We believe every child should have the skills they need to make a difference in the world.

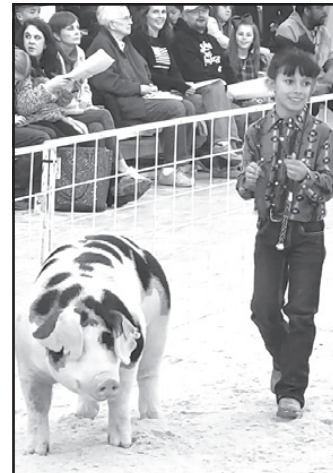
"We believe youth perspectives are so important and a solution to eliminating the opportunity gap, because young people come with new ideas and new ways of seeing the world," explains Jennifer Sirangelo, President and CEO of National 4-H Council. By encouraging diverse voices and innovative actions, 4-H

believes that solutions can be found to address the educational, economic and health issues that have created the opportunity gap.

4-H, the nation's largest youth development and empowerment organization, cultivates confident kids who tackle the issues that matter most in their communities right now. In the United States, 4-H programs empower six million young people through the 110 land-grant universities and Cooperative Extension in more

than 3,000 local offices serving every county and parish in the country. Outside the United States, independent, country-led 4-H organizations empower one million young people in more than 50 countries. National 4-H Council is the private sector, non-profit partner of the Cooperative Extension System and 4-H National Headquarters located at the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) within the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

Learn more about 4-H at www.4-h.org or more specifically Texas 4-H at <https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/>. You can also follow Parmer County 4-H on Facebook at Parmer County Extension and 4-H. For questions, contact Wendy Case, Janelle Duffey, or Deena Leuea at 806-251-5120.



Milk House Market

Wedding Registry

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

Hours:
Friday 11-5
Saturday: 10-3

Call:
602-739-0813

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Maegan Davis & John O'Brian

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ACROSS

- Sandberg who said "Texas is valor and swagger"
- medicinal plant grown in TX Valley
- "Facts of Life" TX actress Whelchel
- this TX White was 1st to space walk
- TX McConaughey was ___ Lincoln in "Boys on the Side"
- country group: ___ Ridge Boys
- disparaging remark
- Gulf mollusk
- outdated sales tax percentage (2 wds.)
- this Michael starred with TX Audie in "Arizona Raiders"
- "Red" ex-owner of San Antonio Spurs
- TXism: "size '___'" (evaluate)
- sexual identity
- in Nolan County on U.S. 84
- Mexican party breakables filled with toys & candy
- ex-Cowboy RB star, Tony (init.)
- four-footed
- lake sediment
- dir. from Coleman to New Braunfels
- moving van worker
- rear opening of "long johns"
- Coleman County Museum has a big one (2 wds.)
- desolate, forsaken
- "___ boy!"
- male choir voice
- endings for lemon drinks
- Brackettville hosted "Western Horse ___ Barbecue" in 1980s
- 3-M sticky note
- TXism: "a fire ___" (mean person)
- TXism: "___ could talk the legs off an iron stove"
- TX Cassidy who was "Lurch" on TV
- this Smith played with TX Ernest Tubb
- TX Foreman lost title to him in 1974
- in Falls County on highway 77
- Graham newspaper name once (2 wds.)
- TXism: "___ well that ends well"
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- TXism: "___ judge in court"
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- classic cowboy hats
- cow rounder upper
- surrounded by
- TX Jerry Jeff Walker tune: "___ Bojangles"
- Charley & Guy are ___-editors of the Texas Crossword
- time in TX (abbr.)
- cat species in Bentsen State Park
- Peterbilt ___ Company in Denton
- fancy TX party
- TXism: "spare ___" (mid-drift bulge)
- citrus drink ending
- TX fire ant
- TXism: "a sight for ___ eyes"
- TX Dabney Coleman old TV series: "The Days and Nights of Molly ___"
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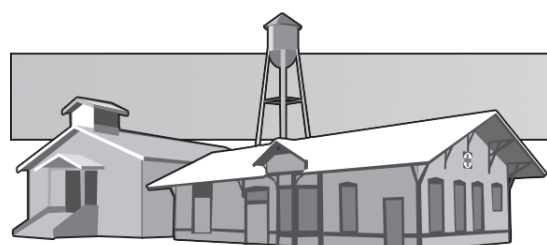
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★★★
Note from Deena Leuea. There will be a rabbit show

at our Parmer Livestock show in 2021. There is a disease "hemorrhagic fever" in wild rabbits that caused much discussion about cancellation of the rabbit show this year. It was determined as long as the Show rabbits do not come in contact with wild rabbits or their habitats the Show rabbits will be fine. Rules are the same; they need to be a meat rabbit, 12 weeks at the time of the show and no weight limit. The show is open to all FFA and 4-H members.

★★★
On Tuesday, October 13th

we will have our goat and sheep validation at the Friona Ag Shop starting at 4:00 p.m. Contact your local FFA teacher or Ag agent if you have questions.

★★★
The Parmer County Stock Show Board will host its annual Stock Show Dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 7th at the XIT Building in Bovina. One ticket buys dinner for two and a chance to win prizes. Tickets are available from: Bovina - extension office and Al Kerby; Farwell - Jason Schilling and Vince Smith; Lazbuddie - Abby Kirby and Terry Jesko; and Friona - Tracy Bunker and Greg O'Brien. Proceeds benefit Parmer County FFA and 4H kids.

★★★
About October. Before the Julian and Gregorian calendars, October was the 8th month of the Roman calendar. Octo means eight in Latin. At the time, there were only 10 months. In 700 BC, Numa Pompilius added January and February to the calendar. This change more accurately reflected the length of a year on Earth. As a result, October became the 10th month on the calendar. While other months on the calendar have had days added and subtracted, October has always had 31 days. October is the month when the five-day workweek was first sanctioned. The U.S. Naval Academy

opened its doors in Annapolis, Maryland in 1845. October birthstones are pink tourmaline and opal.

★★★
Opening day for deer season kicks off for bow hunters in 252 Texas counties on October 3rd and runs through November 6th. Rifle season follows and spans from November 7th through January 3rd in the North Zone and January 17th in the South, with a special South Zone late season lasting through January 31st.

★★★
Another accident at the Cargill plant entrance early Tuesday morning involved three vehicles and two separate impacts. Extremely fortunate that no one was killed. TXDOT and Cargill officials are meeting with Parmer County Commissioners later this month to finalize plans for a new overpass.

- ★★★
National Days
October 1: Homemade Cookies Day
October 2: Custodial Worker's Recognition Day
October 3: Techies Day
October 4: Taco Day
October 5: Do Something Nice Day
October 6: Coaches Day
October 7: Inner Beauty Day

FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



FIRST BALE....Ginning the first bale at the Friona Farmers Co-Op Gin was D. L. Carmichael, right. He and gin manager Charles Waggoner are shown with the bale, which was pulled last Saturday and ginned on Monday. (Friona Star, October 2, 1969)

SHERIFF'S REPORT

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

- (9/21/20) Senque Polk, 39, of Amarillo was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of DWLI w/previous, pending County Court.
- (9/21/20) Ricardo Sato-Zamora, 18, of Clovis, New Mexico was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on a charge of Possession of CS PG2 > 4g < 400g, pending Grand Jury.
- (9/25/20) Zachary Brooks, 22, of Yukon, Oklahoma was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on a charge of Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz., pending County Court.
- (9/25/20) Angelo Robles, 30, of Clovis, New Mexico was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on a charge of Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz., pending County Court.
- (9/27/20) Jacey Bailey, 22, of Amarillo was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz., pending County Court.
- (9/27/20) Jeremiah Munoz, 22, of Hereford was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz., pending County Court.
- (9/27/20) Alexx Cooper, 29, of Bovina was arrested by the Bovina Police Department on a charge of assault, pending County Court.

COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk
Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from September 21, 2020 to September 24, 2020

- (9/21/20) Estate of Teddy L. White — Sharon R. White — W 55' of L 33 all of L 32 and the E 5' of L 31 B 2 Western Addition City of Friona
- (9/21/20) Hilda Eichenauer, Jason Eichenauer — Juan Cristel Samarron — All S 27 and 1/2' of L 2 and N 1/2 of L 3 Block 11 Staley Addition to City of Friona
- (9/21/20) Doug Barnes, Amy Barnes — Charles Edward Trimble III, Ginger Trimble — E 47' Lot 3 and W 26' Lot 4 Block 4 MIMO Addition City of Farwell
- (9/23/20) Richard M. Heald, Bonnie Heald — Jacob Thurman, Bailey Thurman — Lots 17-20 Block 47 Original Town City of Farwell
- (9/24/20) Johnny Alvarez — Arturo Campos, Martha Campos — Lot 4 Block 5 Drake Subdivision City of Friona

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- 1.) Go to frionaonline.com
- 2.) Click on the "newspaper archives" link
- 3.) Search

Newspaper Fun!

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Fire Prevention and Safety!

Do you know who we are? We are your community's firefighters. We visit schools to talk to students about fire prevention and safety. We show the special clothing we wear to protect us from the smoke and heat of fire. We may look a bit scary, but we are not. We are here to help you.

This is a chart for you to use to talk with your family about fire prevention and safety. Cut it out and hang it on your refrigerator!

Find the 12 "fire safety" words or phrases in bold to the left, then place them into the puzzle!

Can you fill in the missing letters to name fire fighting equipment?

1. _ o _ e
2. l _ dde _
3. he _ i _ opter
4. _ ruc _
5. fire a _ a _ m
6. a _ e
7. _ prin _ lers

Family Fire Safety Checklist

- Only cook in the **kitchen** when an adult is helping you.
- Don't touch matches, lighters or candles. They are for **adult** use only.
- Do you have smoke **detectors** on every level of your home? Test them monthly and change the batteries at least once a year.
- Do you know **two** or more ways out of the house?
- Never use elevators (**stairs** are much safer) if there is a fire.
- Smoke rises, so if there is a fire, stay low: **crawl** under the smoke.
- Have you picked a place to **meet** the rest of your family once you are all out of the house?
- Once you are out of the house, **stay out** of the house.

We're learning to climb to new heights by practicing our duties every day.

The Great Chicago Fire (And the Lessons We Learned)

Whoopsie!

Read about the fire to fill in the crossword puzzle:

1. Have you ever heard of the Great Chicago _____ (1871)?
2. It was a fire so big and out of control that it burned almost 4 square miles of the _____ and even jumped across the Chicago River!
3. One story says that it started when a woman, named Mrs. O'Leary, went to her barn to milk a cow and the cow kicked over her _____ (The story was made up by a reporter; what started of the fire is unknown.)
4. The buildings in the city were mostly made of _____ and were built very close together, so it was easy for the fire to spread.
5. It is said that people didn't react right away and that the _____ were tired from fighting a different fire the day before and made some mistakes.
6. The blaze grew so big that it destroyed the pumps for the waterworks (the place that supplied the water to fight the fire) and the _____ was cut off.
7. Finally, after two days, the fire burned itself out, after destroying over 17,000 _____, killing hundreds of people and leaving about 90,000 others homeless.
8. Oddly, one of the buildings that didn't _____ was the waterworks tower. It is still there today!
9. Today, we space buildings in the city farther apart and use more _____ materials like metals.
10. Firefighters today are better trained and have _____ that helps them fight fires more quickly.

Fun fact: Some early fire extinguishers were like lightbulbs filled with powdered chemicals; people would throw them into the fires.

At the End of a Long Day!

The firefighters had a very dangerous, long day fighting a blazing fire in the center of town. Their hard work saved almost all of the buildings. At the end of the long day, the equipment is being cleaned and stored. Can you help the firefighter put the equipment away?

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Lazbuddie School Menu for Oct. 5-9

Monday 5
Breakfast: Dutch Waffle, Yogurt, Cereal &/or Toast, Fruit Juice, Milk
Lunch: Corn Dog, Tater Tots, Baked Beans Tomato Cup, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Tuesday 6
Breakfast: Omelet, Bacon, Cereal &/or Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Salisbury Steak, Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls Broccoli Bites, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Wednesday 7
Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza
 Cereal &/or Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Sandwich, Fries, Veggie Cup, Fruity Jello, Juice, Milk

Tuesday 8
Breakfast: Breakfast Cookie, Yogurt Cereal &/or Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Nachos, Beans, Cucumbers, Garnish, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Wednesday 9
Breakfast: French Toast & Sausage, Cereal &/or Toast, Fruit, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Pizza, Corn, Baby Carrots, Salad, Fruit, Juice, Milk

Court reschedules next meeting

The Parmer County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, September 28, 2020 at 10 a.m. in the County Courtroom of the Parmer County Courthouse in Farwell, Texas. The meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Texas Flag.

There were no public comments. Minutes from the September 14th meeting were read and approved. Commissioners approved the payment of the accounts payable as presented by County Treasurer Sharon May. The Treasurer's Report was also given for a bank account name change.

After further review, a possible consulting agreement with CRI concerning changes to the Policy and Procedure Manual was not approved.

Approval was given for the purchase of a motor grader for use in Precinct 2. Charles Wilkins, Pct. 2 Commissioner, told the court that the John Deere grader will cost

approximately \$100,000 with trade-in. The purchase of motor graders is part of the annual county budget.

The next Commissioners Court meeting was rescheduled for Tuesday, October 13th. The original date of Monday, October 12th is the Columbus Day holiday.

Consideration for an upgrade to the security cameras at the Law Enforcement Center was tabled until the next meeting.

Discussion concerning the county's participation in the right-of-way agreement for the overpass at Cargill is scheduled for the October 26th meeting. Representatives from TXDOT and Cargill will be in attendance.

All meetings are open to the public. The Commissioner's Court reserves the right to go into Executive Session at any time. The agenda may be found on the Parmer County website. Information in this article is only a summary. Any questions concerning specific actions should be directed to the Commissioners Court.

Happy Birthday Friona Folks!

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 Gabbie Trevino</p> <p>Oct. 3
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 Jackie Martin
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 Enrique Rodriguez
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 Patricia Phipps
 Parker Francis</p> <p>Oct. 6
 Kevin Cooper
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 Juan Degollado</p> <p>Oct. 7
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 Shea (Woodard) Hall
 Laura Brockman</p> |
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Gas prices fall slightly

By GasBuddy

Texas gas prices fell 1.1 cents last week to an average of \$1.86 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations. Gas prices in Texas are 6.6 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 49.5 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$1.49 while the most expensive is \$2.50 per gallon. The national average price of gasoline has fallen 0.9 cents in the last week, averaging \$2.17 per gallon. The national average is down 6.4 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 47.4 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

"Higher oil prices caused most states to see gas prices inch higher, with the national average rising ever so slightly in the last week, breaking its three week streak of declines. However, the rise is likely temporary as oil prices that had pushed higher gave up their gains last week and closed near the low-side of the range they've been in for quite some time," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. "According to Pay with GasBuddy data, gasoline demand declined again last week, falling nearly 1% from the prior week, largely in line with expectations as we head into the first full week of fall. While the Atlantic is finally silent- likely temporary- really the only upside we could see over the coming months would be borne out of hurricane season, or if a COVID-19 vaccine proves successful in pushing demand back closer to normal."

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>.

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

The City will open up the roll-off box this Saturday, October 3, 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.

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Book Blessings

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

One of the most tormenting and troubling issues for some is having assurance of their salvation. Questions like, did I say the right prayer, did I believe enough, have I done enough, did I repent enough, am I really a Christian, and many others can assuage even the strongest saint's faith, and it is so important to have a biblical understanding of salvation and assurance to answer these piercing doubts. "Stop Asking Jesus into Your Heart: How to know for sure you are saved," by J.D. Greear, is a short and powerful book that takes on assurance of salvation with biblical truth. The read is fast, yet profound and Greear's humor comes through to help the reader understand that salvation is entirely a gift of God that rests fully upon the finished work of Jesus Christ. The need for a sound book

on the assurance of salvation is twofold. First, so many people who think they are saved are not, and they need to be awakened from their deception to see that unless their salvation rests solely in Jesus Christ, then they will spend eternity in hell. Second, it is also possible for true believers to genuinely be saved, yet paralyzed by doubt regarding their salvation. This leads to being hamstrung for gospel work. The 128 pages of this book profoundly deal with both possibilities and point both people to rest fully in Christ's finished work on the cross for salvation. If you are trusting in anything or anyone other than Christ for salvation, or if you are adding something or someone to Christ for salvation, you are not trusting in Christ alone, and you do not have a saving faith.

SNAP benefits extended

Governor Abbott announced that the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will provide approximately \$196 million in emergency Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) food benefits for the month of October as the state continues to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Thank you to the U.S. Department of Agriculture for extending these emergency SNAP benefits for Texas families," said Governor Abbott. "The State of Texas will continue to ensure that Texans have access to nutritious and healthy food throughout the COVID-19 pandemic."

"We are grateful Texans will continue receiving these expanded benefits, bringing nutritious foods to those families who are in need of assistance," said Texas HHS Access and Eligibility Services Deputy Executive Commissioner Wayne Salter. "The Texans we serve will

always remain our top priority, especially in times like these."

More than 994,000 SNAP households will see the additional amount on their Lone Star Card by October 15. The emergency October allotments are in addition to the more than \$1.2 billion in benefits previously provided to Texans between April and September. HHSC received federal approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to extend the maximum, allowable amount of SNAP benefits to recipients based on family size.

Administered by HHSC, SNAP is a federal program that provides food assistance to approximately 1.4 million eligible low-income families and individuals in Texas.

Texans in need can apply for benefits, including SNAP and Medicaid, at YourTexasBenefits.com or use the Your Texas Benefits mobile app to manage their benefits.

USDA to provide additional direct assistance to farmers and ranchers impacted by the coronavirus

USDA announced up to an additional \$14 billion for agricultural producers who continue to face market disruptions and associated costs because of COVID-19. Signup for the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP 2) began September 21 and will run through December 11, 2020. USDA has incorporated improvements in CFAP 2 based from stakeholder engagement and public feedback to better meet the needs of impacted farmers and ranchers.

CFAP 2 payments will be made for three categories of commodities - Price Trigger Commodities, Flat-rate Crops and Sales Commodities. Customers seeking one-on-one support with the CFAP 2 application process can call 877-508-8364 to speak directly with a USDA employee ready to offer assistance. This is a recommended first step before a producer engages with the team at the FSA county office.

Price Trigger Commodities

Price trigger commodities are major commodities that meet a minimum 5-percent price decline over a specified period of time. Eligible price trigger crops include barley, corn, sorghum, soybeans, sunflowers, upland cotton, and all classes of wheat. Payments will be based on 2020 planted acres of the crop,

excluding prevented planting and experimental acres. Payments for price trigger crops will be the greater of: 1) the eligible acres multiplied by a payment rate of \$15 per acre; or 2) the eligible acres multiplied by a nationwide crop marketing percentage, multiplied by a crop-specific payment rate, and then by the producer's weighted 2020 Actual Production History (APH) approved yield. If the APH is not available, 85 percent of the 2019 Agriculture Risk Coverage-County Option (ARC-CO) benchmark yield for that crop will be used.

For broilers and eggs, payments will be based on 75 percent of the producers' 2019 production.

Dairy (cow's milk) payments will be based on actual milk production from April 1 to Aug. 31, 2020. The milk production for Sept. 1, 2020, to Dec. 31, 2020, will be estimated by FSA. Eligible beef cattle, hogs and pigs, and lambs and sheep payments will be based on the maximum owned inventory of eligible livestock, excluding breeding stock, on a date selected by the producer, between Apr. 16, 2020, and Aug. 31, 2020.

Flat-rate Crops

Crops that either do not meet the 5-percent price decline trigger or do not have data available to calculate a price

change will have payments calculated based on eligible 2020 acres multiplied by \$15 per acre. These crops include alfalfa, extra long staple (ELS) cotton, oats, peanuts, rice, hemp, millet, mustard, safflower, sesame, triticale, rapeseed, and several others.

Sales Commodities

Sales commodities include specialty crops; aquaculture; nursery crops and floriculture; other commodities not included in the price trigger and flat-rate categories, including tobacco; goat milk; mink (including pelts); mohair; wool; and other livestock (excluding breeding stock) not included under the price trigger category that were grown for food, fiber, fur, or feathers. Payment calculations will use a sales-based approach, where producers are paid based on five payment gradations associated with their 2019 sales. Additional commodities are eligible in CFAP 2 that weren't eligible in the first iteration of the program. If your agricultural operation has been impacted by the pandemic since April 2020, we encourage you to apply for CFAP 2.

Eligibility

There is a payment limitation of \$250,000 per person or entity for all commodities combined.

Making Decisions is Tough Sometimes

By Teena Hughs

Have you ever wondered if sticking to your word, trying to live your life according to God's Word, not giving in to pleasures and desires is worth it? Is it worth giving up things you really love, like being with certain people and going to certain events and having fun, to live according to what you believe?

Recently, some Texas Tech football players decided not to go to practice to protest social injustice. Their "protest" came after the shooting of Jacob Blake. I understand first amendment rights to protest, but what I opposed was the person who caused them to act. Jacob Blake is a rapist; he had raped a woman in front of her child. He violated the restraining order she had against him. When the police showed up, he fought them forcefully and was eventually shot seven times.

There is more to all of this story with Blake and Tech, but the bottom line is I did not agree with the players protesting for someone like Blake; I also did not approve of Coach Wells

and the Tech president supporting the athletes' protest. So, what was I supposed to do about my season tickets?

I love Texas Tech football more than I should. When we decided to move to my family's ranch, one of the things I was determined to hold on to was our season tickets. I had to decide whether I was going to give up something I dearly, dearly love because I believed that what was happening was wrong, and I believed it was wrong because they did not have all the facts about Blake, and other people the police have been accused of treating "brutally."

Sometimes we have to take stands and do things we do not want to do, and getting a refund on our tickets was one of those things I did not want to do, but I did it.

As a Christian who does things like writing this column and encouraging people to pray, to read their Bible, have a relationship with Jesus, live your life for Him, I don't see that I had a choice. People who "put

themselves out there for Jesus" are watched, scrutinized, and criticized when they behave differently from what they "preach."

Giving in to my desires to watch Texas Tech football in person, while feeling like I do, is not a sin, and it would not affect where I get to spend eternity. But, I do believe I would disappoint Jesus, and I think I would disappoint some people who know me. Above all, I would disappoint myself. I try my best to "walk the talk," and if I had kept our tickets, I would not be "walking the talk," something that is important to me.

Life is full of situations where we have to make decisions about what is right and wrong; true and false, real and un-real, etc. In the end, you have to decide what is most important to you. You have to decide who and what your priorities are. You have to decide how you want to feel about yourself after you have made your decision; and, you have to decide how you want Jesus to feel about the decisions you make!

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State Capital Highlights

By Chris Cobler



Houston-Dallas bullet train company says it's on fast track

Texas' first- and third-largest cities could be in daily commuting distance from each other via the high-speed Texas Central Railroad.

Proponents of the proposed bullet train hailed two historic milestones last week: The Federal Railroad Administration released its rules of the road for the project and approved the environmental review and route for the track between Houston and Dallas.

Commuters would be able to travel the 240-mile route in less than 90 minutes on the Japanese-built train, with departures every 30 minutes daily during peak periods and every hour during off-peak periods. The train, holding about 400 passengers, is projected to travel at speeds of more than 200 mph. Construction could start as early as next year.

"This is the moment we have been working toward," said Carlos Aguilar, chief executive officer of Texas Central Railroad. The Federal Railroad Administration approval "represents years of work by countless individuals, affirming a very thorough and careful regulatory process that will make the Texas Central Railroad the first high-speed rail system to be implemented in the United States."

Opponents said the project still has a long way to go before final approval. Texans Against High-Speed Rail officials contend Texas Central is in financial trouble and has significant regulatory hurdles to clear.

"Texas Central will likely trumpet this decision as major progress for its project, but they are simply arranging deck chairs on the Titanic," said Kyle Workman, chairman and president of Texans Against High-Speed Rail.

Closed for the public's business

The U.S. treasury has sent \$139 billion to the country's state and local governments in COVID-19 relief funds, according to the Committee for a Responsible Federal Government.

To track this spending in the Lone Star State, a group called Texas Housers has filed public information requests with major city and county governments, seeking documentation of new expenditures and policies.

"However, recent guidance from Attorney General Ken Paxton has eviscerated Texas' Public Information Act and given governments impunity to operate without public scrutiny," Texas Housers, an advocacy group supporting affordable housing, said in a statement. "The guidance allows governments to ignore public information requests if they are operating 'skeleton crews' and working remotely during the pandemic."

San Antonio, Dallas and Fort Worth responded to Housers' requests with automated emails stating that they are "closed for business" when it comes to the Texas Public Information Act.

"The exploitability of this system is obvious," Housers' statement said. "A city can be open for business with regards to new expenditures and policies but closed for business with regards to divulging any information about these plans."

The Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas has joined in opposing this suspension of the Public Information Act and has asked the Attorney General's Office for a clarifying opinion.

This old house

The Association of Texas Realtors is celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2020.

For a little perspective, the Humble Independent School District reports the price of a new home was \$6,296 in 1920. One hundred years later, the average home price in Humble is \$149,794. What will the price be in 2120? And what will a real estate agent's job look like 100 years from now?

"We are at a crucial juncture within the history of the brokerage industry that will test the survival of every real estate agent ...," Jason S. Weissman, CEO of Bost Realty Advisors, wrote in a recent Fast Company opinion article. "The real estate agents and brokerages who survive and thrive in the coming crunch will be those who embrace technology, not fight it."

Pecan pie goes with everything

Texans don't really need a special month to remind them to celebrate pecans or wine, but October offers some emphasis.

October is specially designated for recognizing Texans pecans and Texas wine. The Texas Pecan Board and Texas Fine Wine invite people to celebrate by pairing the two tastes together during a virtual tasting event.

To participate in this tasting, purchase a tasting kit through Texas Fine Wine by Friday, Oct. 9, at texasfinewine.com/upcoming-events. Each kit is \$125 plus tax and includes five bottles of wine, a 1-pound bag of raw pecans and a tasting sheet, recipes and other information produced by the Texas Pecan Board to be used during the event.

"In addition to participating in the tasting, I encourage every Texan to visit their closest pecan orchard and winery to discover what makes Texas pecans and Texas wines so special," said Bob Whitney, executive director of the Texas Pecan Board.

If \$125 is a little too pricey for your taste, individual Texas orchards and retailers may be running specials throughout the month, the Texas Pecan Board suggests. Share your favorite recipes and wine pairings on social media by using #TexasPecanMonth.

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



Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan

For the first time in my life, only the Good Lord knows where I am.

That's right. I slipped off for seven days after my nephew's wedding in Colorado (very small, very masked) to recalibrate in every way.

My family and friends think they know where I am. Even I expected I would stay at this place, but circumstances dictated a slight change in plans. The particulars of my relocation result from my quirks, but rest assured that I am safe in a place with medical and transportation services should I need them.

At first, even I—a seasoned nomad—was a bit off-kilter at the dilemma facing me Saturday around 4:30 p.m. But I regrouped and determined just to start driving and see where I landed. Knowing it was going to get dark in unfamiliar territory, I felt some urgency though

not panic. At 7 p.m., I checked in for one night at a safe place. My daughter Emily called, as usual, to check on me. I played it cool and answered truthfully that I had arrived and was tucked in for the evening.

So here I am, two days later in this new place. I have negotiated a check-out-check-in arrangement with this hotel in case I change my mind about leaving, but so far, the senior rate is much to my budget liking. I visited a friendly market to get fruit, cheese, pita chips, hummus, water, and laundry detergent to do my towels instead of having someone come in my room during COVID. The washer-dryer on site is all mine. Not too many folks are traveling these days, especially in September mid-week. I have handled quarters for the first time in seven months, but Germ-X and a mask are, of

course, constant companions when out and about.

My reboot is going well thus far. I set only three goals: walk 11,000 steps per day, drink 64 oz of water, and read for an hour. It might not sound like much, but this chunky girl needs some serious detox. I still have my coloring, my Netflix, and my CPAP to ensure relaxation and restful, healthy sleep. I had to have a bathtub because I also splurged at the market and bought some lavender Teal's Epsom Salt and incense. This morning, I started a journal so that if my CPAP fails and I snore myself to heaven, the girls will know I died trying to be healthier.

If I could get a book written, I could buy the darn RV already. Maybe the next escape, when I weigh 60 pounds less and have thousands in the bank, I will have a roaming home. I'll just need to see if I can get one with a bath.

Census News



2020 Census Self-Response Rate Information - Sept. 28, 2020

National Response Rate	66.5%
Texas Self-Response Rate	62.2%
Parmer County Self-Response Rate	48.1%
Friona Self-Response Rate	56.2%
Bovina Self-Response Rate	44.0%
Farwell Self-Response Rate	35.7%

Pecan production good amid uncertain market

By Adam Russell

Texas pecan production appears better than expected, but market uncertainty amid the pandemic looms, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert.

Larry Stein, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension horticulturist, Uvalde, said expectations were for a below-average year, especially since 2019 production levels were above average. Pecan tree performances are historically down following boon production seasons, he explained.

Pecan producers have begun harvesting early varieties like Kanza and Pawnee, he said. Harvest will ramp up going into October as later-maturing varieties are ready.

Stein said the Texas crop looks to be hit and miss, though some areas have a "heck of a crop." Drought and typical boon-to-bust production cycles contributed to lower quality and quantity in other areas around the state.

"Production results really have varied this year," he said. "There were cyclical factors and weather and moisture conditions that all weighed into how growers fared this year."

Conditions improve for pecan production

Rainfall and cooler temperatures are helping pecan orchards finish out, he said. Timely rainfall was especially important for growers in South and Central Texas.

"The rains are a big deal for those producers," he said. "To get rain as kernels were filling, that will help with quality and quantity."

El Paso pecan production was off last year and looks to be bouncing back with excellent yields and quality. On the other hand, an April freeze hurt pecan producers along the Red River, he said.

Major pecan production areas in southwest Texas around Fort Stockton, which rely on irrigation, were especially dry this year, he said, but now appear to be on track for a good year.

Stein said a general observation this year is that trees are cleaner with fewer honeydew aphids, black aphids, nut casebearer and webworms.

"There was very little pest pressure this year," he said. "We don't know why, but pecan case bearers weren't that bad. Black aphids showed up late and weren't bad. It seems to be a down year for pests."

Stein said he would like to say improved management practices contributed to the better-than-expected performance overall, but much of tree performance, insect and disease pressure remain in question.

The market for pecans is another question mark for producers this year, Stein said.

"Other fruits performed relatively well this year, despite a lot of questions going to market with COVID-19," he said. "There were some struggles, but local sales of local food have been strong, so we could see the same thing with pecans."

Pecan market uncertain

Catherine Clark, managing editor for Pecan South Magazine and the Texas Pecan Growers Association weekly marketing newsletter, said pecans have had a rough couple of years.

The pecan market changed dramatically around 2012 when Chinese demand for the nut began growing, she said. The demand for in-shell pecans direct from growers made prices climb until the trade dispute.

But the trade war with China hurt prices after tariffs increased from 7% to 40%, and COVID-19 added even more uncertainty to the 2020 pecan market, she said.

"The shutdowns in March and April at a time when harvests in South America and Australia were happening and shellers were trying to sell a larger-than-expected carryover supply has led to price drops and uncertainty going into harvest this season," she said. "There's not much buying activity or offers being made, but we are seeing some mom and pop retailers looking for pecan supplies, so that they will have products going into the holidays."

Clark said prices for in-shell pecans was \$2-\$3 per pound, with shelled pecans around \$4 per pound.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture will offer larger operations \$40 million in buying contracts for pecan pieces that will go toward national food programs.

"It's early in the season, so there is a lot of uncertainty," she said. "Smaller operations might see some offers from nearby retailers, which historically give better prices to local growers, but movement has been slow so far."

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SPORTS



Varsity Football

The Friona Chieftains opened district play with a road win at Dimmitt. Jacob Bautista returned to action after suffering an injury in the Borger game. He was the leading rusher and scored four touchdowns. Malichi Torres ran for two scores and Bryan Chavira threw two touchdown passes. The defense also dominated as Dimmitt could only muster one scoring attempt. A first quarter field goal attempt failed when the ball hit the left upright. Josiah Dominguez and Juan Salinas were the leading tacklers. The defense had two fumble recoveries and an interception. The Chieftains (1-0, 4-1) are open this week.

Junior Varsity Football

The JV football team defeated San Angelo Lake View JV 30-8 in a game played in Brownfield last Thursday. In the 1st quarter, Jorge Chavez caught a 40 yard TD pass from Martin Godinez. Martin made a 3 yard run for the 2-point conversion. In the 3rd quarter, Jorge scored on a 5 yard TD run. Alexis Rivas ran 3 yards for the 2-point conversion. In the 4th quarter, Jorge escaped for a 55 yard TD run and Martin again ran 3 yards for the 2-point conversion. Martin scored the fi-

nal touchdown on a 4 yard run and Alexis capped the scoring with a 2-point conversion on a 3 yard run. On defense, Stef Ally intercepted a San Angelo pass in the 1st quarter. The JV team (4-1) is open this week.

Freshman Football

The Freshman football team defeated the Dimmitt JV 28-0 last Thursday in Friona. Abisai Torres caught a 45 yard TD pass from Jose Luis Saucedo. Jose Luis ran for the 2-point conversion. Next, Abisai scored on a 43 yard TD run. Josh Gonzalez added a touchdown on a 94 yard pass play from Jose Luis. Abisai scored the final touchdown on a 30 yard run. Diego Garcia ran for the 2-point conversion. Defensive standouts were Josh Gonzalez (fumble recovery), Jacob Vasquez (fumble recovery), and Abisai Torres (interception). The Freshman team (2-3) is open this week.

Junior High Football

The 7th grade Friona Braves defeated the Dimmitt Bobcats 30-28 last Thursday at Dimmitt. The team never led until scoring the last touchdown of the game. Aaron Rosales scored the first touchdown on a 5 yard run. Rafael Rocha ran

for the 2-point conversion. Rafael Rocha had a 3 yard touchdown run and added the 2-point conversion. Then, with team down 28-16, Aaron Rosales ran 58 yards for a touchdown but the extra point was no good. Diego Guzman and Thomas Cook got a big tackle to force a punt by the Bobcats. Aaron Rosales then ran 60 yards for a touchdown to tie the game. He then ran in the 2-point conversion for the 30-28 lead. On defense, Rafael Rocha caused a fumble that Guzman recovered to seal the victory. The 7th grade Braves (1-2) are open this week.

The 8th grade Braves won their game at Dimmitt by the final score of 38-0 over the 8th grade Bobcats. Justen Trevino scored on a 2 yard TD run, but the extra point was no good. Edwin Rivas had a 76 yard run for a touchdown and Justen passed to Damian Sanchez for the 2-point conversion. Justen passed to Edwin for a 19 yard touchdown and Edwin Munoz ran for the 2-point conversion. Xavier Gonzalez scampered for a 65 yard TD run and Justen passed to Bryer Stanberry for the 2-point conversion. Xavier scored again on 10 yard TD run and Justen passed to Edwin for the 2-point conversion. The 8th grade Braves (1-2) are open this week.

Varsity Volleyball

The Friona Squaws evened their district record at 1-1 last Saturday when they defeated Lamesa in four sets. The final score was 3-1 (25-21, 25-14, 21-25, 25-18). The Squaws traveled to Dimmitt on Tuesday night and defeated the Bobbies 3-0 (25-23, 25-17, 25-16). The Squaws (2-1, 5-8) will host Littlefield on Saturday at 12 noon and play at Brownfield next Tuesday starting at 6:00 p.m.

Cross Country

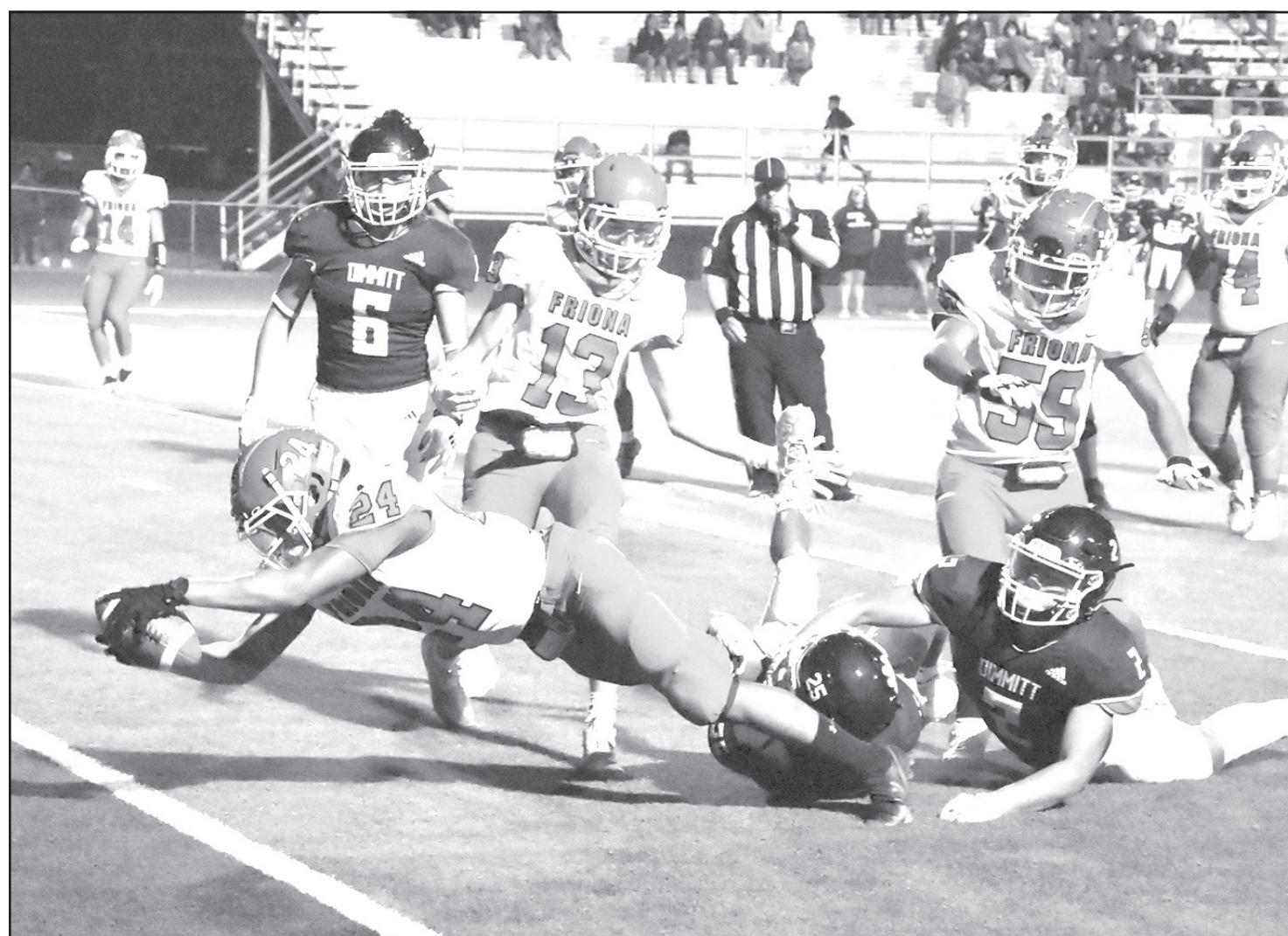
The cross country teams will run at Canyon this Saturday.



Freshmen



Freshmen



Friona 56 Dimmitt 0

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

F - Jacob Bautista 40 yd run (Tim Ally PAT no good)
 F - Jacob Bautista 4 yd run (Jacob Bautista 2 point attempt good)

2nd Quarter

F - Marc Mendoza 38 yd pass from Bryan Chavira (Tim Ally PAT good)
 F - Malachi Torres 4 yd run (Tim Ally PAT good)
 F - Jacob Bautista 2 yd run (Moises Pina 2 point attempt good)

3rd Quarter

F - Jacob Bautista 38 yd pass from Bryan Chavira (Tim Ally PAT no good)
 F - Mario Bautista 4 yd Run (Tim Ally good)

4th Quarter

F - Malachi Torres 14 yd run (Tim Ally PAT good)

Rushing Stats	Carries	Yards	TDs	Avg
1 Jacob Bautista	9	123	3	13.7
4 Mario Bautista	14	70	1	5.0
11 Marc Mendoza	2	4	0	2.0
12 Angel Carranza	3	14	0	4.7
16 Bryan Chavira	14	74	0	5.3
24 Malachi Torres	7	57	2	8.1
Rushing Totals:	49	342	6	7.0

Receiving Stats	Receptions	Yards	TDs	Avg
1 Jacob Bautista	1	38	1	38.0
11 Marc Mendoza	2	43	1	21.5
24 Malachi Torres	1	48	0	48.0
Receiving Totals:	4	129	2	32.3

Passing Stats	Comp	Att	Yards	TDs	INTs
16 Bryan Chavira	4	4	129	2	1

Kicking	Extra Pt	Att	Field Goal
2 Tim Ally	4	5	0

Defensive Stats	UN	AST	TOT	TFL	FR	FC	INT	SACK
1 Jacob Bautista	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-
2 Tim Ally	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
4 Mario Bautista	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
7 Moises Pina	-	2	2	-	-	1	-	-
8 Juan Salinas	4	4	8	-	1	-	1	-
10 Adrian Legaretta	1	4	5	-	-	-	-	-
12 Angel Carranza	4	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
14 Isaias Olmos	1	1	3	1	-	-	-	-
20 Josiah Dominguez	2	4	8	2	-	-	-	-
28 Tony Rodriguez	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
30 Alberth Arguelles	2	1	4	1	-	-	-	-
50 Jake Padilla	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
51 Juan Lara	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	-
53 Victor Puga	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
55 Mathew Dimas	-	6	6	-	-	-	-	-
59 Aaron Salinas	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
65 Jacob Rando	-	5	5	-	-	1	-	-
76 David Martinez	1	5	7	1	-	-	-	-

Yards allowed; Rushing 107, Passing 61, Total 168

District 1-3A Volleyball

Team	District	Overall
Denver City	3-0	12-5
Brownfield	2-1	14-2
Friona	2-1	5-8
Littlefield	2-1	6-6
Dimmitt	0-3	1-15
Lamesa	0-3	1-15

Division II - District 3-3A Football

Team	District	Overall
Friona	1-0	4-1
Highland Park	1-0	1-4
Spearman	1-0	5-0
Canadian	0-0	2-1
Childress	0-1	3-1
Dimmitt	0-1	0-5



OBITUARIES



Margaret Duggins

Margaret Duggins, 92, long-time Friona resident passed away into the arms of her Savior Thursday September 24, 2020 in Friona. Viewing was held from 1:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. with family visitation from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. Sunday, September 27, 2020 at HANSARD FAMILY'S Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel with Celebration of Life Memorial Services set for 1:00 P.M. Monday, September 28, 2020 at the Friona United Methodist Church with Rev. Skip Hodges, pastor, officiating. Arrangements by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.



She taught children's Sunday School classes, helped in Bible School, served on the Administrative Board and the Council on Ministry. She was a member of the Friendship Sunday school class.

Margaret was born in Griggs, Oklahoma to Julius and Minnie Cox on January 12, 1928. She graduated from Plainview High School in 1945. She went on to earn a Bachelor's degree in Business and minor in Home Economics from Panhandle State A & M College in Goodwell, Oklahoma in 1949. In 1957, she received a Master's degree in Education from West Texas State University. Margaret taught school for 36 years - two years in Straight, Oklahoma, 1 year in Beaver, Oklahoma, 3 years in Stratford, Texas and 30 years in her beloved home of Friona, Texas. She was selected as Teacher of the Year in 1976.

Margaret is preceded in death by her husband, Baker E. Duggins; her parents, Julius and Minnie Cox; a sister, Mildred Cox Sanders; brother-in-law, Clifford Sanders; and sister-in-law, Mary Jo Cox.

Margaret married the love of her life, Baker Duggins, on June 7, 1953 in Griggs, Oklahoma. They lived most of their married life in Friona, Texas where they raised two children and loved and served their community. Whether it was hosting various wedding and baby showers, taking meals (often her famous fried chicken) to grieving families, or simply being kind, she brought joy to all who knew her.

Margaret is survived by her son, Phillip Duggins of Galveston; a daughter, Sharla Carter and husband Tony Carter of Amarillo; a brother, Bill Cox of Stratford; a granddaughter, Abbey Snow and husband Cameron Snow of Lewisville; a granddaughter, Holly Lester and husband Mike Lester of Dallas; four great-grandchildren, Eve Snow, Livvi Lester, Ellie Snow, and Michael Baker Lester; as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Margaret joined the Methodist Church as a young child and remained an active member throughout her life.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The Friona United Methodist Church, 305 E. 8th St, Friona, TX 79035 or The Baker and Margaret Duggins Memorial Scholarship Fund, 909 E. 11th, Friona, TX 79035

You may send condolences to the family and sign the online guest book at: www.hansardfamily.com



Shirley Jean Gore

Shirley Jean Gore, 85, of Amarillo passed away September 13, 2020 at her home.

Celebration of life will be private. Arrangements are by Schooler Funeral Home.

Shirley is survived by her beloved husband Jimmie; 3 children; 5 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; 2 great great-grandchildren; sister, Elizabeth Gore of Friona; and

many nieces, nephews and in-laws.

She enjoyed travelling, gardening and roses but most of all watching her family grow and blossom to 5 generations.

Memorials will be gratefully accepted through Trinity United Methodist Church for the Shoe Box Ministry or Snack Pack for Kids.

Small Town Cookin'

Much was said about the good food that Margaret Duggins fixed for her family so I thought it would be nice to share a couple of the recipes she put in the Friona United Methodist Cookbook.

Coconut Buttermilk Pie

By Margaret Duggins

- 1 ¾ sticks oleo
- 6 eggs
- 3 cups sugar
- ¼ cup flour
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 cup coconut
- 2 unbaked pie crusts

Blend first six ingredients thoroughly. Then add 1 cup coconut. Pour into two unbaked pie crust at 350°F for 1 hour. Makes 2 pies.

Chicken Ala Can

By Margaret Duggins

- 2 small cans of chicken or more
- 1 can cream of chicken
- 1 can cream of celery
- 1 can minute rice
- 1 can water
- 2 Tbls. Green chilies or more
- 1 can fried onion rings
- Cheese, any amount desired

Mix and heat the six ingredients on top of stove. Add ½ can onion rings and ½ cheese. Pour into a baking dish. Bake at 350°F for 15 - 30 minutes. The last ten minutes put other ½ of onion rings and cheese on top.

**Margaret noted with her recipe in the cookbook that Lesta Lee Neill shared this recipe with her when they taught school together.*

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Friona School Calendar for October 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 *No School	3 -Cross Country in Canyon -Squaws vs. Littlefield 11:00
4	5 -JH Volleyball @ Denver City 5:00	6 -Squaws @ Brownfield 5:00	7	8 -JV Football @ Tulia 5:00 -Freshman Football @ Bovina 5:00 -JH Football vs. Tulia 5:00	9 -Chieftains vs. Tulia 7:00	10 -Cross Country Lubbock Invitational -Squaws vs. Denver City 11:00
11	12 -JH Volleyball vs. Lamesa 4:00	13 -Squaws vs. Dimmitt 5:00 -Picture Day for Jr. High	14	15 -Picture Day for Primary -JV Football vs. Childress 6:30 -JH Football @ Childress 5:00	16 -Early Release -Chieftains @ Childress 7:00	17 -Cross Country Rebel Run Amarillo -Squaws @ Lamesa 11:00
18	19 -Teacher Work Day/No School for Students -JH Volleyball @ Littlefield 5:00 -FISD Board Meeting 7:00	20 -Squaws @ Littlefield 5:00 -Picture Day for Elementary	21 -Picture Day for High School -District Cross Country @ Lubbock	22 -JV Football @ Canadian 6:00 -JH Football vs. Canadian 5:00	23 -Parent Teacher Conference for Primary/Elementary -Chieftains vs. Canadian 7:00	24 -Squaws @ Denver City 11:00
25	26 -JH Volleyball vs. Brownfield 5:00	27	28 ---Red Ribbon Week---	29	30 -Early Release -Chieftains @ Spearman 7:00	31

Paula's Walk Thru Exhibit



Tamela Bandy did the machine embroidery for the labels for the throws.



Paula with her lovely arrangement as she greeted guests.



Paula's Quilt Closet

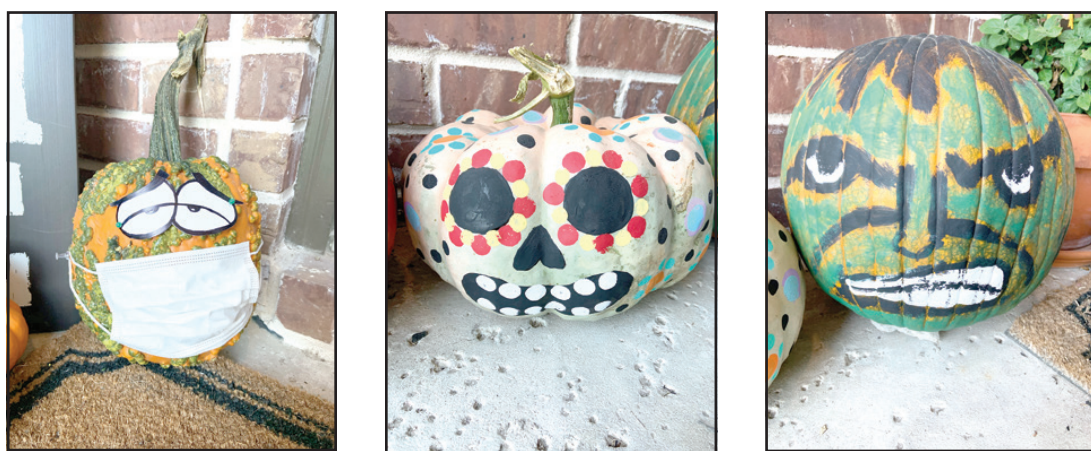


Darla Bracken, Melba Smiley, Charlotte Ratcliff, Paula Fairchild, Monica Bermea, Lawana Houlette Moore...a few of the 56 visitors to the "Walk Thru Exhibit" held last Thursday at Paula's home.




Paula with one of the 11 throws made from 40 of her husband, Butch's shirts. Monica machine quilted each of the throws with unique designs.

From Floydada to Frisco



Andrea (Geris) King texted these photos from the King family pumpkin decorating festival at her home in Frisco. While visiting with the local pumpkin vendor, she found out that the orange wonders came from Floydada. Known as the Pumpkin Capital of Texas, Floydada produces 1800 acres of pumpkins annually. Floyd County loves pumpkins so much, its residents established an annual celebration of the festive fruit. On the second Saturday of October, Floydada kicks off its Punkin Days festival. The town has been celebrating Punkin Days for over 30 years. Andrea is the daughter of Randy & Sarah Geris and the niece of the Friena Star editor.





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All donations* will be tested** for COVID-19 antibodies to identify potential convalescent plasma donors. Appointment needed to participate. Masks required for all donors. *Donors ages 16 or 17-years old need parental consent to be screened for COVID-19 antibodies and are not eligible to donate convalescent plasma. **This test has not been FDA cleared or approved. It has been authorized by the FDA under an EUA (Emergency Use Authorization) for use by authorized laboratories. The test has been authorized only for the detection of the IgG antibody against SARS-CoV-2, not for any other viruses or pathogens. Blood drives will be managed according to CDC safety recommendations. Test results will be made available post-donation.

All donors receive a Vein Drain t-shirt* and one free ticket to 6th Street Massacre Haunted House.**

**Pending opening under COVID conditions, escape room pass may be substituted.

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*While supplies last. Photo ID required.