



Monday, August 20, 2018

Meet The Chiefs

Introduction of Chieftains & Squaws
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Chieftain Field

Meet The Teachers

Meet & Greet new Teachers & Staff
8:00 p.m.
Friona High School Cafeteria
Cake, Cookies, & Water

High School Tailgate Party

A tailgate party will take place following the Chieftain scrimmage Friday night. Circle of Love will be grilling hot dogs and the Lion's Club will be cooking their world-famous fries. The fire department will be on hand for water polo, and other fun games are planned!

All high school students are invited to attend. For more info, please call 250-2377 or 265-7661.



Kidz Health & Safety Fair
Saturday, Aug. 18 • 10am - 1pm
Friona Community Center
For children 5th grade & under

Band Booster T-shirts

Get your band booster t-shirts for 2018-2019 school year. The shirts are \$20 each. They can be pre-ordered at the "Meet the Chiefs" on Monday night or you can call or text 806-265-7737 to order a shirt. All orders are due on August 20th.

Miss Friona/Little Miss casting call

The Friona Chamber of Commerce is looking for the next Miss Friona and Little Miss Friona.

All girls currently enrolled at Friona High School as a sophomore, junior or senior for 2018-2019, or is enrolled in a sanctioned Homeschool Program and agrees to the terms and conditions, qualify to enter the Miss Friona pageant on Friday, September 15, 2018 at 6 p.m. in the FHS Auditorium.

The deadline to sign up is Friday, August 24.

Miss Friona sponsors are needed. If you would like to sponsor a candidate contact the Chamber office at (806) 250-3491. Sponsor forms are available at www.frionachamber.com or on their Facebook page: www.Facebook.com/friona.chamber.

Little Miss Friona contestants are needed. Little girls who will be 5-years-old by September 1, 2018 and not older than 6-years-old on September 1 qualify to participate. Little girls will need a sponsor. The pageant will be held in conjunction with the Miss Friona pageant on Friday, September 15, 2018.

Please submit the child's photo at the same time as the entry form. Deadline for signing up is Thursday, September 7, 2018. For more information, contact Kathy Rector at (806) 577-6130 or Erika Carrillo at (806) 400-6113.

Blood supply is low, Coffee Memorial needs your help

The Friona Noon Lions are hosting a Friona Community Blood Drive on Thursday, August 23rd from Noon until 7:00 p.m. in the Calvary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 1500 Cleveland. This event is part of the Coffee Memorial Blood Center's "Boots & Badges" promotion. Blood donors will receive a Limited Edition Boots & Badges T-shirt. The Noon Lions will also be cooking for all donors. To schedule an appointment, call 806-331-8833 or visit yourbloodinstitute.org.

They're Baaaaaack!!!



Students, Parents, Teachers, Staff, and Administrators are all set to launch the 2018-2019 school year. As of Thursday, August 16th, summer break is over and it is back to readin', writin', and 'rithmetic. Well, sort of. The Friona Star hopes everyone has a great year and reminds everyone to SLOW DOWN when driving through school zones.



Solar Power meets wind power. Another beautiful Texas sunset. Photo by Sarah Geries.

New Administrator at Prairie Acres



Cy Jenkins (above left) is the new Administrator at the Prairie Acres Nursing and Rehab Center. He comes to Friona from El Paso and replaces Matt Zahodnik (above right) who has moved back to the San Antonio area.

Water Weekly

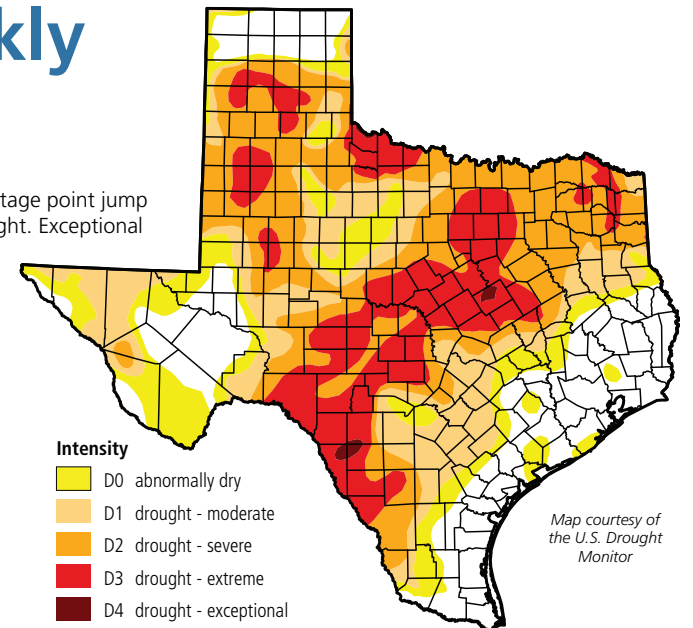
For the week of 08/13/18

Water conditions

The latest drought map shows a 5 percentage point jump in the area of the state impacted by drought. Exceptional drought reappeared in the state for the first time since early July. Note: this map reflects conditions as of August 7, 2018.

Drought conditions

- ◆ 64% now
- ◆ 59% a week ago
- ◆ 39% three months ago
- ◆ 4% a year ago



Friona Weather	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	Precipitation	Burn Ban:
August 16-22	95 65 SSW 10-20	90 64 SSW 5-10	89 65 S 10-15	88 62 ENE 10-15	89 62 ENE 10-15	89 62 S 10-15	89 62 SSW 10-15	August .64 Year 8.36	No

Community Calendar

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

August 16

- Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters
- First Day of School
- Senior Health Fair

August 17

- Snack Pak 4 Kids Friona United Methodist Church 10-10:30 a.m.

August 18

- Kidz Health & Safety Fair
- Friona Scrimmage vs Sundown 6:30

August 23

- Friona Community Blood Drive: Noon - 7:00 a.m. at Calvary Baptist Fellowship Hall

August 24

- Snack Pak 4 Kids Friona United Methodist Church 10- 10:30 a.m.
- Deadline to enter Miss & Little Miss Friona Pageants

August 31

- Snack Pak 4 Kids Friona United Methodist Church 10- 10:30 a.m.

September 3

- Labor Day

September 6

- Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters

September 7

- Caregivers Coffee Break at First National Bank Community Room 9:30 a.m.

September 8

- PMC free pre-natal classes 9-10 a.m.

September 9

- Grandparent's Day

September 11

- Patriot Day

September 15

- Miss & Little Miss Friona Pageants

September 19

- Gospel Gathering

September 20

- Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at noon at Headquarters

September 21

- Peace Day

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Mayor's Minutes by Ricky White

The City of Friona has created a website to serve as a resource to the public. The website was created to give residents an opportunity to learn more about City services, make online payments for traffic citations and to share information about upcoming events and activities. The website is still new and will be going through some minor changes over the next few months. To visit the website, go to www.cityoffriona.com. A big thank you goes out to Emma Rector for her assistance creating the website.

The City of Friona will be participating in two health fairs held locally to benefit senior citizens and children. During the kids fair, the Friona Police Department will share safety prevention information and provide a bike course for children to practice safe riding techniques. The EMS Department will share information about basic health and safety preventions along with providing bike helmets and coloring books to children. Both fairs are being sponsored by the Parmer County Medical Center on August 16th and August 18th.

The City is gathering your input on yard parking in the City of Friona. The City Council has not decided whether they will implement an ordinance just yet. Instead, they would like to gather input from the public first. If you would like to provide input, please come by the City Hall and fill out a survey.

The City of Friona started a new program this year called "Build a Backpack". This program is a volunteer effort organized by City of Friona employees to benefit local students. City employees donate their own money to help pay for school supplies for one student for each grade from Kindergarten to 5th grade. The Build a Backpack program allows City employees to give back to the community. No City funds are used for this program. Thanks to all City employees that have volunteered to participate in this great program.

Volunteer Fire Department was very busy in July. There were nine calls for emergency assistance. On July 2nd, five firefighters and two trucks responded to a car fire. On July 4th, ten firefighters and four trucks responded to a grass fire. Also on July 4th, nine firefighters and four trucks responded to another grass fire. There were nine firefighters and three trucks called out on July 5th to assist a semi trailer electrical fire. On July 9th, eight firefighters and three trucks responded to a fire that ended up being a false alarm that was a controlled burn. There were seven firefighters and three trucks on July 13th respond to a grass fire. On July 17, eight firefighter and three trucks responded to a hay fire at Del Rio Dairy. There were eight firefighters and two trucks on July 21st respond to a car accident. On July 31st, four firefighters and two trucks responded to a grass fire. The

Volunteer Fire Department continues to do a great job for our community. We are so thankful and blessed to have these men serve in our community. THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!!!!!!

Chief Jimenez and the police officers responded to 182 calls in July. There were 55 stops, 31 warnings, 58 citations and 4 arrests. (1-no drivers license, 1- assault, 1-warrant and 1- driving while intoxicated. The officers drove 2548 miles patrolling and protecting our city. A big "thank you" to the Chief and officers for the job they are doing as they continue to work shorthanded.

Emergency Medical Service made 39 total runs in July. There were fourteen 911 calls, twenty one transfers and four ended in a "no transport." Payments collected equaled \$10,333.51 and billing totaled \$53,140.94.

Judge Campbell had 29 new cases in July. There were 24 total dispositions. Fines collected equaled \$2,680.89 and court cost totaled \$4,648.14.

Friona Public Library had 860 patron visits in July an average of 46 visits per day and was open a total of 21 days. There were 1116 items circulated and 51 new items added to the inventory. The Library and staff finished a successful summer reading program for the children. It's great to see the young kids involved. Thanks to the Library staff for their support.

Your Mayor

Football Contest returns August 30th

The 2018 version of the Friona Star Football Contest will begin on Thursday, August 30th. Contestants will choose from 12 games each week and for a period of 12 weeks. Entry forms will have games including high school, college, and pro. There will be two tie-breakers each week. The top three weekly winners will receive \$30 for first, \$20 for second, and \$10 for third. At the end of the 12 weeks, the overall winner will receive a \$100 grand prize.

Contest entry forms will be found in the Friona Star newspaper on Thursdays and every Wednesday evening in the E-Star and on our website, frionaonline.com.

Entries are due by 4:00 p.m. each Friday. Entries sent by U.S. mail should be postmarked by 4:00 p.m. Friday. Also, drop-off entries in the red mailbox at the new Friona Star office at 208 E. 11th should be made before the 4:00 p.m. deadline. Entries can also be faxed to (806) 250-5127.

No emails accepted. All entries must be on the official entry blank form. Copies of the form are acceptable.

We will tabulate the winners each week and keep up with individual scores during the contest to determine the grand prize winner. Weekly winners will be listed in the newspaper each week.

For more information call us at (806) 250-2211 Monday through Wednesday or email us at frionastar@wtrt.net.

Small Business Optimism Index Nears Survey High in July

AUSTIN, Aug. 14, 2018—The NFIB Small Business Optimism Index has marked its second highest level in the survey's 45-year history at 107.9, rising to within 0.1 point of the July 1983 record-high of 108.

The July 2018 report also set new records in terms of owners reporting job creation plans and those with job openings. A seasonally-adjusted net 23 percent are planning to create new jobs, up three points from June. Thirty-seven percent of all owners reported job openings they could not fill in the current period, a one-point increase from June.

"Small business owners are leading this economy and expressing optimism rivaling the highest levels in history," said NFIB President and CEO Juanita Duggan. "Expansion continues to be a priority for small businesses who show no signs of slowing as they anticipate more sales and better business conditions."

State-specific data is unavailable, but NFIB State Director Annie Spilman said the numbers are encouraging. "The survey means small-business owners like where things are heading, so they're more comfortable when it comes to adding

people and growing their companies."

A net eight percent of all owners (seasonally adjusted) reported higher nominal sales in the past three months compared to the prior three months. July is the eighth consecutive strong month of reported sales gains after years of low or negative numbers. A net 35 percent of owners expect better business conditions, ticking up two points from June.

- Additional July highlights include:
- The percent of owners citing the availability of qualified workers as their number one business problem landed one point below the record high.
 - Reports of compensation increases remained strong.
 - Capital spending maintained a respectable pace but did not display the exuberance of its fellow indicators, although spending plans did post a gain.
 - Plans to add to inventory holdings were strong as strong sales continue to deplete stocks.
 - Profits continued to perform, and more firms raised prices, something that is easier when demand is strong.
- "Small business owners have never been

so optimistic for so long, helping to power the second longest expansion in history," said NFIB Chief Economist Bill Dunkelberg. "Despite challenges in finding qualified workers to fill a record number of job openings, they're taking advantage of this economy and pursuing growth."

Fifty-nine percent reported hiring or trying to hire (down four points), but 52 percent (88 percent of those hiring or trying to hire) reported few or no qualified applicants for the positions they were trying to fill. Twenty-three percent of owners cited the difficulty of finding qualified workers as their single most important business problem (up two points), one point below the 45-year record high.

For more than 75 years, NFIB has been the voice of small business, advocating on behalf of America's small and independent business owners, both in Washington, D.C., and in all 50 state capitals. NFIB is nonprofit, nonpartisan, and member-driven. Since our founding in 1943, NFIB has been exclusively dedicated to small and independent businesses and remains so today. For more information, please visit www.NFIB.com.

TEXAS CROSSWORD
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ACROSS

- an understatement for TX in July
- TX Vikki Carr's "Cosas del _____"
- Victoria country FM
- TXism: "como _____" (How are you?)
- TXism: "foot _____" (up tempo)
- TX ZZ Top's "Sharp Dressed _____"
- "The eyes of Texas _____"
- Begley of TX-based 1952 film "Lone Star"
- West TX climate
- this Hussein was deposed by TX George W.
- join together
- gorillas and chimpanzees
- strong & skinny
- dish-washing duty in the military (abbr.)
- SE Dallas suburb along U.S. 175
- school ammo: "spit _____"
- he beat TX Foreman in "The Rumble in the Jungle" (1974)
- wisdom
- barbed _____
- TXism: "_____ (distant)"
- "Muy Grande _____" in Freer
- eventually, TX Howard Hughes lived _____ in a Las Vegas penthouse
- a TX crop: _____beans
- TXism: "safe as a squirrel up _____"
- TXism: "got Romeo _____ in his veins" (ladies man)
- TX-born Forrest in 1960 film "Flaming Star" (init.)
- talk, talk, talk
- brute
- book and film about TX-born Joan Crawford: "Mommie _____"
- 12th Greek letter
- TX flag _____ down is a sign of danger
- flies high
- TX A.J. Foyt won the "_____ 500" 4 times
- TX-born dancer and actress, Charisse
- as a Ranger in 1990, TX Nolan threw a no-hitter against this "Athletic" team
- Don Denkinger in the 19-down game
- lots
- Astro Carlos Correa pos.
- pre-Friday night _____ rally
- sagacious
- Sherlock: "The game's _____!"
- TX Ginger 1945 film: "_____ the Waldorf"
- "_____ cause"
- TXism: "stock in _____" (specialty)
- "Woe is me!"
- TXism: "she's _____ rigned" (engaged)
- actor Josh of TX-based "No Country for Old Men"
- AT&T Stadium, e.g.

DOWN

- TX Nat Stuckey sang "She _____ Morning"
- "Lake _____" is a reservoir on the Rio Grande
- in Lamar County on FM 137 & 38
- nickname for long-time house Speaker, Rayburn (2 wds.)
- once a chili cookoff in Paris, TX: "Chili du _____"
- colored eye part
- Beatty of 1960 film "Big Bad John"

26 pig fat

27 "_____ That's Why They Call It the Blues"

28 TX rancher Chuck Norris 1985 film: "_____ Silence"

29 aluminum company

30 ugly growth

33 corp. abbr.

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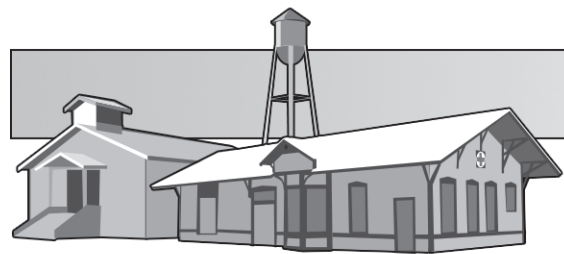
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This past week, Patsy Bandy brought by a copy of "The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon" which is the newspaper that covers Floydada, Texas. It had an feature on her son, Todd Bandy, who has been the Athletic Director and Head Football Coach at Floydada since 2009. Todd is still the AD this year, but is "retiring" from football and will be the Head Girls Track Coach.

Todd is a 1978 graduate of Friona High School and a 1991 graduate of West Texas A&M University. He started his teaching and coaching career in 1991 after farming for the previous 10 years. His first job was at Pleasant Grove in Texarkana, Texas. He was on the coaching staff of 1973 Friona High School graduate Willie Bailey for three years.

Next, Todd coached at Muleshoe for two years, Howe for five years, Brady for five years, Nevada Community for one year, and Whitewright for two years. He arrived in Floydada in 2009 and has been there ever since.

Todd is married, has a daughter, a son, and two grandchildren. He is the son of Eugene and Patsy Bandy of Friona.

DVD copies of the 2018 Summer Drama Workshop 2018 are now available at Intheden Graphics at 1215 Elm Avenue. The DVD costs \$10 and includes all three performances.

There will be a lot of meetin' and a lot of greetin' Monday night at Friona High School. Go to Chieftain Field at 7:00

p.m. and meet the Chieftains and Squaws and then head over to the cafeteria around 8:00 p.m. to meet all the new teachers, staff members, and the new Superintendent. See you there!

Both Friona Chieftain scrimmages have been moved to Fridays. This Friday, August 17th, the Chiefs will host Sundown beginning at 5:00 p.m. and on Friday, August 24th the Chiefs will travel to Bushland and the start time will also be 5:00 p.m. for that scrimmage.

We welcome Cy and Barbara Jenkins to Friona! Cy is the new administrator at the Prairie Acres Nursing and Rehab Center. They are moving to Friona from El Paso.

Castro County Fair booths available

If you are interested in a booth at the Castro County Fair / Harvest Days on Saturday, September 8th, 2018 in Dimmitt, TX please contact Cathy at 806-869-7550 or Maegan at

806-647-2524. It's always first come, first served, and booths inside the Expo go fast. Booths range from \$35 to \$45 depending on where they are, and if you need electricity.

Got a big tax refund? Use IRS Withholding Calculator to boost take-home pay in 2018

IR-2018-163, Aug. 13, 2018

WASHINGTON - Taxpayers who received large refunds earlier this year may be able to get more of their money included in their paychecks during the rest of 2018 by using the Withholding Calculator on IRS.gov.

According to the Internal Revenue Service, most taxpayers - more than seven out of 10 - receive refunds averaging around \$2,800. Typically, taxpayers who receive large refunds could receive more of their money throughout the year, rather than waiting until they file their tax return after the end of the year.

Tax reform has big impact

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, enacted in December, made major changes to the tax law. Any of these far-reaching changes could have an impact on the refund many taxpayers will receive when they file their 2018 tax return. The IRS encourages every employee, including those who typically receive big tax refunds, to do a "paycheck checkup" soon to ensure they have the appropriate amount of tax taken out of their pay.

TCJA changes that could have a big impact on tax refunds this year include:

- Reduced tax rates and changed tax brackets.
- Eliminated personal exemptions.
- Increased standard deduction.
- Expanded and increased Child Tax Credit.
- A new credit for other dependents.
- Some limited or discontinued deductions.

Do a 'paycheck checkup' soon

The IRS urges taxpayers to complete their "paycheck checkup" now so that if a withholding amount adjustment is necessary, there's more time for withholding to take place evenly throughout the year. Waiting means there are fewer pay periods to withhold the necessary federal tax - so more tax will have to be withheld from each remaining paycheck.

Adjusting withholding can prevent taxpayers from having too little tax or too much withheld. Too little withheld could result in an unexpected tax bill or penalty at tax time in 2019.

Using the Withholding Calculator

It's helpful if taxpayers have their completed 2017 tax return available when using the Withholding Calculator to estimate the amount of income, deductions, adjustments and credits to enter. Filers also need their most recent pay

stubs to compute the employee's withholding so far this year.

Calculator results depend on the accuracy of information entered. If a taxpayer's personal circumstances change during the year, they should return to the calculator to check whether their withholding should be changed.

Employees can use the results from the Withholding Calculator to help determine if they should complete a new Form W-4 and, if so, what information to enter on a new Form W-4.

Taxpayers who change their withholding for 2018 should recheck their withholding at the start of 2019, especially those who reduced their withholding sometime in 2018. A mid-year withholding change in 2018 may have a different full-year impact in 2019. Taxpayers who do not file a new Form W-4 for 2019, may have a higher or lower withholding than intend. To help protect against having too little withheld in 2019, IRS encourages all filers to check their withholding again early in 2019.

The Withholding Calculator does not request personally-identifiable information, such as name, Social Security number, address or bank account number. The IRS does not save or record the information entered on the calculator. As always, taxpayers should watch out for tax scams, especially via email or phone and be alert to cybercriminals impersonating the IRS. The IRS does not send emails related to the Withholding Calculator or the information entered in it.

Adjusting withholding

Employees who need to complete a new Form W-4 should submit it to their employers as soon as possible. Employees with a change in personal circumstances that reduce the number of withholding allowances must submit a new Form W-4 with corrected withholding allowances to their employer within 10 days of the change.

Taxpayers may also need to determine if they should make adjustments to their state or local withholding. They can contact their state's department of revenue to learn more.

IRS.gov/getready has information about steps taxpayers can take now to get a jump on next year's taxes, including how the new tax law may affect them.

FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives

August 18, 2005

The Texas Farm Bureau's District 2 held a meeting in Idalou August 4. There was a Miss Texas Farm Bureau pageant and a Talent Find competition held in conjunction with the meeting. Krista Graham, daughter of Lanis and Ky Graham of Friona, won first place in the talent contest. Krista performed a stand-up comedy routine. For her first place finish she receives a \$1,000 scholarship and a \$50 gift card from South Plains Mall in Lubbock.

August 12, 1995

Friona and Parmer County's request for disaster designation from the June 2 tornado was denied, according to a letter received by the county and city late last week. In a letter to County Judge Bonnie Clayton, the state coordinator for FEMA said: "This is to inform you that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has denied our request asking that Parmer County be declared eligible for Federal assistance

as a result of severe thunderstorms, hail, high winds and tornadoes that occurred June 2, 1995." City Manager Paula Wilson, and Mayor Clarence Monroe expressed regret that the application was denied.

August 18, 1985

Refreshments will be served at the Ethridge-Spring Agency meeting room Monday night, August 19 at 8 p.m. when the Community Heritage Society will host an "Open Town Meeting" to discuss plans to move, preserve and restore the old Santa Fe Depot building. Santa Fe Railway Company is donating the building to the city of Friona. This is one of the oldest buildings in the city, having been built in 1910 before the town was incorporated.

August 24, 1975

Postmaster Wright Williams announced this week that postal patrons who will receive their mail in a post office box at the new post office will

need to be issued a key to their box. Boxes at the new post office will not use combinations as has been the case at the old location. Williams stated that the opening date for the new post office will be announced in the near future.

August 12, 1965

Doug Dodd and Dale Milner, stars of the 1964 Friona Chieftain District co-championship team arrived in Childress Monday morning to participate in the 16th Annual Greenbelt Bowl Football Classic. Workouts started Monday afternoon as the game is scheduled for 8 p.m. Saturday in Fair Park Stadium in Childress, Texas. Dodd will play fullback and Milner, tackle, for the West team, coached by Max Bumgardner and Buddy Horne of San Angelo College. The local players' nominee for Greenbelt Bowl Queen, Merylene Massie, is scheduled to arrive Friday. District Judge Charles Reynolds will be Master of Ceremonies.

BE A HERO give blood.

Friona Community Blood Drive

Thursday, August 23 • Noon - 7 p.m.
At Calvary Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall
(1500 Cleveland, Friona, TX)

To schedule your appointment, call 806-331-8833 or visit yourbloodinstitute.org.

The Friona Lion's Club will be cooking for all donors!

Donate blood during July and August to **VOTE** in honor of firefighters or law enforcement officers!

Blood donors get a LIMITED EDITION **BOOTS & BADGES T-shirt!**



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Regrets

By Teena Hughs

For some reason, last week I started thinking about people I mis-judged. I am talking about people I decided not to seek out as friends because of things I thought about them. Some of them had done or said things I didn't like or agree with; some seemed standoffish with me and acted like they didn't want anything to do with me; some of them, I simply thought the wrong things about. And, why did these things happen? Because I wasn't willing to take the time to really get to know these people before I formed my opinions about them.

I regret not getting to know them earlier. I have missed out on countless blessings; I have missed out on learning from them; I have wasted so much time thinking the wrong things about some people; and, I have missed out on getting to know some really fantastic people who could have become really good friends.

I may have regrets, but I am very thankful to/for God. He has been gracious to put me in situations so that I have gotten to know some of these people. That is how I know

I was wrong about them. People that I thought were heartless, actually have the sweetest, most tender heart; people I thought were cold and calloused, are actually very loving, caring people; people I thought were "out of my league" are actually some of the people I most admire.

Growing older and maturing have much to do with how we see people and what we think of them. I thank God for changing my heart and mind about people. I can't get back the time I have wasted, but I can give of my time to get to know people before I form opinions about them. And, something I have been humbled to do is to quit being so judgmental about others. Accepting people for who they are and loving them will not change my mind about what is right or wrong according to God's Word, but maybe accepting and loving them will open doors to valuable, long-lasting friendships. And, who knows what God will do with those friendships? We might all be surprised!!!

Take care and have a great week!

Send your church news to the

Friona Star

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A deal that must not be broken

By Bob Jackson

Medicare is 53 years old this month. The Congress elected during this year's midterm elections will likely determine what Medicare's future is, including whether it will continue meeting the promise made to those who have paid into the system over the years.

That's why it is in the best interest of every American voter to find out whether their member of Congress will work to improve Medicare on behalf of beneficiaries or cut Medicare and pass the costs on to the rest of us. With this in mind, we need to show up at the polls and vote.

Medicare accounts for 15 percent of the federal budget, no small sum. So when politicians in Washington start talking about deficit reduction, some of them always look for ways to reduce Medicare spending, despite the fact that most of us have been paying into Medicare for years in advance. Proposals for cuts mean less coverage and more out of pocket cost for Medicare recipients.

One proposal has been to give people a voucher of a fixed amount to buy private insurance, and if the voucher doesn't pay for needed coverage, recipients pay the rest. Americans pay into the Medicare out of every paycheck, and they have the right to fully expect Medicare to live up to the promise that it be there for them.

Medicare is an incredibly good value. Every year 98 percent of the Medicare budget pays directly for the health care needs of its 60 million beneficiaries—people 65-plus and adults with disabilities. Only about 2 percent of the Medicare budget is spent on administrative overhead. Private health insurance companies invariably spend double digit amounts on overhead and profit.

Prior to Medicare's enactment, three quarters of older Americans had no health care coverage. They and their families were just a minor illness away from financial ruin just trying to get well. Before signing the bill creating Medicare, President Johnson said, "No longer will older Americans be denied the healing miracle of modern medicine. No longer will illness crush and destroy the savings that they have so carefully put away over a lifetime so that they might enjoy dignity in their later years."

Medicare is important to you if you are disabled or 65 years old—or if you plan someday to be 65. Further, there is something you can do to assure Medicare is protected. Hold every candidate for Senate or the House of Representatives accountable for Medicare's future. When you vote in the midterm elections in November, be sure the candidates are on the record with an answer to four questions:

1. Do you believe Medicare should be cut as a way to reduce the budget deficit?
2. Do you favor converting Medicare to a voucher program?
3. What changes would you make to ensure that individuals continue to get promised benefits/
4. Do you support expanding coverage to include hearing, vision, and dental care?

Politicians in Washington argue and posture, but they don't seem to get very much done. When it comes to Medicare though, midterm election voters can change that by raising their "do no harm to Medicare" voices at the polls.

Bob Jackson is the director of AARP Texas.

Panhandle Parables

Long Line of Love

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

Paul Overstreet and Thom Schuyler wrote a song that was sung by Michael Martin Murphy and hit #1 in the US on the Country charts in August of 1987.* The song "Long Line of Love" is one of my favorite country songs. The chorus goes like this:

I Said My Granddad's Still In Love with My Grandma

I Said My Dad Still Thinks My Moms the Sweetest Thing He Ever Saw

you see I Come From A Long Line of Love

When the Times Get Hard, We Don't Give Up

Forever Is In My Heart and In my Blood

*You See I Come From A Long Line of Love***

This is a special year in my family. In February my grandparents celebrated 73 years of marriage. This weekend we will celebrate my parents 50th Wedding Anniversary in Monahans. Officially August 30th is their anniversary. My wife and I are just getting started with 22 years in December. I am blessed to see this, but I also know it came/comes with a great deal of hard work and commitment well beyond the I Do's. Love is an action, it is intentional, and it has the best

interest of others centered in its core.

When Jesus speaks of love it goes far beyond an earthly number of years. He speaks with the understanding of a love that had no beginning or no end. He knows the love God had when creating the world. He comprehends the love that God gave His people through out the years to sustain and guide them. He became the eternal definition of that love as He hung on the cross, enduring the shame that we might become one with His father. Yes, Jesus comes from a long line of love. It is that love I have seen my grandfather share daily with my grandmother (good days or not). It is that love that my father expresses to my mother. It is that love that I pray to offer my wife and daughter each day that I live, because it is a love that can endure. So, know too that you can have that love through Christ, you too can come from a long line of love, because of who Jesus is. What a blessing to know you have been on His mind since the beginning. (Eph. 1) He hasn't given up on you. Forever is His plan is it yours. Happy Anniversary, Dad & Mom.

*Wikipedia
**Overstreet Paul - Long Line Of Love Lyrics | MetroLyrics

Psalm 93—The Lord Reigns

Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Caesar, Alexander the Great, Genghis Kahn, Hitler, Stalin, Charlemagne, the Pharaohs and Nebuchadnezzar were all astounding rulers, whose reigns were impressive, expansive and powerful. In light of their impressive nature, these leaders all share a common fate, death. Their massive kingdoms are no more, and these rulers have long gone the way of the dust and worms. In light of this common reality, their reigns suddenly seem less grand and a bit more insecure and brief. Compare these reigns with the reign of God as described in Psalm 93.

Psalm 93 is a brief, but powerful psalm proclaiming the Lord God reigns. He reigns in majesty and strength, he reigns in and over creation, and his reign supersedes the sinful clamor and catastrophes in life. In light of God's reign, though, don't be complacent or apathetic, but trust him completely. First, trust Jesus alone to save you from your sins. Next, trust him with the messes of your life and allow him to make a masterpiece from it. Spiritual choices, social activities, family relationships, job burdens, major decisions, church membership and countless other areas also makeup the fabric of our lives and they all need to be in submission to the Lord's direction. The Lord's reign is a wonderful truth to rest in, but also to live in as you walk with Him daily and trust His guidance and direction in your life.

Llamados a Conocerle Friona Para Cristo

By Pastor Aurelio & Cynthia Silva

Despues de ser creyentes debemos de convertirnos en dicipolos del Senor Jesucristo. (Juan 8:31-36). 1. Debemos de creer en el . 2. Convertirnos en dicipolos. Hay muchos beneficios al ser un dicipolo de Jesus. Entendemos un dicipolo es aquel que permanece en el estudio de su palabra y establece una comunion con el. Tambien es aquel que aprende de su maestro. Uno de los beneficios es, se nos revelara la verdad. Otro de los beneficios es al conocer la verdad seremos libres. (Juan 8:36) Asi que si el hijo es libre sera verdaderamente libre. Por eso es importante el establecer una relacion con el Senory leer y estudiar las escrituras. Porque en ellas encontraras la vida eterna. (Juan5:39).

After becoming believers we need to then be converted into disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ. (John 8:31-36). 1. First we need to believe in him. 2. Be converted into disciples. There are many benefits of being a disciple of Jesus. Now we understand that a disciple is the one who studies the word of God (Bible) and establishes a communion with him. It is also the person who learns from his teacher. One of the benefits is that the truth will be revealed to you. Another benefit is that you will know the truth and the truth will set you free (John 8:36). For whom the Son sets free is free indeed. That is why it is important to establish a relationship with the Lord, and read and study the word of God (Bible). Because in them you will find eternal life (John 5:39).

“We Live by Faith, Not by Sight.” 2 Corinthians 5:7

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~OBITUARIES~

Wanda Phipps

Services for Wanda Bishop Phipps were held at 1:00 pm Saturday, August 11, 2018, in the Abernathy Methodist Church with Rev. Janet Edwards and Ty Lust officiating. Burial followed in the Littlefield Memorial Park under the direction of Abell Funeral Home & Flower Shop of Abernathy, TX. The family gathered at the home of Janet Edwards from 6:00 pm until 8:00pm to receive friends.



Wanda Lucille Bishop Phipps was born to J.D. and Flora Baker on March 12, 1930 in Littlefield, TX. She graduated high school in Littlefield in 1947. She married Stanley Bishop on December 28, 1946. She and Stanley farmed in Littlefield until 1957 at which time they moved to Friona. They continued to farm until 1980. She could always be found in the kitchen where she was preparing meals for everyone. She loved having company and she and Stanley hosted many hunters so the table was always full of guests. She loved trying new dishes and her kitchen was filled with every kind of cookbook you can imagine.

she made for the Sunday breakfasts. As Wanda's health declined, she had to leave her Savannah Park family and moved to Brookdale Remington Assisted Living in November of 2017. There she found many new friends in the residents and the loving staff. She passed away peacefully on August 6, 2018 surrounded by her family.

Stanley passed away in 1980, leaving a big void in her life. God would bless her again by bringing Virgil Phipps into her life. She and Virgil were married on September 25, 1981. They lived in Friona most of their married life until Virgil's illness brought them to Abernathy. They lived in Savannah Park Apartments and she loved it there. She had the apartment across from the office where she could see everything that was going on. She continued her love for cooking and saved her family many times when they needed a dessert. The church was blessed by all the strawberry, banana and zucchini bread

She was proceeded in death by her husband Stanley in 1980, her husband Virgil in 2012, her son-in-law Tommy Edwards in 2009, a nephew Cecil Baker, who was like her son, her parents, four sisters and a brother.

She is survived by her daughter Janet Edwards of Abernathy, TX, son Charlie Bishop and wife Alane of Amherst, TX, three stepsons, Monte Phipps and wife Shawnda of Waco, TX, Michael Phipps and wife Lynn of Lubbock, TX, Mark Phipps of Grand Junction, CO, and stepdaughter Marlana Phipps of Grand Junction, CO. sister of Alta Kirby of Littlefield, TX, Fifteen grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren and many special nieces, nephews and friends.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the Abernathy Methodist Church, 704 Ave. D, Abernathy, TX 79311.

Dorothy "Dottie" Neal

Memorial Service for Dorothy "Dottie" Neal, age 74, of Bovina, Texas, is scheduled for 10:00 AM, Saturday, September 1, 2018 at the Church of Christ in Bovina with Mike Prather of Bovina officiating. Dottie died Wednesday, August 8, 2018 in Lubbock, Texas. She was born October 19, 1943 in Stockton, California to Henry "Harry" James and Mary Eulalia (Everhart) Littlejohn. She married Virgil "Tony" Neal in Baldwin Park, California on August 25, 1965.



Dottie and her family moved to the Bovina in 1973. She was a homemaker. Dottie was a tireless worker and instrumental in the establishment of the BCN.

Dottie is survived by her husband, Tony; her two sons, Byron Neal and his wife, Christa of Canyon, Texas and Cain Neal and his wife, Leslie of Katie, Texas; her daughter, Mindy Neal of Bovina, Texas;

her sister, Barbara Long of Costa Mesa, California; and her ten grandchildren, Elizabeth, Cameron, Audrey, Shane, Charlie, Hunter, Ciara, Dustin, Trinity and Micah.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the Make a Wish Foundation, Green Building, 1215 Avenue J, #210, Lubbock, Texas, 79401. Online condolences may be made at www.ellisfuneralhomes.com.

Schedule of Public Meetings to discuss Tax Rates (details can be found on page 9)

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First Hearing
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Friday, August 24, 2018
Friona Chamber Council Room
- Second Hearing**
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Friday, August 31, 2018
Friona Chamber Council Room
- Parmer County Hospital**
First Hearing
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Monday, August 27, 2018
Parmer County Hospital Conference Room
- Second Hearing**
7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 4, 2018
Parmer County Hospital Conference Room
- Parmer County Commissioner's Court**
9:30 a.m.
Monday, August 27, 2018
Parmer County Courtroom

Texas Landowners Subsidize Pipelines and Powerlines

By Brian McLaughlin, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association director

There is no question, pipeline and transmission line projects are necessary to supply our rapidly growing state. The electric transmission capacity ensures our lights stay on and our homes stay cool during the hottest months of the year. Pipelines carrying oil and gas supply our fuel and a wide array of petroleum-based products, helping feed a booming Texas economy.

There is, however, a darker side to this pipeline and transmission line development. Every year more Texas landowners find themselves in the path of pipeline and transmission line projects.

Most of these companies have the power of eminent domain and can condemn by force the land they want. They are common carriers, meaning their pipeline or transmission lines are available for use by other companies, even though they profit from the projects.

Unfortunately, landowners facing the threat of eminent domain stand little chance of being treated justly or being paid a fair price for what is taken from them.

Some pipeline and transmission line companies are better than others, but profits often outweigh the rights of landowners who must sacrifice their property for the public good. Lax oversight and little transparency in the process also create fertile ground for abuse.

For instance, it is common for companies to hire right of way agents to secure the easements necessary for their project. Frequently, the agents are given a set budget and then allowed to keep a portion of the leftover money if they come in under budget. It's hard to expect a fair offer from someone when they stand to pocket the difference.

We know condemners hold a powerful tool to keep land costs low. Intimidation. The threat of being sued, having to hire an attorney and go to court are strong incentives for landowners to take less than they're owed and accept inadequate terms and conditions.

We also know the energy sector has teams of attorneys ready on retainer to counter any efforts by landowners to seek a better deal.

Something must change. As landowner organizations, the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Texas Farm Bureau and Texas Wildlife Association have joined forces to campaign for

reforms that create a better and more equitable eminent domain process.

We started the reform process during the 2017 Texas Legislative Session but encountered overwhelming opposition from condemners who enjoy operating under the current law that stacks the deck in their favor. Ultimately, we were not successful, but we learned hard lessons, the kinds that stick with you.

The 2019 session of the Texas Legislature begins in a few months, and we fully intend to fight once again to reform eminent domain laws in Texas. The lessons learned from 2017 have galvanized our resolve and made us rethink how we approach the issues and those who seek to block progress.

One fundamental component is to require that common carriers make an adequate offer to the landowner at the outset of negotiations. If a landowner is presented with a fair offer, he or she is more likely to be a willing seller, thus sparing both parties from time-consuming and expensive litigation.

Millions of barrels of oil and gas flow through the common carrier pipelines that exist today, but production far exceeds the capacity of these existing pipelines, especially in the Permian Basin. As an attorney based in San Angelo, I have had clients tell me of initial offers that are a pittance compared to the value of the millions of dollars' worth of product that will flow through the pipelines.

It's time that companies with the power of eminent domain begin treating landowners more like a partner and less like a commodity. We need to ask why the pipeline and transmission line industries are being carried on the backs of private property owners.

To create the kind of change



Brian McLaughlin

that is necessary to protect landowners from abusive eminent domain processes, we must educate our elected officials on the realities we face when that right-of-way agent comes knocking.

Lawmakers will face intense pressure to keep the eminent domain laws as they are. We need to show how the eminent domain process works and where the abuses lie.

If you have had an experience with a pipeline or electric company in a condemnation process, we want to hear from you. Your experiences can help show the public and the legislature how dire the situation is for their constituents, Texas landowners.

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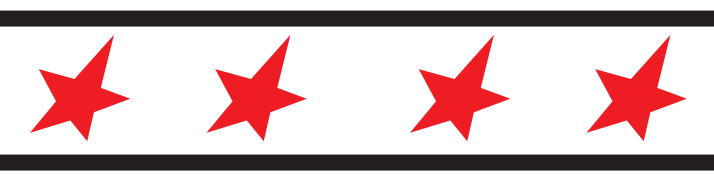
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4/3/2 Brick w/2 living areas, cent. h&a, fireplace, patio, 2 storage buildings, close to H.S..... Cont Pend

3/2/2 Brick, w/central h&a, fp, basement, sprinkler f&b, large patio, shop, Western Addition, Cont Pend

NEW: 3/2/2 Brick w/cent. h&a, fp, corner lot, fenced yd, total electric, remodeled bathrooms, close to H.S.\$135,000

NEW: 3/2/2 Brick w/central heat & air, fireplace, sprinkler system, fenced backyard, Western Addition Cont Pend

3/2/2 Brick w/(2) living areas, central h&a, large fenced backyard, close to High School Cont Pend

3/2/2 Brick w/cent. h&a, new water heater, fp, sprinkler f&b, fenced back yard, cover patio..... Cont Pend

4/3 Brick 2-story, w/double carport, 2 living areas, cent. h&a, corner lot w/extra lot..... \$110,000

3/2 Brick w/cent. h&a, 2 living areas, wood burning stove, new fence, large yard, cellar, patio area..... \$99,900

3/1/1 Brick w/cent. h&a, double carport, storage building, metal fence, corner lot..... Cont.Pend

BOVINA
NEW: 4 City Lots & Building w/1 full bath & 2 half baths located on Hwy 60 in Bovina..... \$68,000

NEW: Commercial Building in Bovina: 2-Story, metal roof, central heat & air, kitchen area, corner lot ... \$59,000

3/3 Stucco w/carport, metal roof, cent. h&a, basement, studio room, fenced yard, plus 2/1 Stucco rent house, corner lot, possible owner financing\$124,000

SOLD
160.62 Acres of CRP 15 miles North of Friona, call for more information **SOLD**

3/2/2 Brick w/cent. h&a, 2 living areas, fp, attic storage with pull down stairs, metal fence **SOLD**

1707 W. 9th
\$275,000
5/5/2 Brick w/central h&a (2) living areas, fireplace, sprinler f&b, shop, Western Addition

Sales Agents

Kevin Cooper
806-240-5468

Karla Rector
806-382-7465

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Texas Girls Coaches Association 2018 Volleyball Top Ten Poll

as of August 13, 2018

Class 2A

1. Crawford
2. Collinsville
3. Timpson
4. Bronte
5. Iola
6. Beckville
7. D'Hanis
8. Miles
9. Abbott
10. Jewett Leon
10. Thrall

Class 5A

6. Huntington
7. Carthage
8. Argyle
9. Glen Rose
10. Needville
10. Geronimo Navarro

Class 3A

1. Tolar
2. Milsap
3. Callisburg
4. Grandview
5. Poth
6. Troy
7. Franklin
8. Bushland
9. Goliad
10. Brock
10. Boyd

Class 5A

1. Frisco Wakeland
2. Lindale
3. Frisco Liberty
4. Georgetown
5. Magnolia West
6. Lucas Lovejoy
7. Amarillo
8. El Paso Riverside
9. Denton
10. Aledo
10. Colleyville Heritage

Class 4A

1. Huffman Hargrave
2. Caldwell
3. LaVernia
4. Midlothian Heritage
5. Bay City

Class 6A

1. Conroe Oak Ridge
2. Prosper
3. Plano West
4. Coppell
5. Flower Mound
6. Byron Nelson
7. Copperas Cove
8. Conroe The Woodlands
9. Klein
10. San Antonio Clark
10. Southlake Carroll

District 1-3A Volleyball

Team	District	Overall
Bushland	0-0	2-0
Dimmitt	0-0	0-4
Friona	0-0	6-2
Amarillo River Road	0-0	3-5
Tulia	0-0	4-2



Squaws Volleyball



Friona vs Shallowater



Texas High School Coaches Association 2018 Coaches Football Preseason Poll

Class 3A, Division II, Region I

1. Canadian
2. Childress
3. Cisco
4. Colorado City
5. Merkel
6. Abernathy
7. Idalou
8. Anson
9. Spearman
10. Alpine
11. Big Lake Reagan County

- Others receiving votes:
- Ballinger 4
 - Coahoma 4
 - Friona 4
 - Coleman 2.



Friona Chief scrimmages rescheduled

Both Friona Chieftain scrimmages have been moved to Fridays. This Friday, August 17th, the Chiefs will host Sundown beginning at 5:00 p.m. and on Friday, August 24th the Chiefs will travel to Bushland and the start time will also be 5:00 p.m. for that scrimmage.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PARMER COUNTY 2019 PROPOSED BUDGET**

In accordance with Section 111 of the Texas Local Government Code, the County Judge has filed a copy of the 2019 proposed budget with the County Clerk.

This budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by \$4,856.33, a 0.11% increase. The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$10,843.85.

The 2019 budget is available for inspection in the County Clerk's Office, Room 102, at the Parmer County Courthouse, 401 3rd St, Farwell, TX. The County Clerk's Office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Parmer County Commissioners' Court will hold a public hearing on the 2019 proposed budget at 9:30 a.m. on August 27, 2018. The hearing will take place in the Parmer County Courtroom, at the Parmer County Courthouse, 401 3rd St, Farwell, TX. There being no objections, the Court plans to adopt the 2019 proposed budget in its regularly scheduled meeting on that same date.

By order of the Parmer County Commissioners Court, Trey Ellis, County Judge

**NOTICE OF 2018 TAX YEAR PROPOSED
PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR
PARMER COUNTY**

A tax rate of \$0.549200 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of PARMER COUNTY.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.549200 per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$0.578100 per \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$0.549200 per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for PARMER COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2017 tax year and the 2018 tax year.

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

$$\text{property tax amount} = (\text{rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

JILL TIMMS-CHIEF APPRAISER
Parmer County Tax Assessor-Collector
PO Box 56/ Bovina, Texas 79009
8062511405
pcad@parmercad.org
parmercad.org

**NOTICE OF 2018 TAX YEAR PROPOSED
PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR
CITY OF FRIONA**

A tax rate of \$0.710000 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of CITY OF FRIONA. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

The governing body of CITY OF FRIONA proposes to use revenue attributable to the tax rate increase for the purpose of MAINTENANCE & OPERATION.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.710000 per \$100
PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE	\$0.710000 per \$100
EFFECTIVE TAX RATE	\$0.702000 per \$100
ROLLBACK TAX RATE	\$0.746100 per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for CITY OF FRIONA from the same properties in both the 2017 tax year and the 2018 tax year.

The rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate that CITY OF FRIONA may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

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

$$\text{property tax amount} = (\text{rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

Jill D. Timms
Parmer County Appraisal District Tax Assessor-Collector
305 3RD STREET/P O BOX 56
8062511405
pcad@parmercad.org

You are urged to attend and express your views at the following public hearings on proposed tax rate:
First Hearing: 08/24/2018 8:00 AM at Friona Chamber Council Room
Second Hearing: 08/31/2018 8:00 AM at Friona Chamber Council Room

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 3.497357 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on August 27, 2018 at 7:00 PM at Parmer County Hospital Conference Room.

The second public hearing will be held on September 4, 2018 at 7:00 PM at Parmer County Hospital Conference Room.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR:	Brett Whitten, Dale Schueler, Dennis Anthony, Danny Kendrick, Ricky Barnett
AGAINST:	None
PRESENT and not voting:	None
ABSENT:	None

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL last year was \$67,551. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.254500 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$171.92.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL this year is \$69,251. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.245900 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$170.29.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.254500 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$176.24.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

USDA Adds New Tools, Resources to Farmers.gov to Aid Producers

WASHINGTON, August 14, 2018 - Agricultural producers have new resources available to them to prepare for and recover from impacts of natural disasters on the U.S. Department of Agriculture's new website, farmers.gov. The site has updated tools and information to help agricultural producers identify the right programs and make decisions for their operations.

"Agriculture is a risky business," said Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue. "At USDA, we're here to help you prepare, recover, and build long-term resilience to natural disasters. Whether you want to visit your local USDA service center or visit our new farmers.gov, we want to help you get the help you need."

New additions to the site - being built for farmers, by farmers - include a farmers.gov portal for secure business transactions and a disaster assistance discovery tool. The discovery tool walks producers through five questions to help them identify personalized results of what USDA disaster assistance programs meet their needs. The farmers.gov portal is the first

edition of a secure dashboard for producers to manage program applications and other USDA documents.

These resources are in addition to other currently available through Farmers.gov, including:

Our mobile-friendly Service center locator, connecting users with USDA assistance at the location nearest them,

Information about the new 2017 Wildfires and Hurricanes Indemnity Program, which provides disaster payments to producers to offset losses from hurricanes and wildfires during 2017,

Routinely updated farmers.gov blog where producers can read stories about other farmers across the nation containing insight into how other producers address challenges in running successful agricultural operations,

A soil health webpage, where producers can read about the soil health management practices offered by USDA, and

An online playbook, where people can track the latest developments of the site.

In Argentina, Perdue Welcomes U.S. Pork Back to Market

Secretary Sonny Perdue celebrates the reintroduction of U.S. pork into the Argentine market, with U.S. Ambassador to Argentina Edward Prado.

(Buenos Aires, Argentina, July 30, 2018) - U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue today celebrated the reintroduction of American pork products to the Argentine market after more than 20 years by slicing a ten pound honey baked ham.

"The U.S. is the world's third largest pork producer and a top exporter," Secretary Perdue said. "This new market is a big victory for American farmers and ranchers. I am confident that once the people of Argentina get a taste of American pork products, they will only want more. This is a great day for our agriculture community and an example of how the Trump Administration is committed to supporting our producers by opening new markets for their products."

The return of U.S. pork products to Argentina was



sealed during Vice President Mike Pence's visit to Buenos Aires. Technical staff from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative have been working with Argentina's Ministry on the terms of the agreement that are practical, science-based and consistent

with relevant international animal health standards.

As President Trump and President Macri agreed in a Joint Statement in April 2017 in Washington, both countries are committed to further expansion of agricultural trade between the United States and Argentina.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS
BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE**

The FRIONA ISD will hold a public meeting at 7:00 PM 08/30/2018 in Boardroom of Friona ISD Friona, Texas 79035. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$1.040000 /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters	\$0.052400 /\$100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	% (increase) or	-4.437000% (decrease)
Debt service	0.370000% (increase) or	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	% (increase) or	-4.067000% (decrease)

**Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value
(as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code)**

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$393,739,769	\$410,105,765
Total appraised value** of new property**	\$460,390	\$13,675,629
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$375,661,353	\$390,895,617
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$460,390	\$11,165,138

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness: \$2,829,225

* Outstanding principal

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.040000	\$0.048000*	\$1.088000	\$4,181	\$6,368
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.094320	\$0.055110*	\$1.149430	\$4,604	\$6,270
Proposed Rate	\$1.040000	\$0.052400*	\$1.092400	\$4,399	\$6,211

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$82,654	\$88,948
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$53,881	\$55,170
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.088000	\$1.092400
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$586.22	\$602.67
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$0.00	\$16.45

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.092400. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.092400.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$3,786,124
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$37,416

2018-2019 Friona ISD New Employees

Primary Teachers

Katye Chapman
Brenda Egan
Alexandra Ely
Kasey Greene
Veronica Quintana

Jr. High Teachers

Allison Medina
Maddie Murphree
Jaden Oneal
Michael Taylor

High School Assistants

Patti Widner
Maria Quintanilla

Special Ed

Kathi Straffuss / Diagnostician
Crystal Waldrop / Speech Pathologist
Maureen Watkins / Part Time Speech Pathologist

Primary Assistants

Santa Luis
Maria Rivera
Cassie Rocha

Jr. High Assistants

Jasmine Coleman
Melissa Taylor

Administration

Jimmy Burns / Superintendent

High School Teachers

Amy Adams
Elizabeth Burns
Elias Carrillo
Marcus Ely
Dennis Field

Principals

M'Kell Jeter / Elementary
Deirdre Osborn / Primary
David Woods / Assistant at High School

Elementary Teachers

Annie Bonar
Colleen Hightower

Elementary Assistants

Raquel Contreras
Kelci Osborn
Jaqueline Flores
Lesly Serrano Franco



Jr. High Open House



Friona Fire Department MAIZE DAYS RAFFLE



Win a 36" Traeger Pellet Grill
Drawing held at 1:00 p.m.
Sept. 22, 2018 in City Park
Need not be present to win
Tickets available from any firefighter for \$5 donation

2018 MISS FRIONA SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT & LITTLE MISS

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

6pm
Friona High School Auditorium

Miss Friona entry deadline is Friday, August 24th @ 3pm
Little Miss entry deadline is Friday, September 7th @ 3pm

Friona Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture
621 Main * Friona, TX 79035 * Ph. (806) 250-3491 * Fax (806) 250-2348 * info@wrtl.net
facebook/friona.chamber * www.frionachamber.com

Friona's 62nd Annual Maize Days Parade & Celebration

Theme for this year's parade is "Friona Rocks".
Decorate floats with 50's rock 'n roll theme.
After the Parade, enjoy lots of fun, food, quilt
show and rock climbing!

Where: Main St. in Friona, TX

When: Saturday, September 22, 2018

Time: Parade begins @ 10AM -Celebration in
City Park immediately following the Parade

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