



Oklahoma Lane's Harold Carpenter

A walk down memory lane

By Lauren Carpenter

It had been a normal day out at the farm.

Stone and my dad laid down for a nap so I went two miles down the road to visit my grandparents, known to me as Granny and Grampy, but to the community as Avis and Harold Carpenter.

I've spent hours listening to their stories about the old days, learning from their experiences, and laughing at the little mishaps along the way. But then I thought, 'Hey, why don't I write this stuff down and share it with the community?'

So as Grampy, Granny, and I sat down in some comfy chairs in their living room. I prepared my mind to travel back in time to the late 1920's and 30's.

"So what do you want to hear?" Grampy asked. "Anything really!" I replied.

"Well you're gonna have to narrow it down," Grampy said with a smile.

I decided that we should begin with school buses. Buses back in the day were quite different. No air conditioning or heating, and practically no roof to shelter children from the ever-changing weather of the Panhandle.

School buses were converted old farm trucks with wooden seats inserted in the back. The roof was canvas, and the truck could ship about 21-25 students to school. It was pretty much a covered wagon.

When I used to ride the bus, there would be days when it was really muddy on the country roads. Every now and then, the bus would slip into a ditch, and we would have to call one of our fathers to bring their pick-up or tractor and tow us out.

Most of us would be delighted that we were stuck. That meant that we were able to skip a little bit of school. When our bus would start to slip, we would actually start praying that the bus would be trapped and save us from school. We weren't very different from my grandfather's classmates.

"Older boys would be told to get out and help push the truck," Grampy recalled. "They would hold the trucks in the mud."

When the kids arrived at school, they were forced to wait outside for the bell no matter how cold it was. Grampy said that all girls wore dresses, no pants.

"Nearly every old boy had overalls," Grampy said. "As you grew, you could loosen the suspenders. In the middle of the week you would change clothes."

So if they didn't bundle up on those cold winter mornings, they would practically freeze.

The grades (with the exception of the 8th grade since it didn't exist yet) would all line up and march inside to their



Harold Carpenter was selected Farwell Man of the Year in 2008.

classrooms, just like Farwell Elementary still does today. The school at Oklahoma Lane was small, but functional. It was normal for two grades to learn in the same classroom.

"I learned 4th grade before I ever got to it!" Grampy exclaimed with a remembering smile.

Styles really weren't an important thing. These were Depression times and people didn't spend money on frivolous things. Girls had short hair with bangs, and some would be lucky to have a perm.

Granny said girls were allowed to have hats in school, but boys were absolutely not allowed to have hats in the building. This rule is mostly enforced now. I'm always walking down the hall seeing boys get their hats plucked off their heads by various teachers.

After classes, the children were given an hour for lunch. They didn't have a cafeteria, so they ate what they brought at their desks.

"Usually we carried an old gallon bucket with a lid on it. My mom always made biscuits and she would put a chunk of ham in there and smear the biscuit with preservatives," Grampy said. "We'd call it dinner instead of lunch. Kids who brought white bread, they were the elite."

I've always heard in history classes that people went hungry during the Depression times, but Granny and Grampy recalled that no one at their school went hungry. Everyone grew their own food and if someone was

a little short, a neighbor would help them out.

Recess back then was imagination time. They didn't have swings or merry-go-rounds or any kind of play equipment. Children would skip rope, sing chants, play jacks, and hopscotch.

"Most games they played were about how to catch a feller!" she said. Granny sang me a chant she and her friends would sing when they jumped rope:

"Rich man, poor man, beggar and thief?

Doctor, lawyer, merchant, chief?

Which one will it be?"

The one description that the little girl would land on was assumed to be her future husband's condition.

If the children acted up, there was no question. They were disciplined. Not just at school, but at home, too.

"If I got a whoopin' at school, I got a whoopin' at home," Grampy said with a laugh. "That's double jeopardy and it's against the law, but I didn't know that. I didn't have any rights!"

In schools now, the worst punishment is ISS (In School Suspension) or swats. Back then they had various ways to make sure the children didn't act up again. Children all the way up to 11th grade were swatted either in public or private.

"To be whipped in front of the class was considered a warning to the rest of the pupils who watched in fascination to see whether you cried or not," Grampy said. "It was customary for us boys to count the licks

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Farwell stock show to open up season

The 46th annual Farwell Junior Livestock Show will be held at the Farwell Community Center starting at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 7.

Contestants will begin setting up on Jan. 7.

Concessions will be available for purchase from Farwell 4-H students.

Farwell ag teacher Tomee England anticipates a large turnout of competitors with the full range of show animals. The top entries this year will receive trophies and ribbons.

The judge will be Briscoe County extension agent Nathan Carr.

The show had originally been scheduled for Jan. 14 but it was found that the community center had been booked earlier by a Farwell resident for his birthday celebration.

Friona – Parmer County extension agent Benji Henderson is working to put on a Friona show on Jan. 15 at 1:30 p.m. at the Friona Show Barn.

The judge will be Briscoe County extension agent Nathan Carr.

The Lazbuddie Junior Livestock Show will be held Jan. 20 at 11 a.m. at the Friona show barn.

Since the animals have been brought to Friona for the county show, it made sense to use the same facility for the Lazbuddie show, said Lazbuddie ag teacher Sid Morris.

Grand champions and showmanship winners will receive belt buckles, and reserve champions will be honored, too.

The Parmer County stock show will be held Jan. 18, 19 and 21 at the Friona Show Barn.

Judges will be: lambs and goats, Skipper Carlisle; steers, Greg Schilling, and barrows and gilts, Brad Bevel.

Here is the event schedule:

Jan. 18 – 1 to 5 p.m., weigh in of all animals; barrows and lambs will be classified as weighed; 5:30 p.m. classify steers; 6 p.m. heifer show.

Jan. 19 – 8 a.m., goat show begins followed by the lamb show; 11 a.m., steer show; gilt show, and 1 p.m., barrow show.

Jan. 21 – 1 p.m., premium sale.

Last year's grand champions were steers, Jill Johnson; barrows, Levi McCormick; lambs, Austin Mason, and goats, Ashton Mason.

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Weldon Kube and the Farwell ambulance.

Farwell EMS needs your help

A common New Year's resolution for many people is helping others. People often comment, "I want to do more for my community."

Farwell's Emergency Medical Services is offering the perfect opportunity to actively help people in the community. They are looking for new members for the EMS team.

This team is composed of dedicated volunteers who are often the first responders for emergencies in our area. Whether they are helping an elderly resident who has fallen and can't get up or responding to an auto accident, EMS personnel are so important to the Farwell community. Without this service, Farwell would be forced to wait for responders from other cities who may not be familiar with hometown folks.

Farwell's Weldon Kube has been volunteering with EMS for over 10 years. By profession, he is a firefighter and a credentialed paramedic.

He began helping with the Farwell EMS when he noticed a need for services here. He is one of three main responders in our area and also assists with maintaining, stocking and overseeing the Farwell ambulance.

Kube knows that Farwell needs more qualified people who are willing to help out with EMS. He said, "Our numbers have declined lately -- several people have moved and others have jobs that make it harder for them to volunteer."

"Farwell really needs 11-12 qualified people to cover a community of our size, but right now we only have around 3 that are "on-call" frequently and about 7 total that help out periodically."

Kube encourages anyone who may have an interest in paramedics, the medical field, or just volunteering to think about becoming an EMT (emergency medical technician).

"There are three levels of certification for paramedics and right now Clovis Community College is offering a class starting Jan. 17 for the basic certificate," he added.

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Living Nativity held in Farwell

Members of the Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church in Farwell reenacted the nativity scene, complete with live animals and singing.



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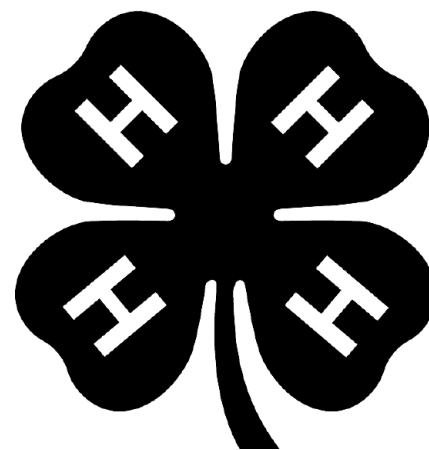


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we got and brag about it later.”

There was a punishment strictly devised for high school boys. It was called “the stretch.”

“I believe Clayton Devin implemented this form of punishment when he came to Oklahoma Lane in 1934. The whole body was extended against the blackboard and a line was drawn at the tips of the outstretched fingers,” Grampy explained. “This involved the muscles of the entire body. Once I saw Clayton line up a whole wall with freshmen boys all facing the wall and reaching upward. The impression I got was of complete surrender.”

This kind of punishment was normal for these days, but it didn't affect the students then like it would the students now.

“We thought a lot of them (teachers) even though they'd beat our butts,” Grampy said.

Oklahoma Lane School competed in UIL and sports. Grampy competed in algebra and essay/ready writing. Granny competed in singing and declamation. Declamation was where they memorized a speech and performed it with enthusiasm.

“I sat there a-dreadin' and when I got out there I couldn't remember my speech's name!” Granny said.

Track was the only UIL sport at the time. Grampy competed in high jump and the mile run. He won the mile in 1935 and 1936, even setting the county record at the time.

Track and UIL academic events were held the same day. “It was the biggest day of the year,” Grampy said. “It lasted into the night.”

The school also had basketball and tennis teams. Oklahoma Lane at the time was just constructing courts to play on.

“We had the best gym in the county, but before then we played on dirt courts,” Grampy said.

Girls and boys alike played their sports in shorts. They wore high top shoes that were all white. The school's colors were an orange and black combination, but the girls had different colors. They were blue and gold.

Are the same morals taught back then taught now? Surely, our curriculums are more accurate and detailed than they used to be, but are we really learning about life? The same thing is known now: if you get an education you have a chance to achieve the American dream.

Border Banter

--Mike Pomper

A time for a few “good job” commendations to start the new year:

I believe the new communication service being offered through the Parmer County sheriff's office will be great for our area and I want to compliment Sheriff Randy Gerles on getting it organized.

I assume you saw the story in last week's Tribune. The county will soon offer a mass communications network notifying folks of impending potential problems, such as tornadoes.

And regular folks can sign up for the network to get instant information through texting (for free) and personal telephone calls (for a fee), starting Jan. 15.

I don't doubt that such services will eventually be offered in most counties throughout the nation. At a time when it seems that weather disasters are on the rise, it will save a lot of lives.

A tip of the hat should also go to Farwell School Supt. Mike Read, who labored long and hard

last year on improving the school's financial picture in a time of pending money cutbacks from the state.

The report of the school's finances in our Christmas issue made mighty good reading.

Texico School's building program over the past several years has been spot on, as the British say.

The new gym, followed by the new cafeteria and pre-k building and vocation expansion, provide a strengthened academic atmosphere for our kids.

I am a strong advocate of improved vocational education for our students and was excited about the new setup for Mr. Whitener, the vocational ed instructor.

Way to go, Supt. R.L. Richards.

The list of folks working hard to improve our area goes on and on:

Deena Leuea with her Sweat Suit project at Christmastime each year; Lazbuddie School interim Supt. Joanna Martinez increasing her school's enrollment; Bill Dannheim's successful efforts to start up an American Legion post, and Bovina City Manager Jana Pitcock's amazing work to get the city's

Community Center project under way.

And folks who do their community work without fanfare each year, like Mack Heald who is the general superintendent for our county stock shows; longtime Texico Fire Chief Lewis Cooper; and Buddy Prather with his rodeo work in Bovina.

Then there's the Border Town Days committee of veterans volunteers, like Ann Cooper, Lynne Mahaney, Carolyn Johnson, Margie Watkins, Ruth Anne Bennett, Judy Lekovich and others.

We are blessed to live in a wonderful area with wonderful people who care.



Felicia Sharpe and Jonathon Read

Engagement told

Carlos and Anita Sharpe of Shallowater, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Felicia Sharpe, of Lubbock, to Jonathon Read, of Lubbock.

Jonathon is the son of Mike and Traci Read, of Farwell.

The bride-elect is a 2002 graduate of Shallowater High School and a 2007 graduate of Covenant School of Nursing. She is employed by High Plains Surgery Center.

The future bridegroom is a 2000 graduate of O'Donnell High School and a 2005 graduate of the University of Texas in Arlington. He is employed by Plains Pipeline.

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Or, if you would like to just make a donation, or to include the Foundation in your will ... both are great ways to help build our young people's futures.

We sincerely appreciate you.

The following are the board members of the Farwell Education Foundation and all are FHS graduates:

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Farwell teams participate in Littlefield tourney

Varsity Boys

The Farwell Steers participated in the Littlefield Tournament last week.

In the first round, they beat Lubbock Roosevelt, 40-31.

Scoring were Collin Christian, 9; Kolten Morris, 9; Luis Galvan, 6; Pearce Ponder, 6; Austin Mason, 3; Curt Langford, 3; J.J. Herrera, 2; Seth Meeks, 2.

Farwell lost to Littlefield, 42-25.

Scoring were Morris, 9; Galvan, 6; Christian, 5; Ponder, 4; Bretton Stancell, 1.

45-12.

Scoring were Sasha Lara, 4; Kristin Langford, 11; Abby Johnson, 6; Lauren Carpenter, 9; K'Leigh Jo White, 6; Chandler Barnes, 2; Clarisa Garcia, 3; Keila Jennings, 4.

Farwell topped Bushland, 45-41.

Scoring were Langford, 6; Caitlyn Stancell, 8; White, 6; Barnes, 11; Garcia, 3; Jennings, 11.

The Lady Blue, 13-7 on the year, won the consolation final over Anton, 46-39.

Scoring were Langford, 12; Stancell, 8; Johnson, 2; Carpenter, 2; White, 11; Barnes, 2; Jennings, 9.

Varsity Girls

The Lady Blue played in the Littlefield Tourney last week.

They beat Muleshoe,

The Lady Blue in action



Photos by J.R. Ivins



Marriage Licenses

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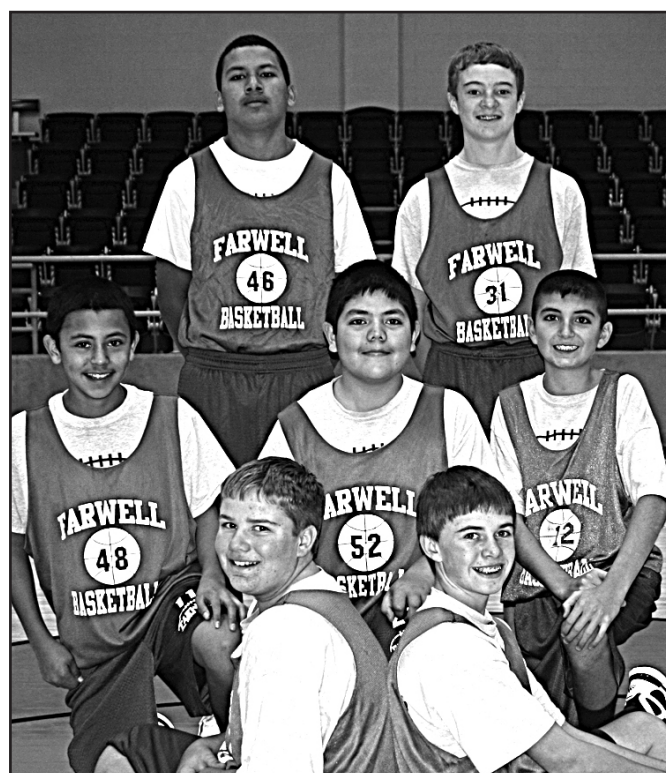
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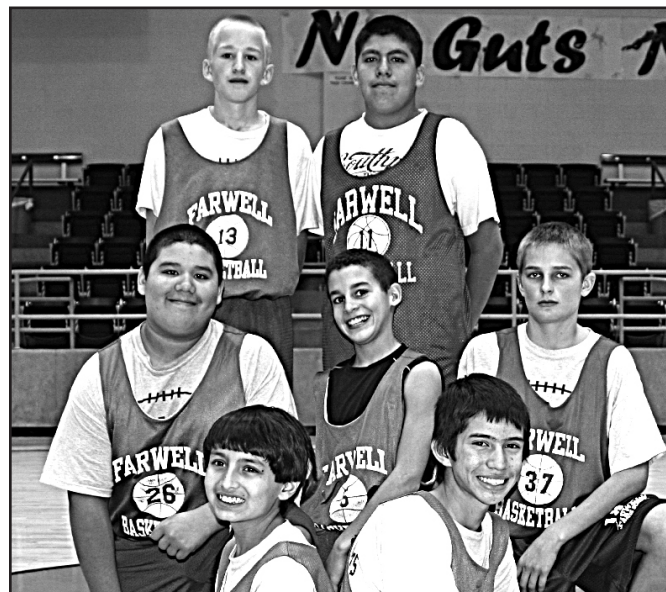
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Farwell JH boys

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Just listed - nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath with central heat, ref. air, large den with fire place, living room, kitchen, utility, 2 car detached garage, with 2 car carport. Lots of attractive updates, and modernization completed in recent months. Large fenced backyard with garden area and storage building.

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Just Listed - 3 bed, 2 bath home on Highway near Progress. On 10 acres. It needs some carpet, but sellers are willing to help.

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Just listed 157 acres irrigated in Oklahoma Lane area. Circle sprinkler, 1 irr. well, with a 3 bedroom, 2 bath country home and several out buildings.

Just Listed - 17 acres near Progress on Highway. Could be split. Would made a great home site!

Just Listed - 620 acres SW of Lariat. 1 10-tower Zimmatic sprinkler with 7 wells.

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New Listing - Nice spacious 2 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home, 2 living areas, large utility, built-ins, central air and heat, sprinkler system, 2 car garage, fenced backyard, all on corner lot. **PRICED TO SELL!!!**

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New Listing - 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath brick home, central air and heat, single car garage, fenced backyard, all on corner lot.

PRICE REDUCED - 3 bedroom, 2 bath modular home, built-ins, central air/heat, fireplace, 2 living areas, utility room, patio, fenced back yard and carport. All on corner lot.

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Sheriff's Report

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

On Dec. 29, Michael Mendoza, 34, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of violation of a protective order, pending in county court.

On Dec. 30, Norberto Gonzalez, 25, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on Deaf Smith County warrants, pending transportation.

On Dec. 30, Colton Hill, 18, of Lazbuddie, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of assault, pending in county court.

On Jan. 1, Orlando Cleto, 35, of Texico, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of DWI - 2nd, pending in county court.

On Jan. 1, Rodolfo Gutierrez, 31, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of assault, pending in county court.

In 287th District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

On Dec. 13: Jesus Montiel, 53 of Muleshoe, charged with DWI, was sentenced to 10 years Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice (TDCJ), probated for 10 years, \$484 court costs and \$1,000 fine.

Juan Ulloa-Gonzalez, 19, of Farwell, charged with attempted tampering with government records, was sentenced to six months in Parmer County Jail, \$299 court costs and \$500 fine.

On Dec.15: Johnny Morris, 44, of Dimmitt, charged with violation of community supervision (prohibited substance in a correctional facility), was sentenced to community supervision revoked, 3 years Institutional Division TDCJ and \$75 court costs.

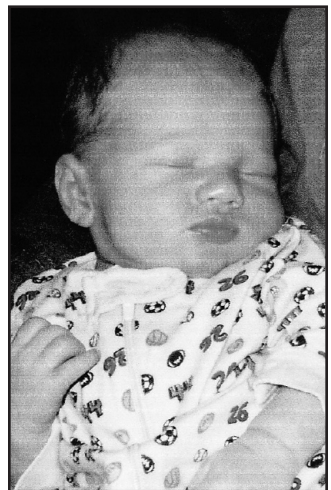
Adrian Rivas, 25, of Friona, charged with violation of community supervision (assault), was sentenced to community supervision revoked, 3 years Institutional Division TDCJ and \$466 court costs.

Juan Tavera IV, 24, of Bovina, charged with violation of community supervision (sexual assault), was sentenced to community supervision revoked, 13 years Institutional Division TDCJ, \$1,099 court costs and \$443 restitution.

On Dec. 20: Johnny Chapoy, 35, of Hereford, charged with violation of community supervision (possession of a controlled substance - cocaine), was sentenced to community supervision revoked, 2 years State Jail Division TDCJ, \$415 court costs and \$140 restitution.

It's a Boy

Brandon and Amanda Embry have a new son. Fenton Silas Embry was

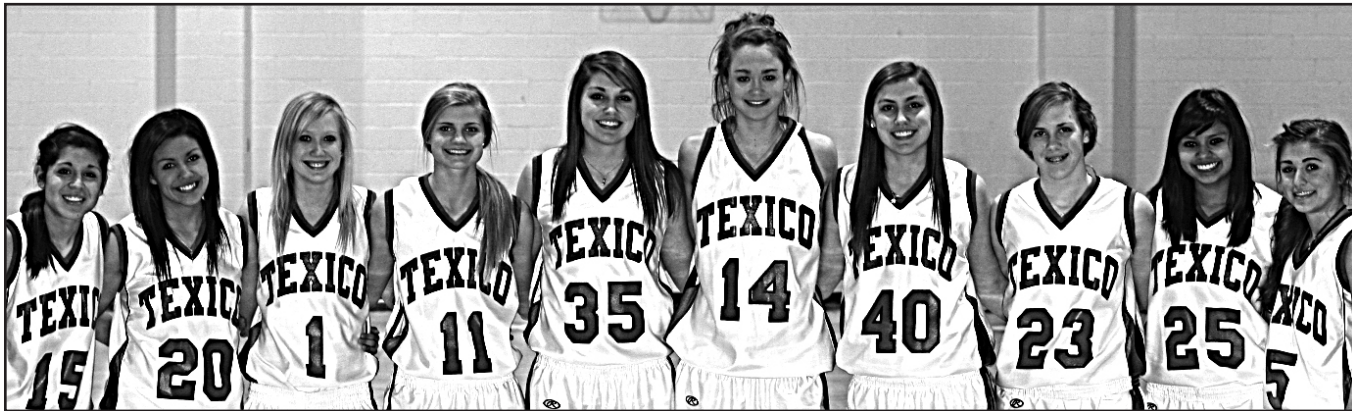


born Dec. 23, weighing 7 lbs, 10 oz., and measuring 21" long.

He joins a sister, Mikali, and a brother, Daniel.

Grandparents are Lewis and Gale Crum of Texline, Texas; and Weldon and Sherry Embry, of Farwell.

Great-grandparents are Leroy Morris of Dumas, Texas; Rosetta Crum, of Caldwell, Ohio; Betty Embry, of Farwell; and Donald and Lueta Clark, of Pleasant Hill.



Texico Varsity Girls

Texico varsity girls: Mel Lucero, Bianca Davalos, Kylynn Thomas, McKenzi Mayfield, Jordyn Cooper, Shaylee Anderson, Jordyn Cooper, Rae Lynn Prather, Karina Salazar and Lindsey Foote.



Texico 8th boys

Texico 8th boys coached by Steve Doolittle, are above at left, Matthew Odegaard, Rafael Maldonado, Zach Harrison, Dillon Weems,



Matthew Duffy, Joseph Sena, and above at right, Marquel Nance, Ramon Garcia, Trevor Burke, Jake Barnett, Bryan Silva, Luke Spears, Jesus Maldonado.

Contest winners announced

Here are the results from the annual State Line Tribune Christmas coloring contest.

First place winners received \$15, with \$10 going to the runnersup.

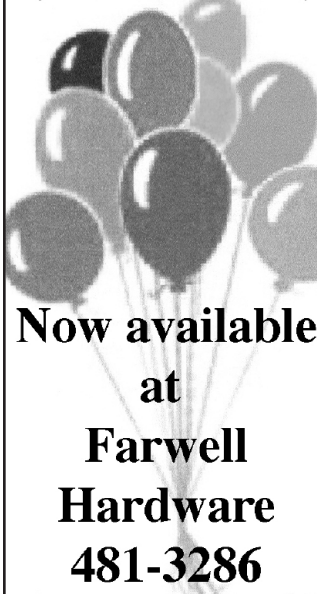
Following are the winners from each category:

4 to 6 year olds - Tannah McCoy, 1st.

7 to 10 year olds - Aaron Meza, 1st; Kevin Castillo, 2nd.

11-12 year olds - Alexia Nicolas, 1st; Baylee Sours, 2nd. Honorable mention went to Journey West.

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Meet Farwell's Class of 2024



Lilly London is a Farwell kindergartener. Her birthday is Aug. 30.

Parents are Becky London and Mike London. Siblings are Ty and Emma. grandmother is Letha Treinan.

She likes to swim and jump on her trampoline.

Her favorite food is meat nachos. Her favorite colors are pink and purple.

She doesn't like to clean her room.

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Monday - ham & beans, corn bread, fried potatoes, salad, banana pudding.

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Wednesday - meat loaf, mashed potatoes, seasoned green beans, rolls, salad, yogurt pie.

Thursday - beef enchilala, spanish rice, salad, chips & salsa, bread pudding.

Friday - chili with crackers, grilled cheese, salad, fruit cocktail cake.

Seniors over 55, \$3.50; all take-outs, 50 cents extra; guests under 55, \$6.50. Delivery is 50¢.

Texico

Monday - chalupas with cheese, LT, corn, fruit, milk.
Tuesday - nachos with meat & cheese, pinto beans, fruit, milk.

Wednesday - spaghetti with meat & cheese, green beans, hot rolls, fruit, milk.

Thursday - chicken patty on bun, LP, fruit, milk.

Friday - no school.

Farwell
Monday - Chicken spaghetti, garden salad, fresh apple, texas toast, milk.

Tuesday - pigs in a blanket, western beans, baked chips, snowball salad, milk.

Wednesday - Chalupas, seasoned corn, lettuce and tomatoes, rosy apple-sauce, milk.

Thursday - Country style steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot roll, milk.

Friday - Chicken fajitas, refried beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, milk.

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Bovina -- The JV & MS teams play in the Lazbuddie Tourney this weekend. The varsity teams play at Lubbock Christian Jan. 6. The varsity & JV girls play at Farwell Jan. 10, while the varsity & JV boys host New Deal. The MS teams play at Hale Center Jan. 9.

Farwell -- The JV & JH teams play in the Lazbuddie Tourney this weekend. On Jan. 6, the JV and varsity girls play at Olton, while the JV & varsity boys host Morton. On Jan. 10, the JV & varsity girls host Bovina. On Jan. 9, the JH teams host Olton.

Texico -- the varsity teams compete in the EPAC Tourney this weekend. On Jan. 10, the varsity & JV teams host Melrose. On Jan. 9, the "C" team hosts Clovis Purple.

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The deadline for paying the poll tax is Jan. 31.
The Jennings family reunion is held in Lazbuddie.
Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Sheriff have a new daughter, Kathryn.
Hugh Moseley says he won't seek re-election as county clerk.
Mr. and Mrs. P.H. Worley move to Farwell from Portales.
Mrs. Fred Danforth sponsors party for Texico Business Education Club.

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Farwell Stock Show From page 1

The Parmer County Stock Show advisory committee consists of: Farwell, Darren Haseloff and Kyle Stancell; Bovina, Brett Whitten and Charles Wilkins; Lazbuddie, Ed Terry and Rick Seaton; and Friona, Cody Kimbrough and Robert Osborn.

Stock show board members are:
Farwell – Tomee England, Carey Stancell, Keith Hadley and Stephen Schilling.

Bovina – Luke Steelman, Buddy Prather, Tony Beauchamp and (alternate) Jesse Stone.

Lazbuddie – Terry Jesko, Sid Morris, Shane Mason and Chris Timms.

Friona – Ben Osborn, Mark Osborn, Paul Smith and Monty Schueler.

County 4-H – Scott Johnson, Benji Henderson, Sean Mason, Al Kerby Jr. and Wade Schueler.

Officers are:
Mack Heald, general superintendent; JeDon Gallman, general assistant superintendent; Lesley Curtis, swine superintendent; Kevin Schueler, lamb and goat superintendent; and Terry Jesko, cattle superintendent.

Also, JeDon Gallman, president; Wade Schueler, vice president; Justin Jeter, interim secretary, and John Jarecki and Dale Schueler, treasurers.

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 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 exhibitor may only sell two animals in the premium auction.

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.

Showmanship rules are:
Steer, barrow, lamb and goat shows will have two age divisions, junior 8-13 and senior 14 and up. Each species judge will select showmanship winners within their division.

Showmanship classes will be held upon the com-

pletion of judging each species and will be open to all exhibitors of that species, within each age division. Showmanship selection will be based on the exhibitor's efforts within the classes as well as during showmanship competition class.

All ages will be as of Jan. 1, 2012.

One hundred and 40 animals will be sold at the Saturday sale. Only Grand and Reserve Grand will be presented. All other sale exhibitors will walk through the ring without their animals.

Two percent of the selling price of the animals will be retained by the Stock Show Board for repair and improvement of stock show facilities.

Premium on animals will be by the head.

The sale order will be steer, goat, barrow and lamb. Grand and Reserve Grand of each species will sell in the same order. Beef heifers are not eligible for the sale.

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How did Oklahoma Lane get its improbable name

by Harold Carpenter in 1986:

Everyone asks the question, how did the small community in the southwest section of Parmer County get the improbable name of Oklahoma Lane?

In 1916, when the Chicago-based syndicate started to sell this virgin pasture, land agents fanned out in every direction, mainly toward Oklahoma.

Seven families, all from Oklahoma, settled beside a stretch of road almost directly east of Farwell. The road was not even graded, just two ruts beat out by wagons and Model T's.

The little settlement only extended about five miles and the original seven families and the location of the residents are as follows:

The first house traveling east from the underpass was on the south side of the road. The Charlotte Fowler's, a widow with 7 small children.

The second house was at the present crossroads at the north side of the road and belonged to Maude and Sherman Wood

The third house was farther east on the north side of the road occupied by the Jim Hart's. This is the present Foster place.

The fourth house on the south side of the road was built by Frank Ayres.

The fifth house, also on the south side of the road, was occupied by Frank's father, Joe Ayres.

The sixth house located on the north side of the road belonged to Clarence Givens. This house was later moved to Farwell and is currently occupied by Fred Gerles.

The seventh, and last, house was on the south side of the road. This is where Will Bryant lived and is presently known as the Bolton place.

As there was only a pair of ruts heading east from the underpass and all the seven families living on the road had originated in Oklahoma, people in Farwell picked up the expression "Oklahoma Lane."

This name endured through the years and has applied not only to the original lane but also to the school, churches, community center and general area.

In subsequent years, the lane was first graded, then calched, then paved and extended eastward through Kress all the way to Quitaque. It is now FM 145.

Jaylyn Cooper hits five 3-pointers

Varsity Girls

The Texico Lady Wolverines took 3rd place in the Plateau Invitational Tournament last week.

In the opener, they beat Odessa Permian, 59-35.

Scoring were Shaylee Anderson, 4; Mel Lucero, 3; Karina Salazar, 8; Jordyn Cooper, 31 (including five 3-pointers); Jaylyn Cooper, 13.

Then Texico fell to Portales, 35-27.

Scoring were Kylynn Thomas, 4; Anderson, 2; Salazar, 4; Jo. Cooper, 9; J. Cooper, 6.

And Texico, 9-4 on the years, put away Amarillo Caprock, 50-37.

Scoring were Thomas, 2; McKenzi Mayfield, 4;

Anderson, 14; Lucero, 2; Rae Lynn Prather, 1; Salazar, 4; Jo. Cooper, 17; Ja. Cooper, 6.

7th Girls

Texico's 7th girls beat Tucumcari, 27-1.

Scoring were Melissa Davalos, 1; Jaden Stephens, 5; Jasmine Gannon, 3; Whitney Skabelund, 4; Tristyn McDaniel, 12; Maddie Sealey, 2.

8th Girls

The Texico 8th girls whipped Tucumcari, 40-4.

Scoring were Audrey Wren, 4; Shaylee Sours, 2; Arianna Meza, 12; Brianna Reyna, 20; Gracie Castillo, 2.



Photos by Cary McFarden



Farwell 4-H plans concession stand

From Patti Johnson:

The Farwell 4-H will have a concession stand the local stock show on Saturday.

The menu will feature fajitas and fixin's and baked goodies with drinks.

Volunteers are needed to bring baked goods and help work the stand.

And with the Lazbuddie basketball tourney going on at the same time, some families will be splitting time between both events, so officers and senior 4-H members will be needed, also.

Please bring your individually wrapped baked goods to stand before the stock show; we are going to set up in the same corner as in the past.

The Latest

A late letter to Santa Claus arrived last week from Daniel:

For Christmas he wanted a skylander packet for wii, the game sonic, the black knight for wii, a guinea pig, and a ball for him to run around his house.

Last week, the Tribune ran a feature on former area doctor V. Scott Johnson.

His daughter, Marcie, called to give an update on the children. She has retired from teaching in Farwell and now lives in Oklahoma.

Her sister, Nancy Currier, has retired and lives in Arizona, and her

brother Scott Johnson is a professor teaching psychology at Eastern New Mexico University.

The brackets for the Lazbuddie Junior High and JV basketball tournaments have been updated.

The new brackets can be found on the Lazbuddie school website at Lazbuddieisd.org.

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New Homestead Exemption Application Rules

The Parmer County Appraisal District wants to remind all residents who seek to apply for a homestead exemption in Texas needs to comply with a new application process that went into effect Sept. 1, 2011.

In order to receive a homestead exemption for property tax purposes, applicants must now provide a copy of their Texas driver's license or Texas state-issued identification card and a copy of their vehicle registration receipt with their application for a homestead exemption.

Also, the addresses shown on each of the documents must be the same as the address for which the homestead exemption is sought.

Those who do not own a vehicle will be required to submit a notarized affidavit certifying that fact and provide a copy of a current bill received from a utility company. The address on the utility bill must be the same as the address on the application for a homestead exemption.

The state legislature has closed loopholes in disclosure that allowed some citizens to obtain homestead exemptions on more than one property. The Legislature has also authorized central appraisal districts to gain access to the database of the Texas Dept. of Public Safety so that differences in addresses reported for driver's license and property tax reasons can be audited electronically.

The new requirement is required

for any one of the several ways property owners can qualify for a residential property homestead. These include the following:

General residential exemption; over-65 exemption; disability exemption; 100 percent disabled veterans exemption; extension of exemption for a surviving spouse; and exemption for manufactured (mobile) home.

Each of the programs cited above have more requirements for qualification. However, the common standard is that all such applicants must provide the additional documentation as noted before regarding driver's license, Texas issued ID card, motor vehicle registration and utility billing receipt.

For those seeking homestead exemption status on a manufactured home, the applicant must also provide documentation as noted below:

Statement of ownership and location issued by the Texas Dept. of Housing and Community Affairs.

A copy of the purchase contract or payment receipt that the applicant is the purchaser of the manufactured home, OR a sworn affidavit that:

The applicant is owner of the manufactured home.

The seller of the manufactured home did not provide the applicant with a purchase contract, and

The applicant could not locate the seller after making a good faith effort.

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Again, we were able to support Clovis Health Care & Rehab, Prairie Acres and the Farwell Care & Rehabilitation Center.

I apologize in advance if I have left anyone off the list. Please remember that God knows who you are.

The following supported our project:

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Farwell 4-H, Friona 4-H and Lazbuddie 4-H for always helping to purchase, wrap, and deliver

The three activity directors who help me coordinate sizes and delivery, Elizabeth Romero, Natisha Dean, Kimmie Lausten
Bovina Elementary for the wonderful Christmas pictures
State Line Tribune for featuring my story each year.

And my wonderful family Ueese Leuea, Sirina & Joshua Ramirez.

May God bless you all and may you and your family have a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Bovina Banter

From page 12

Our JV & Middle School teams play in the Lazbuddie Tourney this weekend.

The varsity teams play at Lubbock Christian Jan. 6. The varsity and JV girls play at Farwell Jan. 10, while the varsity and JV boys host New Deal.

The MS teams play at Hale Center Jan. 9.

Bovina resident Marta Davidson said someone stole some of her penguin Christmas decorations out of her yard.

She would appreciate any help from the community to find her items.

The Bone Joint Clinic has announced it will open an office in Hereford at 503 W. Park Ave. starting Jan. 12.

It will be open every other Thursday. Call for an appointment, but walk-ins are welcome -- 251-1300.

New Years, Christmas, and Thanksgiving ... you would think time off and relaxation. I'm going to tell you that I'm so tired.

I love the holidays ... don't get me wrong, But, boy, does it wear you down. How many of you work hard to make things great for others and wear yourself out on the process?

Tell you what ... let's work on that this year.

School is back in session. Watch out for those school zones again.

Breselda Rodriguez is the newest produce manager at Lowe's grocery store. Manager Chris Bachicha is doing a great job there.

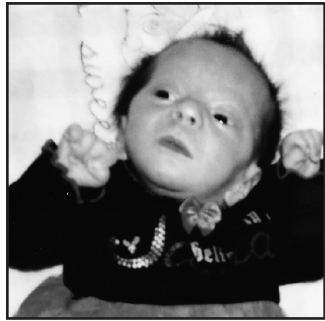
Bovina Fire Department will be electing new officers at their next meeting Jan. 9.

New signups for adult ESL classes are getting started. Call me at (575) 693-2506 for more information. All classes are free.

Interesting fact of the week: According to a federal motor carrier top official, truck driving takes 16 years off your life. You may want to pull over if you're driving.

It's a Girl

Courtney and Don daughter, Shelby Mae Roberts have a new Roberts.



She was born Nov. 23 in Clovis, weighed 4 lbs., 4 oz., and was 16 3/4 inches long.

Shelby has a brother, Patrick Mormon.

Grandmothers are Brenda Gilliam and Mary Roberts.

Hester sparks Lazbuddie JH

JH Girls

The Lazbuddie Junior High girls beat Kress, 28-7.

Scoring were Ashley Scott, 4; Mattisun Hester, 12; Karsyn Youngblood.

JH Boys

The JH Longhorns fell to Kress, 25-3.

Scoring were Austyn Steinbock, 1; Juan Samarron, 2.

Courthouse Notes

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

Leonardus Crujisen - Michael Jimenez, 5.77 AC SW/4 S54 Blk H Kelly

Raudel Silva - Clemente Morrones, L11 B99 Friona

Thelma Billingsley Estate - Travis Price, 3.686 AC SE/4 S29 T10S R2E

Florene Jones et al - Joshua McDonald, NE/4 S10 T14S R3E

John Fowler - T & R Farms, S49 Blk H Thomas Kelly

Blackridge Dairy - Rex Wells, 950 AC out Cap. League 465 Abner Taylor

Frank Cody et al - Hemink Farms, W/2 of N 320 AC S20 T4 1/2S R5E 137.8 AC N137.8 S435.6 AC S20 T4 1/2S R5E

Federal Home Loan Mortgage - Amarillo National Bank, L1 B3 Staley Friona

Michael Allen - Raul Merino, L19-22 B31 Farwell

Gleda Miller et al - Ruben Villanueva, E/2 L1-2 all L3-4 B86 Friona



Lazbuddie Varsity Girls

Lazbuddie varsity girls: Coach Janene Jesko, Autumn Townsend, Shyann Rainey, Josie Samarron, Ashton Mason, Maysun Hester, Lacey Jesko, Anais Andrade, Karina Galaviz, Allison Weaver, Shea Scott, Jessica Estrada, Paola Estrada.

Crime Stoppers

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taking a 46-inch Sanyo Police Department flat screen TV.

If you have any information about this crime, please call the Bovina 481-9178.

at (806) 251-1133 or the Parmer/Bailey County Crime Stoppers at (806) 481-9178.

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CURTIS SCHAEFER ~ OWNER
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Max Ford

Max W. Ford passed away at All Care Assisted Living in Clovis on Dec. 26, 2011.

He was born Feb. 19, 1929, in Bellview, N.M., at a farm house in the middle of a blowing snow storm, to Ray and Lacy Ford. Max graduated from Farwell High School in 1947. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and after, attended college at Eastern New Mexico University.

Max met Annabel Lea and after a two week courtship they were married on Oct. 24, 1953, and spent 53 wonderful years together. They raised three children and enjoyed time with them and their grandchildren. He was a car salesman for 36 years and also spent a small amount of time selling real estate.

Max enjoyed the outdoors and loved to upland game hunt and fish with his family. He was a member of the High Plains Good Sams Club and was always ready to take the RV some place new.

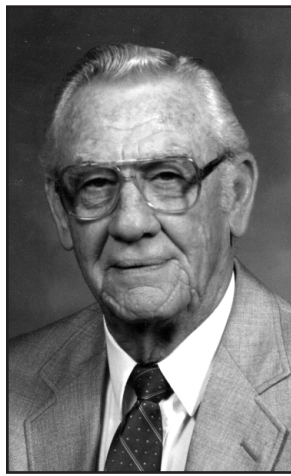
He was preceded in death by his wife; parents, Ray and Lacy Ford; step-mother, Jenoyce Ford, and sisters Maxine Williams and Connie Welch.

Surviving are his children, Steven and wife Pam of Punta Gorda, Fla.; Dianna Hunt of Clovis; and Douglas and wife Jane of Clovis; brothers, Don Ford of Ft. Worth, and Steven "Butch" Ford of San Marcos, Texas; sister, Jo Karen Jones of San Angelo, Texas; 10 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be Saturday, Jan. 7, at 10 a.m. at the Steed-Todd Chapel with Gary Ford officiating. Burial of remains will be at Mission Garden of Memories.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Steed-Todd Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 800 E Manana Blvd, Clovis, New Mexico (575) 763-5541. You may also sign the online guest registry at www.steed-todd.com .



Texico School hires James Pierce as vocational ag teacher.

Billy Watts buys Bagley Oil Co. Clay Henson is new Farwell Chamber of Commerce president.

J. Buck Duran is new Texico School Supt. after Agrie Jones retires.

Les Means is new Texico Justice of the Peace. Anita Moss wins DAR Good Citizen title at Texico.

Paul Harrison elected to Texico School Board. Lee Meeks builds roller rink.

Pioneers H.T. Reynolds, Ben Christian Tim Perkins, J.H. Birchfield and J.A. Kaltwasser die during the year.

Alton Milstead buys City Cafe. Vaedictorians are Dickie Williams, Farwell; Monte Singletery, Texico, and Dean Watkins, Lazbuddie.

Raymond Hadley racks up 47 of Texico track team's 101 1/2 points at Tatum Meet. Hadley later sets state record in the discus.

Sam Aldridge re-elected Farwell mayor as a write-in candidate.

Mrs. Bert Williams named ESA sorority president. Mr. and Mrs. Cary Joe Magness open "The Wagonwheel" in Texico.

Dorothy Eason named Farwell city secretary. Hurshel Harding named Texico-Farwell Lions Club president.

State Line Tribune starts a weekly football contest. Bunk Phillips wins two tickets to the Cotton Bowl.

Carolyn Watts elected Farwell Band captain. Tommy Standefer is Texico senior class president.

Richard Chitwood, of Lazbuddie, wins State Fair award.

Gas "jumps" a penny to 24.9 and a "gas war" ensues.

Herman Gerles is new Parmer County Farm Bureau president.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Means open a recreation center in Texico.

Connie Tharp is Texico FFA sweetheart. Boyett Furniture closes down in Texico.

Farwell Supt. Jack Williams retires.



Farwell Steers lose Bi-District football game to Idalou.

Cary Joe Magness gets Honorary State Farm Degree. Maj. Carthon Phillips awarded Command Pilot Rating.

Farwell School Board denies petition asking that Mr. and Mrs. Jobs be re-employed.

Tribune owner Mrs. W.H. Graham dies. Progress made toward building "the loop" around Farwell.

Gerald Christian named outstanding Farwell High senior.

J.D. Atwell resigns as Farwell football coach, replaced by Dempsey Alexander.

Buck's Superette and Shorty Hughes Live Longer Laundry open.

Johnny Lovelace signs to play football at Texas Tech.

Carl Coffey is new minister at Oklahoma Lane Baptist Church.

Texico swimming pool opens. Bill Bradley is new Farwell Band director.

Cobb's Dept. Store built in Farwell. Dixie Service Station opens.

Cecil Dykes buys 3-D Drive-In. Groundbreaking held for Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church.

D'Rene Danforth wins Curry County 4-H Dress Revue sweepstakes. Judy Billingsley wins Parmer County 4-H sweepstakes.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kepley have 50th anniversary. Sherley-Anderson adds 2-million bushel facility at Lariat.

W.W. Vinyard, Texico station master for the Santa Fe Railroad, retires after 45 years, replaced by Lloyd Means.

Stacy "Scooter" Queen Jr. buys Farwell Variety. Texico enrollment nears 400; Farwell's at 551.

Mrs. Clyde Monk resigns as Tribune's Lazbuddie correspondent.

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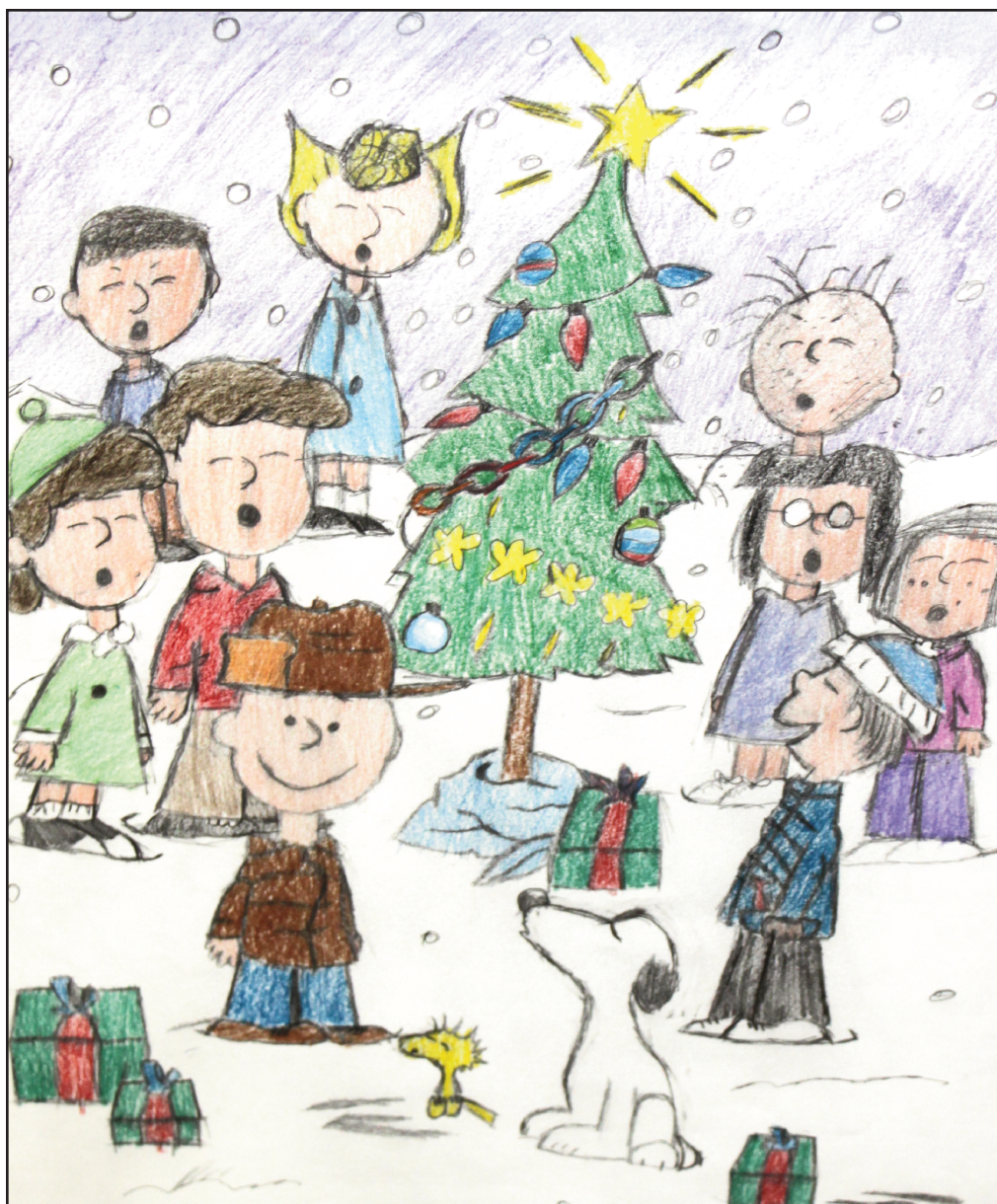
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Students' artwork displayed in Bovina

Student artwork is on display at First Bank of Bovina and City Hall.



Progress continues on the community center

Above, a City of Bovina employee works to level the dirt to get ready for the new Community Center. Below, city employee Sergio Hernandez shows a donation jar for the Community Center. The jar is designed to collect money to be used to help fund the new center and is on the counter at the City Hall office for anyone who would like to donate.

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Between Dec. 13 and 15, someone burglarized a home in the 100 block of North Street in Bovina, taking two 42-inch Samsung flat screen TV'S.

And the night of Dec. 24, someone burglarized a home in the 1000 block of 2nd Street in Bovina,

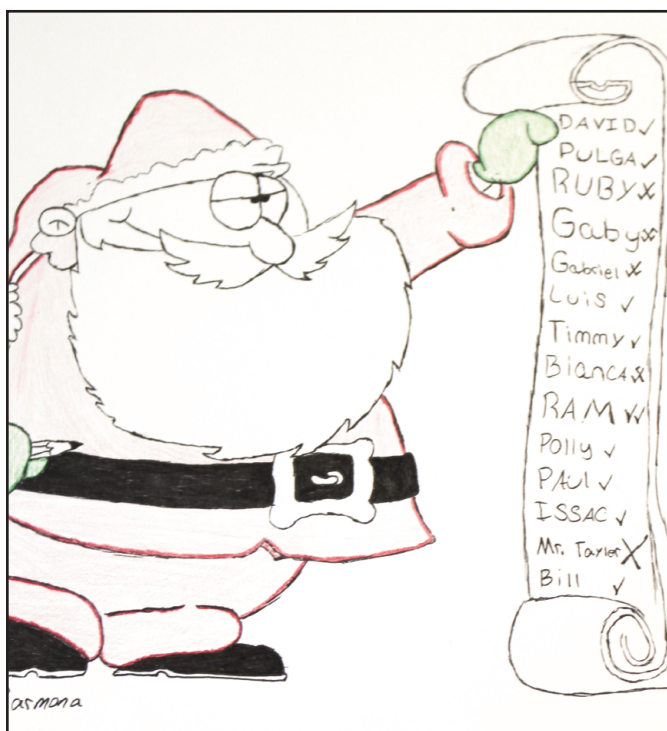
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Justin Brozek - Vice Pres.
Deena Leuea - Secretary
Richard Carson
Josh Quintana
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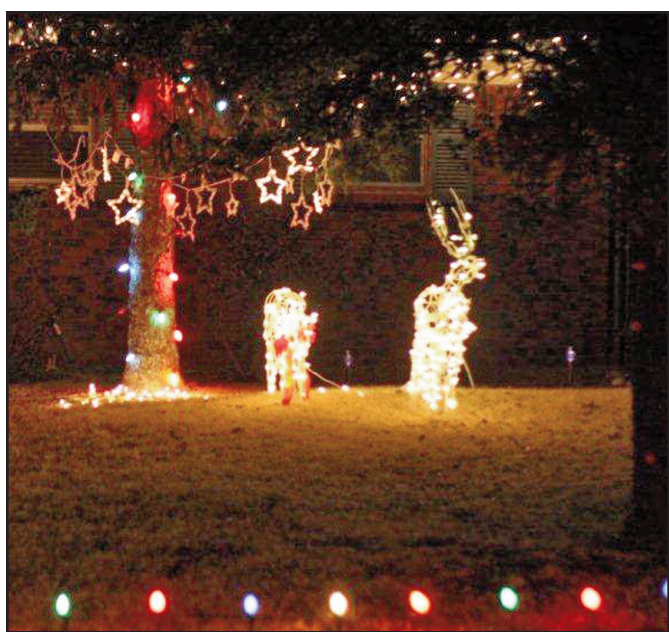
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Here are more local Christmas scenes

Photos by Deanna Curtis



Students tell their 2012 resolutions

For 2012, I want to be able to qualify for scholarships. If I can, I can go to college. I know that is the only thing holding me back. I also have to decide what college to apply to.

This next resolution is kind of funny: I want to go to the Big Texan and make an attempt at the 72-oz. Steak Challenge. I also want to pass Spanish III with a high grade. I want to be able to save money because there are many things I want to get.

Jason Olvera

For 2012, I plan to go to Clovis Community College to get my basics. I also want a new car and to get a part-time job. When I'm finished with my basics, I want to transfer to a different college and get a degree in radiology.

Yvette Gomez

For 2012, I don't want to be a procrastinator any more. I need to stop being lazy and do what I need to do. My second goal is to get a job and a car, because that would make my life a whole lot easier than walking or asking for rides.

Erli Rueda

For 2012, I want to finish high school and go to college where I can get a certificate for automotive collision repair. Also, to be with my girlfriend. I know I'm young and all, but hopefully get married with her because she completes me and I don't know how I would be without her.

My last resolution is for my family to get together and get along with each other.

Jose Lara

For 2012, I want to graduate, but also to become something in life. I want to be able to give my unborn babies the best they deserve. For them to have the things I didn't. I want to be able to look at them in the eyes and say, "I did the best I could." And for them to know that is true.

I want to be the best mom I can be, like my momma was for me. This will be a hard year but I know I will make it.

Brenda Martinez

For 2012, I definitely want to be the first girl in my family to graduate high school. Also, to fix all the wrongs I have done to myself and others. I would like to be a role model for my younger relatives and show them that it's possible. Someone once said, "We're not bad people, we just make bad choices." I have fallen guilty to that many times.

Rika Bermea

For 2012, I want to become an overall better person in life, to help people out in need that could use assistance. I want to push myself to pick my grades up a little more. I can't afford to start getting lazy now, college is right around the corner.

I really need to learn to appreciate my family and friends more. Without them, I wouldn't be the person I am today. They push me to be a better person every day. I also need to support myself and get a job. It feels great knowing that you can support yourself and be independent.

Darien Walker

For 2012, I want to graduate from high school, then college will start. Also I want to get a job and help my family out with money. I want to buy a new truck because I need something to move with.

If things don't go too well here, I will probably look forward to moving to Colorado with my dad. There is plenty of work to do over there and also I could go to college, and I think it would be a little break from Bovina. I've been here for awhile already.

Jorge Luna

Bovina Banter

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A look back at Bovina happenings.

June 24, 1943

Mrs. Lawrence Starr underwent major surgery.

Mrs. Frank Miller is now operating the telephone office.

Mrs. Edna Scott left for San Diego to visit her sons, who are in the U.D. Navy.

Mrs. Otis White left for San Antonio to join her husband, who is in the U.S. Army.

School lunch menus for next week:

Mustang band in action



Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

First, I would like to thank the Bovina School Board members for their commitment to our students, staff and community.

The financial circumstances of state funding resulted in very difficult decisions for the Bovina School Board. The decisions made by the board were well thought out, resulting in the least amount of affect on student instruction.

The budget cuts made by the board protected the classroom and encouraged continued high levels of teaching and learning. Our Board has strived to become more effective, efficient and transparent in their leadership roles. Great leadership always begins with a willing heart, a positive attitude, and a desire to make a difference.

We extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to our school trustees for bringing these traits to Bovina ISD and for providing each one of us the opportunity to pursue our dreams.

Dale Fullerton, superintendent

Monday - hamburgers, LT, tater tots, rice krispy treat, milk.

Tuesday - fish sticks, mac & cheese, tossed salad, rolls, oranges, milk.

Wednesday - beef burrito, spanish rice, corn, apples, milk.

Thursday - chicken & noodles, green beans, peaches, rolls, milk.

Friday - BBQ on bun, pickle spears, fries, pineapple, milk.

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