



Marta Davidson, left, and Edna LeLaRosa, give the "1" sign to signify that the Area Merchants Football Contest starts in one week. The ladies are employees at the First Bank of Bovina, one of the contest sponsors.



With the "1" sign to show the Area Merchants Football Contest starts in one week are the sales men of Bender Dodge in Clovis, Karl Terry, Gmo Campos, Buddy Gulley, Gary Lancaster and used car sales manager Todd Linkenhoker.



1 week to go

At left, Jazmine Ortiz and Chris Bachicha of Lowe's Supermarket in Farwell, give the "1 week to go" sign to let folks know the BIG contest starts next week. Lowe's Supermarket is one of the contest sponsors.

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MacKenzie Clark

Area youths dominate County Fair

Members of the Texico and Pleasant Hill 4-H Clubs dominated the top awards at the Curry County Fair last week: Laiken Crist showed the Lambs Grand Champion. Garrett Foote showed the Swine Grand Champion.

Garrett Foote showed the Swine Reserve Champion. Chance Mitchell showed the Lambs Reserve Champion. Delanie Crist won the Lambs Senior Showmanship Award. Shelby Cockerham won the Swine Senior

Showmanship Award. Brendon Lockmiller showed the Steers Reserve Champion. Madison Belcher showed the Goats Grand Champion. Ben Crist showed the Goats Reserve Champion.

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Mitchell Pinnell



Lindsey Foote



Laiken Crist



Support our team

The 2010 Texico Wolverines, coached by Ryan Autrey: Mason Fenn, Wil Hodnett, Tyler Kelley, Koltan Miller, Jose Posada, Tyler Strickland, Ali Valles, Lucas Walthers, Donovan Johnson, Brandon King, Sergio Posada, Jesus Rivera, Lorenzo Colmanero, Daniel Gomez, DJ Griego, Rallin Harris, Shay Harrison, Jose Hernandez, Justin

Lopez, Zach Madrid, Kyler Miller, Uriel Munoz, Elliot Pelphrey, Canyon Scarborough, Carlos Silva, J.J. Tuls, Alan Valles, Colton Autrey, William Beavers, Adrian Gomez, Aaron Massey, John Myers, Mitchell Pinnell, Miguel Reyna.

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Conquistadors invade Farwell

Parmer County historian and Bovina resident, Gladys Spring, has been informed by the state of Texas that a historical marker is being prepared for the city of Farwell, commemorating the explorations through this region in 1540-1541 of the Spanish Conquistadors under the command of Francisco Vazquez de Coronado.

Coronado began his expedition in February 1540, starting from the Spanish fortress of Compostela (today known as Senora, Mexico), marching north into what is now Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas. His force, consisting of 340 Conquistadors, several hundred Tlaxcalan Indian warriors, 1,000 horses, packs of war-dogs, and six small cannon, ventured into the vast unknown to find gold.

Spain had become the richest nation in Europe with the gold it had extracted from the Aztecs in Mexico and the Incans in South America. With that in mind, Coronado and his force searched first for the Seven Cities of Gold of Cibola reported to exist in what is now Arizona, discovering instead a treasure of a different kind, the Grand Canyon. After that, Coronado turned east in search of the Golden City of Quivira that indigenous legends reported to be flourishing on the vast unexplored plains of what is today New Mexico and the Texas Panhandle.

Coronado's journals indicate he traveled down the Pecos River with his force turning east again from a point just south of where Ft. Sumner now stands. It must have been terrifying to abandon the guaranteed source of river water, stepping off into the vast sea of grass which then stretched from horizon to horizon on our Great Plains.

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A foot soldier was lost in the grasses taller than a man, totally dependent for direction on the mounted Conquistadors high enough in the saddle to see over them. Indigenous guides had to point the way to each consecutive water source as the explorations continued.

The Conquistadors trekked from one shallow lake or fresh water spring to another, passing through the Indian villages on the Blackwater Draw and Running Water Draw, the only points of geographic reference on the parched and featureless plains.

Passing through acreage that Parmer and Curry counties' farmers now cultivate, they are said to have driven stakes into the ground to guide them back to campsites in the draw, a survival mechanism on which the title of "Staked Plains" now commonly used is based.

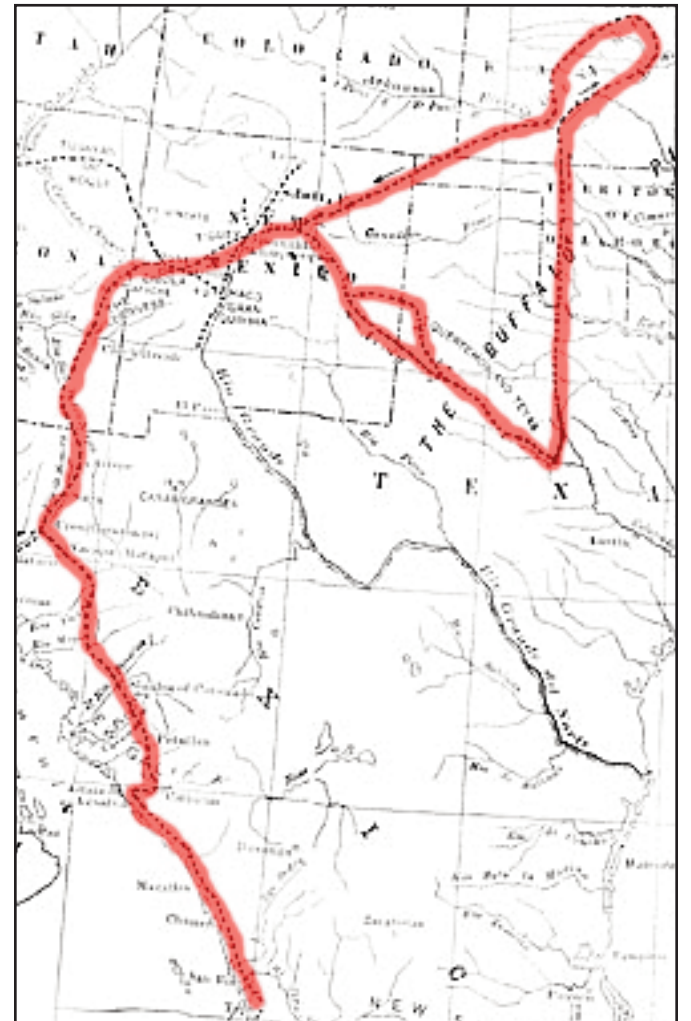
Coronado's journals describe sites at which the Conquistadors camped that point

strongly to the fresh water sources that then existed near Portales, to the west of Muleshoe, and at Springlake. The only archeological excavation of a confirmed Conquistador campsite is near Floydada.

Coronado's explorations took his band north through the Panhandle, stopping at Palo Duro Canyon, and continuing into what is now Oklahoma and Kansas. Finding villages of adobe or animal hide rather than gold, the explorers abandoned their quest in 1541 but their expedition is a critical chapter in history.

Prior to Christopher Columbus' voyage in 1492, the vast expanse of the Americas were unknown to the rest of the world. It is astounding that European exploration reached what is today Curry County and Parmer County less than 48 years after that historic voyage and 70 years before New York or any of other major city of the East Coast had its first settler.

This state marker, recording an important chapter in history that many people do not remember, will be installed outside the Farwell City Hall adjacent to Highway 70-84. The plaque is currently being prepared for casting at a foundry and it is estimat-



ed that it will be completed by the end of the year. When Coronado and his force passed through this region 470 years ago, it was a major milestone for New Mexico and Texas, the United States, and the world at large. With the dedica-

tion of this marker, Farwell can be proud to claim it as yet another page in its own colorful history as well.

50 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Jack Gray is the new Farwell band director. Bobby Crume is office manager for new Asgrow Seed Co. office in Farwell. George Magness buys go-kart track east of Farwell. He trades City Barber Shop to Herbert Potts and Walter Hardage. Birthdays for Clyde Redwine and David Lesley are celebrated with an ice cream party. Loren Thompson joins faculty at Abilene Christian.

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Scenes from the Lazbuddie community cook-out

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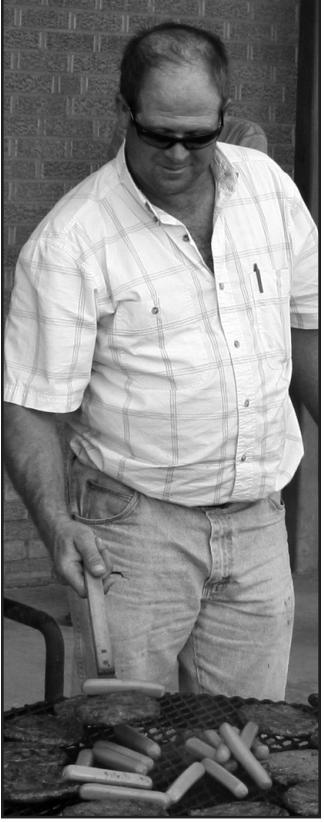


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 Farwell -- Varsity plays at Morton at 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 27. JV plays at Olton on Sept. 2 at 6:30 p.m.
 Texico -- Varsity hosts Dexter at 7 p.m. mt on Aug. 27.

 Let's not forget volleyball:
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Fare ye well!

Well folks, this is my final goodbye from the State Line Tribune. I've definitely learned a few things, and had some fun laughs as well.

Two years ago, when I first heard about this summer job, I figured I might as well give it a try. Writing comes naturally to me, so I thought it shouldn't be too hard. As it turns out, this job involved much more than just writing.

Ever since I was little, I've always been the girl who hides behind her mom's legs when there are new people around. As a kid, I, as well as most other kids I'm sure, the statement, "Don't talk to strangers" has been pounded into my brain.

Randomly going up to a complete stranger, introducing myself, and then asking them to give me money was definitely not on my list of things to do before I die. Well, working at the paper, that soon was moved to the top of that list. Mike had

me go out on cold calls, which basically means that I drive to Clovis, walk into someone's business, introduce myself, and ask them to purchase an ad.

This is something that I had never done before, and it was not in my comfort zone at all. In fact, it was all the way on the other side of the country from my comfort zone, but I had to do it. After the first several times, I finally figured out that it wasn't that bad after all. Some of you may be thinking, "Okay, and why is she writing about this?"

Turns out, this part of the job really helped me grow and mature as an individual. I learned how to first of all, not be shy and to just talk to people. Secondly, I learned how to be professional when selling a product, and the last thing I learned was to not take things personally when someone turns me down.

Another enjoyable part of the job was all the interviews I conducted. I was a little apprehensive when I first started, but I've come to enjoy those interviews. It's so interesting to me to actually

hear the stories of local people.

There's a great tale behind every person, and even in a small town like ours, people have experienced far more than I would have ever imagined. I can definitely say that through these interviews, I learn something new every day.

There are also some quite humorous moments that took place in this ancient building. For some reason, Mike's always made the interns trim the bushes outside. Why, I don't know, but he does.

By some miracle, I got out of doing it the first year, and this year as well, but... he had a different project in mind for me instead. He made someone else trim the bushes and then a couple days later, he sent me out to pick out all the little dry, dead, and leftover pieces that had been cut off. I think maybe he just didn't want me to feel left out, even though I would have been perfectly fine being left out.

Technology was another big thing around the office. The first glitch was that Mike calls the portable phones in the office, cell phones. There's a huge difference between the two types of



Farwell Class of '74 reunites

The Farwell Class of 1974 attended Border Town Days. In back are Jesse Cantu, Weldon Embry, Joyce White Ketcherside, Susan Symcox Franse, Sandra Watkins Howard, Pam Sudderth Sheehan, Lynn Blankenship, Debbie Meeks Sewell; in front, Jace Ensor, Deanna Stanton Proctor, Debbie Meeks Richardson, Luce Jaime Lucio, Karen Foster Jones.

phones, but apparently not enough difference for some people to notice. It can get quite confusing when he says, "Hand me the cell phone."

Another glitch was the fact that Mike was in awe when he discovered that I had found some of the long lost interns on facebook. He told me that he once had a facebook, but he forgot the password several days later, and hasn't been on it since.

Again, I surprised Mike when he walked in the office one day to discover that I was typing and listening to music on the computer at the same time. Multi-tasking on the computer is something my generation has grown up doing, but to him, the

idea was crazy.

As a girl, it's always nice to hear compliments. So, walking in the door on my first day of work, I hear, "Wow, you got a haircut." All I thought to myself was, "Yay! A compliment is coming up." Instead Mike says, "You know, I don't think short hair is right for you. You need to find a good stylist when you go to college."

Ouch. Of course, I just smiled and nodded. That is what a typical day in

the office is like. It's always interesting and I always expect to hear something I've never heard before, including stories from Mike that can last up to an hour that have some life lesson at the very end.

Overall, this job has been great for me. I learned so much about our community, and had fun doing it. I've also received some valuable life lessons from this job that will help me out in the future.

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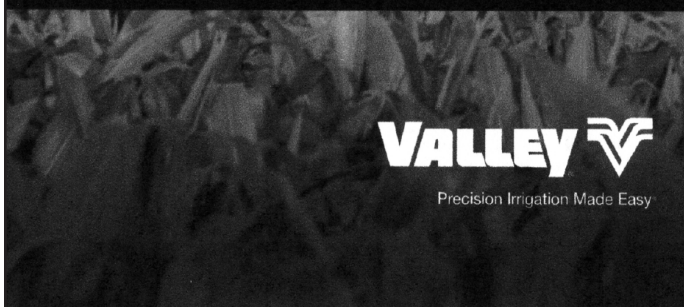
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Johnson, Fleming win top 4-H honors

The annual Parmer County 4-H awards banquet was held Saturday at the Lazbuddie High cafeteria.

Top awards went to:
Gold Star Awards -- Jill Johnson and Cotton Fleming.

Silver Star Awards -- Aspyn Fleming and Mason Fleming.

Bronze Star Awards -- Sterling Henderson and Hadley White.

The I Dare You Leadership Award was awarded to Logan Mason. The award recognizes excellence in character, well-balanced personal development, and potential for leadership. The I Dare You award is selected by the County Extension Agents.



Gold Star recipients Cotton Fleming and Jill Johnson.



Bronze Star recipients Hadley White and Sterling Henderson. (Photos by Patti Johnson)



Silver Star recipient Aspyn Fleming.



Logan Mason won the 'I Dare You' award.

Texico waste treatment plant in jeopardy

The Texico City Council faces a crisis, said City Clerk Carolyn Johnson, as the State Environmental Department is taking its time in approving key parts of the city waste treatment plant plans. If the project isn't finished by December, Texico might lose their grant money to fund the project

Johnson said the City of Elida has asked Texico about its engagement with the Environmental Dept. Elida is in a similar situation and stands to lose \$175,000 of state grant money, again because of that department's lack of responsiveness.

Councilman Oran Jay Autrey asked that representatives of the Environmental Dept. be invited to the next meeting to discuss the problems that are holding up the project.

The next step is to clean the sludge out of the existing plant, but Texas will not allow Texico to send the sludge to fields around Farwell.

Fire Chief Lewis Cooper is checking with various farmers for spreading the waste. There is a possibility of being able to spread it on Texico-owned property.

The sludge is between 6 and 10 feet deep and must be removed before plastic liners are put down

to keep the waste from soaking into the ground.

In other news, the council:

- Heard the new city water wells have been bailed out, but need to be tested before they are connected to the city water supply.

- Spoke to Raul Esparza about the junk on his property on Lamar Street. Esparza said he is fixing his floor and will start hauling off the junk in three weeks. The council asked him to come to the next meeting and report on his progress.

- Received a report from Police Chief Doug Bowman that the city pool has been drained for the winter. The folks who were caught breaking in are facing fines and restitution.

Bowman said Officer Ric Peterson has written three DWIs in the last few weeks.

- Heard that Elpedia Solis is spending more time as Court Clerk than in the water department. She said helping with fines and court cases keep her busy.

- Discussed bushes hanging over the street at 601 S. Florence St. The city will send a letter asking the residents to cut back the bushes.

- Heard the city budget was approved by the state.



Texico class of '60 The Texico Class of 1960 hosted this year's All-School Reunion after Border Town Days. Almost 130 folks attended the event.

Stock Show dinner nears; have you bought a ticket yet?

The 2010 Parmer County Stock is scheduled for 7 p.m. Aug. 28 at the Farwell Community Center.

Local volunteers will again prepare the meal, including rib-eye steaks, green beans, new potatoes, salad, and green chile corn.

This dinner is a major fund-raiser for the Parmer County Junior Livestock Show, held in January each year. At the last show, no matter what place youths got there, they received at least \$50 from the fund.

Each community in Parmer County sells tickets. However, a maximum of 200 tickets will be sold, and two persons may attend on one ticket.

To purchase tickets, contact Gary Patterson or Darren Haseloff in Farwell; Ed Terry, in Lazbuddie; Al Kerby, in Bovina, or any Farwell 4-H member.

As an added treat this year, the Twisted Road Band, from Lubbock, will entertain. Farwell's Dan Patterson is on lead vocals.

Texico Police Report

Texico Police Chief Doug Bowman reports two men were charged with DWI last week: Jose Navarro, 18, and Joel Garcia, 31, both of Clovis.

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The Latest

After an absence of 70 years, the Ozark Trail obelisk that once stood at the north end of Third Street in Farwell will soon begin its rebirth.

Steve Meeks, of Farwell Hardware, is planning to begin setting up the forms and pouring the concrete for the foundation in the southwest corner of the City Park in September.

The Farwell City Council last week gave City Judge Pat Howard a small raise.

Stephanie Cullison is home from the hospital and is feeling better.

A correction on the ad featuring folks who contributed to the Farwell Obelisk Fund in a recent Tribune issue:

The correct spelling should have been "Larry and Mary Ann Cooper."

From Monty Vandiver, Parmer County extension agent - IPM:
Precipitation across

the area recently has been very beneficial. Reported amounts have ranged from "just a sprinkle" to 2-plus inches. Local weather stations recorded the following rainfall amounts: Farwell 1.7, Friona 1.1, Muleshoe .14, and the Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge .83.

Many areas really need a good soaking rain to finish the crops while others are in pretty good shape to finish the race. Yield potential continues to be high but areas not blessed with as much precipitation potential has declined the last few weeks.

Among the winners at the Mule Days rodeo in Muleshoe was Dale Griswold, who brought the mule rides to Border Town Days last month.

Griswold finished 1st in the pick-up race, 3rd in poles, 3rd in barrels, 3rd in steer daubing, 3rd in hide race and showed Best Mule.

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Area teams scrimmage

The Texico Wolverines opened their season on Aug. 19 with a scrimmage against Farwell.

Texico Coach Ryan Autrey said he was pleased with how his squad played, considering it was their opener.

"It was rough at first and took us awhile to adjust. But in the last quarter, we executed much better," he said.

The Wolverines didn't score.

It was the second scrimmage for the Farwell Steers and Coach Mike Prokop was happy that his team was executing better.

On defense, he said the team was "reading" well, but needed to tackle better.

The Steers scored twice.

The JV teams both scored once.

The Lazbuddie Longhorns found themselves in a 4-way scrimmage last week with Valley, Meadow and Petersburg.

The short-handed Longhorns played some JV teams and Coach J.K. Hester was pleased to see improvements over their first scrimmage the preceding week.

Lazbuddie scored some TDs and Coach Hester said Dallas Cox (running back and middle linebacker) and Josh McIntosh (wide receiver and defensive end) showed good improvement.

But recent practices have been unkind to the Longhorns and three of their 12 players will miss at least one game due to injuries.



Steers, Wolverines scrimmage



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The Latest

Parmer County Extension Service and Friona 4-H will host a photography show for Maize Days in September. The show is open to everyone.

For complete details and signup information, contact Shana Fleming at the extension office, 481-3619.

Hugh Moseley had heart surgery on Aug. 19 and reports he is doing well.

His son, David, drove up from Bay City to get him to the hospital the day before and to bring him home to Farwell afterward.

The Floyd County Museum in Floydada, Texas, has been notified of the historical marker that is being created for Farwell to commemorate the explorations of the Panhandle region by the Spanish Conquistador, Francisco Vasquez de Coronado (see story on Page 2).

The museum had requested to be advised

Preliminary stats show county population down

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday heard a presentation from Curtis Parish, a Lubbock attorney, with information on how the redistricting process will work.

In the U.S., political divisions are redistricted every 10 years according to the census results.

Parish reported that preliminary figures show Parmer County's population is down 7.2 percent from 10 years ago.

It should be noted that the lower figure is based on the number of folks who filled out census forms.

In other business, the commissioners:
-- Will allow county employees and elected officials two options dealing with the county's health insurance plan: they can participate it or not participate in it.

-- Renewed the lease agreement with Efrain Balli for \$500 a year to allow a county dumpster to be placed on his Friona area land.

-- Proposed a tax rate for 2011 of .4949 cents per \$100 assessed valuation. This compares to .4859 percent this year.

The main reason for this slight increase is that land values are down.

of the marker's unveiling because it displays the archeological evidence of the only validated encampment by the Coronado expedition.

Ginger and Claire Anderson of the Border Town Day Bicycle Com-

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By missing a week, your shot at winning the overall prize -- two tickets to the Dallas Cowboys gave vs. the Washington Redskins in December, plus \$100 in cash -- lessens greatly.

Yes, you can always win the weekly prize, but it's a lot more fun to "go for the gold."

So when the first ballot is printed in next week's Tribune, jump right on it! Make sure you drop it off at the Tribune or put it in the mail (P.O. Box 255, Farwell TX 79325 or P.O. Box 222, Texico NM 88135) so we get it in time.

The deadline is Friday at 5 p.m. for drop-offs. If you mail it, the envelope must bear a Friday postmark.

And the fun thing about our contest is that you don't have to be an expert to play. You would

be surprised to look back on our list of winners over 51 years to see just as many women win as men, for example.

The game is easy to play -- just circle 12 winners plus put down a score for the tie breaker game.

Some folks forget to put down the tie breaker score and that can cause you to lose the overall or weekly contests if there is a tie with another player. So be sure to mark down that score!

Is there a system for winning? Dunno.

Some folks like to pick the home teams. Others pick teams which wear jerseys they like. And most folks never go against the Cowboys.

But it's up to you. Last year's overall winner averaged 8.08 games right each week (out of 12). And Claire Brown won the Cowboys tickets and cash for doing just that.

So if you miss some games each week, it's no big thing. Just average 8 and you will be in the running for the overall prizes.

But ... you can't win if you don't play. And it's not gambling -- it costs nothing to play. It's just a fun time for our community thanks to the sponsors listed on the contest page.

Be sure to thank them for allowing the Tribune to put on the fun football contest each year.

welfare mom while collecting your own farm subsidies or Social Security is not consistent. Saying that people should be "free to choose", until they choose things that offend or scare you, is not consistent.

Yet, while I have met people who seem consistently "libertarian" (something that can be done without much effort, as long as you overcome your conditioning and think matters through), I have yet to find anyone who is a completely consistent "authoritarian".

They always make exceptions for themselves, and often for their friends. This is how you can tell that they are wrong somewhere, and that deep down they



From left, Harry Sheets, Lt. Brandon Sheets, and Gene Sheets

Lt. Sheets saves teenager's life

Navy Lt. Brandon Sheets, grandson of Farwell's Harry Sheets and son of Muleshoe's Gene Sheets, piloted a helicopter under a bridge and through a ravine to save the life of teenage near Seattle, Washington, reported the Clovis News Journal.

The teen, who had fallen from a path above the ravine, had life-threatening injuries and Lt. Sheets determined in that time-critical situation to nurse his helicopter under the bridge and into the ravine with less than 15 feet of clearance on either side of his rotor blades.

Lt. Sheets and his aircrew in this dramatic rescue were featured on the TV news show "Good Morning America."

Dr. Sheets faces ordeal in Africa

Dr. Kyle Sheets, who practices in Muleshoe, Clovis, and Farwell, underwent something of an ordeal in his recent medical mission to Africa.

Traveling to the sub-Saharan country of Zimbabwe, he had a bad reaction to some medicine he took. He is home now, fully recovered and back at work.

Dr. Sheets has traveled to Africa for a few weeks in each of the last 11 years to donate his skills at a charitable hospital and to deliver more than \$2 million in medical supplies.

The despotic regime of Robert Mugabe in Zimbabwe has driven out almost the entire community of doctors and medical instructors in that country so that hospital, relying on foreign donations and medical personnel, is in fact the only truly functional hospital in the whole nation.

know it. The inconsistencies that make a person take on authoritarian attributes confuse me. I respect consistency. I may hate a person's stance on a particular issue, but if they are completely consistent, I can at least respect the fact that they are not a hypocrite. This doesn't mean that everyone who claims the label "libertarian" is consistent, just that it is more obvious and glaringly ridiculous when they aren't. All rights for everyone, everywhere, for all times without exception. That's where consistency dwells. Any "but" shows the flaws that are still present in the person's thinking.

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Sheriff's Report

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

On Aug. 17, Gilberto Gloria, 54, of Muleshoe, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of theft between \$1,500 and \$20,000, pending in district court.

On Aug. 20, David McDannels, 26, of Wolfforth, Texas, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of possession of a controlled substance, pending in district court.

On Aug. 20, Alfredo Alonzo, 48, of Bovina, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of criminal mischief, pending in county court.

On Aug. 21, Vicente Meza, 38, of Farwell, was arrested by Farwell police on a charge of assault, pending in county court.

In 287th District Court on Aug. 17, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

Amado Nunez Prieto Jr., 46, address unknown, charged with unauthorized use of a vehicle, was sentenced to 20 months in the state jail division, TDCJ; \$299 court costs, and \$2,000 fine.

Jeffrey Allen Hester, 44, address unknown, charged with a Class A misdemeanor punishment, state jail felony conviction (unauthorized use of a motor vehicle), was sentenced to 9 months in Parmer County Jail, \$333 court costs and \$500 fine.

Jorge Castaneda, 22, of Friona, charged with Count 1 - possession of a controlled substance (meth) and Count 2 - possession of a controlled substance (another form of meth), was sentenced to : on Count 1, 18 months in a state jail facility, probated for 2 years, \$418 court costs, \$750 fine and \$400 attorney fees; and on Count 2 -- 5 years in the Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice, probated for 5 years, \$418 court costs, \$1,000 fine and \$400 attorney fees.

Angel Espinoza, 36, of Friona, charged with assault, was sentenced to 5 years deferred adjudication, placed on community supervision for 5 years, \$358 court costs, \$750 fine and \$2,800 restitution. And on a charge of Class A misdemeanor assault - family violence (reduced from impeding normal breathing - circulation, was sentenced to 2 years deferred adjudication, placed on community supervision for 2 years, \$358 court costs, \$750 fine and attend anger management classes.

Courthouse Notes

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

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Schell featured on TV
Farwell High grad Johnny Schell was the subject of a recent feature broadcast on a TV station in Los Angeles, highlighting those movies for which he has produced the musical sound track. This news segment is available for viewing at website: www.youtube.com/watch?v=YSMY

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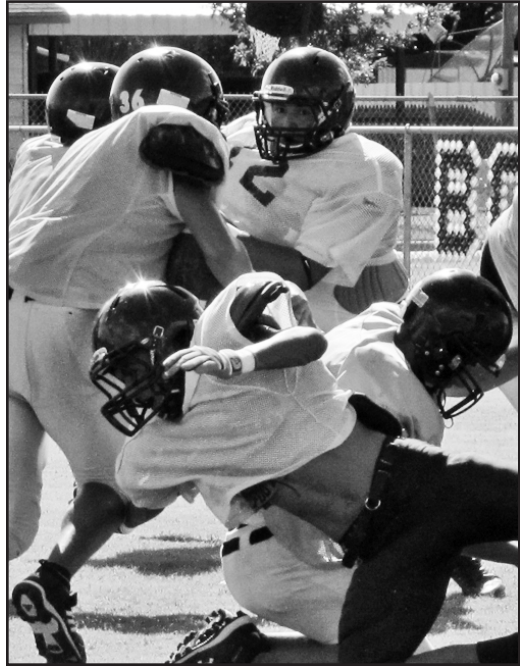
Mustangs scrimmage top-ranked Plains

The Bovina Mustangs scrimmaged on Aug. 19 against Plains, ranked in the top 10 in Texas.

Plains scored twice, and Bovina was held scoreless.

"We did very well against a top-ranked team," said Coach Hector Guevara. "I was real pleased. We have more work to do, but it

showed good progress by our team." The coach said Plains had to work hard to score; the Mustangs played them tough.



Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor, I would like to publicly thank the Lowe's grocery store in Bovina and especially Gabriel Medrano for their support of our community.

At the First Baptist Church, we have a food

pantry which needs sacks, and they very generous to help out in this ministry. Last week when we fed the Bovina School teachers and needed a large amount of meat, they were there. I always am received

with a helpful caring attitude when I go into the store. I encourage the community to support our local grocery store. We are fortunate to have a store and especially lucky to have Gabriel as our manager.

Thank you for a job well done.

Melisa Mullins Bovina

Bovina Banter

From page 12

Booth prices are now \$5. There have been requests for tomatoes, peppers, squash, and tomatoes so if you have any of them or anything else and would like to earn a few extra dollars bring them down to the Senior Citizens Center at 106 E. North St. on Saturday, Aug. 28, after 7:30 a.m.

You can call ahead and speak with Joe Black at 238-1174 or just show up. If you just have extra food, you can also call for a pickup and donate to the center.

The Bovina Fire Dept. raised more than \$700 in its annual Fill the Boot campaign.

Money collected goes to "Jerry's Kids."

A booth is available at City Hall if you still want

to donate.

The Mustang Alumni played the long awaited game vs. Friona on Saturday in Lubbock.

Unfortunately, the Mustangs were not able to score.

It took a lot of heart to participate after being out of school so long. What an experience ... a chance to do it one more time. Way to go, Mustangs!

Lowe's Supermarket is getting a needed parking lot makeover.

Also, get your punch cards rounded up as the Lowe's game ends Sept. 7.

God Bless and have a great week.

Interesting Fact of the Week: The skin on the bottom of your feet is 20 times thicker than anywhere else on your body. (Rocks still hurt!)

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Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The City of Bovina will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 0.910624 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on August 30, 2010 at 5:00 PM at Bovina City Hall, 205 North St., Bovina.

The second public hearing will be held on September 14, 2010 at 7:00 PM at Bovina EMS Building, 109 3rd St., Bovina.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: Brenda Riddle, Richard Villarreal, Gaylon Rhodes, Celia Tienda,
AGAINST: None
PRESENT and not voting: Stan Miller
ABSENT: David Curtis

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in City of Bovina last year was \$38,439. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.598400 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$230.02.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in City of Bovina this year is \$39,258. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.593000 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$232.80.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.598400 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$234.92.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

* Appraised value is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
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More scenes from the Bovina Mini-Cheer Camp

Photos by Yesenia Rodriguez



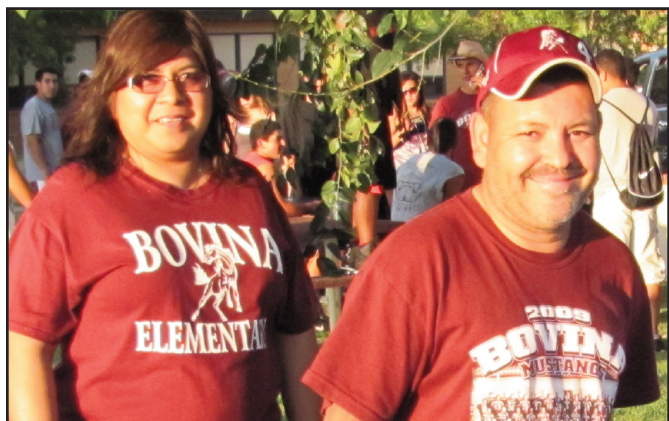
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The Mustang alumni team faced off against Friona in Lubbock on Aug. 21. Bovina fell to the Chiefs.



Meet the Mustangs

Folks support the Mustangs and eat watermelon on Aug. 19.



THANK YOU

The family of Jack Clayton would like to thank family, friends, and our community for all their acts of concern following the death of our loved one. Cards, visits, phone calls, flowers, and gifts of food were all appreciated.

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James Koehn, Orie Nightingale - ministers
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship Service - 11 a.m.

First Baptist Church of Farwell
Sunday School -- 9:45 a.m.
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Children & Youth -- 5:45 p.m.
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Worship; 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m.
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David Symm - minister
Worship Service - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church
Jim Peabody - minister
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Worship-10:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. winter
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Lariat Church of Christ
Wesley Roach - minister
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m. winter
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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.
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Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. mt
Worship - 11:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. mt
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Bovina United Methodist Church
Sunday School - 9:45
Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday study, 7 p.m.

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Sunday Mass - Noon
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Mike Prather, minister
Sun. - Bible study - 9:45 a.m.
Sun. - Worship - 10:45 a.m.
Wed. - Bible class - 7 p.m.

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The annual Bovina Church of Christ fish fry was held on Aug. 12.



Fishes feed the multitude

'He took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, blessed them and break, and gave them to the disciples to give to the multitude. And they did eat and were all filled.' Luke 9:16-17



Raising rates helps boost chance for Bovina to receive huge grants

An important message from Bovina City Manager Jana Pitcock:

The City of Bovina has the opportunity to receive grants funded by the Texas CDBG program for water and sewer projects.

Bovina has the demographics that allow the city to advance to the top of the list for these funds. Most years, these funds run in the amount of \$250,000.

The criteria that has been set in the current grant cycle includes points to reach the maximum allowable to be weighted on whether a city (1) has raised its taxes above the effective tax rate, and (2) whether a city has raised water or sewer rates.

Taxable values countywide were above the 2008 level in 2009 by 4.42%. In 2010 property value countywide were adjusted back but still remain 2.08% above the 2008 values. This has generated extra revenue for the entities within the county and for Parmer County. However, Bovina property values are only to date 1.1% above the 2008 evaluations.

All council members attended last week's meeting (except for David Curtis) and they voted unanimously to propose the 2010 tax rate of .5984 rather than the .5930 effective tax rate. The additional revenue created by staying at last year's tax rate is only \$1,653.

But this vote allows the city to be awarded the 25 points needed to continue to be viable in a bid for the \$250,000 bi-annual grant.

In an effort to retain the additional 5 point from raising water rates, the council discussed the current water rates in the area. Here's a look at the costs in our area towns:

	First 4,000 gallon cost	above 5,000
Farwell	25.60	1.30 per 1K
Friona	20.00	1.50 per 1K
Texico	19.97	4.18 per 1K
Bovina	16.00	1.30 per 1K

The council, after discussing the opportunity to get a \$250,000 grant, decided to raise water rates for residential by \$1 (to \$17) for the first 4,000 gallons used, and additional use above 5,000 gallons to \$1.50 (from \$1.30 per 1,000 gallons above 5,000 gallons used).

The council followed suggested guidelines by the

Bovina Banter

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A Bovina homeschool group will perform the Broadway play "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," at the Lyceum Theater in Clovis on Aug. 27 at 8 p.m. and Aug. 28 at 4 p.m. (Texas times).

Five Parmer County teens are part of the show. Admission is free; donations are appreciated. A portion of the donations will go to Operation Shoebox, to help men and women in the armed forces.

Recall that story in the Tribune several weeks ago about Jeff Steelman being in the process of taking his son, Scott, to every major league baseball stadium?

The project has been completed. On Aug. 14, the father and son attended a Houston game to complete their mission.

The Bovina Booster Club is giving away a queen size Mustang quilt, made by Eli Espinoza. It's displayed at the high school.

Tickets are \$3 each or 2 for \$5. See any Booster Club member for tickets.

The quilt will be given away at halftime of the Sept. 10 Homecoming football game against Panhandle.

Texas Water Development Board and other cities in setting commercial rates. Bovina is the only city in the area to retain a "superior" rating for their water.

At the new \$17 per month rate, Bovina continues to provide the cheapest water to the citizens that choose to reside there.

*** Bovina School lunch menus are under way. For next week:

Monday - chicken nuggets, pepperoni pizza, cream potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, carrot, celery, rolls, peaches.

Tuesday - hot dogs with chili, hamburgers, corn, potato wedges, tossed salad, carrot, celery, fruit cocktail.

*** Please be aware of the new traffic pattern in front of Bovina Schools -- basically, north to south. It's pretty simple if you stop and look.

Parents -- please remind your children to cross in front of your vehicle when exiting from drivers' side so that they will be in your line of vision. I know that soon it will be smooth sailing and our children will be safer for it.

*** Parent's Night will be Friday evening when the Mustangs host Hale Center at 7:30.

Parents are usually asked to be there about 6:15 p.m. So be sure you are there on time.

Good luck Mustangs! JV will be playing Thursday at Hale Center at 6 pm.

*** The new Farmers Market is getting another try. There was a shortage of vendors for the last effort but they are not giving up.

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