

Oh, Give Thanks?

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"Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever." (Psalm 136:1).

Well, maybe we should examine the facts before endorsing wholeheartedly the notion that we can give thanks to the Lord for the reason that His mercy is constant and enduring. Perhaps we will decide to omit the observance of Thanksgiving Day 2001.

Some might argue that recent events simply do not justify a day of thanksgiving. After all, we are a nation at war! The tragic events of Sept. 11 are etched indelibly in our minds. Those coordinated acts of terrorism which took the lives of some five thousand of our fellow human beings are fresh in our memory, and still painfully new in the hearts of the family members and friends of those who perished in those terrible attacks on America's homeland. Grief and fear and a host of other emotions have taken up residence in the collective psyche of our country. Can we, in the midst of all that, honestly give thanks to God?

It might be different, you know, if those who masterminded these attacks had already been rounded up and brought to justice. But we are far from accomplishing that, even though our best efforts, assisted by many nations around the world, are being made toward that end. Declaring victory in this war will likely be a long time in coming. Is it really a prudent thing to give thanks to the Lord while the enemy continues to menace us?

Anthrax and bioterrorism lurk within our borders. As of this writing, several people have lost their lives to the anthrax disease, and perhaps more will die from anthrax. Many others, who work in postal facilities or news media buildings or government offices contaminated by the anthrax spores, are receiving prophylactic courses of antibiotics. Special systems are being used to sanitize the mail of these infectious diseases. Oh, give thanks, you say?

Our nation's economy is well on its way into recession. The stock market was already limping before the Sept. 11 air attacks; a ripple effect of these tragedies is now felt in various sectors beyond airline travel and tourism. Rising unemployment figures are not encour-

aging. Neither are prices for the crops currently being harvested. Nor has the weather been agreeable for completing the harvest. Some might contend that present conditions call into question the statement in the above psalm verse: "for He is good." Others may be brave enough to speak out loud what they are thinking: if the Lord is good, then why is all this happening?

Rather than offer a pat answer, I invite you to listen instead to this word of God from Philippians 4: *Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.* Never be anxious! As a child of God through Jesus, you and I never have a reason to be anxious about what may happen or to brood over what has happened. Why not? Jesus explained in Matthew 6 that as the crown of God's creation, humanity is of great value to Him; if His care and providence are so detailed and extensive as to include the birds of the air and the flowers of the field, we can be assured that we are of far greater significance to our Creator and Preserver.

It is hard to be anxious when you are thanking God. If we review the cornucopia of blessings which God has already given us, both physical and spiritual, the evidence is overwhelming that our God loves us and is able to care for us. Even the believer who has the least of material possessions holds title to riches in heaven because of our Savior. The grace of free forgiveness is proof that our future is in good hands. So why worry?

A little later in the same chapter of this letter, the Apostle states: *"I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances."* Perhaps fear and worry stem from the fact that people -- at times, we, too -- live according to a different truism: *"I have learned to be discontent whatever the circumstances."* You and I can always discover something in our circumstances about which to complain. If we choose to base our happiness on circumstances, we will likely be unhappy much of the time. Hence the pondering whether or not to give thanks!

Followers of Jesus Christ are content because we have a loving Savior who promises to take care of all



our needs. Paul's God has allowed him to go without many things. In his various letters, Paul recounts some of his sufferings. But he had learned not to judge the power and love of God by what happens in

his life. Rather, we judge the power and love of God by what happened in the life of our Savior, Jesus, who lived the perfect life for us and who died on the cross in payment for our sin. The secret to being content is not *what* we have but *whom* we have: Jesus Christ. True contentment comes only through trust that Jesus loved me enough to die for me, that he lives, and that he will continue to care for me in every situation. God will use the riches Jesus has won for us to fill us with peace, faith, contentment, joy and trust. And for the sake of the riches Jesus earned on the cross, God will take care of our physical needs as well.

Oh, give thanks? Yes! Thank the Giver of all good things for His saving us in Christ. Thank Him for His enduring love, and understand that His love for us does not depend on the particular circumstances of daily life. The Lord is good, even if our frail senses do not always perceive His good and gracious presence in the midst of turmoil or difficulty. For Christ's sake, God's mercy *does* endure forever, so that you and I can be forever thankful!

Lazbuddie FFA PR team takes 1st at area

Lazbuddie High's FFA public relations team is heading to state.

The team -- Shannon Redwine, Tobin Redwine, Jodie Coker -- took 1st place at the area contest at Clarendon last weekend.

The state contest will be at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville on Dec. 1.

Other Lazbuddie results at area were:

-- The senior quiz team of Wayne Terry, Suzanne Mason, Kelli Harris and Andy Martin, took 8th.

-- The junior quiz team of Brett Mimms, Mandy Haney, Chris DeLeon and Melanie Winders, took 2nd.

-- Tobin Redwine took 8th place individual in senior creed speaking.

Lazbuddie vies at state

Lazbuddie's robotics team competed at state last weekend against 49 teams from seven states.

Sponsor Debbie Weir reports that Lazbuddie came in 24th place for "Best Team" and was 35th in the robot race.



Richards signs

Texico High's Elizabeth Richards, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R.L. Richards, has signed a letter of intent to play basketball at Eastern New Mexico University.



Mike Camp, manager of Town & Country Insurance, left, presents the check for winning the 2001 Area Merchants Football Contest to Kirk Saul. Town & Country is one of the contest sponsors.

Wolverines are state runnerup

The Texico Wolverines finished the football campaign as the state Class 2A runnerup, after falling to the Ft. Sumner Foxes, 26-0, last Friday here on a muddy field.

Ft. Sumner boasted a running back with lightning speed, who spearheaded their running attack. And turnovers hurt the Wolverine offense.

Texico started at its 20. After Adrian Loera gained 9 yards on two carries, Texico lost a fumble. Bryce Bailey and Joe Zaikowski combined on a nice tackle. But Ft. Sumner scored on a 28-yard end run at 10:04. The kick made it 7-0.

Johnny Serrano took a short kickoff to midfield. Marcos Loera hit Adrian Loera with a short pass, but Texico had to punt. Toby Thornton tackled the returner at the Ft. Sumner 20. Bailey had a tackle for a loss. Marcos Loera intercepted a Fox pass at midfield.

Adrian Loera, who was the workhorse for Texico during the game, gained a first down on three carries. But Ft. Sumner intercepted at its 20.

On defense, Johnny Soliz had a good tackle. Then Ft. Sumner ripped off a big gain, with Braden Vaughan on the tackle. Ft. Sumner went for it on 4th and 5 but was stopped short at the Wolverine 31 to end the 1st quarter.

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Lady Spikers dominate Class 2A All-State Team

Texico's Lady Spikers dominated the Class AA All-State Team:

1st team: Jennifer Roberts, setter; Megan Brown, defensive specialist, and Elizabeth Richards, outside hitter.

2nd team: Michele Littlejohn, outside hitter.

Honorable mention: Ashlie Loven, middle blocker; and Dru Mayfield, outside hitter.

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Saul comes from behind to win overall contest

Gordon Waldrop wins 12th contest

Talk about a tough football contest! Last week's scores were ultra low with upsets galore, but one of the hundreds of entrants managed to pick 11 games correctly to win the first place prize.

Gordon Waldrop won the \$15, just missing one game.

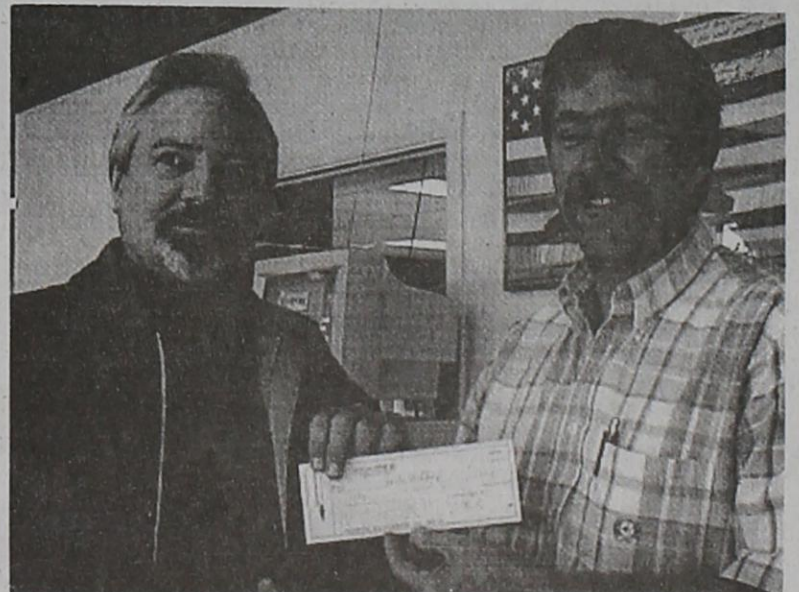
Four contestants had 10 games picked correctly. By virtue of being closest off the tie breaker (Ft. Sumner 26, Texico 0), the \$7.50 second place cash prize went to Janis Gast. She was 12 off the tie breaker.

The others, with their totals off the tie breaker, were Jorge Madrigal, 33; Andria Griswold, 31, and Cindy Cargile, 34.

With 9 games picked right were:

Tucker Crawford, Darrell Crook, Kason Gabriel, Gage Gregory, Peggy Goettsch, Ray Stanley, Steve Jaime, Carolyn Johnson, Ysleta Kittrell, Shirley Steinbock, Kathryn Scott and Scott Hicks.

Results of last week's games were:



Gordon Waldrop, left, receives his check for winning last week's football contest from Mike Littlefield, a salesman with Hamilton Big Country Ford, one of the contest sponsors.

Stinnett West Texas over Friona, Muleshoe over Childress, Georgia over Mississippi, Washington over Washington State, Alabama over Auburn, Iowa over Minnesota, Florida over Florida State, Philadelphia over Dallas, Cleveland over Baltimore, Chicago over Tampa Bay, NY Jets over Miami, and New Orleans over Indianapolis.

Last week's contest marked the finish of the 12 weeks with the overall grand champion receiving the Dallas Cowboys ticket package.

This consisted of \$50 in cash, two tickets to the Cowboys -- NY Giants game in Texas Stadium, overnight lodging for two at a Dallas hotel, and other goodies.

The winner of this
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Contest

year's contest is Kirk Saul -- in the closest contest ever. He had 7 right last week to win.

Saul had led at the 6-week mark in the contest, but had fallen behind after that. But he picked the right time to regain the lead!

Saul won with 95 points. That means he averaged 8.5 right per week (this was an 11-week contest since one week was cancelled due to the terrorist attack). Last year's winner averaged 8.3.

Four entrants finished

Obituaries

Guadalupe Muniz

Graveside services were Monday for Guadalupe Muniz, 85, of Seminole, at the Sudan Cemetery with Rev. Joe Augustine officiating.

She died Nov. 16. She was born July 9, 1916, in Penitas. She married Gilberto Muniz Sr. on April 9, 1930, in Edinburg. He died Sept. 12, 1994. She was a homemaker and a Catholic.

Preceding her in death was a son, Gilbert, on April 17, 2001.

Surviving are 2 sons, Santiago, of Houston, and Casimiro, of Farwell; 6 daughters, Santos Muniz, of Muleshoe; Guadalupe Soto, of Everson, Wash.; Juana Macias and San Juana Muniz, both of Seminole; Margareto Muniz, of Sudan, and Concha Gonzales, of Houston; a sister, Trinidad Munguia, of San Carlos; 67 grandchildren, and numerous great- and great-grandchildren.

just one point behind, at 94: Steve Foster, Weldon Killough, Darren Haseloff and Steve Scott.

Foster had the lead going into the final week but managed only 5 right. Killough and Haseloff had 6 right, and Scott 7.

Thus, here's how the final leader board looked:

- 95-- Saul.
- 94 -- Scott, Killough, Foster, Haseloff.
- 93 -- T.J. Kittrell, Glynn Martin.
- 92 -- Dick Pylant, Mark Owen.
- 91 -- Lonnie C. McFarland, Ryan Williams.

90-- Crista Bass, Gage Gregory, Jack Kirkland, Rusty McFarland, Valda Walls.

89-- Rowdy Chandler, Jeff Delgado, Ysleta Kittrell, Ramiro Martinez, Thomas Ortiz.

All results from this year's football contest are available during regular business hours at the Tribune if anyone would like to see them.

Lazbuddie teams win

The Lazbuddie varsity teams continued their winning ways on Friday.

The Lady 'Horns are 2-0 after wiping out Wilson, 70-16.

Top scorers were Kayla Kimbrough, 20; Savannah Black, 12; Shawnee Nichols and Amanda Martinez, 10 each.

The boys opened their season with a 55-45 win over Wilson.

Top scorers were Jake Louder, 16, and Aaron Marks, 12.

Wolverines

Ft. Sumner recovered a fumble at the Texico 24. Danny Loper had a good tackle. A 4th and 14 pass failed and Texico took over. Texico was held and punted to the Ft. Sumner 36. Adrian Loera had a good tackle, and the Foxes punted. Tyrell Garrett returned the punt 45 yards but it was called back due to penalty. Texico was held and punted.

On defense, Joe Zaikowski, Vaughan and Garrett had good tackles. The Texico "gang tackling" was strong throughout the contest. The Foxes were held and punted

to midfield with 1:53 left in the half.

Adrian Loera ran for 12, then for 8 more. Anthon Askew gained another first down. But 3 passes failed and Ft. Sumner took over at its 30. Adrian Loera intercepted at midfield and returned it to the Ft. Sumner 37.

Adrian Loera then ripped off a 25-yard run to the 1 with 12 seconds left. Ft. Sumner intercepted in the end zone as time ran out, but a pass interference call gave Texico a second chance. Alas, another pass also was intercepted in the end zone to end the half.

In the second half, Ft. Sumner started at its 29. The scored at 8:53 on a 42-yard TD run. The kick made it 14-0.

Texico started at its 20. They were held in check and punted to midfield. A tackle-breaking run by Ft. Sumner at 4:29 resulted in a 31-yard TD. The pass for extra points was intercepted by Adrian Loera and it was 20-0.

Adrian Loera returned the kick 28 yards to the Texico 40. Marcos Loera hit Adrian Loera with a 12-yard pass. But three passes failed and Texico punted to the Foxes 7. Joe Zaikowski had a good tackle. But Ft. Sumner moved the ball on the ground well as the 3rd quarter ended.

On defense still, Johnny Soliz had a good tackle. The Foxes drive stalled at the Texico 42 and they punted to the 12. Texico couldn't move and punted to midfield. Serrano recovered a fumble at the Texico 20. But Ft. Sumner intercepted and ran it back 25 yards for a TD at 6:53. The kick was wide and it was 26-0.

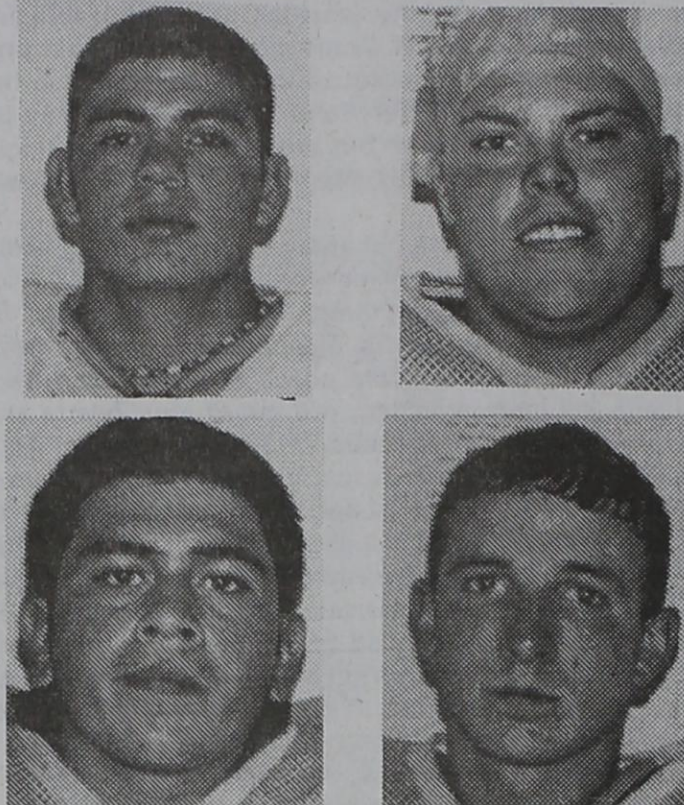
Tony Clements returned the kick to the Texico 25. Three passes failed and Texico punted. Kyle Duncan and Vaughan combined on a good stop. Thornton recovered a fumble near midfield.

Adrian Loera ran for 9 but Texico was stopped on a 4th down pass play. The Foxes then "took a knee" to run out the clock.

Team stats: 1st downs, Texico 7, FS 15; rushing yards, Texico, 32 for 82, FS 53 for 299; passing yards, Texico 3 of 21 for 20, FS 2 of 7 for -2; punting average, Texico 7 for 35, FS 3 for 39; and penalties, Texico 4 for 40, FS 8 for 62.

Adrian Loera led in rusing for Texico with 81 yards on 16 carries. For Fort Sumner, Fikany gained 196 yards on 22 carries.

Wolverines of the Week



Coach Prokop named as Wolverines of the Week for their play against Ft. Sumner: top row from left, offense, Marcos Loera and Ross Prokop; bottom row from left, defense, Johnny Soliz and Tyrrell Garrett.

Hampton wins

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Taylor Mesman

I'm thankful for my mom because she will do anything for me; for my grandpa and grandma because they love me and take care of me; for my sister because she takes care of me when my grandmas are not here; for my nieces Crystal, Clara and Carina because they keep me busy; for my nephew Romeo because he likes me; for my shelter because it keeps me out of the rain and snow and because it keeps me warm; for the soldiers who take care of our country; for our water because most countries don't have clean water and can't drink it like we do; and for our freedom because we can do almost anything that we want to like being able to have our own religion.

Mikaela Cenicerros

I'm thankful for my family for all they have done for me; and for the school and teachers -- if they were not here, who would help us with math or writing or even reading? I am thankful for my cousin Terry Lovelady because he is in the army. I'm also thankful for the state of Texas -- if we did not have a state where would we live?

Stevie Jo Williams

I'm thankful for my grandma because she brought my mom into this world and because she was once in my life; for my mom because she takes care of me and we have lots of fun together; for God and Jesus because they brought everything in this world and they made world peace; for the Holy Bible because it guides me; for my brother because he is sweet, loving, caring and is fun to play with; for my step-dad because he provides food for us and he makes my mom very happy; for my real dad because he is really nice to me and because he loves me very much; and for all the teachers in the United States because they teach us good things about God and Jesus and other good things.

Bobbie

I'm thankful for my family because I don't know what I would do without them. They are the best family in the world and they are very supportive in whatever I do. I'm also thankful for the United States army because they are trying to keep our freedom; for the new technology because if we didn't have it would be very hard to live; for my house because it provides protection for me; for animals because if we didn't have them we would all be vegetarians; for school because if we didn't have it, we could not learn; for my grandparents because they love me and they are there for me all the time; and for my brothers because they protect me from mean people.

Bo Mitchell

I'm thankful for all the men that are going to Afghanistan because I don't want them to bomb us again; for our freedom and that we can do what we want; for my mom and dad because they provide me with what I need; for the great learning system that my school gives us; for all that God gives us in our lives; for all the good people in the U.S.; for the transport system; for our hopes and dreams that we have every day; for

the computers that give us news that happens every week; for our forefathers and all the English colonists that were here a long time ago, and for all that government will do for us.

Cameron Kirkland

I'm thankful for my country because the U.S.A. is a free country; for God because He made the world and everybody on it, and for my mom and dad because they brought me into this world.

Patrick Phillips

I'm thankful for my grandpa because he is special to me in various ways; for my two pigs because they give me a big responsibility; for my friends because they are there for me; for my family because they care for me; for living in such a great country because of the privileges we have; for the great education we have; for the food we eat and water we drink; for my own religion; for my home, and what I am most thankful for is God because He brought everyone and everything into this world.

Emilio Loera

I'm thankful for my playful puppy because if I didn't have him I would be bored all the time; for my grandma -- if I didn't have a grandma, my mom wouldn't be in the world; for my mom who put me in this world and provides me with whatever is needed. I am most thankful for God and Jesus for putting peace in this world and for putting everything in this world that is here right now; for the technology we have today because without it I wouldn't know how to live, and for my house because my family would have to sleep on the road without it.

Jacob Neudorf

I'm thankful for food so I can eat; thankful for love because kids in Afghanistan get love but not that much and I get a lot of love; thankful for water to drink because Afghanistan people don't have clean water. They have muddy water to drink and bathe in. I'm thankful for friends that like me; for the right to go to school because girls in Afghanistan can't go to

school. I'm also thankful for my sister so I'll have someone to play with and whom I love very much. Finally, I'm thankful for Jesus and close neighbors because Jesus gave us close neighbors for a very good reason -- if you have a fire in your house you can go to your neighbors and ask them if you could borrow their phone and call 911.

Tabitha Wallin

Sometimes we get so tied up in ourselves and activities that the word "thank you" doesn't come out of our mouths very often. I am mostly thankful for God. I know when I have hard times I can look to Him for help. Next, I am thankful for my family. They have always been there and supported me in whatever I was doing. I am also thankful for my friends. I know I can rely on them to get me through things.

Tanner Allen

I'm thankful for God for one, because without Him we would not be here right now. I'm also thankful for life because none of us would be here on this earth without life. I'm also thankful for friends because we all need to have friends. The last thing I'm thankful for is my loving, caring family because my family will still love me even if I do something wrong.


Benjamin Rivera

I'm most thankful for my family because some don't have a family. We go out and eat sometimes as a family, and go on vacations together in the summer. I'm thankful for my house because some don't have a home to live in; and we have air conditioning when we're hot, and heaters when we're cold. My mother and father would do anything in the world for me. If I didn't have my two brothers I would be bored stiff; we fight galore. I'm thankful for the food put on the table for us because some don't have food and die because of starvation. Where I live is very safe and I don't get scared. Also, if I want a friend over, I just have to call and they come over and usually they live pretty close.

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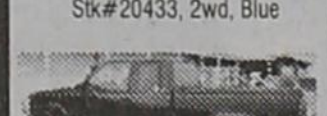

















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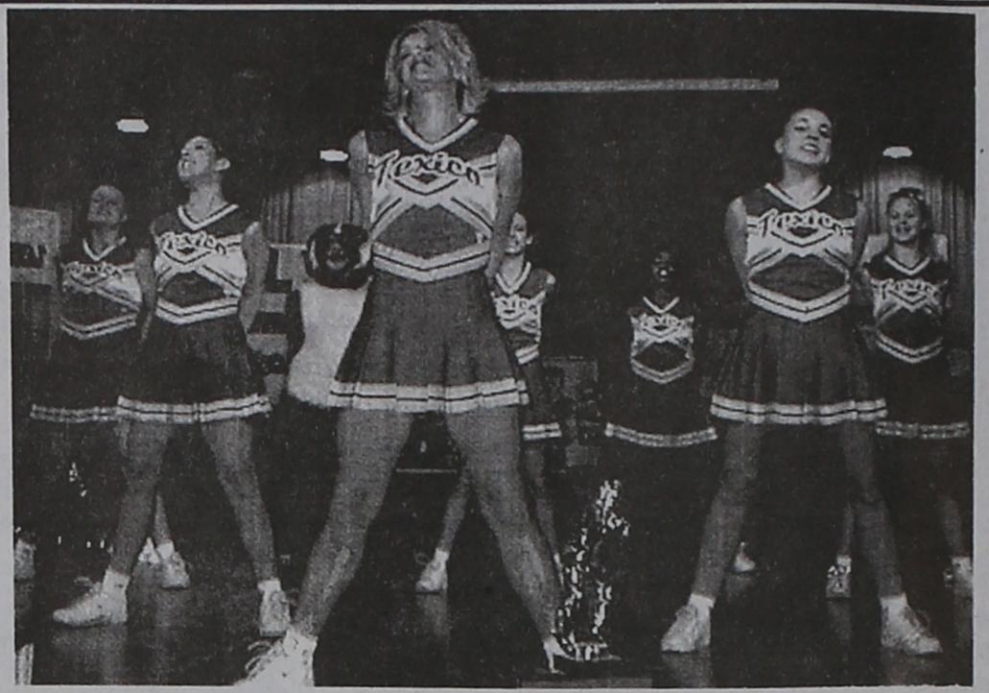
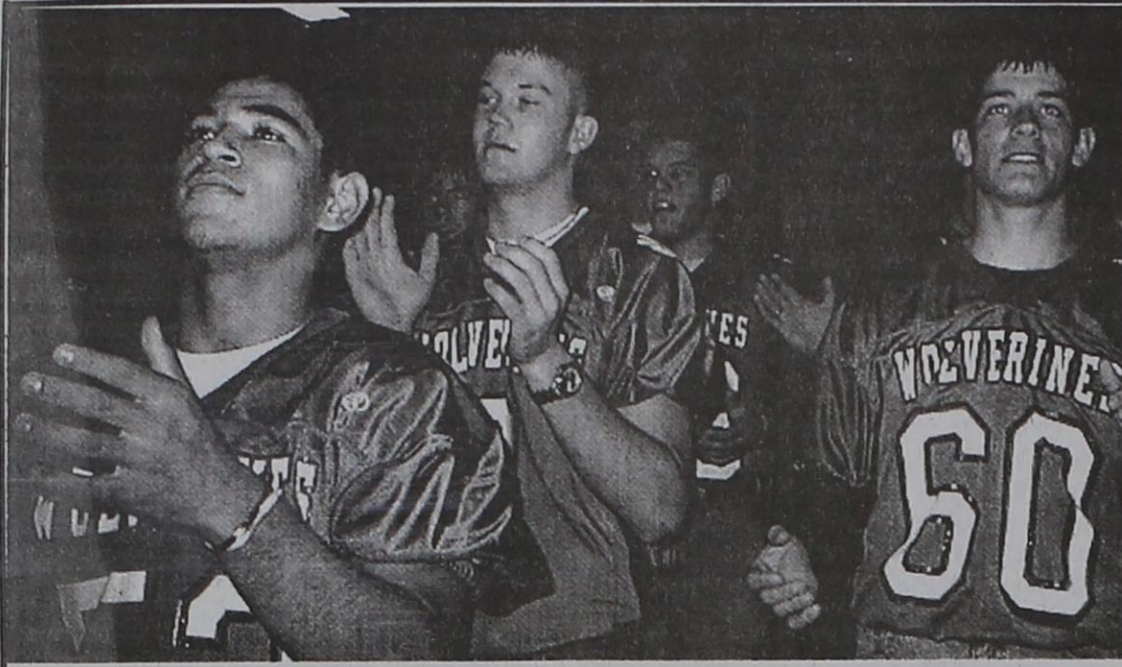
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Pep Rally

It was Pep Rally time last Friday before the Texico Wolverines state title game. And the state champion Lady Spikers were honored, too.

FJH students treated to lunch

On Nov. 14, Farwell Junior High students who met 150 percent of their Accelerated Reading goal were treated to lunch -- hot dogs from Wienerschnitzel, chips and cookies.

Students involved were Logan Carpenter, Shelby Christian, Dalton Cockerham, Bryce Howard, Roper Ledbetter, Daniel Morrow, Kamarie Schmidt, Aaron Walterscheid, Maria Rodriguez, Jasmine Garcia, Emanuel Pereda, Matt Barnes, Hayley Fowler, Courtney Marmon, Crystal Garcia, Brett Howard, Jourdan Kirkland, Hailey McIntosh, Jessica Phillips, Ashley Dixon, David Hernandez, Kary Mathys, Jon Beaubien, Selene Delgado, Azucena Gonzales, Zane Johnson, Veronica Schmidt, Justin Ware, Bailey Warren and Alisha Wauson.



Sheriff's Report

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

On Nov. 10, Angela Cappa, 27, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of theft by check. The case is pending in county court.

On Nov. 14, Stacey Rodgers, 28, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of theft by check. The case is pending in county court.

On Nov. 15, Alfredo Andino, 33, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of public intoxication. The case is pending before the Justice of the Peace.

On Nov. 14, Robbie Johnson, 20, of Farwell, was arrested by Bovina police on a charge of forgery. The case is pending before the grand jury.

On Nov. 17, Destiny Coleman, 24, of Amarillo, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a warrant out of Potter County.

On Nov. 17, Christopher Morasch, 20, of Lake Arthur, N.M., was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of possession of marijuana. The case is pending in county court.

On Nov. 17, Brie Barth, 25, of Clovis, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of theft. The case is pending before the grand jury.

On Nov. 16, Chuck Mills, 19, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of possession of marijuana. The case is pending in county court.

On Nov. 13, Kevin Dixon, 38, of Farwell, was arrested by Farwell police on a charge of indency with a child. The case is pending before the grand jury.

In 287th District Court on Nov. 13, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

-- Roberto Montelongo Gurrola, 34, of Dexter, N.M., charged with possession of a controlled substance (cocaine), was sentenced to a state jail facility for 180 days to 2 years, probated for 18 months; \$292 court cost; \$700 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$140 restitution; 80 hours community service, loss of driver's license for 18 months, and obtain substance abuse counseling at own expense.

Farwell Junior High honor rolls announced

The 2nd six weeks honor rolls at Farwell Junior High School have been announced:

6th grade - Shelby Christian, Bryce Howard, Roper Ledbetter, Maria Rodriguez, Karli Schilling, Brian Meeks.

7th grade - Jourdan Kirkland, Hailey McIntosh, Sarah Herington, Dan Patterson, Amanda Martin, Tyler Vandiver, Garre Treadway, Matt Barnes, Brett Howard, Derrick Chandler.

8th grade - Yvonne Favila, Logan McFarland, Jon Beaubien, Ty Gast,

Alisha Wauson, Kari Schilling, Luis Olmos, Johnny Neudorf, Sandra Saenz.

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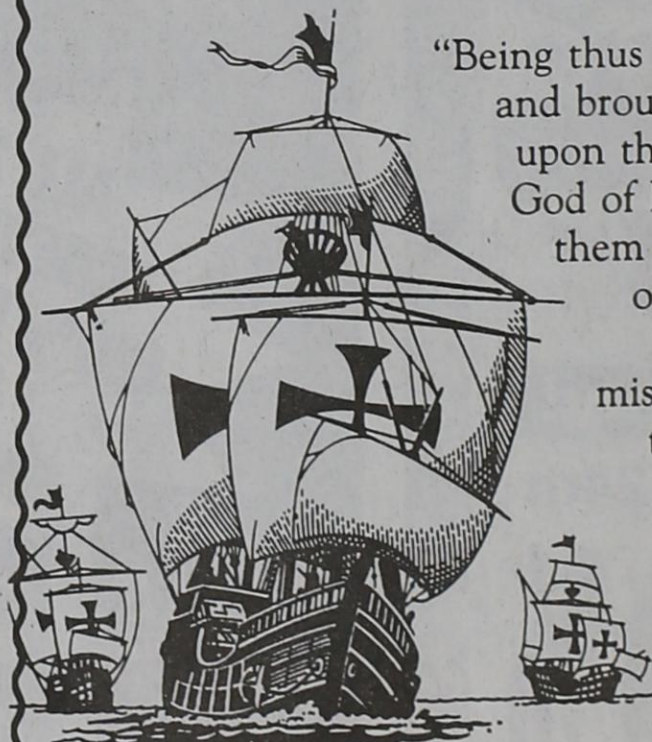
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<p>First Baptist Church of Farwell Richard Laverty - minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. - Prayer meeting 7 p.m. Wed. - mission aux., 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Jim Peabody - minister Sunday School - 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>Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church 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>Lariat Church of Christ 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>San Jose Catholic Church, Texico Sunday Mass - Noon mt Religious Education - 1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Community Meal - 1:15 p.m.</p>	<p>St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.</p>
<p>New Light Baptist Church 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>Farwell Church of Christ Loy Hardesty - 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.</p>	<p>Assembly of God Church, Texico 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>

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Serna paces 7th grade girls

8th Boys
 Texico's 8th grade boys lost to Marshall, 45-33.
 Scoring were Curtis Williams, 4; Logan Potts, 8; Ricky Burns, 6; Aaron Vaughan, 19; and Carlos Meza, 7.

 Texico fell to Bovina, 28-24.
 Scoring were Williams, 2; Vaughan, 7; Potts, 9; Burns, 2. Bobby Bentley, 3; and Meza, 1.

 The Texico boys lost to Marshall, 48-27.
 Scoring were Williams, 5; Vaughan, 8; L. J. Jenkins, 5; Burns, 2; Zane Anderson, 1; Potts, 7.
7th Boys
 Texico's 7th grade boys beat Yucca, 40-27.
 Scoring were Sterling Bowers, 2; Blain Bradley, 6; Adam Engram, 2; Justin Garrison, 5; Buddy Jorde, 2; Ruben Lindley, 7; Ethan McDaniel, 1; Michael Reid, 16; Wacey Williams, 3.

 Texico lost to Portales, 23-16.
 Scoring were Lindley, 8; Reid, 6; and Justin Garrison, 2.

 Texico fell to Gattis, 50-11.
 Scoring were Bradley, 4; Lindley, 5, and Reid, 2.
8th Girls
 Texico's 8th grade girls fell to Yucca, 45-37.
 Scoring were Karlee Johnson and Lori Richardson, 2 each; Erika Autrey, 9; Sarah Johnson, 12; Lacy Price, 6, and Jessica Harris, 4.

 Texico nipped Bovina, 29-28. Scoring were: Cassie Smith and Skyla Cockerham, 1 each;

Autrey, 10; Mollie Peterson, 4; Richardson, 5; Johnson, 6, and Harris, 2.

 Texico whipped Portales "B", 34-12. Scoring were:
 Smith, 6; Taryn Allen, 3; Autrey, 8; Peterson and Richardson, 4 each; Johnson, 5; and Price and Krystal Williams, 2 each.
7th Girls
 The Texico 7th grade girls opened their season by blasting Yucca "B", 39-19. Scoring were:
 Kalee Hatcher, 4; Bethany Hutton, Zandi Queener and Claudia Chavez, 2 each; Anjelica Serna, 17, and Leslie Vannatta, 12.

 Texico lost to Portales, 47-20. Scoring were: Queener, 2; Serna, 10, and Vannatta, 8.

Portales "B" tipped Texico, 25-23. Scoring: Hatcher, Hutton and Vannatta, 2 each; Queener, 4, and Serna, 13.
Texico service station to re-open
 Michael Hall, of Texico, will be reopening the Wheeler Avenue service station (across from Citizens Bank's Texico branch) very soon, Hal Helton reports.
 He will offer mechanical work, too.

Jack Patterson nominated for honor

The 13th Annual State Conference of Texas Crime Stoppers was held recently in Abilene, Texas. Attending from Parmer County Crime Stoppers were Jack and Ona Patterson, Wayne and Deanna Gruben and Martin and Frances Kube. The training programs included sessions on Gangs, Drug Awareness for Board Members, Crimestoppers on the Internet, Auto Theft/Senior Fraud, Grand Juries and Indictments, and Campus Crime Stoppers. The banquet keynote speaker was Judge Ted Poe of Houston. Judge Poe is well-known nationally for his 'shame sentencing' of lawbreakers. Also, a very inspiring talk was given by Sharon D'Eusania of Florida, who survived a brutal and horrifying attack. She is blind as a result. Jack Patterson had the honor of receiving a nomination for the Board Member of the Year Award.

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Lindsea Peterson

I'm thankful for all my family because they have been so generous to me and my brother. Then I'm thankful for my friends because they make me feel good. Mostly, I am thankful for my parents because they have done a lot of neat things for me.
Chance Bussey

I'm thankful for my family and grandparents because they help me and they give me stuff and they love me very much. I'm thankful for my friends because I can have someone to talk with and play with. I am thankful for my pets because I can play with them and I can cuddle up with them.
Donald Lovelady

I'm thankful for my family because I love them. Melissa has blonde hair and blue eyes and she's 16. Rachel is 13 and has red hair and brown eyes. Emily is 3 and has blonde hair and blue eyes. Mom is 42 and has green eyes and brown hair. David is 40 and has blonde hair and blue eyes. He is a policeman. All my family are special. I'm the luckiest girl to be a part of my family.
Laura Gilbreath

I'm thankful for my family because they love me and they are nice to me. I'm thankful for the trees because if there were no trees, we couldn't breathe. I'm thankful for God because He gave us life.
Anette Monarrez

I'm thankful for my family because they take care of me. I'm thankful for having a home to live in. I'm thankful for God because He takes care of all the children in the world. I'm thankful for my teachers because they teach me things. The most important thing I am thankful for is my pet cat, Smoky.
Adrian Cabral

I'm thankful for freedom, a house, a right to have my own God, enough food to keep me in great health, and a caring, loving family. I think freedom is very important so we can make our own choices, some of our choices are right and wrong. I am very thankful for a caring, loving family who has enough money to buy food. I am thankful for a God who watches over me and helps me make the right decisions.
Amanda Bass

I'm thankful for my mom, dad, and the earth. If I did not have a mom, I would not be alive right now. If I did not have a dad, I would not get to work with him. If I did not have an earth, I will not be writing this thankful letter to all of you.
Mario Posada

To begin with, I am thankful to be alive. Most children in Afghanistan die young. I'm also thankful to have parents that love me and care enough about to feed me good meals every day, and teachers that care, also. The thing I am thankful for the most is having a family that I can go home to and love. Some Afghan children have no family to go home to.
Delilah Robbs

I am thankful for my family because they always have time for me. I'm thankful for my friends who always play with me. I'm thankful for my home because I feel safe there. Finally, I

am thankful for football because I can watch it and play it with my friends.
Luis Estrada

On thing I am most thankful for is a loving family to keep me safe. Another thing I am most grateful for is to be able to go to church, read the Bible, and learn about God. I'm thankful for this because God is our Lord. I am also thankful for a safe home and food because those are things I need. I am really happy to be able to go to school and have loving teachers and friends because girls in Afghanistan can't go to school. I love having these things and I am very grateful for them.
Braeden Hadley

I'm thankful for each and every day of my life. I'm thankful that the Lord died for us and I'm thankful that He helps me make my good grades and helps us when we have an illness. I'm thankful that the Lord helps us through the days that are tough, like Sept. 11. If He didn't help us, we wouldn't make it. I'm glad my country has united and loves one another. I'm so thankful because I wouldn't want to live in a country like Afghanistan whose people don't love one another. I'm grateful for my country's freedom. Some countries have to do what their leader tells them to do. I am very happy to have friends that care about me. I'm also thankful to have a wonderful and loving family. Without my friends, my family, my country and God, I would be lost.
Shelby Queener

I am thankful for my dad because I love him; for food because if I didn't have food I would die; for my mom because I love her; for my brothers because they help me and we have fun together; and for teachers because they teach us.
Danielle Bentley

One thing I am thankful for is basketball because it is fun to do. I'm thankful for Christmas because I get stuff. I am most thankful for God because He made us. I'm also thankful for friends because they are nice to have. Finally, I'm thankful for my teacher because she teaches me stuff.
Jordan Broome

One of the most important things to me is Jesus. He died for our sake. God gave Him up and He rose from the dead. I am also thankful for my family because they are always there for me; my teachers because they teach me and I get an education; for my house because it keeps me warm and safe; for my sister because she helps me; for being an American be-

cause I am free.
Jaryse Harris

I'm thankful for my family because they a part of me; for my teacher at Texico Elementary because she teaches me to do things; for my friends because they talk and play with me; for my mom and dad for providing a home and some food and nice clothes. I'm also thankful for the wonderful holidays that we share with our families.
Jerrica Reid

I am thankful for sports because they are fun; for food because I might not be here; for a house to live in because I would live somewhere I did not want to; for money because I would not have anything; and for my mom and dad because I would not be here on earth.
Amanda Graham

I'm thankful for the Lord who put us in this beautiful place where there is freedom; for my family because I wouldn't have a beautiful home; for Jesus because He helps get their food; for the animals, the trees and flowers because without these things this world would be plain; and for the sun because if there was no sun, we would not see a thing.
Mark Rivera

I'm thankful for mom and dad because without them I would be here; for my friends because without them I would play with no one; for my teachers because without them we would learn; for my house because without it we would live on the streets; for my sisters because without them you would have no one to help you; and for my grandma because she buys me clothes.
Nathaniel Chavez

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Landon White

I'm thankful for being with my family during Thanksgiving - they are very special to me; for my friends, too. I'm thankful for my teachers Mrs. Boyd and Mrs. Hodnett for teaching me to learn and spell. I'm thankful for my UIL teacher, Mrs. Thomson, for teaching me how to use the dictionary and helping the other teammates, too. I'm thankful for Mrs. Curtis for teaching me how to type home row.
Kayla Sanders

I'm thankful for my parents, brothers, sisters and the rest of my family. Thanksgiving is the time of year when you give thanks. We usually go to my grandma's house and eat turkey and all that good stuff. When we go to my grandma's house, I usually play pool and that's all I do.
Johnathan Edwards

I'm thankful for being with my family during Thanksgiving. They are special to me and are there whenever I need them. This holiday is special to me because I get to see my whole family. I get to visit with my family and have a great time. I am thankful for my teachers Mrs. Boyd and Mrs. Hodnett - they are great.
Trevor Owen

Thanksgiving means to me a lot, like the first Thanksgiving that I spent in the United States. That day of my life, I felt so bad because it was just my mom and me for Thanksgiving. The other members of my family were in Mexico. Thanksgiving is about family and friends. My family, friends and I eat turkey and a lot of things that taste very good. I'm thankful for my family and friends and also for all the people that love me. Thank you, friends.
Diana V.A.C.

Thanksgiving is a time of eating and games. My favorite thing to eat on Thanksgiving is my grandma's homemade turkey. After we are through eating, my grandma, great-grandma and I play cards. I usually don't win but that is all right because I know I will have fun. Thanksgiving is my favorite holiday other than Easter. But I really like Thanksgiving.
Brody Grimes

I'm thankful for Thanksgiving because of peace from the Native Americans and the Englishmen. Thanksgiving's feast means a lot to me because my family gets together and has the best turkey I've ever tasted. This holiday represents friends. On this holiday, I travel from my house to my relatives. When I go visit my relatives, we usually eat turkey and ham. When it is time to go, we give our relatives hugs and we say goodbye. Usually, we have a great holiday.
Jackson Klingensmith

I'm thankful for family and God because without Him I wouldn't know what Thanksgiving is. On Thanksgiving, I eat turkey dressing and potato salad and pumpkin pie. Thanksgiving is a special holiday because the pilgrims brought Thanksgiving to America. I'm thankful for not being alone.
Mariah Brooks

I'm grateful for my family, friends, teachers and most of all I'm thankful for God because He died for me and everyone else and arose again. I also thank my Aunt Hoppi and Uncle Chachi for teaching me about Jesus. Also, Thanksgiving is a blessing to me because my whole family is there when I need them and that is a blessing to me and it will always be.
Sarah Castillo

To me, Thanksgiving is about family getting together, hav-

ing fun and having a family meal. The best thing about Thanksgiving is when you get to see people in your family that you haven't seen in a long time. My family always does a special thing on Thanksgiving. We always have my great-grandfather say thanks. My favorite thing to do on Thanksgiving is after we eat, go and play games such as cards, checkers and jump on the trampoline. I love my grandma's homemade ham and rools - they are delicious. One time when my grandma made rolls they were as hard as rocks. The best thing to eat after the turkey is homemade cake, especially chocolate cake.
Amanda Myers

Thanksgiving is a wonderful holiday, not only because of the food but because my family comes together and catches up on what's going on in a life. During Thanksgiving, my family goes to my grandma's house. Before we eat, we enjoy an awesome game of baseball, kickball and basketball. Each of us brings a tasty dish to share. Once we are all there, we say what we are thankful for and begin to dig in. I take the main dish first, then sneak in for dessert. Later in the evening, we are all exhausted and watch the football game. Once it gets late, we pick up and everyone leaves.
Nina Star Galvan

I am thankful for my mom because she cares about me; for my grandma because she helps me do my homework; for my family because they love me; and for my freedom.
Sarah

I'm thankful for my grandmother because she has supported me and taken care of us; for my school teacher because if we would not have them we would learn nothing; for the Bible because it guides my soul, and for my sisters because they are fun.
Melinda Castillo

I'm thankful for my mom because she brought me and my sister and brother in the world; for my dad because if I didn't have him, I will be lonely; for our freedom because we can make our own choices; for God because He made the whole world and gave us peace and love; for my grandma because she loves me and she doesn't leave me behind; and for the United States of America because it's a free land.
Annette Torres

I'm thankful for the U.S. army. If we didn't have them, then

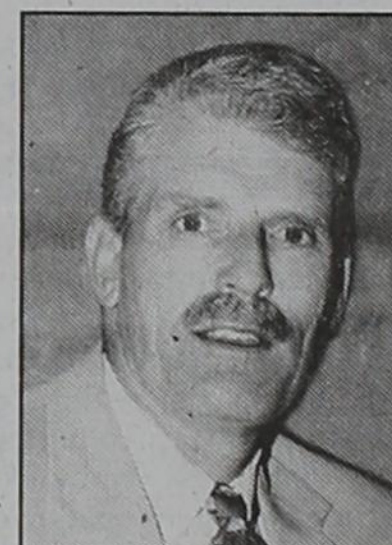
we would have to give up our freedom. If we didn't have our freedom than we might become slaves before it was all over. I'm also thankful for my family - they always help me when I'm down; for the Lord because He will always be my savior and never let me down; for my great friends because they always make me laugh when I am not feeling well; for Drer, Taylor, Bo, Kade and Landon because they are always there for me through thick and thin; and most of all I will always love and be thankful for my mom and dad because they always love me and never stop believing in me. School is another thing I am thankful for. If we didn't have school, then I would be a little dumb.
Alicia Brand

I'm thankful for my family because they love me and support me; for my teacher who helps me; for school - if we didn't have it we would have a good education; for the United States flag because of what it means to a group of people; for President Bush because he is helping New York; and for the firemen who are saving the buildings.
Martha Rosas

I'm thankful for my freedom because if we did not have it we could not make our own choices; also, if we didn't have freedom we would most likely be slaves. I'm thankful for family because they support a house and take care of me; for my mom because she washes my clothes and helps me learn right from wrong; for my dad also because we work and play together; for my sisters - if I didn't have them I would be very bored. But most importantly, I'm thankful for God and Jesus because He created the world. And I am thankful for the Holy Bible because it leaders me in the right direction.
Drew Johnson

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"I'm thankful for a great mom who cooks homemade food"

I'm thankful for having a nice teacher. She helps us on work. She let's us play Accessories and lets us draw and play other games. With 20 dollars, I buy pens I need and can use for work like spelling and reading. They draw good and have good ink. I have never bought any of the cool pens. Another thing I like to run and play football and be nice to everybody. The next thing is for me to pass 5th grade and for my dad will be proud of me. And have good grades on my report cards.
Jose Marquez

I'm thankful for my mom and dad, they care for me, help when I am sick or ill, and keep me safe. I'm thankful for my family and relatives. They get the whole family together for holidays. They help the family that is in need. They even help friends. I'm thankful for friends; they help you when you need them. They also help the family, if something happens. Friends visit just for fun. I'm thankful for school. It will help me when I get older. It gives me knowledge. It teaches things that help me when no one else can. I'm thankful for food -- it keeps families healthy and keeps life going. Food keeps America healthy.
Leticia Mendoza

I'm thankful for my little sister. She will carry on family traditions and help take care of our family. She will also raise her own family. I'm thankful for my new puppy. He will help me in the future when I'm grown up. And he will be a good runner for hunting which will help the family have meat. I'm thankful for my new house, it's a good house to live in. Also, it shelters us from the rain and will shelter my mom and dad when I'm all grown up. I'm thankful for my family that loves me, takes care of me so much. I'm thankful for my little brother. He helps me and is also nice and courteous to me. He will keep the family moving on.
Chase Timms

I'm thankful for my dog, L.J., who helps my dad handle his cows. She's pretty good at it, too. My dad teaches her to do tricks, like playing "dead" or "heel." L.J. is really fun to play with. I'm thankful for food; if I didn't have it, I would die. Food is very delicious, especially sour creamed chicken enchiladas. They are my favorite food. I'm thankful for my home. I like to wrestle with my brother and sisters, but sometimes we get hurt. It's also fun when relatives come over. I like to play with my cousins all the time. My dad also teaches me stuff, like the cotton stripper or the combine. It's really fun, too. I'm thankful for my life. There's plenty of room to run and play. I like to play video games. I'm thankful for my friends. I like to watch movies with them and invite them over to play with. We have fun together. We ride the go cart and play Playstation together.
Jacob Schacher

I'm thankful for a great mom who cooks homemade food, gives me hugs and helps me with my spelling. I'm thankful for a great dad who teaches me how to fix my bicycle chain and takes me hunting. He always tells me how special I am and how proud he is of me. I'm thankful for my home, it's warm and safe; and to have clothes, food and a family to be with. I'm lucky enough to have a piano and take lessons from Mr. Carson. I have a better chance to get a scholarship on the piano. I'm most thankful for my Pa Pa getting better. He has been sick for quite sometimes. But he's getting stronger every day.
Brock Steinbock

I'm thankful for my family, they feed, clothe and take care of me. They buy me what I need whenever I need it. Everything I have today is because of my family. I'm thankful for my friends; I don't know what I would do without friends. You can play with them at school. A friend is the very best thing you can have. I'm thankful for the firefighters and the cops. They are cleaning up the mess at the World Trade Center. They also are fighting terrorists and trying to get every bit of the anthrax. I'm thankful for the President of the United States of America. He is the leader of our country and he's proud of it. He is going to use all his power to stop the terrorists. He also budgets the money that you make to support your family. I'm thankful for people, otherwise the world would be boring. People invent things to make the world much easier, they build things you live in, what your kids play with and what you drive.
Ryan Mason

I'm thankful for kindness; to me it's to help a person who can't see. With my pleasure, I would like to hold the door. For those people who can't see. Or when people drop their belongings. I am really glad to pick up their things. I really don't know but I feel special when they say thanks. I'm also thankful for

being kind to animals; it makes me feel special when my dad says the dog can go home with us. When a dog needs help, I will give it my help. If I see a dog that needs to be fed, I will feed it. I'm also thankful for gentleness. When a person screams, I treat him with gentleness. My dog broke his leg last year and I treated him with gentleness. My cousin pulled my cat's fur, and I treated him with gentleness. If people would treat their pets with gentleness, the streets would be safer.
Brenda Garcia

I'm thankful for my life and being here on earth. I enjoy being happy and having fun; having a good life and living it right. I'm thankful for my mom and dad helping me in a bad situation. Also, for buying my clothes and for being good parents. I'm thankful for my house and for having a roof over my head; it provides a good meeting place and a good place for parties. I'm thankful for food. It's great we have enough money to buy food and be able to eat turkey. I'm also able to eat healthy.
Trevor Coker

I'm thankful for my family, my friends and for school. I'm thankful for turkey, pumpkin pie, potato salad. And I'm thankful for God because without Him I wouldn't know about Thanksgiving.
Sergio Chavez

I'm thankful for the Holy Bible because it guides me; for my mother because she shows me what is right and wrong; for the Lord because He saved us from our sins; for my cool teachers because they help me learn more and more; for my friends who know where I stand; for my family because they do what is right for me; for my house because it keeps me out of the bad weather; for animals because they are fun to play with; for my grandmas Jackie and Yaunda -- she is a lot of fun and cool teachers; and for my grandpas Bill and Joe, they are great and good teachers.
Amberli Martin

My opinion about Thanksgiving is it is a time that you can see family that is far away. On Thanksgiving, my family usually goes to several family members houses such as my great-grandmother Lorine Jeffery's house, both of my grandparents' homes, and my house, of course. That morning when I wake up, I go into the living room and watch the Thanksgiving parade on TV. Before we eat, we always make sure we say grace.

We usually eat turkey, ham and sometimes lamb. After we eat, we lay around because we're so full we can hardly move, but when we do feel like getting up we are very hyper. Pretty much this is what I do at Thanksgiving and what it means to me.
Kade Foster

Thanksgiving in my opinion is the best holiday because my grandma and grandpa, aunt, uncle, and cousins all come to our house to celebrate. My grandma brings everything to eat and my aunt brings presents. After that, I play Nintendo with my cousins, Baron and Brice. They always bring Tony Hawk pro skater 2. They also bring Star Wars for our computer. Then everyone starts to vanish and my mom says we had a good day.
Harrison Fillpot

I'm thankful for my parents and brothers because they always keep me busy and help me in school; and for God for giving me life and for giving me a family that can give me food and a roof over my head. Thanksgiving means to me to be thankful for stuff that you have and not for stuff you don't have. On Thanksgiving, my favorite thing to eat is turkey, rice, mashed potatoes and green beans.
Nathan Cuevas

I am thankful for my family and friends. I love being with them on Thanksgiving and having a thankful dinner. I'm also thankful for my teachers, Mrs. Boyd and Mrs. Hodnett, for teaching us to learn and to have a great time. I'm thankful for Mrs. Curtis for teaching me maps, charts and graphs for UIL.
Mark Sanchez

I'm thankful for my family and my parents for taking care of me and being their in bad times, and for my loving and supportive family. I'm also thankful for my teachers Mrs. Boyd and Mrs. Hodnett. Thanksgiving to me means showing that you love everyone and care for them, and I think that everyone should celebrate Thanksgiving. To me, it's a very special holiday.
Morgan Saul

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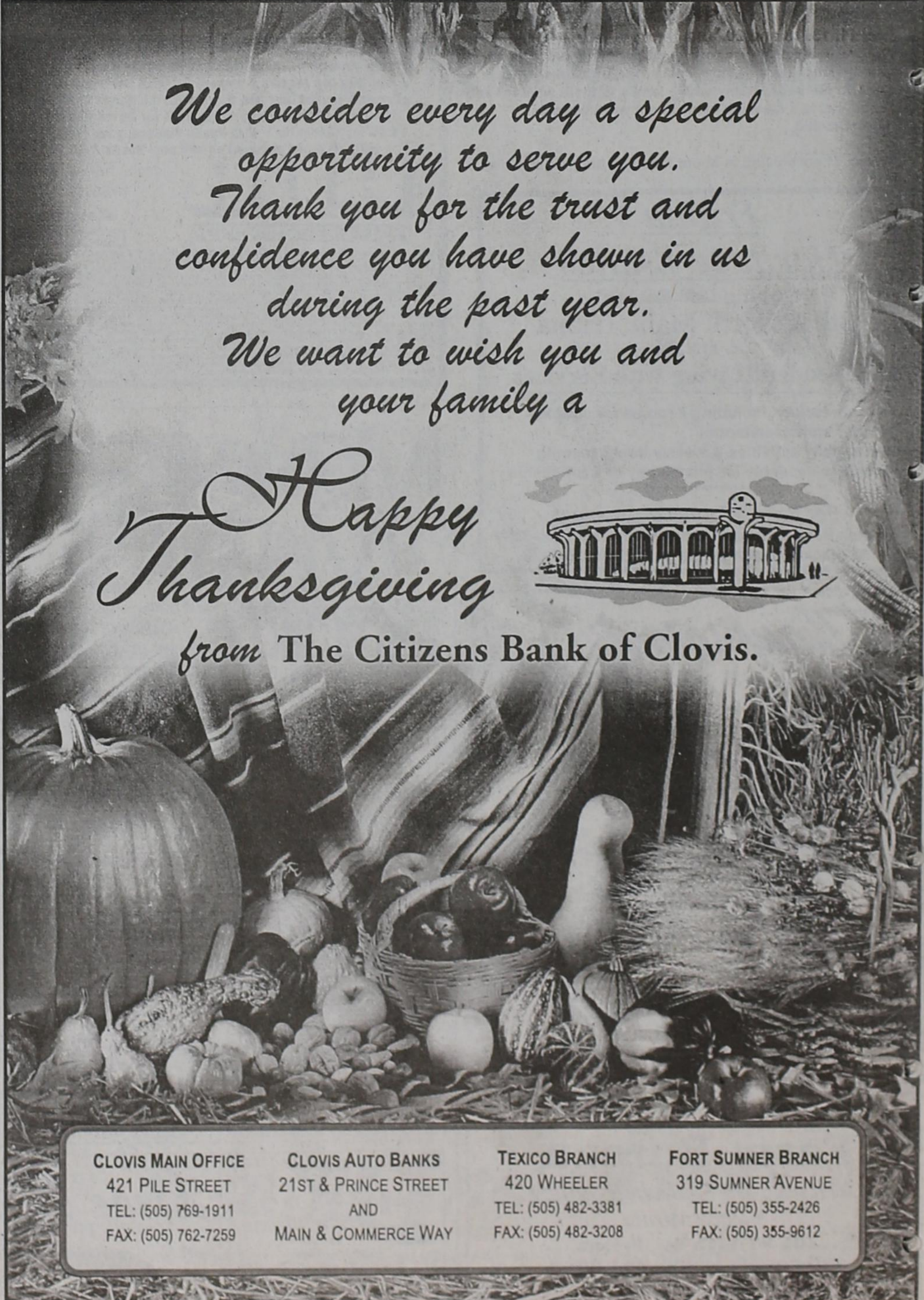
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A Special Invitation

The family of Frances Lovelace would like to invite all her friends to come by the Methodist Church on Nov. 22nd, Thanksgiving Day, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. to wish her a **Happy 90th Birthday!**

No gifts please.
Hosted by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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Parmer County jurors to report

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Paula McBroom, Eldon McCormick, Bobby McGee, Bulmaro Medina, Cindy Meeks, Jorge Mendez, Megan Miller, Preston Miller, Ginny Mitzelfelt, Mario Moreno, Jennifer Moss, Graciela Murillo, Billie Myers, Roger Nelson, Gene Nichols, Therese Nichols, Tom Nichols, Maria Nicolas, Anthony Noble, Son Nguyen, Isidro Ortega, Janie Ortiz, Sophia Ortiz, Susan Ortiz, Veronica Ortiz, Joy Osborn, Anna Pacheco, Todocio Padilla, George Patterson, Mary Pena, Sonja Perkins, Bobbie Pierson, April Pope, Manuel Portillo, Monica Procter, William Randolph, Eddie Raymond, Debra Redwine, Karen Renner.

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Angela Thompson, Zelma Thorn, Jerrie Tims, Guadalupe Torres, Juan Torres, Vickie Tubbs, Hector Vela, Tiburcio Viernes, Kathy Villa, Katherine White, Lydia White, Tulon White, Jay Widner, John Wilkins, Elizabeth Williams, Jo Williams, Natalie Williams, Carolyn Wiseman, Conley Woltmon, Amelia Wright.

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I'm thankful for my house because I could be living on the street; for my shoes because I could have gone barefoot; for my mom because she means everything to me; for my sister because she makes me laugh a lot; and for my grandma because she brings me lots of stuff.

Markita

I am thankful for having a dad because he buys me clothes, shoes and other things; for having a mom because she doesn't get really mad when I do something wrong; for having a grampa because he tells me stories about Mexico; for having a cousin because he could check my book report; and for having a teacher that could help me if I don't understand.

Laura Maldonado

I am thankful for my bike because I can go to my grandparents house; for my house because it keeps me warm and safe; for my grandparents because my granddad helps me built things and my nannie does things with me; and for my parents because they love me just the way I am.

Caiden Thomas

I'm thankful for my mom. Some people like their dad but I like my mom because she is always buying me clothes. I am so thankful for food because without food I wouldn't be able to live. There is also my clothes which I'm also thankful for. I'm thankful for grandma because she bakes me cookies. I'm also thankful for my dad because he gives me money.

Upcoming Sports

Lazbuddie -- The JV and varsity teams play Nov. 27 at LCHS. The varsity teams play in the 211 Tournament Nov. 29 through Dec. 1. Meanwhile, the junior high teams host Three Way on Nov. 26.

Farwell -- The JV and varsity teams host Melrose on Nov. 27. The varsity teams play in the Nazareth Tourney Nov. 29 through Dec. 1, while the JV teams play in the Muleshoe Tourney. Meanwhile, the junior high boys play at Bovina on Nov. 26, while the junior high girls host Bovina that day.

Texico -- The Texico JV teams host Gattis on Nov. 26, then host Floyd on Nov. 27, then play at Marshall on Nov. 29.

Courthouse Notes

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

Richard Herring - Kim Herring, L7 B3 West Loop Drive, Friona.

Tim Grissom - Vick Christian, NE/4 S28 T10S R2E.

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Gay Cranfill trustee - Hollis Horton Jr., S29 W/2 S28 Harding.

Leta Cole - Robin Anderson, NW/4 S17 Blk X.

Oswaldo Munoz

I am thankful for God because He blesses us; for my mom and dad because without them I would not be here now; for friends because without them we would be bored; for food because we would starve without it; and for holidays because it is the time we spend time together.

Courtney Bell

I'm thankful for having Jesus in my heart because without Jesus I could be completely lost; for having a mom because without her there would be no Cassandra; for having friends because when I am sad there is always a friend to talk with; for having a grandma and grandpa because they take good care of me; and for having a great community around us and such nice people in the community.

Cassandra Delgado

I'm thankful for basketball because I play basketball at recess; for food because I would starve without food; for my dad because he raises me; for a house because if I didn't have a house I would have to sleep outside; and for clothes because they keep me warm.

Brett Anderson

I'm thankful for my sisters, Emry and Callie. They love me. They play with me, also. They even share cookies with me. I'm thankful for Jesus! He loves you and me. He cares for me and you when we have problems and when we are hurt. I'm thankful for my brothers. They love me lots, and care for me when I'm sick or hurt. I'm thankful for my mom. She takes me places like Oklahoma. She plays games with me and she loves me lots. I'm thankful for my dad. He takes me places like to go to work with him and he loves me lots. He also plays games with me, like tag and others.

Jacie Anstead

Meet Texico's Class of 2014



Hunter Ty-Douglas Mote is a Texico kindergarten pupil. His birthday is Nov. 10.

His mother is Elizabeth Jackson. Siblings are Shelby and Dillon Mote. Grandparents are Doug & Nellie Mote, Susan Mote, Mildred & Hobart Mote and Pearl Journagan.

His hobby is fishing. His favorite food is mashed potatoes. His favorite color is blue.

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LIVE CATTLE: Futures prices were trading at \$61.75 on Monday this week and prices traded up to \$65.42 by Friday. Cash settle prices were trading as low as \$60 early in the week with some cattle reported at \$63 on Friday. Don't rule out another test of the lows, but if prices hold, then things should begin to improve. The news is generally the most negative at the bottom?

FEEDER CATTLE: Feeder prices also rallies with Live Cattle prices this week. The Cattle of Feed Report was: Cattle on Feed (est. 99%), actual 100%, Placements (est. 91.5%) actual 97% and Marketing's (est. 99%) actual 99%. Feeders are expected to pull back down and possibly test lows one more time. If prices hold, then many traders will look for markets to improve into the Spring.

CORN: March Corn is still trading inside a tight range between \$2.17 and \$2.20. Short term trends turned higher over a week ago. Aside from very good exports, there has been little news to move this market over the last few weeks. A close above \$2.20 would be a good sign that the market will have more room left to the upside. Don't look for much until after the first of the year.

SOYBEANS: Beans have continued to move slowly higher. Exports to China have been supportive. Short term trends turned up during late October and trends continue to move higher. Support levels around the \$4.44 level basis January should hold. A close below this level would turn short term trends down for a correction. Long term looks friendly until February.

WHEAT: Chicago Wheat prices were able to turn short term trends back higher on Friday. Exports out of Toledo and Chicago have been very good and basically, long and short term trends are still pointing higher for wheat. December Chicago Wheat needs a close above \$3.05 in order to project prices up toward the \$3.50 area?

COTTON: Prices have been able to rally about 7 cents off of their bottom in the last two or three weeks. Much of the move up began when large Funds which have been short for most of the year are exiting position ahead of 1st Notice Day. Short term trends have turned down this week, but a re-test of the lows could be positive IF prices can hold.



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Texico

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Tuesday - spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, fruit, garlic bread, milk.

Wednesday - baked chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, fruit, hot rolls, milk.

Thursday - hamburgers, french fries, lettuce, pickles, milk.

Friday - smoked sausage on bun, pork and beans, fruit, cookie, milk.

Farwell

Monday - chicken fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, diced pears, milk.

Tuesday - nachos, taco salad, pinto beans, corn bread, oranges, milk.

Wednesday - chile cheese dog, french fries, baked beans, oatmeal cookie, apple sauce, milk.

Thursday - pizza, tossed salad, corn, strawberry shortcake, milk.

Friday - sliced ham, mashed potatoes, steamed broccoli and cheese, hot rolls, peach cup, milk.

School board ends health insurance

Faced with skyrocketing health insurance costs for staffers, the Farwell School Board on Nov. 15 had to make a change in their program.

First, the board turned down an insurance bid it received. The cost to an employee would jump from \$312 a month to \$497 a month; for a family, from \$968 a month

Steers, Lady Blue split first contests

Varsity Boys

Farwell's Steers are 1-1 after falling to Brownfield on Friday, 51-45.

Scoring were Jeff Delgado, 2; Carlos Garcia, 1; Gage Gregory, 16; Thomas Ortiz, 6; Fidel Ruiz, 1; Tucker Crawford, 15; and Taylor Nichols, 4.

The Farwell Steers were successful in their season opener last week with a 59-38 victory over Whiteface there.

Scoring were Jeff Delgado, 9; Gage Gregory, 11; Tucker Crawford, 17; Thomas Ortiz and Grant Gregory, 7 each; Carlos Garcia and Fidel Ruiz, 2 each; Zac Schilling, 1; and Taylor Nichols, 3.

Varsity Girls

The Farwell Lady Blue are 1-1 after losing to Muleshoe on Friday, 54-32.

Scoring were Jessica Chandler, 14; Mindi Roberts, 8; Hailey Grimes, 6, and Lacey Atkinson and Brandi Bailey, 2 apiece.

The Farwell Lady Blue opened the season last week with a 46-35 win over Whiteface.

Scoring were Lacey Atkinson and Cassie Street, 3 each; Hailey Grimes, 10; Jessica Chandler, 17; Jaimie Diaz, 4; Mindi Roberts, 8, and Leesa Patterson, 1.

JV Girls

Farwell's JV Girls beat Muleshoe, 69-19, Friday.

The Farwell JV Lady Blue lost their season opener to Whiteface last week, 29-22.

Scoring were Carrie Stevenson, 7; Khallie Foster, 6; Danielle Cargile, 3; and Tara Schilling and Niki Gober, 2 each.

JV Boys

The Farwell JV boys knocked off the Whiteface JV, 48-42, in their season opener.

Scoring for Farwell were Tyler Myers and Cale Stevenson, 10 each; Jeremie Chandler, 6; Rowdy Mitchell, Jose Cabello and Tate Nichols, 2 each; Jason Sudderth and Jason Johnson, 1 each; Robbie Tabb, 5, and Lonnie McFarland, 9.

9th Girls

The Farwell Lady Blue freshmen beat Whiteface, 25-20, in their season opener last week.

Scoring were Lindsay Vandiver, 9; Shaleena Laverty and Shannon Street, 2 each; and Amanda Barnes and Tara Sanchez, 4 each.

8th Girls

Farwell's 8th grade girls took 3rd place in the Melrose Tourney.

In the 1st game, they beat Gaitway Christ, 41-4.

Scoring were Cindy Quezada, 17; Jennifer DeLeon, 9; Beatriz Garcia, 13; and Kristin Garcia, 2.

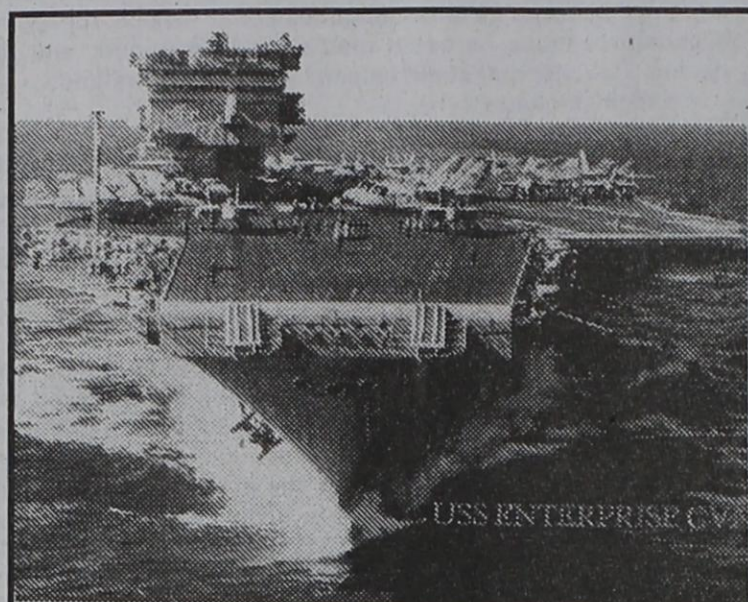
Then Tatum topped Farwell, 32-26. Scoring were DeLeon, 8; Quezada, 9; Robyn Teltschik, 2; Beatriz Garcia, 6, and Kari Schilling, 3.

And Farwell nipped Melrose, 24-23. Scoring were Quezada, 6; Kristen Garcia, 4; Beatriz Garcia, 7; Schilling and DeLeon, 3 each, and Yvonne Favila,

to more than \$1,400 a month.

The current contract for health insurance ends Nov. 30. So the board increased salaries for some teachers.

The problem should end next Sept. 1 when the state will offer 100 percent health insurance for school employees (which local school boards will pay toward). School Supt. Larry Gregory said this will be an outstanding program for all school employees because it will accept pre-existing physical problem conditions.



Coffman
serves
aboard
USS
Enterprise

Michael Coffman, a 1994 graduate of Texico High School, serves aboard the USS Enterprise, which has seen action in the area near Afghanistan. After attending boot camp at Great Lakes, Ill., in 1996, he went to nuclear field electrician's mate school in Orlando, Fla. He joined the USS Enterprise in 1998. He is a nuclear electrician's mate first class petty officer (E-6) and is in the process of qualifying for Enlisted Aviation Warfare Specialist. Aboard the USS Enterprise, he is in charge of four work centers, consisting of 6 to 9 people each. As a division, they are responsible for the maintenance and operation of all electrical components associated with the ship's eight reactors. During his Navy career, he has received one Good Conduct Medal and a pair of Navy Achievement Medals.

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8th Boys

Farwell's 8th grade boys were consolation winners at the Melrose Tourney last weekend.

They lost the opener to Dora, 44-27. Scoring were Logan McFarland, 2; Fabian Reyes, 14; Luis Olmos, 6, and Matthew Edwards, 5.

Then they beat Tatum, 57-31. Scoring were Ty Gast, 13; McFarland, 6; Reyes, 21; Olmos, 8; Edwards, 4, and Colby Norton, Zane Johnson and Juan Carlos Vidaurri, 1 apiece.

And Farwell beat Elida, 52-13. Scoring were Gast, 8; McFarland and Olmos, 4 each; Reyes, 16; Ryan McClaran and Vidaurri, 2 each; Norton, 7; and Edwards, 9.

Memorial fund created for Brenda Cherry

A memorial fund has been created in memory of Brenda Cherry, of Pleasant Hill.

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The wedding will take place on Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. at the Advent Christian Church in Clovis.

The bride-elect is a student at Eastern New Mexico University. The bridegroom is a graduate of Clarendon Junior College and is employed by Oppliger Cattle Co.

All friends and relatives are invited, with a reception following the church service.

Farwell takes 2nd at UIL meet

Farwell Elementary School UIL students took 2nd among 5 schools with 330 points at a contest Nov. 12 at Springlake-Earth. Placing were:

Individual events

Creative writing - 2nd grade, Pace Fly, 3rd; Luis Delgado, 4th.

Ready writing - 3rd grade, Laney Christian; 4th grade, Keegan Langford, 4th; 5th grade, Kade Foster, 2nd, and Nina Galvan, 3rd.

Story telling - 2nd grade, Abby Johnson, 2nd.

Oral reading - 3rd grade, Lincoln Devault, 1st; Laney Christian, 2nd, and Tori Ortiz, 6th; 4th grade, Gaby Vidaurri, 1st; Cindy Bermea, 2nd, and Kaylin Smallwood, 5th; 5th grade, Sarah Castillo, 1st, and Morgan Saul, 5th.

Maps, charts and graphs - 5th grade, Nathan Cuevas, 6th.

Number sense - 4th grade, Keegan Langford, 3rd; 5th grade, Nina Galvan, 3rd, and Bobby Jo Fuller, 6th.

Spelling - 3rd grade, Landy Actkinson, 1st, and Ray White, 5th; 4th grade, Torrey Davis, 3rd; and 5th grade, Jacob Neudorf, 2nd, and Ambur Dryer, 5th.

Dictionary skills - 5th grade, Alicia Porter, 1st; Mikaela Cenicerros, 2nd, and Kayla Sanders, 6th.

Team events

Art contest - 4th grade, Tyler Cullison, Tiffani Jones, Taylor Fillpot and Jayson Dixon, 4th; 5th grade, Harrison Fillpot, Brody Grimes, Amanda Myers, 4th

Music memory - 3rd grade, Esteban Graxiola, Josh Olivas, Isaac Soto, 2nd; 4th grade, Colton Christian, Matthew Billingsley (perfect paper), Nikki Gholston, Kaylin Smallwood, 4th; and 5th grade, Landon White, Kade Foster, Drew Johnson, Patrick Phillips, 5th.

4-H'ers have costume party

The Pleasant Hill 4-H Club had its costume Halloween party on Oct. 29 at the Pleasant Hill Community Building.

Reminders were given to make sure club members send "thank you's" if they sold animals at any fairs. The Curry County awards banquet will be Nov. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Central Christian Church in Clovis. The Pleasant Hill club is in charge of food set-up and all volunteers are welcomed.

Officers for the new 4-H year were elected: Wade Richardson, president; Mark Peabody, vice president; Skyla Cockerham, secretary; Toby Thornton, treasurer; Lori Richardson, sentinel; Mikayla Cherry, Anjelica Serna and Wade Richardson, council representatives; Skyla Cockerham, Taryn Allen, Anjelica Serna, Amanda Riley, Mikayla Cherry, Devanee Cherry, Kelsey McFarden and Lori Richardson, scrapbook committee; Chance Bussey, Anjelica Serna, Toby Thornton, Mark Peabody, phone committee; Mark Peabody, chairman, Joe Zaikowski, Travis Bussey, Sterling Bowers and Wade Richardson, program committee.

Six foot sub sandwiches and drinks were provided by hosts Anjelica Serna, Taryn and Tanner Allen, Mikayla and Devanee Cherry, and Michael, Jerrica and Kambrie Reid. Members also brought bags of candy to be divvied up for all.

Members present were Taryn and Tanner Allen, Sterling Bowers, Travis and Chance Bussey, Kelsi Cain, Mikayla and Devanee Cherry, Skyla and Shelby Cockerham, Sarah Johnson, Cherry Mayfield, Micah, Morgan and McKenzie Mayfield, Aundrea and Kelsey McFarden, Mark Peabody, Michael, Jerrica and Kambrie Reid, Wade and Lori Richardson, Jeremy and Amanda Riley, Anjelica and T.J. Serna, Toby Thornton and Joe Zaikowski.



Christmas bazaar

Above, at the Texico Christmas Bazaar last weekend, Sharon Menning, right, shows some items to customer Lorado Servatius. Below, Marcy Pena and sister Christy Gutierrez show some of their wares.



Quilt winner

Each year, St. Ann's Catholic Church Ladies Society in Bovina donates a quilt to be given away during the annual turkey dinner. This year's quilt was a double Irish chain queen size in peach cotton fabric and was pieced by Mary Jo Schacher and handquilted by society members. It was won by Frances Kube, left. She is pictured with Mary Mesman, who sold her the winning ticket.

Meet Farwell's Class of 2014



Taylor Stancell is a kindergarten student at Farwell. Her birthday is Nov. 21.

Her parents are Carey and Kathy Stancell. Her siblings are Zacarey, Bretton, Kendal and Trace. Her grandparents and Bennie and Carolyn Stancell, John and Jody Thomas, Jerry Grantham.

Her hobbies are riding her bicycle and swimming. Her favorite foods are pizza and candy. Her favorite color is purple. She does not like chicken without breading.

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The Latest

Word has been received of the death of William Charles Pruitt Jr., 75, of New Caney, Texas, who died Nov. 12 in Humble, Texas.

He was born May 31, 1926, in Reed, Okla., and attended Farwell Schools for awhile before graduating from Muleshoe High School.

He was a minister/educator.

Reminder: Parmer County swine validations will be held on Nov. 29 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Friona Community Center.

A huge number of Muleshoe area folks turned out with trucks, pickups and trailers to help move Joe's Boot Shop to its new address in Clovis over the weekend.

The help was needed

because Joe and Darla Rhodes had to attend the funeral service for their 5-year-old granddaughter.

Word has been received of the death of Martha Bates, 85, of Mesquite, Texas.

She was a Bovina High graduate who taught school for 46 years, including at Pleasant Hill and Friona.

She was the first woman to serve on the Friona City Council.

The National Weather Service forecasts it will be a warmer winter than usual this season, with a good chance at heavy precipitation.

So you say the you didn't get your Tribune on time last week in Bovina?

There was a backup at the Lubbock post office -- thus the problem.

My favorite holiday

Thanksgiving has been my favorite holiday for many years.

Because I believe it's important to thank our Lord for His many blessings.

It's a funny thing about the human psyche. All of us have problems and it seems that that they take up 90 percent of our thought processes.

That leaves just about

10 percent for us to count our blessings -- which are far greater than our problems!

Why is that? I guess it's just human nature.

Anyway, in these difficult days for our nation, we need to count those blessings. And if you just take a minute to stop and think about that, you will realize how fortunate you really are.

In fact, you only have to count to one to realize just how enormous your blessings are, and how they overwhelm any problems you have.

And what is that one blessing?

The Lord loves you.

I've written columns the past two weeks about the war on terrorism but events have overtaken me. I can't believe how quickly things have changed.

I'm so very proud of our military and leadership in the way they are handling the situation in Afghanistan.

As a student of history, at first, I was very concerned over how successful we might be. But we have done it right, using patience.

And we must all realize that a lot more patience will be needed as this war on terrorism will continue for many more years.

First, we must settle the situation in Afghanistan:

1. Find and kill Omar bin Ladun (or whatever the jerk's name is).

2. Kill the leader of the Taliban, Mullah Omar whatever.

3. Kill their other top assistants.

4. Work, as part of a United Nations team, to rebuild Afghanistan and give it peace.

Then, when that stabilizes, we must kill Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi leader.

Do I sound mean? No. Just remember: One of Saddam's main ambitions in life is to see Americans die. If he can get away with it, he will use biological, chemical and even nuclear weapons against the U.S.

There is only one way to defeat his evil designs: to kill the thug.

Because that is all that he is, an Al Capone-type mobster, who rules his country by killing all who disagree with him.

And meanwhile, we must keep the heat on the terrorists. Destroy their camps in Somalia and other countries, if we can. Keep their bank accounts frozen. Keep up the heat.

It's going to be a long war, folks. But we will win it -- with God's help.

A special thank you to our football helpers this season, both did a superb job.

Lesley Curtis covered the Farwell away games, while Jesse Barclay covered most of the Texico games.

Trying to cover three teams (Lazbuddie included) is a bit tough for one person, so this assistance was sorely needed!

Over the past couple of years, I have received information from a Santa Fe-based think tank called "Think New Mexico."

They do some exceptionally fine work.

Their most recent brochure was entitled "Why New Mexico needs to end the food tax and how to do it."

The think tank's report says that the grocery tax hits low-income families



At the national confab

Texico FFA'ers Garrett Mayfield, left, and Nathan Foust, kneel next to Toyota's CART open-wheel race car at the national FFA convention in October in Louisville, Ky.

Five Area expanding high-speed Internet access

Five Area Systems, Inc., will offer high-speed Internet access to Earth and Sudan.

"This is an exciting step toward enabling our customers to experience the broadband future of the Internet," said Sandy Vandevender, executive vice president and general manager. "We are committed to offering our customers a high speed Internet access service that is affordable and is backed by our customer support and service."

The new service offered in Earth and Sudan will join Muleshoe and Olton, which have already been given to high-speed connections. Future expansions will soon allow the remainder of Five Area Telephone / West Plains Telecommunications customers access to high-speed connections.

"Broadband DSL customers will be better equipped to experience the next generation of broadband web content, allowing faster downloads of audio, video and interactive text," said Ben Brock, Five Area Systems Subsidiary manager. "In addition, the 'always on' connection allows users to make and receive phone calls or send faxes, while simultaneously accessing the Internet."

The new service will provide Earth and Sudan customers with a connection to the Internet allowing upload and download speeds of up to 768 kilobits per second -- many times faster than a traditional 28.8 kilobit per second analog connection.

Five Area Systems will begin offering the new service on Nov. 26, and welcomes your visit or phone calls for questions about the new service.

Recipe of the Week



One of the most versatile of egg preparations is egg salad. It can be made with a host of different ingredients to suit your palate or your dietary needs. It can sit between slices of bread or toast, in a pita pocket or on lettuce leaves. It can be spread on focaccia bread, a bagel, toaster waffle, split English muffin, crackers or cocktail rye bread.

It can be stuffed into an avocado, pineapple boat, tomato, green pepper or celery sticks. It can fill baked cream puffs, patty shells or cooked large pasta shells. It can be rolled up into a tortilla or crepe and savored hot or cold. It can be combined with rice, pasta or potatoes to form a heartier salad. In fact, ever-popular egg salad can be almost anything you want it to be.

Since making egg salad is not an exact science, you can adapt it to suit your palate or your diet or to use ingredients you have on hand. Use this recipe to start you off with proportions, but don't be afraid to experiment.

Create-Your-Own Egg Salad

6 side or 3 main-dish servings
1/4 to 1/3 cup dressing
1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon herb or seasoning
1/4 teaspoon salt, optional
1/8 teaspoon pepper

In medium bowl, stir together dressing and seasonings until well blended. Stir in or toss with remaining ingredients until evenly coated with dressing. Cover and chill to blend flavors.

*To hard-cook: Place eggs in single layer in saucepan. Add enough tap water to come at least 1 inch above eggs. Cover. Quickly bring just to boiling. Turn off heat. If necessary, remove pan from burner to prevent further boiling. Let eggs stand, covered, in the hot water, 15 minutes for Large eggs (18 minutes for Extra Large eggs, 12 minutes for Medium). Immediately run cold water over eggs or place them in ice water until completely cooled. Refrigerate hard-cooked eggs in the shell. Use within one week.



It's a Boy

April and Jason Andrews of Hereford announce the birth of a son, Quentin James, on Nov. 2 at Baptist St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo.

He weighed 7 lbs., 1 1/4 oz. and was 19 1/2" long.

He has a sister, Rebecca, 2.

Grandparents are James and Vickie Haseloff, of Farwell, and Joe Edd and Judith Andrews of Egland, N.D.

Border Banter

By Mike Pomper

disproportionately.

In a report from the U.S. Department of Agriculture entitled "Prevalence of Food Insecurity and Hunger, by state, 1996-1998," New Mexico ranks No. 1 -- a horrifying statistic.

Thus, the issue of hunger in New Mexico is major.

New Mexico families earning between \$5,000 and \$10,000 a year spend 24.1 percent of their income on groceries, the report said. But families earning more than \$75,000 spend only 3.8 percent of their income on groceries.

They suggest that New Mexico increases the alcohol and tobacco taxes to compensate for lost food tax revenue.

It states: "Over time, that will reduce a host of preventable diseases related to alcohol and tobacco and lower New Mexico's skyrocketing health insurance premiums for individuals and businesses."

"That, in turn, would begin to improve New Mexico's ranking as the state with the greatest percentage of the population not covered by health insurance."

New Mexico is one of only nine states that fully tax food.

The think tank recommends increasing the cigarette tax by 3 cents per cigarette -- of 60 cents per pack.

Currently, New Mexico taxes cigarettes at 21 cents per pack, in the lower half of all states.

Higher cigarette taxes translate into less New Mexico youngsters starting to smoke, suggests the think tank.

The biggest obstacles to ending the food tax in New Mexico are "administrative inconvenience," suggests the think tank, along with the effect on state tax revenues -- thus the need to increase alcohol and cigarette taxes to make up for that loss.

Over these many years, when it came time for football season, that also meant for me Sunday night calls to Lazbuddie Coach Mark Scisson to go over the Friday games, and to pick the Longhorns of the Week.

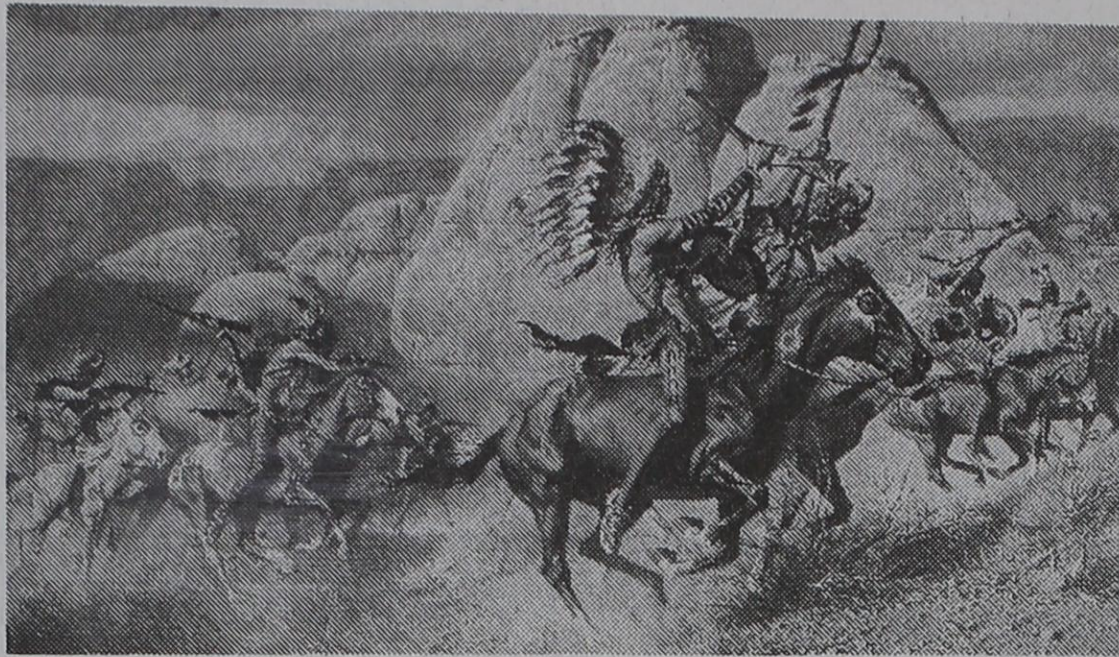
I will miss that. As we noted in last week's paper, Mark will continue as Lazbuddie High principal and athletic director, but is stepping down as head football coach.

I want all the Lazbuddie folks to know that Mark did a super job at helping me with the game reports over the years. He could not have been more helpful. And it was appreciated.

He will be missed as the football coach not just by me, but by all Longhorn fans.

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A painting by Frank McCarthy

Art works to be displayed

Security State Bank will be displaying 50 to 60 works of art on Nov. 29 and 30 during regular lobby hours.

The exhibition includes western, wildlife, landscape, and figurative art. Oil paintings, water colors, drawings, bronzes, limited edition prints, and books are included in the show.

All works of art are available for purchase, with prices ranging from \$100 to \$30,000. The artwork represents many nationally known artists from across the U.S. and is presented by Rice Fine Art, of Amarillo.

Artists include G. Harvey, Tom Lovell, Glenna Goodacre, Paul Calle, Tom Ryan, Frank McCarthy, William Whitaker and James Boren. Limited edition prints by Harvey, Howard Terping, Ryan, McCarthy and Bev Doolittle will be shown, too.

Of special interest will be a number of bronzes by Goodacre, among the top sculptors in the U.S. She created the famous Vietnam Women's Memorial which was erected in 1993 on the Washington, D.C., Mall. Several years ago, a 7'6" bronze of Ronald Reagan was placed at the National Cowboy Hall of Fame and also at Reagan's Presidential Library in California. She recently did her largest work ever, a 12' high and 22' long sculpture to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Irish famine. She also created the image of Sacagawea on the new dollar coin.

27 Texico High graduates enrolled at ENMU

Twenty-seven Texico High graduates are enrolled at Eastern New Mexico. They (and their majors) are:

Chasma Askew, education; Breanne Black, special education; Jake Boazman, business administration; Kristen Boazman, elementary education; Stephanie Burch, accounting; Claudia Cardenas, Spanish; Pecos Chumley, biology; Michael Eaton, elementary education; Kelley Fontanilla, elementary education.

Melinda Hall, communication; Travis Hall, computer information sciences; Laura Hill, non-degree seeking; Crystal Irwin, non-degree seeking; Lindsay Jenkins, education; Steve Kittrell, business administration; Edwin Loera, elementary education; Eleisa Loera, psychology; Teresa Martinez, sociology; Erin Mitchell, early childhood education; Sarah Mobley, ag business.

Greg Qualls, communication; Deanne Richardson, elementary education; Steve Stanley, biology; Joe Steward, undeclared; Mitch Turnbough, religion; Kristi Victor, elementary education; and Bobbi Williams, elementary education.

Brands need to be registered

Every 10 years, by law, Texas ranchers need to record their cattle brands with the county clerks, who have the mark and brand applications.

The deadline is Feb. 28, 2002.

Ranchers designate the location and shape of their brand, and any earmarks. The process often can be done by mail.

A brand can be registered by more than one person in a county, if they plan to use it in different locations. Some ranchers register their brands in all locations to prevent others from using it at all.

It's important to register brands in every country where you intend to use it.

Register brands separately for horses.

Richards gets high marks

With the resignation of Texico cheerleader sponsor Vickie Ashley, the job has been taken over by School Supt. Dr. R.L. Richards for the interim.

Some of the Texico cheerleaders were asked last weekend by the Tribune how their new sponsor was doing. They commented about Dr. Richards:

"Awesome."
"Super great!"
"Strict in practice."

The girls said as they do their routines, they can tell he's also doing the movements.

And he has taught them to do a "huddle and cheer" where he joins in.

Heavy rain strikes area for 2 days

Last weekend provided some strong rains for the area.

Fred Chandler at the Sherley-Anderson grain elevator in Farwell, reported 2.7 inches.

At Lariat's elevator, the McFarlands reported 2.6" (and 2.56" at their home in Farwell).

And at the Lazbuddie elevator, Scott Brown said about 2" was the total.



Heifer calf champion

LH Donna 1059, Heifer Calf Champion at the American Royal Livestock Show Oct. 30 in Kansas City, Mo., is shown by Watson and Crystal Langford, of Langford Herefords, Texico. 171 head of Hereford cattle were exhibited and the judge commented on the high quality cattle presented.

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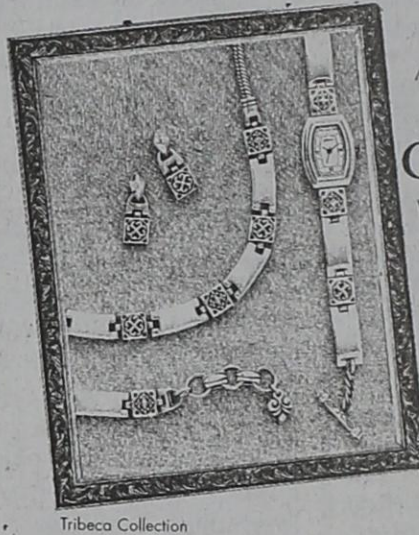
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All is safely gathered in,
Ere the winter storms begin.

—Henry Alford (1810-1871)

We join our voices with yours in appreciation of the bounty we enjoy, and add our heartfelt thanks to all of you for the kindness and support you've given us through the year. May your Thanksgiving be a joyous one!

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