ATASCOSA COUNTY JUDGES REPORT

Because, hopefully, there is renewed interest in COVID vaccination, Atascosa County will once again be hosting a drive-through COVID-19 vaccination clinic. The clinic will be at the historic “old jail,” located at 711 Broadway in Jourdanton on Friday, Sept. 3. It will begin at 8 a.m. and will continue until 4 p.m. It will be sponsored by the Texas Department of Emergency Management and staffed by the Texas National Guard Medical Division. The Texas National Guard will be onsite to help with the process.

There is no sign-up. It will be first-come, first-served, starting at 8 a.m. The traffic should turn east from Hwy. 16 onto Commerce St., forming two lanes. Commerce Street (at Hwy 16) is between St. Matthew Catholic Church and the Atascosa County Juvenile Detention Center. Autos and drivers will then take a right onto Campbell Avenue. The State Personnel will process the screening and paperwork at this time. Then vehicles will take a right onto Broadway, where medical staff will administer the shot. Vehicles will then be directed to an open lot to wait to be released. We requested Moderna or Pfizer, and the Guard chooses what is available. I asked for this because, in my view, the Johnson and Johnson vaccine is not holding up as well against break-through infections as the other two. So, Pfizer is the vaccine brand that the Guard says they are bringing. Finally, we have no information about boosters as related to this event on Sept. 3. As we have more details on booster shots, we will release them on the county Facebook page. If this effort is successful and well attended, we will seek to continue it. There will be information on booster shots at some point, and your county will seek to play a role in it to aid our citizens.

Pfizer is NOW fully approved and sanctioned by the FDA. There is no excuse NOW not to get the shots.

Your county government is getting better all the time! Thank you. I pray that God will bless Atascosa County and all its citizens.