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4TH OF JULY PARADE

Line Up 9:15 am
Parade Starts 9:30 am
Free Ice Cream
Prizes for BEST Decor
1609 W. 10th
Friona, TX



4TH OF JULY

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Friona Chamber of Commerce
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Show Begins at Dusk
Food Trucks Will Be On Site

Personal fireworks permitted until midnight on July 4th inside of the Reeve Lake Park area ONLY!

No firework permitted anywhere else in the city limits.

Pick up trash and place in the dumpsters
Please use extreme caution and safety



Sirena Del Rio returned to the Friona Public Library on Wednesday to wrap up the “All Together Now” summer reading program. The programs this year included singing, dancing, crafts, magic tricks, and teaching kids how to work with others. Thanks to the library staff and the Friends of the Library organization for making our library so awesome. In the photo — (l-r) Library Director Anahi Gomez, Assistant Director Becky Upton, Sirena (Jessica Mejia), Part-time Circulation Clerk Destini Nava, and Circulation Clerk Alexa Garcia.

Cheeseburger Festival is July 15th

Friona, the Cheeseburger Capital of Texas, will host its 17th Annual Festival and Cook Off on Saturday, July 15th at Reeve Lake Park. Cooking teams will compete for the title of Cheeseburger Champions with a first place prize of \$1000 on the line. The second place team will grab \$300 and the People’s Choice Winners will earn bragging rights for the year. Admission is free to shop the vendors and tour the festival.

How it works
The event runs from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Reeve Lake Park and the Community Center. Cooking teams will be set up in the RV slots on the east side of the lake and will grill up their specialty burgers for the public. Judges will determine the winners. Attendees can purchase wristbands for \$10 which are good for one whole cheeseburger or four quarter portions of different burgers. Chips and a frisbee are included. Air-conditioned dining will be available in

the Community Center along with some vendors. Food & craft vendors and live music with a DJ will be set up outside along with a large tent for outdoor dining.
What it does
The Cheeseburger Festival helps showcase the vibrancy of the community through cattle, grain, and dairy products. It also helps fund other events throughout the year including The Miss Friona Scholarship Pageant, Maize Days, Christmas in the Park, the Annual Awards Banquet, and

the 4th of July Fireworks Show.
Getting involved
There is still time for cooking teams and vendors to sign up for this year’s festival. Contact the Chamber of Commerce at 806-250-3491 for information.



Commissioners award road project

Parmer County Commissioners Court met in regular session on Monday, June 12th, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom of the Parmer County Courthouse in Farwell, Texas. The meeting began with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Texas Flag.
Commissioners awarded a contract to Bermea Construction. The \$62,900 road project will include chip sealing and rebuilding the shoulder on County Road 19 and chip sealing Country Road G. These two roads are located on the east side of Friona and are referred together as “Cemetery Road” by locals.
Sheriff Geske reported to the Court that the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center is currently housing 35 inmates of which 9 are

paying customers from Dawson County and 6 paying customers from Lubbock County.
Line item changes were approved regarding Farwell Fire Department’s request for ARPA funds to purchase equipment. The changes did not affect the dollar amount of the funds approved.
In other business, an annual \$500 lease agreement between Parmer County and Efrain Balli was approved. A motion to paint the kitchen in the old jail was approved. Discussion of a covered parking structure on the east side of the courthouse was tabled.
Judge Carrasco said that meetings hosted by TXDOT and NMDOT in Farwell and Texico concerning two alternate proposals for an highway overpass went well. Texas and New Mexico offi-

cial are eager to proceed with the project. The proposed Alternative #1 overpass seems to be the favorite with the possibility of new Stripes and Dollar General stores being built at the old Allsup’s location on the west side of Texico.
See June 22nd edition of the Friona Star for overpass alternatives.
There were no comments from the public during the open forum. Minutes from the June 12th meeting were read and approved. Commissioners approved the payment of the accounts payables as presented by County Treasurer Sharon May. The Treasurer’s Payroll Report was also approved. The next regular meeting is Monday, July 10th.
All meetings are open to the public. Information in this article is only a summary.



Dynamite Fireworks is celebrating its 25th Anniversary of “bringing the boom” to Fourth of July celebrations. Owners Randy & Sarah Geris invite you to drop by, say hello, and check out their large assortment of fireworks. There is great stuff for “kids” of all ages. Please see ad on back page.

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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 June-July 29-5	T  97 67 S 15-25	F  87 62 S 10-20	S  84 62 ENE 10-15	S  88 61 SE 10-15	M  89 64 SSW 10-15	T  91 64 SSW 10-15	W  91 65 S 10-15	Precipitation June 3.61 Year 12.03	Burn Ban No
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Community Calendar

Send Calendar information to:
frionastar@wtrt.net or call (806) 250-5200

June 29

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

July 3

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

July 4

• Independence Day

July 5

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

July 6

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

July 7

• School physicals at Friona Rural Health Clinic

Friona Credit Union holds Annual Meeting



Members and employees of the Friona Texas Federal Credit Union gathered in the Friona Community Center on Tuesday evening for the financial institution's 68th Annual Meeting. Over 100 attendees enjoyed a meal of chicken & catfish catered by River Smith's of Lubbock.

Co-manager Juan Tafoya welcomed all of the attendees and called the meeting to order. Robert Osborn, secretary/treasurer, read the Minutes of the previous meeting. Next, Tafoya presented the financial report.

The meeting was adjourned and tickets were drawn for door prizes. Members also received "goodie bags" which included Friona Credit Union branded specialty items. All the kids received tote bags filled with school supplies.

The Credit Union is located at 801 Austin and is open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Drive-up teller hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each weekday.



ON YOUR PAYROLL

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ACROSS

- 1 chewy movie candy
- 5 TXism: "get your ducks in _ _"
- 6 Austin has "Art-O-_" annually
- 7 Palestine AM radio
- 8 TX Willie's is 90
- 9 chicken fried steak & Bar-B-Q in Texas
- 16 Rockport is "where the fun never _"
- 18 TXism for "mean man" (2 wds.)
- 21 TX Kenny Rogers' "Love or Something Like _" (1978)
- 22 TX Buck Owens' "I've _ _ Tiger By the Tail" (1964)
- 23 a player for the Spurs or Cowboys
- 24 " _ _ Brothers Band" recorded "Down in Texas '71"
- 30 directed by TX King Vidor: " _ _ Passage" (1940)
- 34 TXism: "news wrangler" (abbr.)
- 35 select
- 36 TXism for "old man"
- 37 rub out writing
- 39 TXism: "lit out for _ _ _ _" (departed)
- 43 TX Tanya's 1st hit: " _ _ Dawn"
- 44 U.S. Army post in San Antonio: " _ _ Houston"
- 45 Houston's Olajuwon initials, before "Hakeem"

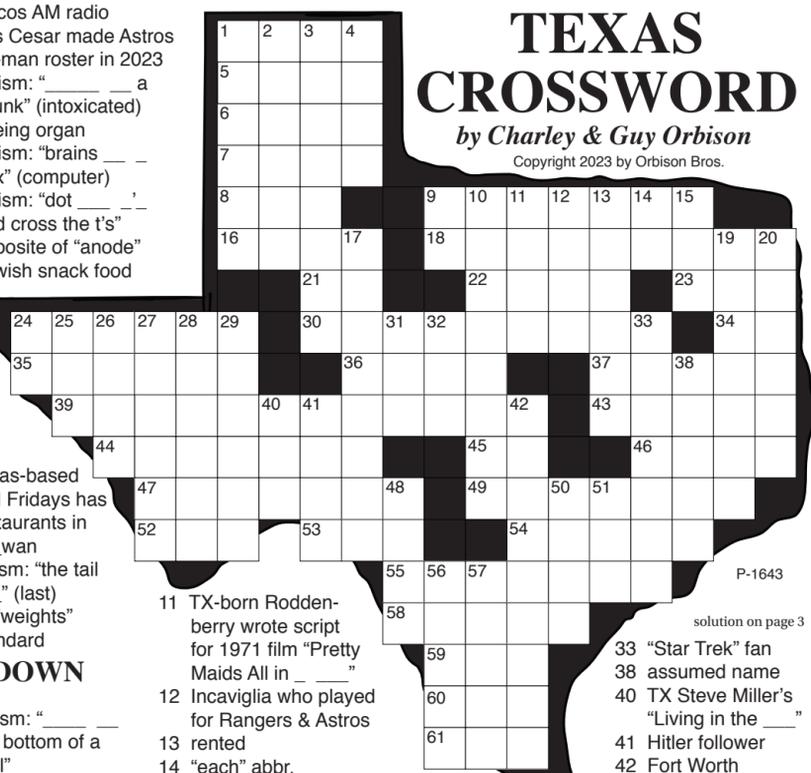
- 46 Pecos AM radio
- 47 this Cesar made Astros 40-man roster in 2023
- 49 TXism: " _ _ _ a skunk" (intoxicated)
- 52 seeing organ
- 53 TXism: "brains _ _ box" (computer)
- 54 TXism: "dot _ _ and cross the t's"
- 55 opposite of "anode"
- 58 Jewish snack food

DOWN

- 1 TXism: " _ _ _ the bottom of a well"
- 2 easternmost city in Texas
- 3 TXism: "Sunday go _ _ _ _ clothes"
- 4 TX Steve Forrest old TV series
- 9 city that put Cowboys out of playoffs in 2023 (abbr.)
- 10 TXism for "miser"
- 11 TX-born Roddenberry wrote script for 1971 film "Pretty Maids All in _ _"
- 12 Incaviglia who played for Rangers & Astros
- 13 rented
- 14 "each" abbr.
- 15 oil or gas additive
- 17 Ozona newspaper
- 19 "Deaf" Smith's given name
- 20 TXism: "he could _ _ eagle" (good cowboy)
- 24 summer necessity in Texas (abbr.)
- 25 TX Lucy, the original Southern Belle (init.)

TEXAS CROSSWORD

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- 26 Texas singer "Meat _ _"
- 27 sullen, sulky
- 28 _ _ _ _ dog (homeless)
- 29 snuggle
- 31 TX Ely who was TV's "Tarzan"
- 32 TXism: " _ _ many irons in the fire"
- 33 "Star Trek" fan
- 38 assumed name
- 40 TX Steve Miller's "Living in the _ _"
- 41 Hitler follower
- 42 Fort Worth "Coliseum" name before it was "Cowtown" (2 wds.)
- 48 pool hall shout: " _ _ _ em"
- 50 "oh dear" (hyph.)
- 51 Beatty of "Big Bad John" with TX Dean
- 56 poker stakes
- 57 Houston's 2nd wife, Rogers

COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from June 15, 2023 to June 22, 2023

(6/15/23) Arturo Guillen, George Guillen, Maria Del Rosario, Elida Villarreal, Hilda Guillen — Erica Nicole Guillen — All of Lots 11 and 12 and the Southwest 20 Feet of Lot 13, of Block 57, of the Original Town of Bovina, Parmer County, Texas

(6/19/23) The Charles Smith and Marilyn Smith Family Trust — Charles Smith, Marilyn Smith — All of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 15 South Range 2 East, of Capitol Syndicate Subdivision of Parmer County

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(6/19/23) The Charles Smith and Marilyn Smith Family Trust — Charles Smith, Marilyn Smith — All of the Southeast Quarter of Section 17, Township 10 South Range 2 East, of Capitol Syndicate Subdivision of Parmer County

(6/21/23) Collin B. Guthals, Sasha N. Guthals — Maribel Esparza Gonzalez — Lots 17 and 18, Block 33, Original Townsite, City of Farwell, Parmer County, Texas

FSA News

Dates to Remember

- July 14: ERP 2 and PARP signup deadline
- June 2: Requests for CRP managed grazing can begin
- July 2: Requests for CRP managed haying can begin
- July 17: Final date for summer crop certification
- September 1: Final date to purchase NAP policy for small grains, grazing & haying
- December 1: Final date to purchase NAP policy for all grass

Parmer County USDA Office

Phone: 806-481-3311
Fax: 844-325-7496

Come have Fun with us at Malouf's Fabric

These are the classes scheduled this summer
 June 10..... T-Shirt Class
 June 24..... Tote Bag Class
 July 8..... Beginning Sewing Class
 July 14, 15..... Handi Quilter Education Event
 July 22..... 3 Yard Quilt Class

Call 806-250-3575 to register • like us on Facebook

Friona Public Library Story Time

call 806-250-3200 for info

Read and Play Story Time

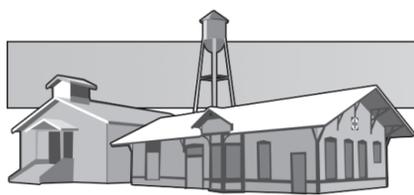
Every Tuesday in June and July at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Ages Birth to 6 years old

Kids Rock Story Time

Every Thursday in June and July at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Ages 7 to 12 years old



TOWN TALK

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Getting Noticed — The upcoming Cheeseburger Festival & Cook Off was featured in the June/July 2023 Texas Co-op Power magazine. The annual event was a "Pick of the Month" in the Travel & Events section. This year marks the 17th year of the "running of the burgers" and will be held on Saturday, July 15th at Reeve Lake and the Community Center.

More Cheeseburger Festival Fun — A "Bun" Run & Walk will be held on Saturday, July 15th from 7-9 a.m. You can pre-register through July 5th at the Nutrition Spot at 613 Main. Cost is \$30 and includes a T-shirt. Registration after July 5th is \$35. Proceeds will benefit the Created With Purpose Resource Center.

Save the Date — The 54th Annual Summer Drama Workshop is right around the corner. The acting workshop for Elementary, Junior High, and High School students costs just \$25 for the entire 2 weeks. You

can learn more by calling Jamie Lewellen at 806-206-0743 or by sending an email to jamie-dlewellen@gmail.com.

Coming Soon — The 8th Annual Friona Kidz Building Camp will take place July 24-28 at the Boy Scout Hut at 603 W. 15th. The camp is for ages 5-14 and runs from 6:00 p.m. till 9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call Chamber at 250-33491 for information.

Graham Cracker Day — In the early 1800s,

Presbyterian minister Sylvester Graham developed a slightly sweetened cracker as part of his "Graham Diet" program. They were made from whole wheat graham flour with added bran and wheat germs. He believed his snack would curb sinful cravings. Today, makers use bleached white flour and variety of flavors including honey, cinnamon, and chocolate.

Pun Intended — Two antennas met on a roof, fell in love and got mar-

ried. The ceremony wasn't much, but the reception was excellent. Source: www.pun.me

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- National Days**
- June 29: Waffle Iron Day
- June 30: Meteor Watch Day
- July 1: Postal Worker Day
- July 2: UFO Day
- July 3: Compliment Your Mirror Day
- July 4: Independence Day
- July 5: Graham Cracker Day

Special guest to speak at First Baptist Church

On Sunday, July 9, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., First Baptist Church, Friona, will be hosting Guillermo (Bill) Katz with Hope for Israel. Guillermo is a Jew from Argentina who came to Jesus Christ as a young man and now serves with the ministry Hope for Israel as their North American Rep.

The ministry's goal is to bring the gospel of Jesus to Jewish people around the globe. The worship service this evening will be bilingual, a nursery will be provided and a love offering will be received. For more information call 806-250-3933.

El domingo 9 de julio de 2023 a las 6:00 p. m., First Baptist Church, Friona, recibirá a Guillermo (Bill) Katz con Hope for Israel. Guillermo es un judío de Argentina que vino a Jesucristo cuando era joven y ahora sirve en el ministerio Esperanza para Israel como representante de América del Norte.

El objetivo del ministerio es llevar el evangelio de Jesús a los judíos de todo el mundo. El servicio de adoración de esta noche será bilingüe, se proporcionará una guardería y se recibirá una ofrenda de amor. Para más información llame al 806-250-3933.

Celebrating the Fourth of July!

At the Beach!

My family and I are lucky that we can simply fly to the seashore. We plan to play all day on the beach and the rocks of the jetty.

How are Americans celebrating the Fourth of July? What are you doing?

Can you find and circle all the words that describe the fun at the beach?

swimming flags cheers picnic pinwheels concert bonfires games Uncle Sam hot dogs fireworks rides

At the Parade!

Bicycles are in! Old railroad tracks are being paved to make wonderful bike and walking trails. Riding bikes is cool. Here are some ideas for decorating bikes for the Fourth of July holiday:

- streamers
- battery-powered string of LED lights
- flags and stars
- cards clipped to spokes
- bells and horns

Use letters in the word "Fourth" to fill in the blanks to see what is at the parade:

o h o o h f
o u o u
h t f o

At Home! and at the Fireworks!

Can you fill in the crossword puzzle with the first word of each clue below to find out some ways in which we are celebrating?

- _____ to speeches of freedom
- _____ to cool off
- _____ red, white and blue bunting from buildings
- _____ the Declaration of Independence
- _____ a pie eating contest
- _____ decorated bicycles
- _____ places, battlefields and buildings where people fought for liberty
- _____ in the parade
- _____ fireworks light up the sky
- _____ patriotic songs
- _____ our country's flag
- _____ with our family and friends (and a few ants)

Can you find and circle at least 8 words that end with the letter "y"?

Uh-oh! Forest has to find his school's drums for the parade. They own two drums that are exactly alike. Can you study the drums and find two exactly the same?

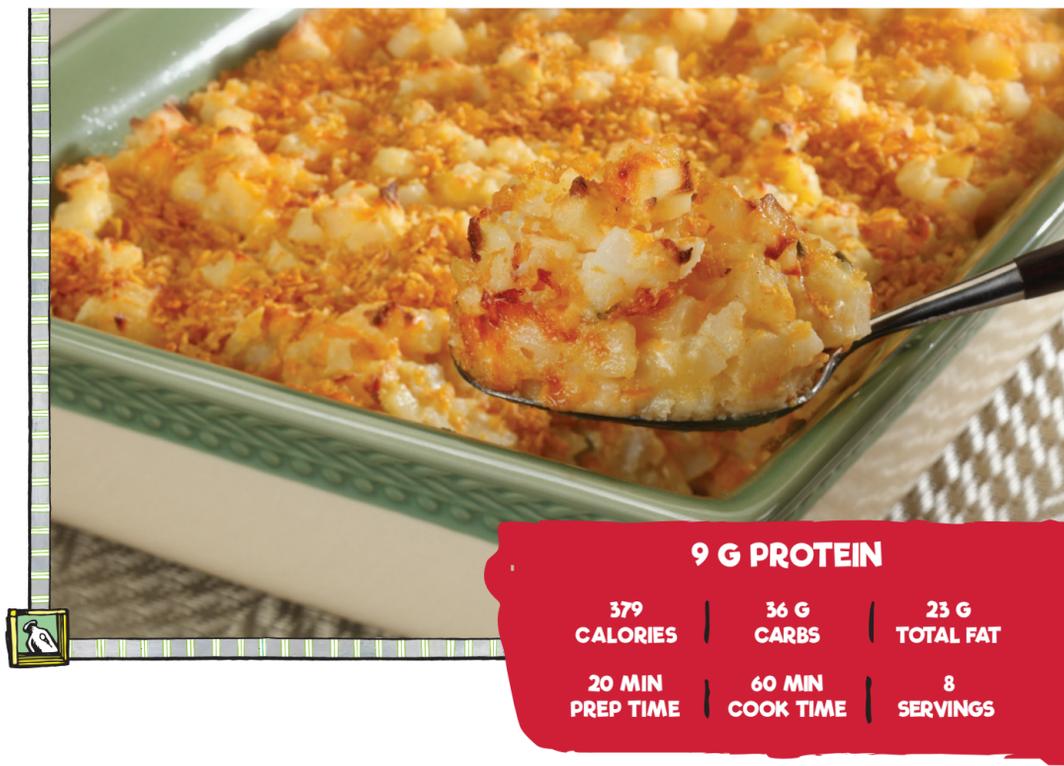
Color the drums.

Floating Fun

Help the mice get to the Fourth of July balloons!

Puzzle Solution

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Potato Casserole

BY KRIS KOON DAIRY

INGREDIENTS

- 2 pounds frozen hash brown potatoes, preferably Southern Style
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 (10 3/4-ounce) can cream of chicken soup
- Salt to taste, approximately 1/2 teaspoon
- 2 cups (8 ounces) shredded Cheddar cheese
- 8 ounces (1 cup) sour cream
- 1/4 cup chopped green onions
- 1 cup cornflake crumbs
- 1/4 cup melted butter

INSTRUCTIONS

Thaw potatoes. Preheat oven to 350°F. Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a 13x9-inch pan. Mix potatoes with next six ingredients; pour in pan. Bake about 45 minutes. Remove from oven; top with cornflake crumbs and drizzle with melted butter. Return to oven to bake 15 minutes more.



More than one-third of a cow's feed is grown right on the dairy farm.

Governor Announces Second Special Session Agenda

On Tuesday, Governor Greg Abbott announced a Special Session #2 and issued a proclamation identifying agenda items for the special session.

"We achieved a great deal during the 88th Legislative Session that I have signed into law, including laws to provide more than \$5.1 billion for border security, hold rogue district attorneys accountable, and add \$1.4 billion to make schools safer, but the job is not done," said Governor Abbott.

"I am bringing the Texas Legislature back for Special Session #2 to provide lasting property tax cuts for Texans. During the five-month regular session, the Texas House and Texas Senate both agreed on cutting school district property tax rates, while the House wanted to add appraisal caps and the Senate

advocated for increased homestead exemptions. The Special Session #1 agenda was limited to the only solution that both chambers agreed on—school property tax rate cuts. After yet another month without the House and Senate sending a bill to my desk to cut property taxes, I am once again putting the agreed upon school district property tax rate cuts on the special session agenda. Unless and until the House and Senate agree on a different proposal to provide property tax cuts, I will continue to call for lasting property tax cuts through rate reductions and working toward eliminating the school property tax in Texas. Special sessions will continue to focus on only property tax cuts until property tax cut legislation reaches my desk."

The Governor's property tax cut plan is backed by 40 homeowner, consumer, and business organizations across the state, along with leading tax policy groups Texas Taxpayers and Research Association, Americans for Tax Reform, and Texas Public Policy Foundation.

Special Session #2 agenda items include:

- **ELIMINATING A PROPERTY TAX IN TEXAS:** Legislation to put Texas on a pathway to eliminate school district maintenance and operations property taxes.

- **LASTING PROPERTY TAX RATE CUTS:** Legislation to cut property tax rates solely by reducing the school district maximum compressed tax rate in order to provide lasting property-tax relief for Texas taxpayers.

Happy Birthday

June 29

Aleyda (Lechuga) Belfield
Andrew Stowers
Jim Varner
Tristan Gonzales
Taysha Huckins
Dewayne Procter
Tracy Bunker



June 30

Brook Stevick
Karene Cass
Keegan Neill
Jayden Madrigal
Dallas Reeves
Zack Fair
Dalton Surman
Jana St.Clair
Martin Lopez

July 1

Ibby Lewellen
Amelia Randolph Cramer
Courtney (Clark) Lamberson
Jennifer Harris
Tommy Hutchins
Shalia Sifford

July 2

Joann McDonald
Rhonda Wilkins
Janet Edwards
Carol Jackson
Matthew Stanberry
Steven Mann
Emilee Leftwich
Laura Blackburn
Charlie Herring

July 3

Alan Mowery
Jan Reeve
Booney Gonzales
Cyle Lookingbill
Megan Evans
Phil Johnson
Ruben Vazquez
Angel Mills

July 4

Carla Moser
Rashel Sifford
Casey Kendrick
Myrna Hill
Stephanie Roden
Caturia Watson

July 5

Joe Osborn
Cynthia Gonzales
Joy Osborn
Shelby Lewellen
Jo Igo
Aaron Salinas Jr.

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Gas prices rise in Texas

By GasBuddy

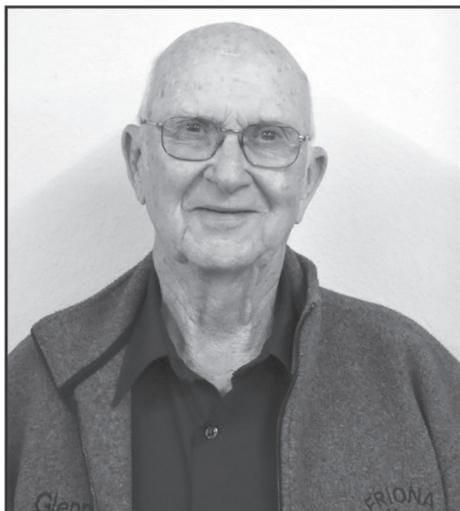
Average gasoline prices in Texas rose 11.6 cents last week, averaging \$3.20 per gallon, according to GasBuddy's survey of 13,114 stations in Texas. Prices in Texas are 9.6 cents higher than a month ago and stand 131.4 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was priced at \$2.59 while the most expensive was \$4.17 per gallon.

The national average price of gasoline is unchanged in the last week, averaging \$3.54 per gallon. The national average is down 1.5 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 134.2 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has fallen 0.2 cents in the last week and stands at \$3.84 per gallon.

"It's been another generally sideways week for the national average, which has remained stuck in the \$3.50-\$3.60 per gallon range since late April with fundamentals generally holding pretty stable, even though oil prices have bounced around between \$65-\$80 in the same timeframe," said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

"While some states saw big increases from last week, I expect those states to see a calmer week ahead. Other states saw prices fall, and some like Arizona fell significantly as some of the kinks in supply have improved there over the last few weeks. Ultimately, we could see the national average nudge a bit lower in the week ahead, should oil prices fail to rally. But, with developments including the Wagner group destabilizing and testing Russia, there can always be last minute shifts that impact prices, which we continue to watch for and hope the market remains calm."

GasBuddy data is compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.



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No Trespassing

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Have you ever seen a no trespassing sign? Maybe you took a wrong turn near Clovis, NM and a government gate greeted you with the "No Trespassing" warning, maybe you were hunting and saw the sign on another property, or possibly a paranoid neighbor boldly posts this warning on their fence. When you see a "No Trespassing" sign, the message is clear, you can't come in here!

God also says "No Trespassing" sometimes. This is what he said to the rebellious Israelites in the wilderness who balked at entering the promised land. Four decades trudged along as that generation died out in the wilderness until it was time to enter the promised land. Deuteronomy 3:23-29 tells of a short episode at the end of the wilderness wandering when Moses begged God to reverse His "No Trespassing" sign for Moses entering the promised land as

well. Moses boldly asked big of God, and God clearly answered his request with "NO" because of Moses' disobedience to the Lord years earlier in the wilderness. Moses' partial obedience was disobedience, and it came with a hefty cost of forfeiting walking into the promised land with the new generation.

Maybe in your life there have been some doors that have closed and God has posted "No Trespassing." If that's the case, you can grieve this lost opportunity that did not come to fruition, but make sure that you don't idolize what you missed out on and miss what God has for you moving ahead. Even though Moses missed out on stepping foot on the promised land, he did get to lead the nation through the wilderness, and prepare Joshua to succeed him and lead the people into the land God promised them.

Panhandle Parables

Old Glory

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

It seems fitting to think about the state of our nation as we enter our 247th Independence Day. In 1776 there was a singular cry for freedom. Freedom to speak and assemble. Freedom to bear arms, freedom from abusive taxation without representation. Our young country had a vision to rally behind. Yet today as Old Glory waves in the West Texas sky there has been a blurring of what was once clear. Political correctness has made everyone a victim. Slowly and methodically our nation is divided. Christians rail against other Christians and peace has been scattered into the night by pride and self-righteousness. It is a sad state of affairs, but Old Glory continues to fly.

In the early days of the Church there too was a clear vision and purpose. Jesus said, "Love the Lord your God and Love your neighbor as yourself." For a while that seemed to work. The early church shared in what they had, focused on learning more about the Savior that had brought together what was once divided, God and man. Yes, we read of troubles, but hope reigned in the

hearts of believers. Paul said this to the church in Rome, "Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all." (Romans 12:9-18 ESV)

My challenge for you as you begin July is for you to read Romans 12 several times. Don't worry about anyone else but you decide how you will live. You are here for a reason, so give Him the glory.

It's Time to Declare Our Independence, Again

By Teena Hughs

I googled July 4, 1776, and the first thing I saw was, "By issuing the Declaration of Independence, adopted by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776, the 13 American colonies severed their political connections to Great Britain." It is time to declare our independence, again!!!

We need to declare independence from China and every other country that influences and has a hold on our country, its businesses, and its politicians. We need to find out who is receiving financial rewards from any foreign country and make them cease receiving whatever "financial aid" they are receiving!

We also need to declare our independence from today's woke culture and the companies that support everything that causes people to sin. If any activity or lifestyle goes against God's Word, we don't need to support it with our dollars. Bottom line, we need to return to God's Word, KNOW what it says, and be obedient to it. We need to fear what will happen to us if we

aren't obedient to God and His Word! There will be consequences for what we say and do, and for what we don't say and don't do!

It is easy for me to say these things, but it is not so easy to do these things. Look at what is happening to Donald Trump because he is trying to "clean out the Washington DC swamp"!!!

It will take strong laws with severe punishments to stop Americans from doing business with China, and to stop them from buying up our farm and ranchlands. In today's government, so many politicians are being influenced by foreign dollars that all you will get is a watered down bill to stop the corruption and put America first again. Foreign entities expect something for the money they are giving our politicians and companies, and you know that what they desire does not benefit the United States. Sadly, we have people in our country where the almighty dollar is far more important than the welfare of the

United States of America. Look at our border situation!

Today, it is difficult to find a company that does not give into the woke culture in some way. I try to limit what I buy to one store. So far this store hasn't gone completely woke, but I don't like some of the things it has done. In fact, I have quit shopping at some of the stores that have done the exact thing this store has done. It is hard to find a store that isn't woke in some way. I have heard that some businesses give in to wokeness to avoid being sued. I would have to take my chances and go ahead and stand up for what is right. Look at what has happened to Bud Light and Target!

As individuals, we can do certain things to show our support for the USA. We can quit watching liberal news networks and shows that promote sinful lifestyles. Even ESPN is currently laying off people. People want to watch sports, not listen to woke, leftist political commentary!

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National Dairy Month 2023: Every Texan can – and should – enjoy the abundance of dairy

By Darren Turley
Executive Director, Texas Association of Dairymen

If every Texan raised a glass of milk to toast National Dairy Month, they'd all be able to do so with milk produced by dairy farmers and cows in the Lone Star State – and still have some milk left over. That's mind-boggling to me as both a fourth-generation Texan and a second-generation dairy farmer.

Last year, Texas dairies produced 1.9 million gallons, or 30.4 million glasses, of milk, while the state's population broke the 30 million mark in March. Both amazing statistics are worth celebrating.

And neither the growth of the state's milk production or population show any signs of slowing.

Here's an example of how both intersect: Cacique Foods in May celebrated the opening of an \$88 million dairy processing plant in Amarillo and announced it was moving its headquarters from Southern California to Irving, Texas. Cacique is following numerous other companies that have relocated to Texas in recent years, bringing jobs and an economic boost to Amarillo, Irving and the state as a whole, as well as growing the dairy industry's \$50.3 billion impact on our state.

Just as important to the Texas dairy industry is that the new 200,000 square foot Cacique processing plant, which soon will fully operational, will give dairy producers in the region another outlet for its milk. The company's CEO says the plant will take up to 40 milk tankers a day to make its cheeses and creams, which will end up in groceries across the nation.

That will be a tremendous help. Texas has doubled its milk production since 2008, largely due to enormous growth in the number and size of dairies in the Panhandle region starting in 2006.

Since then, we've seen Southwest Cheese, Hilmar Cheese, Lone Star Milk Producers and Select Milk Producers open facilities to make cheese, powder milk, butter and other dairy items with Texas milk.

As these new facilities opened, milk production in Texas grew to meet the added processing capacity. Even the addition of Cacique won't end the shortage of processing outlets to take the mounting volume of milk our dairy farmers produce. **In fact, some predict that Texas could easily surpass Idaho to become the nation's third largest milk-producing state in the next two years.**

What will we do with even more milk, if we're struggling to find outlets for what we produce now?

A number of new processing plants are planned or under construction, such as Leprino Foods Company's 850,000-square-foot dairy foods manufacturing plant being built in Lubbock, will help Texas producers in the coming years.

More Texas milk also could end up overseas. By 2050, the world will have an estimated two billion more mouths to feed, with the largest growth expected in Asian and African countries that already struggle to feed their populations. U.S. dairy exports – which set new volume and value records in 2022 – are strong and are expected to grow.

If it sounds like I'm presenting "too much milk" as a problem – well, it's a "problem" I'm happy to celebrate. I encourage all Texans to do their part during National Dairy Month, as well as the rest of the year, to draw down the state's excess of milk by enjoying plenty of milk, ice cream, cheese or their other favorite dairy product.



Save the Date — Southwest Dairy Day will be held on October 18th in and around Bovina. See story below. (Texas A&M AgriLife photo by Kay Ledbetter)

Southwest Dairy Day set for October 18 in Parmer County Sponsorship opportunities available

By Susan Himes

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service's 2023 Southwest Dairy Day will take place on October 18 in and around the Bovina area.

The field day will highlight cutting-edge technologies, including an anaerobic digester and rotary parlor with automation, as well as pre- and post-dipping.

The free event will be from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at a venue located at the intersection of County Road 11 and Texas State Highway 86 near Bovina. There will be bus tours to the Del Rio Dairy starting at 8:30 a.m. and continuing through noon.

The tours will include three stops at the an-

aerobic digester, Saudi barns and rotary milking parlor.

"The use of rotary milking parlors is common to see in large dairy farms, and adding automatic pre- and post-dipping technologies to these parlors could save labor," said Jennifer Spence, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension dairy specialist, Stephenville.

Dairy innovations, information

"The use of anaerobic digesters is a hot topic nowadays because it may help in reducing the carbon footprint and could be used as a renewable fuel to help dairy farmers diversify their income," said Juan

Piñeiro, DVM, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension dairy specialist, Amarillo.

"I expect there will be many dairy farmers interested in attending this event to learn more about the opportunities and challenges with this technology," he said.

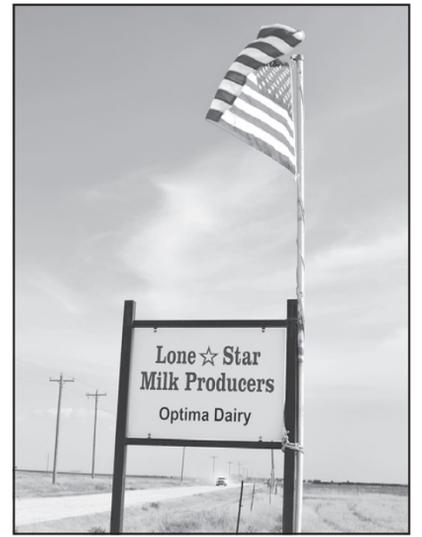
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The event relies on allied industry support, and Piñeiro said they are grateful for the continuous support in the past. Sponsor registration is now open at <https://agrifiregister.tamu.edu/756816>.

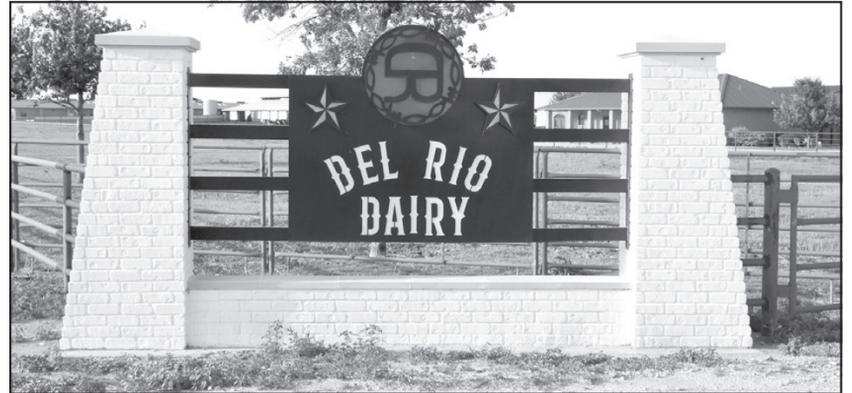
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It's Time to Declare Our Independence, Again

By Teena Hughs

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You may think your phone calls to Austin and Washington DC don't matter, but I assure you they do. I can't trust my US representative to vote right every time, so I call him. Right before one vote, Feller called and asked how he was going to vote; the office aide said the rep wasn't sure. Feller told him how to vote. Guess what, enough people called and he did vote the right way! Sometimes they don't have a clue, and they need to hear from us, the ones paying their salary!

You may think that not buying certain products doesn't make a difference; that not shopping at woke stores doesn't make a difference, but it does. Look at the billions, yes billions, Bud Light and Target have lost. Even if you have to shop at a woke store, you CAN make a difference by not buying prod-

ucts produced by woke companies.

God gave us the greatest country on the face of the earth. We had strong men who battled, both verbally and on the battlefield, to make sure God was a part of the foundation of this wonderful country. What other Constitution has lasted as long as ours? But, if we don't stand up; if we don't make our voices heard; if we don't do our part, we are in jeopardy of losing it all. So, declare your independence from just sitting and complaining. Get active; declare your independence from the wrongs being committed in our great country; know God, know His Word, and stand up for what is right. The more you stand up, the easier it gets! Trust me, I know! Take care, and happy Independence Day! Celebrate our great nation and our God who gave it to us!!!

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Obituaries



Dora Bermea Constancio Pence

Dora Bermea Constancio Pence, 60, of Amarillo passed away on Tuesday, June 20, 2023. Dora was born to Federico Jr. and Rebecca Constancio on October 30, 1962 in Lubbock, Texas. After spending her early years in Lubbock the family moved to Friona, Texas.



Dora attended the Friona school system graduating from Friona High School in 1981. After graduation Dora moved to Amarillo and worked a variety of jobs, one of her favorites being The Big Texan Gift Shop where she made new friends daily with her friendly personality.

During this time she met Charles Ray "Chuck" Brogdon and the two fell hopelessly in love. From their love they were blessed with a step-son Shawn Ray Brogdon and son Michael Seth Brogdon who was born on February 11, 1995. Unfortunately their love story was cut short when tragedy struck and Chuck was taken to Heaven on September 29, 1995.

Dora was never one to give up hope and always continued to see the good in people and

never knew a stranger—she always said they were just, "friends we hadn't met," yet.

Dora is survived by her sons, Michael Seth Brogdon and Shawn Ray Brogdon, mother Rebecca Bermea Constancio of Friona, Texas; brothers Ezequiel Constancio and wife Angie of Hereford, Texas, Joel Constancio and wife Chila of Hereford, Texas; sisters Linda Chavez and husband Raymon of Hereford, Texas, Nina Bozell and husband Michael of Austin, Texas.

Dora was preceded in death by her husbands Robin Carl Pence and Charles "Chuck" Brogdon, father Federico Constancio Jr., brothers Cosme Constancio, Lucas Constancio, and Federico Constancio III.

Dora worked for Potter-Randall Appraisal District for 36 years as an Appraisal Assistant before retiring in July 2022 to focus on spending more time with family. Dora loved spending time with her family, cooking, baking, was especially known and received many requests for her famous 'armadillo eggs.' She also enjoyed gardening, going to church, and taking care of others because she loved people and

have faith in the future of what could be. As luck would have it, thanks to a plumbing issue, she was soon to meet someone who would become a very special person in her life.

Dora married Robin Carl Pence on June 9, 2001 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Amarillo, Texas.

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Refugio M. Guevara

Refugio M. Guevara, lovingly known as "Cuco", 85 of Bovina, Texas passed away Friday, June 23, 2023 in Friona surrounded by loved ones. Viewing was held Monday June 26, 2023 beginning at 10:00 AM at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina with Rosary Services at 6:30 PM. Mass of Christian Burial Services were held at 10:00 AM, Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina with Father Gregory Bunyan as Celebrant. Burial was in the Bovina Cemetery by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.



Refugio was born October 27th, 1937 at Gorriones, Asientos, Aguascalientes, to Felipe and Epigmenia M. Guevara. In 1965 he moved his family to Earth where he lived until 1967 when he and his wife Maria moved to Bovina.

Through his experiences of working in agriculture and carpentry,

since 1968 and enjoyed actively participating in the annual jamaica. He was adventurous, loved to travel, and enjoyed participating in projects with family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, 2 brothers, and 1 sister.

Those to mourn his passing include his wife-Maria Guevara of Bovina, 9 children- Gabriel Guevara of Canyon and wife Belen, Sylvia Bermea of Lubbock and husband Rudy, Javier Guevara of Hereford and wife Sylvia, George Guevara of San Antonio and wife Carmen, Juana Terrones of Bovina and husband Vicente Jr., Robert of San Antonio and wife Noelia, Hector Guevara of San Angelo and wife Lisa, Lety of San Antonio, and Maricela of Fort Worth. 29 grandchildren and 45 great grandchildren.

Refugio developed the skills to facilitate the construction of Missouri Packers, known today as Cargill. After the completion of the plant he joined the company where he held multiple positions and retired in 2000 after 30 years of service. Refugio and Maria married 1961 in the Parish of Nuestra Señora y Reina de Loreto in Loreto, Zacatecas. He valued family. Refugio encouraged his children to always do more, to do better by instilling the importance of education. He was a man of great faith and had a charitable heart. He has been a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church

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The City will open up the roll-off box this Saturday, July 1st, from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Please come by to dump those items that don't belong in your dumpster and do your part to help Keep Friona Clean!



The roll-off box is located at East 8th and South Jackson Ave. It is a free service provided to Friona resi-

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refrigerators/AC units, paint cans (with or without liquids), electronics and appliances, drums/barrels, brick, wood and concrete, railroad ties. Items not accepted in the roll-off box are tires, oil and tree limbs. To dispose of these items, please contact the City office at 806-250-2761.

The Gift of Knowledge

By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

On June 27, 1829, James Smithson, an English scientist and well-to-do member of the National Academy of Sciences, died at the age of sixty-four. He left his entire fortune of \$500,000 (\$16,487,120 in 2023) "to the United States of America, to found at Washington, under the name of Smithsonian Institution an establishment for the increase and diffusion of knowledge."



Some people say the bequest was motivated, "in part-by revenge-against the rigidities of British society, which had denied Smithson, who was illegitimate, the right to use his father's name."

After Congress learned of the lucky largesse, it was decided to use the funds to build museums, conduct research, produce publications; invest in the sciences, the arts, and history.

Now, it is comprised of a worldwide network of 21 buildings, nine research facilities, a Zoo, and 2016's National Mu-

seum of African American History and Culture.

The Grateful American Book Prize recommends Gore Vidal's novel, **The Smithsonian Institution.**

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

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POURING HELIPAD . . . Members of the Friona Emergency Service are shown pouring the cement for the new helicopter landing pad adjacent to Parmer County Community Hospital. The cement for the new facility was donated by Panhandle Concrete. (Friona Star, Saturday, June 12, 1993)

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1st Place | 3/4 Boys Team (l-r) — Back Row: Coach Daniel Hancock, Genesis Aguirre, Yuvia Arias, Matthew Márquez, Eli Rocha, Wylie Steelman, Yahdir Faudoa, Coach Herman Márquez; Front Row: Edén Esparza, Preslie Goynes, Elian Aguirre, Markis Castañeda, Anthony Márquez, Isziah DeLaCruz, Jayden Hancock; Not pictured: Logan Tyler, Isael Olmos, Lorenzo Carrillo.



2nd Place | 1/2 Boys Team (l-r) — Back Row: Coach Herman Márquez, Eli Rocha, Matthew Márquez, Landon Shields, Coach Daniel Hancock; Front Row: Malyk Miller, Elian Aguirre, Yahdriel Faudoa, Bash Aragon, Mason Hancock, Marco Arias.

4th Place | 5/6 Girls (no photo)
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If you answered "Yes" to any of these three questions, this message is for all of you!

Grant programs pay for mammograms for women living in the Texas Panhandle who would otherwise not be able to receive them. Do not miss this opportunity to get a mammogram. The offer is time limited.

Act now - Mammograms Save Lives!

Contact Panhandle Breast Health or the WISE Woman Program for information about a

FREE MAMMOGRAM

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CITY OF FRIONA, TEXAS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE COMBINATION TAX AND REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR FIRE STATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Friona, Texas, at its meeting to commence at 6:30 P.M. on Monday, August 14, 2023, at the City Council Chambers, 619 Main Street, Friona, Texas, tentatively proposes to adopt an ordinance authorizing the issuance of interest bearing certificates of obligation, in one or more series, in an amount not to exceed \$3,500,000 for paying all or a portion of the City's contractual obligations incurred in connection with (i) acquiring, constructing and equipping a fire station, fire training facility and related improvements; and (ii) legal, fiscal and engineering fees in connection with such projects. The ordinance may authorize an authorized officer of the City to effect the sale and delivery of the certificates of obligation on a date subsequent to the adoption of the ordinance. The maximum interest rate for the certificates may not exceed the maximum legal interest rate. The maximum maturity date for the certificates is February 15, 2043. The estimated combined principal and interest required to pay the certificates to be authorized on time and in full is \$5,078,760. The current principal of all outstanding debt obligations of the City is \$0. The current combined principal and interest required to pay all outstanding debt obligations of the City on time and in full is \$0. The City proposes to provide for the payment of such certificates of obligation from the levy and collection of ad valorem taxes in the City as provided by law and from a limited pledge of surplus revenues of the City's waterworks and sewer system, remaining after payment of all operation and maintenance expenses thereof, and all debt service, reserve, and other requirements in connection with all of the City's revenue bonds or other obligations (now or hereafter outstanding), which are payable from all or any part of the net revenues of the City's waterworks and sewer system. The certificates of obligation are to be issued, and this notice is given, under and pursuant to the provisions of V.T.C.A., Local Government Code, Subchapter C of Chapter 271.

CITY OF FRIONA, TEXAS

NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID

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

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

Sealed bids will be received until 10:00 a.m. on Friday, July 21, 2023, at City Hall located at 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035. All bids received at or prior to such time will be opened and read aloud on Monday, July 24, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. Bids received after such time will not be opened or considered. The highest, best or most acceptable bid or bids will be presented to the City Council for review and possible approval at a meeting on August 14, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

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

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

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and must be plainly marked "City of Friona Bathroom Remodel/Replacement Project Bid" in the lower left-hand corner and must be received before the above stated time. To be valid, the bid must be manually signed in ink by an authorized person. The following pieces of information must also be included in the bid:

- List of Subcontractors (*contact info*)
- Total cost
- Completion Date
- Past Job Samples (*minimum of 2*)
- By such signature, the bidder agrees to strictly abide by the terms, conditions, specifications contemplated in this invitation for bids. Failure to comply with any bid requirement will result in the bid being considered void by the City.
- References (*minimum of 2*)
- Longevity of business
- Ties to the community
- Proof of Liability Insurance

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

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

CITY OF FRIONA, TEXAS
By: Leander Davila
City Manager

Publish Two (2) Times – Affidavit of Publication is Required
Thursday, June 22, 2023 and Thursday, June 29, 2023.

NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID

The City Council of the City of Friona, Texas is soliciting sealed bid proposals for a Street Construction Project for 8th Street between Grand and Ashland Avenues, Friona, Texas 79035. This will include the paving of 8th Street with curbing and gutters.

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Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and must be plainly marked "City of Friona Street Construction Project Bid" in the lower left-hand corner and must be received before the above stated time. To be valid, the bid must be manually signed in ink by an authorized person. The following pieces of information must also be included in the bid:

- List of Subcontractors (*contact info*)
- Total cost
- Completion Date
- Past Job Samples (*minimum of 2*)
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FREE SCHOOL PHYSICALS

Fridays at the Clinic

May 19 • June 9 • July 7 • Aug 4

9-11am and 2-4:30pm

** No appointment needed **

Parents need to be present. Snacks will be offered.

Physicals are a part of the requirements for "back to school." Let us assist you in meeting those needs.

If you have any questions, please call 806-250-2781



Happy Independence Day!



HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!



Our offices will be closed Tuesday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day

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Mower Donated by Lonestar Ag

Drawing will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Sept. 23, 2023 in the Friona City Park

All proceeds benefit the Friona Volunteer Fire Department



Need not be present to win
Must be 18 or older

Winner may downgrade or upgrade mower size



— Win a — **KUBOTA ZERO-TURN MOWER**

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