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Here come the livestock shows!

Stranded motorists helped during storm

And the snow fell. And fell. And fell. Early last week, big numbers were put on the board throughout the area.

Fred Chandler, at the Sherley-Anderson-Pitman elevator in Farwell, reported 8 to 10 inches.

Yalonda McFarland, at the Sherley-Anderson elevator in Lariat, reported the same totals.

And Shirley Steinbock, at the Sherley-Anderson elevator in Lazbuddie, said between 6 and 8 inches of white stuff accumulated in that community.

The following information came from Marsha Swerczek, of Texico:

On Dec. 26, as the snow started to accumulate, there was a small band of quiet heroes who volunteered to ensure the safety of many motorists who were caught in Mother Nature's fury.

About 2:30 p.m. mt, the heads of Texico's fire department, police and city council decided to declare a state of urgency due to deteriorating road conditions.

The Zia chapter of the American Red Cross was notified, and within less than two hours the Texico Community Center was transformed into a Red Cross shelter. About 50 persons, ranging in age from 10 to their 60s, braved the elements to insure that stranded motorists were treated with first class service.

The Texico police and fire departments merged to become an emergency response team. Several times during the night, they were called upon to risk their own safety to lend a hand to those who found themselves unable to fight the elements.

A small team of volunteers assembled at the Texico Community Center to organize, then manage a first class shelter. The team was composed of 5 teen-agers and 3 adults and they saw to everyone's needs. Many guests commented on how great it was to see our younger citizens involved in such an important program.

As the snow stopped and the roads cleared, the group of volunteers realized they had assisted over 400 people in one way or another, including housing over 115 people throughout

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The 33rd annual Farwell Junior Livestock Show will be held at the Farwell Community Center starting at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 6.

Farwell staffers, 4-H and FFA students and their parents will set up pens and make arrangements for the livestock show on Friday, Jan. 5, starting at 7 p.m., reports Farwell ag teacher Jon Cullison.

Weights on all animals must be turned in to the Parmer County extension service office in the county courthouse in Farwell by noon on Friday, Jan. 5.

Cullison said there will be a charge of \$2 per head for shavings.

Judge for the event will be Aaron Preathor, Cochran County agricultural extension agent.

Cullison expects a good number of goats, pigs, lambs and steers to be entered this year, same as last.

Also, ribbons will be awarded, plus belt buckles

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Homicide reported in Friona

A homicide occurred in Friona on New Year's morning.

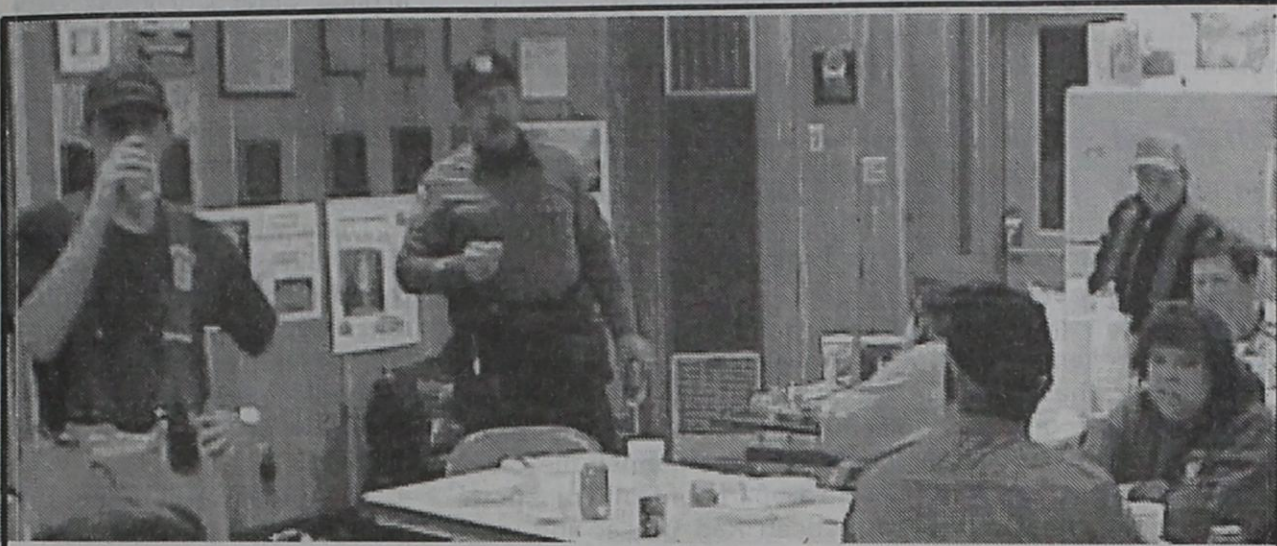
Friona Police Chief Scott Given reported that officer Brandon Neal was called to Conwood Apartments after 2 a.m. on Monday for a domestic disturbance.

There, he found a woman stabbed. She was identified as Sandra Jenkins, in her mid 20s, of Friona. She was taken to Hereford hospital, where she was pronounced dead.

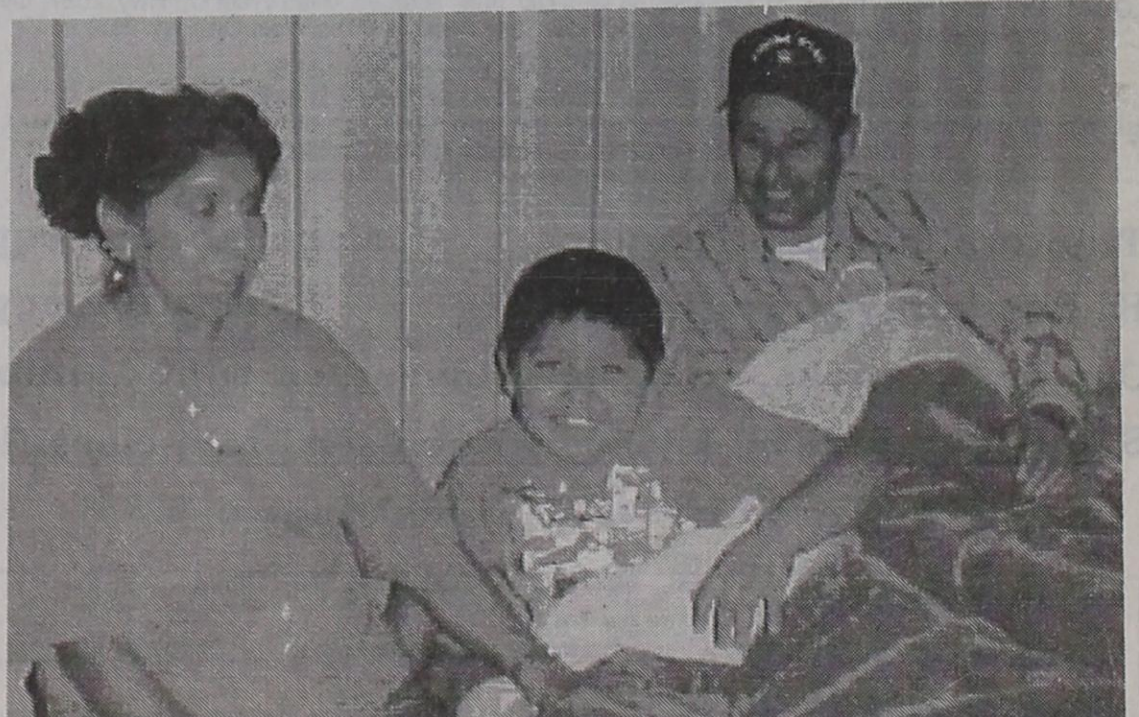
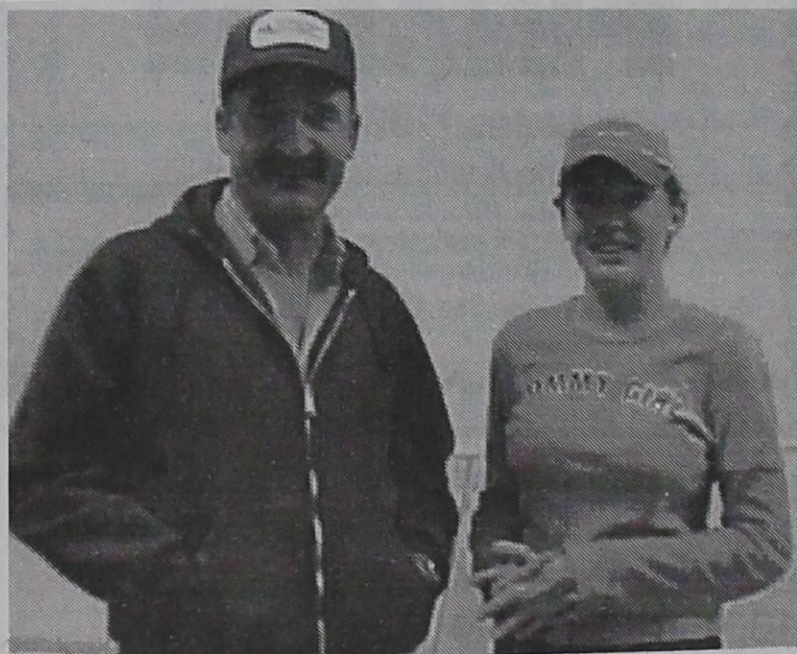
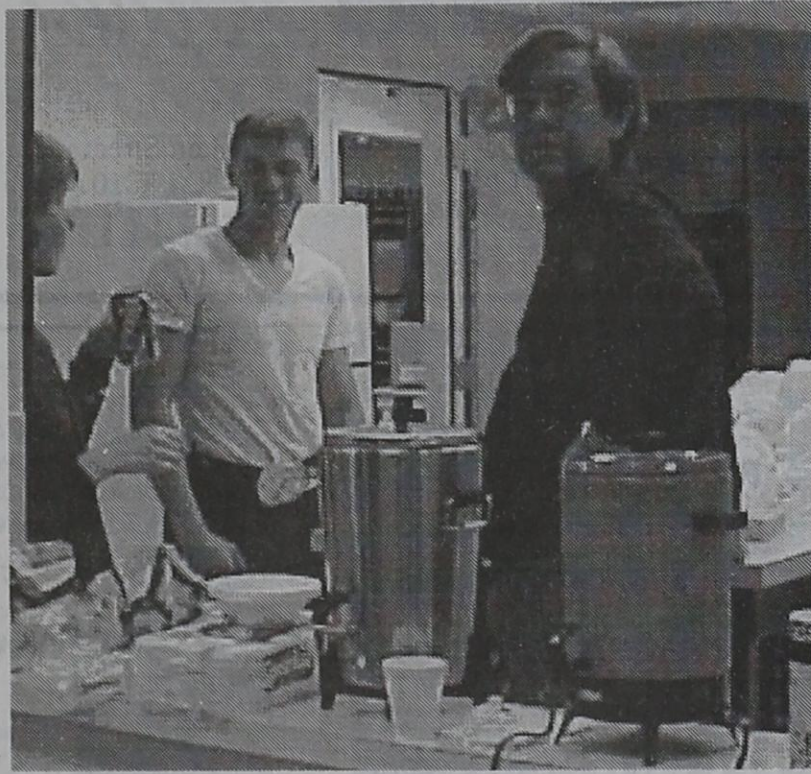
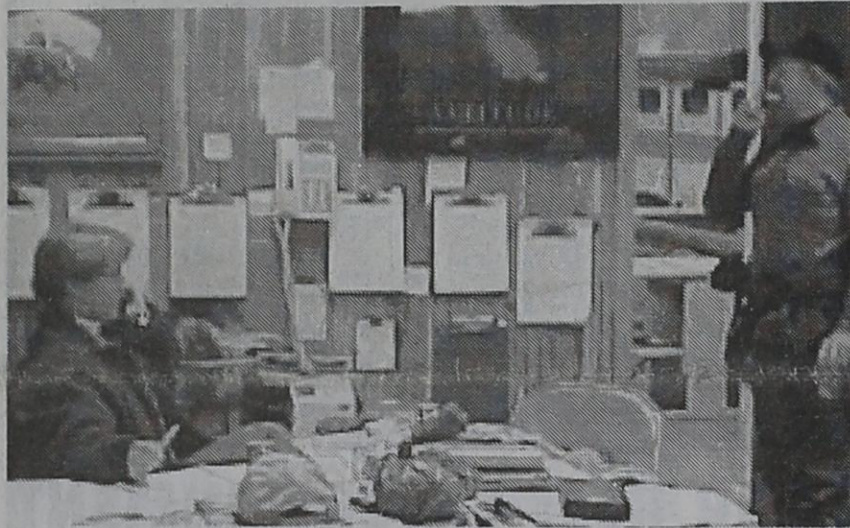
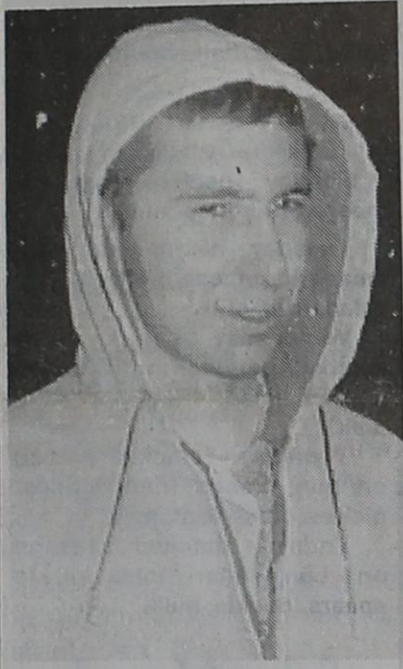
Given said that her boyfriend was arrested at the apartment and charged with murder, a second degree felony.

Jailed in Parmer County Jail was Frank Mendez Jr., 44, of Friona.

The case is pending before the grand jury.



These photos were taken by Texico's Doug Scioli of the workers at the Texico Community Center during the blizzard, and some of the stranded motorists being helped for the night.



Livestock shows

will be given to the champions and showmanship winners.

Cullison said that veteran Robert White will again serve as ring steward, and Fred Chandler will again handle the master of ceremony duties.

The Farwell 4-H Club will preside over the concession stand.

The Lazbuddie Junior Livestock Show will be held on a Saturday for the second consecutive year, after being held on Wednesdays for three years.

The show is set for Saturday, Jan. 13, starting at 1 p.m. at the Friona Community Center.

The Friona Junior Livestock Show will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 9, starting at 5 p.m. at the Friona Community Center.

The Bovina Junior Live-

stock Show will start at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 13, at the Bovina Show Barn.

The Parmer County Junior Livestock Show will be held Jan. 18-20 at the Friona Community Center.

Judges will be Gaylon McCune, barrows; Brett Cypert, goats and lambs; and Bryan Reynolds, cattle.

The set-up will be held on Jan. 15, said county extension agent Cody Hill.

Hill expects about 45 goats, 70 sheep, 10 steers and 240 barrows to be shown at the county show this year.

The rest of the schedule calls for:

— Thursday, Jan. 18, 1 to 5 p.m., weigh-in of all animals. Barrows and lambs will be classified as weighed. At 5 p.m., steers will be classified.

— Friday, Jan. 19, 8 a.m., lamb show followed by the goat show. The steer show

will be held at noon, with the

barrow show starting at 1 p.m.

— Saturday, Jan. 20, the appreciation dinner will start at 5 p.m. at the Friona Community Center, followed by the premium sale one hour later.

At the premium sale, about half of each class will sell, up to a total of about 140 head. The sale order will be lamb, steer, goat and barrow.

Hill said the cleanup will be held on the night of Jan. 20, following the sale.

The Parmer County stock show board advisory committee consists of Michael DeLeon and Ken Foster, Farwell; Don Bandy and Lawrence Widner, Bovina; Jimmy Dale Seaton and Ed Terry, Lazbuddie; and Bill Hardin, Friona.

Stock show board members are:

Farwell — Jon Cullison, Daren Sudderth, Mark Schwertner and Sam Billingsley.

Bovina — Sonny Moore, Doyle Garner and Joe Steelman.

Lazbuddie — Rick Black, Donald Gillit, Rick Seaton and Ed Terry.

Friona — Davy Carthel, Paul Smith, Randy Campbell and Jody Lewellen.

County 4-H — Terry Copley, Lesley Curtis, Cody Hill, Sean Mason and Al Kerby Jr.

Stock show officials are:

Mack Heald, general superintendent; JeDon Gallman, assistant general superintendent; Richard Haseloff, swine superintendent; Sonny Moore, lamb and goat superintendent; Mac Langford, cattle superintendent;

JeDon Gallman, president; John Jarecki, vice president; Gary Patterson, secretary, and Alan Monroe, treasurer.

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Livestock, ag land values will be topic

Livestock and agricultural land values will be the topic of an important public meeting in Clovis on Jan. 9, reports Curry County Tax Assessor Margie Crooks.

It will start at 1 p.m. at Marshall Junior High auditorium, Main Street and Commerce Way.

Representatives of the Property Tax Division of the

New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department, along with Dr. Jim Libben, of New Mexico State University, will make a presentation on the formula and information used to come up with the proposed major increase in New Mexico regarding livestock and agricultural land values.

There will also be a panel that will represent each industry affected, such as farming, ranching, dairy, cattle growers, banking, appraisal.

Sterling Spencer, of Carrizozo, will moderate the meeting.

The public will have the opportunity to give its views, and Mrs. Crooks urges all persons affected to attend this meeting.

Blizzard

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the night. An undertaking of this magnitude cannot be accomplished without the support and cooperation of many citizens, businesses and government agencies.

The organizers of our operation would like to thank the following for their support: Lowe's Supermarket in Farwell, Allsup's convenience store in Farwell, the Farwell Convalescent Center; the State Line Tribune; the Town & Country convenience store in Texico; Master Tech Auto Service, Texico; the Texico fire and police departments' personnel; the Clovis fire department; the New Mexico Department of Transportation; the Zia chapter of the American Red Cross; and, most importantly, all the men, women and children who worked so hard to help during this severe situation.

Also appreciative of the work done during the snow emergency was Farwell Police Chief Robert Achterberg. He commented:

"A special thank you needs to go out to the cities of Texico and Farwell when the two major highways were closed to heavy snow and icy conditions. The roadblocks were manned by members of the state troopers, Parmer County sheriff's office and the Farwell fire department. Each of these agencies spent almost 24 hours on the job.

"Because of the roads being closed, travelers had no place to go after being turned back from the roadblocks. The city of Texico opened their Community Center and provided stranded motorists with a place to sleep, and food to eat.

"The Texico police and fire departments were busy with the chores of helping get food and other necessities to comfort those stranded. This was a time of both cities bonding together to help their fellow man. Each and every person should feel proud of what they did to help one another. We came together as one, and we proved that we still care about others.

"A heartfelt thank you to everyone for his or her help. And a big thank you to the Lowe's Supermarket store in Farwell for providing food and refreshments. And if I missed saying thanks to anyone, I apologize. Thank you ALL."

Texico Report

Texico Police Chief Kelley Brophy reports all quiet last weekend, except for helping motorists get to the community center during the snow blizzard.

Farwell

Monday - steak fingers with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, apple sauce, milk.

Tuesday - chili dogs, french fries, dill spears, fruit salad, chocolate chip cookie, milk.

Wednesday - soft burritos, LT salad, spanish rice, peach half, milk.

Thursday - chicken noodle soup with crackers, grilled cheese sandwich, veggie stacks, fruit rolls, milk.

Friday - spaghetti, tossed salad, pear half, bread sticks, milk.

Texico

Monday - beef stew, grilled cheese, fruit crisp, milk.

Tuesday - nacho chips, with meat and cheese, pinto beans, salad, fruit, milk.

Wednesday - pork roast, mashed potatoes with gravy, garden salad, fruit, hot rolls, milk.

Thursday - chicken patties on bun, french fries, lettuce, pickles, fresh fruit, milk.

Friday - smoked sausage on bun, tater tots, pickle spears, cookie, milk.

School Lunch

Menus

Citizens Bank

Texico Branch

Obituaries

Lloyd Stovall

Services were held Dec. 29 for Lloyd Stovall, 79, of Clovis, a farmer and manager for General Electric, who died Dec. 24 at Exclusive Home Health Care.

He was born on Jan. 25, 1921, in Bellview, to Henry and Maude Stovall. He was a member of Central Baptist Church and had served in the Army during World War II.

He married Lorraine Tucker on Jan. 25, 1942, in Clovis.

Surviving are his wife; 4 sons, Danny, of San Diego; Doug, of Austin, Texas; Dean, of Roswell, and Darrell, of Kingston, Okla.; a brother, Travis, of Texico; 12 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

He had taught in the Farwell, Dumas and Haskell school systems for more than 20 years.

He was born March 11, 1917, in Fisher County, Texas. He married Doris Herron on Nov. 1, 1941, in Abilene.

He was a charter member of the Texico-Farwell Lions Club.

Surviving are his wife; 5 sons, Jim, of Victoria, Texas; Charles and Lee, both of Plano, Texas; Sam, of Gatesville, Texas, and Dr. Tim, of Fort Worth; a daughter, Jeanette Huber, of Dublin; a brother, Allen, of Roby, Texas; 14 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Robert Morton

Services for Robert L. Morton, 83, of Dublin, Texas, were held on Dec. 31 at the First United Methodist Church with burial in Cow Creek Cemetery. He died on Dec. 29.

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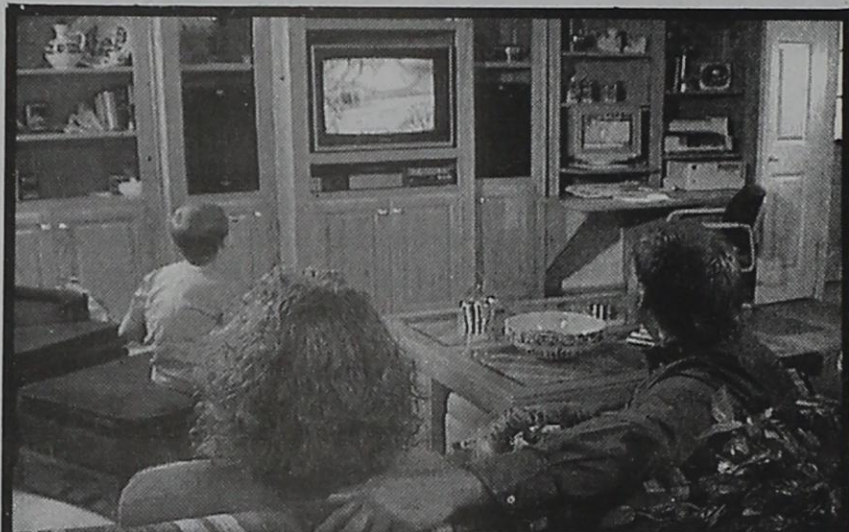
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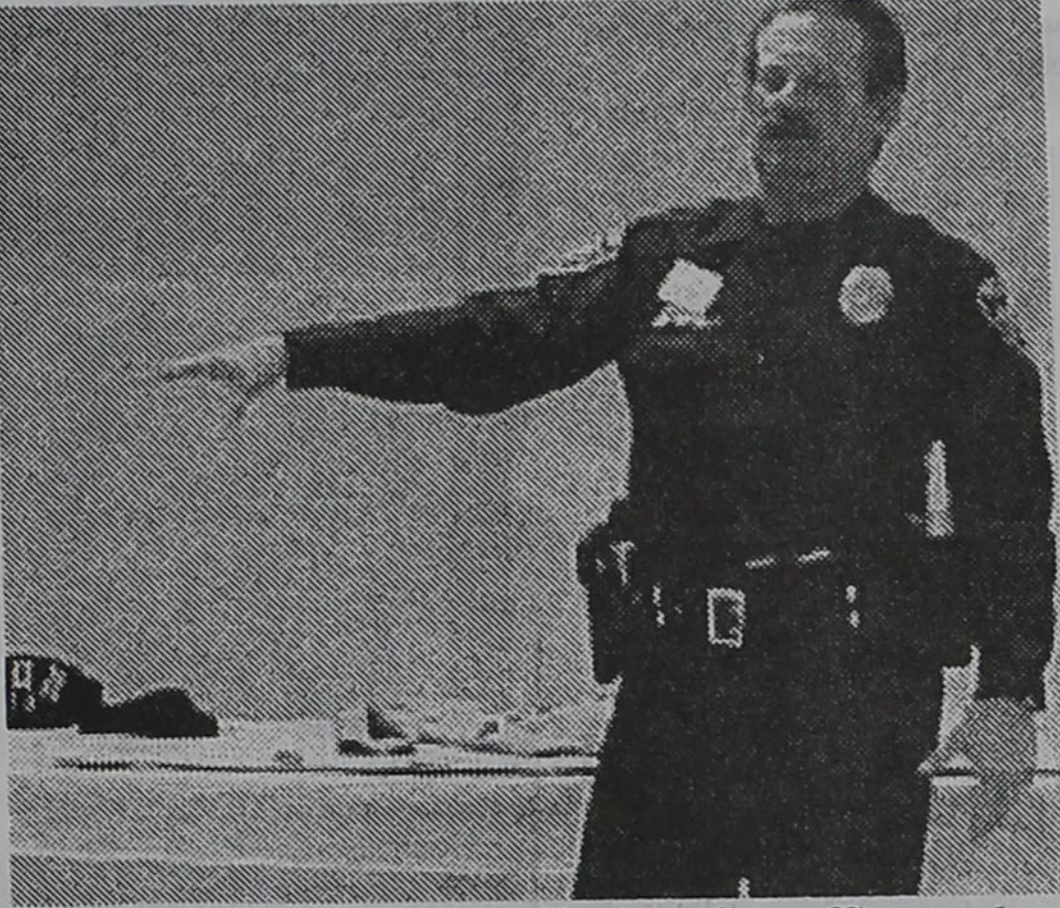
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Annual meeting The annual Program Event sponsored by the Parmer County Extension Service was held on Dec. 13 at the Farwell Community Center.



Al Lewis was one of two Clovis police officers who spoke at the meeting.

Police raid to enter court phase

A Parmer County sheriff's department raid that occurred in April 1999 will be going to federal court in Amarillo on Jan. 9.

The lawsuit claims that former County Sheriff Walt Yerger and deputy Keith Payne raided Pancho's Pool Hall in Friona without probable cause and without a search warrant.

The Friona pool hall owner and customers inside it filed the lawsuit and are seeking an unspecified amount in damages.

The plaintiffs charge that loaded firearms were pointed at them, one man was handcuffed and two men were unlawfully and illegally arrested. Parmer County is being represented by attorney Charlotte Brigham.



Winter scenery Dixe Jesko took this beautiful wintry scene at Clay's Corner over the holiday weekend.

20 enter coloring contest

A record number of youngsters entered the annual State Line Tribune coloring contest -- 20 in all.

And the judging was very tough as so many of the entries were good.

But decisions had to be made, with the winners in each age category getting \$15, and second place finishers getting \$10 each.

Results were:
5-6 age group: Jaylyn Cooper, 1st; Kristin Langford, 2nd.
7-9 age group: Carlie Tharp, 1st; and tie for 2nd -- Brandie Perez and Kolten Miller.
10-12 age group: Adilene Estrada, 1st; Carrie Benedict, 2nd.

Courthouse Notes

The following warranty deeds were recorded in the Parmer County clerk's office

last week:
Carl Eddins et al -- Carl Oskorn, Lots 5 and 6, Blk 85, Friona.
Gary White - C Bar S Farms, SW 1/4 T15S, R2E, Capital.

Hoop action goes on

There's a lot more basketball on tap. Here's a look at the upcoming games:

Lazbuddie

The Junior Varsity teams will host a tournament on Jan. 4, 5 and 6.

On Jan. 5, the varsity teams host Spade. Then the Lazbuddie teams will play at Three Way on Jan. 9.

The Junior High teams play at Spade on Jan. 8.

Farwell

The JV and varsity teams host Bovina on Jan. 9, then play at Springlake-Earth on Jan. 12.

Then the JV teams play in the Whiteface Tournament starting Jan. 11.

The 7th and 8th grade boys play at Hart on Jan. 8, while their girls counterparts host Hart that day.

Texico

The Junior High boys teams play at Portales on Jan. 11, while their girl counterparts host Portales that day.

After finishing with the EPAC Tourney this weekend, it will be busy for the high schoolers.

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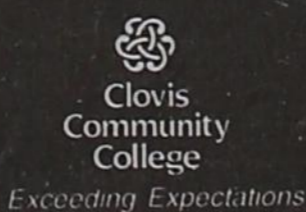
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Yep, it snowed

For those who didn't realize it, our area got hit with a ton of snow last week.

The soft stuff started on a Monday and grew into a torrential blizzard by the next day.

Now, I don't mind being socked in at home with the snow falling. But my problem is that I have a business -- and our little paper has got to come out each week.

Normally, I print the Tribune each Wednesday afternoon at Hereford. But the roads were closed Tuesday and Wednesday.

At first, I planned to wait another day, making the Tribune late -- not the end of the world. But I have always taken a bit of pride in the fact that our little newspaper has gone out on time every week since I came here 16 years ago.

So I called the Clovis News-Journal and they graciously allowed us to print the Tribune at their facility Wednesday afternoon.

I want to give a big thank you to the Clovis newspaper.

Thus, we were out on time, despite the blizzard.

I got a call last week from a Texico lady who needed a copy of our paper with the column mention about the Grady kids playing basketball at Melrose.

The column criticized situations where schools take a large amount of kids from outside their own districts just so they can have successful athletic teams.

Anyway, the Texico lady is a friend of a mother of a Melrose player. And she gave me an earful about how "the line has been drawn" between former friends who live in Melrose and Grady over what has transpired.

So the bottom line is this:

Yeah, the team may have a couple more victories. But is it worth the price over what it does to your community support?

I doubt it.

As readers of this paper know, I have put an emphasis the past few months on reporting the ground water situation.

Border Banter

By Mike Pomper

With good reason. We need to have assurance that our long-range water situation looks good.

There are two plans in the works.

Texico is participating in the Ute Lake Water Project. And Farwell is involved in the Llano Estacado plan being operated by High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1.

Here's my personal observation:

I believe the plan involving the Texas Panhandle counties is viable. I believe the state and feds will help with the funds to run the pipelines needed and to get the water rights necessary.

I'm not so sure about the Ute Lake project. And the reason is simple: there are so few governmental entities involved -- and the price thus becomes very high.

Here's a suggestion to our local governmental officials that I hope they seriously consider:

The cities of Texico, Clovis (including Cannon AFB) and Portales should look at joining the Llano Estacado plan.

I think that makes a lot more common sense.

I know some folks worry about "state's rights" but that issue dies when it involves survival.

Officials of those three New Mexico communities should think about this alternative to the Ute Lake project, which currently is in the courts.

And now is the time to act.

I was talking to Farwell Police Chief Robert Achterberg about the events during the big snowstorm.

He noted that motorists were sent to the Texico Community Center, where help was available.

He noted that he didn't send anyone to the Farwell Community Center, because there doesn't seem to be a supply in Farwell of blankets and other supplies that would be needed.

Farwell needs to have such a stockpile for cases like this.

Marriage Licenses

The Parmer County clerk's office issued a marriage license last week to Peter Warsaw and Violet White.

Farwell Police Report

Here is the weekly report from Farwell Police Chief Robert Achterberg:

A steel name sign was taken from the Ronald Byrd residence. The sign has an eagle on top, the name "Byrd", and a black pot hanging to it.

If anyone has seen it, please contact the police department.

Also, police are still looking for leads on the Allsup's robbery. If you have any information, please contact Achterberg or Parmer County Crimestoppers.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Mr. Pomper and staff: When we thought we had run out of things to do over the Christmas holiday, the Tribune provided us with an exciting activity.

We had lots of fun with your coloring contest.

If we don't win, that's okay because our prize will be the quality time we spent together as cousins.

Happy New Year!!
 Laura Martinez
 Adilene Estrada
 Brandy Perez

Baseball league organizing

"Though the weather outside is frightful, it sure would be delightful..."to start thinking about... baseball?

That's right, it's time to start gearing things up for the spring Little League Baseball season.

The Farwell Little League was reorganized and a league charter was signed and adopted last year by a board of directors.

This board was comprised of willing parent-coach volunteers that took the steps necessary to reorganize and coordinate a formally recognized local Little League organization.

This year's activity will begin with a Farwell Little League Board meeting on Thursday, Jan. 11 at 7 p.m. at the Ninth Street Church of Christ.

The Board of Directors for

the 2001 season includes President - Robert Fowler; Vice President/Player Agent - Gary Patterson; Secretary - Ruth Owen and Treasurer - Billy Owen.

Board appointed positions include Jack Kirkland, Richard Carpenter, Greg Actkinson, Rick Klingensmith and Greg Howard.

Teresa Mesman will serve as the League Information officer for the season.

This meeting is open to all interested parents and relatives of players and community members. One topic of discussion will be to set the date for pre-season player sign-ups.

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Lorenzo Colmenero is a Texico kindergartener. His birthday is March 25.

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<p style="text-align: center;"><i>First Baptist Church of Farwell</i></p> <p>Richard Laverty - minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - Prayer meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday - mission aux., 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Please Attend Church Services</p> <p><i>All times are CT unless specified</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Pleasant Hill Baptist Church</i></p> <p>Jim Peabody - minister Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. mt Worship - 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. mt Church training - 5:30 p.m. mt Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. mt winter 7:30 p.m. mt summer</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Lariat Church of Christ</i></p> <p>Sam Billingsley - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. winter 8:00 p.m. summer</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Church of Christ 110 Ninth St.</i></p> <p>Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. summer 8 p.m. winter</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>First Baptist Church of Texico</i></p> <p>Pastor - Rob Hollis Sunday School - 9 a.m. mt Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. mt Wednesday - 7 p.m. mt</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>United Pentecostal Church of Texico</i></p> <p>Rev. Mickee Mounce Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11:15 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 8 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church</i></p> <p>Rev. Kevin Phillips Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Monday men's prayer breakfast - 7 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Assembly of God Church, Texico</i></p> <p>Bob Burris - minister Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. mt Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. mt Wednesday - 6 p.m. mt</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church</i></p> <p>Worship Service -- 9 a.m. Sunday School - 10 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat</i></p> <p>David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Farwell Church of Christ</i></p> <p>Loy Hardesty -- Preacher Bible Class Sunday - 10 a.m. Worship ; 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. E-mail: tmh1@yucca.net</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Church of God in Christ, Mennonite</i></p> <p>James Koehn - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>New Light Baptist Church</i></p> <p>J.R. Shiner - minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Bible Study - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>San Jose Catholic Church Texico</i></p> <p>Sunday Mass - Noon mt Religious Education - 1:15 -- 2:15 p.m. Community Meal -- 1:15 p.m.</p>

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Sheriff's Report

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

On Dec. 21, Flor Rodriguez, 26, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of injury to a child. The case is pending before the grand jury.

On Dec. 21, Garrett Dockter, 17, of Farwell, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of violation of probation. The case is pending in district court.

On Dec. 24, Andrew Espinoza, 23, of Canyon, Texas, was arrested by Texas Highway Police on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On Dec. 23, Sonia Price, 25, of Clovis, was arrested by Texas Highway Police, on a charge of hindering apprehension. The case is pending in county court.

On Dec. 23, Sanny Price, 34, of Clovis, was arrested by Texas Highway Police, on charges of failure to ID and evading arrest, both pending in county court.

On Dec. 22, John Harris, 46, of Amarillo, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

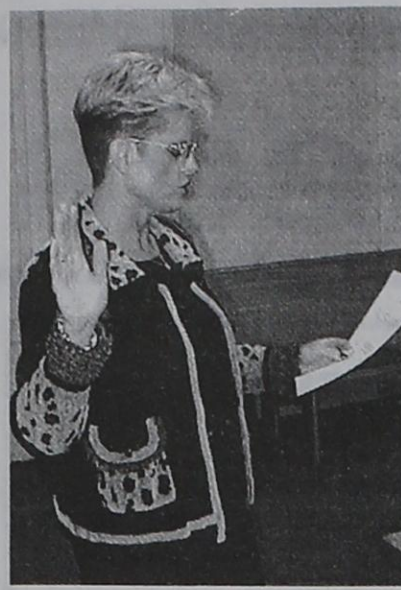
On Dec. 27, David Orozco, 18, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of possession of marijuana. The case is pending in county court.

On Dec. 31, Alejandro Faudoa, 31, of Friona, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On Dec. 25, Ryan Harkins, 21, of Hereford, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI 2nd. The case is pending in county court.

In 287th District Court on Dec. 19, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

-- Wendell Lee Woodruff, 33, of Oklahoma, charged with possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamines), had his probation revoked, and received 3 years in the Texas Department of Corrections.



New Parmer County officials sworn in

Sworn in last Friday as Parmer County's newest officials were, from left, Randy Geris, Parmer County sheriff; Kirk Frye, Parmer County Commissioner for the Friona area; Ed Corn, Parmer County Commissioner for

the Farwell area; and Bobbie Pierson, Parmer County Tax Assessor-Collector. The ceremony was conducted by Parmer County Judge Bonnie Clayton, at left.

New Mexico highway agency to discuss overpass project

The overpass joint project between Texas and New Mexico is now in the hands of the New Mexico Highway Commission.

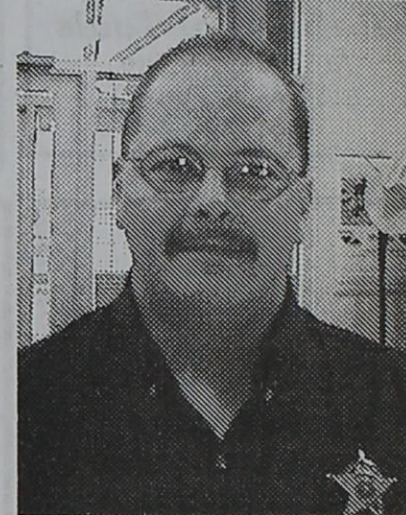
Ralph Meeks, District Engineer for the New Mexico Highway Department, told the Tribune that the issue of the joint project has been given to the New Mexico Highway Commission for their decision.

"If it has not been put on the January agenda already, it will definitely be put on for discussion at the February commission meeting," Meeks stated.

The decision will determine whether or not the New Mexico Highway Commission will partner with the Texas Department of Transportation in building the overpass to connect the highway routes between Farwell and Texico.

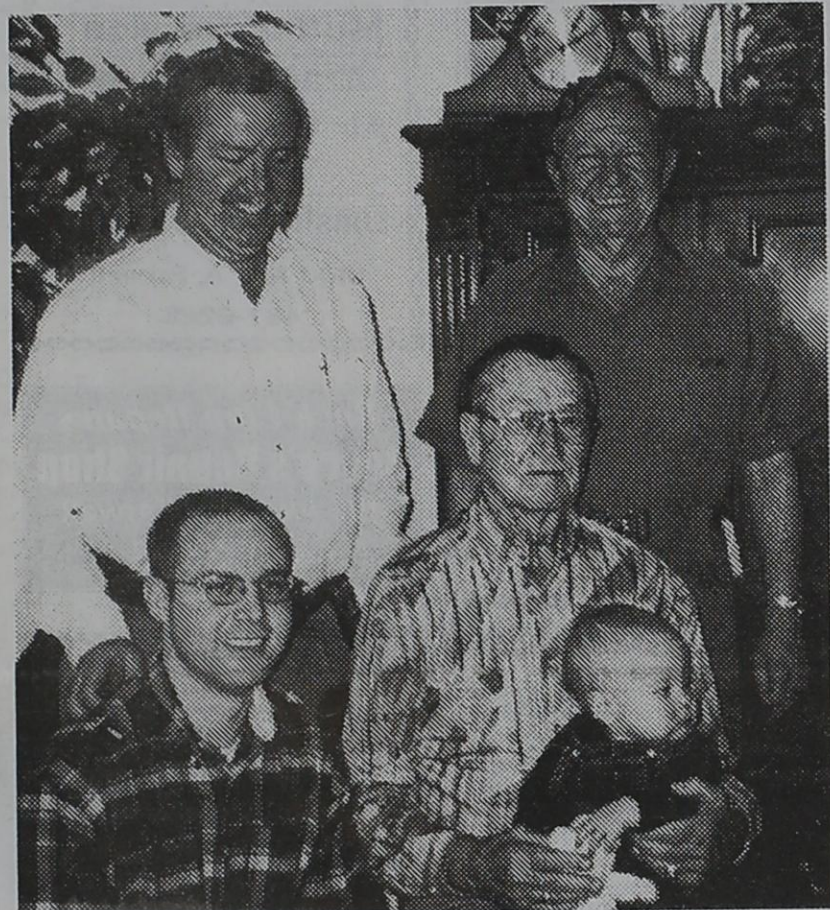
"The overpass was not programmed into the budget for New Mexico, but that is not to say that funds couldn't be gathered for the project," said Meeks.

The current New Mexico highway budget included the funds to repair the highway route through Texico. If it is decided upon by the Highway Commission to partner with Texas on the overpass, the state of New Mexico has until 2005 to get the funding for their half of the overpass cost.



New county deputies

Two new deputies have joined the Parmer County sheriff's office -- Wayne Gruben and Michael Howard. Gruben, left, has been the West Texas Gas representative in Farwell the past 1 1/2 years. Howard has been a Friona police officer for the past 7 years. Sheriff Randy Geris has not yet appointed a chief deputy.



Five generations

Five generations of the Byrd family recently had a get-together. Standing are Ronald Byrd, of Farwell, and his father, Bob Byrd, of Muleshoe. Sitting are Ronald's son, Chad Byrd, of Amarillo; Robert Byrd (Ronald's grandfather), of Clovis; and Chad's son, Mason.

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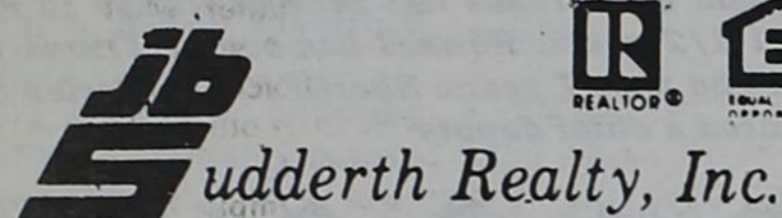
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JV Girls
 Farwell's JV girls beat Tulia, 43-25, on Tuesday. Scoring were Jaimie Diaz, 7; Hailey Grimes, 8; Chrystal Wolven, 2; Kyra Christian, 12; Khallie Foster, 5, and Chelsea Meyer, 9.

JV Boys
 Farwell's JV boys fell to Tulia in overtime on Tuesday, 56-50, Farwell is now 10-2 on the season. Scoring were Zac Schilling and Josh Curtis, 15 each; Carlos Garcia, 10; Jason Johnson, 2; Lonnie McFarland, 1; and Juan Sanchez, 7.

Varsity Boys
 The Steers are now 13-5 after whipping Tulia on Tuesday at home, 53-39. Scoring were Jeff Delgado, 2; Gage Gregory, 25; Fidel Ruiz and Derek Goettsch, 4 each; and Taylor Nichols, Tucker Crawford and Thomas Ortiz, 6 each.

The Steers won 2 and lost 1 in the Sundown Tournament

The Latest

Air Force Airman Tonya Barton has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio.

The 2000 Texico High graduate is the daughter of Jerry and Sandy Barton, of Texico.

On Dec. 17, the membership of the First Baptist Church of Texico voted full-time status to pastor Rob Hollis.

There was 100 percent affirmation.

Hollis had been serving as interim pastor since the resignation of Bob Brown, who went to Albuquerque.

Clay Corn (known professionally as Clayton Ryder) was in town for the holidays.

The son of Ed and Gwen Corn said he is opening a production studio in Nashville, his home base.

Steed-Todd Funeral Home reports that the body of Leo Gonzales, 42, of Farwell, has been sent by the medical investigator to Albuquerque for an autopsy.

He was found dead in a Clovis home on Jan. 1.

Scott Given is Friona's new police chief, replacing Randy Gerles, the new Parmer County sheriff.

last weekend. First, they beat Seagraves, 61-53, on Friday.

Scoring were Kolby Kimbrough, 2; Nichols and Ortiz, 6 each; Crawford, 11; Gregory, 20; Goettsch, 13; and Manuel Garcia, 3.

Then the Steers fell to Sudan, 54-37.

Scoring were Ruiz, 5; Nichols, 3; Crawford, 4; Ortiz, 2; Goettsch, 16, and Gregory, 7.

The Steers finished up with a romp over Morton, 75-57.

Scoring were Garcia, 3; Tyler Scott, 2; Gregory, 14; Ortiz, 11; Goettsch, 12; Crawford, 18; Nichols, 7; and Delgado and Ruiz, 4 each.

Varsity Girls

EPAC tourney on tap

The EPAC Tournament brackets have been announced. The tourney is set for Jan. 2-6 in Melrose and Portales.

The 8-1 Texico Lady Wolverines are seeded 2nd to 9-0 Elida.

Texico opens on Jan. 2 against House in the Melrose old gym. The winner then plays on Jan. 5 at 6:30 p.m. mt at ENMU.

The Texico JV girls, seeded 5th, also open on Jan. 2 against Melrose. The winner plays at 6:30 p.m. mt on Jan. 3 against Ft. Sumner in the Melrose new gym.

The girls' championship

The Lady Blue nipped Tulia on Tuesday, 41-39, to run their record to 10-8.

Scoring were Kacey Gast, 13; Brandi Bailey, 9; Tara Cargile, 4; Mindi Roberts, 3, and Jessica Chandler, 12.

The Lady Blue won 2 and lost 1 in the Sundown Tourney last weekend.

Farwell's Brandi Bailey was named to the All-Tourney team.

In the opener, Farwell fell to Whitharral, 40-36.

Scoring were Gast, 4; Cassie Street, 5; Cargile, 2; Chandler, 19, and Roberts, 6.

Then Farwell put away the Muleshoe JV, 50-31.

Scoring were Gast, 8; Lacey Actkinson, 7; Bailey, 15; Street, 4; Cargile, 2; Chandler,

game is set for 12:45 p.m. mt on Jan. 6 at ENMU.

On the boys' side, the Texico Wolverines, 9-0, are seeded 1st and the Texico JV Boys are seeded 5th.

The Wolverines open on Jan. 3 in the Melrose new gym against the winner of the Grady-Elida battle. The winner then plays at 4:45 p.m. mt on Jan. 5 at ENMU.

The Texico JV Boys open on Jan. 2 against Dora. The winner plays at 8:15 p.m. mt on Jan. 3 against Ft. Sumner in the Melrose new gym.

The boys title game will be played at 2:30 p.m. mt on Jan. 6 at ENMU.

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Meet Farwell's Class of 2013



Caitlyn Stancell is a Farwell kindergarten. Her birthday is Sept. 20.

Parents are Molly and Kyle Stancell. Siblings are Emily and Ethan. Grandparents are Richard and Nancy Miller, and Bennie & Carolyn Stancell.

She likes to ride her bike and help her dad with the cattle. She likes to eat corn on the cob, and likes the color pink. She doesn't like to lose her teeth or the devil.

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Big hats

A familiar sight at the Farwell basketball games is the student section with the big, blue hats.

Lazbuddie teams play

The Lazbuddie varsity basketball teams participated in the Silverton Hoot-Out Tourney last weekend.

The Longhorns lost in the consolation semi-final to Claude, 47-28. Cole St. Clair led Lazbuddie with 12 points.

Earlier, Lazbuddie fell to Hart, 62-59. Jake Loudder had a big game for the 'Horns, knocking down 23 points.

Meanwhile, the Lady Longhorns fell in the championship semi-final to Claude, 62-21. Laura Jo Via led Lazbuddie with 10 points.

Earlier, Lazbuddie was nipped by Cotton Center, 35-34. Via had 16 points to lead her team.

The Farwell ambulance transported a person on Jan. 1 from 602 3rd St. to Clovis hospital.

Farwell firemen helped on Dec. 26 with the highway roadblocks.

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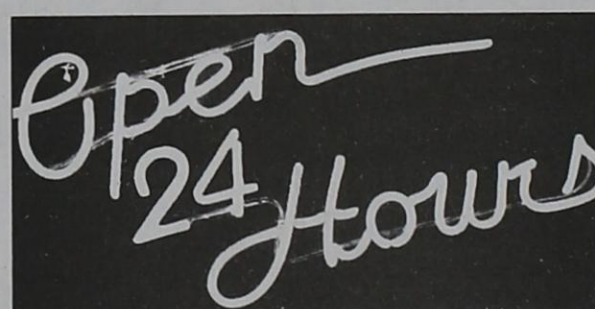
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Financial Focus

by Glen O'Rear

Retirement is expensive. You'll need to draw on all your economic resources, including social Security, your personal investments and your company-sponsored retirement plan, such as a 401(k).

You also may be contributing to an IRA. If you have a Roth IRA, your earnings grow totally tax-free, provided you meet certain conditions. If you have a traditional IRA, your earnings grown on a tax-deferred basis, and, depending on your level of income, your contributions may be tax-deductible.

Obviously, an IRA is a pretty good deal, but its ultimate success depends on the investment vehicles you choose to fund it with -- stocks, bonds, mutual funds and other securities. If you have a traditional IRA, you'll get the benefits of tax deferral, no matter what investments you select. However, some choices may appear better than others, from a tax standpoint.

For example, many people assume that it's to their advantage to put high-tax investments into their IRAs, thus reaping the maximum benefit from tax deferral. But what are "high-tax" investments?

Consider the difference between bonds and stocks. Bonds, or bond-based mutual funds, receive most of their returns in the form of income -- and ordinary income tax rates can be as high as 39.6 percent.

On the other hand, stocks, and stock-based mutual funds, get most of their return from capital appreciation -- and long-term capital gains are taxed at just 20 percent.

Initially, you might think that it's a better idea to put the higher-tax investments -- bonds and bond funds -- in your IRA, and leave the more "tax-efficient" investments -- stocks and stock funds -- in your regular account.

After all, when you put stocks in an IRA, any withdrawals you make will be subject to your ordinary income tax rate, which, even in retirement, may be substantially higher than the capital gains rate. So, why "throw away" the tax efficiency of stocks by sticking them in your IRA?

The answer can be found in one word: growth. You'll want your IRA to grow as much as possible for retirement. To achieve the greatest possible capital appreciation potential, you will need some exposure to stocks, which historically have outperformed all other assets -- corporate bonds, Treasury bills, CDs, etc.

So, look for a good mix of stocks, bonds and other assets, make regular contributions, and try to avoid early withdrawals. By following these few simple guidelines, you'll be able to make your IRA pay off for you when it's time to retire.



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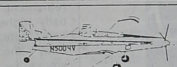
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