



Is "Fiber to the Premise" Safe?

By Michael Holmes

One of the first things to understand regarding FTTP (fiber to the premise) is that fiber optic cable has no emissions. It is not a copper cable carrying an electrical signal. It is not a Wi-Fi signal broadcasting radio frequencies through the air, nor is it a cellular frequency including the new Fifth Generation Cellular (5G). The fiber optic cable itself carries no electrical signal. The signal is simply infrared light through a tiny solid glass core. Not only does fiber have no electrical signal, but there is also no electrical equipment between our central office and your home or business.

West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative and WT Services, Inc. both use GPON technology. GPON is the acronym for Gigabit Passive Optical Network. This allows our companies to run fiber from our central office all the way to your home or business without adding any additional electrical power, Electro Magnetic Frequencies (EMF), or Electro Magnetic Interference (EMI) in the areas or streets of your towns and neighborhoods. No other technology can provide the data speed benefits of fiber optics.

Benefitting from the speed of fiber optics does require an Optical Network Terminal (ONT). An ONT is a converter, and because this is a digital conversion, it is not actually a modem, but for easy reference it serves the same purpose as a modem. This ONT may be inside or outside, and its function is to use electrical power to convert the signal coming in on the fiber to a signal that can be transmitted through your house on an Ethernet cable to a router.

The ONT is grounded to prevent any kind of radio frequency (RF) or interference. The fiber optic cable, and the GPON have no electrical current and no RF signal. The only place where any electrical signal is applied is at the ONT. The ONT is powered by a standard 110-volt connection.

We understand that technology changes quickly, and as it does, it can be easy to be overwhelmed or confused by information or misinformation. The EMFs and radio frequencies we discuss and sometimes worry about are around us all the time. Our Wi-Fi devices in our houses and businesses and even in open areas or gathering places are using the same frequency as our sealed microwave ovens.

Every Wi-Fi device in our lives has at least 2 radios constantly transmitting and receiving RF data. A cellular device that we carry around has at least three radios on different RF channels. These Wi-Fi and cellular devices are broadcasting and receiving all around and even through our bodies.

The new 5G cellular is somewhat feared because it is a shorter wavelength and may penetrate the skin of humans even easier than current cellular frequencies, but no one really knows the effects or how to test for them. The FCC has performed studies and determined that Wi-Fi and cellular devices, meeting required safety regulations, do not produce enough energy to damage DNA or body tissues.

Answering the question in the title of this article is not a certainty, but understanding the technologies involved, we can say yes, fiber optic cable is safe. I'm not sure anyone can say anything is absolutely without risk, but the risk, in comparison to the EMFs and RF's our bodies and brains are subjected to every day in our own residences and workplaces, is minuscule.



Tascosa High School freshman Noah Santiago placed 2nd in the 144 lb. group at the state wrestling meet last week. He is a member of the Amarillo Tascosa 2023 5A State Championship team. He is the son of Friona graduates Ben Santiago & Sandra Godoy Santiago.



Clubhouse gets needed makeover



The Friona Women's Clubhouse is receiving a much needed renovation. Improvements include new cabinetry, back porch, sidewalk, and a repurposing of the former rock wall. One of the highlights of the remodeling is that the original wood will be restored. Other plans include enlarging the parking areas and more landscaping.

Commissioner Frye elected Judge Pro-Tem

Parmer County Commissioners Court met in special session on Friday, February 17, 2023 at 10:00 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 comments from the public during the open forum. Minutes from the January 23rd 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.

Approval was given for a policy of emailing Minutes of the previous meeting to Commissioners in advance so they would have time to study them before meetings.

Funding to make the Parmer

County website compliant with current Disability Law was reconsidered. A motion was approved at the last meeting for an amount of \$490. The actual cost was \$1,490. A new motion with the correct amount was approved.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Kirk Frye was elected to serve as Parmer County Judge Pro-Tem for 2023. Frye is currently the longest serving commissioner on the Court.

ARPA funds for County employees who were not included in the previous distribution were approved.

Approval was given for Parmer County to join other counties in a lawsuit against drug companies for fraudulent and reckless marketing of opioids.

The annual lawn maintenance contract for the Courthouse and

Law Enforcement Center was awarded to Eric Chadwick.

In other business, a water line under a county road in Precinct 3 was approved. Consideration of an estimate from Claiborne Refrigeration to repair a water line in the old jail was tabled to give the company time to amend the estimate in order to include repairs needed at the Courthouse. Consideration of the COVID-19 Leave Policy was also tabled.

Parmer County Sheriff Eric Geske reported to the Court that the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center is currently housing 19 inmates of which 2 are paying customers from Dawson County.

The next regular meeting is Monday, February 27th.

All meetings are open to the public. Information in this article is only a summary.



The Friona Squaws won 3rd Place at the Highland Park Powerlifting Meet last Saturday. See individual results on page 6. Go Big Red!



Emma Schueler showed the Third Place winner at the Junior Market Barrow Show in San Angelo last week. The top 3 places made the sale. Congratulations Emma!!!

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Community Calendar

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

February 23

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

February 24

• Student Holiday / Parent Teacher Conferences

February 27

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

February 28

• Packing SP4K bags at 2:30 p.m. at Friona Methodist Church north door

March 1

• Library Book Shop at 618 Euclid is open from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

March 2

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

March 6

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center
• Noon Lions Club meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen

Scouts looking to build off of successful 2022

On February 11th, Friona Cub Scout Pack 56 members attended the annual Golden Eagle District Pinewood Derby. This year's race had more racers than ever with 137 cars from racers throughout the Golden Eagle District (Amarillo, Canyon, Hereford, and Friona). Forty of the registered racers were adults including several Friona Cub Scout Parents such as Javier Sanchez Sr., Liz Pena, and Cub Master Vickie Rando. Cub Scout Asher Solano took 1st place in the Lions Division. This is the second year in a row where Friona scouts finished in the top three of their division.

"My daughter, Alariah, and I joined scouts so we could learn new things and have fun together," said Liz Pena. Last fall Pack 56 went to the Cub Scout Family Campout, at Camp Don Harrington where scouts got to shoot BB guns, sling shots and practice archery. "We've had a good time in Scouting," Pena added. "Alariah had fun and I learned about archery. I had never shot a bow and arrow before." Raquel Ortiz agreed, "I had fun making smores with the kids."

Scouts from Pack 56 have enjoyed several events at the Golden Eagle District and in their pack. Last summer, Beto Ponce worked on the Cast Iron Chef Adventure Loop when he made pizza using a solar oven. "I enjoyed doing it," said

Beto. On Wednesday, February 22nd, Beto and two other Webelo rank scouts, will be completing their Cast Iron Chef Adventure Loop when they present a buffalo meat lasagna at their weekly pack meeting.

"Our scouts have posted the colors at several community events and led the parade at Maize Days." Cub Master Vickie Rando commented. "We went to the Space Derby and Spook-O-Ree in October. We've had a lot of fun. Scouting has been good for the kids and the adults. We've seen some of them come out of their shells. Some of our families had never been camping before going to the Cub Scout Family Campout."

"A scout is helpful, and our kids have even completed a community service project making pet treats for Parmer Paws. This summer, we want to do a lake clean up. This will teach the scouts to take pride in their community and to be civic minded," said Senior District Executive Michael Lopez. Last year, Pack 56 participated in the Scouting for Food drive and raised 9,506 meals for High Plains Food Bank partner Calvary Baptist Church. On March 25, 2023, Pack 56 will participate in the annual Scouting for Food drive again. "Last year, as a district, we raised 72,840 meals. This year we want to raise 100,000 meals for needy



families throughout Friona and the Texas Panhandle," continued Lopez.

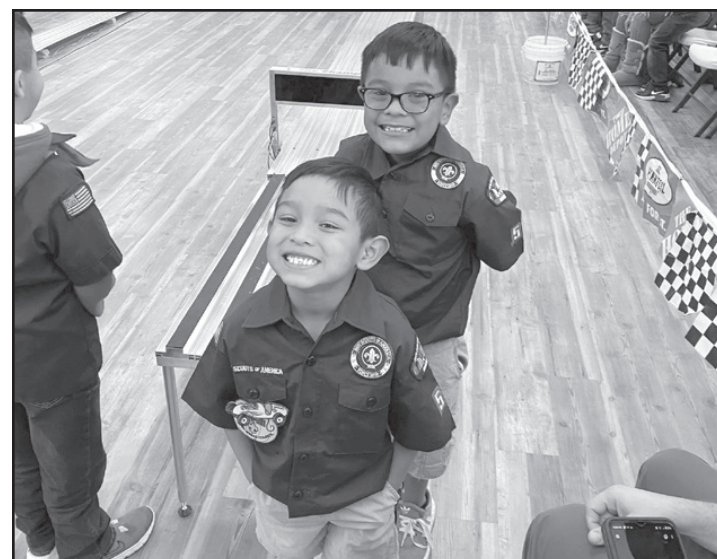
Studies have shown that youth who participate in scouting tend to have better grades in school, have fewer discipline issues and attend college. "I really want to see some of our kids become eagle scouts and go to college. We have a long history of scouting and eagle scouts in Friona. My son is an eagle scout!" said Rando. "The community has been very supportive of the pack. We are grateful for everyone that supported our hamburger sale, but we need more help. We will be selling Camp Card coupons starting March 2nd. The cards sell for \$5 and \$2.50 from each card sold goes back to the pack. We want to sell 1000 cards." Camp Cards are coupons with deals from businesses throughout Friona, Hereford, and Farwell. "One of the tenets of the scout law says that a scout is thrifty which means scouts learn to pay their own way. Selling camp cards introduces scouts to customer service concepts, sales, and money management while earning their way through their scouting Journey," said Golden Eagle District Michael Lopez.

While Rando expressed gratitude for support from the community, she also expressed a need to support the Golden Eagle District. She said, "I see what our Michael puts into the pack. He works hard to make sure we have good programs for the kids. Without Mi-

chael, there is no scouts in Friona." When asked how the community could support the Golden Eagle District she replied. "Without the hours and hours of work Michael puts into the district, we wouldn't have events for the kids. I've seen the way the kids, and the parents, respond to him, but everything costs money. We need to help him raise funds to run the district. He is only able to get the funding through donations. This Spring, we will be hosting the Friona Good Scout Lunch and I would like to see Friona support the Good Scout Lunch."

The Good Scout Lunch is an annual luncheon and has a dual purpose. "First, we recognize a person or entity that performs great community service or is held in high esteem in the community. This year we are honoring Jose and Maria Samarron and the Parmer County Cancer Coalition." said Rando. "Second, it's a fundraiser for the Golden Eagle District. I hope we can give Michael the support he needs to keep putting on events and guiding our pack."

To attend the Friona Good Scout Lunch, please contact Vickie Rando at vickierando56@gmail.com or call the scout office at 358-6500. To make a donation, call the scout office, go to goldenspread.org or and click on donate, or mail a check to Boy Scouts of America, 401 Tasco Road, Amarillo, TX, 79124.



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ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "he's holding all the _____" (in control)
- 5 boot underside
- 6 _____ shoe, Texas
- 7 West Texas climate
- 8 "keep a stiff upper _____"
- 9 TXism: "fits like scales _____ fish"
- 12 golfing mistake
- 17 many diets call for this (2 wds.)
- 19 wax your car, e.g.
- 21 TX Larry Hagman 1960s sitcom: "I _____ Jeannie"
- 22 the first King Ranch land was purchased for 2-cents _____
- 23 TXism: "cowboy _____" (jukebox)
- 28 flower stalk
- 29 "if I _____ then what I know now"
- 30 electrical installation in a house, e.g.
- 31 Marie Osmond's "_____ Wanted You"
- 35 long-tailed parrot
- 36 end result of a terrorist situation? (2 wds.)
- 42 TX Dan Jenkins novel (hyphenated)
- 44 TX Ty who was a skating cowboy in "Mighty Ducks" films
- 46 type of drilling used at Spindletop (2 wds.)
- 48 Benny of UH's "Phi Slama Jama"

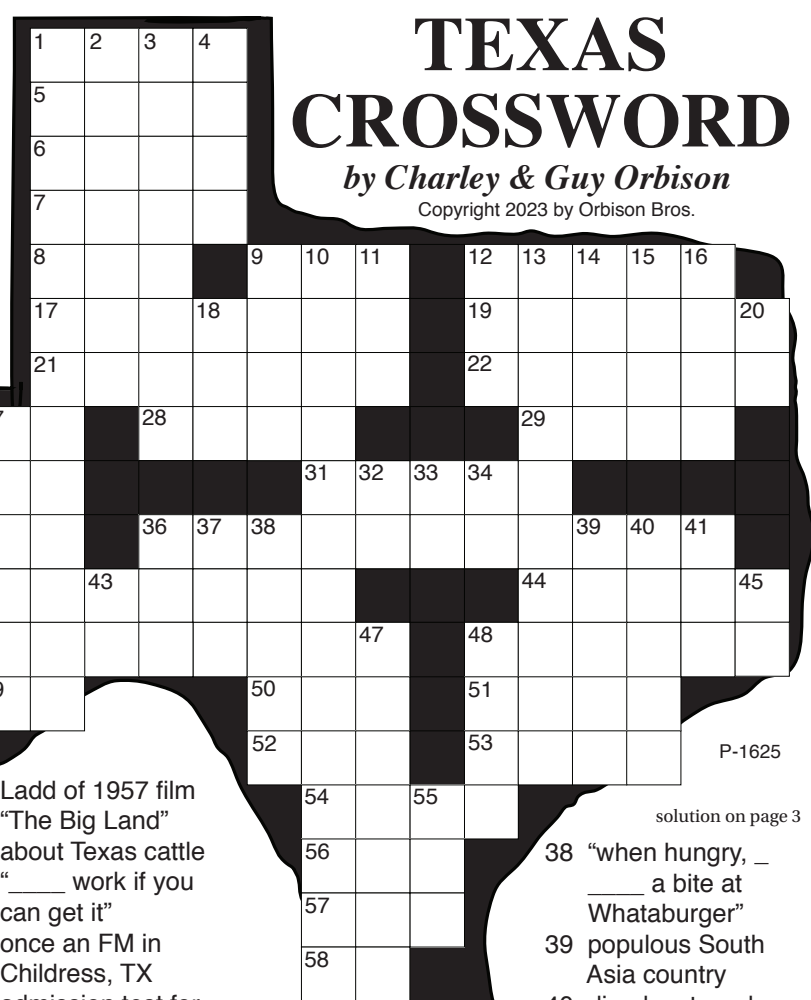
- 49 Rock of 1956 Texas epic "Giant" (init.)
- 50 song "_____! San Antone"
- 51 vehicle sideways slide
- 52 _____ City, Texas
- 53 parent to child: "because _____ so"
- 54 certain sandwiches
- 56 agreeable head movement
- 57 TX Willie has lived 89 of these (abbr.)

DOWN

- 1 TXism: "cautious as _____ a big bone:"
- 2 Elgin newspaper
- 3 sets of dots indicating omission of words in writing
- 4 what you spit when eating a watermelon
- 9 film with TX-born Steve Martin: "All _____" (1984)
- 10 renown Texas poet (3 wds.)
- 11 agcy. that tried to serve a warrant on Branch Davidians near Waco in 1993
- 12 pamperin' place
- 13 Texas bars/dance halls (2 wds.)
- 14 Ladd of 1957 film "The Big Land"
- 15 "_____ work if you can get it"
- 16 once an FM in Childress, TX
- 18 admission test for any Texas college
- 20 TXism: "_____ two-steps to his own beat" (individualist)
- 23 dir. from Canyon to Friona
- 24 Spurs star power forward, Duncan
- 25 historical periods
- 26 slang for a Japanese car

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- 38 "when hungry, _____ a bite at Whataburger"
- 39 populous South Asia country
- 40 disadvantaged
- 41 a fish in brackish water of East Texas
- 43 helper to a teacher (abbr.)
- 45 19th governor of Texas: _____ Ross
- 47 this Perry pitched for the Rangers
- 48 garage sale deal (2 wds.)
- 55 Dak scores (abbr.)

Heading to State



Friona FCCLA members Gael Garcia, Janessa Garcia, and Fabian Salinas presented their project over personal hygiene to the first graders on January 9th, and 10th. Their project received 2nd place at Regionals in Lubbock on February 10th which qualifies them to compete at State in Dallas on March 31.

COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from February 9, 2023 to February 16, 2023

- (2/9/23) Wade Neil Vandevender — Natasha Rene Vasquez — Child Support Lien
- (2/10/23) Job James Lara — Frania Susana Lara — Lots 6-10, Block 77, Original Town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas
- (2/13/23) GRC Ag LLC — Gary Hand — The Southeast Quarter of Section 10, Township 5 South, Range 4 East, Save and Except 11.87 Acres Being Reservations of Right of Way in Volume 59, Page 30 and Volume 68, Page 182, Deed Records, Parmer County, Texas
- (2/13/23) Salvador Chavarria, Teresa Chavarria — Tommy Tatum, Dianne Tatum — The South 10' of Lot 3 and All of Lot 4, of Block 5, of Staley Addition to the City of Friona, Parmer County, Texas
- (2/13/23) Tommy Tatum, Dianne Tatum — Wendy Carthel, Holly Hawkins — The South 10' of Lot 3 and All of Lot 4, of Block 5, of Staley Addition to the City of Friona, Parmer County, Texas
- (2/13/23) Jeff Appling — Alfredo Marchant, Teresa Marchant — All of Lot 12 Block 30, of the Original Town of Friona, Parmer County, Texas

Let's Make a Deal

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith



Florida became a Spanish colony in 1565; in 1763, the Treaty of Paris ended the French and Indian War, and the territory was ceded to Britain. Later gyrations of geography generated 1783's Second Treaty of Paris, the conclusion of the Revolutionary War, and Spain's re-possession of Florida. "Spain's hold on Florida was tenuous in the years after American independence, and numerous boundary disputes developed with the United States," says History.com. On February 22, 1819, "after years of negotiations, Secretary of State John Quincy Adams achieved a diplomatic

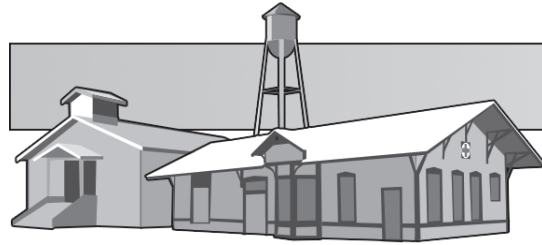
coup with the signing of the Florida Purchase Treaty, which officially put Florida into U.S. hands at no cost beyond the U.S. assumption of some \$5 millions of claims by U.S. citizens against Spain." For more information, the Grateful American Book Prize suggests *A Voyage Long and Strange: On the Trail of Vikings, Conquistadors, Lost Colonists, and Other Adventurers in Early America* by Tony Horwitz. Source: History Matters: Showing our children that their past is prelude to their future at the gratefulamericanbookprize.com website.

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End of an Era — For roughly 30 years the 6th Street Church of Christ has been collecting clothes and other items for two children's homes. As of this week, they are discontinuing their panhandle route. Therefore, we no longer have a distribution point to send these items. We would like to thank the community for their many years of support for this work. Unfortunately, we are no longer able to accept clothing items at the church building.

Election Update — The candidate filing period closed last Friday. Four candidates filed for the two positions open on the Friona ISD Board of Trustees. Three candidates filed for the two positions

open on the Parmer County Hospital District Board. Three candidates files for the three positions on the Friona City Council. The general election will be held on Saturday, May 6th from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Coming Soon — The 67th Chamber Awards Ceremony is right around the corner. Drop by 621 N. Main or visit www.friona-chamber.com to get your tickets (\$30) for the March 7th event. The theme this year is "There's No Place Like Home" and suggested attire is casual.

Save The Date — Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel will meet on Tuesday,

March 7th at 2:00 p.m. for a tour of Parmer Paws Animal Outreach, followed by Blizzards at Dairy Queen.

Time 2 Laugh — (1) How do you count cows? With a cowculator. (2) Why are skeletons so calm? Because nothing gets under their skin. Source: <https://www.rd.com/list/short-jokes>.

- National Days**
- February 23— Tile Day
 - February 24 — Tortilla Chip Day
 - February 25— Clam Chowder Day
 - February 26 — Set A Good Example Day
 - February 27 — Retro Day
 - February 28 — Floral Design Day
 - March 1 — Music Therapy Day



A couple of weeks ago, each of Mr. Wiseman's five 8th grade classes took a tour of City Hall to learn what local government is all about. They got to visit with Mayor Lewellen, City Manager Davila, Municipal Judge Campbell, Chamber Director Rector, and other officials. This photo was taken in the new Courtroom located in the old EMS part of the building.

The coldest, snowiest days of the... ...year are great for sledding and skiing. Kids: color stuff in!

Newspaper Fun!

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Arctic Action!

Can you imagine living in a land of cold, snow and ice all year long? The coldest areas of the world are the Polar regions, North and South. Greenland, Siberia, Alaska and Canada are close to the North Pole. Antarctica is the land mass that surrounds the South Pole.

People started exploring these lands of cold, snow and ice many years ago. In the area of the North Pole, people came to find new trade routes to the Far East. Some explorers wanted to be the first to reach the poles. Many kept written records of their observations.

Today, scientists study weather patterns, glacial movement and animal life in the Polar regions. These lands give clues to the Ice Ages, during which a large part of the Earth's surface was covered with ice!

Read the clues to the right to fill in the crossword puzzle.

Lands of Ice and Snow!

1. "safest ship in the world," sank after hitting an iceberg
2. glass tube with liquid that rises and falls with the temperature
3. a native people of Canada, Alaska
4. huge area of North Asia, Husky dogs
5. this country's name is "tricky" - it is actually covered in ice
6. the world's largest land meat-eater; lives in the Arctic Circle
7. chunk of a glacier broken off at ocean's edge; only 1/8 can be seen above the water
8. large cracks in the ice
9. over thousands of years, snow hardens into thick mass of slow-moving ice
10. North American nation
11. time periods during which a large part of Earth's surface was covered in ice
12. continent surrounding South Pole; has the largest sheet of ice in the world
13. _____ is the highest peak in North America; its temperature has plunged as low as - 75° F
14. group that uses icebreakers to save icebound ships
15. flightless birds known for living in cold places

+ C Items!

There are lots of "icy" items. Can you help little penguin catch them? Find and circle them in the puzzle.

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| ice skates | ice cream | ice hockey | icebreaker |
| ice sheet | ice cave | ice fishing | iceboating |
| ice caps | iceland | iceberg | icehouse |
| ice pick | ice milk | ice pack | ice storm |

If you visit Mount Rainier National Park in the state of Washington or Yosemite National Park in California... you will learn about the Ice Ages. You will see signs of a time when it was "winter" all year long!

...you will learn about the Ice Ages. You will see signs of a time when it was "winter" all year long!

Really? Not even a worm?

Time for lunch!

Uh-oh!

Soon after, on December 14, 1911, Roald Amundsen, from Norway, and his team were the first to reach the South Pole.

Snow House Pop Quiz!

The Inuit people of Greenland and the Canadian Arctic live in lands of ice and snow. They have learned how to thrive there. Those who travel or hunt often have the skills to build an igloo or a snow house to shelter themselves. Here is a short pop quiz about igloos. Read each statement about igloos and circle "T" if it is true or "F" if it is false.

1. An igloo is a dome-shaped house made out of blocks of dirt.
2. A hunter or traveler could build an igloo for a shelter.
3. Inuit families today live in wooden or other kinds of houses today.
4. An igloo has a short tunnel entrance to help keep out wind and cold.
5. It is very cold outside an igloo, and colder inside.

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Small Town Cookin' By Jeri Lynn White

National Clam Chowder Day

Next to an excellent Lobster Bisque, New England Clam Chowder is Bill's favorite soup. We will probably celebrate National Chowder Day with a bowl of full of chowder. Don't be too intimidated by the canned clams. I have made this chowder before, and all went well. You will just want to rinse them well coming out of the can.

New England Clam Chowder
www.spendwithpennies.com

Ingredients

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| 3 6.5 oz. cans chopped/minced clams in clam juice | chopped | flakes optional | parsley dried oregano, salt |
| 8 ounces clam juice | 1 large onion chopped | ½ cup all-purpose flour | ¼ teaspoon each dried thyme pepper |
| 6 thick center-cut bacon strips chopped | 1 ¼ pounds russet potatoes peeled and diced into ¼-½" cubes, approx. 3 ½ cups | 2 cups low sodium chicken broth | 1 cup heavy cream |
| 1 tablespoon butter | 3-5 garlic cloves minced | 2 teaspoons chicken bouillon | Garnishes (Optional) |
| 2 stalks celery finely | ¼ teaspoon red pepper | 2 bay leaves | Oyster crackers |
| | | ½ teaspoon each dried | Fresh parsley |

Instructions

Drain clam juice from cans into a measuring cup. Add enough bottled clam juice to equal 2 ½ cups. Set aside. In a Dutch oven, cook bacon over medium heat until fat is rendered and slightly brown. Remove half of the bacon with a slotted spoon to a paper towel lined plate. To the remaining bacon and drippings, melt in 1 tablespoon butter over medium heat. Increase heat to medium high and add celery

and onion. Sauté for 5-7 minutes or until onions are soft. Add potatoes, garlic, red pepper flakes (if using) and sauté 30 seconds. Sprinkle in flour and cook an additional 1 minute. Stir in chicken broth, reserved 2 ½ cups clam juice, chicken bouillon, bay leaves and all seasonings. Bring to a boil then reduce to a simmer. Simmer, uncovered, for 15-20 minutes or until potatoes are very tender. Stir in heavy cream and

bring to a simmer to heat through. Discard bay leaves. Remove from heat and stir in clams. Taste and add salt/pepper to taste. (You may or may not need additional salt depending on how salty your clams and bacon are.) For a thinner or less chunky soup stir in additional heavy cream/milk or chicken broth. Top individual servings with reserved bacon and oyster crackers and fresh parsley if desired.

Happy Birthday

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| Feb. 23 Doyce Barnett Matthew Kendrick April (Pope) Guidry Ryan Lopez Liz Gingg Gayle O'Brian Dexter Allen Brooke Kuhlmeier Megan Brewster Kessly Salinas | Feb. 26 Amy (Terry) Rushing JoJo Osborn Sholby Reeve Greg Young Jeannie Martin |
| Feb. 24 Sharon Rector Janice Auburg Lisa Veggeberg Robin (Rushing) Stolzhus Carmella Hernandez Shirley Daniel Lacey (Lookingbill) Poage Sabrina Vargas Joe Bob Johnson Mark Sundre | Feb. 27 Raye Jean (London) Daniel Clyde Woodard Becky (Osborn) Witt Tori Talley |
| Feb. 25 Suzanne Bunker Alex Gurley Hollis Gurley David Stephens Amelia Sandoval Emily Siegmund | Feb. 28 Corbin Neill Cindy Alexander |
| | March 1 Rachel Romero Ella McFarland John Burns Beth Alexander Silva Alex Cigarroa Joe Osborn |

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

Texas Court Case Resolution Campaign

Law enforcement agencies and courts statewide are participating in the 2023 Texas Court Case Resolution Campaign Week, March 19-25. Do you have an outstanding violation or unresolved citation? Resolve your case immediately without further court action.

Beginning February 27th, individuals can expect to see public service advertisements and receive contact from Courts regarding the campaign. Agencies will step up efforts to actively resolve outstanding cases beginning March 19th.

The campaign is designed to target thousands of defendants with outstanding cases in participating jurisdictions including numerous county, justices of the peace, and municipal courts.

Under Texas Law, individuals appearing be-



fore a court and making a good faith effort to resolve outstanding Class C cases are afforded safe harbor and not subject to arrest. Additionally, if a judgment is rendered against an individual who is unable to pay the judgement, the individual may request a judge to assess their ability to pay and offer alternative means to satisfy the judgement.

Individuals with outstanding cases are encouraged to contact the Court to voluntarily resolve their cases before being compelled to appear in Court. **For more information, visit the Friona Municipal Court at 617 Main Street, Friona, TX or call 806-250-2198.**

Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



My eulogy for the man from Plains, Georgia

Biographer Jonathan Alter has written about Jimmy Carter's "core decency." It is my hope that when our country's 39th President moves beyond this earth's existence, that description will live after him.

The announcement last week of former President Carter's transition to hospice brought some reflection. When I voted for the first time--in the 1976 presidential election--my ballot was not cast for him. That year the two candidates were, in retrospect, both decent to the core. Gerald Ford's experience on a national stage and getting us through Watergate were factors in my inexperienced decision-making process. Carter won. Ford lost. The two remained cordial, professional, and modeled civility in politics.

James Earl Carter, Jr., was an ineffective president. He was unable to manage an economy wracked with inflation and unemployment, oversaw a botched rescue attempt of the American hostages in Iran, and received pushback from special interest groups when he considered renewable energy. An idealistic outsider to Washington, D.C., Carter was outmaneuvered by the system and deterred by what some observers saw as stubbornness and piety.

In fairness and truth, these are the historical low moments networks will rehash upon his passing.

Below is the programming I hope will be added to media eulogies.

CNN, please remind your viewers that Carter had every intention of pursuing a military career, graduating from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1946. Tell them that he was an engineering officer on submarines and was selected in 1953 to help develop the up and coming nuclear submarine program.

ABC, point out that he gave up that naval career because his dad died the same year. As the eldest son, Carter felt the obligation to come home and manage the family peanut farm in Plains, Georgia, (population just under 400). Carter was only 29; his father only 58.

PBS News Hour, I hope you will devote an entire segment to his 76-year marriage to Rosalynn, the woman who chose to wear the same dress to the inauguration ball that she wore when her husband was sworn in as governor of Georgia. Frugal and practical, Rosalynn's mental health advocacy and caregiving training programs remain vital policy at the Carter Center in Atlanta today. Be best? Rosalynn genuinely was.

NBC, show footage to your nightly viewers of President Carter with the leaders of Egypt and Israel--countries who were bitter enemies since 1948--at the Camp David Accords in 1978. Then display the photos of

those historic handshakes and signatures on a long-awaited peace treaty.

Any chance, Fox, you could say something nice about a Democrat who taught Sunday School Class for Maranatha Baptist in Plains until he was 90 years old, who handcrafted the wooden collection plates which are still passed around, and who along with his wife has, for every year since 1984, donated time to Habitat for Humanity building projects in the United States and abroad? I dare you to show the quote from David Gergen, who worked for three Republican presidents. "Jimmy Carter won't go down as great president but should be remembered as a great saint."

As if destined to live a long life of service, Carter was spared the health problem that took the lives of his father, two sisters, and younger brother--all dying in middle age from pancreatic cancer. Carter, diagnosed with melanoma in 2015, is 98.

Duty before honor when he relinquished the naval career he had planned to pursue.

Duty without honor when much of his work floundered during the White House years.

Duty is honorable: what Jimmy Carter should have engraved on his tombstone.

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Scammers

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

I don't mind a random number calling my phone with an honest sales pitch where someone is trying to sell an actual product for a decent price. In fact, if my job was in sales, I'd be calling all sorts of people as well to try and convince them to buy my product. Although an honest sales pitch may be a little inconvenient to listen to, I cannot stand the scam artists and thieves who try so hard to scam people out of their hard earned money. A scammer trying to get your money through deceptive and devious actions is infuriating, even while they are often successful. A scammer will lie fraudulently, steal quickly then leave you wondering what hap-

pened and with nothing to show for it.

The first scammer is still around today, and he is still hard at work selling a bill of false goods. He is the "father of lies" the serpent of old, the furious dragon, the sly serpent, the fallen arch angel, and the deceptive one, able to even disguise himself as an angel of light (John 8:44, Revelation 12:9, 20:2, Genesis 3, Isaiah 14, Ezekiel 28, 2 Corinthians 11:14). You may know him as Stan or the Devil, but the reality is that he loves to "steal, kill and destroy" lives futures and families, so that people will not follow Christ, or become an MIA Christian. His tactics are precise, his results are astound-

ing, his marketing is relentless, yet whatever the ole serpent does, is still powerless when it comes before the power and authority of Jesus Christ. Although Satan's schemes and lies are strong to keep people in bondage and slavery, the truth and power of Jesus is stronger still. That's why Jesus said, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free," (John 8:31-32). Eternal and abundant freedom is found in Christ alone, who is himself "the way, the truth and the life" (John 14:6), and in following Him alone can you be experience life as God designed it to be lived.

Panhandle Parables

The Channel Flipper

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

I remember the days when I was the remote control. Thankfully, we only had NBC, ABC, CBS and PBS. So, I didn't have to stand there very long to see what was on. Once something was determined we would watch it. A commitment of sorts, because you sure didn't want to get up and go turn that knob unless the show was over. Fast forward a few years we now have 952 channels or so says my bill, although if we took out the 948 music channels that rarely get touched except at Christmas and we still probably only have four channels. The thing is, I now have a remote so I can flip at will without burning a calorie. Like many, at least I pretend not to be the only one, who find themselves constantly flipping channels because there just might be some-

thing good on the next channel, keep pushing that little button. When I do find something good on, I watch until commercial break, then off to the races until I find something else to watch. Now I hope the two shows are on different commercial breaks so I can watch both. Rarely does that happen, I end up missing enough of both that I do not really get what is happening in either story.

Here is the reality, much of life today seems to be that way. Constantly bouncing to the next thing never sticking with anything thinking that multitasking is somehow superior to having a singular focus. Take Bible reading as an example. Every year I can find 952 different "read the Bible in a year" reading plans. Some cater to the read a little of this

book and a little of that, others encourage reading so many minutes a day, etc... The problem is we rarely get past Genesis or Matthew before we go back to flipping channels. Thus, it leaves us missing enough that we really can't see how all that stuff in Leviticus matters anyway.

We are down to ten and a half months left in 2023, how much time outside of a worship setting have we given to just finding out about God's story we call the Bible. I suspect He might have much more to offer than flipping channels, but that would require us to focus. The very thing Satan doesn't want us to do.

Well this was just a thought. I need to finish this article I hear Candy Crush calling and I just might make it to the next level this time.

Who's Going to Fill a Hole?

By Teena Hughs

I just got home from a funeral for a Methodist minister who "walked with God". And, he did! David Lee Murray loved people, and he cared for them. He lived his favorite saying, "I love you, whether you like it or not." Because of his love for others, he was dearly loved by everyone who knew him.

The minister leading David Lee's service said something that started me thinking about why so many strong Christians, men and women of God, His servants, people I feel like we need in this world, like David Lee, are passing away. The minister said that the loss of David Lee was leaving a hole; my question is, who is going to fill that hole?

Who is? Someone needs to step up and fill all the holes being left by the passing of those walking with God; those sharing God's Word with people; those saving people's lives for a greater purpose. Is it you? Is it me?

I heard at the funeral luncheon about people who are alive today because David Lee helped them turn to Jesus or get off drugs. Are those people going to step up and honor David Lee by serving God; by helping others get to know Jesus; by helping others repent and turn their lives away from sin?

I believe God is looking to people, like you and me, to fill the holes that are left in the world today. Is the Holy Spirit

talking to you? Is He calling you to fill a hole? And, if He is, will you answer that call?

David Lee's last audible words were, "Pray, pray, pray". If you don't know what the Holy Spirit is calling you to do, pray. Wait and listen for an answer, the answer that will guide you to the hole God wants you to fill.

David Lee also said for us to fill our hearts and minds with the Lord. If we don't, how can we know when the Holy Spirit is speaking to us; how can we know it is Him guiding and directing us? With our hearts and minds filled with the Lord, as David Lee said, "Everything's already ok; you just don't know it yet!"

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Basketball Season Wraps Up

The Chieftains finished with a 4-26 record for the season and were 0-12 in district play. The Friona Squaws finished the season with a 5-23 record and were 0-12 in district play. The Chieftains finished with 4-26 season record and were also 0-12 in district play. Kaden Jeter, who missed a lot of the year with an injury, got a “start” in the game against Dimmitt. See team photos on page 8.



Powerlifting Results

Highland Park Invitational - Highland Park - 2/18/2023 - THSWPA Girls

Team Results:

1st: Dumas, 59 points, 2nd: Perryton, 21 points, 3rd: Friona, 18 points

| Wt. | Place | Athlete | School | BWT | Squat | Bench | Dead | Total |
|-----|-------|--------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|
| 105 | 2 | Saucedo, Naara | Friona | 104.7 | 205 | 120 | 205 | 530 |
| 105 | 3 | Galaviz, Ellie | Friona | 104.2 | 200 | 105 | 215 | 520 |
| 114 | 6 | Ortiz, Duvy | Friona | 113.5 | 200 | 110 | 250 | 560 |
| 123 | 5 | Ramos, Trinity | Friona | 122.5 | 220 | 130 | 215 | 565 |
| 132 | 5 | Garcia, Janessa | Friona | 128 | 210 | 130 | 235 | 575 |
| 181 | 2 | Arias, Reyna | Friona | 172.3 | 280 | 150 | 290 | 720 |
| 198 | 3 | Espinoza, Mercedes | Friona | 191.7 | 280 | 105 | 270 | 655 |

NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID

The City Council of the City of Friona, Texas is soliciting sealed bid proposals for a Bathroom Remodel/Replacement Project for Friona Community Center located at 601 W 15TH Street, Friona, Texas 79035.

The City will be the sole arbiter of what offer, if any, constitutes the best value for the City. The City is seeking a combination of the best construction price for the Project as well as the best long-term benefit to the City and the citizens of Friona, Texas.

Sealed bids will be received until 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 3, 2023, at City Hall located at 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035. All bids received at or prior to such time will be opened and read aloud on Monday, March 6, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. Bids received after such time will not be opened or considered. The highest, best or most acceptable bid or bids will be presented to the City Council for review and possible approval at a meeting on March 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Bidders are expected to inspect the property and to inform themselves of all local conditions. Bidders may also contact the City of Friona to schedule an onsite inspection of the property by calling (806) 250-2761. Additional information, such as designs of the bathroom, may be obtained at City Hall, 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035 or by calling City Manager Leander Davila at (806) 250-2761.

WAIVER OF CLAIMS: BY TENDERING A BID TO THIS INVITATION TO BID, THE BIDDER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT HAS READ AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING A BID AND THE PROCESS USED BY THE CITY FOR SELECTING A BEST BIDDER. FURTHER, BY SUBMITTING A BID, THE BIDDER FULLY, VOLUNTARILY AND UNDERSTANDINGLY WAIVES AND RELEASES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY AND ANY OF ITS COUNCIL MEMBERS, OFFICERS, AGENTS AND/OR EMPLOYEES THAT COULD ARISE OUT OF THE ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, OR RECOMMENDATION OF ANY BID SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THIS INVITATION TO BID.

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and must be plainly marked “City of Friona Bathroom Remodel/Replacement Project Bid” in the lower left-hand corner and must be received before the above stated time. To be valid, the bid must be manually signed in ink by an authorized person. By such signature, the bidder agrees to strictly abide by the terms, conditions, specifications contemplated in this invitation for bids. Failure to comply with any bid requirement will result in the bid being considered void by the City.

Bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to the official opening. Alterations made prior to the opening time must be initialed by the Bidder to guarantee authenticity. After the official opening, bids may not be amended, altered or withdrawn without the approval of the Friona City Council.

The City reserves the rights to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids received and to accept the bid that best serves the interest of Friona, Texas.

CITY OF FRIONA, TEXAS
By: Leander Davila
City Manager

NOTICE OF INVITATION TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL

The City Council of the City of Friona, Texas is soliciting proposals from businesses regarding daycare services and what they could provide the City of Friona residents for city property located at 704 Ashland, Friona, Texas 79035 formerly known as the Girls Scout Building.

The City will be the sole arbiter of what offer, if any, constitutes the best value for the City. The City is seeking a combination of the best practices for the Project as well as the best long-term benefit to the City and the citizens of Friona, Texas. Those interested need to submit their proposal which should at a minimum include a cover letter, operational plan, safety plan and cost/benefit analysis, and rent request.

Sealed proposals will be received until 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 3, 2023, at City Hall located at 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035. All proposals received at or prior to such time will be opened and read aloud on Monday, March 6, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. Proposals received after such time will not be opened or considered. The highest, best or most acceptable proposal will be presented to the City Council for review and possible approval at a meeting on March 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

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Did you read each statement about igloos and circle "T" if it was true or "F" if it was false? 1. False, blocks of snow, 2. True, 3. True, 4. True, 5. False, warmer inside.



2022-2023
Basketball

Sports

Photos by
Eric Gonzalez



Varsity Girls Basketball



Varsity Boys Basketball



Junior Varsity Girls Basketball



Junior Varsity Boys Basketball



Girls 8th Grade A Team Basketball



Boys 8th Grade Basketball

Scoreboard

Varsity Boys Basketball

Tuesday 2/14/23

| | | | | | |
|----------|---|----|----|----|----|
| Muleshoe | 7 | 20 | 16 | 16 | 59 |
| Friona | 2 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 20 |

Justen Trevino 11 points

Final overall record 4-26, District 0-12

Powerlifting

Thursday 2/16/23 @ Dimmitt Results.

Boys:

- Azriel Flores- 1st place 114 lb class
- Erik Estrada- 1st place 123 lb class
- Jorge Garcia- 1st place 132 lb class
- Xuan Garcia- 3rd place 148 lb class
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- Lilly Abarca- 2nd place 181 lb class
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Girls 7th Grade A Team Basketball



Boys 7th Grade Basketball



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Boys 7th & 8th Grade Basketball

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Obituaries

Shara Renner

Shara Renner, 83 of Friona passed away February 14, 2023 in Friona. Per her request, there will be no services. Burial in the Friona Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.



Shara was born March 19, 1939 in Tucumcari, New Mexico to Sid and Alta Mae Toothman Latham. She worked very hard to provide for her family and was a beautician and hairstylist for an amazing 56 years. She was known as a wonderful and strong lady. She also loved to quilt and crochet.

She is preceded in death by her parents,

husbands- Bill Lookingbill and Tommy Hamilton, step-sister-Dorothy Martin, nephews-Farley Martin and Dennis Martin.

Those to mourn her passing include her husband-Clyde Renner of Friona, 2 sons-Loren Lookingbill of Shallowater, and Sid Lookingbill

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Murphy Scott Maynard

Murphy Scott Maynard 27 of Amarillo passed away February 14, 2023 in Amarillo. Viewing was held from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM with family visitation from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM Friday, February 17, 2023 in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY, Celebration of Life Services were held at 10:30 AM Saturday, February 18, 2023 at the First Baptist Church in Friona with Rev. Brett Hoyle and Joe Tindall, officiating. Burial followed in the Friona Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.



Foods of Amarillo for the past 5 years.

Murphy loved to go hiking, and riding motorcycles. He loved bowling, playing videos games, and had a passion for listening to music and watching movies at the same time.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents-Charles and Isabel Gilbreath and Barbara Maynard, and an aunt-Debra Michaels.

Those who will miss Murphy include his par-

ents, Don and Diane Maynard of Amarillo. sister-McKenna Danielle Maynard and fiancé Chris Bell of Bryant, Arkansas, grandfather-Jimmy Maynard of Friona, uncles-Mike Maynard of Texico, Dale Gilbreath and wife Dayna of Ft. Worth, and Jim Gilbreath and wife Shawnee of Lubbock, aunt- Shauna Winters and husband Mike of Amarillo, numerous cousins, best friend- Joseph Reynero wife Hannah and son Sawyer of Amarillo, and many other friends.

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Katie Mae Wilkerson

Katie Mae Wilkerson, 84 of Paris, Texas, formerly of Friona passed away February 17, 2023. Celebration of Life Graveside Services were held at 11:00 AM, Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at Parmer County Memorial Park Cemetery Hwy. 60 outside of Friona. Arrangements by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.



Katie married Harold Wilkerson Jr. February 18, 1956. For many years she helped Jr. on the farm. She also helped run the hunting lodge north of Pampa for T. Boone Pickens.

She is preceded in

death by 1 son-Randy Wilkerson, brothers-Dave, Dale and Donny Bentley, sister-n-laws-Geneva and Sue.

Those to mourn her passing include Debbie White and husband Donny, Ronnie Wilkerson and wife Gina, brothers-Buck Bentley,

Dub Bentley, Buster Bentley and wife Ruby, sisters-Betty Fritz and husband Jim and Joan Bentley, grandchildren-Kolby, Brittni, Shiloh, Dave Chance, Brittany, and Garrett, great-grandchildren-Kallan, Berklee, BrynLynn, Blakelee, Korbin, Gabe, Paisley, Grant and Carson.

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



Notice of Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation Application

General Permit Authorization No. TXG921080

Application. Caprock Dairy, LLC, 160 Country Road 50, Muleshoe, Texas 79347 has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920000 for authorization to expand an existing dairy cattle facility from 9,200 head to 11,100 head, of which 7,500 head are milking cows, and update the list of alternative crops and yield goals to include Canola: 1,000 lbs, 2,000 lbs, 3,000 lbs and 4,000 lbs; Improved grass Grazed; and Wheat Green Chop/Silage: 5-7 Tons, 8-9 Tons, 10-11 Tons, 12-14 Tons, 15-16 Tons, 17-18 Tons and 19-21 Tons. The total land application area of 3,424 acres will not change. The notice of intent and the nutrient management plan were received by TCEQ on November 3, 2022.

No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions or events. All manure and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The facility is located 160 County Road 50, Muleshoe, Lamb County, Texas. The facility is located in the drainage area of the Double Mountain Fork Brazos River in Segment No. 1241 of the Brazos River Basin. The following link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and is not part of the application or notice. For the exact location, refer to the application.

<https://gisweb.tceq.texas.gov/LocationMapper/?marker=-102.601944,34.284166&level=18>

A copy of the notice of intent, the nutrient management plan, the Executive Director's technical summary, and the concentrated animal feeding operation general permit is available for viewing and copying at the **Muleshoe Public Library, 322 West 2nd Street, Muleshoe, Texas 79347; Lamb County Library, 110 East 6th Street, Littlefield, Texas 79339; and Friona Public Library, 109 West 7th Street, Friona, Texas 79035.**

The Executive Director of the TCEQ has made a preliminary decision to approve coverage of this facility under General Permit No. TXG920000.

Public Comment. Written public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. In addition, the public may request a public meeting. If significant interest exists, the Executive Director will direct the Applicant to publish a notice of the public meeting and hold the public meeting. The Applicant must publish notice of a public meeting at least 30 days prior to the meeting in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the facility is located. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the Applicant meets the requirements of the general permit and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the notice of intent for coverage under the general permit.

Information. Written public comments should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or electronically at <https://www14.tceq.texas.gov/epic/eComment/>. Please be aware that any contact information you provide, including your name, phone number, email address, and physical address will become part of the agency's public record. For additional information, about the application or the procedure for public participation in the general permit process, individual members of the general public may contact the Public Education Program at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.texas.gov.

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has an archive of past obituaries at frionaonline.com



Lions Club News

Christine Miller and Club Sweetheart Emma Schueler



Christine Miller was the guest speaker at the Friona Noon Lions Club meeting on Monday at The Farmwife Kitchen. Christine is the Director of Training & Recruitment for Great Plains CASA for Kids. The mission is to train and supervise community volunteers to be a leading voice in advocacy for safe, permanent, nurturing homes for

children in need. A CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) volunteer is a dedicated member of the community who is specially trained and appointed by judges to advocate for a child or sibling group while they are in the foster care system. Contact Christine at christine@gpcasa.org or call 806.363.1211 for more information.

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Friona FFA Chapter President Emma Schueler presents a donation of \$859.36 to FISS Business Manager Dianna Wright at Monday night's School Board Meeting. The funds were raised by Friona FFA parents who operated a concession stand during the Parmer County Junior Livestock Show last month. National FFA Week is February 18-25.



Love was in the air as these members of the floral design class made Valentine's Day arrangements and learned some new, much-needed skills. National Floral Design Day is February 28th and it recognizes the art and history of floral design, which is a multi-billion dollar industry. The special day was created to celebrate the birthday of Carl Rittner, a pioneer in floral art education and the founder of the Rittners School of Floral Design in Boston over 60 years ago.

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Parmer County's Hassell Family Murders Performed in Stage Production

The 1926, true story of the Hassell Family mass murders has been a part of Parmer County history for nearly a hundred years. It has now been brought to life in the stage production, "Killer Among Us", presented by Exit Right Productions, a local theatre company.
 "The intent of this production isn't focused on the crime, but instead it reminds us that coming together as a community during hard times is what makes us strong and gives us our grit," said Gina Prather, director and writer of the show. "Anyone who sees this show will walk away thrilled that they came!"
 The play will be performed at the Bovina Church of Christ building, 500 Ave. E, on Saturday March 4th at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday March 5th at 3:30 p.m. Admission is free and donations are welcome. A portion of all donations will go to the Bovina Christian Benevolence Fund.



Cast — Bottom row (l-r) Zeke Shover, Elaina Procter, Zach Shover, Jabri Scott; Top row (l-r) Melissa Struthers, Dakota Prather, Taylor Prather, Jaden Scott; not in photo Jera Scott, Lizzy Smallwood, Wyatt Smith

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