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Commissioners approve proposed tax rate

The Parmer County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, August 23, 2021 at 10 a.m. in the County Courtroom of the Parmer County Courthouse in Farwell, Texas. The meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Texas Flag.

There were no public comments. Minutes from the August 9th meeting were read and approved. Commissioners approved the payment of the accounts payables as presented by County Treasurer Sharon May. The Treasurer's payroll report was also approved.

Commissioners approved a proposed tax rate of \$0.5334 per \$100 for Year 2021. This is a 0.05% decrease from last year's rate of \$0.5337 per \$100. However, most residents will see a net increase in taxes due to higher valuations of their property. A public meeting to vote on the proposed tax rate will be held on September 13, 2021 at 9:30 in the Parmer **County Court Room First** Floor. For more information, please see the Notice of Meeting to Vote on Tax Rate on page 10.

Commissioners approved the order for a Special Election for Con-

stitutional Amendments to be held on November 2, 2021. In the past, the County Judge could approve the order but under new state laws the Commissioners Court must be on record with their approval.

In other business, Robert White was reappointed to serve on the Board of Directors at the Central Plains Center. A request to run a water line under County Road R and Country Road 17 was approved. Also, approval was given for a bond for District Deputy Clerk Rose Longley.

Sheriff Randy Geries reported that he was currently housing 25 inmates in the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center. Seven of the inmates are from Deaf Smith County. The next scheduled Commissioners Court meeting is Monday, September 13th.

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

Thursday | August 26, 2021

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The Chieftains scrimmaged Bushland last Thursday at Chieftain field in a tune-up for their season opener this Friday night at Brownfield. The 3A Division 1 Falcons are a perennial playoff team and always provide a stern test for Friona. Good luck to both teams this year!!!

Covid makes a comeback

Wash your hands. Wear a mask. Keep a safe distance. Sound familiar? Unfortunately these safety measures have become urgent again because of the return of the Covid virus. Parmer County is currently listed as a "High Risk" area.

The most recent report from Parmer Medical Center shows that 110 individuals in Parmer County

have been tested for Covid during the month of August. Out of the 81 tests that have been completed, 38 have registered positive for the Covid virus. That 47% positivity rate is not a good sign. As a stark comparison, for the month of July only 27 tests were administered with 9 coming back positive for

Parmer Medical Center is hosting a Free Covid-19 Vaccination Clinic on Friday, August 27th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the XIT Recreation Center in Bovina, Texas. Pfizer vaccines are now available for ages 12 and up. Call for an appointment at 806-240-1562 or 806-240-1761. Walk-ins are avail-

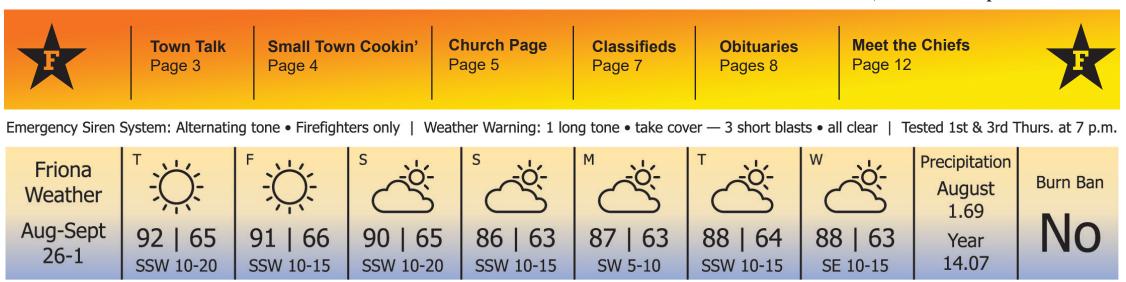
able.



The Mighty Friona Chieftain Marching Band is shown rehearsing in their new Band Hall which also doubles as a storm shelter.



New school board member Dustin Thompson tours the new Primary School with his kids, Darron and Hunter, at last week's open house event.





Community Calendar

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

August 26

 Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center

August 30

• Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen (no meeting on Sept. 6) • Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center

August 31

 Snack Pak packing at 3 p.m. at Friona United Methodist Church (North entrance on 9th Street)

September 2

 Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center

September 6

· Labor Day Holiday Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center

September 9

 Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center

September 11

- Patriot Day
- Maize Days Celebration

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FHS Class of 1959 celebrates 80th birthdays



Bottom row (l-r): Pat Cranfill Liston and Keith Taylor; Seated (l-r): Johnny Tomlin Douglas, La-Von Fleming Reeve, Nancy Outland Roden, Raye Jean Jones Daniel, Kay Kirk Renner, Elaine Holcomb White, and Junita Schwab Larkin; Standing (l-r): Wayne Rhodes, Frank Ready, Bomar Stacy, Gary McLaughlin, Gene Pope, Keith Menefee, Larry Moyer, and Janiece Bock Baxter; Not pictured: **Oneil Greeson.**

Classmates and graduates of Friona's Class of 1959 gathered in Amarillo on August 20th to celebrate class members reaching 80 years old. Name tags with a school picture attached were used to ensure that everyone could be recognized.

Classmates from Oregon to

Kansas to Arkansas and all

over Texas arrived for the gathering. A pizza meal on Friday night got everyone warmed up for a full day of show and tell on Saturday. Actually everyone enjoyed just sitting and visiting. Many photos were passed around which conjured up many good stories. There were 48 graduates in May 1959. In the 62 years following, 19 have died.

A total of 26 people celebrated some or all of the weekend festivities. The spouses have always been a big part of the reunions. The gathering ended with a meal Saturday night followed by a birthday cake for dessert. The group was enthusiastic about scheduling the next reunion in two years.

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SHERIFF'S REPORT

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

(8/17/21) SueAllen Baca, 26, of Roswell, New Mexico was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on charges of Possession CS PG2 > 1g < 4g, pending Grand Jury; and Possession Marijuana < 2 oz., pending County Court.

(8/19/21) Jose Gonzalez, 46, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of DWI, pending County Court.

(8/20/21) Carlos Mendez, 19, of Clovis, New Mexico was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on a charge of Possession Marijuana < 2 oz., pending County Court.



Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from August 12, 2021 to August 19, 2021

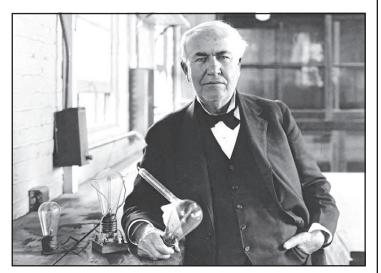
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(8/17/21) Donald William Armstrong, Emma Lee Armstrong — Robby Lynn Armstrong, Ronald Wayne Armstrong, Ronald Armstrong Armstrong Jr. - See doc.

(8/18/21) Juan Garcia — Gaudencia Salas Garcia — Lot 7 and the S 10' of L 8 Blk 9 Drake Revised Subdiv an addition to the City of Friona in Parmer County

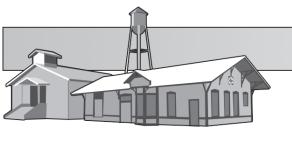
Lights, Camera, Action!

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith



On August 31, 1897, Thomas Edison received the patent for his kineto-

1927 for its first talkie: Al Jolson's The Jazz Singer. For more information,



Branson Trip — Dale and Donna Schueler will be leaders of a Diamond Tours Bus trip to Branson, Missouri on Nov. 29 - Dec. 4. They still have room available if you are interested. Please call 806-294-3585 or 806-265-5960.

Friona Blood Drive — Coffee Memorial Blood Center workers collected 30 units of blood at last Thursday's community blood drive. Since each unit can save up to three lives, around 90 individuals will benefit from blood collected. Thanks to everyone who donated!

Covid-19 Vaccines — Parmer Medical Center is hosting a Free Covid-19 Vaccination Clinic on Friday, August 27th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the XIT Recreation Center in Bovina, Texas. They are now offering Pfizer for ages 12 and up. Call for an appointment at 806-240-1562 or 806-240-1761. Walk-ins are available.

Youth Fishing Day — The Texas Junior Anglers will host a Youth Fishing Day at Reeve Lake on Sunday, September 12th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The event is presented by the Friona Economic Development Corporation. No pre-registration is required. Fishing equipment will be provided,

if needed.

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Band Booster T-Shirts – You can now order band booster tshirts for the upcoming marching season. Sizes are available from Youth XS – Adult 3XL. They will be \$20.00 each. Orders due to Katie Gilley by Friday, September 3rd. To order, text Katie at 806-346-4934 or email her at kgilley@frionaisd.com. If you have ordered, but not paid by the 3rd, your order will be cancelled.

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Book Shop News — While the Friends of the Library Book Shop appreciates all donations of good quality used books, we need to ask that you postpone large donations until further notice. We can still accept small boxes or bags of books. The book shop is located at 618 Euclid and is open on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. and by appointment.

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Pageant News — The 65th Annual Miss Friona Scholarship Pageant and Little Miss Pageant have been rescheduled for Saturday, September 11th. The events will begin at 3:00 p.m. in the Friona High School Auditorium.

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Maize Days — Vendor forms for the 64th Annual Maize Days Celebration are available in the Chamber Office or online at www.friona-chamber.com. The deadline to submit the vendor forms is on Friday, September 3, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

TOWN TALK

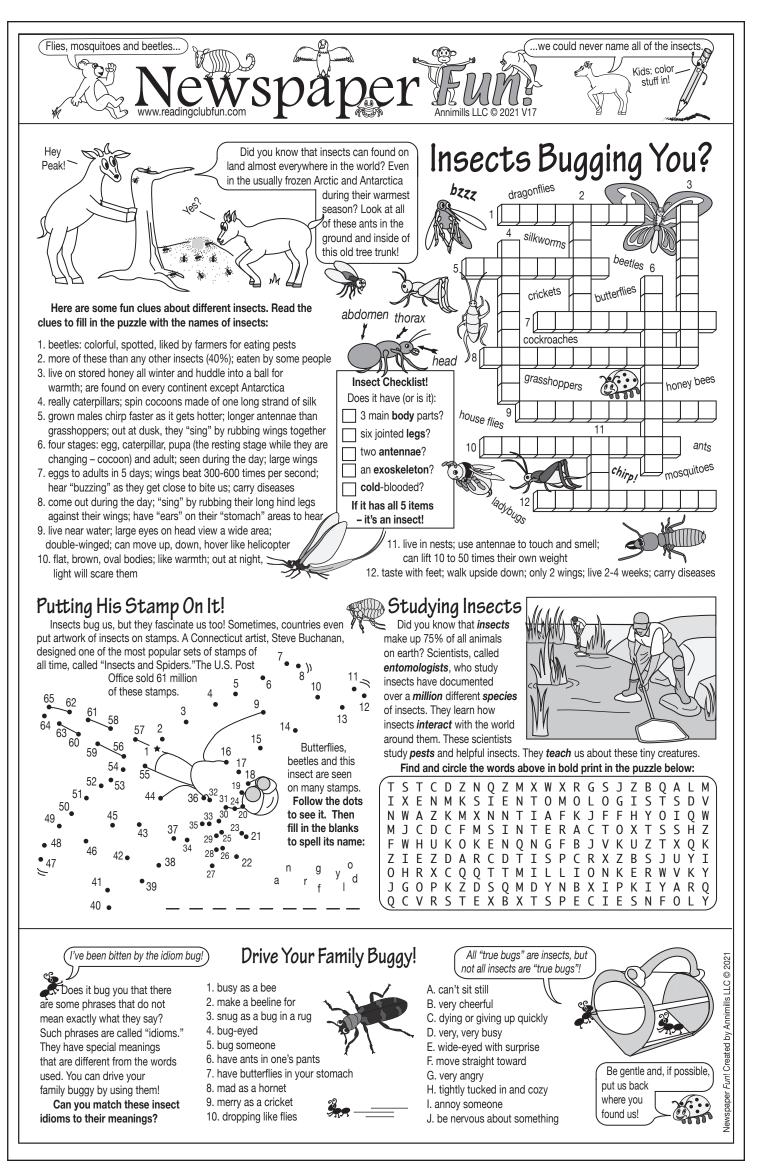
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Snack Pak News - The next Snack Pak packing for this school year is Tuesday, August 31st at 3 p.m. If you would like to help, meet at the Friona United Methodist Church (North entrance on 9th street).

Burnt Ends Day is September 1st - Once considered trimmings or left-overs, burnt ends come from the point of a brisket. The name comes from the longer cooking time required for tender brisket. As a result, these thinner points become a little charred and tougher than the rest of the meat. Delicious on their own, burnt ends also taste amazing on sandwiches and in stews. They can be sweet, spicy, smoky, or all three at once!

*** **National Days** August 26 — Dog Day August 27 — Just Because Day August 28 — Bow Tie Day August 29 — Lemon Juice Day August 30 — Grief Awareness Day August 31 — Trail Mix Day September 1 — Burnt Ends Day





graph—the world's first motion picture camera. The inventor had hopes of synchronizing photographic images with sound, but it took some time to achieve the simultaneous mix. His innovation trumpeted the arrival of the silent movie era, but because of the technological difficulties, the movie industry had to wait until

Grateful Amerithe can Book Prize recommends The Wizard of Menlo Park: How **Thomas Alva Edison** Invented the Modern World by Randall E. **Stoss.**

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



GRADUATE NURSING - South Plains College Reese Center recently honored its Vocational Nursing Graduates during a pinning ceremony in the Helen DeVitt Jones Theatre. On the left is graduate Monica Madrid of Friona. She received the



Preceptors Recognition. At right is Kristie Buchanan, instructor of Vocational Nursing. (SPC photo)



Banana Splits

For some reason the flavors found in a banana split, banana, chocolate, strawberry, and pineapple, just go well together. The flavors work in many different kinds of foods. August 25 is National Banana Split Day. I have a few recipes to go along with the celebration.

Banana Split Cookies

www.amagicalmess.com

Ingredients

15.25 oz white cake mix, 1 box
5.1 oz banana instant pudding, 1 box
2 eggs
½ cup oil
1 tsp vanilla extract
½ cup chocolate chips
½ cup maraschino cherries, chopped
¼ cup sprinkles

Instructions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and line baking sheet with parchment paper. Sift cake mix and pudding mix into a large bowl. Add eggs, oil and vanilla extract and stir until smooth (dough will be thick). Stir in chocolate chips. Gently fold in cherries and sprinkles (you can use a Funfetti cake mix and then skip the sprinkles). Scoop out dough by the tablespoon and round into a ball. Each dough ball should be about the size of a golf ball. Place on baking sheet 2-3 inches apart. Bake for 10-13 minutes. Allow cookies to cool on a cooling rack.

No Bake Banana Split Dessert

INSTRUCTIONS

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tom of 9 x 12 pan.

ham cracker layer.

By Leigh Anne Wilkes @ www.yourhomebasedmom.com

Note: If raw eggs are a concern for

Layer One: Mix together 1/2 C

butter melted and 1 C graham

cracker crumbs. Press into bot-

Second Layer: Mix together eggs,

1 C butter and powdered sugar

and beat for 15 minutes (this is

important!) Spread over gra-

you, they can be left out of the

INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup butter melted
- 1 cup graham cracker crumbs
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup butter
- 2 cup powdered sugar
- 3-4 bananas sliced
- 1 1/2 pints strawberries sliced
- 1 12 oz. Cool Whip
- 1 20 oz. can crushed pineapple drained
- chocolate syrup to drizzle

- Third Layer: Slice bananas and cover over second layer.
- Fourth Layer: Cover over bananas with 1 pint sliced strawberries Fifth Layer: Cover with pineapple Sixth Layer: Cover with Cool
- Whip Seventh Layer: Sprinkle with remaining strawberries and drizzle with chocolate syrup. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

Governor Abbott, Texas National Guard

Happy Birthday

August 26 John Schlenker Clint Mears Madyson Madrigal Riley Fury Amanda Hefner Tiffany Blackburn Rufina Salinas Jean Botello

August 27 Rhonda Reeve Ralph Chavez Bentley Irwin Barbara Brown Robin McGowan Cindy Simmons Cassie (London) Smith Bryan Masse

August 28

Monica Perez Logan Tyler K Julie (Landrum) Baughman Aaliyah Herrera



August 30

Stephen Campbell Jiselle Hand Kyra Davis Judy Rhodes Jerry Butman Bobby Broyles Mary Frances (Cass) Weatherly Truman Hough Brooke Stover John Kirk Banfield Zubin Bhakta Charee Drachenberg

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August 31 Jacob Hoyle Kris (Hamilton) Haffner n Erica Potts Elvira Carrasco



September 1 Joe Cunningham Melissa Hardin Shayla (Parker) Farmer Crystal Potts Magen Rainey

Lower oil prices send gas prices downward

By Gas Buddy

Texas gas prices fell 3.1 cents in the past week, averaging \$2.81 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Gas prices in Texas are 1.6 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 93.9 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$2.40 while the most expensive is \$3.59 per gallon. The national average price of gasoline has fallen 3.3 cents in the last week, averaging \$3.14 per gallon. The national average is unchanged from a month ago and stands 96.5 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

"Gasoline prices have started to slide over the last few days as oil prices have plunged, largely fueled by a continued global surge in Covid-19 cases and concern that fuel demand may shrink as more companies table return to work plans and the summer driving season comes to a close," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. De Haan continued, "Excluding the plunge in gasoline prices as Covid unfolded in 2020, Sunday saw one of the largest single day declines in the national average in nearly three years. The good news won't end there, either, as I fully expect the national average could drop back under \$3 per gallon in the next three weeks. The bottom line for motorists is that if they don't absolutely need to fill up, they should avoid doing so as fuel prices are nearly guaranteed to continue to decline in every state in the coming week." GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data spanning nearly two decades. GasBuddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy data is accessible at http://FuelInsights. GasBuddy.com.

Increasing Efforts To Secure The Border

Governor Greg Abbott is surging Texas National Guard to better secure the border. The Guard is now authorized to enforce Texas law, including arresting people who have crossed the border illegally and violated Texas law. They are working with the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) and local law enforcement to increase border security.

In addition to performing a law enforcement function, the Texas National Guard is also helping with the early stages of constructing border barriers and a border wall.

Governor Greg Abbott praised their efforts saying, "The Texas National Guard is playing an unprecedented role to secure the border because of the unprecedented refusal of the federal government to fulfill its obligations under federal law."

Governor Abbott also named border security funding as a priority for the current legislative Special Session. In a call with border sheriffs and county judges on Saturday, the Governor urged border sheriffs and county judges to make their voices heard to the House Appropriations Committee during a hearing this week on the urgent need for this additional funding to secure the border. The proposed appropriation would also fund the deployment of more National Guard to the border.

Since Governor Abbott launched Operation Lone Star in March 2021, over 4,600 arrests have been made by the Texas Department of Public Safety for charges including criminal mischief and criminal trespass. Additionally, OLS has led to the confiscation of drugs and illegal firearms - including over 700 pounds of cocaine, 127 pounds of deadly fentanyl, over 8,500 pounds of cannabis, and over 270 firearms to date. In July 2021, more than 212,000 people attempted to illegally cross Texas' southern border — the largest number since 2000.



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Panhandle Parables Windmills & Water

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

I will never forget my first drink from a windmill. The day was hot and the water cold. I didn't drink from the tank, (not that tough), but straight from the pipe and oh how refreshing it was to taste the water, filtered by God and chilled to perfection. Living here on the High Plains of the Texas Panhandle it is not uncommon to see an old windmill off in a pasture somewhere. Many are worse for wear missing various parts whether the weather vane or iconic blades, many no longer pump and the shafts are disconnected. They stand as mere relics of a time gone by, but they transformed this country one breeze at a time. Yet, if you are fortunate you will find a 100 year old windmill still doing what it has always done turn wind into water.

Sometimes Christianity looks a lot like those old windmills. No longer in use, relics and missing parts, driving through small towns or where there once was a town you see old buildings, no longer thriving with people praising God, now roosts for pigeons and other critters. We look at a world drinking the latest "Kool-aid" no longer thirsting for the only Water to give eternal life. Honestly, a little discour-

aging, makes you want to head for the hills and ask God why? Elijah did that once, and God reminded Him He was still on His throne, still working to save those who would let Him and told Elijah to get back to work. (1 Kings 19 check it out).

Maybe I need to be reminded too! If I look a little closer, I still see Christians facing challenges, following the Truth and sharing the Water. We have a source that will never run dry. We have a King who will never lose and we do have Water. So when you see the old windmills remember there is work to do and Water to share. Would you like a cup?

Elijah's Downward Drift

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

After the miraculous and mighty victory Elijah experienced over the prophets of Baal on Mt Carmel, the spiritual winds seemed to be changing in ancient Israel. After many saw God's power in consuming Elijah's sacrifice it seemed as if revival was on the horizon as the people purged the false prophets from their midst. King Ahab even had Elijah as the forerunner before his chariot when the king returned home. The exhilarating triumph God brought through Elijah seemed unstoppable as God worked mightily through his prophet. Unfortunately, the momentum of 1 Kings 18 came to an abrupt halt as wicked Queen Jezebeel sought to squelch the prophet of God, Elijah.

The surprise in 1 Kings 19 is not that a wicked ruler resisted God's work, but the shock in this passage is Elijah's downward drift into fear, anxiety, depression and even suicidal despair. In fact, in 1 Kings 19:3, after hearing of Jezebeel's threat to kill Elijah, scripture says, "Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life..." Elijah gave into fear instead

of faith, which put him on a path to flee quickly to isolate himself and even insist on God taking his life. Maybe Elijah was extremely exhausted and the fatigue left him vulnerable to fear, or maybe he looked at the size of his problems instead of looking at the size of the Lord. Fear is a monster that all are tempted to give into, yet over 300 times in scriptures God tells his people not to be afraid. Understand its not sinful to have fear, but it is sinful to fear your problems, circumstances or possibilities more than you trust and rely on God. In fact, the more clearly you see how majestic, sovereign and loving God is, the less space you give fears and anxieties in your heart. The solution to fear, which can lead to a downward drift in your life is abiding in God's presence and living by His truth. For example, when you are grounded on the Lord's truth you can combat temptations to fear with the truth of God from the Word such as Isaiah 41:10, "fear not, for I am with you; be

Dress for Success

By Teena Hughs

Unfortunately, we are seeing Satan at work "full steam ahead" these days. Some may be wondering how we can combat all the evil in today's world. Paul instructs us in Ephesians 6:11 to, "Put on the full armor of God, so you can stand against the devil's schemes."

I have heard sermons and children's sermons about the armor of God (Ephesians 6 10-18); I have read and studied about the armor of God, but until the events of the last two weeks, I never realized how badly we need to make a concentrated effort to dress ourselves in the armor of God every day. With the help of God's Word and a commentary, here is how we dress for success against Satan and all evil.

First thing in the morning, put on the breastplate of Christ's righteousness that covers and shields our heart and protects us against all of Satan's accusations and charges. Remember, "It is Christ's righteousness-not our own righteousness-that covers and protects us."

Secondly, put on the belt of truth. It is the belt of truth that holds together the full armor of God and is "our personal commitment to truth--to living a life that is upright, transparent, and without deceit. Integrity and honesty are vital to your Christian life." "The great truths

Second coming, forgiveness of sin, grace and power to live for Jesus--these truths set us free from Satan's lies."

Next, put on your shield of faith. When Satan attacks us with doubts, when temptations come, it will be our faith that "keeps us steadfast in following Jesus. We are able to withstand all the devil's fiery darts, because we know 'whom we have believed" (2 Timothy 1:12).

Don't forget to put on your shoes of "peace that comes from the Good News, so that you will be fully prepared" (Ephesians 6:15) for wherever the Lord leads you.

And, for your protection, don't leave the house without your helmet of salvation. "When we have a sure knowledge of our salvation, we will not be moved by Satan's deceptions. When we are certain that we are in Christ with our sins forgiven, we will have peace that nothing can disturb."

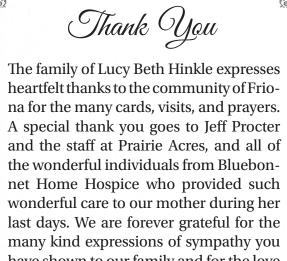
Lastly, never forget

Spirit, your Bible, with you. This is the "only weapon of offense listed in the armor of God. All the other parts are defensive in nature." God's Word is truth; it is powerful, and that is why we must study it and learn from it. It is what "protects us and destroys our enemy--the devil and his temptations." We may dress ourselves

to take the sword of the

daily with the armor of God, but we "need to bathe it all in prayer." It is prayer that "brings you into communion and fellowship with God so that His armor can protect you."

The armor of God has to become our way of living so that we can combat Satan and the evil he is promoting in today's world. The way we do this is by having a relationship with Jesus Christ, and the way we have that relationship is by dressing in the armor of God! We need all the help we can get to stand up to Satan and evil. Dress so that you are prepared for the day, and for success!!!



not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

of the Bible--the love of God, salvation through faith in Jesus Christ, the

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS	FRIONA FLASHBACKS
BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE	From the Friona Star Archives
he Friona ISD will hold a public	
eeting at 5:30 p.m. August 31, 2021 in the Board Room at FISD Administration Building	
909 E. 11th Street, Friona, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the chool district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation the discussion is invited.	AIA
e tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed e proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information d comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.	10NA
Maintenance Tax \$91870 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)	
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters \$33400/\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)	1. 1. And the second se
Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget	
The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:	
Maintenance and operations <u>2.177</u> % increase or <u>%</u> (decrease)	
Debt service % increase or 0.518 % (decrease) Total expenditures % increase or 4.765 % (decrease)	
Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)	B OF CALLED DO C
Preceding Tax Year Current Tax Year	
Total appraised value* of all property \$ 472,966,244 \$ 491,590,651 Total appraised value* of new property** \$ 289,234 \$ 1,471,080	The second
Total taxable value*** of all property \$449,480,026 \$466,567,487	
Total taxable value*** of new property** \$289,234 \$1,390,753	FRIDNA PRINTER SERVICE
"Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8). " "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17). " " Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).	
Bonded Indebtedness	
Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$24,107,862.50	1 1 2 - to a superior and the second state of
Outstanding principal.	THE POLICE DEPARTMENT volunteered their time last Saturday to paint ov
30 (Rev. 8-19/5) (Back)	the graffiti on the north water tower. Top, Police Chief Randy Geries rolls red
Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates	the Friona lettering. Below, the crew who spent all morning working are, l-r, Ch
Maintenance Interest Local Revenue State Revenue	Geries, Andy Stormes and daughter Tamra, Lt. Scott Given, Officers Joe Herre
<u>& Operations & Sinking Fund</u> * <u>Total</u> <u>Per Student</u> <u>Per Student</u>	and Mike Howard, & dispatchers Donice Jones and Holly Santillan, Photos
.ast Year's Rate \$ 0.92980 \$ 0.33400* \$ 1.26380 \$ 5,694 \$ 7,020	Ron Carr. (Friona Star, Friday, August 20, 1999)
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue &	COVID-19
Pay Debt Service \$ 0.89136 \$ 0.28340* \$ 1.17476 \$ 5,842 \$ 6,680	
Proposed Rate \$ 0.91870 \$ 0.33400* \$ 1.25270 \$ 6,176 \$ 7,307	
The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.	Covid-19 Vaccines!!!
	Parmer Medical Center is hosting a Free
Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence	Covid 19 Vaccination Clinic.
Last Year This Year	
Average Market Value of Residences \$ 91,055 \$ 97,259	

erage Market Value of Residences 91,055 97,258 Average Taxable Value of Residences \$ 63,726 \$ 68,653 Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value \$ 1,304 \$ 1.2638 Taxes Due on Average Residence 830.99 \$ \$ 867.64

maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

Now offering: Pfizer for ages 12 and up

Friday, August 27th, from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

At the XIT Recreation Center, Bovina, TX

Increase (Decrease) in Taxes\$ 36.65Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.	Please Call for an appointment on either of the Covid lines: 806-240-1562 or 806-240-1761 Walk-ins are available while vaccines/last!
Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter	Vacunas del Covid-19 !!!
approval at an election is1.25270 This election will be automatically held if	Parmer Medical Center está organizando una clínica de
the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of1.25270	vacunación del Covid 19 Gratis
Fund Balances	Ahora disponible: Pfizer para edades de 12 años en adelante
The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered	Viernes 27 de Agosto, de la 1:00 pm a las 5:00 pm
with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:	Lugar: XIT Recreation Center, Bovina, TX
Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s) \$ 5,754,403	Por favor llame para más información y hacer una cita:
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s) \$ 228,740	
A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in	806-240-1562 o 806-240-1761 (Español)

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Friona ISD está buscando una persona que ayude a limpiar la escuela a tiempo completo. El horario





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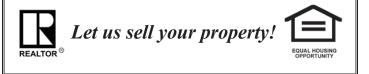


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es de 7 am a 6 pm con un almuerzo de 2 horas y un descanso de 30 minutos por la mañana y por la tarde. Las personas interesadas pueden llamar a Friona ISD 806-250-2747 o Martha Moreno 806-346-2091.

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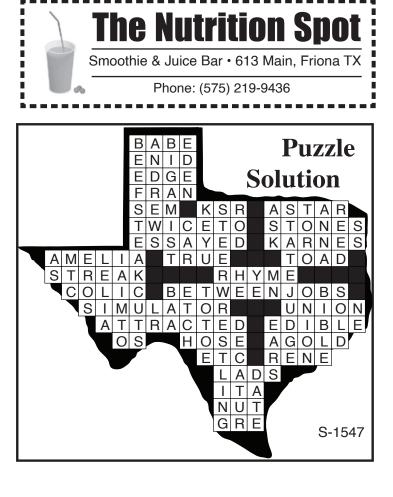
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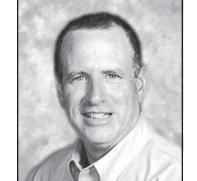


Obituaries



Mark Alan Neill, 62, lifelong Friona resident passed away August 22, 2021 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Viewing will be held from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM Thursday, August 26, 2021 in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY with Celebration of Life Services set for 10:00 AM Friday, August 27, 2021 at the Friona United Methodist Church in Friona with Rev. Skip Hodges, and Rev. Don Boren, officiating. Burial following in the Friona Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.

Mark was born July 17, 1959 in Friona to Kenneth Weir and Lesta Lee Sharpe Neill. He graduated from Friona High School in 1977 and attended Panhandle State University and then West Texas State University. He married Lisa Brock-



Mark Alan Neill

man on March 26, 1982 in Friona.

He was a faithful employee of Cargill Meat Solutions in Friona for 39 years. He loved spending time with his family, especially outdoors, traveling in his RV, and sports of all kinds. He was a member of the Friona United Methodist Church.

Mark is preceded in death by his parents, and 2 sisters-Susan Baker, and LeAnn Neill.

Those to carry on his legacy include his wife Lisa of Friona, 2 sons-Ty-

son Neill and wife Kiri of Happy, and Corbin Neill and wife Becky of Medina, 1 daughter-Lindsey Beyers and husband Adam of Vernon, 2 sisters-Cheryl Neill Weatherly of McKinney, and Becky Dunn and husband Cayce of Lake St. Louis, MO., 1 brother-Mike Neill and wife Kristi of Bushland, grandchildren-Trapper Neill, Brynlee Beyers, Archer Neill, Sophee Beyers, Lillee Beyers, Weston Neill and Carson Beyers.

Memorials can be made to the Friona United Methodist Church 301 E. 8th St. Friona, Texas 79035.

You may send condolences to the family and sign the online guest book at:



Funeral Home

will be held from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM with **Rosary Services set for** 6:00 PM, Wednesday, August 25, 2021 in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY with Mass of Christian Burial Ser-

vices set for 11:00 AM Thursday, August 26, 2021 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina.

Esperanza Guillen,

80 of Bovina passed

away August 23, 2021

in Bovina. Viewing

Burial following in the Bovina Cemetery by HANSARD FAM-ILY Funeral Home of Friona.

The family has requested that masks be worn during all of the activities.

Esperanza was born September 19, 1940 in



rique and Maria Mendoza Guillen. She was a lifetime member of the Catholic Church. She was known as the protector of the family, and was very caring, and loved to laugh.

She is preceded in death by her parents, 1 sister-Gloria Chavez, 1 niece-Norma Jean Chavez, and 1 neph-

mourn Those to her passing include 3 brothers-Arturo Guillen and wife Alice of Morton, George Guillen and wife DeEtte of Friona, and Enrique Guillen III and wife Yesenia of Eunice, N.M., 4 sisters-Blanca Guillen, Elida Villarreal and husband Richard, and Hilda Guillen, all of Bovina, and Rosa Rios and husband Ramon of Eunice, N.M., numerous nieces and nephews.

You may send condolences to the family and sign the online guest book at:

hansardfamily.com



Berry Dwain Nance, age 87, of Houston, Texas, passed away on Saturday, August 21, 2021. Berry was born February 17, 1934, in Morton, Texas. Berry took pride in being a supportive father, husband, grandfather, great-grandfather, and a helping friend to everyone he met. He spent his days assisting others, quietly giving support and encouragement.

Berry loved football, watching his favor-



candy adventures, watching model trains and great granddaughter softball games to name a few. Through it all he wore his John Deere baseball cap and kept cotton bolls in his room to remind him of the farm and West Texas sunsets. Berry is survived by his two children, Pamela Potter and her husband, Larry DeFuria, of Houston and Michael Nance of Bovina; three grandchildren, Justin Potter of Charlotte, NC, Andrew Potter and his wife, Kimber Potter, of Kingwood and Alan Michael Nance of Bovina; two great granddaughters Makayleigh and Addilynn Potter of Kingwood; sister Sandra Dennis and her husband, Pete Dennis, of Adamsville; nephews Wade Lambert and partner, Steve Sison, of Brooklyn, NY, Bret Nance and his wife, Alynn Nance and their children; and special

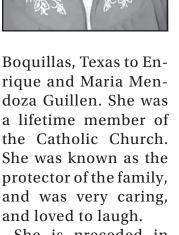
connections family Karen Hartman and Jillian Youngman. He was preceded in death by his parents, Erwin Hiram and Jaunita Nance of Idalou, his first wife and high school sweetheart, Patsy Burelsmith Nance, of Bovina and his second wife, also widowed, Lovey Harris Nance, of McAdoo.

the people at Elmcroft of Cy-Fair and Hospice Plus of Houston

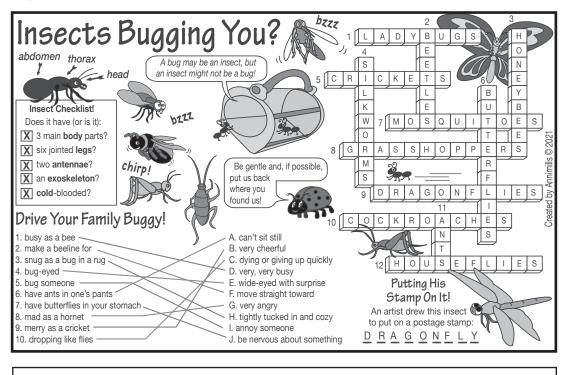
Berry Dwain Nance

A special thank you to for extending the time

Esperanza Guillen



ew-Richard Guillen.





ite team, the Dallas Cowboys, and taking pride in being on the football team as #19 at Idalou High School. He worked in the farming industry as a farmer, manager in fertilizer sales, then through the Co-op distributing propane. He was as proud of keeping his clients topped off with propane without them having to call and ask for service, as he was of his Dale Carnegie classes and following his stocks in the WSJ. For many years he hosted support group retreats for Lubbock widows at the family cabin in Ruidoso, NM. He spent his last few years with relatives and friends exploring Houston and doing things he had never done before, such as polo matches, viewing bluebonnets,

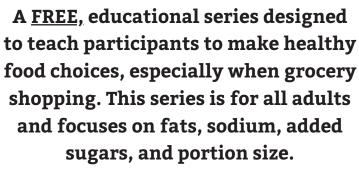
we shared with him from weeks to months. We called that "Berry's Victory Lap" and were able to create many lasting memories during that time. Visitation in Houston will be Saturday, August 28 from 2:00 until 3:00 PM at Brookside Funeral Home Cypress Creek. Funeral services will follow at 3:00 PM.

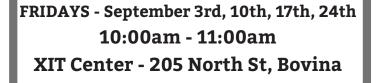
Berry will be laid to rest with a graveside service at Resthaven Funeral Home & Cemetery in Lubbock, Texas on Saturday, September 4 at 2:30 pm.

Memorial donations may be made in his name to the Make-A- Wish Foundation, 12625 Southwest Freeway, Stafford, TX 77177. Paying it forward and helping others by producing more "Victory Lap" memories.



SUGAR





For more information, contact Wendy Case, Parmer County Extension Agent, at 806-251-5120

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Smaller Texas cities now eligible for millions in Rescue Plan funding

The first tranche of additional federal coronavirus relief assistance payments from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) will begin this week for populations under 50,000.

Through the federal allocation distribution, certain cities are eligible for more than \$1.38 billion with a first tranche of \$693 million.

Under ARPA, the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund provides emergency funding for eligible localities classified as non-entitlement units of local government (NEUs) to support their response efforts, including medical supplies and hospital staffing. NEUs are cities, villages, towns, and townships serving populations of less than 50,000 and will receive funding distributed by the Texas Division of Emergency

Management (TDEM).

In July, the state of Texas began the process of contacting and collecting the required information from the nearly 1,200 local governments before certifying and applying to receive the federal funds into the state treasury through the U.S. Department of Treasury.

According to the Treasury Department's status of payments report, the state of Texas submitted its request for NEU funding on August 6. Per federal law, states are required to distribute funding to all eligible NEUs (non-entitlement units of government) within 30 days of receiving the funds into the state treasury. Local governments may contact the TDEM to begin this application process.

Texas was one of the last states to submit its funding re-

quest to the Treasury Department, but it did not seek an extension to collect and submit NEU information. Oklahoma and Hawaii filed their requests on August 11, and South Carolina, South Dakota, and Tennessee had not as of August 16.

Source: Texas Government Insider, a publication of Strategic Partnerships, Inc., www. spartnerships.com

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Sports



2021 Cross Country Schedule

Maize Days

Plainview

Lubbock

Canyon

Canyon 6 Mile Relay

District (Mae Simmons)

State (Round Rock)

Regional (Mae Simmons)



Chieftains on the road to open season

Football

The Friona Chieftains will hit the road Friday as they travel to Brownfield to battle the Cubs in the 2021 season opener. Head coach Jimmy Arias will rely on 13 seniors to bring plenty of experience and leadership to the field. Friona beat Brownfield in last year's season opener 26-13. The Chieftains will host Borger in next week's home opener.

Cross Country

The high school cross country teams will open their season on Saturday as they compete in the Canyon 6 Mile Relay. Both high school and junior high runners will be in action on September 11th in Friona at the Maize Days event.

JV Football

The JV football team will open its season against Brownfield on Thursday, August 26th at Chieftain Field.

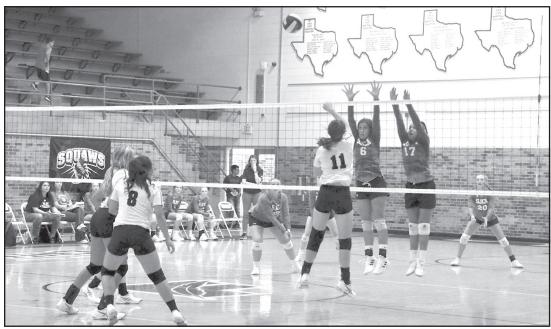
Volleyball

The Varsity team will be in the Denver City tourney and the JV is in the Shallowater tourney this weekend. Next Tuesday, all three teams will play at Estacado.

Border Bash Tournament

Friona will host the "Border Bash" Volleyball Tournament September 2nd through 4th at the FHS Activities Center. The tourney will feature C teams and JV teams from around the area.





August 28

October 2

October 16

October 25

November 6

September 11

September 18

September 25



Friona School Calendar for September 2021

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 -JV Football @ Borger -VB Border Bash Tourney	3 -Chieftains vs. Borger	4 -VB Border Bash Tourney
-	5	6 -Labor Day Holiday No School	7 -Squaw Volleyball vs. All Saints/Holly Cross	8	9 -Maiden Volleyball vs. Lamesa -JV Football @ Muleshoe -JH Football vs. Muleshoe	10 -Homecoming -Chieftains vs. Muleshoe	11 -Cross Country Running for Maize Days -Maize Days Parade
	12	13 -Maiden Volleyball @ Littlefield	14 -Squaw Volleyball @ Wildorado	15	16 -JV Football vs. Dalhart -JH Football @ Dalhart	17 -Early Release -Chieftain Football @ Dalhart	18 -Squaw Volleyball @ Highland Park -Cross Country @ Plainview
	19	20 -FISD Board Meeting -Maiden Volleyball vs. Brownfield	21 -Squaw Volleyball @ Brownfield	22	23 -JV Football @ Dimmitt -JH Football vs. Dimmitt	24 -Chieftain Football vs. Dimmitt	25 -Squaw Volleyball @ Lamesa -Cross Country @ Lubbock
	26	27 -Maiden Volleyball vs. Dimmitt	28 -Squaw Volleyball vs. Dimmitt	29	30		

Check Your Mirrors

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide The darkness deepens, Lord with me abide.

- When other helpers fail and comforts flee
- Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.
- Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day
- Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away.
- Change and decay in all around I see O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

--excerpt of the poem which inspired the hymnal Abide With Me written by Henry Francis Lyte, 1847 (melody by William Henry Monk)

While the world continues in the midst of a long season of dimmed joys, comfort and reassurance may be found in this hymn written over a hundred and fifty years ago, by a man approaching the eventide of his life. The word "abide" is a timeless request, uttered by all of us at some point in our lives.

- Don't go.
- Don't leave.
- Don't forget me.
- <u>Remain</u> with me.
- Stay with me.
- Continue with me.

Sometimes when prayer does not present itself in the usual format, I hum. I hum old hymns. This is one of my go-to choices. Lately, it has become #1 on the charts in my head.

For an introvert such as myself, the physical presence of a person is not high on my needs. The spiritual awareness, however, is absolutely required for me to have comfort. Maybe I am not a people person, but I am certainly a fan of humanity. Especially when humanity suffers as we have witnessed in abundance this past month, I need someone to abide-not physically, necessarily, but in spirit.

By Sue Jane Sullivan

God provides that nearness-this is undeniable for me. Still, a note in the mail from an old friend, a postcard from a former student, a phone call from a former college roommate are reminders that others are abiding with me, too. Reciprocation is on my list this week so that I can let others know I am thinking of them besides just clicking a heart symbol on their Facebook post.

Small communities mastered the concept of abiding long ago. In our unique way, we rally the troops. Calls are made, a drop-in visit to take that favorite dish we know our neighbor enjoys, perhaps an offer to watch the kids-all of these are facilitated because these are offers made in good times. We are in the habit of abiding with each other. When the inevitable hard times come, we are conditioned to be there. I confess this is not my strength, but I recognize and am in awe and appreciation of those who possess the gift of "staying near."

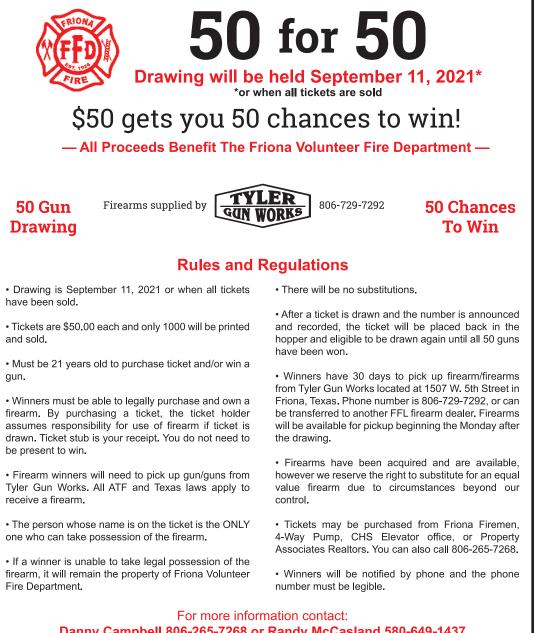
Collectively, the darkness has deepened around us once again, and the Art of Abiding could serve us well as we go into the fall season. Call on God, your family, your friends, those whom you may need to mend a fence, and let them know you are remaining with them in some way. I think we could call that blessed assurance.



Wheat harvest is complete



Friona Wheat Growers manager Greg O'Brian said this week that wheat harvest is finished. The elevator has received approximately 80,000 bushels of wheat and 150,000 bushels of barley this summer. The indications are that most of the corn crop will be harvested as silage and that there be no corn brought to the elevator. Also, the milo crop is looking good but needs another rain to help it finish strong.



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6.	Remington	887 Tactical Pump Action	12 Gauge
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8.	Kimber	K6S Deluxe Revolver	.357 Mag
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	Ruger	New Vaquero Birds Head	.357 Mag
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	Ruger	Wrangler	.22LR
	Browning	Buckmark	.22LR
15.	Ruger	LCR-22	.22LR
	Sig Sauer	P365	9MM
	Sig Sauer	P365 with Optic	9MM
	Colt	Mustang	380
19.	Glock	26 Gen 5	9x19MM
20.	???	Mystery Gun	???
21.	Uberti	Single Action Model P	.45 Colt
22.	Smith & Wesson	637-2	.38 Special
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	Ruger	American Bolt Action Rifle	6.5 Creedmoore
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29.	Landor Arms	Lever Action Shotgun	12 Gauge
	Landor Arms	Revolver-Action Shotgun	.410 Gauge
31.	Ruger	10/22	.22LR
	Henry	Goldenboy	.22LR
	Savage Arms	93R17	17HMR
	Ruger	LC9 HiViz	9MM
	CZ-USA	Over/Under Shotgun	20 Gauge
	Ruger	LC9 HiViz	9MM
	Ruger	American	.243 WIN
	Smith & Wesson	M&P 380 Shied EZ	.380ACP
	Smith & Wesson	M&P9 Shield EZ	9MM
	Savage Arms	Bolt Action Rifle	6.5 Creedmoore
41.		Bolt Action Rifle	.30-06
	Ruger	Mark IV Lite Special Edition	.22LR
43.	???	Mystery Gun	???
44.	Smith & Wesson	642	.38 Special
	Weatherby	Semi-Auto Shotgun	20 Gauge
	Weatherby	Semi-Auto Shotgun	12 Gauge
	Winchester	Bolt Action Rifle	6.5 Creedmoore
	Winchester	Bolt Action Rifle	.308 WIN
	???	Mystery Gun	???
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Statements required in notice if the proposed tax rate does not exceed the lower of the no-new-revenue tax rate or the voter-approval tax rate, as prescribed by Tax Code §26.061.

NOTICE OF MEETING TO VOTE ON TAX RATE

A tax rate of \$0.5334 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of PARMER COUNTY.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.5334 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.5156 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.5335 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2021 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for PARMER COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2020 tax year and the 2021 tax year.

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

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that PARMER COUNTY is not proposing to increase property taxes for the 2021 tax year.

A PUBLIC MEETING TO VOTE ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 13, 2021 at 9:30 AM at Parmer County Court Room First Floor.

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

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

Property tax amount = (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

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

FOR the proposal:	Kirk Frye, Charles Wilkins, Kenny White, Casey Russell, Trey Ellis
AGAINST the proposal:	None
PRESENT and not voting:	None
ABSENT:	None

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

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

	2020	2021	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.5337	\$0.5334	0.05% decrease
Average homestead taxable value	\$82,790	\$86,307	4.24% increase
Tax on average homestead	\$442	\$460	4.07% increase
Total tax levy on all properties	\$4,755,672	\$4,935,953	3.79% increase

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for PARMER COUNTY at 8062511405 or pcad@parmercad.org, or visit parmer.truthintaxation.com

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State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



Abbott tests negative four days after testing positive

Gov. Greg Abbott announced via Twitter Saturday that he is now testing negative for COVID-19, four days after testing positive though asymptomatic.

"I am told that my infection was brief and mild because of the vaccination I received. I will continue to quarantine as recommended by doctors," Abbott said. "And I will keep working on issues affecting Texas."

Meanwhile, the battle over masks continues, with growing numbers of school districts from Longview to San Antonio ignoring the governor's ban on mask mandates. The Texas Supreme Court last week temporarily cleared the way for districts to require masks, but only on a technicality. The court left in place a Travis County judge's temporary restraining order against the mandate ban, saying typically such cases have to go before an appellate court before ending up in the state's highest civil court. A number of other cases are before various district and appellate courts in Texas.

The Paris school district, in Northeast Texas, took a novel approach to the issue. Its board voted to alter the district's dress code to include masks for all employees and students.

Delta variant continues to spur CO-VID-19 case rise

The number of new cases of CO-VID-19 in the state continues to rise steeply, with 125,033 reported in the past week, along with 937 deaths. New cases in Texas were up 27% compared to the previous week and up five-fold in

the past month, according to the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University. In Texas, hospitals are nearing capacity, though in a number of cases a shortage of nurses and other healthcare workers is forcing facilities to leave beds empty. Abbott has asked hospitals to delay elective surgeries during the recent surge of cases.

The number of lab-confirmed CO-VID-19 patients in Texas hospitals reached 12,951 on Sunday with 373 intensive care unit beds available across the state, according to the Texas Department of State Health Services. The number of COVID-19 hospitalizations is up more than four-fold from a month ago and is approaching the all-time high set in mid-January.

The number of Texans fully vaccinated stands at 13.293 million, according to DSHS. That's 45.7% of the state's total population. As news of the delta variant spreads, the vaccination rate is increasing, up more than 20,000 doses daily, according to DSHS.

House establishes quorum; election bill advances

Enough House Democrats entered the floor Thursday evening for Speaker Dade Phelan to announce a quorum was present for the first time in six weeks. Nearly 50 House Democrats decamped to Washington, D.C. in May to stop work in the House. As the Austin American-Statesman reported, bitterness remains after the walkout and Phelan's attempt to have Democrats arrested and forcibly brought to the House floor. None were arrested.

In addition to the elections bill, which would ban drive-through voting and other provisions aimed at increasing turnout, Abbott placed bail reform, distribution of federal pandemic relief funds, border security and several other items on the agenda. This second special session ends Sept. 6.

TxDOT launches DUI prevention campaign

the consequences of a drunk driving crash. The "Faces of Drunk Driving" will feature events around the state and includes testimonials on video from families dealing with those consequences.

In 2020, there were 963 alcohol related vehicle fatalities - one every nine hours.

"Drinking and driving can lead to tragic consequences that are 100% preventable," Marc William, TxDOT executive director said. "These consequences involve individuals who made the unfortunate decision to drink and drive along with many innocent victims of those decisions."

One of the "faces" of the campaign is Walter Tidwell, now 25. He hopped in his car after a long night of drinking and was pulled over driving the wrong way down a one-way street. Fortunately, he was stopped before causing a wreck. He recently concluded three years of court visits and still must take alcohol and drug offender courses, do community service and serve a stretch on probation. Tidwell is telling his story in hopes of convincing others of the dangers of driving drunk.

Court issues injunction in fight over **Medicaid waiver**

A federal district judge last week temporarily reinstated a 10-year extension of a Medicaid program worth billions of dollars to the state for health care for the uninsured. As the Texas Tribune and other media outlets reported, the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services wanted the state to collect public input before negotiating a new extension to the agreement, in place since 2011.

The waiver provides nearly \$4 billion in annual funding for uninsured treated in Texas hospitals, as well as mental health services.

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FEMA Funeral Assistance Remains Available for COVID-19 Related Deaths

The COVID-19 pandemic has taken a toll on everyone, especially those who suffered loss due to the virus. Nothing can replace loved ones, but FEMA may be able to help ease the financial burden that comes with that loss.

Those who had funeral COVID-19 related funeral expenses can apply for FEMA Funeral Assistance by calling 844-684-6333 or TTY 800-462-7585. Phone lines are open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday with Multilingual services available.

Applicants requiring relay services, such as a videophone, Innocaption or CapTel, must provide FEMA a specific number assigned to that service. It is important that FEMA is able to contact applicants.

There is currently no deadline to apply for aid.

The criteria to qualify for assistance includes:

burial or cremation costs after Jan. 20, 2020

• The applicant is a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, lawful permanent resident or qualified refugee. The deceased does not need to meet these qualifications.

When applicants call for assistance, they need to provide the following information:

• The deceased date of birth

• Information about any funeral or

assistance received, such as donations or CARES Act grants

Eligibility determinations are based on the submission of all required documents. Additional information and answers to frequently asked

- Social security number
- Date of birth

· Current mailing address and phone number

- Location of deceased death

burial insurance policies

• Information about other funeral

- The person died of COVID-19
- The death occurred in the U.S.
- The applicant paid for funeral,

questions about the application process can be found on FEMA's Funeral Assistance FAQ page.

The Texas Department of Transportation has rolled out a campaign to share stories of Texans who must deal with

Sugarcane aphid numbers under control so far

By Adam Russell

The sugarcane aphid, a once devastating pest for sorghum producers, has been kept under control so far during the 2021 season by nature and science.

From the Rio Grande Valley to the Panhandle, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service reports show the fight against sugarcane aphids continues to tip in favor of producers. However, they say some producers remain hesitant about planting sorghum after years of severe losses when sugarcane aphids became an annual threat.

Sugarcane aphids devastated grain sorghum after the invasive species was first recognized in Texas crop fields in 2013. Infestations cut yields by 50%-70% and wiped out entire fields in extreme instances. Aphids also produce a honeydew excretion that inhibited harvest and damaged harvesting equipment.

But 2021 has been a light-infestation very year so far. And while the weather helped, AgriLife Extension experts say scientific breakthroughs with hybrid sorghum plants that are tolerant of the pest and an increased understanding of the aphid and how to manage fields to prevent major infestations continue to show effectiveness.

Danielle Sekula, AgriLife Extension integrated pest management specialist, Weslaco, said the sugarcane aphid migration was set back by Winter Storm Uri in February. Freezing conditions knocked back pest populations and killed early planted sorghum acres in Texas and across the border in Mexico.

Sugarcane aphid populations typically start building in those early planted fields, and pest pressure in South Texas fields begins building by mid-April, Sekula said. This year, sugarcane aphid populations did not begin building until mid-May.

"It's like the freeze wiped the slate clean,"



Sorghum fields have not been under intense pressure from sugarcane aphids in recent years, and the 2021 season has been very light so far. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo by Laura McKenzie)

she said. "We were producing about the same time as the producers in Mexico, so it really reduced the populations and delayed their migration."

Sorghum varieties, other factors keep sugarcane aphids in check

Sugarcane aphid numbers historically peak in South Texas by the second week in June, but populations did not reach spray thresholds this season until July 13. Rain and cloudy, cooler days also delayed the pests, which prefer high temperatures and humidity, and their migratory progress, Sekula said.

Spray treatments, a strong buildup of beneficial insect numbers and aphid-resistant sorghum varieties contributed to the lighter than usual infestations.

Sekula said pest-resistant hybrids developed after sugarcane aphids arrived and dealt producers serious losses have contributed significantly to below-normal populations. Those varieties continue to show their value as a tool to deter population explosions.

"It was like night and

day," she said. "We saw sugarcane aphids in Johnson grass all around sorghum with resistant varieties, but the fields were empty."

Texas Plains on high alert

Pat Porter, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension entomologist, Lubbock, said sugarcane aphids are being reported throughout the Texas Plains and north of Amarillo but that numbers have increased slowly. Some fields have been treated, others are being monitored for spray thresholds and some will not require pesticides to prevent the sugarcane aphids from reaching damaging numbers.

Porter said proactive regimens by producers that include timely spraying, encouraging beneficial aphid predators and planting resistant sorghum varieties throughout the pest's migration have helped keep their numbers in check.

The latest AgriLife Extension Plains Management News by Blayne Reed, AgriLife Extension integrated pest management agent, Hale County, echoes the assessments. He reported receiving two to four calls daily from producers, grain elevator operators, industry representatives and media about the pest and a "very alert" region due to the number of late-maturing grain sorghum acres.

But Reed also noted sugarcane aphids were behaving much more like a common pest now than the once-upon-atime nightmare for sorghum producers.

Porter said continued success against sugarcane aphids has helped boost sorghum acres, but that acreage remains down due to lingering memories of severe losses from the pest.

"Producers generally know they are there, but we know how to deal with them now," he said. "They are starting to realize they can plant under the threat of aphids."

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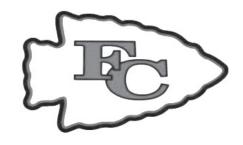
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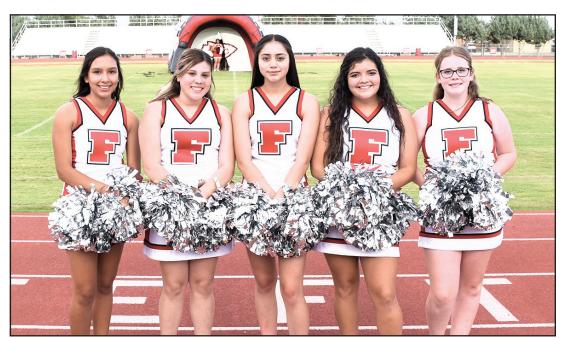




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