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Eight Farwell High students were pages at the Texas House of Representatives session on March 1 in Austin. They were sponsored by state Rep. Pete Laney, Speaker of the House. Pictured are, back row from left, Rep. Laney; Aaron Christian, Lane McFarland, Kris Norton and Clint Patterson; front row from left, Kolby Kimbrough, Tobe Diaz, Trevor Herrington and Cade Christian.

Border Banter

By Mike Pomper

Easter memories

From Teresa Mesman:

As a child growing up, Easter was a time of wonder and excitement that was more awe inspiring than Christmas morning. The miracle of the risen Christ is one that brings a lump to my throat and a smile to my face.

Of course, as a child, it was also a day of fun hunting eggs and ingesting as many malted robin's egg candies and marshmallow bunnies as possible. My mouth still starts to water at the thought of Easter jelly beans, too!

I do remember Easter Sunday being a day of excruciating agony for me, however. Until the time that I was about 11, my mother bought into the myth that "little girls must wear frillies at Easter."

We would shop for just the right dress, leotard and shoe ensemble for weeks prior to that glorious morning.

It wasn't enough that I was zipped and tied into a dress; which was torture enough for me to begin with. No, the dress had to flounce, bounce, twirl, swish and itch - always right around the neck and the elastic around the arms was always a little bit too tight for my liking.

Still to this day, I abhor dotted Swiss material because of the skin sandings that I took as a child.

I did love to get a new pair of Easter shoes, though. I loved how bright and shiny they looked and how they squeaked when you rubbed them together.

Aaahh, yes, white patent leather is a definite warm fuzzy memory (except when I was hollered at for leaving black scuff marks across my grandmother's kitchen floor when I was shuffling around in my shoes and dress... "don't you dare crush the crinolins and, for heaven's sake, pick up your feet!")

The leotard issue was always one of heated debate as I remember.

Folks, let's be realistic, if there is any hint of tomboy in a little girl, asking her to sit like a little lady is a tough chore. But to have to deal with sagging, snagging and confining leotards or panty hose is just absolute torture.

They never fit well, and the waistband always hit too high or too low on my body... a problem that I still have with panty hose on the rare occasion that I wear them.

I'm either wearing them like a body suit with a strange looking neckline or I'm seri-

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8 Farwell students were pages at Austin

by Aaron Christian

Several Farwell High students -- Kris Norton, Lane McFarland, Kolby Kimbrough, Trevor Herington, Tobe Diaz, Clint Patterson, my brother Cade, and I were privileged to travel to Austin on Feb. 28-March 1 to be pages at our state capital. This trip was arranged by Parmer County Treasurer Anne Norton. My dad, Gene, went as one of our sponsors and did all the driving, but we survived anyway.

After arriving in Austin on Sunday, we checked into our hotel near the capital, met Gerald and Anne Norton, ate dinner and prepared for Monday morning. We arrived at the capital about 7:30 a.m. and were greeted by Speaker of the House Pete Laney and his administrative assistant Mark, who gave us a brief run-down on how day-to-day business was conducted in the Texas House of Representatives.

Next, we received ID cards, which allowed us onto the House floor. We were divided into pairs and assigned to a fulltime page for our morning duties, which included delivering the mail to various representatives' offices and other miscellaneous errands around the Capital Complex.

At 10 a.m., the time when the Legislature convenes, we went into the House chamber and took our seats, located on the north wall of the chamber beneath the public gallery. For the next couple of hours, our duties consisted of delivering messages and other items for the representatives to and from their offices.

During this period, we also had the opportunity to watch the House in session, which was a beneficial experience that allowed us to see how business is conducted in our state government.

After the House recessed for the day at noon, we were invited to Speaker Laney and Mrs. Laney's apartment in the capital building, where we had lunch and visited with the Laney's. Rep. Laney's district includes Parmer County.

After lunch, we went to the east wing of the capital and met with state Sen. Teel Bivins from Amarillo and had our picture taken with him in the Senate Chamber. His district also includes Parmer County. Then we were taken up to the highest point on the capital dome, which is at the feet of the Goddess of Liberty statue that sits atop the dome.

Afterward, we returned to the Laney's apartment and enjoyed soft drinks and cookies. We each had a photo session with Speaker Laney and have those pictures as mementos of our trip. We then went back to our hotel, got a good night's rest and returned home on Tuesday.

The trip was a rewarding experience for all of us. We would like to thank the different groups who contributed money, to the Nortons for arranging the trip and making sure all went smoothly, and a big thanks to our school Supt. Larry Gregory and high school principal Bill Bizzell for making it possible for us to participate. And last, but certainly not least, to Speaker Laney and his wife, Nelda, for their wonderful hospitality. It was an experience to remember.

Local banks plan for computers' Y2K

by Teresa Mesman

As we go into the fourth month of 1999, a wave of anxiety and anticipation is sweeping the nation about the new millennium. The year 2000 is being forecasted by every type of analyst in the world, but perhaps by none more than computer analysts and programmers.

By now, most every American has heard of the "Y2K" problem that faces computer software programs and computer chips worldwide. There have been forecasts of systems crashing causing problems with utilities, business transactions and other organizations that rely on computerized systems. While there has been and is cause for concern about non-upgraded systems, most vital computer systems have been and will continue to be tested and made compliant for the new century.

The banking industry worldwide, nationally and locally, is just one such industry that has taken the Y2K problem very seriously. The banking industry and its regulators are taking every precautionary step to minimize the effect the century date change may have on consumers' personal and business financial transactions.

Citizens Bank's Texico Branch began addressing the problem two years ago. Its main bank in Clovis took on the task of testing all accounts and systems in-house through a program called "Bank Tech." This program thoroughly tested all 13 critical dates from the years 1999, 2000 and 2001.

The bank also conducted a seminar and provided informative statement stuffers to all their customers addressing the issue, concerns and precautionary steps being taken.

"The testing of the dates was an extremely expensive project to undertake, but we felt it was necessary to do," said

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Texico okays hiring 4th police officer

The Texico City Council unanimously voted Tuesday to increase the number of police officers from 3 to 4, at the request of Marshal Kelly Brophy.

Meanwhile, the council accepted the resignation of officer Ken Thrasher, who has joined the Curry County sheriff's department.

To expedite hirings, the council will have a special meeting on April 6 at 6:30 p.m. mt at Texico City Hall to review applicants. There are 13 applications on file.

Brophy made a lengthy presentation, explaining how the new officer would basically pay for himself/herself through money brought in from traffic violations, DWI's and other fine-based sentences.

He asked the council to add the necessary dollars to the current budget and next year's budget.

Brophy expressed concern over the lag time between shifts when there is not an officer on duty.

"All I want to do is to make sure that Texico and its residents are protected 24 hours a day," he said. "With the absence of Thrasher, these last few weeks and the amount of activity going in and around Texico, it's put a huge strain on us."

Brophy said there is a finite need for an officer to be on duty between 1 and 8 a.m. He also assured the council there was adequate equipment and a vehicle ready for a fourth officer.

At the last council meeting, the council had discussed in executive session about seeking a 4th police officer through a federal grant. But most of the money for this would come from the School Board.

Under this grant, the federal government would pay 75 percent of the officer's salary for three years. The rest would be paid by Texico Schools. The officer would be school-based.

It was stated Tuesday that the School Board wasn't going to participate on funding such an officer.

In other business, the council:

-- Voted to allow the Texico ambulance to make out of town transports as needed from Clovis hospital.

Texico has two ambulances and Fire Chief Lewis Cooper assured the council that the city would never be left without one available in town.

-- Discussed the cemetery ordinance with Ken Glaze, of Glaze Monument. Dimensions dealing with concrete bases and headstone sizes were the topic.

The ordinance will be redone and voted on at the next

meeting.

At the last meeting, Glaze had suggested that persons sentenced to community service work help with the cleaning of the cemetery.

Brophy said he would meet with Clovis judges to discuss this further. He, Glaze and street Supt. Matt Meeks will coordinate the dates for the cleanup.

-- Voted to buy a used dump truck for \$3,250.

-- Heard Cooper ask permission to buy or trade for a metal cab top for the 2 1/2 ton truck the fire department has. He has located one.

The council asked him to get a price first before it gives approval.

-- Cooper also wants to use \$500 from the fire and rescue fund to help pay for a model/display grain cart that the fire department uses to teach children during the national Farm Safety Day in Clovis and other safety day demonstrations.

-- An aesthetic review for a mobile home at 804 Hereford St. by Rafael Colmenero Jr. was approved.

-- Okayed a chain link fence at Dale Hatcher's property, contingent upon Meeks' approval.



On the Spur

Bronze art exhibition coming here

The Farwell Banking Center of Muleshoe State Bank will sponsor a Western bronze art exhibition by Barry Lambirth from April 5-9 in their bank lobby during regular business hours.

Refreshments will be available.

Lambirth is a 3rd generation cattle rancher who took up sculpting 20 years ago. He now exhibits his work at many major shows across the U.S.

Lambirth has been featured in New Mexico Magazine and the Western Horseman Magazine.

He has received several honors and awards throughout the Southwest. His works are displayed at several major art galleries.

The sculptor has participated in shows such as the Hippen Western Art Show and Sale in Prescott, Ariz.; the Pendleton (Ore.) Roundup Art Exhibition; and the National Western Stock Show Art Exhibition in Denver.

He was recently commissioned to complete a heroic size statue of former New Mexico Gov. W.E. Lindsey for the city of Portales.



Almost History

All-District

Texico's Jake Boazman, Chris Hall and Justin Steward were named to the District 7AA All-District boys' basketball team.

Four other Wolverines were named Honorable Mention -- Josh Boazman, Michael Marlow, Ross Burford and Johnny Sena.

Banter

ously endangering the people around me as I go to tugging and pulling!

In a lot of the Easter pictures that I am in, along with my equally confined cousins, not a smile can be seen on our faces as we stoically posed for the mandatory snapshots.

It wasn't for lack of happiness, it was the pain and suffering that we were experiencing from those dresses that puffed and pulled, scratched and swirled and those God-forsaken leotards that also took all the joy out of wearing our new shoes because they always pulled up and bulged over the shoe straps.

And the pain of those irritating elastic bands that kept our new Easter bonnets on is a whole chapter of my life in therapy!

Now, as a mother of two little boys, dressing to greet the joyous day of our risen Savior is carefree and simple. But if I hear one more complaint about their bow ties, I'm gonna scream.

And from Mike Pomper:

Ah, the rites of spring. Or as one of my favorite expressions suggests -- spring has sprung!

And that means only one thing, as the great Minnie Minozo would have said, "time for beisbol!"

No. 1, I don't think there is any question that the Chicago Cubs will be in the World Series this year. That's a given.

Sure, star rookie Kerry

Wood is lost for the season. But you can depend on Slammin' Sammy Sosa to carry the load and lead the Wrigleys to a pennant.

And when Gary Blair reads this, he will be nodding his head in complete agreement. Right, Gary?

As for the rest of the league, it can be summed up in three words:

New York Yankees.

As I have repeatedly pointed out in past columns, major league baseball has a severe problem. The richer teams get the best players.

Talk about dumb leadership -- take a look at the honchos who run MLB. Surely by now, one would think, they would have taken a look at the success of the National Football League and put together a financial program somewhat similar to it.

Nope. The Baseball Fathers aren't that bright.

So teams like Pittsburgh, Milwaukee and so many others will continue to be mired deep in their respective divisions while the richest teams lead the league.

It's simple economics. The Yankees can play a ball player \$5 million while St. Louis can only afford \$2 million. Who will that star player sign with?

What's really funny about this dumb non-formula? It's helped the Cubs!

With their TV hookups going nationwide, they earn enough bucks to compete at the top level. This is why they made the playoffs last year.

So I guess I should be happy with the system, but I'm not. Because there is no suspense to who will really be in the World Series this year -- the two teams that have purchased that right:

The Yankees and the Atlanta Braves (thanks to their

Turner TV stations' money). Watch... ****

I got a call last week from a Texico resident who planned to research this further -- so look for a letter to the editor in an upcoming issue.

He suggested that a 4th police officer wasn't needed for a small community like Texico.

Since the city marshal said the primary use was for helping at extra-curricular activities, the caller suggested that the city (and/or school) set up a posse to help, such as Curry County has.

Speaking of secrets by government, there was an Associated Press article in the Lubbock paper on Tuesday that caught my eye.

It contained statements from Sen. Daniel Moynihan.

He said secrecy "gives bureaucracy too much power and leads to poor decisions."

He said, "Secrecy clogs up debate and leads to mistakes that are hugely wrong."

Marshal's Report

The Texico marshal's office handled two one-vehicle accidents on Monday.

At 12:10 p.m., an accident occurred on Wheeler Avenue at the west end of Texico. Joyce Thomas, 49, of Dimmitt, was charged with careless driving. She was transported to Clovis hospital.

At 1:30 p.m., an accident occurred on Wheeler Avenue and Hereford Street. Michael Wolfe, 35, of Farwell, was charged with no insurance, careless driving and leaving the scene of an accident.



Wins trip to Spain

Veronica Mata, a Lazbuddie High junior, has received an all-expenses-paid trip to Spain by the Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica (Spanish National Honor Society, sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese). She competed at a national level for the prize. Only 12 students were elected.

Rev. Harrington to leave Hamlin

Rev. Beth Harrington is leaving the pulpit at Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church after more than 3 years here to become the minister at a Methodist church in Kermit, Texas.

She will be leaving in June. The new minister here will be Rev. Kevin Phillips, who currently is pastoring in Lordsburg, N.M.

Rev. Phillips and his wife, Nancy, have two children, ages 8 and 11.

Marriage Licenses

A marriage license was granted to Jason Simrell and Leticia Clinton by the Parmer County clerk's office last week.

Beauticians attend confab

Frances Kube, Sherry Curtis and Lois Nance of the The Beauty Box salon in Farwell attended the 1999 Four States Beauty Conference in Amarillo on March 28 - 29.

During the conference, the trio attended classes demonstrating the newest cuts, blow-dry styles, roller and pin-curl styles, formal up-do's and braid styles. They also learned many exciting new techniques for perming, which is important for the local clientele.

The newest trends in perming are in the mat perms from Europe and Canada and the straight perming from Hawaii. This perm technique uses all natural fruits and botanicals mixed with rice flour to straighten naturally curly hair. All three cosmetologists are now qualified to use these new systems.

Sherry attended an in-depth, "hands on" skin care class to obtain certification to perform "fruit enzyme resurfacing treatments." These treatments remove rough, dead skin from the face, neck and other areas of the body.

Frances and Lois participated in one-on-one consultations for skin facials and make-up applications and colors.

All three are also qualified for ear-piercing, facial waxing and eyebrow and eyelash dyes.

Another exciting aspect of this conference were the new Prom and Wedding Day hairstyles and make-up applications they learned.

"I feel like we can make these days even more special with a great hairstyle and professional make-up session," said Frances. "And we offer gift certificates for all of these things, so a day in the salon would make a great gift for Mother's Day, graduations, birthdays and more!"

These ladies have graduated with 17 hours of post-graduate work in the field of cosmetology. In addition to these classes, they have received continuing education hours from the New Mexico Cosmetology Board and the Amarillo Barber School.

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Obituaries

Orine McDaniels

Services for Orine McDaniels, 79, of Poulosbo, Wash., were held Saturday at Steed Todd Chapel with Skip Clark officiating. Burial was in Texico Cemetery.

She died March 20 at a nursing home in Poulosbo. She was born Jan. 27, 1920, in Childress, Texas.

She married Willard Maley in 1938 in Amarillo, and later married R.T. McDaniels in 1950 in Cloudcroft.

Surviving are a son, Will McDaniels, of Monrovia, Calif.; 2 daughters, Kodie Levine, of Tempe, Ariz., and Norma Burk, of Poulosbo; a brother, Tom Casey, of Houston; 3 sisters, Marion King, of Lott, Texas; Clara Harvey, of Texico, and Minn Pruitt, of Tucumcari, N.M.; 9 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

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Mike Pomper, president
Judy Pomper, vice president
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The public is cordially invited to a going away party in honor of Mora Schlueter and her family at the First Baptist Church of Texico, 224 Turner St., on Tuesday, April 6th, from 2 to 5 p.m.

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Area growers learn about alternative crops at seminar

Area growers attending the annual West Texas Vegetable Conference in Hereford on Jan. 19 received information on improving profit potential and marketing options by grown alternative crops.

George Dickerson, New Mexico State University Extension horticulturist, told growers they could enhance their profit potential by producing seasonal alternative crops such as blue corn, sweet corn, ornamental corn, chiles and grapes.

"Each of these alternatives are niche crops. They can add seasonal income to your operation, but none are likely to replace your main production crops," Dickerson said. "Blue corn and new hybrid sweet corns can be grown on the Texas High Plains and sold directly from the field or to processors. Ornamental corns and gourds, on the other hand, are grown mainly for the craft market. These crops will require intensive management at times, but they can generate healthy seasonal income if you first find a niche market for them."

Chiles are another crop option for High Plains producers, according to Dickerson. They can be grown and marketed for food purposes or as ornamentals. French or American hybrid grapes also can be a profitable alternative crop, although the initial investment to establish a crop often is high and marketing outlets can be difficult to establish.

"If you decide to do direct-to-the-public marketing, such as at farmers' markets, I would advise you to hire good sales help so you don't have to be your own public spokesperson. The other key to direct marketing is to have produce ready to sell throughout the growing-marketing season," Dickerson said. "Crops that can help you fill that void include asparagus, squash, garlic, radishes, tomatoes, gourds, and even pumpkins. The best way to branch out into alternative crops is to identify a market or buyer, nail down a sales contract or direct sales outlet, start small at first and then work your way into more acreage through better contracts and sales options."

Dr. Frank Dainello, horticulturist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, explained the workings of the Texas Watermelon Project.

"The Texas Watermelon Project is designed to enhance the competitiveness and profitability of the state's watermelon industry," said Dainello. "But much of what is being done in this project can also be applied to marketing other melons and

vegetables to food service companies."

Texas A&M specialists and researchers are conducting watermelon field trials statewide to identify the best varieties suited to regional growing conditions, develop improved production methods, and to help build a unified, statewide watermelon promotion and marketing program.



There was a good turnout at the special Texico-Farwell Rotary Club giveaway last week at the Farwell Community Center. Above are some of the folks who enjoyed the lunch. Below is club president Rick Yochim ready to announce the winners.



Kelley, 4 others win Rotary Club giveaways

Clint Kelley won the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club's giveaway of the Caribbean cruise for two, including air fare.

Winners of the four \$40 ticket vouchers for Southwest Airlines plane trips were David Johnson, Lee Hutchins, Michael Swain and Southern Air Motive.

Club officials were happy with the fund-raiser, with more than 400 tickets sold, and are considering making it an annual event.

Texico judging teams place

Texico High School sent four teams to the state FFA judging at Las Cruces last weekend. Results were:

Crop judging - 9th place, Tim Peabody, Bobbi Williams, Jenni Williams Jason Zaikowski, Shane Mayfield.

Land judging - 10th place, LaMicah Drager, Tim Peabody, Eric Denton, Garrett Crow.

Dairy judging - 5th place, Shayna Lewis, Trace Lockmiller, Flint Harrelson, Elizabeth Richards.

Horse judging -- 6th place, Austin Cox, Jonathan Ingram, Cresta Crow, Tonya Stone.

Signups for the Muleshoe Little League will be held on Tuesday, April 6, at the Farwell Junior High gym from 7 to 8 p.m.

It's for ages kindergarten through 12 years.

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David & Charla Meeks
Eddie Meeks
Terri & Janis (Meeks) Hughes
Carolyn Hardage

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—Terry M. Hightower (local evangelist)
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Pest Management Update

Parmer County Entomologist
Cherinell Riley



From Cherinell Riley, Parmer County entomologist: Alfalfa weevils have been reported here at the end of last week.

The alfalfa weevil adult is light brown and has dark brown and gray stripes down its back. Adults emerge in the late fall and females begin chewing holes in the stems of alfalfa before inserting eggs. Eggs are laid on living and dead stems and are smooth, shiny and yellow in appearance and will hatch in 5 to 10 days. The larvae move out of the holes and crawl up the outside of the stem and begin feeding in the terminals of the alfalfa, which makes them hard to find since they are hidden in the tightly folded young leaves.

Young larvae are very small and yellowish to green in color. The older larvae, third and fourth instars, are darker green and have a white stripe down their back, and cause the most damage to alfalfa.

The larvae stage can last up to three weeks. When the larvae are ready to pupate, they drop to the ground. The emerging adults feed for about two weeks before resting.

Alfalfa weevils cause two types of damage. Defoliation can result in yield reduction and reduced photosynthesis. Regrowth can ultimately cause stunting or death.

One way to determine the level of infestation, if any, is to use a sweep net. Divide the field in at least four quarters and sweep five times in each quadrant with the net. Then determine the average sweep count. Another method is using a "beat bucket" in which you put a bucket near the plant and tap the plant so that the feeding larvae will fall into the bucket.

For more information on controlled the alfalfa weevil, contact Miss Riley.

Courthouse Notes

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

Oppliger Family Ltd. - Patsy Thomas, 3.438 acres out of S31;T9S;R1E, Cap.

Patsy Thomas - Ken Taylor, same as above.

Housing and Urban Development - Armstrong Kerr, Lot 6, Blk. 1, Staley Add, Friona.

Hollis Browning et al - James Caughan, Sec. 46, Kelly, "H". Dorothy Hood - Bernie Mesman, lots 3-6 and S 4'8 of lot 3, Blk. 27, Farwell.

Barbara O'Brian - Pedro Castillo, Lot 9, Blk. 2, Staley.

Francis Barrett - Stanford Barrett, NE 1/4, S28, Blk. Y, Johnson.

Lopez aided in relief efforts

Army Sgt. 1st Class Alvino Lopez Jr. has returned to the U.S. from Central America after serving as a member of the U.S. Joint Task Force-Aguila, a humanitarian relief effort deployment to assist the peoples of Nicaragua, Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador to recover from the damage caused by Hurricane Mitch which hit in October.

They helped purify water for drinking, clear and repair roads, feed the hungry, treat the injured and sick, and prevent the spread of disease and contamination.

A maintenance supervisor,

he is the son of Alvino and Maria Lopez of Farwell.



**Sheryl,
Happy
40th
Birthday**

Curry County health statistics announced

The New Mexico Department of Public Health Division has published its annual report on Selected Health Statistics. They included the following for Curry County for 1996:

There were 939 births recorded -- 31 percent to single mothers; 20.2 percent to teen mothers. Broken down by race: 455 white (non-Hispanic), 357 white (Hispanic), 82 black, 10 Indian and 35 other.

Curry County's population increased from 1990 to 1996 from 42,207 to an estimated 47,753 -- about 13 percent. The projected population for 2000 is 51,580.

The causes of death for males in Curry County (1994-1996 average) showed: Of 872 deaths, they included 278 heart diseases; 193 malignant neoplasms; 42 accidents, including 19 motor vehicle accidents; cerebrovascular diseases, 42; chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, 70; influenza and pneumonia, 45; suicide, 22; diabetes, 9; chronic liver disease, 14; homicide, 4.

The causes of death for females in Curry County (1994-1996 average) showed: Of 743 deaths, they included 236 heart diseases; 149 malignant neoplasms; 32 accidents, including 19 motor vehicle accidents; 49 cerebrovascular disease; 28 chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; 48 influenza and pneumonia; 7 suicide, 21 diabetes, 6 chronic liver disease, and 4 homicides.

Curry County is New Mexico's 12th most populous county and has a population density of 34 persons per square mile. About 3 percent of the state's population resides here.

Accounting for 3.5 percent of the state's births, the county birth rate decreased slightly to 19.7 births per 1,000 population -- a level 24 percent higher than statewide.

The percent of low birth weight births decreased 16 percent and is 1 percent above state levels.

The percentage of births to teen mothers increased 4 per-

cent and is 13 percent above state levels. The percent of births to single mothers increased slightly to 31, 26 percent below statewide.

Of the births, here were the ages of the mothers: ages 15 and under, 2; ages 15 to 17, 74; ages 18 and 19, 114; ages 20 to 24, 333; ages 25 to 29, 252; ages 30 to 34, 127; ages 45 to 39, 28; ages 40 and above, 9.

And some New Mexico statistics:

-- The per capita income is \$18,770. One of six families are below the poverty level.

-- The life expectancy for males is 72.5 years and for females 79.7 years.

-- The population is 1,713,407, and the median age is 33.3.

-- There are 74 births a day and 34 deaths a day.

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Texico Schools To Sponsor Community Health Fair

On Friday, April 16, 1999, Texico Schools and RCC-6 will sponsor a free Community Health Fair in conjunction with Kindergarten Registration. Activities are scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. mst in the Educational Complex.

Community Health Fair Activities include:

Kindergarten Registration (required for all fall kindergarten pupils). Pre-School Screening is available for infants through 4 years of age. Parents must bring their child's birth certificate and shot records for the screening and registration.

The Clovis Fire Department will fingerprint children for Child Identification.

Public Health Department will conduct Blood Pressure and Immunizations.

All activities will be located in the Educational Complex.

We encourage the entire community to attend this year's Health Fair.

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Texico plans kindergarten registration

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New Hughes True Value owner Pablo Lucio

Lucio purchases True Value store

by Teresa J. Mesman

Pablo Lucio has been a familiar face to customers of the Hughes True Value store in Farwell. Always helpful and cheerful to those he serves, Pablo always brought experience and a willingness to provide the best possible service.

These are traits that Pablo always felt the store and the Hughes family possessed and knowing that they were in support of their staff made working at the store a pleasure. Now the pleasure of working at the store is made even better for Pablo because he now owns the store, buying it last month, from Joe and Gwen Hughes.

Pablo and his family moved to Farwell in 1969 from South Texas. In 1976 he took a job with the Hughes and worked for four years at the store.

"I learned a tremendous amount from Joe and Gwen during those years," Pablo stated.

He then accepted a job in Clovis with Cummins Rio Grande and worked with them until the company folded a few years later. He then worked for seven years at Lunsford Auto Parts in Clovis and one year with Cummins Natural Gas.

"In 1990, I walked into Hughes to purchase an out-of-state pheasant hunting license and was offered a job on the spot," said Pablo. "I eagerly accepted and came back to the place I always enjoyed. Coming back to work in Farwell was just like coming home."

Pablo is quick to point out that nothing will change in the structure of the store's inventory or associations. The True Value and NAPA franchise representation will stay the same, as will the Texas Lotto set-up.

"The Lotto business is not our primary focus in the store. While the crowds were big during the first years, the business is nothing like it used to be," said Pablo. "I'm looking forward to concentrating on the local business for parts, hardware, housewares, gifts and all the other great products we sell in the store."

Pablo is grateful to Joe and Gwen Hughes for setting the precedent of hard work and dedication to the customers.

"They worked very hard to make this store what it is today. They spent a lot of long hours and days at the store and I'm willing and able to carry on with that type of dedication," Pablo stated. "I'm just real excited about the opportunity to serve the community and to carry on the tradition of a great business."

Easter services set

Easter services are scheduled at local churches.

Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church will hold Maundy Thursday services on April 1 at 7 p.m. They will also co-host the annual Easter Sunday Sunrise service with the First Baptist Church of Farwell at 7:30 a.m. in Farwell City Park.

Following the sunrise service, both churches will hold their regular Sunday morning worship services.

The Farwell Church of Christ will hold its regular Bible study at 10 a.m. and worship service at 10:50 on Easter Sunday.

The First Baptist Church of Texico will hold Sunday School at 9 a.m. mst., morning worship at 10:15 a.m. mst. and evening worship at 5:30 p.m. mst.

St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat will hold Maundy Thursday services on April 1 at 7:30 p.m. Good Friday service will be at 7:30 p.m.

They will also be holding a Sunrise service on Easter morning at 7:30 a.m. Following this service, breakfast will be served in the fellowship hall from 8:15 to 9:15 a.m. A Festival Service will then be held at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday School immediately following.

The long way home...

Farwell had a strong contingent of fans attend the Primestar 500 and other stock car races at Fort Worth last weekend.

But bad traffic made it tough for motorists to leave after the races' conclusion.

Sandra Warren, who attended with her husband Alan, reported that it took 2 1/2 hours to get to the highway. Last year, it only took 45 minutes.

About 200,000 attended the races including David Johnson, Eric Williams, Ty Vandiver and Mickey Lunsford.



Champions

Resident Paul Gunnels and staff member Denise Robinson won the St. Patrick's Day scavenger hunt at the Farwell Convalescent Center.



Sales rep

Cheyenne Bickel, of Farwell, is now a sales representative at Western Chevrolet in Friona.

Thank you, Farwell, Texico and the surrounding areas for a year of support, tolerance and patience.

Also, thank you to Duke and Rhonda Kirkland for being our partners and co-business owners. We hate to see you go, but know in our hearts that you both are doing what you need to do. It's been fun and a challenge.

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First Baptist Church of Farwell	Farwell Church of Christ	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church
Richard Laverty - minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - Prayer meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday - mission aux., 7:30 p.m.	Terry Hightower - preacher Bible Class Sunday - 10 a.m. Worship - 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. E-mail: tmh1@yucca.net	Jim Peabody - minister Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. mt Worship - 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. mt Church training - 5:30 p.m. mt Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. mt winter 7:30 p.m. mt summer
Lariat Church of Christ	Church of Christ 110 Ninth St.	First Baptist Church of Texico
Sam Billingsley - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. winter 8:00 p.m. summer	Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. summer 8 p.m. winter	Bob Brown - minister Sunday School - 9 a.m. mt Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m. mt Wednesday - 7 p.m. mt
United Pentecostal Church of Texico	Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church	Assembly of God Church, Texico
Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11:15 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. Friday (youth) - 7:30 p.m.	Beth Harrington - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Monday men's prayer breakfast - 7 a.m.	Bob Burris - minister Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. mt Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. mt Wednesday - 6 p.m. mt
Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church	St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat	High Plains Baptist Church
Worship Service -- 9 a.m. Sunday School - 10 a.m.	David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.	Sunday School - 9 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Worship - 10:30 a.m. Wednesday - 6:30 p.m.
Church of God in Christ, Mennonite	New Light Baptist Church	San Jose Catholic Church Texico
James Koehn - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m.	J.R. Shiner - minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Bible Study - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.	Sunday Mass - Noon mt Religious Education - 1:15 -- 2:15 p.m. Community Meal -- 1:15 p.m.

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NOTICE OF Trustee ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION para)

To the Registered Voters of Farwell, Texas:

(A los votantes registrados del Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 1, 1999, for voting in a Trustee election, to fill 2 expired terms.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el sábado 1 de Mayo de 1999 para votar en la Elección para llenar 2 terminos expirados)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Farwell Community Center

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
(La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

Pamer County Courthouse County Clerk Office
(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on Wednesday, April 14, 1999 (date)

(entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el miércoles el 14 de abril de 1999 (fecha)

and ending on Tuesday, April 27, 1999 (date)

(y terminando el martes, el 27 de abril de 1999 (fecha)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:
(La votación en adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:)

Date (Fecha)	Hours (Horas)
n/a	

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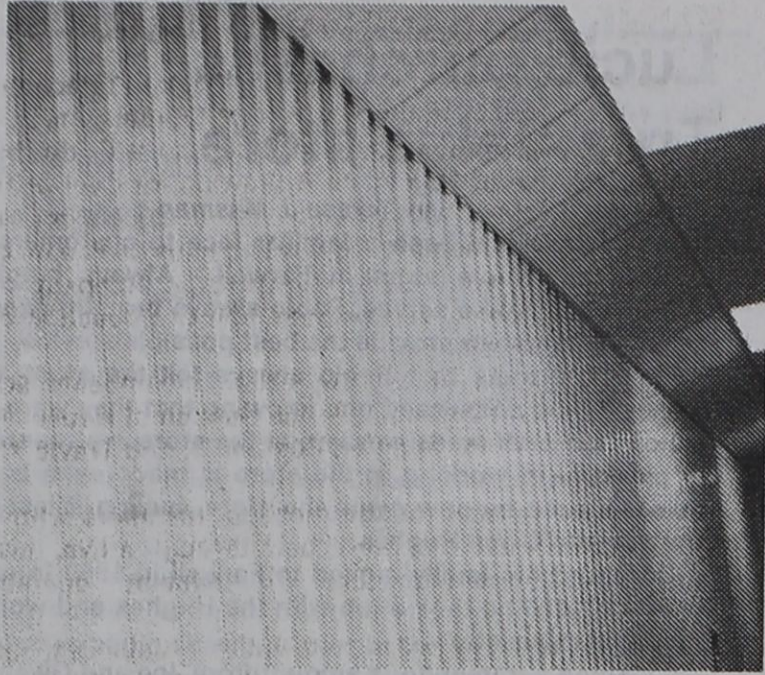
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Friday, April 23, 1999
(date) (fecha)

Issued this the 12th day of March, 1999
(Emitted este día 12 de March, 1999)

Ronald Byrd
Signature of Presiding Officer (Firma del Oficial que Preside)



Community Center renovation

The Farwell Community Centersports new walls and a ceiling after extensive renovation work.

Deaf Smith Cooperative directors re-elected

A huge crowd of 1,468 attended the 61st annual meeting of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative at the Hereford Bull Barn on Tuesday night.

The two incumbent directors were re-elected: Position 1 -- Nick Yosten over Dwight Jesko; and Position 2 -- Anthony Acker over Vincent Gerber. Acker has served on the board for 15 years and Yosten for 8.

The incombe statement showed that the receipts above the cost of operation for 1998 was \$2,993,562, compared to the 1997 total of \$1,204,069. One million dollars of capital credits from 1986, 1987, 1988 and part of 1989 were returned to cooperative members.

Steve Louder, cooperative president and general manager, praised the co-op's employees for their hard work during the January ice storm.

He said 94 poles were down and 7,823 outages reported. Of that total, 70 percent of the total meters in all homes were back on electricity, except for 7, within 48 hours.

Three neighboring cooperatives pitched in to help. All told, 5,600 man hours were worked during the storm. He said there were no employee injuries despite adverse weather conditions. He tried to keep employees to 18-hour work days but some even worked longer during the crisis.

He said it cost about \$350,000 to repair the damage due to the storm.

Heavy snow and later mud made movement difficult. Neighbors also helped out.

Some residents called for help after all employees were already out working.

In other news, Louder said the cooperative is taking Y2K seriously. All equipment is being checked "and we believe we are in good shape."

He noted the cooperative has an 800 number to its office or for service calls -- 1-800-687-8189.

Louder also recognized new employees, and thanked Sam Garrison, of Bovina, who was retiring with 29-plus years of service.

The new power generating station being built near Denver City is on schedule. This will help keep costs down.

The Latest

Megen Meeks of Farwell and Seth Black of Lazbuddie have been awarded Carr Academic Scholarships at Angelo State University for 1999-2000.

They range in value from \$1,500 to \$6,000 to qualified undergraduates.

The Texico Booster Club Basketball Tournament will be held April 22, 23 and 24 at the Texico High gym.

Cost is \$100 per team. It's limited to the first eight paid entries.

A double elimination format will be used.

Trophies will be awarded. Championship team members will get t-shirts.

For more information, call Richard Luscombe at 482-9112 (home) or 482-3305 (work).

Funds raised will to to attending summer basketball camp and summer league.

A black mid-sized dog was found just west of Texico. It has a blue collar. If it's yours, call 482-9229.

It's time for the organizational meeting for Border Town Days.

The meeting will be held on Monday, April 5, at 7:30 p.m. at BJ's Diner in Texico.

Officers will be elected and a theme for this year's LTD will be picked.

Everyone is invited. LTD is always held the last Saturday in July.

Lazbuddie's lunch menu for next week:

Monday - no school.
Tuesday - chicken strips and tuna.

Wednesday - baked potatoes and hamburgers.

Thursday - pork patties, burritos and pizza.

Friday - manager's choice.

Jewel Thomas has been in Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

Word has been received of the death of Juannell Chapman, a sister of Neil Stewart.

Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, April 4.

That means you move your clock ahead one hour.

Remember -- spring forward, fall back.

See a bunch of police cars congregated on 3rd Street in Farwell on Saturday night?

A drug bust?
A major crime?
Nope -- police were having a meeting.

The Farwell Junior High cheerleaders for 1999-2000 have been picked.

They are Jaimie Diaz, Kyra Christian, Khallie Foster, Nikki Gober, Tara Schilling, Danielle Cargile, Micah Christian and Lindsay Vandiver.

Tryouts were held on Monday.

The Farwell Junior High library has received three books donated in memory of Leslie Lunsford, who was a Title 1 aide there for nine years. The books are:

"The 20th Century Children's Book Treasury" from ESA Sorority.

"Where the Sidewalk Ends" from the Steve Kaltwasser family.

"The Fall of Freddie the Leaf" from Leslie's friends at Farwell Junior High.

Mark Williams and his brother-in law, Kendall Devault, were featured on the cover of the December issue of "Texas Farmer • Stockman" magazine.

A two-page article talked about how they have spearheaded efforts to build a new cooperative gin in Parmer County to boost "value added" profits to growers who invest.

The article noted that with the declining water table in the Ogallala Aquifer, many farmers are switching from corn to cotton.

Members of St. John Lu-

theran Church celebrated Dorothea Schulz's birthday with a surprise party during fellowship on March 14. Dorothea is a foreign exchange student from Germany living with James and Vicki Haseloff and attending school at Farwell High School.

Ben Mesman and Berny Mesman were voting delegates to the first annual convention of the newly formed Dairy Farmers of America milk cooperative. The convention was held in Kansas City, Mo. on March 22 - 23.

A wedding shower will be

held from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. (not starting at 10 a.m. as incorrectly reported last week) on April 10 at Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church to honor Jill Actkins daughter of Diane and Johnny Actkinson, of Farwell, and Lance Anderson, son of Ron Anderson, of Farwell, and Karen Haiduk, of Santa Fe.

Former Texico residents Ted and Barbara Horner are busy remodeling a house in High Rolls, N.M.

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Meet Farwell's Class of 2011



Pamela Lara is a kindergartener at Farwell Schools. Her birthday is December 6.

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Grandparents are Mario and Rosa Lara, and Raul and Carmen Ramirez.

She likes riding her bike and playing ball with her friends.

Her favorite color is red.

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NOTICE OF FARWELL HOSPITAL DISTRICT ELECTION

(A VISO DE ELECCION FHD)

To the Registered Voters of Farwell Hospital District, Farwell Texas:

To los volantes registrados del Farwell Hospital District, Farwell Texas

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 1, 1999, for voting in a Hospital District election, to elect 5 directors.

(Notifiquese por las presents. que las casillas electorales silados abujo se abirdu desula las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el Mayo de 1 d de 1999 para votar en la Eleccion para ELEGIR LAJUNTA PRAR ELECCIONES DE DIRECTORE

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April 26, 1999

Issued this the 23 day of March, 1999.

(Emilada este dia 23 de Abril, 1999.

Signature of Presiding Officer

Business of the Month

Presented by the Farwell Chamber of Commerce



Gloria, Hal, Kymberly and Dardanella Helton

Helton Oil, Inc.

Helton Oil, Inc., celebrates its 50th anniversary this year. It was begun in 1949 by Dardanella and her husband, the late Joe Helton. Since its start, the firm has grown from a 2-person operation to a 5-location, major area business with 11 employees.

The primary office is on State Line Road and the phone number is 481-3222. The firm offers gas, diesel oil, tires, batteries, filters, propane, anhydrous ammonia, dry fertilizer and various automotive chemicals.

Another Helton office is located in the Rhea Community and is managed by John Schueler. The store has gas, diesel, oil, grease, filters and various parts, plus selling new and used tires with tire repair service.

In Farwell, Texaco Oil and Gas is available, with Texaco gas, diesel, oil and grease products offered.

Helton also supports the service station on Wheeler Avenue in Texico, operated by Johnny Trujillo. The station offers gas, oil changes, tuneups, fixes flat tires, brake jobs, some engine repairs, and sells tires and oil filters.

Also available is the Card Stop on the east side of Farwell, next to Lowe's Supermarket. Credit cards are accepted -- Helton Oil, Visa, Phillips 66, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express. The Card Stop is open 24 hours a day.



Mushy

It was a wet, wet aftermath for the snow storm that blew through the Twin Cities last month.



ENMR cooperative to meet

The annual meeting of ENMR • Plateau Telecommunications will be April 16 in the House High School gym.

Member registration starts at 8 a.m. ct with the business meeting starting at 10 a.m. ct. A drawing for door prizes concludes the meeting, with lunch served in the school cafeteria. It is stressed that member registration ends at 10 a.m. ct.

The meeting will include reports from company officials, election of directors, and presentation of Education Foundation Scholarship winners.

Four posts will be on the ballot. Incumbents are Jerry Sours, of Grady, Position 3; Bruce Runyan of House, Position 4; Mike Teeter, of Ft. Sumner, Position 5; and Travis Wood, of Roy, Position 6.

As a pilot project for the meeting, members who live remotely from House can participate through a live, interactive TV broadcast using the ITV system operated by ENMR-Plateau.

With the two-way video and audio capabilities, members living in or near Vaughn, Clayton, Mosquero and Santa Rosa will be able to access and participate in the business meeting from the ITV locations set up at each of those communities' high schools.

This is an attempt to reduce driving distance by members and create greater participation in voting in the director's elections and other matters. The farthest (Clayton) is 168 miles driving distance to House and the nearest (Santa Rosa) is 87 miles.

Chamber banquet speaker named

Wayne Beagle, who has been a Texas state trooper for 25 years, will be the spaker at the Farwell Chamber of Commerce banquet on April 17 at the newly-refurbished Farwell Community Center.

Hors d'ouvres will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by a steak dinner at 7:15 p.m.

Admission is \$15 per person. Tickets are available from Chamber members, including the State Line Tribune.

The meal will be served by the Farwell cafeteria ladies. ESA sorority will do the decorating. Beta Sigma Phi sorority will serve the hors d'ouvres.

It was noted at Tuesday's Chamber meeting:

-- Helton Oil, Inc., will be the Business of the Month to be spotlighted in the Tribune in April in honor of the oil firm's 50th anniversary.

-- A committee was named to pick the recipients to be honored with Chamber scholarships.

-- The Chamber will present an award at the Farwell High athletic banquet. Ralph Franse will make the presentation.

-- Will participate in a project to produce a map of Texico-Farwell. The Texico Chamber of Commerce will be asked to participate in this.

Farwell wins golf tourney

Farwell's boys won the Olton Golf Tournament on Monday with a 350. Olton was 2nd with 353.

Scores were: Tyler Chadwick, 81 (3rd overall); Spencer Ketcherside, 86; Brett Curtis, 89; Tyler Scott, 94, and Ryan Roberts, 95.

I would like to say thank everyone for all the cards, gifts, flowers, visits and phone calls while I was recovering from my surgery.

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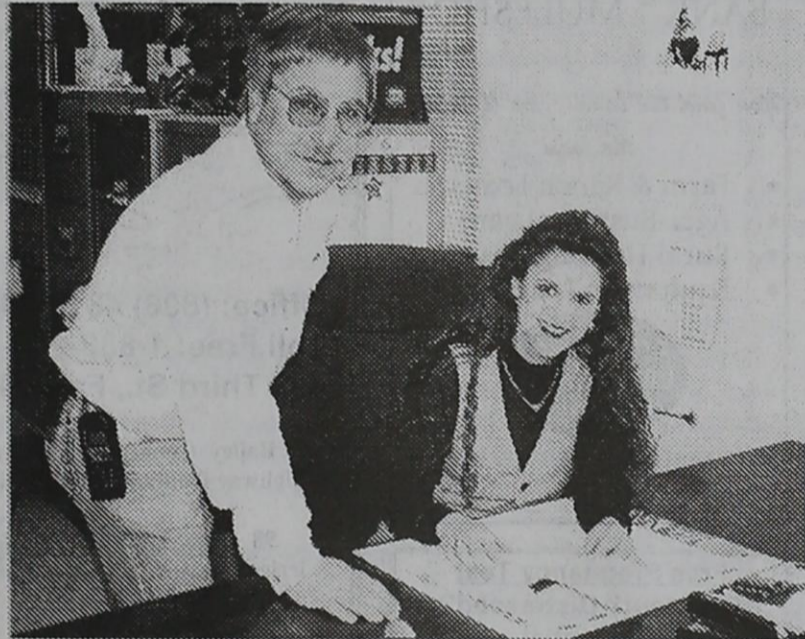
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To the Registered Voters of Lazbuddie I.S.D., Lazbuddie, Texas:
 (A los votantes registrados del Lazbuddie I.S.D., Lazbuddie, Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on Saturday, May 1 19 99, for voting in a Trustee election, to fill 2 expired terms.

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales siadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. eParado de Mayo de 19 99 para votar en la Elección para llenar 2 terminos expirados.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES Lazbuddie I.S.D. Auditorium FM Road 1172
 (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES) Auditorio de Lazbuddie I.S.D. Carretera FM Road 1172

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 (La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)
 Lazbuddie I.S.D. Administration Office FM Road 1172
 Oficina de administración Lazbuddie I.S.D. (location) (sillo) Carretera FM Road 1172

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on Wednesday, April 14, 1999 (date)
 (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:00 de la tarde empetando el miercoles el 14 de abril de 1999 (fecha)

and ending on Tuesday, April 27, 1999 (date)
 (y terminando el martes, el 27 de abril de 1999 (fecha)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:
 (La votación en adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:)

NA

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Carolyn Scott
 (Name of Early Voting Clerk)
 (Nombre del Secretario de la Votación En Adelantada)

Lazbuddie I.S.D. - P.O. Box 9
 (Address) (Dirección)

Lazbuddie, TEXAS 79053
 (City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

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 (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el)

Friday, April 23, 1999
 (date) (fecha)

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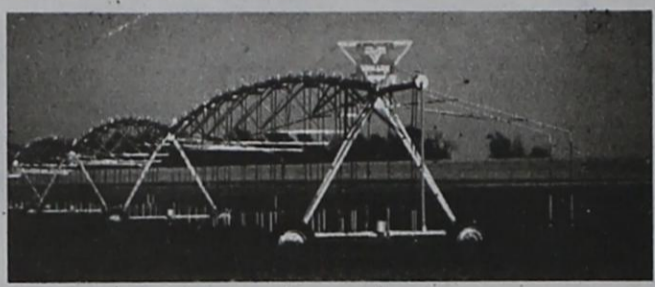
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Nice 2 or 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath, brick home, single car garage, nice fenced backyard, all in great location. Call for more details! Priced to Sell! **IN CONTRACT**

Super nice 3 bedroom, 2 3/4 bath, brick home. Has central heat, refig. air, central vacuum, 2 car garage, double car garage, nice fenced backyard, all in great location! **IN CONTRACT**

South of Clays Corner - 160 acres, 2 - 8" wells, electric wells, electric sprinkler system, lays well. Reasonably Priced. Call for more details.

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Sheriff's Report

Here is the weekly report from Parmer County Sheriff Walt Yergler:

On March 28, Brian Maxwell, 21, of Rio Rancho, N.M., was arrested by Friona police on a charge of providing alcohol to a minor. The case is pending in county court.

On March 28, Frederick Brenning Jr., 37, of Clovis, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On March 25, Elpidio Gonzales, 17, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of theft. The case is pending in district court.

Parmer County Sheriff's Sgt. Gary Blair, reporting on the continuing battle against the druggies here, said charges are pending against a Clovis woman but the investigation is still continuing.

In 287th District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding:
-- On March 23, Juan Francisco Rojas, 25, of Houston, charged with possession of a controlled substance (cocaine), was sentenced to 2 years in the state jail facility, deferred 2 years; \$2421 court costs; \$500 fine, and 120 hours of community service.

-- On March 25, Monica Hernandez, 21, of Texico, charged with theft (reduced from burglary of a habitation), was sentenced to 1 year in the Parmer County Jail, probated 1 year; \$166 court costs; \$500 fine; \$600 restitution and 100 hours of community service.

-- On March 25, Kelvin Gooden, 23, of Clovis, charged with forgery, was sentenced to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated 2 years; \$266 court costs; \$500 fine; \$1,215 restitution, and 120 hours of community service.

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Farwell Convalescent Center Chit Chat

by Debbie Parmer, Activities Director

I want to share a couple of things with you about March.

We had so much fun on St. Patrick's Day. It started off with a scavenger hunt. Staffers teamed up with residents who wanted to participate and each had a list of 10 items to find. The one who found all 10 items first won a large stuffed Easter bunny. Paul Gunnells and staff member Denise Robinson wasted no time getting their list completed. Congratulations to Paul and Denise.

During the St. Patrick's party, we had drawings and gave away several small stuffed Easter bunnies. I think everyone enjoyed it.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Carpenter provided the entertainment at the St. Patrick's party. Instead of a sing-along this time, we played "Name That Tune". Everyone waited in anticipation for the next song. Many thanks to the Carpenters for their music.

We also want to thank the Auxiliary for buying extra St. Patrick's decorations.

Enough about March, let's move on to April!

On April 3, we will have our annual Easter egg hunt. It will be at 2 p.m. for kids ages 2 to 10. Bring your own baskets and come meet our special guests!

Volunteer Week is April 18-24. We have many volunteers who support our center in various ways. Many of our programs would not be possible if it were not for our volunteers.

We have volunteers who serve both directly and indirectly. Through their sincerity and loyalty, these volunteers brighten the lives of those they serve.

Our national theme this year is "Volunteers Brighten Lives." We can honestly say this is true of each volunteer we have. In honor of our volunteers, we will have a volunteers' banquet at the Holiday Inn on April 20. Volunteers, mark your calendars. We will see you there!

Until next time, have a safe and happy Easter and remember Jesus is the reason for the season.

2000

Chris Moore, Vice-President/Trust-Compliance and the Year 2000 Coordinator for Citizens Bank.

"Our mainframe hardware and software are ready, and we have a contingency plan in place in the event that there is an unanticipated disruption because of Y2K problems. For instance, we will have a hard copy of all our customer's computer generated records and our customers will have full access to their funds as always," Moore stated.

Security State Bank in Farwell took action to address the Y2K compliance issue by contracting with Electronic Data Systems (EDS) to do the date testing for the bank.

Tom Nichols, a Vice-President and Y2K project coordinator for Security State, explained the process the bank took to ensure compliance.

"We set up a complete bank with all the funds and information we currently deal with online. We then ran all the numbers and computations through the critical dates. As of the result of the testing and the upgrades we have been making, we feel like Security State Bank is in very good shape for the century change," Nichols explained.

Security State is one of the least automated banks in the area and administrators feel that they will feel the affects of any problems less than anyone. They still do computations and simple interest figures by hand and post all notes manually.

"We've taken all the necessary steps to address the situation. If anyone has any questions about the issue, we urge them to come by and talk to us or call us with their concerns," said Nichols.

The Farwell Banking Center has also been addressing the Y2K problem with extensive testing. In fact, Muleshoe State Bank is still going through the mandatory five-phase process that is required of banks by the regulatory agencies.

The five phases start with a period of assessment for pinpointing potential problems that are then fixed during the second phase of renovation.

"The Muleshoe State Banks really didn't have too much to upgrade or replace because of the software that we use in-house," said Dwayne Dale, Y2K coordinator for Muleshoe State Bank. "We were able to make the transition in our software very easily for the update from a 2-digit to a 4-digit system."

Both banks in the Muleshoe State Bank system are about to complete the third phase of testing and will then go through phases 4 and 5 -- implementation and validation. The entire process was begun by the bank in late 1997 and will be completed by mid 1999.

The banks have also kept their customers keenly aware of the Y2K issue through statement stuffers and an open communication policy of answering questions and addressing concerns.

There are four federal regulatory agencies that share in the responsibility of making sure that the area banks and credit unions prepare for the Year 2000 change. The FDIC - Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Office of Thrift Supervision and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System are all conducting special examinations of insured banks and savings associations to make sure they are becoming compliant.

The century change does not in any way affect the deposit insurance coverage on bank accounts. All deposits at FDIC insured banks and savings associations will be protected up to \$100,000 against loss due to institution failure.

All of these banks are also federally required to keep backup records for all account transactions so all information can be retrieved in case of emergency.

The critical dates that the banks have been testing for are interesting in the historical aspects of how the dates fall according to ancient calendars and computer terminology.

April 9, 1999 is numbered 9999 on the Julian Calendar. The 99th day of the year 1999. In computer lingo, 9999 denotes the "end of input" in many computer programs.

Sept. 9, 1999 is 9999 on the Gregorian Calendar and is, again, denoted as the "end of input" in many computer programs.

Dec. 31, 1999 is the last day in 1999 and Jan. 1, 2000, is the first day of the year 2000. Most computer programs post year dates as two digits, such as "99" and when the rollover to 2000 occurs, the programs will think it is back to the year 1900 and would try to compute all figures as such.

Jan. 3, 2000, is the first day of business in the year 2000

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and Jan. 10, 2000, is the first date to require a 7 digit date field (1/10/2000). Jan. 31, 2000, is the end of the first month of the year 2000.

2000 is a leap year, so Feb. 29, 2000, is a critical testing date and March 31, 2000, is the end of the first quarter of 2000.

Oct. 10, 2000, will be the first date to require an 8 digit field (10/10/2000) and Dec. 31, 2000, is the end of the year 2000.

Jan. 1, 2001, has been tested as well as the first day of the year 2001 and Dec. 31, 2001, has been tested to insure that the year 2001 has 365 days.

All of these dates are critical to financial institutions and other dates that were deemed "critical" by each of the banks were tested as well.



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LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

NOTICE

Tuesday, April 13, 1999, is the day to register children for next year's Farwell kindergarten and pre-kindergarten/Head Start classes.

Registration will take place at Farwell Elementary School on Tuesday, April 13, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

All children who will be four and five years of age as of September 1st and live in the Farwell District need to register for the next school year.

To register, parents need to come to Farwell Elementary with their child's immunization records and official birth certificate. Only official copies of the birth certificate are accepted and they must have been obtained from state offices. Social Security numbers are also required for registration.

Rebecca Smallwood, school nurse, will be available to review immunization records during registration. For more information, call Mrs. Smallwood at the school, 481-9131.

Pre-kindergarten and Head Start Requirements

To be eligible, a child must be 4 years old as of Sept. 1st, 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.

Head Start requires proof of participants meeting federal income guidelines so income verification, such as check stubs, should also be available for review. Verification of other types of public assistance should also be available for review.

Head Start extends its services to handicapped children. Texas schools are required to provide pre-kindergarten if 15 or more students are identified.

Pre-school registration upcoming

Pre-registration for the "Life In Christ Academy" pre-school program at St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat will take place on Monday, April 5 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. cst and again from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. cst in the church fellowship hall.

The preschool will feature fully accredited Christian curriculum with a hands on approach to learning from the perspective of the Holy Scriptures.

The preschool is open to all area 3 and 4 year old children and will meet each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. cst beginning Aug. 17.

The pre-registration fee is \$25 and is non-refundable.

Feed yard info

After Robert Josserand, chairman of AxTx Cattle Co., announced that plans to expand its Farwell Feed Yard facility had been dropped, he was interviewed by the Herford Brand newspaper.

He told the Brand that community opposition was the main reason for discontinuing the expansion plans.

"As many people who opposed the growth and the new jobs the expansion would provide tells me it just wasn't worth it," Josserand was quoted as saying. "We are trying to be a good neighbor and, hopefully, a positive force in the community."

Josserand said withdrawing expansion plans at Farwell will not affect operations at other yards, but the company does not plan to expand any other local yards.

"It's no big deal. We may look at expanding a lot in Kansas, but we're not looking to upset the community," Josserand told the Brand.

Monthly tuition for the pre-school program is \$60 and will go into effect Sept. 1. There will be no tuition for the August session if a student is pre-registered.

For those wishing to pre-register, but will be unable to make it to the church for the pre-registration, you may call the church at 825-2409 during the hours listed above or you can contact Edie Kalbas at 825-3357 prior to or during the week of April 5 - 11 and pre-register by mail or phone. Life in Christ Academy accepts cash, checks and most major credit cards for payment. Once payment is received, the child is officially registered.

Life In Christ Academy admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, pro-

grams and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school, it does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national or

ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies or all other school administered programs.

Ratliff to preach at Church of Christ gospel meetings

Jeff Ratliff is coming from Iowa Park, Texas, to Farwell April 4-7 for a series of gospel meetings at the 5th Street and Avenue C Church of Christ.

Sunday services will include Bible class at 10 a.m., worship at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. Weekday services will be at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to all the services.

Ratliff was born in Germany and was adopted by a Littlefield, Texas, couple when he was 4 months old. Reared in Littlefield, he farmed two years, then graduated from Texas Tech with a degree in finance, later serving as a bank loan review officer.

In mid-1988, he gave up his banking career to enter a school of preaching in Lubbock. After graduating, he became the pulpit minister at Gustine, Texas. In 1994, he became evangelist with the Iowa Park congregation. He and his wife have two children.

Wolverines' stats given

Here are the season stats for the Texico Wolverines basketball team:

Jake Boazman -- 382 points, 56 assists, 269 rebounds, 73 steals; Josh Boazman - 239 points, 42 assists, 133 rebounds, 43 steals; Ross Burford - 282 points, 68 assists, 10s rebounds, 49 steals; Kyle Cain - 18 points, 23 assists, 27 rebounds, 11steals; Cody Dunnaohoe - 78 points, 44 assists, 34 rebounds, 12 steals; Chris Hall -- 246 points, 114 assists, 74 rebounds, 59 steals.

Michael Marlow -- 89 points, 38 rebounds, 76 assists, 35 steals; Shay Norvell -- 14 points, 11 assists, 27 rebounds, 9 steals; Phil Peabody -- 27 points, 16 assists, 34 rebounds, 6 steals; Tim Peabody -- 3 points, 14 assists, 9 rebounds, 5 steals; Johnny Sena -- 119 points, 75 assists, 77 rebounds, 46 steals; Eric Stanley -- 20 points, 3 assists, 13 rebounds, 5 steals; Justin Steward -- 314 points, 59 assists, 297 rebounds, 68 steals; and Justin Foust - 17 points, 2 rebounds, 1 steal.

The team hit 45.6 percent of its 2 shot tries and 28.1 percent of its 3 pointers. The Wolverines averaged 63.7 points per game. They made 387 of 665 free throw tries -- 58.2 percent.

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