

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

Here is a look back at Year 2008 in the Texico-Farwell area:

January

Longtime District Attorney Johnny Actkinson announced he would retire at the end of the year.

Mike Haseloff and Ronald Byrd file for the post of Farwell area county commissioner; they will face off in November.

Taking top honors at the Farwell Junior Livestock Show are: Trevor Owen, beef heifers; Abby Johnson, steers; Kolten Morris, sheep; K'Leigh Jo White, goats; and Abby Johnson, barrows.

Justin Barnes is appointed to the Texico School Board, replacing Charlie Vannatta who resigned because he moved out of the district.

Richard and Shawn Hadley were inducted into the New Mexico 4-H Hall of Fame.

Showing grand champions at the Lazbudeie Junior Livestock Show were: Kayle Jesko, steers; Ashton Mason, goats; Ashton Mason, barrows; and Logan Mason, lambs.

Farwell City Council invited truckers to a meeting to discuss the truck ban on most city streets.

Showing the grand champions at the Parmer County Stock Show were: Ryan DeLeon, barrows; Tyler Hough, goats; Chase Timms, lambs; Chase Timms, heifers; Brittany Berend, steers.

Farwell students making the All-Region Band were Jose Garcia, Ashleigh Mesman, Casey Knight, Nina Galvan, Kade Foster and Josh Olivas.

Dowsing finds 30 unmarked graves in the Texico Cemetery.

February

Farwell High dominate the district CX debate.

It was announced that th Not-So-Andrews Sisters would perform at the Farwell Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Jeff Queener was Texico interim fire chief while Lewis Cooper recovered from open heart surgery.

The Texico Science Fair grand champions were Jonathan Hill, high school; and brother Jarron Hill, junior high.

Texico votes to implement Stage 1 water conservation.

Jonah Tuls won Texico's spelling bee.

Doug Scioli and Jerry Bradley were re-elected to the Texico city council without opposition.

March

Farwell Police Chief Scott Burton resigns.

Texico City Council discussed complaints of dogs running loose.

Farwell City Council agrees not to change its trucking rules.

The Texico Lady Wolverines won its second consecutive state Class 2A basketball title. This time, they Navajo Prep, 55-45.

The Texico Wolverines won the state Class 2A basketball championship by dumping Mesilla Valley, 58-55.

Sandra Palmer is named Farwell Convalescent Center administrator.

Texico FCCLA teams did well enough at the state level to earn a trip to the nationals in Orlando, Fla., in July.

The Parmer County Commissioners changed its tax abatement policy.

Keith Durham was named Texico High principal.

April

Yucca Telecom announced plans to build fiber optic lines in Texico.

Texico's L.J. Jenkins won a rodeo in Albuquerque.

Lazbuddie School Board adds a coaching position.

The Border Town Days theme will be Farwell School's 100th anniversary. The BTD Committee votes to name Keith Durham and Richard Luscombe, who coached the state championship basketball teams from Texico, as its Honorary parade Marshals.

Texico receives a \$450,000 grand for the waste water treatment plant.

Top Farwell Chamber of Commerce honors went to: Gilbert Kaltwasser, Agriculturalist of the Year; Bill Shelly, Teacher of the Year; Harold Carpenter, Man of the Year; Avis Carpenter, Woman of the Year; and a special plaque honoring the late Joe Jones was unveiled. Students of the Year were Lindsey Mullin and Jaime Saenz.

Ashley Hartzog was named Texas Tech University Masked Raider.

Doug Bowman is named Texico Police Chief.

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Twin City decorated houses



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Farwell to open stock show season

The 43rd annual Farwell Junior Livestock Show will be held at the Farwell Community Center starting at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 3.

This is the second year in a row that the time has been moved up to 11 a.m., said Farwell ag teacher Tomee England.

Weights on all animals must be turned in at the community center before 10:45 a.m.

Farwell staffers, 4-H and FFA students and their parents will set up pens and make arrangements for the show on Friday, Jan. 2.

The judge will be Mile Mitchell, a Melrose School ag teacher.

Mes. England expects a good number of goats, pigs, lambs, steers and beef heifers entered again this year.

Ribbons will be awarded, plus belt buckles will be given the champions and showmanship winners.

The ring chairman will be Leslie Curtis. Fred Chandler will again handled the emcee duties.

The Farwell 4-H again will preside over the concession stand. Since the show will start at 11 a.m., the concession stand will feature a lunch menu, too.

The Lazbuddie Junior Livestock Show will be

held starting at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 24, at the Lazbuddie High School ag shop.

This is a change from the past, reports ag teacher Sid Morris.

For the past several years, the show was held at Friona before the county stock show. The move saves a rental fee, plus should get more Lazbuddie residents to attend since it's closer. And it's more convenient for the entrants.

Grand champions and showmanship winners will receive belt buckles,

and reserve grand champions will receive rosettes.

There will be no Friona livestock show this year due to a decline in participation. A "showmanship clinic" will be held instead.

The Parmer County Junior Livestock Show will be held Jan. 15-17 at the Friona Community Center.

Judges will be: steers, Dennis Poole; barrows, Kevin Kelly; goats and

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Border Banter

--Mike Pomper

Tradition may end

It turned out great for the winner of the Area Merchants Football Contest but getting the Dallas Cowboys tickets didn't come easy this go-round.

Here's the full story: Years ago, the Tribune used to buy the Cowboys

tickets from the Cowboys organization. But they stopped selling single game tickets. You either bought a season's tickets or nada.

So the Tribune started buying tickets from various sales outlets, and settled on Stub Hub to be the best.

Last August, the Tribune bought two tickets for the Dallas Cowboys - Baltimore Ravens game, the last game the 'boys would play at Texas Stadium. Neat, huh?

Well, normally when tickets are bought, they arrive in a few days. Not this time. So Tribune publisher Rob Pomper

called Stub Hub in September to say the tickets hadn't arrived yet.

Not to worry, he was told. Stub Hub guarantees the tickets but said they would not arrive until four days before gametime.

That caused a bit of concern here.

Anyway, Stub Hub was true to its word and the tickets arrived FedEx on the Wednesday before the 'boys game vs. the Ravens.

But because there was some kind of mess-up with the original tickets that Rob bought, Stub Hub had to upgrade the tickets.

So what the Tribune got were two tickets on the 25 yard line, about 13 rows up from the Cowboys bench! Best seats, ever, for a contest winner.

All worked out well this year, but alas, we fear for the future. With a new stadium, ticket prices may go through the proverbial roof.

The Tribune's Area Merchants Football Contest is the most popular contest in the Texas Panhandle, except for maybe the Amarillo and Lubbock newspapers.

When the contest started 50 years ago, the overall winner got two tickets to the Cotton Bowl. Then about 30 years ago, it was switched to the Cowboys game.

Now, it is feared that football tickets may be a thing of the past, and just cash offered the winner.

That isn't all that bad, but you hate to see a tradition end. We will just have to wait until next summer to see the ticket prices.

Maybe they will be inexpensive? Don't hold your breath.

If you have any suggestions, please stop by the Tribune and let us know. We're interested to hear what you think.

Well, it happened

again recently in California - the problem I have written about before.

It is no longer safe to be a "Good Samaritan." When I was a kid, it was a given that if you saw an accident, you helped out if needed.

That no longer holds true.

Nowadays, you are taking a major risk if you help out unless you are a certified EMT or higher. "Good Samaritan" rules have been thrown out the window.

In the California case, a woman pulled a friend from a car, thinking it might explode after an accident.

She is being sued for big bucks by her paralyzed friend.

What does that say about our crumbling nation?

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A couple of weeks ago I called for the firing of Dallas Cowboys Head Coach Wade Phillips.

After watching Sunday's debacle against the Philadelphia Eagles, I have no reason to change my mind.

In my opinion, the Cowboys simply were not motivated. They need a coach with some fire in him to push them to do their best. Phillips is not that type of coach.

Owner Jerry Jones keeps giving Phillips votes of confidence.

I hope the next vote of confidence pushes him out the door.

The Tribune hopes everyone enjoyed the

Farwell Senior Meal Site

Menus for next week:
Monday - sweet & sour pork, oriental veggies, carrots, fruit cocktail, peanut butter cookie, crackers.
Tuesday - chili, tossed salad, corn bread, crackers, cheese sticks, pudding.
Wednesday - chicken strips, gravy, potato chunks, peas, roll, pears.
Thursday - closed.
Friday - closed.

Seniors over 60, \$3; all take-outs, 50 cents extra; guests under 60, \$6.

special Christmas greeting card issue last week.

I thought it had some "good stuff" in it, like Will Anderson's column and a look back at the Oklahoma Lane Christmases of yesteryear.

In these difficult economic times, we are especially blessed to live in an area such as ours.

So another "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" to all.

Obituaries



Fern McLaughlin

Services for Fern McLaughlin, 76, of Farwell, were Tuesday at Steed-Todd Funeral Home with Chris Downer officiating. Burial followed in Texico Cemetery.

She died Saturday at home.

Surviving are 4 daughters, Barbara Sharp, of Farwell; Patricia Silva, of Hot Springs, Ark.; Shirley Mayfield, of Benton, Ark.; and Lishia Cochran, of Willisville, Ill.; 2 sons, James, of Little Rock, and Bill, of Sheridan, Ark.; a sister, Leona Drake, of Clovis; 9 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Diane, and a sister, Alene Parker.

Pallbearers were Ray McCall, Guy Silva, Gene Davis, Ricky Sharp, Ryan Sharp and Jerry Cochran.

Jimmie Seaton

Services for Jimmie Seaton, 84, of Lazbuddie, were Saturday at the Lazbuddie Methodist Church with Rev. Ken Peterson officiating.

Burial was in Lazbuddie Cemetery. Ellis Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

He was a lifetime Lazbuddie resident and a farmer. He served in the U.S. Army in World War II, and was a member of Lazbuddie Methodist Church.

He died Dec. 25 in Muleshoe. He was born Jan. 5, 1924, in Shawnee, Okla., to Eugene and Pearl Seaton.

He married Dortha Lee in Hereford on Aug. 28, 1943.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, a sister, 3 brothers and 3 grandchildren.

Surviving are his wife; 2 sons, Jimmie and Ricky, both of Lazbuddie; a daughter, Theresa O'Donald, of Amarillo; 7 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

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Nix Implement—Owner
Located: Lamesa, Texas—Selling: 15 Tractors, Farm & Cotton Equipment

Saturday, January 17, 2009—Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Panhandle Farmers—Owners
Located: Panhandle, Texas—Selling: Farm & Ranch Equipment

Wednesday, January 21, 2009—Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Lamesa-Key Community Area Farmers—Owners
Located: Lamesa, Texas—Selling: Farm & Cotton Equipment

Thursday, January 22, 2009—Sale Time: 9:30 a.m.
Ricky Schneider—Owner
Located: Lamesa, Texas—Selling: Farm & Cotton Equipment

Tuesday, January 27, 2009—Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Mefford Farms—Owners
Located: Gould, Oklahoma—Selling: Farm, Ranch, Combine, Cotton Equipment

Thursday, January 29, 2009—Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Wayne McClaran Estate—Owner
Located: Bovina, Texas—Selling: Farm & Ranch Equipment

Saturday, January 31, 2009—Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Whitey Thompson Estate—Owner
Located: Edmonson, Texas—Selling: Farm & Ranch Equipment

Tuesday, February 3, 2009—Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
David DeBusk Estate—Owner
Located: Idalou, Texas—Selling: Farm & Cotton Equipment

Thursday, February 5, 2009 Sale Time: 9:00 a.m. New Mexico Time
Willmon Farms—Owner
Located: Clovis, New Mexico—Selling: Farm & Ranch Equipment

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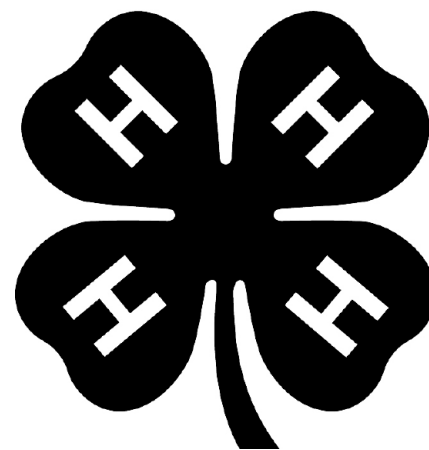


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Year in Review

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Top Texico FFA honors went to: Victoria Richards, Star Chapter; Holly Harrison, Star State Degree; and Morgan Pinnell, Delanie Crist and Garrett Foote, Star Greenhand.

Colton Hollis and Tre Orozco set Texico Junior High track records in the 800 run and high jump, respectively.

Farwell High debaters had a great year in several tournaments: Ashleigh Mesman, Lauren Beaubien, Blake O'Hare, Kade Foster and Cameron Kirkland.

May

Travis Pastrana, world-famed FMX Motocross driver, visits Farwell Elementary School.

Hazel Eshleman celebrates her 100th birthday.

Brian Meeks and Kami Schmidt were named Farwell Band King and Queen.

Tim Kasel resigns from the Farwell City Council after moving out of the city.

The Farwell Convalescent Center names New Light Baptist Church as its Volunteer of the Year.

Top scholars at Lazbuddie High were: Brittney Schacher, valedictorian; and Chelsea Nichols, salutatorian.

Tope Texico High scholars were: Bryn Mayfield, valedictorian; Faith Martin, salutatorian; Daniel Schueler, historian; and Brooke Bailey, prophecy and will.

Farwell High UIL coordinator Angela Hall was honored by the state UIL with a prestigious pin given when one of Farwell's students, Ashleigh Mesman, took 1st in the Lincoln-Douglas Debate at state.

Clay Stout agreed to return as Texico High girls basketball coach, then changed his mind a couple of days later.

Farwell High's top scholars were: Brianna Anglin, valedictorian; Shelby Christian, salutatorian; and Lindsey Mullin, historian.

Texico High's top athletes were Bryn Mayfield and Faith Martin.

Farwell High's top athletes were Jaime Saenz and Brianna Anglin.

Top Farwell FFA awards went to Michelle Wauson and Landon White.

Shyann Rainey was named Lazbuddie Junior High Student of the Year. Chase Timms and Brittany Schacher were named Lazbuddie High Students of the Year.

Farwell Schools okayed traffic changes.

Farwell increased its water and sewer rates.

Top Lazbuddie athletes were: Jason Davis, Brianna Sanchez and Chelsea Nichols.

Mikaela Cenicerros won the Farwell Band's John Phillip Sousa Award.

June

Farwell High's most coveted honors went to Shelby Christian, the Loving Cup; and Lindsey Mullin, the Carlos Nicolas Award.

Anne Norton begins a project of updating the list of veterans buried at the Farwell Cemetery.

Texico City Council looks at mandatory water conservation.

Linda (Moss) Hardy retires as Farwell School cafeteria manager after 31 years.

All fireworks are banned in Farwell due to dry conditions.

Larry Kelsay is named Farwell Police Chief.

A major hail damaged county crops.

July

It was announced that Border Town Days would feature a "Caravan of Champions," spotlighting Texico High's academic and athletic achievements.

An explosion ripped a Texico home, but a miracle saved the life of its occupant, Laura Gaddis.

TV star Charla Corn, of Farwell, will sing at Border

Town Days.

Farwell's Pete Branch captures the 2008 Open Stampede Cutting Stampede title in Canada.

The state says that Texico doesn't qualify to have a vote on liquor sales due to its size.

As part of Farwell School's 100th anniversary celebration at Border Town Days, the gym is dedicated to Jack Williams.

The crowd at the 42nd annual Border Town Days is estimated to be the largest ever.

August

Texico's Jesse Walthers plays in some football games in Australia.

Texico Supt. R.L. Richards is named Superintendent of the Year in New Mexico by the state school superintendent's association.

Parmer County Commissioners propose a lower tax rate.

Shelby Cockerham and Casey Crist show Reserve Champions at the Curry County Fair.

Mitch Walls is appointed to the Farwell City Council.

Texico raises its garbage, water and sewer rates.

September

The 50th year for the Area Merchants Football Contest begins.

A bond issue for Texico school improvements passes, 76-7. It features a new building for the cafeteria and pre-k classes. The old cafeteria will be turned into a vocational ag building.

Texico City Council asks residents to conserve water due to well problems.

Jason Crume dies in a tractor accident.

Farwell City Council gives its fire department \$50,000 to buy equipment. A problem was discovered when firemen fought a fire at AGP's Lariat facility.

October

Texico High Homecoming King and Queen were Brett Anderson and Jaryse Harris.

Farwell High Homecoming King and Queen were Johnathan Edwards and Mikaela Cenicerros.

Willie Roberts, former Farwell School superintendent, dies at age 98.

Top Texico Elementary School Science Fair honors went to Nathan Phipps, Audrey Wren and Ravin Askew. Top Junior High winners were Sarah Long and Jarron Hill.

Texico's fiber optics program kicks off.

The Latest

Audie Martin, of Texico, has opened a new business – Texico Tint at 1400 Wheeler Ave.

It specializes in window tinting and spray-in bed lines.

The phone numbers are (575) 749-7215 or 693-3571.

The Texico City Council held a short meeting on Dec. 23 and voted to have folks pay a \$50 deposit if they use the steam table at the Texico Community Center. Some of the steam table pans have been disappearing, and the deposit should cut down on this problem.

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A 3rd Parmer County historical book is planned. Lazbuddie's robotics team advances to the national contest.

The Parmer County Commissioners vote to move 9-1-1 from Friona to Farwell but an official with the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission says the move only can be made if the commissioners plus the cities of Friona, Farwell and Bovina approve it. Farwell and Bovina also vote for this, but Friona votes against it, thus cancelled out the other governmental entities, according to the PRPC official.

November

At the national contest, Texico FFA'ers excelled: the Greenhand Quiz Team took 4th and the Poultry Team took 10th.

The annual Veterans Day program is held at Farwell High, sponsored by the Farwell Chamber of Commerce, with the largest group of veterans ever attending.

Farwell's Blake O'Hare took 2nd in a contest at the World Finals in Las Vegas.

Top honors at the Texico Science Fair went to Erin Scanlan and Kayla Cox.

The Texico Lady Spikers won the state Class 2A volleyball title under new coach Kristen Scanlan. She replaced Michael Littlejohn, who resigned last spring and who took a job as the Borger, Texas, High volleyball coach. Texico finished with a 23-2 record in winning their 3rd straight state title.

The Texico Wolverines won their first ever Class 2A state title, beating Dexter, 28-26.

December

A Texico man was killed during a robbery attempt. He was a Honduran national who worked at an area dairy named Elvin Rivera.

Farwell's Cassie Moseley finishes 4th in the world title race at the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas.

Texico School has its bond sale for school improvements, scheduled for next year.

West Camp's Chris Bass won the 2008 Conventional – Till Irrigated National Grain Sorghum Yield and Management Conference.

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There's lots of basketball on tap:

Bovina -- The varsity & JV teams host Lubbock Christian on Jan. 2, then play at Lorenzo on Jan. 6. The JH teams take on Springlake-Earth on Jan. 5 – the girls there and the boys here.

Farwell – The varsity teams are in the Littlefield Tourney Dec. 29-31, then play at Hart (with the JV teams) on Jan. 6. The JH teams resume play on Jan. 8 – boys at olton, and the girls here (3 games).

Texico – The varsity teams are in the Plateau Tourney Dec. 9-31. The JV teams play at Melrose on Jan. 2, and are in the Dora Tourney Jan. 2-3. The varsity teams are in the EPAC Tourney Jan. 6-10.

Lazbuddie – The varsity & JV teams play at Amherst Jan. 6. Th JH teams host Kress on Jan. 5.

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Stock Shows

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lambs, Jay Waller.

Here is the event schedule:

Wednesday, Jan. 14 - weigh-ins from 1 to 5 p.m. of all animals, with barrows classified as weighed; 5 p.m., lambs classified; 5:30 p.m., steers classified; and 6:30 p.m. beef heifer show.

Thursday, Jan. 15 -- 8 a.m., lamb show begins followed by goat show; 11 a.m., steer show; and 1 p.m., barrow show.

Saturday, Jan. 17 -- Premium sale starts at 1 p.m.

The 2008 grand champions were Brittany Berend, steers; Ryan DeLeon, barrow; Chase Timms, lambs; and Tyler Hough, goats.

The Parmer County stock show board advisory committee includes Darren Haseloff, Kyle Stancell, Ed Terry, Rick Seaton, Chris Hunt and Alan Monroe.

Stock show board members are:

Farwell -- Tomee England, Charles Christian, Keith Hadley, Carey Stancell.

Bovina Luk Steelman, Buddy Prather.

Lazbuddie - Terry Jesko, Sid Morris, Shane Mason, Chris Timms.

Friona - Davey Carthel, Paul Smith, Mark Osborn, Ricky Bennett.

County 4-H -- Scott Johnson, Benji Henderson, Sean Mason, Al Kerby Jr.

Officers are:

Mack Heald, general superintendent; JeDon Gallman, general assistant superintendent; Lesley Curtis, swine superintendent; Kevin Schueler, lamb and goat superintendent; Jerry Simmons, cattle superintendent; JeDon Gallman, president; Gary Patterson, secretary; and John Jarecki and Dale Schueler, treasurers.

Sale information:

1) 140 head will be sold with equal percentage of each species.

2) Only grand and reserve grand of each species will be presented for the sale. All other sale exhibitors will walk through the ring without their animals.

3) One and one half percent of the selling price of all animals will be retained by the stock show board for repair and improvement of facilities.

4) Premium on animals will be by the head.

5) Sale order will be steer, goat, barrow, lamb. Grand and reserve grands of each species will sell in the same order.

General regulations include:

The show is open to all 4-H, FFA and FHA boys and girls under the supervision of the county agent or vocational ag teachers of the county. Entrants must

Farwell residents hurt in collision

New Mexico State Police reported that a two-vehicle crash occurred on Sugar Beet Road north of CR 523 on Dec. 23, injuring four persons.

Police said a Mustang, driven at a high rate of speed by Ryan Carter, 21, of Clovis, lost control of his vehicle and went off the roadway. He overcorrected, causing the car to go into a broadside skid.

The front of his car struck a drainage ditch, which spun it back into the roadway, where it collided with a Chrysler driven by Lisa Sanders, of Farwell.

Carter and a passenger, Wesley Hess, 31, of Clovis, were transported to University Medical Center in Lubbock where they initially were reported in critical conditions. Hess died Wednesday.

Mrs. Sanders and a passenger, her husband Larry Sanders, at first appeared to have minor injuries and were treated at Clovis hospital, said police.

Later, her husband was airlifted to UMC in Lubbock with internal bleeding due to injured organs, and was treated and released.

Courthouse Notes

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

Greg Atkinson -- Corby White, L17=18 S 15' L19 B60 Farwell.

Amalia Steelman -- Tim Steelman, 286 a E/2 S13 T7S R2E.

Steve Pierson et al -- E&P Farms, NW/4 S24 T10S R2E; SE/4 S9 T10S R2E; SW/4 S26 T10S R2E.

be enrolled in grades 3 through 12 in one of the four public schools in the county or be a county resident attending a home/private school in those grades.

Floor prices will not be set on any animals. All animals will be taken home by exhibitors after the show. Pens will be assigned by community.

Exhibitors may show four animals per species -- and seven in total.

Each exhibitors may only sell two animals in the premium auction.

Showmanship: beef and goat will have two age divisions -- junior 8 to 14, and senior, 15 and up. Lamb and barrow will have three age divisions -- junior, 8-11; intermediate, 12-14; and senior, 15 and up.

Other rules include:

Beef heifers -- This will be a jackpot show with the payout being: 1st -- 50 percent; 2nd -- 30 percent; and 3rd -- 20 percent. Beef heifers are not eligible for the sale. Entry fee is \$30 per head.

Lambs -- Classes will be fine wool, fine wool crossbreed, medium wool and southdowns. Lambs must weigh 80 lbs. to show. Ewe lambs may be shown. Entry fee is \$15 per head.

Goats -- Only wether or doe goats are eligible. The show is open to any breed or crossbreed. Entry fee is \$15 per head.

Steers -- Classes will be crosses, British breeds and American. Steers must weigh 900 lbs. to show. Entry fee is \$15 per head.

Barrows -- Classes will be york, chester white, crossbreed, berk, duroc, hamp, poland, spots and landrace. Entry fee is \$15 per head. Barrows must weigh between 170 and 265 lbs. to show. a 5-lb. tolerance will be allowed.

There is one major change to this year's rules: The state mandated "no pass, no play" rules will apply. If an exhibitor is not scholastically eligible by UIL rules, then the exhibitor and his/her animals are not eligible to compete in the county show.

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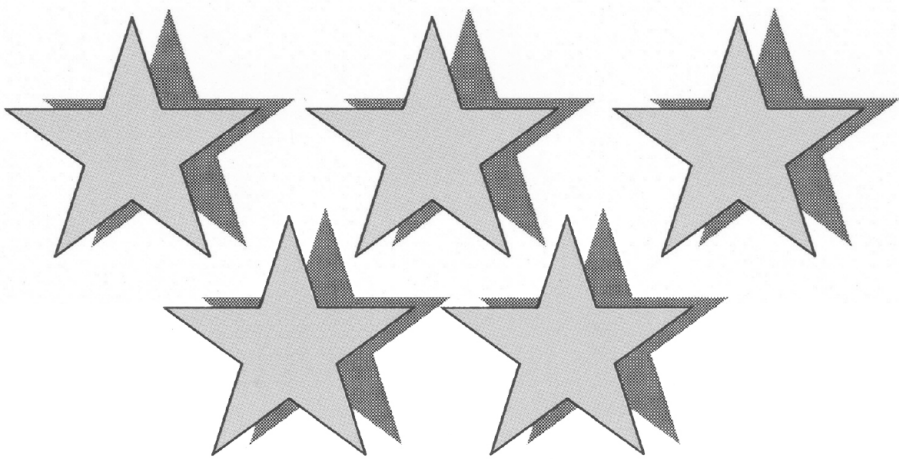
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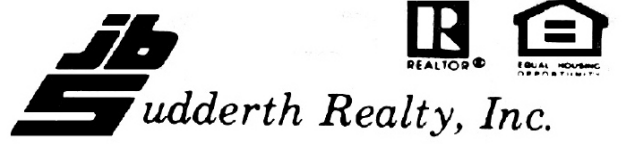
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House and 7 acres north of Texico. On Highway. 3 bed, 2 bath, single car garage, with additional 1 bed apartment with kitchen and bath.

Southwest of Texico, 40 acres on paved road. Will split into 10 acre tracts. Call for details!

**Need farm & home listings
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200 acres irrigated **SOLD** 1/2 Sec. of Land.

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160 acres irrigated **SOLD** 1/2 Sec. of Land.

640 Acres, 4 circles **SOLD** (Ir. w. Ill.), Near Farwell.

320 Acres, irrigated **SOLD** north of Pleasant Hill. 2 circles, 3 wells. Good Farm.

10 acres northeast of Pleasant Hill. Great homesite in Texico School District.

550 acres irrigated **SOLD** east of Lariat. Good water.

1200 acres CRP **SOLD** south of Grady. Good land.

480 acres irrigated. Southeast of Cooks truck stop. 3 circles, 5 wells.

160 Acres north of **SOLD** South. 1 well, circle sprinkler. Good Water

1738 acres irr. near Lazbuddie. 10 circles, 11 wells, on highway.

480 acres north of Farwell - 2 quarters irr., 160 acres grass. 2 pivots, 1 irr. well. On the draw.

PORTALES, NM - 20 acre calf ranch, 1 irr. well, county water, 2 homes on pavement.

320 acres irrigated NE of Oklahoma Lane, 4 wells, 2 circle sprinklers, nice farm.

160 Acres, 1 circle **SOLD** sprinkler, 1 Irr. Well, near Farwell.

1,585 acres irrigated north of Farwell, 8 circles, 9 wells, large brick home with livestock pens & "hands" house.

120 acres, dryland, north of Pleasant Hill.

160 acres South of Lariat on highway. 1 sprinkler, 3 irr. wells. Owner says sell.

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Lamb County - Littlefield area - 194 acres with 4 bedroom, brick home & 40' x 50' x 14' steel barn. 150 acres of C.R.P. with one year remaining. Balance is native grass. This property will be a good cultivated farm until the C.R.P. contract ends. It lays good and there is no playa lake. The house and barn can be sold with 5 acres, 39 acres or the whole farm. This property has easy access to Highway 84 going to Lubbock.

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Lamb County - Northwest of Amherst. 346 acres. 2 center pivot sprinklers. 5 wells all tied together. 75% of 1 pivot is in grass. Good direct payments.

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LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Parmer County Community Hospital is seeking bid proposals for the following scope of work: Installation of a certified data cabling system for use in the new hospital construction in progress in Friona, Texas. The work includes installation of cable, terminations and testing of the complete system as specified and all other miscellaneous items of work as shown and/or specified or as otherwise required for a complete working installation. Plans and specifications can be obtained from Lance Gatlin at the hospital office at 1307 Cleveland Ave., Friona, TX during regular business hours. Bids will be received on or before 4:00pm on January 15, 2009 at the same location.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Parmer County Commissioners Court is currently accepting bids for the purchase of one (1) new pickup for use by the Parmer County Extension Office.

Bids must be mailed or brought to Bonnie J. Heald, County Judge, at 401 Third Street, Room 104, PO Box 56, Farwell, Texas 79325 to be received no later than 10:00 a.m. Monday, January 26, 2009, at which time bids will be considered. Please include an original and four (4) copies in your bid packet.

A copy of bid specifications is on file at the County Judge's office. Bids will be accepted for outright purchase or for trade-in of a 2006 4-Door Chevrolet Silverado Short Wheel Base Pickup. All questions concerning the trade-in should be addressed to Benji Henderson, Parmer County Ag Extension Agent, at (806) 481-3619.

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

Farwell JV girls in action



Here are Tuesday's late scores

Texico JV Boys

The Texico JV Boys beat Friona, 54-38.

Scoring were Garrett Foote, 9; Trent Barclay and Tyler Strickland, 8 each; Connor Doolittle, 7; Mitchell Harrison, 6; Kyle Boatman and Oscar Walls, 4 each; and Tyler Kelley and Kolten Miller, 2 each.

Varsity Girls

The varsity girls opened the Plateau Holiday Classic with a 40-27 win over Gadsden.

Scoring were Katlin Luscombe, 19; Victoria Richards, 6; Holly Harrison, 3; Amanda Bass, 2; and Jaylyn Cooper, 10.

In Tuesday's semi-final, Texico lost to Clovis, 48-32.

Scoring were Luscombe, 12; Richards, 10; Shannon Van Matre, 2; Harrison, 1; Jordyn Cooper, 5; and Jaylyn Cooper, 2.

Farwell JV Boys

The Farwell JV Boys lost to Melrose, 48-29.

Scoring were Colton Capps, 3; Ray White, 4; Hunter Black, 6; Seth Meeks, 6; Matt Martin, 8; and Tyler Schilling, 2.

Varsity Girls

The varsity girls opened the Littlefield Tourney with a 59-54 loss to Idalou on Monday.

On Tuesday, the lady Blue lost to Muleshoe, 62-52. Top scorers were Keegan Langford, 16; Laura Martinez, 14; and Tiffani Jones, 11.

Varsity Boys

The varsity boys lost to Littlefield, 53-33, in the Littlefield Tourney opener on Monday.

Scoring were Matt Billingsley and Rane Carpenter, 4 each; Bo Mitchell, 9; Landry Actkinson, 6; Mason Coburn and Luke

Carpenter, 3 each; and Colby Read and Lincoln Devault, 2 each.

JV Girls

The JV girls beat Melrose, 44-11, on Dec. 19.

Scoring were Emily Agee, 3; Sarahi Saenz, 7; Taylor Fillpot, 2; Brenda Delgado and Brooke Williams, 4 each; Clarisa

Garcia, 16; and Katlin Martinez, 8.

Bovina Varsity Girls

The varsity girls fell to Petersburg on Dec. 20, 85-39. Top scorers were Daniella Flores, 8; Mayra Gomez, 8, and Alicia Lopez, 9.

On Tuesday, the Fillies beat Wilson, 48-38. Flores led with 13, and Kim Casas and Yesenia Guevara had 11 each.

Varsity Girls

The Mustangs lost to Wilson on Tuesday, 66-64.

Top scorers were Jesus Rocha, 23, and Gael Vela, 15.

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Additional information may be obtained by contacting ENMR's business office at 1-800-432-2369 or by contacting the Low-Income Discount Administrator (LIDA) at 1-866-454-8487 (1-866-4-LITE-UP).

Deadline nears for history book

From Don Spring:

The old adage promises that "curiosity killed the cat".

However the same character trait has proven very good for people. Curiosity coupled with a need to find a better life for one's self and family and a good dose of greed has made America the greatest country on the globe.

My grandparents came to Parmer County to find just such an advantage over high land prices in the Midwest and they kept improving on the county until it is as we know it today. Many, many folk did the same thing and continue to influence the quality of life on the high plains.

The Parmer County Historical Commission is trying to get together a compendium of stories about all those folk and the folk who are making life just a little better for their children today. Those people comprise very interesting families, parents, grandparents and children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

I know this to be the case because I know a great many of them. In fact, on many occasions I have sat and talked to them about the past, recent and distant. In one short month I will turn 70 years old and I have known a great many folk and their folk and their grand-folk and I have passed many interesting times visiting with many of them.

I used to work in my granddad's grocery store on Saturdays and when things slowed down a little in the afternoon I would sneak across to Reeve Chevrolet in the hopes that Grandpa Floyd Reeve would be passing some time there.

Mr. Reeve knew that I, like all teenage boys, was interested in sports so he would tell me about his football exploits back in Indiana. He said that when he left for work in the fields on a Saturday morning that he would put his helmet in his back pocket because he knew that before noon someone would come over and ask him to play football that afternoon. He said that they would pay him \$5 or \$10 to play, depending on the betting line on the game.

Boy, that always captured my interest. Your story will too, but you need to get all the family stories together and in the hands of a Parmer County Historical Commission member before Jan. 31.

It's important to beat that deadline by as much as possible so we can get it proofread and placed in the new Prairie Progress. We hope it will be a book that we can be very proud of.

Sheriff's Report

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

On Dec. 23, Alex Espinoza, 22, of Oklahoma Lane, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of motion to revoke (burglary of a building, and forgery), pending in district court.

On Dec. 23, Joy Strain, 37, of Dodge City, Kan., was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of violation of community supervision (possession of a controlled substance), pending in district court.

On Dec. 24, Tujan McIntosh, 27, of Fort Worth, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of marijuana under 2 oz., pending in county court.

On Dec. 25, Hugo Castro, 24, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI open container, pending in county court.

On Dec. 26, Brian Hamblen, 39, of Indiana, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 oz., pending in county court.

On Dec. 26, Miguel Escuita, 38, of Springdale, Ark., was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of failure to ID, pending in county court.

On Dec. 28, Joshua Richards, 18, of Farwell, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of possession of marijuana under 3 oz., pending in county court.

On Dec. 26, Destiny Cruz, 23, of Bovina, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of purchase / furnish alcohol to a minor, pending in county court.

On Dec. 26, Sergio Salas, 23, of Bovina, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of purchase / furnish alcohol to a minor, pending in county court.

In 287th District Court on Dec. 18, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

-- Isaac Frank Bibbs, 23, of Hobbs, N.M., charged with credit/debit card abuse, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred 2 years; \$395 court costs; \$500 fine; \$400 attorney fee, and \$2,316 restitution.

-- Arleen Theresa Keithley, 28, of Muleshoe, charged with possession of a controlled substance (meth), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated 18 months; \$466 court costs; \$250 fine; \$400 attorney fee; \$140 restitution, and loss of driver's license.

County fire depts. present total calls

The Parmer County Commissioners on Dec. 22 approved the county fire department calls.

The Bovina calls are on page 11. The calls for the rest of the county will appear in next week's Tribune.

Totals were down from the preceding year, mostly due to more rain in 2008. Totals were:

Bovina, 11; Lazbuddie, 14; Farwell, 21; Friona, 27, and Rhea, 3.

The county doesn't reimburse for accident calls.

In other business, the commissioners okayed an agreement with Hale Center to receive grant funds from the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration as agent for Parmer County.

This allows Hale Center to disburse those funds for services provided to Parmer County residents by Central Plains MHMR.

The grant is for \$6 million over a six-year period.

Some late Santa letters

Some late letters to Santa Claus arrived a bit late for last week's Tribune, but here they are:

Dear Santa,
I've been good all year. I would like to have a pogo stick. Have a good Christmas and a Happy New Year!
Amanda Meeks

Dear Santa,
Did you like the cookies? How are your reindeer doing? I want a memory card, games, membership for club

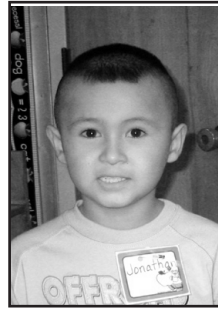
penguin, and a Wii with a new game.
Camerson

Dear Santa,
I've been a little mean this year. I am sorry. How are your reindeer and your wife? Are you in good health? I hope I get a pogo stick.
Andrew Meeks

Lions to meet

The new Farwell Lions Club will meet the 1st and 3rd Mondays at 6 p.m. at the Farwell Community Center.

Meet Farwell's Class of 2021



Jonathan Mora is a Farwell kindergarten. His birthday is Jan. 3.

Parents are Cesar Mora and Lady Aguilar. Siblings are Kenia, Alexa, Leslie & Roxel. Grandparents are Octavio Mora, Margarita Cardoza, and Juan Garcia.

He likes to play and ride his bike and motorcycle.

His favorite foods are max and cheese, and burritos with cheese. Favorite color is blue.

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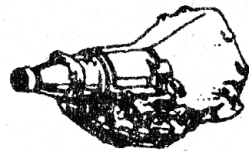
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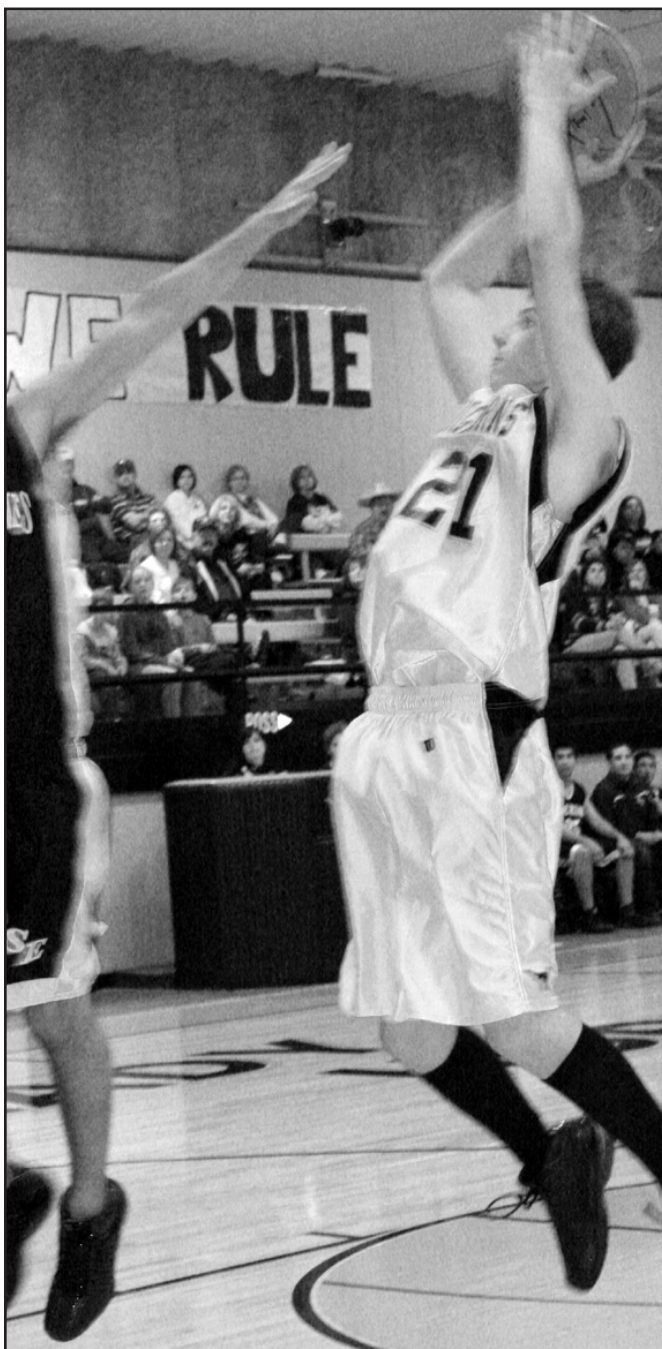
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Lazbuddie in action

Photos by Jill Timms



The Latest

Valerie Mullin's dad died on Dec. 25.

Texas Forest Service said more than 900 fire departments, including Farwell, will get reimbursement payments for expenses occurred while helping fight wildfires during the 2005-2006 season.

Here are the results of the annual State Line Tribune coloring contest.

Winners got \$15 and runners-up got \$10:

10-12 age group: Tony DeLeon, 1st; and Marcos DeLeon, 2nd.

7-9 age group: Sarah Gomez, 1st, and Aaron Meza, 2nd.

4-6 age group: Nicole Gilliam, 1st, and Jasmine Ramon, 2nd.

A Clovis ambulance made a transfer in Texico on Monday to the Aerocare chopper to take a patient to a Lubbock hospital.

Texico police report all quiet the past two weeks. Chief Doug Bowman said there is nothing new to report on the killing of the Honduran immigrant last month, but police are following up leads.

He believes the man's body has been sent home to Honduras.

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Ethan Drager is a Texico kindergarten. His birthday is June 20. Parents are Eric & Monica Drager. Sibling is Maddox. Grandparents are Sam & Carrie Drager, & Eric & Judy Rusk.

He likes to play with family, watching the Discovery channel, and being outside.

Favorite color is red. Favorite food is cheeseburgers. He doesn't like medicine and naps.

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Bovina hires police chief

The Bovina City Council on Monday hired Gary Sinclair as the new police chief.

He replaces Leon Saddler, who resigned last year. Sinclair, 60, has been with the Department of Public Safety in the Dallas – Fort Worth area for 24 years.

He has a master's police license, and is an instructor in advanced law enforcement rapid response training.

Sinclair told the council he wants to make a difference. He plans to offer training to police officers in area communities and also to work with area law enforcement agencies.

He will begin his new post at the end of January. In other business, the council:

-- Voted to contribute \$1,000 to the state police chief's association for services rendered in getting applicants for the police chief's post.

-- Opened seven bids for the old patrol car. Earl Young got it for \$1,200.

Bovina Banter From page 11

said more than 900 fire departments, including Bovina, will get reimbursement payments for expenses occurred while helping fight wildfires during the 2005-2006 season.

Year in Review From page 11

program would be held this month.

The City Council dealt with higher fuel costs.

July

Longtime Justice of the Peace Vi Hutto announced she would retire this fall.

Attending a leadership conference in Washington, D.C., were students Alicia Lopez, Jeremy Curtis and Anna Martinez.

Bull Town Days is held.

August

A state investigator came to Bovina to investigate the election results. Nothing was heard afterward.

Jana Pitcock was hired as city manager.

Seeking the JP post were Esther Steelman, Sandra Clayton and Donna Mitchell.

September

Grants were announced for water line upgrades on Lakeside Drive and North 1731.

Named Homecoming King and Queen were Oscar Rodriguez and Yadira Vela.

City employee Elpidio Banuelos was certified as a Class C Ground Water Treatment operator.

The city seeks a grant for a new water well.

October

Isaias Castillo and Hannah Miller were named to the region jazz band.

A livestock washout was proposed along the Amarillo highway.

November

Sandra Clayton won the JP race.

Police Chief Leon Saddler resigns after a 16-year tenure.

Billy McCoy resigns as school transportation director.

December

Oscar Rodriguez was named to the Class 1A All-State football team.

Jalen Allred was named to the All-Region Honor Band.

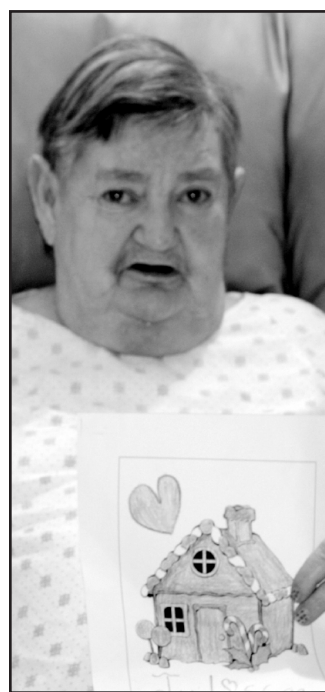
The Bovina Economic Development Corporation voted to put \$50,000 into an Amarillo fund for civic improvements in Bovina. The fund matches that total.

Basketball league open to area youth

Some folks in Clovis are trying to get a basketball league going, and registrations are being taken until Jan. 7 at Snelling Staffing Services, 1104 Manana, Ste. B in Clovis weekdays from noon to 5 p.m. mt.

The cost is \$40 for youths 5 and 6 years old; \$50 for 1st and 2nd graders; and \$60 for 3rd through 6th graders.

For more information, call David Dawson at (575) 693-3224; Janelle Morris at (575) 791-0080, or Gerri Dawson, at (575) 693-1731.



Christmas cheer delivery

Bovina folks passed out gifts to residents at the Clovis Health Care. Pictured are Justin Curtis, Sirina Ramirez, Deanna Ramirez and Uelesa Leuea. At right is a resident with a Christmas card. (Photo by Deanna Curtis)

Students give goals for 2009

By Esmeralda Saucedo

I have many goals for 2009 and most are very common with my fellow classmates: graduating, going to college, and getting a job are the most important goals we have.

My other goals involve my success in running track – getting to state in at least one of my events. Another goal is to further continue my running in college. I will do it because I cannot imagine myself not running as part of a team anymore.

By Yaniree Martinez

I have many goals for 2009, starting with graduation. I have been waiting for it since I first entered high school. Another goal is going to college and being successful because I want to make my family proud.

Another goal is for us to make to the playoffs in basketball. It has been awhile since they made the playoffs and I think it would be awesome if we went.

By Isabel Ramirez

I really haven't thought much about my goals for 2009. The two goals I am focusing on are to graduate, of course, and to go to college.

By Norma Aguilar

My goal is to finish my senior year, then take good vacations to visit my family in Mexico. I miss my family a lot and I hope that I can go see them.

Another goal is to find other positions in my job because the work is too hard and I am so tired. Buying a car is another goal for 2009.

I want to change a lot of things in my personal life, maybe renting my own house. I hope the new year will be really fun and different to this year that has been of much sacrifices in various points of my life.

By Yadira Vela

I plan to graduate Bovina High in 2009 and attend Amarillo College, going into nursing. My other goal is to get a job so my parents don't have to pay for my food or any clothes that I buy.

Another goal is to pass my classes so I can play basketball and run track. And I hope to get my CAN license to help residents at the nursing home.

By Angelica Carmona

My goals are to graduate, start my first west at West Texas A&M, an start looking to pay for college. It is important for me to graduate high school because I would be the first one in my family to do so. I want to go to WT because I want to get a degree in social work.

By Karina Jasso

My goal is to graduate with good grades and go to college, either Amarillo or Canyon, maybe California. I want to be a social worker.

After going to college, I want to help my parents. They have helped me a lot. My main goal is not to disappoint my parents. I want to make them proud of me since I'm the first generation to go to college. I not only want to make my parents proud, but my whole family. With my parents' help, I know that I will succeed.

Bovina 2008 fire calls listed

Here is a look at the Bovina fire calls turned in for the past 12 months (the totals for the other county fire departments are elsewhere in today's Tribune):

December 2007 – grass fire, 2 miles east on Hwy. 86.

February – Barn fire 4 miles east on Hwy. 86.

March – Grass fire, mutual aid to Muleshoe; grass fire on Hwy. 60.

April – Grass fire, Hwy. 60-86.

May – Railroad ties, 1 mile west of Caprock; grass fire, 3 miles east on Hwy. 60.

June – Grass fire, mutual aid to Lazbuddie.

July – Wheat stubble at CR Q & 5; owner Robert Fowler.

August – Grass fire 3 miles east on Hwy. 60.

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Chamber to plan annual banquet

There will be no judging on home Christmas decorations this year by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce.

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce will meet at 6 p.m. at the EMS building.

The chief topic will be to discuss plans for the annual banquet.

All are invited to this important meeting.

Well we did it. We made it through Christmas and it was wonderful. I talked to some people and heard that with the economy we are in most really focused on the true meaning of what Christmas means. Perhaps that is what we all needed to be grateful for what we have. Amen.

Levi Steelman has been moved to a rehab facility in Lubbock. I hear

he is speaking and doing well. Thanks be to God.

The sweat suit project was a great success due to everyone's help out there. Three nursing homes received the sweat suits or throw blankets.

Deena Ramirez did an awesome job organizing this for the sixth year now. If you like to help in the upcoming year, please give Deena a call. You can reach her at (575) 693-2506. She works at the Parmer County extension office in the county courthouse in Farwell.

Everyone out there, please don't forget the T.V. give away at Lowe's Grocery Store will be on Jan. 6th so be sure to get your cards punched and turned in.

I think I got it in the bag though!

Bovina Banter

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Interesting Fact of the Week:

Several flags have flown over Texas throughout history, depending on who claimed it at the time. In chronological order, those flags belonged to Spain, France, Spain again, Mexico, the Republic of Texas, the United States, the Confederate States of America (during the Civil War), and the U.S. flag once again.

The varsity & JV teams host Lubbock Christian on Jan. 2, then play at Lorenzo on Jan. 6. The JH teams take on Springlake-Earth on Jan. 5 – the girls there and the boys here.

Texas Forest Service
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More photos of Bovina's Christmas lights



2008 - THE YEAR IN REVIEW

January

An emergency meeting was held to see if enough folks were interested in keeping the Bovina Little League going. Interest was shown and the basketball league continued. Randy Stone was named president.

The City Council changed the guidelines for mobile homes moving into the city.

A long controversy involved who "owned" the city's wind data ended when the stat gave the opinion that the Bovina Economic Development Corporation did.

Sgt. 1st Class David Villarreal retired from the Army.

Named to the All-Region Band were Jesus Anaya, Hannah Miller, Jesse Rodriguez, Alonzo Flores, Daisy Carrasco and Isaias Castillo.

February

The Chamber of Commerce hosted a seminar on the potential of wind energy development.

Bryan Cox resigned from the Bovina School board.

The City Council gave the fire department approval to buy a new fire truck.

March

Texico High graduate Carrie Rucker performed at

the Chamber of Commerce banquet. Top honors went to: Tom Ware, Man of the Year; Mindy Neal, Woman of the Year; Randy Ragland, Educator of the Year; Genevieve Ezell, Heritage Award; and Norma Castillo and Jaime Chavira, Students of the Year.

Other awards given at the Chamber banquet went to: Mindy Neal, in honor of her five years as Chamber president; Taylor Prather, for assisting with community events; and to Kay Swafford, Norma Whitten and LaJuana Renfro for their help to the Chamber.

Deanna Curtis was named Chamber of Commerce president.

The Bovina Economic Development Corporation voted to give away its wind data for free.

The School Board agrees to renovate the Ridgelea track.

The Mustang Band received an excellent rating at the regional UIL marching contest.

April

Bovina High's Hannah Miller had two 1st places at the district academic meet.

The school board allowed the band to visit Six Flags.

Nicolas Upton was hired as a city police officer.

May

Jesus Rocha and Yesenia Guevara advance to the state track meet.

James Freed, of Michigan, accepted the post of city manager, only to announce a couple of days later that he had changed his mind.

Elections were held:

-- Stan Miller topped Tom Ware by 2 votes. A recount was held and Miller still won.

-- Re-elected to the city council were Jessie Stone and David Curtis.

-- Elected to the school board were Deena Ramirez, Larry Hodnett, Justin Brozek and incumbents Larry Mitchell and George Villarreal.

Bovina's top students were Jaime Chavira, valedictorian; Ruby Vela, salutatorian; and Norma Castillo, historian.

Named Bovina's top athletes were Ruby Vela, Trent Quintana and Mauricio Garcia.

June

It was announced that the Mustang Band summer

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The annual banquet of the Texico Alumni Assn. was postponed indefinitely.

Cary Jo Magness is chairman of the county's March of Dimes campaign.

The L.E. McKillip family had a holiday get-together.

Jimmy Norton had a surprise birthday party.

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<p>Five Area Telephone Cooperative (806) 272-5533 302 Uvalde Muleshoe, TX</p>	<p>First Baptist Church Of Bovina Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday worship & youth, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia Bautista Hispana in Bovina Rafael Marin, pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday worship, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Bovina United Methodist Church Sunday School - 9:45 Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday study, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>New Light Missionary Baptist Church Rev. Bryan Phillips Sr. Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. mst Worship - 11 a.m. mst Bible Study - Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. mst</p>	<p>rodén-smith pharmacy RODEN-SMITH VILLAGE - 801 E. LLANO ESTACADO CLOVIS, NM 88101 PHONE 762-3848 David Lansford, R. Ph. - owner/manager</p>
<p>Farmers' Electric Cooperative, Inc. "Owned By Those We Serve"</p>	<p>Farwell Feed Yards (806) 481-3324</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>St. Ann's Catholic Church Fr. Jose Luis Chavez 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.</p>	<p>Lowes Supermarket KIMMEX</p>	<p>Kelly Green Seeds "We Grow For You" All Varieties Small Grain Seeds Wheat - Barley Oats - Rye</p>
<p>High Plains Federal Credit Union Where you belong</p>	<p>Farwell Convalescent Center Sunday services -- 9 a.m. Bible study - 9:30 a.m. Friday</p>	<p>Farwell Convalescent Center</p>	<p>St. Ann's Catholic Church</p>	<p>Bailey County Electric Cooperative Association 2100 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. (575) 769-2141 Plains Regional Medical Center Home Health/Hospice & PRESBYTERIAN www.pbs.org</p>	<p>Treviño Art & Import 404 3rd Street in Farwell • 481-3681</p>
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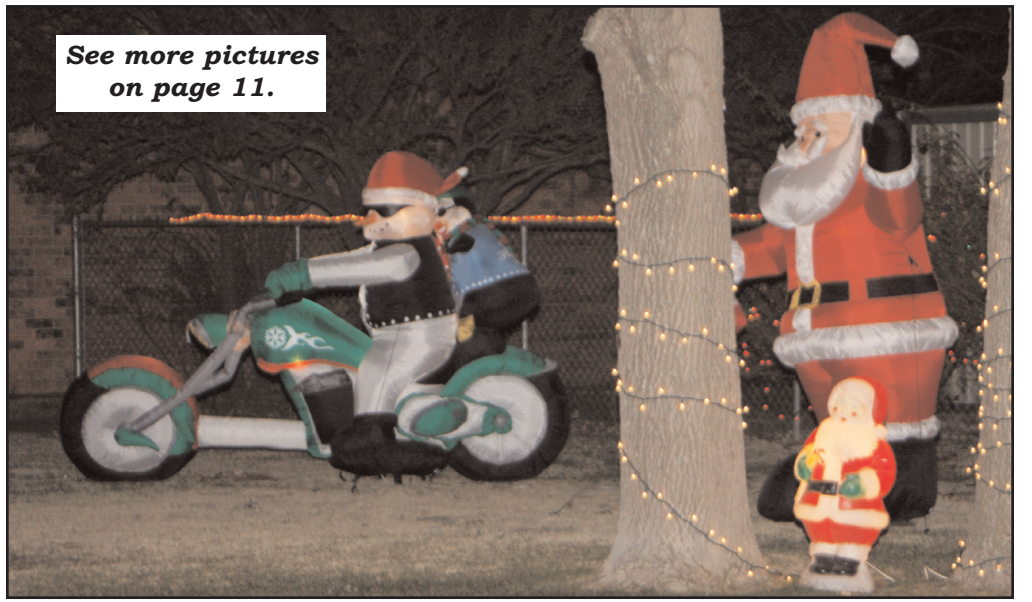
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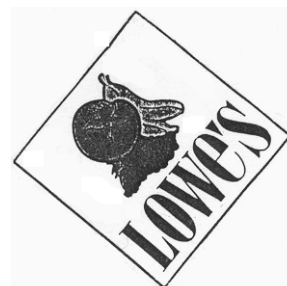
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