A fire was extinguished by members of the Fredericksburg Fire Department on Tuesday, Aug. 30, at a facility at Shorty Crenwelge Road. The fire was the result of a burn ban violation. The fire was treated by Assistant Chief Steve Olfers, Capt. Johnny Carroll, Mark Moore, Capt. Lee Dryer, Luke Smith, Steve Qualben, Lt. Romney Kowert, Chris Wynslow, Frank Stead, Jaron Shahan, Mark Villanueva, Ross Moore and Chief Lynn Bizzell. (Wednesday, Aug. 31, 2022)
Fredericksburg Fire Chief Lynn Bizzell looks toward a fire engine that just arrived as firefighters try to stop a sizable grass fire from burning a home near Texas 16 South near Fredericksburg High School Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 22. The blaze was believed to be started by a spark after someone was cutting a fence. (Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2022)
SIGNING OFF — Washington Police Chief Ed Menefee signs off with dispatch for the final time before retirement around midnight July 14. Menefee served in law enforcement for 42 years, including 37 in Washington and six as Washington’s police chief. (July 16-17, 2022, weekend edition)
SUPERMOON — The Sturgeon supermoon, captured over Hoene Spring, Missouri around midnight, Aug. 13, 2022, is the third and final supermoon of the year. The supermoon gets its name from the Algonquin tribes of North America.
Features

Hometown Highlight: This evening exposure taken just prior to winter’s arrival provides an enchanting view of the eye-catching décor that can be found behind the Old Bank Lodge located along Leola’s Main Street. (December 30, 2021)
The 2022 Gillespie County Fair Queen, Kenna Tatsch, and First Duchess Ella Grandjean watch as Third Duchess Ridley Strackbein, Fourth Duchess Annabelle Page Tamez and Second Duchess Ella Hartmann slide down the “Fun Slide” at the Gillespie County Fair Grounds. The girls have been prepping for the 134th Gillespie County Fair, set for Thursday through Sunday, Aug. 25-28. (Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2022)
Codi Peters and Cody Heap spend some time with their daughter, Cassie Heap while dropping her off for her first day of school at St. Mary’s Catholic School on Monday morning. St. Mary’s and Fredericksburg Independent School District Campuses returned to class Aug. 15. (Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2022)
SWEET RELIEF — Marilee Holt, 9, lifts her head as water, sprayed from a Washington firetruck, rains down on her and other Camp Washington campers June 15 near Main Park. (June 18-19, 2022, weekend edition)
One of the participants in the Saturday’s Chief Looking Glass Pow–wow dance events, held in Kamiah. (Aug. 25, 2022)
Garaway's Gave Amicone (14) managed to catch the ball despite the “big hug” he was getting from the defender. (August 31, 2022)
Senior quarterback Braden Strickland dives for the endzone on a quarterback keeper play to put the Harper Longhorns football team ahead against Center Point on the road on Friday, Oct. 22. The Longhorns ended up winning the game, 35-9. (Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2021)
Junior, Rowdy Vick pushed the ball through several Navarro defenders during the Fredericksburg Battlin’ Billies’ first scrimmage on Friday, Aug. 12. (Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2022)
“Justin Main Event” backflips over the ring, eventually landing on his opponent as a referee watches Aug. 27 during a wrestling exhibition at the Missouri Book Festival. Three matches, presented by Southern Illinois Championship Wrestling and American Championship Wrestling, took place at the event. (Aug. 31, 2022)
Washington Post 218 Junior Legion catcher Noah Hendrickson tags out Elsberry Post 226 Red runner Walker Chandler at the plate Sunday during the Ninth District Tournament winner-take-all game. Chandler tried to hurdle Hendrickson, but was tagged out. Elsberry won the game, and the Ninth District title, 13-9.
LEAPING CATCH — Ryan Sweissguth, of Marthasville, goes airborne to make a catch deep in center field Sunday during the slow pitch softball tournament at the KC Hall picnic. The three-day event concluded Sunday and included other recreational contests in sand volleyball and cornhole. (July 20, 2022)
The premier community event of the year The only female in the competition, Gilpinite Rylee Kutscher hangs on in the Bull Riding. (July 21, 2022)
Homewood’s Christian Thompson (34) shoots for 2-points guarded by Huffman’s Jamarion Ezell (24) during the second half of the AHSAA Class 6A boys Northeast Regional Semifinal at Jacksonville State University’s Pete Matthews Coliseum in Jacksonville, Alabama on Thursday, Feb. 17, 2022. The Patriots fell to Huffman 40-38 in overtime. (Feb. 17, 2022)
Palomino Fest 2022 took place Sept. 2–4 at the Uvalde County Fairplex. ... a saddle bronc rider vacates his seat during Saturday rodeo action. (Sept. 8, 2022)