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\$1.00



Friona Blood Drive is November 5th

The Friona Noon Lions Club is sponsoring a Friona Community Blood Drive on Thursday, November 9th from Noon until 7:00 p.m. in the Calvary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 1500 Cleveland. Donors will receive a t-shirt, face mask, Whataburger coupon, and Cinergy movie pass!

To schedule an appointment, call 1-806-331-8833 or visit yourbloodinstitute.org. Appointments are preferred, walk-ins accepted, and masks required. All donations will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies to identify potential plasma donors.

Hi-Pro supports the Chiefs and Squaws and Fighting for a Cure!!!



Volleyball Playoffs Football Playoffs

GO BIG RED!

Regional Cross Country Meet Regional Marching Band Contest



"Frio" the Longhorn has been in the ACME Body Shop in Amarillo the past few months undergoing needed repairs. You can see some of the work done on the horns in these before and after photos. "Frio" should be returning in



Production Efficiency in U.S. Dairy Farming

Jennifer A. Spencer, Ph.D. and Juan Piñeiro, DVM, Ph.D. **Extension Dairy Specialists - Department of Animal Sciences** Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service - The Texas A&M University System

Over the last 60 years, dairy farming has shown a tremendous improvement in production efficiency - producing more milk with less resources - along with consolidation of the industry. From 1940 to 2019, the U.S. milk production had a two-fold increase while milk cow inventory decreased by 60% (from over 21 million to roughly 9.3 million cows; Figure $1)^{1,2,3}$. Consequently, waste outputs and use of resources were reduced. This article will cover how production efficiency in dairy farming has made it more sustainable.

Sustainability was defined by the U.N. World Commission on Environment and Development report (1987) as "meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs." The remarkable increase in milk production per cow in the U.S. during the last six decades allowed us to produce more milk with less feedstuff and water while reducing cattle waste. This is explained by the "dilution of maintenance" effect: as milk

production per cow increases, cows use proportionally more nutrients for milk production and less for maintenance requirement4.

The increased production efficiency in dairy farming is noticeable when assessing the five-fold increase in milk production per cow that occurred from 1944 to 2019^{2,5}. As a result, modern dairy farms require less resources and have reduced waste outputs per pound of milk produced compared with farms in 1944. In fact, by 2007, it required 79% less cows, 77% less feedstuffs, 65% less water, and 90% less land to produce a billion pounds of milk compared to dairy farming in 19444. Furthermore, waste outputs to produce a billion pounds of milk were reduced. Modern dairy farms produce 76% less manure and emit 57% less methane and 44% less nitrous oxide (greenhouse gases) compared with dairies in 19445. This progress was a result of advances in genetic selection, nutrition, reproduction and management practices adopted by dairy farmers to maximize production efficiency.

In addition, a noticeable consolidation in the U.S. dairy industry has been occurring for over a century; it is characterized by fewer farms with milk cows and increased herd size. In 1910, over 5.1 million farms (81% of U.S. farms) reported having milk cows with an average herd size between three to four milk cows (mostly for personal consumption)1. By 1977, farms with milk cows decreased to 333,620, and by 2017, there were 54,599 dairy farms with an average herd size of 175 cows⁶ (Figure 2).

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Parmer County

COVID-19 stats

as of October 27

a few weeks and there will be a "Welcome Home" event at the park.

TEXAS **Health and Human**

Active Cases 125

Total Cases

579

Recoveries

436

18

Fatalities

Commissioners approve overpass at Cargill

The Parmer County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, October 26, 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. All commissioners were present. Guests who attended the meeting included: Katie Smith, Cargill Government Affairs; Casey Conrad, Cargill plant manager, Nik Baucom, City of Friona EMS Director, Kylan Francis, TXDOT, and Steve Perez, TXDOT Area Engineer. Steve is finishing his 40th year with TXDOT. Katie Smith, Casey Conrad, & Nic Baucom spoke in favor of the proposed bridge project during the open forum portion of the meeting.

Commissioners discussed the proposed overpass at the Cargill plant outside of Friona. After deliberation, the Court voted 4-1 to approve the project. Voting "yes" were Judge Trey Ellis, Precinct 1 Commissioner Kirk Frye, Precinct 3 Commissioner Kenny White, and Precinct 4 Commissioner Casey Russell. Voting "no" was Precinct 2 Commissioner Charles Wilkins. Cargill and TXDOT will each pay half of the \$21 million dollar project. Cargill will also reimburse Parmer County for \$75,600 which is the county's portion of the expenses incurred to update the right-ofways for the project.

Minutes from the October 13th meeting were read and approved. Commissioners approved the payment of the accounts payables as presented by County Treasurer Sharon May. The Treasurer's Report and Quarterly Report were also approved. Also approved was the Net Data Hosting & Service Level Agreement, and the District Attorney Forteiture Report. Commissioners approved Contingency Fund Transfers which included \$50,000 to each of the four precincts and \$70,000 to the General Fund.

Sheriff Randy Geries reported that there were currently 23 inmates in the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center. Sheriff Geries also informed the Court that a new screening device that

detects the presence of metals also functions as a temperature tester. This dual function makes it ideal for the jail and for screening participants taking part in proceedings in the courthouse. Commissioners approved the purchase of two devices at \$9,500 each. Grant money will be used to reimburse the county.

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, November 9th.

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.



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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 Oct-Nov 29-4









E 10-15







WSW 10-20

Precipitation October 0.38 Year

9.09

Burn Ban:

We continue to face the CO-

VID-19 pandemic. As of Sep-

tember 24th, there have been

451 total cases reported in Par-

mer County. It is realistic that

each one of us have sat across from, visited with or have been

in the same room with some-

one that was infected with CO-VID-19. The one positive thing

is that we currently have 34 ac-

tive cases, which is much low-

er than the 80-90 active cases

we averaged 3 months ago. We

are trending in the right direc-

by Ricky White

Community Calendar

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

October 31

• Halloween Trunk or Treat @ PMC parking lot

November 1

• St. Ann's Turkey Dinner in Bovina from 11:30 a.m. till 2:00 p.m.

November 2

• Friona Noon Lions Club Meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen

November 3

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

November 11

Veteran's Day

November 16

• Friona Noon Lions Club Meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen

November 17

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

November 26 Thanksgiving

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

COVID-19 News

Coronavirus cases confirmed

As of October 28, 2020

Texas:

924,000 cases

18,155 deaths

United States:

8,850,000 cases 227,000 deaths

Worldwide:

44,000,000 cases 1,170,000 deaths 29,800,000 recoveries

Friona sports are on the Air!!!

You can listen to Friona football and volleyball on KGRW 94.7 Kickin' Country and online at network-1sports.com/station/ kgrw.

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 playoff games.





Mayor's Minutes

includes additional costs re-

lated to building renovations,

matching costs for upcoming

grants and increased insur-

ance costs. I want to thank City

Manager, Lee Davila and en-

tire City Council for their work

setting the City's budget for

2020-2021. Additionally, the

City's tax rate for 2020-2021

will stay at the current rate of

\$0.6894 on each one hundred

dollars valuation of property.

To give you some perspec-

tive, the tax rate in 2013 was

\$0.8250 per hundred dollars

valuation of property. You can

see the tax rate has steadily de-

clined since that time. The City

Council has done a great job

minimizing the taxes you pay

each year while still providing

The city will continue to

evaluate properties to ensure

city ordinances are being met.

Judge Campbell has done

a great job driving around

identifying such properties,

as well as concerned citizens

calling who contact us about

properties in their neighbor-

hood, harborage in the yards,

and other eye-sores. The city

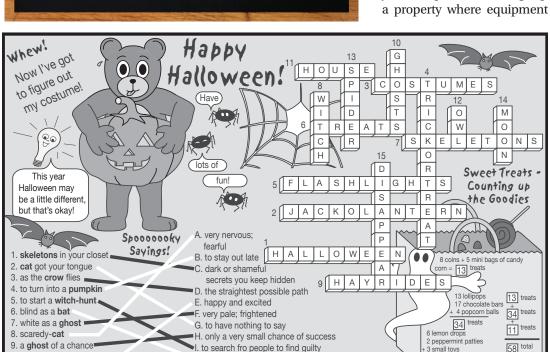
just completed cleaning up

exceptional city services.

tion. I encourage everyone to continue to wear a mask in public places, social distance, wash and sanitize your hands often, and stay home if you

The City Council approved the new city budget for fiscal year 2020-2021. Total proposed expenditures of \$4,562,501. Compared to last year's budget, this is an increase of \$215,519. The majority of this cost is contained within the General Fund and





was brought in and all harborage removed from the yard. The task is time consuming. We have to first notify the property owner and give them ample time to get it cleaned up. If the matter is addressed by the property owner, a 2nd notification and more ample time to get cleaned up. If the owner still does not comply, then the city can implement cleanup at the property owner's cost. Currently, there are more properties being addressed. The city council will consid-

er options to repair the street damage to West 8th Street behind the west Allsup's. We are having an issue with truck drivers entering the Allsup's parking lot via our city streets; disregarding our "Truck Traffic and Parking Prohibited on City Streets" sign. This is causing damage and erosion to West 8th Street. This has been an ongoing issue since December 12, 2018 with no resolution to this matter. (This has also been an issue with residents living behind Allsup's, with truck drivers missing the turn, causing them to drive through city streets, having to circle back around to Allsup's). This is not acceptable and measures are being taken to address this issue.

The city and EMS would like to thank Dr. Jubay for the many years of service he has provided as the Medical Director for Friona EMS. His service to the city has been well served and appreciated. He has done a great job. The new Medical Director will be Dr. Donald Klinger. He currently works as a physician in Dimmitt at the ER facility. He has been in practice for 20 years. We would like to welcome Dr. Klinger and look forward to his service as the Medical Director for Friona EMS.

Your Mayor

Milk House Market

Wedding Registry

Adelyn & Galen Clark Maegan Davis & John O'Brian Anna Murphree & Jeff Chambliss



10. like a kid in a candy store

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Farmhouse to Your House

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CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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ACROSS

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- You Baby" 9 old school "flu"
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- 16 ices beverages before the picnic
- 18 TXism: "he'd have to study half wit" (stupid)
- 20 Catina in Robbins' song "El Paso"
- 22 scoundrels
- 27 large coffee makers 28 odorless, colorless
- flammable gas 29 attempt to overturn a legal verdict
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- 32 TX George W's home for 8 yrs.
- 33 TXism: "make hay while the ' (work)
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TV show: "___ Haw'

- 38 TXism: "
- 39 UT's Sanya Richards in 400m

- 42 cause to be loved
- 45 TX cowboy transport
- Seymour
- "Farm _
- 29 33 for it' 49 seat of Dallam County 52 TXism: "about as clear

River mud" (unclear)

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- Billy the Kid 4 TXism: "as far as
- _ cold morning"
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 - horse trading" 44 he played Guy Bannister in film "JFK" (2 wds.)
 - 50 this famed Green owned Texas Midland Railroad 51 Azle News notice

Ivv Cottage Bridal Registry

Adelyn & Galen Clark Anna Murphree & Jeff Chambliss Maegan Davis & John O'Brian

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ON YOUR PAYROLL

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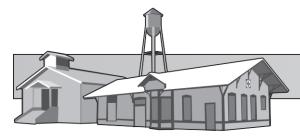
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National Days

October 29 — Cat Day

October 30 — Candy Corn Day

October 31 — Halloween

November 1 — Calzone Day

November 2 — Traffic Director's Day

November 3 — Housewife's Day

November 4 — Candy Day

The Friona Band Boosters would like to thank everyone who stopped by and bought a brisket sandwich last week. The turnout was great, and we appreciate all the support. We also want to thank the Friona Vocational Agriculture Association for cooking the

delicious brisket, Lowe's for donating the hamburger buns, and First National Bank of Hereford for donating the water.

The FHS Band will compete in the UIL Region 1 Marching Contest this Saturday, October 31st, The

Friona Flashbacks

band is scheduled to perform at 3:30 p.m. at Dick Bivins Stadium in Amarillo, Texas.

This year's "Trunk or Treat" event hosted by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office will take place on Halloween from 7:00 p.m.

till 8:30 p.m. in the Parmer Medical Center's parking lot. There will be a "Best COVID-19 Mask" contest, a helicopter landing, and other events. Safety measures will be implemented to help keep everyone safe. Go to the Parmer County Sheriff's Facebook page for more information.

*** Prairie Acres & Friona Heritage Estates will be handing out candy on the lawn beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Halloween day.

Parents are encouraged not to take kids door-todoor this year to gather Halloween treats because of the COVID-19 pandemic. ***

Your welcome! Put a story about La Niña and the drought on the front page of the paper and boom!, a snowstorm. It was great to finally get some moisture.

Quite a few connections between Friona and Canadian and last week's footbal game. Hayden Merket is the offensive coordinator and Jeff Isom is an assistant coach at Canadian. They are former Friona residents and coaches at FHS. Reagan Cochran caught two touchdown passes for Canadian. He is the son of Shannon & Vickie Cochran. Shannon is a FHS graduate and Vickie is a former Friona coach. Good luck in the playoffs!!!

A-1 Service Center is changing hands.

Everyone is invited to a **Customer Appreciation** Open House BBQ at A-1 **Thursday, November 5** 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



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

(10/21/20) Isaias Sotelo Murillo, 45, of Texico, New Mexico was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on a Dallam County warrant, pending transport.



Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from October 15, 2020 to October 21, 2020

(10/15/20) Ronald G. Ray, Toni G. Ray — Ronald G. Ray, Toni G. Ray, Ray Family Trust — 159.95 ac out of the Capitol Leagues 566 and 587 more particularly in 159.95 ac of the e 1/2 of Sec 14 Township 14 S R 3 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer

(10/15/20) Ronald G. Ray, Toni G. Ray — Ronald G. Ray, Toni G. Ray, Ray Family Trust — A tract of land known as the N 180 ac of Sec 40 Doud and Keefer Subdiv in Parmer County Vol 6

(10/15/20) Ronald G. Ray, Toni G. Ray — Ronald G. Ray, Toni G. Ray, Ray Family Trust — Vol 120 llPg 145 the SW/4 of Sec 5 Township 15 S 2 E Capitol Syndicate in Parmer County and all of the NE/4 of Sec 1 B Z W.D. And F.W. Johnson Subdiv in Parmer County

(10/15/20) Ronald G. Ray, Toni G. Ray — Ronald G. Ray, Toni G. Ray, Ray Family Trust — The N/2 of Sec 35 Township 9 S R 1 E of Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County Vol 145 and Pg 81 and the SW/4 of Sec 35 Township 9 S R 1 E of a Capitol Syndicate and all of the SE/4 of Sec 35 Township 9 S R 1 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County

(10/15/20) Mrtn Inc. — Tyler Rental LLC — All of that 193 x 250 tract of land out of the N 127.5 ac of Survey No 1 and Township 3 S R 3 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County and all of that 1.022 tract out of the part of the NW 1/4 of Sec 1 Township 3 S R 3 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County and a 2.167 ac tract out of the part of the 65.46 ac tract out of the NW 1/4 of Sec 1 Township 3 S R 3 E of a Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County

(10/16/20) Joe Mendez, Ortecia Mendez — Fernando Chavez-Gomez — Lots 23 and 24 b 34 Original Town of Friona in Parmer County

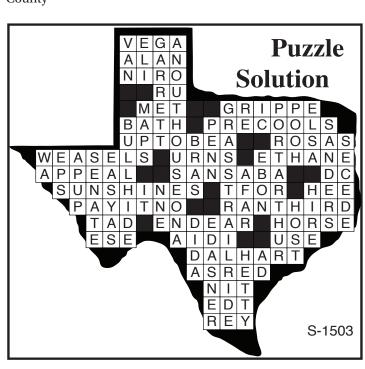
(10/16/20) Jinee Parr — Robert Clinton Hurst Jr., Shannon Moore Hurst — The two tracts of land in Sec 11 Harrah Subdiv in Parmer County

(10/19/20) Jose Guadalupe Cruz Jr. — Ricardo Cruz — All of L 1 B 99 Original Town of Bovina in Parmer County

(10/21/20) Jo Dean Neel — Estate of Gene Paul Jarman — All of Grantors undivided interest in and to approx 3 ac of land contained within the following tract of land and a tract of land in SE quarter of Sec 37 Doud and Keefer Subdiv in Parmer County

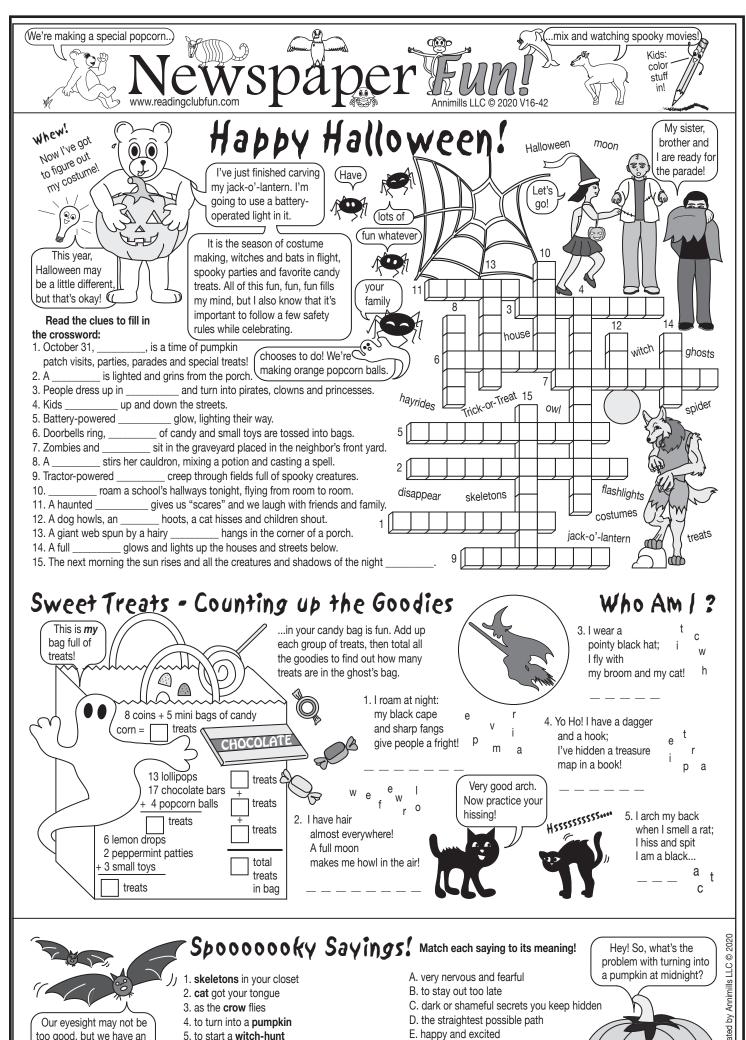
(10/21/20) Coralynne H. Jarman, Estate of Gene Paul Jarman Jack Edward Pecos Prather — A tract of land in the SE quarter of Sec 37 Doud and Keefer Subdiv in Parmer County

(10/21/20) Landon Meeks, Kalee Meeks — Whisper M. Farms Inc. — All of SE/4 of Sec 1 B A Rhea Brother Subdiv in Parmer County 160.25 Ac of land and all of SW/4 of Sec 1 B A Rhea Brothers Subdiv in Parmer County and the NW/4 of Sec 1 B A Rhea Brothers Subdiv in Parmer County and the NE/4 and the E 37 ac of the NW/4 of Sec 1 B A Rhea Brothers Subdiv in Parmer County





The elementary cafeteria ladies dressed as salt, pepper, ketchup, mustard, and salsa as they served the kids on Halloween. the fun bunch is, standing (lr) Magdalena Vega, MaLuisa Rojas, Concepcion Vazquez, Flora Reyes, Trini Arias, Margarita Garcia, Yudith Grado, Aida Mendoza, and Laura Romero; kneeling (I-r) Marisela Padilla, Marina Fuentes, and Lucy Castillo. Ron Carr photo. (Friona Star, November 1, 2007



F. very pale; frightened

G. to have nothing to say

J. not able to see very well

H. only a very small chance of success

I. to search for people to find guilty

5. to start a witch-hunt

6. blind as a bat

8. scaredy-cat

7. white as a ghost

9 a **ghost** of a chance

10. like a kid in a candy store

too good, but we have an

This means that we make

returning echoes. We can

find anything in the dark!

echolocation system.

sounds and "listen" for

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is online at frionaonline.com

Book Shoppe News

The Friona Friends of the Library Book Shoppe will continue to honor winter hours, Wednesday afternoons 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., whenever possible. However, with colder temperatures and increased COVID-19 precautions, customers should always check before making a trip to the book shop. You can call the library 250-3200, the book shop manager 265-5811, or look at Facebook - Friona Friends of the Library Book Shoppe for cancellations or changes. As always, you are encouraged to schedule a private appointment if you have out of town guests who want to shop, can't visit during regular hours, or need a more private setting due to health concerns. The book shop is located at 119 West 6th and sells good quality used books for one dollar a bag.

Gas prices remain steady

By GasBuddy

Texas gas prices are unchanged in the past week, averaging \$1.85 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations. Gas prices in Texas are 1.3 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 42.1 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$1.47 while the most expensive is \$2.69 per gallon. The national average price of gasoline is unchanged in the

last week, averaging \$2.14 per gallon. The national average is down 4.2 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 45.5 cents per gallon lower than a year ago.

"Gas price trends continue to be typical for this time of year, easing slightly in most places as demand continues its slow seasonal drop, with potential enhancement from the recent surge in new coronavirus cases," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. "More stations are falling back un-

der \$2 per gallon, in fact the highest amount of stations since May are now under that level, and I do believe that trend will continue at least for now as improvement in the coronavirus situation remains elusive. There may be minor disruption in price and localized supply challenges as Tropical Storm Zeta again takes aim for the Gulf Coast, but like we've seen with Laura, Sally and Delta, these issues have been very minor compared to a normal

year due to the reduction in our gasoline appetite."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for stationlevel data spanning nearly 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

Medicare Open Enrollment is Prime Time for FRAUD

By Texas Senior Medicare Patrol

It's that time of year again. Open enrollment for Medicare Part D and Medicare Advantage plans starts October 15 and runs through December 7.

It is so important that you review your Medicare Part D plans and your Medicare Advantage plans (if you have one) every year. Plans change and you want to make sure your prescriptions and doctors (for Advantage Plans) are still in your network.

The changes you can make during Medicare's Open Enrollment include:

- Joining a new Medicare Advantage Plan or Part D prescription drug plan
- Switching from Original Medicare to a Medicare Advantage Plan
- · Switching from a Medicare Advantage Plan to Original Medicare (with or without a Part D plan)

You should always shop for a new drug plan and Medicare Advantage plan each year to ensure you are getting the best coverage for the best price to suit your needs. You can shop and compare plans at www.medicare.gov. Get a family member to help if you don't use the Internet or call the State Health Insurance Assistance Program at 800-252-9240 and speak to a qualified Benefits Counselor.

Medicare Part D Enrollment Scams to look out for:

· Medicare or a health plan calls and wants to send you a new health card for

- You receive a call about a refund from last year's premiums or your drug plan
- An agent tries to sign you up for plan that you don't need, isn't right for you, or doesn't even exist.
- Watch out for fake RX cards offering big discounts with little or no benefits.
- · You receive a call offering big discounts on a new health insurance plan.

Agent/Broker Prohibited Behaviors

- Agents may not state they are from Medicare or use the term "Medicare" in a misleading manner.
- Cannot solicit potential enrollees door-to-door (in person or via leaflet/ flyer).
- Cannot approach beneficiaries in common areas (i.e. parking lots, hallways, lobbies, sidewalks).
- Agents cannot send unsolicited text messages and leave voicemail messages. However, agents may call or visit beneficiaries who attended a marketing or sales event when prior permission is given and documented.
- Cannot ask beneficiaries for a referral list (list of friends or family who may be interested in plan).
- Calls to prospective enrollees to confirm receipt of mailed information.
- To learn more: contact the Texas SMP. Tips on how to Stop Fraud During

Open Enrollment

- Medicare will never call or visit. Medicare will only send information via postal mail service.
- Guard your Medicare card and number like a credit card.
- Don't give out your Medicare number except to your doctor or other pro-
- Don't let someone push you into making a fast decision.
- If you receive a call, especially from a number you do not recognize or anyone requesting personal information hang up immediately.
- Know your health care options. Get help from your family, the Medicare website or your local State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP).
- No health care plan is allowed to cold

If you have any questions or want to report a scam please doesn't hesitate to call us at the Senior Medicare Patrol at 713-341-6184 or 888-341-6187.

If you would like a presentation to your organization or community via Zoom or WebEx, please contact the Texas Senior Medicare Patrol. The Senior Medicare Patrol of Texas (SMP) is part of the national Senior Medicare Patrol Program funded by the Administration for Community Living. The Houston Better Business Bureau Education Foundation is the holder of the grant for the State of Texas.

Happy Birthday Friona Folks!

Oct. 29

Ron Davenport Monique Tamez Linda Welch

Oct. 30

Don Paul Spring, Jr. Clay Bandy Scott Lillard **Eric Shields** Melanie Blackwell Hunter Wren Camila Hernandez

Oct. 31

Martha Barker Roy Don Rector Roy Lee Appling Wessie Hand Lauren Hughs Robbie Barrett Jaxon Wright Al Kerby

Nov. 1

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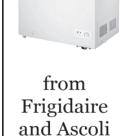




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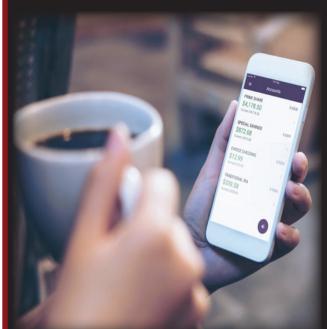
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Seeds The Series (Harvest Time!) pt. 4

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

Fall is fast approaching and the garden is sensing the urgency of finishing their purpose before frost. The mighty corn plant, although still towering now bears the weight of the future as the story is told to each little kernel on the cob that grows at its mid-section. "Remember the story, little seeds," says the corn

Soon many of the plants having realized their purpose begin to die, leaving the future of the story in the hands of little seeds that will begin the journey back to the ground and the cycle continues. But, oh what a harvest it has been with the help of

the gardener all the plants fulfilled their purpose and so hope continues and life anew is stored in the seeds to be planted next year.

In our Christian walk we will have good days and some not so good while others will be awful. Yet we remain faithful trusting God's plan and as we mature we see the urgency to share the story. The story of Jesus and the hope of salvation, redemption and life eternal, gives us the strength to carry on when all else seems to fail us. We have chosen a path less traveled. It is a path that dispels darkness and uses His Light as our guide. Just as life is a cycle for

the garden plant so it is for us and for a time we live in His truth and learn that the story must be shared that the seed of the gospel may find a soul in need who is willing to risk it all to join the story.

As time moves forward we face death not as an end but a corridor to a new life. A life where darkness never dwells, joy abounds and reunions with those faithful who have gone on before are real. So whether you are in the spring of your spiritual walk or nearing the end of this life's journey remember, harvest time is sweet and "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." (Psalm 116:15)



Obituaries



Adriel Vazquez

Adriel Vazquez, infant son of Jose Angel Vazquez and Sabrina Vargas, passed away October 22, 2020 in Hereford. A Love and Cherished Service will be held 2:00 P.M. Thursday, October 29, 2020 in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY with Rev. Brett Hoyle, officiating. Burial following in the Friona Cemetery by HANSARD

The family of Michael Leal will celebrate his life of 58 years at 11:00 am on Thursday, October 29, 2020, at Southcrest Baptist Church with burial following at Ralls Cemetery at 1:30 pm. The family will host a time of fellowship and remembrance from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Wednesday, October 28, 2020, at Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers. Michael passed on Saturday, October 24, 2020. In support of the health of his family, face coverings are mandatory while attending the visitation and service. The service will be live-streamed www.memorialdesigners.net, where you are encouraged to sign the virtual guestbook and share memories and expressions of sym-

Michael was born on No-

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Friona.

Adriel is preceded in death by a brother Joe Angel Vazquez.

Those that cherished Adriel include his parents, of Friona, 1 brother Cameron Vargas and 1 sister-Kaymbree Rose Vazquez, grandparents Refugio and Ida Vazquez of Friona, **Acension Vargas of Dimmitt**

and Geneva Torres of Friona, and great-grandmother-Sandy Vargas of Dimmitt.

Youmaysendcondolences to the family and sign the online guest book at: www. hansardfamily.com



Michael Leal



vember 15, 1961, to Seferino and Bernadina Leal in Dimmitt, Texas.

On July 25, 1992, he married Nancy Langdon at the Garden and Arts Center, Lubbock, Texas. Michael was employed at University Medical Center for 23 years, where he was loved by so many. His many ventures around the hospital brought lots of smiles and

"Hey Mike" greetings. Michael's great loves were his wife, children, baseball, and anything that went fast, including lawnmowers and dirt bikes. He was known by many names: Michael, Mike, Leal, Dad, Babe, Son, Brother, Brother-in-Law, Tio, and Uncle Michael. He loved them all and cherished the relationships that came with those names.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy Leal; their children, Morgan Leal, Avery Leal, Asher Leal; father, Seferino Leal; mother, Bernadina Sprowls; siblings, Seferino Leal, Sally Sifuentes, Sandra Guynes and husband, Gary.

The family of Michael Leal has designated Children's Miracle Network at University Medical Center for memorial contributions donated in his memory.

Abortion and Repentance

By Teena Hughs

With the nomination of Amy Coney Barrett to the Supreme Court, we have found that some people are worried that abortion will no longer be legal, and the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) will be found unconstitutional and done away with.

It was 1986 when I started hearing about abortion and paying any attention to it. That fall, I was going through a dark season of life, and I sadly remember thinking that abortion was a pretty good option to bringing a baby into this horrible, terrible, cruel world. Today, I do not believe in abortion for any reason whatsoever.

So, what caused the radical change in my beliefs about abortion? Well, number one, I became a Christian, and through the study of God's Word, I know we are all created by God, in His image (Genesis 1:27), and we are created for God's plan and purpose. Ephesians 2:10 says, "For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so that we can do the good things He planned for us long ago."

Even in the cases of rape and incest, I don't believe in abortion. If God allows a baby to be conceived, He has a reason and a purpose for creating that baby. Yes, incest and rape are two of the most HORRIBLE things a woman can experience, but I don't believe it is right to kill the baby.

And, that is exactly what abortion is: killing, murder, the forced death of an innocent person that is alive and growing, from conception.

I heard Abby Johnson speak at the Republican Convention. She used to work for Planned Parenthood, and she contributed to 20,000+ abortions. One day, she got to watch what happens during an abortion, and it changed her thinking. She gave me the creeps when she described the baby trying to get away from the suction that would tear the baby away from its mother.

I admit, I am not a fan of

Planned Parenthood. I have been told they make most of their money from abortions, and the federal government. What I fear most is that they do not prepare a woman for the mental, emotional, psychological after-effects of having an abortion. I have known several women who have had abortions, and each one regrets it. Even though God forgives them for having an abortion, my friends cannot forgive themselves for what they did. I feel so sorry for them. The wonderful thing is, they will be reunited with their baby some day, all because we have a loving, gracious God.

After Barrett's confirmation and swearing in last night, I saw a video on Facebook by Jack Hibbs. I know nothing about Jack Hibbs, but he opined that getting Barrett on the Supreme Court is "fruit of repentance." I hope he is right, because that means we are turning away from abortion and back to God and life!

In another video, Dr. Kynan Bridges was talking about true repentance. He said true repentance is when we focus on God and our relationship with Him, not man. We re-establish ourselves in the will and plan God has for our lives.

We all make mistakes. My thinking about abortion was totally wrong and a huge mistake on my part. Thanks be to God for the opportunity for true repentance; what a wonderful gift from God!!! May we go forward, returning our country to God and fulfilling His plan and purpose.

October 29—GO VOTE!

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Our democratic republic depends upon the participation of citizens in electing leaders to represent them. Although such an idea of government would be foreign to most of our ancestors through history, we have grown complacent and apathetic toward the reality that we are able to be the masters of our own fate in regards to who we elect to represent and lead us in government. Sadly, many Christians will be tempted not to vote, tending to throw out the baby with the bathwater, abdicating one of the most important re-

sponsibilities of their freedom. When you vote, you are speaking out in regards to your views, and you are affirming what ideals should or should not guide our country. One vital aspect in the voting process is to remember that you are not simply voting for a candidate, but you are voting for the ideas that guide and drive the candidate. Political parties are significant in this regard because they are identifiers regarding what a person believes. Ideas have consequences for an individual and a nation, and choices

made at the ballot box have tremendous consequences. Is the candidate for abortion or against it, for biblical marriage or against it, or do they hide their ideas in the shadows only to reveal them later at a more convenient time? Proverbs 14:34 says, "Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." As you go vote, vote for candidates that stand for righteousness in alignment with God's Word and not those who rest on their own ideas that are contrary to God's word and

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

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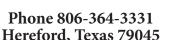


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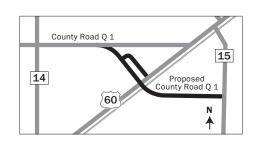
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TxDOT cordially invites you to attend a virtual public meeting regarding the proposed US 60 Bridge Project.

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TxDOT will host a live virtual public meeting at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020. To log into the virtual public meeting, visit TxDOT.gov and keyword search "US 60 Bridge Project" for instructions. The login process will record your name and email address for the official record. Members of the public who do not have internet access or wish to participate by phone can call (415) 655-0003, access code: 172 525 9208. After the presentation, the public will have the opportunity to ask questions regarding the project. The public may view a recording of the presentation and other project materials on the meeting web page until Friday, Dec. 4, 2020. If you do not have internet access, you may call Kylan Francis, P.E., Director of Transportation Planning and Development (TP&D), (806) 748-4490 to ask questions and access project materials during the project development process.

Your Input is Requested

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Email: Kylan.Francis@txdot.gov

Mail: Kylan Francis, P.E., Director TP&D, 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, TX 79404

The virtual public meeting will be conducted in English. An interpreter or document translator will be provided to you if English is not your primary language or you have difficulty communicating effectively in English. If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. If you need interpretation or translation services or you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation to attend and participate in virtual public meeting, please contact Dianah Ascencio, TxDOT Lubbock District Public Information Officer, at (806) 748-4472 no later than 4 p.m. CT, Nov. 16, 2020. Please be aware that advance notice is required as some services and accommodations may require time for TxDOT to arrange.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated Dec. 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT.

CSJ: 0168-02-032

Small Town Cookin'

Left over Halloween Candy

I came across these recipes online and thought they looked like a fun way to use up any candy you have left over.

Candy Bar Blondies

sallysbakingaddiction.com

Ingredients

- 1 cup (125g) all-purpose flour (spoon & leveled)
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/8 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup (200g) packed light brown sugar
- 1/3 cup (75g) unsalted butter, melted
- 1 Tablespoon pure vanilla extract
- 1 large egg
- 1 and 1/2 cups assorted candy bars, chopped (I used Milky Way Midnight, Twix, Snickers, and Butterfinger)

Instructions

Preheat oven to 350°F (177°C). Line an 8-inch baking pan with aluminum foil, leaving an overhang on the sides to lift the finished blondies out. (Or spray generously with nonstick spray.) Mix flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt. Set aside. In a separate bowl, whisk the melted butter, brown sugar, and vanilla together until combined. Add egg and mix well. Slowly add in the dry ingredients and stir together until *just* combined. Fold in the chopped candy bars. The batter will be very thick. Spread evenly into prepared baking pan. Bake for 24-26 minutes or until lightly browned on top. Remove from the oven and allow to cool completely before cutting into squares. Blondies stay fresh covered at room temperature for up to 1 week.

Snickers Salad

Tasteandtellblog.com

Ingredients

- 1 (3.4 oz) package instant vanilla pudding
- 1 cup milk
- 1 (8 oz) container Cool Whip
- 5 apples, chopped
- 5 full size Snickers bars, chopped 1/2 cup grapes, cut in half
- 1/2 cup sliced strawberries

Instructions Combine the pudding mix and milk in a large bowl. Fold in the whipped topping. Add the apples, Snickers, grapes, and strawberries to the bowl and stir to combine. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

Gummy Bear Thumbprint Cookies

abeautifulmess.com

Ingredients

1/2 cup butter, softened 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract 1/4 cup brown sugar 1 cup flour 1 egg yolk 1/8 teaspoon salt

10 gummy bears (plus

more for snacking)

Cream together the butter and sugar. Stir in the egg yolk and extract. Then stir in the flour and salt until well-combined and crumbly. Cover and place the dough in the freezer for ten minutes. Shape the dough in to twenty small balls. Place them on a baking sheet covered with parchment paper. Use your thumb to press a swallow bowl into each cookie. Or, if you're totally cliche like me, create indented heart shapes in each. Bake at 350°F for 8-9 minutes. While these bake, cut the gummy bears into four pieces each. You'll need two pieces (half a gummy bear) per cookie. Once these are partially baked, place the gummy bear bits in the hearts. Bake for another two minutes. If some of your cookies crack, or the gummy bears aren't place in the centers, they may overflow on a few of the cookies. But that's kind of pretty if you ask me. I sometimes added a few different colored pieces to one cookie, to create a two-toned heart. Have fun with these! They are as much fun to bake as they are to eat.

Friona School Calendar for November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	-Election Day	-Early Release for All Student @ 11:00 -Elementary UIL	JV Football @ Highland Park 6:30 -JH Football vs. Highland Park 5:00	End of the 2 nd 6 Weeks -Varsity Football vs. Highland Park 7:008 th Grade Band Combine with HS Band	7
8	Teacher Work Day/ No Students -Regional Cross Country @ Lubbock -JH One Act Play in Denver City	JO -JVG/VG Basketball @ Bovina 5:00/6:30 -JH One Act Play in Denver City -5 th Grade Music Program 2:30/5:30	11	-JH Girls Basketball @ Dimmitt 5:00	-JVG/VG Basketball vs. Hartley 5:00/6:30 -Mighty Writers Rally in Jr. High Auditorium 2:00p.m.	- "Little Women" by Peter Clapham Performance. 7:30
- "Little Women" by Peter Clapham Performance. 3:00	JH Girls Basketball vs. Brownfield 5:00 -JH Boys Basketball @ Brownfield 5:00 - "Little Women" by Peter Clapham Performance. 7:30 -FISD Board Meeting 7:00	-HS Basketball vs. Boys Ranch 5:00/6:30/8:00	18	19	20	21
22	-State Cross Country @ Round Rock -HS Basketball vs. Sanford-Fritch 5:00/6:30/8:00	24	25 Thanksgiving Holiday	26 Thanksgiving Holiday	Thanksgiving Holiday	28
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Balance Last Report, Filed June 30,2020126	,619.76

Amount Received Since Last Report	341.06
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report	1,014.39
09/30/20 Balance	\$ 125,946.43
GENERAL FUND	
Balance Last Report, Filed June 30, 2020	4,447,524.28
Amount Received Since Last Report	259,894.59
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report	985,616.24

FARM TO MARKET FUND Balance Last Report, Filed June 30,20202,313,415.14

Amount Received Since Last Report123,442.30 Amount Paid Out Since Last Report523,819.13 09/30/20 Balance\$1,913,038.31 **CONTINGENCY FUND**

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Balance Last Report, Filed June 30,2020......25,974.57

Amount Received Since Last Report	2,321.12
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report	0.00
09/30/20 Balance	
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Balance Last Report, Filed June 30, 2020	166,524.98

Amount Received Since Last Report......1,200.66 Amount Paid Out Since Last Report0.00 09/30/20 Balance\$ 167,725.64 REVENUE FUND

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Balance Last Report, Filed June 30, 2020	187,530.32
Amount Received Since Last Report	57,115.04
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report	34,815.82
09/30/20 Balance\$	209,829.54
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Balance Last Report, Filed June 30, 2020	.4,868.20
Amount Received Since Last Report	1.57
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report	
09/30/20 Balance\$	4,869.77
COUNTY ATTORNEY - CHECK COLLECTION F	TIND

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	Balance Last Report, Filed June 30, 2020	3,356.72
ı	Amount Received Since Last Report	
	Amount Paid Out Since Last Report	3,580.52
	09/30/20 Balance	\$ 3,412.89
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DISTRICT CHECK COLLECTION - 287TH F	UND
Balance Last Report, Filed June 30, 2020	3,727.94
Amount Received Since Last Report	703.34
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report	0.00
09/30/20 Balance	\$ 4,431.28

	DISTRICT ATTORNEY FORFEITUR	E FUND
	Balance Last Report, Filed June 30, 2020	46,269.71
	Amount Received Since Last Report	459.44
	Amount Paid Out Since Last Report	0.00
	09/30/20 Balance	\$ 46,729.15
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COUNTY ATTORNEY FORFEITURE FUNI)
Balance Last Report, Filed June 30, 2020	4,843.31
Amount Received Since Last Report	1.56
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report	0.00
09/30/20 Balance\$	4,844.87
INTEREST & SINKING FUND	

Balance Last Report, Filed June 30, 2020	92,188.57
Amount Received Since Last Report	3,547.08
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report	8,375.00
09/30/20 Balance	\$ 87,360.65
LATERAL FUND	
Ralance Last Report Filed June 30, 2020	0.00

LATERAL FUND
Balance Last Report, Filed June 30, 20200.00
Amount Received Since Last Report0.00
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report
09/30/20 Balance\$ 0.00
PARMER COUNTY ATTORNEY

PRETRIAL DIVERSION FUND Balance Last Report, Filed June 30, 2020.................5,929.54

Amount Received Since Last Report	1,243.82
Amount Paid Out Since Last Report	895.32
09/30/20 Balance	\$ 6,278.04
RECAPITULATION	
Jury Fund	125,946.43
General Fund	3,721,802.63
Farm To Market Fund	1,913,038.31
Contingency Fund	288,113.64
Parmer County Forfeiture Fund	28,295.69
Permanent Improvement Fund	167,725.64
Revenue Fund	209,829.54
Juvenile Probation Fund	4,869.77
County Attorney - Check Collection Fund	3,412.89
District Check Collection - 287th Fund	4,431.28
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Parmer County Attorney Pretrial Diversion..............6,278.04 **TOTAL**.....\$ 6,612,678.53 LIST OF BONDS AND OTHER SECURITIES ON HAND

District Attorney Forfeiture Fund......46,729.15

County Attorney Forfeiture Fund......4,844.87

Interest & Sinking Fund......87,360.65

CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT GENERAL FUND JURY PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT

TOTAL TREASURER'S REPORT PARMER COUNTY, TEXAS

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Sharon A. May, County Treasurer of Parmer County, who by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

Sharon A. May

INVESTMENTS

County Treasurer

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 26th Day of October, 2020.

Trey Ellis County Judge - Parmer County, Texas

Examined and approved in open Commissioners' Court this 26th Day of October, 2020.



SPORTS





Congratulations Cross Country



Cross Country — Adrian Legarreta, Dieter Ally, and Yvonne Legarreta are advancing to Regionals! The Regional Meet will be held on Monday, November 9th at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock, Texas. The start times are 11:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. for the events. The boys team finished in 3rd place in district and would normally go to the Regional Meet but because of the COVID-19 pandemic only the top two teams are going this year.

Friona 14 Canadian 73

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

- C Gary Anderson 11 yd run (Edgar Salazar PAT, good)
- C Luke Flowers 55 yd pass from Josh Culwell (Edgar Salazar
- C Gary Anderson 53 yd pass from Josh Culwell (Edgar Salazar PAT, good)
- C Hayze Hufstedler 28 yd run (Edgar Salazar PAT, good)
- 2nd Quarter
- C Reagan Cochran 17 yd pass from Josh Culwell (Edgar Salazar PAT, good)
- C Reagan Cochran 40 yd pass from Josh Culwell (Edgar Salazar PAT, good)
- C Hayze Hufstedler 14 yd run (Edgar Salazar PAT, good)
- C Landon Smith 5 yd run (Edgar Salazar PAT, good) F – Bryan Chavira 53 yd run (Tim Ally PAT, no good)
- C Josh Culwell 18 yd run (Edgar Salazar PAT, good)
- 3rd Quarter
- C Edgar Salazar 39 yd Field Goal C - Aiden Dickinson 12 yd run (Edgar Salazar PAT, good)
- 4th Quarter
- F Mario Bautista 22 yd run (Mario Bautista, 2 point attempt, good)

Rushing Stats	Carries	Yards	TDs	Avg
1 Jacob Bautista	10	7	0	0.7
4 Mario Bautista	10	55	1	5.5
16 Bryan Chavira	14	120	1	8.6
Rushing Totals:	34	182	2	5.4
Receiving Stats	Receptions	Yards	TDs	Avg
11 Marc Mendoza	1	17	0	17.0
3 Alan Martinez	2	34	0	17.0
Receiving Totals:	3	51	0	17.0

Receiving Total	Receiving Totals:	3		51	0 17.0	
16	Passing Stats Bryan Chavira	Comp 3	Att 14	Yards 51	TDs 0	INTs 0
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2	Tim Ally	(0	1			0		
	Defensive Stats	UN	AST.	тот	TFL	FR	FC	INT	SAC
1	Jacob Bautista	4	8	12	-	-	-	-	-
4	Mario Bautista	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-
8	Juan Salinas	5	6	11	-	-	-	-	-
10	Adrian Legaretta	0	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
11	Marc Mendoza	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
14	Isaias Olmos	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
16	Bryan Chavira	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
20	Josiah Dominguez	8	3	12	1	-	-	-	-
28	Tony Rodriguez	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-
30	Alberth Arguelles	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
50	Jake Padilla	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	-
51	Juan Lara	1	5	6	-	-	-	-	-
59	Aaron Salinas	2	4	7	1	-	-	-	-
65	Jacob Rando	1	5	6	-	-	-	-	-
76	David Martinez	2	11	13	-	-	-	-	-

Yards allowed; Rushing 218, Passing 420, Total 638

UIL 3A District 03 Cross Country Meet

October 21, 2020 - Mae Simmons Park

Men's Results 3 Mile Boys

Adrian Legarreta	17:19	1st Place
Dieter Ally	19:07	3rd Place
Alan Martinez	21:07	19th Place
Michael Bautista	21:14	20th Place
Isaias Olmos	21:27	22nd Place
Gabriel Perez	21:30	23rd Place
Andrez Carrasco	22:05	27th Place

Women's Results 2 Miles Girls

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Yvonne Legarreta	13:12	1st Place
Adammaris Rivas	15:27	17th Place
Makayla Ramos	16:11	26th Place
Esperanza Santiago	16:57	29th Place

Varsity Football

The Canadian Wildcats showed why they are the #1 team in the state and potentially one of the best Wildcat teams ever. It doesn't get any easier this week as the Chieftains (2-2, 5-3) travel to Spearman this week to play the #6 ranked Lynx.

Freshman Football

The Freshman team traveled to Denver City last Thursday and fell short by a final score of 22-28 to the Mustangs. Diego Garcia had 73 yd TD run and Elijah Thompson scored the 2 pt conversion on a 3 yd run. Elijah Thompson also scored touchdowns on 2 yd run and a 27 yd run. Diego Garcia added another 2 pt conversion on a 3 yd run. Defensive standouts were Diovanny Ponce with 2 forced fumbles and a fumble recovery. Kenneth Vielmann also had a fumble recovery.

Junior High Football

The 7th grade Braves lost to Canadian 44-0 and the 8th grade Braves lost to Canadian 36-6. Xavier Gonzalez scored the touchdown for Friona.

Varsity Volleyball

The Squaws are in the playoffs! Friona and Littlefield face each other in the final district game of the year. The 3rd & 4th seeding in the playoffs is up for grabs. However, bad weather has forced the game to be pushed back. As of press time, the Squaws will have a playoff game this week. Go to www.frionaisd.com for details.

Division II - District 3-3A Football					
Team	District	Overall			
Canadian	4-0	7-1			
Childress	4-1	7-1			
Spearman	3-1	7-1			
Friona	2-2	5-3			
Highland Park	1-3	1-7			
Tulia	1-3	4-4			
Dimmitt	0-5	0-8			

On Election Day, November 3, voters must vote in their precinct where registered to vote:

Precincts 101 and 202

Senior Citizen's Center 1410 Washington, Friona, TX

Precinct 402

City of Friona, Council Chambers 619 Main St. Friona, TX

Precincts 201 and 303

EMS Building 109 3rd St., Bovina, TX

Precinct 401

Lazbuddie Methodist Church 665 FM 1172, Lazbuddie, TX

Precinct 301

Farwell Community Center 209 9th St., Farwell, TX

Precinct 203

Rhea Community Center, Rhea Community Hwy FM 2013, 24 Miles NW of Bovina, TX

Precinct 302

Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church 646 FM 1731, Farwell, TX

Early Voting:

October 13 - October 30, 2020 Mon-Thur 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Friday 8:30 - 3:00 p.m. Parmer County Courthouse 401 3rd St, Farwell, TX 79325

State Capital Highlights

By Chris Cobler



Amazon goes big in Texas

Amazon delivered good economic news, announcing plans for a 700,000-square-foot distribution center and warehouse in Waco.

Gov. Greg Abbott and other state officials heralded the plan to bring up to 1,000 workers to Central Texas at a starting wage of \$15 an hour. The online retailing giant previously announced other expansions in Texas, including Forney, Pflugerville and Richmond.

Two other companies also announced plans last week to move to the Lone Star

• The nation's largest provider of dredging services is moving its headquarters from Chicago to Houston. Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Co. announced it was making the move to be closer to major regional projects. The company, which had annual revenues of \$711 million in 2019, has more than 1,000 employees globally.

The company has been based in Chicago for more than 100 years. "The relocation stems in part from changing industry dynamics as the dredging market has shifted from Northern Illinois and the Great Lakes to work along the Gulf Coast and in the northeast and southeast coastal regions," according to the company.

· A manufacturing firm is moving from Southern California to Round Rock, bringing 150 jobs. The company, Saleen Performance Parts, is a U.S.-based manufacturer and distributor of aftermarket automotive performance and restyling parts.

'Jerry Jeff train songs'

Jerry Jeff Walker, the Texas music legend who "jumped so high," has died at age 78 from cancer and related illnesses.

Walker is best known for writing the iconic song "Mr. Bojangles," which the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band hit big with in 1971. Born in New York, Walker spent most of his life in Austin and is credited with being a godfather of the city's live music scene.

"Other than Willie, Jerry Jeff is the most important musician to happen to Austin, Texas, I would have to say," Asleep at the Wheel leader Ray Benson told the Austin American Statesman. "He really brought that folk singer/songwriter form to its height in Texas. And for that, he'll be eternal, because there's all these kids today that write songs in that mode."

Going hog wild

Texas likes to be No. 1 on many lists, but not this one: The state ranks at the top for the largest population of wild pigs.

More than 2.5 million feral swine roam the state, plaguing farmers and ranchers, according to recent research reported by the Texas Farm Bureau. The invasive species has been found in all of Texas' 254 counties, except for El Paso. The pig population has exploded to more than 6 million throughout the country, primarily in southern states, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

"More control tools are needed, and research is underway to determine which methods are effective and environmentally safe," the Texas Farm Bureau reported. "Texas farmers and ranchers are hopeful new strategies will get to the root of the wild pig problem, and soon."

Tech prof honored for disability rights

A Texas Tech University law professor is the top winner of state awards honoring those who have helped Texans with disabili-

The Governor's Trophy went to Professor Brian Shannon for significant contributions to disability rights, most notably "for his work at the intersection of mental health and the legal system." Shannon's focus has been on destigmatizing and empowering those whose mental health diagnoses have put them in the criminal justice system.

Other winners of the 2020 Lex Frieden Employment Awards for creating a more inclusive workplace for Texans with disabili-

- The Martha Arbuckle Award to the EPIC fitness center in Grand Prairie for a partnership with Grand Prairie Independent School
- The Entrepreneurship Award to Chris Landry and Ken Brown, business partners and founders of Scan Mailboxes in Austin.
- Large Employer Award to Fidelity Investments in Westlake for being as accessible and inclusive as possible, particularly with changes to its hiring process.
- · Medium Employer Award to Weikel's Bakery and Store in La Grange for providing work opportunities for those with disabilities, particularly through a Recipeasy app developed by Philip Weikel.
- Small Employer Award to Mr. Gatti's Pizza in Tyler for owner Lamar Wedell's efforts to provide training for students with disabilities.
- Non-Profit Employer Award to Goodwill Industries in Fort Worth for multiple initiatives to hire and train people with disabili-

Small business makes it big

A San Antonio resident is the winner of the National Small Business Person of the Year award from the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Army veteran Timothy Porter, founder and CEO of Appddiction Studios, was recognized for the growth of his company, which started in 2011. The technology developed by Porter's company includes an awardwinning anti-bully mobile application for use in K-12 schools.

"Timothy's determination, grit and ingenuity characterize so many small business owners," SBA administrator Jovita Carranza said. "His efforts, as well as those of tens of millions of entrepreneurs around the country, are driving economic recovery."

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



The gainfully employed welcomed my return this past week. I have a job. A real job. Teaching was my passionate career. The return to work was not nearly as difficult as I thought it might be. Though a 6:15 a.m. alarm is markedly different from the routine I have been living, the transition has gone smoothly.

I run favors. The name of the company is Favor, a subsidiary of H-E-B. My Honda Civic and I are basically a partnership. With the use of a phone app and GPS, I go on-call Monday-Friday from 7 a.m. until 1 p.m. (or later). The company uses my location to determine what Favor request is near me. Zipping around South Austin/Hays County to deliver groceries or Wholy Bagels or Wendy's put some money in my pocket this week.

Unlike my road trips, I decided early on not to listen to my usual fare of music, podcasts, or audiobooks. Concentration on city driving is much different from the relative lull of long stretches of highway. I incorporate all those fundamental driving lessons I used to teach in Driving Mrs. Mayesy Crazy Driver Ed classes. The main one is anticipation: stay on the lookout for potential jackasses behind the wheel. (Those are my mother's words, not mine).

As an older Favor driver, I expected the GPS app thing to be my biggest challenge. Not so. I mastered that baby. But dadgum, I am not happy about people who decide that painted house numbers in the driveway are tacky. On my early morning deliveries, the darkness makes it hard to see house numbers on doors. And to make matters worse, many new houses have gone fancy schmancy with Embedded Addresses Because It Is Aesthetically Pleasing to the Eye. The house numbers are flush with the place, added into the brick or limestone or wood. Sometimes the homeowner has chosen a bronze plaque—those house numbers DO NOT SHOW UP, which is the point for them in the first place. It is not fine art. Please, people, stop this trend, go to the hardware store, get the black adhesive numbers, and stick them above the garage.

My daughter Emily asked if I was afraid. Another friend asked if I was packing. No and no. First, I doubt anyone wants to mess with an old woman with crazy pandemic hair. Secondly, I have my dad's old starter gun he used for track meets in the 50s and 60s. In a pinch, I will brandish and pop a cap. I will say that I have enough sense to watch out for danger. For example, I made one delivery to a home with a vehicle that had a "Pit Mom" sticker on the back windshield. You better believe I made sure her eggs weren't cracked.

If I can avoid donut deliveries, this job will remain a good fit for me. More importantly, so will my clothes.

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Notice of Draft Federal Operating Permit

Draft Permit No.: O2613

Application and Draft Permit. Cargill Meat Solutions Corporation, PO Box 579, Friona, TX 79035-0579, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Federal Operating Permit (herein referred to as Permit) No. O2613, Application No. 29797, to authorize operation of the Cargill Meat Solutions Friona, an Animal (except Poultry) Slaughtering facility. The area addressed by the application is located at 1530 W US Highway 60 in Friona, Parmer County, Texas 79035-1658. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to the application. You can find an electronic map of the facility at: http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=34.6&Ing-102.773888&zoom=13&type=r. This application was received by the TCEQ on December 2, 2019.

The purpose of a federal operating permit is to improve overall compliance with the rules governing air pollution control by clearly listing all applicable requirements, as defined in Title 30 Texas Administrative Code § 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10). The draft permit, if approved, will codify the conditions under which the area must operate. The permit will not authorize new construction. The executive director has completed the technical review of the application and has made a preliminary decision to prepare a draft permit for public comment and review. The executive director recommends issuance of this draft permit. The permit application, statement of basis, and draft permit will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Central Office, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building E, First Floor, Austin, Texas 78753; the TCEQ Amarillo Regional Office, 3918 Canyon Dr, Amarillo, Texas 79109-4933; and the Friona City Hall, 623 Main St, Friona, Texas 79035-2623, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The draft permit and statement of basis are available at the TCEQ Website:

www.tceq.texas.gov/goto/tvnotice

At the TCEQ central and regional offices, relevant supporting materials for the draft permit, as well as the New Source Review permits which have been incorporated by reference, may be reviewed and copied. Any person with difficulties obtaining these materials due to travel constraints may contact the TCEQ central office file room at (512) 239-2900.

Public Comment/Notice and Comment Hearing. Any person may submit written comments on the draft permit. Comments relating to the accuracy, completeness, and appropriateness of the permit conditions may result in changes to the draft permit.

A person who may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the permitted area may request a notice and comment hearing. The purpose of the notice and comment hearing is to provide an additional opportunity to submit comments on the draft permit. The permit may be changed based on comments pertaining to whether the permit provides for compliance with 30 TAC Chapter 122 (examples may include that the permit does not contain all applicable requirements or the public notice procedures were not satisfied). The TCEQ may grant a notice and comment hearing on the application if a written hearing request is received within 30 days after publication of the newspaper notice. The hearing request must include the basis for the request, including a description of how the person may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the application area. The request should also specify the conditions of the draft permit that are inappropriate or specify how the preliminary decision to issue or deny the permit is inappropriate. All reasonably ascertainable issues must be raised and all reasonably available arguments must be submitted by the end of the public comment period. If a notice and comment hearing is granted, all individuals that submitted written comments or a hearing request will receive written notice of the hearing. This notice will identify the date, time, and location for the hearing.

Written public comments and/or requests for a notice and comment hearing should be submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or electronically at www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/ and be received within 30 days after the date of newspaper publication of this notice. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address and physical address will become part of the agency's public record.

A notice of proposed final action that includes a response to comments and identification of any changes to the draft permit will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments, a hearing request, or requested to be on the mailing list for this application. This mailing will also provide instructions for public petitions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to request that the EPA object to the issuance of the proposed permit. After receiving a petition, the EPA may only object to the issuance of a permit which is not in compliance with the applicable requirements or the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 122.

Mailing List. In addition to submitting public comments, a person may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address above. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Chief Clerk for this

Information. For additional information about this permit application or the permitting process, please contact the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Public Education Program, MC-108, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained for Cargill Meat Solutions Corporation by calling Mrs. Robynn Andracsek at (816) 822-3596.

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Production Efficiency in U.S. Dairy Farming

Jennifer A. Spencer, Ph.D. and Juan Piñeiro, DVM, Ph.D. - Extension Dairy Specialists - Department of Animal Sciences Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service - The Texas A&M University System

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Similarly, commercial dairy farms licensed to sell milk decreased from 74,100 in 2002 to 40,199 in 2017 at a rate of a 4% decrease per year. This consolidation accelerated to a rate of decline of roughly 7% in 2018 and 9% in 2019, reaching 34,187 licensed herds⁷.

In the last three decades, the consolidation in U.S. dairy farming coincided with a shift in dairy production location to the West and Southwest regions of the U.S. Farm practices also have changed due to the use of precision technologies. These technologies require less labor, and the hired labor is performed by a migrant workforce⁷.

In conclusion, improved technologies and practices allowed dairy farmers to make significant progress for over a century producing more milk while using less resources and producing less animal waste and greenhouse gases. This

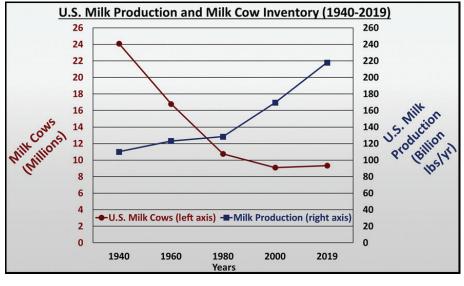


Figure 1. Cow inventory and U.S. milk production from 1940 to 2019. Increased productive efficiency allowed a decrease of over 60% of the milk cow inventory while milk production duplicated. Sources: Blayney et al., 2002; USDA Census of Agriculture vari-

ous years; USDA, NASS, Milk Production, 2020.

and is one of several practices dairy farmers use to promote environmental stewardship.

trend will likely continue

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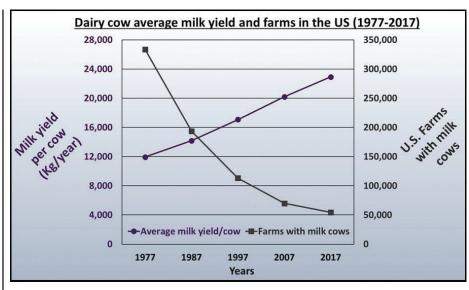
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⁷MacDonald J.M., Law J., and Mosheim R. 2020. Consolidation in U.S. Dairy Farming, ERR-274.



in the U.S. (1977-2017).

Figure 2. Cow average milk production and farms with milk cows



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If you have any questions, please contact Rhonda Wilkins, Director of Senior Services at 806-250-2754



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