



Tuesday, June 14th

### Know Where to Stash Your Trash

The City of Friona is working to combat illegal dumping near the City Barn at 8th and Jackson. **Illegal dumping is a crime and is of great concern to local governments.** We have installed surveillance cameras in order to prevent people from dumping items that do not belong in the tree limb area. We have had issues in the past of people placing items in this un-permitted area which causes avoidable work for our city employees taking their attention away from other city duties.

If someone is caught on camera, they will receive a citation by the Friona Police Department. **THE TREE LIMB PILE IS FOR TREE LIMBS ONLY!!!** Wood products such as wooden doors, fences, chairs, etc. go into the roll-off dumpsters. We want to make sure that Friona residents understand where to place items. If you have any questions please reach out to (806)250-2761 or email [cityinfo@frionatx.us](mailto:cityinfo@frionatx.us).



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

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



service provided to Friona residents.

Examples of items not allowed in dumpsters, but allowed in roll-off box 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. The area southeast of the softball field is designated for tree limbs only! Security cameras are in place and those who do not comply could face fines.

The roll-off box is located at East 8th and South Jackson Ave. It is a free

To dispose of tires & oil, please contact the City office at 806-250-2761.

### Band takes it easy in "The Big Easy"



The FHS Band was in New Orleans last week and highlights of the cajun excursion included touring the National World War II Museum, dining at Don's Seafood, and taking a harbor cruise on a steamboat. Also, no trip would be complete without a vehicle breaking down. Take it easy.

### Local LEOs will attend prestigious course

Two local law enforcement officers were selected to attend the Digital Evidence Investigation course held in Hoover, Alabama taught by the National Computer Forensic Institute ("NCFI"). NCFI is the nation's premier law enforcement training facility in cyber and electronic crime forensics. The NCFI seeks to educate state, local, tribal, territorial law enforcement officers, prosecutors, and judges in the continually evolving cyber and electronic crime related threats, and

educate, train and equip them with the tools necessary for forensic examinations to combat those crimes.

Its rare that officers from this area get selected, some law enforcement agencies have to wait years to be selected to attend. The officers that were selected were: Officer Jonathan Marquez from the Friona Police Department and Lieutenant Leonardo Aviles from the Muleshoe Police Department. They will be attending the course in June of 2022.

The officers will spend 5 days in Alabama being taught by a combination of nationally recognized subject matter experts and USSS agents.

This course will provide working knowledge in the identification, extrapolation and analysis of digital evidence obtained from computers and other electronic devices: cellphones, GPS units, and tablets; as well as hands-on training with forensic analysis tools, legal issues, and report generation techniques.

### Build me a home on the range

The Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC) organized *Home on the Panhandle Plains*, an event for cities to meet with local developers, builders, contractors, and real estate professionals to discuss housing needs and opportunities across Texas Panhandle communities at the Amarillo Civic Center on Tuesday, June 7, 2022.

The City of Friona attended the event as an opportunity to connect with area contractors to entice them to come to Friona to help with potential residential construction projects. There was also a presentation on the Fair Housing Act of 1968 before the networking event began.



Mario Bautista, Friona City Hall Intern; Lee Davila, City Manager; and Sandra Busch, Assistant to the City Manager.

"Events like these are critical to our communities because it allows us to network with local de-

velopers," says City Manager Lee Davila. "It also gives us the opportunity to showcase how the city

of Friona is implementing change while still respecting the rich heritage of the community."

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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 June 9-15	T  92   67 S 15-25	F  95   65 NE 10-20	S  102   73 SSW 10-20	S  102   72 SW 15-25	M  101   71 SSW 15-25	T  98   68 SW 15-25	W  94   65 SSW 15-25	Precipitation May 1.56 Year 2.25	Burn Ban <b>Yes</b>
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**Community Calendar**

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

- June 9**  
• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
- June 13**  
• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
- June 14**  
• Flag Day
- June 16**  
• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center  
• Blood Drive 3:30-7:00 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Fellowship Hall
- June 19**  
• Father's Day
- June 20**  
• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center  
• Friona Noon Lions Club meet @ The Farmwife Kitchen
- June 23**  
• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

**Hello Friona...We are your fire department**



**2022 Friona Volunteer Fire Department Roster**

- |  |                 |               |
|--|-----------------|---------------|
| Danny Campbell, Fire Chief                 | Justin Bridges  | Blake Stowers |
| Terry Sharrock, Asst. Chief                | Daniel De La O  | Jim Taylor    |
| Stephen Campbell, Captain/Training Officer | Salvador Garcia | John Taylor   |
| Gary Stowers, Captain                      | Skyler Harris   | Morgan Taylor |
| J'Lond Jarecki, Lieutenant                 | Sawyer Osborn   | Chuck Teague  |
| Chance Lewellen, Lieutenant                | Glenn Reeve     |               |
| Skip Hodges, Coordinator                   | Amador Rocha    |               |
| Randy McCasland, Secretary/Treasurer       | Juan Samarron   |               |
| Tyler Shields, WhistleBlower               | Wade Schueler   |               |
| Charles Cooper, Reporter                   | Maddie Sharrock |               |



**Skip Hodges announces retirement**



Skip Hodges recently announced his retirement and that includes his membership as a Friona Volunteer Fire Fighter. The fire department honored Skip and his service to the community with an ice cream social. In the photo (l-r); Terry Sharrock, Danny Campbell, Skip Hodges, Jim Taylor, and John Taylor.



The first item on Skip's Retirement Bucket List is hiking the Appalachian Trail. Completing the entire 2,190+ miles of the Appalachian Trail in one trip is a mammoth undertaking. Thousands of hikers attempt a thru-hike each year and only about one in four make it all the way. A typical thru-hiker takes 5 to 7 months to hike the entire trail from Maine to Georgia. Happy trails to Skip!!!

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Bridal Registry

**John Haile & Kami Roden**

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or call us at 250-8073

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*Wedding Registry*

John Haile & Kami Roden

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Friday 11-5 • Saturday: 10-3

Call: 602-739-0813

**Farmhouse to Your House**

**ACROSS**

- this "Beetle Bailey" artist Walker lived in Texas as a child
- Baird High class (2 wds.)
- this Moore was co-star of TX Swayze in "Ghost" (1990)
- "\_\_\_ old Cowhand . . ."
- seat of Pecos County (2 wds.)
- irritate, annoy
- auto sellers (2 wds.)
- a boot width
- TXism: "plain as the nose on your \_\_\_"
- TXism: "restless as \_\_\_ church"
- TX George W. lost \_\_\_ George H.W., in 2018
- longtime U.S. rep. from the Valley: Kika \_\_\_ Garza
- \_\_\_-gallon hat
- Super Bowl \_\_\_ (Cowboys' first win)
- TXism: "raised \_\_\_" (city boy)
- Coleman High class (2 wds.)
- "What's the \_\_\_?" (slang for what's happening)
- these cranes migrate to Texas in the winter
- horse coloring
- boot bottom
- beginning course in social behavior: "Intro \_\_\_"
- Rio Grande City is the seat of this county
- leaf collecting tool
- this Blue Jay manager Gaston grew up in Texas
- wrestler Von Erich: "The Texas Tornado"
- TX Kris Kristofferson gospel song: "Why \_\_\_"
- RV hotel?
- Sonic food tote (2 wds.)
- "Elvis the Pelvis"
- this Michael starred with TX Randy Quaid in "The Paper"
- TXism: "it'll \_\_\_ faith healer to fix it"
- "Tiger" Teague, veteran and Texas congressman
- actor Beatty in film "Big Bad John"
- Odessa Permian has one with Midland Lee
- military marksman
- horse's foot joint
- Santa's word
- agcy. now a part of Homeland Security
- shoo!
- benefactor
- Texas-based 1949 film: "Calamity Jane \_\_\_ Bass"
- H-E-B cold cuts and cheeses section
- TX Dobie Gray hit: "Drift \_\_\_" (1973)
- Houston university TX Jim Reeves hit: "He'll Have \_\_\_"
- old man's gray hair used to drill Spindletop (2 wds.)
- cow away from the herd
- cal \_\_\_ hummingbird is the smallest bird in Texas
- dry, arid
- Rusk AM/FM
- TXism: "busy \_\_\_ at happy hour"
- TX Buddy's wife: Maria \_\_\_ Holly

**DOWN**

- this gives the best shotgun pattern for a medium range (2 wds.)
- TXism: "run that by me \_\_\_ time"
- make a comment
- TXism: "\_\_\_ so" (not true)
- "\_\_\_ up" (increase)
- org. that nurtures the arts in Dallas
- \_\_\_ City, Texas
- fixed term/interest savings tool (abbr.)

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**ON YOUR PAYROLL**

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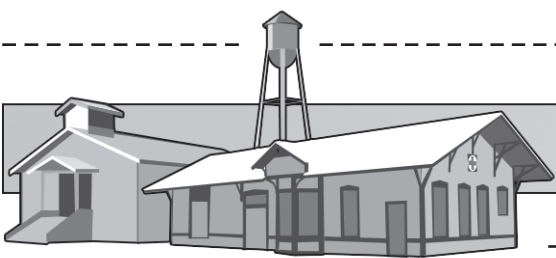
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**Flag Duty** — special thanks to FISD band directors Chris Rackley and Benjamin Monk, the Chieftain Band, and boosters for posting American flags at the grave sites of our veterans for the Memorial Day holiday.

★★★  
**Save the Date** — volunteers are needed for the 6th Annual Friona Kidz Building Camp. The event is scheduled for July 18-23 from 5:00-9:00 p.m. each day. Call the Chamber at 806-250-3491 for more information.

★★★  
**Prairie/Legacy News** — David Grimsley is the Prairie Acres Resident of the Month for June. The June Employee of the Month is Carmela Hernandez who works in the Nursing Department and has been on staff since August of 2021. Legacy Pointe held its first annual "Forever Young" Prom in May and Prairie Acres administrator Jeff Procter said everything went well. Those attending had a great time and a little fun on the dance floor. Kathy Borchers is the Executive

Director a Legacy Pointe and invites anyone who is considering "downsizing" their living situation to come by and take a look at the new senior apartments.

★★★  
**Covid-19 Vaccines** — Please help in keeping COVID-19 at bay here in Parmer County. Pfizer, Pediatric Pfizer, and Moderna Vaccines are all available. First, Second, and Boosters available at vaccine clinics. Vaccine boosters for children 5-11 years of age now available and approved by CDC and FDA. If you have any questions, please call our COVID vaccine hotlines at (806) 240-1562 for English or (806) 240-1761 for Spanish.

Clinics Schedule:  
Thursday June 16th, and Thursday June 30th at the 6th Street Church of Christ in Friona. Friday June 10th and Friday June 24th in Bovina at the XIT building. No appointment times are necessary and walk-ins are accepted. Times for all clinics are from 1:00pm to 4:30pm.

★★★  
**On deck** — next week's

Star will feature the FFA Awards Banquet, the Write Way Club, and a special award presentation.

★★★  
**National Days**  
June 9:

Donald Duck Day  
June 10: Iced Tea Day  
June 11:  
Corn on the Cob Day  
June 12: Red Rose Day  
June 13:  
Sewing Machine Day  
June 14: Flag Day

## Panhandle Parables

### Choppin' Cotton

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

In the Jr. High years of my life, summer meant two things, fun on the Pop & Gram's farm and making a little money. We had many adventures out NW of Friona, but at some point you need to do a man's work. (sort of) When we were finally big enough to handle a hoe and distinguish weeds from cotton, Pop set us to hoeing some cotton, with great energy we chopped every weed we could see with speed and precision (most of the time, not all cotton fared well). But after a few hours, the pace had slowed as did the chopping of weeds and yep we missed a few, and a few more etc... Maybe that is why Pop only let us work half days, much more and we might as well not been carrying a hoe. A week later, you sure could tell where we missed weeds.

We are not perfect and as Christians our walk

follows the One who is perfect. Like cotton we have weeds in our lives, and usually with a good level of energy we deal with those things quickly and precisely. Satan understands that and ups the ante on our time. We begin doing more and more and trying to balance 3 schedules, 4 kids, dogs, cats and relatives ...pretty soon you get tired and those things (weeds) that you know need to be dealt with get skipped, ignored, denied or even acknowledged, but with no energy to deal with them they grow out of control. I can't say I loved chopping cotton, but I can say the longer you go down the row it takes a little more concentration to stay the course. Staying the course is becoming a problem these days, so sharpen your hoe, deal with the weeds and follow the King all the way home.

## COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

### Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from May 26, 2022 to June 2, 2022

(5/31/22) Ramiro Palacios — Angel Carlos Vazquez Zarraga, Maria De Los Angeles Trejo Regalado — The East 80 Feet of Lots 7 and 8, Original Town of Friona, Parmer County Texas 310 w. 6th, Friona, Texas 79035

(5/31/22) Pamela Ann Potter — Pamela Ann Potter — Original Town Bovina, block 75. Lots 11-12 and 15 Feet of Lot 13

(5/31/22) Robert Carl Maxwell, Amanda Maxwell — Jose M. Chaparro, Irene Chaparro — 2.5 Acre Tract out of the East Half of Section 17, W.D. and F.W. Johnson, Block Z, Parmer County Texas

(6/1/22) Jonathan M. Olvera — Kristian C. Antillon — The South 15' of Lot 3 and Lots 4-5, block 33, Original Townsite, City of Bovina Parmer County Texas

**Puzzle Solution**

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## Funtastic Cheese Snacks



### Ingredients

- Mozzarella string cheese
- Colby-Jack cheese sticks
- Small whole wheat flour tortillas
- Softened butter
- Salsa or Italian tomato sauce

### Nutrition Facts

per serving  
Calories: 241 Protein: 11 g Carbohydrate: 23 g Fiber: 4 g Total Fat: 13 g Saturated fat: 7 g Cholesterol: 25 mg Calcium: 28% DV Sodium: 675 mg

### Instructions

Roll one piece of cheese in a tortilla. Fasten with a wooden pick; brush lightly with butter. Cook on heated griddle, rolling to cook evenly until cheese is melted. Or, microwave, seam side down on high, 15 seconds or until cheese is softened. Serve with salsa or tomato sauce.



June is National Dairy Month

Always wear protective...  
...gear when riding bikes or scooters.  
Kids: color stuff in!

## Newspaper Fun!

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### When School's Out, Safety's In!

When school is out, you will have to take care of yourself a little more. Make sure that safety is in your day as well as fun, fun, fun!  
During vacation there is more free time to enjoy, and there are lots of things you can do outside every day. Thinking about safety is smart. For example, protective equipment is a "no-brainer" when skateboarding and practicing tricks. I always wear a helmet and I don't mind wearing the knee and elbow pads either.

**Read the clues to fill in the safety puzzle:**

- Stay in the shallow end of a \_\_\_\_\_ until you learn to swim.
- Pack picnic food away in the \_\_\_\_\_ after you are done eating (help prevent food poisoning).
- Head indoors at the first sign of lightning or thunder when a \_\_\_\_\_ is coming.
- At the \_\_\_\_\_, climb on equipment using two hands. On the slide, wait for the person in front of you to finish sliding before taking your turn.
- Before you have friends over to play outside, ask them if they have any \_\_\_\_\_ to bee stings, plants or any foods.
- Offer your \_\_\_\_\_ water often and don't leave them in the car.
- Wear your \_\_\_\_\_ when bicycling – plus pads when riding a scooter or rollerblading.
- Drink plenty of \_\_\_\_\_ when out in the heat to avoid heat stroke.
- Never leave a burning \_\_\_\_\_ unattended.
- Before hiking, learn what poisonous \_\_\_\_\_ such as poison ivy look like.
- At the beach, pay attention to the tides and stay in the view of your \_\_\_\_\_.
- Where \_\_\_\_\_ are being used, keep at a safe distance.

**13.** When outside, stay with \_\_\_\_\_ and don't talk to strangers.  
**14.** To prevent a \_\_\_\_\_ put on sunscreen before going outside.  
**15.** If you have to stay home alone, have a sheet of phone \_\_\_\_\_ handy and know where your parents are (address).

**Safety Everywhere!**  
Keep safety in mind while having fun. Match three safety tips to each picture:

- Learn how to float and swim.
- Make sure a campfire is out before leaving it.
- Get off seesaws, swings carefully.
- Obey all the traffic rules.
- Never play with matches or lighters.
- Wear a safety helmet.
- Share and take turns on equipment.
- Don't swim out over your head.
- Don't show off - you might fall off.
- Always go swimming with a friend.
- Fire! Leave quickly and call the fire department.
- Reflectors and lights are needed so others can see you.

**A. Playground**  
**B. Water Safety**  
**C. Fire Safety**  
**D. Skateboards, Inline Skates and Bicycles**

Chatter bought a life vest for me to wear while boating.  
Yikes!  
Caution: Monkey in boat not included in puzzle.

### Find the Key to Summer Fun!

Add and subtract the letters and items to see what you will help to spread if you follow some easy rules:

S + \_\_\_\_\_ - G + \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_ - EA - \_\_\_\_\_ + Y = \_\_\_\_\_  
(be careful how you spell this - ask Mom or Dad)

It's Super Heroes and Comic Day at the library! Cross roads only at crosswalks as you walk there – and look both ways.

Library  
Comics  
Super Glade Saves N.Y.C.

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Friona Fine Arts Council  
Presents Our  
53rd Annual

# Summer Drama Workshop

July 5-16, 2022  
Friona High School Auditorium

Cost is \$25 for the entire 2 weeks!

## Elementary

(completed Kindergarten through completed 5th grade)  
Rehearses 9 am to noon

## Junior High

(completed 6th grade through completed 8th grade)  
Rehearses 1:30 - 4:30 pm

## High School

(completed 9th grade through completed 12th grade)  
Rehearses 7 - 10 pm

Questions? Jamie Lewellen 806-206-0743  
jamiedlewellen@gmail.com

# Happy Birthday

### June 9

Joel Venhaus  
Landon McLellan  
Joseph Bautista  
RaeLynne Wren  
Joseph Bautista  
Ryan Newman  
Mika Salazar

### June 12

Marisol Aguilera  
Jamille (Hand) Green  
Vickie Field  
Melissa Randolph  
Danny Smith  
Asa Reynard

### June 13

Priscilla Hicks  
Beth Miller  
Kelsey Welch  
Doug Massey  
Alexia Criswell  
Kitlaly Carrillo Ortiz

### June 14

Cade Hurst  
Rhonda Crozier  
Gayla Stowers  
Diamond (Aguirre) Stephens  
Dawna Roach  
Will Eddins  
Katarina Guevara Perez  
Norma Sanders

### June 11

Billy Smith  
Cindy Butman  
Donita Martin  
Trevor Fields  
Wendy (Hinkle) Hixson  
Sunny Dodson  
Johnny Alvarez  
Amy Cook  
Macy Herring  
Zoe Herring  
Brianne McDonald  
Lori Eitel  
Danna (Brooks) Gallagher  
Lillee Beyers  
Kambree Kimbrough  
Molly Grace Maberry

### June 15

Patty Haile  
Lynn Hutson  
Tonya (Potts) Harmon  
Shannon Hurst  
Karigan Tongate  
Rosa Macias  
John Everett



## Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



## Senior Year Re-imagined

Upon finishing one's junior year of high school, students would benefit from a life skills curriculum. The Texas State Board of Education should rewrite the TEKS for Grade 12, calling on input from teachers, counselors, administrators, and community in planning a strategy that would see less senioritis and a more common-sense approach to educating those who are on the cusp of leaving home.

--Grade 12 will begin at 8:30a.m. and go until 12:30 p.m. (breakfast at 8 and lunch at noon)

--Grade 12 will include four quarters of education, not two semesters (nine weeks per quarter)

--Seniors will be released at 12:30 to work on campus, work at jobs off campus, or take college classes online or in-person if available before going to after-school extracurricular activities when

in season.

--Grade 12 curriculum will consist of classroom instruction/classroom participation/field trips/final projects in each of the following areas. Each school district has the autonomy to decide what vocational skills are most suited for the demographics of their students (farming, ranching, oilfield, landscaping, trucking, service industries, etc.)

August-October: financial planning investing, saving, insurance, taxes, cost of living; home economic skills cooking, laundry, basic sewing, ironing, parenting classes

November-December: financial planning bank accounts, car purchases, renting and buying options, avoiding scams; career exploration employees of a variety of jobs talking to class, former student testimonials, internships, or on-the-job shadowing with interest-

ed companies/businesses/vocations

January-February: health and well-being mental/physical/emotional health instruction by professionals; genealogy studies to learn about family health history; do-it-yourself repair and maintenance vehicle, household appliances, small motors, etc.

March-April: gardening vegetable gardens and flower bed and lawn care; history/music/film/art school approved texts/songs/movies to inspire, inform, and entertain and provide opportunities to create art in one of these forms

May: community or country service one community service project completed to satisfactory standards before the Monday prior to graduation; individual projects only

Of course, developing this free-from-homework

curriculum would require a thorough logistical blueprint in terms of student accountability and organization. It would take a resolute staff to bring the idea to fruition. Parts of this idea are already implemented in larger schools and in FFA programs. Ideally, having the entire senior year focus exclusively on life skills and optimal rewards.

Parents and students concerned about rigor and college prep would still have the afternoons open for academic enhancement through college classes and ample time for multiple college campus visits.

To fund this type of program throughout the state, I suggest dropping the over-emphasis on standardized testing and use that budget item to assist with creating a better curriculum model for our high school seniors. According to a Texas Tribune article in January 2021, TEA contracted with Cambium Assessment in Washington, D.C., and Pearson (a London-based company) to develop and administer the STAAR exams from 2021 to 2024—to the tune of \$338 million.

Learning should be practical and fun. That's when the lessons stick. Providing students this type of academic schedule could be the catalyst for them to build and sustain healthy life choices.

# Gas prices soar

By GasBuddy

Average gasoline prices in Texas have risen 33.7 cents in the last week, averaging \$4.56 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Prices in Texas are 61.1 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand \$1.84 per gallon higher than a year ago. The price of diesel has risen 11.5 cents nationally in the past week and stands at \$5.62 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was priced at \$3.99 while the most expensive was \$5.69 per gallon. The national average price of gasoline has risen 26.0 cents in the last week, averaging \$4.85 per gallon. The national average is up 56.0 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands \$1.81 per gallon higher than a year ago.

"After a blistering week of gas prices jumping in nearly every town, city, state and area possible, more bad news is on the horizon. It now appears not if, but when, we'll hit that psychologically critical \$5 national average," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

De Haan continued, "Gasoline inventories continue to decline even with demand softening due to high prices, a culmination of less refining capacity than we had prior to Covid and strong consumption, a situation that doesn't look to improve drastically anytime soon. Nine states have average gas prices that stand beyond the \$5 per gallon mark, with more set to join in the days and weeks ahead. In addition, diesel prices also stand at a record high, a second gut-punch to consumers which pushes prices of most goods higher"

GasBuddy data is compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

## When School's Out, Safety's In!

**A. Playground**  
Remember sunscreen!

**B. Water Safety**

**C. Fire Safety**

**D. Skateboards, Inline Skates and Bicycles**

- Learn how to float and swim. (B)
- Make sure a campfire is out before leaving it. (C)
- Get off seesaws, swings carefully. (A)
- Obey all the traffic rules. (D)
- Never play with matches or lighters. (C)
- Wear a safety helmet. (D)
- Share and take turns on equipment. (A)
- Don't swim out over your head. (B)
- Don't show off - you might fall off. (A)
- Always go swimming with a friend. (B)
- Fire! Leave quickly and call the fire department. (C)
- Reflectors and lights are needed so others can see you. (D)

Did you add and subtract the letters and items to see what you will help to spread if you follow the easy rules?  
**S u m m e r**  
**S a f e t y**

## The Stevens 5 Star Deal of the Week!

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# How Can You Help?

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

The older I get, the more of a mess our world seems to be, whether it is wars and rumors of wars, global pandemic, socialist liberal politics, a workless work force and especially an indifference to the good news of the gospel message. Amos the prophet proclaims on behalf of the Lord, "Seek me and Live," (5:4, 6), but sadly so many people are blinded and content to allow their lives to exist in spiritual squaller and hopelessness.

Although we could expound endlessly on the ills of our day and age, I am so extremely thankful for the countless men and women of God working tirelessly leading the charge to plant churches, minister to the needy and broken, and take the gospel to the ends of the earth. Sometimes fellow Christians may wonder what is the

best way to help those who are on the front lines of gospel ministry. Certainly there is huge need to help fund their ministry, but if that is all one's aim is, then you have missed out on the biggest way you can help the ministry of brothers and sisters in the Lord. 2 Corinthians 1:11 says, "You also must help us by prayer...", which is a huge encouragement because the apostle Paul asked believers in the dysfunctional church at Corinth to give help by praying for the ministry, its ministers and those that will receive the ministering. You can help your church, your pastor, Christian leaders, missionaries, and those on the tip of the spear of gospel ministry by praying for them. Pray for God's power in their ministry as they proclaim the saving message of Jesus, pray

for the Holy Spirit to fill them and anoint them for the ministry they have, pray for the lost to be convicted and drawn to Christ, and pray that God will be glorified as Jesus is exalted. In other words, PRAY, PRAY and PRAY some more on behalf of those who minister. Although you may not know the load they carry, you do know the One who bears our burdens with us. You need not to know every detail of their trials and spiritual battles, but you do know their adversary seeks to steal, kill and destroy, and that Jesus Christ is the conquering king. Instead of prayer being an afterthought, or a mindless habit before a meal, persist in prayer on behalf of those in ministry to the end that Christ will be exalted, lost souls saved and the Lord's Kingdom to come.

# It's Time to Get Loud

By Teena Hughs

This is not about the Methodist Church splitting; everyone knows I support splitting and going with the Global Methodist Church. It is about something that I have been reminded of because of what the Methodist Church is going through.

Two weeks ago, our preacher announced that he had visited with our retiring district superintendent (DS), and he asked him about the split. The DS told him that if we are happy with the way things are going, we should stay with the United Methodist Church (UMC), but if we are not happy, we should pay the money and leave the UMC. It was a simple, glossed-over answer, but since our preacher assumed we are all "happy", he assumed we would be staying with the UMC.

I sat for the rest of the service wondering what I was going to do; how was I going to handle this? I hate confrontation; I avoid it at all cost, and that is not good. I have never learned how to deal with confrontational people and issues because I have avoided them. I have let many people down and not defended many causes I support out of fear of speaking up. I don't feel like I have the facts, and I will be shot down. Plus, when I do get into a confrontation and voice my opinion, I get loud. Even when I ask God not to let me get loud, I get loud, and I wanted to avoid that. So, since I am a letter writer, I thought I would just write our minister a letter and lay everything on the line, telling him "like it is!" Problem solved!!!

After church, I was visiting with a man about taking care of his cat while he and his family were going to be at Disney World. I proceeded to explain to him the differences between the UMC and the Global Methodist Church and why I cannot stay with the UMC. Yes, I got loud! I figured Feller could hear me in the Fellowship Hall, and he was going to say something to me about getting so loud. I was ready for him; my excuse was that our preacher needs a cochlear implant, and I wanted to make sure he heard

what I was saying, loud and clear!!!

A week later, we have a business meeting, and the preacher brings up the split. A couple that supports the UMC were voicing their opinion, so Feller said something, they said something, and then I said something. I started out in a normal voice, but then I got loud. At one point, Feller put his hand on my right leg. I knew he was trying to calm me down, but I guess I didn't want to calm down, because I reached down and took his hand off my leg!

I do feel bad about getting loud. God is working on me to be a more patient person, and being able to deal with confrontation in a "cool, calm, collected" way is part of being a more patient person.

I did apologize for getting so loud and emotional. Everyone said it was ok; in fact, it was like most of them, including the UMC supporters, appreciated what I had to say. I did nothing but speak truth!!!

One friend thanked me for standing up for what is right. So, why did I stand up when I haven't so many times before? Besides this issue being so very important to me, I have the facts to support what I truly believe is right. If I am confronted about something I say, I can show them where I got the information and prove I know what I am talking about.

So, if there is an issue you feel passionate about, I encourage you to get to know everything you can about that issue so you can prove your case. Knowing the facts gives you confidence to speak up!

I felt bad Sunday afternoon; I felt like I hurt the case for leaving the UMC. Monday morning, we were joking about it. Now, I don't even feel bad about getting loud. We have three hard-of-hearing men in our church. Feller assured me all three heard what I had to say!

Seriously, our country, including its churches, are going through a fight for their life right now. It is time to get informed; it's time to stand up; it's time to get loud!

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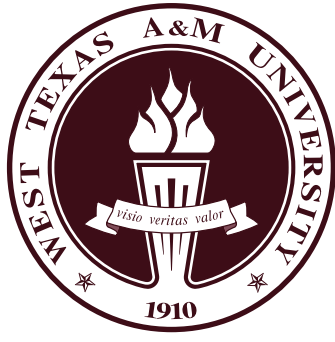
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# College News

## West Texas A&M University

### Spring 2022 Dean's List

Students named to West Texas A&M's dean's list for the spring 2022 semester included Senior **Anahi Cigarroa**, an Animal Science major from Friona and Senior **Mariah Trevino**, a General Studies major from Friona. To be eligible for the dean's list, a student must complete a minimum of 15 credit hours with a GPA of 3.5 or greater.



West Texas A&M's president's list for the spring 2022 semester included Senior **Eduardo Guaderrama**, a Music Education major from Friona. To be eligible for the president's list, a student must complete a minimum of 15 credit hours with a 4.0 GPA.

### Spring 2022 Graduates

West Texas A&M's Spring Commencement was held on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at the First United Bank Center in Canyon, Texas. Graduates from Friona were: **Erica Desiree Barrera**, Bachelor of Science, College of Agriculture and Natural Sciences; **Kendall Brook Kimbrough**, Master of Science, College of Nursing and Health Sciences; **Stephanie Corrales**, Bachelor of Science, College of Education and Social Sciences.

### Spring 2022 President's List

Students named to

## Amarillo College

### Spring 2022 — Dean's List

Amarillo College announced that a total of 633 full-time students attained academic excellence worthy of placing their names on the Spring 2022 Dean's List, including **Angel Mills** of Friona and **Marissa Sanchez** of Friona. To attain inclusion on the prestigious list, students must attend AC full time and



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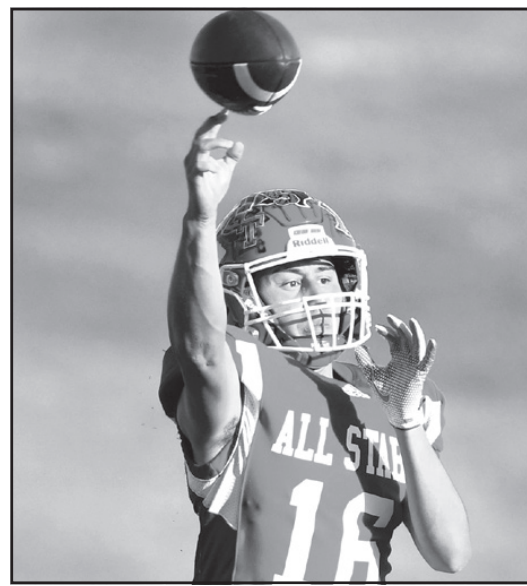
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# Saving the best for last



Bryan Chavira



Jacob Bautista

Photos Courtesy of Stephen Garcia/Avalanche-Journal

Last Saturday at Lowrey Field in Lubbock, newly minted Friona High School graduates and best friends Bryan Chavira and Jacob Bautista were afforded the opportunity to do what they do best — compete. The sport was football and the forum was the 17th Annual Red vs. Blue ASCO All-Star Classic. The game featured all-star senior football players (1A-6A) from all over the panhandle. As fate would have it, Bryan and Jacob were on the “red” team and wore the numbers that Chieftain fans are very familiar with, #1 for Jacob and #16 for Bryan.

Bryan's 15 yard touchdown pass to Mi-

chael Limon of Sudan was the only score the Red team could muster in the opening two quarters of the game and they trailed 33-6 at intermission. In the second half Jacob, Friona's all-time career rushing leader, scored on a 54 yard touchdown run and Bryan completed a pass for the 2 point conversion. However, the Red team still trailed 39-14 with 11 seconds to go in the third quarter.

That's when the magic began. Jacob scored his second touchdown on a 36 yard pass from Luke Houston of Abernathy who had received a lateral pass from Bryan at the start of the play. Early in the

fourth quarter, Bryan threw a 41-yard TD pass to Kash Bradley of Bushland and also the 2-point conversion pass to Limon. The next touchdown was a 1-yard run by Bryan with five minutes to go in the game. Finally, the game-winning touchdown was a 75-yard pass play from Bryan to Marc Ramirez of Wellington with three minutes to go in the game. Final score Red Team 43, Blue Team 39. It is always good to be leading at the end of the game. For Bryan and Jacob it was their last dance. They made it a memorable one. I believe it was the Tango. Go Big Red.

## State Sales Tax Revenue Totaled \$3.7 Billion in May

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced that state sales tax revenue totaled \$3.69 billion in May, 8.6 percent more than in May 2021. Annual revenue growth of 8.6 percent suggests modest growth in underlying taxable economic activity, in view of the current inflationary environment with Consumer Price Index inflation at 8.3 percent in April.

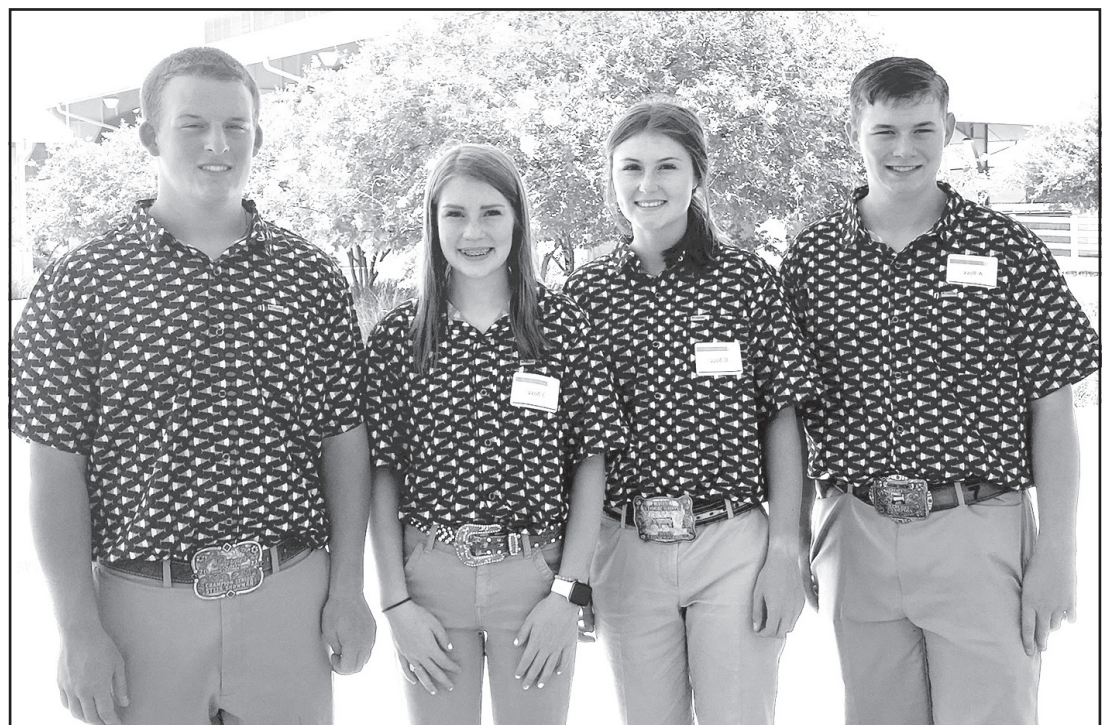
The majority of May sales tax revenue is based on sales made in April and remitted to the agency in May.

“Strong, double-digit growth was seen once again in sectors driven primarily by business spending, with receipts from the oil and gas mining sector continuing to exhibit particularly robust growth compared to a year ago,” Hegar said. “Receipts from the construction and wholesale trade sectors also continue to show strong growth. Receipts from the services sector posted another substantial gain compared

to the same month last year. Spending at sporting events and concerts was especially strong last month as consumers continue to spend more on live entertainment after being restricted during the pandemic. Receipts from restaurants also increased compared to May 2021.”

Texas collected the following revenue from other major taxes: (1) motor vehicle sales and rental taxes — \$603 million, up 9 percent from May 2021; (2) motor fuel taxes — \$319 million, up 1 percent from May 2021; (3) oil production tax — \$595 million, up 64 percent from May 2021; (4) natural gas production tax — \$413 million, **the highest monthly collections on record**, up 216 percent from May 2021; (5) hotel occupancy tax — \$69 million, up 44 percent from May 2021; and (6) alcoholic beverage taxes — \$154 million, **the highest monthly collections on record**, up 22 percent from May 2021.

## 4-H members compete in College Station



Four Parmer County 4-H members participated in the Livestock Skill-A-Thon contest on Tuesday at the State Roundup in College Station. They finished in 7th place. The same group will also participate in the Meats Judging Contest. In the photo (l-r): Landry Henderson, Aubrey Schueler, Emma Schueler, and Peyton Schueler.



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# 2022 Band Senior Night & Awards

Senior Band member not present in photos:  
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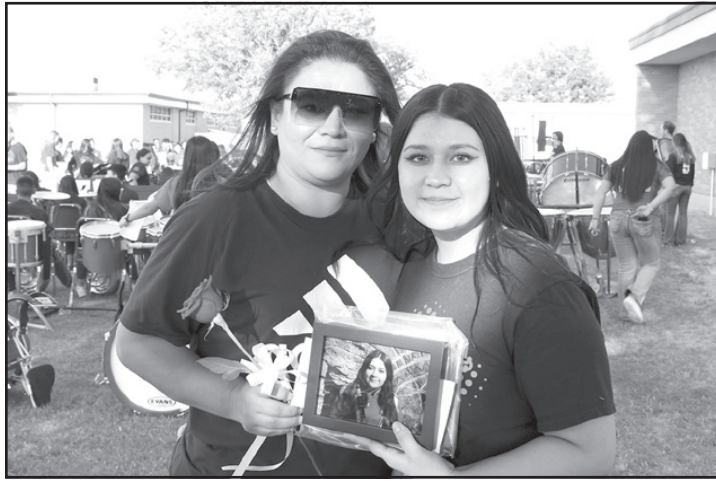
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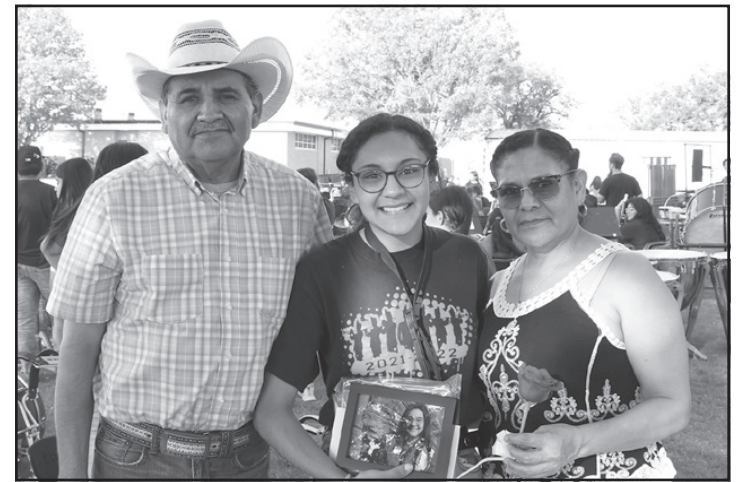
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**2022 Senior Band Members with Mr. Rackley and Mr. Monk**





# State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



## TEA directed to make schools safer

Gov. Greg Abbott has directed the Texas Education Agency to ensure school facilities are made safer in the wake of the killing of 19 children and two teachers at Robb Elementary in Uvalde.

In a letter to TEA Commissioner Mike Morath, the governor requested the agency:

- Instruct school districts to identify actions to make campuses more secure prior to the start of the new school year.
- Instruct all school districts to conduct weekly inspections of exterior doors to verify they are secure during school hours.
- Develop strategies to encourage school districts to increase the presence of trained law enforcement officers and school marshals on campuses.

The state has made an initial \$5 million investment to establish a Family Resiliency Center in Uvalde County. The center will provide psychological services, crisis counseling and other health services for those affected by the massacre.

To date, the governor has rejected calls for a special session to consider additional gun control measures. Instead, he has asked legislative leaders to convene special committees to develop recommendations on school safety, mental health, social media, police training, firearm safety and other issues.

## GOP donors urge Congress to act on gun control

More than 250 major Republican donors in Texas signed an open letter published in The Dallas Morning News urging congressional action to increase gun restrictions. The letter was published as a full-page ad on Sunday. It endorses the creation of red-flag laws, raising the age to purchase a gun to 21, and expansion of background checks.

"Most law enforcement experts believe these measures would make a difference," the letter reads. "And recent polls of fellow conservatives suggest that there is strong support for such gun-safety measures."

Texas Sen. John

Cornyn is leading bipartisan negotiations on possible gun reform measures.

"We are grateful that our Senator John Cornyn is leading efforts to address the recent tragedies in Uvalde and elsewhere across our great Country," the letter says. "He's the right man to lead this bipartisan effort, as he has demonstrated throughout his career."

Among those signing the letter are major financial supporters of Abbott.

## Inflation increase is highest in 40 years

A report by the state comptroller's office notes that inflation increased to 8.5% nationally in March — "the highest year-over-year percent change in consumer prices since January 1982."

Food and energy prices were the leading contributors, with gas prices reaching record levels. The largest source of inflation in food products were in meat, poultry, fish and eggs, up 14.3% in the past year.

The comptroller's report said the increase

in prices is likely a "confluence of economic pressures related to the coronavirus pandemic stemming from both the supply side and the demand side."

The pandemic disrupted production and transportation lines in the global supply chains, which are not expected to fully recover until next year. In addition, demand now exceeds production capacity, often leading to empty grocery shelves and nearly empty lots at car dealerships.

Finally, Russia's invasion of Ukraine and the subsequent sanctions on that country have contributed to driving up the cost of oil.

## Inflation decreased slightly in April.

Emergency SNAP benefits again extended

Once again, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission has received approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to provide nearly \$318 million in emergency food benefits under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program for June.

All SNAP households

will get a minimum of \$95 in additional food allotments on top the regular allotment. More than \$6.9 billion in emergency benefits have been provided to Texans since April 2020.

"We're here to support families when they need us most," said Texas HHSC Access and Eligibility Services Deputy Executive Commissioner Wayne Salter. "Providing access to fresh, nutritious foods is essential for healthy families."

Vehicle deaths reach 41-year high in 2021

The number of people killed in vehicle crashes totaled 1,532 last year, with 6,493 major injuries — the highest level since 1981. More than a third of those deaths involved excessive speed, according to the Texas Department of Transportation. With a 16% increase last year in speed-related wrecks, TxDOT is urging drivers to slow down and drive to weather and traffic conditions.

"Speed is the number one factor in roadway crashes in our state, causing 1 out of every 3 traffic deaths," said

TxDOT Executive Director Marc Williams. "When you speed, you increase the risk of death and serious injury in a collision. By observing the speed limit and driving to specific weather and road conditions, Texans can make our roads safer for everyone."

## COVID-19 cases continue to rise

The number of new COVID-19 cases in Texas during the past week rose to 46,946, with 42 new deaths reported by the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University. That is more than double the number of new cases reported a month ago. The number of lab-confirmed COVID-19 hospitalizations across the state also rose to 1,168, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services.

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# Youth Fishing Day June 5th, 2022 at Reeve Lake in Friona



Jeff Scott, executive director/president of Texas Junior Anglers, has been traveling to Friona to stage youth fishing events for 29 years. He said, "We always look forward to coming to Friona and the weather and lake conditions were great for fishing." He continued, "Close to 150

kids participated and everyone had a great time." Scott would like to thank City Manager Lee Davila and Chamber Executive Vice President Chris Alexander for their help in staging and promoting the event. The next Youth Fish Day will be Sunday, September 11th, 2022.



(l-r) Sylvia Mendoza (Hereford), Jason Smart (Arlington), Jeff Scott (Arlington)



Mia Lucero - 24 3/8"  
1st Place (6 and under)



Cassidy Salas - 26"  
1st Place (7 - 11) - Overall Winner



Hesie Martinez - 23 3/4"  
1st Place (12 - 16)



Evelly Mendoza - 23 6/8"  
2nd Place (6 and under)



Courtney Salas - 25 6/8"  
2nd Place (7 - 11)



Gabriel Garcia - 23 3/8 - accepted by Damian  
2nd Place (12 - 16)

## 2022 Feed the Future Snack Pak 4 Kids Auction Fundraiser

Saturday July 30, 2022

@ Alpo's

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## Friona Community Blood Drive

Sponsored by Friona Lion's Club

Thursday, June 16  
3:30 - 7 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall

To schedule an appointment, call 806-331-8833  
or visit [yourbloodinstitute.org](http://yourbloodinstitute.org).

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\*While supplies last. Photo ID required. Milk must be picked up at CMBC Center in Amarillo.



# Mighty Writers

Mi gattita se llama Rosita.  
 yo le doy de comer a mi  
 gattita. Tambien mi gattita es  
 de color negro. Mi gattita  
 come los zapatos de mi  
 mamá. Yo estoy jugando con  
 mi gattita mi gattita se  
 dormio afuera. Cuando  
 está afuera rosita le gusta  
 jugar con las flores se  
 emociona mucho y no se  
 da cuenta que está por  
 agarrar las rosas de mi  
 mamá y se va a espinar y  
 se va las timar. pero fue  
 muy tarde porque se  
 espino sus patitas y salto  
 muy alto y se fue corriendo  
 a la casa y se escondio  
 debajo de mi cama.

1st Grade  
 Eunise Lopez  
 Mrs. Garcia  
 1st Place

Prak  
 Josiah West  
 D. Stephens  
 1st Place

I would have a pet Trex in an egg.  
 I went to the jungle and I found a  
 mysterious egg. Then I thought dinosaurs were  
 extinct but they were not. I found the egg that  
 was laying on the ground. I heard little roars  
 inside and then it started to crack. There was a little  
 baby dinosaur.



I named it Billy. We ate  
 meat together and went  
 for a walk.

Always do your best!  
 Ace Tatoya  
 Kinder 1st Place

My wheenie dog named  
 Hot dog can fetch.  
 He has Legs that  
 are Litt. dog snaks  
 are his fayvorit.  
 He is skared of  
 hot dog buns.

Today I'm gonna show you how to make my favorite food. And it chuchitos let  
 start with getting 5 tomatoes wash them and get some yellow pepper and wash  
 them and cut them into four and get onion and wash it and cut it into big pieces  
 and wash a pot and put all the ingredients inside the pot and get garlic too and  
 some chili and take the top of it and take out the whole seed of it and add it to  
 the pot and add a 1/2 milliliter of water and put the top and leave it by 5-8 minute  
 and get the blender and put everything inside them blend it then pour it then  
 add some salt and some leave that looks like the lucky charm so it good and then  
 add your chicken then stir a little so the tomato sauce stay on and cover it then  
 get 4 cups of flour then add 5 cups of water and add it add some salt then you  
 stir it with your hand or with a spoon then add 1 cup of butter and 1 cup of oil  
 then stir and let it dry and so it won't stick to your hands then get then you get so  
 of your maseca and the it does not have to be a perfect circle get has much  
 aluminum and some banana plant or different plant for the chuchitos after that  
 wash a big pot so your chuchitos would fit then when you have the maseca now  
 had the chicken and the tomato sauce then fold it the get aluminum then wrap it  
 and tie it up in the both side then get something that it a circle add it in the bottom  
 of the pot then add a little bit of water and turn the stove on add your chuchitos  
 and then on the top you add a bag like every kind of a bag the every 20 minute  
 you add water if it needs the leave it for 1 hour and 30 minutes the you take a  
 chuchitos then enjoy your delicious chuchitos.

Brenda Lopez  
 5th Grade  
 1st Place

My perfect Snack  
 Alie Chapman  
 2nd Grade  
 1st Place

Hi my name is Alie  
 and after school I have  
 my perfect snack and it  
 is carmle popcorn it is  
 very good and I will  
 tell you how to make it  
 you put the popcorn in  
 the mickerwave for 2 mins  
 and stop it at 15 seconds  
 and then you take carmle  
 squises and put them in  
 a bowl and put them in  
 the micker wave for 1 min  
 and then put the popcorn  
 in a diverint bowl and  
 pore the popcorn in the  
 bowl and then pore the  
 carmle on the popcorn  
 and that is how to make  
 carmle popcorn the best  
 popcorn. I'm going to tell  
 you a sekret but do not  
 I repeat do not tell anyone  
 I repeat ok ok ok care  
 you ready ok are you star  
 ok ok some times it bit hot on mind

Vicente Lara  
 3rd Grade  
 1st Place

Name: Vicente  
 Date: 4/27/22

I would prank the girls. I would pretend to be a killer with a knife and fake blood and I would  
 pretend to be the rake, then I would put scary sounds in the woods, then I would hide behind a  
 tree. Then I would bring a costume of a scary dog then when they sleep I will watch them then  
 when they wake up I will have a pie with cream. Then when they go outside I will get ready to  
 throw it at their faces. And I would put fart spray in the cabin. I would set a trap that has garbage  
 in the garbage bag then it would spill on the girls. Then I would dress as slenderman and look at  
 the window then I would put the sound that slenderman makes. Then in the morning I would put  
 a fake spider in the jar.

Jace Jorecki  
 4th Grade  
 1st Place

Stephen F. Austin

Stephen F. Austin was born on  
 November 3, 1793 in Wythe County  
 Virginia. Stephens nickname was the  
 Father of Texas. His full name is  
 Stephen Fuller Austin. Also the capital state  
 is named after him called Austin. He  
 is also known as the founder of Anglo  
 Texas. He finished his fathers work.  
 His name was Moses Austin. Stephen  
 fought in the war for Texas independence.  
 After the war was over and Texas  
 had won their independence Stephen died  
 of pneumonia on December 27, 1836. Today  
 the state capital is still Austin. There  
 is also a school named Stephen F. Austin  
 State University in Tacogardoches, Texas. There  
 is a Stephen F. Austin Park in Amaville.  
 There is a lot of stuff named after  
 him. Stephen F. Austin will always be  
 remembered.

# Stars and Stripes

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

On June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress passed a resolution which stated: "the flag of the United States be 13 stripes, alternate red and white" and that "the union be 13 stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation," according to History.com.

But who designed the ensign that became America's symbol?

Everyone is taught that Betsy Ross was the architect of the first American flag, but is it fact or legend? Ross did not get any credit until thirty-seven years after her 1836 death. Finally—she was identified in an 1873 article that appeared in Harper's New Monthly.

The Betsy Ross saga is still a puzzle because historians have never been able to prove otherwise.

Nonetheless, according to the Department of Veterans Affairs "Both President Wilson, in 1916, and President Coolidge, in 1927, issued proclamations asking for June



14 to be observed as the National Flag Day. But it wasn't until August 3, 1949, that Congress approved the national observance, and President Harry Truman signed it into law."

For the full story, the Grateful American Book

Prize recommends **Betsy Ross and the Making of America** by Marla R. Miller.

Source: History Matters: Showing our children that their past is prelude to their future at the gratefulamericanbookprize.com website.



## FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



William Flowers of Two Horse Construction in Clovis unloads equipment Monday morning at the Subway Restaurant location on Highway 60. The restaurant, owned by John Teters of Hereford, began interviewing employees this week while Two Horse Construction continued work on the building. Teters owns two Subways, the KFC, and Taco Bell restaurants in Hereford. The Friona Subway should open by July. Ron Carr photo. (Friona Star, Thursday, June 14, 2012).

# First Responder Program at Friena Public Library



On Wednesday, a sea of kids greeted Friena first responders at the Friena Public Library's opening Summer Reading Program. "Oceans of Possibilities" is the theme this year and the next program, "The Science of Magic", is scheduled for June 16th. The Friena Police Department and Friena EMS gave presentations and answered questions.



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