



All-Region Band members

## 14 Farwell 7th, 8th graders earn All-Region Band honors

From Farwell Band Director Bill Shelly:

On Saturday, the Farwell "Legends in Blue" 7th and 8th graders competed in the Class A Middle School All-Region Band at Shallowater.

Eighteen schools competed for a handful of positions. For example, 47 flutes tried out for eight spots. Farwell entered 31 students and 14 made the All-Region Band:

Brooke Williams, 6th chair flute; Julian Cuevas, 3rd chair clarinet; Naomi Maldonado, 11th chair clarinet; Tori Ortiz, 13th chair clarinet; Pamela Lara, 16th chair clarinet; Ubaldo Trevizo, 3rd chair bass clarinet; Alicia Bermea, alternate on bass clarinet; Lucia Torres, 1st chair tenor sax; Sara Scott, 3rd chair French horn; Seth Meeks, 12th chair trumpet; Brooke Hall, alternate trumpet; Jackie Meza, 11th chair trombone; Isaac Soto, 6th chair baritone, and Zacarey Stancell, 4th chair tuba.

On Dec. 9, Farwell's All-Region Band members will go to Floydada for the high school All-State tryouts. Fourteen students from Farwell will compete against members of Classes A, AA and AAA bands in the Greater Lubbock region.

The Farwell Band's annual Christmas concert will be on Dec. 13 at 9 a.m. in the high school auditorium.

Mrs. Littlejohn will begin with the kindergarten through 3rd grade choirs. Then the 6th grade beginners' band will play, followed by the 4th and 5th grade choirs singing with the "Legends in Blue."

## The value of a doll

From Teresa Mesman  
I was at a large retail store last week perusing the toy aisles. I like to look at all the new gadgets and doo-dads that toy-makers have dreamed up to entertain our children. I could definitely tell what was popular and what will soon be destined for mark-downs and clearance shelves.

One aisle was a brightly-lit tunnel of bright pink that held all the new Barbie doll offerings. It was amazing to see all the new "cousins

and friends" of Barbie and the new fashions, cars, houses, beauty parlors and more that Barbie has her name stamped all over.

It was heartening to see that Barbie and her entourage are elevating themselves into the career world with vet clinics, doctor's offices and, I think I saw a Barbie bank with an ATM.

I played with Barbie dolls as a child and I have many fond memories of the many hours I would get lost into the pretend

situations that my Barbie and her friends would get themselves into.

The other afternoon I had to laugh to myself as I overheard a little girl showing her mom just which Barbie and friends she wanted.

"I only like these ones because they have better hair and they can wear each others' clothes," the little one explained in detail. "And don't even think about getting this one because you can't

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Farwell's 6th grade Band practices



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## 2006 cotton crop is a mixed bag

By Monti Vandiver, Extension Agent - IPM

The 2006 U.S. Upland cotton crop is projected to total 21.3 million bales, down 11% from 2005 and the Texas crop is expected to "come in" at 5.7 million bales -- 2.75 million bales less than 2005, according to the National Agriculture Statistics Service. The Texas cotton crop as a whole is considered mostly fair to poor but an average yield of 651 lbs. per harvested acre is predicted.

The Northwest Plains cotton crop is a mixed bag. Local irrigated yields have been reported as high as 5.25 bales per acre while the dryland crop is practically non-existent. The average 2006 irrigated cotton yield is expected to fall short of the 1,155 lbs per acre produced in 2005.

The total 2006 Northwest Plains cotton crop will likely come in around 60,000 bales less than the 270,000 bales harvested last year. For the most part, fiber quality has been good with the exception of some low micronaire problems. The Lubbock classing office has classed 867,000 bales to date -- 47% of which had a color grade of 21 or better and averaged a 36 staple, 3.7 micronaire, and 3.3 leaf. Most percent lint turnouts have been very good.

Cotton yield in the Northwest Plains is typically limited by environmental factors. With the exception of a few areas, most irrigated cotton made it through the year with little environmental damage but much of the dryland crop never emerged. Two thousand and seventy heat units were accumulated in the 2006 cotton season (May-

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**A doll**

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style her hair and she has weird eyes. I don't think she's a real Barbie anyway."

I had a similar experience with one of my Barbie's friends' doll. Her name was "Nancy" and she had blonde, "poofy" hair. I really don't remember how I came by owning this doll, but I do know that I did not like Nancy at all.

It was because of her hair. I desperately wanted long, flowing hair as a small child. Instead, I would fall victim to the

beautician's scissors and my mom's instructions of "get her bangs out of her eyes and give us something manageable." This meant pixie-cut, short sheared hair that fell into the wash and wear category. I wanted the beautiful brush and mirror set to give my hair a glossy glow and to spend an hour brushing my long tresses.

What I got instead was a 39-cent black barbers comb from Woolco and two minutes to zip through what hair I might have.

So my resentment of my Nancy-doll was all based on the fact that she didn't have brushable hair.

I tried to rid myself of Nancy over and over, but to no avail. She kept making her way back into my Barbie case.

One time, I got the clever idea to have Nancy fall victim to a parachuting accident. We lived in a two-story home and my bedroom window faced the front yard and I would leave it open during hot summer days and nights. I decided to have Barbie, Ken and all their friends go skydiving for an afternoon of fun. I didn't have a real Barbie plane, but I improvised one out of a shoebox. I even made little parachute packs and used Kleenex for their parachutes.

Their plane flew all over my bedroom and as it was making its way by my window, Nancy suddenly fell out of the plane and out of my window. I snickered as I quietly whispered, "oops, she forgot her parachute!"

My plan was that Nancy would fall into the bushes that lined the flowerbeds along the front of the house and be lost in the wilds of our San Antonio suburb. What I hadn't planned on was my mother spending the morning planting flowers in the

same flowerbed at the moment Nancy "took flight."

I heard something outside like a voice saying, "OWW!" I looked out my window and there stood my mom holding the back of her head with one hand and Nancy in the other looking up at my window.

She then came into the house and charged upstairs with Nancy in tow.

"Young lady, you will play with this doll and you will not treat your toys in such a manner," she announced. She had seen through the "accident" and proceeded to take my other Barbie and Ken dolls away. I was forced to play only with Nancy for several weeks.

Nancy got pretty tough during her two weeks with me.

She survived through a Barbie-camper rollover, a ride on a runaway Dachshund while strapped to its collar (our dog would see me coming with Nancy and go hide in the closet) and she miraculously survived the sinking of the Barbie Dream Yacht. The paint got a little faded on the bright pink boat and Nancy only sustained a head full of even more matted hair.

I resigned myself to the fact that she was part of my Barbie family and that she wasn't going away. I would dress her and then assign her a task inside the Barbie clothing case. I didn't have to see much of her that way and I could truthfully tell my parents that I was "playing" with Nancy.

Years later, I wish I still had all my Barbies, Ken and that ragged, old Nancy. I had quite a collection of handmade clothes and some pretty hard to find pieces. And the irony of it all is that Nancy is the most valuable of the group.

**FSL to offer special treat at tourney**

The Farwell Service League will have a special treat for folks attending the Farwell Invitational Basketball Tournament today (Thursday).

In the past, they have offered a pie supper as their annual fund-raiser to buy items for the needy at Christmas.

This year, they are trying something different -- and special.

"We will be selling huge, hot, homemade cinnamon rolls all day on Thursday at the tournament," reported FSL member Lu Ann Fillpot.

Cinnamon rolls will be sold for \$2 apiece; \$2.50 with pecans, or a dozen for \$18.

The rolls will be baked by home ec students at Clovis High School, supervised by FSL member Annetta Hadley. FSL members will be driving to Clovis, in shifts during the day, to pick the rolls up, and bring them directly to the Farwell tournament.

Also, flavored coffee

from Jack Kirkland's Java Loft in Clovis, will be sold by the FSL at the tourney.

Proceeds from the sales, as has been past practice, will go to buy goodies for the local needy at Christmas.

**Farwell band concert coming**

The Farwell Band's annual Christmas concert will be on Dec. 13 at 9 a.m. in the high school auditorium.

Mrs. Littlejohn will begin with the kindergarten through 3rd grade choirs. Then the 6th grade beginners' band will play, followed by the 4th and 5th grade choirs singing with the "Legends in Blue."

**Obituaries**

**Delbert Black**

A memorial service for Delbert Black, 69, of Farwell, was held on Monday at the First Baptist Church of Farwell with son-in-law Bart Burnett officiating. Cremation was held earlier.

He died Nov. 30 in Farwell. He was born Jan. 19, 1937, in Clovis to Zida and Ray Black, of Muleshoe, where he was raised. On March 24, 1956, he married Annette Leveridge, of Muleshoe. The family moved to Farwell in 1963.

Preceding him in death was his father.

Surviving are his wife; 3 children, Beth Black, of Lubbock; Brent Black, of Claude, Texas, and Betsy Burnett, of Pagosa Springs; his mother; a sister, Fern Cagel, and 10 grandchildren.

He farmed, and also was plant manager at Loomix, where he worked for 35 years. He was a member of the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club for 17 years, serving as secretary for those years.

Donations may be made to the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club, Delbert Black Memorial, PO Box 920, Farwell TX 79325.

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**One way you can assist us, for example, in lieu of flowers at a funeral, is to give a memorial donation on behalf our your loved once. To do so, just contact Cindy Patterson, Farwell Superintendent's office secretary, at 481-3371.**

**Or, if you would like to just make a donation, or to include the Foundation in your will ... both are great ways to help build our young people's futures.**

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Friday - grilled chicken, seasoned rice, steamed vegetables, hot rolls, peaches, milk.

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**Letter to the Editor**

To the citizens of Farwell,  
I have been employed here for the City of Farwell since September 2006. During this time I have had the opportunity to meet many of our good citizens. I am proud to be part of the city. Farwell is a very laid back and easy going community, the crime is at a low and I hope to keep it that way for you. If anyone has a problem, I am inviting you to meet with me at any time you wish. I have always had an open door policy to the citizens who want to express their concerns about the city.

I have had the task of investigating several offenses that have occurred in this city. During the investigations I have run into a situation where the identifying of possible suspects was set back because of not being able to track down the location of possible suspects. The setback was because of the amount of out of state license plates in this city. While I was looking in New Mexico, it turned out the suspects were living in Farwell.

The Farwell Police Dept. has been given license plate numbers from suspicious vehicles with out of state tags hanging around the schools here in Farwell. When this department sets out to identify these vehicles, we find there is no shortage of out of state tags at the schools.

When I drive around the High School grounds I cannot tell who are Farwell citizens or New Mexico citizens. I work in Farwell, Texas. Not New Mexico!

From this letter I would like to inform the citizens of Farwell that if you live here in Farwell and you work in Texas, you will register your vehicle in the state you live in.

I am aware of the exemptions and I am aware of the violations of this law. Please be advised that the Farwell Police Department will enforce this law on vehicle registration.

The Farwell Police Department will work with all of its citizens on this situation and help any way we can.

Scott Burton  
Chief of Police

**Sheriff's Report**

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

On Dec. 3, Nestor Mendoza, 17, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of resisting arrest. Case pending in county court.

On Nov. 30, Kenny Davis, 45, of Clovis, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of DWI 2nd. Case pending in county court.

On Nov. 28, Amador Rocha, 20, of Friona, was arrested by Farwell police on a charge of driving on a suspended license. Case pending in county court.

On Dec. 1, Ana Dominguez, 33, of Clovis, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a Ward County warrant. She posted bond and was released.

**McDaniel's team wins \$1,500**

World Series Team Bobby Chadwick, of Roping events were held Farwell, and Ben McDaniel, of Texico. Among the contestants McDaniel's team won a round with a \$1,500 prize.

**Cotton crop**

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October) which is 212 more than the long term average.

The 2006 cotton crop had accumulated 250 more heat units by August 1 compared to the 2005 crop, but a cool August and September caused the gap to close to a mere 66 heat units by season end. This cool spell is likely responsible for the low micronaire observed in some fields; late maturing fields were particularly impacted. Most of the soil moisture was a result of irrigation. Many cotton fields in the Northwest Plains experienced extended periods of moisture stress during much of the growing season. May through July precipitation ranged from 4 to 5 inches but came in very small increments which compounded the impact of minimal precipitation.

The 2006 pest pressure was light overall. Insects were responsible for a 3% reduction in overall yield in the Texas High Plains -- 1.2% cotton bollworm and 1% thrips. Thrips and cotton bollworm were also the two primary insect pests infesting the Northwest Plains cotton.

The 2006 Northwest Plains cotton season is coming to a close, and with a few weeks of good weather most of the crop will be in. The cotton crop is coming in from one extreme to the other; a good irrigated crop was produced but the dry land crop was practically non-existent.

**Harvest totals are "a whole new ballgame"**

by Teresa Mesman

The cotton gins are still in full swing around the region and the crop results are an interesting mix.

Early estimates by officials with Plains Cotton Growers had described the predicted harvest totals as "a whole new ballgame," and the grades and field totals are proving the prediction right.

The yields for the area are pretty consistent as years past but the micronaire numbers are up and down. This has some area gin managers watching with great interest as modules go through the gin.

"It's hard to say what exactly is causing the low mic numbers from some of the fields," said Darwin Robertson, manager of the Muleshoe Co-op Gin. A variety of reasons from type of cotton, soil conditions, temperatures and watering are all part of the mix.

"However, we've seen some cotton come through that had lot of water on it during the growing season that gins out with low mic numbers and cotton that received little to no water right behind it that is high grade and then vice-versa," said Robertson. "It's been pretty interesting at how there's really no explanation for the differences."

Craig Rohrbach, manager of Parmer County Cotton Growers Co-op gin explained further that the low mic numbers and grades are also reflective of how the crop was managed.

"Our yields are as good as last year and this is due to the fact that there was no hail this year," Rohrbach commented.

When asked about the recent snowfall and if it will negatively affect the cotton grades, area managers agreed that there really wasn't enough snow to make a huge difference.

"Any reductions would most likely be due to the freeze effect and it's somewhat normal for this time of year," said Robertson.

"The seed weights will go down after a freeze or a snow, but since it wasn't a deep or lasting snow, the lint quality stays the same," said Rohrbach. "Just remember that with cotton, the brighter and whiter it is, the better cotton it will be."

Some area gins are caught up from the weather delays of last week and will be looking for more cotton or will be preparing to wind down for the season. Other gins are running around the clock and looking at a season that will extend into mid to late January.

**Vacations near**

Here's the Christmas vacations schedule for our area schools:

Lazbuddie -- The last day for students will be Dec. 20. Students return Jan. 4.

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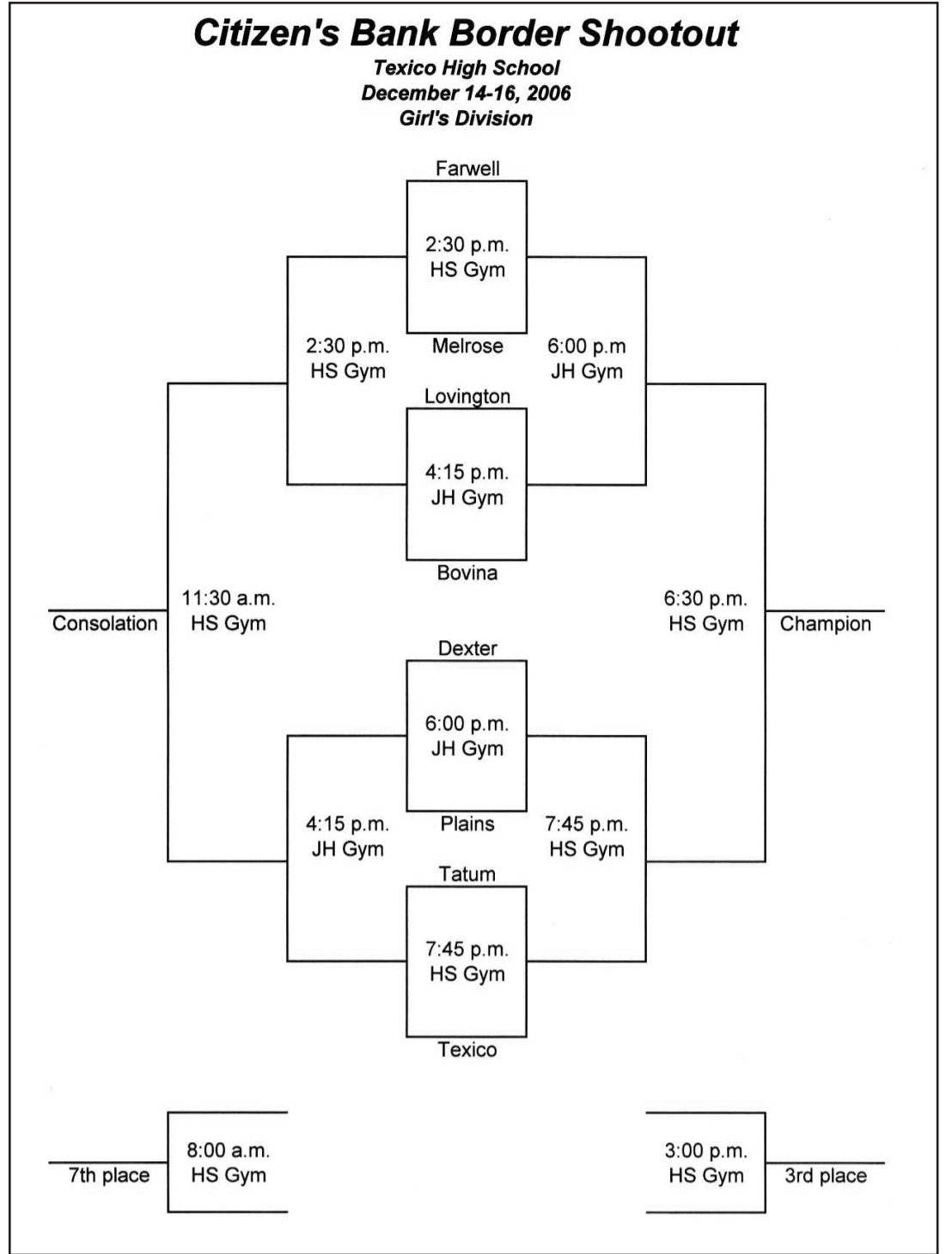
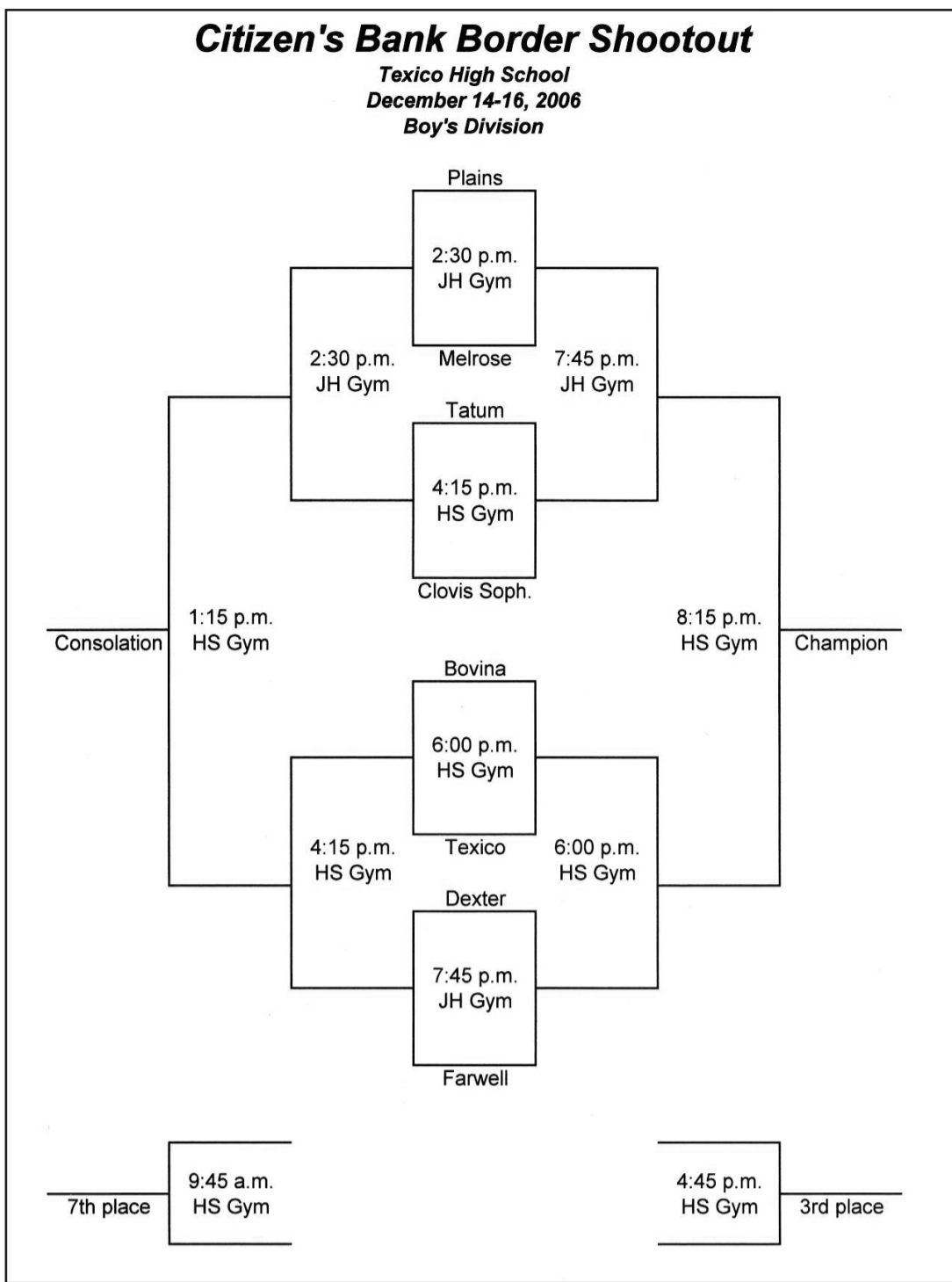


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## Actkinson sparks Farwell 8th grade boys victory

### 7th Boys

Farwell's 7th grade boys beat Bovina's Middle School "B" team, 21-16.

Scoring for Farwell were Ryan DeLeon, 6; Levi McCormick, 1; Joseph Teachout, 2; Tyler Schilling, 6; Colton Longley, 2; Kory Jennings, 2; Chance O'Hare, 2.

Actkinson, 12; Rane Carpenter, 4; Josh Olivas, 4; Ray White, 2; Zac Stancell, 2; Jeremy Woodard, 2; Matt Martin, 4.

### Varsity Girls

The Lady Blue went 0-2 in the Shallowater Tourney last weekend.

Three games had been scheduled but the bad weather intervened.

Farwell lost to Wall, 55-35.

Scoring were Brianna Anglin, 4; Shelby Christian, 8; Amanda Martin and Salida Edwards, 5 each; Hayley

Fowler, 6; Brooke Lunsford and Britton Barrett, 2 each; and Tiffani Jones, 3.

Farwell fell to Lubbock High, 44-36.

Scoring were Anglin, 9; Martin, 10; Barrett, 4; Jones, 7; and Edwards and Fowler, 3 each.

### Varsity Boys

The Steers went 1 and 2 in the Shallowater Tourney.

They lost a close one to Muleshoe, 43-40.

Scoring were Brett Howard, 20 (with a pair of 3-pointers); Finus Nolte, 4;

Bo Mitchell, 7; Ross McClaran, 3; and Emanuel Pereda and Logan Carpenter, 2 each.

Farwell got clipped by Olton, 40-36.

Scoring were McClaran, 19; Ramon Quezada, 1; Cory Chawick, 3; Howard, 6; Mitchell, 5; and Alex

Olmos, 2. And Farwell beat Lubbock Roosevelt, 49-45.

Scoring were Carpenter and Trace Stevenson, 2 each; Quezada and Mitchell, 1 each; Chadwick, 4; Howard and Olmos, 6 each; McClaran, 20; and Pereda, 7.

### 8th Boys

Farwell's 8th grade boys stopped Bovina's Middle School "A" squad, 39-15.

Scoring for Farwell were Caleb Christian, 2; Luke Carpenter, 2; Lincoln Devault, 1; Landry

## St. John's youth group involved in holiday activities

The youth group from St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat participated in their annual "Youth Sunday" by performing several readings during the church service. The group then enjoyed an afternoon shopping trip to gather the items needed for their annual "goodie bags." These bags of treats will be given out after the Christmas Eve service at St. John to all the children and elderly in attendance and to area shut-ins.

Following the shopping trip, the group went back to the church to put up and decorate the sanctuary Christmas trees and the altar. This is a tradition with the youth group that dates way back and is looked forward to every year.

The youth group has also been very active with the Braille Work Center at the church and recently completed 10 Braille books.

They will also be serving two meals following the upcoming Advent services on Dec. 6 and 13, and planning a ski trip for after the first of the year to Angel Fire, N.M.. The group did some mission and service work with the Lutheran Church in Angel Fire two years ago and is looking forward to spending a few days back with the congregation and skiing.

The next youth meeting will be Sunday at 7:30 p.m. All area youth are invited to attend and to enjoy the activities.

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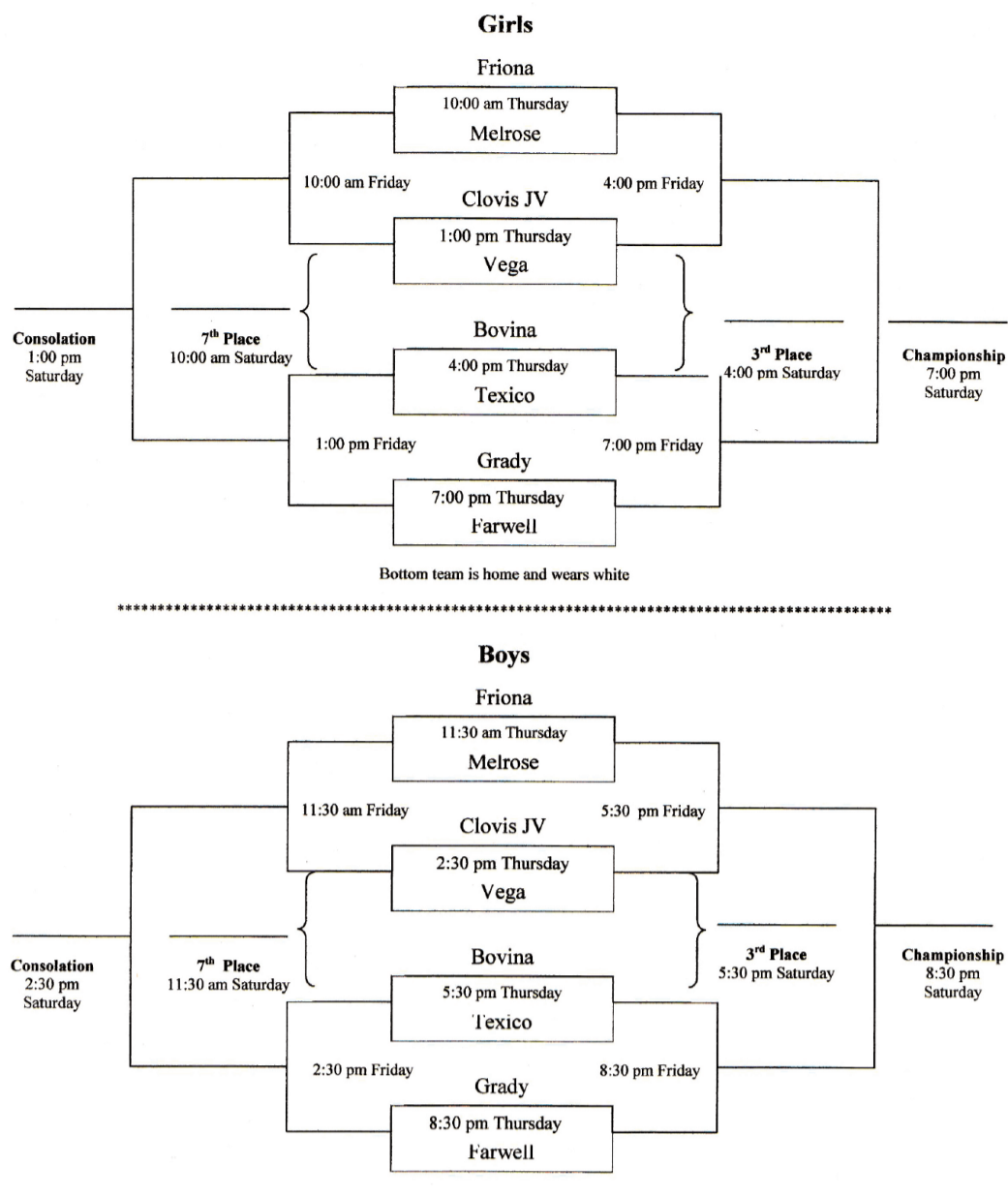
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**Texico teams vie in Idalou Tourney**

**JV Girls**  
Texico's JV Girls beat Portales, 29-20. Scoring were Laiken Crist, 1; Shelby Queener, 3; Shelby Cockerham, 3; Holly Harrison, 2; Markita Askew, 7; Sierra Stalker, 7; Holly Inman, 4; and Braeden Hadley, 3.

**JV Boys**  
Texico's JV Boys put away Dora, 53-32, last week. Scoring were Edgardo Meza, 17; Jonathan Sullivan, 1; Matt Marez, 9; Ryan Morgan, 13; Zach Zarzolo, Marques Pena and Johnathan Montano, 2 each; Luis Estrada, 4; and Mark Rivera, 3.

Texico's JV Boys went 1 and 2 in the Clovis Tourney last weekend. Texico beat Clovis Christian, 49-37. Scoring were Zarzolo, 3; Estrada, 13; Rivera, 1; Pena, 4; Hollis, 1; Morgan, 9; Rhett Martin, 2; Sullivan, 1; Marez, 3; Dillon Crawford, 2; Meza, 10. Texico lost to Clovis "C" team, 51-28. Scoring were Estrada, 1; Rivera, 10; Pena, 2; Martin, 6; Sullivan, 3; Meza, 6. And Ft. Sumner topped Texico, 48-41. Scoring were Zarzolo, 5; Estrada, 3; Rivera, 2; Pena, 1; Morgan, 11; Martin, 3; Sullivan, 5; Meza, 11.

**Varsity Girls**  
The Texico Lady Wolverines took 5th place in the Idalou, Texas, Tournament last weekend. In the first round, they got tipped by Ralls, 33-32. Scoring were Bryn Mayfield, 8 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Katlin Luscombe, 8; Victoria Richards, 3; Jaryse Harris, 1; Faith Martin, 3; Brooke Bailey, 9. Then Texico put away Amherst, 47-23. Scoring were Bryn Mayfield, 4; Luscombe, 8; Richards, 2; Micah Mayfield, 8; Harris, 4; Martin, 2; Stephanie Vega, 5; Amanda Bass, 9; Bailey 5. And the Lady Wolverines slipped past Post, 41-39. Scoring were Bryn Mayfield, 5; Luscombe, 8; Richards, 2; Harris, 5; Martin, 8; Vega, 1; Bass, 5; and Bailey, 7.

**Varsity Boys**  
The Wolverines took 3rd place in the Idalou Tourney last weekend. In the opener, they lost to Tahoka, 49-41. Scoring were Jesse Walthers, 2; Casey Crist, 6; Ruben Lindley, 3; Josh Murray, 4; Courtland Luscombe, 11 (including a trio of 3-pointers); Seth Bailey, 3; Daniel Schueler, 12. Then the Wolverines killed Amherst, 75-17. Scoring were Walthers, 2; Jordan Broome, 6; Aaron Lockmiller, 4; Crist, 14; Brett Anderson, 8; Lindley, 7; Murray, 6; Luscombe, 11; Bailey, 7; Mario Posada, 2; Schueler, 8. And Texico walked over Ralls, 61-14. Scoring were Walthers, 6; Lockmiller, 2; Crist, 8; Anderson, 2; Lindley, 2; Murray, 2; Luscombe, 11; Bailey, 17; Posada, 4; Schueler, 7. Bailey and Luscombe both had a trio of 3-pointers.

**District engineer gives update on proposed overpass**

It's time for an update on the proposed overpass between Farwell and Texico -- and nothing has changed in the past several years.

Littlefield District Engineer Steve Perez reports the same -- Texas has allocated funds for an overpass and New Mexico hasn't.

It appears that until Clovis area residents and businesses complain about the increased railroad traffic, nothing will change.

Currently, about 123 trains a day go through the Texico-Farwell intersection. Once the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad reaches its goal of three complete track lines (which is coming soon), there will be about 150 trains a day going through.

of four minutes per train through the crossing (which has a maximum speed limit of 35 miles per hour), it means the crossing would be closed 600 minutes a day -- 10 hours.

Texas could build a bypass around Farwell but Farwell officials oppose this, said Perez.

Perez also reported on the surveying crew he has had in this area. They have surveyed from the New Mexico line to the Parmer-Bailey county line.

The Lubbock highway is getting rough in parts and with increased dairy traffic, it's putting more stress on the road, said Perez.

**Marriage Licenses**

The Parmer County clerk's office last week issued a marriage license to Michael Bautista and Dahlia Munoz.

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**LIVE CATTLE:** Cattle prices stalled last this week as cash trade was slow to develop at \$86. The time is closing in for bottom which is due at anytime. There are some time frames which should stop the drop coming due over the next week. A new closing low may take the market down just a little more, but the \$84 area should be able to hold the December contract followed by a rally.

**FEEDER CATTLE:** Prices really need to take one more shot at the lows, but the market has done a good job fighting the threat of lower prices. Corn has been the determining factor pushing feeder prices up and down, but corn should also be close to finding a stopping point? Look for some confirmation of a bottom within the next couple of weeks.

**CORN:** The market seems to be struggling to reach some targets between \$3.96-4.10 basis the March contract. If prices can reach these levels at some point over the next couple weeks, then a sideways type correction should follow. Expect market to chop around during December until we move into the new year. Then expect to see significantly higher prices after into the New Year.


**SOYBEANS:** The market showed some weakness going into the end of this week, but have held short term support thus far. A close below \$6.76 basis the January contract would probably place some pressure on the market. Similar to corn, beans should be looking for a short term top to come at anytime? Higher prices are expected after the first of the year!

**WHEAT:** This market turned in a surprise this week as the July KC contract was able to move above the \$5 mark which has held prices the entire year. The nearby March contract has year to even test contract highs, but the news of dry weather across much of the winter wheat growing areas was enough to get the market moving. Wheat prices will probably hand with corn and beans.

**COTTON:** Since rebounding after making new contract lows just a couple of weeks ago, the market is beginning to realize that competition for acres this spring could leave cotton in the dark if prices don't begin to show some signs of improvement? A close above \$54.50 basis the March contract would begin to turn long term trends back up.

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**Meet Texico's Class of 2019**



Isaac Ortiz is a Texico kindergartener. His birthday is July 11. Parents are Jesse & Crystal Ortiz. His sister is Sonia. Grandparents are Carlos & Hope Castillo, and Orlando & Juanita Ortiz. His favorite color is green. He likes to play baseball and football.

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Farwell -- The varsity teams host the Farwell tourney this weekend. The JV and varsity teams host Nazareth on Dec. 12. And the varsity teams enter the Texico tourney Dec. 14-16. The JH teams take on Hale Center Dec. 11 -- the girls here and the boys there.  
Bovina -- The varsity teams are in the Farwell tourney this weekend, then play at Anton on Dec. 12. The JH teams play Olton on Dec. 11 -- the boys at home and the girls there.  
Texico -- The varsity teams are in the Farwell tourney this weekend. Then the varsity and JV teams host Elida on Dec. 12, and the Texico tourney is Dec. 14-16. The JH teams play Tucumcari on Dec. 11 -- the girls at home and the boys there.  
Lazbuddie -- The varsity teams play in the Whitharral Tourney Dec. 7-9, then play at Amherst on Dec. 12. The JH boys host Hart on Dec. 11.

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## The value of education

I believe in education. I believe the public school system has been a major building block in our nation's success.

I support any programs that advance the cause of our young people's success in school, whether it is through academics or sports.

The path to success in our country is through education. A high school diploma should be a mini-

mum requirement. Some type of advanced training, whether it is in a university or a technical school, is almost a virtual must.

Alas, too many young people drop out of high school without even a degree. And too many others settle for just a degree, then seek a labor job without any possibility of advancement.

Why is that? When we look at our area, we recognize that some of our folks are new to this country. It always takes awhile to assimilate. Over our 200 years as a nation, we have seen wave upon wave of immigration take place.

But what each wave of immigrants recognized was this: the value of education. A given.

Then what are we to make of it when it seems

some of our area parents don't put that premium on education. The fact is that some kids are told by their parents something like "stay in school because it's the law, then get a job..."

While there's nothing wrong with that, and our area businesses are good ones to work for, I believe these kids are being short-changed. I believe they can set larger goals. As a high school English teacher once told me, "Aim high, and you will hit high."

So the question is: how do we motivate some kids who seemingly lack any motivation of doing just that?

I know that our area school officials and staff work exceedingly hard to build motivation. But it's something that needs to

be supported at home, too. And from what I am told, that is not always the case.

So here is what I propose. Something innovative.

And before I present it, I know folks can shoot holes in it. I don't care. A lot of folks said that an American democracy would not work back in 1776, right?

What I propose is that school officials throughout Texas band together and present the state education agency with a plan for an innovative project at reaching those parents who it appears are not helping motivate their children to excel in school.

This would require bilingual (English and Spanish) personnel who would make home visits as the main focus of their job. They would work with parents on better motivating their children to do well in school, with the aim of further education beyond high school.

I don't see these folks (they wouldn't have to be certified teaching personnel) teaching school classes. I see them working one-on-one with families in need. The "working day" for these personnel would start at 4 p.m.

Yes, I know some folks would object to persons knocking on their doors in the late afternoon or early evening. But a lot wouldn't.

It's difficult when you are new to a nation and may not be able to speak its language. There is a tendency to shy away from the school setting.

As the old saying goes,

if Mohammed won't come to the mountain, then the mountain needs to go to Mohammed.

Texas has a huge drop-out problem. The way school officials are attacking it seems to be the same ol', same ol'. It's not working well.

So what I suggest is that the state education officials try something innovative. I realize we are dealing with a bureaucracy and those folks will fight tooth and nail to do anything different.

But surely there is someone who has the guts to try and make a difference. Let's start here, in Parmer County.

I suggest that the school officials from Farwell, Friona, Bovina and Lazbuddie put their heads together and come up with a plan along the lines of what I have written, and push it. At the least, seek a state grant for it to be tried; if any success is shown, then it can be adopted elsewhere.

I think such a plan would make a whole lot

better use of state money than for some of the programs the state spends money on.

And, if it were to be a success, think of the benefit it would be for many of our young people.

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I know that the Lazbuddie robotics team didn't come back with any trophies from last week's national -- state meet, but they shouldn't feel badly.

They did superbly at the area contest which allowed them to advance to the big meet at Lubbock and the competition at the big meet is severe.

For a small school, Lazbuddie stands tall.

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A special "thank you and job well done" to teacher Debbie Weir for going the extra mile over the years for our students.

She is very much appreciated.



**Young hunter**

Zack Fisher, 10, son of Kevin and Kara Fisher, of Memphis, Texas, shows the 8-point mule deer he killed near his folks' ranch. Zack, right, is pictured with his brother, Kord. They are the great-grandsons of Jack and Ona Patterson, of Rhea Community.

## Lazbuddie Longhorns vie in Hale Center Tourney

### Varsity Girls

The Lady Longhorns were scheduled to participate in the Hale Center Tourney last week but it was cancelled.

### Varsity Boys

The Lazbuddie Longhorns went 0 and 3 in the Hale Center Tourney.

The 'Horns got tipped by Lubbock Monterey, 57-52.

Scoring were Steve Pacheco, 8; Devlin Thompson, 6; Aaron Chavez, 13; Jesse Gomez, 8 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Kayle Jesko, 2; Joaquin Campos, 2; and Jason Davis, 13.

Then Lazbuddie fell to Valley, 40-31.

Scoring were Pacheco, 11; Jacob Schacher, 2; Bryce Haney, 4; Chavez, 4; Gomez, 5; Davis, 4; and Campos, 1.

And the 'Horns lost to Hale Center, 60-53.

Scoring were Pacheco, 2; Schacher, 6; Thompson, 2; Haney, 9; Chavez, 10; Gomez, 8; Davis, 12; and Campos, 4.

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# Jenkins to march in Lubbock parade

Texico champion bull rider L.J. Jenkins will appear in the Miracles Christmas Parade on 34th Street in Lubbock Dec. 9 at 6:30 p.m.

The parade showcases marching bands, lighted floats, performance groups and Santa Claus. Last year, the parade drew over 30,000 spectators, it was estimated.

The 3-mile parade route goes from 34th and Toledo to 34th and University.

Jenkins, 19, was recently honored by New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson, who proclaimed Nov. 22, 2005, as "L.J. Jenkins Day" in his state.

Jenkins, among the youngest bull riders on the professional tour, is cur-

rently ranked 7th in the world.

Jenkins was cited in the New Mexico proclamation "as an excellent high school student who graduated with honors and enjoys spending time with local elementary students, not only teaching them about rodeo, but also showing by example the value of integrity, generosity and perseverance toward a goal."

Last year, Jenkins donated 5 percent of his season earnings to support the victims of Hurricane Katrina and challenged other bull riders to follow his lead.

Jason Davis, son of Dianne Davis of Texico, is the event coordinator.



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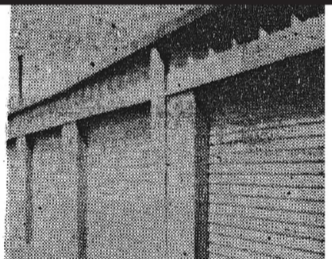
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# Here are Tuesday's late basketball scores

Tuesday's basketball scores:

**Farwell Varsity Girls**  
The Lady Blue fell to Muleshoe, 57-43.

Scoring were Brianna Anglin, 7; Shelby Christian, 2; Britton Barrett, 8; Tiffani Jones, 7; Salida Edwards, 3; Kaylyn Meyer, 4; Brooke Lunsford, 12.

**Varsity Boys**  
The Steers lost to Muleshoe, 52-36.

Scoring were Ramon Quezada, 1; Dalton Cockerham, 2; Simon Nolte, 3; Brett Howard, 8; Bo Mitchell, 7; Ross McClaran, 4; Emanuel Pereda, 2; Logan Carpenter, 1; Dan Patterson, 8.

**Lazbuddie Varsity Girls**

The Lady Longhorns beat Clovis Christian, 42-36.

Scoring were Chelsea Nichols, 27 (including four 3-pointers); Brianna Sanchez, 8 (a pair of 3-pointers); Brittney Schacher, 2; Rochelle Smith, 2; Megan McGuire, 3; Brittany Sexton, 6.

**Varsity Boys**  
The Longhorns lost to

Clovis Christian, 72-42. Scoring were Steve Pacheco, 6; Devlin Thompson, 3; Aaron Chavez, 17; Jesse Gomez, 8; Jason Davis, 11.

**Bovina Varsity Girls**  
The Fillies defeated Kress, 52-34.

Scoring were Hilda Quintero, 12; Kim Casas, 1; Ruby Vela, 4; Audrie Terrones, 4; Yesenia Guevara, 2; Lucero Saucedo, 2; Yoselin Rueda, 2; Jessica Bachicha, 27.

**Varsity Boys**  
The Mustangs topped Kress, 59-41.

Scoring were Jeremy Vasquez, 12; Trent Quintana, 125 (with a trio of 3-pointers); Ivan Solis, 8; James Lara, 2; Jesus Rocha, 11; Oscar Rodriguez, 4; Jaime Chavira, 5; Robert Knoll, 2.

## The Latest

Lazbuddie has gotten the final results from its district UIL academic meets. The elementary school placed 2nd and the junior high was 3rd.

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Texico High's Leslie Vannatta and Melissa Freitas received a National Silver Emblem for their agriscience project at the national FFA meet.

# Wolverines clean up All-District awards

A whole lot of Texico Wolverines were named to the All-District Football Team on Tuesday:

1st team offense -- Justin Garrison, running back; honorable mention, Edgardo Meza; Kyle Teitz, tight end. 2nd team offense -- Casey Crist, quarterback; Eduardo Rodriguez, center; Ethan McDaniel, guard; Seth Bailey, tight end; Adam Engram, tackle; Justin Hepfinger, Jesse Walthers and Marco Rivera, honorable mention.

1st team defense -- Kyle Teitz, secondary; Ethan McDaniel, lineman; Edgardo Meza, honorable mention. 2nd team defense -- Brett Anderson, linebacker; Seth Bailly, defensive end; Mario Posada and Sterling Bowers, secondary; Eduardo Rodriguez, lineman; Mark Rivera, Casey Crist, Ryan Morgan and Adam Engram, honorable mention.

Special teams -- Jesse Walthers, punter, honorable mention.

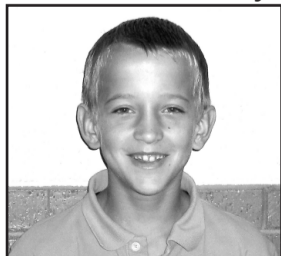
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## Lazbuddie Elementary School Students of the Week



Haldon Ivy, 9, son of Lanse & Shelly Ivy, is a 4th grader. His birthday is May 2. Favorites: food, shrimp; subject, P.E.; color, red; friend, David & Albert; and most admired, my dad because I want to rope like him.



Christopher Uvalle, 5, son of Marie Davila, is a kindergartener. His birthday is July 23. Favorites: food, pizza; subject, reading; color, red; friend, Andres; and most admired, David Davila Jr.

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The new sanctuary can hold over 250 people.



Kids play in some of the new Sunday school classrooms.

## Gomez picked for All-Star game

Lazbuddie High's Jesse Gomez has been selected to play in the District 7-1A Sixman Division II All-Star game next year.

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The following are Lazbuddie recipients of All-District Team honors:  
1st Team -- Jason Davis, defensive lineman; Jesse Gomez, special teams; and Jesse Gomez, punter.  
2nd Team -- Devlin Thompson, cornerback; Jacob Schacher, safety; Aaron Chavez, tight end; and Steven Pacheco, spreadback.

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The following Lazbuddie players earned Academic All District Football honors:  
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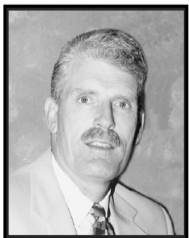
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The area received between 3 and 6 inches of snow on the night of Nov. 29. Pictured is 3rd Street in Bovina. Farwell and Bovina schools opened on time, but Texico, Friona and Lazbuddie had late starts.



**Bovina Varsity Girls**

Jessica Bachicha, Hilda Quintero, Ruby Vela, Audrie Terrones, Lucero Saucedo, Haylee Hughes, Yesenia Guevara.



**Bovina Middle "A" Boys**

Andy Duarte, Gael Vela, Shaq Walker, Dorian Vela, Alexis Martinez, Chris McClure, Gerald Salazar, Ryan Alvarez.

**The Latest**

The Lazbuddie robotics team competed at the state - national meet at Texas Tech University last week but didn't come back with any victories this year.

The Country Christmas Jubilee arts and crafts show was held in Friona last weekend.

Although the crowd was down from last year, the

show was successful. The Jubilee committee thanked everyone that braved the bad weather to shop with their vendors for the holidays.

Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church will have a candlelight Christmas service at 6 p.m. on Dec. 24.

Texico police report all quiet last week.

**Bovina Basketball**

From page 12

Lucero Saucedo, 9.

**MS "B" Boys**

Bovina Middle School's "B" Boys played Hale Center on Monday.

Scoring for Bovina were Geraldo Ortiz, 6; Jose Lara, 6; Jeremy DeLaRosa, 2; Jake Brozek, 6.

**MS "A" Boys**

Bovina Middle School's "A" Boys played Hale Center on Monday.

Scoring for Bovina were Gerald Salazar, 9; Alexis Martinez, 2; Dorian Vela, 5; Gael Vela, 8; and Andy Duarte, 6.

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Lee Sudderth suffered a stroke.

Farwell 1st Baptist Church Homemakers Sunday School class officers were Mesdames Dale McCuan, Edd Hardage, Merrill Turner, Buck Bradshaw, Joe Reed and Walter Hardage.

Hunter Jack Shirley shot a 4-point buck, first known deer ever to be killed in Parmer County.

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**Bovina Banter**

From page 12

Nacogdoches. He weighed 6 lb., 14 3/4 oz. and 20" tall.

He has four siblings -- Logan, Brock, Hannah and Brynn.

Keri, the Mitchell's daughter, is a 1991 Bovina High grad.

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The varsity teams are in the Farwell tourney this weekend, then play at Anton on Dec. 12 (along with JV teams). The JH teams play Olton on Dec. 11 -- the boys at home and the girls there.

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Bovina Schools will have two early out days before Christmas vacation.

On Thursday, Dec. 21, school ends at 1:45 p.m., and on Friday, Dec. 22, school ends at 12:40 p.m.

Students return for classes on Jan. 8.

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The Bovina Elementary School Concert, featuring students in grades kindergarten through 5th grade, will be on Dec. 14 at 2 p.m. in the school auditorium.

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Bovina School lunch menus for next week:

Monday - lasagna, pepperoni pizza, garlic toast, corn, tossed salad, carrot, celery, peaches, ice cream.

Tuesday - chicken patty, hamburger, cream potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, wheat rolls, oranges.

Wednesday - burrito, pepperoni pizza, spanish rice, pinto beans, tossed salad, carrot, celery, cucumbers, juice bars.

Thursday - hot turkey sandwich, hamburger, green beans, cream potatoes, dressing, cranberry sauce, tossed salad, chocolate cake.

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If you have the need to be seen in the Extended Hours Clinic, simply call for an appointment at (505) 769-7577. Walk-ins are always welcome.

Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Saturday: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

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# BOVINA



Proud Home of the Mustangs & Fillies

## Bovina lights up Christmas, round 2

The "Bovina Lights Up Christmas" program scheduled last Friday was postponed to this Friday, Dec. 8.

There were problems with electricity, the bucket truck and the bad weather that forced the postponement. Unfortunately the postponement was agreed on after last week's Tribune was printed, so we couldn't alert you ahead of time.

The program, sponsored by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce, will be held at 6 p.m. at the city park to light the Christmas trees for the holiday season.

Names of deceased loved ones that you would like to have honored will be read. The cost is a \$1 or more donation, a small fund-raiser for the Chamber. If you want someone included in this remembrance, call Honey Sue Gist at the Bone Joint.

The ceremony has been designated "Bovina Lights Up Christmas" and will include several features besides the big lighting.

-- Christmas carols will be sung.

-- A chili and cornbread supper, costing \$3 a plate, will be served at the school cafeteria following the ceremony. Two bicycles will be given away as door prizes, plus a \$50 gas gift card. Each person buying a dinner will get a ticket.

-- "Santa Claus" may be available to pass out candy.

### Bovina Banter

Toya DeLeon • 251-1496

How long has it been since we had thunder snow here? I only remember one other time, when I was little and we had a big blizzard. I sure am glad last week's storm was not as bad as that year. That year several people were injured and even froze to death because they were stranded.

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Our deepest sympathies to Frances Johnson and Larry Williams on the death of their mother during the Thanksgiving holiday.

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Larry and Donna Mitchell report that Keri and Chris Clark had a baby boy, Christian Drake, on Nov. 29 in

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## Bachicha sparks Fillies' victory

### JV Boys

Bovina's JV Boys lost to Vega, 49-20, last week.

Scoring were Joseph Bermea, Omar Flores and Frankie Guevara, 4 each; Josh Ramirez, 6; and Johnathan Roldan and Richard Villarreal, 1 each.

### MS Boys

Bovina's Middle School "B" boys lost to Farwell, 21-16.

Scoring were Geraldo Ortiz, 4; Jake Brozek, 2; and Jeremy DelaRosa, 10.

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Bovina's "A" squad lost to Farwell's 8th graders, 39-15.

Scoring were Shaq Walker, 1; Dorian Vela, 4; Gael Vela, 2; Gerald Salazar, 2; Rosendo Lara,

2; Alexis Martinez, 4.

### JV Girls

Bovina's JV Girls lost to Vega, 43-20.

Scoring were Kim Casas, 9; Alicia Lopez, 1; Sandra Ortiz, 4; Denise Larrea, 2; Yoselin Rueda, 4.

### Varsity Girls

The Fillies have climbed to a 5-2 record on the season with a win over the Clovis "C" team last Friday, 49-32.

Scoring were Jessica Bachicha, 14; Haylee Hughes, 3; Hilda Quintero, 8 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Ruby Vela, 2; Audrie Terrones, 6; Yesenia Guevara, 7; and

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## Bovina, Farwell 7th and 8th grade girls compete



## Bovina city officials complain to Duncan

Bovina city officials have sent a letter to Duncan Disposal with complaints about recent trash collection.

Duncan provides once-a-week trash collection for the city, with about 200 large and 20 small dumpsters. The firm also takes care of two roll-off boxes, paid for by Parmer County.

The letter noted that over the Thanksgiving holiday, 12 calls were received from citizens that their dumpsters were not emptied.

A problem also occurred with the roll-off boxes. Pictures were sent to Duncan showing the boxes full, with a lot of trash dumped on top of them.

### Cargill Cattle Feeders

Pat Schwab, Manager  
225-4400

Are you interested in starting a business in Bovina? The Bovina Economic Development Commission can help. Call Bovina City Hall at (806) 251-1116.

### Sherley - Anderson

907 Hwy. 86 West • 251-2510



### Bovina Branch

101 N. 3rd St. • 251-1442

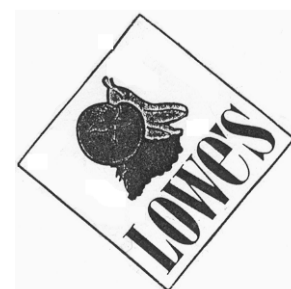
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