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Members of the Allie Brooks Band: John Brooks, Allie Brooks, Bill Rice, and Wayne Buchanan.

# Chamber banquet preparations made

Folks attending this year's Farwell Chamber of Commerce banquet are in for some great entertainment.

Allie Brooks, of Floyd, and her band featuring Bill Rice, Wayne Buchanan and John Brooks, are expected to provide a great musical show. Country music will be the main

Ms. Brooks, a Texico High School senior, is already achieving area prominence for her singing abilities. She performed at Border Town Days last year as well as the Floyd Jamboree.

The banquet is set for 7 p.m. on April 16 at the Farwell Community Center.

Tickets cost \$15. They are available at many local businesses, including the State Line Tribune, Security State Bank, the Farwell Banking Center of Muleshoe State Bank, Citizens Bank of Texico, Franse Irrigation, Farwell Hardware, Southwest Ag Services, Farwell City Hall, Byrd Realty, and at the county treasurer's office at the county courthouse.

Beta Sigma Phi will provide hors d'ouevres before the meal, and the Farwell Service League will handle the decorations. The theme will be "Farwell's 100th anniversary" complete with birthday decorations.

The school cafeteria ladies, led by Linda Moss, will again serve brisket.

An added feature to this year's banquet is the giveaway of door prizes donated by several merchants.

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Mullin.

# 'The Cover of Life' advances to district

Farwell High's One-Act Play, "The Cover of Life," was presented to the high school student body on March 18.

Farwell was one of two teams in the North Zone contest on March 24 that were picked to advance to the District Contest at Sundown on April 1 at 2 p.m. Four teams vie at district.

At the zone contest, Danielle Cargile was named Best Actress. Ashlie Martin and Micah Christian were named to the All-Star Cast. Lindsay Mullin and Shelby Christian were named Honorable Mention All-Star Cast.

Colby Norton and Hayley Fowler are also cast members. Amanda Barnes. Logan Carpenter and Dan Patterson are the crew.







# Area growers may see rising price in ... honeybees

by Rebecca Pomper Vegetable and fruit growers in the area could be seeing a rise in price for something quite unexpected ... honey-

bees. According to Parmer County extension agent management) Monti Vandiver, honeybees have fallen upon hard times. The hurri-

canes that hit Florida last

extremely year, weather in California this year and an outbreak of Varroa mites, also in California, have created a shortage of the vitally important pollinating insects.

All of these factors could cause a supply shortage for growers that rent honeybees seasonally to aid in crop pollination.

Hives normally rent for

bad approximately \$40 a season, but due to the recent honeybee losses, hive prices are expected to jump by over 50 percent, possibly exceeding \$100. Vandiver recommends that growers, who rent honeybees, contact their suppliers as soon as possible to try and avoid any delays or possible shortages.



### **Obituaries**

### **Lorado Servatius**

Private family graveside services for Lorado Nettie Servatius, 84, of Pleasant Hill, have been held. Fr. Sotero Sena officiated.

She died March 25 at home.

She was born on April 20, 1920, in Paducah, Texas, to T.M. and Janie Fincher Anderson.

She was raised in Anton, Texas. She married Bob Servatius on July 12, 1941, in Vernon, Texas. After farming in the Anton area, they moved to Pleasant Hill in 1953.

She was a member of **Pleasant** the Hill Club; **Demonstration** Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus, serving as a "hospitality lady."

She was preceded in death by her parents; 4 brothers and 4 sisters.

Surviving are her husband; 2 sons, Eugene, of Lubbock, and Bill, of Pleasant Hill; 2 daughters, Pauline Slaughter, of Amarillo, and Arlene Leddy, of Abilene; a sister, Lucille Hargrove, of Anton; 9 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Cremation was held. **Memorial contributions** may be made to the ARC Tootsie Roll Drive, in care the Knights Columbus, Albert Garcia, 137 E. Yucca, Clovis, NM 88101.

### Virginia Drager

Services for Virginia Hines, Drager, 81, of Farwell, were held Tuesday at St. John **Lutheran Church at Lariat** with the Rev. David Symm officiating. Burial was in **Texico Cemetery.** 

She died March 25 at the Muleshoe hospital.

She was born Dec. 1, 1923, in Crosbyton, Texas, to Bob and Nannie Hines.

She moved to Farwell with her family in 1929. She married John P.A. Drager on April 12, 1943. They lived in the Rhea community until 1974, when they moved east of Clovis. She lived her last seven years in Farwell.

She was a member of

the Red Had Society, the **Farwell** Convalescent Center Auxiliary, the Braille Workers at St. John's, the Lutheran Women's **Missionary** League and St. John's Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; 3 brothers, Robert Hines, and Lynn and Walter Westbrook, and 2 sisters, Rose Gattis and Ethlene Bell.

Surviving are 2 sons, Aaron and Sam, both of Clovis; а daughter, Jesko, Elizabeth of Lazbuddie; a special nephew, John Drager, of Clovis; 8 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren, and a brother, Sam Hines, of California.

Pallbearers were Lance Starbuck, Kirk and Dustan Jesko, and Cody, Eric, Jeremy and Zane Drager.

Honorary pallbearers were Naomi Starbuck, LaMicah, Monica, Hannah and Crystal Drager, and Stephanie Jesko.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. John Lutheran Church preor/and school the **Medical Emergency** Service.

Steed-Todd **Funeral** handled the Home arrangements.

### Georgia Rizzuti

Georgia Carol Brock Rizzuti, 59, of Clovis, died March 26 at Covenant Medical Center Lubbock.

Services were held Monday at Steed-Todd Funeral Chapel.

She was born Sept. 29, 1945, in Denver to Bob and Helen Thurman. She was a graduate of Clovis High and ENMU.

She married James Rizzuti in June 2004.

She was preceded in death by her mother; and a brother, Larry Thurman.

Surviving are her husband; her father; a son. Eric Brock, of New York; 2 sisters, Roberta Cameron, of Tucson, Ariz.; and Linda Stensvad, of Clovis; and a brother, Robert Thurman, of Farwell.

She taught math at Texico Junior High from 1970 to 1995.

Yahaira Garcia is a Texico kinder-

Parents are Lorenzo Rutiaga and Alma Garcia. Siblings are Iris and Angel. Grandparents are Juana Rutiaga, Ricardo

She likes to play and watch TV. Her

favorite food is pizza. Her favorite color is

gartener. Her birthday is July 2.

Garcia and Graciela Garcia.

orange. She doesn't like hot chili

### Sheriff's Report

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

On March 25, Jose Carranza, 17, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of motion to revoke probation (DWI). Case is pending in county court.

On March 24, Randy Gonzalez, 26, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on charges of possession of marijuana, pending in county court, and manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance, pending before

### Letter to the Editor

Dear Mike.

The Farwell Band Boosters wish to thank the all the members of the community who so generously supported their fund raising dinner on March 13th. Thank you to all the parents and family members who worked so hard before, during and after the dinner to make it successful. Special thanks to Cargill Meat Solutions for their donation of the ground beef, Bill Brigham of Mrs. Baird's Bakery for his donation of the bread, Lowe's Grocery Store for their contribution, Pepsi for their donation of the cups, Nuco for their discount, Linda Moss and Farwell Schools for the use of the kitchen, cooler and all the pots and pans, Mr. Bill Shelly and the high school band members that showed up for work!

We'd also like to thank you, Mike, and the State Line Tribune for your donation of the advertising for the dinner. You have been very supportive of the band and have given a fair amount of space for all information involving the students and their activities.

It is because of this kind of support and efforts that the band and music program at the Farwell Schools will grow and strengthen!

Teresa Mesman, Warren Schmidt, Kanetha Foster, **Robin Howard** 

**Band Booster officers** 

### **Courthouse Notes**

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

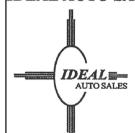
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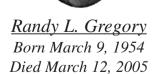
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For those of you who have asked, a specific memorial fund has not been established yet in Illinois. However, memorials may be made to your church, the organization of your choice or to the Farwell Education Foundation, if you wish.

Your acts of kindness and prayers have meant so much to us. Thank you.

Marjean and Jonathan Gregory Larry, Robin, Sage and Grant Gregory Rita and Bud Norrod and family the grand jury.

On March 26, Lewis Diaz, 33, of Bovina, was arrested by Bovina police on a charge of DWI. Case pending in county court.

On March 27, Facundo Saenz, 42, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of assault. Case pending in county court.

On March 23, Justina Garcia, 35, of Farwell, was arrested by sheriff's office on a charge of theft by check. Case pending in county court.

On March 24, Melissa Gutierrez, 28, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of tampering with a government record. Case pending before the grand jury.

On March 28, Joshua Lunsford, 22, of Farwell, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. Case pending in county court.

### Texico Police Report

Here is the weekly report from Texico Police Chief John Mares.

A 17-year-old Texico boy has been charged in connection of the flea market burglary a couple of weeks ago. He is charged with commercial burglary, larceny over

\$250, and criminal damage.

Mares said all the missing property has been recovered.

The boy also was recently charged in a vehicle theft here, was arrested in Arizona with the car, and returned to Texico. Mares said the boy is currently in juvenile detention in Clovis.

### **LEGAL PUBLICATIONS**

### **NOTICE**

The Lazbuddie ISD Board at its March 21, 2005, meeting approved canceling the school board election set for May 7, 2005, and declaring each candidate who has filed for office the winner.

Since only three candidates filed for the three positions and as they will be running unopposed, the board declared Chris Timms and Terry Jesko elected for three-year terms; and Amy Barnes elected for an unexpired one-year term.

Karl Vaughn Superintendent



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ductive irrigated farm. They didn't have many hobbies except to do good and help their neighbors and friends when needed. They helped with children in 4-H clubs and were always interested in young

land and had a highly pro-

They sold their farm to W.S. Ingram in 1959 and moved to Texico to be nearer more of their children because of ill health

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and age.

Fred died Nov. 24, 1964. Dollie died March 31, 1967. They are buried at the Oklahoma Lane Cemetery.

My folks were true pioneers. They went through hard times, rearing a large family but we also had our good times. They believed and instilled in their children the golden rule -- do unto others as you would like them to do unto you."

Their daughter, **Ogetha Langford** 

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### From the 1700's

Ruby's Antique store in Texico added something really special recently. Ruby said she purchased this painting from the 1700's at an auction in Carlsbad. We are not sure what it is about, but the odds are that it features St. Patrick, which mythology says was the man who rid Ireland of snakes.

### **Chamber** From page 1

In other business at Tuesday's Chamber meeting:

-- The annual fund-raising golf tourney, headed by Ronald Byrd, will be tentatively held on June 11.

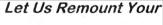
Voted to spend \$250 toward sending four Farwell students to serve as pages for a day at the Texas Legislature. Anne Norton heads this annual program.

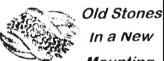
### **Basketball** school set

The Wolverine Little Dribblers Tourney will be held April 7-9 at Texico High School.

Divisions are (boys and girls), 10 and under (3-4 grades) and 12 and under (5-6 grades). Cost is \$80 per team, with a 3-game guarantee.

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Rob Pomper, president Rebecca Pomper, vice president Deidre Pomper, treasurer Mike Pomper, secretary Texas Press Association

### Here's a bit of history

(Editor's note: This article was written years ago...)

Fred M. Barker was born in Sommerville County, Texas. to **Benjamin** Franklin and Barker America Lucinda (Styron) Barker Sept. 1, 1889.

Dollie Brown, daughter of T.T. and Mary Ann Cynthia (Mullins) Brown was born at Rainbow in Sommerville County on March 5, 1893. They married March 3, 1912.

Fred taught at Riverdale School in Sommerville County from 1912-13. In October 1915, they moved to Donley County, Texas, and rented land.

In the fall of 1919, they bought land in Parmer County three miles east of Farwell. They moved there on Oct. 20, 1920. Ira Taylor



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### The Latest

The Farwell **Band Boosters will meet April 7** at 6:30 p.m. in the Farwell **Band Hall.** 

The report and tally from the fund raising dinner and upcoming activities will be discussed.

All parents and supporters of the band are encouraged to attend.

Teresa Mesman will be researching and writing about a host of medical issues, illnesses and diseases, medical technologies and medications in an upcoming series to be featured in the Tribune.

If you have a question, incident or topic that you would like addressed in the series, please contact her at 825-3830 or write to her at 542 CR 7, Farwell, TX 79325.

She welcomes the input from the community and she hopes to "shed some light" on some very interesting topics that affect all

# Vaughan qualifies for state in javelin

The Texico High boys' track team took 4th place with 40points at the Dexter Relays, Braden Vaughan qualifying for state in the javelin.

The Lady Wolverines didn't enter the meet since many of the girls were unavailable.

Placing were:

800 run -- Renova, 4th,

110 hurdles - Scott, 2nd, 18.61; Sena, 5th, 19.79.

300 hurdles - - Scott. 3rd. 47.13: Bare. 4th. 47.19.

400 relay - Texico, 6th,

1600 relay - Texico, 3rd,

Shot put - Vannatta, 4th.

38'11 1/2. Discus - Brown, 6th,

106'9 3/4.

Javelin - Vaughan, 1st. 165'4.

Long jump - Garrison, 4th, 19'6 1/2.

Triple jump - Mayfield.

6th, 37'5 1/2.

High jump - Segovia, 6th. 5'6.

### Clemente Meza, **Christian Meza**, Ware take 1st places at meet

Farwell Junior High 8th grade boys participated in recent track meet. Scoring were:

400 relay -- Farwell, 4th, :52.73.

110 hurdles Hernandez, 8th, :21.24.

100 run - Neudorf, 8th,

400 dash - Neudorf, 6th,

1:06.11. 200 dash - Loera, 4th, :28.13; and Johnson, 5th, :28.35.

And results from Farwell's 7th grade boys

400 relay - Farwell, 4th, :55.35.

800 run - Clemente Meza, 1st, 2:39.58; and Christian Meza, 2:29.02.

100 dash - Ware, 2nd, :12.84; Cullison, 5th. :14.06.

400 dash - Meza, 6th, 1:13.22.

200 dash - Ware, 1st, :26.87; Christian,

:30.99. 1600 run - Christian Meza, 1st, 6:24.87; Clemente Meza, 2nd, 6:25.56.

Gary and Sheila Jennings and family enjoyed a Spring Break trip to California. While there, they attended a Los Angeles Lakers basketball game.

St. Lutheran John Church at Lariat Pastor Dave and Tina Symm and family enjoyed a visit last week from his parents, Victor and Gladvs Symm. of Giddings, Texas.

Carolyn Dorsey, of Giddings, Texas, will be the featured speaker at the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Spring Rally at St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat Saturday, April 2.

The rally begins at 10:30 a.m. and will include a hot baked potato and fixings lunch.

Ms. Dorsey is the conventions chairman for the Texas District LWML. She enjoys bringing the true mission and message of LWML to women across Texas. She brings her message with experiences from the school classroom, the Sunday School classroom and the biggest classroom of all ... life!

Women from all over the region are invited to attend this fun filled day at the St. John fellowship hall.

Carla Kaltwasser has been recovering from knee surgery the past few weeks.

She and her husband Steve enjoyed an Easter weekend visit from son Daniel, a student at Angelo State University, and daughter Chelsi, who is working and living in Houston.

About a quarter-inch of moisture fell on the Twin Cities last weekend. It was followed by 3 to 4 inches of snow on Saturday, which melted rapidly as temperatures turned warmer.

A follow-up on the recent shooting death of Rev. Randy Gregory, a Farwell High 1972 gradu-

His wife, Marjean, 52, is no longer listed in critical condition after being shot, too, and she is home from the hospital.

### Marriage License

The Parmer County clerk's office last week issued a marriage license to Richard Barton and Krystle Crenshaw.



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The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. The appraisal district must notify you in writing of any value change and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2004. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2005.

### What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 2005 renditions is April 15. You can get an automatic extension to May 15 if you ask for it in writing on or before the April 15 deadline. The chief appraiser may grant an additional 15 days after May 15 for an owner who shows good cause in writing.

### Where do you file?

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### WTRT re-elects 3 directors

At the 51st annual meeting Tuesday in Hereford, members of the West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative re-elected the three directors whose terms were on the ballot.

All three were unopposed: Charles Christian, Oklahoma Lane; Pat Robbins, Frio, and Charles Ray, Summerfield.

Manager Thomas Hyer, in his annual report, noted that capital credits for the year 1981 will be issued later this spring.

Also, he noted that WTRT has granted 55 scholarships since the scholarship award program was initiated.

The financial statement for WTRT showed the cooperative was in a strong situation. The net margin for the period ending Sept. 30, 2004, was **\$276,492.** The total income was \$5,801,849, with total expenses of \$4,525,357.

A large crowd attended the annual meeting at the Hereford Bull Barn to enjoy a catered dinner of brisket and sausage.

The program also noted former directors who had served the cooperative since 1950.

Among the first direcwere Harold Carpenter, of Oklahoma Lane, who served on the board from 1950-1959.

Among those enjoying the WTRT meeting were Hannah Lookinabill, left, of Friona, and Martha Hamilton, of the Black community.

U.S. Security is seeking to hire a person for a security guard position at a Farwell business.

For complete information and to get an application, call (806) 647-3245 any time.

### Meet Farwell's Class of 2017



Alex Lucero is a Farwell kindergartener. His birthday is Sept. 8.

Parents are Eddie & Chantel Lide, and Joe Lucero. Siblings are Dustin, Emily, Justin, Taylor & Joshua. Grandparents are Dr. & Mrs. Kleinpeter, Tony Wills & Esta

Hobbies were video games, horse riding, singing, and playing with his puppy. Favorite color is blue. Favorite foods are corn and spaghettios. Dislikes are big

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### Special issue is next week

Well, folks, our special 100th anniversary issue celebrating the beginning of Farwell will come out next week.

We are printing 400 extra copies so we should have enough extras for you if you need them.

We will just be putting out the normal amount on the newsstands so if they run out, there will be extra copies available at the Tribune office.

The last time we had a special issue was in 1986. for the **Texas** Sesquicentennial and the 75th anniversary of the Tribune. At that time, we printed an extra 200 copies -- and sold out.

Hopefully, the April 7 issue will be much better. We will cover the history of Farwell from its start in 1905 until the current days.

We have a boatload of old photos we plan to use, also.

And there will be special articles, such as detailing the history of the Farwell Medical Clinic, the infamous Hassell murders, beginning of our churches, etc.

Watch for it!

Nichols is

top golfer

Golf Meet last week.

1st with 485 points.

medalist);

Garcia, 124.

participated

Howard, 133.

Christian

schools entered.

Britton Barrett,

Robyn Teltschik, 135.

I need to plug the Farwell Chamber

The Farwell girls' golf

The Lady Blue finished

Members were Micah

Shelby

School

114;

Christian, 105 (3rd place

Christian, 123; Jenna

Joplin, 133; and Kristen

The Farwell Steers also

Sundown meet. Scoring

were Tate Nichols, 76 (1st

place medalist); Dan

Patterson, 101, and Bryce

The Lady Blue took 1st

with 430 at the Clovis

Invitational. Only two

Jones (3rd medalist), 102;

Micah Christian, 108;

Shelby Christian, 106; and

Scoring were Dellani

in

team swept to victory in

the Sundown Invitational

### Commerce banquet.

This is such an important affair for the community that all are needed to attend if possible.

The Chamber is offering some great entertainment this year, the Allie Brooks Band. And the tickets are not expensive. See the story elsewhere in today's Tribune on where to buy them. And they are available at the Tribune office.

The banquet is set for April 16, a Saturday night. Please mark it on your calendar to attend.

It's a night when we honor Man of the Year, Woman of the Year, Agriculturalist of the Year, Teacher of the Year, and Students of the Year.

Please be part of this great evening.

As noted in last week's article, the city of Texico has given its police chief the go-ahead to hire a 4th police officer if he choos-

I wrote years ago that I feel a small city like Texico, with a population of just over 1,000, doesn't need four officers.

Farwell, with a population of 1,500, has one officer. Bovina, with a population of about 2,200, has 2 police officers.

Yes, I know that the more officers you have, the greater coverage you can provide. But what I saw when Texico had four police officers in the past is that they spent a considerable amount of their time doing "traffic control" (i.e., catching speeders).

And we all remember the bad image Texico had gotten as a "speed trap."

I realize that stats would point out that Texico was not a speed trap, because of the high speeds folks were charged with, well over the speed limits.

But we know that "perception is reality." And the perception of most folks is that Texico was a speed trap. Thus, it was.

I got to tell you about something that recently

tickled my funny bone. There's a national fast food restaurant that is currently pushing its "Island

Fire Burger." Okay, no problem there. Well, one of the chain's

restaurants is in Clovis. And its big sign boosts the special, but calls it the "Fire Island Burger."

Folks like me who once lived on the East Coast of the U.S. know that Fire Island is a part of New York City and was prominently known up and down the East Coast for its gay community.

Chuckle...

From Rob Pomper:

Just an update on an earlier column that I wrote.

About six months ago I wrote about the lost city of Farwell, and now that we approach the special commemorative issue of Farwell's 100th year I'm happy to announce that we have been found.

The popular map site www.mapquest.com had gotten some bad information about the location of Farwell. They seemed to think that the town was located in the Big Bend region of the state.

So I let them know they had us in the wrong place

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and see if we could get it changed.

I wrote them a letter and included directions on how to find us, and they responded that they had us in the right spot. Then said that maybe one of the companies that they got their data from had us listed in the wrong place.

This didn't make much sense to me, but I followed up on it and asked who their data suppliers were and how I could get in touch with them.

They gave me two companies. Both of which professed to have the most accurate data on road conditions anywhere in the world.

What I found out is that these companies do nothing but make digital maps. Mostly, it seems, for in-car navigation systems. Much like On-Star.

However someone along the line made a mistake. And in this day and age, correcting it is always a problem.

I e-mailed back and forth with both companies and let them know our situation: one of the two companies had us in the wrong place. Of course both companies denied it was

I pushed on... and finally one of them relented. They apparently mistyped our coordinates some time in the past. We are now where we should be.



### **Oklahoma Lane Bovina Church of Christ** Please attend Methodist Church Mike Prather, minister Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Worship Service -- 9 a.m. church services Wed. - Bible class - 7:30 p.m. Sunday School - 10 a.m. Lazbuddie Church of God in Christ, **First Baptist Church Methodist Church** Mennonite Rev. Randy Thomas Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. James Koehn - minister of Lazbuddie Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship -- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m. First Baptist Church First Baptist Church St. John Lutheran of Farwell of Texico Church, Lariat Rev. Randy G. Mullin Rob Hollis - - minister David Symm - minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday School - 9 a.m. Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Worship-10:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m. Wed. - Prayer meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. Wed. - mission aux., 7:30 p.m. www.fbcfarwell.org San Jose Catholic Hamlin Memorial Pleasant Hill **United Methodist Baptist Church** Church, Texico Jim Peabody - minister Church Sunday Mass - Noon Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Religious Education -Rev. Scott Spitsberg Worship-10:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. 1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Sunday School - 10 a.m. Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. winter Community Meal -- 1:15 p.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. 7:30 p.m. summer **Lariat Church of Church of Christ Farwell Church of Christ** 110 Ninth St. Christ Sam Billingsley - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Phillip Steyn -- preacher Sunday School - 10 a.m. Bible Class Sunday - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Worship; 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. summer Wednesday - 7 p.m. winter 8 p.m. winter Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. In Search -- 7:30 -- Ch. 4 Sun. 8 p.m. summer **New Light Baptist** Assembly of God **Bovina United** Church, Texico Church **Methodist Church** Pastor Brylan K. Phillips, Sr. Bob Burris - minister Rev. Quita Jones Sunday School - 9:00 a.m. mt. Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Sunday School - 9:45 BTU - 9:45 a.m. mt Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Worship - 11 a.m. mt Wednesday - 6 p.m. Wednesday study, 7 p.m. Wednesday - Bible Study 6:30 p.m. mt First Baptist Church Iglesia Bautista St. Ann's Catholic Church Of Bovina Hispana in Bovina Fr. David Contreras Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m. in Aaron Reed, pastor Rafael Marin, pastor English; Noon in Spanish. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. CCD -- 10:30 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Evening Mass: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday worship & Wednesday worship, 7 p.m. youth, 7 p.m. Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wed. - Fri. Farwell Lazbuddie **United Pentecostal Church of Christ Convalescent Center** Church of Texico Bill Bridwell -- chaplain Mickey Chambiss - minister **Rev. Mickee Mounce** Sunday services -- 9 a.m. Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11:15 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Worship - 10:20 a.m. & 5 p.m. Bible study - 9:30 a.m. Friday Wednesday -- 7 p.m. Wednesday - 8 p.m.

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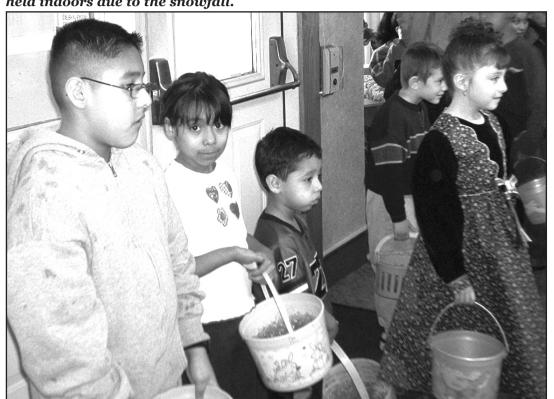


Jacqueline Vega visits the Easter Bunny (Viola Salinas) at the Easter Egg Hunt at the Farwell Convalescent Center on Saturday. The hunt was held indoors due to the snowfall.

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FCC Resident Rada Shelburn chats with the Easter Bunny.



Kids line up for the annual Easter Egg Hunt.

### London, White, Howard appointed to Historical Commission

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The Parmer County Commissioners Monday named three more persons to the county's **Historical Commission:** Michael London, Sharon White and Pat Howard.

In other business, the commissioners approved extra office space for the **Parmer** County **Community Supervision** Department (formerly known as the adult probation office).

The new director for Parmer and Bailey counties is Bruce Gipson, who located.

lives in Friona.

Previously, the department's supervisor spent almost all her time at the Muleshoe office. Gipson plans to divide his time more evenly between the two counties.

Gipson's office will be on the courthouse's 2nd floor. It formerly held the Farwell area Justice of the Peace office.

JP Pam Haseloff has moved her office to the 1st floor, where the county treasurer's office was

The county treasurer has moved into the former sheriff's department offices, which have been renovated.

### The Latest

Last reminder: **Daylight Savings Time** begins on April 3.

So when you go to bed on Saturday night, set your clocks ahead one

Remember - -spring forward, fall back.

The Farwell Little

es - committee meeting at the Farwell Junior High gym on April 7 at 7 p.m.

League will have a coach-

Baseball signups will be held on April 11 at the junior high gym from 7 to 9

If you are interested in helping in any way, please attend.

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We know that "March Madness" is going strong on TV, but please don't forget to get out and support our local athletes, too.

Texico High tracksters will participate in the Buffalo Relays at Melrose on April 7. Meanwhile, Texico Junior High will host their annual track invitational on April 5.

And the Wolverine baseball schedule continues. Texico's JV team plays at Dora on March 31 at 3 p.m. mt. On April 5, the JV and varsity Texico teams play at Dexter starting at 4 p.m. mt.

And at Farwell, the girls and boys golf teams head to District at Lubbock Meadowbrook golf course on April 4.

The Bovina Mustangs baseball team hosts Nazareth on April 1 at 4:30 p.m. This will be Bovina's first home game (the other two were cancelled due to the weather).



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sion at its last meeting, the **Texico City Council hired** JoLynn Queener to be a part-time municipal court clerk.

A welcome dinner was held last Friday at Hamlin **Memorial United Methodist** Church for Rev. Scott Spitsberg's new wife, Tena.

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The Border Town Days Committee will hold their first meeting of the year on Monday at 7:30 p.m. ct at the Texico Fire Hall.

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John Armstrong and his son, John Robert, plan to open a pool hall in Clovis.



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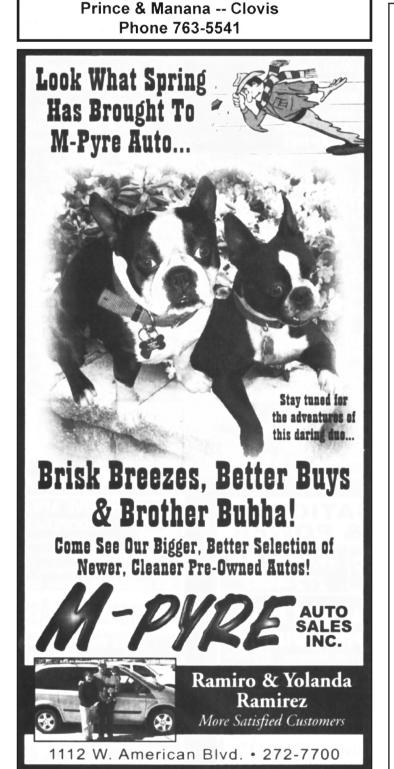
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### Sittin' in the Corner

### by Wade Cargile

As I was sitting at the breakfast table one morning, reading the back of the cereal box while eating "Crunchy Crunchies," I heard Wilbur coming down the lane.

"Whippee! Hoorah! Whoopee!"

Not bothering to look up from the box as he ran in the back door, he continued to holler as he ran toward my table.

"Whoopee! I finally did

"Did what?" I asked, not showing much concern or enthusiasm.

"I finally saved up enough money to buy one of those Rowdy Trail mountain bikes."

When I heard that, I jumped up and started hollering and dancing around the room with him.

My little sister, "Sis", looked up from her bowl of cereal and casually rolled her eyes at the two of us dancing around, making fools of ourselves.

Wilbur then said, "Let's get into town and look the bikes over and you can watch me expertly handle the salesman into selling me a bike at a cheaper cost."

As we headed to town, we met up with Brian Hinkersley, the local disgusting boy from down the road. He asked to tag along with us, and instead of saying no, I had a brilliant idea.

"Hey, let's let Snotty (that was his nickname for reasons we won't go into but you can guess) go with us. If we show up with him, he will distract ol' man Jenkins and maybe he'll

### Crime Stoppers pays \$200 reward for info

Recently. **Parmer County Crime Stoppers** paid a \$200 reward for a tip regarding a crime committed in the county, reports board member Frances

She added, "You can show your support for this important group with your tips. If you know someone involved in criminal activitv. call Crime Stoppers at 1 (800) 774-TIPS or 481-

"Your information may be the piece of the puzzle needed to solve a crime. You may be eligible for a cash reward and you will remain anonymous."

**Farwell** Monday - chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, corn, rolls, fruit, milk. Tuesday - bacon cheese-

burger, LTOP, french fries, banana pudding, milk.

Wednesday - spaghetti, garden salad, green beans, bread sticks, fruit, milk.

Thursday - burritos, taco salad, corn, fruit, milk.

Friday - ham & cheese sandwich, lettuce leaf, pickles, chips, fruit, milk.

**Texico** Monday - chicken fajitas with cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, corn, salsa, fruit, milk.

Tuesday - salisbury steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, fruit. milk.

Wednesday - pig in a blanket, mac & cheese, mixed veggies, fruit, milk.

Thursday - hamburgers, pickles, lettuce, french fries, fruit, milk.

Friday - pizza, garden salad, fruit, cookie, milk.

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just let you have that bike for a discount just to get rid of us faster," I said.

Wilbur thought about it for a moment, then said, "Okay, we'll give it a shot. But if he starts to ruin it for me, I'm gonna knock his snot right off his nose."

We finally got to Mr. Jenkins' hardware store and Wilbur began bargaining with him about buying a bike. As the two of them talked, Snotty looked at me and said, "Maybe we better test these bikes 'for buyin' one. My pa always kicks the tires on a car 'for buyin' it."

Before I would even think about what he said, he swiftly kicked the first bike's front tire. Unfortunately, the bikes were lined up neatly in a rack so when Snotty kicked the one, one by one the others started to fall, like a stack of dominoes.

I tried to rush over and grab the second bike before it toppled, but tripped over Snotty's shoes. I crashed headlong into the bike rack, landing right in the middle of the pile, with my hands caught in the peddles and chains of two of the bikes.

My feet were trapped under the seats of two other bikes, and I began to holler for help.

Mr. Jenkins, with a look of horror on his face, ran over to me and jerked me up, while Wilbur just stood there with a look of disbelief on his face. Snotty, meanwhile, had run out of the store.



### Parmer County 4-H'ers

Attending the last Parmer County 4-H meeting were advisor Suzanne Reese and her husband, Ryan; along with 4-H'ers Colton Christian, Ray White, Kendal Stancell, Levi McCormick, K'Leigh Jo White, Russell Schilling, Collin Christian, Brooklyn Lamb, Taylor Stancell, Zac Stancell, Michelle Wauson, Trace Stancell, Sarah Herington, Bretton Stancell, Caleb Christian, Tyler Schilling, Alisha Wauson, Kary Mathys. Not pictured are Abby, Jill, Cari and Drew Johnson.

Mr. Jenkins then looked at me, the bikes, then back at me. "What in tarnation are you boys up to? You think by distracting me while one of you damages my bikes, you can get one cheaper?

With that, he held us captive while he called our parents to tell them what we had done. I looked at Wilbur and said, "We wouldn't be in this predicament if it weren't for Snotty." We tried telling Mr. Jenkins that it was Snotty's fault for the accident, but we were just accused of trying to pass the blame.

On the way home, we stopped at Snotty's house to find out why he ran out on us. When he opened the door, he began screaming, "Ow! Stop! Ouch! Please stop!"

His mom came running at us with a broom, swinging away, catching us on our backs and velling. "You boys just get on outta here and quit beating on my precious."

We had not even laid a finger on Snotty, but when we got home, we got another "wearin' out," as our parents put it.

Wilbur didn't get his bike, since the money he saved to buy it went toward the damages at Mr. Jenkins' store. We never did forgive Snotty for what he did to us, but we had to get along with him-- or get another wearin' from our parents.

Snotty finally outgrew his disgusting habits and became quite a decent fellow, but it was years and years later.

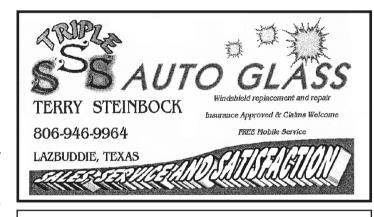


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LIVE CATTLE: Cattle prices look like a bottom was made this week and the market should improve over the next couple of weeks. Expect to see another selling oppor tunity during the first full week of April followed by another decline into late April. Cash prices traded steady this week at \$90 which was supportive to prices. Expect to see improving cash into early April.

FEEDER CATTLE: The market should have seen a low this week as short term trends were able to turn up on Thursday. Steady cash fed cattle also helped to support a higher market. Not much news about the Canadian border issue this week, which was a plus for prices. Although feed yard numbers are growing, there seems to be shor numbers of feeders, which have supported strong prices

CORN: The market moved back into a major support area at \$2.09 basis the May contract. There are a few strong seasonal tendencies which should pull the market back up into early April. From that point forward, weath er will be the key issue traders will focus most of their attention. There is generally another pop-up into early May which will either retest last highs or fail?

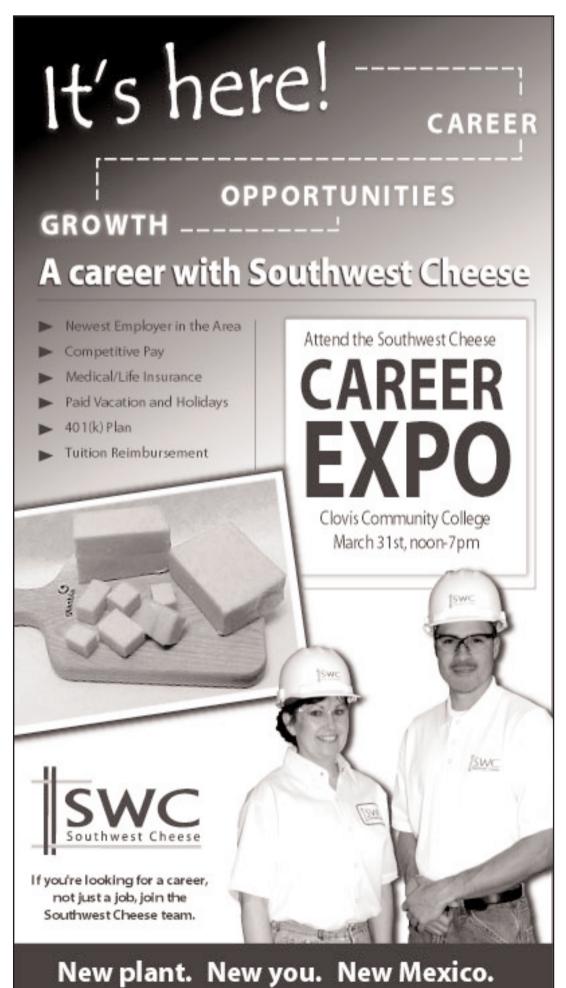
SOYBEANS: Beans also held key support around the \$6.15 area this week and need to close back above \$6.36 in order to turn short term trends back higher. Odds are still good that beans may retest their most recent highs before turning down. The 15 year seasonal tendency should help to support higher prices into early May. A failure to make new highs would signal a top?

WHEAT: The market made it up to levels that were not expected to be seen this year? Most of the buying was attributed to Fund buying, which drove the market up toward the \$3.70 area basis the July KC Wheat. There is a seasonal buy in early April which lasts into early May before turning charts down this summer. Odds favor a rally with corn and beans into early May.

COTTON: The market was due to top around mid March and so far, the market has proved to be correct There are more strong seasonal sells coming up in late April which will last into late June. Technically, the market may see another bounce back up before turning down, but a close below long term support levels at \$48.50 basis the May would turn everything down.

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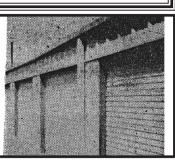
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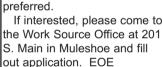
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of space and storage

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Garage Sale -- 709 Ave. F, Farwell, Saturday, April 2, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Privacy fence, twin bed, chair, tools, kitchen items, clothes and lots of misc.

### The Latest

Irene Jones had a mishap last weekend while out walking in Farwell. She ended up with several finger stitches in a because of it, too.

Billy, Ruth, Joel and Trevor Owen enjoyed a Spring Break trip to Arizona.

Mike and Donna Ratke

and family enjoyed a

cruise over Spring Break.

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### MOVING TO BOVINA

A really large "Garage Sale" will be held at Jeff Steelman's new storage buildings (No. 62 and No. 63) near the railroad tracks and across from Bovina City Hall on Friday, April 1, and Saturday, April 2 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.

Having owned a shop, we have some items that still have NEW TAGS on them! And we are talking about a lot of items. Come see the full collection. Here's just some of what we are talking about:

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This is one of the LARGEST "garage sales" you will ever attend. And all the items will be available at Mr. Steelman's storage units.

### Seniors

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school has enough kids go to along with, an advantage would be to learn team work. It will also show them the discipline they need to succeeds; it takes teachers and coaches to encourage them to be successful.

Javier Guevara

If I would change anything at this school, it would be to make the teachers' and aides' pay better. The reason is because the teachers and aides work together to try and help the students that do not speak very good English and to help them understand their work better. This makes the work easier because the aides work harder to make it easier for their students. Some teachers and aides do mor than they have to, such as they run the concession stands for our sports teams. They even help with the Booster Club. Some teachers help the students speak better English. Other teachers just teach the students very well.

**David Gonzalez** 

As an outgoing senior, I would like to see more changes in Bovina High School academics. In a sense that many students do not participate in activities because they see it as boring or it just doesn't interest them. I believe that incentives will persuade students to participate in more activities. Being involved plays many roles later in the future. For the reason that they are doing what they want to do with others who enjoy it, too. To me, just hearing that I could have fun while learning sounds like an opportunity; one that should not be skipped. Underclassmen should be involved more, not for the school, but for themselves, just with support and help from the school to increase the number of students who participate in activities and the number of activities to be in.

Jose Lopez

As an outgoing senior, one of the things I would like for the underclassmen to have is the privilege of offcampus. Being a senior this year without this privilege, was stressful because sometimes you just need to get away from the stresses of school life. And not that the food here is bad, but sometimes you don't like what's on the menu. And I know that in the past, this privilege has been taken advantage of, but I think and hop that everyone has learned a lesson. I think that off-campus should at least be given to the seniors. Give them a chance to prove that they are responsible and maybe set the example for the underclassmen. Give them a chance to show the underclassmen that there are some things in life that you need to work for. After all, off-campus is a privilege, not a right.

Victoria Carrillo

Jennifer Reyna

As an outgoing senior, I would like to see new changes in the athletic department, for example, a new gym during basketball season. It was hard on us girls to have practice because of the boys having practice and the middle school games on Mondays. The boys and girls really only get one day out of the week to practice. If we had another gym, it would make it more convenient for us both to have practice and it would definitely make Coach Epps happy. Another thing I would like to see is a new track. During track season, it was just as hard for us as it was during basketball. A lot of the time, we had to travel to Friona just to practice our running events. Our school has a lot of disadvantages compared to other schools because of the things we don't have. On the other hand, Bovina has many advantages such as small classes which allow more one-on-one learning, coaches who are very dedicated to their programs and athletes, a principal who is supportive, and the teachers and staff who are very caring.

# Wolverines take 2 from Dexter

The Texico Wolverines baseball team plastered San Jone in a double-header on Monday, by scores of 20-4 and 13-1. Both games went 5 innings.

In the 1st game, Braden Vaughan, Joel Maldonado and Zane Anderson had two hits apiece. Anderson clobbered a 3-run homer.

The game ended on an unusual double play -- 3rd (Maldonado) to 1st (Vaughan) and back to 3rd. In the 2nd game, Maldonado pitched the entire game

to go 2-0 on the year. He recorded 10 strike-outs. With 2 hits apiece were Logan Brown and Maldonado

(including a 2-run homer).

Texico is now 4-1 on the season and 2-0 in district.

As an outgoing senior, I would like to see some changes in our cafeteria. The first change I would like to see is to have more food choices. For example, fried food, salads and drinks such as PowerAde and orange drinks would be a nice change. I would like to have more choices of fruit, such as apples, oranges, bananas, watermelon and other fruit that may be in season. Furthermore, I would like to see the lunch extended to 45 minutes. One reason would be so students would not have to hurry through their lunch.

Isabel Guevara



Juan De La Garza enjoyed the park slide on Easter Sunday.

### Becky's Banter

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programs will be on April 6 from 10 a.m. to noon and from 2 to 5 p.m. at Ridgelea Elementary School.

The Bovina Mustangs baseball team hosts Nazareth on April 1 at 4:30 p.m. This will be Bovina's first home game (the other two were cancelled due to the weather).

Jerry Roach called to share the news of the birth of his granddaughter, Sadie Jean, daughter of Tim and Stacy Frazier of Melrose. She was born March 12 in Clovis, just 4 hours short of sharing Jerry's birthday.

Sadie weighed 7 lbs., 13 oz., and measured 20 inches. She is the first child for the couple and first grandchild for both sets of grandparents.

Her maternal grandparents are Jerry and Kay Roach of Bovina and paternal grandparents are Bill and Lori Frazier of Melrose.

Great-grandparents are John and Jean Augenstine of Melrose and John and Doris Frazier of Tennessee.

Mary Alice Merrell and her daughter, Karen Barham of Lubbock drove to Dallas on March 18, stopping in Eastland to visit with Mary's cousin Juanita White. Upon arriving in Dallas, they checked in at the Hilton Garden Inn. Friday night they ate at the Spaghetti Warehouse and then walked around enjoying the sights in the West End.

Saturday morning they attended a "Spur of the Moment Gathering" Texas Tech NCAA Tournament Brunch sponsored by: Texas Tech Alumni Association, Texas Tech University, Texas Tech Athletics & The Red Raider Club. Chancellor's Council and the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. This was held upstairs at Union Station. After the Brunch they walked to the Reunion Arena for the NCAA Division 1 Women's Basketball Tournament. The 1st game was Texas vs. Oral Roberts and the 2nd was Georgia vs. Rice. The evening session was North Carolina State vs. Middle Tennessee State followed by Texas Tech vs. **UT/Arlington.** 

Sunday we went sight seeing, shopped in the Dallas Cowboy Pro Shop and toured Texas Stadium. We also "toured" the Grapevine Mall. On the way back to Dallas we ate at a Red Robin where with a Gourmet Burger you got endless steak french fries. Mondav morning we visited the Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza and the area surrounding it. The Monday night games were Texas vs. Georgia and Texas Tech vs. Middle Tennessee State.

Mary and Karen headed back to Lubbock on Tuesday. Although the Lady Raiders were eliminated by Tennessee on Sunday, the mother-daughter duo are already looking forward to the new season and hopefully attending the playoffs next year.

No baseball results were reported this week.



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# **Chamber of Commerce begins planning** for the 4th of July celebration

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce met last Friday to make plans for the annual 4th of July celebration.

Chamber President Mindy Neal reported she has asked C.E. Trimble to lead off the parade as has been the tradition for many years.

A lot of the discussion involved what extra activities that might be added.

It was said that coach Shannon Shorter (the Bovina High's boy's basketball coach) plans to put on a 3-on-3 basketball tourney if he can.

Also proposed were sack races, and 3-person volleyball matches.

The volleyball games would be for high school students and adults. Forms will be put at the school to see

if there would be good participation.

The group discussed the Big Meal. It was noted that the 40 lbs. of pinto beans used at the last 4th of July meal wasn't nearly enough and more needed to be bought this year to go along with the meat and other

The day also will include booths, carnival rides and a rubber band shooting game. And the day culminates at dusk with the big fireworks display.

The Chamber will continue making plans for the celebration at its next meeting, at 6:30 p.m. on April 26 at the Bone & Joint Clinic. All are invited to attend and help

Becky's Bovina Banter

**Becky London - 251-1164** 

# Easter Egg Hunt rescheduled

Because of the Big Snow that struck Bovina last Saturday, the annual Bovina Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt was postponed.

It will be held this Sunday, April 3rd, at the city park at 2 p.m.

Y'all come!

A train rolled through town last week and a spark from it may have caused a bunch of trees at 9th and North streets to catch on fire.

It only took 4 minutes from the time the 911 call was placed until firefighters arrived at the scene.

Last reminder: Pre-registrations for Head Start, prekindergarten, kindergarten and the migrant 3-year-old

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Seniors tell what changes

# they would like to see at school

Bovina High seniors were asked if they would like to see any changes in the school system. Here are some responses:

As an outgoing senior, I would like for the underclassmen to receive better lunches. For example, a salad bar that includes potato and macaroni salads, puddings, bacon bits, several types of dressings, shrimp and chicken salads. Along with the salad bar, I would like for the underclassmen to receive a potato bar that includes chili, butter, cheese, sour cream and broccoli. After all, salads are nutritious.

Zaide Marinelarena

As an outgoing senior, the changes I would like to see are the kids participating in more activities. The students need to participate in all activities so that the



Bovina's powerlifting team: Back row: Coach Jody Morris, Eliseo Salazar, Hugo Martinez, Michael Ortiz, Mauricio Garcia, Josh Guevara, Joseph Cruz, Luis Munoz, and Coach Hector Guevara; front row: Dominic Soria, Joseph Salazar, Josh Ramirez, Justin Guevara, Joseph Bermea, and Jesus Guevara. Not shown: Coach Steve Arias. (Photos by Denise Anderson)



The 2005 THSPA Regional Division 3 championships for boys were held on March 12 at Roosevelt High School. Joseph Cruz finished 6th in the 132-lb. class with a total lift of 865.



Joseph Bermea



Josh Guevara



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