The best of intentions

In the height of summers in Texico-Farwell during my boyhood, the cities would contract Doug Landrum to drive up and down the streets, spraying a billowing white cloud of insecticide behind him. It was great fun for kids to jump on bicycles and race along behind him through the gathering twilight, taking turns at holding their breaths, closing their eyes, and zipping through the chemical fog.

Who can ever forget those glorious, innocent, and fun evenings as night fell with all the children jumping on their bikes and joining the game, shouting at the top of their lungs, "Oh joy, oh joy, Dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane, hurrah!"

Actually, no kids ever shouted that because none knew that was what it was, but everybody knew it by its initials, DDT, and that it was almost magical in its effect in disease prevention. Since its invention in our parents' time (1937), DDT had disrupted the cycle of malaria and other mosquito-borne diseases around the world.

It had been essential to victory in World War II in the Pacific and any other theater in which malaria and dengue fever would kill or disable more American soldiers than combat would. After the war ended, and continuing through the next 25 years, **DDT** was used to eliminate the "killing season" malaria that had always come, summer after summer, in America's southern cities and in countries across the world.

But when we got old enough to be in Coach Jerry Dee Owens' science class, the curriculum required that we read about the dangers of our foolish encounters with DDT in a book called "Silent Spring." Penned by Rachel Carson, it was (and is) holy script for the environmentalist movement, indicting DDT as a poison for the environment and a source of cancers for human beings.

Ms. Carson based her book's description of environmental destruction on a study in 1956 that proved DDT would thin eggshells and in a few more years would destroy America's population of birds (hence the name of her book). She based her descriptions of DDT as a source of cancer on a study in 1961 of the livers of rainbow trout.

Her book was largely responsible for the decision in 1971 of the recently **Environmental** created Protection Agency to ban the use of DDT. EPA **Director** William Ruckelshaus issued the ban without attending even a minute of the hearings or reading a word of the government's own research that had been compiled on it. But Ruckelshaus had read "Silent Spring" and that was (apparently) enough.

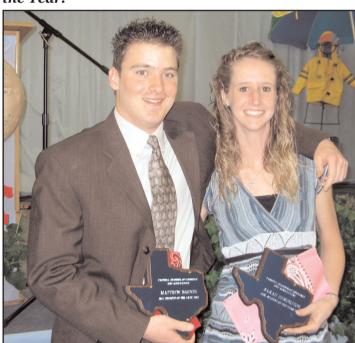
So DDT was banned in the U.S.. And the rest of the world followed suit, Continued on Page 6



Kristy White, left, was named Teacher of the Year, and Patti Johnson was named Woman of the



Ronald Byrd, left, was named Man of the Year, and Donald Christian was named Agriculturalist of the Year.



Students of the Year were Matt Barnes and Sarah Herington.



"Doppler Dave" Oliver

Farwell students advance to state U.I.L. meet

Farwell High School will have four students advance in UIL academic competition to the state meet at South Plains College in Levelland.

Students who place in the top 4 advance.

Results from regionals were:

Ashleigh Mesman, 21st, LD Debate.

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Early deadline next week

The State Line Tribune will have an early deadline next week -- Monday at 5 p.m.

The reason for this is because we will be publishing our special 100th Anniversary of Parmer county issue next week.

Because of the size of this enterprise, we need to have extra time for its completion.

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Chamber honors handed out

There was a big turnout at the Farwell Community Center on Saturday night for the annual Farwell Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Top honors went to:

- -- Ronald Byrd, Man of the Year.
- -- Patti Johnson, Woman of the Year.
- -- Donald Christian, Agriculturalist of the Year.
- -- Kristy White, Teacher of the Year. Mrs. White was the elementary school's candidate. Other candidates were Linda Riley, high school, and Sandra Richards, junior high school.

-- Matt Barnes and Sarah Herington, Students of the Year.

Fred Chandler emceed the event. The Farwell Service League provided outstanding decorations of a weather nature, to go along with the fact that the guest speaker was TC meteorologist "Doppler Dave" Oliver.

Flowers were provided by Pansies, Posies & Potpourri. Beta Sigma Phi served appetizers before the dinner.

Ribeye steaks were cooked by Bryan Kube and Bob Spears. The Farwell School lunchroom ladies provided the rest of the dinner, including baked potatoes, salad, rolls, veggies and cobbler.

Here's a look at the speeches for the award recipients:

Agriculturalist of the Year

He was born in 1929 and has lived near Farwell for most all his life. He attended Oklahoma Lane School, graduating with the last class of seniors in 1948. He went to Texas Tech University to study animal science, but with very few hours needed for graduation, he felt the call to serve his country and joined the Air Force in 1951.

He was stationed away from home and very much missed his sweetheart, so he decided they should marry so she could accompany him to his last deployment in Maine. They married in 1952. He served four years in the Air Force and decided it was time to move his family home to Oklahoma Lane.

When his military tour in Maine ended, he and his wife went to work in the potato fields picking up potatoes to earn enough cash to get back home. After a couple of weeks doing that, he sold their 30-ft. trailer home and headed for Texas. In 1955, with \$4,500 in his pocket, he purchased a Ford pickup and his first International tractor and began a long and loved career of tilling the land.

He was not only passionate about farming, but was also active in his community. He served on the Farwell School Board for 9 years, the Parmer County Farm Bureau Board for many years, retired after 22 years as director of the Federal Land Bank --First Ag Credit, was church treasurer at the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church for too many years to count and has also served on a number of boards at Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church.

He has farmed at Oklahoma Lane for nearly 50 years, seeing many new and exciting advances in agriculture. He invested as part owner of the Farwell and Clay's corner gins and in 1985 his son, Charles, to form their partnership of C Bar D Farms.

He is the husband of Dot, the dad of Trumi and Charles, father-in-law to Kim and Sheryl, and granddad to Kolby, Matthew, Timothy, Robin, Colton, Kaitlyn and Caleb. Our 2007 Agriculturalist of the Year is Donald Christian.

Woman of the Year

This year's recipient has devoted many hours of time and hard work to her community, church and family. Her husband says she is a giving woman helping with the family business and many community projects.

She was born Nov. 17, 1963, in El Paso to Dudley and Pat Cash, now living in Portales. She and her two brothers attended Portales Schools, where she was always on the honor roll and involved in cheerleading. She was in several high school plays, such as "The Sound of Music," and in her senior year was voted May Pole Queen.

She was active in the Church of Christ in Portales and that is probably where her love of singing began. She has a very beautiful soprano voice. I know for a fact that people love to sit next to her at the Lariat Church of Christ singings where she and her family currently attend.

After graduating high school, she attended Lubbock Christian University, getting a degree in elementary education. While there, she sang in the a cappella chorus, where she met her husband, Scott. While in the choir, they had the opportunity to travel around the world, performing in such places as Rome, Paris and Alaska.

After college, she and Scott moved to Bovina, where she taught for three years. While there, she was voted Teacher of the Year in 1991.

The couple has four children. Drew is a high school sophomore. Daughters Abby, Jill and Cari are in 7th, 5th and 3rd grades, respectively. The family moved from Bovina to the country and all the children started school in Farwell, where our honoree also taught in the elementary school for five years.

Now retired, she stays active, working with the Farwell 4-H program, where she is very involved with textile and clothing projects, just to name a few. During her years of service, she received the 4-H Adult Leader of the Year honor in 2004. In 2006, she received the Parent Leader Award.

Also, she has been involved in the "Relay for Life" fund-raisers to fight cancer, held each May in Friona. She has been known to round up as many as 50 kids to participate in the Relay. This is a very important fund-raiser to her, because both her parents are cancer survivors.

She is very talented in rounding up 4-H kids to do many other community projects, such as cleanups at the Oklahoma Lane Cemetery on Memorial Day, and cleaning up on school grounds and other projects.

She is the type of person who knows how to get things done. She is very easy and pleasant to work with and is great at recruiting kids to help out and learn to do their part in helping their community and their fellow man.

If you have a person who is willing to sacrifice their time to teach children to think of someone else and care for someone besides themselves, then you have someone who has done a lot for their community.

Our Woman of the Year is Patti Johnson.

Teacher of the Year

She was born and raised in Roswell, N.M., home of the aliens. She went on to graduate from Lubbock Christian University with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology. She obtained her teaching certification through West Texas A&M University.

She is married to Gary Ray White and they have to children, Roy, an 9th grader, and

K'Leigh Jo, a 5th grader.

Obituaries



Irene Thorn

Funeral services for Irene Marie Thorn, 95, of Lazbuddie were April 18 at the Lazbuddie Church of Christ with Clay Mimms and Micky Chambliss officiating. Burial was in Lazbuddie Cemetery by Blackwell Funeral Home.

She died Sunday in Friona. She was born Oct. 18, 1911, in Maude, Oklahoma, to William and Savannah Gammon.

She married A. G. Thorn on April 19, 1928, in Maude. He died July 25,

She and her husband were well known for their registered Hereford Cattle and farming operation. She was a member of the Lazbuddie Church of Christ

She was preceded in death by 2 sisters, Della Daniel and Christine Ivv; 2 brothers. "Dub" J.W. Gammon and John Gammon; a grandson, Jimmy Norton, Jr., and 2 granddaughters, **Hunton and Mary Hunton.**

Survivors include a son, Billy, of Lazbuddie; 2 daughters, Wenonah **Hunton and Sharron** Hughes, both of Farwell; 7 grandchildren; 20 greatgrandchildren and 4 greatgreat-grandchildren.

Family suggests memorials to New Mexico Children's Home, 1356 NM 236, Portales, NM 88130 or Friona Heritage Estates, 201 E. 15th, Friona, TX

Clovis, followed by crema-

She was born on Jan. 10, 1922, to Joseph and Margaret Robertson in Lariat, where she grew up. **She married James Brown**

on Dec. 20, 1940, in Clovis. She operated Maxine's Beauty Shop.

Surviving are her husband; a son, Jim, of Angel Fire, N.M.; a daughter, Marie Jones, Alamogordo, N.M.; grandchildren; 18 greatgrandchildren; 5 greatgreat-grandchildren; brothers, Raymond and J.C. Robertson, both of Farwell; and 2 sisters, Lois Doe, of California, and Loraine Jordan, of Mesa,

She was preceded in death by an infant son, Charles, and 4 siblings.

The family requests donations to the Baptist Children's Home Portales in lieu of flowers.

Wolverines split pair

On Tuesday, the Texico Wolverines lost Tucumcari, 10-6, there.

Texico is now 3-7 overall and 0-1 in district.

Top hitters for Texico were Casey Crist, with a single and a 2-run double; and Jesse Walthers, with a single and double.

The 2nd game of the double header was suspended due to lighting in the 2nd inning with Tucumcari ahead, 4-2.

On April 12, the Wolverines put away Elida, 10-3, at home.

Seth Bailey got the win, pitching 6 innings.

Top hitters were Bailey, 4 for 4 with a triple and 2 RBIs; Brett Anderson, 3 for 4 with a double and 2 runs scored: Theo Marez. 2 for 4 with a double and 2 runs scored: and Walthers and Crist, both with 2-run homers.

Lazbuddie honor rolls

Here are Lazbuddie School's 5th 6 Weeks Honor

Elementary "A" -- Bernardo Lopez, Kenlea Barnes, Gentry Hicks, Destry Ivy, Colten McMurrian, Ashley Scott, Juan Samarron, Alonzo Soto, Micah Vera, Lacey Jesko, Haley Beasley, Ashton Mason, Austin Mason, Shyann Rainey.

Elementary "AB" -- Julie Chavez, Tina Harder, Ginsyn McGehee, Priscilla Salazar, Peter Guenter, David Guenter, Haley Ivy, Andrea Lule, Albert Moran, Katlyn

Junior High "A" -- Jordan Hernandez, Colton Weaver. Junior High "AB" -- Karina Galaviz, Anna Harder, Shea Scott, Ian Thompson, Jarrod Jesko, Todd Nichols, Joseline Garcia, Authur Gomez.

High School "A" -- Brittney Schacher, Rochelle Smith. High School "AB" -- Katie Chavez, Darin Ivy, Kayle Jesko, Kinzi Schacher, Jacob Schacher, Devlin Thompson, RaJon Thorn, Chase Timms, Jason Davis, Regina Mata, Megan McGuire, Chelsee Nichols, Esteban Pacheco, Brianna Sanchez, Angela Vensor, Erica Derma, Stephanie Williams.



79035. Jewel Brown Services for Jewel "Maxine" Brown, 85, of Clovis, were held April 18 at Steed-Todd Chapel in Presented by Homebuilders Assoc. of Eastern NM **Over 50 Vendors Featuring:** Lawn Equipment Landscapers Pond Supplies Home Electronics Paint and Sundries Window Treatments Real Estate Plumbing Construction Companies Home Furnishings Heating/Air Conditioning Home Improvement Saturday & Sunday April 21st & 22nd Sat 10am - 5pm **Sun 11am - 5pm** Clovis Civic Center Special thanks to our media sponsors: Admission: Adults \$2 Children under 12 Free with paid adult

Sheriff's Report

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

On April 15, Carlos Rodriguez, 17, of Friona, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI, pending in county court.

On April 15, Darla Leal, 36, of Portales, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI, pending in county court.

On April 14, Eddie Setzer, 53, of Clovis, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a Shasta County warrant. He is pending transport.

On April 15, Jesus Mendez, 18, of Friona, was arrested by **Texas** Highway Patrol on a charge of public intoxication.

In 287th District Court on April 12, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

William Donald Fancher, 81, of Springville, Calif., charged with possession of marijuana, was sentenced to 10 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; \$316 court costs, and \$10,000 fine.

-- Alex Pacheco Vargas, 30, of Friona, charged with DWI 3rd or more, was sentenced to 2 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, and \$416 court costs.

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Rob Pomper, president Rebecca Pomper, vice president **Texas Press Association**

Courthouse Notes

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

Wayne Pierce - Rickey Boddy, L12-14 B27 Farwell. Oppliger Family Lt. - Don Oppliger et al, SW/4 S6 T16S R1E; L1-3 B37 Farwell; N 79.1" L8-12 N 79.1" E/2 L7 B32 Farwell.

Five County Ag Service - DeBruce Ag Service, pt of L4 S33 T9S R1E.

Kevin Merritt - Scott Meeks, S 50' L4 B 54' B6 Mimo. Ben Kirton - Jerry Duenes, L4 B1 Welch Acres Friona. Jose Lamas - Francisco Silva, S8 Blk E.

Donald Jones - Ed Longley, W 75' L25-26; W 75' of N3'

J.G. Baker - Joseph Spicola, L15B B1 Lakeview Add,

Hanev takes 1st place in district pole vault

Lazbuddie tracksters participated in the District 1-1A Meet at Panhandle last week.

Advancing to regionals are athletes who placed in 1 -4 spots.

The Lady Longhorns placed 9th with 24 points. Placing were:

Long jump -- Regina Mata, 2nd, 14'3.

100 dash - Regina Mata, 3rd, 13.45.

The Longhorns placed 10th with 15 points. Placing

Bryce Haney took 1st in the pole vault with 10'6, and Darin Ivy was 3rd with 8'1.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor.

We appreciate the concerns expressed in last week's paper by Mr. and Mrs. Edwards. We also had concerns about the egg laying facility that was going to be built on our property east of Farwell. Once your original article came out, it seemed that everyone had a brother, uncle or cousin that knew exactly how these facilities were run. We only had the word the men from Cal-Maine Foods had told us.

After we had expressed our concerns to them, they told us that the only site even similar to the one that will be built east of Farwell was in Southwest Missouri. They flew our family out to tour the facility, and we were extremely impressed with the entire operation.

There were no sign of rodents or flies inside or outside the facility, and the odor was minimum. We also found out that the facility would have a USDA inspector on site at all times of operation. As far as rodents in the facility, it was cleaner than most of our homes. We had to wear coveralls, hair nets, shoe covers and masks to insure the safety of the birds, not ours. They would not have even let us in the facility if we had been in contact with other birds for 72 hours ahead of time.

The entire site is computer controlled from the ventilation fans, to the feed and water used, to the amount of eggs produced by each set of hens. As far as the bird flu or any other diseases, I believe if you will look on the internet, the bird flu is carried by migratory birds and can be spread to other birds, only if they mingle together. But in this facility, there are screens to keep any form of other birds out of the facility or any other sort of animal or rodent.

The birds are kept in complete confinement to make sure they are disease free. We've all seen the bird flu and mad cow disease on TV, but this doesn't mean that every dairy, feed lot, and poultry farm has it. In third world countries, the chickens are not kept in complete enclosures free of all animals or pests, like they must in

Air quality at this facility was measured down wind in parts per billion, and in 1 1/2 years the air quality has only been elevated for 5 minutes. The government standard says it must be elevated for 24 hours before it is a problem. The government measures air quality in parts per million, not parts per billion.

If these facilities were full of rodents, do you think they would pass USDA inspection, have a facility in the city limits of Albuquerque, as well as have Wal-Mart and other well-known stores doing business with them? The fact is, the eggs from this facility will go straight to stores that sell the eggs. When you sell food products, all measures are taken for safety and quality of product.

Cal-Maine is a top quality employer with full benefit packages to employees. After looking into the employee turnover at Cal-Maine, we found there is very little turnover due to the quality of employer that the company is to work for. We believe that this facility to be built half mile south of 3333 will be a great addition to our community from a quality employer, to the extra school taxes brought in to improve our school.

In areas where people are familiar with Cal-Maine foods and the way they do business, they campaign to get them to build in their towns. If anyone has any further questions, please contact Joe, Jason or Stephen Schilling.

Sincerely, Joe and Eunice Schilling

Dear Mike,

We just wanted to drop this line to convey the gratitude that we have for the support Farwell, Texico and the surrounding area has given us over the last 5 years.

Our open house was a big success and we would like to thank everyone who joined us on Tuesday. Thanks especially to the sponsors of the St. John Lutheran Youth Group for helping us flip burgers. Our community is a great place to not only do business, but also to raise our families and live.

Sincerely,

The Southwest Ag Bunch -- Anthony Joplin, Mike Ratke, Dawn Diaz, Laurie Haseloff, Ashley Joplin, Pablo Lucio, Richard Rodriguez and Rene Terrazas

Brown finishes 2nd at district

Farwell participated in the District Tennis Meet on April 9 and 10. Results were:

Varsity girls singles -- Hayley Fowler lost, 6-1, 6-4. Varsity boys singles -- Brett Howard won, 6-2, 6-3,

then lost 6-0, 6-0 and 6-4, 4-6, 6-7, for 4th place; Dalton Cockerham lost, 6-1, 6-2. Varsity boys doubles -- Jaime Saenz and Jesus

Ramos won, 7-5, 6-1, then lost 6-4, 7-5 to finish 2nd and become a Regional qualifier. JV Girls doubles -- Brenda Delgado and Taylor Fillpot

lost, 3-8; and lost, 0-8, to take 4th place.

JV Boys singles -- Danny Brown won, 8-3; won 8-3; and lost, 8-9, for 2nd place.

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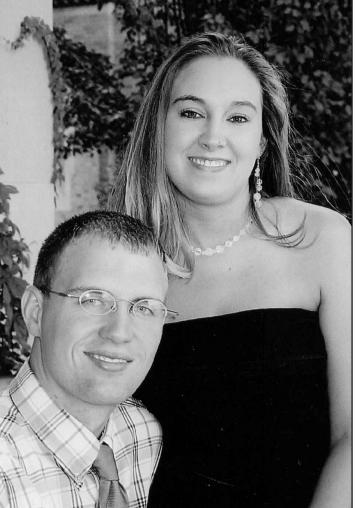


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Laura Meiwes and John Montgomery

Laura Meiwes to wed John Montgomery

Ben and Donna Meiwes, of Lubbock announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Beth, of Lubbock, to John Paul Montgomery, of Lubbock, son of Richard and Sheree Montgomery, of Abernathy and formerly of Farwell.

The wedding will be June 29 at the Reese Conference Center in Lubbock.

The bride-elect attended South Plains College and works at Chilo's in Lubbock.

The bridegroom is enrolled at South Plains College, studying diesel technology, and will graduate in May. He works at West Texas Peterbilt.

Texico honor rolls

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The Texico High School Pena, Victoria Richards. honor rolls for the 5th six weeks:

All A's

Seniors -- Rebecca Frv. Warren Jorde, Kenneth Moore, Leslie Vannatta.

Juniors -- Brooke Bailey. Faith Martin. Bryn Mayfield, Daniel Schueler. Sophomores - Brett Anderson. Jordan Broome, Braeden Hadley,

Jaryse Harris,

Harrison Levi Richards Shay Freshmen Anderson, Seth Bailey, Devanee Cherry, Shelby Cockerham, Garrett Garrison, Holly Inman, Marques Pena, Monique

A-B

Seniors Justin Garrison.

Juniors - Elvis Gaytan, Hall, Courtney Josh Murray, Stephanie Vega.

Sophomores - Markita Askew, Amanda Bass, Crist, Shelby Laiken Queener, Tabitha Wallin. Wike, Glen Zachary Zurzolo.

Freshmen -- Alexandra Sacolman Joseica Garcia Yesenia Garcia, Roger Gomez, Erin Hagler, Jonathan Hill, Katlin Luscombe, Rhett Martin, Amber Odegaard, Jennifer Shirley, Lisa Vidal.

Cerosene Available in stock!

Spring sports continue for our area school

Bovina -- the Mustangs baseball team plays at Boys Ranch on April 20, then hosts Kress on April 24. Both games are at 4:30

Texico -- the varsity track teams go to Fort Sumner on April 19 for the EPAC Meet, then host the Texico Invitational on April 24. The Junior High tracksters finish their season on April 26 at the Fort Sumner JH Relays.

Meanwhile, the Texico Wolverines baseball team continues it schedule. On April 20, the varsity teams play a double-header at Tucumcari. On April 21, the Texico JV teams play the Clovis "C" team at Clovis. And on April 23, the JV and varsity teams host San Jon.

Farwell -- both varsity teams head to Reese Golf Course in Lubbock on April 24 and 25 for the regional tournaments.





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ENMR•Plateau sets annual meeting

Board of Directors election will feature three present board members running unopposed and the fourth facing two challengers.

The election takes place during the Cooperative's **Annual** Membership Meeting on April 21, in Santa Rosa.

The election for Board Position 12 fielded three candidates seeking election. Incumbent Shafie Hindi of Duran, faces Leland Harral, of Encino, and James Grider of, Carrizozo. This post represents the service areas of Vaughn, Corona and Bingham.

Unopposed in the election are incumbent board members Shirley Carter, of Clayton, for Position 8: Mabel Flores, of Santa Rosa ,for Position 9, and Ismael "Milo" Aragon, of Ribera, for Position 10.

Position 8 represents

ENMR-Plateau Clayton, Nara Visa and Roy. Positions 9 and 10 represent the Anton Chico, Conchas Dam, El Valle, Mosquero, Santa Rosa, Trementina and White Lakes areas.

> ENMR's two-way **Interactive Television (ITV)** system will again be in use, allowing Cooperative members who choose not to travel to Santa Rosa the opportunity to participate in the meeting. ITV locations include Clovis Community College.

> Each registered member receives a special gift bag in addition to door prize drawings at all meeting locations.

Lunch will be provided to attendees in Santa

Registration starts at 8 a.m. MDT. All members must complete registration by 10 a.m. to be eligible to take part in the business meeting. The meeting the service areas of begins promptly at 10 a.m.

Police investigate stabbing incident

Friona and Bovina Police, plus the Parmer County sheriff's office, worked on a stabbing case this week, reports County Sheriff Randy Geries.

The incident started after 9 p.m. Sunday when Friona police received a report that 3 adults were arguing and cussing in front of the west Allsup's Convenience Store in Friona.

By the time Friona police arrived, the trio had left in their pickup.

The pickup then pulled behind Food Express in Bovina, and Bovina police officer Eddie Everhart went to investigate. He found one of the men bleeding from stab wounds that apparently took place while the trio rode from Friona.

The three Roswell, N.M., folks were Mary Jane Piedra, 42; her husband, Jose Angel Piedra, 35; and her brother, Abel Vega Jr., 24.

Jose Piedra was fortunate in that his stab wounds didn't affect his vital organs. He was taken by Bovina EMS to Friona hospital, then on to Amarillo. He was treated

Vega was arrested on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and also on out-of-state warrants. Geries said the trio had been in Hereford before driving to Friona, and that alcohol was involved.



by Bryon Fillpot



4-13-06

LIVE CATTLE: Cash prices this week ended down just a little from last week, but futures prices took a fairly big hit on Thursday. Long term support basis all the Live Cattle contracts was tested and held, but the charts are really beginning to turn negative at this time. If the market fails to trade back above \$95 basis the June contract this week, then the next move down could possible pick up some steam? A close below this weeks low at \$91.95 basis the June contract would be negative.

FEEDER CATTLE: Feeder prices also followed Live Cattle this week on the decline, but held above support levels. Basically, the market is only about 3 days off their highs and has yet to threaten turning down their long term trends. A close below \$107.65 basis the nearby May contract would turn long term trends down. Feeders are paying close attention to the Live Cattle and not so much to corn prices. The market is also beginning to look weak once again?

CORN: The two day limit down really changed the market from a technical perspective, but prices seem to be making another attempt find a bottom? Prices should move lower into early next week and should hold support at \$3.61 basis the July contact. If this takes place then a close above \$3.93 would turn trends back higher?

SOYBEANS: Beans have been the only grain market which has held it's long term uptrend in tact over the last few weeks. Major support at \$7.54 basis the July contract has been able to hold the market together. A close below this level would turn trends down? In order to project a higher move, prices will need to move back above the \$8.00 resistance level.

WHEAT: Although wheat prices had turned long term trends down just a few weeks ago, the market was technically able to turn trends back higher this week. Since much of this weeks rally has been weather related, the market may need to see some follow thru next week in order to confirm a change is really taking place? Weather rallies are sometimes only emotional moves.

COTTON: Cotton prices have remained under pressure over the last 2-3 weeks as long term trends have remained under pressure. At this time, the market looks poised to retest contract lows around the \$52.00 area basis the July contract. Large ending stocks is being blamed for the price decline, but a sharp reduction in acres should eventually support a higher market?

Futures and Options Trading involves risk of loss and

may not be suitable for everyone.

--Mike Pomper

Who to believe?

It sure is hard to believe all that stuff about global warming when the U.S. is suffering its coldest winter in 113 years or so.

I have read a bit on some scientists blaming folks for causing much of the problem, while other scientists don't, saying it's just a weather pattern.

I don't know who to believe.

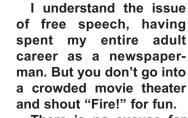
I do believe there are certain steps that need to be taken regarding some man-made gasses holding heat within our atmosphere.

This is one area where I will take a wait-and-see attitude before taking a strong stand.

It's only been a couple of decades since some scientists were adamantly saying we were about to enter a glacial age. Now some are saving the oppo-

Who are we to believe?

A comment on that racist remark made by radio celebrity Don Imus about the Rutgers girls basketball team.



There is no excuse for racism in the media. So I favor Imus being fired.

I didn't find his "joking" humorous. I found it completely reprehensible.

Well, next week is the long-awaited special Tribune issue for Parmer County's 100th anniver-

I hope it's decent. Rob and Becky have worked hard on it.

Anyway, there are no plans for a "follow-up" for another 100 years...

I see that Al-Queda has launched suicide bomb attacks in Algeria, opening a new front in our current World War.

When is the day going to come when our politicians understand the enormity of the problem?

Our leaders are outstanding attorneys, and know our laws inside and out. But when it comes to geopolitics, they sadly lack.

It's been more than five years since 9/11 occurred. And still we don't have any long-range, comprehensive plan to deal with a war that may last 100 years.

There already should have been a special bipartisan committee (Democrat and Republican congressmen and senators) established.

This committee would work closely with our military and national security leaders to develop longrange and worldwide planning to fight the terrorists who wish to destroy our way of life. They would have major decision-making powers.

Each member should serve on this committee as long as they are in office. This would allow the continuity needed and take the war out of the realm of "politics."

President Bush should have urgently stressed the need for this. This isn't "Bush's War." It's a World War. And because of its length, it needs long-range planning, something our presidents, who serve a maximum of eight years, can't accomplish by themselves.

Naturally, none of this has been done because of the stupidity of our lead-

Lazbuddie U.I.L. results given

Here are the results from the high school UIL academic meet Lazbuddie.

Brittney Schacher, news writing, 5th; Rochelle Smith, ready writing, 10th; Chelsee Nichols, calculator, 15th; Chase Timms, computer science, 24th; Katie Chavez, literary criticism, 31st; **Jacob** Schacher, computer science, 33rd; and Kayle Jesko, science, 47th.

Wolverines 1st in Buffalo relays

The Texico Wolverines finished 3rd at the **Buffalo Relays last week with** 41 points. Portales won with 63 and Tucumcari was 2nd with 52. Placing were:

Long jump - Victoria Richards, 5th, 14'6.75.

Discus - Brooke Bailey, 4th, 93'1; Leslie Vannatta, 5th, 87'3.75.

Shot put - Bailey, 2nd, 32'11; Vannatta, 5th, 28'6. 400 relay - Texico, 3rd,

800 relay - Texico, 1st, 1:57.04. 1600 relay - Texico, 2nd,

4:29.32. The Wolverines took 1st at the Buffalo Relays with 77 1/2

points, followed by Tucumari,

56, and Portales, 47. Placing

were: Javelin - Mario Posada, 1st, 149'10; Edgardo Meza, 4th,

141'9. Triple jump - Posada, 1st,

110 hurdles - Aaron Morgan, 3rd, 17.07; Ryan Morgan, 4th, 17.29.

100 dash - Justin Garrison, 1st, 11.16 (state qualifier);

Meza, tie for 4th, 11.38. 400 relay - Texico, 1st,

45.22.

800 relay - Texico, 4th, 1:40.1.

300 hurdles - Aaron Morgan, 4th, 44.41; Ryan Morgan, 5th, 45.22.

1600 medley relay - Texico (state qualifier), 1st, 3:52.7, Posada, Garrison, Meza, Sullivan.

3200 run - Jonathan Sullivan, 2nd, 11:30.40.

1600 relay - Texico, 1st,

Marriage License

The Parmer County clerk's office last week issued a marriage license to Evelyn Culmo and Randy Armstrong.

Farwell ISD has scheduled a Spring Parental Involvement Meeting on Friday. April 20, 2007, during Parent-Teacher Conferences. All parents are encouraged to attend and provide input for the 2007-2008 Title I program.

Durante las conferencias de Los Padres y Mlos Maestros, la Escuela Farwell I.S.D. tendra una junta, viernes, el 20 de abril. La escuela guisiera informacion de los padres para el programa Title I.

AUCTION

All-Stars win

Farwell Tournament and came in 3rd in a National

Little Dribblers Tournament. They played teams

from all over Texas. Members are A.J. Bermea, Jett

Cates, Sam Conlee, J.J. Herrera, Jordan Holguin,

Curt Langford, Chase Mitchell, Danny Reyes,

Trevor Schilling, and Josh Treadway.

The Farwell Jr. Boys All-Stars recently won the



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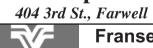
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Wednesday - 7 p.m.

Hamlin Memorial

United Methodist Church

Rev. Scott Spitsberg

Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Assembly of God

Methodist Church

Worship Service -- 9 a.m.

Oklahoma Lane

Sunday School - 10 a.m.

St. John Lutheran

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

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church

Jim Peabody - minister Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship-10:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. winter 7:30 p.m. summer

Lariat Church of Christ

Church, Texico Sam Billingsley - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Bob Burris - minister Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. winter Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. 8 p.m. summer Wednesday - 6 p.m.

First Baptist Church Of Bovina

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday worship & youth, 7 p.m.

Farwell

Convalescent Center

Sunday services -- 9 a.m.

Bible study - 9:30 a.m. Friday

Iglesia Bautista Hispana in Bovina

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

Lazbuddie **Church of Christ**

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

Bovina Church of Christ

Mike Prather, minister Sun. - Bible study - 9:45 a.m. Sun. - Worship - 10:45 a.m.

Wed. - Bible class - 7 p.m.

Lazbuddie Methodist Church

Rev. Ken Peterson Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. Worship -- 10:30 a.m.

San Jose Catholic Church, Texico

Sunday Mass - Noon Religious Education -1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Community Meal -- 1:15 p.m.

Church of Christ

110 Ninth St. Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. summer 8 p.m. winter

Bovina United Methodist Church

Sunday School - 9:45 Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday study, 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.

First Baptist Church

of Lazbuddie

Church of God in Christ

Farwell Country Church James Koehn, Orie Nightingale - ministers Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Mennonite

Worship Service - 11 a.m.

First Baptist Church

of Farwell Rev. Kyle Clayton 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 Farwell Church of Christ Phillip Steyn -- preacher Bible Class Sunday - 10 a.m.

New Light Baptist Church

Worship; 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

In Search -- 7:30 -- Ch. 4 Sun.

Rev. Briyan Phillips Sr. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Bible Study - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

St. Ann's Catholic Church

Fr. Jose Luis Chavez Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m. in English; Noon in Spanish. CCD -- 10:30 a.m. Evening Mass: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wed. - Fri.

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When she has free time, she likes to walk, read and go camping and fishing with her family. The best gift she has ever received from her husband was a fishing pole. She says that as long as she is with her family, she's great.

This is her 9th year teaching at Farwell Elementary. Her first 5 years were spent teaching 1st grade, and now she teaches 4th grade. Her specialty is math. She is always searching for strategies and hands-on activities to help her kids understand abstract concepts. She equips them with the tools to become successful problem

Her philosophy of education is focused on the students. She wants her kids to grow up to be strong leaders. She wants students she teaches to learn more than just "school work" from her. She wants them to learn life's lessons.

One life lesson she wants them to understand is that it isn't always about success but the effort you put into it. She wants them to know that no matter how tough life is, they hold the power to overcome. She also believes that students who have heart are often the most successful.

She says one of her goals is to live life every day like it was her last. She also has the desire to fulfill the purpose, whatever it may be, that God has put her on earth to do. She believes that by doing that, she will be able to make those around her happy and help them to accomplish what they are meant to. She feels very blessed and wants to share it with others.

She can best be described as a fireball! She puts her heart into whatever she is active in. She puts a lot of extra time into volunteering, with 4-H, coaching 5th and 6th grade girls basketball teams, and helping out as a team member with several Walks to

We are so proud to name Kristi White as the winner of Farwell School's Golden Bell Award -- Teacher of the Year for 2007.

Man of the Year

He has always been very enterprising and not afraid to take risks to get ahead in life. From farming with his dad to raising English bulldogs, to starting his own custom harvesting operation at age 18 to raising limousin cattle to starting his own business. He has always been a great businessman; no matter what the odds, he always seems to come out on top.

He has been a prominent member of the Farwell community for the majority of his adult life. He grew up in West Camp, south of Fawell, and because he resided in the "wrong" school district, he went to Muleshoe Schools. Although graduating a "Mule," his interests have been directed toward Farwell. First some background...

He grew up on a farm where his parents gave him responsibilities even at an early age. They taught him good work ethics -- "You get your work done, then you can go and play." This has become evident in his business dealing and outside endeavors. He is known for getting the job done; yet he still manages plenty of time for his favorite past time ... golf.

His parents instilled in him Christian morals; they taught him to go to church on Sunday and to give "thanks" before each meal. So it wasn't a surprise that at a young age, after attending his great-grandmother's funeral, he felt the calling to accept Jesus Christ as his savior.

Growing up on the farm has its responsibilities, sometimes requiring long hours driving a tractor. Sitting atop that tractor, he occupied his time by practicing his crooning at the top of his voice, which has now developed into a beautiful baritone for which he is well known.

Of course, growing up on the farm provided him with a menagerie of pets: dogs, cats, fish and a crow. Yes, a pet crow named Beelzebub, who went everywhere with him, even to church.

And since he grew up on farm, he learned to drive sooner than the legal age. Besides a tractor and a pickup, he had a custom-made dune buggy that he painted red and white. His pet crow rode with him -- just him and ol' Beelzebub.

He also was privileged to learn to fly airplanes. His father had a love of flying that began at age 17 and that love carried over to our Man of the Year. It was never about who had the faster car, but who had the faster airplane. He says one of his life's highlights was soloing at age 16 and getting his pilot's license.

From there, his life only got better. Thirty-six years ago, he met the girl of his dreams and courted her for two years. After announcing their engagement, being the money-savvy person he and his new-found love were, they received money from two cows sold by his soon-to-be father-in-law to use for a wedding or to set up house.

To make a long story short, they eloped in 1972. On that day, Sept. 5, he left this note

"Dad, This is all Farwell Equipment had. I didn't have time to go to Clovis and get the rest. I had to go to a wedding (my own). Gone up towards Colorado. Call you in a day or two. P.S. I'll sow the rye when I get back. Be glad to!"

He farmed for a few years after the couple wed and during this time son Chad was born. In 1976, he decided to try his skills at selling real estate. So in 1978, he obtained his agent's license and signed on with J.B. Sudderth Realty. And in 1979 son Quinn

After learning from the best. he obtained his own broker's license and opened Byrd Realty.

He is an active member at the First Baptist Church of Farwell, where he has taught

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- 2. The election of Trustees from: District 2 (Melrose) District 7 (San Jon-Logan)
- 3. Vote on By-Law change
- 4. All other business which may come before the meeting or any adjournments thereof
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Sunday School and serve as music director with that "well known" baritone voice that has served him well.

He served on the Farwell School Board for 12 years, including 5 as board president; been a member of the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club since 1982; serves on the Farwell Country Club board and has been president of the Farwell Chamber of Commerce since 2000.

He has initiated the annual Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament, which raises funds for on-going projects and to help with student scholarships.

He has also served as a representative to the Panhandle Regional Finance Corp., helping to bring several projects to Parmer County.

Most importantly, though he did nothing to near it, he would admit that his greatest accomplishment is being PawPaul to Mason and Makenna.

Our 2007 Man of the Year is Ronald Byrd.

Students of the Year

Matt Barnes is in the top percent of class academically, has consistently been on the honor roll each six weeks and is a member of the National Honor Society. He plans to attend college next fall.

For several years, he was on the All-District football academic honor rolls. Until he suffered a career ending knee injury last fall, he participated in football and track. He was also active in various UIL events.

He is an accomplished musician, particularly enjoying the guitar. He has been a song leader at his church and a volunteer teacher at Vacation Bible School as well as serving as a volunteer at the Lighthouse Mission in Clovis.

Mrs. Merritt says he is the resident philosopher in her English class. Mrs. Isbell says he is her resident reader who is always open to recommendations on good library books.

He is a leader among his peers, a role model -- especially to younger children -- and an all-around "good guy."

Everyone, students and teachers alike who have come into contact with this fine young man are better for having known him.

Sarah Herington is the perfect example of the type of student all teachers desire to have in their classrooms. She takes her classwork seriously, is always willing to help any teacher or peer, and likes to be involved in all school activities.

She has been on the honor roll each year and is a member of the National Honor Society. She has particiapted in UIL events each year, was a member of the Annual staff, has been a basketball team manager during her four high school years, and serves on the Student Council.

She is a member of Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church and is active in their youth group as well as the Methodist Youth group here in Farwell. Also, she is employed by Farwell Abstract Co. in the afternoons and plans to attend West Texas A&M University this fall.

Mrs. Gregory commented that in art class she knows she can always expect this girl's work to be not only very meticulously completed, but also very creative and challenging. She approaches all her classes with the attitude of doing her best.

Not only is she an excellent and active FHS student, she is also an outstanding young woman of character who goes above and beyond in all aspects of her life.

2 FJH teams win district track meets

The results of the Junior **High District Track Meet on** April 10 have been reported.

Only team totals were given:

7th grade boys -- Olton, 1st, 182 points: Bovina. 2nd, 161; Farwell, 3rd, 156; Springlake-Earth, 4th, 25; Sudan, 5th, 2.

8th grade boys Farwell, 1st, 221; Bovina. 2nd, 134; Olton, 3rd, 121; Sudan, 4th, 89; Springlake-Earth, 5th, 27.

7th grade girls --4th, 63; Sudan, 5th, 37.5.

8th grade girls -- Sudan, Farwell, 1st, 194; Olton, 1st, 233; Springlake-Earth, 2nd, 155; Springlake- 2nd, 123; Bovina, 3rd, 98.5; Earth, 3rd, 84.5; Bovina, Farwell, 4th, 78; Olton, 5th,

Commissioners visit Lazbuddie site

Two Parmer County landowner, who wants to Commissioners on April 11 went to Parmer County Watershed Structure No. 3 in Lazbuddie to view proposals by Dr. R.H. Cox, the ing.

make landscape improvements to the site.

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and in the years since, malaria has resurged with a vengeance. It has been the No. 12 killer of children in the Third World. In the African region south of the Sahara Desert, every year, malaria will kill one out of every 20 children. In Latin America and southern Asia, each year brings another "killing season" of malaria.

The Navy sent me to a lot of places in the world the last 30 years where the killing seasons continue to come every Mosquito netting and antimalarial pills can reduce the chances of contracting malaria but nothing has ever proven to completely eradicate it like DDT had done (as in Taiwan, Sardinia, and other islands, prior to DDT's banning, where the islands' isolation prevented malaria from being reintroduced afterwards.)

Some countries have challenged the worldwide ban on DDT. In 2002, for instance, South Africa, faced with a surge in malaria, used DDT and cut the number of cases by 75 percent in just the first year. But cases of countries defying the ban are rare, and worldwide, the ban on DDT remains the rule.

The ban on DDT has brought millions of malarial deaths or lifelong afflictions over the years are generally chalked up as simply the price to pay to shield people from a carcinogen like DDT, and to protect our environment.

The only problem is that "Silent Spring" was not true.

The 1956 study found DDT did not effect the reproduction of birds, except in one part of the study in which quail that had been fed DDT produced eggs that were 50 percent more likely to successfully hatch. To report the study as reaching the exact opposite conclusion was a fairly significant "misinterpretation" of the data by Rachel Carson.

The 1961 study found the source of liver cancer in the trout came not from DDT but fungi in the test environment. Ms. Carson must have misread that study too.

Of the tens of millions of soldiers, refugees, and simple citizens all over the world who had been exposed to DDT since its invention, not a single case had ever been peer-

tested and replicated that linked DDT to cancer or any other malady. That would seem to have been a fairly good defense for DDT, but not, it seems, to Ms. Carson.

In fact, after her death, one study had people actually drink quantities of DDT every day for a year with no ill effect, but Ms. Carson might discount that evidence too. Whatever she would think, the worldwide ban on DDT would still remain in effect.

Ms. Carson and her disciples campaigned against DDT with the best of intentions, I would think. They made their case on evidence they knew to be incomplete, distorted, or untrue. And they did this, I think, because they must have felt that it was a necessary deception, for the good of the common people, whether they recognized it or not. Maybe they just felt certain that science would vindicate them in the long run.

But their best of intentions have brought more death and misery to Third World countries than we can imagine over the years since. And now, the ban on DDT remains, year after year, through the force of inertia, not through the validity of "Silent Spring" and not through any scientific "vindication" in the years since.

"Silent Spring" hit the best-sellers list, it got a following, it spurred social action, it took on a life of its own, and it appears to continue today based less on science and more on simple pride than anything else. When the butcher bills started coming in, the world seems to have found it easier to block out the images of the killing seasons in poorer countries year by year and just move on, rather than to admit the mistake.

That is the conclusion of this piece, and we can draw whatever lesson we want from it. Next time, perhaps we can discuss another best-selling work produced with the best of intentions that's come out more recently. I heard that it's a documentary, that they loved it at the Academy Awards this year, and that it's called ...

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Jacque Caporusso, 2nd, LD Debate. Brooke Lunsford, 2nd, computer applications. Shelby Christian, 5th, computer applications. Alicia Porter, 2nd, informative speaking. Nina Galvan, 6th, feature writing.

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Order of Cancellation Orden De Cancelacion

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El Farwell Hospital Districto por la presente cancela la eleccion que, de lo contrario, se hubiera celebrado el 12 de Mayo, 2007 de conformidad, con la Seccion 2.053(a) del Codigo de Elecciones de Texas. Los siguientes candidates han sido certificados como candidates unicos y por la presente quedan elegidos como se haya indicado a continuacion:

Candidate (Candidato) Office Sought (Cargo al que presenta

Mike Ratke Board Member
Tom Nichols Board Member
Ryan Williams Board Member
Greg Actkinson Board Member
Jack Kirkland Board Member

A copy of this order will be posted on Election Day at each polling place that would have been used in the election.

President (Presidente)

El Dia de las Elecciones se exhibira una copia de esta orden en todas las mesas Electorales que se hubieran utilizado en la eleccion.

Date of adoption (Fecha de adopcion)

Farwell thinclads advance

Farwell High participated in the Area Track Meet at Wolfforth on April 12.

Tracksters who place in the top 4 advance to regionals at Plains next week.

The girls placed 4th with 63 points:

200 dash - Keegan Langford, 3rd, 28.36.

400 dash - Brianna Anglin, 2nd, 1:04.84.

800 run - Sarahi Saenz, 6th, 2:47.56.

1600 run - Chanel Castillo, 6th, 6:03.98.

3200 run - Castillo, 3rd, 13:18.36.

800 relay -- Farwell, 2nd, 1:56.19, Shelby Christian, Langford, Taylor Fillpot, Tiffani Jones.

1600 relay - Farwell, 2nd, 4:28.22, Anglin, Fillpot, Christian, Kaylyn Meyer. Pole vault - Fillpot, 7th,

7'0.
Long jump -Meyer, 2nd, 15'05.75.

The boys placed in a tie for 7th with 30 points:
400 dash - Alex Olmos, 3rd, 53.70.

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400 relay - Farwell, 4th, 46.43, Miguel Ortega, Trace Stevenson, Olmos, Jake Ware.

1600 relay - Farwell, 2nd, 3:41.90, Emanuel Pereda, Ortega, Finus Nolte, Olmos.

Lady Wolverines 2nd

The Texico Lady Wolverines took 2nd place at the Tatum Relays on April 14. Placing were:

100 dash - Lisa Vidal, 2nd, 13.40; Victoria Richards, 3rd, 13.56.

200 dash - Vidal, 2nd, 28.66; Richards, 3rd, 29.03. 400 dash - Richards, 1st, 1:05.11; Vidal, 2nd,

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Long jump - Richards, 3rd, 14'10 1/2; Vidal, 4th, 14'2.

Discus - Richards, 4th,

71'5. Javelin - Vidal, 2nd, 81'3 1/2; Luscombe, 3rd, 81'0,

1/2; Luscombe, 3rd, 81'0, High jump - Luscombe, 1st, 4'11.

Texico

Monday - chalupas with cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, corn, fruit, milk. Tuesday - popcorn chick-

en, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, hot rolls, fruit, milk.

Wednesday -- spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, hot roll, fruit, milk.

Thursday - BBQ pork sandwich, pork & beans, pickle spears, fruit, milk.

Friday - pizza, garden salad, fruit, milk.

Farwell

Monday -- soft bean & cheese burritos, salad, spanish rice, peach half, milk. Tuesday - sliced turkey,

mashed potatoes, broccoli and cheese, hot rolls, fruit, milk. Wednesday -pizza, garden

salad, carrot sticks, fruit, milk. Thursday - tacos, salad,

corn, cookie, fruit, milk.

Friday - fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, biscuits, jelly, milk.

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Farwell to offer 8th graders vocational ag

The Farwell School Board on Tuesday gave a vote of confidence for the school vocational ag pro-

Entering 9th graders in September will need to have four years of both math and science, and this cuts down on elective choices.

So the school will begin offering vocational ag classes in the 8th grade.

The board wants to build interest in the program and give it an opportunity to work.

The board met with ag

The Latest

Eliseo Garza, 26, began his new job as Farwell police officer last week.

He comes from Amarillo.

This gives Farwell two police officers. The police chief is Scott Burton.

The annual banquet **Farwell** honoring Convalescent Center volunteers will be April 20 at 7:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Clovis.

Farwell High basketball player Britton Barrett played last week in the Golden Spread Tourney in Amarillo.

It looked for awhile yesterday afternoon that a tornado might hit Bovina

Fortunately, it was just a "land spout" that hit east of Bovina.

Word has been received of the death of Thad Isbell. 71, of Friona, who died Tuesday.

Services are at 7 p.m. April 19 at Steed-Todd Chapel in Clovis.

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teacher Wayne Sales. In other business, the

board:

-- Heard board member Randy Mitchell announce his resignation. Under state law, he remains as a board member until a replacement is made.

Supt. Larry Gregory will check into how this will be done, since an election is set for May with three persons seeking two board posts.

-- There will be no school on May 7, a "snow day."

-- Voted to not retain Underwood law firm, of Amarillo, on a retainer basis, since they are not being used very much.

Farwell hires Hutchins

The Farwell City Council on Tuesday hired Lee **Hutchins on a contractural** basis for the coming year.

days during the year.

He will be cutting back on his electrical business.

mals on a property, etc.

He also will seek grants to help solve some of

The council will try this for a year to see how it

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He likes to ride his bike.

His favorite color is blue. He likes

He doesn't like to clean up after himself.

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Notice of Public Meeting To discuss Lazbuddie ISD"s 2005-2006 Accountability Rating

Lazbuddie ISD will held a public meeting at 7:45 p.m. on May 8, 2007, in the Lazbuddie ISD Board Room, Lazbuddie TX 79053.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Lazbudddie ISD's rating on the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS).

to work on city clean-up

Hutchins, an electrician who is Farwell's Fire Marshal, will be paid a flat amount for working 80

His job will be to work on "cleaning up" the community, to make sure city codes are being enforced. This deals with high weeds, abandoned vehicles, junk, too many ani-

these problems.

works.

In other business, the

-- Heard Police Chief Scott Burton said there has been a rash of stereos being stolen out of parked cars this week. About seven have been reported.

For the month, Burton said 27 traffic citations have been handed out. He also checked on a

report of a stolen vehicle, which was recovered in Texico. Burton is also working

on the problems of trucks

illegally using city streets,

except for deliveries. -- Heard City Clerk Cynthia Thigpen report that Jehovah's Witnesses, of Clovis, want to use the **Farwell Community Center** for a "religious gathering," but wants to pay a lower rent, not hire security and have wine available for use in a religious ceremony (but not for drinking).

The council said the group, if it wants to use

the facility, must obey the same rules as everyone else -- pay the normal rent, hire security and no alcohol on the premises.

-- Okayed building permits for Pansies Posies & Potpourri, a fence at 703 Ave. A; Scott Burton, a storage building at 201 3rd St., and R.C. Davis, a carport at 611 5th St.

-- Gave approval to Frank Galvan to close the 500 block of 4th Street on Saturday for a motorcycle rally to raise funds for Clovis tornado victims.

Galvan said he has talked with his neighbors and there is no opposition.

More than 100 bikers are expected. There will be games, plust live band music.

Activities are expected to start after 1 p.m. Galvan said the music will end by 8 p.m.

Texico Municipal Schools will be reviewing and seeking input on the 2007-2008 school budget. All patrons of the district are wel-

The budget review meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 24, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Texico Education Complex.

For more information, please call 482-3801.

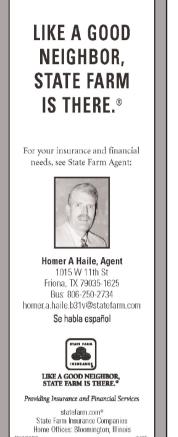


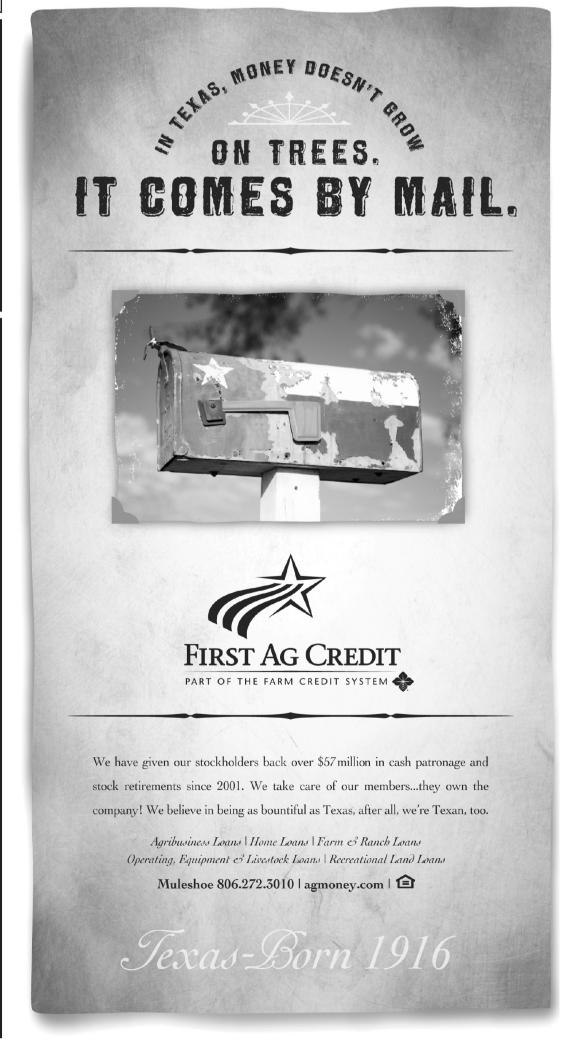
School dates to remember

Farwell -- Honors banquet, May 8; prom, May 12; band concert and art show. May 17: FFA banquet, May 19; kindergarten graduation, May 16; baccalaureate, May 20; graduation, May 25; and UIL banquet (tentative), May 22.

Lazbuddie -- junior high academic program, May 15; high school academic program. May 22: athletic banquet, May 19; graduation, June 1, and FFA banquet, May 8 at 6 p.m. The prom already has been

Texico -- FFA banquet. April 30; kindergarten graduation, May 2; FCCLA banquet, May 1; athletic awards for junior high, followed by high school, May 7: high school academic awards, May 10; and graduation, May 14.





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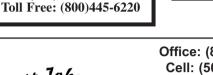
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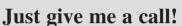
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Lazbuddie area -- 28 acr)s, etc llent water, 2 wells, lays well.

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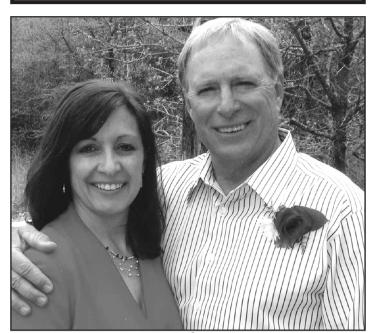
Storage Unit Sale

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Kim Norton

weds Ron Anderson

Kimberly Naegle Norton and Ron Anderson, both of Farwell, were married on March 24 at Rising Star, Texas. The couple honeymooned in Napa, Calif.

The Latest

A blood drive is set in the bloodmobile at Texico Schools on April 26 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. mt.

For an appointment, call Dana at 482-3801.

Betty Jean Kelley, former longtime Tribune staffer, called from Paradise, Texas, where she and Randy live, to say hi to all the local folks.

Texico police report all quiet last week.

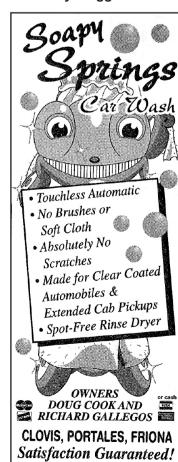
J'lae Meritt, granddaughter of Bovina's Lawrence and Karen Widener, and Farwell's Percy and Patsy Meritt, will be going on a mission trip to Leon, Mexico. The trip is sponsored by the Sunset Church of Christ in Lubbock

Farwell Elementary students took donations for tornado victims in Clovis.

They gave \$595 in cash to the Red Cross and \$260 (plus \$300 worth of groceries and clothes) to the Salvation Army.

Correction:

The Texico Booster Club will meet on April 23 about 8 p.m. at the ag farm (after the baseball game) to discuss any suggestions to



Open 24 Hours

school officials on base-ball field changes.

A thunderstorm, with small hail, shot through the Twin Cities on Friday morning.

Meet Texico's Class of 2019

Michael De La Rosa is a Texico kindergartener. His birthday is April 30.

Parents are Paul De La Rosa

Parents are Paul De La Rosa and Edna Gonzalez. His sister is Martha. Grandparents are Linda Anzmendez and Guadalupe De La Rosa.

He likes to play football and t-

He likes to play football and tball. His favorite color is red. His favorite food is chicken nuggets. He doesn't like green beans.

Sponsored by the Texico Branch of the Citizens Bank of Clovis

(50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Mrs. Jim Terrell was elected Farwell PTA president.

Martin's Garage in Texico was destroyed by fire. Edith Ann Walling had a birthday party that was part of an afternoon TV show, "Kiddie Carnival."

Frank Hinkson was re-elected Lazbuddie School Board president.

Hadley Reeve, who served on the Farm Bureau board in its early years, died.

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Lazbuddie Elementary School Students of the Week



Shyann Rainey, 10, daughter of Kenneth and Ann Rainey, is a 5th grader. Her birthday is March 20. Favorites: food, my grandpa's potato soup; subject, math; color, sky blue; friend, Kinsey Johnston; most admired, my grandpa, Jack Riders.



Albert Moran, 10, son of Javier Solano and Sulema Moran, is a 4th grader. His birthday is March 4. Favorites: food, pizza; book, Hank the Cowdog; subject, sports; color, red; friend, Haldon; most admired, mom and dad.

ATTENTION

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Curry County Treasurer

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Terry gives legislators opinion on utility hikes

Here is part of the speech given by City Manager Ernest Terry to a State House committee on energy resources last week, concerning House Bill 1994 which would eliminate GRIP (Gas Reliability Infrastructure Program) rate hikes by Atmos Energy:

"We are very concerned about the abuses of the GRIP surcharge. I have no doubt that the utility lobby, for they are all honorable men and women, will tell you today that they are very sorry for those abuses that they committed, and that it will never happen again. While I hope that is true, for honorable people will not lie, I personally think that it sounds like someone caught with their hand in the cookie jar.

"Even if GRIP wasn't so susceptible to abuse and has so little oversight - GRIP is not necessary and should be repealed. GRIP is a piecemeal rate making mechanism that allows a company to impose higher costs, to the ratepayer, without review of the reasonableness of those costs, when a comprehensive review might necessitate a rate reduction. Ratemaking that is designed to protect the public interest should compare all costs with all revenues from the same time period. The Texas GRIP statute violates that time-matching principle.

"The GRIP surcharge seriously upsets the balance between ratepayers and shareholders of a monopoly utility. When I say that natural gas service is a monopoly service. I mean that our city and this state protects these investor-owned, for-profit natural gas utilities from having to compete against anyone.

"Citizens in my city cannot turn to any other provider when the monopoly utility starts levying a surcharge that may not be documented and includes costs for their lavish meals and celebrations. I am sure that you are receiving calls from your constituents regarding their high electric and natural gas bills.

"Tell me what to say to those citizens of Bovina, those retired, elderly, and on a fixed income when they get a monthly \$200 to \$300 gas bill in the winter. Tell me what to say to my citizens when their gas bills are increased through GRIP ... for leather furniture, coffee makers, wood wall paneling, LCD TVs for the break room, and donations to, I'm sure, honorable organizations.

"I'm sure that you care for these folks who elected you to this great body, and that you care about doing the right thing. Repealing GRIP, this unnecessary, unfair, and unworkable statute, is one step toward protecting good Texans, like those in Bovina, that struggle to pay utility bills."

Drug program set

A drug and alcohol awareness program is planned for Bovina High School and Middle School students on April 26.

The schedule includes:

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. -- The "Grim Reaper" will visit 6th through 12th grade classrooms at random to pull out a student to illustrate the fact that an American dies every 20 minutes in a drug- or alcohol-related traffic accident.

12:45 to 2:15 p.m. -- Law enforcement will set up outside and show disorientation training exercises and activities. Leaders will be Bovina Police Chief Leon Saddler, Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geries and Trey Ellis, of the Texas Highway Patrol.

2:15 to 3:45 p.m. -- A law enforcement program will be presented for all students in the auditorium, followed by special speakers Holly Campbell and Charlie Fleming.

County water levels

High The Underground

Here are the results for

Districtwide:

Parmer County: Average annual change, 1997 to 2007, -0.77".

2002 to 2007, -0.63".

Average annual change,

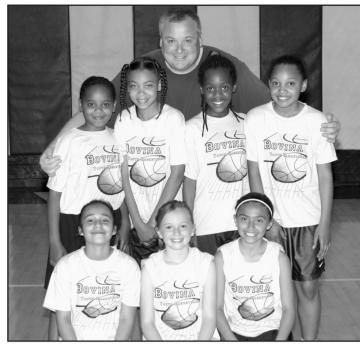
2006 to 2007, -1.01".

Average annual change, 1997 to 2007, -1.62".

Average annual change,

2006 to 2007, -1.22".

BOVINA BASKETBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS



Grades 3-4: Holly Duval, Andrea Villarreal, Amber Carlisle, April Fitten, Monica Donner, Ashley Gallagher, Nichele Hyman. The Bovina Little League apoligizes with all their hearts for the mix-up at the awards ceremony. Congratulations on your 1st place finish.

Not pictured: Grades 5-6: Karina Galaviz, Shea Scott, Ashton Mason, Katlyn Hicks, Shyann Rainey, Allison Weaver, Jessica Estrada, Griselda Galvan, Berenice Galvan.

GO MUSTANGS!







Grades 3-4: Tony DeLeon, Marcos DeLeon, Justus Brozek, Kolby Bonham, Joseph Brito, Joshua Marrufo, Oscar Nieto, Diego Nieto.



Grades 5-6: Rolando Gutierrez, Eduardo Salas, Joe Torres Jr., Abel Rocha, Andrew Marrufo, Zachery Castillo, Kristain Antillion, Justin Curtis.

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Average annual change,

Parmer County:

2002 to 2007, --1.26". Average annual change,



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Thursday, April 19, 2007 -- Sale Time 10:00 A.M.

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Letter to the Editor

From page 12 to compare ourselves to the tragedy that the New

Orleans victims had to endure. I am not defending those people who lost everything and then just sat there waiting on someone (our government) to fix everything. I am defending the people that in the words of Mr. Terry, "got 'r done!" These people did what they needed to until our government was able to come in and assist them in this particular national disaster.

There were thousands upon thousands of people who in New Orleans not only did not accept Government help but they did everything within their powers to assist others so that they did not have to accept Government assistance either. These are people who went days without eating a thing while giving everything given to them by the Red Cross to people that they helped rescue from roofs, rushing waters, and attics. These are people who stayed up for 48 and 60 hours at a time helping total and complete strangers look for their children and children looking for what was left of their families.

I was raised in Bovina until my 7th grade year, I have family in Bovina, and still have heartstrings in Bovina, but I have also been living in Florida off and on for the past six years. I have had to deal with the hurricanes going to Mississippi and Louisiana first hand.

Respectfully,

J.D. (Jones) Chandler-Autrey

Dear Editor.

Either the Bovina city government or the Bovina **Economic Development Corporation (BEDC) is dead set** on trying to explain why I resigned from the BEDC.

It has been reported in the paper and in the city council meeting minutes that I resigned for some of the following reasons, all of which are FALSE!

"It was due to possible conflict of interest. Swafford had formed his own wind corporation that might be construed in competition with the BEDC plans to generate development in this area."

2. In the City council meeting minutes the following was recorded as my reason for resigning: "...the President of the BEDC and the Board of directors lost faith in his ability to fairly represent the interest of the

Here are the true facts as to why I resigned as a volunteer for the BEDC:

· From July 1, 2006 to March 5, 2007 I was the volunteer Bovina Economic Development Coordinator for the **BEDC**

· I resigned March 5, 2007, of my own free will, over a policy issue with the President of the BEDC. He made a personal executive decision that involved Mayor Stan Miller without the full sanctions of the BEDC Board. Details of this event are in my resignation letter. I handed my letter of resignation to Mike McCallum, Jeff Steelman, and Kenneth Waters at a meeting on March 7, 2007.

I challenge the BEDC board to produce publicly any BEDC board meeting minutes prior to my March 5, 2007 resignation where the BEDC board reprimanded me for

conflict of interest, losing faith in me, or unfairly representing the BEDC.

I am a business owner in Bovina and I have an interest in developing the economic base in Parmer County and the surrounding area. I will continue to work to improve our economic base.

Jim Bob Swafford **Ex-Volunteer BEDC coordinator**

Bovina Banter

(plus candles) during this

A big tree behind City Hall fell due to high winds and ripped out lines.

The outage also affected a home.

Jessica **Bachicha** played last week in the Golden Spread basketball tourney in Amarillo.

Kathryn Alyse was born to Willie and Ashley Torres, of Bovina, on April 11 at Baptist St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo.

She weighed 5 lbs., 13 oz. and was 18 1/2" long. **Grandparents** are Yolanda Maldonado, of Claude, Texas, and Casey and Bethany Cameron, of Canyon.

From page 12

Hannah Miller went to Levelland on Friday to compete in the Regional UIL events. She went in Number Sense Mathematics.

She placed 16th in Mathematics out of 48 kids. Way to go Hannah!

Winners of the fire department's giveaways:

Sandra Dominguez, ribeye steaks; Jack Rains, hamburger meat; and Dino Garcia, \$50 certificate to Lowe's Home Improvement.

Guevara homers in Mustangs' win

The Bovina Mustangs had a couple of postponements due to the weather, but did play one game, destroying Hartley, 16-6.

The Mustangs pounded out 16 hits against Hartlev. scoring in every inning. Frankie Guevara and Jose Gutierrez combined on a 4-hitter.

Almost all the Mustangs got hits:

Frankie Guevara, 1 hit, 1 RBI and 2 runs scored; Jaime Chavira, 3 hits, 2 RBIs and 2 runs scored; Rodrigo Nunez, 3 hits, 1 RBI and 3 runs scored; Gutierrez, 2 hits, 1 RBI and 1 run scored; Isaias Castillo, 3 hits, 3 RBIs and 2 runs scored; Miguel Nunez, 2 hits and 2 runs scored; Richard Villarreal, 2 hits, 2 RBIs and 1 run scored; Jesus Guevara, 1 hit, 1 RBI and 1 run scored; and Robert Knoll, 2 runs scored.

Guevara had a home run; Chavira a triple, and Villarreal and Rodrigo Nunez, two doubles apiece.

The Boys Ranch game has been rescheduled for April 26 here. And the Nazareth game has been rescheduled for April 27 there.

Bovina is 2-8-1 on the season with both their wins coming in the last three games.



Lilly Michel weds Blake Sudderth

Mr. and Mrs. Al Michel of Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Glenden Sudderth of Bovina announce the marriage of their children, Lilly Michel and Blake Sudderth. The couple was married at the Little White Wedding Chapel in Las Vegas, Nev., on Feb. 28. They will live in Liberty Hill, Texas. Lilly is employed at National Western Life Insurance Co. of Austin and Blake is a partner in Sudderth Brothers Contracting, of Leander.

Track From page 12 800 run -- Gomez, 4th.

1600 run Rodriguez, 2nd. 100 hurdles -- Judith Rodriguez, 2nd. 300 hurdles -- Rodriguez, 2nd. Triple jump -- Nicolas, 3rd;

Rodriguez, 6th.

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City of Bovina

(Ciudad de Bobina)

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTIONS (AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voter of the City of Boyina, Texas: (A los votantes registrados del Ciudad de Bovina, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on 12 May 2007, for voting in a general election to elect three (3) City Councilmen (two year term. (Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. alas 7: p.m. el 12 de Mayo de 2007 para votar en la Elección General para elegir tres (3) El Consejal de la Ciudad.)

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACE (DIRECCION DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

> **Bovina EMS Building** 109 3rd Street Bovina, Texas 79009

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at City Hall, 205 North Street, Bovina, Texas 79009, between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm beginning on 30 April 2007 and ending

(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en City Hall, 205 North Street, Bovina, Texas 79009, entre las 8:00 de la mañana y 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 30 de Abril 2007 y terminando el8 de Mayo 2007.)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:

Bonnie Scaff Early Voting Clerk Secretaria de Votación Adelantada PO Drawer 720 Bovina, TX 79009

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than close of business on 27 April 2006. (Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de las horas de negocio el 27 Abril 2007.)

Issued this 13th day of February 2007

Stan Miller Mayor, City of Bovina (Alcade, Cuidad de Bovina)



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Easter Egg Hunt

The annual Easter Egg Hunt was held at the city park on Sunday, a week late because of the severe weather the preceding weekend. Sponsors are the Bovina Lions Club and Volunteer Fire Department.







1:59.46, Jessica Bachicha,

1600 relay - Bovina, 4th,

High jump - Guevara,

Shot put - Bachicha,

Discus - Bachicha, 1st,

The boys finished 16th

1600 run - Isai Saucedo,

3200 run - Saucedo, 2nd,

Guevara,

Quintero,

Hilda Quintero,

Garcia, Ruby Vela.

4:35.98,

Garcia.

1st, 5'0.

116'02.

2nd, 34'07.

with 12 points:

4th, 4:55.42.

Saucedo,

Bovina Banter

Toya DeLeon • 251-1496

Saturday is the citywide cleanup day, starting at 9

Items to be hauled off need to be put by the curb (not in the alley by the dumpster) and the city will pick them up with the

Old junked cars can be hauled off, if written permission is given.

Volunteers are needed to help.

If you can help, or if you need assistant for a pickup, call The Bone Joint at 251-1300 or LaJuana Renfro at (806) 535-1598.

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will have a school and community Blood **Drive at the Bovina School** cafeteria on April 23.

The schedule is: students and faculty, 2 to 4 p.m.; community, 4 to 7 p.m.

All donors will receive tshirts.

To schedule an appointment, call (877) 574-8800.

The high school Student Council is sponsoring the event.

The Mustangs baseball team plays at Boys Ranch on April 20, then hosts

Kress on April 24. Both games are at 4:30 p.m.

The city has sold out of the weather radios it had on hand.

But it has ordered 50

They are being sold for \$10 to persons living within the Bovina EMS area.

Normally, the radios cost about \$40 but the county is subsidizing

Some important dates to put on your calendar:

The high school prom will be April 28; the athletic banquet will be May 17; the Middle School academic awards ceremony will be at 2:45 p.m. on May 22; and the high school graduation will be May 25.

Cinco de Mayo is coming.

Students will attend a festival in Portales on May

And there will be a talent show on May 11 in the Bovina School auditorium.

City Hall had a power outage the middle of last week and used a generator

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Tracksters advance to regional meet

Here are the results of Bovina tracksters participating in the Area Meet on April 12 at Wolfforth.

Those who place in the top 4 spots advance to the Regional Meet at Plains this week.

Bovina results at Area

The girls finished 5th with 60 points:

400 dash - Esmeralda

Saucedo, 4th, 1:07.11. 800 run - Saucedo, 3rd,

2:33.52. 100 hurdles - Yesenia

Guevara, 2nd, 16.84. 300 hurdles - Guevara,

4th. 51.62.

10:43.09.

800 relay - Bovina, 6th,

Junior High track results Here's how Bovina Junior

High tracksters did at the **District Meet:** Girls "A Team" -- 3rd place.

400 relay, 4th, Rika Bermea, Lynda Rodriguez, Blanca Vidana, Alejandra Chavez.

800 relay - 4th, Regina Quintero, Jennifer Delgado, Rodriguez, Mayra Gomez.

1600 relay - 4th, Bianca Roldan, Blanca Gomez, Herrera, Yadira Garcia. 400 dash --3rd place -

Garcia, 3rd; Roldan, 4th; Vidana, 5th. 800 dash - Garcia, 2nd;

Roldan, 5th. 1600 run -- Quintero, 6th. 100 hurdles -- Herrera, 2nd; Delgado, 3rd. 300 hurdles -- Herrera, 1st;

Delgado, 3rd. Discus - Padyn Hughes, 1st; Sirina Ramirez, 6th.

Shot Put -- Hughes, 3rd; Ramirez, 4th.

High Jump -- Delgado, 6th.

Girls "B Team" 4th place: 400 relay - 3rd, Jenny Garza, Vivyan Mesza, Delia Kimberly Banuelos. Gutierrez.

800 relay - 4th, Garza, Mesza, Banuelos, Crystal Nicolas.

1600 relay - 4th, Banuelos, Mesza. Nicolas, Yvette Gomez.

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City council okays rate case settlement

The Bovina City Council on April 10 approved the settlement with SPS on its rate case.

This means that the amount of franchise tax money that SPS refunds to the city each year will increase from 2 percent to 5 percent of the gross receipts.

In other business, the council:

-- Heard a presentation by Bovina Economic Development Committee chairman Mike McCallum on the recent situation where Jim Bob Swafford resigned as BEDC volunteer coordinator due to a possible conflict of interest since he is involved in a wind generation business.

No action was taken.

-- Approved a tax abatement policy to help certain businesses wishing to set up in Bovina.

Tax abatements would be over a 5-year period: 90 percent the first three years, 75 percent the 4th year and 60 percent the 5th year.

Businesses would get these abatements if it met the following criteria: the project would cost at least \$500,000 or (for an existing local business) would have an annual payroll increase of at least \$105,000, and would create at least five new permanent fulltime jobs.

-- On the agenda was a request by Wayne Smith, of Bovina's cotton gin, to purchase city land adjacent to the gin. But Smith did not appear nor send a request, so it was not discussed.

-- Approved the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department's request to buy a Fast Attack Rig. It will cost about \$32,000, and the fire department has the funds on hand.

-- Heard LaJuana Renfro, representing the Bovina Chamber of Commerce, note that the citywide cleanup day will be April 21 and more volunteers are needed.

School board election cancelled

-- Set the next council meeting for May 8.

The Bovina School Board on April 10 voted to cancel the board election since there were only three candidates for the three positions.

Thus, incumbents Richard Carson, Don Teague and George Villarreal will be re-elected.

In other business, the board:

-- Approved summer school teachers. Summer school will run from June 4 to June 29.

-- Kept breakfast, lunch and milk prices the same for 2007-2008.

Breakfast costs students 50 cents and adults \$1. Lunches cost students \$1 and adults \$2.60.

-- Heard that the science lab remodeling construction project will start soon. Bids are being let.

-- Heard Supt. Bill Bizzell report that the budget is in

good shape this year.

-- Re-hired the at-will personnel

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor.

In your April 5 edition, I read the article entitled "Terry: Bovina shows 'a good example of the American spirit'." I was so very pleased to read that Bovina had come together so well to help each other with the damage that was caused by the area storm.

However, when I read the following quote, I was upset. "No one stood around with their hand out for their government to help them. Unlike what we saw from New Orleans, well ... let's just say I was proud of Bovina's community involvement and attitude."

Now personally, I don't know if this was just an extremely bad choice of words here or just plain ignorance, but I cannot believe that anyone would even compare the two. The damage done by Hurricane Katrina is not even closely comparable to the damage that Bovina incurred.

In Bovina, tree tops were twisted off, branches were broken off trees, carports blown away, storage sheds destroyed, shingles and roofs damaged, and fences blown down.

In Hurricane Katrina. however, people's houses, fences, carports, trees, and two story buildings were under water! Everything they had ever acquired was destroyed, families lost mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, sons, daughters, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and even their pets. There was no electricity, no running water, and no way of being able to contact their loved ones to find out if they were dead or alive, not minutes, or hours, not even days but weeks and in some areas even months. There was no community left to come together to "show 'a good example of the American spir-

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