

VETERANS DAY Nov. 11

Border Banter

--Mike Pomper

Honor our veterans

I hope you folks take some time and read the themes about Veterans Day that some of our young folks have written for the Tribune in this issue.

It's hard for me to write a column that says something differently. The kids say it all. They recognize the important of Veterans Day and that bodes well for our future.

I appreciate what they have written.

As a veteran myself, this special day makes me think back to my years in the Army and the comrades that I knew.

They were decent guys, doing their duty. We knew we were all part of what made up the best military in the world. And we took pride in that.

Watching my old unit, the 3rd Infantry Division, lead the charge toward Baghdad last week was real neat. That unit means a lot to me. Especially when I look back at the old scrapbooks from those days.

My favorite momento is the certificate signed by the commanding general when my daughter Patty Sue was born. The certificate declared Patty "an official Marne baby." I always liked that.

The 3rd Infantry Division is the only unit in the U.S. Army to have an official nickname -- the Marne Division, given for its outstanding role in winning the Battle of the Marne against the Germans in World War I.

But that was then, and this is now. So instead of me telling a bunch of dog-eared war stories, I would prefer you spend some time reading the themes by our students.

They are meaningful. Enjoy...

It's important that our youths understand the importance of Veterans Day and how servicemen and women have sacrificed for our nation.

Today, we are engaged in a different kind of war, a war with terrorists. I wish it weren't so, but it is. It's World War III, but we don't call it that.

It's a war that will last beyond our lifetime. And the battles in Iraq are just a small part of the overall picture, although most folks (including many of our leaders) have no clue about this.

I'm not going to go into my criticisms again of how the Iraqi situation has been mishandled; I've covered it too much already. We must look forward.

Unfortunately, our nation doesn't have a plethora of forward-thinkers when it comes to geopolitics. Oh, yeah, our political leaders are out-

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Expressing gratitude

Here's what some Farwell students had to say about the meaning of Veterans Day:

Emmanuel Pereda:

Veterans Day is a day we celebrate and honor our survivors of the past wars. They, the veterans, help us remember what they experienced during the war in which they fought. Most of them probably witnessed or felt the loss of a friend or family member. Some of them even went through the tragedy of seeing a friend die in combat. What we need to remember is what they fought for and what they died for -- our freedom and justice for all. Fighting in wars is necessary in order to preserve what we hold true and dear. Honoring veterans on Veterans Day is the best way to show our appreciation for their sacrifices.

Brenda Cano:

In 1918, World War 1, was then normally referred to simply as The Great War. No one could imagine any war being greater. It ended with the implementation of an armistice, a temporary cessation of hostilities in this case, until the final peace treaty, the infamous Treaty of Versailles, was signed in 1919.

In honor of this day, one year later, the Congress of the United States enacted a resolution. It stated that the U.S. flag would be prominently displayed on all government buildings on the 11th of November. Also, that all of the citizens should observe this special day by holding peaceful ceremonies which would further celebrate the sanctity of peace.

You might ask yourself, why remember Veterans Day? What's the point? I'll tell you. We must remember. If we do not, the sacrifice of those 100,000 people's lives will be meaningless. They died for us, for their homes and families and friends, for a collection of traditions they cherished and a future they believed in; they died for America.

A number of veteran organizations exist in the U.S. Many, like the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Disabled American Veterans, are chartered by the U.S. Congress. They are primarily organized to help veterans and their families in time of need, to support measures to promote the welfare and security of the country, and to support patriotic and moral values through special school, hospital and civic programs.

Their special concerns are to see that veterans' rights are protected, that medical care is provided when needed, and that the mean and women who wore the uniforms of their nation's armed forces are remembered.

To me, Veterans Day means respect. It's a day showing up the most respect to those that have fought and are fighting for our free country.

To me, Veterans Day means a lot. The main reason is because my own brother, a blood relative, was in the military. He was transferred to Iraq this summer where all this nonsense was happening. The war scared me so much and finding out that he had to go was terrifying.

He had to stay in Iraq for about 6 or 7 months. But I respect him more than ever now, knowing he had the guts to go out there and fight for our freedom that we have today. My mother and I would watch the news every single day, seeing if we would see his group or hear about them, to see if they were okay. It was really hard on my mom, me as well, but she took it real hard. But now she's better but before she was really worried.

He just got out of the Marines a year ago, but til this day I thank God for bring him home safely. I can't even imagine how many families and friends had to see their loved ones go into the battlefield. I'm not talking about just the present either ... even in the 1900's way back then, all those families seeing their loved ones pass away for our country. And others come home as heroes. I just cannot imagine how it felt losing someone at war.

So what I'm trying to get across is, respect this day like it was the last Veterans Day to celebrate. Remember all those that died, and lived for our great free, beautiful country. Also, pray for all those families that lost someone in the past or recently in any war that has happened.

Dellani Jones:

Veterans Day is a day that we set aside to honor the men and women who fought for our country in war. Veterans are those who have served in order to honor and protect our country. The veterans fought for us so that we could be a free country.

Veterans Day is on Nov. 11 every year. In the past, it was called Armistice Day, and that was celebrated on the 4th Monday in October. Some countries still call it Armistice Day.

There are many organizations that honor veterans such as the American Legion. The American Legion honors American veterans that were in World War I, World War II, the Korean War, Vietnam, Persian Gulf, the 1983 conflicts in Lebanon and Grenada, and the invasion of Panama.

The American Legion helps veterans' families, children and youth. Some other organizations are American Veterans Committee, Disabled American Veterans and Veterans Administration. They all help out the families of the veterans that were killed in war.

Without those who have fought in the war, the U.S. people would not have the freedom of rights, religion, and all the other things we are able to do because of the veterans.

Crystal Stover:

Veterans Day is a very important day for our nation. Many men and women have served and/or died in war. They have sacrificed for you and me so that all of us can have the freedom that we all enjoy today.

Veterans Day is more than just a day. It's a day to show our veterans how much we appreciate everything they have done. It's a day to honor the ones that are here today and a day to honor the ones that have died.

It's absolutely heart wrenching to hear the stories that people who have gone to war have. I can't even imagine what it would be like watching the enemy kill a friend or being captured and tortured to death.

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Jeanette Ford wins 10th contest

The scores in last week's Area Merchants Football Contest were the lowest in at least the past 20 years.

Just to get 6 of the 12 games picked correctly was way above average, as upsets predominated throughout the high school, college and pro games.

Of the hundreds of entrants last week, only one managed to get 9 games picked correctly. For that magnificent feat, the first place cash prize of \$20 went to Jeanette Ford.

Seven entrants had 8 right. Because they were closest to the tie breaker (Friona 17, Lockney 14), 2nd place cash prizes of

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Jeanette Ford receives her check for winning last week's football contest from Hal Helton, owner of Helton Oil, Inc., one of the contest sponsors.

McCain to speak at veterans' program

The annual Veterans Day memorial observance sponsored by Farwell Chamber of Commerce will, as always, be held at 11 a.m. on Nov. 11 at the Farwell city park in front of the Parmer County Veterans Memorial.

All veterans and interested persons are invited to attend.

Here is a look at the agenda for the program:

Lee Hutchins, master of ceremonies, will give the welcome.

The Farwell School Board, directed by Bill Shelly, will play "America", the National Anthem, "America the Beautiful" and "Taps."

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1413, of Friona, will post the colors.

Rev. Randy Mullin, of the First Baptist Church of Farwell, will give the prayer.

Ashlie Martin will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Les McCain, of Bovina, will give the main address. Hutchins will introduce all veterans who are present. They will be asked to come forward during the observance.

The placing of the wreaths in honor of those who died for our country will be done by Karla Sanchez and Esmeralda Vidauri.

The days of check floating in our nation's banks are over

by Teresa Mesman

The banking industry is checking out of the old way of processing and clearing checks. The Check Clearing for the 21st Century Act went into effect on Oct. 28, 2004, and it will drastically change the amount of time it takes for a check to clear the bank.

The days of check floating are over.

All checks, either payroll, personal or business will now be (or soon will be) processed via electronic transaction, thus shortening the time between when a check is written and when the money is actually withdrawn from the bank account. Banks will have the ability to exchange photographs of checks through computers.

This Act was enacted by Congress after Sept. 11, 2001. Air travel was shut down for several days and billions of dollars written on paper checks were delayed in being transported back to their originating banks. The Federal Reserve had to step in and gave credit to the banks until the accounts could be reconciled. If they hadn't done this, businesses and bank customers would have been without access to the money in their accounts for over one week.

"Check 21" is what the Act is being called nationwide and it will change the way business is conducted on a day to day basis across America. Although "Check 21" went into effect last month, not all banking institutions are set up to handle checks through the electronic system.

Dwayne Dale, vice president of technology for Muleshoe State Bank, has become well versed in the details of "Check 21."

"Millions, and possibly billions of dollars will have to be spent by banking institutions across America to have every organization fully set up with this technology," Dwayne explained. "Surprisingly, a lot of the larger banking institutions have not even begun to implement this procedure. This is due to the time that it is taking the Federal Reserve to fully certify the banks to clear check with this system."

Dwayne said that many of the smaller banking systems will go ahead of the larger banks in utilizing "Check 21."

The banking customers that this affects the most are

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FARWELL JH FOOTBALL

Farwell Junior High shut out Springlake-Earth, 20-0.

Jonathan Edwards had an interception and also scored on a 35-yard run.

Emilio Loera scored on a speed sweep reverse.

And Bo Mitchell scored from the 2 yard line.

The Latest

Farwell junior parents meeting scheduled for Nov. 11 has been cancelled.

Friday's football game between Ft. Sumner and Texico will be broadcast on FM 101.5.



Marriage License

The Parmer County clerk's office last week issued a marriage license to Violet Lynn and Hubert Qualls Jr.



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That famous saying is highlighted on the Parmer County Veterans Memorial in the Farwell City Park, honoring those veterans who died during our nation's wars.

The Farwell Chamber of Commerce will conduct a special ceremony at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 11, at the Veterans Memorial in the Farwell City Park. We encourage all our folks to take a minute and attend this ceremony, to pay homage to those who died so that our nation would stay free, and to our living veterans who attend this ceremony.

Help honor those who served, and help keep alive our nation's glorious heritage.

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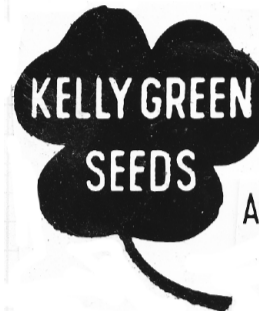
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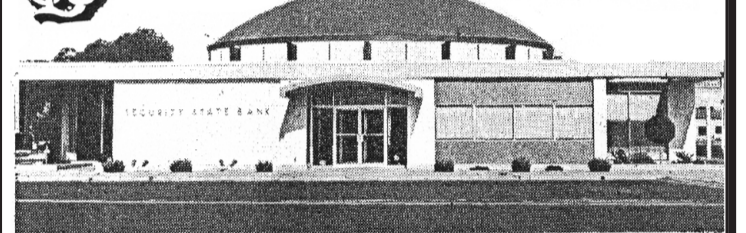
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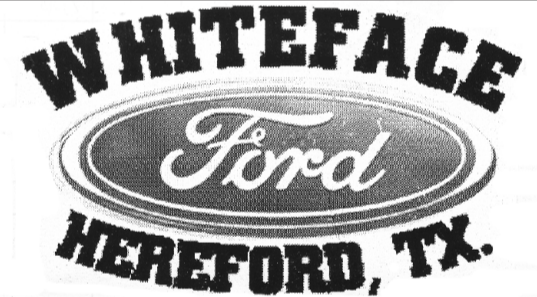
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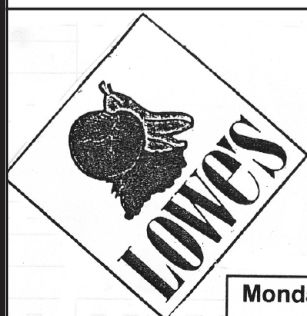
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Date	Opponent	Place	Teams	Time
11/15/04	Farwell	Farwell	7,8(G)	4:00pm
11/15/04	Farwell	Texico	7,8(B)	4:00pm
11/22/04	Muleshoe	Texico	7,8(B)	4:00pm
11/22/04	Muleshoe	Muleshoe	7,8(G)	4:00pm
11/23/04	Portales	Portales	7,8(B)	4:00pm
11/23/04	Portales	Texico	7,8(G)	4:00pm
11/29/04	Sudan	Texico	7,8(B)	4:00pm
11/29/04	Sudan	Texico	7,8(G)	4:00pm
12/02/04	Melrose	Melrose	7(B&G)	4:00pm
12/13/04	Santa Rosa	Santa Rosa	7,8(B)	4:00pm
12/13/04	Santa Rosa	Texico	7,8(G)	4:00pm
01/10/05	Farwell	Farwell	7,8(B)	4:00pm
01/10/05	Farwell	Texico	7,8(G)	4:00pm
01/11/05	Dora	Dora	7(B&G)	4:00pm
01/13/05	Portales	Texico	7,8(B)	4:00pm
01/13/05	Portales	Portales	7,8(G)	4:00pm
01/15/05	Farwell Tourn.	Farwell	7(B&G)	TBD
01/15/05	Melrose	Texico	8(B&G)	10:00am
01/17/05	Muleshoe	Muleshoe	7,8(B)	4:00pm
01/17/05	Muleshoe	Texico	7,8(G)	4:00pm
01/24/05	Sudan	Texico	7,8(B)	4:00pm
01/24/05	Sudan	Sudan	7,8(G)	4:00pm
01/27/05	Dora	Texico	8(B&G)	4:00pm
02/03-05/05	Ft. Sumner Tourn.	Ft. Sumner	8(B&G)	TBD
02/08/05	Tatum	Tatum	7,8(B&G)	4:00pm

The Latest

The sports menu now turns to basketball. The Farwell varsity and JV teams host Smyer on Nov. 16. Then the JV girls play in the Nazareth JV Tourney Nov. 18-20. The Farwell and Texico 7th and 8th grade teams play on Nov. 15. Farwell Junior High 8th grade teams play in the Melrose

Tourney Nov. 18-20. The Lazbuddie varsity and JV girls play at Hartley on Nov. 12. Then the varsity boys and girls teams and the JV girls play at Channing on Nov. 16. There have been changes in the Farwell basketball schedule. The varsity and JV girls

host Happy Friday starting at 5 p.m.

The varsity game set for Nov. 23 at Melrose will be played in Farwell due to construction on the Melrose gym.

Also, the Melrose Tourney scheduled for Nov. 18 will start with the Farwell Junior High boys playing in Melrose, and the Junior High girls playing at Dora.

Finally, the Friona Tourney scheduled for Jan. 22 has been cancelled.

And Farwell Junior High Coach Rodriguez wanted to thank folks for their support.

Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church's annual harvest revival will be Nov. 14-16 with Rev. Steve Patterson, of Friona, as the speaker.

On Nov. 14, the youth group will serve the noon meal. Refreshments will be provided after the 7 p.m. worship service.

On Nov. 15, breakfast and service is at 7 a.m., with worship at 7 p.m.

On Nov. 16, lunch and service is at noon, with worship at 7 p.m.

Outdoor safety stressed

Fall is a great time for hunting and camping. Hal Helton, of Helton Oil, Inc., says those who rely on propane-powered camp heaters, lanterns and stoves or who drive RVs will be happy campers -- as long as they follow some basic outdoor appliance safety rules.

Be sure to check your propane camping appliances from time to time to make sure they work properly. Always make sure your shelter or campsite is adequately ventilated. Never turn in for the night with a heater, stove or lamp still burning.

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- After filling, wait a few minutes for the vapors to blow away before striking a match.

**Texico Wolverines
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Varsity/Junior Varsity Basketball Schedule**

Date	Level	Opponent	Place	Time
11/30/04	JV/V	Tatum	Tatum	4:00 pm
12/03/04	JV/V	Elida	Elida	4:00 pm
12/07/04	JV/V	Dora	Dora	4:00 pm
12/09-11/04	V	Farwell Tourn.	Farwell, TX	TBD
12/17/04	JV/V	Sudan, TX	Texico	4:00 pm
12/18/04	JV/V	Logan	Logan	4:00 pm
12/30/04	JV/V	Jal	Texico	3:00 pm
01/04-08/05	V	EPAC	Texico/ENMU	TBD
01/11/05	JV/V	Ft. Sumner	Texico	4:00 pm
01/15/05	JV/V	Clayton*	Clayton	4:00 pm
01/18/05	JV/V	Tucumcari*	Tucumcari	4:00 pm
01/21/05	JV/V	Santa Rosa*	Texico	4:00 pm
01/25/05	JV/V	Hagerman***	Texico	4:00 pm
01/31/05	JV/V	Tatum	Texico	4:00 pm
02/03/05	JV/V	Melrose	Melrose	4:00 pm
02/05/05	JV/V	Clayton*	Texico	4:00 pm
02/07/05	JV/V	Eunice	Eunice	4:00 pm
02/11/05	JV/V	Farwell, TX	Texico	4:00 pm
02/12/05	JV/V	Capitan**	Texico	4:00 pm
02/15/05	JV/V	Tucumcari*	Texico	4:00 pm
02/18/05	JV/V	Santa Rosa*	Santa Rosa	4:00 pm
02/21-26/05	V	District 6AA Tournament		TBD
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standing in a courtroom trial. They know how to win those lawsuits and make big bucks. No question there!

But their lack of understanding about the long-haul war we are in leaves a bad taste in my mouth. On this topic, they are very stupid.

For example, does anyone have any idea about our long-term strategy to defeat the terrorists? If so, please tell me.

Yes, we are doing some things right: trying to spread democracy in the Middle East, going after terrorists wherever they are and improving our homeland security. But so much more is needed.

You can't fight a war half-way -- just look back at Vietnam. "Guns and butter" don't work. Yet we have fallen into the same trap as the 1960s. Thank you, politicians.

When you fight an enemy, you have to understand what their motivation is. Then you have to chop off those underpinnings.

In other words, what creates a terrorist? What is causing the terrorists to get so many converts? How are they being bankrolled? And how do we prevent this?

We are dealing with suicide bombers. When men fall to a level where suicide is good and justified, then you can see the seriousness of our problem, the depth of hatred that our opponents have for us.

Here is what I would like to see:

A national commission created to answer those questions and come up with answers. But unless we ask those questions, we cannot come up with answers.

No, the war won't be won today or tomorrow. But it is winnable in the long run. That takes moxie, and our current crop of politicians don't have it.

Here's what I see:

As I've written, this war is so large because of fundamental differences between the world's democracies, led by the U.S., vs. the Moslem fanatics. We are talking politics, culture, economics, religion, and social values.

We have entered a period of history like the Crusades. The difference is that the charge is being made by the fanatics, with the world's democracies on the defensive.

Oh, yeah, I know that Osama recently said he has no grudge against the U.S. anymore and let sleeping dogs lie, etc. I believe him just as I would believe Satan.

And did you read that Osama was talking about how terrorists would bleed the U.S. dry of money? This is something I pointed out months ago.

And don't ever forget that Al-Quada is just one of thousands of terrorist Moslem groups that believe they are duty-bound to kill Americans.

Thus, we have to understand where our enemy is coming from on each of those fronts before we can correctly counter-attack. Does anyone think that our national leaders are dealing with all these correctly?

What should we do?

1. Solve the Palestinian problem. This is a major cause of tension. Jerusalem should be put under United Nations control. This is one place where the U.N. can amount to something.

2. Palestine needs to be a full separate state with an economic base. Sure, this will cost money. But not as much as war.

With our big stick, the U.S. can cause these things to happen if we choose. So far, we haven't. You tell me why.

3. Push democracy hard. Publicize (or propagandize, if you wish) this throughout the Arab world. Announce that we are tired of the dictators, and folks should be allowed to choose their own rulers. Tell Saudi Arabia's leaders to go to hell.

4. Make the top homeland priority vehicles that guzzle less oil -- or no oil. It's a disgrace that we

haven't solved this problem -- having to depend on foreign oil -- by 2004.

Just plain awful. I can't write about this; it makes me sick to see how our leaders have let us down in this area. You tell me why.

5. This is one area where President Bush is doing a great job: preventing attacks first before they get here. I would pump a whole lot of money into covert actions -- 10 times what we are putting in now. Attack the terrorists first. And the U.N. be damned.

6. Formulate bi-partisan policies for foreign affairs like we had during World War II.

I've just touched on a few of the goals we need to have. It's just a start.

And I apologize for my use of cuss words. I guess it just shows how angry I am about our leaders. Or lack thereof.

But most folks, including our leaders, can't understand that we are at war. Just like World War II. Just like World War I. It's a world war, yet we are fighting it with massive political bickering and one hand tied behind our back. Just disgusting.

Now ... will any of what I propose come to fruition? Not in a New York minute.

How come, you ask? For the same reason that so little has happened since I started writing 15 years ago about the upcoming health care crisis and the demise of the American middle class.

For the same reason that nothing was done after I wrote my column about forthcoming terrorist attacks on the U.S. nine months before 9/11.

You tell me why.

As longtime readers know, I enjoy making predictions. Some come true, some don't.

I always like to list those predictions that do occur. I tend to forget about the ones that don't. Call that human nature.

Well, here's one that I hope never occurs but I can see it coming.

Watch for the terrorists to use assassinations and kidnappings more and more -- even in the U.S. homeland.

Congratulations to the Lazbuddie robotics team on making yet another trip to the state contest.

Sponsor Debbie Weir deserves a whole lot of credit for keeping this outstanding program going well at Lazbuddie.

The robotics team is raising funds for its trip, and the Tribune has contributed as always.

Can you help with a donation? They sure would appreciate it.

Just send a check to Lazbuddie Robotics, PO Box 9, Lazbuddie TX 79053.

It's great to see our kids do well academically, and our support is important.

The most fascinating stat from last week's local elections:

At the Rhea community center, 48 persons voted for president. Bush for 47 and Kerry got 1.

Democracy is good...

Hal Helton passed on a website that has a very good patriotic theme, in line with Veterans Day.

We suggest that parents call up this website so their children can see and hear what it said:

<http://members.cox.net/classicweb/Heroes/heroes.htm>.

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the ones that have been receiving their cancelled checks each month with their statement. Customers that have been accustomed to receiving copies of their checks or just statements with cleared checks noted won't be affected very much by the changeover.

The "Check 21 Act" is not to be confused with retailers that have signed on with an automated clearing house, or ACH check system. These systems are check conversions that automatically read, process and debit your checking account for the amount of the transaction.

Retailers, restaurants and corporations across the world have begun to use the ACH system to cut down on the amount of insufficient checks and the lag time in deposits between processing, clearing and payment of paper checks.

Debit cards were first introduced for this, but did not catch on with customers like the banking industry wanted. Many industry analysts believe this was due to confusion over credit vs. debit.

The ACH system allows a retailer or business to swipe the paper check through a check reader to identify the bank routing and checking account numbers. The system then automatically deducts the transaction amount and pays it directly to the business account. The paper check is then handed back to the customer along with the receipt of transaction.

"This system automatically cuts out the problems retailers and businesses have with insufficient checks," Dwayne stated.

These transactions are always noted on banking statements as Electronic Debits or ACH transactions.

Both systems of banking and conducting business are measures taken to protect consumers, businesses and industries. However, after 30 months of being in effect, a nationwide study will be conducted to see if banks are benefiting from the "Check 21 Act." The survey will look into whether banks are using the technology to make funds available to customers faster and if the shortened hold times are of benefit to consumers, retailers and nationwide business in general.

In a nutshell, the days of floating a check are numbered, if not over. The best policy a consumer can have is to effectively budget, always know what amount of money is in their checking account and never write a check without sufficient funds in the account to cover the transaction.

"It's also a good idea for banking customers to talk with their banking institution about the Act and all aspects of their checking accounts. There are financial and budgeting tips that bankers can give to their customers to ease them into the transition of the "Check 21 Act" and the future of electronic banking," Dwayne explained.

If you'd like even more information about "Check 21," you can also log onto the websites for the American Bankers Association, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas and the Texas Department of Banking.

Texico

Monday - chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes with gravy, mixed veggies, hot rolls, fruit, milk.

Tuesday - soft taco, lettuce, tomato, cheese, corn, salsa, fruit, milk.

Wednesday - spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread, fruit, milk.

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

Friday - corn dog, tater tots, pickle spear, fruit, cookie, milk.

Farwell

Monday - chili beans, fried okra, spinach, cornbread, fruit, milk.

Tuesday - sloppy joes, potato wedges, dill spears, oatmeal cookie, fruit, milk.

Wednesday - pizza, tossed salad, green beans, pudding cup, milk.

Thursday - grilled ham & cheese sandwich, lettuce leaf, pickles, chips, Amish cookie, peach, milk.

Friday - grilled chicken, baked potato, peas, carrots, Texas toast, fruit salad, milk.

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Veterans Day

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This country wouldn't be what it is now if we didn't have those people who are willing to sacrifice their lives for this absolutely amazing nation. Every single one of the men and women who have served are heroes.

My brother, Rusty, was in the Army and my brother-in-law, Dennis, was in the Air Force and I couldn't be more proud of them. I think that it's awesome that they were willing to go out of the U.S. and fight to make sure that our freedom wasn't threatened. They are both my heroes.

I stand in awe as I think about how far this country has come and how much God has blessed us. This day should be very prestigious and held very high. Veterans Day has a special place in my heart because I know that if it were not for those who have served, then I wouldn't have the freedom I have now. So Thank You!

And God bless America.

Jasmine Garcia:

Wayne Sales, the new Farwell High ag teacher, was born in 1954. He was drafted in the last draft in 1971 for basic training in Louisiana. There, he took advanced individual training in Texas, at Fort Bliss, as a Nike Hercules missile crewman.

Mr. Sales was stationed overseas in Germany for four years. There, he provided security at a missile site. He finished his Army tour in 1976, took his college courses, then started at Texas Agricultural Education. In the fall, he graduated with an Agriculture Education degree. During that time, he also received his 2nd commission in the Army as a lieutenant in the infantry.

Mr. Sales went through basic Airborne school. His first assignment was as a platoon leader at Fort Lewis, Wash., 2nd mission Battalion, 39th Infantry. He learned his craft as a platoon leader. He also had the opportunity to attend infantry mortar platoon leader school, working with 81mm. His unit was renamed the 2/23 Infantry Regiment in 1983.

He later was transferred to the 1/23 Infantry Regiment. During the first 6 months, he was a weapon platoon leader. In 1984, he was transferred to battalion staff as a maintenance officer. At that time, he had to maintain all vehicles, plus go on a DMZ mission in Korea. After that, he went back to Fort Lewis, then to Fort Bragg, then left the Army in 1987.

In 1989, he taught ag science for three years in Florida. He came to Texas in 1992 to teach ag, at Cypress Creek High School until 1998.

He was the advisor to FFA officers. And he taught at North Shore High School in Houston. From 2003-2004, he taught at Spade Schools. Now, he teaches at Farwell School.

Veterans Day is an important day of the year. It represents or says we are grateful, appreciative of the people, the "heroes" who fought in various wars to keep our country, the USA, free. We honor our soldiers.

Tabitha Oliver:

Many people across the nation think that Veterans Day is just another holiday to have a day off work or school. But that isn't the whole reason for the "honorable holiday." Veterans Day is a day to look back and honor the men who fought brutal wars and died serving this great country, and to win the battle of freedom for Americans everywhere.

World War I, World War II, the Korean War, Desert Storm and the Vietnam War were horrendous battles. Men died, serving

our country. But those who did die and even those that are still alive today are recognized everywhere on Veterans Day. This holiday helps people remember what the soldiers did to give us our freedom in America today.

Veterans Day helps me realize that we would not have our freedom of religion, freedom of speech and the right to vote and many other things if the soldiers didn't fight the "battle of battles." Even though I wasn't old enough to understand why these wars were so significant, I realize now that I need to respect and honor the "Men of Honor" who wanted to serve in the military to protect not only their family and loved ones, but also to protect people everywhere.

My father, grandfather and uncle served in the Korean War, Desert Storm and the Vietnam War. However, my Uncle Donny died during the Vietnam War when he was only 19 years old. My father is still alive today, but he went through the horrendous wars that people can't even imagine that have not served. Even though my uncle is dead, my family and I honor him by putting up his flag and picture outside our house to honor him, and others who served.

Veterans Day should be a special day for the American people. Because the men who died, who were missing in action or even imprisoned, didn't do this just so they could be noticed. They did this because they had a great love and respect for America and did not want America and the people destroyed or hurt. The soldiers of the wars wanted to protect and to preserve our freedom!

Veterans Day is an honorable day. Throughout life, we will always have wars and battles with our enemies. But if people honor this day and stand together as a nation, we can keep America strong and show our enemies that we will not back down and we will gain a victory in every battle we fight.



Farewell City Hall

Demolition of the old Farwell city hall is under way. Tanner Kube and Sterling Bowers (above) helped keep a lookout as Jay Bowers (below) of Jay Bowers Construction and Equipment pulls the insides down.



First Baptist Church has mission trip

Folks from the First Baptist Church of Farwell recently had a mission to South Plains College in Levelland.

They ministered to more than 300 students fed "not only with physical food, but also spiritual food," reports Ralph Franse.

Meet Texico's Class of 2017



Jaden Mackenzie Stephens is a Texico kindergartener. Her birthday is Dec. 23.

Parents are John and Jennifer Stephens. She has a sister, Taylor. Grandparents are Bob and Bette Gentry, and Mike and Ginger Stephens.

She likes to play with her sister, ride her bike and play softball.

Her favorite food is mashed potatoes. Her favorite color is blue. She doesn't like to do chores.

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The Latest

News from the Curry County extension office:

-- The county horticulture team, including Ricky Burns and Lori Richardson, placed 2nd in the nation in the state display contest at the National Junior Horticulture Contest last month in Milwaukee.

-- The county team including Wade Richardson and Bryan Vannatta took 5th in the nation in pistol shooting at the national shooting sports contest in Columbia, Mo., last summer.

Correction: It was reported in last week's Tribune that Farwell Elementary had received a Not Child Left Behind - blue ribbon school award. Actually, they were just nominated for it. Last year, only 12 Texas schools received the honor.

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Their next visit to the Farwell Elementary School nurse's office will be on Nov. 17 from 10 a.m. to noon and 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Persons should bring their immunizations records, if they have them.

For more information, and to answer any questions, please contact Farwell School Nurse LuAnn Fillpot at the elementary school, 481-9131.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

As another Veterans Day approaches, we should all take time to reflect on the role of the American soldier in the history of this great nation of ours. From the days of the Boston Tea Party to the present day conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan, our country has provided the greatest military men and women the world has ever seen.

Whether throwing crates of tea into Boston Harbor, fighting in the freezing ice and snow in the Battle of the Bulge, or patrolling the midnight streets of Baghdad, a common thread unites all our service men and women, past and present.

These brave young people, often in their cover of green and brown, carry more on their shoulders than a backpack and/or a weapon. They also carry the hopes and dreams of an entire country and of the whole free world.

With so many of our youth away from home in the service of their country this Veterans Day, whether as a peacekeeping presence in various countries of the world, as insurers of a free and safe Afghanistan or as liberators of a tyrannical and world-threatening regime in Iraq, we who are safe and free must keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

While we are doing this, they will be thinking of their loved ones back home. Perhaps, they will smile as they touch the picture they carry in the pockets that cover their hearts -- a wife, a husband, a child, a home. The freedom of their loved ones and their country is the reason they would give their lives if required.

And to those young soldiers, who have died most recently in service, we offer our heartfelt gratitude and pray for solace for their loved ones left behind to mourn. And to all the veterans of all wars and conflicts of this great nation, we remember you and remain thankful for what you have given us -- a democracy and country unequaled in the history of the world.

From one veteran to all veterans, I salute you.

Jack D. Patterson

World War II veteran -- 3rd Army

To The People of Farwell Texas:

As I sit here reading your paper, I can read the pride and love that is put into every article, picture and ad.

Two of my closest friends (Rob and Becky Pomper) left Houston to run this paper and now I know why. It's never easy to have those close to you move so far away, but I can't blame them. The joy and happiness in their voice is evidence of the right decision.

Farwell, you have been blessed with a great newspaper and more importantly you have been blessed with the addition of two wonderful people. Oh the stories I can tell you, but then this is a family newspaper so I'll have to save them for later! (heheheh...)

For those that have not yet had the pleasure of meeting Rob and Becky Pomper, allow me to tell you about them. They are reliable. More than once they were there for me. I never had to ask, I just looked around and their love, support and compassion surrounded me.

They are fun people. We had more fun together than anyone can imagine. From attending Astros games to watching Sunday football to weekends at the Houston Museum of Fine Arts. We had nothing but laughter and fun.

Houston is worse off since they left, but Farwell will be better because of their arrival.

Rob, Becky -- good luck to you guys and you will be missed.

To the people of Farwell, please take care of them because I know they will take care of you,

Peter Chen

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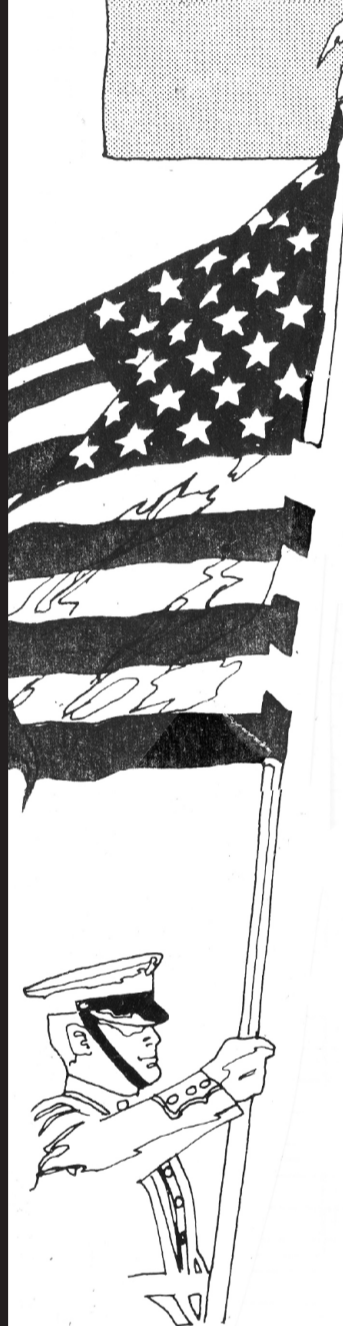
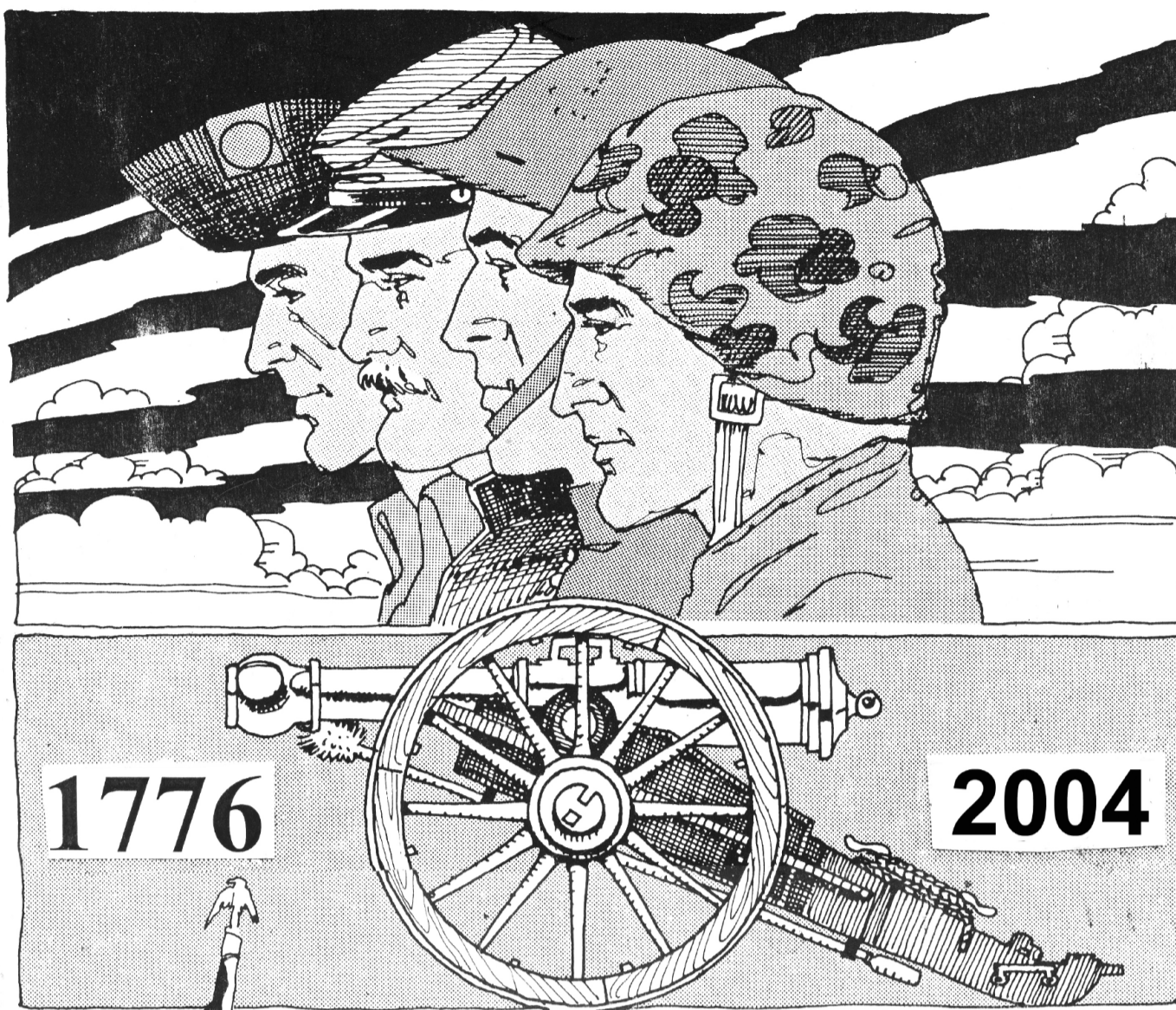
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Lady Spikers tipped at regional by Estancia

The Texico Lady Spikers lost a tough match in the opening regional game last Friday in Albuquerque to Estancia, 25-19, 25-21, 21-25, 18-25, 12-15.

Thus, Texico will not advance to the state tourney. Coach Michael Littlejohn said:

"These are probably the best two teams in Class AA in New Mexico. The match took almost 2 hours. Both teams played outstanding volleyball. This was probably the best match for Texico in three years. Our girls played all out with a lot of 'heart.'

"Ashley Littlejohn was out due to a back injury and Stephanie Bailey stepped in at the last minute and had an outstanding match with 10 kills and 5 blocks. Lori Richardson had a great match with a team high 27 kills.

"Ashley Kidd had another outstanding match passing the ball as well as having 9 kills. Amber Parmer had 10 kills and 7 blocks. Erika Autrey had a good blocking match with 11, plus 6 kills.

"Bryn Mayfield had an unbelievable match with 165 sets and 55 assists to go along with 3 kills and 10 blocks. Seneca Turner did a great job on defense, with a couple of great diving saves.

"Ashley Littlejohn could not play at the beginning of the match, but was able to come in during the last three games and serve. She was 10 of 11 serving, with 2 aces. Sarah Johnson and Leslie Vannatta both came in and served during the match.

"This loss was hard to swallow. The girls left everything they had on the court. We played Estancia in three matches this year for a total of 11 games and the total scores were only 6 points apart.

"18-4 is a very good season, but we are spoiled to a degree and anything short of the state tournament is not satisfying. We will miss the four seniors very much, but we also have a very good nucleus coming back and should be back in the hunt next year.

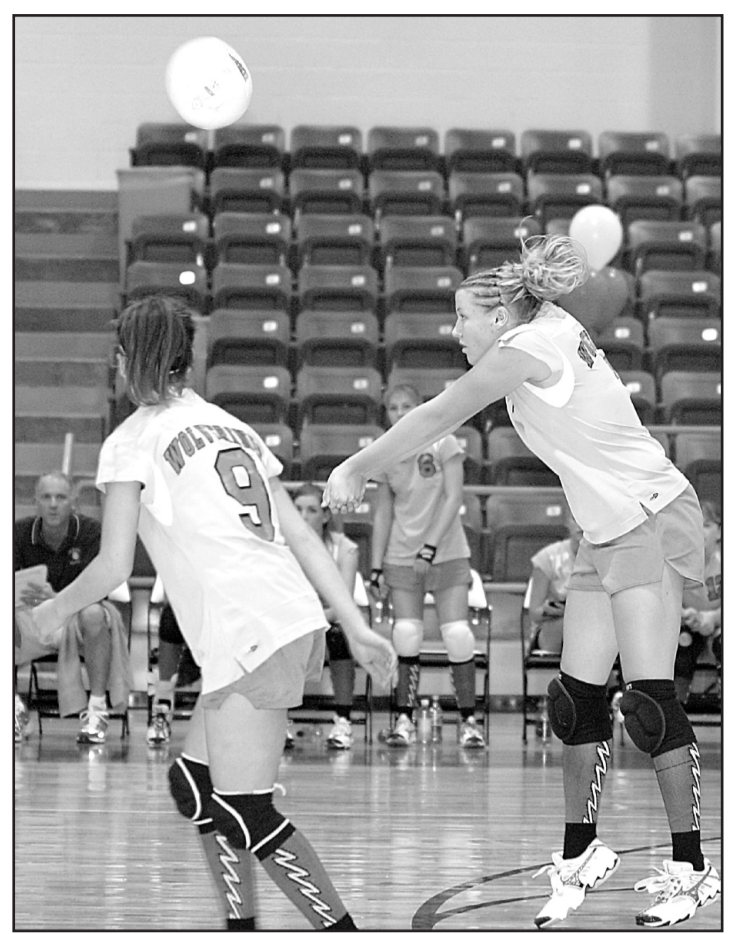
"I want to thank Mr. Little and Dr. Richards for their support all year long. Also, to Dennis Roch for his continuing help with the Wolverine volleyball program. Thanks to the 'volleyball moms' for decorating the locker room and the bus -- the girls loved it.

"Many thanks to my wife Cindy and her support, without whom I could not have lasted these past 26 years. And thanks to the Lady Spikers for their hard work and dedication to our program -- you are part of the family and will always be appreciated. You are a special group and it has been a blast traveling the journey with you this year. You have made it another 'special season' for Cindy and I."

*** District 6AA All-District volleyball selections:

1st team -- Amber Parmer, middle blocker; Bryn Mayfield, setter; Ashley Littlejohn, outside hitter -- defensive specialist; Ashley Kidd, outside hitter, and Lori Richardson, outside hitter.

2nd team -- Seneca Turner, defensive specialist; Erika Autrey, middle blocker; and Stephanie Bailey, outside hitter -- middle blocker.



The Latest

Lazbuddie Schools' lunch menus for next week:

Monday - steak fingers, pizza, subs.

Tuesday - hamburgers (pk-1), chicken fajitas.

Wednesday - spaghetti (pk-1), burritos, chicken salad sandwiches.

Thursday - chicken nuggets (pk-1), pizza.

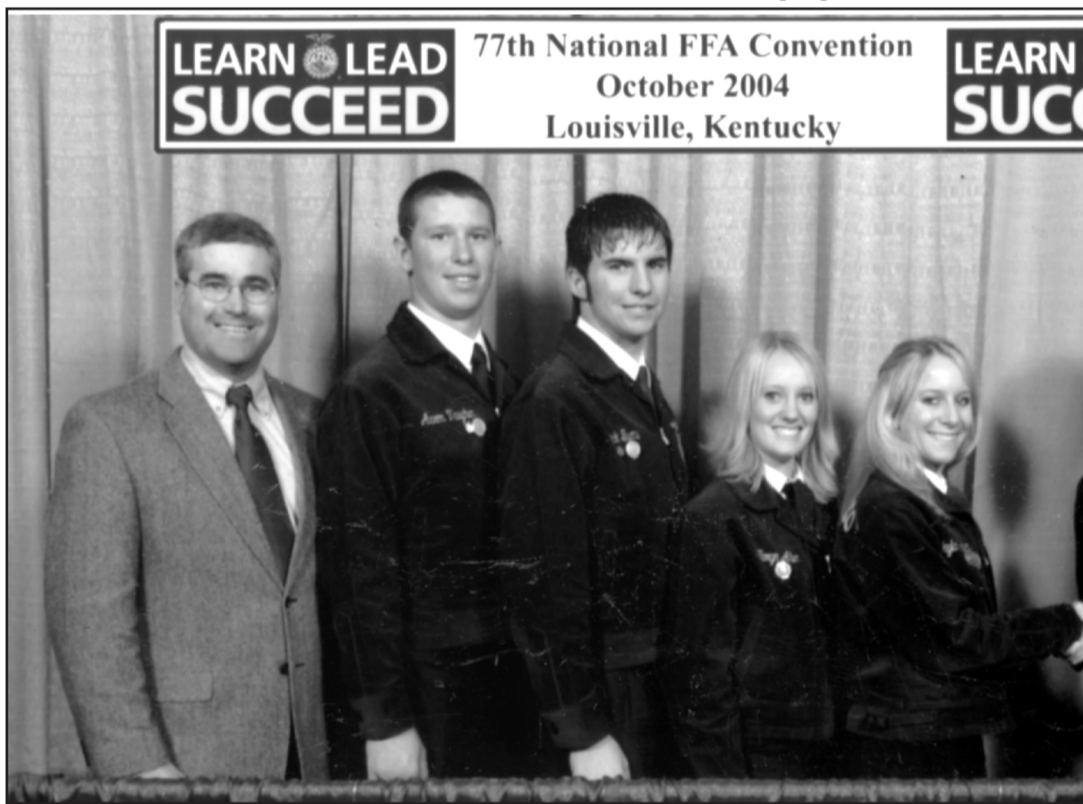
Friday - special.

*** Youths from the First Baptist Church of Farwell will have an enchilada dinner, a fund-raiser, after Sunday's noon service. Cash donations will be accepted.

*** Congratulations to Tammie and Tony Farkas, who are expecting a baby. Tammie is a Lazbuddie High graduate.

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Texico dairy team takes 11th

Texico High's dairy judging team took 11th (among 46 teams) at the Oct. 27-28 nationals in Louisville, Ky. Pictured are, from left, advisor Tod Pinnell, Aaron Vaughan, Ricky Burns, Taryn Allen and Skyla Cockerham. They had to evaluate six classes of four animals each, giving oral reasons on two classes, evaluating pedigrees and completing a complicated linear evaluation on a class of five cows.

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Tulia tops Farwell JV

From Coach Doug Boyd:
The Farwell JV Steers lost to Tulia, 12-7.

In the 1st quarter, Cory took a 17-yard TD pass from Roper. Cory kicked the point after.

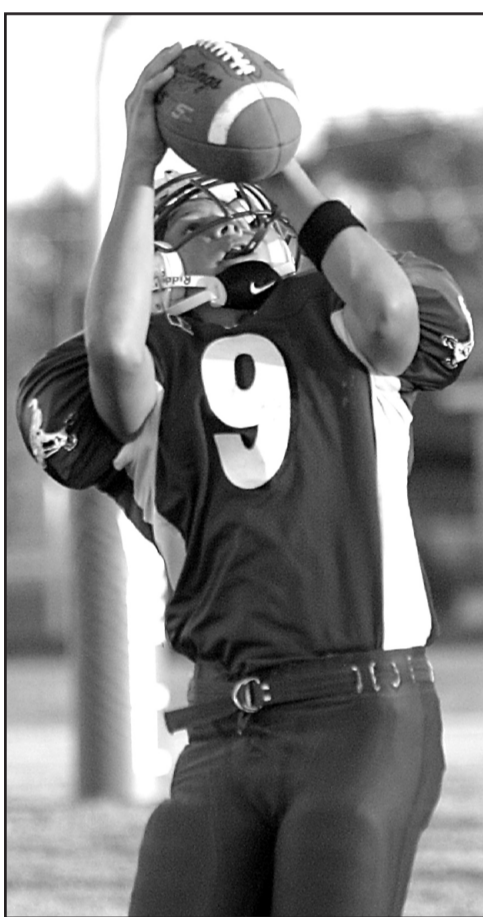
In the 2nd quarter, Roper had a fumble recovery near midfield.

Tulia scored twice in the 3rd quarter, on a 78-yard TD pass and an 8-yard run.

In the 4th quarter, Tulia stopped Farwell at the 2 yard line with a fumble recovery.

FARWELL JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

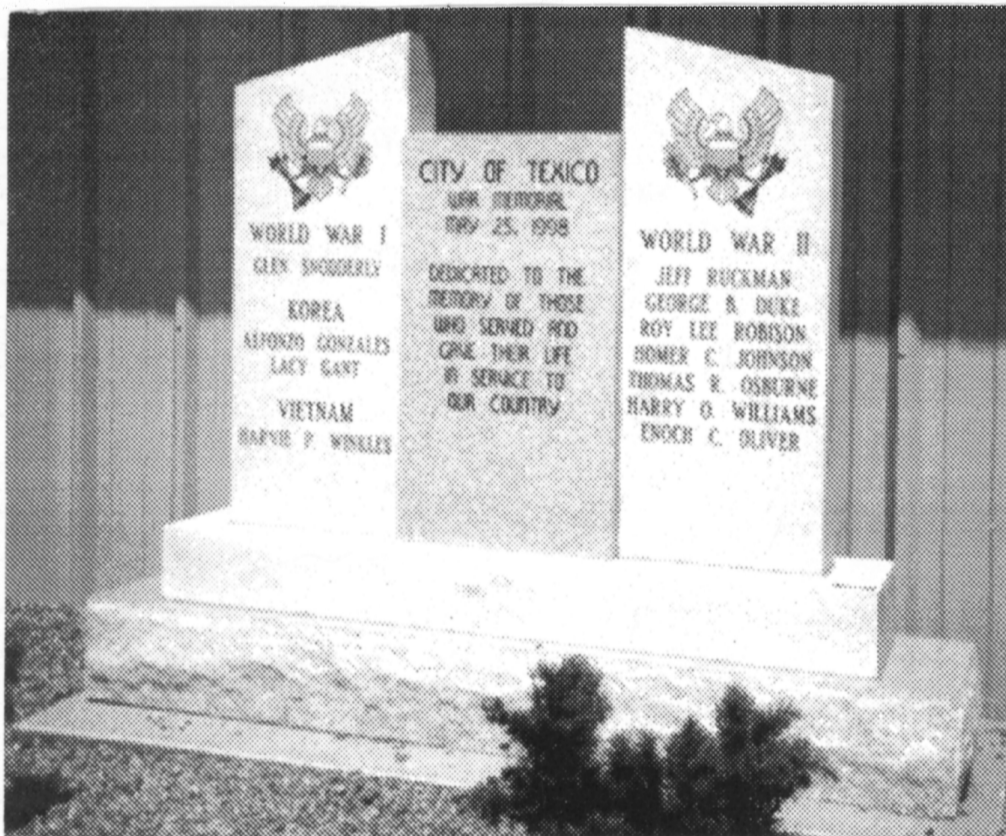
DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	GAMES	TIME
11/15/04	Texico	Here	7g,8g	5:00 c.s.t.
11/15/04	Texico	There	7b,8b	5:00 c.s.t.
11/18,20/04	Melrose 8 th Tourn.	There	8g,8b	TBA
11/22/04	Sudan	There	7g,8g	5:00
11/22/04	Sudan	Here	7b,8b	5:00
11/29/04	Morton	Here	7g,8g	5:00
11/29/04	Morton	There	7b,8b	5:00
12/6/04	Hart	There	7g,8g	5:00
12/6/04	Hart	Here	7b,8b	5:00
12/13/04	Bovina	Here	7g,8g	5:00
12/13/04	Bovina	There	7b,8b	5:00
1/10/05	Texico	There	7g,8g	5:00 c.s.t.
1/10/05	Texico	Here	7b,8b	5:00 c.s.t.
1/15/05	Farwell 7 th Tourn.	Here	7g,7b	TBA
1/17/05	Sudan	Here	7g,8g	5:00
1/17/05	Sudan	There	7b,8b	5:00
1/22/05	Friona Jr. High Tourn.	There	7g,7b,8g,8b	TBA
1/24/05	Morton	There	7g,8g	5:00
1/24/05	Morton	Here	7b,8b	5:00
1/31/05	Hart	Here	7g,8g	5:00
1/31/05	Hart	There	7b,8b	5:00
2/7/05	Bovina	There	7g,8g	5:00
2/7/05	Bovina	Here	7b,8b	5:00



Cory Chadwick keeps his eyes on the ball, with an early catch followed by the reach for a touch down.



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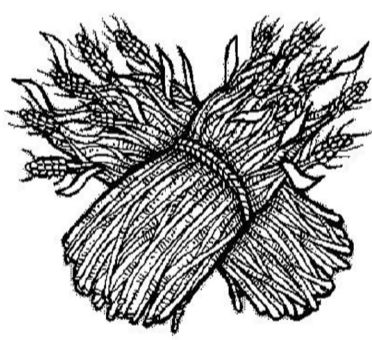
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Tuesday, Nov. 16: Noon lunch and service; and 7 p.m., worship with fellowship and refreshments following.

Steers lose to Springlake-Earth

The Farwell Steers ended their season at 5-5 overall and 2-3 in district after a tough loss at home last Friday to Springlake-Earth, 7-6. Turnovers hurt.

Farwell started at its 38. Robbie Tabb ran for 5, and Hugo Vasquez, who had a huge game, ran for 6. A Tabb pass to Matthew Edwards gained 9, and Edwards ran for 5 more. A pass interference call against S-E gained 15. But two penalties against Farwell put the Steers at 2nd and 40, killing the drive.

S-E started at its 39. Joel Chavez had a good tackle. Tabb intercepted at the Farwell 25 but Farwell was halted on its offensive plays. Farwell punted to the S-E 36 where Logan Clemmer tackled the punt returner.

In the 2nd quarter, S-E scored on a screen pass that gained 60 yards at 11:47. The kick made it 7-0.

Vasquez had a big kick return to the S-E 47. Edwards ran for 7, but Farwell lost a fumble at the S-E 37.

The Steers defense then rose up on 2 occasions. S-E had 3rd and inches, but the QB lost a yard. On 4th and 1, S-E tried an end run, but Clemmer and Tabb tackled the runner short of the first down.

On offense, Edwards ran for 10, but then Farwell lost a fumble at the S-E 36. On defense, Chavez had a big tackle, Colby Norton had a good tackle after S-E completed a long pass. Colton Sudderth and Vasquez had strong tackles. On a 4th down pass, Vasquez intercepted in the end zone, returning it out 17 yards.

Edwards scampered for 15, but S-E intercepted near

midfield. Tabb intercepted an S-E 4th down pass in the Steers end zone and returned it 70 yards as time expired in the first half.

The 3rd quarter opened with Rowdy Mitchell tackling the kick returner at the S-E 37. Clemmer had a big tackle for a 3-yard loss. Three Steers combined on a QB sack, forcing a punt to the Steers 43. On 4th and 1, Farwell went for it and Mitchell picked up 5 yards for a first down after shedding a tackler.

Tabb ran for 11 and the Steers pounded the ball up the middle to the S-E 20, where the drive was halted as the 3rd quarter ended.

In the final period, S-E shanked a punt for a one-yard loss to its own 24. Edwards ran for 13. And the drive ended with a 10-yard Mitchell run up the gut at 9:47. The kick failed and S-E led 7-6.

The Steers tried an onside kick that didn't work. Mitchell had a good stop and S-E tried a pass on 4th and 8, which failed. So Farwell got the ball back at its 33 with 4:44 left.

Then there were 3 turnovers on the next 4 plays: Farwell lost a fumble; Chavez recovered a fumble; and

Farwell was intercepted.

On its last drive, a pass to Mitchell gained 28 yards but Farwell was stopped in S-E territory.

Team stats: 1st downs, Farwell 8, S-E 10; rushing, Farwell 34 for 135, S-E 41 for 87; passing, Farwell 3 for 14 and 32 yards, S-E 3 for 9 and 183 yards; and penalties, Farwell 7 for 55 yards, S-E 7 for 55.

See page 19 for Steers pictures

Steers of the Week

Coach Thompson named as Steers of the Week Rowdy Mitchell, Joel Chavez and Logan Clemmer.

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Thank you to those who loaned me lighted signs and sign space. I am very grateful to those who gave so freely of their time to address and stuff envelopes. Other supporters also provided general financial assistance. I appreciate all of these kindnesses.

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Texico wins quarter-final; Ft. Sumner next

The Texico Wolverines wiped out the Capitan Tigers on Saturday, 68-6, in the state quarter-final game at home.

Texico, 10-0, hosts Fort Sumner at 7 p.m. mt on Friday (Nov. 12) in the state semi-final game.

Capitan, which finished the season at 3-7, was no match for Texico. The clock ran most of the 2nd half due to the 45-point rule.

In the first half, the Texico offense got the ball 7 times and scored TDs every time. Here's how many plays it took each time the Wolverines were on offense to score: 4, 4, 3, 5, 4, 4 and 7.

Capitan started at its 20 and went 3 and out. Then Texico scored this way: Johnny Serrano for 6, Chris Phillips for 15, Serrano for 18 and Braden Vaughan for the 4-yard TD. The Logan Brown kick made it 7-0 at 8:32.

Capitan went 3 and out again, as Tony Clement had a strong hit and the Wolverine gang-tackling defense shut down the Tigers completely. This time it took Texico 4 plays to score, including runs by Phillips for 8 and 27, and a 27-yard TD by Serrano. The Brown kick made it 14-0.

Capitan went 3 and out again, with Clement breaking up a pass. Texico scored on 3 plays, including a Serrano run for 11 and a Phillips TD run for 32. The Brown kick made it 2-10 at 3:15 of the first quarter.

Capitan went 3 and out, with Aaron Vaughan having a strong tackle. Zane Anderson ran for 12, Serrano for 23 and 8, and Vaughan scored from 18 yards out at :45. The Brown kick made it 28-0.

Starting the 2nd quarter, Capitan went 3 and out. Clement ran for 14, Anderson for 7 and Justin Garrison scored from the 28 at 10:41. The Brown kick made it 35-0.

Capitan got its first 1st down on 3 runs on its next possession. Zac Morgan had a bit tackle and Texico took over at its 40. Serrano ran for 23 and Phillips scored from the 22 at 6:14 and a 41-0 lead.

Carlos Meza tackled the kick returner at the Capitan 25. Blake Smith had a strong tackle. Then the Tigers scored on a 35-yard pass at 4:24 to get on the scoreboard.

Phillips returned the kick to the Texico 30. Serrano had a twisting run for 23 yards. Phillips ran for 22, Serrano for 20 and Serrano scored from the 1 at 1:25 as Texico went into the half with a 48-6 lead.

The 3rd quarter started with Phillips returning the kick to the 32. Serrano ran for 15, Vaughan for 13, Phillips for 20, Anderson for 17, and Anderson scored from the 3 at 6:51.

On defense, Phillips had a strong tackle for a 3-yard loss, forcing a Capitan punt. Garrison ran for 8, Smith for 10 and 11, and

Wolverines of the Week

Coach Prokop named as Wolverines of the Week: offense -- team; defense -- team; and special teams -- team.

Dustin McDaniel scored from the 1 with 48 seconds left in the 3rd quarter. By this time, Coach Prokop was getting his backup players into the game. Braden Vaughan kicked the point after.

In the 4th quarter, Meza had a good tackle. On offense, Garrison had a long run. The drive ended with a 28-yard TD pass from Anderson to Clement at 5:35. The Brown kick made it 68-6.

Braden Bare tripped up the Capitan punt returner, and Meza had a strong hit.



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FJH One-Act Play takes 2nd

Farwell Junior High's play, "The Trial of Tom Sawyer," finished 2nd in district, behind Plains last week.

Blake O'Hare received the Best Actor award. Named to the All-Star Cast were Jonathan Edwards and Ambur Dryer.

Honorable mention honors went to Kade Foster and Harrison Fillpot.

Also in the cast were Nina Galvan, Annette Torres, Brody Grimes, Landon White, Bo Mitchell, Kayla Sanders, Adriana Gutierrez, Amberli Martin and Taylor Mesman.

Directors were Candy Dyer, Laurie Haseloff and Connie Bailey.

Cameron Kirkland was "the crew."



On to state

Lazbuddie School's robotics team won 2nd place BEST team at Lubbock and qualified for the regional and state contest at SU in Dallas on Nov. 12-13. Sponsor is Debbie Weir. Team members are Adam Pierce, Amanda Schaffer, Kayla Parham, Melanie Winders, Brett Mimms, Susie Juarez, Mandy Haney, Luzana Chavez, Ana Hernandez, Bailey Warren, Mica Brandvik, Leslee Martin, Jesse Gomez, Erica Derma, Addie Treider, Stacey Shaw, Jason Davis, Chelsea Nichols, Brianna Sanchez, Rochelle Smith, Megan McGuire and Brittney Schacher.

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Texico students discuss what Veterans Day means to them

Monique Pena:

When I think about it, I am honored that our people went out there and fought all those people just so we can have a better life. An abundance of people died in World War II and many other wars. I don't know about you, but I would have been scared. I bet those veterans had a lot of fear, but they still went out there and fought. So when Veterans Day comes along, we should take the whole day to honor them because not many people had the courage to do that.

Jennifer Shirley:

Veterans Day is special to me because my grandpa is one of them. He fought in Vietnam. It was a long hard-fought war. A lot of noble men died fighting for their beloved country but a lot lived and those who lived remind us that we should cherish the brave and vibrant few who fought to keep this very country safe and free.

Shelby Cockerham:

To me, Veterans Day is more than just giving your friends and family a pat on the back for a job well done. Veterans Day means to get out in the community and give all the veterans something back because they risked their lives to keep you and America safe and free. So this Veterans Day, get out in the community and give them something more.

Christy Herrington:

Veterans Day means a lot to me because without our veterans, we probably would not be the free country we are today. So I would like to thank all our veterans today and then for serving in war for our beloved country. Veterans Day is so important to me because two of my uncles and my grandfather served in some of those wars. The other reason why is because today we might be dead without veterans to keep our country safe. So let's go back and remember our veterans. When I say remember, I mean really think about all the lives that were given for our safety and from now on, if you don't really appreciate it then think of these words ... without veterans you may not be alive, without veterans you might not be free, without veterans then YOU may be in war now. So think ... thank you ... and God bless.

Victoria Richards:

Veterans Day is when we honor the ones who have and who are fighting for our, mine and your country. It makes you open your eyes and see/recognize the importance of these men and women, middle aged, elderly and the ones who have passed who have saved our country. We, as kids, don't think people dying in a war is a big deal unless we knew them or they were related to us. But you, as parents, and as spouses and grownups, know that every life has saved our country a tiny bit. We don't all know Elvis Presley, but he was a veteran. He also was a hip-hop singin' and hip swingin' celebrity. Sometimes we don't even see the hard work of our former and present presidents. So for these veterans, let's stand up and say thank you, men and women veterans of America for helping in the job of saving our country. Thank you, and we love you.

Lisa Vidal:

A veteran to me means a protector that you always can depend on. A person that always says they "can" and never says they "can't." They were people that fought their hardest just to save this land and its people. A veteran to me is a person that is told to do something and does it to their fullest extent. They are people that are honest and loyal, that never give up. Still, to this day we honor them and give our thanks.

Tori Isabell:

Veterans Day means a lot to me. It's because my great-grandpa was a soldier in World War II. My great-grandpa is not alive today because he died of a disease, so he never got to tell me any war stories. My grandpa was his son but he doesn't tell me any stories except that his dad was willing to give his life for his country. That's the only real reason but I still thank everybody for fighting for our country and willing to die for this piece of land.

Katlin Luscombe:

Veterans Day, in one word, makes me feel proud. Proud to live in a country where I can read what I want, do what I want, when I want and even go to school. But most of all, I can go to church and worship my God. All because of you. Another word that comes to mind is important. Because when I come of age, I will vote who I want to lead this magnificent country. Who represents the state of New Mexico. Two more words that come to me is thank you. Thank you for protecting me when I was scared. Thanks for dying just so I could live, and most of all, thank you for giving me hope that I will feel safe every day.

James Conlee:

What Veterans Day means to me is all about the people who fought for our country. I think it was very brave for those men to do that. I think it is important for us to recognize those who went to war. A lot of men died for our country and we should recognize them. We also shouldn't forget the people who are still living because they fought, too.

Joshua Bruton:

Veterans Day means a lot to me because of the people who

fought for our country. They have saved many lives. The veterans were brave enough to stand for our country. That makes me very proud. Right now if I saw a veteran, I'd be able to walk up to him, shake his hand and even give him a hug.

Brittnee Roybal:

Veterans Day makes me sad when we have to send our men to war. I used to think, "Man, those people are weird to go over there." Now I know they do it for a reason. They do it to protect us and keep America safe. There are a lot of people in this world that don't care but I am glad we have the people that do care and go to war for us. I pray for them every night that they will be okay. I also pray for the men that have been the wars that have families. I pray they will return so they can see their children grow up and grow old with their wives. God Bless America.

Jennifer Campos:

Everyone has heroes they believe in or something they are proud of or at least I do. I'm proud of my country and the heroes that are called veterans. These heroes have fought through thick and thin to keep our country free. On Veterans Day, we celebrate these heroes. I'm proud on this day because these heroes have died for our freedom. So think about it. What does Veterans Day mean to you? Bravery, pride. Are you thankful? I am all these. On this day, you should be proud.

Glenn Wike:

Veterans Day is important to me because without veterans, we would no longer be living in a free country. Without our veterans, our parents would not be able to vote in the elections we recently had. Our veterans give us the choice to speak freely, and make our own decisions. Our veterans have kept my family and I safe for hundreds of years. I don't think that Veterans Day has ever been recognized as much as it should be. This Veterans Day, we should thank ALL our veterans for keeping us safe and creating a free America. Thank you, veterans.

Oswaldo Muniz:

Veterans Day has many meanings to me. I remember I have freedom because of those individuals that fought to keep our great country free. I remember I have the right to vote, right to speak, right to worship, and the right to get an education. I thank those veterans for the hardships they went through to give us our freedom.

Jordan Broome:

Veterans Day is a day to appreciate and recognize people that are protecting us. They sacrifice a lot each and every day. They don't get to see their family, they miss their grandma's funeral, their son's first touchdown, and eating home cooked meals. These are heroes of our world, not the basketball players in the NBA or the football players in the NFL. We are greatly blessed to have people what would die for us. Thank the veterans for what they are doing. Don't just think about them on Veterans Day; think about them every day.

Brett Anderson:

Veterans Day means sacrifice. The veterans we honor had to go through many troubles. Some veterans missed their kids' birthdays, their child's first step, their son's first football game, their daughter's first day or pre-school, and some missed their parents' funerals. A bunch of our veterans still suffer from nightmares and memories of the horrible scenes they had to endure. Some veterans have to take medicine, use wheelchairs to get around, and are not able to have jobs because of the handicap the war left them with. When these veterans came home, a lot of people didn't welcome them because of what they did, but our veterans didn't have the choice of not going to war. I don't think we give our veterans enough credit for putting their lives on the line for our safety.

Mark Rivera:

I am glad to know people are out there on the fields fighting to keep us safe. We should give them more credit for the hard work and suffering. Many people are griping about what they are doing. They think what they are doing is wrong. It may be wrong, but they are there for a reason, and that reason is to protect America and its citizens.

Amanda Bass:

Veterans Day is very important because it tells all the people who have served in war that they mean something to me, and the world. I know that every day they put their lives on the line, and they miss out on some of the important stuff in their life because they are protecting me. So to make it short, I just want to thank all the people who have served in the war, and may God be with you.

Shelby Queener:

Veterans Day is important to me for several reasons, the most important is that these people risked their lives for all Americans. They went and fought for us. Another reason this day is important is that these people showed extreme gratitude and love for their country. It is because of their love that I respect them so much. With that stated, I would like to say

thanks to every veteran who served our country.

Jordan Shivers:

I would truly like to thank veterans for their hard work and dedication to making the world a safer place. Thank you for taking your time and putting your life on the line for us, for me. I'm sorry to all for this war for the things they missed out in the normal life. I'm sorry if you missed your sons or daughters birthdays or your children's games. I pray for you and hope God is with all people in this troubled war.

Lindy Borden:

Veterans Day is a time when people should be thinking about their friends and families what are out fighting the war. People should be praying, hoping and feeling for the people with the hearts strong enough to go and give up their lives for my freedom and my rights. We should welcome them when and if they come back. So many of them wake up every day, not knowing if they are going to die. They have to kill young teen-agers who are fighting for the other side. They have to watch people dying every day. I'm very thankful for the brave people who are righting in our country. When they are there, they have to miss their children growing up and they aren't able to be there for them when they need them.

Levi Richards:

This day may not mean a lot to others in the world but to me it means dedication to our country. The veterans have done so much for our country. They didn't have a choice if they wanted to go or not. They went without complaint and sacrificed their lives for Americans so we could live our lives peacefully. While they were fighting for our country, others were raising their children, laughing at jokes, and sleeping soundly in their beds. I can't describe how the veterans may have felt when they came back. The veterans may have felt pleased that they made it back home, yet they may feel terrible that they can't play catch with their only son because they were paralyzed from the neck down. Most men and women probably missed the experience of watching their child or children grow up. I believe the veterans deserve a day for us to praise them. I encourage everyone to thank a veteran today for what they have done for us. Thanking them will not equal up to what they did for this country but hopefully it will let them know how much we appreciate each and every one of them for what they have done for us.

Kriston Beltran:

Veterans Day is a day we have to honor the soldiers past and present, who put their lives on hold and at risk to fight for us, the U.S.: one nation under God. They are gone for long periods of time and missed out in all the wonderful memories nad treasures of life, or missed a loved one's death and was never able to say goodbye. Many come back with the awful memories of what they saw or did, and we never really thank them. We go through our "so bad" lives and not even think of what the soldiers go through. We can go through our day and not even think of them, and we never really get to show our appreciation. So today is our day to do that. When you see a veteran, tell them thank you. We owe our great lives that we have in the U.S. to them, and we should be thankful, so spend time with your family and live each day as if it was your last.

Jessica Ramirez:

Veterans Day means to me that young men and women are sacrificing their lives for the U.S.A. Our soldiers are sacrificing not being able to see their kids or their families. I want to thank them for caring. I will pray for them and God bless. Remember I care.

Delilah Robbs:

Veterans Day is a day that was set aside to honor those who went to war to defend our freedom. It's a day to be thankful. It's also a day to mourn the losses of our fellow Americans, to weep for those who were killed trying to save us from terrorists. Veterans Day is a day to remember all that the soldiers have done for us. I am so thankful to those who put their lives on the line to defend our freedom. May God bless the poor men and women risking their lives for us in Iraq.

Jaryse Harris:

Veterans Day means a lot to me because these people literally give up their lives so that I am safe. They give up so many pleasures and freedoms for the trials and hardships of being involved in a war. They go through devastating events that will haunt them forever. They see people die and may even die themselves. They leave behind families and friends, never knowing whether or not they will see them ever again. These men are courageous, patriotic and heroes. This special day means giving thanks and recognizing these men and women who so graciously put their lives on the line for our country. They protect us in so many ways and they deserve our gratitude. We need to honor them on this day. I would like to dedicate a special thanks to all who serve our country. God bless you all and keep up the good work.

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Sheriff's Report

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

- On Nov. 7, Audrey Martinez, 23, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on outstanding traffic warrants. She paid the fines and was released.
- On Nov. 8, Phillip Sotelo, 31, of Clovis, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. Case pending in district court.
- On Nov. 8, Dusty Smith, 49, of Benton, Mo., was arrested by the sheriff's office on a motion to revoke probation (charge of possession of a controlled substance). Case pending before the grand jury.
- On Nov. 6, John Wilson, 58, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI. Case pending in county court.
- On Nov. 7, Darren Rubio, 24, of Farwell, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of public intoxication. He posted bond and was released.
- On Nov. 7, Jorge Ramirez, 20, of Muleshoe, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of driving on a suspended license. Case pending in county court.
- On Oct. 31, Marcelo Juarez, 35, of Friona, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI 2nd. Case pending in county court.
- On Nov. 7, Joshua Lunsford, 22, of Farwell, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI. Case pending in county court.
- On Nov. 6, Robert Lucio, 23, of Clovis, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI 2nd. Case pending in county court.

Parmer County vote totals changed

Parmer County Clerk Colleen Stover reported new election totals for Parmer County from last week's general election. The totals reported initially were incorrect, she explained, because "early voting" was counted twice

by the machines. Here are the correct totals in the major races: County commissioner, Pct. 3 -- Michael Haseloff, 459; Ronald Byrd, 438. President -- George Bush, 2,375; John Kerry,

389. Randy Neugebauer, 1,721; State Senator - Kel Charles Stenholm, 943. Seliger, 2,150; Elaine County Attorney -- Miller, 457. Kathryn Gurley, 1,423; Jeff U.S. Representative -- Actkinson, 1,170.

Texico Police

Texico Police Chief John Mares reports: On Nov. 6, someone spray painted the wall at a house in the 800 block of Anderson Street. On Nov. 5, someone stolen a cell phone from the 800 block of Griffin Street. On Oct. 15, someone stole a grill and ladder from a yard in the 300 block of Griffin Street. On Nov. 2, someone stole 4 boxes of soap from a vehicle parked at the Port of Entry.

Cross country team heads to state

Farwell's cross country team took 2nd at regionals last week out of 24 teams (and 184 runners) and head to state at Round Rock. There will be a big send-off for the girls at the high school at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 12. All are invited. At the Class 1A Girls Regional, Farwell finished 3rd with 160 points, behind Sundown, 49, and Stratford, 88. Among the top 10 runners, Shelby Christian finished 9th in 12:49. Other scores were: Salida Edwards, 17th, 13:07; Chanel Castillo, 35th, 13:38; Ashlie Martin, 67th, 14:12; Talethia Nolte, 79th, 14:20; Julie Castillo, 87th, 14:26; and Melissa Howard, 15:42. Alternates are Brenda Cano and Kaci Leatherwood.

Farwell Boosters meeting set

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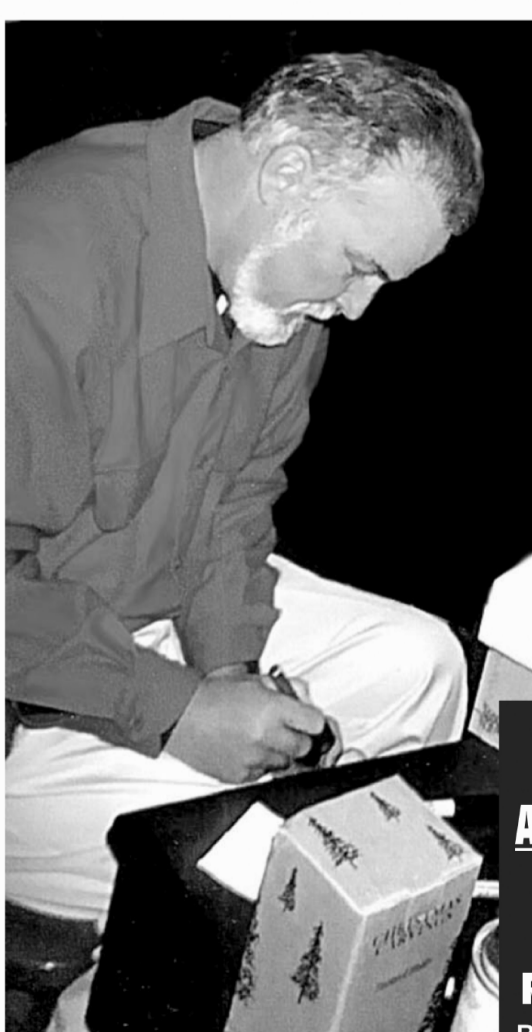
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\$7 each were awarded to Wanda Reeve and to Wanda Franse. Both were 10 off the tie breaker. Others with 8 right and their totals off the tie breaker were: Shelia Taylor, 21; Ashley Littlejohn, 14; Sam Drager, 11; Verna Davis, 17, and Gary Acuff, 15. Results of last week's

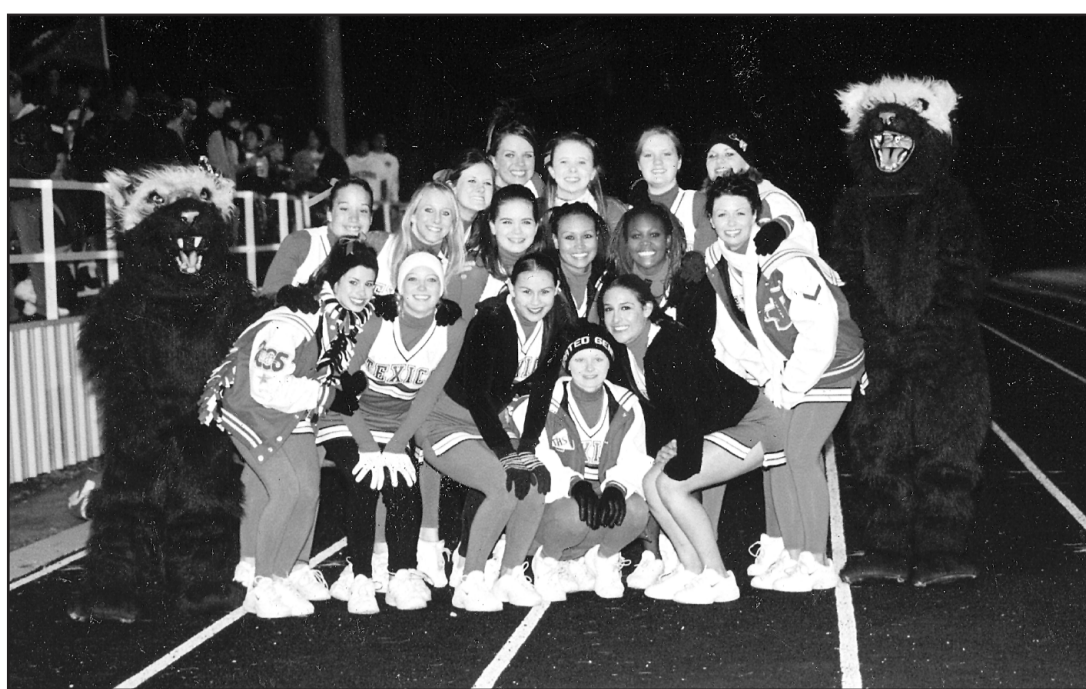
games were: Springlake-Earth over Farwell, Olton over Tulia, Iowa State over Nebraska, Notre Dame over Tennessee, Iowa over Purdue, Air Force over Army, Illinois over Indiana, Cincinnati over Dallas, Washington over Detroit, Oakland over Carolina, Arizona over Miami, and Tampa Bay over Kansas City.

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Here's how the Leader Board stacks up:

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- 76 -- Gay Goettsch.
- 75 -- Gerri Bowers, Ysleta Kittrell, Derrick Chandler, Jeremie Chandler.
- 74 -- Jeff Actkinson, Jorge Barron, Melanie



Texico varsity cheerleaders

The Texico High cheerleaders: top row, Erika Rivers, Amanda Sallade, Nicki Autrey, Rachel Gilbreath, Lunden Taylor; middle row, Briana Abernathy, Skyla Cockerham, Aubrey Hill, Baylee Ortiz, Nicole Harris, Lauren Boazman; first row, Seneca Turner, Kelli Dunnahoe, Dorothy Ortiz, Jessica Lightner, Marisela Vega. "Wilma Wolverine" is Brittney Rivers. "Wally Wolverine" is Jennifer Jackson. Not pictured is Britta Gordon

Letter to the Editor

Dear Mike,

My name is Wanda Franse. I moved here from Canada, almost one year ago. In that time, I have enjoyed the many things that Texas has to offer. Including the wonderful cuisine!

Unfortunately, while over-indulging, I've put on a few pounds. The one thing our countries have in common is the alarming rate of obesity. Not only in the adults, but in our children as well. It's a real epidemic.

In most of us, the problem lies in poor nutrition, over-indulging and lack of exercise. There it is -- the dreaded word "exercise."

I know in this busy lifestyle we live, it's hard to find the time to do what our bodies were created to do -- move. However, if you could just take one hour out of 24 to get your body moving, your heart rate up and calories burning, your would be on your way to a much healthier lifestyle, and a much happier mental state of mind.

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Wanda Franse

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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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Dated the 4th day of November 2004.

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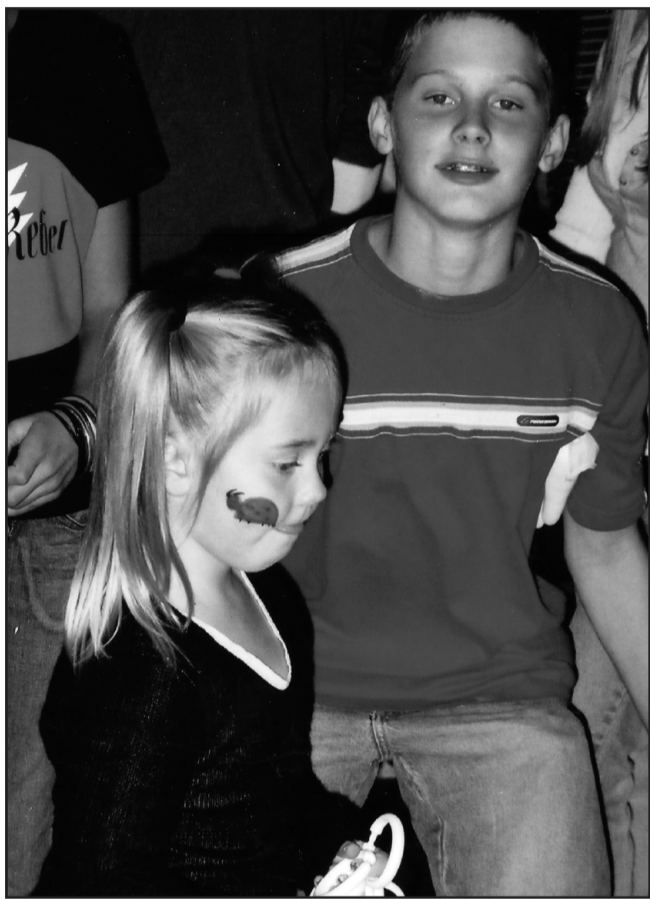
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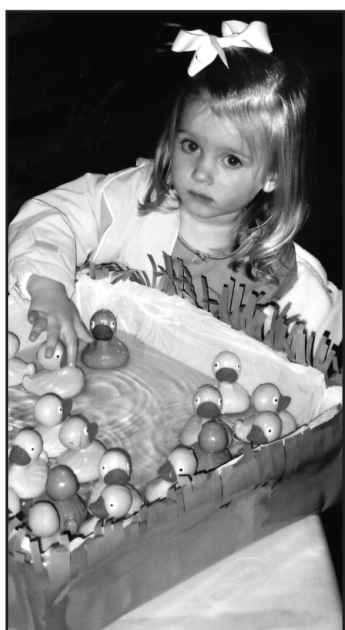
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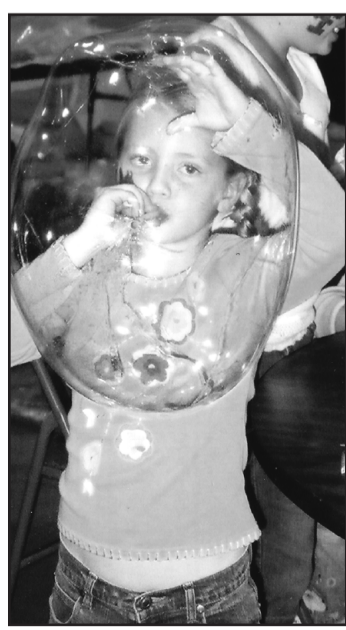
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DAY OF THE DEAD

Mrs. Martinez' Spanish classes at Bovina High School celebrated El Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) on Nov. 2. Students made paper skeletons and drew skeletons on bandanas and shirts.

Day of the Dead began as an Aztec celebration in August. But when the Spaniards went to Mexico and converted the Aztecs, the celebration was moved to Nov. 2.

Day of the Dead is actually two days long. Nov. 1, All Saints Day, is to honor deceased children. Nov. 2, All Souls Day, is to honor adults who have passed away.

People celebrate by decorating tombstones of their deceased relatives, and by making food.



Yvette Amparan and her decorated scarf.



Brenda Campos shows off her scarf as well.

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The Bovina Booster Club met on Nov. 3 and agreed there will be a charge of \$3 per photo button. To get one, see any Booster Club member.

Club officers are: Anna Castaneda, president; Delores Bachicha, treasurer; Jackie Reyna, vice president, and Missy Walker, secretary.

The next meeting was set for Nov. 8.

Meetings are held in the high school library and all are invited.

School lunch menus for next week: Monday, steak fingers, pepperoni pizza; Tuesday, chicken and rice wrap, hamburgers; Wednesday, subwich (ham and cheese), pepperoni pizza; Thursday, enchiladas, hamburgers; Friday, hot dogs, pepperoni pizza.

The Bovina varsity and basketball teams scrimmage at Dimmitt on Nov. 11, then host Grady on Nov. 13. The varsity teams host Clovis Christian on Nov. 16.

The Junior High teams play Nov. 15: the boys at Sudan and the girls host Sudan.

"Character Counts" pupils at Bovina Elementary School for November are:

Zulema Argemedo, Moises Perez, Osvaldo Snyder, Ariana Flores, Navil Marinelarena, David Martinez, Monique Pena, Ismael Cortina, Luis Garcia, Bibiana Lopez, Anabel Lara, Zachary Castillo, Bianca Garcia, Vanessa Rodriguez, Pablo Galvan, Jaqueline Garcia, Leonel Carrillo, Sirina Ramirez, Ramiro Nicolas, Kevin Guevara, Brianna DeLaCruz, Jackie Guevara, Carlos Prieto, Henry Hiebert, Desaray Vargas, Yajara Herrera, Alejandro Guevara, Mercedes Salas and Jose Cruz.

Notes from the First Baptist Church:

-- A Thanksgiving meal will follow the morning worship service on Nov. 14. The Methodist Church and Iglesia Bautista Hispana will be joining in.

-- Holiday decorations will be put up at 10 a.m. on Nov. 27.

-- "The Christmas Soccer Team" will perform Dec. 12 at 7 p.m.

A fajita supper in honor of Dakota Cole Prather, son of Mike and Gina Prather, will be held on Sunday, Nov. 14, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Bovina Church of Christ, 500 Ave. E, Bovina.

All are invited.

An original painting by Jim Bob Swafford now adorns the front office of the State Line Tribune.

The 3rd annual chili luncheon hosted by the Bovina Senior Citizens will be on Thursday, Nov. 18 at the Bovina Senior Citizens Building on E. North St.

Serving starts at 11:30 a.m. Donations are welcome.

The menu will include chili, cornbread, beans, crackers, pickles, onions, jalapenos, drinks, and lots of desserts.

Anyone interested in being a vendor for the Country Christmas Jubilee in Friona Nov. 19 and 20 needs to call Carrie Drager at 482-9524.

County to use grant to purchase radios

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday discussed the homeland security grant it will be receiving.

The county will receive \$15,206. It plans to use the money to buy 6 to 10 radios for police, fire and EMS departments. The radios will have increased band frequency, explained county sheriff Randy Geris, who is spearheading the project.

The commissioners met with representatives from the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission to discuss this. It was stressed that the funds needed to be used in a way that would be in conjunction with other jurisdictions.

Baseball field is Bovina topic

The Bovina School Board on Monday discussed concerns involving changes in the baseball field.

A high school baseball team will begin using the field next spring. Supt. Charles Carter said the board met with Lance Teague to "reconfirm working together."

Carter said the infield grass will stay where it is, but some will be removed from the outfield. Also, a new fence will be put up. The dugouts will be made safer for all users, and will be covered.

Concerns have been raised in the community since the field will be shared with the softball and Little League teams.

In other business, the board:

-- Discussed the 2005-2006 school calendar. It's likely that school will begin about a week later in August. But some state officials are pushing for a start after Labor Day.

-- Discussed the two bus wrecks that occurred this year. The bus involved last May was totaled and this has been financially settled. But school officials are getting estimates to repair the other bus.

-- Reassigned Susan Hughes from the transportation department to the cafeteria.

-- Received the superintendent's evaluation forms and went over the procedures. The board will meet an hour before the usual meeting time on Dec. 13 for the annual appraisal of the superintendent.

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JUST LISTED - 48+ acres irrigated east of Farwell. Good water area.

In Contract

640 acres of irrigated land, 4 sprinklers, 7 wells, with nice country home, east of Farwell.

1580 acres of irrigated farm land, approx. 12 miles southeast of Farwell. Highly improved with 2800-sq.-ft. home, circle sprinklers, hay barns, 2 shops, 3 hired hands' homes. Joins highway.

HORSE TRAINING FACILITY -- 150x160 insulated metal barn with living quarters on 320 acres, pasture land, fully fenced, south of Farwell. Barn has indoor stalls & training area.

Commercial building in Bovina .

640 acres irrigated south of Bovina on FM 1731, 5 irrigation wells, 3 sprinklers.

In Contract

400 acres north east of Farwell, 2 irrigation wells. Some grassland. Also has Valley Sprinkler.

In Contract

Beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2,800-plus sq. ft., brick home on 1.2 acres south of Farwell. Beautiful view overlooking draw. Has city water.

In Contract

East of Laria, 100+ acres, well, 1 sprinkler.

In Contract

East of Laria, 100+ acres, 2 wells, 1 sprinkler.

In Contract

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412 Commerce Way, Clovis. (505)763-4814, Open Monday - Friday, 9-5; Saturday, 9-1. MC/Visa accepted. We also take CASH!!

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HUGE moving sale, Saturday, Nov. 13, from 9 a.m. til ??? at 408 Third St., Farwell. No early callers, please.



NOW HIRING

Minsa has several positions available in our Production facility.

We are looking for hard working individuals to fill these positions.

If interested, please come to the main office at Minsa, 1 1/2 miles east of Muleshoe and fill out an application. EOE

NOW HIRING!

Minsa is accepting applications for three full time positions in the Maintenance Department.

Some previous maintenance or welding experience is preferred.

Pick up an application at Minsa's main office, 1 1/2 miles east of Muleshoe. EOE



For Sale: 30' X 50' building with land, on Main St. in Texico. (505) 482-9057.

Veterans Day

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everything they have done. Thank to them, I have the right and freedom to live. I have the right and the freedom to go to school. I have the right and freedom to learn how to read and write. The war veterans gave up or delayed their dreams so that not only we could have our freedom, but so people around the world could know that they are here to help them.

Luis Carlos Munoz:

Veterans Day, to me, is a special holiday to honor all our soldiers that serve in the war and also I respect them for fighting for our country so that I am able to go to school and live the way I am living now. Thank you.

Noe Lare:

Veterans Day is a day to remember all the soldiers that fought for us in all wars, and for lives that were taken for the security for all Americans that have lived in the U.S. The honor that should be given to all those soldiers is now being expressed in a special day called "Veterans Day."

Laura Rocha:

What does Veterans Day mean to me? It is a celebration that the U.S. has peace. It shows that we are free of all danger and that war is over. It is a time when people get to see their families again. It is a day that will always be remembered.

David Michael Salazar:

Veterans Day means honoring those who fought in all the wars to make America what it is today. It means that we should pay tribute to those who fought and died in war. If it were not for them, our society would not be a democracy, but instead a dictatorship and would be ruled by some foreigner. That is why we honor those who fought for the good, old U.S.A.

Dusty Riley:

Veterans Day means a lot to me because I think about all the people who have fought for this country and returned. I also think of the ones who became missing in action or prisoners of war. But I want to remember all the ones who have died for our beloved country. I want people to remember our men and women over there now fighting.

Chris Heinzman:

Veterans Day is a holiday that used to commemorate the soldiers that have died in the past. Veterans Day became an actual legal holiday on Nov. 11, 1918. Veterans Day originated from Armistice Day. At one point in time, this holiday celebrated only World War I veterans, which was when the armistice was signed. But it then changed to Veterans Day after the 83rd Congress saw fit to commemorate all veterans that have died in all wars.

Marco Castaneda:

Veterans Day is a holiday to honor all the people who have fought for this country. This holiday means a lot to me because if it were not for these people, this country would not be what it is today.

Elizabeth Ortiz:

Veterans Day, to me, means that it is a day to honor everyone that has gone and served in war. We should honor them because they have done a good job serving our country, and we should show our respect for that. Veterans Day probably means a lot to the families of soldiers, especially to the families that have lost someone fighting for our country. I am so glad we celebrate Veterans Day in our country.

Mauricio Gomez:

Veterans Day is a day when we honor the people who fought for us in all wars. It all started in 1918 when we fought against Germany during World War I. We, the people of the United States of America, will never forget all the servicemen and women who have fought bravely for this country.

Josh Ramirez:

Veterans Day is in honor of the men and women who have served in the armed forces. It is on Nov. 11 and is a legal holiday in America. It was also known as Armistice Day in France. It includes parades and speeches for all the veterans who died in World Wars I and II. Special services are held at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington Cemetery. They begin with two minutes of silence with the following of "Taps." Then a wreath is placed on the houses of the Tomb in honor of the soldiers. They also place wreaths on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in honor of them.

Zulema Garcia:

Nov. 11 is the anniversary of the armistice, which was signed in the Forest of Campeign by the Allies and the Germans in 1918, ending World War I after four years of conflict. I am grateful for the veterans we have. Veterans Day is to honor all our military.

Jacob Rivera:

Veterans Day is the day we honor the men and women in the military. I think we should thank those who fought for our country and made it free and safe. The military people are very brave to go fight in a war with other countries. I think their job is very hard to do because they sometimes have to kill innocent people sometimes, and that's not right. I am thankful for those who are fighting in the war right now because they are risking their lives for us, the people in the U.S. Most of the people that are fighting right now in the war have children and family back at home that are very worried about them. I know I would be worried about my dad, mom, brother or sister that could be over there, but I know they are here, safe, because of our military.

Hortencia Lara:

Veterans Day is a very important day for a lot of people because it honors the people that have served our country. On that day, we should honor all our veterans for what they have done because it is very special.

Tatiana Melendez:

I never knew what Veterans Day was until now. It's a day to honor all the people that have fought for our country and who have risked their lives for others. Now, you do not have an excuse not to honor those people. Remember, they saved you, too. God bless the U.S.A.

Joseph Bermea:

Veterans Day is held on Nov. 11. It's a day to remember military people and victims of the World Wars, and not only those wars, but the war that is going on right now, too. It is one day that we honor the men and women that have fought for our country.

Joshua Guevara:

Veterans Day is a day when we honor all the soldiers who have fought for our freedom. I am glad we have Veterans Day because people do not want the soldiers to think they are fighting for no reason. Also, it is a good day and a bad day for some people who know soldiers that have fought for our freedom.

Vanessa Garcia:

Veterans Day honors those who have served in the U.S. armed services or have given their lives in the wars.

Americans give thanks for peace on this day. They also observe a moment of silence, remembering those who have fought. It is an overall celebration to honor the veterans for the love of their country, patriotism and free will to sacrifice and serve for the common good.

David Salazar:

Those Who Are Gone

You try to forget when they pass away;
You miss their faces every day;
You cry, you mourn, you weep;
You cry yourself to a deep sleep.

You have a dream about those that are gone;
You come from sleep at the crack of dawn;
You miss them so, but you must move on;
Then you try to cope and forget your wrong.

They may be gone, but never forgotten
Even though, inside, you feel fallen.
Like a bird with its wings clipped,
You fly crooked with your heart ripped.

But just like the bird, your heart will heal;
Then mourning no more, you will feel.

Mustangs

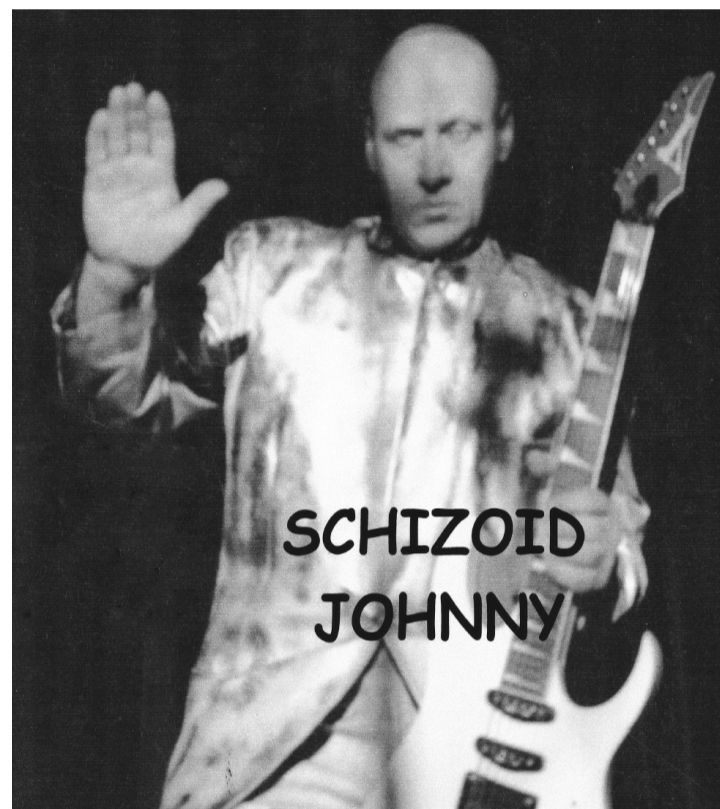
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injured in the Farwell game, didn't play. Also, Roger Martinez had broken his wrist in the Farwell game. And Jesse Reyna reinjured his ankle, reported Coach Torbert.

"The kids played hard all year and I am very proud of them. They never quit," the coach added.

The only score against Nazareth game in the 2nd period when Chris Heinzman recovered a fumble and scored from 20 yards out.

Team states: 1st downs, Bovina 5, Nazareth 13; rushing yards, Bovina 148, Nazareth 269; passing yards, Bovina 12, Nazareth 105; and penalties, Bovina 2 for 10 yards, Nazareth, 4 for 40.



Concert on tap

Bovina School Band Director John Steinhardt, who goes professionally by "Schizoid Johnny", will present a Samadhi Concert at 8 p.m. on Dec. 4 at the Lyceum Theater in Clovis. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for students. Wear a spacesuit or alien costume and get a free CD.



Classroom experiment

During a 5th grade science experiment, Bovina Elementary School's Mrs. Branscum demonstrated how oxygen, an igniter and a fuel source are needed to make a fire.

Sewer rates

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Now, the problem is how to repay the loan. We have 610 sewer connections in Bovina. Sewer charges are based on a fee per connection. For years, we have paid \$10 a month per connection. This barely covered the cost of operation and maintenance of the sewer system. The city council decided that to repay the \$1.75 million loan, the cost of construction would be shared equally per connection. So by dividing \$1.75 million by 610 connections over 20 years, each sewer connection would be increased by \$22 a month to make the annual loan payment.

Construction of the new sewer is planned to start next spring and will be completed by next fall. The first loan payment is due in March 2005 for about \$160,000. That is why we are collecting the \$22 increase in sewer fees effective Oct. 1, 2004.

I know that this increase will be an inconvenience for some, but the city is trying to provide the best service possible for the lowest cost. City tax rates have decreased every year for the last five years, and the cost of running the city has been held as low as possible.

All are invited to a welcome fajita supper in honor of Dakota Cole Prather, son of Mike and Gina Prather, and brother of Taylor, on Sunday, Nov. 14, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Bovina Church of Christ, 500 Ave. E, Bovina.

Steers, Mustangs football



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Expressing gratitude

From high school teacher Vickie Burch: Recently, Mike Pomper asked if some of my students would like to submit "What Veterans Day Means to Me" writings, and I urged students to do so. Though I only asked for brief statements, it was a difficult project for most of them.

As I read the students' submissions, I realized that most of us do not often express our gratitude for our military. We know that our freedom was bought at a tremendous human cost, but real war has not touched most of us on a personal level.

Thanks to the service men and women who have served overseas each time our nation deemed it necessary to send them, any semblance of modern war has only recently come to our home soil. On Sept. 11, we got just a taste of what other nations have experienced in great magnitude. Our strong military has kept us safely enshrouded. How humble we should be! How grateful! And how patriotic!

My dad is a veteran of World War II, as was my father-in-law. My mother still carries one shoulder higher, a reminder of the gas mask that she was required to carry during her teen-age years in England when Hitler bombed her city daily.

Many of us have family members who are veterans of the Korean and Vietnam wars. There will be many veterans of the wars in the Middle East over the years to come. How can we put into words our gratitude for what our veterans and their families have given? For the fears and heartache they have known, for the personal losses, and for their patriotism and sense of duty to each of us?

Like my students, I am at a loss for words.

Following are themes turned in by some of Mrs. Burch's students

Dorothy Martinez:

Veterans Day is a day to honor the men who served in the military and gave up whatever they had to in serving their country. It is a day to remember all the sacrifices of all those who fought with pride for America and for all the dedication they put into it. It is one of the most important days in the year because if it were not for them, we might not have all the freedom and things that we have right now.

Yvonne Espinoza:

Veterans Day honors men and women who have served in the U.S. armed services. Veterans Day, Nov. 11, is a legal federal holiday in the U.S.

Kole McNary:

Veterans Day is a time to express gratitude for the many soldiers that have fought and died in any of the previous wars. It's important to thank the men and women who have committed themselves to protecting the U.S.A. So Veterans Day is just a time to say thanks for everything they have done.

Irma Roche:

Veterans Day marked the cessation of the fighting during World War I. Today, people in the armed services are fighting for the U.S. We should have respect for them.

Dina Garcia:

Veterans Day is a very day to me and should be to the rest of our country. It is for all those who have served our country, the living and the dead. We owe them this day, and we should pray and thank them every day for all they have done.

Sandra Perez:

Veterans Day, to me, is a very special day. It's a day I remember all of those people who have fought for our country, all the people who are still fighting, and all the people who have died defending America. To me, it is the day we should honor and give thanks to those people. I would like to say thanks to all our soldiers who are now fighting and to those who have passed away. You are in my prayers.

Bacilio Viernes:

Veterans Day, to me, means that we honor the people who have fought for this nation. It is when young men sacrificed everything for the people they cared for, whether they died in combat or made it home safely. These men will not be forgotten.

Johanna Knoll:

Veterans Day means remembering all the men and women who fought for my freedom, even though they did not know me and probably never will. Veterans Day means remembering all the people who fought with my father in Vietnam and all the people who are serving with my brother right now. Veterans Day means the right to sleep safely in my house, a gift from the people who gave, sacrificing their families, their time and sometimes even their lives. We put our lives in their hands, and Veterans Day is a day for thanking them.

Michael Ortiz:

Veterans Day, to me, is a special day to remember those that fought for our country. I could not even imagine what those troops went through. They were not afraid to stand up and fight for our freedom. We honor these soldiers and respect them. I just want to say to the troops that are still alive "thank you." And to those that are deceased, you will never be forgotten.

Saul Martinez:

Veterans Day, to me, means thanking the war veterans for

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Pumpkin decorating

Oct. 27 was a pumpkin decorating day at Ridgelea School. Adults came to help, and city police arrived to talk about Halloween safety and to donate glow in the dark trick or treating bags to children.

Decorating results given

Here are the results of the Bovina Elementary School 2nd annual parent and child pumpkin decorating contests.

Overall winners - Julian Garcia, 1st; Ricardo Cruz, 2nd; Bryan Garcia, 3rd.

Building Bridges - Sarah Rogue, 1st; Gabriel Vargas, 2nd; Yessenia Avila, 3rd.

Pre-k: Gabby Villarreal, 1st; Megan Stone, 2nd; Joshua DeLaCruz, 3rd.

Head Start: Rafael Elias, 1st; Osvaldo Snyder, 2nd; David Lara, 3rd.

Kindergarten (Adams): Bryan Garcia, 1st; Gabriel Gonzales, 2nd; Emily Mejia, 3rd.

Kindergarten (Bizzell): Julian Garcia, 1st; Mercedes Marquez, 2nd; Darily Carrillo, 3rd.

1st grade (Robinson): Laura Perez, 1st; Adrian Aleman, 2nd; Brianna DeLaCruz, 3rd.

1st grade (Morris): Sidney Barksdale, 1st; Melissa Garcia, 2nd; Pedro Rias, 3rd.

1st grade (Beall): Ricardo Cruz, 1st; Xavier Vargas, 2nd; Jesus Sanchez, 3rd.

Higher sewer rates explained

City Manager Ernest Terry has sent a letter to all Bovina residents explaining the need for a new sewer and how it is to be funded. The letter noted:

Last spring, we found out that we needed a new sewer. The current one is 50 years old and can't handle the increased volume of our growing population. We tried several options to save the old sewer but we were not successful. After consulting with the experts (state officials and engineers), the city council decided to build a new, modern sewer treatment plant east of town. The cost will be \$1.75 million. We are obtaining a loan from the Texas Water Board to fund the project. That loan will be repaid over 20 years.

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Health and Safety camp

The Bovina School migrant program took 26 students and 12 parents on Oct. 5 to the migrant health and safety camp, focusing on family safety issues at home and in the ag setting. Pictured are students who received 2004 West Texas CAMP scholarships -- Chris Ortiz, Yuri Vela, Juan Carlos Roldan, Teresa Brito, Crystal Galvan, Alicia Tapia and Jolyne Ortiz.

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Nazareth defeats Mustangs

The Bovina Mustangs finished the season with a 2-8 mark and 1-4 in district after falling last Friday to Nazareth, 44-6.

Bovina played a very young team all season.

For example, against Nazareth starting on offense were freshmen Mauricio Garcia, Isaac Tavera and Jacob Torbert. Starting on defense were freshmen James Lara, Garcia and Tavera.

Injuries kept out some veteran players in the Nazareth game. Eddie Segovia, who had been

Mustangs of the Week




Coach Torbert named Hugo Martinez, left, and Jeff Casas as the Mustangs of the Week. They were the only seniors who started against Nazareth.

Here is a great way to say Merry Christmas

To continue an important tradition, the First Bank of Bovina will sponsor a large ad in the Tribune's Christmas issue giving credit to Bovina area friends and neighbors who contribute to the annual Christmas Card Fund, sponsored by the Bovina Ambulance Service.

This fund-raiser benefits the Bovina Ambulance Service and the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department.

All you need to do is stop by the First Bank of Bovina and drop off a donation, of any amount, in the name of the Bovina Ambulance Service. It will keep strong this very important volunteer group. And your name will appear in the Christmas issue ad in the Tribune on Dec. 25th.

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