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Prokop named Farwell coach

The Farwell School Board on Monday hired Mike Prokop as head football coach.

Prokop has been at Texico Schools the past 10 years, including 9 as head coach before stepping down to an assistant's role this year.

He started his coaching career at Farwell in the early 1980s.

He also has coached at Lubbock Cooper, Springlake-Earth, Truth or Consequences, N.M., and Melrose N.M. He coached at Clovis High for 9 years before coming to Texico.

Prokop has had tremendous success coaching football at Texico, and has received the Class 2A Girls' Track Coach of the Year for 2009.

His son, Ross, also coaches at Farwell.

In other business, the board:

-- Due to recent school closings due to snow, Monday, Feb. 15, will be a regular school day.

There will be no school



Mike Prokop

on April 2.

May 10, originally scheduled as a snow day, will have school.

-- Rehired the three campus principals and school counselor.

-- Heard that enrollment has increased to 555.

-- Will have an early

release at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 17. Buses will run at 2:15 p.m. Staff will have TAKS training that afternoon.

-- Farwell junior Victor Mendoza reported on the Bert Corona Leadership Institute he attended last summer in Washington, D.C.

Texico board discusses proposed boys' golf

The Texico School Board on Monday spent a lengthy period discussing the proposal to initiate a boys' golf team.

Speaking on its behalf were parents Doug Harrison and Mr. and Mrs. Boatman.

The topic was table until the next meeting as Supt. R.L. Richards and High School Principal Keith Durham will check into it further.

It involves funding issues -- since cutbacks in the school's budget have been mandated by the state for next year, and also a federal Title IX problem, which involves equality for boys and girls' sports numbers.

In other business, the board:

-- Received the resignation of coach Mike Prokop.

-- Discussed planning

for cheerleading as a sport.

-- Heard Dr. Richards discuss the school calendar for 2010-2011, again due to a push by the state. The board likely will adopt a "condensed calendar." School officials are looking at 150 regular days (4 days a week), 10 days for enrichment, and 5 professional days.

But nothing definite has been made yet.

-- Discussed state budget cutbacks: 2 percent in the current school year and 2 percent in the next.

Of Texico's budget, 88 percent of funding goes

for salaries and benefits.

This year, due to enrollment growth, the school had no problem. In fact, plans are to redo junior and senior high school computer labs, buy new copiers and possibly add lights to the baseball field.

-- Heard that construction of the cafeteria -- pre-k building is running about a month behind. That could cause a problem next September.

So officials are looking at cooking lunches at the Texico Community Center and either bus students there, or bring the lunches to a school gym.

Patterson files for Farwell School Board

Elections for school boards, city councils and hospital districts will be held in May in Texas.

Signups run from Feb. 6 to March 8.

Here's a look at our area elections:

Farwell Hospital District -- incumbents whose posts will be on the ballot are Troy Christian, Peggy Sudderth, Bert Williams and Chad Byrd.

Farwell City Council -- incumbents up for re-election are Ysleta Kittrell, Gary White and Johnny Vidaurri.

Bovina City -- Incumbents are Mayor Stan Miller and city councilmen David Curtis and Jessie Stone. These are two-year positions.

Bovina School Board -- Three posts are on the ballot. Incumbents are Don Teague and Richard Carson. The third post is open due to the recent resignation of George Villarreal.

Farwell School Board -- Incumbents up for re-election are Molly Stancell and Kendall Devault. Gary Patterson, a past school board member, filed on Monday.



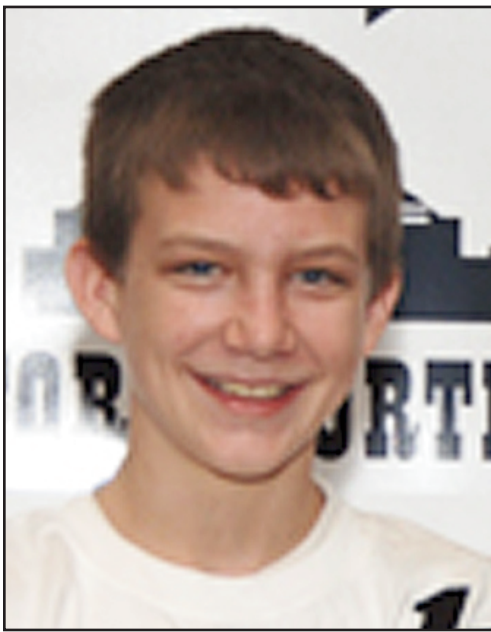
Logan Mason, above with his champion steer.



Zac Stancell, below with his 1st place steer.



Shelby Wallis, of Farwell, was among the winners in the Feb. 6 Calf Scramble at the rodeo during the Fort Worth show. Her father is Kent Wallis.



Levi McCormick was among the winners in the Calf Scramble on Feb. 3 at the Fort Worth Stock Show. He is the son of Sharlet Espach, of Farwell.

Mason shows champion steer at Fort Worth stock show

Parmer County youths participated in the Fort Worth Livestock Show last week.

Lazbuddie's Logan Mason showed medium weight champion European Crossbred Steer.

Farwell's Zac Stancell showed a 1st place light-weight European crossbred steer.

Also placing were:

Steers

Abby Johnson, 2nd, exotic.

Jill Johnson, 16th, exotic.

Shelby Wallis, 13th, exotic.

Lacey Jesko, 6th, shorthorn.

Ashton Mason, 15th, shorthorn.

Bretton Stancell, 10th, cross.

Hayden Hadley, 8th,

Hereford.

Hogs

Abby Johnson, 6th, hvy. wt. cross.

Cari Johnson, 4th, hvy. wt. cross.

Ethan Stancell, 4th, hvy. wt. hamp.

Emily Stancell, 6th, mid. wt. OPB.

Russell Schilling, 8th, mid wt. cross.

Tyler Schilling, 10th, hvy. wt. york.

Ashton Mason, 3rd, lt. wt. duroc.

Shea Scott, 4th, hvy. wt. duroc.

Zac Stancell, 2nd, lt. wt. duroc.

Bretton Stancell, 6th lt. wt. spot.

Taylor Stancell, 8th, lt. wt. spot.

In the calf scramble,

Shelby Wallis and Ryder Ledbetter were the first two to catch on Feb. 6.

Bretton Stancell was an alternate and got a free pair of Justin boots.

Commissioners lift county burn ban

Due to the recent moisture, the Parmer County Commissioners on Monday voted to remove the county's burn ban, effective immediately.

The commissioners also designated branch early voting places. Early voting runs from Feb. 16 to Feb. 26 at the county courthouse. Also, you can early vote at:

1. First Bank of Bovina, Feb. 17 and 24.

2. Friona State Bank, Feb. 16, 18, 22 and 25.

3. Lazbuddie School, Feb. 26.

In other business, the commissioners voted to charge \$5 per rented machine for the Democrat and Republican parties in the March 2 primary election.



John W. Childers, an early mayor of Texico, was a delegate to the New Mexico Constitutional Convention at Santa Fe in 1910. Curry County sent two Democrats to the convention.

Childers voted against

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The Latest

The annual meeting of Five Area Telephone Cooperative will be on Feb. 27 at the Bailey County Coliseum in Muleshoe.

Registration will be from 9 to 10 a.m., and the meeting starts at 10 a.m.

River Smith's Chicken and Catfish will offer the lunch after the meeting.

Lots of door prizes will be given away, too.

There are 455 playa lakes in Parmer County.

Landowners with playas are invited to a 2-hour Conservation Education Day on Feb. 17 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Bovina EMS building, 103 3rd St.

Info will be given on the Ogallala Aquifer, playa conservation programs and techniques for playa grazing management.

For more information, call Earl Behrends, NRCS District Conservation in Farwell at 481-3311, ext.3.

Word has been received of the death of Faye Tarbet, 76, of Denison, Texas.

She and her husband, Don lived in Farwell in the early 1960s. Don, who is retired, was the preacher at the Farwell Church of Christ.

Ben Crist, of Texico, sold a Reserve Champion Speckled Face Cross of Wool Breeds Lamb for \$2,700 at the National Western Stock Show's auction of junior livestock champions on Jan. 22.

More than 981 animals from 27 states competed.

Parmer County early voting at the courthouse in Farwell opens Feb. 16.

Area schools opened up two hours late on Feb. 4 due to another snowfall.

This one probably measured 2 to 4 inches throughout the area.

Several area schools (Bovina, Texico, Farwell, Lazbuddie and Muleshoe) have banded together so that when bad weather occurs, they plan to coordinate on the same late schedule or stay closed that day.

The baby shower for Britta and Clay Knight will be on Sunday, Feb. 14, at 3 p.m. at Bovina United Methodist Church.

All are invited.

The Lazbuddie FCCLA chapter will host a Valentine's Dance on Saturday, Feb. 13, at Clay's Corner.

Proceeds will help toward the state trip.

There will be a band playing. The cost is \$3 for a single or \$5 for a

Courthouse Notes

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

Larry Powell et al - Kelly Mimms, L1-6 B8 and L10-16 B9 closed Hall St., Robinson, Farwell.

Elanda McDowell - Duane White, E/2 S31 T11S R3E.

Jerry Darby - Nathan Sharp, .16 ac Garden L21 S31 T9S R1E.

couple.

Alta Gerles was scheduled for day surgery this week.

Tommy Roberson has resigned as youth minister at the First Baptist Church of Farwell to take a job with First Baptist Church of Angleton, Texas.

Darren Haseloff was re-elected to the Parmer County Farm Service Agency county committee, representing the Farwell and Bovina areas.

Stephen Schilling is 1st alternate, and Charles Wilkins is 2nd alternate.

The Senior Meal Site at the Farwell Community Center will have a fundraising pancake and sausage breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 13, from 7:30 to 11 a.m.

Donations will be accepted.

Also, KCLV-Radio will be doing a remote broadcast during the breakfast.

Marriage License

The Parmer County clerk's office issued a marriage license last week to Amy Gerles and David Bridges.

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Farwell opens UIL academic contest season

Last weekend, the Farwell High School UIL Academic Team opened its season at Idalou's Wildcat Tournament.

Competing in speaking events were Brooke Hall, Kayla Cullison, Tyler Schilling, Edgar Cuevas, and Raul Pereda. Brooke was a semi-finalist in Persuasive Speaking and Kayla placed 6th in the final round of Informative Speaking. Raul was a semi-finalist in Poetry Reading. Olivia Schilling placed 5th in Editorial

Writing.

Also competing, but not placing, were Kelsey Yannotti in Literary Criticism, Michele Vega in Spelling & Vocabulary and Headline Writing, Olivia Schilling in Spelling & Vocabulary, and Brooke Hall in Editorial Writing. Tyler Schilling and Edgar Cuevas competed in Prose Reading.

Also competing in the Social Studies Contest were Collin Christian, Kolten Morris, Colby Read, and Landry

Atkinson. This team is coached by Hayley Christian.

UIL Coordinator Angela Teachout, stated, "Our kids competed very well. These tournaments are great for preparing for our UIL District meet in March. I commend each one of these young people for going and competing in their contests. We will take an even bigger group next trip."

Their next tourney will be March 6 at Plains.

Texico High • Farwell High Juniors

Every year the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club sends four local students to Camp Ryla Leadership camp.

We cover the \$500 cost of admission for the four Texico and Farwell High juniors and we provide transportation to and from the camp.

The Rotary Club has sent out application to ALL juniors of Farwell and Texico High Schools. If you would like the chance to attend, fill out the application and return it to your high school office.

The application must be returned by Feb. 16.

We will be holding interviews on March 2 at the Farwell High School Library.

Only students who turned in an application will be interviewed.

For more information, please call Rob Pomper (575) 309-5328 or Walter Hughes (806) 481-9121.



Past RYLA attendees include:

Texico School Board Member Justin Barnes
2009 Farwell Man of the Year Greg Actkinson

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*Lady Blue vs. Sundown at Littlefield High School
on Tuesday, Feb. 17, at 6:30 p.m.*

*Steers will play a practice game
vs. Meadow at 4:30 p.m. on Feb. 17 at Littlefield High
before the Lady Blue game.*



Farwell Varsity Girls

*Caitlin Stancell, Keegan Langford, Kristin Langford, Tiffani Jones,
Laura Martinez, Laney Christian, Lauryn Meyer, Keila Jennings, Abby
Johnson.*

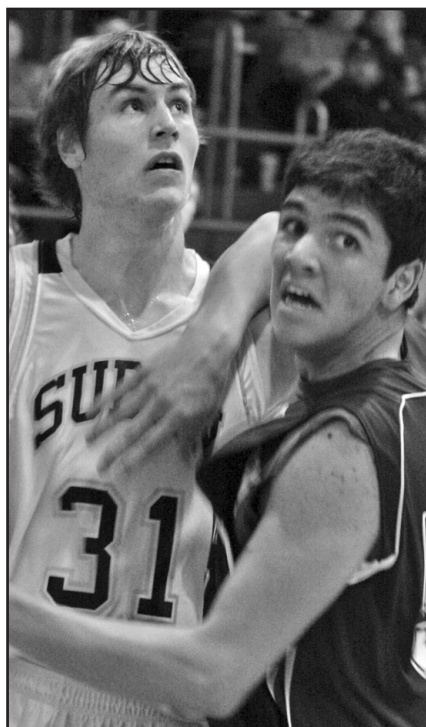


Farwell Varsity Boys

*Josh Olivas, Matt Billingsley, Lincoln Devault, Kyler Steinbock,
Landry Actkinson, Mason Coburn, Rane Carpenter, Ray White, Zac
Stancell, Octavio Chavez, Colby Read, Luke Carpenter.*



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Heather Reed, Missionary

(Editor's note: Heather is the daughter of Kathey and Robert Adams, of Progress. She began in August a year-long mission trip to 11 nations and will send periodic updates to the Tribune.)

I'm in Kenya now and January was a great month for ministry.

We did everything from preaching sermons during church, giving testimonies and singing songs, to building a Sunday school classroom for the children, visiting hospitals and a boys' home, and doing door-to-door evangelism.

Sunday school is held in an old building they set up benches on. In the hot Kenyan sun, the kids try to scoot as far back toward the wall to maybe get some shade. We visited folks in their homes, introducing them to the gospel, and praying for their healing and restoration.

We visited a boys' home where one of our contact's wife works. This is a place where they take boys out of the slums and provide a safe Christian home environment for them to grow in. They are currently working on building a girls' campus so that they can bring in the sisters of

their boys.

The really cool part about this place is that they are committed to their boys until they graduate from university. While we were there we got to play games (I would like to say that my team totally dominated on the hula hoop pass), worship with them, eat lunch, and sit in on a class with them. I had the opportunity to share my testimony about what God has done in my life and how we are called to comfort those around us with the same comfort

we are given by God.

One day, we visited a hospital. This was probably the hardest day of ministry for me. We started in the pediatric ward which absolutely broke me. I actually had to leave soon after coming in. I had such a hard time seeing so many people in such pain and brokenness and feeling so helpless.

We spent the entire afternoon moving from ward to ward praying for people, for both their physical and spiritual healing.

Folks assist family which lost their home in fire

The Jose Maldonado family, of Farwell, lost almost all their goods when a house fire struck on Jan. 29. It was a rent house owned by Tracy and Kendall Devault, who Jose works for.

The Devaults report that they have worked quickly to have another rent house available for the family, and thanks to donations from the community, has been furnished for them.

The family literally escaped from the blaze, which burned the house down, bare-footed.

They received many donations of clothes and furniture, and the Devaults thank the community for helping out.

A fund was set up at Security State Bank for the Maldonado family.

The Latest

Farwell Junior High is looking for folks to donate golf clubs. They have 30 kids going out for golf this year and not enough equipment.

If you can help, call Principal Jimmie Mace at 481-9260.

Donations to the Farwell Obelisk Fund are continuing.

Last week, donations arrived from Peggy Sudderth, Ruth Anne Bennett and J.B. Sudderth Realty.

The fund is more than halfway toward its goal now.

Folks who would like

to contribute are asked to drop off checks made out to "Farwell Obelisk Fund" at Security State Bank or send them to the bank, Drawer J, Farwell TX 79325.

Bruce Billingsley underwent surgery this week.

Cullison, Hall advance to State debate tournament

From Farwell High debate coach Angela Teachout:

On Feb. 2, our CX Debate Team competed in the District Tourney at Sudan.

The team of Brooke Hall and Kayla Cullison advanced to the UIL State Tournament by placing 2nd in the final round. Their district record was 5-1. The top two teams advance from each district to State Meet.

Seven teams competed in our district -- 3 from Sudan, 2 from Olton, 1 from Hale Center, and 1 from Farwell.

The state CX Debate Meet will be March 14-17 in Austin.

"Our girls did really well. Kayla, a freshman, has only been debating for a month. She and Brooke, a junior, have worked really hard and they deserve this opportunity and recognition for their accomplishments. I am so thankful we have competitive team this year and have the chance to compete for a state title. Hats off to these girls for a job well done and I wish them all the luck at state."

Farwell has advanced either one or two teams



Kayla Cullison and Brooke Hall

to the State CX Debate girls will debate at the Tournament every year since 2005 and has placed in the top three at state every year since 2006.

Preparing for state, the girls will debate at the Seminole TFA Speech and Debate Tournament, then do some exchange rounds with area state qualifiers like Muleshoe and Denver City.

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Meet Farwell's Class of 2022

Ramon Silva Jr. is a Farwell kindergartener. His birthday is May 14.
Parents are Ramon & Claudia Silva. He has 2 brothers, Juan & Daniel. Grandparents are Gloria Silva, and Leopoldo & Mari Marquez.
He likes to ride his bike, and play soccer and football.
His favorite color is blue. His favorite foods are hot dogs and pizza.
He doesn't like cleaning his room.

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Meet Texico's Class of 2022

Lydia Calderon is a Texico kindergartener. Her birthday is May 18.
Parents are Mariela Morales & Gustavo Martinez. Siblings are Edgar & Edmundo. Grandparents are Lidia Gonzales, Edmundo Calderon, Mariela Monica & Luis Morales.
She likes to dance and watch TV. Favorite color is red. Favorite food is pizza.
She doesn't like going to bed.

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They will see the first 10 clients (first come, first serve) in the morning, and the first 10 in the afternoon. They will see more clients if they have time.

Their next visit to the Farwell Elementary School nurse's office will be on Tuesday, Feb. 16, from 10 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Persons should bring their immunization records, if they have them.

For more information, and to answer any questions, please contact Farwell School Nurse LuAnn Fillpot at the elementary school, 481-9131.

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LIVE CATTLE: Prices saw another rally late last week on tight supplies and terrible winter weather. The market is expected to retest highs made just a few weeks ago. If the market can break out above these old highs, then there should be another leg up. A failure to make new highs would most likely soften prices for a few days. There is still a strong possibility to see the market move up into the mid March time frame?

FEEDER CATTLE: Feeder prices also recovered alongside the Live Cattle prices. Prices had technically reached 'oversold' levels and turned their daily charts higher on Friday. The market should also try to move back up into the highs made a few weeks ago and test these levels. Same as Live Cattle, if prices can move above these old highs, then there could be another leg higher, but feeders usually have a difficult time in February?

CORN: Prices dropped hard last week while following the Dow Jones and energies lower and just the opposite in with the higher Dollar. There could be some short covering ahead of next Tuesday's USDA Crop Production report as prices are technically 'oversold' at these levels. The March contract had some short term support around the \$3.45 level which is expected to hold the market for a few days.

SOYBEANS: Soybean prices fell again late last week due to several factors. The South American crop which is about to come out is expected to be the largest ever recorded. Supplies remain large and demand weak around the world. Technically, the market should attempt a test of the October lows at some point. The stronger Dollar and lower stock and energy market has also played a negative role in pushing prices lower.

WHEAT: Wheat prices followed the rest of the grain complex lower late last week, but did not keep pace with declines seen in corn or beans. The market was expected to test the October lows and may be close enough to stimulate a short term rally over the near term? The higher Dollar has been negative, but odds are good that this will not have much of an impact as world stocks remain high and demand low.

COTTON: Prices also dropped hard late last week alongside the grain complex. The sharply higher Dollar may have placed some pressure on prices, but the overall decline in energy prices and stock prices probably had created enough fear that traders turned sellers fairly fast. There could be a recovery back towards the upside if grains can rally into the USDA Crop Production report due out next Tuesday.

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Historical Border Lines From page 1

the state constitution because the document was too conservative for his ideology. On the other hand, he opposed bilingualism.

He and other area delegates secured a provision enabling a normal school, which eventually became Eastern New Mexico University in Portales.

Remembered as a tall, elderly man, Childers had previously served in the Texas Legislature.

Childers, his wife Martha, and daughter Rosa, lived on Turner Street, according to a 1910 federal census of Texico. As the story goes, they also owned a farm home built along the state line, partly in New Mexico and partly in Texas.

President Woodrow Wilson decided to enter World War I in response to Germany's unrestricted submarine warfare in the Atlantic Ocean. He wanted "freedom of the seas."

Wilson also knew that Germany's foreign minister, Arthur Zimmermann, had presented an intriguing proposal to Mexico:

Contingent on war between the U.S. and Germany, the latter had set aside generous financial support for Mexico to attack the U.S. Then Mexico might regain its lost territory of Texas, New Mexico and Arizona.

The scheme infuriated the U.S. ... and it failed.

Elmer Harp and Blanche Slaten, of Portales, married in Farwell on Dec. 24, 1925, as did Orvel Slaten and Vinita Harp.

Blanche Slaten Harp married Portales author Jack Williamson in 1941. An internationally published writer of science fiction, Williamson died in 2006 at the age of 98.

He garnered the prestigious Hugo Award from the Science Fiction Writers of America for his 1984 autobiography, "Wonder Child: My Life in Science Fiction." The 2005 edition adds another 20 years of memoirs and marks his longevity.

Blanche Williamson died in an auto accident en route to Lubbock Airport in 1985, terminating a family trip to South America.

Dr. Williamson, an English professor at ENMU, co-taught science fiction and creative writing classes in his latter years with Dr. Patrica Caldwell.

Currently with the Office of Planning and Analysis Administration at ENMU, Dr. Caldwell is the daughter of Joan Leslie Caldwell, a Hollywood movie star in the 1940s and 1950s. Joan Leslie also performed in TV programs and commercials during her career.

The Latest

A semi-truck jackknifed on Avenue A in Farwell on Feb. 3, but no one was injured.

Three Texico Elementary School pupils placed high in the Curry County spelling bee:

Jonah Walls, 2nd; Jackson Tuls, 3rd, and Jonah Tuls, 5th.



Texico 4th Grade students recently asked other Texico Elementary students to help them raise funds for the Haitian Earthquake victims. All together, they raised \$456 plus two boxes of relief items. The money and all items collected will be sent directly to Haiti via the United Methodist Church. Shown are 4th graders, from left, Alyssia Madrid, Skyla Hall, Irwin Ruiz and Juaquin Bravo. (Photo by Rick Stanley)

Parmer County jurors to report

The following jurors are to report to the Parmer County courthouse in Farwell on Feb. 17:

Diane Actkinson, Teresa Aguilar, Arturo Aguilar-Hernandez, Larry Allred, Epifanio Almanza, George Alvarado, Joycve Amaya, Yvette Amparan, Stephanie Anima, Jo Appreciado, Katrina Arce, Jose Arvalo, Jose Avalos, Maria Avila, Jennifer Baize, Paulino Balli, Martha Barker, Breann Barnett, Blayne Baxter, Jimmy Bentley, Macario Bermea, Teresa Brailif, Sherry Brandvik, Justin Bridges, Tim Brown, Tracy Bunker, Misty Burkart.

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Texico – The JV & varsity teams play at Clayton on Feb. 12, host Santa Rosa on Feb. 13 (Parents Night), then play at Portales on Feb. 16 – the first two matches are district play.

Farwell – The JV & varsity boys host Olton on Feb. 12 to finish the regular season, then prepare for state playoff action.

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160 acres south of Bovina Feeders. 2 wells and 1 pivot.

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Interested applicants should apply in person at Cargill Cattle Feeders, 600 U.S. Hwy. 60. (806) 225-4400.

Minnie Hagler

Minnie Hagler of Texico, passed away Feb. 3, 2010 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock, TX.

She was the second child born July 26, 1918 to J.C. and Hettie Lucas Harrison in Terrell, TX. The family moved to Wellington, TX and Minnie graduated there in 1936. They

later moved to Morton, TX and later to Portales, NM. Minnie moved south of Texico when she married Woodrow W. Hagler in 1954. He died in 1966.

Minnie was a homemaker, mother and granny. She was a great cook and enjoyed preparing huge meals for family gatherings. You could always find the pressure cooker and canning jars in the kitchen when it was time to harvest the ample garden produce, which was always shared with family and friends. Minnie spent her early working years in Portales as a bookkeeper and she later drove the bus for Texico Schools for 20 years. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Texico.

She was preceded in death by her parents, 3 husbands; 1 sister; 4 brothers; 1 stepson; 1 son-in-law, and 1 stepgrandson.

Surviving are 4 children, Robert S. (Buddy) Spence, Cynthia Trower (Jerry), Ronnie (Carol) Spence, and Roy (Shashawn) Hagler; 1 stepdaughter, Virginia Anderson; and stepdaughter-in-law, Kay Hagler; 1 brother, Lloyd Harrison and a sister-in-law, Ellen Harrison; grandchildren, Sherilyn Owen, Todd Thigpen, Allan Spence, Sherron Spence, Leah Spence, Erin Hagler, Powers Hagler, Brooks Hagler, Jacee Hagler, Phillip Hagler, Michael McCully, Sherri McCain, Keith Anderson, and Cheryl Kay Beadle; great-grandchildren, Quay Owen, Brynn Owen, Jace Owen, Tanner Owen, Teagan Thigpen, Colton McCada, Tiffany Hagler, Paden Hagler, Brittni McCain, and Bailey McCain; and numerous cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Services were held Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010 at First Baptist Church in Texico with Revs. Rob Hollis and Joel Horne officiating. Burial followed at Mission Garden of Memories in Clovis. Pallbearers were Allan Spence, Todd Thigpen, Powers Hagler, Phillip Hagler, Larry Albright, Wesley Longo, and Richard Hadley. Honorary pallbearers will be Sherilyn Owen, Sherron Spence, Erin Hagler, Brooks Hagler, Jacee Hagler, Leah Spence, Michael McCully, and Sherri McCain.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Baptist Children's Home, 1032 Children's Dr., Portales, NM 88130.

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Steers make the State playoffs

Here are Tuesday's late basketball scores.

Lazbuddie

Varsity Boys

The Longhorns got tipped by Hart, 44-43, there on Tuesday.

Scoring were Logan Mason, 15; Kayle Jesko, 9; Todd Nichols, 11; Colton Weaver, 2; Josh McIntosh, 4; and James Baca, 2.

Varsity Girls

The Lady 'Horns lost to Hart.

Farwell

Varsity Boys

The Steers are in the state playoffs.

They defeated Bovina on Tuesday at home, 71-27, to ensure a berth. Farwell is 20-7 on the year and 7-2 in district.

Scoring were Landry Actkinson, 14; Rane Carpenter, 13; Josh Olivias, 11; Lincoln Devault, 10; Octavio Chavez, 6; Kyler Steinbock, 5; Matt Billingsley, 4; Collin Christian, 3; Mason Coburn, 3, and Ray White, 2.

Obituary

Patsy Berry

Patsy Berry, 69, of Lubbock, died Feb. 10 at Vista Care Hospice in Lubbock.

She will be buried in Farwell Cemetery.

The longtime Farwell resident is survived by her husband, Jim; and 3 daughters, Jana Pitcock, Janene Jesko and Jayme Bethel.

A full obituary will be published in next week's Tribune.

The Latest

The Farwell Steers will have a practice game on Tuesday, Feb. 16, at 4:30 p.m. against Meadow at Littlefield.

This will be before the Lady Blue Bi-District game.

The annual Texico FCCLA Talent Show will be Thursday, Feb. 11, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. mt in the school auditorium. All are invited.

Varsity Girls

The Lady Blue are 27-5 overall and 7-2 in district after beating Bovina, 70-36.

Scoring were Keila Jennings, 6; Clarisa Garcia, 2; Caitlin Stancell, 5; Keegan Langford, 8; Kristin Langford, 11; Laura Martinez, 13; Tiffani Jones, 23 (including a trio of 3-pointers); and Chandler Barnes, 2.

Bovina

JV Boys

Bovina's JV boys lost to Farwell, 62-20.

Scoring were Abel Rocha, Justin Curtis and Luis Sanchez, 4 each; Zac Castillo, 5; Eduardo Salas, 2, and Gabriel DeLaRosa, 1.

Varsity Boys

The Mustangs lost to Farwell on Tuesday there, 71-27.

Scoring were Andrew Marrufo, 14; Alexis Martinez, 7; Andy Duarte, 2; Dorian Walker, 2; and Gael Vela, 2.

Varsity Girls

The Fillies lost to Farwell, 70-36.

Scoring were Kim Casas, 4; Yoselin Rueda, 16; Liz Chavez, 2; Alicia Lopez, 4; Daniela Flores, 4; Lynda Rodriguez, 6.

Texico

Varsity Boys

The Wolverines are 20-2 on the season with a non-district win over Dora at home on Tuesday, 69-45.

Scoring were Quin Winkles, 11; Jose Posada, 5; Connor Doolittle, 4; Garrett Foote, 7; Trent Barclay, 2; Seth Bailey, 20; Mitchell Harrison, 9; Tyler Strickland, 2, and Kyle Boatman, 9.

Varsity Girls

The Lady Wolverines are 17-5 after knocking off Dora, 55-41.

Scoring were Katlin Luscombe, 10; Victoria Richards, 6; Delanie Crist, 1; Shaylee Anderson, 8; Erin Scanlan, 3; Kayla Cox, 1; Shannon Van Matre, 8; Jordyn Cooper, 9, and Jaylyn Cooper, 9.

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Texico JV girls in action



Texico to approve easement request for school building

The Texico City Council on Tuesday met with Texico School Supt. R.L. Richards to discuss an easement request that is needed for the construction of the new cafeteria – pre-kindergarten building.

The council indicated they would approve the necessary easement in the 500 block of Griffin Street.

Also, it was agreed that the trash compactor planned for the alley behind the new facility will need to be moved – to allow for buried utility lines.

The council is also looking at replacing some sewer and water lines in the area if funds are available. It would be a lot cheaper to do the work now rather than after the school construction is completed.

In other business, the council:

-- Police Chief Doug Bowman reported that Raul Esparza is progressing on the cleanup of property he owns. Bowman also said a trailer owned by Maria Estrada on the south side of town should be moved soon. It was scheduled to be moved at the end of January but the snows have held up the project.

-- Agreed to start seeking a discharge permit for the wastewater project.

-- Heard that the state will give less money to Texico for chip sealing this year than previously indicated.

-- Allowed census officials to have a training session at the fire station one day.

-- Agreed to allow Oran Jay Autrey, who is removing dirt from the area where the new school building is going in, to put that dirt on Hereford Street (behind the truck wash), which will raise it and allow for better water runoff.



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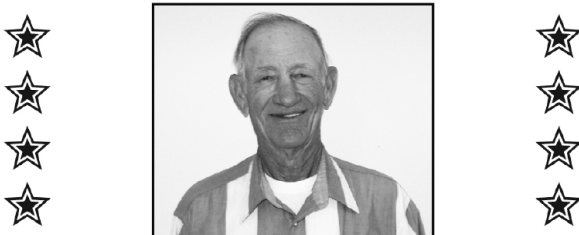
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Varsity Boys
The Longhorns lost to Nazareth on Friday. Scoring were Jarrod Jesko, 3; Riley Smith, 4; Colton Weaver, 5; James Baca, 1.

Varsity Girls
The Lady 'Horns lost to Nazareth. Scoring were Lydia Campos, 4; Katie Chavez, 2; Kylie McGehee, 1; Kinzi Jo Schacher, 7.

JH Boys
The JH Boys played in the Hart Tourney. They beat Silverton and lost to Nazareth.

Lazbuddie tipped Nazareth, 21-20, on

Monday. Scoring were Albert Moran, 5; Cutter Glover, 4; Juan Samarron, 2; and Haldon Ivy, 10.

JH Girls
The JH Girls lost to Nazareth, 28-22. Scoring were Allison Weaver, 3; Lacey Jesko, 10; Ashton Mason, 4; Shyann Rainey, 5.

JV Girls
The JV Girls lost to Nazareth. Scoring were Jordan Hernandez, 5; Summer Townsend, 2; Karina Galaviz, 14; Jessica Estrada, 3; and Shea Scott, 6.

Lazbuddie Junior High girls



Lazbuddie varsity girls



The Latest

Texico Fire Chief Lewis Cooper will speak on home fire safety at the meeting of the Texico-Farwell Senior Citizens at the Texico Community Center at 6 p.m. mt on Feb. 11.

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Texico Police Chief Doug Bowman thanked the community for driving carefully during the recent snow storms.

He said there were no traffic mishaps in Texico.

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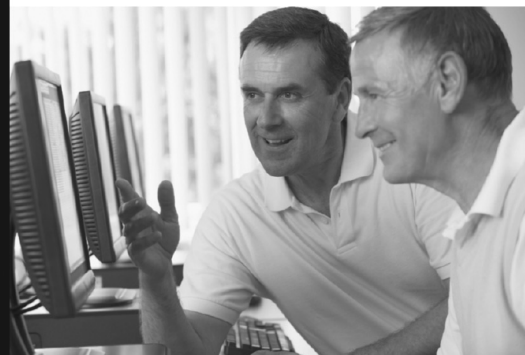
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Bailey sets scoring mark

8th Boys

Texico's 8th grade boys lost to Marshall White, 67-51.

Scoring were Jonah Walls, Jake Adkins and Jaron Faircloth, 2 each; Mitchell Pinnell, 16; John Myers, 11; Miguel Reyna and Gentry Doolittle, 9 each.

JV Boys

Texico's JV Boys fell to Lovington, 54-32.

Scoring were Pal Herndon, Rustin Harris and Donovan Johnson, 2 each; Tyler Strickland, 4; Wayne Skabelund, 15; Trent Barclay, 1; and Jesus Rivera, 6.

Texico beat Clayton, in OT.

Scoring were Sergio Posada and Harris, 2 each; Strickland and Johnson, 5 each; Rivera, 4; Skabelund, 7; Barclay, 11.

*** Texico knocked off Santa Rosa, 48-34.

Scoring were Strickland, 4; Johnson, 14; Rivera, 6; Barclay, 14; Skabelund, 8; Wil Hodnett, 2.

Varsity Boys

The Wolverines had a 65-54 overtime win over Clayton on Friday there.

The Wolverines outscored Clayton 12-1

Scoring were Quin Winkles, 2; Connor Doolittle, 5; Garrett Foote, 6; Lucas Walthers, 6; Seth Bailey, 41; Tyler Strickland, 2; and Kyle Boatman, 3.

Bailey set a school record with his 41 points.

*** The Wolverines are 2-1 in district and 19-2 overall after losing to Santa Rosa on Saturday here.

Scoring were Jose Posada, 1; Foote, 4; Walthers, 13; Bailey, 21, and Mitchell Harrison, 1.

Varsity Girls

The Lady Wolverines clobbered Clayton, 64-28

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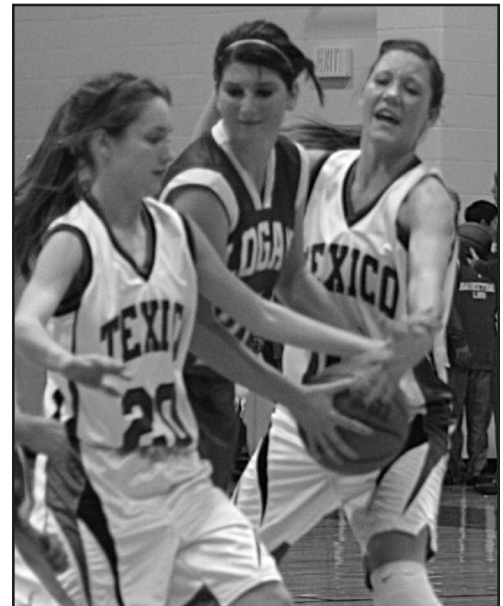
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Varsity teams in action



on Friday.

Scoring were Katlin Luscombe, 6; Victoria Richards, 9; Delanie Crist, 2; Shaylee Anderson, 4; Erin Scanlan, 2; Shannon Van Matre, 12; Jordyn Cooper, 6; and Jaylyn Cooper, 23.

*** Texico is 3-0 in district and 16-5 overall after routing Santa Rosa, 61-40, on Saturday.

Scoring were Luscombe, 11; Richards, 3; Crist, 5; Anderson, 4; Van Matre, 8; Jordyn Cooper, 15, and Jaylyn Cooper, 15.

JV Girls

Texico's JV Girls beat Santa Rosa, 47-38.

Scoring were Kylynn Thomas, Delanie Crist and Erin Scanlan, 4 each; Allison Myers, Fallon Scanlan and Kayla Cox, 3 each; Taylor Lane, 2; Destanee Sena and Karina Salazar, 7 each; Morgan Pinnell, 13; Brina Allen, 8.

8th Girls

Texico's 8th grade girls beat Marshall White, 20-15.

Scoring were Cassidy Downing, Chasity Weems and Cassandra DeLeon, 2 each;

Brooklynn Wootton, 6; Shelby Vannatta, 8.

*** Texico lost to Yucca White, 29-8.

Scoring were Wootton and Vanatta, 3 each; and Downing, 2.

7th Girls

Texico's 7th grade girls beat Portales "B", 21-11.

Scoring were Chyanne Scarborough and Taylor Stephens, 4 each; Tacia

Beavers, 3; Jessica Jorde, 6; and Emily Logan and Kaleigh Autrey, 2 each.

*** Texico fell to Marshall White, 38-22.

Scoring were Scarborough, 5; Jorde, 6; Beavers, 2; Logan, 2; and Stephens, 7.

*** Texico lost to Portales "A", 36-8.

Scoring were Jorde, 5; and Scarborough, 3.

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Devault sparks Farwell 7th girls

8th Girls

Farwell's 8th grade girls beat Bovina, 39-24.

This team finished the season with a 15-0 record, and for their junior high career was 27-0. Traci Read is the coach.

Scoring were Lauren Carpenter and Jill Johnson, 6 each; Taylor Stancell, 13, and K'Leigh Jo White, 14.

Morris, 8; Edgar Cuevas, 9; Seth Meeks, 4, and Matt Martin, 10.

JV Girls

Farwell's JV Girls lost to Sudan, 40-18.

Scoring were Sasha Lara, 2; Emily Agee, 5; Clara Reyes, 3; and Chelsea Bass and Brooke Hall, 4 each.

Varsity Boys

The Steers fell to 6-2 in district and 19-7 overall after falling to Sudan there on Friday, 43-41.

Scoring were Landry Actkinson, 14; Matt Billingsley, 6; Mason Coburn, 6; Collin Christian, 4; Rane Carpenter, 4; Octavio Chavez, 4; Josh Olivias, 3.

Varsity Girls

The Lady Blue are 20-6 Galvan, 6; Tyler Schilling, 9; Edgar Cuevas, 12; after losing to Sudan, the No. 1 ranked team in Texas, 44-26.

Scoring were Keegan Langford, 10; Kristin Langford, 2; Laura Martinez, 3; Tiffani Jones, 9; Lauryn Meyer, 2.

7th Girls

Farwell's 7th grade girls tipped Bovina, 16-14.

They finished with a 4-6 record.

Scoring were Cassidy Devault, 12; Marissa Lopez, 3, and Emily Stancell, 1.

JV Boys

Farwell's JV Boys beat Morton, 37-26.

Scoring were Luis Galvan, 6; Tyler Schilling, 9; Edgar Cuevas, 12; Seth Meeks, 2; Matt Martin, 1; and Kolten Morris, 7.

*** Farwell stopped Sudan, 31-27.

Scoring were Kolten



Farwell JV in action



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• Questions should be addressed to Rickie Warren at (806) 272-4504 or toll free at (800) 869-7049.

Border Banter

—Mike Pomper

Let's hear it for politics

When John Edwards ran for a presidential nomination awhile back, I wrote in this column that he was despicable, but would get lots of votes because he is handsome.

Well, after his latest admission of fathering a child with a woman who was not his wife — a charge he had vigorously denied earlier, I see no reason to change my original thinking.

And, yes, he got lots and lots of votes.

To me, Edwards exemplifies the type of politician who is worthless.

But it doesn't matter. Why? Because he is handsome.

Folks like to vote for pretty men and women. It doesn't matter how much they lie or steal, lots of folks will vote for them anyway.

I know, that's "democracy in action."

You just gotta laugh.

Anyway, Rick Perry is going against Kay Hutchison for Texas governor this year. This is a no-brainer — Perry will win easily.

And the answer is obvious — Rick is prettier.

Now, I fully realize a lot of you think I'm dead wrong, that I'm being simplistic and underestimating the American voter.

Sure.

I love all this political rhetoric of blasting lobbyists in Washington, D.C.

So many senators and representatives go to the podium in their respective legislative chambers and thump away at how insidious lobbyists are and that they, the politicians, are above that.

So what do I read last week? That major bank, energy and tobacco lobbyists threw a big week-end shindig at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Miami Beach — and 20 U.S. Senators attended.

It was a "winter retreat" for the Democrat campaign committee and raising money from the lobbyists fit right in.

You just gotta laugh. How many times do I have to repeat myself: Republicans are arrogant, Democrats are hypocrites.

If there ever was an occasion to so prove this true, this takes the cake. The very folks who tell you how bad lobbyists are, line up hat in hand to take crumbs from the lobbyists' table.

Always remember when you vote in a federal election, you are likely voting for a crook, a liar or someone who is just plain stupid.

But what is more

important is that they look pretty.

Obama, Obama, Obama.

Mrs. President, you let me down on health care reform.

Our nation needs that so badly, but you and the Democrat leadership proposed way too big an overhaul, to the point where most Americans, including me, turned against it.

How could you have messed up so badly? Why couldn't you have told Reid and Pelosi that the basic health insurance problems needed to be addressed immediately, then they could add other "fixes" later.

That would have been Presidential.

Instead, the Democrats got carried away by their "super majority" in the Senate and decided to go for the whole kit and kaboodle at once.

And what are we left with? Recriminations. And no reforms.

How sad our political system is.

A year ago, the major media was trumpeting "the death of the Republican Party."

I have heard that refrain in the past so I ascribed no credence to it again.

Now it's a year later, and top Democrats are announcing retirements because they see the winds of change blowing again.

But I doubt the major media, bought and paid for by the Democrat Party, will have any headlines saying "the death of the Democrat Party."

Being a journalist almost all my life, I never thought I would see the media's objectivity turned into subjectivity.

I was taught early on not to take sides in print, except for the editorial page. That common sense has fallen by the wayside.

Now we see the right-wing FOX folks vs. the left-wing CBS, ABC and NBC folks.

That may sound like Fox is the underdog since it's 3-1 against them. But that isn't the case. Fox does a better job than the other 3 formerly major networks combined. And the viewership numbers are starting to reflect that.

I wonder what the late Walter Cronkite would say about this?



Ice fishing?

This photo of a snowman doing a little bit of ice fishing was taken along County Road 1, just east of Farwell's city limits.

Sheriff's Report

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

On Feb. 1, Jimmy Harrison, 32, of Hobbs, N.M., was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol, on a charge of DWI, pending in county court.

On Feb. 6, Marko Garcia, 25, of Bovina, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a motion to revoke (aggravated assault with a deadly weapon), pending in dis-

trict court.

On Feb. 6, Orlando Herrera, 40, of Las Cruces, N.M., was arrested by the sheriff's office on a motion to revoke (possession with intent to deliver marijuana), pending in district court.

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Thursday — tacos, cheese, LT, corn, taco sauce, pears, milk.

Friday — grilled cheese sandwich, pickles, chips, fruit salad, sugar cookie, milk.

Texico

Monday — no school. Tuesday — grilled cheese sandwich, chicken noodle soup, mixed veggies, fruit, milk.

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Bovina Banter

Deanna Curtis • 251-1405

City Manager Jana Pitcock has a Town Hall meeting set for 7 p.m. on Feb. 18 at the EMS building for questions on grants, discussion of the planned community center and any other issues folks bring up.

Bovina Youth Basketball League will have signups and clinicals on Tuesday, Feb. 16; Thursday, Feb. 18, and Friday, Feb. 19, at the high school gym.

The last day to sign up is Feb. 19.

The clinicals will be held from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. for pre-k, kindergarten, and 1st and 2nd graders; from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. for 3rd and 4th graders; and 6:45 to 8 p.m. for 5th and 6th graders.

Feb. 15 is the deadline

for out-of-town teams to sign up.

League play will begin March 1.

School lunch menus for next week:

Monday – no school.
Tuesday – steak fingers, hamburger, cream potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, rolls, peaches.

Wednesday – tuna salad/croissant, pepperoni pizza, potato chips, tossed salad, corn, cottage cheese, pears.

Thursday – hot dogs with chili, hamburger, baked beans, potato wedges, tossed salad, sherbet.

Friday – fish sticks, pepperoni pizza, potato salad, tossed salad, peas, cottage cheese, cowboy bread, fruit.

Our JV & varsity basketball teams finish the regular season at Springlake-Earth on Feb. 12.

The JV girls season is over.

The baby shower for Britta and Clay Knight will be on Sunday, Feb. 14, a 3 p.m. at Bovina United Methodist Church.

All are invited.

Watch for Parents' Night pictures in next week's Tribune.

Our school's powerlifters head to a Dalhart Meet on Feb. 13.

Student Council members are selling Coke float coupons this week.

Elections for school boards, city councils and hospital districts will be held in May in Texas. Signups run from Feb. 6 to March 8.

Here's a look at our elections:

Bovina City – Incumbents are Mayor Stan Miller and city councilmen David Curtis and Jessie Stone. These are two-year positions.

Bovina School Board – Three posts are on the ballot. Incumbents are Don Teague and Richard Carson. The third post is open due to the recent resignation of George Villarreal.

As of Monday, there

Marrufo paces Mustangs

JV Boys
Bovina's JV Boys lost to Sudan, 51-34.

Scoring were Miguel Guerrero and Kristian Antillon, 2 each; Luis Sanchez, 3; Zac Castillo, 15; Abel Rocha, 6; Aaron Castaneda, 5; and Gabriel DeLaRosa, 1.

The JV Boys lost to Olton, 38-20.

Scoring were Aaron Castaneda, 6; Abel Rocha, 4, and Zachery Castillo, 10.

Varsity Boys

The Mustangs lost to Olton at home on Friday, 51-42.

Scoring were Des-

Farwell Senior Meal Site

Menus for next week:
Monday – hamburger steak w/brown gravy, pea salad, buttered noodles, cottage cheese, pineapple.

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Wednesday – chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, rolls, German chocolate cake.

Thursday – chicken spaghetti, carrots, crackers, pear cobbler.

Friday – tacos, tomato, lettuce, cheese, onion, pinto beans, peach halves.

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



Fire destroys car

The Bovina Fire Department responded to a vehicle fire on Saturday night on the 300 block of 4th Street. The owner reported a funny smell when she drove the car to the grocery store and back. After awhile, she saw the vehicle on fire.

was only one signup: Teague filed for re-election to the school board.

Our Chamber banquet will be on March 20. The entertainment has not been finalized yet, but Dyers Barbeque will cater the event.

City of Bovina will be hosting its monthly luncheon on Friday at the EMS building. Proceeds benefit the proposed community Center.

Report cards will be sent home on the 16th. There will be no school on the 15th in honor of Washington's Birthday. There is also an early release on the 19th at 12:07 p.m.

Have a great week and God Bless you all.

Interesting Fact of the

Week: As a farmer, George Washington grew marijuana on his farm and promoted its growth. In the 1790s, the crop was discovered and for soil stabilization. It was only later when its illegal properties were discovered.



Top spellers

Winners of the annual Bovina Spelling Bee were, from left, Julian Martinez, 1st; Arturo Aguillon, 2nd, and Brittany Perez, 3rd. (Photo by Denise Anderson)

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Playas topic of Bovina Conservation Education Day

By Jim Steiert

Another season of opportunities to learn about the importance of playas in the region's ecology and water cycle is getting off to a running start with the staging of Conservation Education Days locally.

An education day for interested area landowners plus 5th grade teachers and educators, will be hosted in Bovina on Feb. 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the EMS Building, 109 3rd Street.

The session is free.

Purposes include providing education about playa wetlands, their ecological functions, and learning opportunities, the link between playas and recharge to the Ogallala aquifer, and federal programs for playa conservation, as well as resources for grazing management techniques that can improve playa habitat.

Teachers and educators can learn about the possibilities offered by playas from 8:30 to 11 a.m., then landowners can join in for a lunch and education session from 11 a.m. to 1:10 p.m.

Dr. Darryl Birkenfeld, director of Ogallala Commons, will speak on how to engage students in outdoor learning through Playa Festivals at 9 a.m. and will be followed at 9:25 by Patsy Allen and FCCLA students from Friona High School.

Laura Wilbanks, a teacher at Whiteface Elementary School, will talk about science learning activities that complement Playa Festivals at 9:50.

Playa outdoor classrooms, interns, and summer learning opportunities will be covered by Julie Boatright, of Texas Tech, at 10:25.

At 11:45, Kevin Mulligan, of the Department of Economic Geography at Texas Tech, will display images of saturated thickness and depletion rates toward the end of making the Ogallala aquifer more visible to participants.

At 12:15 Manuel De Leon, wildlife biologist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, will talk on federal programs for playa conservation and techniques for grazing management.

The contact person is Earl Behrends, NRC agent in Farwell, 481-3349.

50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Buck Bradshaw to open City Café.

3-D Drive-In has a small fire.

Dardanella Helton is named Outstanding District ESA member.

Leon and Bruce Billingsley work on farm beautification project.

Melvin Treider family attends national Farmers Union meeting.

Frank Hinkson operates largest private cattle feeding operation in area.

Vick Christian is baptized at the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church.

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Bovina School Supt. Bill Bizzell to retire

The Bovina School Board on Monday received a letter of intent from Supt. Bill Bizzell that he plans to retire this year.

It becomes effective on either June 31 or Dec. 31, depending on the board's timetable to hire a new superintendent.

Bizzell has been Bovina superintendent since October 2005. Previous to that, he was Bovina High principal for 3 years.

During his career as an educator, he also worked in Clovis for 26 years, Farwell for 5 and Muleshoe for 1. He was Farwell High School principal.

The board now has to follow state laws on picking a new superintendent, starting with a meeting with the service center.

In other business, the board:

- Received the resignation of coach Steve Arias, effective immediately. He will be an assistant principal at the Hereford Middle School.
- Appointed Amy Montemayor and Darlene Miller as early voting clerks.
- Extended another year the three campus principals employment.
- Discussed long range plans, including working on roofing problems, and adding a fence for the discus and shot throwing area.

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Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church
Worship Service -- 9 a.m.
Sunday School - 10 a.m.

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.

Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

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.

First Baptist Church Of Bovina
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m.
Wednesday worship & youth, 7 p.m.

Farwell Convalescent Center
Sunday services -- 9 a.m.
Bible study - 9:30 a.m. Friday

St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat
David Symm - minister
Worship Service - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church
Jim Peabody - minister
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship-10:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. winter
7:30 p.m. summer

Lariat Church of Christ
Wesley Roach - minister
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m. winter
8 p.m. summer

Iglesia Bautista Hispana in Bovina
Rafael Marin, pastor
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m.
Wednesday worship, 7 p.m.

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.

Bovina Church of Christ
Mike Prather, minister
Sun. - Bible study - 9:45 a.m.
Sun. - Worship - 10:45 a.m.
Wed. - Bible class - 7 p.m.

Lazbuddie Methodist Church
Rev. Ken Peterson
Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m.
Worship -- 10:30 a.m.

San Jose Catholic Church, Texico
Sunday Mass - Noon
Religious Education - 1:15 - 2:15 p.m.
Community Meal -- 1:15 p.m.

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

Bovina United Methodist Church
Sunday School - 9:45
Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday study, 7 p.m.

Apostolic Truth United Pentecostal Church of Texico
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. mt
Worship - 11:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. mt
Wednesday - 7 p.m. mt

First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie

Church of God in Christ Mennonite Farwell Country Church
James Koehn, Orie Nightingale - ministers
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship Service - 11 a.m.

First Baptist Church of Farwell
Sunday School -- 9:45 a.m.
Worship -- 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Children & Youth -- 5:45 p.m.
Wed. Prayer meeting - 6:30 p.m.
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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.

New Light Missionary Baptist Church
Rev. Briyan Phillips Sr.
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. mst
Worship - 11 a.m. mst
Bible Study - Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. mst

St. Ann's Catholic Church
Rev. Wm. Yeddapanalli
Sunday Mass: 8:30 a.m. in English; 10:45 a.m. in Spanish
CCD - 9:30 a.m.
Evening Mass: 6 p.m. Wednesday & Friday

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Jason Schilling led a crew of 30 people who made, ground up and stuffed almost 2 tons of sausage.

Schilling said it takes around 18 hours to do it

properly. Eunice Schilling provided the family recipe for the sausage that had been handed down for generations.



Josh McDonald and Vernie Schacher sell packaged sausage.



Charlie May Trimble helps take money and tickets with her grandfather Lee Jesko.



Avery Timms and Brittney Schacher.



C.E. Trimble and Jessica Kirkland



Nancy Amaya, Jessica Bachicha and Kristen McDonald



Maria Perez and Argelia Garcia



Karen Schilling with Traci and Wyatt Beauchamp



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