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Pretty as a postcard

The Parmer County Courthouse is now lit up at night.

Texico raises water, sewer, garbage rates 10 percent

The Texico City Council on Tuesday approved raising water, sewer and garbage rates 10 percent, effective Nov. 1.

The council had announced its proposal at its Aug. 23 meeting. Councilmen said they have received no feedback on the plans. Thus:

For a resident in town, minimum 4,000 gallons of water (the fee for over that doesn't increase -- it stays at \$4.18 per 1,000 gallons), monthly fee goes from \$16.75 to \$18.43; sewer, up from \$11 to \$12.10; solid waste, up from \$12.75 to \$14.03, and estimated tax up from \$2.12 to \$2.68 -- an overall monthly hike of \$4.62.

In other business, the council:

-- Tabled a proposed cemetery ordinance until after the cemetery board meets next week. Problems to deal with include:

1) Texico charges \$400 a plot, while Clovis charges three times higher, it was stated. Should two fees be in place -- one for Texico School district residents and one for others? And what about longtime Texico residents who move away, then die? What rate would they pay?

2) Some folks are buried in Texico cemetery plots, and never paid for them. Others have signed for plots but just make a down payment, not paying the rest. How do you deal with folks who are not paying for plots they want?

3) Should interest be charged if folks make payments over a period of time for plots?

4) Who should be authorizing the handling of plots -- the city or the cemetery board?

A motion was made to keep the plot rate at \$400, payable within two years (currently it is one), with no interest and no late fee. But this was not voted on due to the decision to table.

-- Heard that city police officer Diego Lucero has resigned. He served about a month.

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Gas prices may affect us more than the Cannon AFB situation

From Teresa Mesman:

Here at the Tribune office we have some of the best in-depth discussions about politics, society and socialization, art, culture and the status quo.

Before Hurricane Katrina hit, the discussions were mainly about the situation with Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis. We all were very curious about the outcome of the BRAC hearings and the commission's ultimate decision.

I tuned into the BRAC hearings on C-SPAN and I must say that it was an interesting process. I also felt that most of the commissioners were in favor of Cannon and I believed that they were going to vote to keep it open and go ahead and re-assign the mission for the facility. I was a little surprised at the outcome, however.

I believe that it was the only way for the commissioners to "keep" Cannon after voting in favor of so many bases before the Cannon discussion and vote. I also believe that it will only be a very short time before a major assignment comes to Cannon. (I think it will be the new high-powered jets that were discussed at the hearings.)

It will also be interesting to watch the developments with Cannon as a result of the hurricane damage to the Gulf Coast region.

But what is really interesting to me and to my co-horts here at the Tribune, is what will be happening around the Twin Cities of Texico and Farwell as a result of the Cannon outcome. Will the five years that have been assigned to Cannon have any effect on business and industry in the two cities and surrounding areas?

I believe that the situation will have minimal effect on our businesses in the long run. The knee-jerk reaction to the possibility of closure was that several of the advertisers for the Tribune pulled back a little on their budgets. This was to be expected, but only time will tell if the trend continues.

I've always been a big proponent for communities not becoming entirely reliant on military bases and their personnel. I'm all for supporting and encouraging these factions; but to base all business futures on them alone is asking for trouble.

Here in the Twin Cities, we're fortunate to have a strong agricultural base. This base

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Scores were up somewhat in last week's Area Merchants Football Contest and two participants managed to pick 11 of the 12 games correctly.

By virtue of being closest to the tie breaker (Friona 27, Farwell 12), the winner of the first place cash prize of \$20 was Kinzi Woods, of Canyon. She was 19 off the tie breaker.

Winner of the 2nd place cash prize of \$7 was Robin Gregory, who was 32 off the tie breaker.

Those with 10 right were:

Lisa Posey, Chad Griswold, Henry Garcia, Jimmy Franse, Curby Brantley, Derrick Chandler

and the Farwell High School 6th period geometry class.

In the contest's first week, the scores averaged 5.8. Last week, the average was 6.8.

Results of last week's games were:

Abernathy over Dimmitt, Clovis over Albuquerque Highland, SMU over TCU, Notre Dame over Michigan, New Mexico over Missouri, Texas over Ohio State, LSU over Arizona State, Jacksonville over Seattle, Pittsburgh over Tennessee, Miami over Denver, Washington over Chicago, and Dallas over San Diego.

Rules for the contest are the same as last year -- a person must be at least 12 years old to enter. Cash prizes are given weekly winners, and the overall champion will receive \$200 and 2 tickets to the Dallas Cowboys - Kansas City Chiefs game at Texas Stadium in December.

Each entrant must remember to pick a tie breaker score since many weekly winners, and some overall champions, have been determined by this method.

Each week's scoring is tabulated and kept on public view at the Tribune office. Standings are posted each Monday and may be seen during regular business hours.



Delia 'Dee' Madrid, of Sports Connection presents Mike Woods with the check for this week's football contest on behalf of Kinzi Woods. Kinzi, a student at West Texas A&M, couldn't make it. Sports Connection is one of the contest sponsors.

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It's time for Farwell Homecoming

Memories of the '70s and '80s will return to Farwell Schools next during for Homecoming! The theme will be "Those Were the Times."

The Homecoming game on Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. will feature the Steers vs. the Floydada Whirlwinds. Pre-game activities will start at 7 p.m. and will include the presentation of this year's royalty plus Homecoming royalty from the past.

In anticipation of the big day, dress-up days will be held during the week: Monday, pajama day; Tuesday, "twin" day with friends, groups, etc., dressing alike; Wednesday, tie dye, fun

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	2004	2005
January	0.26	1.49
February	0.90	0.65
March	2.18	1.41
April	2.50	0.91
May	0.18	2.50
June	3.48	0.32
July	2.99	1.83
August	4.16	8.19
Totals	16.65	17.30

Did we get a lot of rain last month here? Take a look at the statistics kept by Lonnie McFarland, of Farwell.

hair styles and "go go" boots; Thursday, students will be in "mourning" for the Whirlwinds by wearing black; and Friday, a choice

of wearing blue and white (the school colors) or dressing up. All are invited to the annual Homecoming

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Go, Wolverines!

Watch for a color picture of the Texico Lady Spikers team in next week's issue of the Tribune

Texico

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-- Got three bids for the old sheriff's dept. car -- \$310, \$752 and \$2,501. The last bid, from Rick Anderson, was accepted.
 -- Will have Lujan, of Portales, put down some concrete in front of City Hall for \$1,171 if it meets specifications.
 -- Gave Ann Cooper the go-ahead to buy a merry-go-round for about \$7,100 for KKR Park from funds she had raised toward city playground equipment. The city was able to put in new playground equipment last month at KKR

Obituary

Al Kerby Sr.

Funeral services for Al Kerby Sr., 81, of Bovina, were Monday at the First Baptist Church of Bovina with Dr. Herbert Bergstrom officiating. Burial was in Bovina Cemetery. Ellis Funeral Home handled arrangements.
 He died Sept. 8 at Covenant Medical Center of Lubbock. He was born Oct. 10, 1923, in Amarillo.
 He married Jeanne Frederick in Oakland, Calif., on Dec. 14, 1942.
 He was preceded in death by a brother, Jim.
 He moved to Bovina in 1947 from Amarillo. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Bovina, serving as a deacon, Sunday School teacher and choir member.
 He was a charter member of the Bovina Roping Club and instrumental in introducing pheasant to Parmer County.
 He was a World War II veteran.
 Surviving are his wife; a son, Al Jr., of Bovina; a daughter, Paula Benton, of Muleshoe; a sister, Mary Beth Freudiger, of Amarillo; 3 brothers, Ed, of Portales; Bill, of Aztec, N.M., and Jack, of Colorado Springs, Colo.; 5 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 510 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

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The Latest

Reminder:

Texico and Farwell schools are raising funds for victims of Hurricane Katrina. The contest ends this week -- so bring in your donations to the two school offices as soon as possible.
 Results will be announced next week.

 State Sen. Kel Seliger will be holding a town hall meeting from 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Depot, 700 Main, Friona on Sept. 27.

Park without using any of those funds. She had raised \$8,200.
 -- At Mrs. Cooper's request, will put up a peg-board at the community center for pots, pans, etc. Some are missing, and this way city officials can make sure all are put back before deposits for center use are returned.
 -- Called an executive session at the request of Police Chief John Mares and interim city clerk Carolyn Johnson for "personnel" reasons.

Farwell acts on building permits

The Farwell City Council on Tuesday dealt with three building permits:
 1) Approved a storage building sought by Elva LaFuente at 205 4th St.
 Last month, the council had denied the request because it did not meet city code.
 The building now has metal siding, which meets the code.
 2) Tabled, for more information, a request by Juan Bautista to put up a "slat" fence in the 200 block of 9th Street.
 3) Allowed Joe Pena, 308 9th St., to add on to his house. He was given 60 days to have the work completed.
 Last month, the council denied the request because he had not finished other work there first.
 In other business, the council:
 -- Heard Police Chief Robert Achterberg report he plans to propose an ordinance change outlawing some motor assisted scooters from city streets.
 Currently, City Attorney Jeff Actkinson is reviewing the proposal.

Homecoming

From page 1

Extravaganza on Thursday, Sept. 22, at 9 p.m. at the football field. The traditional fireworks show will be just one part of a big entertainment evening.
 On Friday, the Homecoming Pep Rally, will start about 2:45 p.m. and include the announcement of this year's King and Queen. The Pep Rally will be held in the high school auditorium instead of the gym as in years' past.
 Also Friday, the Sophomore Class will serve a brisket dinner in the school cafeteria before the football game for \$6 a plate.

A reminder to Farwell residents from City Clerk Cynthia Thigpen:
 There are specific ordinances in place that require any homeowner that wishes to build, remodel or add on to their properties that must be adhered to.
 You must get approval from the city council and a permit before starting any project.
 Also, homeowners are responsible for keeping their lawns and properties mowed. There are specific ordinances that deal with this issue as well.
 If you have any questions concerning these

ordinances, contact Farwell City Hall at 481-3620.

 The Parmer County Historical Commission will meet Sept. 22 at the EMS building on 3rd Street in Bovina. The meeting is open to the public.

 Parmer County Farm Bureau will have its annual convention Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Friona High cafeteria.
 Board elections are set. Terms of Mark Williams, Floyd Reeve, Carroll Cook, Charlie Myers, Vick Christian and Kevin Welch are up for election.

 Folks in the Twin Cities may have had a loud fire alarm blast on Tuesday afternoon.
 The new sirens were being installed in Texico.

 Kevin Burns, a Texico FFA member, has received the American FFA Degree.
 He was one of about 3,000 recognized this year in 2005.
 He will also compete in the National FFA Agriscience Fair at the national convention in Louisville, Ky., in October.
 His project, "The Effect of Irradiated Fruit on Subsequent Generations of Drosophila" will be displayed at the convention.

Farwell Athletics Booster Club is taking order for jackets. Contact Tami Mitchell at the High School for more info.

Texico
 Monday - tacos with lettuce, tomatoes, cheese, jalapenos, corn, fruit, milk.
 Tuesday - ravioli, green beans, hot rolls, fruit, milk.
 Wednesday - ham, mac & cheese, mixed veggies, hot roll, fruit, milk.
 Thursday - hamburgers, LTOP, french fries, fruit, milk.
 Friday - Read Day - no lunches.

Farwell
 Monday - spaghetti, garden salad, green beans, bread sticks, peach cup, milk.
 Tuesday - chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, steamed broccoli, hot roll, watermelon, milk.
 Wednesday - chili dogs, fries, dill pickles, fruit salad, milk.
 Thursday - taco boat, spanish rice, taco salad, apple, milk.
 Friday - pizza, garden salad, green beans, pineapple cake, milk.

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Need an Immunization?

Texas Department of Health will be in Farwell on Sept. 21.

The Texas Department of Health is coming to Farwell every other month to give immunizations to everyone who needs them. Persons of any age are eligible. They will be charged on a sliding scale according to income.
 Their next visit to the Farwell Elementary School nurse's office will be on Sept. 21 from 10 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m.
 Persons should bring their immunizations 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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Letter to the Editor

Dear Mike,

Too often, our elected officials use tragedy as political cover for avoiding difficult policy decisions. In the wake of our nation's hurricane devastation, hundreds of frail elderly are being driven from their homes and communities and into Texas. Unfortunately, what they will find is a Texas that ranks among the lowest of all states for funding our elderly healthcare. Our legislature can aid in the care of our elderly, while also aiding the elderly victims of Katrina, by increasing the funding for elderly residents in nursing homes.

The Texas Legislative Budget Board has an opportunity to correct a serious problem with funding care for our frailest elderly. During the past four years, Texas legislators have failed to provide an adequate funding level to care for nursing home residents and the funding levels continue to deteriorate. Just this past legislative session, Texas legislators reduced the budget for long-term care and placed Texas as one of the worst funded states for elderly healthcare. This should be unacceptable to all of us who care about the future of Texas.

There is a glimmer of hope. Gov. Perry has called for legislative leaders to direct \$200 million toward raising the rates of Texas nursing homes. By the state's own internal estimates, nursing home rates are about 30 percent less than they should be. This means that for every nursing home resident on Medicaid, the facility is losing about \$30 a day. As a result, campuses that have private pay residents must increase their rates to make up for the shortfall. In addition, direct care staff is reduced, leading to poor quality of care. Neither option is acceptable.

Directing the \$200 million requires a 10-member Legislative Budget Board to appropriate the funds for improving funding for our frail elderly. The cost of taking care of a frail senior is immense. Housing is only one part of the equation. Residents need nurses, nurse assistants, dietary aides, nutritionists, activity directors, social workers, maintenance personnel, administrators, and many more caring personnel. The cost of energy, food, personnel, transportation, insurance, supplies and professional fees have all increased in the past four years since the last time nursing homes saw an increase in their Medicaid reimbursement rates.

Quality of life for our greatest generation will suffer if the members of the Legislative Budget Board do not act quickly and put much needed monies into nursing home care. Texas historically has ranked near the bottom of the nation in terms of reimbursement for nursing home care. Not only should this be unacceptable to all of us who care about the future of Texas but also those who love their parents or grandparents or even those who hope to someday grow old in Texas. Please, do not put Texas at the absolute bottom of the nation's rankings. Our seniors deserve better than that.

Prairie Acres and other nursing facilities are currently receiving Medicaid funds for resident care at dollars below what was paid four years ago. Costs have risen and Medicaid funds have decreased. We must stand up for seniors! Fifteen years ago, the population of Prairie Acres consisted of about 70 percent private pay and 30 percent Medicaid. This occupancy rate has reversed itself since that time and currently our residents consist of about 70 percent Medicaid and 30 percent private pay. Health care costs have risen and the Texas Legislature has again closed their eyes to the needs.

Jo Blackwell
Prairie Acres Nursing Home administrator
Frona, Texas

Dear Mike,

Last Friday evening, I had the pleasure of helping the Farwell Freshman Class with their Pork Loin dinner before the football game. I just wanted to say how proud I was of the freshman class and their parents. They came and worked hard at setting up, serving, cleaning up and whatever else was needed. It was a great thing to see how these young people worked alongside each other and their parents. At times, it was "organized chaos" but everyone was having fun and working together!

As a grandmother of one of these freshmen (Taylor Mesman), it was wonderful to see how close this class is, since most have been together since kindergarten. The class also has wonderful parents who are willing to give of their time and are excited about the future of these young people.

I just hope everyone will come out and support this class at their next function. We had a great turnout Friday night and the food was delicious! Our young people have many pressures on them nowadays, but with the continued support from parents, grandparents, family, teachers and the community, these young people of the freshman class are headed upward. The kids can and will accomplish many things!

Thank you Freshman Class!

P.S. The Legends in Blue marching band did a great job at the game Friday night! Thanks to each of you for your hard work. It's so great to see you on the field and hearing you in the stands entertaining us!

Jane Morris
Farwell

TJH gridgers win 1, tie 1

The Texico Junior High football team opened its season on Sept. 6 with a 12-12 tie with Fort Sumner.

At halftime, Ft. Sumner led 6-0. Then in the 3rd quarter, Eduardo Meza scored on a 25-yard run to tie the game.

Both teams scored in the 4th quarter.

First, Meza scored from 5 yards out on a pitch from Brett Anderson. Then Fort Sumner drove the ball downfield and scored with a minute left. And Texico's defense stopped the point after attempt.

Jose Posada caught a 40-yard pass from Seth Bailey toward the end of **Youth minister appointed**

Kyle Clayton is the new youth minister at the First Baptist Church of Farwell.

He and his wife, April, were welcomed Sunday with a pot luck luncheon.

He comes from the Beaumont, Texas, area, where he had been serving as an associate and youth pastor. He also served as Preacher Team Leader for Shine-Out North Central Texas.

the game.

Coach Steve Doolittle said the top Texico offensive players were Bailey and Meza, while the top defensive players were Anderson and James Conlee.

Oswaldo Munoz recovered a fumble.

Texico JH then defeated Tucumcari, 14-8, on Sept. 8.

Scoring were Edguardo

Meza with 2 TDs, rushes from 20 and 25 yards out. And Brett Anderson added a 2-point conversion.

James Conlee recovered a fumble. Lucas Walthers had an interception.

Coach Doolittle named as top offensive players -- Mark Rivera, Tyler Spinks and Eli Morgan; and top defensive players -- Conlee, Oswaldo Munoz and Walthers.

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Lazbuddie Methodist Church Rev. Randy Thomas Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. Worship -- 10:30 a.m.	Church of God in Christ, Mennonite James Koehn - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m.	First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie
First Baptist Church of Farwell Rev. Randy G. Mullin Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. - Prayer meeting 7 p.m. Wed. - mission aux., 7:30 p.m. www.fbcfarwell.org	First Baptist Church of Texico Rob Hollis - minister Sunday School - 9 a.m. Worship-10:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m.	St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.
Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church Rev. Scott Spitsberg Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Jim Peabody - minister Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship-10:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. winter 7:30 p.m. summer	San Jose Catholic Church, Texico Sunday Mass - Noon Religious Education - 1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Community Meal -- 1:15 p.m.
Lariat Church of Christ Sam Billingsley - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. winter 8 p.m. summer	Church of Christ 110 Ninth St. Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. summer 8 p.m. winter	Farwell Church of Christ Phillip Steyn -- preacher Bible Class Sunday - 10 a.m. Worship ; 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. In Search -- 7:30 -- Ch. 4 Sun.
Assembly of God Church, Texico Bob Burris - minister Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 6 p.m.	New Light Baptist Church Pastor Bryan K. Phillips, Sr. Sunday School - 9:00 a.m. mt. BTU - 9:45 a.m. mt Worship - 11 a.m. mt Wednesday - Bible Study 6:30 p.m. mt	Bovina United Methodist Church Rev. Amelia Gonzales Sunday School - 9:45 Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday study, 7 p.m.
St. Ann's Catholic Church Fr. David Contreras Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m. in English; Noon in Spanish. CCD -- 10:30 a.m. Evening Mass: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wed. - Fri.	First Baptist Church Of Bovina Aaron Reed, pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday worship & youth, 7 p.m.	Iglesia Bautista Hispana in Bovina Rafael Marin, pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday worship, 7 p.m.
Farwell Convalescent Center Bill Bridwell -- chaplain Sunday services -- 9 a.m. Bible study - 9:30 a.m. Friday	Lazbuddie Church of Christ Mickey Chambiss - minister Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:20 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday -- 7 p.m.	United Pentecostal Church of Texico Rev. Mickee Mounce Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11:15 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 8 p.m.

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This year's district officers for FFA are Morgan Evans, reporter; Jennifer Herring, treasurer; Rochelle Smith, of Lazbuddie, vice president; Stephani Whaley, student advisor; Dan Patterson, of Farwell, president; Jordan Monroe, secretary; Wade Crenshaw, sentinel; Chelsea Campbell, Parliamentarian; and Wayne Sales, of Farwell, Littlefield district advisor.

FFA DISTRICT MEETING

Farwell's FFA program got a special honor this year. For the first time since at least the early 70's, Farwell hosted the Littlefield district FFA meeting.

There are several purposes for the district meeting. First, it helps the kids develop leadership through activities and games.

The officers led the assembled FFA'ers in a

game of Taxi and a game of Perfect Match.

The meet also offers the ag teachers a chance to discuss important things that were not covered at the ag teacher conference.

They also selected their judges and went over new legislative rules and how it might affect their programs.

During their meeting, they also had an opportunity to discuss any other

improvements that are new to the classroom.

Schools that sent members to Farwell include Lazbuddie, Morton, Friona, Hereford, Spade, Whiteface, Levelland,



Roper Ledbetter, Finus Nolte, and Rowdy Smith, of Farwell.



Lazbuddie's Trevor Coker immitates a turtle during one of the games.

Cannon

From page 1

has seen hardship and is being constantly tested. Farmers and ranchers have learned to diversify their operations and to capture the best bottom line for their crops and animals. This trend will continue and our areas will continue to prosper.

We may not have major corporations, franchises and the like flocking to our communities (yet), but we've got a good solid base and a variety of businesses. And, according to industry analysts, realtors and various state agencies, Parmer, Bailey, Curry, and Roosevelt counties are still hotbeds of growth for dairies and related ag businesses.

I believe that the increased gas prices will have more of an impact for our area businesses and residents than the air base situation.

People are rethinking their driving habits and how daily business is conducted. Increased gas prices are causing increased prices on everything from groceries to large durable goods.

I believe that once the gas retailers begin to feel the "pinch and squeeze" that we'll begin to see more and more "fair" gas prices. The increased costs are also causing our area schools to re-evaluate extra-curricular activities, out of town games, meets, contests, etc.

Perhaps these events are a sort of "wake-up call" for all of us. Could it be that we could come out of these events with a sort of renewal for living life at a slower pace? Are material goods as important to us as they once were? Is our focus quickly coming back to what is truly important? I've been wondering about this lately.

Cannon AFB was put into what is called an "enclave." This is a glorified holding pattern for the next five years. It's not going to operate at full capacity. I got to wondering if this is not what the rest of our lives and businesses have been put into with this action and the events of the last several weeks all over the world?

I'm not proposing that we all go into a holding pattern and not "live." I am proposing that we all need to take a step back and re-examine what we are all doing. If money is

tight at your home, make the cutbacks just like businesses are having to do. Cut out the extras that tend to gouge the budget.

Or, for many, the answer may be to simply set up a budget and live by it. We can blame the events, the companies, the increases, and the situation only so long before we all have to take responsibility for ourselves and how we conduct our lives and our businesses.

If these issues have been a big topic of discussion around your water cooler, let me hear from you. I'd love to hear some ideas on how you're dealing with the future ramifications of Cannon AFB and the increases in fuel costs...and the daily costs of living.

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Texico School Board changes advanced placement policy

The Texico School Board on Tuesday agreed to change the policy on advanced placement testing.

Under the old policy, every student gets tested at a cost of \$5500 to the school. The new policy would have the students pay less than \$100 for the test and get reimbursed if they pass.

In other business, the board:

-- Heard that Texico was included by ENMU, Clovis Community College, and Yucca Telecom to be a part of the Instructional TV program that they hope to have implemented next year.

-- Heard the responses from the community about long range facility planning. The most important issues were new elementary playground, complete the baseball field, and expand the high school. The board appreciates the community involvement and response.

-- Changed the graduation date to May 15. This was to clear up conflicts with the new state baseball tournament dates and Mothers Day.

-- Is asking for community involvement in making a new cell phone policy for students and teachers. You can drop of ideas with the any of the school principals.

-- Heard that the EPAC Tournament will be held at San Jon and ENMU this year.

-- Heard that the Natural Resource and Conservation Service of Curry County is moving topsoil from the ag farm to put on top of the baseball field.

--Decided to sell the house at 708 Lamar for removal.

Lazbuddie achieves superior achievement rating

The Lazbuddie School Board met Tuesday night and discussed the results of the district financial integrity (FIRST) report.

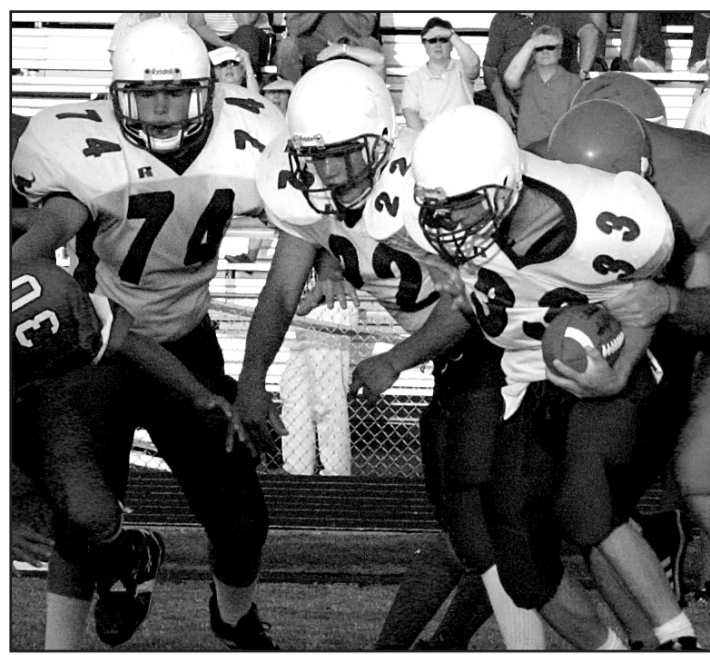
Lazbuddie rated 'superior achievement'. The FIRST report rates school systems on how they budget and handle finances.

In other business, the board:

-- Apprvd Tracy Hargrove and Kelsey Jones as substitute teachers.

-- Approved 15 members of the community to the Health Education Advisory Council.

-- Heard that TXMass and DuroLast will be awarded the contract for roof repairs for the school.



JV Steers get 4 interceptions in loss to Chieftians

The Farwell JV Steers lost to Friona, 8-0, last week.

Friona scored on a safety at :48 of the 2nd quarter, and on a 44-yard TD run at 8:40 of the 4th quarter (the extra point failed).

The highlight for the Steers was that they had four interceptions -- one each by Roper Ledbetter, Ross McClaran, Jonathan Edwards and Bo Mitchell.

Meet Farwell's Class of 2018



Sailor Jackson is a Farwell kindergartener. Her birthday is Oct. 8.

Parents are Roberta Jackson and Charles Smith. Grandparents are Darwin and Theresa McLeod.

She likes horses, cats, dogs, cheerleading, church, school and singing.

Her favorite color is pink. Favorite food is chicken strips with gravy. she doesn't like bugs and spiders.

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Our special thanks to Gary Patterson and Rev. Randy Mullin for their comforting words and support.

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Football is still the King:
Bovina Mustangs plays at Friona on Sept. 16 at 7:30 p.m., while the JV Mustangs host Friona on Sept. 15 at 6 p.m. The Bovina JH team plays at Friona on Sept. 15.

Farwell Steers plays at Morton on Sept. 16 at 7:30 p.m. The JV Steers play at Morton on Sept. 15 at 7 p.m., preceded by the JH Steers game there at 5 p.m.

Texico Wolverines play at Crosbyton, Texas, on Sept. 16 at 6:30 p.m. mt.

The Lazbuddie Longhorns play at Southland on Sept. 16 at 7:30 p.m. The Lazbuddie JH host Southland on Sept. 15.

The Texico Lady Spikers play in the Mt. Top Tourney at Cloudcroft Sept. 16-17. Then they play at Melrose on Sept. 20 and host Santa Rosa on Sept. 22.

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Lady Spikers win 4th on the road

The Texico Lady Spikers are up to 4-1 on the season after defeating Eunice on Sept. 8, 25-19, 23-25, 25-18, 25-17.

"It was another win on the road, our 4th! We didn't play as sharp as I would have liked, but we were able to make the plays when we had to," said Coach Michael Littlejohn.

Stat leaders were:
 Service points -- Stephanie Bailey, 13; Erika Autrey, 10; Bryn Mayfield, 7; and Leslie Vannatta, 6.
 Kills - Bailey, 15; Lori Richardson, 12; Autrey, 5; Brittany Anderson, 3.
 Blocks - Bailey, 5; Richardson, 4; Autrey and Anderson, 3 each.
 Aces - Bailey, 5; Autrey, 4.
 Assists - Mayfield, 34.
 Saves - Mayfield, 8; Bailey, 4, and Faith Martin, 4.

On Sept. 6, Texico lost to Estancia, 16-25, 25-16, 23-25, 25-11, 9-15.

Coach Littlejohn said, "We played very well at times but came up short in a couple of games. We need to get better in siding out and not letting the other team get runs of 5

and 6 points at a time. Estancia and Texico are two of the top 4 teams in Class AA."

Stat leaders were:
 Service points - Bailey and Sarah Johnson, 13 each; Vannatta, 15; Mayfield, 8; Anderson, 4.
 Kills - Richardson, 18; Autrey, 15; Bailey, 12; Johnson and Anderson, 5 each.
 Blocks - Autrey, 12; Bailey, 8; Anderson, 7; Mayfield, 5.
 Aces - Johnson, 4; Bailey and Mayfield, 3 each.
 Assists - Mayfield, 48.
 Saves - Mayfield, 17; Bailey, 7; Autrey, 3.

Texico JV volleyballers



Texico Police Report

Here is the weekly report from Texico Police Chief John Mares:

On Sept. 10, David Esparza, 50, of Clovis, was arrested on charges of speeding, no insurance and driving on a revoked license.

On Sept. 9, Ronald Armstrong, 26, of Farwell, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana, possession of drug

paraphernalia and unlawful possession of a deadly weapon.

On Sept. 10, Celso Lozano, 50, of Clovis, was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence.



Friona shuts out Farwell JH teams

From Coach Gabe Rodriguez: The Farwell Junior High 7th grade football team lost last week to Friona, 18-0.

"The kids played well, especially the defense," he said. The score at halftime was 0-0.

*** The Farwell Junior High 8th grade team lost to Friona, 28-0.

"Despite only having 14 players, the kids played hard" the coach said.

Meet Texico's Class of 2017




Benjamin Crist is a Texico kindergartener. His birthday is July 1.

Parents are Cary & Jaylene Crist. Siblings are Casey, Laiken and Delanie. Grandparents are Bennie & Clay Crist, Lisa & Jay Warnick, and Aleene & Francis Jones.

He likes sports, animals and superheroes. His favorite food is chicken nuggets. His favorite colors are red and green.

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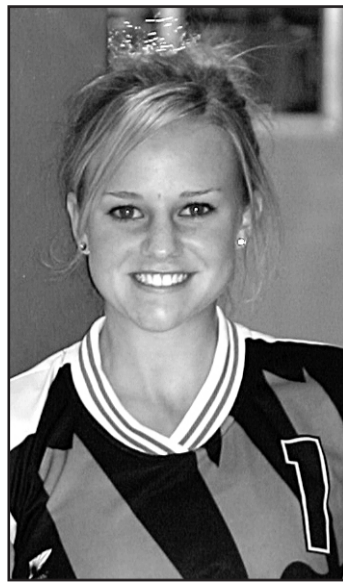
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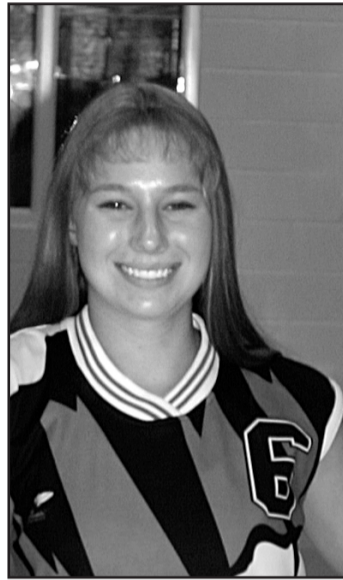
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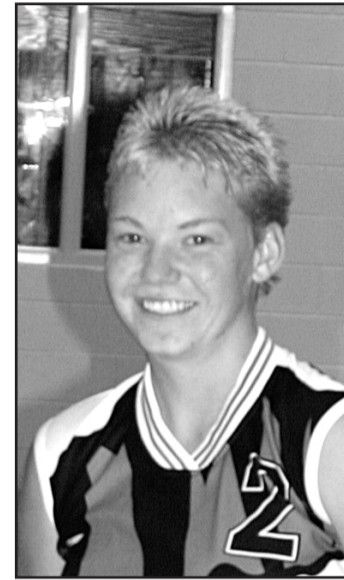
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The Latest

Farwell Junior High secretary Tanya Chadwick said KCBBD is having a contest with area mascots. Farwell's voting will take place Sept. 13-20.

She asked folks to vote for Farwell at www.kcbd.com. If you have any questions, call her at 481-9260.

The Parmer County Retired Teachers and Personnel will meet Sept.

Courthouse Notes

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

Filiberto Cruz - Rosa Cruz, L3 B2 Baxter.
Robert Achterberg - Kyle Owen, L4-5 B12 Farwell.

Kara Fulcher et al - Miguel Ramon, L11-12, B68 Bovina.

Citifinancial Mortgage Co. - Olan Cole, L21-25 B5 Farwell.

SCB Farms - Scott Johnson, SE/4 S13 T10S R2E.

Marriage License

The Parmer County clerk's office last week issued marriage licenses for:

Ben McDaniel and Lauren Jerige; and Manuel Rey and Ramona Esparza.

20 at the Friona Junior High - elementary cafeteria at 4 p.m. Ann Graves will speak.

Local folks may have recognized the head official at the Farwell-Friona football game on Friday.

Glenn Morton used to be at the Parmer County Farm Bureau.

Reminder: the "Swine Time" live evaluation is set

for Sept. 20 at 6 p.m. at the Farwell Community Center, sponsored by the extension service and others.

Bailey County EMS will sponsor a trap shoot (\$3 per round) Sept. 25 starting a 2 p.m. until sunset at the PD shooting range about 1 mile south of Muleshoe on Highway 214.

Look for signs. All ages are welcome.

Five Area Telephone Cooperative and Bailey County EMS will have a community CPR class Sept. 24 at the co-op building at 9 a.m.

Cost is \$25 a person. Sign-ins start at 8 a.m.

To sign up early or for more information, call the Bailey County EMS's Dustan Jesko at (806) 577-0027.

Plans for the annual Country Christmas Jubilee are under way at the Parmer County Community Center in Friona.

It will be Dec. 2-3. All area artisans and craftsmen are asked to participate. If you would like booth space, contact Carrie Drager at (505) 482-9524, Fran Barclay at (505) 482-3684, or Martha

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PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would create a Texas rail relocation and improvement fund in the state treasury and would authorize grants of state revenue and issuance of public debt to relocate, rehabilitate, and expand privately and publicly owned passenger and freight rail facilities and to construct railroad underpasses and overpasses.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment creating the Texas rail relocation and improvement fund and authorizing grants of money and issuance of obligations for financing the relocation, rehabilitation, and expansion of rail facilities."

PROPOSITION 2 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would provide that marriage in Texas is solely the union of a man and woman, and that the state and its political subdivisions could not create or recognize any legal status identical to or similar to marriage, including such legal status relationships created outside of Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."

PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 80)

HJR 80 would provide that local economic development program loans or grants (other than debts secured by a pledge of ad valorem taxes or financed by the issuance of any bonds or other obligations payable from ad valorem taxes) do not constitute or create debt. Any provision of state constitutional law that may prohibit or limit the authority of a political subdivision of the state to incur debt does not apply to those loans or grants.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment clarifying that certain economic development programs do not constitute a debt."

PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 17)

SJR 17 would authorize a district judge to deny reinstatement of bail or new bail to a person accused of a felony, if the person's bail had been revoked or forfeited as a result of the person's violation of a condition of release related to the safety of a victim of the alleged offense or to the safety of the community.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a criminal defendant who violates a condition of the defendant's release pending trial."

PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 21)

SJR 21 would authorize the Legislature to exempt commercial loans from state usury laws that set maximum interest rates. "Commercial loans" are loans made primarily for business, commercial, investment, agricultural, or similar purposes and not primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to define rates of interest for commercial loans."

PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 87)

HJR 87 would increase the size of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct from eleven to thirteen members by increasing from four to five the number of public members and by adding a constitutional county court judge. The additions would ensure that the commission has an odd number of members, which is required by another provision of the state constitution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to include one additional public member and a constitutional county court judge in the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct."

PROPOSITION 7 (SJR 7)

SJR 7 would authorize new options for reverse mortgage agreements for senior homeowners allowing them to draw advances at unscheduled intervals, if and when needed, and only in the

amounts needed, during the loan term. These are in addition to options that would allow a lump sum payment after settlement or regular periodic, predetermined equal amounts over a term of years or the lifetime of the homeowner. Additionally, SJR 7 would: (1) prohibit the agreement from requiring the use of a credit card, debit card or similar device to obtain an advance; (2) prohibit the charge or collection of a transaction fee solely in connection with any debit or advance, after the time the extension of credit is established; and (3) prohibit the lender or holder from unilaterally amending the extension of credit.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing line-of-credit advances under a reverse mortgage."

PROPOSITION 8 (SJR 40)

SJR 40 would clear individual land titles by relinquishing and releasing all claims of state ownership interests, including mineral interests, in two local areas, namely, a roughly 4,600 acre area located roughly 14 miles southeast of Gilmer, Texas, and a separate 900 acre area located north of Tyler, Texas.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by relinquishing and releasing any state claim to sovereign ownership or title to interest in certain land in Upshur County and in Smith County."

PROPOSITION 9 (HJR 79)

HJR 79 would authorize the Legislature to provide staggered six year terms of office for board members serving on regional mobility authorities, with no more than one-third of the board positions being appointed every two years.

The proposition will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a six-year term for a board member of a regional mobility authority."

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Friona defeats short-handed Steers

The score, Friona 27, Farwell 12, didn't tell the whole story of last Friday's Steers' football game at home. The real story was how hard the Steers played, despite some major adversity. In a word, they have been struck hard by injuries. Several first string players watched from the side-



Steers of the Week

Coach Thompson picked as Steers of the Week: Matthew Edwards, Colby Norton and Logan McFarland.

lines. Fortunately, most will be back on the playing field shortly.

In the 4th quarter of the game, Farwell only had 13 players capable of taking the field. Of the 22 Farwell starters, 8 were out.

And that didn't bode well against a Friona team, which until last year had been in Class 3A and outweighed the Steers per man by a large margin.

So when you take into account the injuries, and Friona's size advantage, to put it bluntly, the Farwell Steers did exceptionally well.

Coach Jacob Thompson was proud of how the Steers played despite that adversity. Farwell is now 1-2 on the season.

Friona started the game at its 45. Cory Chadwick and Bryce Howard were in on the game's first tackle. Logan McFarland had a strong tackle. But Friona scored on a 31-yard pass at 9:56. The kick was low and it was 6-0.

Farwell started at its 15. On the first play, Derrick Chandler threw a beautiful 40-yard pass to Colby Norton. But after Matthew Edwards ran for 5, Farwell was held and punted. McFarland tackled the punt returner at the Friona 20.

Howard had two good tackles and Edwards one. On 4th and 2 at the 37, Friona went for it and was stopped. Farwell couldn't move the ball and punted, with Friona starting at its 11 (after a personal foul penalty).

Starting the 2nd quarter, Edwards recovered a fumble at the Friona 8. He then scored from 5 yards out at 10:29. The kick was wide and it was 6-6.

Friona started at its 30. Colton Sudderth had a QB

pressure, forcing a Friona punt to midfield. The teams trade possessions. Then Roper Smith partially blocked a Friona punt, picked up by McFarland, who ran 60 yards for a Farwell TD at 6:23. The kick was wide and it was 12-6.

Friona started at midfield. Matt Barnes had a good tackle. Friona scored on a 40-yard run at 5:00. The kick was good and Friona lwas 13-12.

Farwell was held and punted. Alex Olmos had a good tackle. Chadwick had a good pass defensive play, and Norton had a QB pressure. But with less than a minute to go in the half, Friona scored from 2 yards out. The kick made it 20-12.

Opening the 3rd quarter, Edwards returned the kick to the Steers 36. Farwell was stopped and punted to midfield. Norton and Olmos had good tackles. Friona scored on a 30-yard run at 7:49. The kick made it 27-12.

Farwell was held and punted. Norton intercepted at the Steers 15 and had a great runback. But the 3rd quarter ended with Farwell punting.

Good tackles were made by Chandler, McFarland, Jon Beaubien and Edwards. Ryan McClaran broke up a pass, and Chadwick had a good pass defensive play. A Friona field goal try was short.

Chandler passed to McFarland for 6 yards, but the Steers had to punt. Instead, they faked the punt and Norton ran for a 1st down on a 4th and 5 play.

Norton ran for 12 more. On 4th and 1 at the Friona 35, Chandler snuck for the first down. Chandler then hit Norton with a 25-yard pass. Ramon Quezada showed some hard running. But on 4th and 5, Friona intercepted in its end zone.

Team stats were: first downs, Friona 18, Farwell 5; rushing yards, Friona 249, Farwell 35; passing yards, Friona 111, Farwell, 78; penalties, Friona 5 for 55, and Farwell, 8 for 52.



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worked with," he commented.

From Bovina School Supt. Charles Carter:

Here are some information items concerning my retirement:

- This is my 31st year in Public School education
- I have been employed with Bovina ISD for three years. My first assignment allowed me to be the High School Principal; my second assignment was as interim superintendent and my third assignment was as the superintendent.

- I appreciate the board and community allowing me to be a part of this school system as well as the Community of Bovina.

- I consider it a privilege to have the opportunity to work with dedicated staff members.

- I walk away from BISD with many unforgettable memories as well as friendships that I will cherish for many years to come.

- I have an opportunity to be associated with a statewide School Improvement Initiative hosted by the School Improvement Resource Center (SIRC). Under Title I, School Improvement Program of No Child Left Behind, a local education agency or campus that does not meet Adequate Yearly Progress for two consecutive years will be considered in need of improvement. SIRC serves as a support system to schools that receive funding under the Title I, School Improvement Program as they move through the school improvement process. The Technical Assistance Provider, or TAP, serves as a hands-on consultant who works with campus administration and faculty to guide the school through the improvement process.

- This is the BEST job I have ever had and the best board I have had the opportunity to work with.

- I wish BISD the best in the future!

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Elmer Langford, Deceased, were issued on Sept. 12, 2005, in Cause No. 2652, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: Leon Langford, Delvin Langford and Carolyn Henard.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

% Johnny Actkinson
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P.O. Box 286
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Dated the 12th day of September 2005.

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The Latest

The date for the annual LWML Salad Supper at St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat has been changed to Oct. 2.

All women of the church and community are invited to attend this evening of fun and fellowship. Each participant is asked to bring a roll of pennies for use during an interesting game and to add to a "Mites for Missions" collection.

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday hired Sarah Gerles, of Friona, to be the janitor for the Friona DPS, sheriff and Justice of the Peace offices.

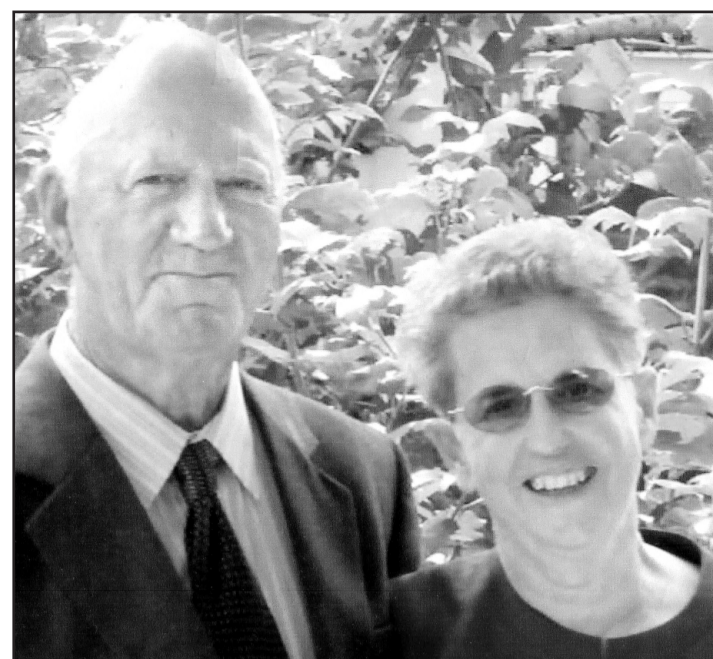
And Chad Griswold, of Farwell, will be hired to handle filter maintenance at the courthouse.

Also on the agenda was consideration of Unit No. 2 of the Ironwood Estates Addition (next to the Farwell Country Club) but Randy Ware didn't appear.

The Farwell Band Boosters met Monday and elected new officers:

Pam Scott, president; Teresa Mesman, vice president; Maria Marquez, secretary; and Brenda Williams, treasurer.

Band Director Bill Shelly thanked the past board members -- Mrs. Mesman, president; Warren Schmidt, vice president; Kanetha Foster, secretary, and Robin Howard, treasurer.



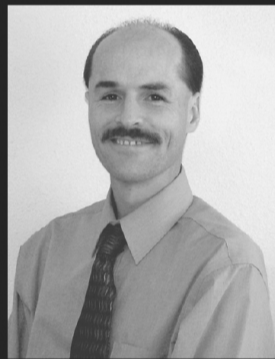
50th anniversary

Leon and Mary Lyn (Lee) London were married Aug. 28, 1955, in Clovis. They have three daughters, Patti London Ryburn, who died in 1983; Gay Goettsch and Karen Stringer; and a granddaughter, Krista Stringer, of Lubbock. The family had a party on their 50th anniversary at the home of Carl and Gay Goettsch.

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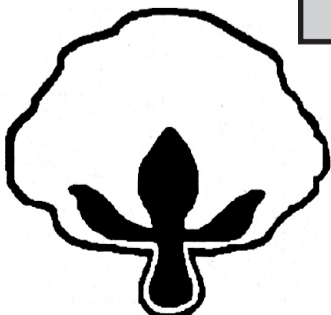
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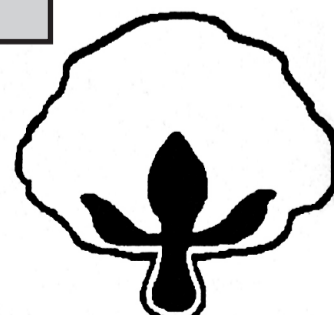
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Border Banter

--Mike Pomper

Smoke is starting to clear

The smoke is starting to clear on the slow government response to the hurricane tragedy.

It seems like everyone needs to bear some of the load -- the New Orleans mayor, the Louisiana governor, President Bush, Congress and the bureaucracy. Nobody is immune.

My personal axe to grind is with the federal bureaucracy. This goes back to the years when I lived in the Washington, D.C., area, and my neighbors were bureaucrats.

I doubt any of you remember one of the first columns I wrote when I came here 21 years ago. It dealt with my Virginia neighbors.

What I said was something like this: "If folks in the U.S. realized how little the federal bureaucrats cared about them, there would be a revolution in this nation."

You see, what my neighbors told me was this: they cared about two things -- their family and their COLA (cost of living adjustments -- i.e., pay raises).

Anything "outside the Beltway" (the highways surrounding Washington, D.C.), was not of major concern.

That really got me down. I was your typical naive optimist who believed that government was there to help. I learned...

And Hurricane Katrina has helped others learn that sad lesson.

I've always felt that the famous statement about "only death and taxes are certainties" should have added "and the bureaucracy."

A sad side note on the evacuee problem:

A Farwell lady has a boy friend who is a security person at the Houston site where many evacuees were taken.

She said he has told her that drug use is rampant, folks are carrying weapons, prostitution is in full swing -- but that federal bureaucrats have told the security persons not to make waves, and ignore most of what they see.

Don't you just love it... I can't put in the name of the fella because his superiors would take action against him for telling the truth.

It's always fun to start our Area Merchants Football Contest (although

by about the 10th week I'm ready to see it end -- it takes a lot of work!).

We had our usual strong turnout, and it's always fun to see folks come by the Tribune that I haven't seen in awhile.

Four Farwell High classes are entered, and it's a kick to have such entries.

And, of course, Gracie Dane, the Texico lady who now resides with her daughter in Roswell, continues to play. I'm not sure if she has played the contest longer than anyone else, but she sure has been a consistent player during my tenure.

Oops, just as I wrote that, I thought of Willie Roberts, the former Farwell school superintendent now living in Clovis. He also is a long-time consistent player.

What I enjoy about our
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Mini-cheerleaders perform

The Texico mini-cheerleaders do their routine during halftime of the Wolverines' game.

Sheriff's Report

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

On Sept. 12, Antonio Lozano, 23, of Clovis, was arrested by the sheriff's office on charges of DWI 2nd and furnishing alcohol to a minor; both cases are pending in county court.

On Sept. 4, Martin Mejia, 41, of Friona, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on charges of DWI and driving on a suspended license; both cases are pending in county court.

On Sept. 12, Vivek Quinonos, 30, of Farwell, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of public intoxication. He paid a fine.

On Sept. 12, Rejino Garcia, 20, of Farwell, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of public intoxication. He paid a fine.

On Sept. 5, Alfredo Alonzo, 44, of Bovina, was arrested by Bovina police on a charge of DWI 2nd; case pending in county court.

On Sept. 7, Joe Angel Roldan, 22, of Clovis, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of violation of probation (kidnapping). Case pending in District Court.

On Sept. 7, Sebastian Castro, 53, of Bovina, was arrested by Bovina police on a charge of public intoxication; case pending in JP court.

On Sept. 9, Jorge Castillo, 20, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on 2 counts of forgery; case pending before the grand jury.

On Sept. 4, Rozanne Jimenez, 30, of Clovis, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a Curry County warrant (assault charge) and was released to Clovis police.

On Sept. 4, Cosme Morales, 39, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of assault; case pending in county court.

In 287th District Court last week, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

-- Juan Villarreal, 38, of Bovina, charged with class B misdemeanor theft (reduced from forgery) was sentenced to 70 days in Parmer County Jail, \$303 court costs and \$100 restitution.

-- Theresa A. Flores, 33, of Hale Center, charged with forgery, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, \$278 court costs, \$500 fine, \$350 attorney fees, and \$2,127 restitution.

Texico 7th volleyballers triumph over Portales

Texico's 7th grade volleyball team beat Portales on Sept. 8, 25-14, 25-20.

Service point leaders were Morgan Pinnell, D'nea Berry and Fallon Scanlon, 4 each; and Erin Scanlon, 7.

Kill leaders were Edwinna Rodriguez, 4; Khiara Loera, 3; and Pinnell, 2.

EQIP is group's primary concern

The Program Development Group (PDG) of the Parmer County Soil & Water Conservation District met recently to make recommendations on 2006 conservation programs.

The PDG included participants from a range of local agencies, organizations, businesses and especially farmers and ranchers who have an interest in natural resource conditions and needs.

Led by Mike White, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service District Conservationist, of primary concern to the Group were EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentives Program) practices.

EQIP was established in the 1996 Farm Bill to provide a single, voluntary conservation program to provide technical and financial assistance to address natural resource concerns. EQIP practices in Parmer County include terracing, sprinkler conversion, erosion control and, new this year, Residue Management and Nutrient Management Incentives.

All practices are set at a 50 percent cost share rate and there is no minimum acreage amount for any practice.

After the PDG meeting, the Local Work Group, consisting of the Parmer County SWCD Board, the Parmer County Farm Services Agency Committee and local NRCS representatives, accepted the recommendations of the PDG without changes.

For more information about EQIP or other conservation programs, contact the District Field Office at 481-3311, ext. 3. -- District Conservationist Earl Behrends or Soil Technician Frank Torres.

To the taxpayers of Parmer County

During the last legislative session, House Bill #988 was passed that now requires an automobile dealer to provide the customer the option to transfer vehicle titles in the purchaser's home county.

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Langdon leads Lady Blue team to 2nd place finish

The Farwell Lady Blue cross country team took 2nd at the Plainview Invitational on Sept. 10.

The team will vie at Frenship High School Sept. 17 at 10:30 a.m. The top 8 Lady Blue runners will compete in a relay style meet. There will be 2 teams of 4 girls and each girl will run a mile in the 4-mile relay.

Plainview finishes were (varsity):
Megan Langdon, 12:47, 2nd; Chanel Castillo, 13:35, 11th; Shelby Christian, 13:55, 19th; Salida Edwards, 14:02, 21st; Melinda Castillo, 14:26; Talethia Nolte, 14:33; Micky Cenicerros, 14:44; Lauren Beaubien, 14:51; Kristen Garcia, 15:13; Bea Garcia, 15:30; and Trish Robertson, 16:42.

JV -- Ambur Dryer, 16:55.
Jr. High boys -- Clemente Meza, 13:33, 20th; Russell Schilling, 13:43, 24th.

Jr. High girls - Laney Christian, Keegan Langford, Taylor Fillpot, Laura Martinez, Gaby Vidaurri, Crystal Reyes, Brenda Delgado, Ashlee Howard and Brooke Hall.

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Tire Country held its grand opening Saturday in Farwell.



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Karen Clay, Ricky Garza and Bernardo Herrera run the grill.



Janice Howard and Audrey Kittrell (left)



Hadley, Mandy and Kimberly Gilbert test out the new Michelin ag tires.



Rodney, Brenda and Audrey Wren

Border Banter

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contest is that it's a great family event. So many families play. They go over their ballots after dinner on Thursday, and turn them in on Friday.

Since the contest doesn't cost anything to play, it's not gambling. It's just for fun.

I sure hope you play, too!

Rumor of the Week:
Why was Farwell's Jerry Stover "seeing red" at the Steers football game last Friday?

From Rob Pomper:
Before moving back to the area, many of you know that I spent several years in Houston.

Living in the big city was a lot of fun. There were a lot of things to do, if you can afford them, and there was always something going on.

However, as Hurricane Katrina has recently shown, there is also a worry that goes along with it.

While I was living there, I owned a house, and worked with people who predominately owned houses. As my first summer rolled around and the talk of 'Hurricane Season' started, I asked what insurance companies each person used for flood damage.

The answer surprised me: none.
Not a single person had flood insurance. They all said it was too expensive, or that the chance of getting hit by a hurricane was pretty low, or that they were in a place that had never flooded before so they should be fine.

A couple of news reports have placed the number of New Orleans home owners who had flood insurance at

something in the area of 25 percent.

That's only 1 in 4 houses that are insured for hurricanes, right?

Wrong.

This week begins an interesting legal battle between the government and the insurance companies. You see, apparently when a hurricane hits, it isn't flooding that pushes water into the houses, it is called "rising water".

The water entering the houses looks the same, and feels the same, but since the insurance companies don't actually call it 'flood water' they don't have to pay a penny.

I saw this first hand when Tropical Storm Allison hit Houston a couple of years ago. They pulled the same stunt there. And for the most part they got away with it.

Allison shut down Houston and flooding covered much of the city and it wasn't even an actual hurricane. It scares me to think what would happen if a storm like the one that hit New Orleans, or some of the ones that hit Florida last year, came into a city of millions.

There is another fun part of flood insurance that isn't commonly known. The maximum payout for flood insurance is \$250,000. That seems like a lot of money, and it really is, but these days it doesn't go quite as far as it used to.

In many larger cities, land is really selling at a premium, and property values are much higher than they ever were. How many people would have considered buying a \$100,000 house 20 years ago? Not many.

Today, even in this area, it is a different story.

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There will be a community send-off for the Bovina Mustangs at the field house on Friday, Sept. 16, at 5:15 p.m. The Mustangs play Friona at 7:30 there. Come out and show your support for the Mustangs at both the send-off and the game.

The Bovina JV beat Tulia, 12-6, on Sept. 8.

Bovina scored on two safeties and a 40-yard TD run by Robert Knoll in the 3rd quarter. Jesus Rocha followed with a 2-point conversion.

Coach Shannon Shorter said the team played well but "we must keep improving." The team is 1-0-1 on the season.

Bovina High's 9th grade history class will have a play about the history of our Constitution at 3 p.m. in the school auditorium. It's open to the public.

On Sunday, Sept. 18, the Methodist Church is hosting Fiesta Con Christo at the city park from 4 to 8 p.m. There will be music groups, game booths, prayer booths, free food and refreshments, and lots of fellowship.

You will need to bring your lawn chairs for the evening. This promises to be lots of fun - my two oldest children have requested that we attend and you know that is high praise when it comes from teenagers!

Boy Scout Troop 56 went to a Camporee last weekend near Pampa and competed in many events. They got 1st in Rifle, Archery, and Out-of-District. They got 2nd in Canoeing and Fishing. The only two events they didn't place in were Shotgun and Orienteering. The boys did great! They are really blessed by the awesome scoutmasters. Thanks Tara and Mercedes for all that you do.

It's that time of year for fall fundraisers. Here is a list of the ones that I know about:

-- Boy Scouts Troop 56 - raffling 70 lbs. of sirloin steak which has been donated by Cargill Meat Solutions- tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. Drawing to be held on Maize Days Sept. 15 in Friona. You do not need to be present to win. But you do need

Board makes changes to facial hair policy

The Bovina School Board on Monday made two changes to the Student Handbook dealing with facial hair:

1) Boys may have mustaches if they are neatly trimmed.

2) Multi-ear piercings (more than two) will not be allowed for girls.

In other business, the board:

-- Accepted the retirement of Supt. Charles Carter, effective in December.

Applications will be taken from the staff and the board has set a special meeting for Sept. 26 to interview any current staffers who want the job.

Carter said that principals Tommy Boatwright and Bill Bizzell can be certifiable (via test route) for the post.

The board also will seek applications from outside the Bovina school system.

-- Amended the budget, putting it at \$3,489,921 -- about \$130,000 less than last year.

Last year's budget came

Atmos From page 16

The City of Bovina is going to start a relief fund for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. City Hall will be the site to collect money donations. I am trying to get the Salvation Army to put a collection box in City Hall to collect donations from anyone who may want to help. If anyone has any ideas concerning this, please contact me or the City Secretary at City Hall.

I would like to commend the Bovina Police Department for their efforts this past month.

In addition to their patrolling, they have worked 12 cases of criminal mischief, 5 cases of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, 3 cases of assault, 2 traffic accidents, a burglary, and a forgery. They have been busy. By the way, all of these case were completed (solved), too!

in very much "in the black" because the school had some over-staffing. Carter said the new budget, although less than the previous one, will not hurt the students.

-- Appointed Daryl Kirkpatrick (pending City Council approval) to the Parmer County Appraisal

District Board, replacing Leon Ware, who had asked the board to fine a replacement for him.

-- Hired Starla Torbert as a high school library aide.

-- Officially moved Alice Stone from the high school library aide post to the new receptionist in the superintendent's office.



Photo: Thomas Reed (left) of the RC&D in Friona distributes Dell printers to Jim Swafford for the Bovina Community Network.

Printers donated to BCN

Dell Inc. and Gifts In Kind International, a leader in product philanthropy, has provided 10 refurbished Dell All-in-one printers to the Bovina Community Network.

Though its network of 450 Gifts In Kind programs, Gifts In Kind International has distributed printers as they became available from Dell.

"This program will place another segment of technology within the BCN that we otherwise could not afford to purchase, in turn bringing the benefits of technology to more students and residents in Bovina," said Jim Swafford, BCN vice president.

Swafford continued by giving thanks to Thomas Reed of the High Plains Resource Conservation & Development office in Friona for their help in distribution of the printers, and thanks to the sponsor Gifts In Kind and Dell for their donation.

Zoning code

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The grant will be sought again next year.

-- Heard complaints that more junked vehicles need to be removed.

The city had a drive to do so this year and Terry reported that 63 were removed. The city will take another shot at this problem next year. Currently, the city's focus is on the weed and mosquito problems, said Terry.

-- In light of the Hurricane Katrina tragedy, there was discussion of what would happen if a major disaster struck Bovina, particularly if there was a major train derailment.

Concern was raised over the fire department and maintenance buildings being close to the railroad tracks.

The city will look at perhaps moving these city departments -- but it is a long-term project.

-- Discussed ways to help Hurricane Katrina victims. A drive to collect funds and/or items to help the evacuees is planned; more on this will be reported in the Tribune later.

to buy a ticket! Contact the scout office in Friona or me for more information.

-- Bovina Cheerleaders/Mascots are selling ABC cookie dough. It is \$10 per tub. Contact any cheerleader, Mrs. Burch or Mrs. Torbert. Cheerleader captains at Edda Robles, 251-1189, and Laura Rocha, 251-1238. And the cheerleaders also are having a fund-raiser selling Tribune newspaper subscriptions. So if you are getting the paper at the news stand, you can have it delivered by mail weekly -- at a discount. Just contact any cheerleader.

-- Friona United Methodist Church Teen Circle is selling candles. They range from \$12.95 to \$18.95. You can contact the church for more details.

-- The Bovina Mustang Band Booster Club is conducting a BoxTops for Education year-long fundraiser. On General Mills / Betty Crocker food items are coupons that read "BoxTops 4 Education". You will have to clip those "coupons" out and bring them to one of the drop off locations at either Lowe's Grocery Store, the City Hall office, or give the "coupons" to a student and they can take it to the school.

You can not use these "coupons" for any food purchases; they are only valuable for the fundraiser. The school will then collect the "coupons" and send them into General Mills., which will reimburse the school.

Friona Boy Scout Troop 56 will be marching in the Maize Days parade Sept. 17 in Friona at 10:15 a.m. Come on out and support these boys.

Football Schedule for the week: On Sept. 15, we have games in Friona starting at 5 p.m. for 7th grade; and at 6:15 p.m. for the 8th grade. The Bovina JV hosts Friona at 6 p.m. on Sept. 15. There is plenty of opportunity for you to come out and support our teams.

I am very excited to see that our schools' ITV room is finally going to be utilized by the students. The 7th grade is going to participate in a Walk Along the Brazos River. Apparently there are 11 schools participating.

I am sure the students will learn a great deal. What an awesome and innovative way to teach our students about this watershed. This is exciting as there are many more opportunities available for our students through the ITV room. Our school is blessed to have teachers who are willing to go out of their way to reach our students.

The Booster Club would like to thank the following businesses -- Cargill Meat Solutions, Lowe's Supermarket, and Armando and Chela Vasquez for their generous donations for our hamburger cookout on Sept. 2.

A special thanks to all the parents and the Bovina High School Student Council members that helped make the cookout a huge success.

A bridal shower honoring Brooke Charles, bride-elect of Eric Pittman, will be on Sept. 24 at the home of Karen Kirkpatrick from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

They are registered at Dillard's, Gourmet Pantry, Target and Roden Smith.

The Amarillo newspaper keeps football stats from area teams that turn them in. After the first two games, in Class 1A, on offense, Bovina was listed 6th and on defense was listed 1st.

Rita Mast had her son, Broox, visiting last week from San Macos, Calif.

A major meeting is scheduled for Sept. 24 that has a goal of "putting the top city organizations on the same page."

Scheduled to meet that day will be representatives of City Hall, the City Council, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Economic Development Commission.

The meeting is planned from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Bovina School administration building.

The purpose is for these groups to agree on goals and pull in the same direction.

There will be a mexican dinner on Sept. 25 from 11:30 a.m. -- 2:00 p.m. at St. Ann's Parish Hall in Bovina.

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Atmos seeks rate increase

From the Desk of Ernest Terry:

There are a couple of items to talk about this week: A proposed rate increase by Atmos Energy, the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, and Bovina Police activity.

Atmos Energy has asked Bovina for a \$1.09 rate increase on residential accounts and a \$3.09 increase on commercial accounts.

They base their increase on an increase in "invested capital" from March 31, 2003, through Dec. 31, 2004, a request that was denied during the negotiation of the last rate case request.

On my residential bill, this would represent a 3.5% increase. Atmos claims their figures indicate at 2.15% rate increase. Now here's the real battle line that has been drawn... instead of negotiating with all of the Panhandle small cities as a group, which they did last time, they are piece-mealing this by talking to each individual city, one at a time. Divide and conquer.

The reported increase in invested capital (what Atmos has done for the community, by the way to be fair... Atmos donated \$250 to the Bovina Little League) is insignificant compared to the cost of delivering natural gas. I am recommending to the Bovina City Council and all other cities and their City Managers and/or City Councils, that they deny this rate increase. Each of our cities has citizens who live on fixed income. They cannot afford any increase.

A side issue to this rate increase is the cost of fuel that Atmos is delivering to us in their pipelines. That cost is not negotiable and is passed through to us uncontested. Look at where your gasoline prices are right now. Heat fuel this winter is expected to rise. I've heard prediction as high as 70%. Find one of your winter bills from last year and multiply that bill by 1.7! A \$200 heating bill could be \$340!

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Zoning code adopted

The Bovina City Council on Sept. 8 adopted a residential zoning code which it had tabled a couple of months earlier.

The code eliminates the "mobile home" definition, replacing it with "manufactured homes."

The council also designed which city areas are for single-family

homes only, while other city areas can have manufactured homes.

A large group of folks concerned about one particular zoning issue attended. The city is selling a lot it owns and the group did not want a trailer placed there -- at the south end of 2nd Street.

The zoning code

changes took care of this problem since only a house will be accepted at that site now. The site is still up for sale.

In other business, the council:

-- Heard a report on the open hearing for the tax rate -- nobody had showed up for it on Sept. 1.

-- Approved the new tax levy at 58 cents per \$100 assessed valuation. If you own a \$100,000 house, this means your city tax increases about \$30.

-- Had on the agenda a beautification project that some Bovina School students planned to propose; but the students didn't appear.

-- Heard City Manager Ernest Terry report that a grant sought for city park improvements was turned down. Only the top 15 requests were granted, and Bovina ranked 22nd.

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School Supt. Carter to resign

Bovina School Supt. Charles Carter announced to his staff last week his resignation, effective at the beginning of Christmas vacation later this year.

He said he has decided to resign due to an offer to serve on a statewide school improvement team and for personal reasons. He will be moving back to Monahans, Texas, where his home is.

Carter wanted Bovina folks to know that he was not leaving due to any unhappiness here. He has very mixed emotions.

"I'm not unhappy nor displeased with the situation here. This was the best job I have ever had; the best staff I have ever had; and the best school board I have ever

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Student council officers

Bovina Middle School Student Council officers for 2005-2006 are, from left, Gabby Castro, secretary; Angelica Gallagher, president; Alicia Lopez, vice president; Kim Casas, reporter, and Juan Navarro, treasurer.

Students help hurricane victims

Bovina High School student council members wanted to do something to help the hurricane victims. Mrs. Lockmiller and Mrs. Quintana told the mem-

bers they would help them find someone or some people to help. As Mrs. Lockmiller was driving home from school that day, something told her to call her sister, Mrs. Scroggins, in Longview, Texas, to make sure she was ok.

Mrs. Lockmiller said she never calls her sister at work but did that day.

After finding everything was fine, they talked about the devastation of the hurricane. Mrs. Lockmiller mentioned the student council's idea and Mrs. Scroggins said that it was weird "you had called because I had a lady with her family and her four

year old daughter come in looking for a job."

She was a teacher and needed a job. Needless to say the lady was still in shock of losing everything but was wanting to begin work immediately. By the time the phone conversation ended, Mrs. Lockmiller and Mrs. Scroggins were both in tears.

Mrs. Lockmiller told her sister that she believed the Bovina STUCO found a cause. Mrs. Scroggins said she was so proud of the Bovina students, faculty, and townspeople. She will always have fond memories of her time in Bovina.



From left, Daniel Valadez, Hilda Quintero, Mrs. Pam Lockmiller, Dina Garcia, and Diana De La Rosa. They are looking at the \$500 check raised by BHS students for the family in Longview. The students were instrumental in making the fund-raiser a success, and they thanked everyone who donated.

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