



Poster Winners Named

The Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District (PCSWCD) is proud to have sponsored the 2023 Conservation Awards Program. The theme for this year's contest was One Water (Watersheds). The PCSWCD wants to recognize and honor the students, teachers, parents, and farmers who have dedicated their time, efforts, and talents to educate themselves and others in making wise use of our renewable natural resources. This year's school competition included a poster competition for county youths in 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades from Bovina, Farwell, Friona, and Lazbuddie.

For your school or child's inclusion in next year's contests, please contact Rebecca Pomper at the Parmer County SWCD, 806-481-3311 x3, and instructions will be mailed directly to you. Any 3rd, 4th or 5th grader living or going to school in Parmer County is eligible to enter.



First Place: Peyton Brock
Farwell 4th Grade
\$30 cash prize, framed award & class pizza party



Second Place: Adamari Amaya
Friona 5th Grade
\$20 cash prize & framed award



3rd Place: Reyli Azul Antillon
Bovina 5th Grade
\$10 cash prize & framed award



City Manager Lee Davila and Mayor Greg Lewellen were among the well-wishers at the Retirement reception for Chris Alexander on Tuesday at the Friona Senior Citizen's Center. Chris has faithfully served the community of Friona for the the past 18 years, 10 months and recently retired as the Executive VP of the Friona Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture and Executive Director of the Friona Economic Development Corporation. Best Wishes!!!

Egg Prices could go higher

By Adam Russell

In December 2021, consumers only paid \$1.79 for a dozen eggs. Now, egg prices continue to set all-time per-dozen price records, and a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service expert does not expect that trend to reverse in the near future.

David Anderson, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension economist, Bryan-College Station, said inflationary pressure and the worst avian flu outbreak in U.S. history have combined to send egg prices upward over much of the last year and into this year.

"Higher production and logistical costs like feed and fuel have contributed, but the top factor driving egg prices to record highs is an ongoing outbreak of avian influenza," Anderson said.

The USDA-APHIS, reported almost 58 million commercial poultry birds, including broiler and egg-laying chickens, turkeys and various fowl have been lost to the virus. The USDA estimated around 43 million egg-laying hens were cut from the U.S. flock through December. The losses resulted in U.S. egg inventories that were 29% lower than January 2022, according to the report.

There were 340 million table egg layer hens in the U.S. flock in December 2019. By December 2020, the number was 327 million, as egg production responded to the COVID-19 pandemic and higher feed costs. Since the avian influenza outbreak earlier this year, the number of hens is now below 300 million.

Yearly prices for eggs often peak each spring due to Easter holiday egg hunts and baking. "We have a built-in holiday-driven demand for table eggs," Anderson said. "That demand

bump is on the horizon, but the higher prices are also a signal to consumers to use less, so it will be interesting to see if there will be a demand adjustment this Easter."



Cartons of eggs inside a Brookshire Brothers in College Station on Jan. 23. Egg prices have climbed to all-time highs amid the avian flu pandemic. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo by Michael Miller)

Basketball Royalty



Makayla Ramos and Kaden Jeter were crowned Basketball Queen and King at the Mid-Winter Senior/Parent Recognition Program Tuesday evening. Basketball and Powerlifting athletes and managers were recognized. See more photos on page 8.

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Community Calendar

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call (806) 250-2211 or fax (806) 250-5127

- February 2**
• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
- February 3**
• No School
- February 6**
• Student Holiday
• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
- February 8**
• Library Book Shop at 618 Euclid is open from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
- February 9**
• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
- February 13**
• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
- February 14**
• Valentine's Day
- February 16
• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
- February 17
• Last day for candidates to file for place in General Election



Texas Senate News

By Richard Lee



Budget Hearings Underway

Monday marked the first of many public hearings on the state budget, as lawmakers try and decide how to allot a record amount of surplus cash and projected revenue. Though the comptroller has forecast as much as \$188 billion in available funds, statutory and constitutional spending limits will keep the actual amount appropriated to pay for state services in 2024 and 2025 much lower. Both chambers have filed budgets that would spend \$130.1 billion in discretionary state revenue. Both include \$15 billion set aside for property tax relief, with the Senate earmarking \$3 billion of that amount to raise the home-
stead exemption from \$40,000 to \$70,000.

The budget process in the Senate works like this: members of the newly expanded Senate Finance Committee will hear from every agency in the state regarding their upcoming funding needs. These hearings are scheduled through the second week of February, and members of the public are allowed to appear and offer their input on the state's spending priorities. Af-

ter these hearings, the committee will divide into work groups that will closely examine a particular portion of the Senate budget plan. Those groups will present a final budget to the full committee for adoption sometime in March. Once a final draft is completed, it will go to the full Senate for approval. In recent years this has been relatively non-controversial, with the Senate draft receiving unanimous approval from the body in the last three sessions.

The House has a similar process, and once both chambers have approved final proposals, five members of each will come together in a conference committee to hammer out any differences between the two bodies. This can sometimes lead to friction as each chamber fights for their version of the budget, but that doesn't appear likely this session as both houses have submitted draft proposals that would spend the same amount. Once the conference committee has come to an agreement, a final draft will be presented before both chambers for an up-or-down vote and then

it heads to the governor for his signature.

The state budget is divided up into ten articles that contain similar services. As ever, the two largest articles are Article II, health and human services, and Article III, public education. Together they comprise more than three quarters of discretionary state spending. That means the Senate proposal will include \$59 billion for public schools and \$41 billion for state health services. Those two articles contain 77 percent of state funds allocated in the Senate budget, and when taken with federal funds and dedicated state revenue, will make up just under 72 percent of the all-funds budget.

This will be the first session in eight years that a new chair will lead the Senate's budget writing efforts, with Houston Senator Joan Huffman taking over from long-time chair and newly appointed Secretary of State Jane Nelson. Huffman has previously made her mark on fiscal legislation with major pension reform bills for the state's teacher and public employee retirement funds.

Once in a Lifetime

Telling members of the Senate Finance committee that they will likely never again see a session with the state as flush with cash as it is now, state Comptroller Glenn Hegar said lawmakers must decide how to carefully shepherd the state's record-breaking income. "The revenue increases that we have seen have truly been historical and unprecedented," he said. "We have never seen anything like this in the past and I truly don't believe we'll see anything like this again in the future." Hegar told members not to expect to see anything like this session's numbers in 2025 or 2027.

While the comptroller is forecasting \$188 billion in tax revenue over the next two years, along with a massive

projected surplus from the last biennium, Hegar reminded lawmakers that a high degree of uncertainty surrounds his projections. With inflation rates still above the Federal Reserve's policy goal, Hegar warned that more interest rate hikes are likely as we move through the year. "If inflation doesn't slow down significantly, the Fed's actions to check it may prompt a much deeper recession than we currently anticipate." Consumer spending, which feeds state coffers through sales tax collections, is also projected to decrease as people run through COVID savings and employment drops, he added.

Because Texas collects more than half of its revenue through sales

and use taxes, what has left the state in an enviable position has also hurt consumers' pocket books. Texas increased sales tax revenue by 26 percent over last year, about double the previous record increase, but Hegar said much of this increase comes from high inflation, with consumers paying more than \$45 billion more than they would've a year ago. "We're deriving hundreds of millions of sales tax dollars [monthly] that we wouldn't have otherwise but for the inflation," he told the committee.

In lean years, deep cuts and reductions in services are the problem faced by budget writers, but years of plenty bring different challenges. Committee member

and Georgetown Senator Charles Schwertner offered this summary of the conundrum facing lawmakers in 2023. "This session we have the unique choice and obligation of spending more money on priorities of the state, or returning it to taxpayers, or...putting more away for future endeavors and difficult times. They all have merit," he said. Spending money doesn't necessarily mean it's lost to posterity, said Finance Committee Chair Joan Huffman of Houston. "There are other ways to ensure that we invest in Texas, for example, paying off pensions, which we've done," she said. "There are ways we can invest these riches we have for future generations."

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ACROSS

- TXism: "___ pill to swallow"
- Valley medicinal plant
- TX Welchel of "Facts of Life"
- Harris of Texas-based "Alamo Bay"
- network of "Austin City Limits"
- this magazine has called Luby's "the best little hash house in Texas"
- Brenham's ___ Bell ice cream
- inlet just north of the Yellow Sea (2 wds.)
- Texas pests (2 wds.)
- Robert Lee is the seat of this county
- TX Jerry "Count Jackson" ___ of "Boogie Kings"
- TXism: "commits matrimony"
- Texas recipes blog: "___ to Bake"
- this Davis was 14th governor of Texas
- window shelters
- Andrews is named for this Texas Revolution hero (init.)
- TXism: "loose ___"
- TXism: "takes a big ___ to rope him" (obese)
- Gov. Richards
- Davy advice: "Be sure you're right, ___ ahead"
- said of Rudolph's nose (2 wds.)
- sleep in? (2 wds.)
- in Red River County on U.S. 82
- TXism: "he could strut sitting down" (big ___)
- this Diane was "Lorena" in "Lonesome Dove"
- cowboy's bath night (abbr.)
- Jewish language
- TXism: "give your ___ rest" (be quiet)
- polite Texas address to a woman
- ___ Mott, TX
- Dallas univer.
- wall protection behind stove or countertop
- fancy word for "black"
- "for Pete's ___"
- uncompleted span: "___ nowhere"
- was a Palestine FM one who desires
- Boerne had the "Kid ___ Fiber Fair"
- TX A.J. Foyt won at ___ Mans in 1967
- "in the year of our Lord" (abbr.)
- country entertainment org.
- TXism: "___-horse town" (small town)
- TX Smith who won gold in vault with bamboo pole (init.)
- TXism: "does ___ dog stink?" (yes)
- female eggs
- ___ "Bum" Phillips
- instant stops for cars? (2 wds.)
- this Taniguchi built the Oriental Garden in Austin's Zilker Park
- Texans Houston or Rayburn

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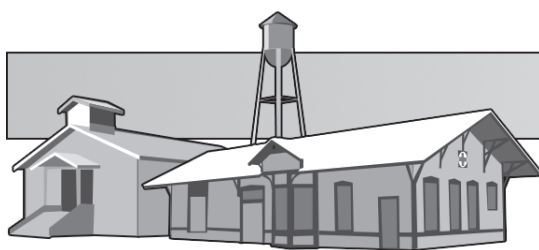
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Thank You

Thanks to the many individuals in the Friona area who have supported us during Diane's battle with cancer and her recent passing.

Special thanks to the entire staff at Bluebonnet Home Health and Hospice for their professional and compassionate care. Friona is blessed to have this wonderful organization in the community.

Alan Mowery and Family



TOWN TALK

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Cut it Out — A ribbon cutting for the new cardboard recycling program will be conducted Friday, February 3rd at 10:30 a.m. at the City barn located at 8th street and Jackson. City council members, Chamber of Commerce reps, PRPC, and program supporters will be there. Everyone is invited to attend.

Send In Your Photos — Our special Valentine's issue is coming up on February 9th. Email your Valentine's photo(s) to frionastar@wtrt.net or text them to 806-265-5200. Please supply names and relationships and contact info if we have any questions.

Time 2 Laugh — (1) I tried to sue the airport for misplacing my luggage. I lost my case. (2) I have a fear of speed bumps. But I

am slowly getting over it. Source: <https://www.rd.com/list/short-jokes>.

Tater Tot Day — In the United States, we consume approximately 3.5 billion of these nuggets of potato goodness per year. These bite-sized bits of golden deliciousness created from the scraps from making French fries once were used to feed cattle. But how do the cast-offs from making French fries become the bite-sized, kitchen-friendly morsels we love to devour today?

Two brothers, Nephi and Golden Grigg, along with their brother-in-law started dabbling in frozen food when they rented a plant on the Oregon and Idaho borders in 1934. They focused on making French fries, but the waste fed to cattle seemed excessive. Was there a way to reduce the excess?

Maybe, but instead, they chose to create a product from the excess. Not only did the scrapped and shredded bits form into tasty bites when blanched and fried, but they also fit into their product line, too. They froze well, could be baked, and were delicious! By 1952, they purchased the plant, forming the Oregon Frozen Foods Company that would later become Ore-Ida.

- National Days**
- February 2: Tater Tot Day
 - February 3: Missing Persons Day
 - February 4: Homemade Soup Day
 - February 5: Weatherperson's Day
 - February 6: Frozen Yogurt Day
 - February 7: Periodic Table Day
 - February 8: Boy Scouts Day

COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from January 19, 2023 to January 26, 2023

(1/19/23) David Norton, Pamela Norton — Curtis Pittman, Meagan Pittman — A Tract of Land in the NW/4 of Section 41, Clock A, Capitol Land Syndicate, Parmer County, Texas

(1/19/23) Jose Mata Torres — Juan Lopez Velasquez, Domina De La Cruz Juarez — Lot 2, Block 72, Original Town of Friona, Parmer County, Texas

(1/19/23) James D. Jennings — Debra Lea Jennings — South 1/2 of Section No. 33, Doud and Keefer Subdivision, League No. 567, State Abst. No. 127, Parmer County, Texas

(1/19/23) James D. Jennings — Darshan Jennings Blackburn — The NE/4 of Section 101, Block H, Thomas Kelly Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas; The S/2 of Section 101, Block H, Thomas Kelly Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas

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(1/20/23) David Gutierrez, Esli Gutierrez — Rhett Green, Kenzi Green — All of the West 25 Feet of Lots 6, 7, 8, and 9, of Block 98, of the Original Town of Farwell, Parmer County, Texas

(1/20/23) George Malouf — George Anderson, Jamie Anderson — E 60' of Lot 2 and the W 70' of Lot 3, block 7, 3rd Installment to Staley Addition No. 3, City of Friona, Parmer County, Texas

(1/23/23) Anna Loya, Jonas D. Hernandez, Joni D'Ann Merigan, Janis D. Gonzales Noguera — Rhett Green, Kenzi Green — All of the East 50 Feet of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, in Block 98, of the Original Town of Farwell, Parmer County, Texas

Puzzle Solution

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Try different things to see what... ...you do well. You can do great things! Kids: color stuff in!

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African-American Connections

Africa is rich in wildlife - elephants, tigers, giraffes, lions, gorillas and zebras!

When I fly over the majestic continents of North America and Africa, I marvel at their physical beauty. African Americans have a rich history, traditions and culture that have influenced American culture. Some contributions are:

- rice farming • iron working • basketry
- weaving • pottery • cattle raising
- folk tales • foods • wood carvings

Study the overlapping or connecting area of the illustration to see what other links we have!

Read the clues below to fill in the crosswords.

North America:

- is the _____ largest continent
- has Denali as its highest _____
- is the _____ largest in population
- physically includes Greenland, the world's largest _____
- has Lake Superior, the world's largest freshwater _____
- has a mainland made up of _____ countries.

Africa:

- is the _____ largest continent
- has gold, copper and _____
- has _____ countries
- has the Sahara, the world's largest _____
- has Mount Kilimanjaro as its highest _____
- has the _____ passing through it
- is _____ largest in population
- has many major _____
- has the Nile, the longest _____ system in the world

Who Am I?

Read the clues below and then follow the color key to fill in the puzzle to see who I am:

- When I was a youngster I got into a little trouble in school.
- I worked hard, went to college and became a lawyer.
- I fought for an end to segregation in schools.
- I became the first African-American appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

B = Blue Y = Yellow

Thurgood Marshall was a lawyer who fought for civil rights. For example, he brought lawsuits against universities that separated black and white people. He won many times and opened the door in education for all people.

Leading the Way!

Below is a list of high-achieving African Americans you may have read about in books, or seen on T.V. or in person at an event. If you always work hard to do your best, you too may be on a list of high-achieving leaders some day!

- Barack Obama (politician)
- Dr. Mallika Marshall (doctor)
- Venus and Serena Williams (athletes)
- Stephanie Wilson (astronaut)
- Michael Jordan (athlete)
- Dr. Benjamin Carson (surgeon)
- James McLurkin (computer scientist)
- Beoncé Knowles-Carter (singer/businesswoman)
- he successfully separated twins who were joined at their heads; worked in a U.S. President's cabinet to help people with housing
- award-winning journalist and health care professional; books for kids
- as a boy liked Legos; watched ant colony behavior to get ideas for groups of robots; writes computer programs that control robots
- may be the best basketball player ever!
- she has flown to the International Space Station, completed a spacewalk (2007) to repair equipment; more days in space than any other female African American
- 44th President of the United States (2 terms from 2008-2016)
- millions of records sold worldwide, fashion lines
- won Gold Medals in doubles tennis (together at 2000 Olympic Games)

The Annual Friona Star Valentine's Issue will be published Feb 9th. It's your opportunity to show off those kids, grandkids, great-grandkids and sweethearts. Deadline for photos is 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6

Notice to Parents, Grandparents, Husbands, Wives and Sweethearts
It's Bragging Time

Cost:
Small - \$10 • Medium - \$15 • Large - \$20
Photos may include names of parents and/or grandparents. For more information call 250-2211 or email frionastar@wtrt.net Bring photos by the Friona Star office Mon-Wed 10am to 5pm text photos to 806-265-5200

Small Town Cookin' By Jeri Lynn White

Tater Tots

National Tater Tot day is February 2nd. Below is an easy alternative to the frozen variety.

HOMEMADE TATER TOTS
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Ingredients

- 2 pounds russet potatoes, peeled
- 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- ½ teaspoon onion powder
- ¼ teaspoon dried oregano
- ¼ teaspoon dried dill
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley leaves

Instructions

Place potatoes in a large saucepan and cover with cold water by 1 inch. Bring to a boil and cook un-

til parboiled, about 6-7 minutes; drain well and let cool. Using a box grater, finely shred potatoes. Using a clean dish towel or cheese cloth, drain potatoes completely, removing as much water as possible. Transfer potatoes to a large bowl. Stir in flour, garlic powder, onion powder, oregano and dill, season with salt and pepper, to taste. The mixture should be workable but dry. Form potatoes into tots. Heat vegetable oil in a large stockpot or Dutch oven over medium heat. Add tots to the skillet, 5 or 6 at a time, and cook until evenly golden and crispy, about 3-4 minutes. Transfer to a paper towel-lined plate. Serve immediately, garnished with parsley, if desired.*

Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



Echoes That Remain

For the most part, the subtropical zone in which we Texans live has four distinct climate patterns during the course of 365 days. We plan our wardrobes and activities, adjusting to nature as it obediently defers to Earth's tilt on its annual trip around the Sun. Spring, summer, winter, and fall bring reminders that the world is still spinning.

The season of death, however, makes the world stop on a dime.

Our wardrobes become colorless. Activities turn into robotic motions. Nothing can warm us because there is a constant chill in the air. The season of death is not a calendar page we can turn.

On a bulletin board in a classroom many years ago was a certain teacher's favorite quotation. She would post all sorts of keepsakes and reminders on this particular display: spirit ribbons, football programs, graduation announcements, basketball articles, candid Polaroids taken just for fun, notes from students, yearbook photos, tardy slips—anything that brought a smile in remembrance of a child who had sat in that classroom.

Throughout the course of a long teaching career,

small funeral programs were also taped to that board. One would have been too many. Illness, accidents, depression, and fate came for several students before they had the chance to enjoy all the seasons of life.

This week the teacher took out the folded poster she had stored after retiring. Just in the past eight months, three more young lives had become echoes. It was time to reflect on the joys and sorrows of that bulletin

board menagerie and sit with the passage of time.

Most of those students' smiling faces remain in orbit today; far too many dwell in heavenly constellations.

Today, I stood graveside again. A few parents in attendance were reliving their own child's death but somehow showed up for the mother and father who now join them in that black hole.

The writer of Ecclesiastes told us that for everything there is a season.

So did Pete Seeger when he wrote there was a time to every purpose under Heaven. These words may ring hollow, not hal-low, during the perennial season of death. But their spiritually poetic phrases are meant to prepare us for the inevitable—even when it is an unspeakable loss.

"...voices of the past which cannot come again, yet God forbid that I should lose the echoes that remain."

-Adelaide A. Procter

State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



Texas leads nation in job creation in 2022

A December employment release from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics indicates Texas led the nation in job creation with 650,100 nonfarm jobs added last year – a 5% rate, the fastest in the nation. Coming in second with 621,400 new non-farm jobs was California.

"Texas works when Texans work, and in this legislative session, we will continue expanding opportunity and ensuring Texas remains the best state to live, work, build a business, and raise a family," Abbott said.

The state's unemployment rate stood at 3.9% in December, slightly higher than the national average of 3.5%. Total Texas employment reached a new high of 13.705 million at year's end.

Heat-related deaths reach two-decade high

Heat-related deaths in Texas reached a

new high last year, according to a Texas Tribune analysis of state data since 1999. The state's second-hottest summer and the worst drought since 2011 combined to increase risk of heat exhaustion and heat-stroke. At least 268 in the state were killed by heat, with a large portion of those being migrants who died after crossing the border, the Tribune reported.

The analysis showed six of the top 10 counties for heat deaths since 1999 are on or near the Texas-Mexico border, with Webb County having the highest number at 325. Migrant experts and local officials along the border say the number reported is almost certainly a "dramatic undercount."

Gary Borders is a veteran award-winning Texas journalist. He published a number of community newspapers in Texas during a 30-year span, including in Longview, Fort Stockton, Nacogdoches, and Cedar Park. Email: gborders@texaspres.com.

Happy Birthday

Feb. 2

John Fred White
Sonny Mays
Emily Silva

Feb. 6

Leander Davila
Sandra Gonzalez
Robyn Rhoades
Jarrett Butler

Feb. 3

Tonya Lookingbill
Josh Barnett
Lezli St. Clair
Derek Alger

Feb. 7

Jeff Stowers
Wade Hinkle
Nathan Haile
Rhylee Levins
Rumalda Ruzicka

Feb. 4

Casey Carr
J.T. Heyden
Keeley Dunnam
Sherri Whitten

Feb. 8

Nancy Roden
Micah London
Sandra Rainey
Roger Almonrode
Erica Boeckman
Taryn Banfield

Feb. 5

Margret DeWit
Monica Bermea
Jena (Grimsley) Massie
Kevin Sifford
Otto Alexander



To have your birthdays listed in the newspaper, email them to frionastar@wrtt.net or call: 806.250.2211

Gas prices continue to rise

By GasBuddy

Average gasoline prices in Texas rose 7.3 cents in the last week, averaging \$3.09 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Prices in Texas are 30.0 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 9.8 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was priced at \$2.29 while the most expensive was \$4.17 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline has risen 9.7 cents in the last week, averaging \$3.49 per gallon. The national average is up 33.3 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 14.1 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has risen 5.4 cents in the last week and stands at \$4.65 per gallon.

"The national average price of gasoline has risen for the fifth straight week as retailers pass along the rise in wholesale gasoline prices due to continued challenges: refinery utilization that still hasn't fully recovered from December's cold weather, and refinery maintenance season that's just around the corner," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

De Haan added, "There appears to be little good news on the gas price front, with prices unlikely to turn around any time soon. Because of the surge in prices last spring, many refineries that had planned maintenance deferred maintenance until 2023. With the can being kicked to this year, we may have similar challenges producing enough refined products to meet demand, especially with the European Union cutting off refined products from Russia starting February 5."

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Book Blessings

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Dwight L. Moody was a man used mightily of God in the second half of the 1800s to help many people come to know Christ. His dynamic preaching and revival ministry, and his writings left a huge impact that still lives on. Prevailing Prayer: What Hinders It, released in 1885, is a book by Moody that deals with the prayer life of the believer. Moody opens the book saying "Those who have left the deepest impression on this sin-cursed earth have been men and women of prayer. You will find that Prayer has been the mighty power that has moved not only God, but man." This truth is drawn out throughout the book as he deals with vital aspects of prayer, barriers to prayer and prayer that God answers. The call is not to know more about prayer, but to pray earnestly, diligently and desperately before the Lord. The reader is reminded of the priority of prayer, "We are not told that Jesus ever taught His disciples how to preach, but He taught them how to pray. He wanted them to have power with God; then He knew they would have power

with man." This profound truth is just one example that shines the light on how we often undervalue our prayer life, and exposes the desperate need of believers to seek the Lord wholeheartedly. "Prayer is hardly ever mentioned in the Bible alone, it is prayer and earnestness; prayer and watchfulness; prayer and thanksgiving. It is an instructive fact that throughout Scripture prayer is always linked with something else. Bartimeus was in earnest, and the Lord heard his cry."

The church today is in desperate need of revival, the culture is in desperate need of awakening, and only a move of God could accomplish such a task. As you pray to this end, recognize the words of Jesus in John 15:7-8 "If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples." Our praying is guided and empowered when we abide in Him, which results in answered prayer, and God being glorified through His Church.

Panhandle Parables

Snow Lessons Part 1

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

One of the things I love about the panhandle is each year we typically have four seasons, but it seems here lately we have been having them all in one week. I know, "If you don't like the weather stick around a half hour and it will change."

Back in the olden days when I was about 13 and we had a regular winter in fact, many may remember the winter of '83. We had lots of snow. I went with Pop to the farm to check water for the horses and he asked me to drive. Driving on the farm was always a thrill, but I was a bit skeptical because there was a lot of snow and he didn't have a 4x4. So, I took the wheel being small I viewed

the world between the steering wheel and the dash board. He taught me how to correct when I started to slide and I must say I was getting the hang of it. We were driving down the turn row and I had picked up a little speed, when out of nowhere, Pop yelled, "HIT THE BRAKES!!!" So, I did, which sent the pick up into one of those spins I had only seen on NASCAR. When we finally stopped on the edge of the field, my heart was pounding, my hands were shaking and I looked at him and he smiled and said, "Now you know don't hit the brakes when you are in the snow. Come on, now you get to learn how to get unstuck." Lesson learned. To this

day, I don't even act like I have brakes in the snow, nor do I try to get up a lot of speed, well ok maybe a little, but I have a 4x4.

We have all learned lessons some the hard way, but that is sometimes the better teacher because it is accompanied with a little humility and that helps us remember. God has always known the better way for us to live our lives, yet every now in then He might have to yell a little to get our attention. He inspired 40 writers over 1500 years to tell one story. Jesus is the way. Maybe a good time to pick up your Bible and give it a try. You might learn something very valuable. Have a great week. God bless.

Don't Miss Seeing God

By Teena Hughs

I love it when God has a plan, and it all comes together. I heard two such stories at church today, and I wanted to share them with you.

Our church pianist, Jody, has been going through a seemingly long season of heartaches. She is 74, and she has been active all of her life. Sadly, life has caught up with her. She has had knee replacement, neck surgery and shoulder replacement in the last two years. It frustrates her so much, because she loves Jesus, and her ailments keep her from serving Him.

A few weeks ago, her son was on his way to work, and he swerved to miss a cow in the road. He rolled his jeep numerous times, and since he wasn't wearing his seatbelt, he was thrown around in the jeep. It was an hour before anyone found him. He was air-flighted to a trauma hospital in Houston. The prognosis was that he would be paralyzed from the chest down. However, he is in re-hab, and things are bad, just not as bad as originally expected.

When I got to church this morning, I asked her about her son, and she said he is discouraged, and that she was also discouraged, but that was because she let herself get discouraged.

There were times when she was teary, and in Sunday school, she explained why. Yes, she was concerned about her son, but she was also so humbled by what God was doing.

Jody grows vegetables and cans anything she can for a mission in Mexico. Money is tight, and she was needing jars to can milk. In fact, she said she stood in Sam's last week praying for jars.

Years ago, I was making blessing jars for people. I found canning jars on sale at Wal-Mart and I bought two cases. I never used the jars, but I brought them here, because I never knew when I would need them.

Last week, I just had a passing thought that I needed to get rid of the jars. I thought about Jody, and I texted her to see if she would like them. She said YES, and we took them to her this morning. Getting her prayers for jars answered was what was making her teary. Jody just needed a little reminder that God really does love and care for her.

Another lady said she and her husband were in San Antonio yesterday. On their way home, she realized she had dropped three \$100 bills. She immediately started praying and called the store; they had her money.

This afternoon, she and her husband went to San Antonio to pick up their money. The manager told them a lady found the money and turned it in to him. She pointed at a lady walking out of the store, and said she thought it belonged to her. The manager ran after the lady and asked her if she had lost \$300. She told him she hadn't. **Continued on page 6.**

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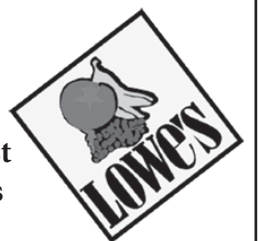


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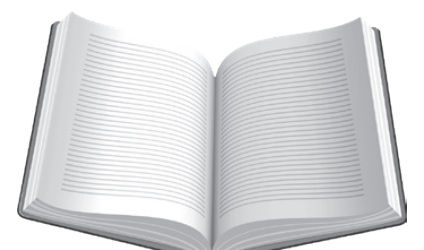
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FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friena Star Archives



LANDMARK BURNS... Friena firemen battled wind and flames on Monday when the old storage warehouse for the former Rockwell Bros. Lumber Company burned. The structure was one of the oldest buildings in Friena, and it had been here since at least 1906. Gene Zachary is the current property owner. (Friena Star, Saturday, February 6, 1993)

Manifest Destiny

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

President James K. Polk was anchored to his belief in “Manifest Destiny” — that the nation was meant to spread far and wide in North America. According to History.com, “he sent his Commanding General of the Army Zachary Taylor and his troops to claim territory along the Rio Grande River between the U.S. and Mexico...” They skirmished in the Mexican American War, signed the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo on February 2, 1848, and annexed 525,000 miles with the eventual boost of Texas, California, Nevada, Utah, New Mexico, Arizona; parts of Colorado and Wyoming.



Although the U.S. was victorious, Polk’s policies generated 1,773 casualties, \$100 million in costs — nearly \$3 billion today — and a downturn in public opinion. Polk departed office in compromised health and died three months later. Zachary Taylor succeeded him.

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends *The Mexican-American War* by John DiConsiglio for more information.

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

Don't Miss Seeing God

By Teena Hughs

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Three people could have taken the money, but they didn't. People, and God, are so good! I truly believe there is good in every person, and I believe God is good all the time!!!

I don't understand how God works; I wish I did. I don't know how acting on a fleeting thought, just so I could get rid of some jars and make room on a shelf in a storeroom, answers someone's prayers, but that is the way

God works.

Sometimes we need to expect God to work when we pray; sometimes we need to expect Him to respond in our hour of need; sometimes we need to see Him working in the lives of people; all the time, we need God.

Look for Him this week; see what He is doing; see how lives are being transformed. He is an amazing God, and unless we are looking, we will miss seeing how amazing He is!!!

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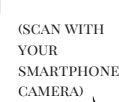
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African-American Connections

When I fly over the majestic continents of North America and Africa, I marvel at their physical beauty. African Americans have a rich history, traditions and culture that have influenced American culture:

- rice farming • iron working • basketry
- weaving • pottery • cattle raising
- folk tales • foods • wood carvings

The words in bold print show connections between the people of the two continents.

Who Am I?

JURG OOD MARSHALL

Africa is rich in wildlife. Elephants, tigers, giraffes, lions, gorillas and zebras!

1. Barack Obama (politician) = F
2. Dr. Mallika Marshall (doctor) = B
3. Venus and Serena Williams (athletes) = H
4. Stephanie Wilson (astronaut) = E
5. Michael Jordan (athlete) = D
6. Dr. Benjamin Carson (surgeon) = A
7. James McLurkin (computer scientist) = C
8. Beyoncé Knowles-Carter (singer/businesswoman) = G



Sports



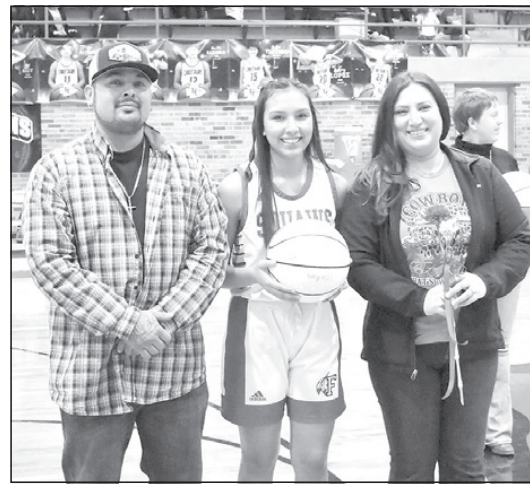
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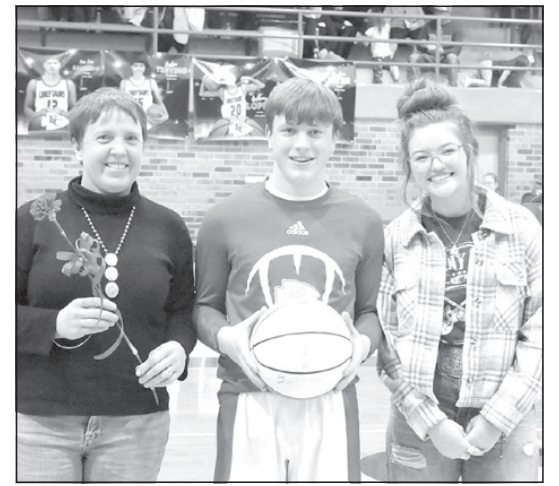
Jackie Falcon
Alma & Haziell Rivera



Breanna Rivera
Juan & Alma Rivera



Makayla Ramos
Joshua & Katarina Guevara



Stef Ally
Els Ally



Kaden Jeter
M'Kell & Justin Jeter



Anthony Lopez
Debbie Gill & Mark Galan



Janessa Garcia
Elio & Yvette Garcia



Trinity Ramos
Suehaye Ramos



Gabriel Abarca
Tonia & Aaron Abarca



Mario Bautista
Michael & Dahlia Bautista



Xuan Garcia
Juanita Garcia & Gloria Selgado



Tony Rodriguez
Teresa & Eduardo Rodriguez

★ Scoreboard ★

Varsity Boys Basketball

Monday January 23, 2023

Denver City	20	22	15	22	76
Friona	5	0	7	0	12

*Johnny Gonzalez 6 points,
Brice Jeter 4 points*

Friday January 27, 2023

Brownfield	30	20	23	20	93
Friona	5	11	6	1	23

*Jameson Daniels 10 points,
Johnny Gonzalez 8 points*



Congratulations to the Friona Boys Powerlifting Team!!!

They won the Panhandle, Dimmitt, and Dalhart Powerlifting Meets!!!

The Girls and Boys Powerlifting Teams compete at Dumas this week. Go Big Red!!!

Powerlifting Results

Dalhart Invitational - Dalhart High School - 1/28/2023 - THSPA Boys

Wt.	Place	Athlete	School	BWT	Squat	Bench	Dead	Total
123	1	Bautista, Michael	Friona	122	360	205	370	935
123	5	Estrada, Erik	Friona	122.8	305	150	300	755
123	6	Gutierrez, Francisco	Friona	120.2	240	110	265	615
132	1	Garcia, Jorge	Friona	130.2	425	235	405	1065
148	3	Bautista, Mario	Friona	137.2	385	235	390	1010
148	4	Garcia, Xuan	Friona	147.4	375	220	410	1005
148	9	Ortiz, Ramon	Friona	145.5	315	200	365	880
165	3	Rocha, Abram	Friona	163	375	225	350	950
220	1	Garcia, Mario	Friona	219	495	320	450	1265
220	7	Abarca, Gabriel	Friona	208.6	390	210	315	915
242	1	Flores, Ishmael	Friona	226.2	520	300	485	1305
308	BO	Shelby, D'Andre	Friona	300.4	0	0	0	0

Team Results: 1st: Friona, 37 points, 2nd: Dalhart, 36 points 3rd: Amarillo Highland, 34 points

Dalhart Invitational - Dalhart High School - 1/28/2023 - THSWPA Girls

Wt.	Place	Athlete	School	BWT	Squat	Bench	Dead	Total
105	1	Saucedo, Naara	Friona	104	195	115	185	495
105	2	Galaviz, Ellie	Friona	104	195	90	205	490
105	5	Carranza, Anaesha	Friona	101	170	85	175	430
114	4	Ortiz, Duvy	Friona	111	205	100	245	550
123	5	Ramos, Trinity	Friona	119	215	125	205	545
123	7	Hernandez, Evelyn	Friona	122	185	90	200	475
132	6	Garcia, Janessa	Friona	129	230	130	230	590
198	7	Espinoza, Mercedes	Friona	192	265	95	250	610
259	2	Phillips, Marie	Friona	221	250	155	300	705
UNC SC		Hernandez, Leah	Friona	0	0	0	0	0
UNC SC		Garcia, Aubrey	Friona	0	0	0	0	0
UNC SC		Abarca, Lilly	Friona	0	0	0	0	0

Team Results: 1st: Dumas, 46 points, 2nd: Perryton, 38 points, 3rd: Sunray, 23 points, 4th: Friona, 21 points



Friona Squaws Powerlifting Team



Friona Chiefs Powerlifting Team - First Place at Dalhart Meet



F-Town: 1st Place at Friona FFA Dodgeball Tourney



Broncos: 2nd Place at Friona FFA Dodgeball Tourney



Kamakazies: 3rd Place at Friona FFA Dodgeball Tourney



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Knight with Mom

Sat. Feb 11, 6-8pm
@ FBC Friena



Moms and sons, college age and younger, are invited to a special night of food (steak), fun and encouragement. Tickets are only \$20 per couple (\$5 for each additional son) and can be purchased from the First Baptist Church Friena office. Call to get your ticket before they are all gone. Deadline to buy a ticket is Noon on Thursday, February 9, 2023.
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FFA Dodgeball Tourney

Thanks to everyone who supported the fundraiser for Friena FFA. See photos of winning teams on page 9.



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2 Timothy 3:16-17



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The End of Anxiety by Josh Weidmann- This 10-week book and bible study will equip men and women with God's truth in how to overcome anxiety. The Men's group will be led by Brett Hoyle and the Ladies group will be led by Lindsey Hoyle. Cost of the book is \$15. Call the church office to sign up for this class.



Pray Like Jesus by Jeff Belcher (Youth 6th-12th Grade)

Over the course of 8 weeks, students will discover the importance of communicating with God by taking a closer look at Jesus' prayers. This will be led by Jason & Shanna Daniels and will meet in the Youth Room.

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Kobi Kirby
Grand Champion Steers



Brynlie Cleavinger
Grand Champion Beef Heifers



Ally Brooks Carpenter
Grand Champion Dairy Heifers



Creed Russell
Grand Champion Barrows



Bryer Stanberry
Grand Champion Goats



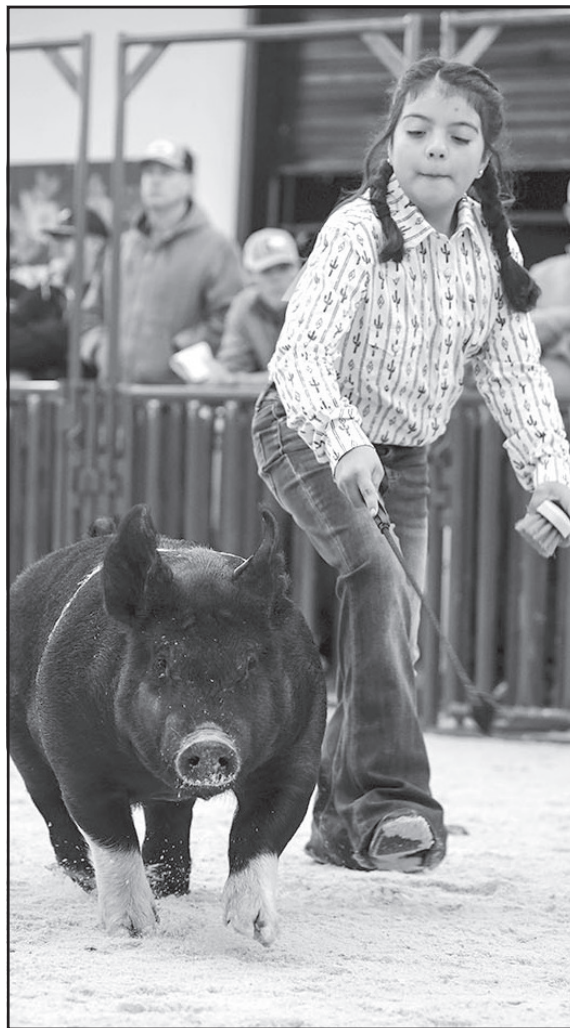
Braddock Foster
Grand Champion Lambs



Alexis Pharis
Grand Champion Rabbits

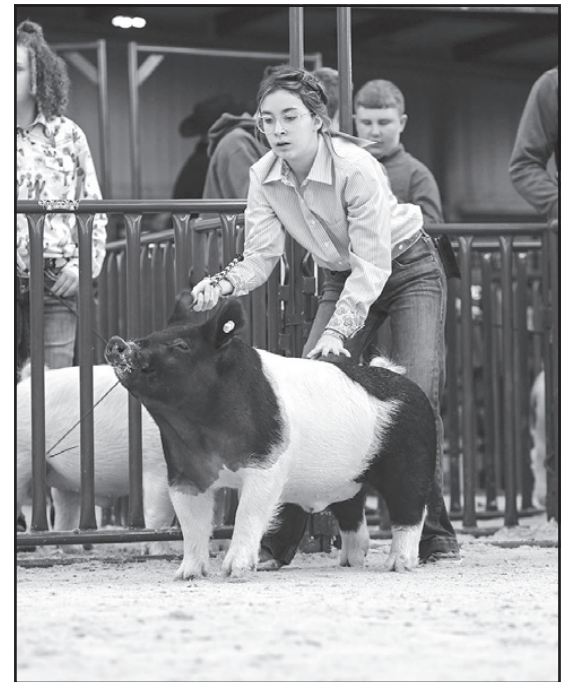


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2023 Parmer County Jr. Stock Show



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Abbey Urbantke / Junior Reserve

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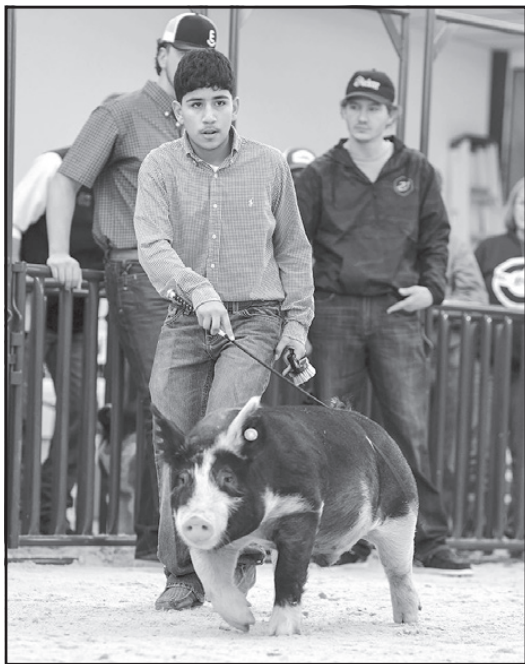

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**Congratulations to all
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Jr. Livestock Show participants!**



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86th ANNUAL PARMER COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW

Final Results

January 17-19, 2023 - Friona Community Center
Stock show photos by Alexis Wagoner

Barrows (146)

- Class 01 Prospect
(1) Brayden Stancell
(2) Angel Ontiveros
(3) Daniella Garcia
(4) Charlie Herring

- Class 02 Prospect
(1) Kutter Bradshaw
(2) Adan Jr Ontiveros
(3) Brayden Stancell

- Class 03 Prospect
(1) Brynlee Smith
(2) Kutter Bradshaw
(3) Ty Smith
(4) Jarrett White
(5) Adian Ontiveros

- Class 04 Berkshire
Jaelyn Smith
Reserve Breed
(2) Colt Carthel
(3) Karen Morales
(4) Alayhlee Villarreal
(5) Aiden Pitsch

- Class 05 Berkshire
Avram Hernandez
Breed Champion
(2) Sophie Lewellen
(3) Dylan Carpenter
(4) Layne Davis

- Class 06 Berkshire
(1) Dieter Ally
(2) Aubree Bunker
(3) Aubrey Schueler
(4) Gabriel Abarca
(5) Jayci Nickels

- Class 07 Chester White
(1) Guyson Nickels
Breed Champion
(2) Nancy Silva
(3) Daniel Silva

- Class 08 Chester White
(1) Brynlee Smith
Reserve Breed
(2) Yulissa Olmos
(3) Carson Davis

- Class 09 Duroc
(1) Ty Smith
(2) Colt Carthel
(3) Guyson Nickels
(4) Sterling Smith
(5) Kylie McFarland
(6) James Douglas

- Class 10 Duroc
(1) Skout Russell
Breed Champion
(2) Dustin Potts
Reserve Breed
(3) Jaelyn Smith
(4) Shelby Lewellen
(5) Daniel Silva

- Class 11 Duroc
(1) Corbin Potts
(2) Jacklynn Ray
(3) Alexis Carpenter
(4) Gentry McDaniel
(5) Sophie Lewellen

- Class 12 Hampshire
(1) Edward Trevino
(2) Sterling Smith
(3) Sawyer McFarland
(4) Ty Smith
(5) Jacob Vasquez

- Class 13 Hampshire
(1) Skout Russell
(2) Brynlee Smith
(3) Tel Smith
(4) Alayhlee Villarreal

- Class 14 Hampshire
(1) Aubree Bunker
Breed Champion
(2) Abbey Urbantke
Reserve Breed
(3) Aiden Pitsch
(4) Jarrett White
(5) Spencer Stokes

- Class 15 Hampshire

- (1) Kutter Bradshaw
(2) Emma G Schueler
(3) Peyton Schueler
(4) Francisco Perez

- Class 16 Landrace
(1) Creed Russell
Breed Champion
(2) Erick Carrasco
Reserve Breed

- Class 17 Poland China
(1) Kadey Urbantke
Breed Champion
(2) Jaxen Morris
Reserve Breed
(3) Emma Shearer
(4) Adan Jr Ontiveros

- Class 18 Poland China
(1) Erick Carrasco
(2) Jacob Vasquez
(3) Tel Smith

- Class 19 Spotted
(1) Kadey Urbantke
(2) Emma Shearer
(3) Edward Trevino
(4) Karen Morales
(5) Layne Davis

- Class 20 Spotted
(1) Skout Russell
Reserve Grand
Breed Champion
(2) Gentry McDaniel
(3) Abbey Urbantke
(4) Kaylee Lee
(5) Antonio Vasquez
(6) Nancy Silva

- Class 21 Spotted
(1) Aubree Bunker
Reserve Breed
(2) Dustin Potts
(3) Kadey Urbantke
(4) Aiden Pitsch
(5) Dylan Carpenter

- Class 22 Spotted
(1) Sterling Smith
(2) Jaelyn Smith
(3) Emma Schueler
(4) Alexis Carpenter
(5) Alexis Carpenter

- Class 23 Yorkshire
(1) Kutter Bradshaw
Breed Champion
(2) Abbey Urbantke
(3) Edward Trevino
(4) Nancy Silva

- Class 24 Yorkshire
(1) Abbigail Watt
(2) Antonio Vasquez
(3) Nancy Silva

- Class 25 Yorkshire
(1) Creed Russell
Reserve Breed
(2) Catelyn Schilling
(3) Leah Hernandez

- Class 26 Crossbreed
(1) Samuel Lawrence
(2) Kaylee Lee
(3) Abbigail Watt
(4) Nate Garcia
(5) Jarrett White

- Class 27 Crossbreed
(1) Landri Lawrence
Reserve Breed
(2) Melline Hill
(3) Shelby Lewellen
(4) Jarrett White
(5) Daniel Silva

- Class 28 Crossbreed
(1) Abbey Urbantke
(2) Gentry McDaniel
(3) Karen Morales
(4) Alli McFarland
(5) Andy Olmos

- Class 29 Crossbreed
(1) Kadey Urbantke
(2) Creed Russell
(3) Carson Davis

- (4) Kylie McFarland
(5) Edward Trevino

- Class 30 Crossbreed
(1) Aubree Bunker
(2) Jayci Nickels
(3) Gabriel Abarca
(4) Erick Carrasco
(5) Daniel Silva

- Class 31 Crossbreed
(1) Emma Shearer
(2) Dustin Potts
(3) Abbigail Watt
(4) Stef Ally
(5) Emma Shearer

- Class 32 Crossbreed
(1) Creed Russell
Grand Champion
Breed Champion
(2) Aleta Kube
(3) Skout Russell
(4) Emma Schueler
(5) Aleta Kube

- Class 33 Crossbreed
(1) Aubrey Schueler
(2) Catelyn Schilling
(3) Aleta Kube
(4) Alayhlee Villarreal
(5) Spencer Stokes

Beef Heifers (3)

- Class 01
Brynlie Cleavinger
Grand Champion
(2) Ky Swierc

- Class 02
(1) Berkley Cleavinger
Reserve Grand

Dairy Heifers (8)

- Class 01
(1) Jaxson Burrus

- Class 02
(1) Libby Carpenter
(2) Samuel Lawrence

- Class 03
(1) Ally Brooks
Carpenter
Grand Champion
(2) Landri Lawrence
Reserve Grand
(3) Libby Carpenter
(4) Jaxson Burrus

- Class 04
(1) Ally Brooks
Carpenter

Goats (70)

- Class 01
(1) Isaac Olmos
(2) Kayl Schueler
(3) Davyn Glover
(4) Attaleigh Connor
(5) Isael Olmos
(6) Brynlee Smith
(7) Riley Railsback
(8) Grayson Husted

- Class 02
(1) Isael Olmos
(2) Brynlee Smith
(3) Isaac Olmos
(4) Braeden Railsback
(5) Dannelle Arguelles
(6) Riley Railsback
(7) Dannelle Arguelles
(8) Grayson Husted
(9) Naia Gunter
(10) Beatrice Bishop

- Class 03
(1) Nikki Hill
(2) Kaysen Stanberry
(3) Sterling Smith
(4) Riley Railsback
(5) Karen Morales
(6) William Husted
(7) Andrew Husted
(8) Griffin Hughes
(9) Griffin Hughes

- Class 04
(1) Melline Hill

- (2) Erin Martinez
(3) Jonathan Vasquez
(4) Mason Schueler
(5) Bryer Stanberry
(6) Braeden Railsback
(7) Lilly Abarca
(8) Jackson Gable
(9) Alexis Carpenter

- Class 05
(1) Kaysen Stanberry
Reserve Grand
(2) Kaysen Stanberry
(3) Nikki Hill
(4) Mason Schueler
(5) Maryn Terry
(6) Kannon Blakey
(7) Kollins Blakey
(8) Carlee Roush
(9) Randi Hughes

- Class 06
(1) Dieter Ally
(2) Jonathan Vasquez
(3) Maryn Terry
(4) Sterling Smith
(5) Stef Ally
(6) Carlee Roush
(7) Carlee Roush
(8) Randi Hughes

- Class 07
(1) Bryer Stanberry
Grand Champion
(2) Peyton Schueler
(3) Maryn Terry
(4) Dieter Ally
(5) Gabriel Abarca
(6) Isaac Olmos
(7) Jackson Gable
(8) Randi Hughes
(9) Zola Brown

- Class 08
(1) Melline Hill
(2) Quay Schueler
(3) Stef Ally
(4) Zola Brown
(5) Braeden Railsback
(6) Alexis Carpenter
(7) Beatrice Bishop
(8) Lilly Abarca

Lambs (58)

- Class 01 Fine Wool
(1) Carter Lewellen
Reserve Grand
Breed Champion
(2) Kayl Schueler
Reserve Breed
(3) Peyton Schueler
(4) Erick Carrasco

- Class 02 Fine Wool Cross
(1) Dieter Ally
Reserve Breed
(2) Ivy Schueler
(3) Melline Hill

- Class 03 Fine Wool Cross
(1) Quay Schueler
Breed Champion
(2) Dieter Ally
(3) Stef Ally

- Class 04 Southdown
(1) Elijah Robledo
Reserve Breed
(2) Melline Hill
(3) Nikki Hill

- Class 05 Southdown
(1) Braxton Foster
Breed Champion
(2) Karen Morales
(3) Stef Ally
(4) Erick Carrasco
(5) Edward Trevino

- Class 06 Dorper
(1) Sawyer Schlabs
Breed Champion
(2) Slayde Schlabs
Reserve Breed
(3) Melline Hill
(4) Nikki Hill

- Class 07 Medium Wool

By the Numbers
86th Annual PCJLS

129
Participants

334
Animals

\$160,000
Sale Total
(before bumps & add-ons)

- (1) Brody Baca
(2) Peyton Schueler
(3) Stef Ally
(4) Edward Trevino
(5) Elijah Robledo

- Class 08 Medium Wool
(1) Braxton Foster
(2) Carter Lewellen
(3) Kayl Schueler
(4) Elijah Robledo
(5) Nikki Hill

- Class 09 Medium Wool
(1) Kayl Schueler
(2) McKyla Swierc
(3) Erin Martinez
(4) Karen Morales
(5) Antonio Vasquez

- Class 10 Medium Wool
(1) Braddock Foster
Grand Champion
Breed Champion
(2) Carter Lewellen
(3) Brody Baca
(4) Dieter Ally
(5) Erin Martinez

- Class 11 Medium Wool
(1) McKyla Swierc
(2) Sawyer Schlabs
(3) McKyla Swierc
(4) Ivy Schueler
(5) Emma Schueler
(6) Aaden Delgadillo

- Class 12 Medium Wool
(1) Carter Lewellen
Reserve Breed
(2) Braddock Foster
(3) Mason Schueler
(4) Peyton Schueler
(5) Emma Schueler

- Class 13 Medium Wool
(1) Erick Carrasco
(2) Quay Schuele
(3) Melline Hill
(4) Mason Schueler
(5) Oceana Gunter

Rabbits (13)

- (1) Alexis Pharis
Grand Champion
(2) Rory Pomper
Reserve Grand

- Grayson Husted
Rory Pomper
Aleta Kube

- Aleta Kube
Alexis Pharis
Rowan Pomper
Rory Pomper
Rory Pomper
Castillo Amanda
Alexis Pharis
Alexis Pharis

Steers (26)

- Class 01 British
(1) Jantsen Morris
(2) Jaxen Morris
(3) Ky Swierc
(4) Jaxen Morris

- Class 02 British
(1) Kenadee Ramage
Reserve Breed
(2) Jayden Morris
(3) Jantsen Morris

- Class 03 British
(1) Blaykin Branscum
Breed Champion
(2) Berkley Cleavinger
(3) Rowdy Ramage

- Class 04 American
(1) Naomi Brooke
Cleavinger
Breed Champion
(2) Rowdy Ramage
(3) Brynlie Cleavinger
(4) Jayden Morris

- Class 05 American
(1) Naomi Brooke
Cleavinger
Reserve Breed
(2) Reagan Kirby
(3) Brynlie Cleavinger

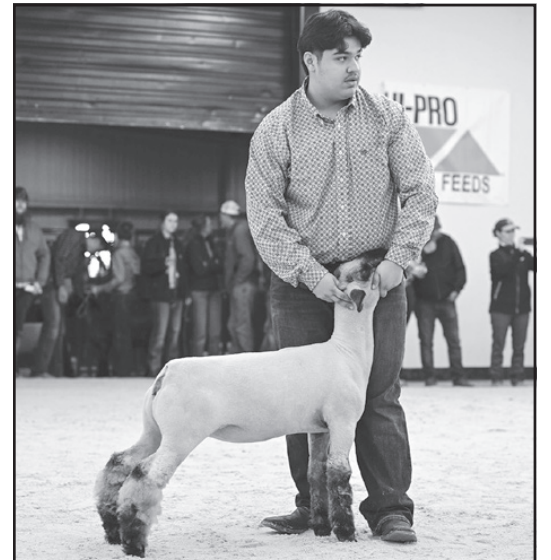
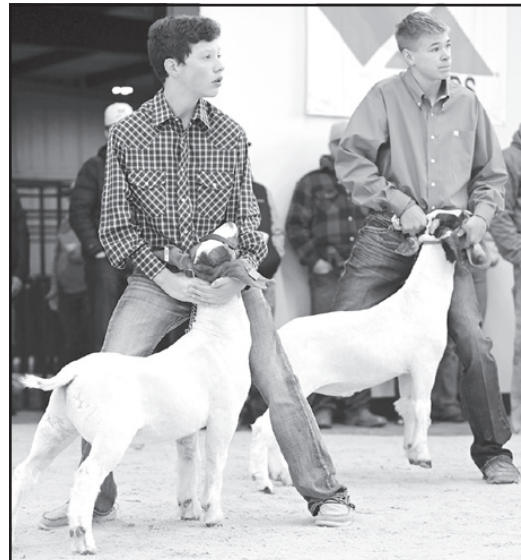
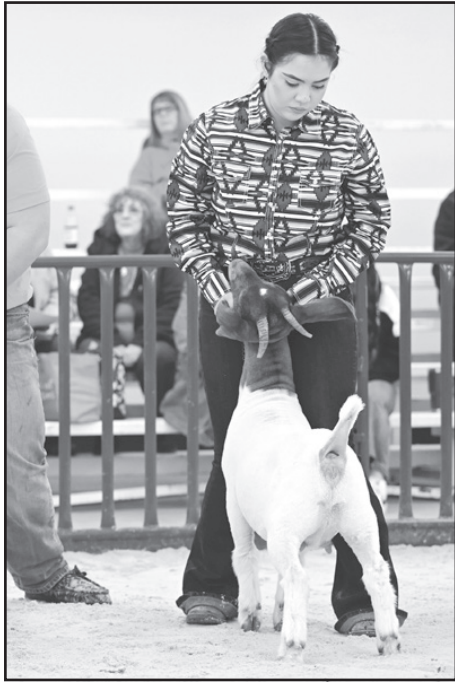
- Class 06 Crossbreed
(1) Reagan Kirby
(2) Paisley Branscum
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(3) Paisley Branscum

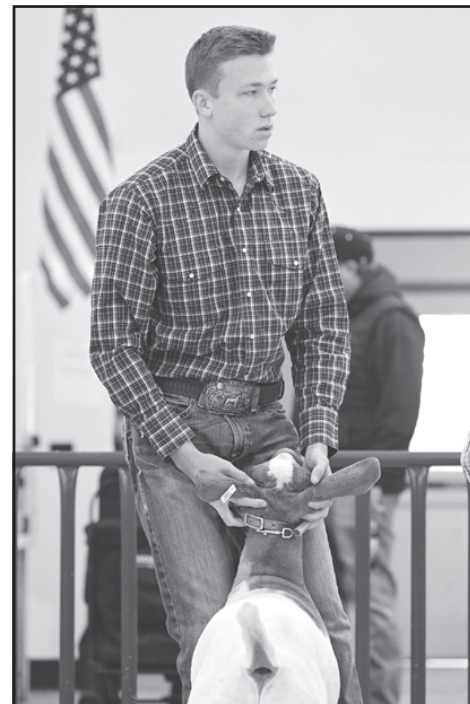
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For the National Do-Not-Call Registry you may register in two ways

- 1) Online at www.donotcall.gov for the federal registration, or
- 2) call toll-free 1-888-382-1222; TTY, call 1-866-290-4236.

Please note that you must call from the telephone number you wish to register. Subscribers may register their residential telephone number, including wireless numbers, on the National Do-Not-Call Registry by telephone or by internet at **no cost**. The registration can take up to 31 days after you complete registration to become effective, so you can complain about telemarketing calls that you receive three months or more after your registration. Your registered telephone number(s) will remain on the list until it's disconnected and reassigned, or if you ask to remove it.

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You may register for the Texas No-Call List in three ways

- 1) Online at <http://www.texasnocall.com> for instant registration,
- 2) call toll-free 1-888-309-0600 to obtain an application or to register, or
- 3) send a written request for an application to

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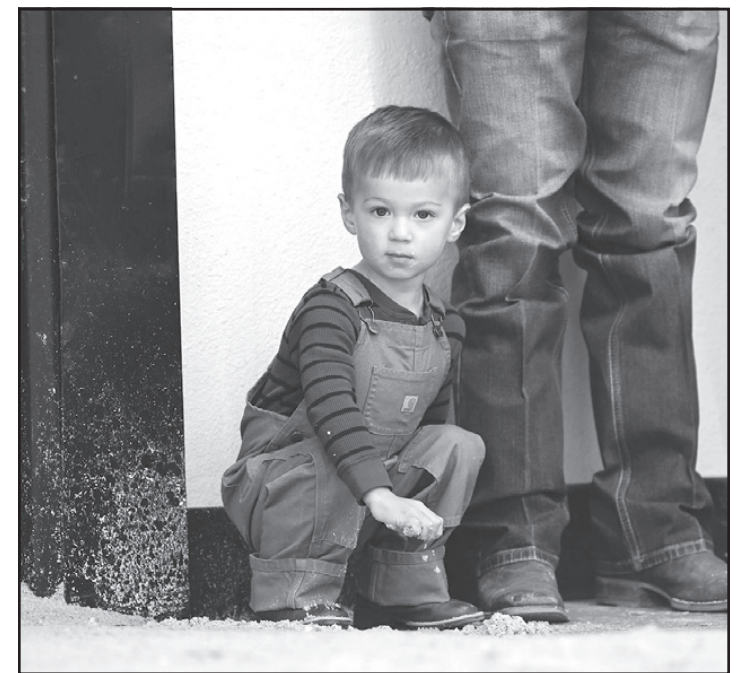
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