



Cheeseburger Festival Countdown:

44 DAYS

Cheeseburger festival is July 20, 2024

New Location for Blood Drive on June 12th



DONORS CAN GO FOR GOLD!

Be part of a winning team of lifesavers.

The Friona Noon Lions Club is sponsoring a Friona Community Blood Drive on Wednesday, June 12th from Noon until 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center located at 1410 N. Washington.

Step 1

To schedule an appointment, visit obi.org or call toll free 1-877-340-8777. You may also just walk in on the day of the drive. You can call 806-265-5200 on the day of the drive to check on wait times.

Step 2

Photo ID is required. You must be at least 17 years old to donate. Donors that are 16 may donate with a signed parental consent form.

Step 3

You will answer a few questions about your health history and places you've traveled and about any prescription and/or over the counter medications that may be in your system. Use Donor Express at www.thegiftoflife.org to save time by completing your questions online on May 12th only before arriving to donate or while you are waiting to donate.

Step 4

A specialist will check your temperature, pulse, blood pressure and hemoglobin level. You will then be ready to donate. You will be asked if you would like to donate a single unit or a double.

Step 5

Donors will receive a T-shirt, a WOW pass to Wonderland Park, a squeeze cow, a coupon for a gallon of milk, and a pint of Blue Bell ice cream in celebration of National Dairy Month!

Donors will also be treated to a free hamburger courtesy of the Friona Noon Lions Club and Holy Smokes BBQ.



Senior Citizen's Center
1410 N. Washington



Holy Smokes is providing free hamburgers for all donors

FHS musicians compete at state contest in Austin

Members of the Friona High School Band and Friona High School Choir traveled to Austin at the end of last month to compete in the Texas State Solo-Ensemble Contest on May 25th and 26th at multiple sites in the Austin area. The Woodwinds, Brass, and Percussion events were held at Hendrickson High School. The Voice, Strings, Piano, and Twirling events were held at Kelly Lane Middle School. Both schools are part of the Pflugerville Independent School District.

Students earning a Division One Rating at the region competition are eligible to advance to the UIL State Solo and Ensemble Contest. It is an opportunity for student musicians to perform in front of a professional judge and receive feedback. The student/ensemble receives a rating based on the quality of their performance, but they do not compete against other students. Instrumental Solos and Ensembles may be read from a score. Vocal Solos and Ensembles must be memorized.

Recent FHS graduates Amy Montana and Andres Piñon each received a 1 rating for their vocal solo performances. Andres was also recognized as an Outstanding Performer. This award represents the attainment by an individual of superior musicianship as demonstrated in the exacting competition of the Texas State Solo-Ensemble Contest.

Congratulations to all participants for their hard work which earned them the right to compete at



Amy Montana
Vocal Soloist | Rating: 1



Andres Piñon
Vocal Soloist | Rating: 1
Outstanding Performer

the state level. Also, special thanks to band director Chris Rackley and choir director Caisey Fowler for their efforts and guidance in training their musicians during the past school year.

The following is a list of the participants and the rating they received in parenthesis

Band Results

Valeria Corrales—Bb Clarinet Solo (3); Michael Alvarez, Amy Montana, Ramon Ortiz, Aubree Salas, Kayson Stanberry, Jarrett White—Brass Sextet (3); Reagan Daniels—Keyboard Percussion Solo (2); Yvonne Legarreta—Keyboard Percussion Solo (4); Reagan Daniels— Multiple Percussion Solo (2).

Choir Results

Karen Morales—Vocal Solo (2); Merary Salinas—Vocal Solo (2); Gabriel Rocha—Vocal Solo (2); David McGaughy—Vocal Solo (2); Gabriel Martinez—Vocal Solo (2); Andres Gutierrez—Vocal Solo (3); Abigail Marquez—Vocal Solo (2); Reagan Daniels—Vocal Solo (2); Amy Montana—Vocal Solo (1); Ellie Galaviz—Vocal Solo (2); Caydee Humphrey—Vocal Solo (2); Emily Anderson—Vocal Solo (3); Vana Stanberry—Vocal Solo (3); Andres Piñon—Vocal Solo (1) Outstanding Performer; Evan Snyder—Vocal Solo (DNA); Janathan Vasquez—Vocal Solo (2); Reagan Daniels, Ellie Galaviz, Caydee Humphrey, Amy Montana, Merary Salinas, Naara Saucedo— Treble Small Ensemble (3).

SDW turns 55 this year

Friona Fine Arts Council's Summer Drama Workshop is back for its 55th season. The "boot camp" for actors, actresses, crew members, and directors is scheduled for July 8-20 in the Friona High School Auditorium.

Registration is just \$25 per child for the entire 2 weeks and will take place on Monday, July 8th prior to the beginning of each rehearsal. Public performances are scheduled for July 19-20 and will be announced at a later date.

Elementary Play

Elementary play cast members will rehearse from 9 a.m. until noon each day in the FHS auditorium. This age group includes those who have completed Kindergarten through those who have completed the 5th grade.

Junior High Play



Action from the Elementary performance of "The Big Bad Musical" at last year's Summer Drama Workshop.

Cast members of the Junior High Play will rehearse from 1:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. each day in the FHS auditorium. This age group includes those who have completed the 6th grade through those who have completed the 8th

grade.

High School Play

High School Play cast members will rehearse from 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. each day in the FHS auditorium. This age group includes those who have completed the 9th grade

through those who have completed the 12th grade.

Questions?

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jaime Lewellen at 806-206-0743 or jaimiedlewellen@gmail.com

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Community Calendar

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

June 6
• Smothered Pork Chops at Noon Meal @ Senior Center

June 7
• Caregiver Meeting hosted by Bluebonnet Home Health and Hospice from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at Legacy Pointe

June 10
• Alfredo Pasta at Noon Meal @ Senior Center

June 12
• Friona Community Blood Drive from Noon to 7 p.m. at Senior Center
• Library Book Shop at 618 Euclid is open from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

June 13
• Carne Asada at Noon Meal @ Senior Center

June 14
• Flag Day

June 16
• Father's Day



Chamber Business Spotlight

Presented by the Friona Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture



This week we highlight **Bi-Wize Pharmacy**, proudly serving as the sole pharmacy in Friona. Bi-Wize offers prescriptions, over-the-counter medications vaccines and other health and wellness products. They ensure that customers have access to the medical care they need. In addition to being a pharmacy Bi-Wize also features a unique selection of quality furniture, making it convenient for you to shop for your health needs and home furnishing under one roof. Understanding the importance of convenience, Bi-Wize offers delivery services for both medicine and furniture, within a certain mile radius. Visit Bi-Wize today to experience the best care from the friendly staff who are always ready to assist you with all your needs.

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Hours of Operation:
Monday-Friday 9 AM - 6 PM
Saturday 9 AM - Noon

Phone:
(806) 250 -2270

Sales Tax Revenue Exceeded \$4B in May

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced that state sales tax revenue totaled \$4.01 billion in May, 4.5 percent more than in May 2023. The majority of May sales tax revenue is based on sales made in April and remitted to the agency in May.

“Monthly state sales tax collections soundly exceeded collections from last May, contrary to signs of slowing spending in recent months,” Hegar said. “Growth in receipts occurred for almost all major sectors.”

“Receipts from the major sectors driven by business spending, with the exception of the mining sector, were up compared with a year ago.

Receipts from consumer spending-driven retail trade were up, led by online merchants, while receipts from live entertainment services also grew. Receipts from restaurants grew at slightly below the rate of inflation for food away from home.”

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in May 2024 was up 2.2 percent compared with the same period a year ago. Sales tax is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 57 percent of all tax collections.

Texas collected the following revenue from other major taxes: (1) motor vehicle sales and rental taxes — \$633 million, up 6 percent from May 2023; (2) motor fuel taxes — \$325 million, down 4 percent from May 2023; (3) oil production tax — \$556 million, up 12 percent from May 2023; (4) natural gas production tax — \$180 million, down 9 percent from May 2023; (5) hotel occupancy tax — \$71 million, down 1 percent from May 2023; and, (6) alcoholic beverage taxes — \$152 million, down 3 percent from May 2023.

Fiscal 2024 franchise tax collections totaled \$6.38 billion year-to-date through May. Compared with collections through May 2023, year-to-date franchise tax collections were up 2.6 percent, higher than what was projected in the Comptroller’s 2024-25 Certification Revenue Estimate.



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ACROSS
1 TXism: “ ___ day” (Saturday)
5 Eden newspaper
6 this Ratliff played a year for the San Antonio Spurs
7 TXism: “horny ___”
8 ___ cup
9 fed. agcy. before it was the FAA
12 “it wasn’t ___ as I expected”
17 an issue in presidential elections
19 “behind the ___”
21 containing iron
22 TXism: “that bucket won’t ___ milk” (unacceptable)
23 ___ laca (the Mexican pheasant, also in Texas)
28 TXism: “siestas”
29 TX-born Robin Wright 1992 film with Robin Williams
30 profession
31 TXism: “he’s wound tighter than an ___-day clock”
35 Cameron is the seat of this county
36 hotel built in 1900 by the SMS brand for visitors (2 wds.)
42 this has been used for cartel money laundering (2 wds.)
44 this “Buck” was born in Sherman
46 TXism: “desirable as ___ in hell”
48 parsley family plants with aromatic seeds
49 TX George H.W. nominated this Thomas for the Supreme Court (init.)
50 earlier call sign for KFC in Sherman
51 flower droop
52 indicating academic perf. at Texas universities
53 snakelike Gulf fishes
54 TXism for “northerners”
56 oxidize
57 once the Astros third base, Caminiti
58 TX-born Stone of the “Family Stone”

DOWN
1 TXism: “you can ___ that” (certain)
2 “I don’t have ___ in the matter”
3 TXism: “ ___ doesn’t fall far from the tree”
4 Granbury is the seat of this county
9 TXism: “build a ___ before you buy chickens” (plan)
10 Six Flags, Joyland, and SeaWorld, e.g. (2 wds.)
11 early Native Americans in east Texas
12 TX Mary Kay ___
13 SMU grad who won silver at 1992 Olympics (2 wds.)
14 A.H. ___ founded The Dallas Morning News in 1885
15 this Bean won 1986 Byron Nelson Golf Classic in Texas
16 rattlesnake casas gun group (abbr.)
20 TX Buddy Holly’s “It’s ___ Easy”
23 TV captioning (abbr.)
24 TXism: “ ___ on the hoof” (hog)
25 oil drilling equipment (2 wds.)
37 “nip and ___”
38 lots of rain creates ___ day
39 Dolly’s “ ___ Always Love You”
40 bird casas
41 dir. from Eden to Baird
43 Santa’s word
45 pos. of Rangers’ Corey Seager
47 historic ___ Episcopal building in Lockhart
48 Brewster is ___ Texas county
55 Snyder AM/FM

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Life Lessons

"His bravery was his undoing. He lost to a rattlesnake, but his face was towards it."

O. O. McIntyre
1884 - 1938

As told to Will Rogers

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COURTHOUSE NOTES

Susie Spring, County Clerk

Warranty Deeds recorded at the Parmer County Clerk's Office from May 23, 2024 to May 30, 2024

(5/23/24) Jesus Rueda, Margarita Rueda — Nicolas Vela, Teresa Rueda — All of the Southwesterly 80 Feet of Lot 1, of Block 91, of the Original Town of Bovina, Parmer County

(5/23/24) Wendy Harris, Shelia Smith — Jose Guevara, Amelia Rose Sandoval — Lot 9 and W 5' of Lot 10, Block 6, Staley Addition Unit No. 3 City of Friona, Parmer County, Texas

(5/23/24) Chad Harmon, Blackcross Commodities LLC — Chad Harmon, H and H Entertainment Properties LLC — Block B Lot N Part of E/2 of Section 33, Acres 245 and Parmer County

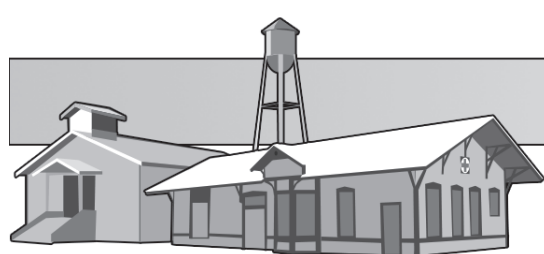
(5/23/24) Covenant Farms Inc — Michael Leon Ware, Dana Leigh Ware — All of the S/2 of Section 38, Block B, Capitol Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas

(5/24/24) H and H Entertainment Properties LLC — ADT Cattle LLC — 2 Tracts of Land in E/2 Section 33, Block B, Capitol Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas

(5/24/24) Richard Lee Conley, Shirley Jean Conley, Trustees of the Conley Family Living Trust — Richard Lee Conley, Shirley Jean Conley — All of the N/2 of Section 3, Block R, John R. Sullivan Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas (317 Acres); All of the N/2 of Section 5, Block 5, Block R, John R. Sullivan Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas (320 Acres)

(5/28/24) Suzahn Horton — Mighty Mule LLC — A 2.096 Acre Tract of Land within the Burton Addition, Lots 1-6, Block 12, and Lot 4-6, Block 11, Addition to City of Farwell, Parmer County

(5/29/24) Robert F. Perry Jr. — Kody Carson, Kimbra Carson — East Part of the West 1/2 of Section 32, Block 0-2, Lamb, Texas



TOWN TALK

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Prairie Acres News — Katherine Smith is the Prairie Acres Resident of the Month for May. Employee of the Month is Eve Lopez. She is a charge nurse and joined the staff in March of 2022.

★★★

Legacy Pointe News — Save the Date for another fun night of BINGO at Legacy Pointe. The action begins at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 27th.

★★★

Say cheese — Get in the cheeseburger spirit by purchasing a Cheeseburger Chase Passport for \$15 at the Chamber office. Next, go to the 5 Official Cheeseburger Stops and buy & try their specialty cheeseburger. They will stamp your passport. Take your completed passport to the Chamber office and receive a free wristband for the Festival on July 20th and a T-shirt.

★★★

Gas Buddy — According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Texas was priced at \$2.43 while the most expensive

was \$3.99 per gallon. The national average price of gasoline fell 5.8 cents last week, averaging \$3.50 per gallon. The national average price of diesel fell 1.8 cents in the last week and stands at \$3.82 per gallon. It's very likely we'll continue to see gas prices fall as we approach July 4th, said Patrick De Haan, head of petroleum analysis at GasBuddy.

★★★

Volunteers needed — volunteers are needed for Kidz Building Camp in July. Call Erika at 806-773-8598 for more information.

★★★

Texas Facts — Texas has more tornadoes than any other state, with 132 per year on average. Source: funworldfacts.com

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Big Cross Event — An exciting event has been scheduled at the Big Cross in Groom, Texas. It will be a gathering to pray, worship, and intercede for the panhandle of Texas. Hosted by Awaken the Dawn-Texas Panhandle, this event will start **Thursday, June 20th at**

4 p.m. and end Saturday, June 22nd at 10 pm.

All denominations, colleges, young people, and every generation are invited to come pray to Jesus at the cross. Each county will have a designated time at the cross to lead worship and prayer, but county residents are encouraged to come whenever they are able.

It is believed that because of this event, the glory of God will cover the panhandle, spark revival and change the atmosphere across Texas and beyond. The first Awaken the Dawn event was held at the National Mall in 2017, resulting in countless testimonies, the gospel being preached, and lives being impacted for the kingdom of God. More details upcoming.

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National Days

- June 6 — D-Day
- June 7 — Doughnut Day
- June 8 — Best Friends Day
- June 9 — Frosted Cookie Day
- June 10 — Iced Tea Day
- June 11 — Corn on the Cob Day
- June 12 — Red Rose Day

Newest Panhandle weather tracking system-StrikeNet Pantex develops weather app

When it comes to weather in the Texas Panhandle, what's happening at one location may be completely different than conditions only a few miles away. For the more than 4,500+ Pantex employees, weather onsite can be vastly different than what is occurring at their homes.

As the nation's primary assembly, disassembly, and life-extension center for nuclear weapons, weather events at Pantex can impact both workers and production, so having access to real-time meteorological data across the entire region is paramount to everyone's safety.

To address regional weather events, Pantex Meteorologist Steve Kersh is working with school districts and private landowners to refurbish and upgrade area-wide weather stations formerly maintained by a local TV station. These sites include new weather and lightning-detection software providing real-time data on wind speed, temperature,

rainfall, and lightning from each location, which is now available to the public on the StrikeNet website at <https://strikenet-tx.com>.

Pantex also initiated development of the StrikeNet weather app, which is free and available to the public on Google Play and the App Store.

On both the StrikeNet website and app, all available weather data are listed in its drop-down menu. For example, when lightning maps are enabled, the strikes are represented by the lightning symbol, with the most current strikes in the red circle and the estimated distance from Pantex indicated on the symbol itself.

"Severe weather can have a direct impact on Pantex operations, both from a safety standpoint for our employees and for our mission. Enhancing capabilities that track weather events to specific locations using our newly developed sensors is a huge step forward for

the site and our surrounding area," said Pantex Site Manager Colby Yeary.

Initially, ten sites signed up to the StrikeNet network including schools, homes, ranches, and businesses, with an additional 11 sites quickly added. School officials indicate that the lightning detection data would be used to help with determining whether to seek shelter if and when thunderstorms approach during regular school hours and extracurricular events, while ranchers and farmers can access real-time weather conditions aiding in crop and livestock production.

Pantex views StrikeNet as an opportunity to offer accurate and localized weather information to Texas Panhandle residents, internet users, and weather station owners at no cost.

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For more information on each site, visit www.pantex.energy.gov or www.y12.doe.gov. Follow Y-12 on Facebook, X, and LinkedIn. Follow Pantex on Facebook, X, and LinkedIn.



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June 22: Machine Applique Class

July 13: Beginning Sewing

July 19 and 20: Handi Quilter Education Event

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- 3.) Search

Puzzle Solution

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Recipe of the week: Peachy Banana Apple Smoothie



Prep Time
45 min

8 servings

Ingredients

- 8 ounces bananas, fresh, Edible Portion (EP)
- 2 cups applesauce
- 1 quart yogurt, Greek, vanilla, fat-free
- 9 ounces peaches, frozen
- 1 cup ice cubes

Instructions

Critical Control Point (CCP): No bare-hand contact with ready-to-eat food.

Freeze the bananas at least one day prior to service. Peel the bananas and lay them on a sheet pan prepared with parchment paper. Ensure they are not overlapping or piled together. Cover and place in the freezer overnight. Once frozen, the bananas can be stored together.

Place the applesauce in the refrigerator the day before making smoothies.

In a mixing bowl, combine the applesauce, Greek yogurt, frozen peaches, frozen bananas and ice cubes. Blend the mixture using an immersion blender until pureed and smooth. Taste to ensure the smoothie is smooth. If not, continue blending.

Pour 8 ounces of smoothie into 9-ounce cups evenly and top with a lid.

CCP: Hold and serve at 41°F or below.

CCP: No bare-hand contact with ready-to-eat food.

10.36 g Protein

154 Calories	29.31 g Carbs	0.30 g Total Fat
1 oz Meat / Meat Alternative		½ cup Fruit

Tips

- Two cups applesauce = 2 cups fruit puree.
- Eight pounds EP bananas = 12.5 ounces AP bananas or ~2 bananas or 1 cup puree.
- Nine ounces frozen peaches = 1 cup fruit puree.
- Fruit (puree) in smoothies credits as fruit juice.
- Fruit puree was weighed and measured without the addition of water or other ingredients.
- Pair with 1 more item to credit as a reimbursable breakfast meal!

State Capital Highlights

By Gary Borders



SBOE to approve more rigorous course material

Public comment is now open for new course materials proposed by the Texas Education Agency and under consideration by its governing body, the State Board of Education.

The Austin American-Statesman reported the state has developed academic content that will be offered free online for kindergarten through fifth grade reading and language arts, and for kindergarten through eighth grade math. SBOE must approve the materials for use in all public schools that wish to use them.

Education Commissioner Mike Morath said the intent is to provide free, state-developed and vetted course materials. He said teachers have said in TEA surveys that they spend many hours outside of school looking online for such material.

"In many cases, the materials that have been cobbled together by curriculum teams or grade level teams, while seemingly appropriate, have not given students exposure to the background knowledge they need," Morath said. "You want kids to be able to read independently, but you want them to be really stretched."

If approved by the board, districts will receive an additional \$40 per student to use board-approved books and \$20 to print state-owned content. Anyone interested in viewing the proposed materials and provide feedback by going to the board's website — sboc.texas.gov — and finding the "Instructional Materials Review and Approval" page.

The board could approve use of the materials in November.

State revamps Narcan distribution following delays

Texas is revamping its distribution program for an overdose-reversing medication after years of supply and distribution challenges, The Texas Tribune reported.

The state has tapped into more than \$45 million in federal funds since 2019 in order to get Narcan into the hands of law enforcement and members of the public seeking to reduce overdose deaths. The program has been beset by delays, supply challenges and communication lapses, however.

UT Health Science Center San Antonio will continue to administer the program, now called Naloxone Texas, and says it has improved distribution and communication in recent months.

"I am aware that individuals have expressed concern about the rapidity with which they receive naloxone," said Jennifer Sharpe Potter of UT Health San Antonio. "This is life-saving work,

and we want to make sure that people get naloxone as quickly as possible."

UT Health San Antonio's contract with the federal Health and Human Services Commission requires it to distribute at least 120,000 doses a year in Texas, The Tribune reported. This year marks the first time the state is using its own funds in part for distributing naloxone instead of relying solely on federal money.

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



Dusty Hansard, owner of Hansard Family Funeral Home, was the guest speaker at the Senior Luncheon on Monday. He discussed the advantages of pre-need funeral service plans and how they can save money and relieve stress on family members. Call 806-247.2729 for more information.



Happy Birthday

June 7

- Kevin Schueler
- Kelci Osborn
- Charlie Brewer
- Larry Johnston
- Gisela Rosas
- Andrew Husted

June 8

- Paxton Schueler
- Joe Bob Mann
- Lisa Reed
- Kevin Zachary
- Rachael (Knowles) Schulle
- Michael Bentley
- Angelina Zulas
- Doug Daffern
- Becky London Bulkeley
- Debbie (Stewart) Monroe

June 9

- Joel Venhaus
- Landon McLellan
- Joseph Bautista
- RaeLynne Wren
- Joseph Bautista
- Ryan Newman
- Mika Salazar
- Joann Davenport

June 10

- Kip Frye
- Fred Cook
- Janet Mingus Thomas
- Bob Thomas
- Vohnya Tongate
- Teresa Alexander
- Jonathan Fluck
- Kris Gordon
- Kathyne Avila
- Jordan Fitzgerald

June 11

- Billy Smith
- Cindy Butman
- Trevor Fields
- Wendy (Hinkle) Hixson
- Sunny Dodson
- Johnny Alvarez
- Amy Cook
- Macy Herring
- Zoe Herring
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June is ???

By Brett Hoyle, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Remember back in the day when the month of June was thought of as the beginning of summer, the start of church camps, family vacations, reunions, baseball, and Vacation Bible Schools? Sadly, June has been given a new label in our society that is proclaimed loud and proud by the U.S. government, woke corporate America, and a small sliver of the U.S. population. June is now Pride month, but it's not a patriotic pride, a local community pride, or family pride, but it is a pride that celebrates deviant sexual preferences.

Before you get too worked up about this reminder of an entire month being labeled Pride month, remember this is not the first time in history for a culture to tread this path, nor will it be the last if the Lord tarries. Sodom and Gomorrah, Greek culture, and Roman culture rode the Pride train till it crashed into God's wrath. In fact, the path those cultures went down and the track ours is on, is laid out in Romans 1:18-32 and can be described as God's wrath of divine abandonment.

Romans 1:18 says, "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth." In these verses a repeated phrase in the ESV is "God gave them up," v24, 26, 28, and this is followed by various steps that take a society away from God's ways and further into sin. Verses 24-25 speak of being given up to 'worship the created rather than the Creator' which is exactly what we see in our day. God has been kicked out of public schools by government policies, the lie of evolution is taught as truth, many are opposed to killing trees but not babies, and the opinions and ideas of the created are held as more valuable than the revealed truth of the Creator. As our society has increasingly shunned God, things have continued to devolve, which expressly reveals two things, society is becoming more and more of a mess, and we really need a turn back to God. Although many will celebrate sin this month, will you commit to pray for great awakening and revival.

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Finding Rest

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

The last bell has rung, the kids have scattered and the teachers begin recovering. I loved summer break. It was hard to know whether to sleep in or get up early and get all the things I wanted to do for the summer done by noon. You felt free, no homework, no sitting quietly except at church but at least that wasn't all day. No more bells, no more lines at least for the next couple of months. Freedom reigned, and as if you couldn't stand anymore, the pool opened and this year you were going off the big diving board.

There is something exciting when you are a kid in the summer, the bike rides, swimming pool, staying up late and the list goes on. Times may have changed a little, but one thing that remains a break is a break and everyone needs a break now and then.

Usually by the first part of August, I was about ready to see my friends, rejoin the educational process and look forward to picking out the new notebook and various new pencils and pens. I remember

the first Papermate erasable pen. It didn't work all that great but it was new.

The ebbs and flows of life come with hard work and a break every now and then. Rest is a precious word and rest is necessary. Jesus encouraged his apostles to rest. (Mark 6:31) You simply can't be "game on" all the time.

Our world, however, pushes even harder. Pushing and prodding us to do more in less time to keep us busy and distracted. A game plan that has worked for Satan a long time. I fear now not only are we pressed to not rest, our down time has us with a screen in our face and the constant motion leaves us with less energy for our families, less real time to see what God is doing, and yes, less time for God.

My challenge as you start June is to find some time for real rest. Put the phone down and rest. There is an amazing world out there and people to share it with but rest must be part of that equation. May God bless you with many things this summer and may rest be one of them.

Holding On To Grudges

By Teena Hughs

Until I went to first grade, I knew only four girls; their parents ranched not too far from the ranch where we lived.

In third grade, my family moved to the ranch where Feller and I now live. Mother taught school in Uvalde, and my dad worked there. Mother, my brother, and I lived in Uvalde during the week; then we came here every weekend, holiday, and summer. We were always busy with homework and school activities, so I didn't have time to run around with many people outside of school during the week.

Fast forward 50+ years, I try to eat lunch once a month with some girls from my class. I did not run around with these girls in school, so I appreciate their thoughtfulness and kindness to invite me, and I enjoy our monthly meetings. When I have to miss, I always wish I could be there.

One girl in our class, one of the four I grew up with, will not come to lunch. She did go to lunch with us one time when I was home and still living in Friona.

After we moved here, I went into her business, and she told me she still remembers too many things about high school and the way these girls behaved. I don't think she plans to ever come to lunch with us again, and that makes me sad. She seems to not want anything to do with any of our class because she has never been to a reunion, also something I find very sad since I believe reunions are opportunities and second chances to become friends with people I didn't know in school!

Ephesians 4:31-32 says, "Let all bitter-

ness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you."

I know this girl can be kind and tenderhearted; I just wish she could forgive the people who might have said or done things to her. I told Feller that while these girls and I never ran around together, they never did anything wrong to me. If they did, I don't remember it and, I don't want to remember it if they did.

Life is short, and I wish my friend would realize that people change, thanks to Jesus dying on a cross for us. He gives us an opportunity for do-overs and second chances, especially second chances to get to know people we might not have liked or possibly had a wrong impression about. I can guarantee the lunch group doesn't have a clue she feels like she does, and they probably don't remember doing anything to make her feel the way she does. I also believe they would apologize for hurting her.

In holding on to grudges, we need to remember what Matthew 6:14-15 tells us, "For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." True forgiveness is a wonderful, cleansing thing that is good for the heart, mind, and soul. I hope my friend comes to know that, and I hope she comes to know that there is a group of girls who really want her to come to lunch and be friends with us. I am thinking and praying about what we can do to make her realize that!

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From the Friona Star Archives



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