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Chris Scioli named Fireman of the Year



Chris Scioli, left, was named Fireman of the Year and received a monogrammed coat from his uncle, Doug Scioli.



Ronnie Autrey and Jeff Queener saute mushrooms.



Dewane Foreman and Travis Herrington load the grill with fresh steaks.



Dakota Price got a special 'Thank you' from Fire Chief Lewis Cooper for all of his help in setting up the fire hall for the awards ceremony.



Deborah and Oran Jay Autrey sit down to eat.



After the meal and award presentation, pinatas kept the kid's attention. At left, T.J. Radford gets some advice from Travis Reynolds, and at right, Kyle Reynolds takes a peek over his blindfold to get a better shot.



Skyla Cockerham and Whitney Spinks enjoy the food.

EQIP applications available

USDA cost-share funds have been released for the 2006 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP).

Farmers and ranchers can apply for Farm Bill conservation programs through the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to make sound decisions regarding conservation practices before planting season begins.

Eligible producers may apply for cost share assistance on conservation practices that will address the identified resource concern recognized by the Local Work Group (LWG). Practices are implemented through EQIP offering cost share assistance to agricultural producers to implement on-farm conservation practices. The NRCS determines eligible land and eligible conservation practices.

The Parmer County USDA Service Center will be accepting EQIP applications for 2006. The deadline for applications on 2006 EQIP funding is Feb. 17, 2006. Applications for EQIP funds received on or before Feb. 17 will be ranked and funded from the initial allocation to Parmer County. Last year, EQIP funding in Parmer County totaled \$683,094.

EQIP was established to assist landowners with applying conservation plans to

Thanks, Pete

I was saddened to see the announcement that state Rep. Pete Laney will not seek re-election.

Laney's district used to include Parmer County and I have a very high opinion of the job he did for Texans, especially when he was House speaker.

Have you noticed since the GOP took a majority of the House and dis-elected him as speaker, things have gone downhill?

I have. Laney always came across to me as a statesman, a man who was interested in doing what was best for Texas.

There are fewer and fewer of such folks. Today,

it's all about politics. Forget statesmanship.

Thanks, Pete, for all that you have done for us.

A sidenote on Pete:

When I first arrived here about in 1984, I had an occasion to call Pete's office for help.

It involved setting up tourism information at the drug store that had just opened up in Farwell on 9th Street (where City Hall is today).

As a member of the Farwell Chamber of Commerce, I had called the state highway department to ask them to send the drug store some tourism brochures.

The idea was that the

Border Banter

--Mike Pomper

brochures would be available to folks coming from the West into Texas. Since Texas didn't have a tourism site here, at least some tourism info would be offered.

Well, the highway department said no to me. I believe the reason was that they could only send brochures to official government agencies, and not a private business.

Well, I thought that was pretty stupid.

So I called Laney's office, and talked with an aide about the problem.

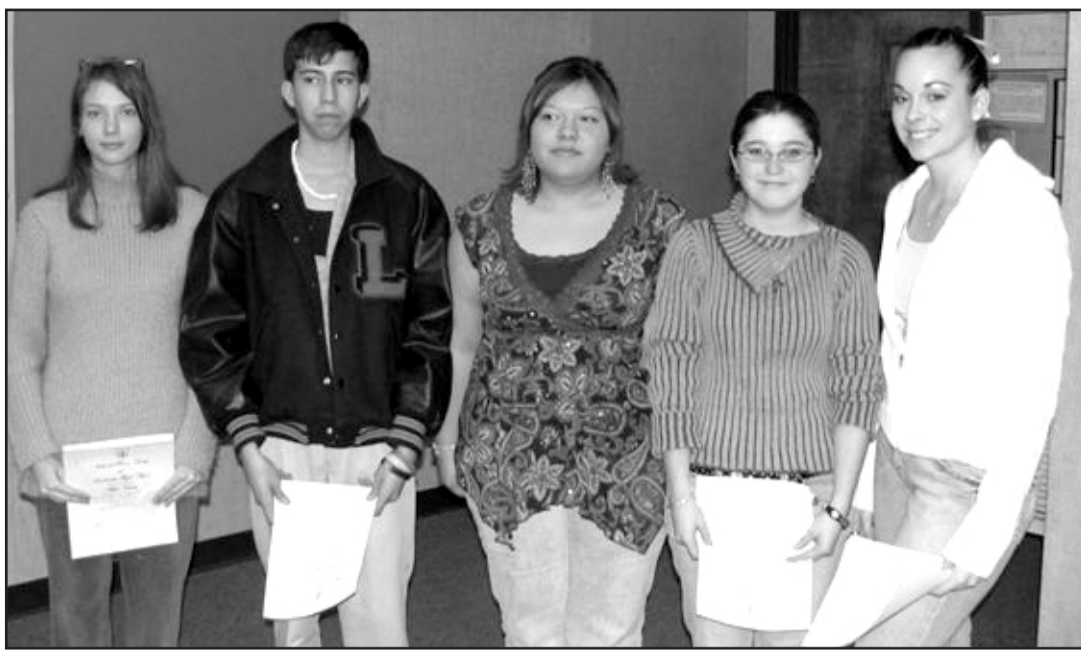
A week later, tourism brochures arrived at the drug store.

Although the drug store and its tourism info are now gone, there is a vestige left.

At the corner of the highway and 1st Street, when you cross the tracks into Farwell, you will see a standing sign informing you of the tourism center.

I'm a Dallas Cowboys fan, and I especially like Coach Bill Parcells.

The Cowboys are not the best team in the league right now. They have had major injuries to their offensive line and at cor-



Lazbuddie NHS inductees

These four students were inducted into The National Honor Society at Lazbuddie High School on Dec. 8. The students were sworn in by member Erika Derma. From left are Addie Treider, David Campos, Erica Derma, Stephanie Williams, and Mica Brandvik.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Mike,

I appreciate all the help you've been to the Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District by allowing them to put advertisements in the Tribune about the Windbreak Trees.

What the people of Parmer County need to realize is that the Parmer County SWCD basically has two places in which to order trees. One being near Bronco, Texas, and the other being from Clayton, N.M.

Many soil and water conservation districts order from these nurseries. The local soil and water conservation district has been taking orders for about six weeks now, but these nurseries run out of trees relatively quickly.

In years past, people will wait until January, February or even March to order, and by that time, the nursery will be sold out. I would encourage the people of Parmer County to go ahead and order as early as possible so as not to run the risk of the nurseries not having the trees available. These trees are top quality and have been very healthy in the past, with good height and color.

Thanks again for helping us out in this area.
Earl Behrends, District Conservationist- NRCS
Farwell

Obituaries

Jack Williams

Edwin Vernon "Jack" Williams, 93, of Farwell died Friday here.

Services were held Monday at Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church with Revs. Beth Harrington and Scott Spitsberg officiating. Burial was in Sunset Terrace Memorial Cemetery.

Steed-Todd Funeral Home handled arrangements.

He was born May 24, 1912, in Bethel, Okla., to Albert and Flora Williams. He received degrees from Southwestern State Teachers College in Weatherford, Okla., and Eastern New Mexico University.

He married Ella Ruth Dumbauld on Dec. 24, 1937.

His educational career spanned four decades. He taught, coached and was high school principal at

Muleshoe.

From 1945 to 1977, he taught, coached and was principal, then superintendent at Farwell Schools.

He was named Man of the Year by the Farwell Chamber of Commerce in 1977.

He was a member of Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church and was a charter member of the Texico-Farwell Lions Club and the Texico-Farwell Fire Boys.

He was preceded in death by his parents; 2 brothers, Johnnie and William; and 2 sisters, Grace Snyder and Robin Williams.

Surviving ae his wife; four children, Bert, of Houston; Richard, of Clear Lake City, Texas; Tom, of Fort Smith, Ark., and Sharon Armendariz, of El Paso; 10 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

EQIP

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treat major resource issues. In Parmer County, these include soil erosion on cropland, pasture management and fully erosion. Eligible conservation practices include terraces, grade stabilization structures, water and sediment control basins and prescribed grazing.

NRCS, through the invitation of the local Soil and Water Conservation Districts, is the federal government's principal agency for conserving natural resources on private lands, while encouraging voluntary efforts to protect soil, water, and wildlife on private lands. NRCS offers its services free of charge.

Those interested in signing an EQIP application should visit the USDA Service Center office in Farwell or call (806) 481-3311, ext. 3 or access the information on the Texas NRCS website at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

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She likes cheerleading, dancing, coloring and singing.

Her favorite food is ice cream. Her favorite color is pink. She doesn't like eating veggies or cleaning her room.

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2 die in collision

Two Canyon, Texas, residents were killed in a collision between a truck and a train about two miles west of Friona on Friday afternoon.

State Police said the two persons in the truck were Charles Berry, 32, the driver, and a passenger, Teresa McBride, 39. They were returning to the shop after dropping off the truck's trailer at a nearby truck wash facility. The railroad crossing has no signal.

The truck attempted to cross the tracks when a northbound Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad train hit it at full speed, police said.

The truck was owned by Dee King Trucking, of Friona.

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Here's a look at the upcoming basketball schedule for our area teams:

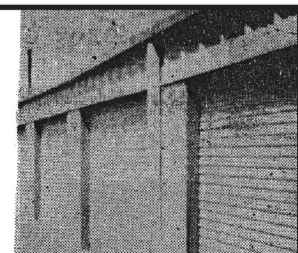
The Texico Wolverines JV and varsity teams will host Logan on Dec. 17. They next play at Jal on Dec. 29.

The Farwell JV and varsity teams play at Dora on Dec. 16. The varsity teams next play in the Littlefield Tourney Dec. 28-30. The JH teams play in the Grady Tourney Dec. 15-17.

The Lazbuddie varsity teams host Happy on Dec. 16 and Nazareth on Dec. 20.

The Bovina varsity and JV teams play at Lubbock on Dec. 16, then vs. Pecos at Seminole on Dec. 30.

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Live Cattle & Feeder Cattle: Cattle prices are on the move again this week with prices shooting up on the announcement that Japan will reopen their borders to US beef and then dropping off sharply lower by the close on Friday. Long story short, Japan opening up their border is not all that positive for our market. Just the opposite of the Canadian border opening. The overall thought was that opening Canada would be negative for US feeder prices and they rallied over \$15 on the announcement was made. The US costumer has been and will remain the very best market for beef. Any sign of trouble and the Japanese will head for the hills and prices in the tank? As far as the market is concerned, it's a done deal with Japan. The Japanese government will or should give the final okay on Monday. The overall attitude is buy the rumor and sell the fact.

CORN: The market may have finally found a bottom this week as prices dropped to new contract lows on Friday and rebounded back to close higher on the day. If the market can close back above \$2.09 basis the march contract, then long term trends will begin to turn back higher. The long term seasonal outlook will begin to turn positive in early January.

SOYBEANS: Beans were able to rebound on Friday after making a run at contract lows on Wednesday. There may be a bottom here as well? It will take a close above \$5.76 basis the January contract in order to turn long term trends up, but some analysts believe that prices will need to clear the \$6.00 level in order to confirm a major bottom?

WHEAT: Although the market was able to move off a lower opening on Friday, short term trends are still down. There are some strong seasonal tendencies for prices to turn higher in mid December an move higher into the January and possibly the March time frame. The USDA report on Friday surprised a few people when the USDA raised instead of lowering ending stocks.

COTTON: Although the market is stable, many analysts believe that it's only a matter of time before the market begins to move higher. Cash demand continues to remain strong and China is expected to aggressively entry the market right after the first of the year. US exports to China are already up over 1 million bales from last year. USDA raised production, but the market didn't seem to care?

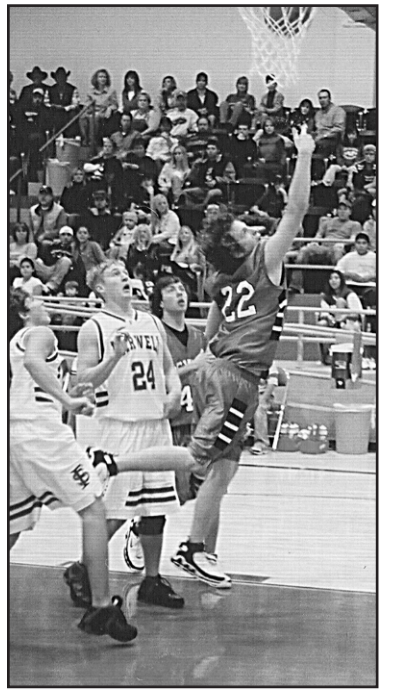
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Scenes from the Farwell Basketball Tournament

Parmer County industrial development group revitalized

The Parmer County Commissioners were invited on Tuesday morning to attend the quarterly meeting of the Friona Economic Development Corporation.

Also attending the session was Amarillo attorney Allen Rhodes, who was raised in Bovina, and is helping incoming dairies with their legal necessities.

Commissioners attending the meeting were Tom Ware, Elvis Powell and Kirk Frye.

At the Oct. 24 county commissioners' meeting, the commissioners had approved revitalizing the dormant Parmer County Industrial Development Corporation.

This is important in that a governmental entity is necessary for dairies to seek lower-interest rates for approved projects addressing air quality issues. In a nutshell, this can result in big financial savings for dairies.

To help the Visser dairy (four miles east of Lariat in Parmer County) come here, they used a Muleshoe industrial development corporation for

this purpose because Parmer County had none.

Thus, at the Friona group's urging, the county commissioners have approved three men to serve on the Parmer County Industrial Development Corporation -- Robert Neeley, Ab Hendley and Bill Stovell.

Stovell serves as president; Neeley, vice president, and Hendley, secretary-treasurer.

Christmas Cantata set

There will be a Christmas cantata at the Oklahoma Lane Methodist church at 7 p.m. on Friday. All are welcome.

The Latest

Some vandalism occurred on the school grounds behind Farwell Junior High over the weekend. Some trees were destroyed.

Police reportedly were told by an ex-Farwell student that he did it.

The Farwell basketball games at Dora on Friday will start at 5 p.m. The JV girls are not playing.

There will be no Farwell Chamber of Commerce meeting in December due to the holidays.

Word has been received of the death of Roy Miller Sr., 100, of Friona, a retired farmer who served on the Friona Library Board and Friona Cemetery Association.

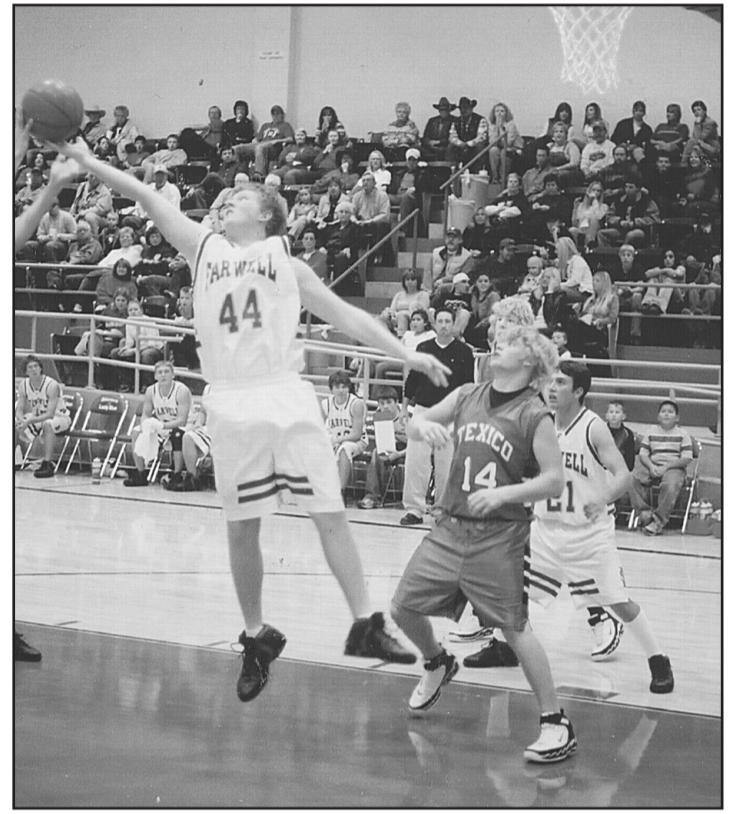
Fire destroys home

A fire destroyed a trailer home owned by the Ortega family about five miles east of Farwell on Friday.

Farwell Fire Department investigator Lee Hutchins said a faulty water heater caused it.

The family evacuated and nobody was hurt.

The Texico Volunteer Fire Department responded.



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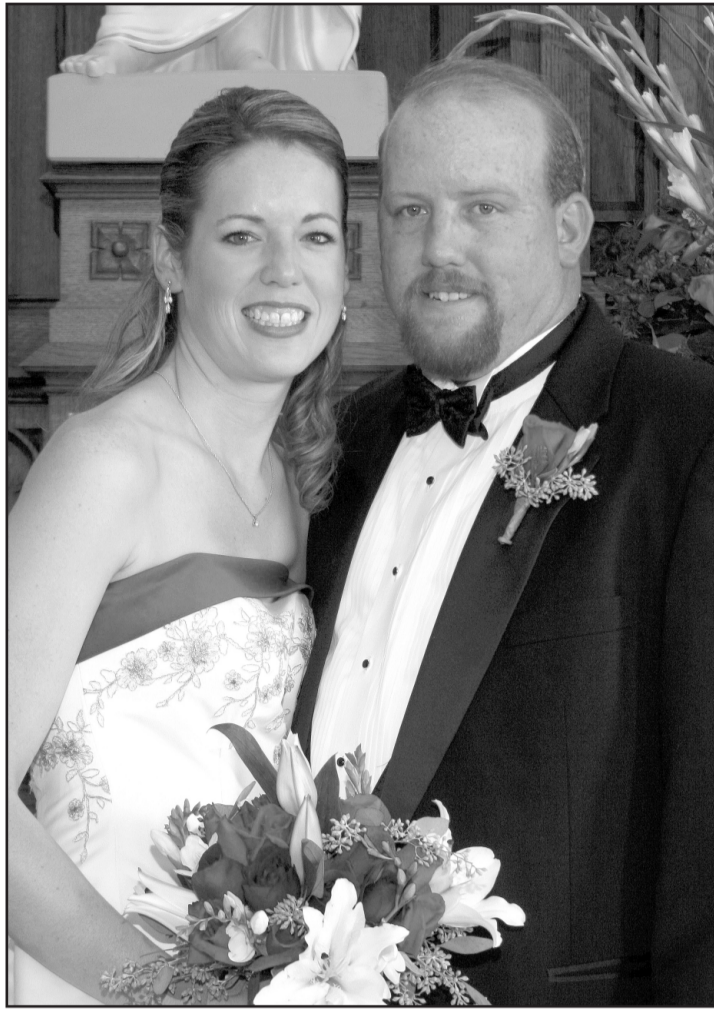
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Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Dyer

Susan Elaine Krueger weds Aaron Brent Dyer

Susan Elaine Krueger and Aaron Brent Dyer were united in marriage on Nov. 26 at Immanuel Lutheran Church of West Taylor. The marriage was officiated by Pastor Steve Best, with a reception following the ceremony.

Susan is the daughter of Bobby and Sandra Krueger of Hutto. Grandparents are Marie Krueger and the late Lawrence Krueger of Hutto and Lee Sykora and the late Albert Sykora of Austin. Aaron is the son of Ronny and Candy Dyer of Farwell. Grandparents are Bob Wilson and the late Alethea Wilson of Bovina and Travis and Joyce Dyer of Sudan.

The matron of honor was Connie Boerner and the bridesmaid was Lisa Dyer. The flower girls were Eliza Rendon and Madison Dyer. Assisting with the programs was Clarrisa Boerner and the guest book, Kari Krueger. The house party consisted of Dale Krueger, Mandy Rosas, Nikki Gober, Kari Krueger, Carmen Speis, and Chrissie Doris.

Rob Dyer was the best man and Todd Ware, the groomsman. The ring bearer was Theron Boerner. The ushers were Carl Krueger, Chris Wilson, Kody Wilson and Kirk Gober.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's family at the home of Rob and Lisa Dyer.

The couple will reside in Georgetown, Texas.

Sheriff's Report

Here is the weekly report from Parmer County Sheriff Randy Gerles:

On Dec. 8, Oscar Vidaurri, 23, of Farwell, was arrested by Farwell police on a charge of theft by check. Case pending in county court.

On Dec. 6, Ricky Conner, 43, of Amarillo, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on charges of possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell, pending before the grand jury, and unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, pending before the grand jury.

On Dec. 9, Dora Ann Martinez, 21, of Hereford, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of driving on a suspended license. Case pending in county court.

On Dec. 11, Fetapa Leota, 39, of Clovis, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. Case pending in county court.

On Dec. 11, Leopoldo Muniz, 19, of Texico, was arrested by Farwell police on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. Case pending in county court.



New track gate

The gates at the Farwell track are all locked, but next to the main gate is this nifty swinging gate that will allow you to use the track.

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Notice to Contractors of Proposed Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Contracts

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

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Dist/Div: Lubbock

Contract 6136-28-001 for SEAL COAT in PARMER County, etc. will be opened on January 25, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$148,478.61.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.


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Girls First Round

The Texico Lady Wolverines beat the Bovina Fillies, 52-35.

Scoring for Texico were Erika Autrey, 9; Brooke Bailey, 4; Faith Martin, 8; Lori Richardson, 13; Stephanie Bailey, 11; Krystal Williams, 4; and Stephanie Vega, 3.

Scoring for Bovina were Hilda Quintero, 2; Laura Rocha, 11; Lucero Saucedo, 4; Dorothy Martinez, 4; Haylee Hughes, 2; Jessica Bachicha, 5, and Laura Rocha, 7.

The Farwell Lady Blue put away Melrose, 54-22.

Scoring were Shelby Christian, 2; Jennifer DeLeon, 6; Britton Barrett, 10; Julie Castillo, 4; Bea Garcia, 6; Dellani Jones, 14; Salida Edwards, 8; Brooke Lunsford, 4.

Boys First Round

The Texico Wolverines knocked off Friona, 51-33.

Scoring were Curtis Williams, 14; Aaron Vaughan, 17; Zane Anderson, 3; Andrew Schaap, 2; Courtland Luscombe, 4; Justin Garrison, 5; Chance Bradley, 4; and Zac Morgan, 2.

The Farwell Steers raced past Grady, 50-44.

Scoring were Brett Howard, 6; Cory Chadwick, 4; Ty Gast, 7; Ryan McClaran, 5; Matthew Edwards, 7; Logan McFarland, 3; Roper Smith, 8; and Colton Sudderth, 2.

Girls Second Round

The Bovina Fillies kay- oed Whiteface, 59-49.

Scoring were Hilda

Quintero, 3; Ruby Vela, 8; Irma Rocha, 21; Laura Rocha, 4; Dorothy Martinez, 3; and Jessica Bachicha, 20 (including a pair of 3-pointers).

The Texico Lady Wolverines lost in over- time to a strong Friona team, 40-38.

Scoring were Bryn Mayfield, 4; Erika Autrey, 5; Faith Martin, 17; Lori Richardson, 5; Stephanie Bailey, 4; and Krystal Williams, 3.

The Farwell Lady Blue beat Happy, 53-23.

Scoring were Shelby Christian, 4; Britton Barrett, 11; Julie Castillo, 6; Dellani Jones, 14; Salida Edwards, 4; and Brooke Lunsford, 14. Lunsford and Jones both had a pair of 3-pointers.

Boys Second Round

Melrose topped the Farwell Steers, 62-59.

Scoring were Brett Howard, 4; Derrick Chandler, 15; Ty Gast, 13; Matthew Edwards, 18; Alex Olmos, 2; Logan McFarland, 5; and Roper Smith 2. Chandler, Edwards and Gast all had a pair of 3-pointers.

The Texico Wolverines fell to Whiteface, 53-35.

Scoring were Isaac Zarate, 1; Curtis Williams, 8; Andrew Schaap, 2; Aaron Vaughan, 9; Courtland Luscombe, 5; Justin Garrison, 2; Daniel Schueler, 6; and Chance Bradley, 2.

Girls Third Round

The Farwell Lady Blue fell in the title game to Friona, 63-54.

The game was close through three quarters

All-Tourney

Named to the Farwell Tournament's All-Star Team were Texico's Aaron Vaughan and Farwell's Brooke Lunsford and Britton Barrett.

before Friona shot ahead in the final stanza. Scoring were Shelby Christian, 6; Jennifer DeLeon, 2q; Amanda Martin, 3; Britton Barrett, 6; Julie Castillo, 1; Bea Garcia, 11; Dellani Jones, 9; Salida Edwards, 2; and Brooke Lunsford, 14.

The Bovina Fillies ended with a victory over Grady, 53-41.

Scoring were Ruby Vela, 6; Irma Rocha, 11; Lucero Saucedo, 5; Dorothy Martinez, 4; Jessica Bachicha, 13; and Yesenia Guevara, 2.

The Texico Lady Wolverines fell to Happy, 34-29, in overtime.

Scoring were Brooke Bailey, 2; Faith Martin, 10 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Lori Richardson, 6; Stephanie Bailey, 7, and Krystal Williams, 9.

Boys Third Round

The Texico Wolverines beat Farwell, 54-44.

Scoring for Texico were Curtis Williams, 2; Josh Murray, 1; Aaron Vaughan, 17; Courtland Luscombe, 15 (including four 3-pointers); Justin Garrison, 8, and Chance Bradley, 11.

Scoring for Farwell were Brett Howard, 1; Cory Chadwick, 3; Derrick Chandler, 5; Ty Gast, 16 (including a trio of 3-pointers); Ryan McClaran, 4; Matthew Edwards, 5; and Colton Sudderth, 10.



Flying J Wranglers

The Flying J Wranglers, headed by Farwell High grad James Hobbs, will give a benefit concert on Dec. 17 with all proceeds going to the Farwell High School Debate Team and the New Mexico Rodeo Queens. The concert is set at 8 p.m. at the Lyceum Theater in Clovis. Admission is \$15. You can order tickets from Jack and Michele Kirkland at the Kirkland CPA office, 481-3321; Farwell High School, 481-3351; Angela Hall, 693-8268, or Tra Hall, 693-8297.

Lazbuddie varsity teams participate in Whitharral Tourney

Varsity Girls

The Lazbuddie Lady Longhorns won one and lost two in the Whitharral Tourney.

The Lady 'Horns doubled up on Whitharral JV, 45-21.

Scoring were Chelsea Nichols, 22 (with a pair of 3-pointers); Brianna Sanchez, Rochelle Smith and Haley Sexton, 2 each; Brittany Sexton, 14 (with a pair of 3-pointers); and Brittney Schacher, 3.

Lazbuddie lost to the Shallowater JV, 47-43.

Scoring were Nichols, 35 (with a pair of 3-pointers); and Sanchez, Smith and Mica Brandvik, 2 each.

Lazbuddie got tipped by Floyd, 43-40.

Scoring were Nichols, 20; Sanchez, 7; Schacher, 5; and Smith and Brittany Sexton, 4 each.

Varsity Boys

The Lazbuddie Longhorns went 0 and 3 at the Whitharral Tournament.

Lazbuddie lost to Shallowater, 75-39.

Scoring were Aaron Chavez, 13; Jesse Gomez, 12; Steve Pacheco, 8, and Jason Davis, 6.

Lazbuddie lost to Floyd, 53-39.

Scoring were Pacheco, 4; Chavez, 12; Gomez, 13; and Davis, 10.

Kress topped Lazbuddie, 52-33.

Scoring were Pacheco, 6; Chavez, 14; Gomez, 5; Chris Timms, 1; Jason Davis, 4; and Fili Derma, 3.

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JUST LISTED - 500 acres irrigated, 1 circle sprinkler, 4 irrigation wells on highway.

JUST LISTED - 17 acres east of Farwell, 2 irrigation wells, 1 circle sprinkler.

JUST LISTED - 160 acres irrigated east of Lariat.

JUST LISTED -- North of Bovina city limits, 2 bedroom, 1 bath house on approx. 5 acres

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The Latest

Former Texico star basketball player Elizabeth Richards, who now plays for the team at Eastern New Mexico University, tore her ACL last week and is out for the season.

Correction on a headline in last week's Tribune. It was the 60th anniversary for Laurence and Marie Ham.

Clovis police report that the body of Laura McNaughton, 30, of Clovis, was found Saturday afternoon about two miles south of the Pleasant Hill Fire Department in a ditch along County Road C. She is believed to be the victim of a homicide. The body was found by hunters.

The annual post-season pot luck supper for the Texico Wolverines football team is set for 6:30 p.m. mt on Friday at the Texico Community Center.

Texico police report all quiet last week.

Commissioners to pay higher rent for Friona building

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday agreed to pay a higher cost for renting a Friona building for the Parmer County Justice of the Peace office and Department of Public Services office.

The rent charged by building owner Wesley Barnett goes from \$650 a month to \$750 a month.

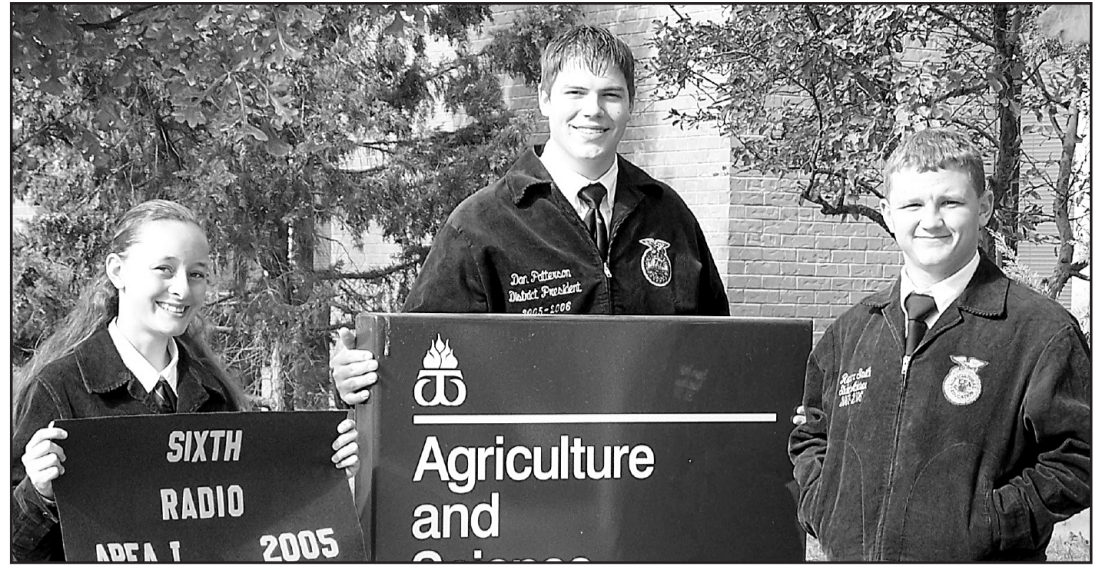
The county doesn't pay utilities for the offices.

In other business, the commissioners:

-- Reset the next meeting for Dec. 21.

-- Received one bid, from Stevens Chevrolet of Hereford, for a new pickup truck for the county extension service.

The commissioners accepted the bid for a 2006 Silverado pickup for \$30,545 less \$15,000 for a trade-in of the old vehicle.



Danielle Bentley, Dan Patterson and Roper Smith placed 6th place in the Farm Radio competition at the Area 1 Leadership Development Event at West Texas A&M University. Also, Patterson placed 7th at the Senior FFA Creed Speaking event.

Farwell FFA team takes 2nd

By Finus Nolte. The Farwell FFA has been competitive this year in Leadership Development events.

Nine teams were put together and, with lots of practice, all of the FFA students that participated in the various leadership

teams had the opportunity to compete at the district level held in Hereford.

The Farm Radio and Sr. Creed Speaker teams placed 2nd at District, earning them the opportunity to compete at the Area Leadership Development event, which was held at West Texas A&M University. The two leadership teams placed 6th and 7th, respectively.

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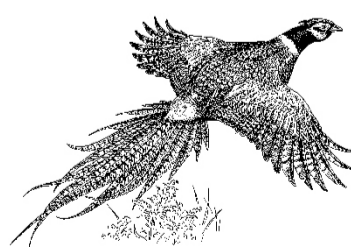
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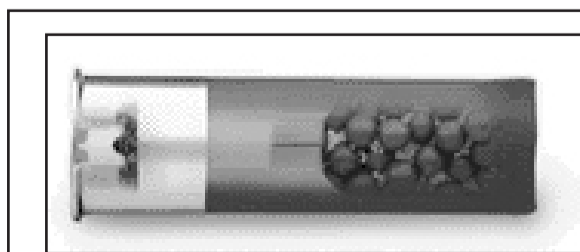
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Farwell band members excel at try-outs

Farwell Band members participated in try-outs Dec. 3 at Shallwater.

Twenty-seven entered, and 10 made it with 4 making 1st chair. They will be playing a concert Jan. 28 at the Lubbock Civic Center.

On Jan. 27, all 98 Middle School Region Band members will have an all-day rehearsal, and a 3-hour rehearsal the next morning.

Their performance time will be announced later. The high school All-Region Band will perform, followed by the TMEA Honor Band.

Earning Middle School All-Region honors were:
Clarinet -- Victoria Ortiz, 12th chair; Brenda Delgado, alternate.

Trombone - Henry Loeppky, 9th chair.
Mallets - Keegan Langford, alternate.
Bass Clarinet - Julian Cuevas, 1st chair.
Baritone Sax - Taylor Fillpot, 1st chair.
Tuba - Zacarey Stancell, 8th chair.
Baritone - Raul Pereda, 1st chair.
French Horn - Casey Knight, 6th chair.
Snare - Matthew Billingsley, 1st chair.

Tryouts also were held Dec. 10 at Floydada. Making the TMEA Honor Band were:
Ambur Dryer, 5th chair, clarinet.
Adriana Gutierrez, 2nd chair, alto clarinet.
They will compete Jan. 7 at Lubbock Cooper for Round 2. If they make it past this one, they will be at All-State Band, Feb. 15-18.

Honor Band alternates were:
Mikaela Ceniceros, 5th chair, bass clarinet.
Kamarie Schmidt, 7th chair, alto sax.
Jourdan Kirkland, 5th chair, mallets.
Nina Galvan, 4th chair, tenor sax.
Rodolfo Garcia, 3rd chair, baritone sax.
They competed against 35 schools in classes 1A, 2A and 3A.

Courthouse Notes

The following warranty deeds were recorded in the Parmer County clerk's office last week:

Rick Carr - William Gromowsky, W 58' L16, E12' L17 B6 Staley.

Jason Floyd - Darin Hofferichter, 15 ac NW pt and 1.13 ac NE/pt S31 Charles E Harding.

Scott Johnson - Hein Hettinga, W/2 S12 T10S R2E, S13 T10S R2E, NE/4 S24 T10S R2E.

Hutto to seek re-election as Justice of the Peace

Vi Hutto, Justice of the Peace for the Bovina area, announced Tuesday that she would seek re-election.

There had been some speculation she might run for the county commissioner's post to be vacated by Tom Ware.

Mrs. Hutto has formerly run as a Democrat, but said she is switching to the Republican Party this time.

Signups for next year's Parmer County elections have started slowly.

County GOP Chairman John Armstrong reports that as of Monday only Elvis Powell had filed for re-election as county commissioner for Pct. 4 (the Lazbuddie area). The filing deadline is Jan. 3.

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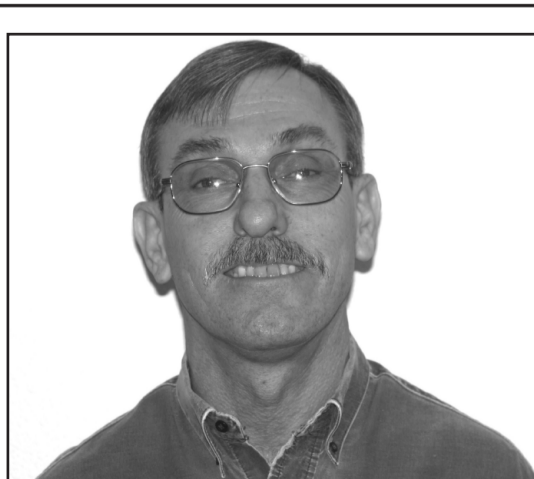
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Texico sewer problem corrected

The Texico City Council on Tuesday heard street Supt. Darrell Stanton report that the sewer line on the south side of town got plugged on Monday, but was cleaned out the same day.

The council believes that trees around the Garwood Street cruce are to blame.

Since the city's new sewer cleaning machine only goes about 300 feet, Stanton contracted with the City of Clovis to bring over their sewer machine late Monday afternoon. It has a reach of 1,150 feet.

In other business, the council:

-- Called an executive session for personnel reasons at the request of councilman Oran Jay Autrey.

-- Heard Fire Chief Lewis Cooper report that the new fire truck may be delivered in April or May.

-- Approved the 2006 holiday schedule; the same as Curry County's.

-- Heard from a representative of Engineers Inc. on seeking state grants for two major projects.

The first grant to be sought is to install pipe to the south side of town which would improve the water flow to the wells on the north side. The cost is estimated at \$400,000 for construction only.

Being sought is a CDBG grant. These state grants are available up to \$500,000. Hearings will be held in March and April to decide who gets the monies.

The second grant, which would be sought later, is for replacing some existing water lines and adding a new water storage tank. This cost is estimated at \$500,000.

Vidaurri appointed to council post

The Farwell City Council on Tuesday appointed Johnny Vidaurri to the council, filling a vacant seat caused by the death of Don Geries.

Vidaurri has lived in this area since 1964, and been a Farwell resident since 1995. He and his wife, Carla, have two children in the Farwell School system

Marriage License

The Parmer County clerk's office has issued marriage licenses for Bovina City Manager Ernest Terry and Quida Bartlett; and Paul Kearns and Melinda Smith.

Jones, Martinez lead Farwell to 3 victories

JV Boys

Farwell's JV Boys lost to Nazareth, 53-18. Scoring were Emanuel Pereda, 6; Trace Stevenson, 1; Logan Carpenter, 4; Johnathan Edwards, 5; and Bo Mitchell, 2.

7th Boys

Farwell's 7A team lost to Marshall A, 38-23. Scoring were Landry Actkinson, 9 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Rane Carpenter, 4; Mason Coburn, 5; Lincoln Devault, 3; and Luke Carpenter, 2.

Farwell's 7B team slipped past Marshall B, 22-21. Scoring were Colton Capps, 2; Eric Galvan, 7; Zac Stancell, 10, and Baeza, 2.

Farwell beat Bovina, 39-13. Scoring were Actkinson, Russell Schilling and Devault, 8 each; Luke Carpenter, Rane Carpenter and Caleb Christian, 2 each; Mason Coburn, 4; and Matt Martin, 5.

8th Boys

Farwell's 8th grade boys fell to Bovina, 36-23. Scoring were Matt Billingsley, 4; Landon Lusk, 10; Kyle Jennings, 3; Laramie Fulcher, 1; Colton Christian, 2; Torrey Davis, 2; and Frankie Reyes, 1.

7th Girls

Farwell's 7th grade girls lost to Morton, 43-10. Scoring were Pamela Lara and Brooke Hall, 2 each; and Crystal Reyes, 6.

Farwell fell to Bovina, 21-16. Scoring were Hall, 6; Lauryn Meyer, 2; Ashlee Howard, 2; and Reyes, 6.

8th Girls

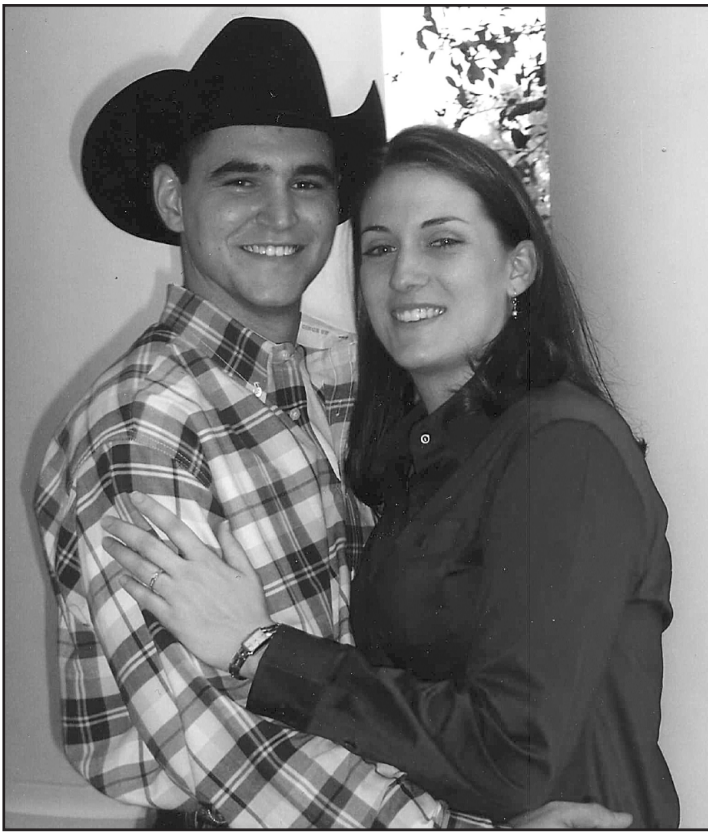
Farwell's 8th grade girls beat Bovina, 44-23. Scoring were Gaby Vidaurri, 2; Laura Martinez, 16; Keegan Langford, 2; Brenda Delgado, 1; and Tiffani Jones, 23 (including a 3-pointer).

Farwell put away Hart, 39-21. Scoring were Martinez, 12; Langford, 1; Sarahi Saenz, 2; Jones, 23; and Delgado, 1.

Farwell killed Morton, 42-5. Scoring were Vidaurri, Taylor Fillpot and Delgado, 2 each; Martinez, 23; Langford, 5; and Jones, 8.

JV Girls

Farwell's JV Girls lost to Nazareth, 37-20. Scoring were Brenda Cano and Hayley Fowler, 5 each; Megan Patrick, 1; Lauren Beaubien, 4; Kaylyn Meyer, 2; and Lacy Moore, 3.



Chelsi Kaltwasser and Kevin Bullock

Engagement announced

Steven and Carla Kaltwasser, of Farwell, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Chelsi Anne Kaltwasser, of Houston, to Kevin Dale Bullock, of Houston, son of Dale and Mondie Bullock, of Olney, Texas.

The bride-elect is a 2000 graduate of Farwell High School and a 2004 graduate of Texas A&M University, with a degree in mechanical engineering. She is employed at FMC Technology as a Subsea PMC engineer.

The prospective groom is a 2000 graduate of Olney High School and a 2005 graduate of Texas A&M University with a degree in agricultural development. He is employed as a sales representative for Fastenal Co.

The wedding is scheduled at St. John Lutheran Church at Lariat on March 11.

ITV coming to Texico

The Texico School Board on Tuesday heard that an instructional TV room is coming.

Texico Schools, Clovis Community College and Eastern New Mexico University, have received a state grant to put in equipment at the start of next year for a 2-way interactive classroom at Texico for students and the community.

Mostly college courses will be offered, plus others, such as EMT training, said Supt. R.L. Richards.

This way, Texico folks can take the courses without driving to Clovis or Portales.

A question remains: where to put the ITV classroom.

In other business, the board:

-- Heard that the high school and junior high science fairs will be in February.

-- Current student enrollment is 521.

-- Approved ground specifications (including drainage) for the baseball field.

-- Heard that the science lab should be ready shortly.

-- Appointed Carlos Castillo as head maintenance person, replacing Glen Neie, who has resigned. Richard Orozco will be the new high school custodian, which was Castillo's former position.

-- Will receive another Wallace grant of \$80,000 for helping improve instruction. Texico is only one of seven schools in the state to get this grant.

Meza leads Texico over Tucumcari

8TH Girls

Texico's 8th grade girls put away Tucumcari, 36-20. Scoring were Lisa Vidal, 3; Katlin Luscombe, 10; Victoria Richards, 17 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Shay Anderson, 4; and Sierra Stalker, 2.

7th Girls

Texico's 7th grade girls killed Tucumcari, 34-5. Scoring were Morgan Pinnell, 18; Bethany Heaton, 3; Delanie Crist, 2; and Diana Corona, 11.

7th Boys

Texico's 7th grade boys beat Tucumcari, 50-28. Scoring were Trent Barclay, Rustin Harris and Oscar Walls, 2 each; Garrett Foote, 13; Jose Posada and Conner Doolittle, 3 each; T.J. Serna, 7; Mitchell Harrison, 1; and Lucas Walthers, 18.

8th Boys

Texico's 8th grade boys kayoed Tucumcari, 54-40. Scoring were Rhett Martin, 4; Seth Bailey, 17; Edgardo Meza, 22; and James Conlee, 11.

Meet Farwell's Class of 2018



Marisol Gomez is a Farwell kindergarten. Her birthday is Dec. 19.

Parents are Jaime & Rosalinda Gomez. Siblings are Maribel and Jaime. Grandparents are Reynaldo & Maria Marrufo, and Antonio & Sebastina Gomez.

She likes to play Barbies and ride her bike. Her favorite colors are pink and red. Favorite foods are carne with barbeque and rice.

She doesn't like to fall off her bike when she goes fast.

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Here are the Tuesday basketball scores

Bovina

Varsity Boys

The Bovina Mustangs lost to Hale Center at home on Tuesday, 73-59.

Scoring were Michael Ortiz, 21 (including a trio of 3-pointers); Jeremy Vasquez, 10; Trent Quintana, 8; James Lara, 5; Jesus Rocha, 11; Oscar Rodriguez, 2; and Isaac Tavera, 2.

Varsity Girls

The Bovina Fillies are 10-7 after losing to Hale Center, 55-44.

Scoring were Hilda Quintero, 3; Ruby Vela, 6; Irma Rocha, 5; Laura Rocha, 11; Dorothy Martinez, 7; and Jessica Bachicha, 12.

Texico

Varsity Girls

The Texico Lady Wolverines are 6-3 after beating Hagerman Tuesday, 60-26.

Scoring were Bryn Mayfield, 7; Erika Autrey, 6; Brooke Bailey, 2; Sarah Johnson, 2; Faith Martin, 6; Brittany Anderson, 6; Lori Richardson, 6; Stephanie Bailey, 7; and Krystal Williams, 8.

From Coach Durham: "I was very pleased with the effort from the start of the game until the end. Our offense is starting to click a little better. We are starting to execute our offense well enough to get the opening looks we need to be successful. I was very pleased with everyone who came off the bench. Every player did what they could to help the team."

Varsity Boys

The Texico Wolverines are 4-5 after losing to Hagerman, 66-41. Hagerman is currently ranked number one in state.

Scoring were Michael Johnson, 1; Zane Anderson, 3; Josh Murray, 6; Aaron Vaughan, 14; Courtland Luscombe, 3; Justin Garrison, 5; Daniel Schueler, 2; and Chance Bradley, 7.

Farwell

Varsity Boys

The Farwell Steers are 6-7 after losing to Amarillo Highland Park, 71-52, Tuesday.

Highland Park is coached by Farwell High grad David Woods.

Scoring were Brett Howard, 6; Derrick Chandler, 7; Ty Gast, 18; Ryan McClaran, 2; Matthew Edwards, 8; Roper Smith, 5; and Colton Sudderth, 6.

Lazbuddie

Varsity Girls

The Lazbuddie Lady 'Horns wiped out Cotton Center, 44-41, Tuesday.

Scoring were Brianna Sanchez and Brittany Sexton, 3 each; Mica Brandvik, 2; Rochelle Smith, 4; Brittney Schacher, 7; and Chelsee Nichols, 25 (with a pair of 3-pointers).

School donates \$700 to help Ortega family

The Farwell School Board on Tuesday heard that the High School Student Council had donated \$700 to help the Ortega family, whose home had been hit by fire last weekend (see story elsewhere in today's Tribune).

A \$700 coupon to Wal-Mart was given the family.

In other business, the board:

-- Set the next meeting for Jan. 12.

-- Heard that the current enrollment was 504.

-- Heard that an ex-Farwell student had admitted he caused the vandalism in back of the junior high (run over some trees).

-- Extended the contract of Muleshoe CPA Randy Field to handle the school's audits through the 2008-2009 school year.

-- Was told by Supt. Larry Gregory of correspondence with the Texas Education Agency involving students who leave the school to go out of state.

The TEA wanted a school plan to improve this situation and Gregory said this was done.

But Gregory feels that the state agency didn't realize that Farwell is on the state line and students sometimes transfer to Clovis and Texico schools.

Gregory pointed out that the drop-out rate for Farwell last year was zero. That was great with the state -- but they didn't want so many students leaving a Texas school for another state.

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FARWELL, BOVINA JUNIOR HIGH TEAMS IN ACTION



Bovina Banter

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ing to have teachers who are willing to "step outside of the box" to teach our children.

'Tis the season.....
The Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church will have a Christmas presentation entitled "Emmanuel" Friday, Dec. 16, at 7 p.m. There will be light refreshments following the performance. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Bovina Baptist Lazbuddie

robotics 13th
Lazbuddie School's robotics team finished 13th overall at state in the Best Award competition.

They finished ahead of the other two small Panhandle schools in the competition.

Church will have their Christmas presentation on Sunday at the evening service. This is usually a great performance by many of our local youth.

The Friona United Methodist Church will have its Christmas Cantata/Living Tree celebration on Sunday at 11 a.m. The youth choir will sing and play the bells. The adult bell choir will perform. The adult choir will also perform. This promises to be a real treat.

Also at the Friona UMC the men will be preparing and serving their traditional pancake breakfast! Yum... The breakfast will begin at 9:30. J.A.M. (children's church) will have their Christmas store upstairs in the youth room starting at 10. Also, I have

heard that a special guest from the North Pole will be visiting FUMC this particular Sunday morning.

Bovina schools will be on Christmas vacation from Dec. 19 through Jan. 2. They will return to school on Jan. 3. Please be mindful of them as you are traveling through our town.

It looks like Tony Neal won't be running for the Bovina area county commissioner's post. Although his property is just outside the city limits, it's in the Friona precinct, we are told.

The Bovina varsity and JV teams play at Lubbock on Dec. 16, then vs. Pecos at Seminole on Dec. 30.

Texico
Monday - nachos with meat & cheese, refried beans, jalapenos, fruit, milk.
Tuesday - chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, hot rolls, fruit, milk.
Wednesday - in-service day.
Thursday - no school.
Friday - no school.

Farwell
Christmas vacation all week.

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Thank You

To our friends in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico, we would like to thank each and everyone of you who expressed and showed us sympathy in the death of our beloved husband and Dad, Leslie McCain.

Thank you for all the flowers, calls, cards, food, visits, thoughtful words, acts of kindness and most of all your prayers and love. We feel so privileged to live and come from this wonderful community filled with so much love for others. A special thanks to the members of the EMS for their promptness and helpfulness.

Rose McCain and Family

Please attend church services	Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church Worship Service -- 9 a.m. Sunday School - 10 a.m.	Bovina Church of Christ Mike Prather, minister Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. - Bible class - 7:30 p.m.
Lazbuddie Methodist Church Rev. Randy Thomas Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. Worship -- 10:30 a.m.	Church of God in Christ, Mennonite James Koehn - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m.	First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie
First Baptist Church of Farwell Rev. Randy G. Mullin Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. - Prayer meeting 7 p.m. Wed. - mission aux., 7:30 p.m. www.fcfarwell.org	First Baptist Church of Texico Rob Hollis - minister Sunday School - 9 a.m. Worship-10:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m.	St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m.
Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church Rev. Scott Spitsberg Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Jim Peabody - minister Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship-10:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. winter 7:30 p.m. summer	San Jose Catholic Church, Texico Sunday Mass - Noon Religious Education - 1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Community Meal -- 1:15 p.m.
Lariat Church of Christ Sam Billingsley - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. winter 8 p.m. summer	Church of Christ 110 Ninth St. Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. summer 8 p.m. winter	Farwell Church of Christ Phillip Steyn -- preacher Bible Class Sunday - 9 a.m. Worship ; 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. In Search -- 7:30 - Ch. 4 Sun.
Assembly of God Church, Texico Bob Burris - minister Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 6 p.m.	New Light Baptist Church J.R. Shiner - minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Bible Study - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.	Bovina United Methodist Church Rev. Quita Jones Sunday School - 9:45 Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday study, 7 p.m.
St. Ann's Catholic Church Fr. David Contreras Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m. in English; Noon in Spanish. CCD -- 10:30 a.m. Evening Mass: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wed. - Fri.	First Baptist Church Of Bovina Aaron Reed, pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday worship & youth, 7 p.m.	Iglesia Bautista Hispana in Bovina Rafael Marin, pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday worship, 7 p.m.
Farwell Convalescent Center Bill Bridwell -- chaplain Sunday services -- 9 a.m. Bible study - 9:30 a.m. Friday	Lazbuddie Church of Christ Mickey Chambiss - minister Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:20 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday -- 7 p.m.	United Pentecostal Church of Texico Rev. Mickee Mounce Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11:15 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 8 p.m.

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BOVINA FILLIES IN ACTION



Basketball

From page 12

Varsity Boys

The Mustangs fell to Lorenzo on Dec. 6, 85-45.

Scoring were Chris Heinzman, 2; Mike Ortiz, 14; Jeremy Vasquez, 16; Trent Quintana, 4, and Jesus Rocha, 7.

JV Boys

Lorenzo beat the JV Colts, 59-4.

Scoring was Josh Ramirez, 4.

8th Boys

Bovina's 8th grade boys beat Farwell, 36-23.

Scoring were Jonathan Roldan, 17 (including a trio of 3-pointers); Frankie Guevara, 13; D.J. Hancock,

2, and Miguel Jaramillo, 4.

7th Boys

Bovina's 7th grade boys lost to Farwell, 39-13.

Scoring were Andy Duarte, 2; Ashkon Covalt, 4; Jesus Reyes, 2; and Martinez, 5.

Varsity Boys

The Bovina Mustangs entered the Monahans Tournament.

Bovina lost to Monahans, 54-44.

Scoring were Michael Ortiz (with a trio of 3-pointers); Michael Vasquez, 13 (also with a trio of 3-pointers); Trent Quintana, 7; James Lara, 3; Jesus

Rocha, 3.

In all, Bovina nine 3-pointers.

Bovina scored 34 points against Riverside.

Scoring were Ortiz, 22 (with six 3-pointers); Rocha, 6; Robert Knoll, 4, and Isaac Tavera, 2.

In its other game, Bovina scored 32 points.

Scoring were Heinzman, 5; Ortiz, 6; Vasquez, 19 (with four 3-pointers); Quintana, 1, and Oscar Rodriguez, 1.

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Bovina Banter

Tammy Knoll - 251-5253

The Bovina School Board on Monday approved a contract for new Supt. Bill Bizzell to run for three years, through Dec. 30, 2009.

In other business, the board:

-- Will seek a waiver to start school earlier in August before the official state starting date.

-- Renewed the agreement with the West Texas Food Service Cooperative for 2006-2007.

-- Viewed a state-mandated video called "Healthy Children, Healthy Schools."

-- Retained the Underwood law firm, of Amarillo, as the district's legal counsel, an annual action.

The elementary school went to the movies in

Clovis on Monday to watch "The Chronicles of Narnia". This tied into the book by the same title that the school has read together. From the verbal reports that I got - this was a fun trip!

The movie is "spectacu-

lar" -- a direct quote from a particular 5th grader

"The movie goes right along with the book, unlike some similar movies" said another 5th grader.

Again, I will make the comment that it is a bless-

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NOTICE

The Bovina Independent School District Board of Trustees will conduct a public meeting on March 13, 2006, at 6:45 p.m. at the Bovina ISD administration building to hear comments on the scheduled start of school of Aug. 14, 2006.

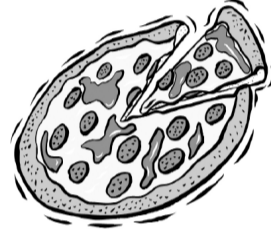
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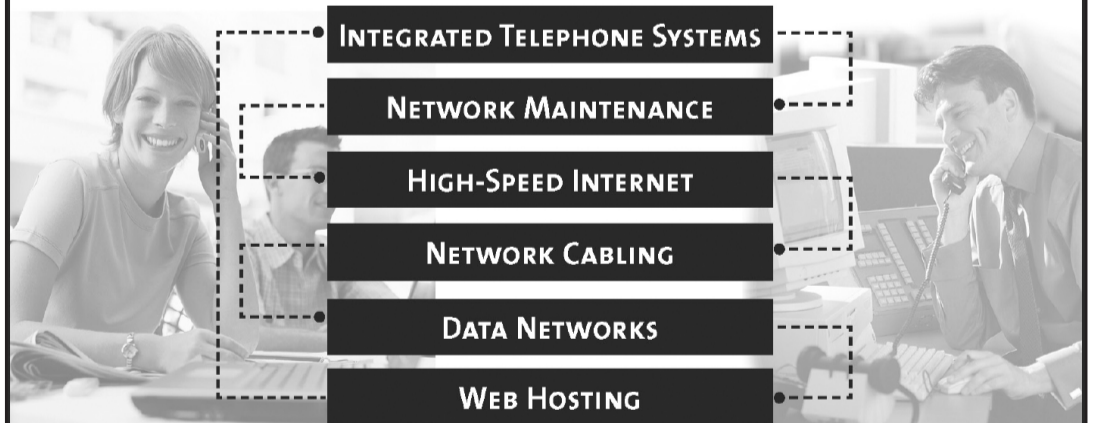


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5th annual City of Bovina Christmas party enjoyed



The fifth annual City of Bovina Christmas party was held on Saturday at the EMS building with about 70 persons present.

Besides enjoying the meal, folks brought canned food for the Bovina Food Bank.

Mayor Stan Miller thanked Ernest Terry, Bonnie Scaff, Andy Garza and Donna Mitchell for helping put together the event.

Contract okayed with restaurant

The Bovina City Council on Dec. 8 approved a contract between the Bovina Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) and Luis Munoz.

Munoz plans to open a restaurant later this month at the former Burgers 'n More place.

The BEDC has given Munoz a \$6,000 grant to pay for one year of rent. Munoz has been operating the burrito wagon around town.

In other business, the council:

-- Held a public hearing on the environmental impact of the new sewer plant. No concerns were voiced.

-- Discussed the status of the sewer project. The council instructed City Manager Ernest Terry to send the engineer, Oller & Associates, a letter "of direction." This, in effect, is telling the engineering firm not to obligate the city for any expenditure without getting council approval.

-- Reviewed the archeology plans for the sewer project, and this government-mandated step is moving along.

-- Agreed to apply to the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission for a \$65,000 grant toward purchasing a dump truck with an articulating grappling arm.

The city is matching this with \$30,000 of its own funds toward the \$100,000 truck.

-- Voted to oppose the Atmos Energy rate hike request as was reported on in the Dec. 1 issue of the Tribune.

Here is a great way to say Merry Christmas

To continue an important tradition, the First Bank of Bovina will sponsor a large ad in the Tribune's Christmas issue giving credit to Bovina area friends and neighbors who contribute to the annual Christmas Card Fund, sponsored by the Bovina Ambulance Service.

This fund-raiser benefits the Bovina Ambulance Service and the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department.

All you need to do is stop by the First Bank of Bovina and drop off a donation, of any amount, in the name of the Bovina Ambulance Service. It will keep strong this very important volunteer group. And your name will appear in the Christmas issue ad in the Tribune on Dec. 22nd.

Rocha leads Fillies past Lorenzo

Varsity Girls

The Fillies on Dec. 6 put away Lorenzo, 64-52, behind a huge game by Irma Rocha, who scored 32 points, including four 3-pointers.

Also scoring were Hilda Quintero, 7; Ruby Vela, 4; Laura Rocha, 4; Lucero Saucedo, 2; Dorothy Martinez, 6, and Jessica Bachicha, 8.

See results from the Farwell Tournament elsewhere in today's Tribune.

JV Girls

The JV Fillies beat back Lorenzo, 42-28.

Scoring were Audrie Terrones, 9; Yesenia Guevara, 4; Yaniree Martinez, 16; Haylee Hughes, 11, and Denise Larrea, 2.

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