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Merchants Giveaway begins

A multitude of Twin City businesses will participate in the 34th annual Border Town Days Merchants Giveaway in conjunction with the LTD celebration on July 31 at the Farwell City Park.

This year's giveaways will start promptly at noon at the Saturday festivities. To enter, you must be at least 12 years of age and you must be present to win.

In charge of this year's giveaway are Bill Dannheim and Benji Henderson.

Folks from the Farwell Convalescent Center will have a table near the gazebo to hand out the prize tickets to the winners.

Any merchant who has not been contacted but wishes to participate in the giveaway should call the State Line Tribune immediately at 481-381.

Each participating merchant has a box in which customers may register for the prize to be given away by the merchant.

A person may sign up once each time he or she is in a store until July 29 when the boxes will be picked up.

A list of where all the boxes can be found is elsewhere in today's Tribune. Boxes are being placed at the participating merchants this morning.

Drawings will be held from each individual business's box starting at noon on July 31 at LTD. The person whose name is drawn will be allowed a few minutes to



It's time for the popular Merchants Giveaway to start for Border Town Days! Pictured is Benji Henderson, who along with Bill Dannheim, spearhead the giveaway. He shows the poster that will be placed today at many Twin City businesses to note their participation.

claim their prize. If the winner doesn't show up within that time, another name will be drawn.

There is one exception to this rule. The LTD Committee has voted to allow firemen and police who work that day to win prizes even if they are not at the park when their names are called. This is because many are putting away their vehicles at that time.

So listen closely to the P.A. system when the drawings begin.

No entrant can win more than one prize, thus allowing for more winners.

No purchase is necessary at any of the participating merchants in order to register for the prizes.

Following is a list of participating merchants and the prizes being offered (some prizes will be announced later):

Citizens Bank, \$50 savings bond
Sudderth Realty, ice cooler

Lacey Meeks, Farwell Medical Clinic

Tire Country, free oil change and alignment

Melinda Burney, Farwell Medical Clinic, two free visits worth up to \$180

El Jacalito, 2 free meals.

Farwell Country Club -- two drawings, each for 18 holes of play and a cart

Scott Johnson Farm Services

Farwell Fuels

A-Me'De's Restaurant, 2 free meals

DeBruce Ag Services, lawn fertilizer

Kelly Green Seeds, 5 bags of seed (wheat or forage sorghum)

Frans Irrigation, ceiling fan

Farwell Feed Supply, dog food

Southwest Ag Services, booster cables

Muleshoe State Bank, \$50 savings bond

Southwest Ag Tire Center, free oil change and rotate balance for car or pickup

Taylor's Cuts, 2 free haircuts

Farwell Post Office, \$25 gift certificate

Cooper Crafts

Farwell Hardware, two drawings

ENMR - Plateau, old style phone

Trevino Art & Import, pewter

Borderline Cuts, gift certificate to Lowe's Supermarket

The Beauty Box



Farwell football camp held

Farwell football camp was held recently. Photos by Shirley Prokop and Keegan Langford)

County in great financial shape

The Parmer County Commissioners received the annual audit report from Kirkland & Kirkland CPA and it shows the county to be in outstanding financial shape.

The county's tax rate will not be determined until August because the county Appraisal District won't have the certified values until July 25. Values will be down this year.

Normally when values decrease, governmental entities raise their taxes so they get the same amount of money as the previous year.

But this may not happen this year with Parmer County because of its excellent financial position.

The CPA firm reported that the county's total revenues exceeded expenses by \$845,052 during the past fiscal year, increasing the combined fund balances to \$3,603,225.

In the past, the CPA firm has told the commissioners that it would be wise to keep a fund balance (surplus) of at least \$1.5 million.

Thus, the current surplus is way more than twice that.

Last year's tax rate was .4859 cents per \$100 assessed valuation. It was lowered from the previous year where it was .5068 cents per \$100 assessed valuation.

That decrease last year was due to the fact that the county's overall valuation had increased.

The commissioners will meet with the County Appraiser Curby Brantley in August to determine the effective tax rate.

The audit was accepted.

In other business, the commissioners:

- Renewed the \$10 road and bridge fee for each vehicle registered.
- Continue to use the plans offered through Blue Choice for Parmer County officials and employees health insurance.
- Decided not to stripe and put in handicap markings for the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center and the north and south courthouse parking lots this year.

It was suggested that the county use folks doing community service work toward this instead of hiring a contractor.

Texico has new cell phone policy

Supt. R.L. Richards presented the new school cell phone policy to the Texico School Board on Tuesday.

High school students will be allowed to keep their cell phones during the day but only can use them during passing periods.

If they use them at any other time, severe penalties can occur.

Junior High students can bring their cell phones to school but must turn them in to the

office first thing in the morning, then retrieve them when the school day is done.

In other business, the board:

-- Heard that another school auction may be held.

-- Discussed the election calendar. The next school board election will be held in February.

-- Plans the annual community cookout for Oct. 22 during the Wolverines - Tucumcari football game.

Pinnell honored

Texico School ag teacher Tod Pinnell has been named Ag Teacher of the Year by the New Mexico Ag Education Teachers Association.

"This honor is a credit to our kids and our community," said Pinnell.



In back from left, Jennifer Campos, Katey Wike, Monique Pena, Angelica Nieto, Megan Duffy, Adriana Garcia, Vanessa Maldonado, advisor Kye Thomas; in front, Mirna Reynoso, Karina Salazar, Kaylee Crawford.

Texico FCCLA'ers excel at Nationals

Texico's FCCLA members competed at the national contest in Chicago July 3-8.

Results were:

Jr. National Programs in Action (Student Body): Kaylee Crawford and Angelica Nieto, gold medal.

Jr. Focus on Children: Katey Wike and Megan Duffy, gold medal.

Sr. Illustrated Talk: Jennifer Campos and Monique

Pena, silver medal.

Sr. Chapter Showcase Manual: Mirna Reynoso and Karina Salazar, silver medal.

Sr. Chapter Service Project Manual: Vanessa Maldonado and Adriana Garcia, silver medal.

Advisor Kye Thomas thanked all for their donations and support.

Border Banter

--Mike Pomper

I wasn't a scholar

I got a copy of my old high school transcripts the other day.

I had a question of one course I had taken, so I wrote to the City of Chicago to get my records. It's a free service the first time you request info so that was good.

I attended South Shore High School in Chicago. Its nickname was the Tars, an old British word for sailors.

We had 383 in our graduating class. I finished 131st. I took a bunch of history classes to do as well as I did.

I was not what you would call an exemplary student. The marking system went like this: S for superior; E for excellent; G for good; F for fair, and D for failure.

I had five F's for semester grades (back then, you had two grading periods halfway through the year, and at the end of the year).

On the plus side, I had five S's. Four of them were in history subjects, my strong suit.

Back then, students had report card books, but I have lost mine. I remember having lots of D's, but they were for the five-week grades and thus didn't count.

Whew! My graduation day was June 19. School went into mid-June, then commenced again the day after Labor Day. That sure has changed.

I enjoy bantering with Keegan Langford, our Tribune intern, about school. I told her my school activities were a

tad different than hers. For example, I wasn't a valedictorian.

You know how they list all the activities next to your photo in the yearbook? My list was short: one semester I was a hall guard. That meant I sat at a desk in a hallway next to an outside door to make sure no unsavory types came into the school.

And I'm proud to say that never happened on my watch!

I could write for hours about those high school years, but let me sum it up in two words:

Go, Tars!

A note from Kent McManigal:

"Just wanted to say "thanks" for printing my "essay to the editor". I've gotten more positive response to it than to anything else I have sent you. That's encouraging."

Speaking of Kent, he created a first for the Tribune last week.

He took out a subscription to the Tribune, paying the bill with a one-oz. silver bar.

Folks, I still am trying to find out what happened to former Tribune intern and Farwell High grad Amanda Almanza.

If you know what she is doing or where she lives, please call Mike Pomper at 481-3681.

The Latest

New Texico-Farwell Rotary Club officers were inducted last week.

Leading the club for the coming year will be:

David Norton, president; Chad Byrd, vice president; Logan Nichols, Sergeant at Arms; James Williams, secretary; Jack Kirkland, treasurer; Fred Chandler, music director; Ron Anderson, membership chair; Ryan Williams, public relations; Greg Atkinson, service projects; and Richard Hadley, foundation chairman.

Word has been received that the father of Tommy Roberson, former youth pastor at the First Baptist Church of Farwell, has died.

Services were held July 8 in Longview, Texas.

The State Line Tribune's Keegan Langford is working on a story checking with for-

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mer Tribune summer interns.

But she is unable to get a phone number of find the whereabouts of Amanda Almanza, the Farwell High student who interned with the Tribune in the summer of 2004.

If you have any info, please call the Tribune at 481-3681.

Lazbuddie School Supt. Charles Brantner cut his head after falling from a scaffold while working at the school last week.

Many stitches were needed to close the wound, but he was back at work the next day.

Brantner fell while removing ceiling tile from the old band hall, which is being renovated into two computer labs.

Dayna and Ronnie Harris, of Texico, have a new grandson.

Jessica Mitchell has a new son, Caleb, born July 6 in Lubbock.

The Parmer County and Bailey County Crimestoppers have combined.

Texas Crimestoppers now allow several counties to combine.

The unemployment rate in Parmer County has been 4.5 percent recently.

Texico police report all quiet last week (just a couple of warrant service and some traffic tickets).

The Farwell Obelisk Fund continues to grow. Latest donors are Bill and Doris Ford.

To contribute, just drop off a check made out to "Farwell Obelisk Fund" at Security State Bank or send it to the bank at Drawer J, Farwell

TX 79325.

Although enough funds have been donated to allow the obelisk to be built, some extra money would be nice to pay for maintenance and repairs in the coming years.

Texico's Jerry Whitney, with random partners, won the Alien Country 42 Tournament on Saturday at Roswell, N.M.

A New Mexico Texas 42 Showdown will be hosted by the Border Town Days Committee and the Texico-Farwell Senior Citizen Association on July 24 at the Texico Community Center, 211 N. Griffin St.

The cost is \$10 per person. Registration is from 5 to 6:30 p.m. mt with the tournament starting at 7 p.m. mt.

For more info, call Jerry Whitney at (575) 218-2321.

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Survey taken on school cell phone usage

By Keegan Langford

Texico schools have recently decided to create a cell phone policy for their students, so I did a little research to find out what exactly are the cell phone policies for the other area schools.

I asked a few locals what they thought about having cell phones in school.

First the policies:

At Farwell, in grades 9-12, cell phone use is prohibited during instruction hours, and no phones are allowed in the cafeteria or during lunch hours.

On the first offense the phone is brought to the principal's office, and the parents are notified to come pick it up.

On the second offense the student loses the privilege of having the phone on school premises for 3-6 weeks. The phone becomes the property of the school during that time, and the parents must come pick it up after those weeks have passed.

On the third offense students are no longer allowed to have their phone on school property for the rest of the year, and it becomes the property of the school.

In grades K-8, phones are not permitted on school grounds at all.

At Bovina, cell phone use is prohibited during school hours. Students may bring their phones to school, and use them after hours if needed.

At Lazbuddie, phones are not allowed during school hours. If a teacher or administrator finds a phone that is turned on, it is taken up. To get the phone back, the student/parents must pay a \$15 fee (which is state policy), and the parents are the ones who must come pick it up.

I also questioned both students and adults to hear their thoughts about cell phones and school.

Kolten Morris responded, "For those of us who

have smart phones, it will streamline the learning process. The Internet is in your hand so you can look something up quickly instead of going to the library. Assignments can be kept track of easier by putting them in your to-do list in your phone immediately, then you wouldn't forget because your phone reminds you."

Also, from an adult point of view, Andria Griswold said, "I have mixed feelings from a parent and teacher standpoint. I think cell phones should be accessible to students, but I don't think they should use them during class." Her daughter texted her last year during lunch and loved it. If either two of her daughters gets caught, they have to suffer the consequences. "Texting is a part of life, but there is a time and place for everything and during class is not the time to text."

Cambry Devault said, "I think students should be able to use them because I know a couple of parents who don't know the school's number, and they needed to contact their children about a death in the family. But there is a time when students shouldn't be using them, and that is when the teacher is lecturing during class."

"I don't think cell phones should be allowed in school because they make cheating too easy. Plus it is a major distraction. Sure, students would love to have them because they don't want to listen to what the teachers have to say half the time, but it would probably be best if they were banned," is what Taylor Fillpot said.

Angela Teachout stated, "I think cell phones should be allowed in school with carefully outlined boundaries and guidelines. Students and teachers alike need their cell phones for various reason and who is to judge those reasons."

Coming from a teacher, Mrs. Teachout says if she

notices them being a distraction, she takes them up. If students need to call their parents, she allows them at the end of class. "Kids will be respectful of boundaries if they are reasonable. If not, they will be sneaky and use them anyway. Our best bet is to make them for us instead of against us," she said.

The rain sure helps

From Monti Vandiver, Parmer County extension agent - IPM:

Our area has been blessed with more rain last week. Some fields are at their moisture holding capacity while others could still benefit more precipitation.

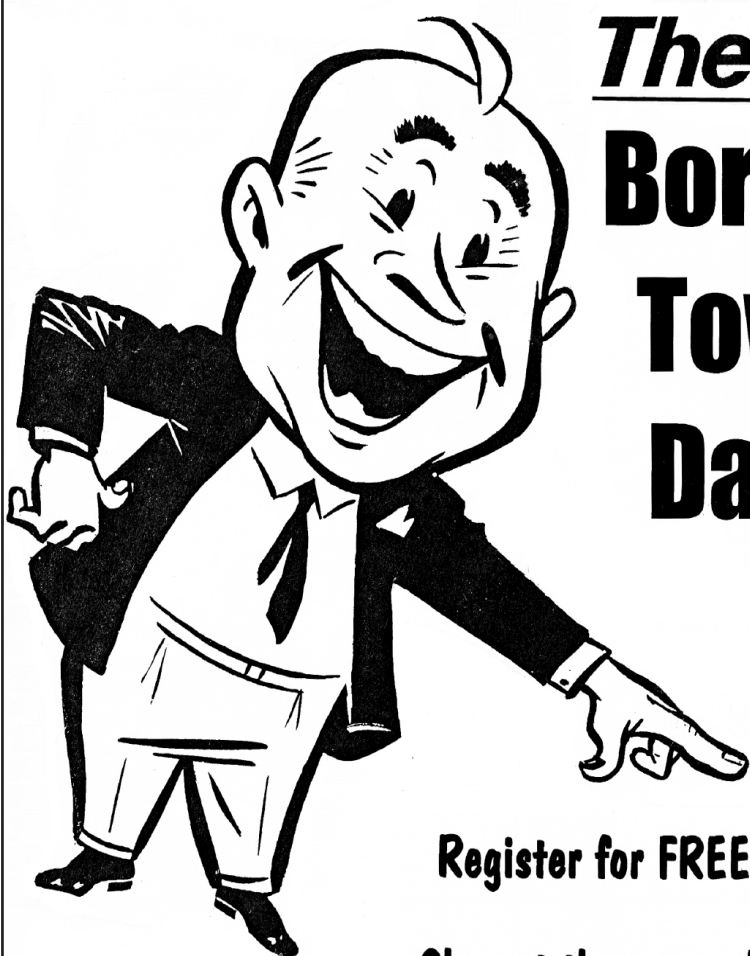
Local weather stations have recorded 2.2, 1.2, 0.6, and 1.0 inches from July 1- 7 (Farwell, Friona, Muleshoe, and Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge weather stations, respectively).

Recent environmental conditions have been near perfect for corn growth and development and the local crop has responded very well.

At this stage corn will be using .4 or more inches of moisture each day (2.8 inches a week). At this high demand it will take 2 inches of irrigation/precipitation per week to maintain optimum yields and that's assuming a current full soil moisture profile to draw from as well.

Area cotton has been developing at near optimum pace; most fields have 5 to 8 fruiting nodes per plant. Square shed rates have ranged from about 5% to 23%.

The higher shed rates, for the most part, are on the earlier planted cotton which was subjected to poor environmental conditions when it first began to square. In most cases there has not been enough pest pressure to cause significant square shed.



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'Neighbors making a difference'

By Keegan Langford
 Hospice is a great tool and service for many communities, but it is also something that is misunderstood by many. I recently had the chance to chat with Lazbuddie's LeShea Mason. She is employed at Samaritan Hospice, which covers our area, out of Hereford, Texas. They are a not-for-profit Christian organization and their slogan is "neighbors making a difference."

She explained what a hospice is really all about, and I thought all you readers might like to learn more about hospices and what they do. "Hospices focus on care, not cure, she said. When doctors can no longer offer hope for any kind of cure, people turn to hospices for hope. One common myth is that when a patient does go into hospice, that they will have to give up their family physician, which is not true. Family physicians can work with the hospice director and others to help the patient. Also, hospice is not a place. It is a concept of care, which can be given in someone's home, an assisted living facility, or

a nursing home. Mrs. Mason said, being in a hospice is not giving up. This is also another concept that people associate with hospices that is not true. Hospices do not hasten or postpone death, they affirm life and emphasize the quality of life. "We encourage patients to be as active as they can, she said. They can still go to the coffee shop in the mornings and enjoy life as much as they can."

One thing that Mrs. Mason wanted everyone to know is that hospices are not only for just the patient. A hospice can also provide support and bereavement care for the family of the patient for up to one year after their death. "Sometimes we send out brochures about grieving, and we have social workers that come and visit the family, she said. This is a great tool that families should take advantage of when working with a hospice. Here are a few facts about hospices: Hospice services are 100 percent covered by medicare/medicaid for those who qualify. Pain relief medicine is covered within the hospice. Hospices provide any needed medical equipment and appliances. Private insurance and managed care policies may also offer hospice benefits. Nurses are on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

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Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County clerk's office last week recorded these warranty deeds:
 Margaret Moore - Nathaniel Shepard, 5.5 ac NE/2 S9 Blk E.



LeShea Mason

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Sign-ups underway for Decorated Bike Contest

All youngsters are reminded that registration is open for the Border Town Day Decorated Bicycle contest.

Youths must sign up at the State Line Tribune, 404 3rd St. in Farwell -- Two brand new bicycles are being given away. Tedson Trailers and Master Tech Auto Service, both of Texico, have donated the two bicycles. One is for a boy and one is for a girl.

This year's BTD theme is Careers of Today. It is important to follow the theme since that is a large part of judging.

Also, an anonymous donor has provided funds for cash prizes to be given away in each category.

The registration deadline for the contest is at 4 p.m. on July 30. Ginger Anderson said that youths planning to enter the contest need to register, giving their name an age, to be eligible for all the prizes.

The contest will be held one hour before the Border Town Days parade kicks off on Saturday, July 31. The contest takes place adjacent to the Citizens Bank branch in Texico. Entrants need to be here at 10 a.m. Texas time.

After the bicycle contest ends, all participants will ride in the parade to the Farwell City Park.

Prizes will be announced at the beginning of the day in the park activities at 12:30 p.m. Texas time, at the Farwell City Park gazebo.

All participants need to be on hand at that time to receive their prizes. No motorized bikes are allowed in the contests.

All riders must bring their decorated bikes and trikes to the west side of the Citizens Bank building in Texico by 9:45 a.m. Texas time.

Room is available for the contest, and the Texico City Council has approved closing the street next to the bank to traffic during this time. Thus, there will be complete safety for the kids during the judging.

You must be on time or you will not be judged, alerted Mrs. Anderson. She added, contestants need to be sure to stick to the theme Careers of Today, if they are going to be counted. The judges will be looking for adherence to the theme."

The contest is open to all youths who live in the Texico and Farwell School districts. Also, the BTD committee allows children and grandchildren of local folks to enter also, even if they live elsewhere.

There are two categories 7 and under, and 8-12 years of age.

Other rules are:

-- All participants ride the parade. Their folks can go along too. The parade ends at Farwell City Park and a bicycle rack will be set up just across the street on the property of First Baptist Church of Farwell.

-- Riding bikes in the park during BTD is not allowed, for safety reason.

-- You must be present at the park to receive your cash prizes (or if you win the bicycles!) when the announcements are made during the 12:30 p.m. ceremonies.

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Have you signed up yet for *BTD*?

"Careers for Today will be the theme of the 44th annual Border Town Days to be held on Saturday, July 31.

Here's a rundown of how the day shapes up so far:

Arts and Crafts

Lynn Mahaney, Farwell postmaster, is in charge of this event. It's open to both homemade and commercial vendors. Folks wishing to sign up for a booth are asked to call her at 481-3601 or write her at P.O. Box 471, Farwell TX 79325.

More than 20 artisans have already signed up and last year the area, in front of the Parmer County Courthouse, was fully booked. So you need to sign up early.

Giveaways

Several giveaways are scheduled this year.

The BTD Committee has set up a 50-50 drawing, with Jerry Whitney in charge. You don't have to be present to win.

The BTD Committee also awards \$50 in cash to the person who bought a BTD button and whose number is called. Three hundred buttons will be printed.

The drawing is held at the end of the day's activities.

Buttons cost \$3 or 2 for \$5.

They will be sold at several area businesses starting in mid-July. Rob Pomper is in charge of these sales. Buttons are made by Doug Scioli, of Texico.

And the Farwell Senior Meal Site will have several giveaways, including one for a 65 inch TV.

42 Tourney

A 42 Tourney will be held at the Texico Community Center a week before BTD. Jerry Whitney is in charge. Proceeds will benefit the Texico-Farwell Senior Citizens and BTD.

Concessions

Carolyn Johnson, Texico city clerk, is taking reservations for food booths at the Day in the Park. She can be called at Texico City Hall, 482-3314. Concessions are only available to Texico-Farwell area non-profit groups.

Signing up so far are:

Lazbuddie Schools hire business teacher

The Lazbuddie School Board on July 8 hired Kyle Admire, coming from Olton, as the new business teacher.

Lazbuddie is now fully staffed going into the 2010-11 school year.

Lazbuddie also has changed the pre-k program from part-time to fulltime.

Other changes at the school include putting in an elementary school computer lab; upgrading the electrical system; and moving the ITV and business classrooms from portable units to the old band hall, which has been renovated.

Supt. Charles Brantner also gave an update on a Texas Title 1 \$1.3 million grant (over three years) he has been seeking.

There is some disagreement between the federal government and the state on its disbursement, so all awaits for an agreement to be reached by them.

- Farwell Convalescent Center, baked goods.
- Farwell Senior Meal Site, snow cones, frito pies, nachos and water.
- Pleasant Hill 4-H, hamburgers, chips, Dr Pepper and diet Dr Pepper.
- Farwell 4-H, homemade ice cream.
- Texico 4-H, homemade ice cream, chili dogs, drinks.
- San Jose Catholic Church, burritos.
- Texico-Farwell Rotary club, BBQ and fixing's.
- Texico-Farwell Lions Club, face painting.
- Parmer County Crimestoppers, hand out balloons and information.
- Area Girls Scouts will have a recruitment booth.
- Will Anderson will staff a table to raise funds for the Farwell Obelisk.
- Texico seniors group, fruit cups.

Entertainment

The lineup is filled up.

Scheduled to perform are Bryce Howard, Mike Siler, Sharon Dictson, Cindy Bermea, Chelsi Woods, a First Baptist Church of Farwell youth group, and a Lazbuddie band called The Unknowns -- Darin Ivy, guitar; Colton Weaver, lead vocals; James Baca, bass, and Ethan Freida, drums.

Miss Bermea also will sing the National Anthem.

Decorated Bicycle Contest

Claire and Ginger Anderson honcho this event. Signups are under way at the State Line Tribune, 404 3rd St., Farwell.

Again, the theme is Careers for Today and the theme should be followed in order to wish cash prizes.

The top boy and girl champions will receive special prizes brand-new bicycles donated by Master Tech Auto Service (for girls) and Tedson Trailers (for boys), both of Texico.

And cash prizes will be given to other kids who place.

Merchants Giveaway

Folks will be able to sign up at participating merchants for dozens of free prizes to be given away at BTD.

You must be present to win, and must be at least 12 years of age to enter.

Bill Dannheim and Benji Henderson head up this project. Boxes will be placed at local businesses on July 15.

Watch for a complete list of participating businesses in the July 15 issue of the Tribune.

Reunions

A record number of Farwell High reunions are planned this year -- nine.

In addition, the annual Texico All-School Reunion will be held at BTD, too.

Farwell reunions are: Classes of 1970, 1980, 1990, 2000, 1974, 1960, 1950, 1955 and 1965.

All the Farwell reunions are scheduled for the Big Parade.

Antique Cars, Antique Tractors

Ruth Anne Bennett, Fern Tharp and Judy Lekovich are in charge.

Persons wishing to have their vehicles in the parade are asked to call one of these ladies.

In both categories, \$25 cash prizes are given for

judge's choice; distance furthest traveled, and oldest vehicle.

Big Parade

Judy Lekovich, Fern Tharp and Ruth Anne Bennett are also in charge of the parade.

To enter, call Ruth Anne at 825-3822; Judy at 482-3331, or Fern at 482-9038.

Cash prizes are given the top four floats: \$75 for 1st place; \$50 for 2nd place; \$35 for 3rd place, and \$25 for 4th place.

Extra points are given those floats which follow the BTD theme Careers for Today. The deadline for parade signups is Friday, July 23.

After that date, you can still sign up by calling BTD Chairman Mike Pomper at 481-3681. But you will be placed at the end of the parade and not be eligible for cash prizes.

Parade signups already include:

- The nine Farwell class reunions listed above
- Little Moo Choo-Choo in honor of Rocky Horton
- High Plains Patriots with horses
- Cannon Air Force Base honor guard
- Clovis Health Care and Rehabilitation
- Big Mike's Bikes
- ENMR-Plateau Buzz the Roadrunner
- Tedson Trailers
- New Horizons 4-H float and horses
- High Plains Horseman's Club with horses
- Farwell High School cheerleaders
- Farwell High School Band
- Miss Rodeo New Mexico Little Sweethearts
- Kirk Magness antique tractor
- Farwell Legends in Blue flag corps
- Texico-Farwell Lions Club's 'Little Lions Princess'
- Priceless Image Photographers
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- Lazbuddie cheerleaders
- Pleasant Hill fire department
- Texico fire department
- Farwell fire department
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- Parmer County 4-H
- Ray Lee Equipment
- Texico High cheerleaders
- Farwell Junior High cheerleaders
- Robert Spence's three antique vehicles

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Notice to Creditors

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

% Johnny Actkinson
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 286
Farwell, Texas 79325
Dated the 7th day of July, 2010.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that PARMER COUNTY SSA intends to destroy records of students who received special education services ending during the 2002-2003 school year. These records include only those located in the Parmer County SSA office located at 909 East 11th Street, Friona, Texas. Records herein described include students receiving special education services in the following school districts: Bovina ISD, Farwell ISD, Friona ISD and Lazbuddie ISD. Legal parent/guardian or adult student with disabilities may request copies of these records by contacting Sue Wells, Director of Special Education, at the PARMER COUNTY SSA office at 909 East 11th Street, Friona, Texas 79035, phone number (806) 250-3315 by July 16, 2010. REMEMBER THAT THESE RECORDS MAY BE NEEDED FOR SOCIAL SECURITY PURPOSES.

AVISO

Se está avisando que PARMER COUNTY SSA tiene intención de destruir documentos de estudiantes que recibieron servicios de Educación Especial antes y durante el Año 2002-03. Los únicos documentos que van a ser destruidos son los que están en la oficina de PARMER COUNTY SSA localizada en 909 de la calle 11 Este, en Friona, Texas. Documentos en esta oficina son de estudiantes que recibieron servicio de los siguientes distritos: Bovina ISD, Farwell ISD, Friona ISD and Lazbuddie ISD. Padres/guardianes legales o estudiantes adultos con incapacidades físicas/mentales pueden pedir copias de sus documentos. Pueden llamar o escribir a Sue Wells Directora de Educación Especial, en la oficina de PARMER COUNTY SSA, 909 E. 11th Street, Friona Texas 79035, Número de teléfono es (806) 250-3315, antes del 16 de Julio del 2010. RECUERDEN QUE ESTOS DOCUMENTOS PUEDEN SER NECESARIOS PARA EL SEGURO SOCIAL.

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Jeanette Lindop vies in "Miss Wheatheart of the Nation" pageant.

Parmer County to elect a district clerk for first time.
Powell Machine Shop takes 3rd in softball tourney.

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Have you or your group signed up yet?

There are so many ways to participate. You can have a concession stand (for local non-profit groups); have a float in the Big Parade; have a youngster in the Decorated Bicycle Contest; be part of the arts and crafts show, or simply attend and have a great time.

Farwell Fuels, for example, is proud to participate in the Merchants Giveaway each year. And we hope that YOU will win our prizes!

What is nifty about Border Town Days is that it's a fun family time. There will be lots of games and rides for our kiddos. And, nowadays, that kind of entertainment comes too far and few between.

So please plan on attending BTD on the 31st -- it will be a ball!

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Just Listed - 272 acres of irrigated farm land south of Lazbuddie. 2 wells, 2 circle sprinklers. Good farm.

Just Listed in Farwell - 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath, brick home.

Just Listed in Farwell - Ready to move into 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick and siding home. Recently remodeled with metal roof and new windows. Heating/Cooling unit and large sun-room. Very nice flower beds. Great home.

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2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home in Farwell. Single car garage. Priced to sell!

3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home in Farwell. Remodeled kitchen & bathroom, large fenced yard. Great location.

PRICE REDUCED - 121.8 acres just north of Muleshoe city limits. 4 wells, 1 circle sprinkler.

PRICE REDUCED - Northeast of Lazbuddie, 640 acres, irrigated, 4 circles, 9 wells, 2 large steel barns, good farm.

PRICE REDUCED - Northeast of Lazbuddie, 318 acres, 2 circle sprinklers, 4 irrigation wells.

Southwest of Texico, 40 acres on paved road. Will split into 10 acre tracts. Call for details!

640 acres, irrigated east of Hub, 3 circle sprinklers, 4 wells.

West of Lazbuddie, 800 acres irrigated with 6 circles. Good farm, well maintained.

480 acres irrigated. Southeast of Cooks truck stop. 3 circles, 5 wells.

1685 +/- acres irr. near Lazbuddie. 10 circles, 11 wells, on highway.

DRASTICALLY REDUCED in PORTALES - 20 acre calf ranch, 1 irr. well, county water, 2 bedroom-1 bath home on pavement.

320 acres irrigated NE of Oklahoma lane, 4 wells, 2 circle sprinklers, nice farm.

1,575 acres irrigated north of Farwell, 8 circles, 9 wells, large brick home with livestock pens & "hands" house.

160 acres South of Lariat on highway. 1 sprinkler, 3 irr. wells. Owner says sell.

Bovina Area Listings

Large brick home on 10 acres north of Bovina. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, central heat/refrig. air. 2 car detached garage on highway.

Bovina - just listed: nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home with 2-car garage, central heat, refrig. air, fenced yard. Good location.

Several 10-acre tracts west of Bovina.

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-- Clerical help. -- Office personnel.
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Amy Hromas

Amy Hromas, 90 of Bovina, died Friday July 9, 2010, in Hereford, Texas. Funeral Services were held Monday July 12, 2010, at the First Baptist Church of Bovina with Rev. Brian Mullins, pastor, and Ted Peabody of Waco, Texas, officiating.

Burial followed by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Hromas was born Jan. 30, 1920, in White Flat, Texas, to Joe and Betty Pearl Stephens Donaldson. She married Arnold Raymond Hromas Aug. 9, 1939, at Oklahoma Lane

She was a member of the First Baptist Church where she served in several areas of church leadership, and was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and by 6 sisters -- Maybelle Edwards, Tressie Sparks, Margaret Terry, Ruby Tucker, Gladys Hromas and Louise Christian; and by 2 brothers - Sterling Donaldson and W.M. Donaldson.

Survivors include 1 daughter, Charlotte Wilburn and husband Jerry of Hereford; 2 sons, Galen Hromas and wife Judy, and Brad Hromas, all of Bovina; 3 sisters - Beulah McWilliams, of Farwell; Avis Carpenter, of Oklahoma Lane, and Ruth Boone of Clovis; 7 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.



Farwell student code to be topic

The Farwell School Board on Tuesday received a set of proposed changes to the Student Code of Conduct, and will vote on them at the budget workshop on Aug. 10.

Supt. Mike Read said the dress code will be similar to the current one.

A change has been proposed for the cell phone policy for the junior high. Currently, it's similar to the high school policy (see story on Page 3 of today's Tribune).

The proposal calls for cell phone to be banned at the junior high during school hours.

JH principal Jimmie Mace said no decision has been made yet, but this option will be discussed.

In other business, the board:

-- Kept the fund-raising policy as is.

-- Accepted the resignation of elementary teacher Rachel Parker, who has taken a teaching job at Pampa, Texas.

-- Hired four teachers: Kelli Johnson, high school history; Tonya

PARMER COUNTY, TEXAS				
ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND - STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - ACTUAL AND BUDGET				
For the Year Ended December 31, 2009				
	Actual	Budget		Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
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REVENUES:				
Taxes	\$ 778,047.68	\$ 597,437.55	\$ 597,437.55	\$ 180,610.13
Fines and Forfeitures	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	47,329.41	54,000.00	54,000.00	(6,670.59)
Charges for Services	499,714.25	488,000.00	488,000.00	11,714.25
Interest Revenue	4,412.58	25,450.00	25,450.00	(21,037.42)
Other	51,783.03	38,500.00	38,500.00	13,283.03
TOTAL REVENUES	1,381,286.95	1,203,387.55	1,203,387.55	177,899.40
EXPENDITURES:				
Precinct #1				
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	176,483.33	183,762.08	183,762.00	7,278.67
Insurance	7,148.38	10,800.00	10,800.00	3,651.62
Materials and Supplies	18,235.80	13,000.00	13,000.00	(5,235.80)
Fuel	30,228.24	42,500.00	42,500.00	12,271.76
Conferences	2,696.66	3,000.00	3,000.00	303.34
Other	3,731.90	3,900.00	3,900.00	168.10
Total Precinct #1	238,524.31	256,962.08	256,962.00	18,437.69
Precinct #2				
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	174,482.63	179,867.08	179,867.08	5,384.45
Insurance	6,349.67	10,600.00	10,600.00	4,250.33
Materials and Supplies	11,771.47	14,036.80	14,036.80	2,265.33
Fuel	25,851.73	49,500.00	49,500.00	23,648.27
Conferences	2,692.66	3,000.00	3,000.00	307.34
Other	3,467.82	3,600.00	3,600.00	132.18
Total Precinct #2	224,615.98	260,603.88	260,603.88	35,987.90
Precinct #3				
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	173,638.19	186,642.08	186,642.08	13,003.89
Insurance	6,977.27	11,400.00	11,400.00	4,422.73
Materials and Supplies	16,531.38	27,606.40	27,606.40	11,075.02
Fuel	37,945.68	54,000.00	54,000.00	16,054.32
Conferences	4,169.59	3,000.00	3,000.00	(1,169.59)
Other	4,665.80	4,950.00	4,950.00	284.20
Total Precinct #3	243,927.91	287,598.48	287,598.48	43,670.57
Precinct #4				
Salaries and Fringe Benefits	167,295.26	190,802.08	190,802.08	23,506.82
Insurance	7,607.52	11,400.00	11,400.00	4,792.48
Materials and Supplies	15,944.85	13,240.80	18,240.80	2,295.95
Fuel	34,845.20	49,500.00	44,500.00	9,654.80
Conferences	1,239.98	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,760.02
Other	3,787.98	4,000.00	4,000.00	212.02
Total Precinct #4	230,720.79	271,942.88	271,942.88	41,222.09

Pct. 1 - Friona; Pct. 2 - Bovina; Pct. 3 - Farwell; Pct. 4 - Lazbuddie.

O'Neill, 4th grade,
 Belinda Lavender, 4th grade, and LaDonna Bucksath, 2nd grade.

-- Scheduled their next voted on at that time.
 -- Approved the 2010-2011 employee hand-book.
 The tax rate will be



Sewing workshop

The Parmer County extension office put on a sewing workshop on July 13. Pictured are Logan Waters, above, who sewed together this apron, and Adreanna Blakes, at right, making a necklace.



Fire department orders rescue truck

The Texico City Council on Tuesday discussed folks who have been mis-using dumpsters in town.

Duncan Disposal will not pick up trash that does not fit in the dumpsters, tree branches or metal items, including swing sets.

Residents with larger items, must make arrangements to take them to the dump themselves.

In other news, the council:

- Approved a resolution to chip seal parts of State and Anderson streets.

- Heard the fire department is ordering a rescue truck. It will take around 12 months for the truck to be built for around \$400,000. The money is coming from the department's funds.

- Police Chief Doug Bowman reported that Texico police have recently caught several stray dogs, including two pit bulls.

The pit bulls had observed attacking other animals and Bowman said we was afraid their next attack victim could be a child.

Councilman Doug Scioli said they officers have been doing a great job watching for traffic violations and writing tickets for speeders.

- Discussed cleaning up piles of dirt and concrete at different businesses around town. City Inspector Terry Martin has been contacted. The council will send out letters to property owners and might clean up the properties and then assess liens.

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Sheriff's Report

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

On July 11, Timothy Martin, 41, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of assault, pending in county court.

On July 9, Ernesto Ramos, 26, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of violation of community supervision (possession of a controlled substance), pending in district court.

On July 9, Alejandro DelaRosa, 51, of Clovis, was arrested by Bovina police on a charge of fraudulent use/possession of ID, pending before the grand jury.

On July 10, Juan Diaz, 22, of Muleshoe, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 oz., pending in county court.

On July 7, Donald Ewing, 39, of Farwell, was arrested by Farwell police on a motion to revoke (assault time 2), pending in county court.



A two vehicle accident caused some damage to the Charles Oil & Gas building.

Bovina Banter

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District. I expect the Mustangs to go far again this year.

Ticks are still a pretty serious issue this summer. I spoke to Veterinarian Bret Whitten about advice on dealing with this issue.

He recommends alternating treatment brands every 2-3 weeks. He also stresses the importance of treating 10' up and working your way down. That means fences!

On homes begin applying on outside of home 10' up and work your way down. Don't just treat your pet but also treat the environment. Remember just because you don't have a pet does not mean you don't have a problem.

Bovina EMS had a busy week. One was in response to a single motorcycle accident about 1 mile east on Hwy 60. Fortunately the injuries did not seem to be life threatening.

There was also a semi-trailer and a pickup collision at the intersection of Hwy. 60 and 2290 in front of Bovina Food Express. The pickup was driven by a local youth.

The truck ended up across the street, striking a window at Charles Oil & Gas.

A car parked there sustained damage, also. Again, God was busy at work and everyone seemed to be alright, considering what occurred. Praise the Lord!

Have a great week and God Bless.

Interesting Fact of the Week: Grass is recommended to be cut often enough that you are cutting 1/3 of the leaf blade at the max. The cuttings have necessary nutrients that should be left to fall back on the ground.

So all this time I have been catching, I have been hurting my back and the grass. Yuk!

Anderson

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She has a principal's license. She has taught at Bovina for 23 years, the first 8 as elementary physical education teacher and the past 15 in the high school as computer applications and keyboarding teacher, and yearbook advisor.

Mrs. Anderson, who lives in Bovina, said her goals "are to improve our TAKS scores and seek to have every student find success."

She has three children. Zane is a senior at Texas Tech in mechanical engineering.

Brett is a sophomore at Texas Tech in mechanical engineering.

Shaylee is a sophomore at Texico High and is an outstanding basketball and volleyball player.

On July 7, Armando Prieto, 46, of Presidio, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, pending in district court.

On July 6, Jose Correa, 38, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of burglary of a coin operated machine, pending in county court.

In 287th District Court on June 26, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

Jesus David Rubio, 30, of Friona, charged with burglary of a habitation, had his community supervision revoked, was given 5 years in the Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice, \$395 court costs, \$1,000 fine and \$624 restitution.

Halsell Street to be 1-way during school hours

The Bovina School Board on Monday plans to change the traffic flow in front of the school campus on Halsell Street.

When school opens, Halsell will be one way (north to south) in front of the campus. Gates also will be put up.

School Supt. Dale Fullerton explained that there have been safety issues on the street, including folks double parking.

He said the idea for the change originated from City Manager Jana Pitcock and Police Chief Gary Sinclair.

In other business, the board:

-- Received the resignations of Carly Barbee, elementary teacher; and Christy Trevino, who was hired last month to run the alternative school but had decided to take a counselor's job at Hart instead.

The alternative school post is the only school job yet to be filled now.

-- Hired Abigail Espino, Spanish teacher; Melanie Stokes, elementary teacher; and Wayne Anderson, science teacher.

Anderson, who recently retired as Texico Junior High principal, will teach some science classes at Texico and some at Bovina.

-- Set the next meeting for Aug. 9.

-- Agreed to a request from Mrs. Pitcock to relinquish back taxes on some property bought at auction last year near City Hall. Other government entities will also be asked to do this.

-- Heard Fullerton report that windows will be replaced soon at the home economics build-

ing; air conditioning put in the gym, and the new activity bus will arrive.

-- Heard Fullerton say the school is in compliance on its grading system.

A controversy had arisen at the state level over whether teachers should give correct grades or keep the minimum grades given at 50 percent.

Bovina has used correct grades and this is now state policy.



Silver medalist

Katie Chavez, a Lazbuddie High graduate who will attend Amarillo College this fall, received a silver medal in the Chapter Service Project Manual event at the national FCCLA conference in Chicago July 3-8.

Parkers hired at Pampa

Steve Parker, who was Farwell High principal last year, has been hired as an assistant principal at Pampa High School.

His wife also will teach at Pampa Schools.



80th Birthday

A surprise party for Ralph Franse's 80th birthday was held Sunday at the Farwell Community Center. Ralph, right, chats with Larry Widner, of Bovina. They work together on a jail ministry.

The Latest

The Border Town Days Committee will have its final meeting before BTB on Monday at 7:30 p.m. at A-Me-De's Restaurant in Texico.

All committee members are urged to attend this important meeting to solidify the planning of the big Twin City event.

Farwell School had seven students in summer school this year.

Curry County Commissioners last week okayed a \$33 million plan that has taxes going up to fund a new judicial complex.

The bond issue will be voted on at the November general election.

The commissioners also plan to pass an ordinance to raise the gross receipts tax -- an additional .25 percent on goods and services. This will be voted on Aug. 3.

With the retirement of Sally Anderson, the new secretary to attorney Johnny Actkinson is Kayla Sanders.

The record for the number of Farwell Class reunions at Border Town Days has been broken again.

Ysleta Kittrell signed up the Class of 1955 to be in the Big Parade.

And Lisa Harrison called to sign up the Class of 1980 for the parade.

This brings the total of Farwell reunions to nine. The old record was six.

Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church is again planning its bottled water project.

They deliver free bottles to folks during the Border Town Days parade.

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LIVE CATTLE: Live Cattle prices stalled out late last week, but have yet to turn short term trends back down. The market did run into some resistance up around the \$92.30 level basis the August contract. Cash trade took place between \$91-92.50 which was also optimistic. If the market moves back below the \$89.50 level, then there could possibly be on more test of the \$87-88 level before turning back higher into the Fall.

FEEDER CATTLE: Prices remained a little weaker than the Live Cattle last week with very little reaction to the upside. Prices continue to hold around the lower end of a Channel which began back in late May. The market has continued to drift up into higher levels for the last couple of months, but have stalled out around a one-third retracement level at \$114.00 basis the August contract. Odds favor a deeper correction down.

CORN: Corn prices saw little reaction from last weeks USDA report, but were still able to hold most of their gains seen over the last week or so. The market moved up into the June high at \$3.87 and stalled, but has now moved up to test the May high around \$4.99 basis the December contract. Crop conditions remain in great shape, but most of the rally was attributed to a sharply lower U.S. Dollar.

SOYBEANS: Prices exploded back to the upside following sharp gains seen across the grain complex. The market has taken out some key resistance levels, but seems to have stalled at this time. Crop conditions remain ideal and production estimates are still expected to be some of the largest seen in recent history. The falling U.S. Dollar got most of the credit for the price increase, but the Dollar may be turning back higher soon?

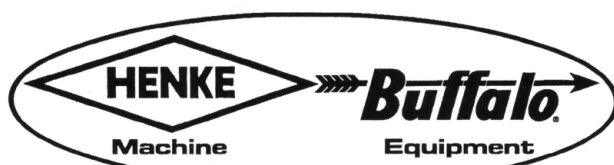
WHEAT: Prices have been the biggest surprise as the market has seen an increase of almost \$1.00/bushel in just about 4 days. The spread between cash and futures prices are also trading at one of the widest levels ever seen. Weak demand and lack of storage seems to be a problem, but prices moved sharply higher on reports that Funds were heavily short and forced to exit the market. The Dollar has also had some impact.

COTTON: Cotton prices have now developed a huge sideways range which has taken place over the last couple of months. Prices have tried to make higher highs on a couple of occasions only to be followed by lower lows. This chart formation hardly gives traders any indication over the near term. Until the market can significantly break above or below these extreme levels and see follow through, prices are trapped.

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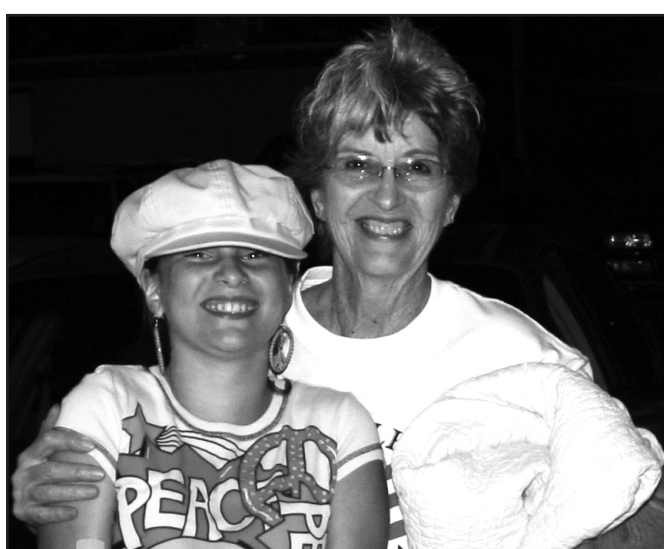
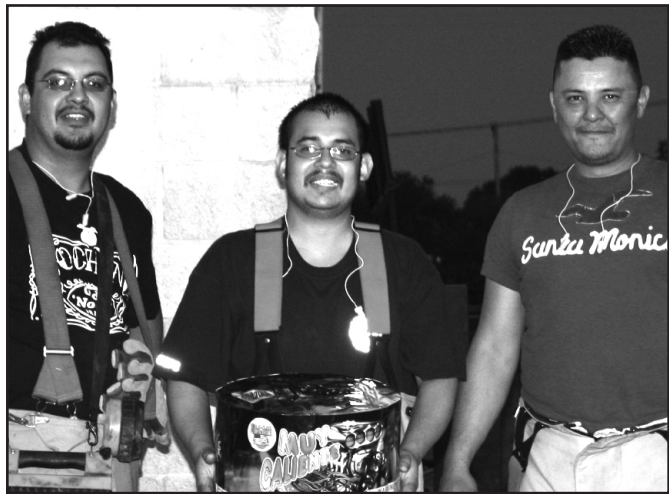
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Folks enjoyed the fireworks show and plenty of watermelon at the Bovina football field on the Fourth of July.



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Wednesday - 7 p.m.

Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Assembly of God Church, Texico
Bob Burris - minister
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 6 p.m.

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 - 10 a.m.
Worship - 10:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. winter
7:30 p.m. summer

Lariat Church of Christ
Wesley Roach - minister
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m. winter
8 p.m. summer

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Rafael Marin, pastor
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m.
Wednesday worship, 7 p.m.

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

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.

San Jose Catholic Church, Texico
Sunday Mass - Noon
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Community Meal -- 1:15 p.m.

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Wednesday study, 7 p.m.

Apostolic Truth United Pentecostal Church of Texico
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Worship - 11:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. mt
Wednesday - 7 p.m. mt

First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie

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Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship Service - 11 a.m.

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Wind farm project progresses

From Jim Bob Swafford:

Seven months ago, Scandia Wind Southwest and the Parmerton Rhea LLC began signing land lease agreements for the Mariah Wind Project in Parmer County.

We were filled with high expectations and lots of hope. Even so, questions and doubts lingered in recesses of our minds. I guess that is the human side of most of us.

I can't speak for everyone but I knew if this were meant to be I could not trust in myself or my friends and family for this to come to fruition. We needed God's help to bless our endeavors. If we put our trust in Him then through Him we all would receive a full measure of blessings overflowing.

Indeed, we have been blessed! In Parmer County, 350 landowners have signed wind lease agreements. That equates to 275,000 acres -- well over half of Parmer County. By most accounts, from the wind industry sources watching our project, they are dumb-founded that in seven month's time a quarter million acres have been leased in Parmer.

Land acquisition is the foundation of any wind farm! Leased ownership allowed us to go forward in making application for 1,200 megawatts to go on to the CREZ transmission line planned to be built within the next two years.

In December 2009, PUCT announced the CREZ transmission line could not be built unless wind developers with projects in the Panhandle could put 50 percent collateral down towards the built-out. The collateral would be non-refundable.

Nine wind developers came forward and posted \$25 million. Scandia Wind Southwest contributed \$1 million. However, the zone we are located in came up short by \$605,000 because one developer backed out. This shortfall had to be made up by July 7, 2010.

As a developer, we must have the resources to move our energy to where it is needed before we can build any wind farm in Parmer County. This makes the "build-out" of the CREZ line very important.

This shortfall was made up by 14 wind turbine manufacturing companies and wind developers. Scandia Wind Southwest put up an additional \$60,500 toward the shortfall. By all accounts, it appears the PUCT now has the collateral needed to approve the CREZ line and move forward in getting these lines built.

Scandia Wind Southwest is now in the final inter-connection study phase to put 1,200 megawatts on to the CREZ line. How much of the 1,200 MW we will

actually get is unknown. However, we expect to get our fair portion.

We continue to work with Phil Harris, CEO of Tres Amigas.

Tres Amigas Super Substation (TASS) has received several favorable rulings recently from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission that has allowed them to move forward with their project. If things go as planned, TASS could have a portion in operation within a few years.

We are also working with an independent transmission company out of Houston that has a merchant line project planned to be built east from the Texas Panhandle to Tennessee.

What is the timeline for all this to happen? The best case scenario suggests the CREZ line and maybe a portion of the Tres Amigas substation will

be built out and operational by 2013.

When will we see turbines going up on the Mariah project? We expect to be in sync with these grid timelines of late 2013.

So from the signing of lease agreement seven months ago to now we have been able to build value in the Mariah project, thus moving us toward influencing the grid infrastructure needed and building strong relationships in the political and wind industry arena.

You can find a great article in the July issue of National Geographic Magazine about the national grid. It has great map that presents the future grid. Our wind farm is highlighted on one map near Clovis.

If anyone has any questions about our project, call us at (806) 251-1234.

Bovina Banter

Deanna Curtis • 251-1405

The Bovina City Council held a budget meeting on July 6.

City Manager Jana Pitcock reports that no tax hike is anticipated.

Among the major capital expenditures that may be placed in the budget include:

- A gazebo for the city park.
- Funds to move the old water tower, which isn't used any more.
- Work on street repairs.
- New audio-visual equipment for two police units.

With Denise Anderson getting the post of middle school principal, Carolin Kron will continue to teach high school English but also will become the yearbook

sponsor. ***

Bovina's football camp is set for July 27-28 from 9 a.m.-noon. Sign up the day of the camp at the field house. The camp is open to incoming 4th-9th graders. ***

Our prayers are with the family of Amy Hromas this week. She was a great person who I had the opportunity to meet and befriend. She left her mark in many lives of the people she knew. God Bless her. ***

Bovina Mustangs got the letter this week: Two-a-days will begin on Aug. 2nd. If you have not heard our District has been changed again. We are now back to our old

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Denise Anderson

Anderson excited about her new post

Veteran Bovina teacher Denise Anderson moves up to the principalship at Bovina Middle School for the coming term.

Mrs. Anderson, a Bovina High graduate, received her bachelor's degree at West Texas A&M and her master's degree at Wayland Baptist University in 2009.

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St. Ann's VBS

St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina recently held Vacation Bible School.



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