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Lady Wolverines celebrate after winning first round of State playoffs. Photo courtesy of Denise Anderson.

## Lady Wolverines continue quest for another state title

The Texico Lady Wolverines fought off foul problems and held on to beat the Penasco Lady Panthers, 52-37, in the State quarterfinal game Tuesday.

Scoring were Klynn Thomas, 4; McKenzie Mayfield, 2; Shaylee Anderson, 11; Mel Lucero, 5; Karina Salazar, 1; Jordyn Cooper, 17; and Jaylyn Cooper, 12.

Texico opened the game with a 5-0 run as Lucero found Jo. Cooper under the basket and Jay. Cooper hit a 3-point-er.

Anderson hit a pair of jump shots, but quick fouls on Salazar and Anderson turned the tide as Penasco caught up and took the lead.

Jo. Cooper hit a 3-pointer and the Lady Wolverines regained the



lead to end the first quarter.

Texico extended its lead again as Ja. Cooper fought for a rebound and put it back in. Thomas hit a jump shot and Ja. Cooper put in a pair of free throws and Jo. Cooper put in another basket to give Texico a double digit lead.

Penasco continued to drive to the basket and draw fouls as Ja. Cooper

was called three times in the quarter.

The 3rd quarter was all Texico as Anderson continued to attack the basket despite her third foul.

She got to the line for a couple more points and Jo. Cooper jumped into the passing lane for a steal and two more points from the line.

Thomas hit a jumper and Lindsay Foote drove

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## Dictson to perform at Chamber banquet

It was announced at last week's meeting of the Farwell Chamber of Commerce that professional vocalist Sharon Dictson, of Portales, will provide the entertainment at the annual banquet.

Her music ranges from country and western to light rock. She is well known throughout the area for her band performances. And she has appeared at Border Town Days.

The banquet will be on April 21. Appetizers will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. at the Farwell Community Center.

Tickets prices were again kept at \$15 per person. A final decision on the food provider will be made at the Chamber's March meeting.

In other news, the Chamber:

-- Heard that the Farwell Care and Rehabilitation Center will have a ribbon-cutting ceremony for its new wing on March 22 at 11 a.m.

-- Viewed a sample of a new brochure for the Chamber to distribute to prospective residents and businesses. Upon final approval, the Chamber will print about 1,000 of the new brochures.

-- Discussed the Chamber's new website.

The website is hosted by Plateau and is at [www.farwellchamber.org](http://www.farwellchamber.org).

The Chamber Board made suggestions as to content for the site such as links to local businesses, schools and real estate. The site is not completely finished, but should be operational soon. Setting up links to local businesses and the school were discussed.



## Wolverines win first round of State playoffs in OT

The Texico Wolverines won their first round state playoff game on Saturday over Albuquerque Bosque there, 79-67, in overtime.

Texico is ranked 9th and Bosque was 8th. Texico was 18-11 with the win, and Bosque finished its season at 17-9.

The Wolverines play Laguna Acoma, the No. 1 seed, on March 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Santa Ana Star Center.

Scoring were Sergio Posada, 5; Donovan Johnson, 10; Jesus Rivera, 22; Rallin Harris, 7; Miguel Reyna, 28 (including a trio of 3-pointers), and Wayne

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### Luscombe hits No. 500

Texico School Board members Tim Foote, Duwain Hill and Jim Pena present Texico varsity girls basketball coach Richard Luscombe with a cake and a special award marking his 500th victory.

## Forget about the local elections this year

The signup period for Texas city, school board and hospital district elections ended on Monday.

The local elections are scheduled for May 12 but because all the incumbents filed for re-election without opposition, they will be cancelled.

However, the county elections will be held on May 29.

Here's a look at our local ballots:

-- Parmer County Hospital District Board. Posts held by Dale Schueler, Bret Whitten and Dennis Anthony are on the ballot. All three have signed up. Without opposition, there will be no election.

-- Farwell City. Posts held by coun-

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## Texico Fire Dept. to get new truck

The Texico City Council on Feb. 28 approved the Texico Fire Department to buy a new truck that will specialize in fighting brush fires.

The expected cost is \$85,000 and the fire

department has budgeted money for the vehicle.

Fire Chief Lewis Cooper said he is also looking for a vehicle to replace the Chevy Yukon that is used as a command vehicle.

In other news, the council:

- Thanked Councilman Jerry Bradley for his service over the last eight years. Bradley did not seek re-election and

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### The Farwell Steers

As is the Tribune's custom each year, we run fun photos of our area varsity basketball teams when their seasons end. Because, after all, sports are meant to be fun. Here are the 2011-2012 Farwell Steers.



K'Leigh Jo White

## White named District Co-MVP

Farwell sophomore K'Leigh Jo White was named 2011-12 basketball District Defensive Co-MVP.

Lady Blue players named to the All-District team were Clarisa Garcia, Keila Jennings and Caitylyn Stancell.

Named Honorable Mention All-District were Abby Johnson and Kristen Langford.

Named to the Academic All-District Team were:

Emily Agee, Chandler Barnes, Lauren Carpenter, Lydia Gomez, Jennings, Johnson, Langford, Stancell and White.

## Cooper wins State award

Jaylyn Cooper won the New Mexico Athletic Association's "Pursuing Victory with Honor" scholarship.

### Texico

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will be replaced by Audrey Kittrell, who is running unopposed.

- Heard from Cooper that Curry County is under a 45-day burn ban that was passed by the County Commissioners.

- Passed a resolution that would help the senior citizen center apply for state funds.

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## Texico scholars listed

Here the the Texico High School 4th six weeks honor rolls.

All A's

Freshmen: Alida Calderon, Sarah Daniels and Justin Rucker.

Sophomores: Kimber Harrison, Sarah Long, Kyla Myers and Kassie Waller

Juniors: Rallin Harris, McKenzi Mayfield, Laura McFarden, Elliott Pelfrey and Rae Prather.

Seniors: Trevor Bridges, Claudia Campos, Jaylyn Cooper, Jordyn Cooper, Jared Davis, Mason Fenn, Powers Hagler, Taylor Lane, Vanesa Maldonado, Aspyn Reames, Myrna Reynoso, Cortney Sawyer, Hoyt Skabelund and Kylynn Thomas.

A-B

Freshmen: Kaleigh Autrey, Tyler Bridges, Jessica Jorde, Tristan Lockmiller, Kasia Olguin, McKenzie Thatcher, Jonah Tuls and Courtney Vander Dussen.

Sophomores: Kimberly Brown, Crystal Davalos, Cassidy Downing, Sidonia Garcia, Jarron Hill, Erin Lane, Aaron Massey, Mitchell Pinnell, Chasity Sharp, Darby Sharp, Shelby Vannatta and Jonah Walls.

Juniors: Sabra Barnett, Mikayla Caselman, Lindsey Foote, Michael Harrison, Melicia Lucero, Uriel Munoz and Jason Tuls.

Seniors: Regis Blake, Adriana Garcia, Pal Herndon, Donovan Johnson, Shayna Lea, Monica Loera, Megan Long, Allison Myers, Andrew Olivarez, Brent Rusk and Brenda Torres.

## Crime Stoppers plan raffles

Parmer - Bailey County Crime Stoppers will have a raffle at Border Town Days in July.

Being raffled will be a large flat screen TV, a Kindle Fire, and a navigation system for a car.

Tickets will cost \$5 each and will be available from Crime Stoppers board mem-

bers soon, and at the Friona Community Center.

Funds are being raised for projects to tell folks about what the group does.



## Lazbuddie teams compete at science bowl

Above, Lazbuddie High School sent two teams to compete in the Pantex Science Bowl competition on Feb. 25 at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. The teams won one round and came very close in other games. Pictured are Justin Schacher, Shyann Rainey, Todd Nichols, Allison Weaver, Paola Estrada, Haley Beasley, Jarrod Jesko, Karina Galaviz, Kylie McGehee, Jessica Estrada, and coach Debbie Weir. Below are the junior high teams. The 8th grade won 2 rounds and the 7th grade won 1 round. Several games were very close. Pictured are Mattisun Hester, Austyn Steinbock, Karsyn Youngblood, Arrick Estrada, Juan Samarron, Kenton Parish, Mica Vera, Ashley Scott, Iridian Fernandez and coach Weir.



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Thank you, folks, from the entire gang at Tire Country:  
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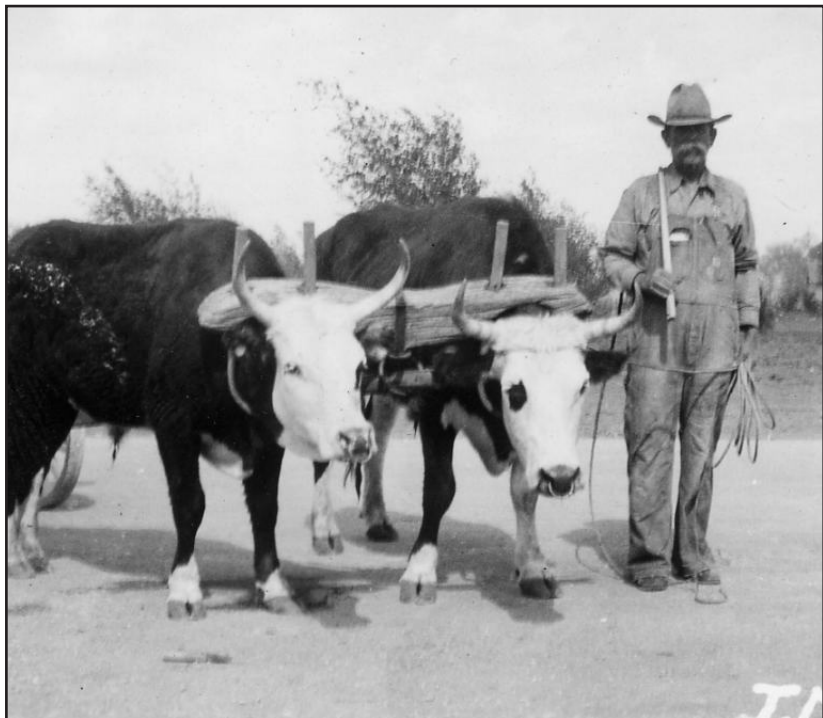
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Above, a look back at early agriculture in Parmer County. Before tractors roamed the plains, pioneers helped build the great ag tradition that is still important today.



Few will debate the impact that farming and ranching has had on Parmer County over the last 100 years. Above left, we have a look at the past, and at left is the future of farming in our area. Below are photos of local farmers at work.



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National Ag Week gives us all a chance to say "Thank You" for a job well done, To all the agriculturalists in the land - perhaps you even know one.

An agriculturist is, in fact, a scientist, well taught and with the proper tools at hand. You see an agriculturist is a specialist at living off the land.

There's the segment known as "Farmers" who grow all the foods we know. They carefully calculate crops and harvests and plant a prayer in every row.

Those who deal with beef and pork and things along the "meats" branch, are the proud segment of the industry providing grade A choices from the ranch.

Another branch of the industry provides milk, so fresh and white. It's the dairy farmer, whose job goes on through morning, noon and night.

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# Border Banter

--Mike Pomper

Well, you probably thought I was whistlin' Dixie when I penned a column a couple of months ago about a dark horse being named the Republican presidential candidate.

I've written this column before Super Tuesday so, perhaps, I was wrong.

But with the rise of Rick Santorum, I might be right.

I just don't see any GOP candidate getting the number of votes needed to win the 1st round ballot at the summer convention.

It's going to be fascinating to watch that convention.

The nominee could be just about anyone. I'm rooting for New Jersey Gov. Christie? Yeah, I know that he is not a candidate. But who knows this year?

Can't wait until the

commercials are over and we watch the play's final act.

Anyway, with the economy improving and the bull market continuing, the votes may tilt toward President Obama in his quest for re-election.

But it's way too early to make a prediction here. Not when there's the smell of war in the air. Gasoline prices on the rise, along with inflation. Just wait until housewives see the cost of ground beef this fall.

What was that famous comment by a political operative during the Clinton years? "It's all about the economy, stu-

pid."

Then there's that major snafu by the Democrats involving the Catholic Church. You can always count on our leaders to shoot themselves in the foot.

Doesn't it give you a warm and fuzzy feeling to know that your nation is managed by a ship of fools. I don't blame Maine Sen. Olympia Snowe one bit for quitting the Senate.

As for us just regular folks, we can't change the tide of history. So hold on tight as the roller coaster continues.

Just hope you don't get sick.

## The Latest

Marty Tressell, president of High Plains Federal Credit Union, will discuss identity theft at the March 8 meeting of the Texico-Farwell Senior Citizens at the Texico Community Center at 6 p.m. mt.

All are invited.

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A rabid skunk was found just south of Lariat by the Stancell family.

Kyle saw a skunk

enter his yard and run right up under the legs of his dog, which was barking excitedly and trying to get away.

The skunk ran into the garage next. Kyle threw a shoe at it to try and scare it away, and the skunk attacked the shoe.

When it was clear to do so, he shot the skunk.

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From Monti Vandiver, IPM extension agent:

	28 year Avg '84-'11	2010 Rain Totals	2011 Rain Totals	2012 Rain Totals
January	0.43	0.87	0.02	0.00
February	0.40	1.22	0.31	0.09
March	0.90	0.79	0.06	
April	0.81	1.29	1.02	
May	2.04	1.72	0.08	
June	2.31	1.99	1.10	
July	2.06	3.87	0.85	
August	3.28	2.87	1.90	
September	1.98	0.65	0.79	
October	1.69	0.78	1.37	
November	0.59	0.55	0.05	
December	0.69	0.11	1.79	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>17.53</b>	<b>16.71</b>	<b>8.34</b>	<b>0.09</b>

Courtesy of Lonnie McFarland of Farwell.

Strong southwest winds have robbed the area of what little moisture received recently. Area irrigated wheat is kray for the most part. Dryland wheat is not much to look at and in some cases is a lost

cause.

It seems that year to date precipitation has been greater than what we are really in the same boat. On the brighter side, meteorologist are suggesting that the dry

pattern may change this spring.

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Lazbuddie's Shea Scott finished 4th in the discus throw at the Friona Relays last week-end with a throw of 80'7.

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**Lazbuddie powerlifters**

Mercedes Morin, Dallas Cox and Angel Samarron are Lazbuddie powerlifters. Mercedes placed 2nd in the Sudan Meet. Mercedes is ranked 5th in the 198-weight class and will compete at the Regional Powerlifting Meet at Monahans on Saturday. Dallas placed 5th and Angel placed 2nd at the Bovina Meet. Angel is ranked 6th in the 123-weight class and will compete in Sundown on Saturday for the Regional Powerlifting Meet. (Photo courtesy of Marie Samarron)

**It's Farwell baseball time!**

Farwell Little League Baseball registration will be held March 20, 21, and 22 and March 27, 28 and 29 from 3 to 4 p.m. at the Farwell Elementary School gym.

There will also be opportunity to sign up during the scheduled "field" work days at the ballpark on two Saturdays -- March 24 and 31 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Edie Kalbas said, "Anyone interested in helping out, come join us for the day to get our field ready for the kids!"

To participate in league play, you must live in Parmer or Bailey counties and be between the ages of 4 and 12.

The divisions are: T-Ball, Machine Pitch, Minors and Majors.

Cost of registration is \$40 for the first child and \$30 for every child (must be a sibling) after that.



**Little Raiders win tourney**

The Little Raiders recently won 1st place in the San Jon Tournament. Pictured in the back, from left, are Nallely Ramirez, Mari Ferrel, Baylee Sours, Montana Thatcher, and Mariah Reyna; in front, Jasmine Davalos, Kaylee Miller and Katey White.

**Elections** From page 1

cilpersons Ysleta Kittrell, Gary White and Mario Lara are on the ballot. All three have signed up. Without opposition, there will be no election.

-- Farwell School. Posts held by board members JayBe Barrett, Willie Martin and Scott Johnson are on the ballot. All three have signed up for re-election. Without opposition, there will be no election.

-- Farwell Hospital District. Posts held by Scott Terry, LuAnn Fillpot, Chad Byrd and Bert Williams are on the ballot. All four have signed up. Without opposition, there will be no election.

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Lady Wolverines open State playoffs with a win

The Texico Lady Wolverines cruised to an easy 61-23 victory over the Pecos Lady Panthers in the opening round of the State playoff on March 2 at home.

Texico was 22-6 with this win. Pecos finished its season at 16-13.

The win marked the 500th career victory for Texico Coach Richard Luscombe.

Luscombe said he was fortunate for the many years he's been here and thanked everyone for the 23 years of support.

His wife, JoAnn, said the 500th win was better than his 300th victory. When Richard had 299 wins, she made a cake and brought it to Logan for the game. Unfortunately, the Wolverines lost and she had to bring the cake back.

This time it went perfectly.

Scoring were Kylynn Thomas, 5; McKenzi Mayfield, 2; Shaylee Anderson, 10; Mel Lucero, 2; Rae Lynn Prather, 2; Karina Salazar, 6; Jordyn Cooper, 26; and Jaylyn Cooper, 8.

The Lady Wolverines went on a 10-0 run as Salazar and Lucero stole the ball from Pecos and used the turnovers for easy points.

Anderson blocked an inbounds pass straight to Ja. Cooper for another easy bucket.

Anderson made a short jump shot to end the quarter with a 14-5 Texico lead.

Texico dominated rebounding in the second quarter giving the Lady Wolverines plenty of second shots.

Pecos had trouble with the full court press and Texico went up by 30 points.

After the half, Jo. Cooper put in a couple of 3-pointers. Thomas hit a 3 as well.

Anderson also made a pair of free throws.

Logan relied on 3-pointers to try to get back into the game, but Texico went up by 35 points and the clock ran from then on, shortening the game.

The Lady Wolverine bench got plenty of playing time in the game, capped off by a jump shot from Mayfield to end the Texico scoring at 61 points.

Wolverines

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Skabelund, 7.

The game opened with both teams hitting their shots. The taller Bosque team hit several shots inside and Coach Ty Thatcher changed his game plan to move Jesus Rivera from the perimeter inside.

"Three minutes into the game, our game plan went out of the window," he said.

At quarter's end, Bosque held a slight lead. Texico's top scorer, Miguel Reyna, picked up his 3rd foul midway in the 2nd quarter and had to sit out until midway in the 3rd quarter.

The coach said Donovan Johnson had a good game while filling in for Reyna, and played solid defense.

Speaking of defense, Thatcher praised Wayne Skabelund, who was assigned to guard Bosque's top player, a 3-point specialist. The player was limited to only a lone 3-pointer.

"Bosque does a lot of screening to open it up for those 3-point shots, and Skabelund got on top of those screens," said Thatcher.

Meanwhile, Rivera stepped up on offense. He ended with a season high of 22 points, many coming on 7- to 10-foot jump shots, helping keep the Wolverines in the game.

In the 4th quarter, Texico began pulling ahead and went into a semi-stall. But a turnover, a missed shot and missed free throws allowed Bosque to move back into contention.

With about 6 seconds on the clock, Bosque hit an NBA 3-pointer to tie the game in regular time.

But the overtime belonged to Texico, led by Reyna who was on a mission. Taking a big lead early, Texico then spread the floor, getting free throw tries when fouled, and also had some steals. Texico outscored Bosque, 16-4, in OT.

Lady Wolverines

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into the lane and kicked the ball out to Jo. Cooper for a 3.

Texico was up by 18, but fouls became an issue. Lucero, Mayfield and Jo. Cooper ended up with three fouls, and Ja. Cooper and Anderson stayed in the game despite four fouls.

Penasco crept back into the game using free throws in the 4th quarter.

Anderson and Mayfield put in baskets and the Cooper twins put in 3 points.

Penasco cut the lead to 12, but Lucero put in 5 points as time expired.

Texico was 18 of 41 from the field; 3 of 9 on 3-pointers; and 13 of 18 from the free throw line.

The Lady Wolverines will play March 8 at 9:45 a.m. mt against the winner of Magdalena-Navajo Prep game.

Meet Farwell's Class of 2024



Elizabeth Mahaney is a Farwell kindergartener. Her birthday is Aug. 11. Parents are Jade Mahaney & Jason Kristinek. Grandparents are Lynne 7 Robin Mahaney, & Cyndy & Jerome Kristinek. She likes playing with friends, dancing, swimming, horses, cats & dogs. Favorite colors are pink & purple. Favorite foods are spaghetti, chicken nuggets & corn. She dislikes fried or hard-boiled eggs, or climbing in trees.

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Farwell coaches got appreciation plaques at the annual athletic banquet: Ken Good, Vernon Scott, Hano Wilson, Toby Booth and Jerry Dee Owen.

Guy Cox elected Pct. 3 county commissioner over Bob Jones, who was first Republican ever to run in a Parmer County race.

Loomix opens plant in Farwell.

Harry Sheets perfects "Monster Man" exercise machine.

Vonnie Yell is Texico basketball queen. Glenda Kelley voted Texico Most Beautiful.

Harvie Winkles killed in fighting in Vietnam.

New preachers are: Claude Walker, Assembly of God; Dewey Fogerson, Church of Christ; and Philip Baker, Methodist Church.

Nelda Winegeart wins Loving Cup.

JoAnn Liethen named ESA's Outstanding Girl.

Bobby Peugh named Mr. OEA (Office Education Assn.) at nationals.

Mitchell Turnbough named local Outstanding Boy Scout.

Merlborn Jones elected to Farwell School Board.

Valedictorians are Joan Guthrie, Texico, and Deb Hargrove, Farwell.

Tax district is opposed locally to establish a junior college for Parmer and 3 other Texas counties.

Jackie Seaton wins FHA state Homemaker Degree.

Bob Martin is Lions Club president and John Getz heads Farwell Chamber of Commerce.

Nell Walling is March of Dimes chairman.

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Area pioneers who died during the year were S.G. Billington, W.I. Rundell, Mrs. J.O. Ford, Claud Primrose, Florene Vinyard, Kate Queen, John Aldridge, Mary Kube and Virginia Hagler.

Jill Mimms and Carolyn Langford received Betty Crocker Homemaker awards.

"Border Town Days" is name selected for new Texico-Farwell summer celebration to be held in conjunction with AJRA rodeo. Carolyn Langford is BTd queen.

Texico Homecoming royalty -- Brenda Sims and Rickey Stanley.

Mark Haseloff shows grand champion steer at county show.

H.H. Billingsley elected Texico mayor. New councilmen are Bob Dollar (later replaced by Bill Christian) and Manford Turnbough.

Jim Light replaces J.C. Sanford as Texico marshal.

Texico FFA'er Billy Wilson wins state public speaking contest.

Larry Heath buys Farwell Plumbing.

Mrs. J.L. Ivy, Newell Bonds and Farwell student Nella Craig died in separate vehicle crashes.

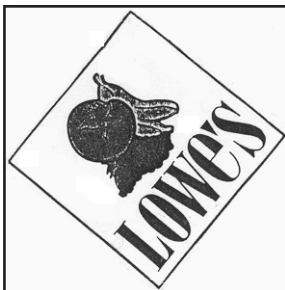
Fires hit Far-Tex feed lot and Golden West Seed Co.

Archie Tarter named county judge.

New Farwell post office opens.

Mrs. Roy Everett wins Tribune's football contest. One of the weekly winners is Lesley Curtis, who turned 12 one week before contest is held, making him the youngest weekly winner ever.

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The history of the former Oklahoma Lane Baptist Church was compiled by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Carpenter and written in 1976.

Everyone asks the question, "How did a small community located in the south-west section of Parmer County get the improbable name of Oklahoma Lane."

Sherman (Shake) Wood, a young Oklahoman had brought his wife, Maud, and growing family west and settled on land owned by his father-in-law, Martin Alexander. Their modest home was built in the southwest corner of the section where the present day church is located. This is now known as the Oklahoma Lane Crossroads.

Being devout Baptists and with no church to attend, they immediately opened their home to the neighbors regardless of church affiliation, for Sunday Bible study.

Occasionally, a preacher would be available for preaching service. They welcomed preachers of all denomination, although attendance was predominately Baptist. A Rev. Savage, a huge, whiskered man from Old Hurley in Bailey County was a frequent and welcome guest speaker.

In 1923, an effort was made to organize a Baptist Church in the new school building. No records of this effort can be found. No pastor was ever obtained. We can only assume that meetings were infrequent and attendance sparse.

Later records reveal that a Bro. Garret, pastor at Pleasant Hill, succeeded in organizing a church in 1927.

Church members elected Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Roberts and Addie Rundell as representatives. They joined the Tierra Blanco Association of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Six weeks later they officially called a pastor, Ben Johnson. He preached every other week, holding services Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night.

The Sunday night services competed with the traditional Oklahoma Lane Singing with was started years before by Carl Fowler. The Singing was a great success for many years. Local families jammed the small school auditorium, overflowing into the hallways.

Visiting singers from such remote places as Y-L, West Camp, Clovis, and Bovina came regularly, eager for fellowship and fun. It survived long after the Baptist Church was organized.

During the first months of his ministry, Bro. Johnson survived on free will offerings. Records show is first collection on Nov. 6, 1927, was \$2.50. On Dec. 3, it was \$4.

Many times during the early years bad weather and impassable roads prevented church services.

Baptism services were held during summer months only due to the lack of a baptistry. Sometimes these services were held at one of the nearby lakes. others at the tanks of Jim Bargar and Luther Grissom.

Fifth Sundays were a big day. Visiting preachers were invited in, sometimes preaching started on Friday night, continuing through Saturday morning and night, Sunday morning, "dinner on the ground" and more preaching Sunday afternoon and night.

The decision to build a church was made on March 31, 1935. A building committee was elected: E.C. Brown, Joe Donaldson and Wade Carpenter. The finance committee consisted of A.B. Wilkinson, Jack Roach, H.T. Edwards, and Jim Miller, treasurer.

Thad Watkins and Carpenter traveled to a lumber mill in Cloudcroft, N.M. with a grain truck and brought back the needed materials. One acre of land on the east side of the road was purchased from Anna Bradshaw. Ernest Hromas was hired to boss

construction.

Church members and men from other denominations in the community donated labor. Women fanned out over the country collecting money, non-laying hens and eggs to sell.

On June 23, less than three months later, the first services were held in the new church. Final cost was about \$2,000. Dedication was held Feb. 13, 1938.

Here is the church budget for 1937 and 1938: Pastor's salary, \$480; Missions, \$50; Sunday School literature, \$32; Orphan's Home, \$25; Janitor (Bill Hanna), \$60; Lights, \$18; Coal, \$12; Insurance \$21.10; Total -- \$698.10.

Another big decision was made on Oct. 7, 1949. Two more acres south of the church were purchased from Charley and Verda Summers and Bill and Lucy Hanna.

The need for a parsonage was discussed and a building committee elected -- E.H. Young, Bryan Smith, Walter Hardage, D.W. Carpenter and Gladys Hromas. The church also called a full-time pastor, J.J. Terry.

By 1952 the congregation had grown to the extent that additional space was needed. Another building committee was elected -- H.T. Edwards, Harold Carpenter, Sterling Donaldson, Claude Watkins, Chairman and W.E. Verner, treasurer. Charlie Hromas was hired to coordinate the volunteer labor and work was started on a new brick auditorium.

Participating in the dedication program were: Piano solo, Irma Jobes; Sermon, Barto Massey (previous pastor); Church History, Jimmie McGuire; Solo, Julia Symcox; Duet, Jolene and Doris Donaldson; and Sermon, D.G. Davidson (previous pastor). Pastor Irving Looney was emcee.

Each year, more Spanish speaking people were moving into the community, drawn by labor on the irrigated farms. The need for mission work among was evident.

In 1961, the church voted to build a Spanish mission on the extreme south side of the property. Charlie Hromas again coordinated volunteer workers. The first full-time Spanish pastor, Daniel Morin, moved into the community. Total cost of mission, \$4,000.

It was decided to build a new parsonage and in 1975, the church took action. Dedication services were held in the new parsonage May 2, 1976.

The old parsonage was sold to a Portales man, moved off the premises and now serves as a farm home three miles east of Portales.

Through the years, progress was made. Some 10 local men and boys entered the ministry and were sent out to pastor other Baptist churches. One foreign missionary and one home missionary among the Spanish people are also noted.

## Texico golfers qualify for State tournament

The Texico golf team had a state qualifying score of 380 in the Texico Invitational last week.

Portales finished 1st with 364, Texico was 2nd, and Clovis was 3rd with 406.

For Texico, Lauren McFarden was 2nd with 88; Allison Myers, 4th with 92; Megan Long, 5th with 93; Kimber Harrison, 107; Sarah Long 109; McKenzee Thatcher, 116; Jessica Lorde, 121, and Courtney Vanderdussen, 122.

## Another look at the FCRC Valentine's Day dinner



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Live Cattle prices checked their contract highs last week and backed off a little into Friday's close. Early this week the market dropped back into last weeks lows and have held up to this point. A move below last weeks lows would begin to turn some fairly important trends negative. For the most part cattle have continued to drift higher on each pullback. I new lows begin to replace new highs then there could be a price correction which could last for a few weeks?

Feeder prices also took a pretty good hit early this week coming off new contract highs which were made just last week. About the same as the Live Cattle, if last weeks lows are taken out, then there could be a downward correction which could last for a few weeks? Prices dropped about \$2.50 on Monday and there didn't seem to be any interested buys for the entire day which was a little unusual.

Soybean prices have been able to retrace exactly two-thirds of their losses made from their September high into their December low. This would technically be about the last major resistance level which would stop the advance. A strong close above this level would project a retest of the September highs.

Corn prices were able to turn their short term trends up early last week and have continued to work higher since. The market was able to take out their January highs and look like the December highs around the \$6.72 level are about to be tested next basis the May contract. The last major resistance level lies at the high made last October around the \$6.84 level.

Wheat prices were able to trade back up into their two-thirds retracement level last week and fell back down early this week. A new high on the week would be very positive and would project up into the January high for another test of that level. Otherwise, a failure at this level should lead to a sell-off. Much of the direction in the wheat will depend heavily on the rest of the grain complex.


Cotton prices saw a terrible close last Friday, but the market was able to recover almost all of last weeks losses on Monday of this week with the market closing up the 400 point limit. This move was not enough to turn any long term trend back higher, but more than enough to turn short term trends back up. Depending on the strength for the rest week, prices could be making an attempt to turn back higher?

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Letzi Vizcarra is a Texico kindergartener. Her birthday is June 23. Parents are Isidro & Veronica Vizcarra. Siblings are Rolando, Leslie & Rodrigo. Grandparents are Maria & Manuel Delgado, and Arcadio & Dolores Vizcarra. She likes to read, play and be a model. Favorite color is pink. Favorite foods are pizza and spaghetti.

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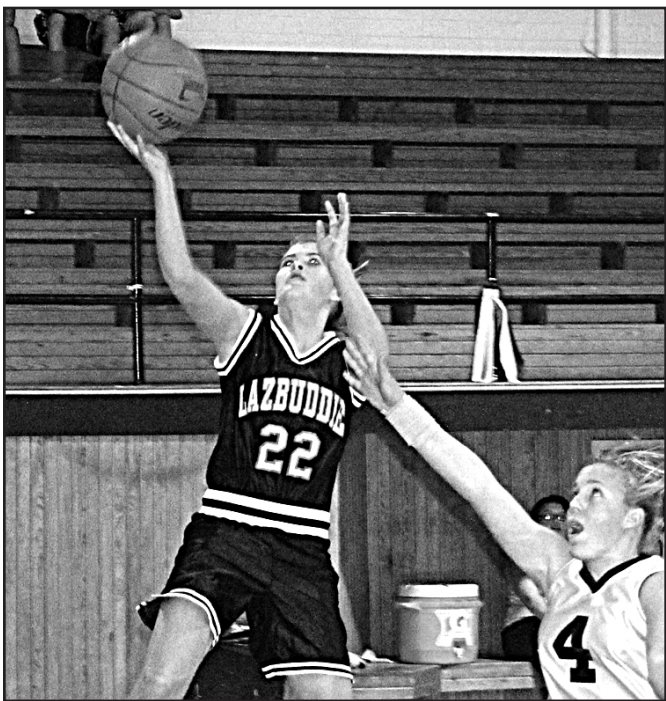


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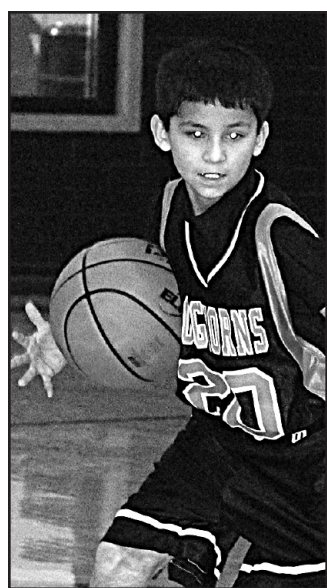
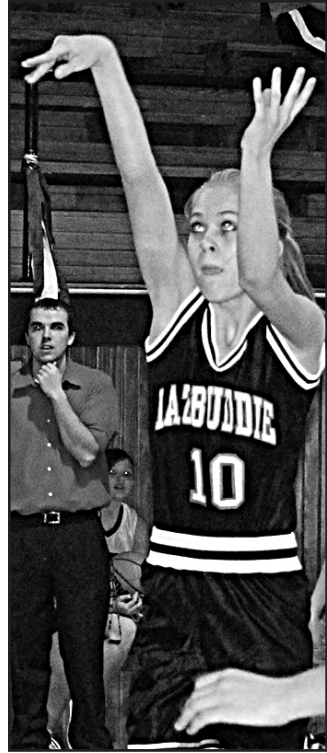
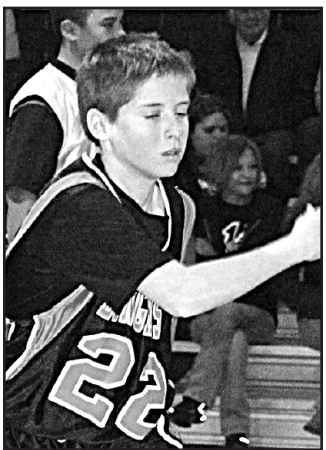
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### Lazbuddie Junior High in action

Photos by Carolyn Scott



### The Latest

Texico city election was held on Tuesday.

Since Audrey Kittrell and Doug Scioli were the only candidates on the ballot for the two positions open, they were elected.

Mrs. Kittrell replaces Jerry Bradley, who did not seek re-election.

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Cody Drager, of Farwell, is a new member of the American Angus Association.

Two Farwell High golf teams participated in the Friona Tourney last week.

Finishing 2nd on Feb. 27 was the team of Tyler Schilling, 2nd medalist, 85; Trevor Schilling, 1st medalist, 82; Zac Dale, 130; Mitchell Ratke, 96; Andres Graxiola, 111 (played as a medalist), and Daniel Sanchez, 119.



### Farwell students recognized

Students of the 4th six weeks at Farwell Elementary School were: Kindergarten - Sage Street, James Castillo, Jackson Wilbourn. 1st grade - Emiliano Perez, Martha Loeppky, Aiden Gonzales. 2nd grade - Israel Arevalo, Ronnie Wilkins. 3rd grade - Edwyn Garcia, Cassidy Nelson, Mililani Woznick. 4th grade - Kynton Haseloff, Ian Beverage, Angel Germain. 5th grade - Brianna Reyes, Maria Maldonado.

Finishing 2nd on Feb. 29 was the team of Cade Boz, 1st medalist, 69; Tristan Owings, 2nd medalist, 77; Collin Christian, 111; Hayden Hadley, 94, and Kolten

Morris, 99.

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Texico FFA competed in Carrizozo last week-end.

The Ag Mechanics teams took 2nd and 3rd

places out of 49 teams.

Three Texico students placed in the top 10 for individual scores: Powers Hagler, 2nd; Shay Harrison, 3rd, and Brandon King, 10th.

### Farwell takes 1st at Seagraves track

Farwell High boys placed 1st in the Seagraves track meet with 127 points on March 1. Placing were:

- 100 run - Alan Sosa, 5th, 12.56.
- 800 relay - Farwell, 4th, 1:45.12.
- 400 run - Hayden Hadley, 2nd, 57.17.
- 300 hurdles - Kolten Morris, 2nd, 41.27.
- 200 run - Sosa, 6th, 26.53.
- 1600 run - Max Vidana, 5th, 5:52.98.
- 1600 relay - Farwell, 3rd, 3:49.37.
- Discus - Ubi Trevizo, 1st, 114'; Edgar Cuevas, 2nd, 113' 9.
- High jump - Collin Christian, 3rd, 5' 6.
- Long jump - Christian, 5th, 17' 7.5.
- Shot put - Trevizo, 1st, 44'10.5; Cuevas, 2nd, 39' 2.
- Triple jump - Stancell, 3rd, 28' 6; Hadley, 4th, 28' 4.
- 3200 run - Vidana, 3rd, 12:38.03.
- 400 relay - Farwell, 2nd, 49.84.
- Discus - Cheyenne Rodriguez, 5th, 83'1.
- High jump - Curt Langford, 4th, 5'2,
- Long jump - Lane Riley, 4th, 16'7.25"; Langford, 6th, 15'10.25.
- Triple jump - Riley,

- 2nd, 35'0.
- 400 relay - Farwell, 2nd, 49.50.
- 800 run - J.J. Herrera, 6th, 2:31.65.
- 800 relay - Farwell 3rd, 1:46.68.
- 400 run - Riley, 2nd, 58.62..
- 300 hurdles - Langford, 2nd, 49.31.

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The Lady Blue placed 2nd at Seagraves with 101 points. Placing were:
- 400 Relay - Alexa Mora, Jill Johnson, Chelsea Foster and Kayla Cullison, 2nd, 54.87.
- 800 run - Chelsea Bass, 1st, 2:30.
- 100 hurdles - Christina Green, 2nd, 18.37; K'Leigh Jo White, 3rd, 18.59.
- 100 run - Chelsea Foster, 15.17; Taylor Stancell, 16.37.
- 800 relay - Mora, J. Johnson, Green and Cullison, 1st, 1:53.02.
- 300 hurdles - Green, 2nd, 54.21; White, 58.64.
- 200 run - Caitlyn Stancell, 4th, 29.93; Foster 30.28.
- 1600 relay - Mora, J. Johnson, Cullison and Bass, 1st, 4:22.34.
- High jump - J. Johnson, 2nd, 4' 4"; Abby Johnson, 6th, 4' 4.

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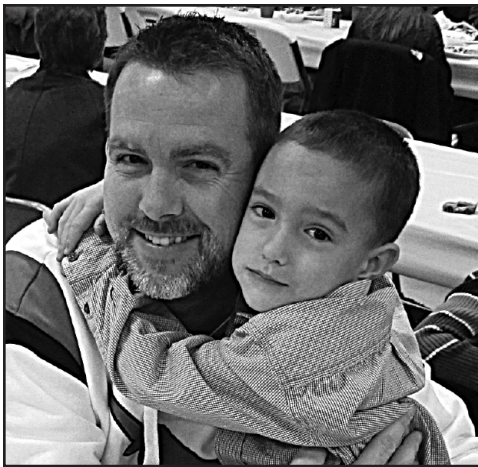
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# More scenes from the annual Life in Christ Academy supper



## The Latest

Three Texico Elementary School 2nd graders were inadvertently left off the 4th six weeks honor rolls published last week: Cassidy Haakman, Caleb Gutzler and Maddox Drager.

Here's an addition to the Farwell Elementary School 4th six weeks honor rolls that were published last week:

Ms. Hester, 5th grade - honor roll, Sterling Henderson, Caitlyn Garcia, Christian Barrett, Maria Maldonado; achievement list, Gabriel Vara, Ramon Reyes, Estefany Plascencia, Jasmine Corona, Mathew Dyck, Aaron Meza, Maria Maldonado, Matthew Kube, Jordan Klein, Garrett Baldwin.

It's time to change the clocks when you go to bed on Saturday night. Remember the adage: spring forward, fall back. So set your clocks an hour ahead.



Lacey Jesko and Shyann Rainey.

## Jesko, Rainey win major All-District honors

The All-District basketball teams have been announced. Lazbuddie's Lacey Jesko was named Offensive MVP and Shyann Rainey was one of the Defensive MVPs chosen.

Named to the 1st Team All-District were Maysun Hester and Shea Scott.

Named to the 2nd Team All-District were Karina Galaviz and Ashton Mason, while Jessica Estrada was named Honorable Mention.

Named to the Academic All-District roster were Jesko, Rainey, Estrada, Galaviz and Scott.

Three Longhorns were named to the 2nd Team All-District -- Jarrod Jesko, Todd Nichols and Jared Timms.

Alex Lopez and Justin Schacher were Honorable Mention. Jesko was named to the Academic All-District list.

## Ketcherside is county's new part-time auditor

Farwell's Joyce Ketcherside is the new part-time Parmer County auditor.

The position was mandated by state law due to the county's higher population and Mrs. Ketcherside was appointed by District Court Judge Gordon Green to the job in January. She said she will

assist in preparing the yearly county audit, which has been handled by Kirkland CPA in the past, check on the county's bill payments and periodically audit departments.

She has a degree in accounting and worked at Kelly Green Seeds for many years.



Joyce Ketcherside

## City, primary elections set

It's finally been settled: The city, hospital district and school board elections will be held on May 12, while the primary elections will be on May 29.

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 Wednesday - tuna salad sandwich, veggie sticks with dip, chips, yogurt pies.  
 Thursday - ham & potato scallop, garden salad, yeast roll, chocolate cake.  
 Friday - shrimp alfredo, salad, Italian rolls, cherry cinnamon cobbler.

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 Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
 Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

**Assembly of God Church, Texico**  
 Cathy Bullington - minister  
 Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
 Wednesday - 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

**Lariat Church of Christ**  
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**Iglesia Bautista Hispana in Bovina**  
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 Worship - 11 a.m.  
 Wednesday worship, 7 p.m.

**Lazbuddie Church of Christ**  
 Mickey Chambiss - minister  
 Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. mt  
 Worship - 10:20 a.m. & 5 p.m.  
 Wednesday -- 7 p.m.

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

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

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 Sunday Mass - Noon  
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**Bovina United Methodist Church**  
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 Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.  
 Wednesday study, 7 p.m.

**Apostolic Truth United Pentecostal Church of Texico**  
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**First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie**

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These Texico students read the most books in their class for the school-wide contest.

### Texico students win reading contest

Texico Elementary joined in the "Read the Most from Coast to Coast" day on March 2, sponsored by the Accelerated Reading program.

The winners were kindergarten, Sonia Ortiz and Isaak Mendez; 1st grade James Mendez, Joshua Andrews, and Claire McDaniel; 2nd grade, Clarissa Ramirez and Caleb Gutzler.

3rd grade winners were Joshua Myers and Ray Ruiz; 4th graders Luke Phipps and Riley Thompson; and 5th graders Baylee Sours and Pacen Hartley

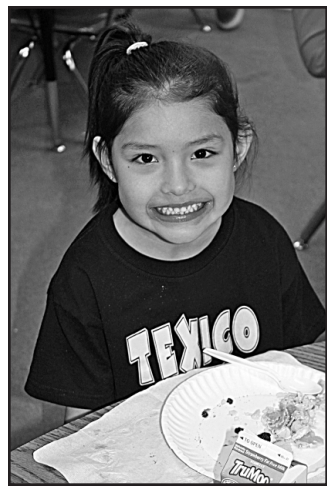
The AR program challenged schools across the nation to read the most books possible in one day. Students were required to not only read the books, but also pass the computer quiz for the book. This way, the AR program was able to track all the books online.

All ages at Texico competed and collectively read 2,243 books on Friday. Throughout the nation, a new record was set at 3,471,000 books read in a day.

### Students celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday



Mrs. Vaughan's kindergarten class at Texico Elementary celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday on March 2 by making and sampling green eggs and ham. Students agreed that they liked green eggs and ham.



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Registration will be held from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Kindergarteners will register in the elementary office. Pre-K and Head Start pupils will register in the Head Start room.

All children who will be four and five years of age by Sept. 1 and live in the Farwell School District need to register for next year's classes. To register, a child must have immunization records, state copy of birth certificate and Social Security card.

Requirements to be eligible for pre-K and Head Start, a child must be four years old prior to Sept. 1, is unable to speak or comprehend the English language, or is from a family whose income, according to standards set by the State Board of Education, is at or below subsistence level (eligible for free or reduced price lunches) and is a resident of the Farwell School District.

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Witness, Colleen Stover, Clerk of the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, given under my hand and seal of said Court in the city of Farwell, this 28th day of February 2012.

Colleen Stover  
Clerk of County Court  
of Parmer County, Texas

### Sheriff's Report

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

On Feb. 29, Victor Alvarado Jr., 30, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on charges of assault and motion to revoke (driving with an invalid license), pending in county court.

On March 1, Jordan Shivers, 21, of Clovis, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a motion to revoke (burglary of a habitation), pending in district court.

On March 1, John Lamas, 32, of Bovina, was arrested by Farwell police on a charge of driving with an invalid license, pending in county court.

On March 2, Broc Crocket, 28, of Tucumcari, was arrested by the sheriff's office on charges of burglary of a habitation, theft and failure to appear (possession of a controlled substance), pending in district court.

On March 2, Graciela Derey, 52, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of forgery, pending in district court.

On March 3, Lucario Balboa, 19, of Clovis, was arrested by Farwell police on a charge of injury to a child, pending in district court.

On March 4, Julio Cisneros, 46, of Bovina, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of driving with an invalid license, pending in county court.

In 287th District Court on Feb. 28, with Judge Gordon Green presiding: Mark Mullins, 42, of Clovis, charged with violation of community supervision (fraudulent possession of a controlled substance), was sentenced to community supervision revoked, 10 years Institutional

supervision (unauthorized use of a vehicle), was sentenced to community supervision revoked, 18 months State Jail Division (TDCJ).

Division (TDCJ).

John Rice, 22, of Roswell, charged with violation of community

### Courthouse Notes

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

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Vicki Dryer - Gerald Smith, Vol 95 Pg 125.

Epifanio Soltero - Servando Soltero, L6 B69 Friona.

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Don Reeve - Glenn Reeve Jr., same as above.

Max Reeve - Glenn Reeve Jr., same as above.

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Victor Huizar - Jesus Nunez, L1 B40 Bovina.

Marcos Martinez - Richard Barrett, E 70.13 Ac SE/4 S1 Blk W Warren W 90 Ac SE/4 S1 Blk W Warren.

Randall Dale, et al - James Tarrant, 341.628 Ac S19 Doud & Keefer 291.846 Ac S20 Doud & Keefer.

Federico Vela - Manuel Ramos, L6-8 B21 Bovina.

### County American Legion post adds auxiliary group

Bill Dannheim, commander of the Parmer County American Legion post, reminds folks that the group meets the 4th Monday of every month.

The next meeting will be on March 26 at 7 p.m. at the Bovina EMS building.

Also, an Auxiliary group of ladies has been started and will meet with the post at the same time and place.

The post is raising funds to send two Lazbuddie students to Boys and Girls State this summer.

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Dannheim said all funds raised will be used in Parmer County.

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It's really great to see both the Texico varsity basketball teams win their first rounds in the state playoffs and advance to the state quarter-finals.

We're hoping both teams make it to the championship games but whether they do or not, they both have had outstanding seasons and we want to congratulate them.

And a special "congrats" to Coach Richard Luscombe on his 500th win!

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Now on to other spring sports:

Texico -- the varsity girls' golfers vi at Alamogordo on March 12. The baseball team scrimmages at home against Melrose on March 13.; then opens its season at the Rattler Invitational in Tucumcari March 15-17.

Bovina -- the varsity track team competes at the Mean Green Relays at Hamlin, Texas, on March 9.

Lazbuddie -- the JH tracksters compete on March 8 at Sudan.

Farwell -- the varsity tracksters vie at Plains on March 9. The golf teams play at Plains March 8.

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An important event is coming up in Bovina -- the annual banquet honoring local residents will be held later this month. Please watch for details and plan to attend!

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## Bovina chamber elects board of directors

The newly-formed Bovina Chamber of Commerce met Feb. 28 to further plan for this year's banquet and to elect a board of directors.

The banquet will be held June 14. It was moved back from this month so it can be held in the Bovina Community Center, currently under construction.

Named to the board of directors were:

Radford Venable, Celia Tienda, Bryan Johnson, Kenneth Waters, Brenda Riddle, Latrelle Miehler, Donna Mitchell, Martha Tyler, Jim Bob Swafford, Dan Mayberry, Shelby Rhodes and Maria Antillon.

The three-year board terms will be staggered.

Chamber Secretary Suezzy Smith explained that a 12-member board was established because it is hoped more folks get involved in Chamber activities.

Also, the Chamber will meet the 4th Thursday of every month at the EMS building. After the community center opens, meetings will be held there. Thus, the next meeting will be March 22.

Mrs. Smith stressed that it hoped more community and area resident participate in the Chamber. Just come to a meeting.

Also, a ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held for the Antillon's new gift shop. No date has been set.

Don Spring is the Chamber board president; Larry Mitchell, vice president, Mrs. Smith, secretary, and Kay Swafford, treasurer.

## Our scholars

Bovina High School's 4th six-week's honor rolls are:

All A's

Jake Brozek, Justus Brozek. Jackie Garcia, Justin Curtis, David Martinez, Julian Martinez, Heather Miller.

A-B

Kristian Antillon, Delia Banuelos. Aaron Castaneda, Yesenia Castaneda, Jose Cruz, Gabriel Delarosa, Andy Flores, Marielena Flores, Sarah Gallegos, Bryan Garcia, Luis Garcia, Gabriella Gonzales, Gabriel Hancock, Yajayra Herrera, Padya Hughes, Stefon Knoll, Anabel Lara, Andrew Marrufo, Daniel Mejia, Cristal Nicolas, Brittany Perez, Jose Perez, Juan Pinela, Regina Quintero, Ivan Ramirez, Sirina Ramirez, Abel Rocha, Karen Rocha, Mandy Rojas, Bricelda Salas, Eduardo Salas, Jairo Salas, Victor Sanchez, Gael Vela, Yukari Vela, David Velo, Roxanne Zalazar.

## Bovina to have races for school board, city council and mayor

Monday was the deadline for signing up for the May 12 local elections.

Here's what the ballots look like:

**Bovina School:**

Seeking the two posts on the ballot are Anita Bonham and incumbents Justin Brozek and Josh Quintana.

**Bovina City:**

Seeking the mayor's post are Frank Gonzalez Jr. and incumbent Stan Miller.

Seeking the two council posts are Mike Olvera and incumbents David Curtis and Brenda Riddle.

### Parmer/Bailey County Crime Stoppers 1 (800) 774-8477 (TIPS)

On Feb. 7, someone stole two red Cecilio Alto saxophones from the Bovina High band room.

If you have any information about this, please call Bovina Police at 251-1133 or Crime Stoppers at 481-9178.

You can also post a tip at [www.pbcstips.com](http://www.pbcstips.com). You will remain anonymous and, if your tip leads to an arrest, you may earn cash reward up to \$1,000.

### Bovina track

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800 run - Daniel Lara, 3rd.  
1600 run -- Lara, 3rd.  
800 relay -- Bovina 5th, Adrian Orozco, Adriel Vela, Gabriel Gonzales, Darius Armijo.  
1600 relay -- Bovina, 6th, Orozco, Vela, Lara, Armijo  
8th graders placing were:  
400 run - Carlos Vaquera, 4th.  
800 run - Vaquera, 2nd; Alex Lucero, 6th.  
800 relay - Bovina, 5th, Daniel Perez, Jose Rodriguez, Lucero, Enrique Marez-Beltran.  
1600 relay -- Bovina, 6th, Vaquera, Rodriguez, Lucero, Marez-Beltran.  
Triple Jump- Marez-Beltran, 5th.  
Shot put - Daniel Perez, 3rd.

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## Mustangs basketball coach Gonzales resigns

The Bovina School Board on Monday accepted the resignation of varsity boys basketball coach Jose Gonzales.

In other business, the board:

-- Heard that Supt. Dale Fullerton has scheduled meetings with several architects as the process has begun into looking at possibly building a new gym.

He is getting ideas on the cost, seating and gym size.

-- Received one bid for the 1999 Suburban the school was selling. Veronica Herrera got it for \$2,400.

-- Had several art students attend the meeting to report on their successes at the VASE meet (see story on Page 14).

-- Received the resignation of educational aide Phoebe Gomez.

-- Approved deferring implementation of the 15 percent grading requirement for the upcoming STAAR tests that had been scheduled for April.

## ‘Bovina has a great and bright future ahead’

(Editor's note: This is part of a series of articles by Bovina officials and city employees on their jobs or giving updates on city workings.)

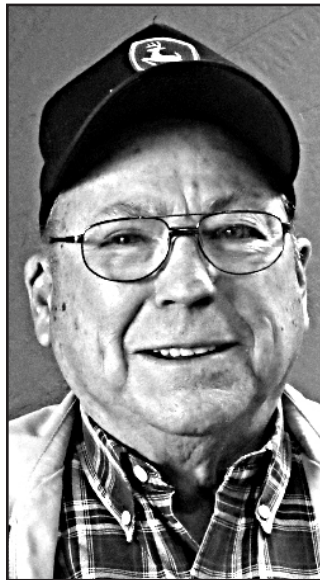
by Gaylon Rhodes  
City Councilman

With my wife Shelby and two young children, I moved to Bovina in 1966. I have been proud to call Bovina my home for nearly 50 years.

I was elected to the City Council in 2006 and have truly enjoyed serving my fellow citizens and our small city through some exciting times. Bovina is a great place with the best people one can find.

Citizens making the effort to be involved in the community by interacting with the council and being involved in all facets of the school, which is the heart of our community, make this a great place to live and serve.

Our city manager does a fantastic job in over-



Gaylon Rhodes

seeing the daily operations of our town. Our school board likewise does a fantastic job overseeing the operations of the school.

I believe Bovina has a great and bright future ahead. With progress comes change. Bovina will continue to grow and progress if we have faith and believe that in all things there is something good.

### Bovina Banter

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kicked off this week. They will be having games Mondays through Saturdays except for Wednesdays and during Spring Break.

The league continues to grow with 38 teams playing this year.

Besides our local teams, youths from Muleshoe, Dimmitt, Farwell, and Clovis are coming to play here. Thanks to the officers

and volunteers that keep this organization running successfully.

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God Bless and have great week.

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Interesting Fact of the Week: The only states in the U.S. that do not observe Daylight Savings Time are Arizona, Hawaii, and some tropical territories.

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### 50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Maurice Smith makes All-Regional basketball team.

Orie Jones and Ronny Henson win trophies at Amarillo Autorama.

Clint Tharp has 1st birthday party.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Broyles involved in car wreck.

James Roberts coaches Quitaque team to state.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dee Owens have a son, Mark.

Scotty Levins has surgery at the Amarillo VA hospital.

Kandy Meeks hosts slumber party.

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### Phenoms stay undefeated

The Bovina Phenoms show the medals they won at the Tucumcari Tourney over seven teams. They placed 1st. Here are Top Row: Coach Herman Marquez, Kelsey Marquez, Nailia Garcia, Jaci Trevino, Natalie Olvera, Coach Mile Olvera; bottom row: Laura Perez, Krista Saenz, Kayla Lara, Ireydi Vela, not pictured Coach Isabel Maruffo.

## Free pre-natal classes set

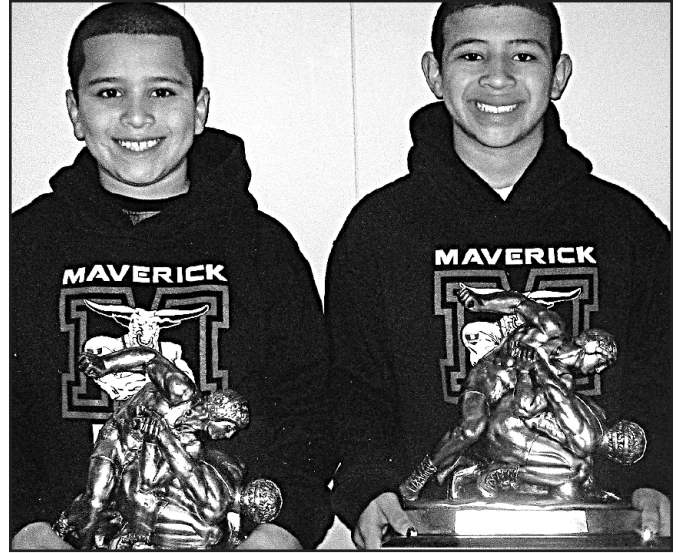
The Healthy Baby Coalition of Parmer County will have signups for free pre-natal classes March 10 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the conference room of Parmer Medical Center.

Expectant mothers are encouraged to register. Mothers who participate in the classes earn points to use for free baby items for their newborn.

Classes are available in both English and Spanish.

The coalition will also take donations of new or gently used baby items at the same time.

For more information, call Heidi Eichenauer at 250-2754 or JoDonna Terry at 295-8291.



### Torres wins wrestling title

Xavier and Moses Torres, sons of Joe and Paulene Torres, formerly of Bovina and grandsons of Anthony and Judy Ramon, of Bovina. Xavier won the 100 lb. state wrestling title, Moses took 2nd place and was Novice State Champion.

## Don't get hit with a penalty! “Render” your taxable property by April 15th.

A “rendition” is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year.

### Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income - such as the inventory and equipment used by a business. If you render late, don't render or file an incomplete or false rendition, a 10% to 50% penalty may be imposed.

### Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value to the appraisal review board.

- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.

- You can also file a “report of decreased value” to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2010. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2011.

### What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 2011 renditions is April 15. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 15 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

### Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

**Parmer County Appraisal District**

305 3rd Street  
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If you have any questions, please call (806) 251-1405; e-mail [parmer@amaonline.com](mailto:parmer@amaonline.com)

Jill Timms -- Chief Appraiser  
Deanna Curtis -- Deputy Chief Appraiser



## Cargill Meat Solutions presents service awards

Human Resource Manager Margaret Renteria presents Plant Manager Rick White with his award for 35 years.



Above, Receiving their awards for 35 years of service were Lorenzo Claudio, Lupe Garza, Victor Arzola, Sam McIntosh, Andres Garza Jr., Walter Hudson, Pable Martinez, and Rick White. Not shown is Jaime Villarreal.

At right, receiving their awards for 30 years of service were Joe Perez, Bacilio Viernes, Jose Ortega and Diamond Perez. Not shown are Jesus Mendoza, George Guillen, Rodney Shelby, and Manuel Arellano.



Cargill Meat Solutions gave out their annual service awards at the Hereford Country Club on March 3. Honored for 25 years of service were Juan Tijerina Jr., Donald Donovan, Burl Francis, Francisco Garcia, Alberto Soto, Ramiro Alaniz, Eufemia Cardenas, George Richardson, Gerardo Rivera, Jose Rocha, Aaron Salinas, Michael Williams, Pat Scott, and Valente Casas. Not shown were Robert Tapia, Juan Sanchez, and Victor Lira.



Jerry Landrum and John Ortiz were honored for 40 years of service. Landrum, of Farwell, said he originally took the job when he was 17 and had just bought a car. He planned to quit when the car was paid off. Landrum said in the 40 years, he has driven over 578,000 miles and has had dozens of cars.

### Bovina Banter

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W.O. Cherry is home from Lorenzo, whee he visited his father who is ill.

Postmaster E.T. Caldwell is receiving treatment in Savannah, Mo.

on May 29.

The American Angus Assn. reports that Running Water Land & Cattle has three bulls listed in the spring sire evaluation report, and Ashley Hartzog has one.

It's time to move your clocks an hour ahead when you go to bed on Saturday night.

Remember the adage: spring forward, fall back.

Our school's One-Act Play will compete at Sudan March 23 and 24. It's "Goodbye to th Clown," about a little girl who lost her dad and substitutes an imaginary friend, a clown, for him.

TAASKS exit level tests will be given at school March 5, 7, 8 and 9.

Edith Gomez and Rosa Duarte both placed 8th in their separate weight

classes at the Regional powerlifting meet. Way to go, girls!

Gene Hutto is at the hospital in Friona on a swing bed, getting better and better. He will be there for a little while building up his strength again.

Knowing Gene, he is probably getting spoiled, too. Glad he is doing better.

It's sprin break next week with school resuming on he 19th.

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### Miller awarded

Darlene Miller is Bovina School's Employee of the Month. She is the business manager.

Louise Donaldson, of Oklahoma Lane, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Arnold Hromas.

Early release at school will be at 12:04 p.m. on March 9. Enjoy spring break next week!

Mark it on your calendar: the One-Act Play will be given March 23 at Sudan.

Our varsity track team competes at the Mean Green Relays at Hamlin, Texas, on March 9.

The city and school board elections will be held on May 12, while the primary elections will be

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## Mustang Band wins Small Sweepstakes Award

From Bovina Band Director Brad Walker:

The Bovina Mighty Mustang Band competed in the Region 16 UIL Concert and Sight Reading Contest on March 1 in Lubbock.

Our band earned straight Division 1 Superior Ratings in both the Concert and Sight Reading events and received the UIL Small Sweepstakes Music Award.

"Small Sweepstakes" involves sight reading and concert, but not marching.

The judges said our band "knocked their program out of the park".

They also commented about our band's attention to detail in all sections. The percussion was commended for its performance as "rock solid."

I want to give special thanks Jason Anaya, the Assistant Band Director and Percussion Coordinator.

This marks the first time since 2004 that the Mighty Mustang Band has earned

an award from UIL.

The band performed "Tammy's March" in honor the late Mustang Band Booster President Tammy Knoll. Her son, Stefon Knoll, was the featured trumpet soloist on this piece, which I composed

Other tunes performed were "Corps of Discovery" and "Mythos."

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On a personal note, this is the first time since 1981 that I've directed a Division 1 Superior Band at UIL. That's 31 years since I directed Plains High School in UIL.

This is a long "dry spell" to say the least. Of course, my 22 years in U.S. Army Bands figured into that computation of time elapsed. Thanks to these great kids for making this happen!



### Students of the Month

Bovina High School Students of the Month are Roxanne Zalazar and Jose Cruz. Roxanne works hard with the junior class to raise funds for the prom, brought in food to sell for the Spanish Festival, and placed 2nd at the Spanish Festival with a pinata she made with her partner. Jose assists other pupils so that he acts like another teacher to his peers.

### Pancakes served

The Catholic Youth Organization held a pancake breakfast on Sunday at St. Ann's. The youth made and served pancakes and menu.



**Bovina Banter**  
Deanna Curtis •  
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### Gomez named All-District

Bovina Fillies' Edith Gomez, a sophomore, made Honorable Mention All-District for the 2011-12 basketball season.

Named to the Academic All-District team were Marielena Flores, and Regina Quintero.

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The youth at the First Baptist Church are taking donations for an upcoming yard sale to raise money for summer camp.

If you have something to donate, contact any of the youths, Esther Steelman or Melisa Mullins in the church office.

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### Bovina students compete at art Regional

These Bovina High students competed at the Regional VASE (Visual Arts Scholastic Event) contest: from left, Vivyan Mesza, Justus Brozek, Jake Brozek, Navil Marinelarena and Heather Miller. Not pictured is Marielena Flores. (Photo by Chad Taylor)

### Pinela 1st in 1600 run at Friona track meet

The Mustangs finished 5th with 55 points in the Fighting Chieftain Relays at Friona last weekend.

Placing were:

Shot put -- Aaron Castaneda, 4th, 41'0.

Discus -- Castaneda, 3rd, 126'6.

200 dash - Ramiro Nicols, 4th, 24.37.

400 run -- Ramiro Carmona, 6th, 59.43.

1600 run - Juan Pinela, 1st, 5:03.80;

Abel Rocha, 4th, 5:20.30.

3200 run -- Pinela, 3rd, 11:16.90;

Rocha, 4th, 11:21.86.

800 relay -- Bovina, 4th, 1:41.01, Abdiel Ramos, Joseph Casas, Arturo

Aguillon, Ramiro Carmona.

1600 relay -- Bovina, 4th, 4:57.48, Abdiel Ramos, Joseph Casas, Ramiro Carmona, Erli Rueda.

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The Fillies had 12 points and finished 10th at Friona. Placing were:

200 dash -- Jackie Guevara, 4th, 28.62.

400 run -- Guevara, 2nd, 1:01.68.

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Here are the results of the Bovina Middle School teams at the Friona Junior High Relays.

7th graders placing were:

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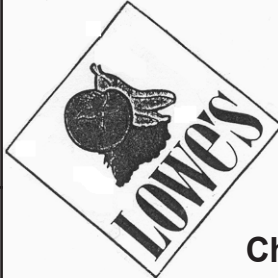
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