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Friona Since 1925

Thursday | September 21, 2023

\$1.00

67th Annual Maize Days Celebration

Thursday, September 21 Bonfire at 9:30 p.m. | Reeve Lake

Friday, September 22 Homecoming | Chieftain Field Queen Ceremony at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 23

Football Game at 7:00 p.m.

Maize Days Parade | Main Street Line-up at 9:00 a.m. on Euclid Parade begins at 10:00 a.m. Bed Race after Parade

Food + Fun in the Park

Food Vendors FCCLA Elotes Fire Department Sausage Wraps

Fire Department Raffle Drawing 1:00 p.m. in the park

Parmer Paws Raffle Drawing 1:30 p.m. in the park

Friona Royalty

Fourteen Pages



Miss Friona Yvonne Legarreta & Little Miss Ayva Lozoya



Miss Friona Awards (l-r), 2nd Runner Up: Delynda Wium, 1st Runner Up: Duvy Ortiz, Miss Friona: Yvonne Legarreta, 3rd Runner Up: Emily Anderson



Little Miss Friona Awards (l-r), 1st Runner Up: Aubree Guerra, Little Miss Friona: Ayva Lozoya, 2nd Runner Up: Laryah Miller



Miss Friona 2022 Kitzy Welch & Miss Friona 2023 Yvonne Legarreta



Miss Friona 2022 Kitzy Welch, Little Miss 2023 Ayva Lozoya, & Little Miss 2022 Arribelle Hernandez



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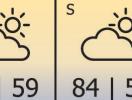
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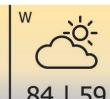




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Community Calendar

Send Calendar information to:

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September 21

 Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

September 22

• Friona Homecoming Football Game starting at 6:30 p.m. at Chieftain Field

September 23

• Maize Days Parade at 10:00 a.m. with line-up at 9:00 a.m.

September 25

 Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

September 27

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

September 28

 Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

October 2

• Senior Citizens meal at noon at Senior Citizens Center

October 3

• Packing for Snack Pak 4 Kids at Methodist Church north entrance @ 2:30 p.m.

ON YOUR PAYROLL



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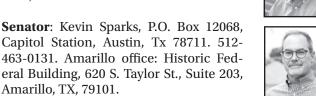
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372-3327, fax 806-342-0327.



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State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



Paxton acquitted on all impeachment counts

Ken Paxton has been reinstated as Texas Attorney General after the Texas Senate on Saturday acquitted him of charges of bribery and misuse of office. Only two Republican senators joined the 12 Democrats in voting to convict him of some of the 16 charges heard by the Senate, with four other charges dismissed by the Senate, The Dallas Morning News reported.

"Today, the truth prevailed," Paxton said in a statement issued immediately after the verdict. "The truth could not be buried by mudslinging politicians or their powerful benefactors."

Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, who presided over the impeachment trial, scolded the House for voting overwhelmingly for impeachment of the embattled attorney general in late May. House Speaker Dade Phelan responded that

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Patrick was "confessing his bias."

"The inescapable conclusion is that today's outcome appears to have been orchestrated from the start, cheating the people of Texas of justice," Phelan said.

Paxton is not out of legal hot water yet. He faces a trial in March on an eight-year-old indictment for securities fraud. He is also the focus of a federal probe into his relationship with developer Nate Paul that led to some of the impeachment charges.

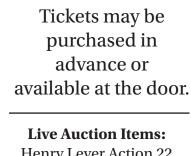
TEA delays release of 2023 accountability ratings

The Texas Education Agency is delaying the release of A-F district and campus accountability ratings for about one month. The ratings were to be released on Sept. 28. The postponement allows for re-examination of "the baseline data used in the calculation of progress to ensure ratings reflect the most appropriate goals for students," the news release said.

The delay is a result of further study being made into the impact of the pandemic on student progress.

"Maintaining high expectations helps guide our efforts to improve student learning and support," said Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath. "The A-F system is designed to properly reflect how well our schools are meeting those high expectations, and the adjustments we are making this year will ensure it continues to serve as a tool for parents and educators to help our students."

Gary Borders is a veteran award-winning Texas journalist. He published a number of community newspapers in Texas during a 30-year span, including in Longview, Fort Stockton, Nacogdoches, Lufkin and Cedar Park. Email: gborders@texaspress.com.



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COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from September 7, 2023 to September 14, 2023

(9/8/23) Gilbert D. Little — Gilbert D. Little — The North One Half of the South One Half of Section 7, Block "C", Rhea Brothers Subdivision, Parmer County

(9/11/23) Frances Katheryn Merritt — Chuck B. Mills, Esmeralda Mills — South 27' of Lot 11 and 12, in Block 66 in the Town of Friona, Parmer County, Texas

(9/11/23) Scarlet River LLC — Jackie Riley Claborn — 160 Acres of Land Being All of the NW/4 of Section No. 30, Block X, W.D. and F.W. Johnson Subdivision

(9/12/23) Jaime Arias — Carrie Sue Arias — Lots 17 and 18 and the South One-Half of Lot 19, of Block 34 of the Original Town of Friona, Parmer County, Texas (9/13/23) Barnabel Lopez, Perla Lopez — Maria

(9/13/23) Barnabel Lopez, Perla Lopez — Maria Lozoya — Lot 10, Block 99, Original Townsite of Friona, Parmer County, Texas

(9/13/23) Frank Murillo — Kevin Ruben Ramirez, Susana Contreras — Beginning at a Rebar set for the NE Corner of this Tract and Said Point being S89 Degrees 10'53 E 3468.46 Ft 2.349 Acre of Land More or Less



SHERIFF'S REPORT

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office: *Eric Geske, Sheriff*

(9/5/23) Rebeca Corral, 52, of Amarillo was arrested by the Department of Public Safety on an Other Agency Warrant for Theft.

(9/5/23) Adrian Munoz, 21, of Farwell was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on PCSO Warrants for UNL Carry Weapon and Possession Marijuana < 2 oz.

(9/6/23) Benjamin A. Castillo, 43, of Dimmitt was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on four PCSO Warrants for Forgery Financial Instrument.

(9/8/23) Edgar A. Chavez-Chavira, 27, of Hereford was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on PCSO Warrants for Possession Marijuana < 20z. DFZ, Del Drug Paraphernalia, and Open Container in Vehicle.

(9/8/23) Juan Carlos Perez Pabloe, 25, of Friona was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of DWI 2nd.

(9/10/23) Fernando Chairez, 26, of Plainview was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of Reckless Driving.

(9/11/23) John Kevin Castillo, 22, of Bovina was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on an Other Agency Warrant for Possession Marijuana < 20z.

(9/13/23) Geovine Barrera Hernandez, 21, of Friona was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on a charge of DWI Duty on Striking Unattended Vehicle.

(9/15/23) Luis Rodelio Ceron Carreno, 41, of Clovis was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office on charges of DWI 2nd, Prohibited Substance in Correction Facility, Possession CS PG1 < 1g.

Come have Fun with us at Malouf's Fabric These are the classes scheduled this summer September 23: Binding Class

October 7: Snowflake Table Topper Class
October 21:

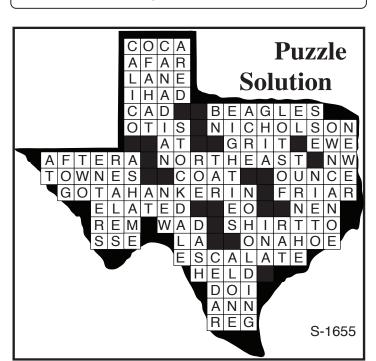
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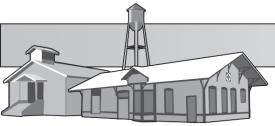
10-4 - Working with Cork Fabrics and Projects

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2.) Click on the
"newspaper archives" link
3.) Search





FCCLA needs your support — FCCLA will be selling homecoming cookies at the homecoming football game Friday night. The organization will also be selling Elotes in the park on Saturday.

Turning Twenty — The Heart Hospital at Northwest Texas Healthcare System will celebrate its 20th anniversary on Thursday, September 21 from 2-3 p.m. at 1501 S. Coulter in the Heart Hospital lobby. Media and members of the community are invited to attend. Since its inception 20 years ago, The Heart Hospital has been dedicated to fighting America's No. 1 killer - heart disease. As a leader in cardiovascular care for the Texas Panhandle community, medical staff and professionals have been bringing the latest technology for patients with cardiovascular diseases.

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Job #1 — Governor Greg

Abbott congratulated

Texans and Texas employers on again leading
all 50 states for annual
jobs growth following
the release of August

employment data by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). Texas added 402,000 nonfarm jobs from August 2022 to August 2023. "Texas leads the nation once again, creating more jobs over the last 12 months than any other state," said Governor Abbott. In August, Texas also again broke all previous records for total jobs, the number of Texans working, and the size of the Texas labor force.

Save The Date — Prairie Acres & Legacy Point will host the 3rd Annual Classic Car & Craft Show on Saturday, October 7th from 9 a.m. till 2 p.m. at 201 E. 15th St. in Friona. Call 806-250-3922 for more details.

Get Ready — Tuesday is Situational Awareness Day. I wonder if the people who celebrate this special day have any idea how the rest of us really feel about them. They have to! Looks like I will be celebrating also. But you already knew that. Enjoy.

Pun Fun — I'm reading

TOWN TALK

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a book about teleportation. It's bound to take me places. Source: www.

pun.me

What Was That!!! — Some sort of semi-tornadic event occurred last Friday evening during the storm that hit Friona and the surrounding area. Lots of damage occurred south and west of Friona from Cargill down to A-Tex Dairy. More information and photos in next week's paper. You can email or text storm photos to the Friona Star.

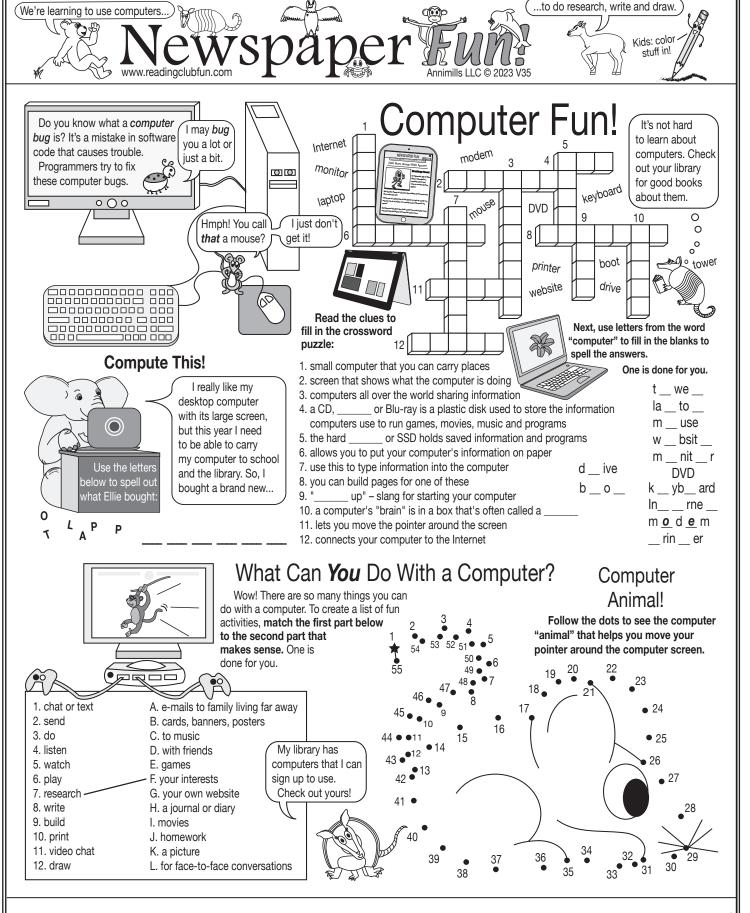
National Days
September 21:
Pecan Cookie Day

September 22:
States & Capitals Day
September 23:
Autumnal Equinox
September 24:
Punctuation Day
September 25:
Quesadilla Day
September 26:
Situational
Awareness Day
September 27:

Day of Forgiveness ★★★



Never Forget — Post Office employees John Torres and Cathy Shields attached a new POW/MIA flag last Monday morning. The flag serves to remind every American of the U.S. service members whose fates were never accounted for during times of war. Civilians are free to fly the POW/MIA flag whenever they wish, and it is commonly flown in front of police stations, fire stations and veterans' organizations across the United States.



Computer Talk!

Let's talk like computers! Computers have their own language called *binary*. It is made up of just two numbers – **0** (zero) and **1** (one). This code lets computers "talk" to each other and exchange information. **Read** the sentences below. Study each underlined code. Use the binary code to match it to the correct number:

- 1. Mom printed 00110 business cards.

 2. Dad played 00010 games.

 3. Sis chatted with 00100 friends.

 4. Grandma sent 01000 emails to family.

 5. Grandpa visited 00101 web sites.

 6. I listened to 00011 songs.

 A. 2

 B. 4

 C. 8

 E. 3
- 011011011011 Yakety-Yakety-Yak!

Binary Code: 00000 = 0 00001 = 1 00010 = 2 00011 = 3 00100 = 4 00101 = 5 00110 = 6 00111 = 7 01000 = 8 and so on...

Small Town Cookin' By Jeri Lynn White

Zucchini and Potato Bake www.allrecipes.com

Ingredients

4 medium potatoes, peeled and cut into large chunks 2 medium zucchini, quartered and cut into large pieces 1 medium red bell pepper, seeded and chopped ½ cup dry breadcrumbs ¼ cup olive oil 1 clove garlic, sliced paprika to taste salt and ground black pepper to taste

Preheat the oven to 400°F. Toss together potatoes, zucchini, red bell pepper, breadcrumbs, olive oil, and garlic in a medium baking pan. Season with paprika, salt, and pepper. Bake in the preheated oven, stirring occasionally, until potatoes are tender and lightly brown, about 1

Check Your Mirrors

By Sue Jane Sullivan



The elements have smiled on us the past week. Chances are you looked outside and smiled back. This weather brings out the best in my snooze button.

The cooler temps and rains have given us a brief reprieve from the hot, dry summer that overcooked our yards, farms, and ranches. Agriculture-based work requires a stamina that some of us cannot fully relate. Unlike most professions, farming especially is a career-choice at the mercy of something beyond control.

Pilots can use their skills to maneuver around or even through turbulence. A rancher may have the means to re-locate cattle to better places to graze. A teacher knows how to adapt to different learning styles. Broadway stars have understudies should they wake up unable to perform.

But a farmer can do everything right 364 days in a year or season only to see it ruined in one day by an uncontrollable force.

All of my grandparents were tied to farming from the 1910s to the 1950s. From dry land cotton farming in Fisher County to working in peach orchards in southwestern Arkansas, the people from whom I descend watched the skies. Porch prayers, as my mother called them, were frequent and unspoken.

Hail, straight-line winds, wildfires, too much rain, a lack of rain, the timing of the rain. These elements stalked my grandparents. A century later, no modern technological advancement has changed the fact that Mother

Nature still gets the final say.

Here on the rolling plains this week, the sound of thunder and rain woke me. All I had to do was hit snooze, stretch, yawn, and smile. It's a luxury most farming families don't get.

The small family farm is one of the last places - they are getting rarer every day - where men and women (and girls and boys, too) can answer that call to be an artist, to learn to give love to the work of their hands. It is one of the last places where the maker - and some farmers still do talk about "making the crops" - is responsible, from start to finish, for the thing made. - farmer, novelist, poet, environmental activist Wendell Berry, Bringing It to the Table: On Farming and Food

Chieftain Yearbooks have arrived



Yearbook Advisor Benjamin Monk (standing) presented the 2023 version of "The Chieftain" to the FISD Board of Directors last Monday evening. The yearbooks are available for \$50 each and you can email Mr. Monk at bmonk@frionaisd.com to place your order. Previous yearbooks are also available for purchase.

Happy Birthday

September 21

Randy McCasland Gail Sifford Nathan Moroney Caroline Estrada Glen Shirley **Kevin Reeves** Zenka Ortiz Abel Portillo

September 22

Casey Renner Paige Baker Aimee Houston **Garrett Tongate** Carly Talley **Heather Turner**

September 23

Hector Sanchez Marisol Posada Lino Contreras

To have your birthdays listed in the newspaper, email them to frionastar@wtrt.net or call: 806.250.5200

September 24

Marie Saiz Mitch Terry Shirley Ferguson Leigh Monroe Jon Douglas Danny Murphree **Barry Procter** Cortlyn Bynum

September 25

Jane Dixon Dr. Robert Alexander Robert Alexander, Jr. Kristen Veggeberg Shayle Swink Victoria Brown

September 26

Mike Chaney Brent Hinkle Rachel Clark Christopher Alexander Phyllis Alexander

> September 27 **Ethel Walker** Mariah Edelmon Richard North



Come & Go Reception

FHS Class of 1968

is celebrating their 55th Reunion

3:00 p.m. till 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 30, 2023

Women's Federated Clubhouse

9th St. & Pierce Ave.

(north of Methodist Church)

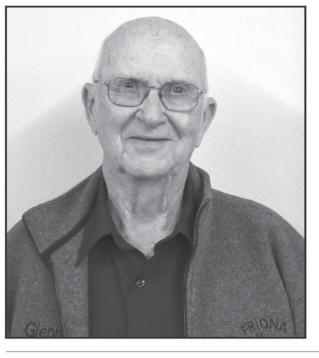
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Obituary



Tomas Olmos Hernandez

Tomas Olmos Hernandez, 70 of Friona passed away September 18, 2023 in Friona. A Celebration of Life Service will be held beginning at 6:00 PM Monday, September 25, 2023 at the Ron Smiley Memorial Chapel of HANSARD FAMILY. Inurnment will be at a later date in Mexico. Cremation arrangements by HANSARD FAMILY Funeral Home of Friona.

Tomas was born March 7, 1953 in Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico to Gregorio Hernandez Zamarron and Carmen Olmos de Hernandez. He is a retiree from Cargill Meat Solutions in Friona.

Tomas loved getting his morning coffee, music, dancing and old cars. He spent most of his time



with friends and family including his nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents Gregorio and Carmen, 14 brothers and sisters, and numerous other family.

Those to mourn his passing include his brothers and sisters-Maria de Jesus Hernandez Barron of El Paso, Maria Refugio Hernandez Olmos of California, Sergio Hernandez Olmos of California, Jose

Luis Hernandez of Amarillo, Andrea Hernandez Olmos of Summerfield, Susana Hernandez Olmos of Guymon, Ok., Elvira Hernandez Olmos of Mexico, Carmen Beatriz Hernandez Olmos of Mexico, Margarita Martinez Olmos of California, Fidel Martinez Olmos of Georgia, Veronica Martinez Olmos of Mexico, Nancy Martinez Olmos of California, niece-Janet Hernandez and husband Luis of Friona, and numerous other family and friends.

You may send blessings to the family and sign the online guest book at: hansardfamily.





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It's an "on" year for the biennial Bippus Homecoming to be held Saturday, September 23 beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the historic old Bippus Church that now serves

as a community building

in western Deaf Smith

By Jim Steiert

County. Registration and group singing get underway at 10:30 a.m. with worship service at 11. Memorials and a business meeting will be held at 11:30, pre-

ceding a potluck covered

dish luncheon at 12:30. Mrs. Mariellen Homfeld, the keeper of the Bippus flame and iconic preparer of tasty treats for rural western Deaf Smith County gatherings, says, "Everyone is invited to come and bring a covered dish and enjoy the day of fellowship and renewing your old memories of the Bippus Community.

The Bippus building may be reached by traveling west of Hereford, turning north on TX 214 and proceeding north past the Walcott School at 4275 TX 214 to County Road 19, then going west about a mile and turning back north.

In recognition of the important history of the Bippus Church, now the Bippus Community Building, a metal sign denoting its history was erected in front of the building at the 2017 Homecoming event noting that the Bippus Church was established in 1930. Top of Texas Millwrights created the sign that was designed by Jeremy Lopez.

The Bippus community is named for George Bippus, who came to northwest Deaf Smith County in 1910. Members of the Bippus family came to Endee, New Mexico by train and traveled into northwest Deaf Smith County with their belongings and livestock. They eventually set up homes in the Bippus vi-

Bippus Homecoming event is Saturday

"My late mother, Flora Homfeld, wrote in the Deaf Smith County history covering 1876 to 1981 that a Bippus School was built about 1914, and a new one-room school was later built about a half mile south of the old school that was later added onto. A community house, located about two miles east of the school. became the church and was later named the present community building. Sunday school and church occurred into the 1930s, and reorganized in 1946. Visiting preachers often filled the pulpit, and the late Gene Brock filled the pulpit from 1967 until 1978 when regular services were discontinued, but the community still gathered for occasions. That's still the case with these reunions," said Jerry Homfeld, resident Bippus farmer, rancher,

and horse trainer. Located in far northwestern Deaf Smith County, the **Bippus** community has generally known the ups and downs of rain-challenged country and was at one time a part of the historic XIT Ranch.

According to Deaf Smith County: the Land and Its People 1876-1981, George Bippus Sr., who came to the US from southern Russia in 1886 at age four, came to the northwest Deaf Smith County area in the spring of 1910 from South Dakota with his daughter, Ernie, and sons Ted, Fred, Bob, Bert, and Curt, eventually building a nine room home with a basement about 1911.

Following harvest of a crop in South Dakota Mrs. George Bippus Sr., Mr. and Mrs. George Bippus Jr. and a daughter, Lillie, and his sisters Helen and Tillie came to Endee, New Mexico by

train bringing livestock and belongings.

While several families tried northwest Deaf Smith County for a time, all except the Bippuses had left Deaf Smith County by 1925, but a number of new families gave the area a try. Many of the family names familiar to that area at the time still persist in northwestern Deaf Smith County in the modern

A school was eventually moved to a site donated by George Bippus and named for him, giving the community is present name. The Bippus, Rutter, Samuelson, Daniel and Swasnik children attended the school. Eventually a new oneroom school was built about half a mile south of the old school, still on Bippus land.

The Bippus community reached a zenith in the late 1920s and early 1930s when a new community house was built two miles east of the school. Numerous dryland famers moved into the area, sowing wheat crops and running cattle.

Sunday school and church were disbanded in the 1930s, but reorganized in 1946 with a number of visiting preachers. Eventually fifth Sunday singings were held for a time and from 1967 until 1978 Gene Brock served as pastor until regular services were discontin-

However, the general Bippus community still gathers for special occasions in the old church building, now the community building, and holds an every other year Homecoming event to celebrate the heritage of northwest Deaf Smith County and the hardy folks who still make homes and a living in that area near the New Mexico border.

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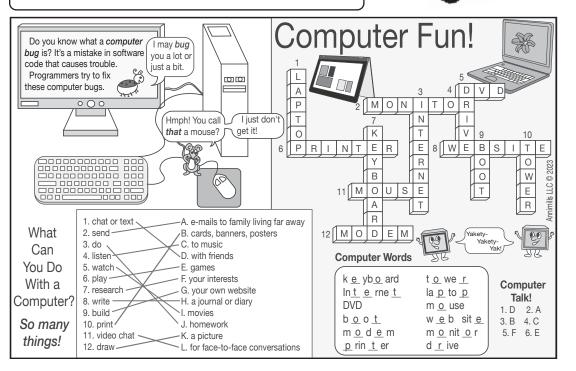
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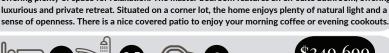
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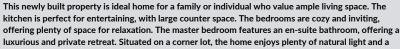


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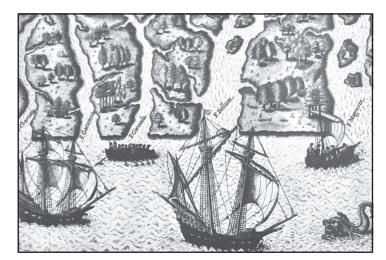
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By John Grimaldi and David Bruce Smith

The British Pilgrims were not the first Europeans to settle in America. According to the Library of Congress, "when the London Company sent out its first expedition to begin colonizing Virginia on December 20, 1606, it was by no means the first European attempt to exploit North America. In 1564...French Protestants (Huguenots) built a colony near what now Jacksonville, Florida. This intrusion did not go unnoticed by the Spanish, who had previously claimed the region..."

A year later, on Sep-



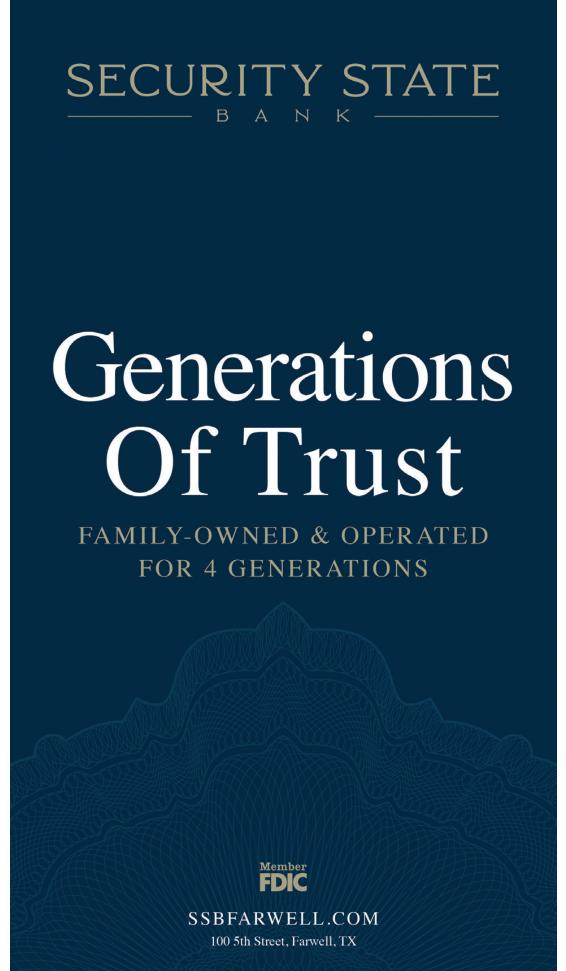
tember 20, 1565, Spanish forces ambushed the French near Jacksonville, Florida. The French then retreated to Quebec and Nova Scotia

For more information, the Grateful American Book Prize suggests The French in Early Florida: In the Eye of the Hurricane by John T. Mcgrath.

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



Inside and Out — Carol (Reeve) Perry (left) gave a presentation at Parmer Medical Center about The Inside Out Foundation. Also in the photo is Rocio Carrasco, PMC's Administrative and Activities Coordinator. She works with Swing Bed Patients. The Inside Out Foundation is a non-profit organization whose mission is to empower & support the traumatic event survivors of a community. Inside and Out. They are celebrating their 11th year of service to the region.





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HPWD Board Adopts Lower Tax Rate

The High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 (HPWD) Board of Directors conducted its regular monthly meeting on September 12, 2023. During the meeting, the Board adopted the 2023 ad valorem tax rate of \$0.0042 per \$100 valuation.

The 2023 adopted tax rate is 10.9% lower than the 2022 tax rate and represents a 9.4% decrease in tax on the homestead average within the HPWD service area. The total tax levy on all properties in HPWD is calculated to decrease by about \$8,250. This is the eighth consecuyear the Board has lowered the ad valorem tax rate.

All truth-in-taxation documents, including the tax rate cal-



culation worksheet, are available at hpwd. org/hpwd-tax-rate.

Created in 1951 by residents and the Texas Legislature, the High Plains Water District works to conserve, preserve, protect, and prevent waste of underground water in aquifers within its 16-county service area. HPWD was the first groundwater conservation district created in Texas.

New services coming soon

On October 1, HPWD will launch a new interactive por-

tal for customers requesting water well permit applications and water well registrations. This service should expedite a request for a permit application or well registration at HPWD. The permit staff will still contact the applicant for a site visit and other related field checks. Please contact Permit Administrator Gray Sanders for more information.

Additionally, HPWD is looking forward to launching a new district website for all information concerning transparency and other items of interest. The new website will include some convenient features that include newsletters, submission of public information requests, and improved accessibility.





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EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS FOR THE NOVEMBER 7, 2023 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION

Proposition Number 1 (HJR 126)

HJR 126 proposes a constitutional amendment to protect a person's right to engage in generally accepted farm, ranch, timber production, horticulture, or wildlife management practices on real property that the person owns or leases. The proposed amendment would not affect the authority of the legislature to authorize the regulation of these practices by: (1) a state agency or political subdivision as necessary to protect the public health and safety from imminent danger; (2) a state agency to prevent a danger to animal health or crop production; or (3) a state agency or political subdivision to preserve or conserve the natural resources of the state under the Texas Constitution. Additionally, the proposed amendment would not affect the legislature's authority to authorize the use or acquisition of property for a public use, including the development of natural resources under the Texas Constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment protecting the right to engage in farming, ranching, timber production, horticulture, and wildlife management."

Proposition Number 2 (SJR 64)

SJR 64 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the governing body of a county or municipality to exempt from property taxation all or part of the appraised value of real property used to operate a child-care facility. The proposed amendment would authorize the governing body to adopt the exemption as a percentage of the appraised value of the property, but that percentage could not be less than 50% of the appraised value of the property. The proposed amendment also would allow the legislature to define the term "child-care facility" and to establish additional eligibility requirements to receive the property tax exemption.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a local option exemption from ad valorem taxation by a county or municipality of all or part of the appraised value of real property used to operate a child-care facility."

Proposition Number 3 (HJR 132)

HJR 132 proposes a constitutional amendment to prohibit the legislature from imposing a tax based on the wealth or net worth of an individual or family. The proposed amendment also would prohibit the legislature from imposing a tax based on the difference between the assets and liabilities of an individual or family.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment prohibiting the imposition of an individual wealth or net worth tax, including a tax on the difference between the assets and liabilities of an individual or family."

Proposition Number 4 (HJR 2- Second Special Session)

HJR 2 proposes a constitutional amendment to modify certain provisions of the Texas Constitution related to property taxes. The proposed amendment would authorize the legislature to temporarily limit the maximum appraised value of real property for property tax purposes in a tax year. The proposed amendment also would increase the mandatory homestead exemption for school district property taxation from \$40,000 to \$100,000. The proposed amendment would require the legislature to provide for a reduction in the amount of the limitation on school district property taxes imposed on the residence homestead of the elderly or disabled. Additionally, the amendment would exempt appropriations not dedicated by the Texas Constitution and used for property tax relief from being considered as appropriations when determining whether the rate of growth of appropriations in a biennium has exceeded the constitutional tax spending limit. The proposed amendment would further authorize the legislature to provide that members serving on an appraisal board in a county with a population of at least 75,000 serve terms not

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to establish a temporary limit on the maximum appraised value of real property other than a residence homestead for ad valorem tax

to exceed four years.

purposes; to increase the amount of the exemption from ad valorem taxation by a school district applicable to residence homesteads from \$40,000 to \$100,000; to adjust the amount of the limitation on school district ad valorem taxes imposed on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect increases in certain exemption amounts; to except certain appropriations to pay for ad valorem tax relief from the constitutional limitation on the rate of growth of appropriations; and to authorize the legislature to provide for a four-year term of office for a member of the board of directors of certain appraisal districts."

Proposition Number 5 (HJR 3)

HJR 3 proposes a constitutional amendment to redesignate the national research university fund as the Texas University Fund (TUF), and to appropriate funds from the economic stabilization fund to the TUF. The proposed amendment would appropriate to the TUF an amount equal to the interest income, dividends, and investment earnings attributable to the economic stabilization fund for the preceding state fiscal year. The appropriation amount could not exceed \$100 million for the state fiscal year beginning September 1, 2023, or an amount adjusted for the increase in the general price index, not to exceed two percent, in subsequent state fiscal years. The proposed amendment also would prohibit any state university that is entitled to participate in dedicated funding provided by Article VII, Section 18 of the Texas Constitution from receiving money from the TUF.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the Texas University Fund, which provides funding to certain institutions of higher education to achieve national prominence as major research universities and drive the state economy."

Proposition Number 6 (SJR 75)

SJR 75 proposes a constitutional amendment to create the Texas water fund. The Texas water fund would be a special fund in the state treasury outside the general revenue fund, administered by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) or its successor to assist in financing water projects in the state. The proposed amendment would direct the Texas water fund administrator to use the fund only to transfer money to other TWDB funds or accounts. The proposed amendment would authorize the legislature to appropriate money for deposit to the water fund to be available for permitted transfers. No further legislative appropriation would be required for the water fund administrator to transfer money from or restore money to the fund, including the transfer of money to or the restoration of money from certain designated TWDB funds and accounts. The water fund would consist of: (1) money transferred or deposited to the fund by general law; (2) other revenue that the legislature by statute dedicates for deposit to the fund; (3) investment earnings and interest earned on amounts credited to the fund; (4) money from gifts, grants, and donations to the fund; and (5) money returned from any authorized transfer. The proposed amendment would require the legislature, by general law, to provide for the manner in which money from the Texas water fund may be used. The proposed amendment also would require that at least 25% of the money initially appropriated to the Texas water fund be transferred to the New Water Supply for Texas Fund.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas water fund to assist in financing water projects in this state."

Proposition Number 7 (SJR 93)

SJR 93 proposes a constitutional amendment to establish the Texas energy fund. The Texas energy fund would be a special fund in the state treasury outside the general revenue fund, administered by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) or its successor. Money in the Texas energy fund could be used, without further appropriation, only by PUC or its successor to provide loans and grants to finance or incentivize the construction, maintenance, modernization, and operation of electric generating facilities necessary to ensure the reliability or adequacy of an electric power grid in the state. The proposed amendment would require PUC to allocate money from the fund for loans and grants

to eligible projects for electric generating facilities that serve as backup power sources and in each region of the state that is part of an electric power grid in proportion to that region's load share. The Texas energy fund would consist of: (1) money credited, appropriated, or transferred to the fund by or as authorized by the legislature; (2) revenue that the legislature dedicates for deposit to the fund; (3) the returns received from the investment of the money in the fund; and (4) gifts, grants, and donations contributed to the fund

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the Texas energy fund to support the construction, maintenance, modernization, and operation of electric generating facilities."

Proposition Number 8 (HJR 125)

HJR 125 proposes a constitutional amendment to create the broadband infrastructure fund. The broadband infrastructure fund would be a special fund in the state treasury outside the general revenue fund, administered by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (Comptroller). Money from the fund could be used, without further appropriation, only for the expansion of access to and adoption of broadband and telecommunications services. The broadband infrastructure fund would consist of: (1) money transferred or deposited to the fund by the Texas Constitution, general law, or the General Appropriations Act; (2) revenue that the legislature by general law dedicates for deposit to the fund; (3) investment earnings and interest earned on money in the fund; and (4) gifts, grants, and donations to the fund. The proposed amendment would authorize the Comptroller to transfer money from the broadband infrastructure fund to another fund as provided by general law, and the state agency that administers the fund to which any money is transferred could use the money without further appropriation only for the expansion of access to and adoption of broadband and telecommunications services. The broadband infrastructure fund would expire on September 1, 2035, unless extended by adoption of a joint resolution of the legislature. Immediately before the expiration of the fund, the Comptroller would be required to transfer any unexpended and unobligated balance remaining in the broadband infrastructure fund to the general

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the broadband infrastructure fund to expand high-speed broadband access and assist in the financing of connectivity projects."

revenue fund.

Proposition Number 9 (HJR 2)

HJR 2 proposes a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to provide a cost-of-living adjustment to eligible annuitants of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS). The proposed amendment also would authorize the legislature to appropriate money from the general revenue fund to the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts to pay the cost-of-living adjustment.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the 88th Legislature to provide a cost-of-living adjustment to certain annuitants of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas."

Proposition Number 10 (SJR 87)

SJR 87 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to exempt from property taxation tangible personal property held by a medical or biomedical manufacturer as a finished good or used in the manufacturing or processing of medical or biomedical products.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation equipment or inventory held by a manufacturer of medical or biomedical products to protect the Texas healthcare network and strengthen our medical supply chain."

Proposition Number 11 (SJR 32)

SJR 32 proposes a constitutional amendment to expand the authority of the legislature

with regard to conservation and reclamation districts in El Paso County. The Texas Constitution permits conservation and reclamation districts in certain counties across the state to issue bonds to fund the development and maintenance of parks and recreational facilities but does not currently provide this authority to El Paso County. The proposed amendment would add conservation and reclamation districts in El Paso County to those districts currently allowed, if authorized by general law, to issue bonds supported by property taxes to fund the development and maintenance of parks and recreational facilities. The proposed amendment would not limit the powers of the legislature or of a conservation and reclamation district with respect to parks and recreational facilities as those powers currently exist.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit conservation and reclamation districts in El Paso County to issue bonds supported by ad valorem taxes to fund the development and maintenance of parks and recreational facilities."

Proposition Number 12 (HJR 134)

HJR 134 proposes a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of County Treasurer in Galveston County. The amendment would authorize the Galveston County Commissioners Court to employ or contract with a qualified person or designate another county officer to perform any functions that would have been performed by the County Treasurer. The proposed amendment would take effect only if a majority of the voters of Galveston County voting on the proposition favor the amendment.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the abolition of the office of county treasurer in Galveston County."

Proposition Number 13 (HJR 107)

HJR 107 proposes a constitutional amendment to increase the mandatory retirement age for state justices and judges. Currently, the Texas Constitution establishes that justices and judges of the appellate courts, district courts, and criminal district courts must retire on the expiration of the term during which they reach the age of 75 years or an earlier age, not less than 70 years, as the legislature may prescribe. The proposed amendment would change the mandatory retirement age for justices and judges of the appellate courts, district courts, and criminal district courts to 79 years or an earlier age, not less than 75 years, as the legislature may prescribe. The proposed amendment also would remove the provision stating that justices and judges may only serve until December 31 of their fourth year in office if they reach the age of 75 years in the first four years of a six-year term.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to increase the mandatory age of retirement for state justices and judges."

Proposition Number 14 (SJR 74)

SJR 74 proposes a constitutional amendment to establish the centennial parks conservation fund as a trust fund outside the state treasury. The fund could be used, in accordance with general law, only for the creation and improvement of state parks. The centennial parks conservation fund would consist of: (1) money appropriated, credited, or transferred to the fund by the legislature; (2) gifts, grants, and donations received by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) or its successor for a purpose for which money in the fund may be used; and (3) investment earnings and interest earned on amounts credited to the fund. The proposed amendment would authorize the legislature to appropriate money from the centennial parks conservation fund to TPWD or its successor for the creation and improvement of state parks.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the centennial parks conservation fund to be used for the creation and improvement of state parks."

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Retired teachers discuss Prop 9

The Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel organization met on Monday, September 11th at the 6th Street Church of Christ fellowship hall in Friona. Jimmy Burns, Friona ISD Superintendent, gave an update on safety issues concerning the district and mandates set by the Texas legislature.

A discussion concerning Proposition

#9 was led by Doneice Ray of Amarillo, who is the Region 16 Legislative Affairs Representative for the State of Texas.

All of the propositions that are on the ballot for the November 7th Constitutional Amendment Election are listed on page 10. The listing includes an explanatory statement for each proposition.

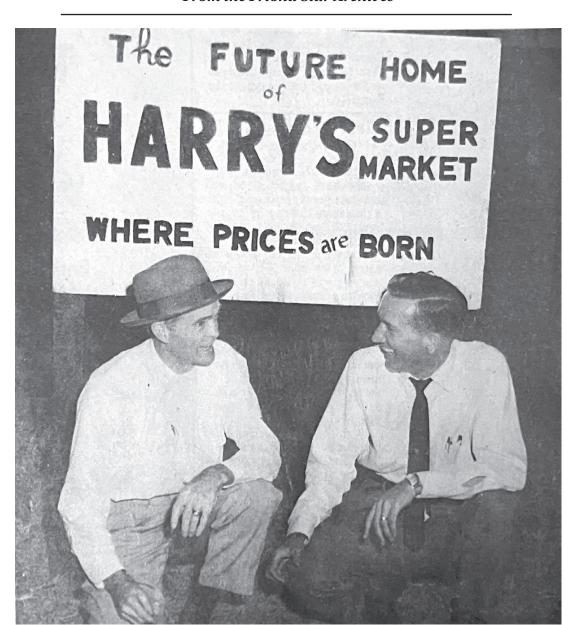


In the photo — PCRTSP members Amelia Wright, Annette Frye, Tina Sides, and Dale Mann display yard signs for the upcoming election.



FRIONA FLASHBACKS

From the Friona Star Archives



DISCUSS FOOD STORE . . . S.S. Prichard, left, and Harry Brown kneel in front of a sign on Prichard's land on North Main, where Brown will operate a super market to be completed in the next 60 days. Prichard will own the building, and lease it to Brown. (Friona Star, Thursday, September 26, 1963)



Lions Club News



Wendy Case was the guest speaker at the Noon Lions Club meeting last Monday at The Farmwife Kitchen restaurant. Wendy is the Family & Community Health Extension Agent for Parmer County. In her presentation, she stressed that most chronic diseases can be prevented by eating a healthy diet and being physically active. For more information call 806-251-5120. In the photo — Wendy Case and Lions Club Sweetheart Amy Montana.

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> CITY OF FRIONA, TEXAS By: Leander Davila City Manager



Sports



TDs Avg

5.1

2.5

6.0

12.0

0.0

1.0



Varsity Volleyball



7th Grade Football



8th Grade Football



JV Football

Friona 7 Dalhart 21

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

Rushing Stats

0 Carson Seaman

4 Cade Seaman

3 Damian Sanchez

10 Jameson Daniels

14 Johnny Gonzales

58 Erik Jaramillo

53 Garcia, Mario58 Jaramillo, Erik

74 Rodriguez, Aaron 2 1

D — Cole Kelso 21 yard run (Angel Avalos PAT good) **2nd Quarter**

D — Kyler Read 1 yard run (Angel Avalos PAT good)

3rd Quarter F — Cade Seaman 4 yard run (Isaac Olmos PAT good)

4th Quarter

D — Kyler Read 3 yard run (Angel Avalos PAT good)

Carries

15

Yards

77

133

12

1

	Rushing Totals:		42			228			5.4	
	Receiving Stats		Receptions		Yards		TD	s	Avg	
1	Isaac Olmos	1			4		0		4.0	
2 Brice Jeter		1			22		0	2	22.0	
4 Cade Seaman		3			15		0		5.0	
	Receiving Totals:		5		41		0	0 8.2		
	Passing Stats	ts Comp		Att	Yards		7	'Ds	INTs	
0	Carson Seaman	5 Extra Pt		16	41			0	2	
	Kicking Stats			Att	F		Field Goal			
1	Isaac Olmos	1		1		0				
	Defensive Stats	UN	AST.	TOT	TFL	FR	FC	IN'	T SACK	
1	Olmos, Isaac	4	3	7	2	-	-	-	1	
3	Sanchez, Damian	5	11	16	-	-	-	-	-	
8	Arias, Joaquin	3	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	
10	Daniels, Jameson	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	
11	Garcia, Jorge	2	4	6	0.5	-	-	-	-	
14	Gonzalez, Johnny	3	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	
15	Ramos, Gabriel	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	
17	Rocha, Abram	-	7	7	0.5	-	-	-	0.5	
21	Alvidrez, Jose	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	
28	Ally, Deiter	3	6	9	0.5	-	-	-	0.5	
33	Munoz, Edwin	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	
50	Quezada, Diego	2	2	0.5						

Yards allowed; Rushing 197, Passing 55, Total 252

Sports News

High School Football

The Chieftains fell to 0-3 for the year with a 21-7 loss to Dalhart. Friona outgained Dalhart 269-252 in total yardage but could not put points on the board. Cade Seaman rushed for 133 yards and scored Friona's only touchdown. Damian Sanchez led the defense with 16 tackles and Dieter Ally added 9 tackles. The Chiefs host Farwell this week for Homecoming on Friday evening starting at 7:00 p.m. with pre-game events beginning at 6:30 p.m. On Thursday night, the bonfire pep rally will begin shortly after the conclusion of the Junior Varsity game which should be finished around 9:45 p.m.

Junior High Football

The 7th grade Braves moved to 1-1 for the season by defeating Dalhart 20-12 last week at Chieftain Field. Marcelo Leon scored on a 65 yard pass play from Eli Rosales. The conversion failed. Leon recorded Friona's second touchdown with a 83 yard kickoff return. Rosales ran for the 2 point conversion. The final touchdown was courtesy of a Andrew Marquez 57 yard run. The conversion failed. Marquez had 56 yards rushing to lead the team. On defense, Aaden Delgadillo had an interception and Rosales had the game clinching interception.

The 8th Braves moved to 2-0 for the season as they topped Dalhart 36-8 last week at Chieftain Field. Hector Aguirre scored the first touchdown on a 6 yard run. The conversion failed. Next, Octavio Arias rushed for a 44 yard touchdown and Nate Padilla ran for the 2 point conversion. The third touchdown was on a Jeremy Polk 18 yard run with Aguirre running for the 2 point conversion. Padilla scored next on a 46 yard run but the conversion failed. Arias capped the scoring with a 7 yard run and Padilla ran for his second 2 point conversion of the game. Octavio Arias had 122 yards rushing to lead the team. Hector Aguirre added 112 rushing yards. On defense, Jorge Castillo and JD Villegas each had a fumble recovery.

The 7th, 8th, and JV teams will all play Farwell this week at Chieftain Field. Games will start at 5 p.m.

Cross Country

The Cross Country teams will compete in the Lubbock ISD Invitational meet on Saturday at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock. This will be the venue for the district and regional events to be held in a few weeks.

High School Volleyball

The Friona Squaws are 22-7 for the season and are ranked #17 in the latest Texas Girls Coaches Association poll. Bushland is ranked #8 and Denver City #9. This week, all three teams will begin district play at Bushland on Saturday at 11/12/1. Next week they will host Dalhart on Tuesday evening with games at 5/5/6.

Junior High Volleyball

The 7AB/8AB Maidens will host Dimmitt on Monday evening, September 25th. Games start at 5:00 p.m.

#6. Don't Murder

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

The Ten Commandments are one of the most well known biblical truths, which were a huge influence on the founding of our country, forming our legal code and are essential if a society will flourish under a rule of law that discerns what is right and wrong. The Bible records the Ten Commandments in Exodus 20 and Deuteronomy 5, and the first four commandments deal with one's relationship toward God and the last six focus on relating to others.

Commandment #6 is clear in saying, "You shall not murder." The malicious taking of another person's life is a serious crime that calls for the death penalty (Gen 9), because life is valued and precious to God and should be to us. Unfortunately, our culture does not value life as it should, which is why babies are murdered in their mother's womb, and the elderly are increasingly seen from a utilitarian lens based on perceived usefulness, instead of their intrinsic value as people created in God's image. Jesus even took this commandment to a heart level in Matthew 5 where Jesus equates anger and hatred toward someone to murder in God's eyes. In other words, murdering and having hateful thoughts toward another person is sinful and unacceptable before God, although the physical action doesn't take place. How quick we can forget that God looks at the heart, and that the push of the sixth commandment is away from murder, but toward valuing and protecting life, all human life. That includes babies in the womb, the elderly at the nursing home, liberals, conservatives, democrats, republicans, Baptists, Methodists and any other group you can think of. Life is a gift of God, even though our lives are broken because of sin, but thankfully Jesus provides eternal and abundant life to all who follow Him.

Panhandle Parables

Pick Me, Pick Me!

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

It was 6th grade and one of the highlights in 6th grade was getting to play dodge ball during PE. Being the smallest in the class, I had often endured the picking of teams and being picked last. I understood, I looked like I was in 2nd grade, not 6th. Yet like every other kid inside I was yelling "pick me, pick me." Then one day I wasn't even paying attention, because the teacher had just chosen the captains. There was a kid in our class that was tall, athletic and popular. Out of the clear blue sky, he picked me first. Wait, what? I know, three or four other kids had to tell me, "He picked you." I played

dodgeball that day like a valiant warrior ten times my size (which I think made me a regular sized 6th grader).

That moment of encouragement is likely not remembered by my friend. But one I never forgot. 6th grade is tough and you just want to belong. You want to know you are not invisible. You want to matter.

You do matter more than you know. I can not read Ephesians chapter 1 without thinking of my friend Kevin Frye. Paul, speaking to a bunch of gentile Christians who didn't feel they belonged, says "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, [4] even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him." (Ephesians 1:3-4 ESV)

When did God choose us? "before the foundation of the world..." This message in the Bible tells you just how much you matter, how much you belong. If you do not know this, come see me. If you are a Christian, then know this is part of your message and life, to pick those that the world has thrown away and let them know they belong. "Pick me, pick me!" He already did.

Will Your Visit Be Good or Bad?

By Teena Hughs

Nature can be cruel to nature. We had a deer we believe was an orphan. He had a split ear so we named him Split Ear. He wasn't as strong as other deer, but he was a sweetheart! He would come to the house for feedings twice a day. One day, he didn't come, and we never saw him again. We think something "got" Split Ear.

We were gone over the weekend, and when we came home Sunday, one of our Friona cats was gone, and we haven't seen her since. We think someone threw her out of a moving vehicle in front of our house in Friona. Her hips were broken, and thanks to Feller feeding her, she lived. She couldn't move quickly, and we think something got her.

Why does this happen? With animals, it is nature, cruel nature, but nature nonetheless. Whatever captured Split Ear and Calli may be captured by something bigger and stronger than they are; truthfully, I hope they are!!! It is "survival of the fittest" in animal kingdoms, and strength overpowers weakness.

People in power sometimes pick on smaller, more vulnerable, less powerful people. The wealthy buy businesses and increase their wealth because they are less of a risk than someone just starting out and trying to own a business. In schools, bullies pick on smaller, weaker

So, why do people treat others like this? Some will say it is "survival of the fittest", like with animals. Others will say it is one of the benefits of being on the "top rung of the ladder". Still, others will say you've earned being at the top of the "pecking order", so you have the right to treat people like you want.

With people, it is a choice. Some people love power, wealth, fame, being the toughest, meanest kid in school. They spend their entire lives doing what they think they have to do to be the top dog at whatever station of life they are at. Sadly, some people spend their entire lives becoming the person they want to be, and it doesn't matter who they have to step on and smash like a bug, or hurt, or humiliate to become that person.

I have never understood why people enjoy having power over others and dominating them. People may become wealthy, powerful, the very best at whatever they do but, would God like how they have done it? Would God approve of tearing others down to get to become the person they want to be? Is that how God wants you to live so that you become the person you desire to be? And, is the person you want to be the person God desires you to be?

In the end, we all take the same thing with us when we depart this earth and go face Jesus. We don't take money, titles, land, power, etc. We take what we have done here on earth, and we will give an accounting for it. It will either be a good visit with Jesus or it won't be. It is our choice as to what kind of visit it will be. Hopefully, we will all have wonderful visits with Jesus! Take care, and have a great week!

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