

CHILI COOK OFF

The annual chili cookoff was held on Jan. 22 at the First Baptist Church of Farwell. Dean Shover was the chili winner and Amanda Martin was the cake winner.



Hayley Fowler and Jon Beaubien were the 'Official Judges'.



Piper Atkinson tries to talk dad, Greg, into a bowl of chili.



Mason Byrd takes a bite of corn bread to slow down the heat.



Live music was provided by the youth band of Lindsey Mullin, Jon Beaubien, Adam Mullin, Hayley Fowler, and Amanda Martin. They perform at the church every Wednesday.



Thomas Smallwood tests out a bowl of chili.



Kylie Haseloff judged this cake to be very good.



Matthew and Susie Dale get ready to begin.



Pieter Kok musters courage to try a bite.

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Wheat situation nearly critical

by Teresa Mesman

The weather forecast is something that area wheat farmers are listening to with extreme interest. The situation with the wheat crop is nearing condition critical if the snows and rains don't come this winter.

According to area wheat growers, the need for moisture is immediate. A good soaking rain followed by snowfall that would stay on the ground for several days would be the best immediate solution to problem. The drought conditions have stalled the growth of the winter wheat and growers now have to make some pretty hard (and costly) decisions about whether to start watering and hope for something to make.

High winds, blowing dirt and the wide range of temperatures are all adding to the drought concerns. The winter wheat crop is expected to only a small fraction of normal, according to a report published in the Lubbock newspaper Sunday. Texas Ag commissioner Susan Combs is already planning a trip to Washington to seek financial assistance for farmers and ranchers across the state.

Farmers are concerned about being able to even make a wheat crop and consumers are concerned with the rising prices of everything involved with the wheat.

Ranchers are among the first to be concerned because of the skyrocketing prices of feed. Aggressive culling and early calf sales are helping feed costs, but increasing feed costs of all grains is a very major concern.

Ranchers are also concerned about the drought moving further into the midwest and northern states where they are now having to buy their corn and other grains. General consumers are facing increased prices in the grocery stores. Since early 2005, Texas agriculture has suffered an estimated \$1.5 billion in losses due to the drought conditions.

However, some area wheat farmers remain optimistic about the weather. They've "weathered" droughts before. As one long-time local farmer explained, it's always been about the weather and the water!

Statewide forecasts aren't calling for any immediate precipitation, but Texas State meteorologists are watching the cold, heavy arctic air. They're mapping it and seeing that it is moving southward. If this trend continues, moisture will lift into the atmosphere and it should produce rain and snow over the southwest in the coming weeks.

This is just one more forecast that you can be sure that the local farmers will be watching and listening to with extreme and anxious interest.

County's 100th birthday celebration scheduled for May 2007 in Farwell

Gladys Spring, chairman of the Parmer County Historical Commission, presented her group's annual report to the Parmer County Commissioners on Jan. 23. Here are some highlights:

One main item was the awareness of the 100th birthday of Parmer County in 2007. As the year progressed, we set the date for the celebration to be May 6, 2007, at the County Court House and park in Farwell. Plans are to celebrate a full day and include a barbecue at noon and have speakers from each of the 10 communities in the county.

Early in 2007, teachers in the four schools will be encouraged to have lessons and activities concerning the county and its history. Newspapers will publish stories of early Parmer County six months to a year preceding the celebration. Other activities have been discussed and will be developed this year.

The Historical Commission is responsible for historical markers. Research and application is done locally, then sent to the Texas Historical Commission for final approval. When approved by the state commission, the request is then sent to the foundry. This process takes a year or longer after application has been made to the state. The marker for the Friona Women's Clubhouse arrived in Friona and was installed and dedicated Sept. 11, 2005.

Since the marker for the City of Friona was destroyed in the tornado, the commission re-applied for the marker as well as a request to relocate the marker to the city park. It was originally located at the roadside park east of Friona. We asked \$1,250 from the Friona EDC to pay for the marker. This application was approved and the marker has been ordered. We have requested that the marker be delivered in time for a Maize Days dedication celebration.

The historical marker for the cemetery in Bovina arrived in the late fall of 2005 and will be dedicated sometime this spring.

The commission has requested permission from the state to relocate the granite Parmer County marker that is east of Farwell to the courthouse lawn. No word on this project from the state.

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Obituaries

Jane Snelgrove

Graveside services for Jane Snelgrove, 89, of Lubbock, and formerly of Farwell, were held Jan. 12 at Muleshoe Cemetery with Mike Troxell, of Lubbock, officiating.

She died Jan. 9 at Whisperwood Nursing Home and Rehab Center after being a resident there for 10 years.

She was born Aug. 30, 1916, in Marietta, Texas. She married Virgil Snelgrove June 10, 1933. He preceded her in death in 1984.

She also was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, 2 sisters and brothers, and a son.

She was a homemaker and member of the Adventist Church.

She lived in the Farwell and Muleshoe areas from 1947 to 1959, then moved to Lubbock.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Berna Dean Radford, of Apache, Okla., and Merlene Wilson, of Lubbock; 6 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

Ida McDaniel

Services for Ida Mae McDaniel, 94, of Ennis, Texas, were Saturday at Steed-Todd Funeral Home Chapel in Clovis with Rev. Michael Johnston officiating.

Burial was in Texico Cemetery.

She died Jan. 24 at Ennis Care Center.

She was born July 25, 1911, in Barry, Texas, to Sidney and Sarah Mitchell. She married Lawrence McDaniel, of Texico, on Feb. 24, 1963.

They lived in Texico for many years where they farmed.

After his health began to decline, they moved to Clovis, then to Ennis a year ago.

She was a member of Central Christian Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, on March 30, 1999; a sister, Theo Ragsdale, and a brother, Jesse Mitchell.

Pallbearers were Ben Kilmer, Lewis Heisch, Randy Brian and Gene Woodcock.

ENMR-Plateau increases amount of scholarships

The ENMR-Plateau Education Foundation will offer over \$38,000 in scholarship funding in 2006.

The foundation has increased the dollar amount of the competitive Banner scholarships from \$1,000 to \$2,000. Applications are available at participating local high school guidance offices, at local ENMR-Plateau stores, or on the Cooperative's web site - www.enmr.com.

Since 1993, the ENMR-Plateau Education Foundation has awarded over \$220,000 in scholarship funding to area high schools students. All graduating high seniors that meet the below qualifications are encouraged to apply.

- Must be in the immediate family or a dependent of an active ENMR-Plateau Cooperative member who is receiving landline telephone service from the Cooperative. Cellular phone service alone does not qualify for membership or scholarship eligibility.

- Must use an award of scholarship to attend a regionally accredited vocational school, a college, or a university.

- Must have at least a 2.50 cumulative grade point average or equivalent on a 4.0 grade point scale.

- Must have exactly two (2) letters of recommendation accompanying the application form.

- Applicants who want to compete for the Harris or Patterson Memorial Scholarships must submit a one page, hand written essay using the space provided on the application.

This year marks the 13th year the Foundation has awarded scholarships. Completed applications must be postmarked by March 6 to be eligible for consideration. Scholarship winners will be introduced at the Telephone Cooperative's Annual Membership Meeting in Clayton, N.M., on April 22.

Funds for the ENMR-Plateau Telecommunications Education Foundation are derived from donated and abandoned capital credit payments from the Cooperative's membership. Among the Foundation's goals is to improve educational opportunities for the youth of ENMR-Plateau's service area. ENMR-Plateau Telecommunications founded in 1949, serves over 11,000 members with advanced telecommunications services in an area that covers 14 New Mexico and 3 Texas counties.

Deadline nears for Valentine photos

Here's an idea that the Tribune hasn't tried before but many other papers do for Valentines Day:

Would you like to run a picture of your loved one (children, grandchildren, parents, sweetheart, spouse or special Valentine) in the Tribune issue of Feb. 9?

Valentine's Day is Feb. 14.

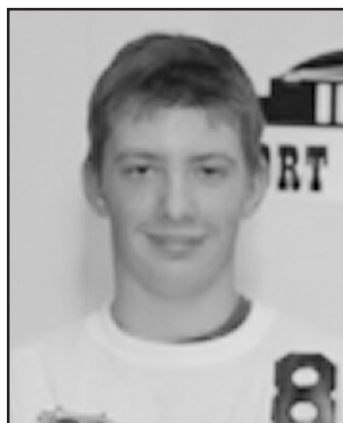
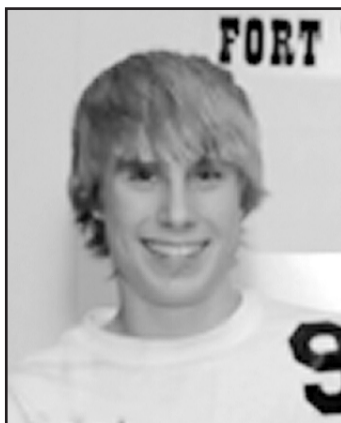
If you do, bring your photo to the newspaper by Feb. 3. We likely can scan it while you wait and you can take it back with you. Any size photo is okay.

We would charge \$10 for a standard photo. If you want one extra large, we probably would increase the charge to \$15 or \$20.

We would group the valentine photos together on one page -- or pages, depending on how many are brought in.

And the photos don't have to be limited to babies and grandbabies. Kids of all ages are eligible, up through senior citizens.

Anyway, we will try this Valentine's Day project out this year and see if there's any interest from our area folks.



Calf scramble winners

Three Farwell FFA members were among the winners in the Calf Scramble at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth on Jan. 21. Participants must catch and halter a calf in order to win a \$500 purchase certificate -- going toward the purchase of a registered beef or dairy heifer for a year-long 4-H or FFA project.

Pictured, from left, are Bo Mitchell, son of Randy and Tammie Mitchell; Danny Hernandez, son of Joe Hernandez, and Andrew Johnson, son of Scott and Patricia Johnson.

County anniversary

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Another concern of the members of the commission has been the appearance and destruction of the Mt. Olivet Cemetery south of Farwell. Jane Claire Overstreet Barclay is owner of the cemetery.

Mrs. Spring visited with Johnny Actkinson, Mrs. Barclay's attorney, and received permission to clean and care for the cemetery. Meanwhile, the Kube family had requested that the cemetery be taken care of as they have relatives buried there.

As a result, Conney Menix, David Kube and Mrs. Spring spent two Fridays uncovering headstones and mowing.

The Commission will begin work for a historical marker for the cemetery that will also enable us to apply for grants to help protect and care for the cemetery.

The historical commission presented Hugh Moseley a plaque as a thank you for the many years he has served on the commission. He became chairman in 1970 and had served as a member before then. He is still serving as an active member of the commission.

A memorial for John Baca who was a member of the commission and died as a result of an automobile accident was made to the Parmer County Community Hospital.



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To the many folks who have showered us with food, cards, flowers, love and prayers during my illness. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.
Fern Tharp

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.fbcfarwell.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.
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 - 10 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 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 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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Border Banter

--Mike Pomper

Divergence of opinion

I watched a show on the History channel last month about the life of Abraham Lincoln that was excellent.

I learned a great deal about this magnificent man, who I rank as No. 2 on the list of our best presidents (behind George Washington).

During the three-hour show, several historians and authors of books about Lincoln were interviewed. That went pretty well except for one statement from Gore Vidal, noted liberal author and historian.

Vidal commented on a segment of the show that pointed out that Lincoln broke the law bigtime during the Civil War by suspending habeas corpus, putting men in jail without trial, closing down some newspapers, etc.

These were major illegal offenses, not something picky. They would be impossible to do today. But Lincoln did it because he felt it was necessary during that difficult war.

Compare that to the criticism that President Bush is receiving over imprisoning terrorists, and eavesdropping on their communications, etc., during our war on terrorism.

Anyway, Vidal, while agreeing that Lincoln did the right thing due to the circumstances, said it was far different than "another president," referring to President Bush. Vidal said the current war on terrorism was just like "a war on dandruff."

That's right -- Vidal equated a war with fanatics who are bent on destroying our nation because they believe we are Satanic (and keep saying so repeatedly), who have attacked us on our own soil, killing thou-

sands, and who have indicated they will continue with those attacks, with a "war on dandruff"?

Unlike Mr. Vidal, I view the war on terror as a major war. I believe it will continue throughout our children's lives, as I have stated since the day 9/11 happened. And we will suffer major tragedies.

I saw a TV show last week with Newt Gingrich, former Republican Speaker of the House, who estimated the war on terrorism will last at least another 50 years. He is right on.

Why are there so many American "leaders" who cannot fathom the extent of what we face?

How many of them also view the current war as if it were "a war on dandruff"?

Makes me want to throw up.

One note for basketball fanatics:

The Texico Junior High girls' and boys' squads are really special.

Look for some major things out of them when they get to high school age.

Bill Pennington stopped by the Tribune with some U.S. stats from 1905 -- 100 years ago.

Ah, the good, old days!

Average wage was 22 cents an hour; more than 95 percent of all births took place at home; most women only washed their hair once a month, and used borax or egg yolks for shampoo; there were about 230 reported murders in the entire nation; and the five leading causes of death (in this order) were pneumonia and influenza; tuberculosis;

Band slates fund-raiser

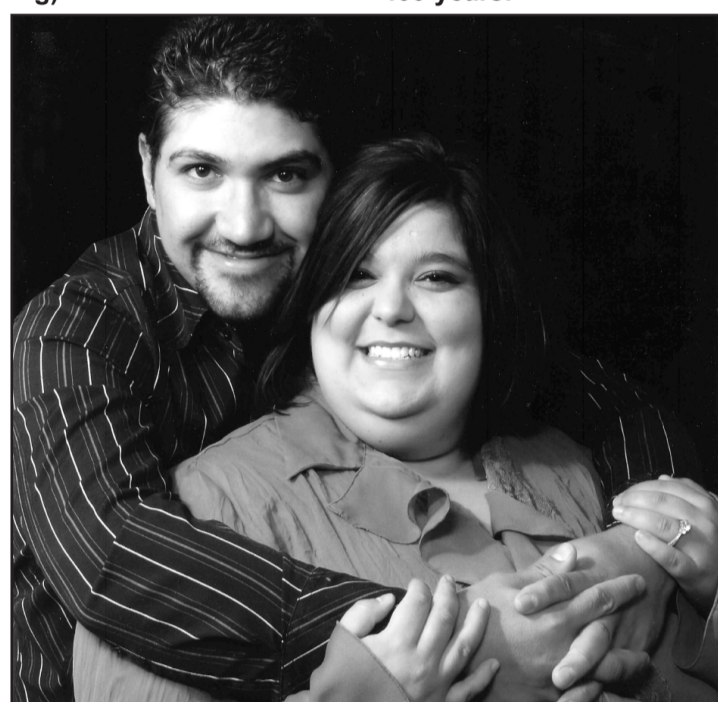
The Farwell Band and Band Boosters will be serving hamburgers "Hot off the Grill" during the Farwell vs. Texico JV and Varsity basketball games at the Farwell gym on Feb. 10 from 5 to 9 p.m.

Cost for the hamburgers will be \$4 and includes your choice of chips and condiments.

diarrhea; heart disease, and stroke.

The average life expectancy was 47 years; the maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 miles per hour; only 14 percent of the home had a bathtub; 8 percent had a telephone; 90 percent of all doctors had no college education; and California was the 21st most populous state in the union.

From Rob Pomper: Last week, Phoenix set a new record for longest drought in their history: 101 days long (and counting).



Wedding vows

Jerry and Colleen Stover, of Farwell, and Gabriel Juarez, of Lazbuddie, announce the marriage of

their children, Crystal and Steven. The couple were married on Jan. 16 by the Honorable Bonnie Heald, Parmer County judge. Steven and Crystal reside in the Lazbuddie community where Steven is employed by Scott Hicks.

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Their last rain of over one tenth of an inch was in October. Just like us.

The worst part is that this is far from our longest drought. So much for them being in the middle of the desert.

Help pray for a bit of rain, and here are a few fun facts about droughts:

In the U.S., the longest dry streak is 767 days at Bagdad, Calif.

And for the entire planet, the longest dry streak on record is the Atacama Desert in Chile. It's said that some parts of that desert haven't seen rain in 400 years!

Bull rider Jenkins injured

Texico's champion bull rider L.J. Jenkins was stepped on by a bull during a rodeo in Oklahoma City last weekend.

He suffered a collapsed lung, broke some ribs and bruised his liver. He is recuperating in the Baptist Hospital in Oklahoma City.



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Student Government officers at Clovis Community College this year are, from left, Chris Isham, Elizabeth Alonzo (Bovina), Heather Nicholes, Vanessa Quintero, Tonya Lane, Carisima Garcia (Farwell), Cristina Reynoso (Texico) and Chris DeLeon (Bovina).

Favila takes 1st in accounting at meet; Beaubien, O'Hare qualify for state

From Farwell High School debate and UIL coach Angela Hall:

Two Farwell High groups recently went to Lubbock Cooper and Snyder high schools to compete, and were very successful, bringing home several medals.

Attending the Willie McCool Invitational were Yvonne Favila, Selene Delgado, Miriam Delgado, Crystal Garcia, in accounting; Trisha Robertson, Sarah Herington, Shelby Christian, Brooke Lunsford, in computer applications.

Also, Cameron Kirkland, Adriana Gutierrez, Jesus Ramos, in calculator; and Shelby Christian, Trisha Robertson, Brooke Lunsford and Miriam Delgado, in math.

Results were:

Favila, 1st in accounting; Lunsford 2nd in computer applications; Herington, 3rd in computer applications; Robertson 7th in computer applications; and Lunsford 6th in math.

The debate team entered the Snyder TFA Invitational Tourney.

Jon Beaubien and Jourdan Kirkland were 2nd in CX Debate with a record of 5-1, earning 6 TFA points.

Lauren Beaubien and Blake O'Hare were 3rd in CD Debate, with a record of 4-1 out of 26 teams.

Lauren and Blake have now officially qualified for the TFA state tourney by earning 4 TFA points at this meet.

Cecilio Santos, LD Debater, went 3-0 in preliminary rounds and broke into the quarter-finals. He lost in this round and placed 7th overall out of 42 LD Debaters.

Also competing in LD Debate was Ashleigh Mesman, a TFA state qualifier. She posted a 2-1 mark. Alicia Porter also had a 2-1 record and Kami Schmidt went 1-2.

Coaches were Dorris White, Patsy Camp, Hayley Christian, Linda Riley, and Tra and Angela Hall.

Upcoming tourneys include Hereford, Amarillo-Tascosa, Post and the District CX in Sundown on Feb. 9.

Local flavor

The Latest

Farwell Police Chief Robert Achterberg has submitted his resignation, effective at the end of February.

He has taken a post with the New Braunfels Police Department.

New Braunfels is located north of San Antonio, where his wife is from.

He served as Farwell police chief for six years.

The Clovis Lions Club will present its spring Gun & Crafts Show at the National Guard Armory, 601 S. Norris St., on Feb. 18 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Feb. 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. mt.

Admission is \$4; children under 12 are free with adult.

Tables for vendors are available for \$35 each.

For more information, call Hal Helton at 481-3222 or Stacy Hodges at (505) 439-9738.

Leticia Merino, a Farwell High grad who is a senior at West Texas A&M University, was named to the Dean's List for the fall 2005 semester.

Sammy Herrera is trying to get a Farwell youth basketball league going, like the summer ones that were held back in the 1970s and '80s.

The games will be in Farwell, but the league is open to surrounding areas.

Registration will begin Feb. 1 from 6-8 p.m. in the Elementary Gym, and Feb. 5 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the

same location.

It is open to kids from 1st to 6th grade.

The fee is \$20 for entrants.

For more information, please call Sammy or Amy at 791-1662 or 693-5494.

Some local stats from the New Mexico Child Abuse & Neglect Citizen Review Board in their 2006 annual report:

Curry County's 2000 census showed 45,044 folks. There were 986 child abuse - neglect cases, with 654 child abuse - neglect investigations made.

Word has been received of the death of Maurice "Fud" Austin, 93, of Clovis.

He died Jan. 25 at the Farwell Conavelscent Center.

He was born Oct. 30, 1912, in Texico to William Austin and Louisa Bell.

He married Mary Reed on July 17, 1937, in Farwell.

Jessica Chandler, of Farwell, was named to the dean's list for the 2005 fall semester at Angelo State University.

She is majoring in biology.

Members of St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat enjoyed their monthly "Family Night" this past Sunday with a Sloppy Joe dinner and game night.

Texico police report all quiet last week.



Longhorns knock off Springlake-Earth

Varsity Girls

The Lazbuddie Lady Longhorns lost to Springlake-Earth, 67-31, on Friday.

Scoring were Brittany Sexton and Chelsee Nichols, 11 each; Brittney Schafer and Mica Brandvik, 2 each, and Rochelle Smith, 5.

Lazbuddie is 4-7 in district.

Varsity Boys

The Longhorns knocked off Springlake-Earth, 48-34.

Scoring were Steve Pacheco, 7; Aaron Chavez,

14; Jesse Gomez, 6; Jason Davis, 13; Arturo Lucio, 5, and Erik Estrada, 4.

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Wednesday - BBQ on bun, tater tots, pickles, apple cobbler, milk.
Thursday - baked chicken, baked potato, broccoli, Texas toast, fruit, milk.
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Just a week

In a little over a week, this church, The Church of God and Christ, Mennonite, was raised from foundation to shingles. A contractor was hired to help supervise the project, but he could only be here for a week. Over 60 members of the church came out to help and the outside of the building was completed in incredible time. This church is located about a mile East of Oklahoma Lane next to the existing school. To give an idea of the speed, they started work on Monday and this picture was taken on Wednesday afternoon.

Parmer County elections to feature DRE machines

This year's local elections in Parmer County will be a first in one respect. It will feature Direct Reading Electronic (DRE) machines.

These are digital machines mandated three years ago by the federal government for use in local elections. The deadline for putting them into use is this year. They are specifically designed for blind and deaf persons, allowing them to vote.

Parmer County has purchased 10 DRE machines for \$66,545. The county will be renting them to the cities and schools for their elections at \$100 each per election. Parmer County Clerk Colleen Stover said the state has promised to reimburse counties for much of their cost. No money has been received yet although Mrs. Stover hopes that at least \$27,000 will be forthcoming.

The DRE machines don't add votes up. But they do use ballots, like regular ballots, than can be scanned by the county clerk's office, said Mrs. Stover.

Of course, the schools and cities hand count the ballots in their own elections. The county does the count for primary and general elections.

The state has ordered counties to certify that they have the DRE machines available for the spring elections, and this was done, said Mrs. Stover.

The federal mandate (which was unfunded) said all the states in the U.S. had to have at least one DRE machine per voting precinct. Anyone voting can use the machines, whether they have a handicap or not.

Parmer County bought 10 machines because they will use one each for the nine voting precincts, and have one available for early voting. The machines are currently being stored in the old county jail facility. This week, Mrs. Stover planned to take out one and use with a mock election to see how it works.

All the DRE machines have been guaranteed by the company that built it. If a machine breaks down on Election Day, voting will still continue at the polling place, Mrs. Stover said.

The machines will feature braille, and also have audio available. One job Mrs. Stover has to do is to send a tape of candidates' pronunciations to a company that will make the audio available to voters. This will be programmed into the machines.

The main hardship involving the machines is the cost. Both the county's Democrat and Republican parties are now looking at costs of \$5,600 each for the primary election.

Candidates file by paying \$750 fees or presenting a petition. Since only three Democrats are listed in the county's primary, you can see there is a deficit. But the state parties pick up the full tab.

When you see that the Parmer County Democratic primary only features three can-

didates, who paid \$750 filing fees (or \$375 for Justice of the Peace filings), then you can estimate the financial loss that will be taken by the Democrat Party, for example.

Asked how many blind and deaf voters she expects in the local elections, Mrs. Stover estimated this would be a very small percentage of county voters.

Filing period to open for local elections

The filing period for local Texas elections runs from Feb. 11 to March 13. Elections are scheduled for May 13.

Here's a look at the local elections:

Bovina School Board -- Two seats are up for election. Incumbents are Mike Beauchamp and Kevin Hughes.

Farwell School Board -- Three seats are up for election. Incumbents are Mike Woods, Randy Mitchell and Roberta Howard.

Lazbuddie School Board -- Three seats are up for election. Incumbents are Amy Barnes, Daniel Schacher and Donnie Coker.

Farwell City Council -- Three seats are up for election. Incumbents are Johnny Vidaurri, Wayne Gruben and Ysleta Kittrell.

Bovina City Council -- Three posts are up for election -- mayor and two councilmen. Incumbents are Stan Miller (mayor) and Larry Hodnett and Jessie Stone.

Farwell Hospital District Board -- Four posts are up for election. Incumbents are Peggy Sudderth, Chad Byrd, Troy Christian and Bert Williams.

Meanwhile, the filing deadline is past for the Parmer County primary elections on March 7.

There is only one contest set for the primary:

Seeking the GOP nomination for Pct. 2 (Bovina area) county commissioner are Galen Carson, James Clayton, Larry Hodnett and Ben Osborn.

Otherwise, the other contests will be on the November ballot -- Pct. 2 county commissioner; county judge, and Pct. 2 Justice of the Peace.

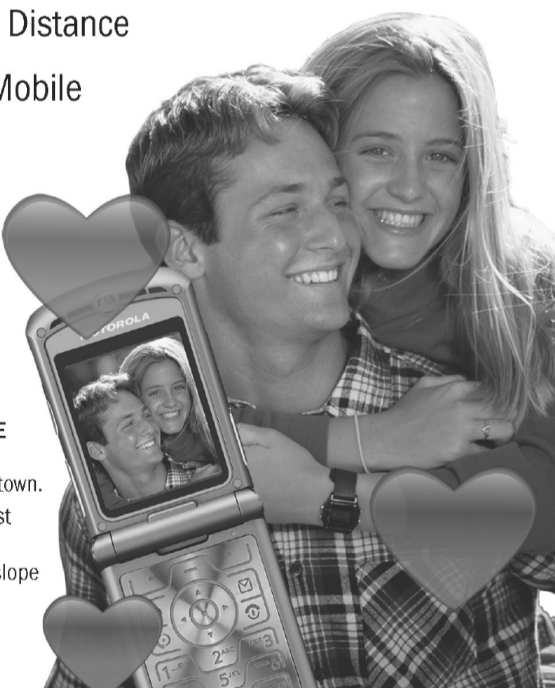
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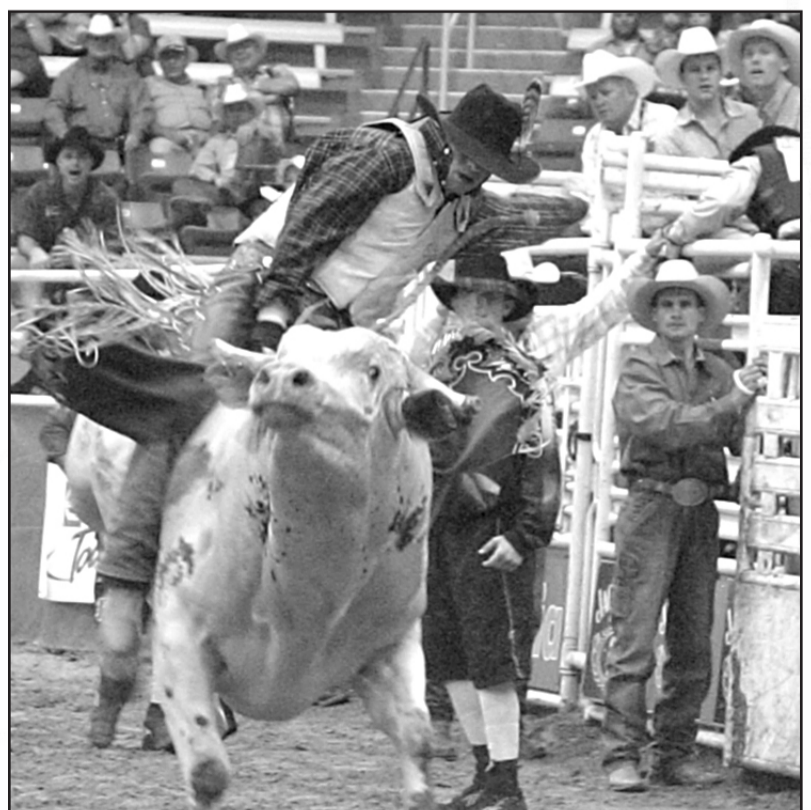
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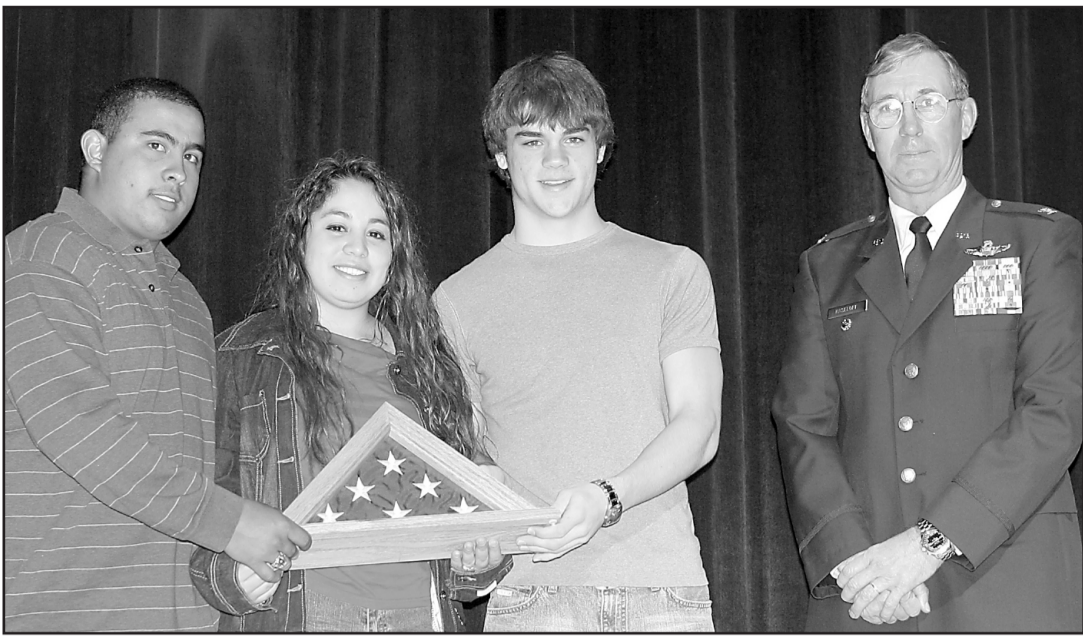
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Col. (Ret.) Haseloff presents the flag to Farwell Student Council members Colby Norton, Yvonne Favilla, and Luis Olmos.

Col. Haseloff presents special flag to Farwell Schools

Last Thursday, U.S. Air Force Col. (Ret.) Robert Haseloff presented Farwell Schools with a very special flag.

Haseloff graduated from Farwell High School in 1970, then went to Texas A&M. Due to the end of the Viet Nam War, the Air Force had too many pilots, so he moved to Bovina where he farmed for two years.

"During that time, I logged more time on a FarmAll tractor than I ever would in a fighter."

Back in the service, he was a decorated pilot, and logged over 4,000 hours between fighters and trainer aircraft. He was a part of 15 different assignments, and traveled to 54 different countries. In his 30 years in the service, he spent almost 10 years overseas.

His speech to the assembled students focused on the opportunities and potential that students from a small town have. Even though a local student might not have some of the opportunities of a student in a city like Dallas or Houston, their potential can still be realized through hard work and dedication.

Haseloff pointed out that he was far from the top student in his class, but felt his true potential didn't come out until he was at college.

He spoke, also, on some of his experiences in the Air Force, some of the opportunities in the military, as well as the future roles the military will play.

"The pilots of the future will have different jobs than the ones while I was in service." In the future, Haseloff believes that manned airplanes will be replaced by aircraft piloted by people far from the battlefield, and in some cases, on the other side of the world. He pointed to a recent accomplishment where a plane was flown from America to Australia with no one on board.

The flag he presented has flown with him over Iraq, was with him when he passed 1,000 hours of flight time, while on his 1st combat sortie, and on his last flight over Iraq.

Last August, the flag flew over the State Capital in Austin for a day. Haseloff said that his future goals included some travel plans. His biggest goal is to visit the last two states that he hasn't been to: North Dakota and Michigan.

Sheriff's Report

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

On Jan. 26, Walter Budd, 34 of Jal, was arrested by Texas Highway Department on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 oz. Case pending in county court.

On Jan. 28, Servando Dominguez, 22, of Bovina, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of DWI. Case pending in county court.

On Jan. 26, Sunny Nielson, 31, of Roswell, was arrested on a Parmer

County warrant in San Antonio, on a charge of violation of community service (was charged with possession of a prohibited substance in a correctional facility). Case pending in district court.

In 287th District Court on Jan. 27, with Judge Gordon Green presiding: -- Javier Davila Daniel, 32, of Muleshoe, charged with burglary of a building, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 2 years, \$316 court costs, \$1,000 fine, and 90 days confinement in county jail as a condition of probation; and charged with evading arrest / detention with vehicle, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 2 years, \$316 court costs, \$1,000 fine, and 90 days confinement in county jail as a condition of probation.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County clerk's office recorded these warranty deeds last week:

Don Carthel - Texas Star Dairy, S/2 S14 T4S R4E.
Gene Nichols - Emilio Degollado, W 50' L14 West Loop Drive, Friona.

Doyce Turner et al - Ponderosa Cattle, SW/4 S15 Blk Z WD & FW Johnson; E 239.75 ac S 479.5 ac S16 T15S R2E.

First Baptist Church of Friona - Bautista Iglesia, L1-5 L1620, Bovina.

Marcos Cruz - Jose Barraza, L7-8 B85 Friona.
Mildred Tannahill trust - Gary Stowers, 8.99 ac SW/pt E/2 S8 T4 1/2S R5E.

Ann Lovelace - Jimmie Graham, L3 N4' L4 B2 Ridgecrest; L1-2 S9 L3-4 S10, T16S R1E.

Sharon Ford - Darrisa Tunnell, L12 B3 Hillcrest.
Eldon Smith trust - Ken Sorley, S/2 S36 T7S R2E.

Mary Agee- John Agee, NW/4 S13 Blk H Thomas Kelly.
Embry family trust - Socorro Martinez, S 120 ac W/2 Blk W Edward Warren.

The Latest

Farwell High School's speech team took 4th place out of 24 teams at last weekend's Hereford tournament.

Elisa Smith took 1st place in poetry. Annette Torres was a semi-finalist in poetry.

In LD Debate, Alicia Porter took 3rd and Cecilio Santos was 7th.

The team of Jon Beaubien and Jourdan Kirkland took 3rd in CX Debate.

Matthew Barnes was 6th in informative speaking.

Ryan McClaran was a semi-finalist in persuasive speaking.

Farwell's Christian radio station, 92.3, has been off the air for the last couple of weeks due to a burned out cable on their transmission tower. They expect the cable to be fixed this week and to be back up on the air.

They were surprised to find out that the tower did not have a lightning rod, and the damage added up.

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Leon Meeks & family

Meet Texico's Class of 2018



Tyler Simon is a Texico kindergarten. His birthday is Feb. 3. Parents are John & Kelly Simon. Grandparents are Francis Simon and Dee Oulman.

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The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

By order of the Parmer County Commissioners Court.

Bonnie J. Heald
County Judge

City of Texico, New Mexico
Notice of Adoption of Resolution

Notice is hereby given of the title and of a general summary of the subject matter contained in City Resolution No. 06-03 duly adopted and approved by the Governing Body of the City of Texico, New Mexico, on January 24, 2006. Complete copies of the Resolution are available for public inspection during the normal and regular business hours of the Interim City Clerk, 219 Griffin Street, Texico, New Mexico.

The title of the Resolution is:

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LOAN AGREEMENT AND INTERCEPT AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG THE CITY OF TEXICO (THE "CITY") AND THE NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY, EVIDENCING A SPECIAL, LIMITED OBLIGATION OF THE CITY TO PAY A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$220,000 TOGETHER WITH INTEREST AND ADMINISTRATIVE FEES THEREON, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE COST OF PURCHASING A FIRE TANKER AND RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF, ADMINISTRATIVE FEES, AND INTEREST DUE UNDER THE LOAN AGREEMENT SOLELY FROM THE DISTRIBUTIONS OF STATE FIRE PROTECTION FUND REVENUES RECEIVED BY THE CITY FROM THE STATE TREASURER PURSUANT TO SECTION 59A-53-7 NMSA 1978; PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF FIRE PROTECTION FUND REVENUES FROM THE STATE TREASURER TO BE REDIRECTED TO THE NEW MEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY OR ITS ASSIGNS PURSUANT TO THE INTERCEPT AGREEMENT FOR THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL, ADMINISTRATIVE FEES, AND INTEREST DUE ON THE LOAN AGREEMENT; APPROVING THE FORM OF AND OTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THE LOAN AGREEMENT AND INTERCEPT AGREEMENT AND DETERMINING THE EXACT TERMS OF THE LOAN AGREEMENT AND INTERCEPT AGREEMENT; RATIFYING ACTIONS HERETOFORE TAKEN; REPEALING ALL ACTION INCONSISTENT WITH THIS RESOLUTION; AND AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE LOAN AGREEMENT AND INTERCEPT AGREEMENT.

The title sets forth a general summary of the subject matter contained in the Resolution.

This notice constitutes compliance with Section 6-14-6 NMSA 1978.



Basketball season is heavy into the district games now.

The Farwell varsity and JV teams host Hart on Feb. 3, then play at Bovina on Feb. 7. The Farwell Junior High teams end their season on Feb. 6 against Bovina.

The Bovina varsity teams play at Amarillo Bushland on Feb. 3, then host Farwell on Feb. 7. The Bovina Middle School teams end their season on Feb. 6 by playing Farwell.

The Texico varsity and JV teams host Melrose on Feb. 2, play at Clayton on Feb. 4, and host Eunice on Feb. 6 (parents night). The Texico Junior High teams play in the Fort Sumner Tourney Feb. 2, 3 and 4, then end their season on Feb. 7 at Tatum.

The Lazbuddie varsity teams host Amherst on Feb. 3, then play at Kress on Feb. 7. The JH Lazbuddie teams end their season at Happy on Feb. 6.

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LIVE CATTLE: Since long term charts turned down a couple of weeks ago, the market seems to be in the process of making the transition of topping. Cash trade really surprised everyone last Friday and expectations were very high coming into this week. The total failure of prices and lower cash trade is beginning to worry many traders. Funds put the market up and Funds may lead the market lower. Fundamentally, beef production is expected to increase further as demand decreases.

FEEDER CATTLE: Long term trends also turned down a couple of week ago and new lows for the move down took place on Friday this week. Feeders have been able to hold up a little better this week than Live Cattle prices, but trends are all still pointing lower in the cash and futures prices.

CORN: Quite the opposite in corn, as the market tested the lower \$2.00 range and held. The market surprised many traders with the quick advance back up to test the early January highs this week. The market may be a little ahead of itself at this time with very little news to support higher prices? Most of the support has come from the expectation of higher feed and energy use along with expectations of decreased planted acres this year. So far, nothing in print, just expectations?

SOYBEANS: The market did basically nothing all week until Friday. The market opened sharply higher and held up all the way into the close. Some scattered weather problems in South America have helped support a higher close on Friday with expectations of good world demand.

WHEAT: Prices saw some continuation of the uptrend which started last week. Contract highs were tested once again and although there were New Highs seen this week, Fridays close was very negative in many ways. There are strong seasonal tendencies which may top the market over the short term? Crop conditions remain mixed as some areas did receive some moisture over the last few days. Overall, a move down in February should be followed by one more rally into early March?

COTTON: There seems to be some unrest taking place in the cotton market as China has yet to really turn up the crank on imports. Technically, the move back below support at the 56 cent level basis the March contract caused a slide down on Friday. Long term trends are still pointing higher into March. Major support at \$54.50 will need to hold this market together for a little longer?

Futures and Options Trading involves risk of loss and may not be suitable for everyone.

Texico 7th boys, girls win Farwell tourneys

Varsity Boys

The Texico Wolverines won a non-district game over Tatum, 42-39, on Saturday there to run their overall mark to 10-9.

Scoring were Zane Anderson, 1; Curtis Williams, 14; Aaron Vaughan, 10; Ricky Burns, 2; Daniel Schueler, 6; and Chance Bradley, 9.

Varsity Girls

The Lady Wolverines got nipped by Tatum, 41-40, on Saturday. Texico is now 14-5 on the season.

Scoring were Bryn Mayfield, 3; Faith Martin, 7; Brooke Bailey, 5; Erika Autrey, 4; Lori Richardson, 10; Krystal Williams, 1, and Stephanie Bailey, 10.

JV Girls

Texico's JV Girls doubled up on Tatum, 68-33.

Scoring were Micah Mayfield, 3; Barbara Vidal, 2; Zandi Queener, 13; Holly Harrison, 12; Jaryse Harris, 7; Amanda Bass, 6; Braeden Hadley, 7; Markita Askew and Brooke Bailey, 8 each.

JV Boys

Texico's JV Boys put away Tatum, 61-45.

Scoring were Tanner Allen and Brett Anderson, 3 each; Levi Richards, Niko Ulibarri and Sterling Bowers, 2 each; Ruben Lindley, 13 (including a trio of 3-pointers); Mario Posada and Jordan Broome, 8 each; Johnathan Sullivan, 5; Casey Crist, 11, and Jesse Walthers, 4.

7th Boys

Texico's 7th grade boys won the title at the Farwell Tourney last weekend with a pair of victories.

Texico beat Gattis, 41-39.

Scoring were Jose

Posada and Connor Doolittle, 10 each; Lucas Walthers, 13; Oscar Walls, T.J. Serna, Garrett Foote and Trent Barclay, 2 each.

And Texico whipped Hart, 34-22, for the title.

Scoring were Posada, 8; Foote, 5; Doolittle, 6; Walthers, 10, and Serna, 5.

7th Girls

Texico's 7th grade girls won both its games to win the Farwell Tourney championship.

Texico beat Hart, 38-24.

Scoring were Fallon Scanlan and Diana Corona, 4 each; Morgan Pinnell, 12; Khiara Loera, 15; Morgan Mayfield, 2; and Eddwinia Rodriguez, 1.

And Texico beat Gattis, 35-32.

Scoring were Fallon Scanlan, 2; Erin Scanlan, 6; Loera, 8; Corona, 11; and Mayfield and Pinnell, 4 each.

Texico topped Sudan, 22-20.

Scoring were Erin Scanlan, 2; Loera, 7; Pinnell, 4; Corona, 9.

Texico put away Dora, 39-15.

Scoring were Erin Scanlan, 2; Corona, 8; Mayfield, 5; Pinnell, 8, and Loera, 16.

8th Girls

Texico's 8th grade girls got nipped by Sudan, 21-

19. Scoring were Lisa Vidal, 6; Katlin Luscombe, 3; Victoria Richards, 8, and Sierra Stalker, 2.

Texico whipped up on Dora, 50-18.

Scoring were Luscombe, 21; Richards, 15; Jennifer Shirley, Stalker, Summer Price and Christy Herrington, 2 each; and Shay Anderson, 6.

8th Boys

Texico's 8th grade boys doubled up on Dora, 49-24.

Scoring were Miguel Vega and James Conlee, 2 each; Marques Pena, 6; Rhett Martin, 8; Jonathan Hill, 5; Seth Bailey, 14; and Edgardo Meza, 12.



Farwell, Texico 7th battle



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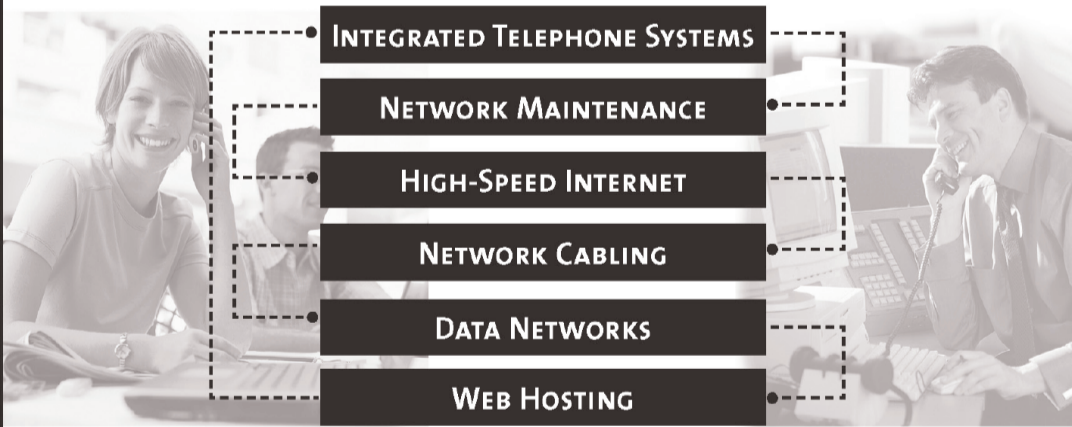
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Farwell varsity teams stay in playoff hunt

Varsity Boys

The Farwell Steers won a nail-biter over Sudan, 36-35, last Friday at home.

Farwell is now 3-2 in district and 11-14 overall.

Brett Howard hit a key jump shot toward the end of regulation to tie the game and send it to overtime.

Howard then scored a bucket and Chandler a free throw in OT for the margin of victory.

Scoring were Howard, 5; Cory Chadwick, 5; Derrick Chandler, 8; Colton Sudderth, 9; Ty Gast, 7; Matthew Edwards, 2.

Varsity Girls

The Farwell Lady Blue lost to Sudan, 45-29, on Friday. Farwell is now 3-2 in district.

Scoring were Shelby Christian, 9; Jennifer DeLeon, Britton Barrett, Julie Castillo and Dellani Jones, 2 each; Salida Edwards, 1; Bea Garcia, 8, and Amanda Martin, 3.

JV Boys

Farwell's JV Boys nipped Sudan, 31-29.

Scoring were Ross McClaran, 12 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Dalton Cockerham, Danny Hernandez and Trace Stevenson, 4 each; Johnathan Edwards, 3; and Jaime Saenz and Logan Carpenter, 2 each.

*** Farwell also defeated Friona, 55-32.

Scoring were Dan Patterson, 8; Johnathan Edwards, 18; Blake O'Hare, 7; Logan Carpenter, 16; Danny

Bovina Banter

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fruit, milk.

Friday - sloppy joes, pepperoni pizza, potato wedges, carrot sticks, garden salad, pickle spears, sherbet, milk.

Our varsity boys basketball team played very hard and with such heart on Friday evening only to lose to Morton. We are proud of the entire team along with the coaches - win or loose, you guys are tops with us!

The varsity girls basketball team won their game against Morton. They played very well also.

By the looks of the parking lot at the Catholic church on Sunday, they had quite a turnout Many comments were made to Mike that the food was excellent.

Diary

From page 13

ways. He shows us everyday life on the family farm, where hard work and rationing were demanded. W.L. left us a chronicle of a simpler time. He does not talk of his therapist, or obsess about crime or sex. He talks to of hard work, school, church, patriotism, honor, and about carrying his share of the load. He is eloquent in writing about people and places he loved.

By readig the diary, you see his simple pleasure in playing Monopoly in the evening after a 16-hour day of work and school. Thrill with him at receiving the gift of a Parker Pen and a subscription to Reader's Digest, and feels what he must have felt as he describes "the mountain" in his haunting essay, Dusk.

Hernandez, 4, and Rowdy Smith, 2.

7th Girls

Farwell's 7th grade girls lost both their games in the Farwell Tourney last weekend.

They fell to Gattis, 21-18. Scoring were Pamela Lara, 2; Laney Christian, 1; Brooke Hall, 4, and Crystal Reyes, 5. Then Farwell lost to Hart, 41-14.

Scoring were Hall and Christian, 6 each, and Reyes, 2.

7th Boys

Farwell's 7th grade boys split their games in the Farwell 7th grade tourney last weekend.

They got tipped by Hart, 24-23. Scoring were Landry Actkinson, 14; Luke Carpenter, 8, and Caleb Christian, 1.

Then Farwell topped Gattis, 40-38.

Scoring were Luke Carpenter and Christian, 2 each; Rane Carpenter, 4; Actkinson, 17; Mason Coburn, 7; and Lincoln Devault, 8.

JV Girls

Farwell's JV Girls lost to Sudan, 39-22.

Scoring were Megan Patrick, 8 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Hayley Fowler, 6, and Kaylyn Meyer, 8.



Banquet scheduled April 8

Country singer to entertain at Farwell Chamber banquet

The Farwell Chamber of Commerce announced on Jan. 31 that Tammy Highsmith Mercer would be the entertainer at this year's Chamber banquet, set for April 8.

Mrs. Mercer, of Borger, Texas, is an outstanding singer who has put on one-woman shows in Amarillo. She specializes in Patsy Cline music.

Discussing the banquet, it was agreed to have the Farwell lunchroom ladies again serve the food, either roast beef or brisket, and students would serve the meals at the tables.

The cost remains the same, \$15 per ticket.

Fred Chandler will emcee the event. DeeDee Pomper is again in charge of the nominations committee.

In other business, the Chamber:

-- Agreed to hold its monthly meetings at the New Spur Restaurant.

-- Will have the annual golf scramble on June 24 at the Farwell Country Club.

-- Heard treasurer Altha Herington say that the Chamber has \$12,125 in its account.



Photos by J.R. Ivins

The Latest

John and Kelly Hardy, members of St. John Lutheran Church at Lariat, received notice recently that John has been assigned to an U.S. Air Force post in Turkey.

The family, with children Kaitlyn and J.C., will be moving in April. John is currently assigned at Cannon Air Force Base.

Farwell Police Chief Robert Achterberg reports Texas Tobacco, on the Amarillo highway, was broken into on Jan. 27. Someone threw a rock through a window and stole six cartons of cigarettes.

Band Boosters to meet

There will be an important meeting of the Farwell Band Boosters on Feb. 2 at 7 p.m. in the Band Hall.

Wrap-up of the details and assignments for the hamburger cookout will be discussed. Also on the agenda are the spring band banquet and upcoming competitions.

Anyone interested in being a booster of the Farwell Band and Music program is invited to attend.

Fund-raising dinner upcoming

The annual fund-raising dinner for Life In Christ Academy will be Feb. 26 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Farwell Community Center.

The brisket dinner benefits the pre-school program and mission of Life in Christ Academy. More information is forthcoming.

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2004-2005

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2005 DISTRICT ACCOUNTABILITY SUMMARY

NEW MEXICO PUBLIC EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

District Designations

District	Designation
TEXICO MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS	
District Ratings	Designation
2005 Meets AYP	None
2004 Meets AYP	None

This Report Includes:

- District Ratings & Designations
- AYP District Summary
- District Elementary Grade Span Report
- District Middle School Grade Span Report
- District High School Grade Span Report

2004-05 AYP District Summary

Grade Span	Mathematics		Reading		Met Additional Indicator
	Met 95%	Met Target	Met 95%	Met Target	
Elementary (K-5)	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
Middle School (6-8)	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
High School (9-12)	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES

<40 - Less than 40 students in this group

Determining District NCLB Rating

AYP for districts is determined by content area test participation and performance, as well as the additional academic indicators of attendance and graduation. Content area test participation and performance data are examined by three grade spans: Elementary, Middle and High School. The grade spans are the same for all districts and may not correspond with the configurations of the schools in the district. The grade spans contain the following grades: Elementary (K-5), Middle (6-8) and High School (9-12). A district shall be identified as Not Making AYP when it does not make AYP in either subject area (reading/language arts or mathematics) in ANY grade span OR fails to meet either additional indicator (attendance or graduation) in ANY grade span.

A district shall be designated as in Need of Improvement when it does not make AYP in the same subject area (reading/language arts or mathematics) across all three grade spans (elementary, middle, and high school) for two consecutive years, OR fails to meet the targets for the additional academic indicators (attendance and graduation) in all three grade spans for two consecutive years.

Districts which fail to meet annual measurable objectives in the same content area or the additional academic indicator targets for two consecutive years in both their elementary/middle school and high school levels are identified as in LEA Improvement status, or moved to the next improvement category, which is LEA Corrective Action. Districts which contain only one grade span level, either elementary/middle or high school, and fail to meet annual measurable objectives in the same content area (math and reading/language arts) or the additional indicator for two consecutive years are identified in LEA Improvement or moved to the next improvement category, LEA Corrective Action.

District Grade Span Report

District: **TEXICO MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS**

Grade Span: **ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 3, 4 & 5**

2004-05 AYP Grade Span Summary

	Met AYP Goal ¹		Met Participation Rate ²		Met Additional Indicator
	Math	Reading	Math %	Reading %	
All Students	YES	YES	YES	100.0	YES
Caucasian	YES	YES	YES	100.0	YES
African-American					
Hispanic	YES	YES	YES	100.0	YES
Asian/Pacific					
Native American					
English Language ³ Learners					
Students with Disabilities					
Economically Disadvantaged	YES	YES	YES	100.0	YES

¹Subgroups of 25 or more must meet AYP goals
²95% of each subgroup of 40 or more must participate
³Includes current English Language Learners (ELL), as well as those ELL within the past two years.

Math/Reading Trends & Details

Test Data Reported for Full Academic Year Students Only

Subgroup	MATHEMATICS						READING					
	School Year 2004-05						School Year 2004-05					
	Number Enrolled in AYP Grades	Number Participated	Number Tested FY ⁴	Percent Proficient	Annual AYP Goal	Lower Bound Confidence Interval for AYP Goal ⁵	Number Enrolled in AYP Grades	Number Participated	Number Tested FY ⁴	Percent Proficient	Annual AYP Goal	Lower Bound Confidence Interval for AYP Goal ⁵
All Students	112	112	104	58.65	24.13	15.80	112	111	104	74.04	40.85	30.35
Caucasian	64	64	57	68.42	24.13	13.56	64	64	57	82.46	40.85	27.13
African-American	0	0	0		24.13		0	0	0		40.85	
Hispanic	48	48	47	46.81	24.13	12.78	48	47	47	63.83	40.85	25.95
Asian/Pacific	0	0	0		24.13		0	0	0		40.85	
Native American	0	0	0		24.13		0	0	0		40.85	
English Language Learners	3	3	3		24.13		3	3	3		40.85	
Students with Disabilities	9	9	9		24.13		9	9	9		40.85	
Economically Disadvantaged	67	67	63	52.38	24.13	13.96	67	66	63	63.49	40.85	27.71

⁴Only includes students enrolled for the full academic year (FAY).
⁵The size of the confidence interval is based on the number of students in the subgroup.
⁶<2 - Less than 2% of students in this group performed at or above proficient level.
⁷>98 - More than 98% of students in this group performed at or above proficient level.

Additional Indicator (Elementary & Middle Schools Only)	
This District in:	2004-05
Attendance Rate ⁶	97.08

⁶Must be 92.00% or higher to meet the additional indicator requirement.

Additional Indicator (High Schools Only)	
This District in:	2004-05
Graduation Rate ⁷	100.00

⁷Must be at least 90.00% be equal or exceed the previous year; or the average of the current and past two years must equal or exceed the previous year rate to meet the additional indicator requirement.

District Grade Span Report

2004-05 AYP Grade Span Summary

District	Met AYP Goal ¹		Met Participation Rate ²		Met Additional Indicator
	Math	Reading	Math %	Reading %	
TEXICO MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS	YES	YES	YES	100.0	YES
Caucasian	YES	YES	YES	100.0	YES
African-American					
Hispanic	YES	YES	YES	100.0	YES
Asian/Pacific					
Native American					
English Language ³ Learners					
Students with Disabilities					
Economically Disadvantaged	YES	YES	YES	100.0	YES

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³Includes current English Language Learners (ELL), as well as those ELL within the past two years.

Math/Reading Trends & Details

Test Data Reported for Full Academic Year Students Only

Subgroup	MATHEMATICS						READING					
	School Year 2004-05						School Year 2004-05					
	Number Enrolled in AYP Grades	Number Participated	Number Tested FY ⁴	Percent Proficient	Annual AYP Goal	Lower Bound Confidence Interval for AYP Goal ⁵	Number Enrolled in AYP Grades	Number Participated	Number Tested FY ⁴	Percent Proficient	Annual AYP Goal	Lower Bound Confidence Interval for AYP Goal ⁵
All Students	138	138	112	36.61	10.58	5.54	138	138	112	67.86	34.14	24.65
Caucasian	80	80	66	42.42	10.58	4.58	80	80	66	74.24	34.14	22.22
African-American	5	5	1		10.58		5	5	1		34.14	
Hispanic	53	53	45	28.89	10.58	3.88	53	53	45	57.78	34.14	20.20
Asian/Pacific	0	0	0		10.58		0	0	0		34.14	
Native American	0	0	0		10.58		0	0	0		34.14	
English Language Learners	5	5	5		10.58		5	5	5		34.14	
Students with Disabilities	13	13	13	<2	10.58		13	13	13	7.69	34.14	
Economically Disadvantaged	72	72	61	21.31	10.58	4.44	72	72	61	57.38	34.14	21.82

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⁶<2 - Less than 2% of students in this group performed at or above proficient level.
⁷>98 - More than 98% of students in this group performed at or above proficient level.

Additional Indicator (Elementary & Middle Schools Only)	
This District in:	2004-05
Attendance Rate ⁶	97.12

⁶Must be 92.00% or higher to meet the additional indicator requirement.

Additional Indicator (High Schools Only)	
This District in:	2004-05
Graduation Rate ⁷	100.00

⁷Must be at least 90.00% be equal or exceed the previous year; or the average of the current and past two years must equal or exceed the previous year rate to meet the additional indicator requirement.

District Grade Span Report

District: **TEXICO MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS**

Grade Span: **ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 9 & 11**

2004-05 AYP Grade Span Summary

	Met AYP Goal ¹		Met Participation Rate ²		Met Additional Indicator
	Math	Reading	Math %	Reading %	
All Students	YES	YES	YES	100.0	YES
Caucasian	YES	YES	YES	100.0	YES
African-American					
Hispanic					
Asian/Pacific					
Native American					
English Language ³ Learners					
Students with Disabilities					
Economically Disadvantaged	YES	YES	YES	100.0	YES

¹Subgroups of 25 or more must meet AYP goals
²95% of each subgroup of 40 or more must participate
³Includes current English Language Learners (ELL), as well as those ELL within the past two years.

Math/Reading Trends & Details

Test Data Reported for Full Academic Year Students Only

Subgroup	MATHEMATICS						READING					
	School Year 2004-05						School Year 2004-05					
	Number Enrolled in AYP Grades	Number Participated	Number Tested FY ⁴	Percent Proficient	Annual AYP Goal	Lower Bound Confidence Interval for AYP Goal ⁵	Number Enrolled in AYP Grades	Number Participated	Number Tested FY ⁴	Percent Proficient	Annual AYP Goal	Lower Bound Confidence Interval for AYP Goal ⁵
All Students	89	89	77	58.44	18.29	10.24	89	89	77	89.61	37.30	25.70
Caucasian	63	63	51	66.67	18.29	8.97	63	63	51	96.08	37.30	23.47
African-American	3	3	3		18.29		3	3	3		37.30	
Hispanic	23	23	23	43.48	18.29		23	23	23	73.91	37.30	
Asian/Pacific	0	0	0		18.29		0	0	0		37.30	
Native American	0	0	0		18.29		0	0	0		37.30	
English Language Learners	1	1	1		18.29		1	1	1		37.30	
Students with Disabilities	9	9	8		18.29		9	9	8		37.30	
Economically Disadvantaged	43	43	35	54.29	18.29	7.76	43	43	35	82.86	37.30	21.20

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Additional Indicator (Elementary & Middle Schools Only)	
This District in:	2004-05
Attendance Rate ⁶	95.97

⁶Must be 92.00% or higher to meet the additional indicator requirement.

Additional Indicator (High Schools Only)	
This District in:	2004-05
Graduation Rate ⁷	100.00

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JUST LISTED - 160 Acres, CRP, Oklahoma Lane area on highway.

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2 story brick home in Farwell. 2 bedroom, 3 bath, central heat/refrig. air, 2 car garage - good neighborhood.

JUST LISTED - 160 acres, CRP, southeast of Clovis. 1 irrigation well.

160 Acres S of Clovis - NE of 200gpm sprinkler, lays good.

JUST LISTED -- 50+ 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

Nice 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath home. New hardwood floor in kitchen, central heat, ref. air, covered patio, 2 car carport and fenced backyard in Farwell.

3 bedroom, 1 bath home in Bovina. Large lot. Good neighborhood.

2 bedroom, 1 bathroom on corner lot with 1 car garage in Farwell.

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2 bedroom bath, steel shop, fire hydrant, post office in Farwell

Just Listed - 130+ acres, 3 irrigation wells. East of Lariat.

Just Listed - 220 acres east of Lariat, 2 circle sprinklers, 3 irrigation wells.

Southwest of Lariat, 319 acres, 2 circle sprinklers, 4 irrigation wells.

160 acres, irrigated, west of Texico - 1 irrigation well, circle sprinkler. Lays good.

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Parmer County -- 24+ acres west of Friona on draw. 3 electric wells. Good water. Piped for pivot.

Bailey County -- 31+ acres, 2 pivots, good water. Lots of improvements.

Lamb County -- 8 acres with modern home & shop. 2,000+ sq. ft. house, 3 bedrooms, 2 bath & sun porch. 3,600 sq. ft. steel shop. Lots of extra features. Call for more details!

Lamb County -- Southeast of Amherst, 922 acres. 310 acres of alfalfa. 5 center pivots. 42 acres of drip irrigation.

Lamb County -- 1,000+ acres northwest of Littlefield. 9 pivot sprinklers, 13 wells. Good livestock pens & outbuilding. Excellent soil for peanuts & potatoes.

Lamb County -- Pleasant Valley area -- 315 acres, 5 wells, 2 pivots, very clean, on pavement.

Lamb County -- 240 acres, 2 sprinklers, house, barn & other improvements.

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New Listing - Country home, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, ref. air/central heat, storage building, 1 car garage on 1 acre.

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New Listing -- 2 bedroom, 1 bath, brick home, storage building, fenced back yard, great starter home.

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320 acres -- Northeast of Lazbuddie, 2 circular sprinklers, 4 irrigation wells, 2 bases and yields. Lays well. Call for more details.

640 acres - Northeast of Lazbuddie, 4 circular sprinklers, 5 irrigation wells, 1 electric well. Excellent soil. Out of state owner says "sell it."

640 acres -- Parmer/Castro Co. One of the flattest sections in the county with a center pivot section sprinkler. Small set of cattle pens, 3 wells, 1 submersible. Lots of depreciable assets.

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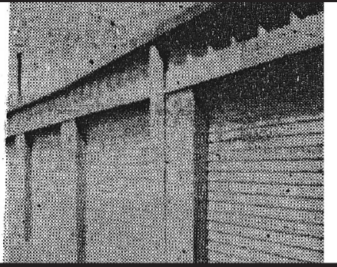
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Tuesday's late scores Lazbuddie

Varsity Girls
 The Lazbuddie Lady Longhorns wiped out Spade, 60-22, on Tuesday.
 Scoring were Haley Dexton, 5; Brianna Sanchez, 10; Brittney Schacher and Megan McGuire, 4 each; Chelsee Nichols, 22 (including a trio of 3-pointers); Rochelle Smith, 6, and Brittany Sexton, 9.

Varsity Boys
 There was no game on Tuesday.

Farwell Varsity Boys

It was a tough loss for the Farwell Steers on Tuesday when they lost to Morton, 46-44, there.

The game was tied before Morton made a last second shot for the win.

Scoring were Brett Howard and Cory Chadwick, 3 each; Derrick Chandler, 12; Ty Gast, 13 (including a trio of 3-pointers); Colton Sudderth, 6; Alex Olmos, 1; and Roper Smith, Logan McFarland and Matthew Edwards, 2 each.

Farwell is now 11-15 overall and 3-3 in district -- in 3rd place.

Varsity Girls

The Farwell Lady Blue kayoed Morton, 65-34.

The win kept Farwell in 2nd place in district.

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and Shelby Christian, 10 each; Jennifer DeLeon and Julie Castillo, 2 each; Bea Garcia (including a pair of 3-pointers); Amanda Martin, 3; and Britton Barrett, 16.

JV Boys
 Farwell's JV Boys beat Morton, 49-34.

Scoring were Robert Williams, 4; Trace Stevenson, 6; Emanuel Pereda, 11; Jaime Saenz, 5; Ross McClaran, 15 (including a trio of 3-pointers); and Bo Mitchell, 8.

JV Girls
 Farwell's JV Girls lost to Morton, 43-23.

Scoring were Brenda Cano, 6; Lauren Beaubien, 2; Chanel Castillo, 1; Hayley Fowler, 5; and Kaylyn Meyer, 9.

Bovina

Varsity Boys
 The Bovina Mustangs put away Hart, 72-29, on Tuesday.

Scoring were Mike Ortiz, 25 (including five 3-pointers); Jeremy Vasquez, 13; Trent Quintana, 6 (a pair of 3-pointers); Jesus Rocha, 18 (with 4 3-pointers); Isaac Taveras, 4; and Robert Knoll, Jamie Chavira and Oscar Rodriguez, 2 each.

Varsity Girls

The Fillies killed Hart, 56-42, to go to 16-10 overall and 4-2 in district, still with a shot at the playoffs.

Scoring were Hilda Quintero, 3; Ruby Vela, 6; Laura Rocha, 9; Irma Rocha, 17; Lucero Saucedo, 6; Dorothy

Martinez, 7; and Jessica Bachicha, 8.

JV Boys
 Bovina's JV Boys fell to Hart, 34-11.

Scoring were Joseph Bermea, 6 (a pair of 3-pointers); Aaron Ramon, 2; Josh Ramirez, 1; and Jeremy Curtis, 2.

Texico

Varsity Boys
 The Texico Wolverines are 11-9 after nipping Sudan there on Tuesday, 26-24.

It was a low-scoring game as Sudan led 3-0 after the 1st quarter.

Scoring were Daniel Schueler, 2; Chance Bradley, 4; Courtland Luscombe, 6 (a pair of 3-pointers); Curtis Williams, 9 (including 2 3-pointers); Josh Murray, 1; and Aaron Vaughan, 4.

Varsity Girls

The Lady Wolverines are 14-6 overall after falling to Sudan, one of the top teams in Class 1A Texas, 47-26.


Scoring were Bryn Mayfield, 2; Erika Autrey, 1; Faith Martin, 3; Lori Richardson, 8; Stephanie Bailey, 8; Krystal Williams, 4.

JV Girls

Texico's JV Girls beat Sudan, 28-25.

Scoring were Braeden Hadley, 3; Barbara Vidal, 6; Amanda Bass, 5; Holly Harrison, 4; and Leslie Vannatta, Brooke Bailey, Jaryse Harris, Zandi Queener and Micah Mayfield, 2 each.

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Bovina Banter

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The Bovina varsity teams play at Amarillo Bushland on Feb. 3, then host Farwell on Feb. 7. The Bovina Middle School teams end their season on Feb. 6 by hosting Farwell.

A one-vehicle rollover occurred the morning of Jan. 25 on 2290, about three miles west of Bovina. No hospital transport was made. The driver was Amanda Sanchez.

Here's Bovina Schools' lunch menus for next week:
 Monday -salisbury steak, pepperoni pizza, au gratin potatoes, green beans, garden salad, carrot, celery, wheat rolls, juice bars, milk.

Tuesday - beef stew, hamburgers, carrot, celery, garden salad, crackers, cinnamon rolls, milk.

Wednesday - chicken fajitas, pepperoni pizza, pinto beans, garden salad, carrot, celery, yogurt, milk.

Thursday - ham, hamburgers, macaroni salad, mixed veggies, carrot sticks, bread, garden salad, Jello with

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Goals

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everyone wants me to be, but to be myself. I want to try new things and to be a better son and friend.
 Jonathan Gutierrez

My goals are to go to the playoffs in basketball an to make it to State in track. I know that in order to meet these goals, I have to get better every day.
 Jesus Rocha

My goals includes: to go on to the next grade, to be the best I an be this year, to see my brother come back from the Army in one piece, to go hunting with my dad, and to live to see the next day.
 Elton Burrow

My goals are to learn more about the military, like the Air Force, as a possible future job, to try to respect everyone and to be a better person, not just to myself, but to everyone else.
 Anthony Loera

My goals are to pass the TAKS test and to have a great summer. I also want to pass the 9th grade, and I hope it snows a lot. and I want to be happy.
 Omar Flores

Hopefully, things can change if I just try to change them. My goals can be achieved if I try hard. One is to pass algebra. It's one of my worst subjects and I would really like to pass it so I can go on to the next grade. Other goals are to try to talk to more people, to stay out of trouble, and to make smart decisions.
 Isabel Ramirez

My goals are to be able to make All-Region Band, to make varsity in football, and to pass the TAKS test. I have these goals because I really want to be able to enjoy this year. If I can reach my goals, it will be good just knowing that I could do them.
 Isaias Castillo

A lot of times when the New Year comes around, everybody's asking what our New Year goals are, but everyone always answers, "Better grades, to do better at school, and to have better stuff." My goals are to have a great year. I am asking for everything to change this year because a lot of things that have been going on are just not good. I know that everything won't change just because it's a new year or because you say it's going to change. So my goal for this year is to change what I can, and to deal with what I can't.
 Yesenia Guevara

BOVINA MUSTANGS TEAMS



Basketball

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girls lost to Friona, 48-9.
 Scoring were Jeanette Varela, 2; Mayra Gomez, 2; Kim Casas, 3; Lynda Rodriguez, 2.

Bovina lost to Arbor, 25-17.
 Scoring were Varela, 4; Gomez, 2; Rodriguez, 5; Casas, 2; Daniela Flores, 2, and Alicia Lopez, 2.

MS Boys

Bovina's Middle School boys beat Arbor, 31-21, behind a huge game by Dorian Vela, who canned 20 points, including a pair of 3-pointers.

Also scoring were Andy Duarte, 2; Frankie Guevara, 1; Alexis Martinez, 2; Jesus Reyes, 1; and Zach Ward, 2.

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Wedding

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Maldonado, all of Lubbock. The attendants wore strapless, tea length, fitted marigold-colored dresses that were gathered to one side and secured by a brooch. They carried nosegays of dahlias, hydrangeas, cupernicum and cockscomb in shades of magenta, gold, green, and burgundy.

The best man was Cole Pittman, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Stephen Livingston and Lance Wilson. Ushers were Cameron Charles, brother of the bride, Nick Galvan, Brad Ralston, and Craig Wofford.

Initials of the bride and groom, made of miniature green chrysanthemums, were suspended by satin ribbon and flanked the entrance of the Baker building, along with various colors and different varieties of pumpkins, and tall arrangements of leaves and dried grasses. Inside, the Baker Building was decorated with fall colors. Six-foot tall bouquets of dried grasses, leaves, and eucalyptus in urns stood on the round registration tables covered with bronze satin tablecloths. Twinkle lights and greenery encircled the balcony and lighted candelabras were suspended from the ceiling. Large urns of various-colored greenery and grasses flanked the bridal party during the ceremony. The couple lit a unity candle at the end of the ceremony.

The reception and dance followed the ceremony at the Baker Building. Round tables covered with bronze satin tablecloths held various centerpieces of miniature pumpkins, gourds, various fall flowers in a variety of color, and candles. Roasted pork loin with rolls was served, as well as a fruit and cheese station, and potini station.

The bride's cake was a square four-tiered white cake decorated with fresh flowers of dahlias, roses, and orchids in shades of deep red, burgundy, orange, yellow and green. The groom's cake was various-sized layers of carrot cake separately placed on the table. Frosted, leaf-shaped sugar cookies were also on the groom's table. The cakes flanked a fireplace that was decorated with buckets of yellow and white chrysanthemums, greenery, leaves, and pumpkins.

The couple honeymooned in Puerto Vallarta and is living in Lubbock.

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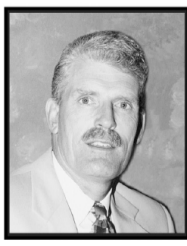
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Man and Woman of the Year

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce is requesting nominations for man and woman of the year. The awards will be given at the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet on March 4, 2006. The man and woman must have lived in Bovina for at least five (5) years.

The Chamber is interested in citizens who have shown community involvement.

Please return these nomination to The Bone Joint, by February 17, 2006

Man Nominee: _____

Reasons for nomination: _____

Woman Nominee: _____

Reasons for nomination: _____

Heritage Award

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce is requesting nominations for the Heritage Award. The Bovina Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be Saturday March 4, 2006. The nominations need to be returned to The Bone Joint by February 17, 2006.

The Chamber would like to give this award to a member or members (husband and wife). This award is for leadership and community involvement while these people have lived in Bovina. They need to have lived in the Bovina Community for at least five (5) years.

Person or persons being nominated _____

Reasons for nomination _____

Hedges, Wilkinson to headline chamber banquet

A really exciting Bovina Chamber of Commerce annual banquet is planned for March 4, which be a bit different than preceding years.

"We are having a dinner theater evening," explained Jim Bob Swafford. The evening will begin in the Bovina School cafeteria where a western style steak dinner will be served, followed by homemade pie and ice cream.

Steaks will be provided by Cargill. Door prizes and the annual award presentations will follow the meal.

Then after a short intermission, everyone will adjourn to the school auditorium for a great hour of entertainment. The Chamber will present two top-flight entertainers: Andy Wilkinson and Andy Hedges. It's a performance not to be missed.

The dinner theater starts at 7 p.m. with tickets costing \$12 each. Tickets are available at The Bone Joint and Parmer County Tax Appraisal District office in Bovina.

Also, tickets will be sold at the door. For more information, call 251-1015.

Here's some background on the featured entertainers:

Andy Hedges grew up on a farm in Tokio, Texas. When he was 15, he began reciting cowboy poems for friends and family and in 1996 was invited to perform at the National Cowboy Symposium in Lubbock.

Since then, Andy Hedges has traveled throughout the West, entertaining at cowboy poetry readings, rodeos, theaters and schools. And in 2004, he was named Top Male

Poet by the Academy of Western Artists.

In 2001, his album, "Days and Nights in the Saddle", was nominated by the AWA for Best Cowboy Poetry Album of the Year. He also was a top 10 finalist for Cowboy Poet and Rising Star of the Year.

In 2000, he was a featured performer at the Millennial Cowboy Poetry Gathering in Elko, Nev. More about Hedges can be found at andyhedges.com.

Andy Wilkinson is a writer and singer of contemporary western folk music. Through his poems and songs, he weaves images of people and places in telling the tales of the American West of yesterday and today.

His material comes from true stories of the past and present. The famous Charlie Goodnight, pioneer trail-driver and cattleman, was a distant uncle.

He has recorded four albums of music and poetry -- "Charlie Goodnight", "The Road is Still the Road", "Storyteller" and "An Ordinary Christmas."

Besides entertaining for a wide variety of audiences, he has taught songwriting in seminars.

His concert performances are blends of his original songs and poems, interwoven with spontaneous accounts of the stories behind the stories, and about how the pieces came to be written. Most of his stories are taken from extraordinary happenings in the lives of ordinary people.



Kay Swafford presents the book to Brenda Patterson of the Friona library.

Kay Swafford donates brother's diary to Friona Library

In 1998, Kay Hemphill Swafford of Bovina co-published the book "A Day of My Own Diary of a Teenage Boy 1943" with her brother Jamie Hemphill of Mason, Texas, and her sister Shirley Hemphill Doyal of Lohn, Texas. It was published and edited by Wanda Evans of Millennia Books.

On behalf of the Friona Library, Brenda Patterson recently accepted the book.

Here is a brief review of the book:

The year is 1943, the U.S. is embroiled in World War II, and 17-year-old W.L. Hemphill, Jr., is a senior at Lohn (Texas) High School. W.L. is the proud owner of a diary that he received as a gift for Christmas 1942. He determines to keep a daily record of his life and the activities during his senior year and of the days following his graduation as he assumes the mantle of adulthood. Unfortunately, the pages past Dec. 1, 1943 are blank, for W.L. died of pneumonia before he saw another Christmas.

W.L. would have been forgotten in time had it not been for the discovery of a small blue box many years after his death. Inside that box was the diary he kept during his last, fateful year.

During that year, many young men of W.L.'s age were at war. In his diary, W.L. ever the patriot, gives us a vivid picture of the war from the point of view of those who stayed at home and supported the war effort in various

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Deadline nears for basketball league sign-ups

The Bovina Junior Basketball League is open to area boys and girls, 1st through 6th grades.

The entry fee is \$20 per child. If a family signs up more than one child, additional children will cost \$15 each. The fees must be paid by Feb. 10 -- there will be no exceptions.

Teams will be picked on Feb. 13 by blind draw. Children will be contacted by their coaches. All games are played in Bovina.

If you are interested in coaching, please call The Bone Joint in Bovina -- (806) 251-1300 -- and tell Honey Sue.

It's a Girl

Jake and Hannah Louder, of Cordell, Okla., announce the birth of a baby girl.

Jacey Leigh Louder was born Jan. 27 in Elk City, Okla.

She weighed 8 lbs., 11.5 oz. and was 21 inches long.

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Entry fees are \$20.00 for the first child, and \$15.00 for any other child in the same family. The fees pay for trophies, insurance, referees, scorekeepers, gym cleaning, and replacing basketballs.

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The bride is the daughter of Billy Jay and Barbara Charles, of Bovina.

The groom is the son of Roy and Diane Pittman, of Lubbock, the grandson of Roy and Jewel Pittman, and Clois and Donna Thomas, and the great-grandson of John Thomas all of Haskell, Texas.

Presented in marriage by her father, Brooke wore a strapless formal wedding gown of ivory satin. A champagne-colored band of satin encircled the bodice and was accented with a bow secured with a rhinestone pin. The same colored band of satin encircled the bottom edge of the A-line gown. The gown flowed into a semi-cathedral train and self buttons ran from the bodice top to the hemline of the skirt. Crystal drops hung from the edge of her fingertip veil. She carried a bouquet of blue hydrangeas. In keeping with tradition, her wedding ensemble was something new. She carried a handkerchief belonging to her late grandmother, Emily Griffith, for something old. A bracelet belonging to her mother was something borrowed, and her bridal bouquet was something blue. She also wore pennies minted in the year of both her and the groom's birth in her shoes.

Matron of honor was Kimberly Billingsley. Maid of honor was Kasey Bell. Bridesmaid was Stephanie

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Fillies destroy Morton

Varsity Girls

The Bovina Fillies killed Morton, 77-54, last Friday at home to improve their record to 15-10 overall and 2-2 in district.

Scoring were Hilda Quintero, 5; Ruby Vela, 5; Audrie Terrones, 7; Laura Rocha, 13; Yesenia Guevara, 4; Irma Rocha, 14; Lucero Saucedo, 13; and Jessica Bachicha, 20.

Irma Rocha had a trio of 3-pointers.

Varsity Boys

Morton turned back the Mustangs, 65-59, last week to drop to 1-3 in district.

Scoring were Mike Ortiz (with a trio of 3-pointers); Jeremy Vasquez, 5; Trent Quintana, James Lara, Oscar Rodriguez and Isaac Tavera, 3 each; Jesus Rocha (with a pair of 3-pointers); and Robert Knoll, Jesus Chavira, 2 each.

JV Boys

Bovina's JV boys lost to Morton, 47-21.

Scoring were Joseph Bermea, 10 (a trio of 3-pointers); Aaron Ramon, 6; Jesus Ramirez, 3; and Jeremy Curtis, 2.

MS Girls

Bovina's Middle School

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All-Region Band

Bovina High students qualifying for the All-Region Band were, from left, Saul Martinez, Hannah Miller and Bacilio Viernes.

More goals expressed

Here are more themes on "goals for 2006" from Bovina High students:

My goals are to do better in school, to spend more time with my family and friends, and to try to get along with my sister. Also, I want to be more responsible, to earn money to buy things for myself, to go to different places and to explore, and finally, to be nicer to my little brother.

Angelica Carmona

My goals are to become a better person in myself, to do really well in school, to get along with people and to be friendly. I want to become more respectful, trustworthy and responsible. I plan to be more caring for myself and others, to get a job to earn money to buy things on my own, and to help my mother around the house.

Jessica Salazar

My goals are to practice and try really hard for cross country and track. I want to

go to Regionals, and from there to State. I want to go out more and see new places and meet new people. Also, I would like to learn many things, including learning more than just two languages and becoming a good drummer in the percussion band. I want to get better and to play a lot of sports that I would enjoy and am looking forward to being good at next year.

Lorena Newton

My first goal is to get my algebra grade up. That is very important to me because, lately, I have been getting bad grades and I want to change that. I am sure there are ways for me to fix my grade and if I hurry, I will not be behind in my other math homework. This would not have happened if I had just paid attention and taken good notes. I know that I have been slacking off and I shouldn't have.

Daisy Carrasco

My goal is not to be the person that

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Folks in line waiting for the food to be brought out.



Frankie Guevara



Vernie Schacher and Brenda Jesko

St. Ann's dinner

St. Ann's Catholic Church held its annual German Sausage dinner on Sunday.



Joann Walker

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