

## Annual St. Teresa's Mexican Dinner (Comida Mexicana anual)

We would like to invite you to our annual St. Teresa's Mexican Dinner. It will take place on Sunday, March 4, 2018 from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. We will be serving beef enchiladas, tacos, rice, beans, chips, salsa, dessert, tea and coffee. Prices will be \$12 for adults and \$6 for children 10 and under.

Les estamos haciendo una invitación para nuestra Comida Mexicana anual el Domingo 4 de Marzo de las 11:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. en el Hall de la Iglesia de Sta. Teresa. Se servirán enchiladas de carne, tacos, arroz, frijoles, chips, salsa, postre, té y café. Los precios serán de \$12 adultos y \$6 niños menores de 10 años.

Los esperamos, Gracias.

## Career Day Big Success at Friona High School



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## Parmer County Funeral Home Back In Local Ownership

As of January 13, 2018, Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home in Friona is under the new ownership of John C. "Dusty" and Melodee Hansard of Friona. The Hansards purchased the funeral home from Mike and Eva Mullins of Dimmitt.

Dusty has been serving families at the funeral home since April of 2003, managing the funeral home and serving as funeral director in charge for the past several years. Melodee was born and raised in Friona and is a Jr High teacher with the Friona I.S.D. She also is in her final semester at the Amarillo College School of Mortuary Science with graduation in May, and is currently a Provisional Funeral Director. They have two sons-Eric (who passed away in November of 2014) Brady, his wife Amber and son Cameron, and 1 daughter-Ellie. They are members of Victory Family Worship Center in Friona.

The Hansards have also announced that in a few weeks they will be following a long held family naming tradition with the Parmer County firm and will be changing the name to HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home. The Hansards said, "The name will change, but the people that have been assisting Parmer County families for years will continue doing so. We also will be adding new staff members from Parmer County, including bilingual staff." The Hansards went on to say that all pre-arranged funerals written under the firm over the many years will be honored as they have been, and new third party funeral financing options will be made available in the coming weeks. The Hansards say that they have future plans to renovate a large room at the funeral home and change it into a 100 to 120 seat chapel that will serve families and honor one of their own who passed away in 2015 by naming it the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel.

## Northwest Plains Crop Consultants Conference

Texas A&M Agrilife Extension branches of Bailey, Castro and Parmer Counties would like to invite you to attend their inaugural crop consultants conference, February 28th, 2018 from 8:30-12 at the XIT Building, 205 North Street, in Bovina. Lunch will be provided. RSVP by Feb. 26th. This conference was developed with the idea of in-forming our consultants on topics in crop production including; economic thresholds, water management, PGR use in cotton, and disease control.

List of Speakers:

- Dr. David Kerns- Insect Thresholds/IPM issues
- Dr. Jason Woodward- Disease/nematode Control
- Kerry Siders- PGR management and use
- Jeff Pate- New Irrigation Technology



PSC Representative Mike Baker disperses an accessment report to Fisd Board Members at the meeting held last Monday. Full Story on Page 2

## Panhandle Sports Hall Of Fame Football Coach of the Year



Colby Carthel, head coach of the Texas A&M-Commerce Lions, is shown hoisting the NCAA Division II Football National Championship trophy as his players celebrate around him. The Lions defeated West Florida on December 16, 2017 in Kansas City to win the University's first-ever NCAA national championship. Colby is a graduate of Friona High School. (Courtesy Photo)

# Carthel Receives Prestigious Award

Texas A&M University-Commerce head football coach Colby Carthel was honored by the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame as the Football Coach of the Year. He was presented the award at the Hall of Fame's 60th annual banquet on Sunday, February 11, 2018. Each year on the Sunday following the Super Bowl, folks from the Texas Panhandle gather to celebrate the area's best and brightest athletes and coaches from the previous year.

Colby Carthel, a native of Friona, Texas, is the first Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame Coach of the Year honoree to represent a school outside of the Panhandle at the time of his honor. This is the first "coach of the year" honor won by the 1995 Friona High School graduate in his time at A&M-Commerce.

Colby recently completed his fifth season as the head football coach at A&M-Commerce, leading the Lions to the 2017 NCAA Division II Football National Championship. A&M-Commerce entered the playoffs as a No. 4 seed in the NCAA Division II super Four Region. They put together an astounding five-game playoff win streak which included beating the #1 ranked team

and culminated in a victory over West Florida 37-27. It was A&M-Commerce's first-ever NCAA national championship. The Lions also won the Triple Crown of Division II football with the National Championship, the Harlon Hill Trophy for the top player in Division II football, and the Elite 90 Award for the top grade point average at the NCAA Championship.

In Carthel's five seasons, the Lions have compiled a 49-15 record and have qualified for the postseason in each of those five seasons. A&M-Commerce won three consecutive Lone Star Conference Championships in 2014, 2015, and 2016. The Lions have also had 43 All-American honors, 126 all-Lone Star Conference honors, and eight Lone Star Conference Player of the Year honors in Carthel's five seasons. Colby attributes a lot of the success to the hard work of his coaching staff.

Being honored at the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame banquet has become a family affair for the Carthel family. Colby's wife, Sarah, and father, Don, were both inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2014. Don Carthel also won the Football Coach of the Year award in 2005, 2007, and 2012, while head coach at West Texas A&M. How 'bout them Chieftains!



Colby Carthel

## Supporting local bookshop is support for bigger cause

The Friends of the Library Book Shoppe is located at 119 West 6th Street, Friona. It is open on Wednesday afternoons from 3:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. during the school year and on Thursday mornings in the summer. Good quality, used books can be purchased for one dollar a bag. Greeting cards and magazines are always free. All proceeds go to Friends of the Library projects such as the summer reading program, ESL education, and scholarships.

Shoppers can check for new arrivals and special promotions on the Facebook page, Friona Friends of the Library Book Shoppe. At this time, the bookshop is accepting donations of new or used socks for a project at Amarillo's Bowie Middle School, sponsored by teacher David Martinez, a 1998 FHS graduate. Donors can leave socks for men, women, or children at Greg and Jamie Lewellen's house on Euclid or at the bookshop.

Veterans make up ten percent of Amarillo's homeless population. There are 1,180 homeless children in Potter County, with the average age of the entire homeless community being 11-years old. Eighty four percent of homeless women have suffered physical or sexual abuse. This is a good opportunity to help those in need and support a Friona graduate. Thank you to all bookshop donors, customers, and volunteers.

## Xcel Energy continues power restoration efforts in Puerto Rico

MINNEAPOLIS (Feb. 13, 2018) – Nearly 2,000 Puerto Rican customers have had their electricity turned back on thanks to Xcel Energy crews. Workers from the Upper Midwest, Colorado, Texas and New Mexico have been on the island since Jan. 29 and are continuing their efforts to restore power to the island.

Last week, Xcel Energy linemen spent a few days working to restore power to Escuela Rexford Guy Tugwell, a Montessori school located in Cayey. Crews, students, and teachers celebrated power restoration Thursday, Feb. 8, and students are now able to have full school days for the first time since Hurricane Maria hit the island.

Xcel Energy leaders Bob Frenzel, chief financial officer, and Kent Larson, executive vice president and group president, operations, are in Puerto Rico this week thanking workers for all they have done and to see the progress first hand.

More than 1 million Puerto Rican customers, 75 percent of the island, have had their power restored. Hundreds of

thousands remain without power more than four months after Hurricane Maria caused tremendous damage to the island's homes, businesses, infrastructure and electrical grid.

Xcel Energy crews are working in Caguas, a mountainous and remote region in the southeast area of the island. This is where the storm came inland and the damage is significant. The crews are with incident management teams that have partnered with the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA) on restoration efforts.

PREPA is working with members of the Edison Electric Institute (EEI), the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on damage assessment and a coordinated restoration plan. More than 20 electric companies, including Xcel Energy, are part of a coordinated, nationwide mutual assistance response that has brought nearly 1,500 additional workers to Puerto Rico. More than 5,500 people are part of the overall restoration efforts.



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

- February 15**
- Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters
- February 19**
- **PRESIDENTS' DAY**
- **Teacher Inservice**
- February 23**
- Deadline for Friona Chamber of Commerce nominations for annual banquet
- March 1**
- Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters
- March 2**
- Caregivers Coffee Break at First National Bank Community Room 9:30 a.m.
- March 8**
- Friona Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture Annual Banquet at the Friona Community Center at 6 p.m.
- March 10**
- PMC free pre-natal classes 9-10 a.m.
- March 11**
- **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS**
- March 12-16**
- Spring Break
- March 15**
- Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters
- March 17**
- **ST. PATRICK'S DAY**
- March 20**
- **SPRING BEGINS**
- March 25**
- **PALM SUNDAY**
- March 30**
- No School
- April 5**
- Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters
- April 6**
- Caregivers Coffee Break at First National Bank Community Room 9:30 a.m.
- April 13**
- Early Dismissal
- April 14**
- PMC free pre-natal classes 9-10 a.m.
- April 19**
- Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters



**What does Friona mean to you? The Friona Star is collecting stories and remembrances of Friona for their 100-year celebration in 2025. Stories need to be 500 words or less and will be published in the Star. If you have any questions, feel free to call (806) 250-2211.**

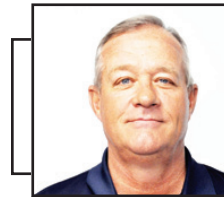
**By Angelina Zulas**

The first time that I came to Friona was a few years ago with my partner Zac. We had been dating for just a couple months at the time and were on our way to New Mexico for our first road trip together. We came to visit his father, Ron, for a night before we continued moving west. As soon as I stepped out of the car to head into Ron's apartment, I was hit with a bit of a realization—that the cow farms were in close proximity to this lovely little town. As my senses adjusted to the Friona air, I stepped inside only to be greeted by the soothing sounds of Ron's police scanner. It took me some time to fall asleep that night, but when we woke up the next morning, Ron had left Zac and me some orange juice and Becky's

burritos on the kitchen table before he headed to the Friona Star. The second time that I found myself in Friona; it was Easter of last year. Zac's sister Megan had come in from Denton, and we made the drive from Austin to see Ron and talk with him about how he was doing. That afternoon Megan, Zac, and I found ourselves at the cemetery to talk and as we looked around at the monuments of friends and family and up at the big blue skies decorated with gargantuan windmills waving at us, we decided that we wanted to be here. We moved at the end of May and I am beyond grateful for everything Friona has become to me. This town has unique character bolstered by the way that people show kindness. It

is found in the simple moments like when you're taking a walk and a friend driving by stops their car to say hello, or when your entire family gets the flu in different forms and stages and your neighbor lets you borrow their nebulizer, or having friends and colleagues show up to your door one after another to comfort you during your most difficult days. Each moment in Friona has been indescribably precious, from porch sits and glowing multi-color sunsets (lovingly referred to in our household as Trix Yogurt skies) to the days of darkness and loss. It is an honor to be here to love and support my family, and to live in the community that Ron cared about so deeply. My relationship with him was my introduction to

the admired people of this town and y'all have never disappointed. The first folks that I had the good fortune of befriending here were the ladies of water aerobics at the community pool who enthusiastically encouraged me in my interest in working at one of the schools. Thanks to them, I now serve the preschoolers and their families as an educational aide at Friona Primary. My days are filled with the echoes of children's laughter, the pitter-patter of tiny feet following me in a 'choo-choo' style conga line and wiping tears brought on by skinned knees. Being a part of these bright, young lives has given me a special feeling of interconnectedness with this community, and I will always carry it with me.



# Mayor's Minutes

by Ricky White

Approximately one year ago, three outstanding women set out on a quest to raise money to purchase a new ambulance for this community. Their vision was to have three ambulances in service to better serve our citizens in emergency situations and transfers occurring at the same time, becoming less dependent upon emergency services from surrounding cities. Kitty Gallman, Sharon White and Kathryn Goddard have done a fantastic job raising the money needed to purchase a new ambulance.

This vision will soon become a reality. Currently there is \$188,738.00 collected for the new ambulance. Thanks to Kitty, Sharon and Katherine for a job well done. Leander Davila, City Manger, is currently negotiating the cost of a new ambulance and a Stryker cot needed for the ambulance. Judge Campbell had 15 new court cases in January. Total fines collected were \$3,052.26 and court cost equaled (\$2,227.82). Judge Campbell is addressing vehicle abatement, identifying and removing

abandoned vehicles in residential areas. Also clearing out citations that are back-logged related to people driving without drivers license. In cases where the individual can be located, warrants are being issued. EMS made 13 total runs in January. There were eight calls for 911, zero calls for transfers and five calls ended in a "no transport". EMS did not make any transfers in January due to prioritizing and being available for 911 calls. All transfers were done by surrounding ambulance services. The new am-

balance is now in service and the EMS are making the transfers runs. There have been many transfers so far in February. The loaner ambulance from Bailey County has been returned. We thank them for their assistance in our time of need. City Council approved a purchase of a building located on the corner of highway 60 and Virginia. This building will be converted into a facility for the Emergency Medical Service. There will be room to store all three ambulances to protect from the elements of bad weather. There are two doors to exit from, making a quicker response time to highway 60. This will be a very good addition to the EMS.

with intent to sell). The officers drove a total of 2,547 miles in January protecting our city. The Volunteer Fire Department responded to four emergency calls in January. On January 1, two firefighters and one truck responded to a cotton burr fire. January 11, seven firefighters and two trucks responded to a car accident. Ten fire fighters and two trucks responded to a pickup fire on January 25, and eight firefighters and three trucks responded to a grass fire on January 29. All volunteers are very much appreciated for their dedication and service to our community.

## FISD School Board Meets in Regular Session

The Board of Trustees of the Friona Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, February 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room of the FISD Administration Building, 909 E. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Friona, Texas 79035. All board members were in attendance. Mike Baker and John Fitzgerald, representatives of the firm Parkhill, Smith, and Cooper, presented an update on the Facility Needs Assessment Report that was discussed at last month's board meeting. Mr. Fitzgerald presented a couple of different building options for the Board to look at while working on proposals for future construction. These options were made to help "get the ball rolling" and were not official recommendations. They stressed that it was the Board of Trustees

and the community that needed to work together to devise a plan of action. Mr. Baker said that they would give guidance, but that the community should be in control of all the major decisions that needed to be made. Next up was the Consent Agenda. The Trustees were given a report on the tax collections for the tax year 2017. Roughly \$2.4 million has been received out of an estimated \$3.9 million due the school district for the year. The board gave final approval of the running track project with Professional Track & Tennis and Bermea Construction. The rest of the Consent Agenda was approved. In other action, the Trustees approved the 2018-2019 FISD Calendar, tabled action on purchasing a new van or bus, approved joining the West

Texas Food Service Cooperative, and agreed to let the City of Friona use 10 older model FISD iPads (mobile computers) for their board meetings. City manager Lee Davila said he appreciated the assistance from the board and that it would save money by not having to print all of the reports. He also offered to help the board fine-tune their iPads to make them more efficient to use in meetings. The Trustees also designated officials for the 2018 graduation ceremony. The list included Tracy Bunker, Antonio Rocha, Jamie Lewellen, Bryan Johnston, and Andy Montana. The board then went into closed session. The next scheduled meeting is Monday, March 19, 2018. The agenda for this meeting can be found at frionaisd.com, the FISD website.

City pumped 14,091,700 gallons of water in January and sold 8,543,000 gallons. Billing totaled \$54,222.72 on 1,425 accounts. Accounts Payable equaled \$600,837.29 for January. This amount is considerably higher than past months due to three large expenditures. First Financial received \$125,350.13 for a bond payment and Bank of New York received \$221,727.50. Also the city purchase of the building on highway 60 and Virginia for \$93,702.32. Chief Jimenez and the officers responded to 139 calls in January. There were 92 stops, 57 warnings, 35 citations and 6 arrests. (1- driving while license invalid, 3- no drivers license, 1- assault and 1- possession of controlled substance

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-Your Mayor

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  - 19 Dublin, TX might have been named for the capital of this country
  - 20 Tyron Smith's position on the Cowboys
  - 24 two-part eyeglasses: \_\_\_ focals
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# Town Talk

By Megan Carr

I made my first appointment with Gems Salon and got my haircut last week by Esmeralda. I must say, I had a great experience. I love my hair (which doesn't happen often), the atmosphere was nice with friendly conversation, the price was very reasonable, and I was supporting local business by going there! I know that these women will continue to grow and improve, and I look forward to my future appointments with them.

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Don't forget to purchase your tickets for the Chamber of Commerce Banquet happening on Thursday, March 8, at 6:00 p.m. Tickets will not be sold at the door; they can only be purchased in advance. They are \$25/ticket and include the steak dinner (sides, drink & dessert included), silent and live auctions, entertainment, and the Awards Ceremony. Stop by the office at 621 Main Street for your tickets! Donations for the auction and event are still being taken and are

greatly appreciated.

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Standardized testing season is among us. This can be a stressful time for some kids, parents, and teachers, but a few things can be done to reduce that stress. Try minimizing the amount of sugar, processed and refined foods you consume—wholesome food will keep you feeling good and increase mental focus. Getting the right amount of sleep is also very important. Your body is restored and recharged the most during sleep, so be mindful of how much you are getting. Exercise will also benefit your mental health, whether it's a session at the gym or a walk around the block. Last piece of advice I can give is to counter stressful situations with calming reactions. "You can't always control what goes on outside, but you can control what goes on inside."

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Early voting will start on Tuesday, February 20, at several locations in Friona. Polling lo-

ocations are listed in this week's publication of the Friona Star at the top of page 10.

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Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University class starts on Sunday, February 18 at 6:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Friona. If you plan to participate in the class, hopefully you have already ordered a member kit (1 per family required). This 9-week class is focused around learning how to eliminate debt and build wealth. Free childcare is provided during the class. Call (806)250-3933 or visit www.fbc-friona.com for more information.

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Spring sports are gearing up for the season and baseball, tennis, and track schedules are out. Be on the lookout for games and meets, and feel free to contact the Friona Star if you have any questions regarding the schedules.

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The Pope Boys BBQ food truck is a wonderful new addition to the Friona food scene. They have opened up on a couple of different occasions so far and have seemed to be doing very well. This Saturday, February 17, they will be set up in the parking lot next to Veterinary Industries and will begin serving at 11:00 a.m. I have not tried the food yet myself, but I hope to change that very soon; I hear the brisket is the most popular item on the menu.

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Monday is Presidents' Day, still known to the federal government as "George Washington's Birthday". Traditionally celebrated on what is thought to be his actual date of birth, February 22, the holiday became popularly known as Presidents' Day

after it was moved as part of the 1971 Uniform Monday Holiday Act, an attempt to create more three-day weekends for the nation's workers. So enjoy it with your family, friends, or by doing

something for yourself! You deserve it.

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"Worrying is like a rocking chair; it gives you something to do but doesn't get you anywhere"

## City Council Notes

The Friona City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 12, 2018 in Council Chambers at 619 Main Street.

The first order of business was to approve, with one minor amendment, the minutes from the January 8, 2018 regular city council meeting and the January 22, 2018 special city council meeting.

The council also approved the appointment of members to the City's Planning and Zoning Commission. The commission is tasked with making recommendations to the city council regarding zoning matters and accompanying regulations to be enforced. The members include Andy Montana, Holly Campbell, Carroll Cook, Doug Kelley, and Roddy Berend.

An independent contract with Larry Martin was approved for his work with the City as an Emergency Medical Services Technician.

The council called to order the May 5, 2018 election. The purpose of the election is to fill the Mayor and two Alderman at-large positions, which are set to expire this year. The candidate-filing period began on January 17, 2018 and will conclude on February 16, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. Early voting will be each weekday at Friona City Hall, 623 Main Street, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on Monday, April 23, 2018 and ending on Tuesday, May 1, 2018. The Friona City Hall will stay open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on the last two days of early voting (April 30<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup>). Applications for ballot by mail should be mailed to Leander Davila, Early Voting Clerk, 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035 no later than the close of business on Tuesday, April 24, 2018.

Additionally, council approved

a resolution allowing the Mayor to sign a joint election agreement with the Friona ISD. Both the City and FIRD will hold elections on the same day and will equally share the costs of election judges and other expenses.

Friona Chief of Police Isidro Jimenez reported on the Friona Police Department activities for the month of January. Chief Jimenez reported that the police officers drove 2,547 miles and had 139 calls for fire/EMS/police. Six arrests were made, with 35 citations, 57 warnings and 92 stops completed for January. The arrests included one for driving while license suspended, three for no drivers' license, one for assault, and one for possession of a controlled substance with the intent to sell.

Jimenez presented the 2017 Racial Profiling Report to the Council for their approval. They approved the document. The document stated that the Friona Police Department has adopted a detailed written policy on racial profiling. The document is available to the public.

In other business, the council approved the accounts payable for January 2018, the financial statement for January 2018.

Before adjourning, City Manager Lee Davila discussed the city's upcoming projects for 2018. Davila spoke about public safety projects, the upcoming water line project set to begin this summer, a civic partnership program with the FIRD, the 'Keep Friona Clean' campaign, and creating a city website.

The Friona City Council meets on the second Monday of every month. The next meeting is Monday, March 12, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The meetings are open to the public.

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**Republican Candidate for Parmer County Clerk**  
*Candidato republicano para secretaria del condado de Parmer*

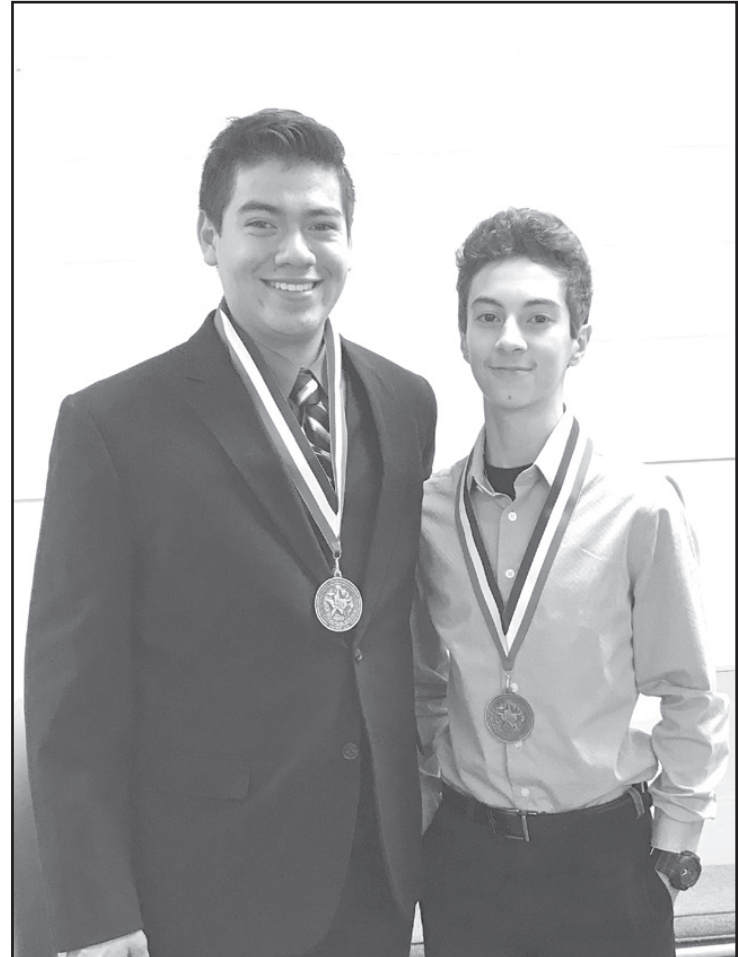
- Born and raised in Friona
- Family has lived in Parmer County since 1906
- Long family history of county service:
  - Father, Dr. Paul Spring, long time physician in Parmer County
  - Grandfather, Frank L. Spring, first County Commissioner for Pct. 2
  - Cousin, John Aldridge, County Judge
  - Cousin, Sam Aldridge, County Attorney
- Graduate of Friona High School and Texas Tech University
- Masters Degrees from Our Lady of the Lake and Trinity University
- Administrator/Director of Friona Rural Health Clinic for 11 years
- Active community volunteer
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**Republican Primary - March 6th**

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The speech and debate team is proud to announce Drew Montana and Zeke Garcia took 2nd place at the district CX debate meet and will head to Austin in March to compete in the state tournament.

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## Friona Flashbacks

*News from the Friona Star archives in 2009*

**February 19** – Friona High School sophomore Ashlee Howard has been named the Wrangler High School All-Star Rodeo Team, the first ever, corporate sponsored youth rodeo team.

**March 19** – Coach Jimmy Arias was honored as Region 1 Powerlifting Coach of the Year during the recent regional competition held at Levelland High School. Friona captured first place in overall team points and senior lifter Victor Guerrero qualified for his second trip to the state powerlift meet, which will be in Abilene on March 28.

**April 2** – Friona's First Baptist Church selected a new pastor at services last Sunday. Brett

Hoyle, a native of Colorado City, Texas will be taking over pastoral duties by mid-May. Rev. Hoyle is married to Lindsey, who is from Canyon. Both of them are graduates of West Texas A&M University.

**May 21** – Parmer Community Hospital announced Monday that its name has been changed to Parmer Medical Center (PMC) effective immediately. Hospital administrator Lance Gatlin said that the expanded service line in recent years and additional services soon to be implemented in the new hospital were considered in the renaming.

**July 23** – First place in the

Cheeseburger Cook-Off went to the First National Bank – Friona Banking Center team Britny Pope, Bill Stovell, Patsy Vazquez, Ab Hendley, and Mayra Olmos. Mixed in the winning meat patty were jalapeños and BBQ sauce.

**August 13** – Employees at the Friona State Bank celebrated the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of bank employee Cathy Spencer. She was hired August 6, 1979 as a relief teller and bookkeeper. After two weeks, Cathy moved to teller at the drive-through where she served 10 years before moving to inside teller.

**November 12** – Jesse Leal, 79, founder of Leal's Mexican

Food Restaurant, died Friday in Clovis after a lengthy illness. He was surrounded by friends and family, his son Sergio Leal said.

**December 10** – The freshman girls basketball team and Coach Elizabeth Burton escaped serious injuries Monday night December 7 when the school van they were returning in from Childress overturned on Hwy 287 about 5 miles north of Memphis. Reports are the van hit a patch of black ice, skidded into a ditch and rolled onto its right side. Coach Burton was driving and there were eight 9<sup>th</sup> grade girls in the van. The accident happened around 10 p.m.

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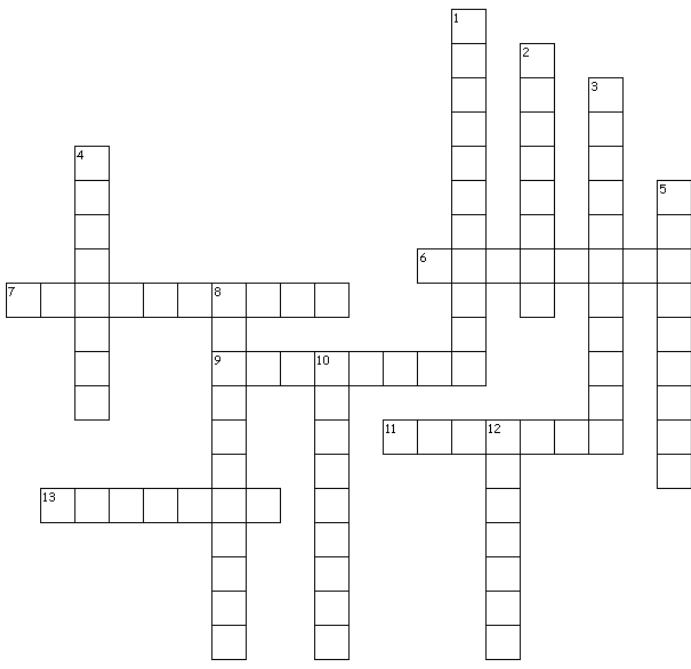
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FLIP Unit 11 Puzzle



- Across
6. capable of being mistaken; imperfect
7. misleading or deceptive
9. a trust or belief; acceptance
11. to trust another with information or a secret
13. uncertain; doubtful; unconvinced
Down
1. certain beyond doubt or question; absolute
2. able to be trusted in or believed; valid
3. worthy of fear or respect; mighty; formidable
4. faithfulness; loyalty
5. a tendency to believe things too quickly or easily; gullibility
8. unable to believe something; amazed; skeptical
10. shy; not assertive; bashful
12. a misleading or mistaken idea

County Commissioners meet in Regular Session

The Parmer County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, February 12th at 10 a.m. in the County Courtroom of the Parmer County Courthouse in Farwell, Texas. All commissioners were present.

After the reading and approval of the minutes from the previous meeting, the Court approved the payment of the Accounts Payables. They also approved the Budget Amendments and Transfers presented to them by County Auditor Larry Johnston.

Altha Herington then presented the Treasurer’s Report and the Commissioners approved the report and the calculated payroll and disbursements for all county employees and elected officials.

The Proposal for CSCD Security Measures was tabled until a later date. The Proposal to Upgrade the Computer Room was approved. Southwest Business Solutions will do the work and \$8000 will be the approximate cost.

Conservation Work in Precinct #1 for Brent Schilling was approved unanimously and the work involves the repair of a dike on his property. The charge will be \$125 per hour.

The Court also extended the Burn Ban for ninety days starting February 12, 2018. An exception to the Burn Ban would be that a party can burn if winds are 10 mph or less AND the Sheriff’s Office is notified and the party’s local Fire Department is notified. If these requirements are not meet, the party would be liable for any and all damages. This information is contained in the Commissioners’ Court Order #18-01 Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning. Violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor.

The Commissioners next considered Any and All Matters Concerning the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center. They discussed what to do with County Property that was no longer needed but still had some useful life. The Court agreed to put those items up for sale on the govdeals.com website.

The final item for consideration was the Approval of a Notice for Bid of the Mineral Rights on Parmer County’s Permanent School Fund Property. The 13,000 acres of land is located in Gaines and Andrews Counties. Receipts from these Mineral Rights are allocated among the four school districts in Parmer County.

The next Commissioners Court meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 12th.

Courthouse Notes

Warranty deeds as reported by the County Clerk’s Office from the week of February 1, 2018 through February 7, 2018:

- Carlos and Perla Ruiz – Elva Estrada, All L8 B91 OT Friona.
Jonathan Zebediah and Jade Mahaney Holt – Ronald E. and Kimberly Anderson, All S35 L6, All L7 B5 MIMO Addition Farwell.
Tim and Dana Foote – Todd D. and Leslie D. Ware, All N/2 S36 BLK B, All S/2 S36 BLK B.
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Sheriff’s Report

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff’s Office:

- On Feb. 7, Lisa Connor, 37 of Clovis, NM was arrested by Friona police on charges of possession of a controlled substance PG2 greater than 1g and less than 4G, pending grand jury.
On Feb. 10, Louis Abeyta, 44 of Taiban, NM was arrested by Friona police on a motion to revoke (possession of marijuana less than 2 oz, UCW, prohibited weapon/knuckles), pending county court.
On Feb. 11, Ireneo Ortiz, Jr., 56 of Bovina was arrested by Bovina police on charges of evading arrest with vehicle, pending grand jury.

Foreign Accent Syndrome

It may sound amusing to some, but it’s no laughing matter to a young woman in Arizona, who suffers from Foreign Accent Syndrome, says the Association of Mature American Citizens [AMAC]. Seven years ago, the former beauty queen had a headache, took a nap and when she woke up she had an Irish accent. Three years later it happened again. This time she woke up speaking with an Australian accent. In those instances the anomaly lasted about a week. But, in 2015 she said she had a massive headache that disabled her for a period of time. She woke up in the emergency room of a local hospital and to this day she has a distinctly British accent. The woman has never been out of the country. Doctors say the rare illness usually occurs in the aftermath of a neurological incident such as a stroke.

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School Menu • Feb 19-23. Monday: NO SCHOOL – Teacher in-service. Tuesday: Breakfast: Cereal, grape juice, banana, milk. Lunch: Corn dog, Doritos, corn, green beans, Mandarin oranges, milk. Wednesday: Breakfast: Cereal, pancake breakfast sandwich, orange pineapple juice, apples, milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger, French oven potato, broccoli, mixed fruit, milk. Thursday: Breakfast: Cereal, sausage pizza, orange juice, peaches, milk. Lunch: Pizza stick, spaghetti meatball, carrots, lettuce & tomato salad, tropical fruit, milk. Friday: Breakfast: Cereal, Pop Tarts, apple juice, pears, milk. Lunch: Fish, roll, coleslaw, mixed veggie California, fruit salad, milk.

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## Psalm 64—Rejoice

**Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church**

“Let the righteous one rejoice in the Lord and take refuge in Him! Let all the upright in heart exult!” is the closing anthem of Psalm 64. Such a statement is what you would expect to hear from the Bible, but what you would not expect to hear is what is found in the preceding nine verses. This call to “rejoice in the Lord and take refuge in Him” comes on the heels of David’s cry to the Lord regarding the terror of his enemies. Strong, brave, courageous, Goliath-slaying, enemy-defeating, King David is really struggling with vicious enemies, and even asking the Lord to help him not be overcome by the sheer dread of those enemies.

David is honest and desperate in his cry to the Lord, in light of the foes seeking to harm him, but David’s focus is not simply on his foes, but also on his faithful God who will see him through. The reality of our enemies is disheartening, but the truth of God’s sovereignty, power and plan is what brings us through, allowing us to proclaim that we “rejoice in the Lord and take refuge in Him,” (v10).

Rejoicing in God is not dependent on your circumstances or friends, but is an overflow of trust that no matter the circumstances or problems, Jesus Christ will lead you through, and that no matter how bad it gets, if you know Him as Lord and Savior, that is a temporary hurdle on the heavenly highway.

## Friona Para Cristo

### LLlamados a Conocerle:

**By Pastor Aurelio & Cynthia Silva**

Vamos a continuar con el tema de la semana pasada de “Hay poder en su Presencia y cosas Ponderosas Sucedan en su Presencia”.

En esta ocasion vamos a hablar de que hay sanidad en su Presencia! En Lucas 18:35-40 Vemos que Jesus estaba cerca de la ciudad de Jerico. Y un ciego

estaba sentado junto al camino mendigando. Y el al oír a la multitud que pasaba pregunto que era aquello. Y le dijeron que pasaba Jesus. Y el empezo a dad voces : Hijo de David ten misericordia de me!. Y la jente le reprindia y le dijo que se callara. Pero el clamaba mas recio “ Hijo de David ten misericordia de mi. Jesus entonces deteniendose, mando traerle a su presencia. Y alli en su presencia el fue sanado. Y por eso los amigos de un paralitico en Lucas 5:19-20 veian la urgencia de traer a su amigo a la presencia del Jesus( Señor.) Pero como no encontraban la manera de hacerlo por causa de la multitude, lo subieron encima de la casa y lo bajaron en medio de la presencia de Jesus y fue sano. Vemos solamente dos ejemplos en la Biblia pero hay muchisimos mas que podamos encontrar. Y hay hoy en dia testimonios de sanidades en la presencia de Dios. Porque? Porque Dios no cambia. El es el mismo ayer hoy y por los siglos. Si el lo Hizo ayer o antier lo hara otra vez!!! Amen!!

We are going to continue on the subject of last week. :There is Power in his Presence and Powerful things Happen in his Presence”.

On this occasion we are going to talk about that there is healing in the presence of the Lord.! In Luke 18:35-40 we see that Jesus was close to the city of Jericho. Now there was a blind man who sat by the edge of the road begging. And as he heard the multitude he ask what was going on? and they told him that JESUS was passing by. He then began to call out in a loud voice “Jesus son of David have mercy on me”. The people rebuked him and told him to be quiet. But he yelled all the more louder “ Jesus son of David have mercy on me” Jesus then stops and calls for him to be brought to him. There in Jesus’s presence he was healed. That’s why the friends of a paralyzed man in Luke 5:19-20 saw the urgency to take their friend to the presence of Jesus (Lord). But since they couldn’t find a way because of the multitude, they went through the roof and lowered him on a stretcher into the middle of the crowd before Jesus. There he was healed, made whole. Here we see just two examples of healing in the bible which there are a whole lot more we can find. And even today there are testimonies of healing in the presence of the Lord (Jesus). Why? because Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever. If he did it then he will do it again!!!Amen!!

## Panhandle Parables

### Going for the Gold!

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

The above title sounds better than “Trying to Get Off the Ice in One Piece!”

I have been watching the Olympics like many, I suspect. For the last several days, it has primarily been focused on the figure skating. Being one with some experience on the ice, I have attempted to help my wife appreciate the artistry and high level of skill involved in this particular sport.

My experience, as it is, came at the request of my daughter several years ago for her birthday. She wanted to ice skate. Not an easy thing to pull off in Friona in May. So, we went down to visit my folks where there just so happens to be an ice rink in a mall in Odessa. Monica opted to watch as we figured one of us might need to be able to drive home or to the ER, depending on how the outing went. Did I mention I was quite the disco skating king in the late 70s/early 80s? So I had some experience with something on my feet other than shoes. I first noticed the skates had been sharpened to razor perfection, so blood loss was a possibility. Elaina and I worked ourselves around the edge to build our confidence. The first lesson I learned, confidence can be fleeting. I let go of the wall and with tremendous speed found myself looking at the ceiling. This lead to the second lesson I learned, ice is slippery and hard. The third lesson I learned was that it was easier to crawl back to the wall to get up on those razors. The fourth lesson came after my confidence and speed had increased, when trying to turn you can end up going backwards, but going forwards again would require a fall, a crawl, and another wall. I stayed close to Elaina and did my best to lessen the impact of her falls. I am the dad, that’s my job.

Our spiritual walks with the Lord can sometimes be very similar. Everything is going well, then boom, flat on your back trying to figure out just what happened. The key is to try again, and again if need be. Life may be slippery at times, but if I am willing to journey with God, He will make it worth it. Thanks Elaina for the experience with you and for not liking ice-skating so much.

### Everyone Has a Story

**By Teena Hughs**

This last weekend I attended a training for Community Bible Study leaders. Tomorrow I have to tell our group what was meaningful to me about the conference. I did hear a great talk about being in contact with God or being connected to Him, but I think the most thought-provoking thing was a video I saw entitled “Everyone Has a Story”.

From what I could tell, the video was made by Chick-Fil-A. A cameraman went throughout one of their restaurants and filmed people while their “story” was written on the screen. For example, one older couple always wanted children but never had any; one seven to eight year-old girl had lost her mother at childbirth, and her dad blames her.

The video has really made me think since I saw it. Everyone does have a story. It is the stories of our lives that make us who we are today. Some of those stories are good ones because we were raised in great homes, taught by wonderful, caring, loving parents, friends, relatives, and our church family. Others have had the opposite experience, and their stories are filled with a lack of care and love from anyone. They do not know Jesus or have a church family because of the way they were reared. People have also rejected their rearing, living exactly the opposite way they were reared.

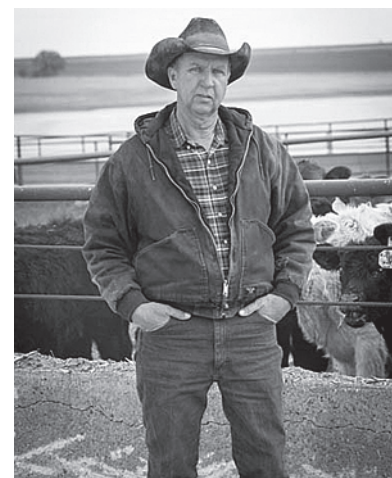
The bottom line is, too often I judge people by the way they talk, act, dress, etc. without knowing their story. In the last 20 years or so, I have really tried to stop doing this, but every once in a while, I catch myself doing it.

I need to remember three things: God created each of us in His image (Genesis 1:26); the Lord looks at our hearts (1 Samuel 16:7); and I need to take the time to listen to someone’s story before I make any judgments about them.

## FLiP Unit 11 Word List

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Friena	11	25	41	56

Coaches Notes: We played a great game. After giving up an early 8-0 lead we battled back and made the game close at halftime. Marco Maldonado hit two big free shots with 1 second left to put us up by 1. That makes our district record 4-9 currently in 5th place.

**Friena Tennis Schedule 2018**

February 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 Levelland Spchea Tournament (V,JV)  
 March 1<sup>st</sup> Levelland Spchea Tournament (V,JV)  
 March 22<sup>nd</sup> Levelland Spchea Tournament (V,JV)  
 March 29<sup>th</sup> Levelland Spchea Tournament (V,JV)  
 April 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> District Tournament Plainview  
 April 18<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup> Regional Tournament Abilene  
 May 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>  
 State Tournament Texas A&M University  
**Junior High District**  
 April 30<sup>th</sup>-May 1<sup>st</sup> hosted by Littlefield



Lazbuddie Lady Horns are Bi-District Champs, winning against Harley 57-59. They will play for the Area Championship game on Friday the 16th @ 7:00 pm vs. Mclean.

## Friena Track Schedule '18

@ Olton	Friday	Feb. 23	
@ Vega	Friday	March 2	
@ Friena	Friday	March 9	
@ Tucumcari	Saturday	March 17	(Spring Break)
@ Dimmitt	Friday	March 23	
@ Bushland	Friday	March 30	
@ District	Tuesday	April 3	(Tulia)
@ District	Wednesday	April 4	(Tulia)
@ Qualifiers	Friday	April 13	(Clovis)
@ Area	Friday	April 20	(Tulia)
@ Regionals	Fri-Sat	April 27-28	(Abilene)
@ State	Thurs-Fri	May 10-12	(Austin)

**Boys Head Coach – Tommy DeLeon      Girls Head Coach – Darrel Ray**  
**Asst. Coaches – David Towner, Cindy Moreno, Fernando Moreno,**  
**Pam Husted, David Woods**

## Friena JH Track Schedule '18

Location	Week day	Calendar day
@ Olton	Thursday	Feb. 22
@ Vega	Thursday	Mar 1
@ Friena	Thursday	Mar 8
Spring Break	No Junior High Track Meet	
@ Dimmitt	Thursday	Mar 22
@ Bushland	Thursday	Mar 29
@ Muleshoe (JH district)	Thursday	April 5
(Littlefield, Friena, Dimmitt, Muleshoe)		
Boys JH Coaches:	Doug Craven	Luis Puga
Girls JH Coaches:	Brittany Rogers	Abby Dunnam

## 2018 Chieftain Baseball

Date	Opponent	Place	Time V/JV
February 5, 2018	Idalou (Scrim.)	Friena	4:00 pm
February 10, 2018	Muleshoe (Scrim.)	Muleshoe	12:00 pm
February 19, 2018	Idalou	Idalou	2:00 pm/4:30 pm
February 22, 2018	Abernathy	Roosevelt Tournament	9:30 am
February 22, 2018	Ralls	Roosevelt Tournament	11:45 am
February 24, 2018	Roosevelt	Roosevelt Tournament	2:00 pm
February 27, 2018	Olton	Olton	4:00 pm
March 1, 2018	Lockney	Tulia Tournament	9:00 am
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March 20, 2018	Dimmitt*	Dimmitt	4:30 pm/6:30 pm
March 24, 2018	Childress*	Friena	12:00 pm/ 2:00 pm
March 31, 2018	River Road*	River Road	12:00 pm/ 2:00 pm
April 2, 2018	Tulia*	Friena	4:30 pm/ 6:30 pm
April 7, 2018	Dimmitt*	Friena	12:00 pm/ 2:00 pm
April 14, 2018	Childress*	Childress	12:00 pm/ 2:00 pm
April 21, 2018	River Road*	Friena	12:00 pm/ 2:00 pm
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# Trade negotiations critical to fuel future economic impact

by Blair Fannin, 979-845-2259, b-fannin@tamu.edu

AUSTIN – U.S. agricultural export trade reached \$135 billion in 2016 as farm commodities were a big economic driver helping to feed a growing global population, according to a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service economist.

“One-third of U.S. farm income comes from exports,” said Dr. Luis Ribera, who is also the director of the Center for North American Studies in College Station. “Exports play a very valuable role in the U.S. agricultural economy.”

Dr. Luis Ribera, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service economist and director of the Center for North American Studies at Texas A&M University in College Station. (Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service photo by Blair Fannin)

Ribera gave an update on Texas agricultural trade to attendees at the Texas Ag Forum held recently at the Austin Hilton Airport in Austin.

Continued positive trade relations will keep steady exports of U.S.-produced agricultural commodities flowing, Ribera said. For Texas agriculture, Mexico continues to play a larger role.

“One thing you are going to

see in every slide (of this presentation) is Mexico is a very important market because of its location; it is so close to Texas,” Ribera said. “Mexico is the No. 1 market for corn, rice and wheat, also one of our top export markets for sorghum and pecans. Mexico is also one of our top chicken-meat export markets.”

Mexico was the top market for U.S. dairy products as well. “One-third of U.S. farm income comes from our export markets,” Ribera said.

Ribera said U.S. consumers have gotten used to having a wide selection of food products available whether in season or out of season.

“When you go to Walmart, H-E-B you can have anything you want 24-7. U.S. trade agreements have a strong correlation with supplies of products year round. On average the U.S. household spends 6.3 percent on food. That’s the cheapest food in the world. We all have to eat, and we make the decisions what we eat. Once you have the bare necessities covered by 6.3 percent, that frees up money to travel, buy iPhones, etc.”

In contrast, in Nigeria 58.9

percent of their income is spent on food and 38 percent in the Ukraine.

Regarding North American Free Trade Agreement negotiations, Ribera said the U.S. has a lot of bargaining power since it holds roughly 25 percent of the world’s money and consumers spend just 6.3 percent of incomes on food. He said NAFTA has fulfilled the objectives of increased trade and investment. Total U.S. exports increased 192 percent from 1994 to 2016. U.S. ag exports to Canada and Mexico increased 288 percent during the same period.

“Hopefully we will get resolutions soon. I think they are on the right track,” Ribera said.

In 1994 exports to Canada

were \$5.5 billion and in 2016 jumped to 20.2 percent. Imports from Canada — \$5.3 billion in 1994 — jumped to \$21.6 billion.

“The increase is because we are just exporting and importing a lot more,” he said. “U.S. ag exports to Mexico climbed from \$4.5 billion in 1995 to \$17.8 billion in 2016, with livestock and grains making up the bulk.”

“What is good for Mexico is good for the U.S. When they are growing they are requiring more from the U.S. to fuel that growth,” Ribera said. “We are competing for labor with Mexico in the vegetable industry. When you look at the U.S. labor market and Mexico labor market, they move together.

When there is high unemployment here, there’s high unemployment in Mexico.

He said the impacts of U.S. ag exports to NAFTA have been huge with \$54.9 billion worth of U.S. agricultural output to Canada supporting 273,539 jobs. In Texas alone, \$3.3 billion and 18,600 jobs have been the measured impact from Canadian trade due to NAFTA.

“If NAFTA went away, we could go back to WTO rates,” Ribera said. “Meat and meat packaging products exported to Mexico could see a 25 percent tax for beef, up to 20 percent for pork. It would reduce competitiveness with products coming from other countries.”

Meanwhile, Mexico contin-

ues to play a bigger role in U.S. imports, and imports of fresh produce from Mexico will continue to climb,” he said.

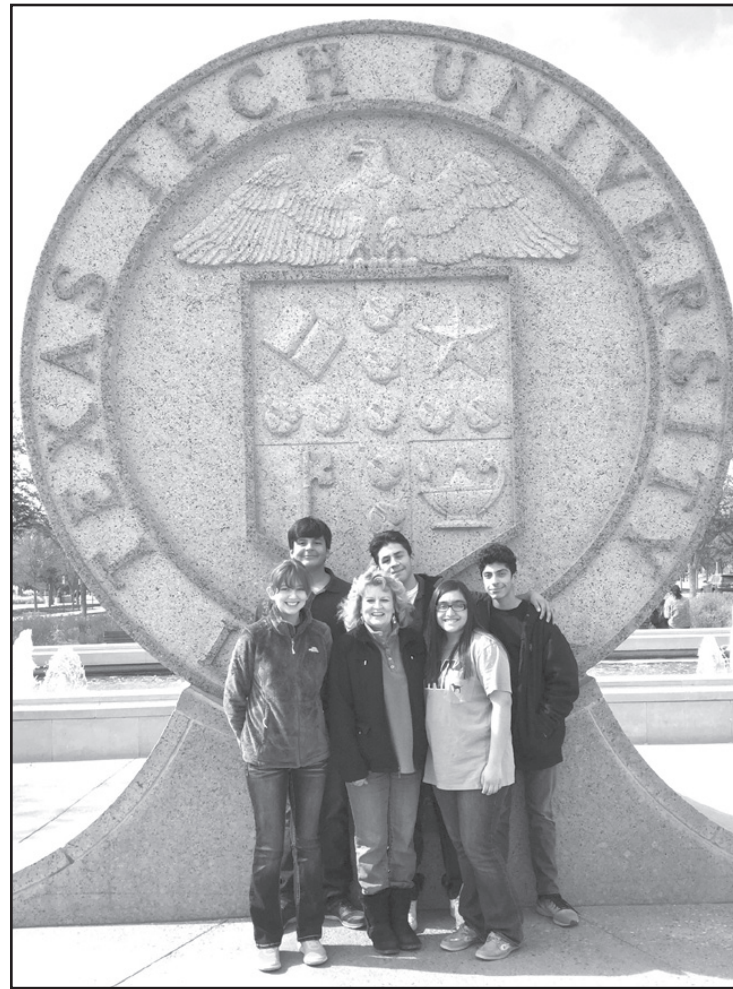
“We are importing greenhouse tomatoes because of the demand,” Ribera said. “There have been huge investments in greenhouse tomato facilities in Mexico. We import lots of avocados, and with the Super Bowl coming up next Sunday, guacamole is the No. 1 dip. So those imports play a big role in satisfying demand.”

He also noted imports from Mexico continue to contribute to the Texas economy, with the economic impact to Texas from Mexican produce imports more than \$500 million in 2016 and supporting 4,660 jobs.

## Area students to build autonomous robots

GEAR Robotics kickoff was held Saturday, Feb. 8 at Texas Tech. Students will build an autonomous robot out of the Lego Mindstorm kits. The robot must fit into a 12x12x12 inch square and can expand to 16x16x16 inches during the competition. These robots are programmed to perform the tasks and return to the start position on their own without a driver, thus the term autonomous. The robots will be programmed to pick up game pieces and place them in different locations to score. Sometimes the robots will drag the pieces to a certain location. The robots have 2 minutes to perform the tasks assigned.

Trial run will be March 3 in Lubbock, and the contest will be April 7 at the Texas Tech recreational center.



Lazbuddie students attending the kickoff on Saturday: back, l-r, TJ Chavez, Aidan Ruiz, Adriel Oseguera, front, l-r, Halley Wales, sponsor Debbie Weir, Catalina Sanchez.



Maribel Gomez and Jaegan Nickels dressed up for a Spanish 3 class project in Lazbuddie.

## Lazbuddie competes in Pantex Science Bowl



Lazbuddie took two teams to the Pantex Science Bowl competition at WTAMU in Canyon on Saturday, Feb. 3.

Lazbuddie Black Team played very well, but did not advance to the afternoon rounds. They won 2 games, tied one game, and lost 2 games.

Lazbuddie Orange Team consisted of all first time players, and lost five games. They lost two games by 4 points, one game by 2 points, one game by 10 points, and one game by 20 points. All games were extremely close, so they did very well for their first time.

Picture left to right: Adriel Oseguera, TJ Chavez, Daniella Sanchez, sponsor Debbie Weir, Catalina Sanchez, Iliana Lopez, Halley Wales, Bethany Bradley, Grace Reyes, and Noemi Garcia.

## ~OBITUARIES~

### Hortencia Aguillon Lara

Hortencia Aguillon Lara, 84, of Bovina passed away February 6, 2018 in New Mexico. Prayer Services will be held 5:00 p.m. Sunday, February 11, 2018 at the XIT Building in Bovina with a Celebration of Life Service set for 1:00 p.m. on Monday, February 12, 2018 at the First Baptist Church in Bovina with Pastor Sergio Vernal of Plainview, officiating. Burial following in the Bovina Cemetery in Bovina by Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Lara was born May 6, 1933 in Mexico to Juanito and Maria Peña Aguillon. She married her love, Rosendo Lara, on the day of love, February 14, 1961. This Godly couple served The Church of God of the First Born and community of Bovina for many years with humble hearts.

She is preceded in death by her parents, one sister, Amalia Aguillon, and three brothers, Pablo Aguillon, Umberto Aguillon, and Gonzalo Aguillon.

### Betty J. Freeman

Funeral Service for Betty J. Freeman, 85, a long-time Hereford resident will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, February 10, 2018 at Central Church of Christ, with John Henley, minister, officiating. At Mrs. Freeman’s request, her body is being donated to science and there will be no viewing. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Parkside Chapel Funeral Home. Mrs. Freeman passed away Wednesday, February 7, 2018 in Hereford, Texas.

Betty J. Hadley was born September 25, 1932 in Friona, Texas to Albert H. and Ida Cleo Cannon Hadley. She attended Friona schools and graduated in 1950. Mrs. Freeman was a Christian and a very active member of Central Church of Christ, and was a devoted servant to all. Betty volunteered at Hereford Senior Citizen Center and was active in the YMCA. She will be remembered by her family for fixing an awesome roast and rum cake, but most of all as an excellent mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great-grandmother.

She was preceded in death

### Rosendo Silva Lara



Continuing the legacy are 3 daughters: Sylvia Medrano of Dimmitt, Irma Rocha and Anna DeLaCruz, both of Bovina, 6 sons: Jessie Lara and Noe Lara of Dimmitt, Rosendo Lara Jr, Tony Lara and Esequiel Lara, all of Bovina, and Robert Lara of Lamesa, one brother, Francisco Aguillon, and one sister, Josefine Aguillon of Mexico, 43 grandchildren and 59 great-grandchildren.

Rosendo Silva Lara, 81, of Bovina passed away February 6, 2018 in New Mexico. Prayer Services will be held 5:00 p.m. Sunday, February 11, 2018 at the XIT Building in Bovina with a Celebration of Life Service set for 1:00 p.m. on Monday, February 12, 2018 at the First Baptist Church in Bovina with Pastor Sergio Vernal of Plainview, officiating. Burial following in the Bovina Cemetery in Bovina by Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.

Mr. Lara was born April 12, 1936 in Mexico to Guadalupe

and Maria Rosario Silva Lara. He married his love, Hortencia Aguillon, on the day of love, February 14, 1961. This Godly couple served The Church of God of the First Born and community of Bovina for many years with humble hearts.

He is preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Mario Lara, and two sisters, Teresa Lara and Ester Lara.

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In lieu of flowers, you may send memorials to a favorite charity.



“We would like to express our thanks to Templo Damasco, Pastor Ruben Rivera, all who brought food, phone calls, visits, flowers, and prayers during the loss of our loved ones Mark Coronado and Adalyn Coronado. God bless you all.”

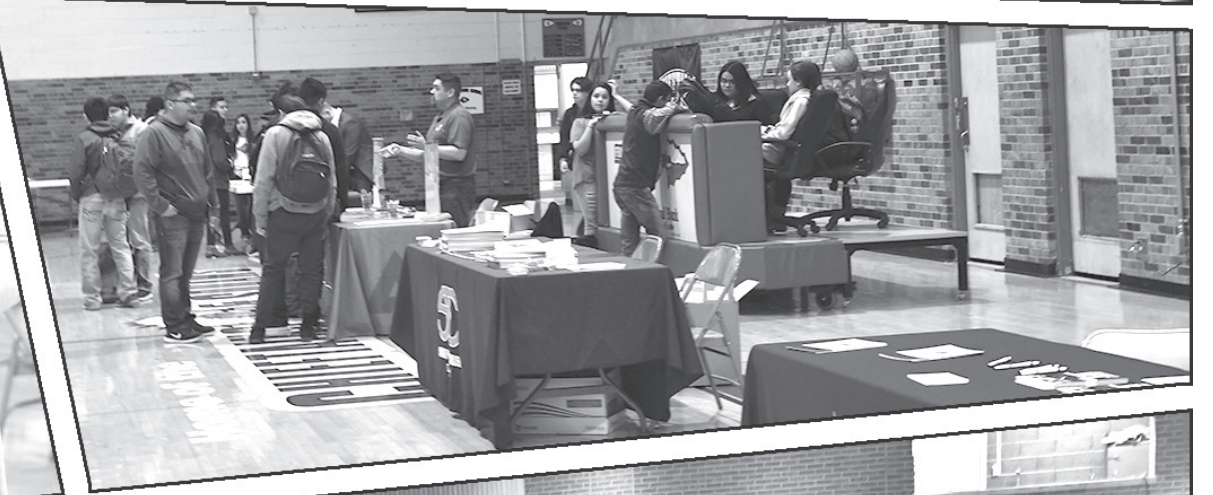
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Early Voting Polling Places, Dates and Times

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February 20, 22, 27 and
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From 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Sample Ballots Available at Early Voting Polling Locations

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Polling Places:

Precinct #101: Calvary Baptist Church 1500 Cleveland, Friona TX

Precinct #201: Bovina EMS Building 109 3rd Street, Bovina TX

Precinct #202: Friona Community Center 601 W. 15th Street, Friona TX

Precinct #203: Rhea Community Center Rhea Community Highway FM 213, 24 miles North & West of Bovina, TX

Precinct #301: Farwell Community Center 207 9th Street, Farwell TX

Precinct #302: Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church 9 miles East of Farwell on Hwy 145 1/2 mile North on FM 1731

Precinct #303: Ridgelea School Highway 86, Bovina TX

Precinct #401: Lazbuddie Methodist Church Lazbuddie, TX

Precinct #402: Friona Public Library 109 W. 7th Street, Friona, TX

Official Ballot - Republican Party Primary Election (Boleta Oficial) - (Elección Primaria del Partido Republicano)

Sample Ballot for Precinct 201, Parmer County, Texas, March 6, 2018. Includes candidates for Commissioner of Agriculture, Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District, Place 3, Railroad Commissioner, County Judge, District Clerk, County Clerk, Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2, Justice, Supreme Court, Place 4, Justice, Supreme Court, Place 6, County Tax Assessor-Collector, County Treasurer, County Commissioner, County Chairman, State Senator, State Representative, and various ballot propositions.

Sample Ballots Available at Early Voting Polling Locations

Sample Ballot for Precinct 201, Parmer County, Texas, March 6, 2018. Includes ballot propositions 2 through 11 regarding government construction, abortion, vote fraud, property taxes, and education.

Official Ballot - Republican Party Primary Election (Boleta Oficial) - (Elección Primaria del Partido Republicano)

Sample Ballot for Precinct 401, Parmer County, Texas, March 6, 2018. Includes candidates for Commissioner of Agriculture, Justice, 7th Court of Appeals District, Place 3, Railroad Commissioner, County Judge, District Clerk, County Clerk, Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2, Justice, Supreme Court, Place 4, Justice, Supreme Court, Place 6, County Tax Assessor-Collector, County Treasurer, County Commissioner, County Chairman, State Senator, State Representative, and various ballot propositions.

Sample Ballot for Precinct 401, Parmer County, Texas, March 6, 2018. Includes ballot propositions 2 through 11 regarding government construction, abortion, vote fraud, property taxes, and education.

<b>Friona Weather</b> Feb. 15-21	T 69   27 WSW 20-30	F 45   32 E 15-20	S 63   33 E 15-20	S 71   39 NE 10-15	M 68   28 SW 20-25	T 61   24 SW 15-20	W 57   29 SW 10-15	Precipitation Month 0.00 Year 0.00	Burn Ban: <b>ON</b>
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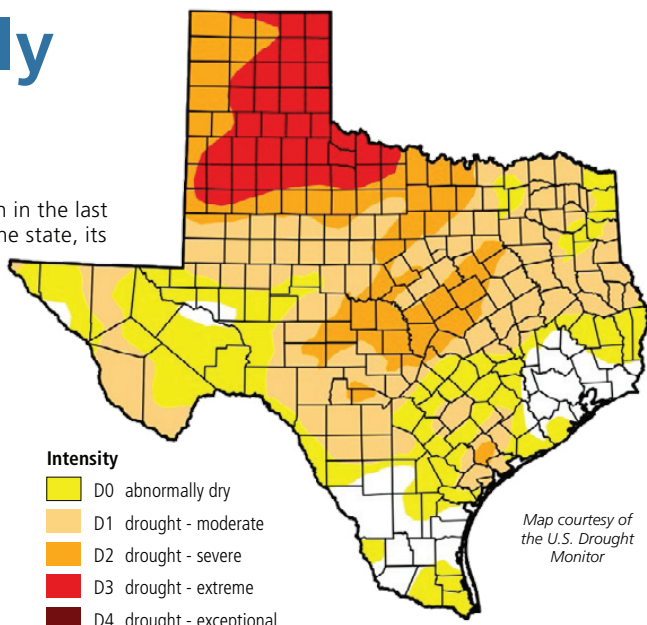
For the week of 02/12/18

### Water conditions

More drought expansion and intensification in the last week. Drought now covers 65 percent of the state, its largest extent since June 2014. Another 25 percent of the state is abnormally dry and could slip into drought in the next few weeks.

### Drought conditions

- ◆ 65% now
- ◆ 56% a week ago
- ◆ 9% three months ago
- ◆ 3% a year ago



Bigs in Schools is a division of Big Brothers Big Sisters in which children in grades two through five are mentored/tutored by qualified adults, called Bigs, during their lunch period one day per week. Bigs in Schools is funded by Friona's United Way and Hereford BBBS. Seventeen children in Friona Elementary School have been served this year.

In addition to working on math, reading, and homework, the adult mentor and student enjoy character building activities and an occasional game day. This year, the Bigs helped their students choose and wrap gifts for their teachers and write and address a Christmas card for family members. Gift books and cards were donated by Friends of the Library Book Shoppe. Students also had the opportunity to examine an insect collection, and will have one more science activity before school is out.

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