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The Friona Noon Lions Club celebrated Presidents Day a week late due to the Arctic blast that hit the area last week. While the previous Monday had a high temperature in the single digits, the temperature this past Monday was in the sixties. The Lions Club would like to thank all the businesses and individuals who participate in the flag project each year.

Candidates set for May election

The application period for candidates to file for positions on the Friona Independent School District Board of Trustees, Friona City Council, and Parmer County Hospital District Board of Directors ended at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 12th. Candidates are now in place for the general election that will be held on Saturday, May 1st from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

FISD Board of Trustees

The FISD Board of Trustees had three positions open for election this year. The terms of Andy Montana, Jason Rector, and Antonio Rocha are expiring. School board members serve three year terms. FISD Election coordinator Claudia Castillo informed

the Friona Star that there will be five candidates running for the three positions. Incumbents Andy Montana, Jason Rector, and Antonio Rocha will be joined on the ballot by Kody Kimbrough and Dustin Thompson. The candidates will appear on the ballot in the following order: Antonio Rocha, Jason Rector, Kody Kimbrough, Dustin Thompson, and Andy Montana.

Friona City Council

There were also three positions open for election on the Friona City Council. The terms of Bruce Fleming, Alan Monroe, and Jeff Stowers are expiring. Council members serve two year terms. City Election coordinator Rosa

Mendez informed the Friona Star that the three incumbents Bruce Fleming, Alan Monroe, and Jeff Stowers will be the three candidates on the ballot.

Parmer County Hospital Board of Directors

The Parmer County Hospital District Board of Directors ordered an election at their regular meeting on February 8th. Two positions were open for election. The terms of Ricky Barnett and Danny Kendrick are expiring. Board members serve two year terms. Election coordinator Erika Carrillo informed the Friona Star that the incumbents Ricky Barnett and Danny Kendrick will be the two candidates on the ballot.

Arctic conditions deliver frigid blow to Texas ag

By Adam Russell

Arctic weather conditions that blanketed the state with snow, ice and frigid temperatures is damaging Texas agriculture crops in a historic way, according to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service experts.

The extent of the damage to Texas agriculture won't be fully realized for weeks, but farmers,

their crops and animals are facing tough conditions.

Juan Anciso, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension horticulturist, Weslaco, said the winter conditions rival a historic hit to Texas farmers in December 1989.

There were notable freezes that damaged South Texas crops in 2004 and 2011, and a few in

prior decades going back to the 1950s, but December 1989 caused severe damage to Texas winter crops, including citrus.

"We'll know if it ranks with '89 in a few weeks, but temperatures are well below the threshold for crops and for long periods," he said. "That's not a good combination for growers."

Anciso said the temperature low in Weslaco was 21 degrees. Some crops can tolerate temperatures around 26 degrees for four to five hours, but temperatures were below that for 10-12 hours. A second night of temperatures below the threshold was in the forecast.

The temperatures will affect citrus and cold-season vegetables like leafy greens, onions, beets, parsley and watermelons, Anciso said.

Oranges were frozen solid,

and some grapefruits were nearly frozen through, he said.

The good news is that around 80% of the orange crop and two-thirds of the grapefruit crop were harvested before the winter storm, he said. The crop losses will be significant for producers, but the lasting damage could be tree losses.

"A lot of citrus guys are running their sprinklers to insulate their trees," Anciso said. "They can take the death of limbs up to 1 inch in diameter, but you get into losing 4-inch limbs, you're effectively crowning the tree. That's not good."

Some warm-season crops like potatoes and watermelons and early planted corn and sorghum will also be affected, he said.

Watermelons were being started in high tunnels, which mimic greenhouse conditions,



Peach trees covered in ice at an orchard near Stonewall. Texas agriculture producers are dealing with harsh conditions after an arctic front delivered snow, frigid temperatures and icy conditions. (Photo by Katelyn Eames)

but Anciso said those structures do not provide protection from severe cold. Potatoes could resprout, but yields will be affected. Minimal acres of

corn and sorghum have been planted in South Texas, but those acres will require replanting.

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Bautista named to Class 3A All-State football team

This week, the Texas Sports Writers Association released its All-State Football Teams for 2020. In Class 3A, Jacob Bautista was named to the Third Team as a running back. Despite missing playing action

early in the season due to an injury, #1 for the Friona Chieftains rushed 102 times for 905 yards and 12 touchdowns. He also caught 7 passes for 86 yards and 1 touchdown. Jacob is a junior at Friona High School.

Commissioners award contract

The Parmer County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, February 22, 2021 at 10 a.m. in the County Courtroom of the Parmer County Courthouse in Farwell, Texas. The meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Texas Flag.

There were no public comments. Minutes from the February 8th meeting were read and approved. Commissioners approved the payment of the accounts payables as presented by County Treasurer Sharon May. The Treasurer's Report was also approved.

Two bids were received for the Lawn Maintenance Contract. The contract includes lawn care, snow removal, tree limb removal, etc. at the Courthouse and the Law Enforcement Center. After reviewing the bids, the one-year contract was awarded to Eric Chadwick.

Commissioners approved a request by

the Bovina ISD for \$110,132.55 from their portion of the Permanent School Fund. Bovina and Farwell have now exhausted their allotments from the fund.

Approval was given to an Inter-Local Agreement between the Regional Public Defender Office Local Government Corporation and Parmer County. This agreement helps the county fund capital offense prosecutions.

Commissioners approved a resolution opposing Senate Bill SB234 & House Bill HB749. In essence, the bills would prohibit county officials from using county funds to lobby for their county in Austin. This would include dues to entities such as The Texas Association of Counties which help keep local officials informed on what state lawmakers are up to.

Sheriff Randy Gerries reported that he was currently housing 22 inmates in the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center. Four of those inmates are from Deaf

Smith County. Commissioners approved new law enforcement software. In order to save money and improve efficiency, the Sheriff's Office is phasing out Cop Sync software in favor of Southern Software.

A water pipe busted in the old jail building due to the extreme cold weather during last week's storm. Judge Ellis thanked Sheriff Gerries and the trustees who helped clean up the mess and save county records that were being stored in the building.

The next scheduled Commissioners Court meeting is Monday, March 8th.

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

Parmer County COVID-19 stats as of February 23, 2021



Confirmed Cases
826

Probable Cases
337

Fatalities
34

Active Cases
11

Recoveries
1118



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Emergency Siren System: Alternating tone • Firefighters only | Weather Warning: 1 long tone • take cover — 3 short blasts • all clear | Tested 1st & 3rd Thurs. at 7 p.m.

Friona Weather Feb.-Mar. 25-3	T 40 24 ENE 10-15	F 64 31 WSW 15-25	S 65 29 WSW 10-20	S 52 25 NNE 10-20	M 53 29 WSW 10-15	T 63 32 WSW 15-25	W 68 37 WSW 10-15	Precipitation February 0.34 Year 0.67	Burn Ban Yes
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Community Calendar

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- February 25**
• Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center
- March 1**
• Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center
• Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen
- March 2**
• Snack Pack for Kids at Friona United Methodist Church at 3 p.m. (volunteers welcome)
- March 4**
• Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center
- March 7**
• FHS Steak Dinner in Jr. High Cafeteria and curbside in west parking lot from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- March 8**
• Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center
- March 11**
• Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center
- March 15**
• Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center
• Friona Noon Lions Club meeting at The Farmwife Kitchen
- March 16**
• Snack Pack for Kids at Friona United Methodist Church at 3 p.m. (volunteers welcome)
- March 17**
• St. Patrick's Day
- March 18**
• Senior Citizens meal at noon in the Senior Citizens Center



Dig a little deeper

One of the bi-products of the recent arctic cold front was a busted water line at 10th and Summitt this past Saturday. Big thanks to (l-r) Salvador Garcia, Sklyer Harris, Javier Huerta, and Jose Samarron for literally getting to the bottom of it and getting the line repaired. Most of the other damage around town was minor such as potholes and broken tree branches. Construction at the new Primary School building, new High School Band Hall, and new Bookstore at the Library were back in full swing this week as warmer weather returned to the Panhandle.

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ACROSS

- Livingston is the seat of this county
- "I smell _____" (suspicious)
- oil drilling structures
- TX Norman Alden was in epic film with this word repeated
- TX tejano band: "Little Joe _____ Familia"
- TXism: "_____ on the hoof" (hog)
- this Hughes swore in LBJ on 11/22/63
- persistent nagging
- TXism: "happy as _____ mud"
- Cowboys are not _____ as the teams of 1970s and early 1990s
- only "wet" town in Cass County
- boring routine (3 wds.)
- snakelike fishes
- "_____ and rave"
- infidels
- TX Evelyn Keyes' autobiography: "Scarlett O' _____ Younger Sister"
- laugh heartily: "_____ gut"
- teacher tasks
- TXism: "hungry as a goat on _____ pasture"
- gets your jeans dirty
- Conway Twitty's "An _____ Like Me"
- Hilton built this in Cisco, TX in 1919 (2 wds.)
- this Begley was in 1952 film "Lone Star"
- TX B.J. Thomas sang "_____ Lonesome I Could Cry" (1966)
- a single unit
- An Abilene univer.
- early Roy Orbison band: "The _____ Kings"
- Stetsons
- make a mistake
- David Holl's title in 58-across (abbr.)
- Mary _____, Inc.

DOWN

- New Year's gala: _____ noisemakers
- TX catcher Holaday last played for this Baltimore club
- Fayette County seat
- AM talk radio station in San Antonio
- TXism: "tough as a boot _____"
- how you might pay to buy a car from a private party (3 wds.)
- this RR also was known as the "Katy"
- TXism: "would jerk tears from a glass _____ eye"
- TXism: "strong enough to float _____" (coffee)
- _____-Los Saenz, TX
- TXism for "against"
- what TX Heloise provides a reader
- "before" prefix
- TXism: "all hat, _____ cattle" (all talk)
- internet abbr.
- arrest
- _____ Dulce, TX
- this Burton wrote "Belle Starr, the Bandit Queen"
- never revealed
- Ken Paxton's title in Texas (abbr.)
- leaf pore
- TXism: "nary a soul" (2 wds.)
- NFL payer or Nissan truck
- snow glider
- his "family" killed TX Sharon Tate (init.)
- Mercedes sports car class
- "_____ day late and a dollar short" quantities of something (abbr.)
- Cowboy Hall-of-Famer, Aikman

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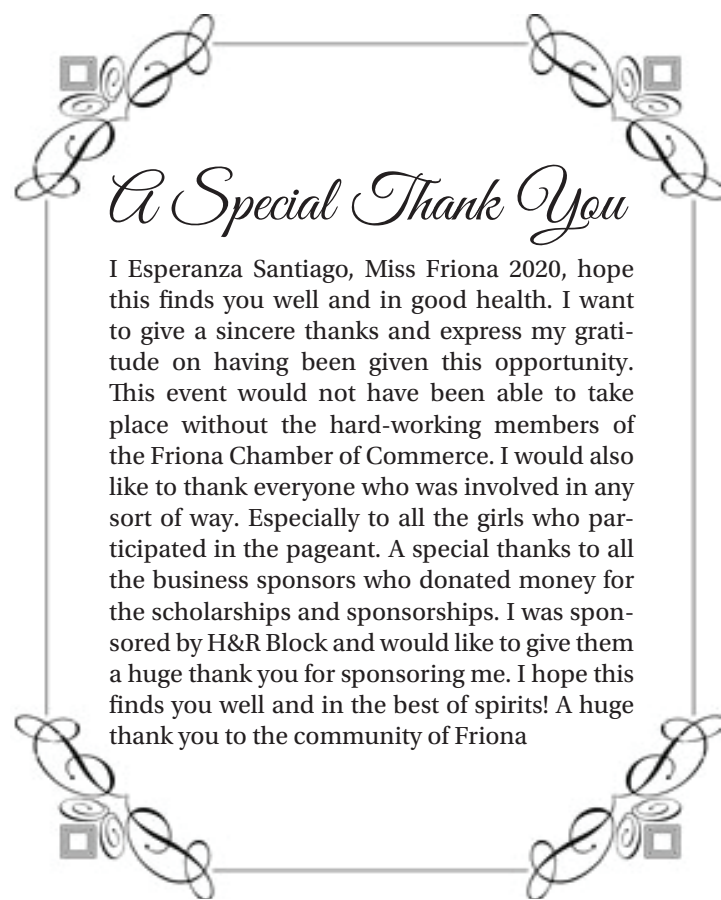
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A Special Thank You

I Esperanza Santiago, Miss Friona 2020, hope this finds you well and in good health. I want to give a sincere thanks and express my gratitude on having been given this opportunity. This event would not have been able to take place without the hard-working members of the Friona Chamber of Commerce. I would also like to thank everyone who was involved in any sort of way. Especially to all the girls who participated in the pageant. A special thanks to all the business sponsors who donated money for the scholarships and sponsorships. I was sponsored by H&R Block and would like to give them a huge thank you for sponsoring me. I hope this finds you well and in the best of spirits! A huge thank you to the community of Friona

FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



NEW TAGS...County Tax Assessor-Collector Hugh Moseley has been in Friona this week operating a booth for 1974 auto license plates. He is shown with Decimae Beene of Friona, one of the many Friona area residents who availed themselves of the special booth to get their tags. (Friona Star, Sunday, February 24, 1974)

SHERIFF'S REPORT

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

(2/17/21) Luis Ruiz, 20, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of DWI, pending County Court.
(2/21/21) Roger Dougherty, 47, of Amarillo was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of DWLI, pending County Court.

(2/21/21) Gustavo Cervantes, 29, of Dimmitt was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on a charge of DWI-2nd, pending County Court.

(2/21/21) Martin Cardenas, 20, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of Possession of Marijuana < 2 oz in Drug Free Zone, pending County Court.

COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from February 11, 2020 to February 18, 2021

(2/12/21) Top of Texas Apples Inc. — James Brannon New LLC — A 17.25 Ac tract of Land of Capitol League 549 in Parmer County and Field Notes 17.25 Ac out of Capitol League 549 in Parmer County

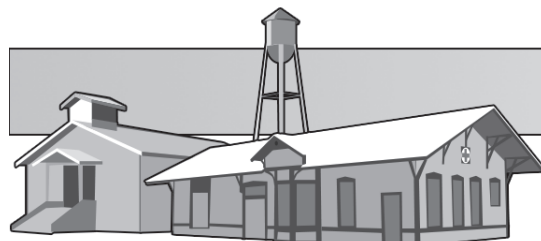
(2/12/21) Daniel Wolfe Dyck, Tina Wall Dyck — Lance McClaran, Trisha McClaran — 269 Ac out of Sec 1 Township 7 S R 2 E Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County

(2/16/21) Robert Dial Sparks — Patrick Ware, Donna C. Ware — All of the NW/4 of Sec 3 Blk A Capitol Syndicate Subdiv and All of E/2 of Sec 14 Blk A Capitol Syndicate Subdiv in Parmer County

Puzzle Solution

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TOWN TALK

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The FHS Senior Steak Dinner is Sunday, March 7th in the Jr. High Cafeteria (limited seating) and curbside in the west parking lot from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$17.00 for all ages and can be purchased from any 2021 Senior. Proceeds will help fund the Alcohol/Drug Free Graduation Celebration Party.

PMC announced that they are getting another allotment of Moderna vaccines this week. To request to be placed on the list for vaccines, please call: (806) 240-1562 or (806) 240-1761 (Para Espanol llame a este numero de telefono). They will need your name, date of birth, and a phone number to reach you to let you know when you are scheduled. If the line is busy, leave a voicemail and someone will call you back to confirm your information. The vaccine is by appointment only and is free and available to anyone 18 years and older.

A follow-up from last week on F.G. Crofford being honored as one of the 100 greatest basketball coaches in Texas history. Coach Crofford was the Head Girls Basketball Coach at Friona for 8 years from 1967 to 1975. His record was 163-64 and he guided the Squaws to three District Championships and one Co-championship. The girls game back then was 6-player/half court basketball. If you do not know what that is, google it!

National Public Sleeping Day is February 28th

If you're tired this Sunday, it might be because National Public Sleeping Day encourages a mid-day nap right where you are. It is a day for anyone

and everyone to take a nap in a suitable public place. However, it may not be a good idea to take that nap during the sermon at your place of worship! Also, don't forget that the saying "you snooze, you lose" is popular for a reason.

According to the National Day Calendar website, there are different types of naps. The **Power Nap** is approximately 10 to 20 minutes long and can give a boost of energy to get you through the rest of the day. It also doesn't leave you drowsy like some longer naps might and will also allow you to fall asleep at a decent time at night.

The **Hangover** is about 30 minutes long, 10 too many, leaving you loopy and wanting just to stay asleep. You will snap out of it and feel much like you had a Power Nap, but it may take a bit of effort before you feel those benefits.

The **Brainiac** lasts about 60 minutes and includes the deepest sleep. While you may feel a little grogginess upon waking, much like the Hangover, your ability to recall facts, names, and faces, will be improved. This type of nap may be the best nap after a round of studying or before a big test.

The **California King** lasts about 90 minutes and is typically a full cycle of sleep. It will also include REM or a dream stage. This nap avoids the hangover like the power nap does and improves creative thinking and motor memory, but nighttime sleep may become elusive.

Bruce and Jo Beth Gipson just recently moved to Graham, Texas to be closer to family. Unfortunately, the move put them in the middle of the Texas freeze-out. Bruce said that they lost power

on Sunday and it wasn't restored until Wednesday. He said the temperature in the house was in the upper 40s. To make matters worse, Jo Beth has been on oxygen since recovering from Covid-19 and without power the generator was useless. Bruce had to drive to Wichita Falls to find to some oxygen tanks until the power was restored.

The Lubbock-Cooper ISD Board of Trustees unanimously approved a \$420 million bond proposal and called for an election in May. Their student population is up 40% in five years. It includes a second high school, third middle school, and sixth elementary school. The approval would not raise the property tax rate. The area is growing so fast it is estimated that the growth in business will fund the entire project over the next 8-10 years. Lubbock-Cooper ISD is a 5A school district with an enrollment of 7,130 students. The district is currently home to nine campuses. Twenty years ago, Friona and Lubbock Cooper were in the same football district. Wow!

National Days

- February 25: Chili Day
- February 26: Tell a Fairy Tale Day
- February 27: Retro Day
- February 28: Public Sleeping Day
- March 1: Peanut Butter Lover's Day
- March 2: Read Across America Day
- March 3: National Anthem Day

Contact your library to borrow... ...folktales from around the world. Kids: color stuff in!

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African and American Folktales

In America, we are lucky to have folktales from around the world. As people come here to live, they bring stories they have heard and shared before. These stories tell about life and nature. African Americans have a wealth of folklore from Africa to share with their families and others. Some also share stories from their history as slaves and free people in America. Most slaves were not taught to read or write, so they told tales of Africa as well as new stories of life as experienced here. Many of these stories have been collected and written down. The tales in children's story books are beautifully illustrated for all to enjoy. Ask a librarian for help in finding some of these folktales... you'll be glad you did!

Many parents and grandparents tell folktales to the children in their family. Storytellers spin them for listeners of all ages. A folktale may have:

- _____ solved
- _____ of things that are hard to understand
- _____ for an unkind person
- _____ learned
- a _____ for a good person
- _____ who can overcome anything
- _____ spells
- _____ animals

Folktales often use animals to make a point. The animals are used to show what people are like or how they behave.

Which animals may be used to stand for these traits?

- stubborn, fearful
- misleading, gets others to do what he wants
- timid, loyal
- playful, clever
- wise, brave
- tricky, greedy, lazy
- proud, cruel
- sneaky, clever
- honorable, swift
- patient, plotting

What is your favorite folktale? Did you hear it from your parents or grandparents?

problems

magical heroes

reward explanations

punishment

1. cheetah

2. lion

3. C

4. O

5. O

6. S

7. I

8. tortoise

9. H E A

10. A

11. spider

12. snake

13. jackal

14. chameleon

Which Folktale?

- This folktale explains why an insect does what it does! Study the pictures and letters to help you fill in the title.
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_ _ _ _ _
_ o _ u i o _
- In the tale, **Beautiful Blackbird**: by Ashley Bryan, a bird paints a touch of his beautiful _____ color onto other birds' feathers.
_ _ _ _ _
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a
- This magical folktale has a chicken house full of these. To find out what, fill in each blank with the letter of the alphabet that comes before the one given.
U I F U B M L J O H F H H T
by Robert San Souci

Bzzz

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_ _ _ _ _
_ _ _ _ _

A West African Tale: by Verna Aardema

17 18 19 20 21 22

John Henry: An American Legend by Ezra Jack Keats

Follow the dots to see what John Henry held:
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 23 24 25 26

Unscramble the word.
_ _ _ _ _
M M H A E R

Find a Favorite Folktale!

Check out these cool folktales:

- Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters: An African Tale* by John Steptoe.
- A Story A Story* by Gail E. Haley.
- Anansi the Spider Man* by Philip M. Sherlock.
- Jump! The Adventures of Brer Rabbit* by Joel Chandler Harris.
- The Tales of Uncle Remus* told by Julius Lester.
- The People Could Fly* told by Virginia Hamilton.
- Nelson Mandela's Favorite African Folktales* by Nelson Mandela.

This animal is often seen in folktales. Sometimes he is hiding. He is small, but fast and clever!

#1 B B R A T I

#2 These animals - but not alligators - live in Africa. In stories they may be magical or dishonest.

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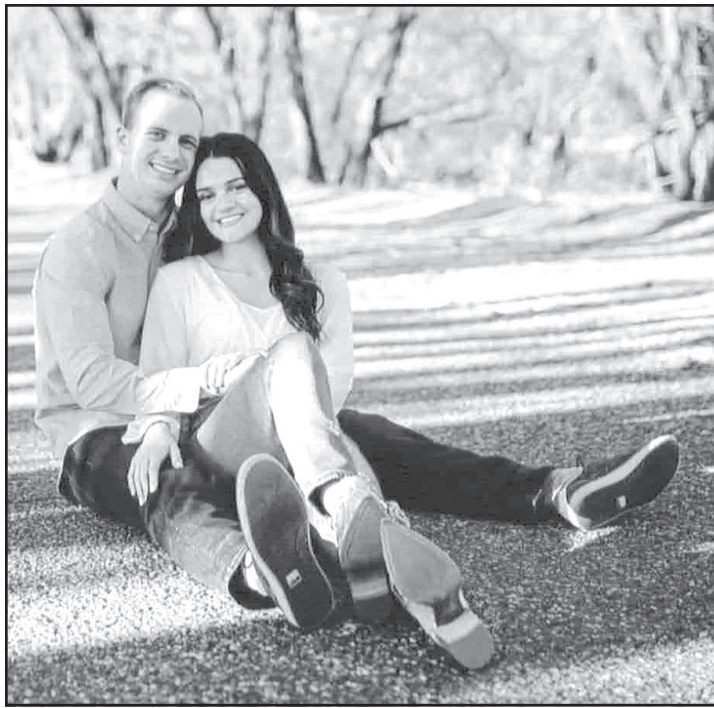
Draw another animal often found in folktales. What is he like?

This animal is:

- _____
- _____
- _____

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Engagement



Stallings and Woods

Tommy and Trista Stallings of Shallowater, Texas joyfully announce the engagement of their daughter, Taylor Ashlyn Stallings of Lubbock, Texas to Dallin Woods of Lubbock, Texas. He is the son of Mr. David Woods of Friona, Texas and Mrs. Christina Johnson of Amarillo, Texas.

Taylor is a 2017 graduate of Friona High School. She earned her bachelor's degree in Kinesiology with a minor in Health Professions from Texas Tech University in May 2020. She is currently in the Doctor of Physical Therapy

Program at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Lubbock, Texas.

Dallin is a 2016 graduate of Friona High School. He earned his bachelor's degree in Kinesiology with a minor in Health Professions from Texas Tech University in December 2019. He currently works for Brownfield ISD as an 8th grade science teacher and football, basketball, and baseball coach.

The couple is planning an August 2021 wedding in Grafrod (Possum Kingdom), Texas. Dallin and Taylor will reside in Lubbock, Texas.

Gas prices rise during storm

By GasBuddy

Texas gas prices have risen 11.5 cents in the past week, averaging \$2.31 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Gas prices in Texas are 21.3 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 13.9 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas is priced at \$1.99 while the most expensive is \$3.06 per gallon. The national average price of gasoline has risen 10.4 cents in the last week, averaging \$2.63 per gallon. The national average is up 24.2 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 15.1 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

"With last week's extreme cold shutting down millions of barrels per day in refinery capacity, gas prices have seen their largest weekly climb in quite some time," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy. "The jump in price was the result of a dozen or so refineries, primarily in Texas, that were forced to shut down as the frigid temperatures threatened to wreak havoc on their exposed equipment. With the cold weather behind us, price increases should begin to slow later this week or next week, and so long as these refineries get back online in short order, we may see gas prices start to move back down in the next couple of weeks. However, as we near spring weather, we'll likely see another longer term rise in prices begin as refineries start to transition to summer gasoline, so motorists shouldn't jump for joy just yet."

GasBuddy is the authoritative voice for gas prices and the only source for station-level data spanning nearly two decades. GasBuddy's survey updates 288 times every day from the most diverse list of sources covering nearly 150,000 stations nationwide, the most comprehensive and up-to-date in the country. GasBuddy data is accessible at <http://Fuellnsights.GasBuddy.com>.

Happy Birthday Friona Folks

Feb. 25

Suzanne Bunker
Alex Gurley
Hollis Gurley
David Stephens
Amelia Sandoval
Emily Siegmund

Feb. 26

Amy (Terry) Rushing
JoJo Osborn
Sholby Reeve
Greg Young
Jeannie Martin

Feb. 27

Raye Jean London
Clyde Woodard
Becky (Osborn) Witt
Tori Talley

Feb. 28

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March 1

Rachel Romero
Ella McFarland
John Burns
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March 2

Tania (Hand) Raindl
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March 3

Charles Cooper
Jay Reeve
Shayli (Reed) Smith
Luis Ramirez

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

Small Town Cookin'

By Jeri Lynn White

It never ceases to amaze me the history behind our foods, and clam chowder was no different. Chowder has a unique and interesting history which is probably not familiar with those of us so far from the coast or fresh clams.

Seafood chowder dates back to the 18th century. Regions in both France and England near the English Channel made chowder popular. It is thought

the word chowder is derived from the French word chaudière, which refers to a cauldron or cooking pot. To begin chowders were made with all types of seafood. The clams became the favorite ingredient when French soldiers were shipwrecked off the coast of Maine and had to use available supplies. Pilgrims most likely also brought chowder with them to America. The first ever chowder recipe was

published in the Boston Evening Post around 1751. In early 1800, chowder began to take on regional differences. The primary styles include New England, Rhode Island, Long Island, and Manhattan clam chowder.

The most popular chowder is the New England clam chowder which has the traditional cream, bacon, and clams. Manhattan chowder has tomatoes in the recipe. This was seen

as such an abomination, legislation was introduced that would prohibit tomatoes in chowder. Rhode Island chowder is a broth based chowder as opposed to the cream based version. Long Island chowder is a combination of New England and Manhattan creating a creamy tomato blend.

Live clams have traditionally been required for authentic clam chowder. But I will tell you I have used canned

clams. Some suggest you not rinse the clams, but I recommend you rinse and drain them to remove the leftover pieces of sand and grit. You can buy a separate jar of clam juice if you need it for flavor.

February 25 is National Clam Chowder day so it is a great time to try your hand at homemade clam chowder. This information can be found at lobsteranywhere.com.

One Pot Clam Chowder

thesaltymarshmallow.com

INGREDIENTS

- 3 Tablespoons Butter
- 1/2 Large White Onion peeled and diced
- 2 teaspoons Minced Garlic
- 1/2 teaspoon Salt
- 1/2 teaspoon Pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon Dried thyme OR 2 sprigs fresh thyme
- 5 Red Potatoes peeled and cut into bite size pieces (about 2 1/2 cups)
- 1 Cup Canned Baby Clams drained from the water
- 1 8-oz Jar Clam Juice**
- 1 1/2 - 2 Cups Chicken Broth
- 1/2 Cup Milk
- 1 1/2 Cups Heavy Cream
- 1/3 Cup All Purpose Flour
- Optional: Chopped cooked bacon dinner rolls, and green onions for serving

STOVE TOP VERSION:

Heat a medium size soup pot over medium heat and add in the butter and onion. Stir and cook until the onion becomes translucent and add in the garlic, salt, pepper and fresh thyme. Stir and cook until the garlic and thyme become fragrant. Add in the potatoes and clams and pour in the clam juice and 1 1/2 cups of the chicken broth. Stir to combine and bring it to a boil over high heat. Cook for 8-10 minutes or until the potatoes are just cooked but not super soft. Reduce the heat to low medium and pour in the milk. Mix the flour and heavy cream together.

Pour it into the soup and stir to combine. Bring the soup to a low simmer and stir every thirty seconds to prevent burning. Simmer until the soup has thickened. If it thickens too much, add in the remaining chicken broth, stir and remove it from the heat. Serve immediately with bread, bacon, chopped green onions as desired.

INSTANT POT VERSION:

Set the instant pot to sauté mode. Add in the butter and onion and stir every minute or so until the onion becomes translucent. Turn the instant pot off and add in the garlic, salt, pepper and fresh thyme. Stir and let it cook with the residual heat from the pan. Add in the potatoes and clams and pour in the clam juice and 1 1/2 cups of chicken broth. Place the lid on the instant pot and close the quick release valve. Set the instant pot to manual mode for 6 minutes. Once cooked, quick release the pressure, being careful not to burn yourself with the hot steam. Remove the lid once all of the steam has been released and pour in the milk. Mix the heavy cream and flour together in a bowl and pour it into the pot as well. Stir to combine. Set the instant pot to the low sauté mode. Let the broth simmer and thicken as you stir the entire time to prevent burning. Once it has thickened slightly, turn the instant pot off and continue stirring for 2-3 minutes until the pot cools down. The soup will continue to thicken as it cools. If it thickens too much, pour in the remaining chicken broth and stir. Serve immediately.

Manhattan Clam Chowder

by Sara Welch on dinneratthezoo.com

INGREDIENTS

- 6 slices bacon chopped
- 1/2 cup onion diced
- 2 carrots peeled, quartered and sliced
- 1/2 cup celery sliced
- 2 teaspoons minced garlic
- 1/4 cup tomato paste
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 pound Russet potatoes, peeled and diced into 1/2 inch cubes
- 2 8 ounce bottles clam juice
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 28 ounce can diced tomatoes do not drain
- 10 ounce can whole baby clams drained
- salt and pepper to taste
- 2 tablespoons chopped parsley
- oyster crackers and cooked bacon for serving optional

INSTRUCTIONS

Heat a large pot over medium heat. Add the bacon and cook, stirring occasionally, until crisp. Remove the bacon from the pot and drain on paper towels. Add the onions, carrots and celery to the pan. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Cook, stirring occasionally, for 6-8 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Add the garlic and cook for 30 seconds. Place the tomato paste, thyme, bay leaf, clam juice, broth and potatoes in the pot. Stir to combine. Bring to a simmer. Cook for 10-15 minutes or until potatoes are tender. Stir in the tomatoes and baby clams. Season the soup with salt and pepper to taste. Simmer for 5 more minutes. Stir in the reserved bacon. Top with chopped parsley. Add oyster crackers and more bacon if desired, then serve.

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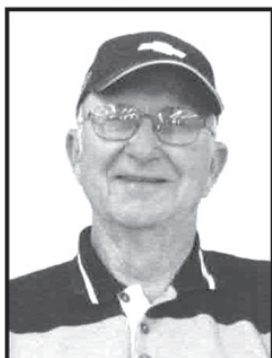
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Are You Jesus Christ?

By Teena Hughs

True story....Over 60 years ago, my parents were teaching in Brackettville, Texas. My mother coached UIL spelling, and one of her students won. One of the other coaches protested because Mother's student wrote backhanded (her writing slanted to the left).

My mother and this coach got "into it" over this child's handwriting and UIL rules that said nothing about handwriting being a determining factor in who won. My mother was known for having a sharp tongue at times, and she finally told the man to write his name on the blackboard, and he did: Willard B. Sherman. My mother said, "Hmmm, I thought your name was Jesus Christ; you think you are so perfect!"

Even though I cringe every time I think about this story, I have to tell you that I am at the point of wanting to ask some people if they think they are Jesus Christ! We have some in the media, some politicians, as well as some in the general population, who think they are right about everything, and if you don't agree with them, you should be censored, punished, and even have your life ruined, in

every way possible. In today's world, there is little grace, mercy, or forgiveness shown to certain people.

Senator Ted Cruz taking his family to Cancun wasn't the smartest, wisest thing he ever did,, especially since people in his hometown were being devastated by last week's weather. He apologized many times, and then he spent the weekend helping people get needed supplies. He has been almost crucified for this. On the other hand, the governor of New York, Andrew Cuomo, and his policies contributed to the deaths of thousands of people with Covid in nursing homes, and very little is said about it. President Biden lied and said there was no Covid vaccine when he took office, and he had already taken the vaccine. Nothing is said; it was just a blunder. Rush Limbaugh passed away last week, and you have people openly saying they are glad he died, and some have even said he is in hell. The Tech baseball team is supposed to be great again, but they lost their first two games, and the armchair coaches know what Tech's problems are, and they aren't afraid

to voice their negative opinions on social media. Where is the grace and mercy for a group of college kids who are playing a game?

It is terrible to see how some people are treated one way, and others are treated another way. So I ask, who made these people God? Do they think they are Jesus and know everything about everything and everyone? Why do they think they are always right, and people like me are always wrong? What do they base their judgments of right and wrong on, the Bible or what they think? Do they know anything about grace, mercy, and forgiveness? Do they actually know Jesus? Do they know they aren't perfect, and do they know they are sinners?

Friends, I think that some of the things going on in this country today cause Jesus to cry. He was the ONLY perfect One to ever walk on Earth, and He was always showing grace and mercy, and He was always forgiving people and telling them not to sin anymore. And, He was teaching us to do the same thing! Please read the Gospels if you do not know this.

If I remember correctly, my mother's student won first place. What I took from this story was to live my life watching what I say. Trust me when I say I have spent my life trying to watch what I say, to the point of not speaking up when I should, for fear of how it would sound or that it would hurt someone's feelings. Still, I have had my fair share of blunders, but I have also tried to apologize when I have said something I shouldn't say. We should never act like we are Jesus; we should just try to BE Jesus to a world in desperate need of Him!!! It does make a difference, I promise!!!

Church Authority

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Authority is the right a person or organization has been granted over certain areas or realms in life. Authority is not a bad thing, but authority has been strategically placed by God to protect, nurture, and guide humanity in different areas of life. God is the ultimate, unmatched authority of everything and has instituted authority in the family, the workplace, the government and the church. The church's authority is one of the most overlooked authority structures because the church is often viewed simply as a civic organization, social work helper, or an extracurricular activity for religious devotees.

Such a view does not line up with the truth of God about the authority of the church. The church that

Jesus founded has tremendous authority in building, purifying and unifying the church. In Matthew 16:13-19 Jesus declared that "I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." In other words, come hell or high water, Jesus Christ will build his church and not even hell will get in the way. In fact, the church is built upon the victorious work of Christ on the cross and the empty tomb, and when a church aligns itself with Christ's word it can move forward with confidence that it is exercising the authority Christ has given to bind, loosen, preach and declare forgiveness based upon the Word of God.

Further, Matthew 18:15-20 makes clear the church

has authority to purify itself when sin arises between members. In other words, the church has authority to tell believers they are in sin and that they need to turn back to the Lord. The worldly idea for the church to "stay out of my business," is ungodly, because a huge role of the church is to help believers stay encouraged and accountable when they are in sin. Finally, though, the church has authority in staying united. The key to this is to make sure that the church keeps Christ as the head, not a man, woman, idea or religious sentiment! When the church's focus is on Christ, in line with his word, and about his business, there is divine authority to battle spiritually in building and purifying the church.

Panhandle Parables

The Cat Whisperer (Part 2)

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

(Originally printed in 2015)

As I mentioned in last week's article, I am not much of a cat fan. The story does continue but there is not much to tell. The cat did move on, we thought we heard it once, but we never saw it again.

Review: Last week on Wednesday just prior to our snow on Thursday, a young cat arrived in our backyard. I was not thrilled by this prospect ...

...Compassion runs deep at my house and sometimes it takes a child to remind you of that, so we stuck a bowl of milk with a little dog food out.... Jump forward to Saturday, the cat had decided to reside in the motor area of our minivan... I

commenced to reason with the cat of the dangers of living in such a place, I honked the horn, opened the hood, banged on this or that,... After thirty minutes of "Here Kitty, Kitty..." which I thought was universal no progress. I just wanted the cat safely out of danger. Why couldn't it understand? So extreme measures were needed, with old coat and leather gloves I crawled half under the van, grabbed the cat ...and set in the fork of the elm tree in the front. Cat was safe and we were off. This would have been a whole lot easier if I was a cat whisperer. Upon our return the cat had moved on.

Another ending: Sometimes folks lost and aban-

doned by the world step into our church buildings, we worry they might stick around if we help too much and so we keep our distance, but help just enough, enough to say, "Keep moving nothing to see here." And they do, keep going, we are satisfied we did our Christian duty, but don't understand why they didn't come back???? I am not judging anyone here but the guy in the mirror that looks back at me each morning. When I am confronted with lost-ness do I do what Jesus would do or what Jeff wants to do. What would Jesus do? That is much easier to wear on a bracelet than do. "Lord, teach us to be more like you."

From the family of Linda Smith

We would like to extend our gratitude to everyone in the Friona Community for their prayers, support, messages, and calls after the passing of our sweet Linda. We would also like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has given financially to support us and help us in this time of incredible loss. We are all extremely grateful for the people of Friona and how well you loved her.

Melvin, Jason, Karen, Jeff, Ben, and Embree

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Sports



Powerlifting Results

Cub Classic 2.0 (LCQ) - Brownfield, TX - 2/20/2021

Team Results: 1. Friona: 9 points, 2. Brownfield: 37 points 3. Levelland: 26 points, 4. Plains: 19 points, 5. Wolfforth Frenship: 17 points, 6. Lubbock All Saints School: 10 points, 7. Bovina: 9 points, 8. Whiteface: 8 points

Wt.	Place	Athlete	BWT	Squat	Bench	Dead	Total
123	1	Michael Bautista	119.6	280	175	310	765
132	1	Mario Bautista	132	350	225	350	925
132	2	Giovanny Ponce	128.4	370	215	245	830
165	2	Kevin Lucatero	163.2	320	230	415	965
165	3	Aaron Salinas	151.4	390	190	365	945
165	4	Tony Rodriguez	164.8	365	200	365	930
165	10	Isaac Olmos	153.8	300	170	300	770
181	2	Matthew Dimas	177.8	385	210	370	965
242	2	Aaron Rodriguez	235	485	245	370	1100
242	3	Frank Perez	229.6	420	240	340	1000
275	1	Jake Padilla	249	505	315	470	1290

Cub Classic 2.0 (LCQ) - Brownfield, TX - 2/20/2021

Team Results: 1. Dimmitt: 51 points, 2. Brownfield: 45 points, 3. Lamesa: 40 points, 4. Friona: 21 points, 5. Plains: 11 points, 6. Whiteface: 7 points, 7. Bovina: 7 points, 8. Wolfforth Frenship: 4 points

Wt.	Place	Athlete	BWT	Squat	Bench	Dead	Total
105	1	Trinity Ramos	99	190	65	195	450
132	1	Magdalena Licerio	130.4	240	125	265	630
198	1	Ahtziri Soltero	197.4	310	110	255	675

County conservation partners host local work group meeting

When: March 10, 2021

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Location: XIT Recreation Center, 205 North St, Bovina, Texas

Zoom virtual attendance is also offered:

Meeting ID: 384 284 3514
Passcode: Parmer

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas' Parmer County and the Parmer Soil and Water Conservation District cordially invite the public to attend their FY2022 Local Working Group (LWG) meeting on March 10, 2021, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the morning. **FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE IN-PERSON MEETING.**

The purpose of this annual LWG meeting is to set local conservation priorities and bring conserva-

tion stakeholders together to discuss conservation topics and issues relevant to helping Parmer County farmers and ranchers better conserve on-farm natural resources.

The agenda of the meeting is to update attendees on recent conservation efforts and to collect public input to help guide future conservation activities. Through regular identification of conservation opportunities, effective Farm Bill investment can continue to benefit Parmer County. Farmers, ranchers, conservationists, and others interested in obtaining Federal technical and financial assistance to improve private land in Parmer County are invited to participate.

For more information, please contact Bill Taylor, district conservationist, at (806) 481-3311 ext-3. For more information, visit the NRCS Web site at <http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov/>.

Public Notice

The City of Friona and the Friona Cemetery Association are installing two new signs at the Friona Cemetery with the information below in English and Spanish. Please read and obey the rules and regulations that are listed. If you have any questions, contact the City of Friona at (806) 250-2761 or go by the city office at 623 Main Street. Thank you.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

- No trespassing after dark. Violators will be prosecuted.
- The Friona Cemetery Association and/or the City of Friona is not financially or legally responsible for any damage or defacing of grave monuments or markers.
- No outside containers or caskets allowed above ground.
- Monuments must be made of granite, marble, or bronze and must be set by a monument company and not the owner of said property.
- Corner marker or curbs are not permitted after January 1, 2021. Sites with existing corner markers or curbs are allowed and may be replaced if broken.
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- All monuments or markers must be set according to the Cemetery specification. Measurements shall not exceed 46 inches in length, 24 inches in width, and 42 inches in height. Our cemetery is a place to be proud of and we want that to continue. Approval was not given to certain graves not meeting our guidelines. Please follow our rules and be respectful of our cemetery.

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Friona School Calendar for March 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 -HS Tennis @ Amarillo	3	4 -Baseball vs. Lubbock Roosevelt 5:00 p.m.	5 -HS Cheer Try Outs	6 -Girls Regional Powerlifting Meet @ Kermit -Baseball @ Lubbock Roosevelt 12:00p.m.
7 -Senior Steak Dinner	8 -FISD School Board Meeting 7:00p.m. -Baseball vs. Hereford 5:00p.m.	9	10 -District One Act Play Rehearsal @ Denver City	11 -District One Act Play @ Denver City -Baseball Tournament @ Muleshoe -JH Track @ Tulia -HS Tennis @ Levelland	12 -Mighty Writers Rally 2:00p.m. -Baseball Tournament @ Muleshoe -HS Track @ Tulia -Pre-K Transportation Parade	13 -Boys Regional Powerlifting Meet @ Sundown -Baseball Tournament @ Muleshoe
14	15 -State CX Debate @ Austin ----Spring Break----	16 -State CX Debate @ Austin ----Spring Break----	17 ----Spring Break----	18 ----Spring Break----	19 -Girls State Powerlifting Meet @ Corpus Christi ----Spring Break----	20 -Girls State Powerlifting Meet @ Corpus Christi
21	22 -Bi-District OAP @ Denver City	23	24 -District Academic Meet @ Muleshoe	25 -JH Track @ Dimmitt -HS Tennis @ Littlefield	26 -HS Track @ Dimmitt	27 -Boys State Powerlifting Meet @ Abilene -Baseball vs. Randall 12:00
28	29 -District Gold @ Shadow Hills	30 -UIL Choir Contest @ Canyon -Baseball @ Tulia 4:30p.m. -JH District Track @ Muleshoe	31 -Area OAP @ Seminole			

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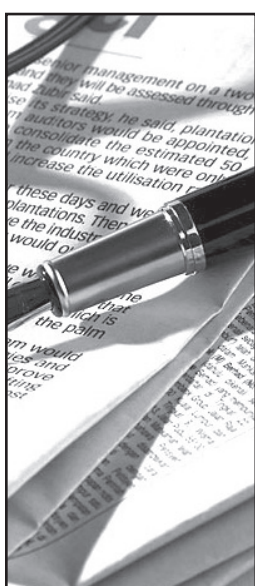
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The Polio pandemic

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

On February 23, 1954, the students at Arsenal Elementary School in Pittsburgh, PA, were the first to receive a vaccine—developed by Dr. Jonas Salk—to repel the polio pandemic that was panicking the population. Now, sixty-seven years later, scientists are hustling to disseminate various COVID-19 inoculations to control—or collapse—another ungovernable

disease. According to History.com, “Salk found that polio had as many as 125 strains of three basic types, and that an effective vaccine needed to combat all three. By growing samples of the polio virus and then deactivating, or ‘killing’ them by adding a chemical called formalin, Salk developed his vaccine, which was able to immunize

without infecting the patient.” Polio was eradicated in 1979. For more information, the Grateful American Book Prize recommends **Polio (Deadly Diseases & Epidemics)** by Alan Hecht. *Courtesy of History Matters, a feature of The Grateful American Book Prize: Showing our children that their past is prelude to their future.*



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Arctic conditions deliver frigid blow to Texas ag

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Arctic front hits Winter Garden

Texas’ fruit tree and vine crops could also face notable losses.

Larry Stein, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension horticulturist, Uvalde, said temperatures hadn’t reached 1989 levels yet, but that it was 8-10 degrees Monday night in the Winter Garden region with 4-6 inches of snowfall on the ground. The temperatures likely mean losses for crops like peaches, strawberries, wine grapes, pecans and berries.

Fruit trees and grapevines that had emerged from dormancy would be susceptible to damage, and any active buds or fruit are likely lost, he said.

“Peach trees that had started budding, those buds are going to be toast at 15 degrees,” he said. “Any active growth could

be problematic. We could see temperatures pop the wood. We may not see the damage this spring, but eventually those limbs will die back where the tissue is damaged.”

Strawberries are a winter-hardy plant that can take temperatures well below freezing, but the fruit and buds on the plant at freezing will be lost, he said. It will take those plants some time in warmer daytime temperatures to bud again, and about three weeks before fruit is ready to harvest.

“Producers were harvesting all the reds and slightly turned fruit they could,” he said. “The plants will survive, but you’ve lost all the flowers and fruit for one harvest.”

Stein said snow may help insulate strawberry plants, but ice will not insulate plants and trees unless water in continuously applied to prevent freez-

ing. Active buds will be lost, and limbs and vines actively growing will be susceptible.

Snow could also help insulate spinach, but the damage to leaves will only be known in the coming weeks as snow melts and temperatures promote growth, he said. The crop could face freeze burn to leaves and blemishes from sleet pellets, which detracts from the marketability due to aesthetic standards at grocery stores.

“I don’t ever remember a weather winter advisory that covered the whole state,” Stein said. “The good news is that we haven’t gone beyond 1989, but the reality is there will be damages, and it will be a few weeks before we access where this winter storm ranks.”

Adam Russell is a communication specialist for Texas A&M AgriLife.

Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



Rather than rehash what was a difficult week in Texas, particularly in Austin where I live, my column will consist of story excerpts written by my mother Lillie (McCleskey) Sullivan and her brother, my Uncle Clifton McCleskey. Since Texas water and power were scarce to non-existent last week, the insight of those who lived decades ago without running water and electricity makes for a timely read.

Worth noting: comparing the daily life of those accustomed to living without running water and electricity to the 2021 severe cold spell with outages over a period of days is not meant to minimize what either period experienced.

On the farm in the 1920s, 30s, and 40s Uncle Clifton and Mother (along with their siblings and my grandparents) had no electricity. Not until Mother’s freshman year at Abilene Christian College in the spring of 1949 did Grandmother McCleskey get power to the farm, thanks to the REA. This program, the Rural Electrification Act, had been passed in Congress in 1936 creating co-ops to bring electricity to rural areas. I do not have any research about why it took 12 more years for Grandmother to have access other than my uncle’s speculation that World War II and the farm’s remote location played a factor.

Regarding energy usage and water supply, Mother wrote the following in one of her stories about the farm kitchen.

“We took our baths in the kitchen because water had to be heated on the stove. Daddy had built the house with a small bathroom, but the Depression, his death (in 1931) prevented installation of fixtures. Nor did we have running water at that time. So at bath time, a tub was brought into the kitchen and filled first with cool water from the cistern, then hot water. One morning my sister Roberta was taking her bath too close to the kerosene stove, and her backside was burned rather badly! She went to work in town (Rotan) with our Uncle Lawrence Yantis where they both worked at the bank. She never sat down all day! In

fact, it was several days before she sat down although I don’t remember when she made her recovery, hastened no doubt by Mother’s home remedy for burns.”

At 94, Uncle Clifton is the only surviving child of my grandparents. With the help of his younger son Pierce, Uncle Clifton farms in Virginia after retiring from the University of Virginia. He remains our go-to source of many stories about the Fisher County days. His essay collection includes one entitled “Cool, Clear Water”—an apt nod to the Sons of the Pioneers. He writes of the difficulty in accessing water, especially during the Dust Bowl decade. The Dowell Community in Fisher County was “a landscape of rolling plains devoted to dryland farming of cotton and grain.” But as he states in this excerpt below, the Rollings Plains location coupled with what lay underground (gypsum) made drinking water hard to come by—especially in an area that only averaged about 20 inches of rain annually at that time according to my uncle’s research.

“...the underground water supply was so heavily mineralized as to be unsuitable for human consumption, though it served livestock well enough. The three principal towns of Roby, Rotan, and Hamlin—the latter partly in Jones County—developed satisfactory municipal water systems, but most rural residents had to rely on captured rainwater for their household needs. As always, there was the problem of how to store the captured rainfall.”

My uncle wrote about two options for rural families: galvanized storage tanks or cisterns. He noted that the above-ground storage tanks had some drawbacks, especially when most families did not have electricity or “ice boxes.” I gagged a bit when he mentioned in his essay the part about the storage tanks were susceptible to mosquitoes and their larvae unless someone strained each bucket of water used for drinking. In addition, the water would warm from exposure to sun.

The McCleskey Farm opted

for cisterns, as Uncle Clifton wrote.

“The back porch cistern was our principal supply, with the one at the barn supplying water for wash day, for a few flowers Mother tried valiantly to keep alive, and for similar extra-ordinary demands. It also was also our reserve supply, for on occasion we would use up all the water in the back porch cistern.”

These cisterns had the great advantage of keeping the stored water at a uniform temperature around 65 degrees, thus yielding the highly desirable “cool, clear water.” Of course, a bucket of water drawn up during the summer months would in a short time warm to the ambient temperature. The solution was to dump the warm water back in the cistern and draw a fresh bucket.

If a thunderstorm approached, we first shifted the diverter on the downspout from the guttering so that the first few minutes of rain would be dumped on the ground. Only after the roof had been washed off a bit, and after the temperature of the runoff had dropped, did we shift the diverter to allow the rainwater to enter the cistern. There was a sound reason for these precautions, for warm water going into the cooler existing contents would “sour” the entire supply, making it unfit—or at least unpleasant—to drink or cook with.”

Next week, I will share some more of what we would view today as major inconveniences but what were ways of life for rural dwellers many years ago. The typed collection of stories drives home the values of hard work, daily chores, and how crucial it was to do those tasks correctly. These values should be ageless, necessary if we are to use today’s technology effectively.

For us to avoid becoming truly “powerless,” we cannot rely on technological advancements in energy and water supply without common-sense vision, preparation, and dedicated management—skills my McCleskey family used on the farm so many years ago with rainwater and well water.

Quality Loss Assistance Available

The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) announced that sign-up for the Quality Loss Adjustment (QLA) Program began Wednesday, January 6, 2021. Funded by the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2020, this new program provides assistance to producers who suffered eligible crop quality losses due to natural disasters occurring in 2018 and 2019. The deadline to apply for QLA is Friday, March 5, 2021.

Eligible crops include those for which federal crop insurance or Noninsurance Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage is available, except for grazed crops and value

loss crops, such as honey, maple sap, aquaculture, floriculture, mushrooms, ginseng root, ornamental nursery, Christmas trees, and turfgrass sod.

Additionally, crops that were sold or fed to livestock or that are in storage may be eligible; however, crops that were destroyed before harvest are not eligible. Crop quality losses occurring after harvest, due to deterioration in storage, or that could have been mitigated, are also not eligible.

Assistance is based on a producer’s harvested affected production of an eligible crop, which must have had at least a 5% quality loss reflected through a quality discount; or

for forage crops, a nutrient loss, such as total digestible nutrients.

Losses must have been a result of a qualifying disaster event (hurricane, excessive moisture, flood, qualifying drought, tornado, typhoon, volcanic activity, snowstorm, or wildfire) or related condition that occurred in calendar years 2018 and/or 2019.

Assistance is available for eligible producers in counties that received a qualifying Presidential Emergency Disaster Declaration or Secretarial Disaster Designation because of one or more of the qualifying disaster events or related conditions.

Many parents tell folktales to their children. Storytellers spin folktales for groups of listeners. In a folktale there may be:

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3. M O N K E Y
4. T O R T O I S E
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Obituaries



Kayla Breanne Waggoner Everett

Kayla Breanne Waggoner Everett was one of the greatest people any of us has ever known. Kayla fought for perfection every minute of her life, from birth on August 7, 1982, in Lubbock, Texas, to her passing on February 16, 2021, Midland, Texas. She accomplished many life goals and dreams, graduating with honors from Lee High School in 2001, to a cum laude fashion and business degree from Georgia Southern University in Statesboro, Georgia, May 2005.



Kayla loved Georgia and met the man of her dreams, Richard Shawn Everett, while attending college at GSU. Kayla and Shawn married on May 17, 2008, in beautiful Maui. On December 14, 2016, Kayla and Shawn brought two amazing twins into this world, Ella and Quinn. Kayla spent her life organizing, designing and touching so many peoples' lives with her perfection, her Godly advice, and her motivation to be the best in whatever they were doing.

Kayla is survived by her husband, Shawn Everett, children Ella and Quinn, parents Danny and Tena Wag-

goner of Midland, and Hansel and Genny Everett of Sandersville, Georgia; beloved sister and best friend Megan Pasco and husband Josh, children Tripp and Jett all of Midland; brothers-in-law Ryan Everett of Los Angeles, California and Casey Everett and wife, Lacey, children Mackie, Riley, Avery, and Cooper of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina. Grandparents Gladys Day of Canyon, Texas, Charles and Shirley Waggoner of Muleshoe, Texas, and Maria Everett of Copperas Cove, Texas. Kayla is also survived by many, aunts, uncles, cousins,

and friends.

Kayla is preceded in death by grandparents, Herbert Day, Kenneth and Hilda Lewis, and Hansel Everett.

The family received friends on Friday, February 19, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at The Branch @ npw, 3800 N Big Spring Street in Midland. Kayla's Celebration of Life was held on Saturday, February 20, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. at Renew Life Church, 409 S Pecos in Midland. Graveside service and burial will be in Warthen, Georgia.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Silva Willis in support of her cancer treatment and journey as this was Kayla's wishes: Silva Willis, 323 Tanglewood Dr, Midland, Texas 79703; (325) 665-4885 cash.app or to Mason Brunetta https://www.gofundme.com/f/mason-brunetta-medical-expenses?utm_source=facebook&fbclid=IwAR2VMuH3rV0x3GPF93mV4QhZG3t4mJ_lxLH5r6bKUX-874y4gVXMSHlck0NA.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.

Linda Smith

Linda Smith, 69 of Friona passed away February 18, 2021 in Amarillo. Viewing was held from 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. with family visitation from 6:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. Monday, February 22, 2021 in the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY. Celebration of Life Services were held at 2:00 P.M. Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at First Baptist Church of Friona with Rev. Brett Hoyle, officiating. Cremation to follow by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.



Linda was born July 7, 1951 in Billings, Montana to Garnet and Dorothy Grove Walton. She later married Melvin Smith September 25, 1979 in Plainview.

Linda was a retired elementary school teacher who taught in Floydada, Hereford and Friona. After her retire-

ment from teaching she delivered the Amarillo Globe News for several years, and was a family assistant at the funeral home. But, was mainly known to others as The Cookie Lady because of her delicious cookies, cakes and other baked goods.

She was a humble Christian servant and a member of the First Baptist Church

of Friona where she served in many ways including as a children's Sunday School teacher. She also was a very active volunteer for the Friona Snack Pak 4 Kids program. Linda is preceded in death by her parents, and by one son-Jonathan Smith.

Those to carry on her legacy include her husband of Friona, 2 sons-Jason Colston and Jeff Smith of Friona, 1 daughter-Karen James and husband Ben of Abilene, 1 sister-Sandy Reeves and husband Shiloh of Stage Coach, Nevada, 1 granddaughter-Embree James, 2 nephews, and extended family- Jeff, Heather, Reese, and Cade Stowers of Friona.



Governor Abbott, TDEM Urge Texans To Submit Self Reporting Damage Survey

Governor Greg Abbott and the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) are encouraging Texans to complete the Self Reporting Damage Survey to help the state identify damages across Texas and help emergency management officials gain an understanding of damages that occurred during the recent winter weather. This data is also needed to provide information to FEMA and highlight the need for federal disaster assistance for individuals.

The voluntary survey, available in both English and Spanish, can be accessed by visiting: www.TDEM.texas.gov/warm. Reporting damage to the Texas Division of Emergency Management is a voluntary activity, is not a substitute for reporting damage to an insurance agency, and does not guarantee disaster relief assistance.

"I urge Texans to fill out the Self Reporting Damage Survey and provide crucial information on the winter weather impacts to their home or property," said Governor

Abbott. "The information gleaned from this survey will help our state identify the full impact of this winter weather and help emergency management better serve Texans."

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Brynlie Cleavinger, Emmaly Ibarra, Kobi Kirby, Madison Tyler

Junior High "AB" Honor Roll

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Elementary "AB" Honor Roll

Brantley Chancey, Braylee Brown, Grecia Reyes, Gonzalo Silva, Abigail Fehr, Davyn Glover, Alexia Hernandez, Griffin Hughes, Jacob Thiessen, Lorraine Bishop, Elizabeth Burch, Berkley Cleavinger, Audrey Damron, Chance Dyck, Adan Ontiveros, Carlee Roush, Yurianna Silva, Nash St. Clair, Susana Thiessen, Rhett Weaver, Nusly Ayala, Paisley Branscum, Sebastian Ibarra, Hagen London, Yaslin Silva, Dylan Tyler



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City of Friona Garage Sale Ordinance



On February 8, 2021, the City of Friona passed a garage sale ordinance. This is an extension of the community-wide campaign, "Keep Friona Clean." The details of the ordinance are outlined below:

- A permit will now be required in order to set up any sort of garage sale, yard sale, moving sale, or any other sale of tangible personal property.
- A permit will need to be filled out at Friona City Hall, Mondays-Fridays between the hours of 8: 00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
- There is **no** fee to obtain a permit and the number of permits is not limited.
- No garage sale shall extend for a period longer than 3 days.
- Signs are prohibited on public places, sidewalks, utility poles, or any place that can impair or obstruct traffic, but are permitted to be posted on the location of where the sale is to take place only for the duration of the sale.
- Signs are to be taken down after the conclusion of the garage sale(s).
- Any person found in violation of any provision mentioned above of this ordinance can be fined a penalty up to \$500.

El 8 de febrero de 2021, la ciudad de Friona se aprueba una ordenanza de venta de garaje. Esta es una extensión de la campaña comunitaria, "Keep Friona Clean". Los detalles de la ordenanza se describen a continuación:

- Ahora se requerirá un permiso para establecer cualquier tipo de venta de garaje, venta de patio, o cualquier otra venta de propiedad personal tangible.
- Un permiso tendrá que ser llenado en Friona City Hall, de lunes a viernes entre las 8:00 a.m. y las 5:00 p.m.
- No hay **ningún** cobro para obtener un permiso y el número de permisos no está limitado.
- Ninguna venta de garaje se extenderá por un período superior a 3 días.
- Los letreros están prohibidas en lugares públicos, aceras, postes, o cualquier lugar que pueda afectar u obstaculizar el tráfico, pero son permitidos para ser publicado en la ubicación de donde la venta se llevará a cabo solo por la duración de la venta.
- Los letreros se deberán eliminar después de la conclusión de las ventas.
- Cualquier persona que se encuentre en violación de cualquier disposición mencionada anteriormente de esta ordenanza puede ser multado con una multa de hasta \$500.

Lions Club News



Friona United Methodist Pastor/Blacksmith Skip Hodges was the quest speaker at the Friona Noon Lions meeting last Monday at The Farmwife Kitchen. Skip has been learning the blacksmith trade for the past year and has his own forge in the old Kelley Radiator Shop. He showed off some of the tools he has made and a couple of hammers that fellow blacksmiths have made for him. Skip is also a member of the Friona Volunteer Fire Department and the Friona EMS.



Girl Scout Cookie Sales



Friona Girl Scouts (l-r) Ashley Rivera, Audrey Rivera, Molly Rector, Kamila Moreno, and Jodie Denton are ready to supply you with famous Girl Scout cookies! Each package is \$5.00 and the choices include: shortbread, thin mints, peanut butter patties, caramel deLites, peanut butter sandwich, lemonades, and s'mores. A new flavor this year is toast-yay!, a combo of cinnamon toast and white icing. Cookies can be purchased from one of the scouts listed above or by calling Sharon Rector at 806-677-4664. Cookie season ends on Sunday, March 14th.

Water Weekly

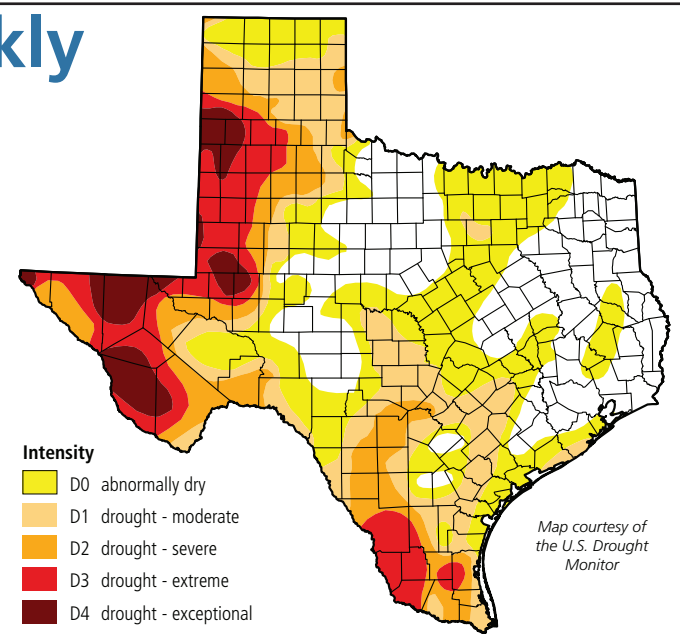
For the week of 02/22/21

Water conditions

The latest drought map for conditions as of February 16 shows modest improvement relative to the previous week. Why so modest? Though it can be massively disruptive, snow is mostly air. It can take 12 or more inches of snow to provide an inch of moisture.

Drought conditions

- ◆ 45% now
- ◆ 47% a week ago
- ◆ 75% three months ago
- ◆ 24% a year ago



Above: As seen on the map above, Friona and Parmer County are stuck in an exceptional drought along with parts of Bailey, Castro, and Lamb counties. Friona has received .67 inches of moisture so far this year. The 10-year average for Jan-Feb is 1.18 inches. Friona Wheat Growers manager Greg O'Brian said that the snow protected the young wheat from the frigid temperatures. He also said that wheat prices are great but that we are going to have to get some significant rainfall for the farmers to make a crop. **Left:** The residents at Reeve Lake are shown taking the "polar bear plunge" during last week's Snovid-21 Chilldemic. Carolyn Wiseman took this photo as she and Kevin took their "polar bear walk" celebrating Texas Chilly Week.

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