

Linda retires after 31 years of smiles

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By Lindsey Mullin
When Linda Hardy (known for years as Linda Moss before she got married last year) started working as a cook at the Farwell School cafeteria in 1977, she didn't quite know what she was getting herself into.

Now, after working there for 31 years, Linda is ready to retire with fond memories and great friendships that will last a lifetime.

"When I first started out, I thought 'Oh it's just a job,'" Linda says, "but the longer I stayed, I realized God put me here for a reason."

Thirty-one years ago,

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Linda Hardy

Texico looks at mandatory water conservation

The Texico City Council on June 10 discussed moving Texico up to Phase II water conservation. Phase II includes mandatory restrictions on water usage as well as fines for breaking the rules.

Councilman Doug Scioli pointed out that some city wells are not running, but one should be tied into the water system this week. It should make a difference.

Councilman Jerry Bradley stated that if the city doesn't get cooperation with voluntary water conservation, than it will be made mandatory.

The council will look at

the situation at the next meeting on June 24.

In other news, the council:

- Looked at the existing fireworks ordinance. The current rules state that no fireworks can be used in Texico. The city police will enforce the rules.

- Received the resignations of Officer Andrews and Deputy City Clerk Lupe Olivas, who has taken a job in Santa Fe.

- Discussed a construction variance for Tim Lasiter to build a garage at the corner of Rose Street and Avenue D. City Inspector Terry Martin said that a carport is legal to build on their

lot, but an enclosed garage would have to be approved by the council.

City Attorney Marion Rutter stated that the houses within 100 feet of the proposed garage would have to be contacted before construction could begin. Mrs. Lasiter pointed out that there were no houses within 100 feet, but the council wanted to look into it to be sure.

- Approved closing Anderson Street near Citizens Bank during the Border Town Days parade on July 26 for the bicycle contest participants.

- Passed resolutions

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Texico field fire

Smoke clouds covered Texico this past Sunday when a farmer burned off a field east of town. The hot, dry conditions made it quick work. Texico Fire Chief Lewis Cooper asked everyone to remember that the city is under a fire ban and fireworks are not allowed in the city limits.



Dear Farwell Alumni, School Employees and Friends of Farwell ISD,

This year is Farwell School's 100th year anniversary. Since 1908 when Farwell's citizens saw the need for a school, our town has striven to provide the best education possible for its children. In the May 2, 1908 election, the first school board, J.M. Hamlin, Alex Shipley, Ed Shopbeth, J.M Kindred, Joe Francis, R.C. Hopping and John Simmons came together to organize Farwell Independent School District. Teachers were hired at a monthly salary of \$60 per month. A building was needed, so of course a property tax was added to pay for the \$1000 bond. The stage was set to bring together thousands of students for learning, sports, music, acting, baking pies, mechanics, raising animals and developing friendships that would span decades.

The time has come to celebrate "100 years of Excellence" for Farwell Schools. We invite you to share this time with us in conjunction with our annual Border Town Days this year. This will be a time to be together again as we honor those who helped build our school and enjoy the company of friends and family. There will be class reunions, held at the discretion of each class, door prizes, a raffle, awards and lots of reminiscing. The schedule is listed below to help you make your plans.

Farwell ISD 100th Year Celebration

Friday, July 25, 2008

- Farwell High School Gym – 800 Ave. H
- 5:00 pm - Doors open for registration
- 6:00 pm - Dedication of the gym to Jack Williams
- Meal served – complements of Farwell Schools
- Announcements and awards throughout the evening
- 8:00 pm - Goodbyes and fond farewells

Saturday, July 26, 2008

- Border Town Days - Farwell City Park
- 7:00 am – 10:00 am - Sausage/Pancake Breakfast at the Farwell Community Center – (the old bowling alley). Proceeds to benefit the Farwell Senior Citizens Meal Site
- 10:00 am - Border Town Parade begins
- Park Activities throughout the day
- 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm - Farwell ISD Open House

We will honor long-time employee, Jack Williams, by dedicating our high school gym as the Jack Williams Complex. Mr. Williams served Farwell Schools for 31 years beginning in 1945. During the course of his time here, he taught math, coached football and basketball; was the principal for our elementary, jr. high and high school and served as our superintendent. In each of these positions he was a "Jack" of all trades, filling in where needed, showing by example what it took to push our school system forward so that all students benefited from their time as a Farwell student.

There will plenty of food, but a RSVP would help. The Administration office phone number is 806-481-3371. You can email us at kcurtis@farwellschools.org or go to the school web site at www.farwellschools.org. Join us for this special weekend as we look "ever upward, ever onward".

All fireworks banned in Farwell due to dry conditions

The Farwell City Council was joined by new Police Chief Larry Kelsay this Tuesday. His first duty as the new chief was to bring in a formal policy and procedures manual for the department to go by. He said that this was a good start, and the manual can be added onto. Kelsay said, "When I left Cactus, Texas their manual was about three inches thicker than it was when I started."

He also set a procedure manual for filing a complaint against the department. He said that all complaints must be written and signed, and the police chief will start an investigation from there. If the complaint is against the police chief, than the mayor and city council will be called in to look into the problems.

Kelsay said that he is excited to begin working in town and looks forward to close relationships with both the Parmer County Sheriff's Department and the Texico Police.

In other business, the council:

- Voted to keep fireworks out of Farwell this year due to the dry conditions. Any firework, including small fire crackers and ground fountains, can lead to

a fine of up to \$200.

- Heard from Street Superintendent Joe Servin that the city well near the cemetery needed a new motor, and several of the other wells have dropped from around 150 gallons per minute to 60 gpm.

- Voted on rate increases that Xcel Energy asked for. They turned down a request for an immediate rate increase as the state Public Utility Commission is looking into that now. They approved a request for an interim rate increase.

- Approved construction permits for Lupe Garza on the 500 block of 7th street to put in a storage building. They also approved two permits for roof repairs.

- Discussed the new community center rules. They will be voted on at the next meeting. The deposits for renting the center have been increased to \$500. School and church events are exempted.

- Agreed to loan Farwell Schools several tables from the community center for the 100th anniversary celebration on July 25.

- Approved a variance for Kirkland Pump to keep goats on their property on the east side of town. The goats are there for weed control. It was pointed out that there were no houses in the area. The only condition is that the goats are fenced and controlled.

- Received a report from the Highway Department that several highway signs need to be replaced. City Code Enforcer Lee Hutchins pointed out that most of the signs were old No Parking signs that were used many years ago when you could still park on the highway in town. The city voted to remove the signs rather than pay to replace them.

- Heard that the speed limit on city streets is thirty miles per hour maximum. The highway has a higher limit, but it is set by the state.

- Approved an ordinance setting a two hour time limit for parking in alleys in town. The exceptions include utility work, or emergencies. The police department will have authority to impound the vehicle.

- Discussed a building on Avenue A that has several broken windows facing the highway. A certified letter has been sent to the owner, and if no action is taken, Hutchins said, the council will look into other options.

- Learned that three members of the fire department went to a special school in Lubbock dealing with alcohol based fires. Farwell generally has at least one train pass through town carrying ethanol. In the event of a fire, the department doesn't have the correct foams to stop the blaze. The closest fire department that could help is in Amarillo. Hutchins asked the council for the money to buy 100 gallons of the special foam and a nozzle to disperse it. The council asked Hutchins to look into a regional grant that is offered by ENMR-Plateau.

The Latest

Texico School Supt. R.L. Richards announced that Ryan Autrey will be the new varsity girls' head basketball coach.

Last year, he served as an assistant coach for the team.

Word has been received of the death of longtime Texico resident Gracie Yoder Dane, 92, of Roswell, N.M.

She died June 9. She graduated from Texico High School in 1933.

Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church in Farwell is starting a 5 week bible study class with all of the Sunday School classes participating. The subject for the course is how to bring people to God in current times.

The classes will lead up to the annual Church Outside the Walls held at the city park.

Area students on the spring semester Dean's Honor Roll at ENMU are:

Texico - Stephanie Bailey, Alexandra Brooks, Mikayla Cherry, Melissa Freitas, Lacy Price, Gabriel Sena, John Nathan Williams.

Farwell - Sandra Hudson.

Xcel Energy has announced it is requesting rate hikes for Texas customers.

If approved by the state, residential customers would see a 10 percent overall rate hike after fuel costs savings are counted, or about \$10.33 a month on an average 1,000 kilowatt-hour bill.

There will be a t-ball tournament at the Farwell baseball park on Saturday starting at 9 a.m. Teams are expected to come from all over the area to play.

Some notes from the First Baptist Church of Farwell:

Texico's Mike and Cindy Littlejohn will have a going away potluck lunch party this Sunday after church.

There is a golf scramble scheduled for June 19 at the Farwell Country Club.

The church sent several girls to the Girls in Action camp in Floydada.

Super Summer Kids will be meeting Wednesday nights through the summer at 6:30. All are invited.

Lazbuddie's Jill and Chris Timms celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary on Monday night.

The Oklahoma Lane Community Choir will be presenting their annual patriotic program at the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church on Saturday, June 28 at 7 p.m.

The program is a tribute to our country, the veterans, and the men and women currently serving in the military. There will be punch, cookies and homemade ice cream following the program.

Marriage License

The Parmer County clerk's office issued a marriage license last week to Ashley Joplin and Daniel Usery.



T-ball tourney coming



Farwell will host a t-ball tournament this Saturday. Several area teams are expected to participate. The concession stand will be open with burgers and hot dogs for fans.

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Meet Farwell's Class of 2020



Sylvia Galvan is a Farwell kindergarten. Her birthday is Oct. 4.

Parents are Michael & Tracy Galvan. She has a brother, Sebastian. Grandparents are Frank & Dalia Galvan, and Juan & Effie Warnr.

She likes to swim, rider her bike, color and play in the sandbox. Her favorite color is red. She likes pizza and cheeseburgers.

She doesn't like veggies, mayo & mustard.

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Obituaries



Ruth Irene Drager

Services for Ruth Irene Drager, 91, of the Rhea Community were June 16, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Lariat, with Pastor David Symm officiating. Burial followed at the Rhea Lutheran Cemetery by Blackwell Funeral Home.

Survivors include two sons, Raymond Drager of Melissa, TX and Curtis and Shirley Drager of Friona (Rhea Community), 2 sisters, Dorine Teinert of Pasadena, TX, and Clara Falzone of Albuquerque, NM, a brother, Van Durrenberger of Giddings, TX, 3 grandchildren, 4 step grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren, and 11 step great grandchildren. She was born Aug. 31, 1916 in Giddings, TX to Edwin and Clara (Rothmann) Durrenberger.

She moved to Parmer County in 1947. She married Christian Drager June 8, 1947 at the Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Warda, TX. He died Dec. 20, 2006.

She was a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church in Lariat, TX and a former member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Rhea until it closed. She was a Sunday School teacher and a member of the Lutheran Braille Workers.

She was also a member of the Rhea Home

Demonstration Club, VFW auxiliary, and the American Legion auxiliary. She enjoyed cooking, quilting, and fishing.

Family requests memorials to the Lutheran Braille Workers or the Life in Christ Academy, 725 CR DD, Farwell, TX 79325.

Juanita White

Services for Juanita White, 98, of Farwell will be held at 11:00 am ct, Thursday, June 19 at Lariat Church of Christ with Wesley Roach officiating. Burial will be in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery.

She was born December 21, 1909 in Spunky, Texas to Tell and Cordie (Cheek) Armstrong. She married Sam White Jr. on November 17, 1932. He preceded her in death on May 4, 1998. She died June 16, 2008 in Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

She had been a resident of this area for the past seventy years, moving here from Glen Rose, Texas. She was a homemaker and a member of the Lariat Church of Christ.

Surviving are her son Duane White of Farwell and his wife Linda; 2 daughters Elanda McDowell of KallsPELL, Montana and Judy Gray and her husband Clifford of Bullard, Texas; a sister, Edith Eddy of Glen Rose; a brother, Bill and his wife Pauline of Wichita Falls, Texas; 8 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the New Mexico Christian Children's Home, 1356 NM 236, Portales, NM 88130.

Linda Moss Hardy

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Linda was a young woman at the start of her life and in need of a job. She was pleasantly surprised when her mother told her the school cafeteria was in need of a cook.

After visiting with Supt. Willie Roberts about the job opening and being asked to join the cafeteria staff, Linda asked when she could start work.

"He said, 'How about today?' So, I started work as a cook that same day and haven't stopped since," Linda says.

Two years after she started working as a cook, the supervisor at the cafeteria retired and the position for a new manager opened up. Although she thought she was too young to get the job, Linda decided to apply anyway. Roberts did not agree that she was too young, and Linda was promoted to cafeteria manager, a position that she has held for 29 years now.

Throughout her many years in the cafeteria, Linda has learned much more than just how to cook lunch for hundreds of students.

"You learn so much about kids and the things going on in their lives. If you can help them, you do. You just do all you can to make their lives a little better."

Linda believes that the job of a cafeteria cook goes beyond fixing lunch for the kids. The whole staff is given the chance to really connect with the kids, and they seek out opportunities to make a difference in the kids' lives.

"I have realized that we are the only smiling faces some of these kids will ever see, so we always have a smile on our face and find ways to make the kids feel special."

Although the cafeteria industry has changed significantly over the years when it comes to paper work and regulations, the satisfaction Linda feels from working so closely with kids hasn't changed at all.

"I am so blessed to have had this job. I've had a good time."



Bubble time

The Lazbuddie Methodist Church VBS is in action this week. Kids playing with bubbles are Karson Barnes, Avery Hicks and Keely Dunham. (Photo by Sherrie Nichols)

Texico Police Report

Here is the report from the Texico Police Department:

On the night of June 7, there was a burglary at the address of 505 Florence in Texico. Investigation is still underway.

On June 10, there was a complaint of a dog running loose on Lamar St. The owner was given a warning and told to keep the dog on his property. On June 11, another complaint was made about the same dog and the owner was issued a citation. The owner will appear in court on the violation.

On June 11, there was an accident at the Garwood St. railroad crossing involving a semi truck. The crossing was being serviced at the time of the crash and traffic was being directed by a flagger. The semi driver drove through the crossing to avoid collision with an oncoming train. No citations were issued.

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The fee for the 2-person, 18-hole scramble is \$100 per team, with cart included. It's limited to 32 teams, which will be flighted by lowest handicap.

There will be several special prizes given and a free hamburger cookout follows the tourney. Proceeds go to the Farwell Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Fund.

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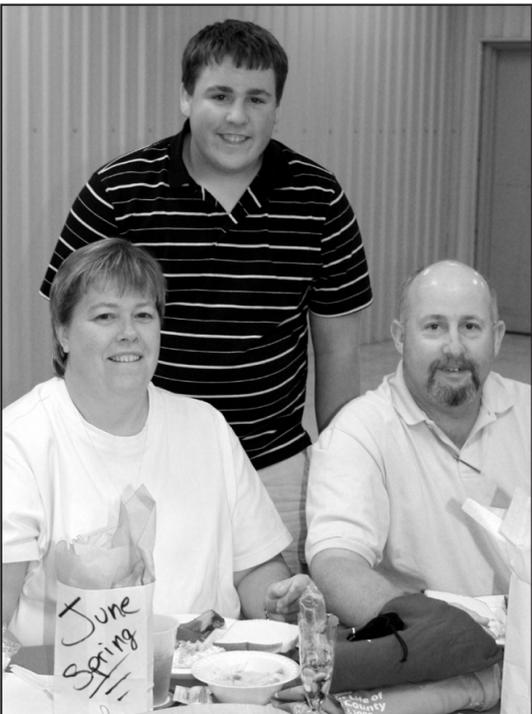
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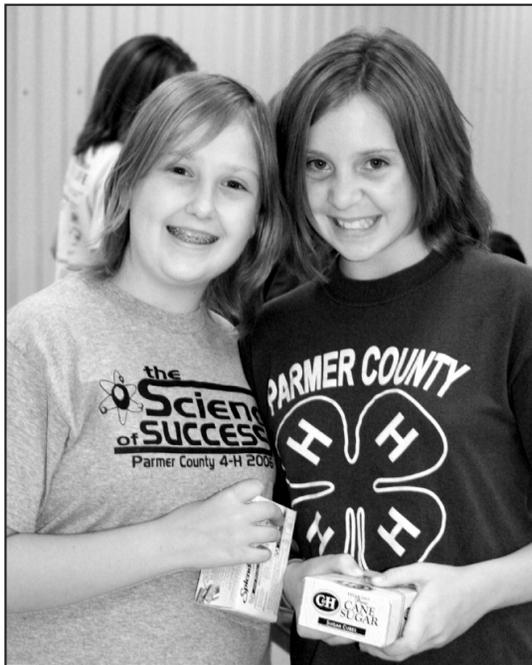
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Taylor and Caitlyn Stancell



Chris and Jill Timms

Texico City Council

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needed for the wastewater project, fair housing, and to renew their participation in the Eastern Plains Council of Government.

- Heard a complaint that kids were turned away from the city pool. The maximum number of people allowed in the pool area is 44. The Texico pool had over 200 swimmers in the first week it was open.

- Received a report from Police Chief Doug Bowman. He said that the police department wrote 131 citations last month. They are also continuing saturation patrols for drunk drivers.

The department is looking at repainting the police cars and using a new green color scheme.

- Councilman O.J. Autrey pointed out that sheet metal is coming off of the grain elevator on the west side of town. The city will contact the owner to get it fixed.

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Postal rate hikes were announced: first class stamps were going from 3 cents to 4 cents.

Rev. Bernard Seay was named minister at Lazbuddie Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wilkinson joined the Texico School teaching staff.

David Norton underwent a tonsillectomy.

Mrs. E.H. Meeks had surgery in Dallas.

Bill Gage bought the Oklahoma Lane Gin.

Judy Billingsley won the Parmer County Baking Queen title.

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Farwell Schools invite the entire community, plus all alumni and former school employees, to attend its big 100th Anniversary celebration on July 25th. See y'all there!



Joe and Jackanette Smallwood now, above, and 50 years ago, below.



Smallwoods celebrate 50th anniversary

Joe and Jackanette Smallwood celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 15th. Their children and family celebrated with them on May 18th.

Attending were children Rusty and Rebecca Smallwood, Jack and KC Smallwood, and Sheran and Willie Martin.

Also at the party were grandchildren Trevor, Kaylin, Thomas, Emma, and Elizabeth Smallwood, and Ashlie, Amanda, Amberli, and Matt Martin. And other family.

Vandiver: severe weather damaging crops

From Monti Vandiver, Parmer County IPM extension agent:

Hot dry winds have wreaked havoc on area crops. Wind speeds exceeding 50 miles per hour have been recorded the first week of June.

Thunder storms which exhibited extreme wind and severe hail have also damaged, and in many cases, destroyed crops. Damage was not widespread but was severe in the path of the storms. In some cases, more hail than rain was reported.

Wheat harvest has begun in a few dryland fields which looked like they would justify cutting. Early yield reports have been disappointing even though expectations were not high. Short plant stature has made harvest difficult in some fields.

Irrigated fields are drying quickly but no reports of harvest have been received to date.

Cotton emergence has been slow thus far. Early planted cotton emergence was hindered by cool temperatures and later planted cotton has been plagued by hot dry winds. Keeping the seedbed moist has proved most difficult. Most cotton has only one true leaf developed. Crop losses as a result of recent high winds have been reported.

Lazbuddie hires Ferguson as boys' basketball coach

The Lazbuddie School Board on June 10 hired Tony Ferguson as a part-time employee and head varsity boys' basketball coach.

Ferguson comes from Beeville, Texas. Beau Thompson will continue as varsity football coach.

The board also hired Carolyn Harrison, who has been a school bus driver, and her husband, Kenneth, as custodians.

They replace two custodians who have resigned – Pete Ovalle, who is moving to San Angelo, and Dana Torres, who is moving to Eden, Texas.

School Supt. Karl Vaughn reports all positions are now filled for the coming school year.

In other business, the board:
-- Approved a new master schedule that allows for early outs on Thursdays and Fridays. The school is keeping its bloc scheduling but no tutorials are built into it.

-- Approved pay raises for support staff. Basically, hourly employees and teacher aides will receive 12 percent raises, and other support staff will get 6 percent raises.

-- Raised lunchroom prices:

1. Breakfast: pre-K through 2nd grade, goes from 90 cents to \$1.35; grades 3, 4 and 5, goes from 95 cents to \$1.35; junior high and high school, goes from \$1 to \$1.35; faculty, goes from \$1.40 to \$1.50; and guests, goes from \$1.40 to \$1.75.

2. Lunch: Pre-K through 2nd grade, goes from \$1.35 to \$2; grades 3, 4 and 5, goes from \$1.50 to \$2; junior high and high school, goes from \$1.65 to \$2.20; faculty, goes from \$2.05 to \$2.50; and guests, goes from \$2.05 to \$3.

Sheriff's Report

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

On June 10, Juan Diaz, 20, of Muleshoe, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of motion to revoke (possession of marijuana), pending in county court.

On June 11, Ricardo Morenteus, 28, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI, pending county court.

On June 12, Fidel Lira, 26, of Lubbock, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of motion to revoke (possession of marijuana), pending in county court.

On June 13, Domingo Cruz, 50, of Friona, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication, \$250 fine.

On June 14, Jeremiah Roberts, 29, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of purchasing/furnishing alcohol to a minor, pending in county court.

On June 14, Darlene Cherry, 35, of Farwell, was arrested by Farwell police on a charge of assault, pending county court.

On June 15, Jesus Gonzales, 20, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI with an accident involving damage to a vehicle, pending county court.

Farwell Senior Meal Site

Menus for next week:

Monday – oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, mixed veggies, roll, tapioca pudding.

Tuesday – stuffed bell pepper, parsley potatoes, salad, crackers, banana pudding.

Wednesday – sloppy joes, baked beans, macaroni salad, peaches.

Thursday – hamburger steak, brown gravy, peas, carrots, roll, cake.

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The bride-elect is a 2002 Portales High School graduate.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1998 graduate of Farwell High School and graduated from West Texas A&M in 2007 with a degree in general studies. He is currently employed at Opplinger Feedyard as cattle manager.

Their wedding ceremony will be at 5:30 p.m. mt on July 12th at the Southside Church of Christ in Portales. All friends and family are invited to attend.

Farwell Chamber Golf Tourney set

The 7th annual Farwell Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament will be on Saturday, June 28, at the Farwell Country Club.

A shotgun start will be held at 8:30 a.m. The fee for the 2-person, 18-hole scramble is \$100 per team, with cart included. It's limited to 32 teams, which will be flighted by lowest handicap.

A free hamburger cookout will follow the tourney at the country club.

Proceeds from the tourney go to the Farwell Chamber of Commerce scholarship fund.

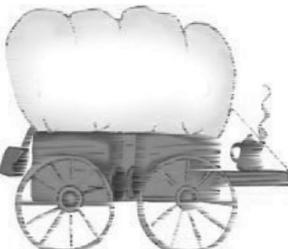
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To enter the tourney, or for more information, call the Farwell Country Club at 481-9210 or Chamber President Ronald Byrd at 481-3846.

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Schedule of Events

Friday, June 20

5:30 p.m. Pioneer of the Year Reception, Memorial Building (open to public)
6:30 p.m. Christian Country Jamboree, City Park

Saturday, June 21

8 a.m. MainStreet Fun Run, Yam Theater, 219 S. Main Street
9 a.m. Antique, Collectible and Classic Car Show, City Park
9:30 a.m. Motorcycle Rally – First bike out, Memorial Building
10 a.m. Parade, Second Street to Abilene
10:30 a.m. Booths open, Memorial Building and City Park
10:30 a.m. Bluegrass Instrument Workshops, City Park
11 a.m. Cachers R Us, Oasis State Park
11 a.m. County Wide Single Pitch Softball Tournament
noon Musical Variety Show, City Park
2 p.m. CGRA Barrel Race – Portales Fairgrounds
3 p.m. Gospel Grass, City Park
3:30 p.m. Car Show ends
6 p.m. Booths close
Dark Music ends for the day

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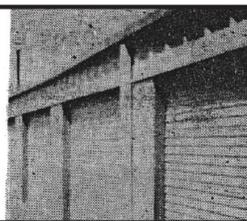
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Farwell Convalescent Center celebrates Farther's Day



The Farwell Convalescent Center celebrated Fathers Day with a cookout on June 12. At top are residents Anthony Peterpaul and Jessy Gonzales with Resident CAN Joshua Beare, below are residents Ella Mitchell and Dale Wade Berggren, and at bottom are auxillary members Francis Kube, Mary Mesman, Mary Landon, Liz Kaltwasser, and Flo Davis.



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--Mike Pomper

Border Town Days and baseball

I enjoyed being an umpire at a couple of games for the Farwell baseball league this summer.

I know nobody likes the ump, and I am with them! But somebody's got to do it, so I volunteer (actually they give me a free Coke at the end of the game ... I need to be honest).

Before the games, I always meet with the coaches and tell them my philosophy: the idea is for the kids to come out and hit the ball. So I widen the strike zone a tad. I don't like seeing lots of walks. I want to see aggressiveness.

Now don't get me wrong. I don't enlarge the strike zone that much. Just a couple of inches here and there. If the pitch comes in over a batter's head, that's a "ball." And if it bounces before home plate, another "ball."

Okay, I am exaggerating.

But, heck, baseball is meant to be fun. And we are most fortunate that a bunch of adults in our community have worked together to put together baseball fields for the young'uns.

Makes you feel good to live here.

Our intern, Lindsey Mullin, held a man on the street interview in Texico last week, but we won't be publishing the results because we didn't put the question correctly.

So if you were one of those interviewed, sorry about that.

We will conduct the poll (on whether folks would like to see liquor sales in town) again later, and will give a better overview of the pro's and con's when we ask the question.

Pro's include not raising taxes and dealing with drunks driving through town.

One thing I have learned about polls over the years, it's easy to skew the results by how you frame the question. We don't want to fall into that trap!

Okay, Border Town Days are progressing nicely. I'm again fortunate to have a great committee. And remember, BTD is always the last Saturday in July.

Here's a look at who the BTD chieftains are:

Lynne Mahaney, the Farwell postmaster, is in charge of the arts and crafts show. If you want to have a booth at BTD, she has applications available. Her number is 481-3601.

Carolyn Johnson, the Texico city clerk, runs the concessions. Signups so far are the Farwell Convalescent Center Auxiliary, baked goods; and Texico-Farwell Rotary Club, the big barbeque.

Carolyn can be contacted at 482-3314. And remember - the concessions are only for local non-profit groups.

The Big Parade is being handled by Ruth Anne Bennett, Margie Watkins and Judy Lekovich. You can call any of these ladies to sign up.

Parade entries so far include: Farwell Class of 1973; Texico Class of 1958; Farwell School Centennial float; Farwell Legends in Blue Band; Clovis Fire Department honor guard.

Also scheduled are the Texas Tech Masked Raider, Ashley Hartzog; Shriners from Lubbock with their go-karts; Clovis Senior Citizens float; Farwell High School cheerleaders.

Merchants Giveaway - J'Dan Sudderth and Bill Dannheim are making the rounds now to sign up merchants. The giveaways start at noon on the big day.

Lisa Sanders will be running the decorated bicycle contest, with the top winners getting brand new bikes, sponsored by Tedson Trailers and Master Tech Auto Service, both of Texico.

Lisa will be assisted by Elizabeth DeLeon.

Jerry Whitney, who is new to our area, will help with the parade in a key spot.

All these years, the

trains have stopped for the Big Parade. But we won't know until BTD if that policy will still be in effect. So Jerry will be stationed by the railroad tracks so that if the trains do run, he will make sure safety is observed.

Mike Pomper (that guy...) is in charge of the gazebo entertainment. Signed up so far are the Ross Prokop Band, Tasha Meeks and Cindy Bermea. To sign up, call Pomper at 481-3282.

Fred Chandler and Rusty Rucker work as a team to put on the entertainment. Fred handles the emcee duties and Rusty takes care of the sound equipment.

Fritz Friemel is bringing his carnival rides again to the park. And the folks who came last year with their rock climber plan to return.

Gerri Bowers will be setting up the chairs for the BTD parade judges at the Allsup's lot. We appreciate her help.

Amanda McFarland will be one of the folks lining up the parade entries.

So you can see, folks, all is moving ahead nicely. You need to think about signing up for the various events soon.

It will be quite a BTD this year with Farwell Schools' 100th Anniversary being held in conjunction with it.

Plan to be a part of it.

Veca White honored

Veca White, of Friona, an agent for Texas Farm Bureau Insurance, was honored at the 2007 statewide annual awards banquet as one of the top agents in Texas.

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The awards banquet worked for Texas Farm Bureau 8 years as an agent.



Veca White

Cheeseburgers and car show are set for Friona festival

Friona's 3rd annual cheeseburger cook-off and festival will be July 19 in the city park.

Cheeseburgers will be served he public starting at noon.

It will cost \$6 for a burger and fries, and drinks are \$1.

About 20 cheeseburger cook-off teams will compete for \$500, \$300 and \$100 in prize money. Entry fee is \$100.

There also will be more food and assorted vendors in the park, plus live entertainment.

For more information on events or cook-off registration, call (806) 250-3491 or e-mail fedc@wrtr.net.

A car show will be held at Main and 8th Street in conjunction with the cook-off. The entry fee is \$25 (before July 14) and \$35 after.

Pre-registration includes a cheeseburger and fries.

Both events are being sponsored by the Friona Chamber of Commerce.

Ther cheeseburger cookoff was recently featured in the Texas Dairy Review, calling the event "fun and entertaining" and drawing people from all over Texas and elsewhere.

And Friona's July event also was featured in Texas Highways Traveler magazine.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

In your Border Banter column of June 12, you seemed to be saying that politicians are not doing the "right things"; that with different scoundrels in office, the process would "work". It isn't the particular scoundrels that are wrong, it is the process.

Your hero, FDR, set many of the things in motion that have led to our current situation. Socialism by any other name still doesn't work. Gridlock in congress is the safest course of action.

There are more than enough laws to interfere with our lives for centuries to come without any new ones being passed. The best way for government, at any level, to help the middle class is to get out of our way and let us do what we do best: build America one person at a time. The same for the health care crisis. Allow people to choose their medications or health care providers without state interference. Allow doctors to prescribe alternative treatments they feel might work better and cheaper for a particular patient.

More government always brings a cost that is greater than the benefit. I have enough sense to make decisions for myself. Don't you?

Inflation is a phantom. The real problem is that our money has been stolen by government printing presses. When your money is not backed by anything of value, such as gold or silver, and more can be printed out of thin air, it will always lose value. Fiat currency creates the illusion of price increases as it sinks towards worthlessness. A gallon of gasoline still costs about the same as the silver content of a pre-1964 quarter. Think about that for a moment. Gas at a quarter per gallon, except that our "new" non-silver quarters are no longer worth a quarter, but only about a penny.

Redistribution of wealth is wrong. Controlling the lives of people who are harming no one but themselves is wrong. To allow a majority to vote to violate the rights of a minority is wrong. As long as you have a system that allows or even demands such things, our society will still be sick with all the bad things you griped about: inflation, silly regulations, clueless politicians, healthcare crises, and a middle class that bears the burden of the parasitic class of rulers.

Sincerely, Kent McManigal
Farwell, TX

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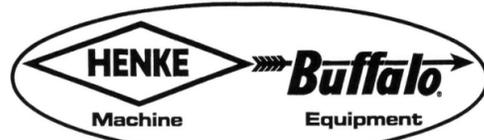
The Parmer County clerk's office last week recorded these warranty deeds:

James Clayton - Charles Wilkins, 1.5 ac S8 Blk E; 177.89 ac SE/pt S8 Blk E.

Claude Tamez Jr. - Blanca Tamez, L13-15 B22 Bovina.

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Public Notice

The City of Texico, New Mexico, has completed their Consumer Confidence Report on the city's drinking water. A copy of the report will be included in the June 2008 monthly invoice to all customers. For those who did not receive a copy or would like an extra copy or an advance copy of the report, please stop by the Texico City Hall and a copy will be made available to you.

La Ciudad de Texico New Mexico ha completado el Reporte de Confidancia del Consumidora acerca de el agua de la ciudad. Una copia el este reporte va ha ser incluida en el recibo de el mes de Junio del 2008. Sip or una razon uste no recivo una copia de este reporte en su recivo a desea tener una copia extra puede venir a Texico City Hall y se le entregara una copia.

City of Texico Notice of Variance Application

Notice is hereby given that Debra and Tim Lasiter have requested a variance be granted concerning the following described property:

Marshall Addition
Block 4
Lot 1 & 2

The variance is to allow a garage in the existing front yard.

The variance application will be placed on the agenda for the Texico City Council on July 8, 2008, at 6:30 p.m., and said meeting will be held at the Texico City Hall, Texico, New Mexico.

If you are opposed to this variance application, you must either (1) mail or deliver your opposition in writing to the Texico City Clerk prior to the date and time herein above designated; or (2) appear before the Texico City Council to state your opposition on the date and time herein above designated.

No explanation for your opposition is necessary. You may print opposed on this letter, sign your name and return it to the Clerk's office prior to the deadline.

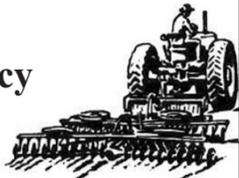
FAILURE TO TAKE EITHER ACTION 1 OR 2 ABOVE WILL BE CONSIDERED AS AGREEMENT WITH THE REQUEST.

The decision of the Council is final and no written or verbal comments received after the date herein designated will be accepted or heard.

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Bovina Council deals with higher fuel costs

The Bovina City Council on June 10 approved rate hikes sought by Duncan Disposal due to higher fuel costs.

- In other business, the council:
- Re-appointed Jessie Stone as mayor pro tem.
 - Discussed buying a new patrol vehicle. The issue was tabled and the council asked Police Chief Leon Saddler to get a cost estimate on repairing the current vehicle.
 - A resident, Norma Whitten, spoke against buying a new vehicle.
 - Amended the city's budget due to higher fuel costs in all departments.
 - Received the proposed fiscal year 2009 budget.
 - Set the next regular meeting for July 10. A special meeting was called for June 13 to discuss Xcel Energy's application for tariff changes.
 - Discussed where the sewer project stands. It

was said the engineers are waiting on more soil testing results. Work on the lift station is expected to start in July.

-- No discussion was made on the vacant city manager's position. It is still being advertised. James Freed, who had at first accepted the post, then turned it down a couple of weeks later, had told Mayor Stan Miller he would send a letter explaining what had happened. But no letter has been received yet, reported city clerk Bonnie Scaff.

The Bovina City Council held a special meeting on Tuesday to discuss a request by Xcel Energy involving certain interruptible – service tariffs.

The council voted to approve the decision made by the area cities' steering committee, of which Bovina is a member. More than 30 cities are part of this committee.

In a nutshell, here is what is involved: To help their "load" situation, Xcel wants permission from the city to contact individual customers.

Xcel then would ask individual customers if they would sign an agreement to stop electricity to their water heaters and air conditioning units if necessary for a period. If that were to occur, the customers would be called ahead of time.

Radio controls would be placed on both units to allow Xcel to do this if necessary. Xcel would do it if they had a heavier load than they can deal with somewhere else.

If a customer gives Xcel this permission, then if a stoppage occurred, Xcel would give the customer a \$15 credit for water heater stoppage and/or a \$40 credit for an a/c stoppage. These credits would be paid in October.

percent overall rate hike after fuel costs savings are counted, or about \$10.33 a month on an average 1,000 kilowatt-hour bill.

Andrea Villarreal who plays for the Bovina 11 and 12 year old baseball team hit a homerun against Friona this last week. Bovina beat Friona. Way to go Drea!

There are several campers leaving this week to Ceta Canyon for camp. Bovina Methodist Church sponsors their youth and others that are interested in going. There are different age groups through out the summer and it is wonderful experience. If you are interested, just search on-line for Ceta Canyon.

Interesting Fact of the Week: Watch out for fires, folks, it is getting very hot and dry out there! Smokey the Bear's original name was Hotfoot Teddy!

Bovina Banter
Deanna Curtis • 251-1405

Time to sign up for horse shoes teams and single. Volleyball time get your time signed up for the tournament. Eight player teams can sign up by calling 251-1405 and talking to Deanna or just leave a message and a number. You can sign up there for volleyball and horseshoe or you can contact Lisa Villarreal.

On the spring semester Dean's Honor Roll at ENMU from Bovina are Daniela Quintero and Jessica Maldonado.

Xcel Energy has announced it is requesting rate hikes for Texas customers.

If approved by the state, residential customers would see a 10

Tornados sighted?

Thunderstorms and hail hit the area late Tuesday night. There were reports of tornados sighted in the area, but Police Chief Leon Saddler said that none touched down in the city.

Other reports from the storm included power outages in Lazbuddie and baseball sized hail in the area.

Farwell and Texico got skipped by the storm. They received about a tenth of an inch of rain.



Jake Ware, Mason Howard, Garret Presnell and Mindy Neal-Widner

Shooting success

Mindy Widner took a team of marksmen to San Antonio to compete in the Sportsman's Team Challenge.

They competed with pistols, rifles and shot-guns in the competition. The team of Jake Ware, Mason Howard and Garret Presnell competed on June 13 and 14. They took home 2nd place overall for the Junior Division.

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learned life lessons that will stick with him the rest of his life. He and his wife have realized that God has a plan for them, no matter what obstacles life throws at them.

Elva says, "We are an instrument. God has saved us through all of the trials in our lives for a reason. He will use us in some way, even when we

don't know exactly how." Tommy's story is an inspiration to all of those around him. He is a leading example for his students of what a little determination and perseverance can do to your dreams.

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<p>Frans Valley Irrigation Performance. Period. (806) 481-3316</p>	<p>First Baptist Church of Texico Rob Hollis - minister Sunday School - 9 a.m. Worship-10:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m.</p>	<p>St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Lazbuddie Methodist Church Rev. Ken Peterson Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. Worship -- 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Church of God in Christ Mennonite Farwell Country Church James Koehn, Orie Nightingale - ministers Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m.</p>	<p>Steed-Todd Funeral Home "When Understanding Is Needed Most" Prince & Manana - Clovis - 763-5541</p>
<p>BCEC BAILEY COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION</p>	<p>Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>San Jose Catholic Church, Texico Sunday Mass - Noon Religious Education - 1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Community Meal - 1:15 p.m.</p>	<p>First Baptist Church of Farwell Rev. Kyle Clayton Sunday School -- 9:45 a.m. Worship -- 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Children & Youth -- 5:45 p.m. Wed. Prayer meeting -- 6:30 p.m. www.fbcfarwell.org</p>	<p>2100 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. (505) 769-2141 Plains Regional Medical Center Home Health/Hospice & PRESBYTERIAN www.phs.org</p>
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<p>Farwell Feed Yards</p>	<p>First Baptist Church Of Bovina Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday worship & youth, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Iglesia Bautista Hispana in Bovina Rafael Marin, pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday worship, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Bovina United Methodist Church Sunday School - 9:45 Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday study, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>New Light Baptist Church Rev. Briyan Phillips Sr. Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. mst Worship - 11 a.m. mst Bible Study - Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. mst</p>	<p>West Texas Rural Telephone COOPERATIVE INCORPORATED P. O. Box 1707 • South Hwy. 305 • Area Code 806 34 2131 Hereford, Texas 79045-1737</p>
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DeLeon: Living a journey of success

By Lindsey Mullin

Instead of saying "God, why me?" say "Why not me?"

These words of have Tommy DeLeon, head boys' basketball coach at Bovina, has truly been living a journey of success.

Throughout his life, he and his family have faced numerous obstacles that have tested them financially, emotionally, and even spiritually, but through it all, they have persevered and pressed on, proving that anything is possible when you believe in your dreams.

Tommy was born and raised in the Bovina area, graduating from high school there in 1976. His dad worked on a farm while he was growing up, and his mom stayed busy taking care of the family.

"I learned about work ethics and what hard work really is by working with my dad," Tommy says.

After graduation, Tommy decided to attend West

Texas A&M University in Canyon. He had always known that he wanted to go to college, but wasn't quite sure what he wanted to do with his life at that point.

After attending WT for two years, Tommy married the love of his life, Elva, and returned to the High Plains to farm with his family, putting his college education on the back burner for a while.

Tommy, like most farmers, struggled during his first years of farming. He loved farming and was content in doing it, but as time went on, he realized that farming was not the life for him. Prices were down and he was putting in more time and hard work than what he was getting out of it. He had to provide for his family, and he knew something needed to change.

"I had always thought about teaching, and it was still something I really wanted to do," Tommy says. "My mom went back to school and got her GED at an older age, so I thought, 'why not?'"

College was still a small flame burning in Tommy's life, and he began to seriously consider going back to earn his degree. He already had 60 hours from West Texas, but it had been several years since he had been in a college setting. He didn't quite know what he was getting himself into.

"It was scary. I had been farming all of my life, and it was the only thing I knew. I just had to make myself do it and not worry about the farming," Tommy says.

Tommy decided to start out small and get his associate's degree first. He attended Clovis Community College, where he first realized how hard he would have to work to reach his goal of having a college degree.

"I would look around at all of the kids and they were doing really well. But I had a family. It was hard to find the time to study, and it was tough sitting through the lectures during class."

Through perseverance and determination, Tommy graduated from CCC with his associate's degree and

moved on to the next goal of receiving his bachelor's degree at Eastern New Mexico University.

"I liked ENMU's small classes a lot. I was on a first name basis with my professors, and I could really focus on my studying," he says.

The five years Tommy spent working hard in college paid off, and he now has his associate's degree, his bachelor's degree and is currently in pursuit of his master's degree and teaching certification from Wayland. There is nothing stopping Tommy from fulfilling his dream of being a teacher.

Right now, Tommy is the head varsity boy's basketball coach at Bovina, an assistant coach for football, and a PE teacher. Sports have always been a big part of his life, and he loves getting to do something he is so passionate about.

Tommy says, "I had always been involved with the kids, coaching Little League and officiating for games. When the coaching job opened up in Bovina, I knew that this is what I was supposed to do."

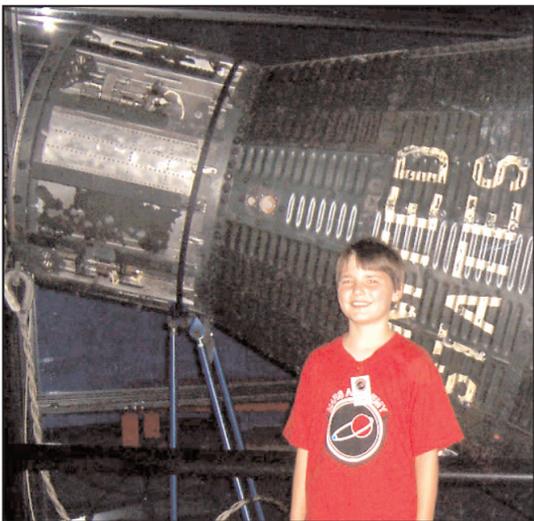
Once he is certified as teacher, Tommy will move into a classroom and start teaching his students out of a textbook, as well as on the basketball court. He doesn't want to just teach kids how to play basketball. He wants to teach them how to use the knowledge that they have been given to make something of themselves and make a difference in the world.

"You can't take education for granted. I tell kids all the time that a high school diploma isn't enough anymore. It's important to go to college for at least a couple of years to have that experience," he says.

Tommy's love for students and teaching has made him a success. He was honored with a coaching award this year for his work with the basketball team, an honor he did not expect but definitely deserved.

"I was just doing my job," he says. "We had a great coaching staff this year, and we were all determined to make the team successful."

Throughout his journey to success, Tommy has



Justus Brozek in front of the space capsule that Gus Grissom rode to space in. It was recovered from the bottom of the ocean in 1999.

Brozek in space

Justus Brozek, son of Justin and Arlene Brozek, graduated from Mars Academy June 8 at the Kansas Cosmosphere and Space Center.

Brozek, of Bovina, will be a 6th grader in the fall. Mars Academy is a three-day residential camp for students entering grades 5-6. Developed by Cosmosphere staff, it introduces campers to space science, while also emphasizing teamwork and problem solving in a face-paced learning environment.

As part of the program, they learn the geology, climate, and conditions that exist on the Red Planet. Campers also launch air-powered rockets and guide a student-made robot around an obstacle course.

The camp culminates in a simulated robotic mission to Mars. Each team creates a mission patch before their simulated journey.

Campers tour the Cosmosphere's Hall of Space Museum, which houses one of the largest space artifact collections in the world, and watch shows in the Cosmosphere's Justice Planetarium and Carey IMAX Dome Theater.



Relay for life Cancer survivor's dinner



Parmer County cancer survivor's dinner was held Monday night at the Farwell Community Center. At left were Leon and Martha Schilling and at right, survivor Radford Venable and his grandson Gavin Garcia.

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