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Zane Anderson wins 4th football contest

Scores were generally higher in last week's Area Merchants Football Contest with one entrant getting all 12 games picked correctly.

For that magnificent feat, the first place cash prize of \$20 went to Texico High student Zane Anderson.

Eleven participants got 11 games right. By virtue of being closest to the tie breaker (Friona 7, Dalhart 0), the winner of the 2nd place cash prize of \$7 was Dwayne Vogler, who was 10 off the tie breaker.

Others with 11 right and their totals off the tie breaker were:

Reace Bennett, 32; Wayne Anderson, 14; Audrey Kittrell, 14; Buddy Little, 14; Andy Montana, no tie breaker given; Casey Posey, 28; Eddy Segovia, 21; Scott Steelman, 45; Colleen Stover, 31; and Juan Carlos Vidaurri, 41.

Those with 10 games picked correctly were:

Marion Ty Rutter, Leigh Ann Woods, T.J. Farmer, Robbie Allred, Brett Anderson, zac Morgan, Lane McFarland, Shaylee Anderson.

Also, Crista Bass, Priscilla Herington, Wanda Hooten, Ysleta Kittrell, Lonnie C. McFarland and Rusty McFarland.

Results of last week's games were:

Texico over Eunice, Farwell over Floydada, Tennessee over LSU, Ohio State over Iowa, Alabama over Arkansas, TCU over BYU, Penn State over Northwestern, Dallas over San Francisco, Cincinnati over Chicago, Atlanta over Buffalo, Jacksonville over NY Jets, and Miami over Carolina.

The contest is now one-third complete with the overall champion winning \$200 cash and the Dallas Cowboys tickets. Here's a look at the Leader Board:

35 points - Dwayne Vogler.

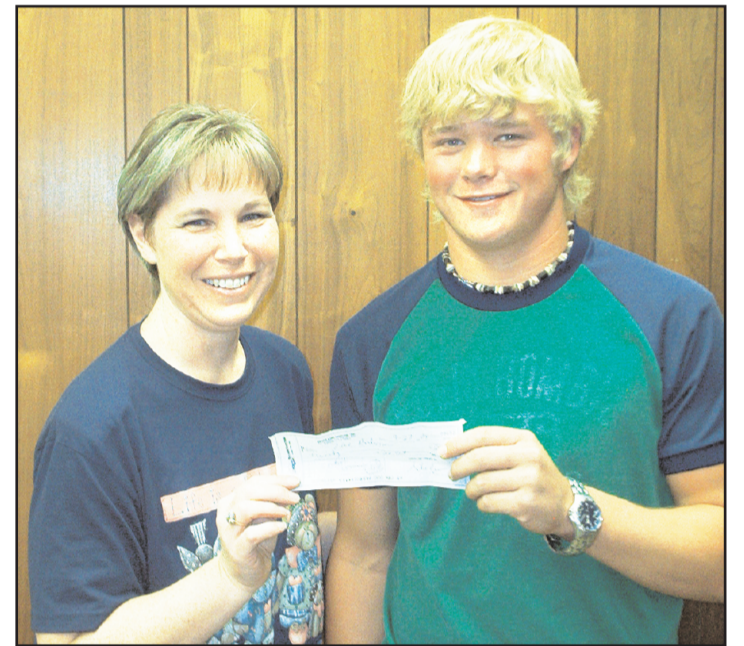
33 -- Curby Brantley, Carl Dean Goettsch, Amanda McFarland, Eddy Segovia.

32 -- Henry Garcia, Ty Gast, Chad Griswold, Steve Kittrell, Lonnie C. McFarland, Juan Carlos Vidaurri, Kinzi Woods.

31 -- Robbie Allred, Lucas DeLeon, Darren Haseloff, Marcia Haseloff, Daniel Hernandez, Lindsey Mullin, Lane McFarland, Lonnie R. McFarland, Randy Price, Ricky Railsback, Scott Steelman, Colleen Stover, Debbie Weir.

30 -- Bill Brigham, Brett Anderson, Jorge Barron, Robin Gregory, Ray Haseloff, Buster Herington, Wanda Hooten, Ysleta Kittrell, Kirk Lingnau, Buddy Little, Randy Mullin, Rusty McFarland, Bev Obenshain, William Orozco, Marion Ty Rutter, Bill Shelly, Cynthia Thigpen, Jill Timms, Boyd White.

Vogler, currently topping the Leader Board, is one of the owners of Town & Country Insurance in Farwell.



Cathi Johnson, of Citizens Bank of Clovis' Texico branch, one of the contest sponsors, presents the check for winning last week's football contest to Zane Anderson.

Texico seeks state loan of \$325,000 to buy water rights and for 'city loop'

The Texico City Council on Tuesday agreed to seek a state loan of \$325,000 toward buying water rights, and also for "looping" the water line to the south side of the city, increasing pressure flow.

This is the first step in the process of buying water rights to provide long-term water for Texico. If the loan is approved, interest of 3 percent would be charged for up to 20 years.

Engineers also will attend the next council meeting on these plans.

Texico still is a member of the Ute Lake water project. But hopes are extremely dim that the city will stay a member, since it's the council's consensus that residents simply cannot afford the cost of water once the project is finalized.

Not only have several governmental entities dropped out of the project, but the most recent cost estimate has climbed \$71 million.

However, Texico is staying a member of the Ute Lake project, at least until "commitment date" is set. This date is likely to come in a couple of months.

When the commitment date is established, communities can drop out of the project before that date without further financial burden. But if a community stays in the Ute Lake project after the commitment date, then that community must shoulder future financial responsibilities.

The council plans to make sure they are kept aware of when the commitment date is set, thus allowing Texico to withdraw before it occurs.

In other business, the council:

-- Heard that new street signs have been put up along the highway as part of the state's highway project.

But there was some bad news here:

Lewis Cooper reported that the highway seal coating project, done by the state, was completed, despite the fact there is a "drop off" from the main lanes onto the shoulders.

Some folks feel this creates a danger for motorists.

Also, the street intersection with the highway at Town & Country was not repaired.

-- Called an executive session at the urging of street Supt. Darrell Stanton.

-- Agreed that folks who want to cut up dead trees on city property (including the cemetery) be allowed to do so for firewood to help heat their homes this winter.

Councilman Oran Jay Autrey said several folks are interested in getting the firewood.

-- Agreed to give the city's DWI van back to Clovis, which had donated it to Texico in the first place.

Councilman Doug Scioli said the van was in extremely poor shape and Police Chief John Mares wants to get rid of it.



Homecoming fireworks

Fireworks highlight the annual Farwell Homecoming extravaganza. (Photo by J.R. Ivins)



Farwell King and Queen

Farwell's Homecoming King and Queen were Luis Olmos and Cindy Quezada. They were crowned in ceremonies on Friday.



Port of Entry mishap

Texico Police Chief John Mares said Carlos Castillo Jr., 23, of Texico, told him that he was driving the vehicle last week that struck the Port of Entry in Texico. Mares said state police are handling the incident and charges are pending. Mares also said the state already had planned to put in a new Port of Entry building. For now, the state will put in a temporary site, then a new building late.

But other items needed to have DWI roadblocks will be kept in use.

-- Heard that the swimming pool roof has been repaired.

-- Heard that Bermea Construcion has finished its street seal coating job, and has smoothed out some streets after complaints were made.

-- Held a discussion with cemetery association officials Marcia Leavell and Margie Crooks.

City Attorney Marion Ty Rutter brought copies of the 1955 ordinance governing the cemetery association. The ordinance stipulates that the association is authorized to sell the plots, and get the money, while the city clerk acts as association treasurer. Also, the association is provide a semi-annual report.

A problem that has occurred over the years is that until the past couple of years, the association had been inactive, and the city council had taken over some of the responsibilities that the association should have been handling.

So a balance is being sought here. And the council plans to meet with

the association to determine exactly what responsibilities both sides need to have. A meeting is scheduled in a month.

Some association members don't want to sell cemetery plots; two members, for example, work full time. And if the members are out of town and someone wants to buy a plot, then what? asked Mrs. Leavell.

Mrs. Crooks wondered if the city clerk could sell the plots, instead of the association.

Because of the discussion, the proposed cemetery ordinance was tabled until after the two groups meet.

-- Approved the ordinance raising water and sewer rates, effective Nov. 1.

permit is received.

Last week, a state environmental inspector checked the landfill and gave Texico a citation -- someone had thrown sheet rock onto the burn pile.

Stanton also said that if any councilmen want a key to the landfill, they must first attend a state-sponsored class.

-- Heard Mrs. Leavell report that the Texico Chamber of Commerce, now defunct, had some money left in its account.

So the members have decided to buy new Christmas decorations for the city. Because past decorations have had many lights go bad, the new decorations will have no lights. Instead, they will have sparkles.

It's our turn

Special TV notice to our readers:

A reminder that the "Three Wishes" program coming on Friday night on NBC is supposed to feature Texico, Farwell and Clovis.

The show will include the wishes granted Carlee Luscombe, of Texico, and Lyndi Austin, of Farwell.

Floydada defeats Steers

The Farwell Steers were shut out by the Floydada Whirlwinds last Friday here, 34-0.

The short-handed Steers called up JV team members and several saw good action.

The game opened on a rough note, when Farwell fumbled the kickoff and Floydada took over at the Steers 22.

Good tackles were recorded by Colby Norton, Derrick Chandler and Roper Smith. Matthew Edwards had a TD-saving tackle at the Steers 10 -- he also had a TD-saving tackle later in the game.

But Floydada scored on a 10-yard TD pass, which the receiver caught one-handed. The kick made it 7-0 at 9:24.

Cory Chadwick returned the kick to near midfield. Farwell couldn't move the ball and punted to the

Floydada 21. Zach Bickel had 2 good tackles, and Smith one, forcing a punt to the Farwell 27. Again, Floydada held and Farwell punted. Logan McFarland tackled the punt receiver at the Floydada 45.

Matt Barnes and Bickel combined on a tackle for a Floydada loss as the first quarter ended. A McFarland tackle forced another Floydada punt.

This time, Farwell's offense jelled. QB Chandler hit McFarland with a 15-yard pass and Chadwick for a 20-yard gain. But Farwell was held and punted to the Floydada 22.

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Palbearers were Johnny Ortiz, Karl Gonzales, Arnold Chavez, Anacleto Ortiz and Tommy Ortiz.

Steed-Todd Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Roch appointed

Texico School teacher Dennis Roch has been named by Gov. Richardson to serve on a task force dealing with the state's funding formula for New Mexico schools.

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Steers of the Week

Coch Thompson picked as Steers of the Week -- Roper Smith, Derrick Chandler and Logan McFarland.

Floydada then scored again a minute later on a halfback pass good for a 48-yard score.

Toward the end of the half, Smith had a QB sack for a 2-yard loss, and Alex Olmos had good pass coverage. Floydada scored with 38 seconds left for a 27-0 lead at the half.

In the 3rd quarter, Edwards recovered a fumble at midfield, caused by Brett Howard.

On 4th and 9, Farwell faked a punt, and Chandler passed to Ryan McClaran for a first down at the Floydada 37.

A great block by McFarland fired up the team and the crowd on a run by Edwards for 9. But on another 4th down play, Floydada held.

On defense, freshman Jonathan Edwards had a strong tackle. Then sophomore Trace Stevenson was in on several tackles.

Floydada scored at 2:42 to make the score 34-0.

Finus Nolte returned the kick to the Farwell 32.



Matthew Edwards breaks up a pass (Photo by J.R. Ivins)

Chandler hit Olmos with a 15-yard pass. ON 4th and 2, Chandler kept for a first down as the 3rd quarter ended.

Farwell put together a strong drive to open the final quarter. Chandler ran for 10, then hit Olmos with an 11-yard pass. Olmos ran for 13 more but Farwell's drive ended just short of the Floydada goal line.

Roper Smith recovered a fumble at the Floydada 35, caused by a Jonathan Edwards' hit.

Toward the end of the game, good tackles were made by McFarland and Jon Beaubien.

Stats: 1st downs,

Farwell 9, Floydada 12; rushing yards, Farwell 28, Floydada 336; passing yards, Farwell 89, Floydada 54; punting average, Farwell, 4 for 32.5, Floydada, 2 for 35; and penalties, Farwell 2 for 15, Floydada, 5 for 30.

Obituaries

Willie Ronquillo

Services for Willie Ronquillo, 72, of Texico, were held Sept. 23 at San Jose Catholic Church. Burial was in National Cemetery in Santa Fe.

He died Sept. 20 at Clovis hospital.

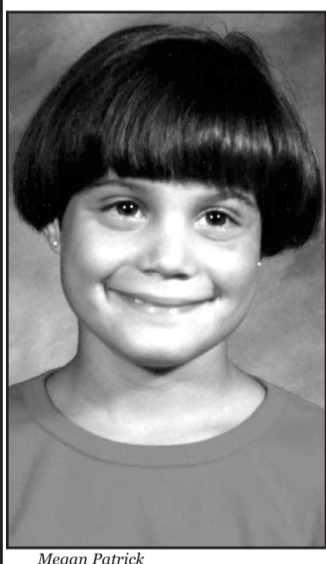
He was born June 29, 1933, in Los Ojitos. He served in the U.S. Army from 1956-1959. He was the city marshal of Texico in the 1970s and sheriff of Guadalupe County for 8 years.

Surviving are his wife, Dorothy; 3 daughters, Charlotte Ortiz, of Albuquerque; Cindy Goodwin, of California; and Nora Ortiz, of Texico; a son, Willie Jr., of Virginia;


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Charity Wilson is a Texico kindergarten. Her birthday is July 15.

Parents are Kirk & Monia Ann Wilson. Grandparents are Walter & Lois Potts, Butch Wilson, and Richard & Anna Espinoza.

She likes to dance, play with her dogs, and to color. Her favorite color is pink. Her favorite foods are mashed potatoes and ice cream.

She dislikes spiders and snakes.

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Lazbuddie Methodist Church Rev. Randy Thomas Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. Worship -- 10:30 a.m.	Church of God in Christ, Mennonite James Koehn - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m.	First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie
First Baptist Church of Farwell Rev. Randy G. Mullin Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. - Prayer meeting 7 p.m. Wed. - mission aux., 7:30 p.m. www.fbcfarwell.org	First Baptist Church of Texico Rob Hollis - minister Sunday School - 9 a.m. Worship-10:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m.	St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.
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Farwell Convalescent Center Bill Bridwell -- chaplain Sunday services -- 9 a.m. Bible study - 9:30 a.m. Friday	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.	United Pentecostal Church of Texico Rev. Mickee Mounce Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11:15 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 8 p.m.

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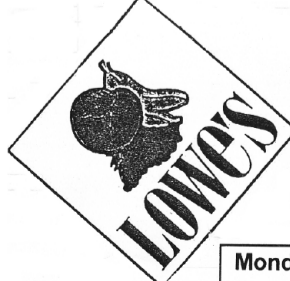
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Ensor weds Morris

Emily Ensor and Cade Morris, both of Georgetown, Texas, married Sept. 24 at Aldersgate Methodist Church in Lubbock with Kenneth Rodgers officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Marvin and Karen Ensor, of San Angelo. The groom is the son of Gail and Marca Morris, of Lazbuddie.

Maid of Honor was Whitney Ensor, of San Angelo. Matron was Kaley Barrett, of New Braunfels, Texas. Best man was Adam St. Clair, of Silverton, Texas. Groomsmen were Nathan Jordan, of Lubbock; Brandon Patschke, of Lubbock; Aaron King, of Amarillo; Brian Sills, of San Antonio; and Zach Whitman, of Alexandria, Val.

The couple will reside in Georgetown.

The bride wore a white Italian satin A-line gown, strapless with hand embroidery and swarovski crystals on the bodice, skirt and hem. She also wore a long single-layered veil with beading around the edge.

The groom wore a two-button black tux with white tie. The bride carried something old, her grandmother's handkerchief; something new, the wedding dress; something borrowed, her sister's tiara; and something blue, a garter.

The reception was held at the Merket Alumni Center in Lubbock with DJ Bo Garza.

Reception hostesses were Melissa Stockbridge, Susan Whittaker and Diane Kirpack, aunts of the bride; and Carolyn Matthews, Jeannie Hill and Melissa Ferguson, aunts of the groom.

The couple honeymooned in Cabo San Lucas.

The bride graduated from Texas Tech University in 2004 and is a registered nurse employed by St. David's Round Rock Medical Center.

The groom graduated from Texas Tech in 2004 and is a sales representative with Capitol Land and Livestock.

Hedley defeats Lazbuddie

A strong Hedley Owls team defeated the Lazbuddie Longhorns last Friday, 45-0.

But it was one of those games that was not indicative of the score.

Coach Don Jones had to play a lot of freshmen and sophomores, and his players hung in there virtually the whole game.

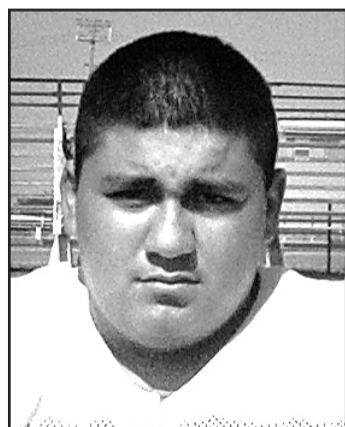
Hedley, 4-0, scored two of their TDs in the last four minutes of the game.

"Actually, I was pleased with what our kids did, despite our errors," said Jones. "We just couldn't move the ball consistently."

He noted the difficulty of younger kids playing juniors and seniors.

Jones praised Sergio Cuevas for his play -- top tackler and leading rusher.

Longhorns of the Week



Bart Guillen is this week's Longhorn of the Week. He had knee surgery last week.

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Lady Blue cross country team ranks 4th in state

After a successful five weeks of cross country, the Farwell Lady Blue earned themselves a No. 4 spot in the state rankings.

It was the result of 1st place at the Rebel Run in Amarillo, 2nd at the Plainview Invitational, 1st at the Friendship 4-mile relay, and a 6th place at the Lubbock Invitational among 50 Class 1A and 2A schools. The only other 1A school placing in the top six was Sundown, currently ranked No. 1 in the state.

Coach Cory Conkin said, "Although we have accomplished many great goals so far, my girls still have a lot of room for improvement. We need to step up our training a couple of notches to increase our chances of advancing to the state meet. So starting now, that is what we will do."

The Lady Blue will run at the Friona Trails Meet Saturday, with the junior high girls running at 9 a.m.

Results from the Lubbock Invitational: Megan Langdon, 6th, 12:26; Shelby Christian, 13:29; Chanel Castillo, 13:34; Salida Edwards, 13:38; Melinda Castillo, 13:49; Brenda Cano, 14:19; and Lauren Beaubien, 14:49.

Frenship Relay results:

TJH teams defeat Portales

Texico's Junior High football team beat Portales, 20-12, on Sept. 20.

In the 1st quarter, Connor Doolittle plunged over from the 1 for a TD. And the 2-point conversion work on a Doolittle pass to Lucas Walthers.

Rhett Martin made the score 14-0 when he scored from the 20 yard line.

The last Texico TD came on a 5-yard run by Jose Posada.

Coach Steve Doolittle named as top players: defense - Carlos Cobos; and offense - Posada and Reeser -- "both ran very hard."

On Sept. 22, Texico's 8th graders whipped Portales, 28-6.

Jose Posada had two interceptions and Jonathan Hill had a fumble recovery.

Coach Doolittle named

Sheriff's Report

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

On Sept. 20, Lasaro Villanueva, 31, of Bovina, was arrested by Bovina police on a charge of DWI. Case pending in county court.

On Sept. 21, Emilio Tarango Jr., 17, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of forgery. Case pending before the grand jury.

On Sept. 23, Brandy Rocha, 29, of Bovina, was arrested by Bovina police on a Bailey County warrant (charge of Forgery), and was released to Bailey County.

On Sept. 23, Francisco Morales, 18, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on charges of deadly conduct, pending in county court, and accident involving damage over \$200, pending in county court.

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Farwell collects \$6,813

It was announced at Farwell's pep rally on Friday that \$6,813 was collected for hurricane relief. The top class was Farwell's 2nd grade, which collected \$554 and will get a pizza party. The 9th grade was 2nd with \$504 and the 7th grade was 3rd with \$503. Funds were also raised by Texico Schools. Troy Johnson, of the Texas Panhandle chapter of the American Red Cross, receives the Farwell and Texico checks from Farwell's Luis Olmos. Johnson said the Farwell total was higher than any other school that has contributed to the hurricane fund through the Panhandle chapter.

Good news from Louisiana

Lazbuddie's Johnnie Jones, a New Orleans native, gave the Tribune an update on Monday of her family's status there. She has a granddaughter who lives in Bell Chase, just south of New Orleans. Her house is uninhabitable due to its proximity to the water surge. She also has a daughter, Shelly, who also lives in Bell Chase, but further from the water surge. Shelly decided to ride out Hurricane Rita and almost regretted it. Water was rising and she had a predicament -- couldn't get out of town. But sandbags held and she's okay.

We would like to express our appreciation and thanks to all of you for your visits, cards, food, prayers and many other gestures of love shown to us during Raymond McGehee's illness and death.
 May God bless all of you.
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Texico class aids in hurricane relief

Texico 4th grade classes held a bottled water drive to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina. The drive lasted 10 days and was a contest between each classroom. The elementary school collected approximately 2,690 16 oz. bottles. They were delivered to the Life Saver Food Bank on Sept. 19. Upon arriving at the food bank, the students were surprised with a first hand account of the hurricane from a Louisiana survivor and a tour of the food bank.

Texico Jr. High Lady Spikers win 3

The Texico 7th grade volleyball team whipped Santa Rosa, 15-5, 25-9. High service points: Erin Scanlon, 7, and Khiara Loera, 6. The team is now 3-0.

Reid, 7; Shirley, 2; Anderson, 1; Summer Price, 5; and Pena and Roybal, 3 each. Kills - Luscombe, 4; Richards, 3; Vidal, 4; Anderson, 5; Shirley, 2; and Herrington and Reid, 1 each. Assists - Richards, 10; Shirley, 5.

Texico's 8th grade team beat Tatum, 25-15, 25-20. Service points - Victoria Richards, 7; Kambrie Reid and Lisa Vidal, 3 each; Shay Anderson and Jennifer Shirley, 5 each; Jasmin Ortiz, 2; and Christy Herrington, Brittnee Roybal, Monique Pena and Summer Queener, 1 each. Kills - Richards, 2; Reid, 1; Anderson, 5; Vidal, 6; Roybal, 1; Shirley, 1. Assists - Richards, 5; Shirley, 3. And the Texico 8th graders beat Melrose, 25-12, 25-14. Service points - Kaitlin Luscombe, 3; Richards, 10;

Salad supper scheduled

Ladies of the community are invited to attend the annual Salad Supper at St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat on Oct. 2 at 6:30 p.m. It will feature the theme of "Pennies from Heaven" and will focus on how small change can make a big difference when collected together. A collection will be taken for the Hurricanes Katrina and Rita funds. All participants are asked to bring a roll of pennies.



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Alicia Porter, John Beaubien, Jourdan Kirkland and Ashleigh Mesman.

Farwell High debate team attends Boomtown Classic

The Farwell High School debate and speech team attended its first speech tourney on Sept. 24 at Borger -- The Boomtown Classic.

In Cross Examination (CX) debate, Jon Beaubien and Jourdan Kirkland placed 2nd overall, winning four debate rounds and losing one.

Cameron Kirkland and Kade Foster, freshman, debated as a team for the first time. Even though they lost all three rounds, they learned a lot and show to be a very good CX debate team, said advisor Angela Hall.

In Lincoln-Douglas (LD) Debate, Ashleigh Mesman, a sophomore, placed 2nd, winning four rounds and losing only to a senior in the finals. She also received qualifying points to qualify her halfway to

TFA state.

Alicia Porter, a freshman, debated for the first time and did very well. She placed 3rd overall in the tourney and received 1 TFA qualifying point toward state.

Blake O'Hare, a freshman, also competed in LD Debate but is really a CX debater with partner Lauren Beaubien, said Mrs. Hall.

In extemporaneous speaking, Dan Patterson competed in the foreign division and took 3rd in the first round, 4th in the second round, and broke into the semi-finals.

Mrs. Hall said, "For our first tourney, our results were outstanding. We are really expecting great accomplishments this year from all our debaters and speakers. The kids are showing true dedication

and working hard every week to get ready for these tournaments.

Farwell's next tourney will be Oct. 8 at Vernon, then Oct. 15 at Wolfforth.

<p>Texico Monday - no school, fall break. Tuesday - no school, fall break. Wednesday - corn dogs, pork & beans, pickle spear, fruit, milk. Thursday - chicken patty on bun, tater tots, pickles, lettuce, fruit, milk. Friday - pizza, garden salad, fruit, pumpkin cake, milk.</p>	<p>Farwell Monday - chalupa, salad, corn, rice crispy treat, apple and milk. Tuesday - pizza sticks, garden salad, green beans, pear half and milk. Wednesday - beef stew, grilled cheese sandwich, carrot sticks, cinnamon roll, peach half and milk. Thursday - frito pie, salad, corn, jello with fruit, and milk. Friday - chicken fajitas, spanish rice, taco salad, peach crisp and milk.</p>
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Flying J Wranglers to put on benefit

The Flying J Wranglers will have a benefit Christmas concert on Dec. 17 at the Lyceum Theater in Clovis. The concert will benefit the Farwell High School Debate Team and the New Mexico Rodeo Queens.

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The Wranglers are headed by Farwell's James Hobbs, who now is headquartered in Ruidoso, N.M. Tickets will cost \$15 and are available at the State Line Tribune and debate team members.

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Tickets, plus take-out plates and home deliveries, will also be available at the door. For home

7th grade Steers shut out Floydada

Farwell's 7th grade Steers grabbed their first victory of the season with a 12-0 win over Floydada last week.

"Things are starting to come together," said

Lady Spikers open district with victory

The Texico Lady Spikers are 8-3 overall and 1-0 in district after beating Santa Rosa on Sept. 22, 25-23, 25-12, 21-25, 25-15.

"It was a good way to start district play, with a win," said coach Michael Littlejohn. "Another good thing is we are not hitting on all cylinders but we are still winning. Erika Autrey really stepped up with her serves."

Stats were:

Service points - Brittany Anderson, 16; Bryn Mayfield, 13; Stephanie Bailey, 9; kills - Bailey, 14; Autrey, 12; blocks - Autrey, 14; Mayfield, 9; Zandi Queener, 6; aces - Autrey, 8; assists - Mayfield, 37; saves - Mayfield, 15.

The Texico Lady Spikers defeated Melrose on Sept. 20, 21-25, 25-12, 25-12, 25-14.

Stat leaders: Kills - Bailey, 10; Lori Richardson, 10; Autrey, 7; aces - Autrey, 3; assists - Mayfield, 27.

Coach Gabe Rodriguez.

Farwell's scores came on a 10-yard run by Colton Capps and a 12-yard scamper by Russell Schilling.

The coach said Zac Stancell was his defensive MVP.

Farwell's 8th grade Steers lost to Floydada, 34-0.

Coach Rodriguez said, "Mason Howard ran the ball well with runs of 15 and 20 yards. Look for things to start clicking against Tulia."

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Carla Kaltwasser, of Farwell, recently returned from serving as a food service volunteer near New Orleans.

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She will be returning in a few weeks to volunteer again.

Kevin Burns, a member of the Texico FFA chapter, has received the American FFA Degree, in recognition of years of academic and professional excellence.

Patrick Burns, a member of the Texico FFA chapter, will compete in the national FFA Agriscience Fair program at the 78th national FFA convention in Louisville, Ky., in October.

His project is "The Effect of Irradiated Fruit on Subsequent Generations of Drosophila."

Farwell School buses will run at 12:45 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 30. It's an early release day for parent-teacher conferences.

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The Farwell varsity Steers have the weekend off. The Farwell JH Steers will play at Tulia on Sept. 29 at 5 p.m.

The Texico Wolverines play at Tucumcari on Sept. 30 at 7 p.m. mt. The next game for Texico Junior High will be on Oct. 6 at Ruidoso at 4 p.m. mt.

The Bovina Mustangs host Amarillo High JV on Sept. 30 at 7:30 p.m. for Homecoming. The JH Mustangs have the weekend open.

The Texico Lady Spikers host Lubbock Christian on Sept. 29 at 4 p.m. On Oct. 1, they play at Clayton at 1 p.m., then host Floyd on Oct. 4 at 4:30 p.m.

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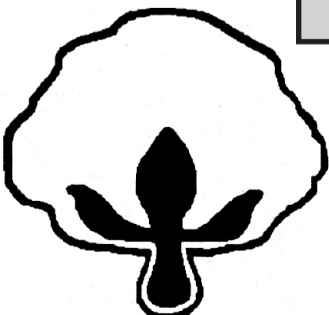
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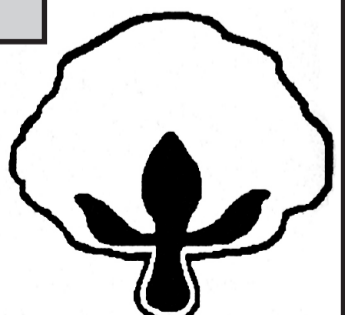
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The bride-elect is from Texico where her parents run a family business. She is a graduate of Texico High School and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. She is a registered nurse working at Children's Hospital of Orange County, Calif.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Sandia High School in Albuquerque. He was involved in the family business in Albuquerque for 17 years before meeting Dara. He currently attends massage therapy school in Orange County.

The wedding is scheduled at El Rancho De Las Golondrinas near Santa Fe on Oct. 15. Following the honeymoon, the couple will live in the San Diego area.

Courthouse Notes

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

Clay Mimms - Harry DeWit, S19 T5 1/2 S R5E, W/2 S24 T5 1/2 S R5E.

Joe Dominguez - Jose Dominguez, L10-12, B2 Jones Friona.

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DQ Real Estate - Jose Velasquez, .772 of SE 3.30 of NW/pt N/4 S1 T3S R3E.

Glenden Sudderth -- Jesus Velo, L11-15, B78 Bovina. Frances Jennings - J.T. Seaton, 5.185 ac w/p S101 Blk H Thomas Kelly.

Steve Lovvorn - Ismael Chavez, 4.99 ac NE/pt S13 T7S R2E.

It's a Girl

Teagan Rayne Thigpen was born at 5:44 a.m. on Sept. 21 at Clovis hospital to Todd and Kelly Thigpen, of Clovis.

She weighed 7 lbs., 6 oz. Grandparents are Cynthia Thigpen, of Farwell, and Chris and Alana Cummins, of Clovis.

Great-grandparents are Minnie Hagler, of Texico, and Jim and Marion Cummins, of London, Ohio.

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Tax abatement for dairy okayed

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday approved a tax abatement application from Del Rio Dairy, which is going in about two miles south of Hub.

The commissioners have discussed eliminating its tax abatement policy, but have taken no action on it.

In other business, the commissioners:

-- Purchased 10 voting machines (for the handicapped) from Election Systems & Software. This is due to a federal mandate. One machine is needed per voting precinct, plus one for early voting. The cost was \$66,545.

-- Increased the records management and preservation fee from \$20 to \$25 for each criminal conviction of an offense occurring after June 17, 2005, in county and district courts.

-- Heard a preliminary report from Randy Ware on his unit No. 2 of Ironwood Estate Addition (adjacent to the Farwell Country Club). There were no problems with it and the plat is expected to be approved when he finalizes his plans next month.

-- Approved a resolution for a family trust that, in effect, allows a cheaper interest for a dairy coming in north of Progress since it has a waste water facility.

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Parents are Johnny and Traci Rowton. He has a sister, Kayla Whitesides. Grandmother is Linda Brill.

He likes to ride his bike, play with construction trucks and video games.

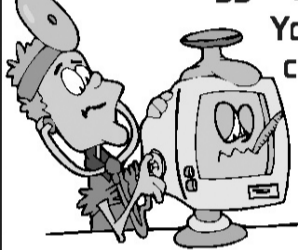
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Wolverines beat Eunice

by Buddy Vaughan

Trailing 13-7 to a team you have totally dominated in past seasons, one must wonder what was said to the Texico Wolverines in the locker room at halftime. Whatever it was, it must have had its impact on the players as they put together four scoring drives in the second half to defeat the Eunice Cardinals last Friday there, 34-13.

The Texico defense also played an outstanding second half. After giving up two 4th down TDs in the first half, they forced Eunice to punt four times in four possessions with only one first down.

Eunice took the opening kickoff and marched down the field to the 22 yard line before Texico tightened up their defense. On 3rd and 7, Zac Morgan made a tackle at the line to force fourth down. The Cardinals went for it and completed a 22-yard pass for the first score of the night.

The Wolverines had good field position after a 20-yard kickoff return by Justin Garrison. But, on the second play from scrimmage, a fumble gave the ball back to Eunice. The Cardinals went no where after Aaron Vaughan put a big hit on the QB to force a fumble but they recovered it and had to punt.

Texico moved the ball down the field aided by two 15-yard penalties. On third down, QB Zane Anderson ran a 16-yard sneak in for a touchdown. With 11:19 to go in the second quarter, the score was 7-7.

Eunice was forced to punt after three plays highlighted by a tackle from Carlos Meza. Again, the Wolverines had good field position at the 47 yard line and they quickly took advantage of it with big runs from Garrison of 17 yards and Eddy Segovia of 14 and 10 yards. But, the offense stalled at the 16 yard line and the Wolverines attempted a 23-yard field goal that just missed.

The Cardinals wasted no time going down field after passes of 28 and 21 yards before the defense put a stop to it. On 4th and 10, the Cardinal QB scrambled through a couple of missed tackles and found a receiver open down field for a 38-yard score. With 2:36 remaining in the half, the score was 13-7.

Two plays later, the Wolverines fumbled for the second time, giving Eunice great field position at the Texico 46. A 20-yard pass put them in scoring position again, but three incomplete passes forced another fourth and 10. This time Michael Reid intercepted the pass near the end zone and the first half ended.

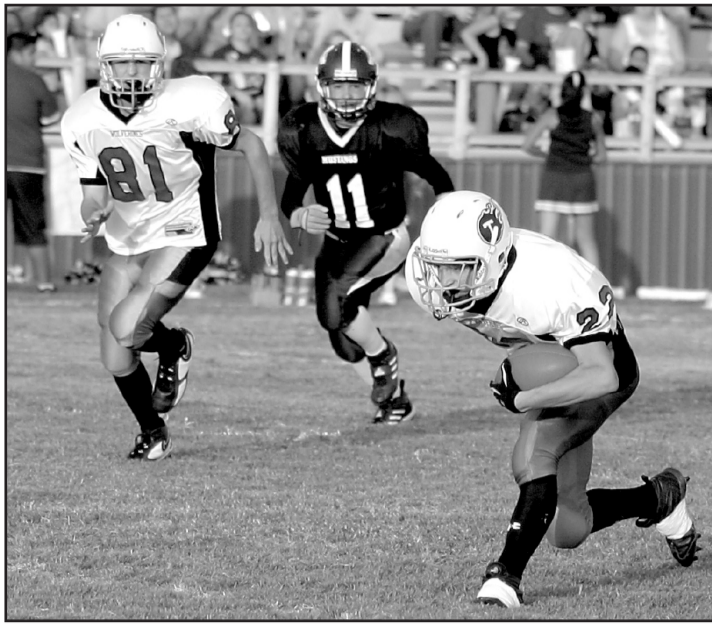
The second half began with a 5-play 63-yard scoring drive highlighted by a 13-yard pass reception by Ricky Burns and a 50-yard TD run by Garrison. The score was 14-13.

Eunice and Texico exchanged possessions before the Wolverines scored again. This time in 6 plays capped off by Segovia's 4-yard run. With 11:15 remaining in the game, the score was 20-13.

On the kickoff, backup quarterback, Casey Crist put a big lick on the return man at the 20 yard line. The Cardinals had to punt and it only went 7 yards giving Texico the ball at the Eunice 31 yard line. The Wolverines found the end zone in four plays set up by several runs from Garrison and a Segovia 20-yard TD run. The score was 27-13.

Eunice had to punt again and the Wolverines capitalized again when Billy Scott took it in from 10 yards out making it 34-13 with 3:33 to go in the game. By this time, many of the second team players were in the game. Eunice put together a drive that ended when Kyle Teitz intercepted a tipped pass in the end zone.

The Wolverines, 2-2, travel to Tucumcari to play the No. 2 ranked team in Class 2A this Friday night at 7 p.m. mt.



Mustangs

From page 14

Wolverines of the Week

Coach Prokop named as Wolverines of the Week for their work against Eunice: Justin Garrison, Eddy Segovia, Aaron Vaughan, Zac Morgan, Casey Crist, Daniel Schueler, Michael Johnson, Dustin McDaniel, Carlos Meza and Weston Casey.



Bizzell to be Bovina School superintendent

Bovina High School Principal Bill Bizzell will become Bovina's new school superintendent.

The Bovina School Board on Monday night interviewed Bizzell to replace Supt. Charles Carter. Bizzell was the only person interviewed.

Carter has announced his resignation, effective at the beginning of Christmas vacation later this year.

But the board also granted Carter his leave time so that he can begin his duties on a statewide school improvement team in October.

This means that Bizzell will become acting superintendent in Carter's absences (in October, November and December), then officially become superintendent on Jan. 2.

Bizzell has not been officially named school superintendent yet due to state rules governing hiring policies, which mean that the board has to wait 21 days to officially replace Carter with Bizzell.

Bizzell is a former Farwell High School principal.

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To start the second half the Mustangs recovered a fumble on the kick-off and took over on the 25 yard line. On the first play, Mauricio Garcia raced for a nice 12 yard gain. On the next play, Jacob Torbert made a great cut and run to score. Lara's kick was good and it was Mustangs 14, Petersburg 7.

Also in the 3rd quarter Petersburg scored on a 1 yard run by their QB. The kick was good and it was tied; it seems we have been down this close game road many times this year.

It turned in to a real battle after that. Both teams seemed to have success moving the ball, the Mustangs by ground and the Buffaloes by air. Neither defense would allow a TD for what seemed like forever. With less than 3 minutes left in the fourth quarter, the Mustang defense seemed solid. Then Petersburg lofted a desperation pass that hit its mark. That 65 yard TD bomb proved to be the difference.

Petersburg came in undefeated and was picked by all the papers to beat the Mustangs. On this particular Friday night the predictions rang true. The Mustangs have been underdogs in every game this year, but proven the so-called experts wrong several times. These young men play the game the way it is supposed to be played with heart, discipline, and class.

We were told by several Petersburg fans that our kids were the classiest team they have ever had the privilege to watch. The Petersburg chain crew (usually players' dads) told our coaching staff that it was refreshing and very appreciated to have well mannered, hard playing young men on the sideline. Hey, that is what you get with our Mustangs.

They are a class act and I know for a fact they will take this loss hard. But they do believe in Maroon pride and they will come out with fire in their eyes this Friday against a solid Class 5A JV from Amarillo High.

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Team stats: 1st downs, Bovina 12, Petersburg 11; rushing yards, Bovina 190, Petersburg 20; passing yards, Bovina 45, Petersburg 209.

Mustangs of the Week

Coach Torbert named as Mustangs of the Week for their work against Petersburg: defense - Mauricio Garcia; Big Stick - Alfie Espinoza; offense - Jacob Torbert; and Special Teams - James Lara.

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St. Ann's annual luncheon

Enjoying the annual St. Ann's Catholic Church annual luncheon on Sunday were, above, Judith and Dylan Tucker; below, Ruben Uriegas, Hector Lopez and Gerald Salazar; and at right, Johnny, Jackie, Ashanti and Viridiana Guevara.

See more photos in next week's Tribune.



Crystal Amparan and Anna Rodriguez

Happy 218th birthday

On Sept. 15, the Bovina Social Studies Department in conjunction with Theater Arts presented a program celebrating the 218th birthday of the Constitution. High School students presented a brief, humorous history of events leading to the founding of our present government.

Bovina Banter

Tammy Knoll - 251-5253

Well, once again it is Homecoming week here at Bovina Schools.

All week, students are being encouraged to dress according to the following list: Monday was pajama day; Tuesday is Twin Day; Wednesday is Gender Bender Day - for High School only; Thursday is Crazy Day which can include but is not limited to wearing mismatched clothes, clothes inside out, and/or having crazy hair; and last, but not least, Friday is Maroon & White Day.

The varsity team will play their Homecoming game on Friday at 7:30 here, of course, against Amarillo High JV. Both 7th and 8th grades play on Tuesday on our field starting at 5 and 6:15 p.m., respectfully. Junior Varsity is not scheduled to play this week.

The high school football team sure appreciated the ice cream that Mindy Neal brought to them.

Kids Choir has started in Friona. They meet on Wednesdays from 4 to 5 p.m. This is a choir/craft/game time for fellowship of all youth ages 5 to 11. It doesn't matter what church the student(s) attend or which town they live in. Kids Choir is open to all area youth between the above mentioned ages.

Bovina High School and the community will have a blood drive on Oct. 4 in the school cafeteria.

It's open for students and faculty from 2 to 4 p.m., and for the community from 4 to 7 p.m.

You must be at least 17 years old to participate. It's sponsored by the Student Council.

To schedule an appointment, call toll free 1-877-574-8800.

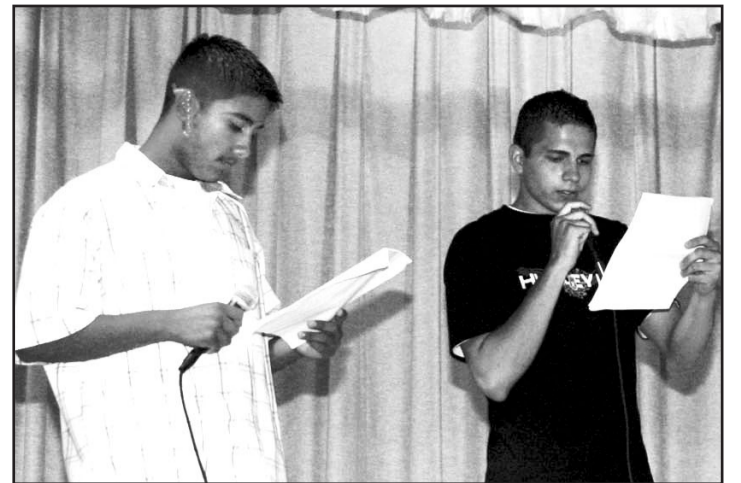
The Bovina High School JV Mustangs lost a hard fought battle with the Friona JV on Sept. 22, 34-0.

The Mustangs kept the game close through the defensive play of Brett Hancock and the rest of the interior line during the first half. Friona led 6-0 at the half.

In the second quarter, the Mustangs lost starting quarterback Jesus Rocha and starting guard Joey Pena, sparking a downhill turn of events.

The JV team won't be playing any more this year as the players have been moved up to the varsity, which was depleted by injuries and grades.

The Amarillo newspaper keeps area football stats. In its Sept. 22 issue, for Class 1A, the paper listed Bovina as No. 1 on defense, allowing 101.3 yards a game, and No. 2 on offense, gaining 447 yards a game.



Jeremy Vazque and Saul Martinez



Bacilio Viernes and Josh Guevara

Creative poetry

Following are some poems from Mrs. Burch's creative writing class at Bovina High School.

Struggle of a Nation

By Jeremy Vazquez

It was the horrific day of September-

A day that we shall never forget,

But shall always remember...

Remember the pain, the drama, and the fear,

The fear of being attacked

By a country nowhere near,

Terror striking within the hears of our nation.

Wondering, how they could possibly hate us.

How are we so different?

When we're all God's Creation.

So many lives lost that we won't ever know.

The plane crashing into the towers,

Creating an awing light show;

The sight of a gigantic building falling to its knees;

Praying to save the lives of the unknown,

Begging God, "Please."

We want to help, but there's nothing we can do.

If it was your kin there, Wouldn't you help too?

But even though a part of this country can fall,

Look at us now.

We remain here, and we still stand tall.

Mountains

By Robert Knoll

I always like the mountains best

where the air is so clear and the water is clean

and it is so cold, and calm,

and carefree, where you can count the leaves on a tree

and climb it afterwards. The snow falls easily,

drifts on the ground

perfect for skiing, swish, speeding down as fast as you can..

At the bottom, looking back up,

you can see your trail winding down the slope

like a long wintry snake curving everywhere,

going straight in other places.

Looking along the ground,

you can see footprints; some are small;

some are huge; some are in between,

and you can see them walking here,

walking there, coming from different

places and showing you that,

you aren't alone. To others, as well,

the mountains are home.

Huracán Katrina

By Sonia Garcia

Soy un fenómeno formado por agua.

me gusta formarme en los lugares en donde hay playas y mares.

Me gusta destruir lugares

pero no me gusta dejar juella,

por todo lo que encuentro, lo destruyo y lo arrastro conmigo.

Yo sè que deajo a mucha gente

sin hogar, algunas personas sin su familia

pero no pienso durar más tiempo

destruyendo lugares ni dejar más personas sufriendo.

Así como me formo y destruyo lugares y cosas,

no falta mucho para que ya no exista más en sus vidas y para que ya

no sufran por mi existir.



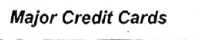
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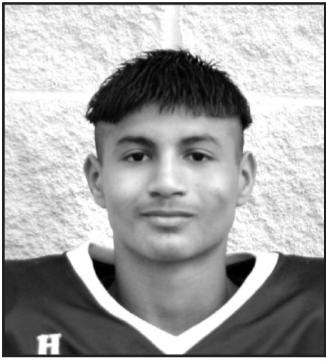
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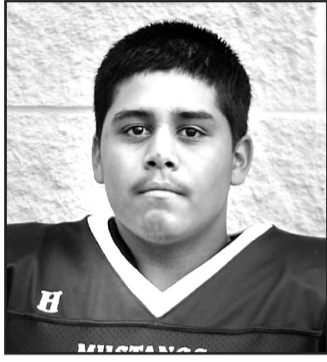
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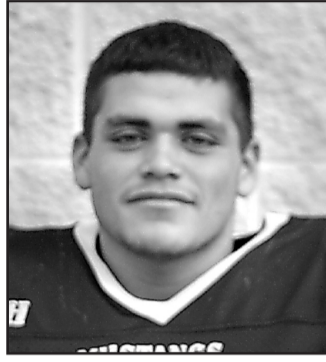
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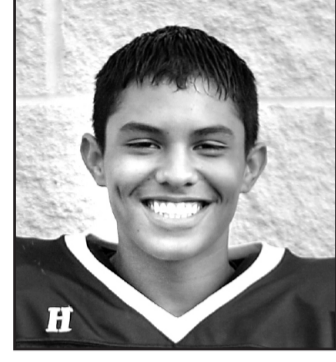
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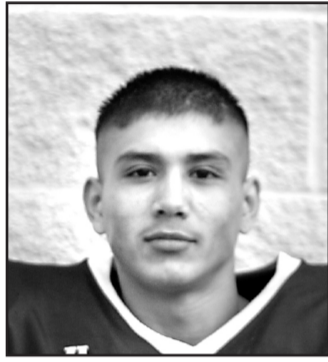
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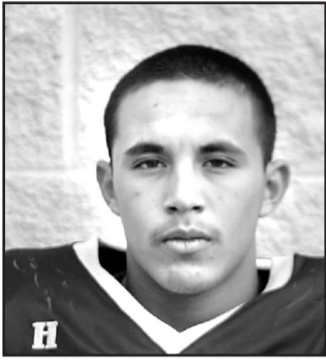
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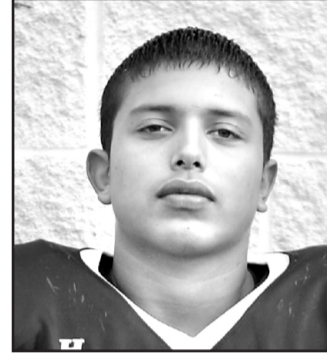
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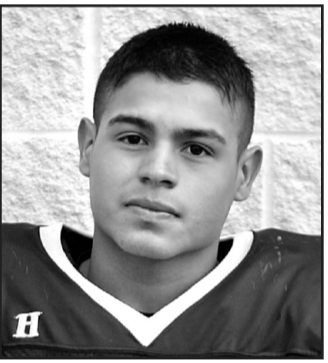
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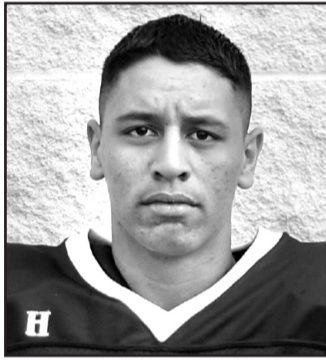
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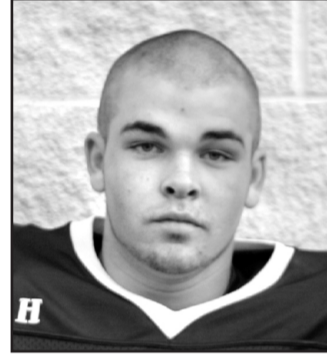
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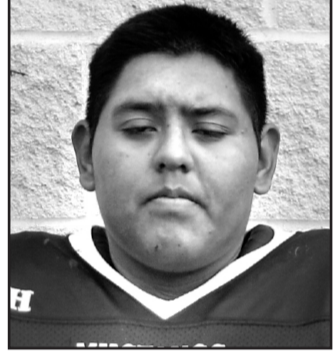
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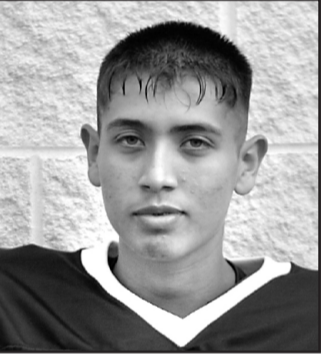
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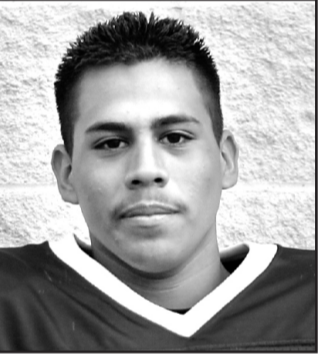
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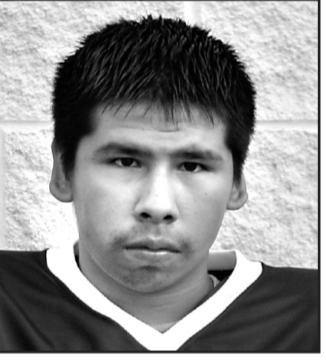
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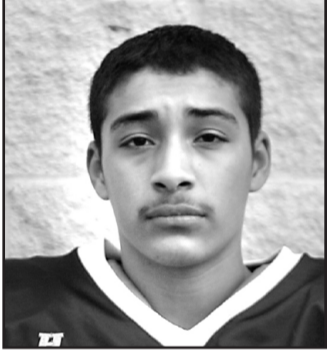
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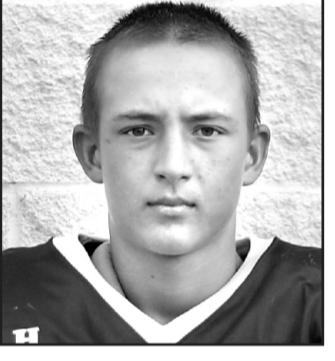
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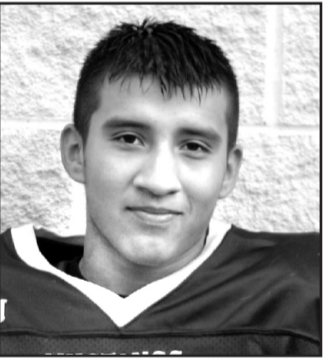
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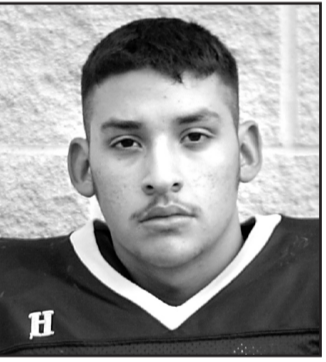
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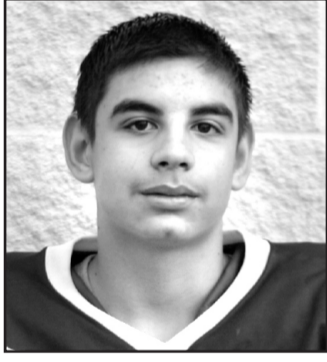
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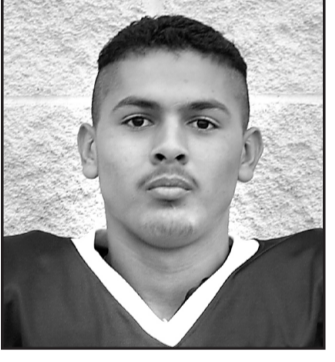
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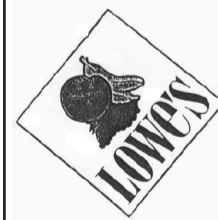
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Atmos

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ture cost increases. Without challenge, this would automatically go into effect. Infrastructure? For a gas distribution company, that is pipes in the ground and meters above ground, basically. What are the increased costs? 73.3 percent of the cost increase produces direct revenue for the company.

Also, their revenues are up over 20 percent for the year in question, but they say they need to offset these costs and expenditures. Looking at the list of their expenditures, I see computers and software, coffee makers and TV sets, furniture for a Franklin, Tenn., office, a video conferencing center, chairs for an office in Dallas, an automatic call system to put customers on electronic hold, an icemaker, 14 microwave ovens, replacement of existing phone system for an office in Franklin, a refrigerator, and lots and lots of laptop computers for \$4,000 apiece.

I'd like to see a laptop worth \$4,000. Maybe they'd let me touch one!

Atmos' GRIP will be reviewed by city councils all around the Panhandle. It is my desire that they are vigilant in their pursuit of the truth and are reasonable enough to look into this proposed rate increase to question whether Atmos customers should be responsible for expenditures as I've illustrated for you.

I don't infer that Atmos employees are undeserving of furniture, coffeemakers, and icemakers. They are hardworking people just like those Atmos customers in the Panhandle. The question is whether the customers should have to pay additional monies to finance these expenditures when Atmos is showing such large profits.

And once that decision is made, will it hold up before the Texas Legislature and the Railroad Commission?

Everyone in Bovina who uses gas supplied by Atmos Energy should come to the City Council meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 11, and express their views to the City Council in their review of this rate increase request.

The mayor is going to invite our state representatives, as well. Everyone is welcome.

Atmos Energy representatives said they will be at the city council meeting to answer questions.



Joseph Brito uses a fire extinguisher.

Farm Safety Day Camp

Bovina 3rd graders participated in the 2005 Clovis Progressive Farmer Farm Safety Day Camp at the Curry County Fairgrounds on Sept. 22.



Jaqueline Garcia demonstrates the dangers of grain elevators, under the direction of Texico Volunteer Fire Department members Bobby Lockmiller and John Swerczek.

City goals

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Museum will have the oversight of the Chamber of Commerce to help promote tourism. Both were selected for their potential to generate revenue and enhance Bovina's image.

The top three short range priority projects selected are:

- 1) To open a restaurant.
- 2) Highway 60 enhancement.
- 3) Conduct and an advertising and promotion campaign. This will include a contest for a city motto to be put on a welcome sign as guests enter our city.

The restaurant oversight will be handled by Deanna Curtis and Andres Garza. The Highway 60 project and City Motto campaign will have the oversight of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Mayor's initiative plan will continue to be expanded in future months to involve private organizations, churches and citizens in Bovina.

The civic and organizations that were invited to participate in this first initiative meeting were: Chamber of Commerce, BEDC, Bovina Mayor, Bovina City Manager, Bovina officials, and the City Councilmen.

Those attending were Mayor Miller, City Manager Ernest Terry, Andres Garza, Police Chief Leon Saddler; Chamber of

Commerce members Andres Garza, Jesse Diane Cervantes, Deanna Ramon, Mac McCallum, Curtis, Mindy Neal, Kay Jim Swafford, Jeff Swafford, Jim Swafford; Steelman, and Ernest and BEDC members Terry.

Thank You

We would like to express our thanks to those who helped in any way at the death of our loved one, Al Kerby, Sr.

We appreciate your prayers and the love and concern for our family with offerings of food, flowers, memorials, phone calls, cards and visits.

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Computers donated

On Sept. 22, Valor Telecom donated 2 computers to the Bovina Senior Citizens Center. Valor's Bob Gray, vice president - Texas community affairs, said it was part of the company's "giving back to the community." Pictured, from left, are Michael Hubbart, area manager for Valor; Pat Kunselman, Esta Lee Lide, Joe Black and Jim Bob Swafford, Bovina's head of economic development.

Science comes alive at Bovina

Wow, it is starting to smell in Mr. Dick Chitwood's room at Bovina High!

The biology classes are growing fruit flies and after a week the rotten bananas are producing a distinct odor.

Fly, egg, larvae, pupa, fly, stages of growth, life cycle, producer, consumer, decomposer, growth curves, limiting factors, carrying capacity - these are just words in a science book. Maybe the students will remember the definitions; maybe they will not. Even if they remember the definition, will they understand how these words apply to real life?

Rather than just looking at words in a book, they are growing fruit flies and observing what happens



Carlos Martinez and Cinthia Munoz show the fruit fly jars.

when that unassuming fruit fly is flying around the bananas on the kitchen cabinet. It is not pretty!

Actually, the fly is laying eggs in your banana, the eggs hatch into larvae (worms), the larvae pupate, and new fruit flies emerge. Since they are not adding more bananas, the growth stages are limited

by the available food and the carrying capacity is restricted.

Now, instead of looking at words in a book, we are observing the process on a daily basis and the words do not seem so intimidating. Thank goodness, only one more week to smell and the life cycle is completed!

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Ruby Vela and Mauricio Garcia

Terry criticizes Atmos proposal

From the Desk of City Manager Ernest Terry:
 On Sept. 23, several of the City Managers from the Panhandle of Texas met in Abernathy to discuss options in dealing with the proposed Atmos Energy rate increase.
 I have many concerns with this proposed rate increase, referred to as a Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program (GRIP). First some background:
 In May of 2004, Atmos and the Panhandle cities agreed to a rate increase that was a win for all involved. Subsequently, Atmos lobbied our state legislature to change the rules. Twice Atmos tried to get the rules changed, and twice the House of Representatives voted it down.
 In one of the last sessions, at midnight, the rules change was added as an amendment to a popular piece of legislation. Unnoticed, it passed. The new rules allow Atmos to propose rate increases without review, and if not challenged, the new rate increases go into effect automatically after 45 days.
 On Sept. 2, Atmos delivered to each Panhandle city it covers their intent to raise rates to cover their infrastruc-

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More Bovina news on pages 11,13 Petersburg trips Mustangs

by Starla Torbert
 The Bovina Mustangs traveled to Petersburg to face the Buffaloes last Friday and it was another close game, down to the wire, nip and tuck all the way, with Petersburg coming out ahead, 21-14.
 I don't know what other little phrases to use to describe the Mustangs games this year. For the 4th straight game it was close the whole time. Bovina is now 2-2 on the year.
 The Mustangs opened the scoring in the first quarter with a sweet 35 yard pass from Michael Ortiz to Chris Heinzman. Ortiz had a great effort on the play as he threw the ball with a defender in his face. One again James Lara's extra point kick was good and the Mustangs led 7-0.
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Bizzell to be named Bovina School superintendent
 See story on page 9.

Meeting defines city's goals, objectives for economic development

By Jim Bob Swafford:
 Bovina Mayor Stan Miller brought together civic and city organization representatives for a one-day Initiative Economic Development planning meeting on Saturday.
 The meeting was hosted by the Bovina Economic Development Corporation (BEDC). Its objective was for each organization to present two "long range city projects", and "three short range city projects" to be considered for projects of service, revenue, and or improvements.
 Long range projects are defined as projects that can be achieved in three years, and short range projects being defined projects that can be achieved in 6 to 12 months. Then, from this combined list, have the group reach agreement and select two long range projects and three short range projects as top priority city projects.
 The two top long range projects selected are:
 1) To develop a wind farm.
 2) To research and develop a Heritage Center and Museum.
 The wind farm project will have the oversight of the City of Bovina and the BEDC. The Heritage Center and
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Latino Leadership Summit

Bovina High School Principal Bill Bizzell, at right, sends Bovina High students off to Eastern New Mexico University in Portales, They attended the first Latino Leadership Summit sponsored by the Latino fraternity, Lambda Theta Phi. The students listened to successful Latino leaders, who shared life experiences and encouraged students to be ready to take their place as the leaders of tomorrow.

The students were also treated to a banquet and entertainment.

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