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31st annual BTD kicks off Saturday

The 31st annual Border Town Days celebration kicks off Saturday in the Twin Cities with something for everyone!

A special treat this year will be a large assortment of activities for youngsters, including pony rides, a moonwalk, dunking booth and the BTD Express train rides.

The day begins with the decorated bicycle contest at 9:45 a.m. on Anderson Street, directly west of Texico City Hall. The street will be closed to traffic during the contest and police will be on hand to help folks cross the highway.

The deadline for entering the bicycle contest is today (Friday). You need to sign up at Texico City Hall.

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Seven girls compete for Miss BTD title

Seven area young ladies are competing for the title of 1997 Miss Border Town Days. The winner will receive a \$350 scholarship.

The competition will begin at 2 p.m. at the gazebo in the Farwell City Park on Saturday as part of the Border Town Days celebration. Queen's committee chairpersons are Belinda Partain and Laurie Vandiver.

The contestants are:

* Charla Corn, daughter of Ed and Gwen Corn. Charla, 17, is a senior at Farwell High School.

* Raquel Cantu, daughter of Jesse Cantu. Raquel, 17, is a senior at Farwell High School.

* Jennifer McIntosh, daughter of Jerry and Shandra McIn-

tosh. Jennifer, 14, is a freshman at Farwell High School. * Pamela Schjang, daughter of Pam Bernier. Pamela, 15, is a

sophomore at Farwell High School. * Linda Armstrong, daughter of Ricky and Alice Armstrong.

Linda, 13, is a freshman at Farwell High School. * Brittany Duffield, daughter of Cindy and Billy Myers. Brit-

tany, 15, is a sophomore at Farwell High School. Sabrina Gonzales, daughter of Jesse and Alice Gonzales.

Sabrina, 16, is a junior at Farwell High School.





Linda Armstrong



Sabrina Gonzales



Jennifer McIntosh



Raquel Cantu



Brittany Duffield



Pamela Schjang



Charla Corn

The Latest

Special note to parents of school-age youths:

The supply lists for Farwell, Lazbuddie and schools will be carried in next week's Tribune issue.

The community is invited to a retirement celebration for Marie Christian at Texico City Hall on July 25 (today) at 10 a.m. mst.

Texico Schools registration for new students will be held August 4-5 from 8-4 p.m. in the respective school offices.

Texico Schools open Aug.

Obituaries

Troy Young

Services TroyYoung, 60, of Hobbs, N.M., were July 19 there. He died July 16 in Brownwood.

He was born Sept. 15, 1936, in Lubbock County. He married Gladys Baxter on May 21, 1955, in Friona. He moved to Hobbs from Friona in 1978.

He was a former member of the Friona City Council, Friona Yacees and Friona Volunteer Fire Department. He had owned Friona Motors for over 20 years and established the XIT Auto Ranch. He owned Green Lawn Water Sprinklers in Hobbs.

Surviving are his wife; 2 sons, Farron, of Porter, and Denny, of Hobbs; 2 daughters, Jan Spencer, of New Caney, and Karen Head, of Hobbs; a brother, Monroe, of Wiggins, Colo.; a sister, Joyce Veazey, of Friona, and 11 grandchildren.

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18. There will be no early dismissal that day.

Farwell Schools open Aug.

Lazbuddie Schools open Aug. 18.

Farwell High School Band will hold summer rehearsals Aug. 4-12 for all students intending to participate in band next year, according to Roz Vastano, director.

The schedule is as follows: August 4-5:

9 a.m.- 11 a.m. - Woodwinds and Brass

Noon-2 p.m. - Percussion only

August 6-8, 11-12:

9 a.m. - 11 a.m. - Woodwinds, percussion, and brass Noon - 2 p.m. - Percussion only

Members of Alpha Rho Lambda chapter of Beta Sigma Phi enjoyed a golf outing and cookout at the Farwell Country Club July 21.

They also discussed the upcoming Border Town Days activities.

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be held July 23-26 at the sor at the park on Saturday. Mounted Patrol Arena in

About 440 HPJRA members will be competing in events they qualified for throughout the season.

Local cowboys and cowgirls competing include Kara Jenkins, Clyde Jenkins, Lindsey Milloy, Kristian Lovelace, Neal Stanfield, Dustin and E.T. McDaniel, Dillon and Dana Lewis, as well as Muleshoe, Lazbuddie and other area youth.

It's time for the Farwell Cross Country team to resume workouts, according to Coach Steve Scott.

All high school girls planning to participate this year must report Aug. 11 at 12:30 p.m. at the high school.

All incoming freshmen will need to have a physical for the new year.

For any questions, contact Coach Scott at 481-9644.

Crime Parmer County Stoppers met July 16 for their monthly meeting.

Agend discussions included a float for the Border Town Days parade and the softball throw they will spon-

The next meeting will be at 8 p.m. on Aug. 20 at the Bovina EMS building.

Frances Kube reports that a Clovis lady, after reading the recent articles about drug problems in the Tribune, has offered to tell her story to local youngsters.

It involves her own son who was hooked on drugs and the struggle to get him off them.

As usual, the boy started on marijuana, then graduated to harder stuff.

It took eight months of constant care while he went "cold turkey" before he could get the poison out of his system and end the everyday hallucinations he suffered.

Border Town Days will feature a wide range of concession stands again this year -something for everyone:

Farwell Junior High cheerleaders, cake walk.

-- Texico 4-H; hot dogs, Pepsi, diet Pepsi, orange drink, homemade ice cream.

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Mike Pomper, president Judy Pomper, vice president

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Dr Pepper, tea, lemonade. -- Farwell Convalescent Center Auxiliary: Popcorn,

baked goods. -- TCAO: ice.

- Texico High School cheerleaders: homemade ice cream, dunking booth and face painting.

-- Parmer County Crime Stoppers: softball pitch.

-- Texico Junior High cheerleaders: raffle off various items, and watermelon slices.

United Pentecostal Church of Texico: Cokes, burritos and taquitas.

-- San Jose Catholic Church, fajitas, burritos, soft drinks.

The general manager of Wes Tex Waste, the new trash hauler for Texico and Farwell, is Jackie Reid, a former Texico resident.







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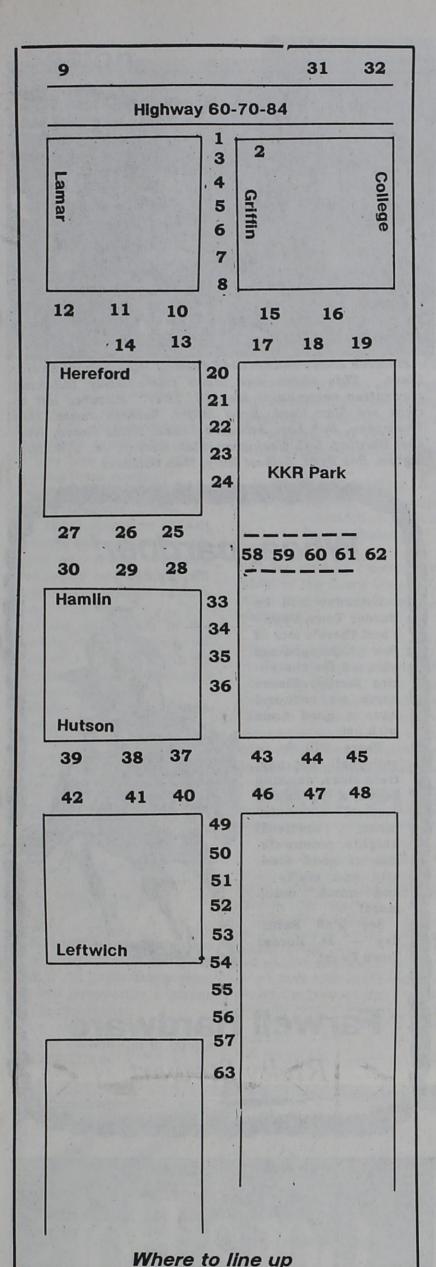
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Here's the Border Town Days parade lineup

Here is the parade lineup for Border Town Days.

The parade kicks off at 11 a.m. cdt and participants are asked to be in line at least 15 minutes early.

Texico-Farwell Lions Club members Hal Helton and Dr. Nancy Chasteen will be on hand at the corner of Griffin Street and the highway in Texico (near the Burger Barn) to direct participants. Helton is the club president.

The parade will start on the signal of Texico marshal Gil Holguin. Arrangements have been made for the Santa Fe Railroad not to run any trains through Texico-Farwell between 11 a.m. and noon.

Groups wishing to participate after this lineup is posted may do so by seeing Helton at the parade. They will be placed at the parade end.

The lineup is:

- 1. Texico and Farwell police cars, carrying the mayors of their respective cities.
- 2. Cannon Air Force Base Honor Guard
- 3. Texico-Farwell Lions Club Hooligan Wagon
- 4. Texico Volunteer Fire Department
- 5. Farwell Volunteer Fire Department
- 6. Lazbuddie Volunteer Fire Department
- 7. Pleasant Hill Volunteer Fire Department
- 8. Clovis Fire Department "Firehouse"
- 9. Decorated Bicycles, Linda Moss is in charge.
- 10. Medieval knights
- 11. Honorary Parade Marshals Richard Luscombe and Barry Partain, driven by Vonnie McIntosh.
- 12. First Baptist Church of Farwell
- 13. Farwell Class of 1943
- 14. Farwell Convalescent Center
- 15. Miss 1996 Border Town Days Queen Leticia Marlow
- 16. 1997 Border Town Days Queen Candidates
- 17. Pleasant Hill Baptist Church 18. Hughes True Value
- 19. Farwell Class of 1947
- 20. Shrine Clowns
- 21. Shrine Cycles
- 22. Texico Junior High Cheerleaders
- 23. Texico High School Cheerleaders
- 24. Texico Marching Band
- 25. Lazbuddie High School Cheerleaders
- 26. Farwell Class of 1957
- 27. BTD Express, operated by St. John's Lutheran Church
- 28. Farwell All-Stars
- 29. First Baptist Church of Texico, sponsored by Enterprise Rent-a-Car
- 30. Stateline Drug and Sundries
- 31. Antique tractors
- 32. Antique cars
- 33. Farwell Class of 1967
- 34. Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Chuch youth group
- 35. ENMR Telephone Go-Karts

36. Mesman Dairy

- 37. Farwell Junior High Cheerleaders
- 38. Farwell High School Cheerleaders
- 39. Farwell High School Band 40. Farwell Class of 1967
- 41. Mayfield Cousins
- 42. Miss Perfection, Victoria Castillo
- 43. St. John's Lutheran Church of Lariat
- 44. Farwell Class of 1972
- 45. Farwell/Oklahoma Lane 4-H 46. Parmer County Crime Stoppers
- 47. Play Inc.
- 48. Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church
- 49. K-Classic/KKYC Radio Van
- 50. Texico Class of 1987 51. Texico Chamber of Commerce
- 52. Five Area Telephone Cooperative 53. Unicyclist Will Anderson
- 54. 1997 Texico Elementary School DARE graduates
- 55. The Castillo cheerleaders -- Julie, Amanda, Sarah, Melinda and Chanel Castillo
 - 56. Oklahoma Lane Ag Center
- 57. Clovis Gem and Mineral Society
- 58. Raymond McGehee's mule team
- 59. Fuzzy Brown horse and carriage
- 60. Capitol Cowbelles
- 61. Southwestern Flavor horse troupe
- 62. Western Bank donkey team
- 63. Helton Oil



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Marriage Licenses

The following marriage licenses were filed in the Parmer County clerk's office last week:

Christopher Jones Tammy Stormes, Tomas Barrientos and Alice Ponce, Rus-Harmon McGuire, Eric Wayne Palla and Megan Stock, Roy Rocha and Gina Gabarino, Michael Summers and Jessica Small, Michael Waldia and Keri



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different premiere movie every Saturday night. (pricing will be determined later if there is sufficient demand). Galavision-Spanish language movies, sports, comedy, & novelas

Telemundo-Spanish language series variety programming

Other- Please write in any other channel you would like to see added.

FX-variety programming, syndicated series, and movies from the Fox Libarary.

The Game Show Network-syndicated game shows from TV's golden era. Trinity Broadcast Network-Christian oriented music and events plus children's programs.

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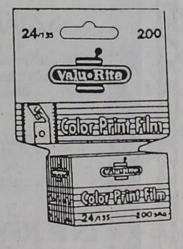
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Farwell Class to celebrate 50th anniversary

The 1947 graduating class of Farwell High School will celebrate their 50th graduation anniversary during Border Town

This was a most unusual class in several respects. It was the last senior class with most, if not all, of the students attending only 11 grades to graduate from high school. In 1943, when these students were entering freshmen, all Farwell 7th



Trees planted

Texico recently received a \$2,290 grant from New Mexico Beautiful for youth employment jobs. Pictured are young members of the Texico Community Activities Organization planting trees at the new community center.





Enjoy all the fun at Border Town Days! There's something for everyone:

Decorated Bike Contest, Big Parade, Antique Tractors & Cars, Queen's Contest, Mu-Entertainment, Merchants Giveaway, Express, the BTD Dunking Booth, Rides for Kids, and lots more!

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graders were retained to make Farwell grade school eight years instead of 7 as required by law.

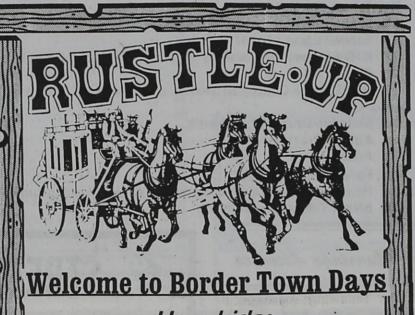
Therefore, the entering freshmen class of 1943 was made up entirely of grade school graduates from West Camp, with the exception of some grade school graduates transferred from other schools. Only 5 of the 1947 graduates from Farwell High School were not West Camp grade school graduates.

Of those, two, Dan Thompson and LaMoin Jones, moved into the West Camp area between 1943 and 1947. Two others, Max Ford and Reba Miller, moved into the Farwell school district during this period and Zelbert Rury from Bovina had completed high school requirements with the U.S. Navy and was given special permission to graduate with his class.

West Camp had added the eighth grade the previous year and the sixth graders had been promoted to the eighth grade the previous year, only attending 7 years of grade school. Therefore this group became the 1943 freshmen class and the Farwell seventh graders were retained and became the Farwell eighth grade in 1943. So, no Farwell grade school graduates were among the 1947 senior high school graduates.

West Camp schools had been established in the early 1920's and for a while had a high school as well as a grade school. Sometime before 1930 it entered into a transfer agreement for its high school students to be transported by its bus to Farwell High School after the routes were run by the West Camp buses. They returned to the West Camp schools in the afternoon for the West Camp buses to run their routes. This continued until around 1945 when West Camp grade school closed its doors for school for the last time. Their district was at that time divided between Muleshoe and Farwell, with Farwell schools being able to retain the west part of the old West Camp school district, even though it was in Bailey County.

The 1940's was the end of an era for many country grade schools throughout Texas and elsewhere. Some consolidated and established or retained high schools with the grade school and a few remain today, such as Lazbuddie schools in Parmer County and Three Way Schools in Bailey County, where once there were close to a dozen country grade schools.



Hey, kids: Don't forget to attend THE BIG PARADE at 11 a.m. cdt Saturday!



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Welcome to Border Town Days

We're looking forward to seeing all of you at the Border Town Days activities.

There's the Decorated Bicycle Contest, the Big Parade, the Shrine Clowns, the animal units, the entertainment at the Farwell City Park, the Queen's contest, the free prizes giveaway throughout the day at the Merchant's Giveaway.

And that's not all! There's homemade arts and crafts, the petting zoo, the Border Town Days Express Train, the concessions, the Rotary barbeque, the singers, the excitement, the family fun!

See y'all on Saturday.



Farwell Feed Yards

Pictured above is the 1947 Farwell High School Senior Class. This photo was taken immediately following graduation ceremonies May 13, 1947. Pictured left to right are Max Ford, Reba Miller, LaMoin Jones, Don Thompson, Bob Loe, Athealee Evans, Wilda Green, Hurshel Harding, L.C. Herington, E.D. Harvey, Jr., J.W. Herington, Bob Byrd, Zelbert Rury, Don Williams.

Whoa, pardner!

Saturday will be Border Town Days and there's lots of happenings planned for the entire family. Please come on out and have a good time with us!

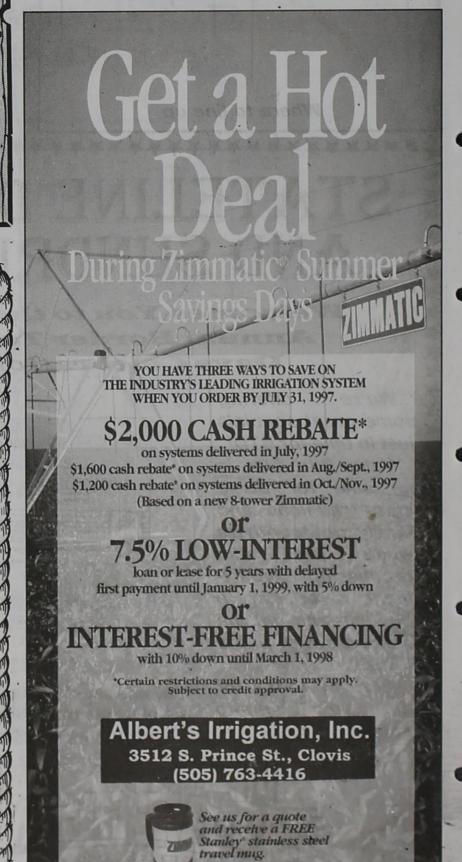
There will be a volleyball tourney, train rides, dunking booth, a full day of musical entertainment, medieval knights, moonwalk, lots of good food, arts and crafts -and much, much more!

See y'all Saturday -- at Border Town Days!



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Seaton attends FHA confab

Shena Seaton, a junior at Lazbuddie High School, was one of 270 Texas delegates attending the 4-day Future Homemakers of America National Leadership Conference in San Diego in July.

The meeting theme "Destination: Excellence" was developed and carried out as the members were challenged to strive for success in careers and to create an awareness and understanding of family and community needs as they take an active role in meeting those needs.

Sessions and activites included Students Taking Action for Recognition (STAR), motivational speakers, updates on national programs, election of new national officers, and a themed celebration.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Texas members developed a plan of action for the state and will implement it when school starts.

Shena, the Region I Vice-President of Finance, assisted with Texas registration and planning for area workshops this fall.

Also attending from Lazbuddie were Mandy Seaton and Barbara Lust, FHA advisor.

Fire Calls

Farwell's ambulance was called out July 15 at 11:06 a.m. to the post office parking lot and transported a person to Clovis hospital.

On July 16, firemen went east of Farwell Gin to fight a fire at 9:23 p.m.



Open house

State Rep. Earlene Roberts, right, receives some punch from Deborah Autrey at the open house Sunday for the new Texico Community Center.

Texico 4-H'ers have meetings

The Hadleys were in charge of the April 9 Texico 4-H meeting and invited Steve Kennedy from the Muleshoe Vet Clinic to speak about keeping animals in good health.

The graduating members, Kristi Neie, Scott Meeks, and Sarah Mobley, were recognized.

At the May 14 meeting, Gary Patterson was invited by the Richards to speak about judging pigs.

The club decided to meet at the Farwell Methodist Church on June 1 for 4-H Sunday.

At the June 23 meeting, the group voted to have banners made for the Curry County Fair. Money was donated to the Diane Cooper fund. Johnae Jobe demonstrated how to sew a flower pen.

The July meeting was held at the Texico swimming pool. The Vannatta family planned the evening.

Brette Hadley and Nicki Autrey were congratulated on their participation in the District contests.

A work schedule was made out for the Border Town Days concession stand. Plans were also made for the concessions stand at the Cooper Roping Benefit July 27.

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Notice to Bidders

The Farwell Independent School District is currently accepting bids for the following: gasoline, diesel, athletic supplies, milk, cafeteria foods, cafeteria miscellaneous supplies, janitorial supplies, office supplies, school supplies.

Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 12, 1997, and will be presented to the Board of Trustees at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 12, 1997.

If you are interested in placing a bid for any of the above items, please contact Richard Boothby, superintendent, Farwell I.S.D., Box F, Farwell, Texas 79325. You may call (806) 481-3371 for a specification list on the items on which you wish to bid.

The Farwell I.S.D. Board of Trustees reserves the right to refuse any or all bids.

Richard Boothby Superintendent

Welcome to the 31st Annual Border Town Days! Remember the Big Parade Kicks off at

Remember the Big Parade Kicks off at 11 a.m. cdt, Saturday, July 26th

The Big Barbeque starts at noon

BTD Queens Contest begins at 2 p.m.

Fun and entertainment for the whole family!

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Saturday Schedule

9:45 a.m....Decorated Bike Contest
11 a.m......Big Parade
Noon.....Rotary Barbecue
12:30 p.m....Merchants Giveaway
1 p.m....Opening Ceremony

National Anthem -- Nancy Miller
Twin City Mayors Welcome
Recognition of Honorary Parade Marshal
Float Winners Announced
Bike Contest Winners Announced

1:20 p.m	Sally Galaviz
	Chelsi Woods
	Marisela Rivera
	Queen's Contest
	Lupe Vidaurri
	Megan Johnson
3:30 p.m	Carson Family
3:45 p.m	Charla Corn
	Ray Galvan Band

4:30 p.m.....Giveaways

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Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this time to thank John Barnard of Shallowater for his concern about our drug problem in Parmer County. I noticed he was very quick to criticize but he didn't offer a solution. I also noticed how he singled out Farwell, perhaps from ignorance or intentionally but Bovina, Lazbuddie, Lariat, Friona, Hub, Rhea, Oklahoma Lane and Black are also a part of Parmer County.

John talked about tax free money being a (Republican's dream.) People in glass houses shouldn't throw stones. What about the free millions (sell your country to China) in illegal campaign contributions? What about seizing millions of acres or land which happens to contain our cleanest burning coal resource in the U.S. under the pretense of making it a national park, knowing the only other country that has the same type of coal is in Indonesia? What's up?

You want to talk values. You won't have to think hard because these are all facts, not off-the-wall accusations. Who said on MTV if he had to do it over again, he probably would inhale and I'm not talking legal cigarettes either? Who hired Jocelyn Elders to be our Surgeon General and all she wanted to do was legalize drugs and teach our children how to have sex? Whose staff could not pass a drug test or get security clearances and still had access to sensitive documents? Who discussed with a young girl on TV what kind of underwear he wears? Who is being sued for sexual misconduct? Who supports partial birth adoption? Who has been unfaithful to his wife several times? Who lies on a daily basis? Whose party had over 1,000 FBI files and they were only on Republicans? Who had a new computer system put in with taxpayer dollars and has illegally used it for personal use and a D.N.C. contributor list? Who had a phone system put in that cost the taxpayers millions of dollars because he didn't want his phone calls monitored? What is he doing that he has to hide?

If this is your idea of morals and values you can keep them. Oh, and by the way, you guessed it, I'm a conservative Re-

Farwell has many caring, giving, concerned and compassionate people living here. I imagine there were several hundred who felt like myself, that the response would be so overwhelming about the problem that there would be no need for my input. I, for one, am very concerned about the drug problem in our county. I apologize to all for not expressing myself then, but I am now officially on record as voicing my concern about our drug problem. Personally, I am very glad I live in Farwell ... and that you don't, because, as you stated yourself, you really don't care.

Rose Longley Farwell

Dear Mike,

I'm back. I just could not let a couple of items in the July 18th Tribune pass withouth commenting.

The first concerns the letter from one John Barnard of Shallowater. Perhaps other readers got his point, but somehow I missed it. The only conclusion I came to was that Mr. Barnard doesn't care for Farwell or Republicans. To blame a political party for drug use and/or sales in any community is

fallacious.

Drug users do so because they are first tempted, then deceived, and finally addicted. Drug dealers do so because they can make money if unchecked. But to blame a political party: Republican, Democrat, Independent, or Green Party is silliness gone to seed and then some. Drug useage and sales is an individual choice and I doubt seriously if the user or pusher considers his party affiliation.

The second item of concern centers around the headline "County comissioners seek ways to raise more funds and end shortfalls" and your comments concerning the same in "Border Banter." Having lived in Texas for about 20 years now, and in various parts of the state, my first encounter with the "Appraisal District" tax on vehicles was here in Parmer County.

Upon checking what this was all about, I learned that such is "legal" but that all "farm-used" vehicles and vehicles "designated for college students" were exempt. But all of the other categories do not pay taxes. If an individual has an "older" vehicle they are not taxed either. If I've made any incorrect statements, it's for certain some reader will call my attention to it.

One means of helping "to raise more funds and end shortfalls" might be to tax everyone who has a vehicle. Might even be fair too. Or, it might work to drop the taxes altogether, on everyone. Then, everyone would have a little more cash in hand, and maybe, just maybe could help end some "shortfalls."

Until next time.

Dennis Dillon Farwell

Re: Last week's Letter to the Editor:

Roy McGaa Farwell

Dear Mike,

I felt compelled to write another letter of encouragement to our community and school officials.

Even though some are trying so hard to convince us that the need to drug test is not necessary, I have talked to so many that know better. If a survey could be taken in a way that would assure anonymity, and that we were truly honest, than at least 75 percent of us would admit that we personally know someone in our community who does some kind of drug.

That is why there is such a good market here for the deal-

Thank you, Mike, for pointing out this fact to us.

Colleen Stover Farwell

Texico Schools hire custodian

The Texico School Board held a special meeting on July 17 and hired Steve Wilmeth, of Clovis, as the custodian at the junior high school and high school.

Alex Natividad will handle

custodial duties at the elementary school.

In other business, the board is looking for a mower to cut grass at the football

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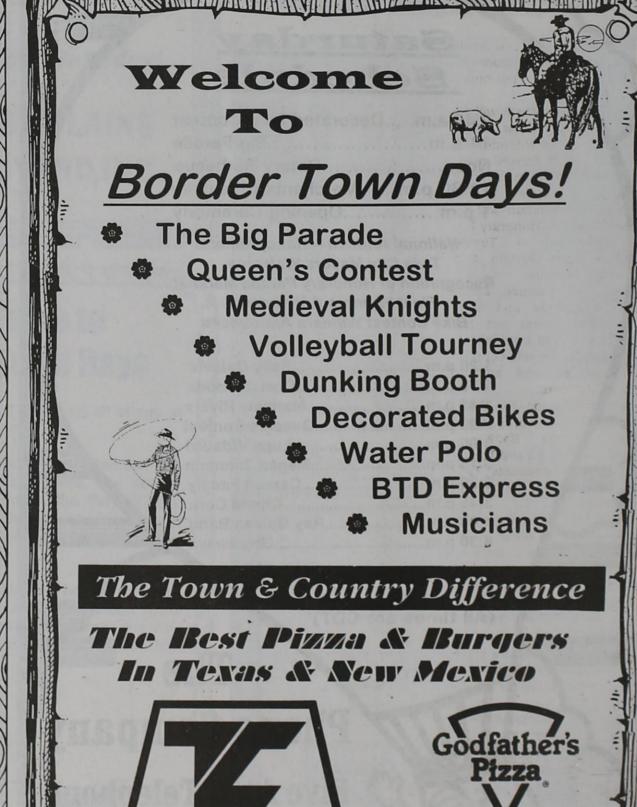
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All participants in the decorated bicycle contest will get tickets for free train rides on the BTD Express. Cash prizes will be given top placers in each category. And the "Best of Show" winner receives a new bicycle, courtesy of Tedson Trailers, of Texico.

At 11 a.m., the big parade kicks off from Griffin Street in Texico. The parade proceeds down the highway to Farwell, turning south on 4th Street cial giveaways starting at 4:30 and ending just past the Far- p.m. well Convalescent Center.

the ending point in the parade to direct participants to the park and where to park. Fourth Street heading into the park will be closed to southbound traffic for a short time to allow parade participants to exit more smoothly.

Parade entrants are to form at 10:30 a.m. in Texico. A map showing where they line up is elsewhere in today's Tribune.

In charge of the parade lineup is the Texico-Farwell Lions Club. Parade marshals Hal Helton and Dr. Nancy Chasteen will be at the start of the parade lineup to assist entrants.

Cynthia Thigpen has made arrangements with the Santa Fe Railroad to not run any trains between 11 a.m. and noon for the parade to move smoothly from Texico into

Streets will be closed by Curry County and Parmer County police also for the pa-

After the parade, folks will congregate at the Farwell City Park for a large variety of food and refreshment, highlighted by the annual Texico-Farwell Rotary Club barbeque, honcho'd by Walter Hughes. A story elsewhere in today's Tribune lists all the concessionaires.

After lunch is over, the opening ceremonies start at 1 p.m. in the Farwell City Park gazebo. Emcee will be Fred

Musical entertainment will be provided throughout the afternoon. See the ad elsewhere in today's Tribune to list the times for all the musicians to play.

The national anthem will be sung by Nancy Miller & Co. Greetings will be extended by the Texico and Farwell mayors, Nathan Tharp and Jimmie Mace, respectively. Certificates of appreciation will be given this year's Honorary Parade Marshals -- Texico coaches Barry Partain and Richard Luscombe.

Then Ann Cooper, Linda Moss, and Judy and Mike Pomper will hand out the cash awards and trophies for the decorated bicycle contest. float contest, and antique cars and tractors.

Providing funds for these awards were Security State Bank, Citizens Bank of Texico, the Farwell and Texico Chambers of Commerce, Tedson Trailers, and an anonymous donor.

On the entertainment schedule are (in order of appearance) Sally Galaviz, Chelsi Woods, Marisela Rivera, Lupe Vidaurri, Megan Johnson, the Elaine Carson family, Charla Corn, and the Ray Galvan Band.

Also, seven girls are competing in the queen's scholarship contest, vying for a \$350 prize.

While the entertainment is going on, the merchants giveaway will be in full blast. Marina Meeks and Dave Sallee will be in charge of this popular event.

Names of persons who signed up for giveaways will be called aloud by emcee Chandler and given 5 minutes to show up at the merchants giveaway table adjacent to the gazebo. If the person doesn'w show up within that time, an-

other name will be called. The giveaway, which features 32 prizes this year, starts at 12:30 p.m. and continues until all the prizes have been awarded.

Also going on throughout the day is the arts and crafts fair, on the courthouse lawn. participants feature homemade products.

At 3 p.m., the 5th annual volleyball tournament will begin at the south end of the park. Richard Carpenter and Byron Mayfield are in charge.

The day ends with the spe-

Commemoriate buttons are James Barfield will be at sold as the key fund-raiser for-BTD. Each button has a number of the back. The person whose name is calls wins \$50

if he or she is present.

Next up will be the prizes given away by the Farwell **Volunteer Fire Department:**

1) A 25" color TV.

2) A \$700 gift certificate to a travel agency for airplane tickets.

3) A 4-wheel, all-terrain ve-

Also as part of BTD is the annual Charlie "Sugartime" Phillips dance at the Clovis Holiday Inn tonight (Friday). This is the 9th annual benefit for the Farwell Convalescent Center.

A few special notes to folks:

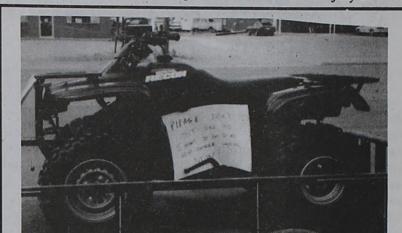
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with you to the park Saturday. * An area for handicapped parking is located in back of the county courthouse at its south side (Fourth Street).

lawn chair or blanket along

* Senior citizens are invited to park their vehicles in the parking lot of Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church on Fifth Street to watch the parade.

Another key component for Border Town Days is the annual fund-raiser put on by Charlie "Sugartime" Phillips for the Farwell Convalescent Center.



You can win this!

The Farwell Volunteer Fire Department is offering three giveaways at Border Town Days. Prizes include a 4-wheel, all terrain vehicle (pictured above); a \$700 gift certificate to a travel agency for airplane tickets; and a 25" color television. Tickets can be purchased at local businesses.



Mr. and Mrs. Leroy McDonald

McDonalds to celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

ald will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception July 27 from 2-4 p.m. in the K-Bob's annex, 511 N. 25 Mile Ave., in Hereford. All friends of the couple

are invited. Leroy married Pauline Rink on July 27, 1947 at the First Baptist Church of Lazbuddie. The couple lived at Lazbuddie and Farwell where they were engaged in farming. In 1962, they moved with their children to Mesa, Ariz. where they

Leroy and Pauline McDon- owned and operated Harper's Janitor Supply. In 1964 the family and business moved to Hereford and became known as Hereford Janitor Supply. They retired in 1990.

The reception will be hosted by their children and spouses, David and Carolyn McDonald Hereford, Ronnie and Theresa McDonald of Amarillo and Debbie and Randy Willey of Midland. Also assisting with the reception will be the couple's six grandchildren.

'Midnight Lovers' to perform at BTD

"The Midnight Lovers" band will perform at 4 p.m. Saturday at the Farwell City Park as part of the Border Town Days festivities..

The band began as a hobby but recently members have decided to pursue a more professional status.

Information about the band and its availability can be obtained by calling Ray Galvan at 481-9168.

The band includes:

-- Ray Galvan, vocals, guitar and keyboard. He graduated from Farwell High in 1985 and Texas Tech in 1989.

-- Ralph Galvan, drums and vocals. He graduated Farwell High in 1988.

-- Ruben Galvan, bass guitar and vocals. He graduated Farwell High in 1990 and ITT in Phoeniex in 1992.

-- Bonefacio Nicolas, vocals and lead guitar. He graduated Farwell High in 1988.

-- Sandra Galvan, vocals and percussion. She is a future Farwell High graduate.

All the members started the band in 1987, except for Sandra Galvan, who joined this

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Berny and Teresa Mesman of Farwell announce the birth of a son, Tanner Camp.

Tanner was born July 9 at 5:59 p.m. at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. weighed 8 lbs., 3 3/4 oz. and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Tanner has a brother, Taylor. Grandparents are Jane Morris and Ben and Mary Mesman, all of Farwell.

Morghan Lee Stewart was born July 10 to Ross Stewart and Kathy Foster.

She weighed 5 lbs., 4 oz. and was 18 1/2" long.

Grandparents are Ricky and Roene Stewart, Roland Goforth and Lori Foster.

Great-grandparents are Neil and Betty Stewart, Tom and Elaine Hensley, and Alfred Anderson.



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Police Report

Here is the weekly report from Farwell Police Chief Roy McGaa:

On July 17, a report of harassment at the elementary school playground was made.

On July 18, someone broke a window at Tri County Tire with a rock. The same day, a complaint was made of calves being kept in the 300 block of 7th Street and the owner was ordered to remove them.

On July 19, a complaint was made of chickens being kept in the 300 block of 2nd Street and the owner ordered to remove them.

On July 20, some items were stolen and vandalism done at a Farwell Country Club burglary.

Anyone with information about the Tri County or Country Club incidents is asked to call the Farwell Police or Crime Stoppers.

Courthouse Notes

The following warranty deeds were issued in the Parmer County clerk's office last week:

Wade Wright - Silvestre Perez, Lot 9, Blk. 15, Friona. Tera McGlothlin - James

Perry, W. 100 ft. of Lots 13-16, Blk. 63, Friona. Emilio Castaneda - Jesus

Lugo, Lots 3 and 4, Blk. 4, McMillan and Fergus Add., Friona.

Daryl Kirkpatrick - John Blackwell, all of Lot 13 and W. 1/2 of Lot 12, Blk. 4, Ridgelea Sub., Bovina.

Sharon McKinnon - Wayne Rhodes, Lot 1, Blk. 4, West Loop Drive, Friona.

Volleyball time!

The 5th annual volleyball tourney will feature 6-man teams at Border Town Days on Saturday.

Women can play on men's teams. The tourney will be restricted to 12 teams. T-shirts are given the top teams. The tourney will start at 3 p.m. cdt.

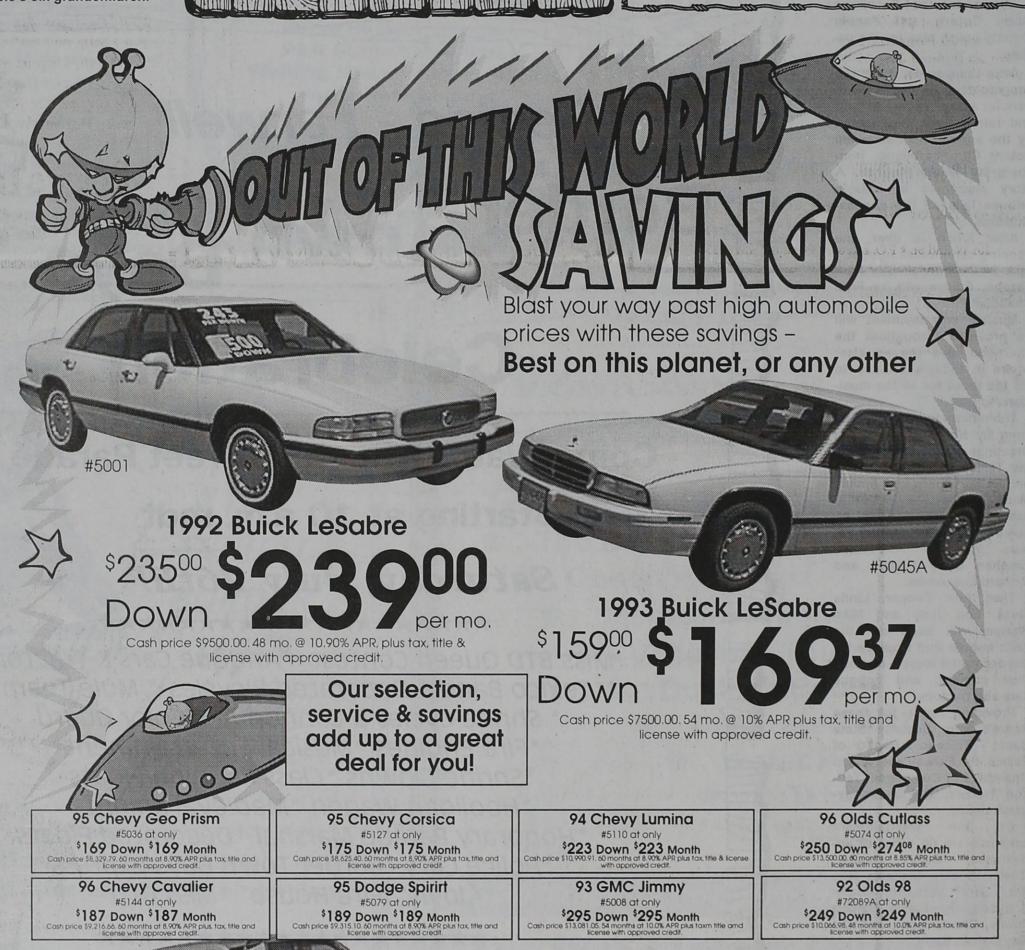
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Farwell varsity cheerleaders win a bushel of awards

The Farwell High School Varsity Cheerleaders attended NCA Cheerleading Camp at ENMU in Portales July 15-18 and brought home a bushel of awards.

The squad received a bid to go to the National Cheerleading Championships in Dallas in December. This event will require a 2 1/2-minute choreographed routine as seen on national television.

Five of the squad members were nominated by the NCA staff to try out for All American cheeleader. Nominations are acquired by excelling in different areas. Nominees include: Charla Corn, leadership; Megan Miller, tumbling; Valerie Mace and Marni Lunsford, dance; and Ramsey Bennett, jumps.

Ramsey and Megan also earned the honor of All-American cheerleader. It is considered a great honor and it is the first time a Farwell cheerleader has earned this commendation. They qualify to participate in the Jeep-Eagle Aloha Bowl in Honolulu in December.

The squad as a whole earned the spirit stick two out of four nights for exhibiting energy and enthusiasm.

They also received two trophies and a stunt award. Five squads were chosen by the staff to have a runoff for the Top Team Award. Each did a cheer they had learned at camp with a stunt incorporated. Of these five, Farwell was chosen as the "1997 Top Team."

In addition, the girls received an award for being a superior squad. This award was given for working together as well as with others and for being an overall exemplary squad.

The team received a stunt smart award for displaying excellent skills in spotting and stunt technique.

Members of the Farwell cheerleading squad include Charla Corn, Valerie Mace, Erica DeLeon, Ramsey Bennett, Ashley Crawford, Megan Miller, Marni Lunsford, and Mindy Mauldin.

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In back row are Erica DeLeon, Mindy Mauldin, Ashley Crawford and Marni Lunsford; front row, Ramsey Bennett, Charla Corn, Megan Miller and Valerie Mace.



Sheriff's Report

Here is the weekly report Young presiding: from Parmer County Sheriff **Rex Williams:**

In 287th District Court on July 17, with Judge Jack

-- Anthony Brito, 25, Amarillo, charged with aggravated On July 18, Francisco assault "A" misdemeanor Jimenez, 33, Amarillo, was ar- (reduced from aggravated asrested by Texas Highway Pa- sault with a deadly weapon), trol on a charge of DWI 2nd. was sentenced to 6 months in The case is pending in county the Parmer County Jail, probated for one year; \$166.50 court costs; \$500 fine; and 100 hours of community service.

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Parade work

Fern Tharp, left, and Ann Cooper are shown working on the Texico Chamber of Commerce float that will be in the Border Town Days parade Saturday. The parade promises to be a nifty time for local residents!

The Chief's Corner

From Farwell Police Chief Roy McGaa:

Latest dumb complaint: "The chief wears his gun when he comes to the golf course." To borrow a phrase from the young, "No duh." A peace officer can be asked to respond at anytime and any place; he is obligated to do so. That being the case, it is kind of stupid for him to leave his basic equipment at home.

51st Police Academy graduates: For the last three years, I have arranged my days off and vacation time at the SPAG Regional Law Enforcement Academy in Lubbock. Every year, it gets better and I wish I could describe how good it feels, to have a part in creating new peace officers, but I can't. I sincerely hope they have as much fun on the job as I have had.

Farwell Golf Course is tops: Even if you don't play golf, you should drive out to the golf course and see one of Farwell's biggest draws. Thanks to the efforts of Chris Fontanilla, his staff and the board of directors, Farwell has, in my opinion, the best golf course in the area. The membership has grown to over 300, the club house remodeled, and a snack bar has been constructed by the pool.

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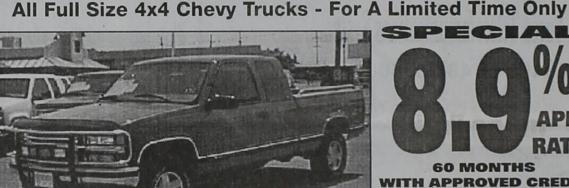


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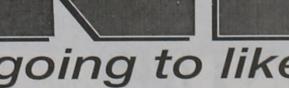


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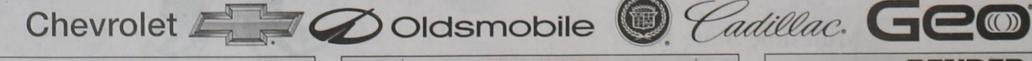
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Thank you Father Tobin Hitt for the lovely Mass, also to the music provided by the Guadalupe Church. And thanks to the people from the American Legion for the meal afterwards.

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The Corinthians were divided over preachers. Paul asked, "Is Christ divided?" He then admonished "that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; that ye be perfected together in the same mind and in the same judgment" (1

Solidarity is shown by Christ in the Shepherd-sheepfold relationship. "And other sheep (Gentiles) I have which are not of this fold...and they shall become one flock, with one shepherd"

The Lord's prayer included a tender pleading for the oneness of disciples. "Neither for these only do I pray...that they all may be one...that the world may believe..." (John 17:20,21). Sectarian churchanity (denominationalism) is probably the most fruitful source of infidelity in all the world.

Division results when men drift from the original pattern. They are creed-bound; wedded to tradition. Man's creedal system has produced miserable division: confusion worse confounded (cf. Matt 15:9).

Unity makes sense. It is utterly logical. "United we stand, divided we fall." (cf. Phil 3:16).

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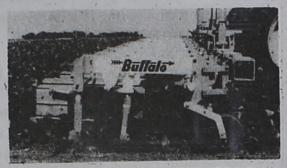
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Today's the deadline to sign up for the decorated bike contest!

All area youngsters are reminded that registration is under way for the Border Town Days Decorated Bike Contest.

Youths must sign up at Texico City Hall.

This year once again offers a nifty incentive: Ted and Teddy Lopez, of Tedson Trailers in Texico, are donating a brand new bike to the winner of "Best of Show" -- the bike judged as the best decorated regardless of age category.

This years BTD theme is "Stories from the Bible." It is very important to follow the themes since that is a large portion of the judging.

Also, an anonymous donor has provided funds for cash prizes in each category.

Plus, every participant will receive a free train ride on the Border Town Days Express.

"Everything is ready at Texico City Hall for kids to register," said Linda Moss, who is in charge of this year's bike contest. She is being assisted by Joy Stanton.

The registration deadline is 3 p.m. July 25.

Mrs. Moss said that youths planning to enter the decorated bike contest in the parade need to register, giving their name and age, to be eligible for the cash prizes.

The contest will be held an hour before the Border town Days parade on July 26. After the bicycle contest, all entrants will ride in the parade to the Farwell city park.

Prizes will be announced at the beginning of the Day in the Park festivities, at 1 p.m. at the Farwell city park gazebo.

No motorized bikes are allowed in the contest. All riders must bring their decorated bikes to Anderson Street (between Texico City Hall and the flea market -- across the street from Citizens Bank) by 9:45 a.m. Texas time (that's 8:45 New Mexico time)

Texico police will be on hand to escort youth across Wheeler Avenue, if needed.

The portion of Anderson Street where the judging will take place will be closed to vehicular traffic during this period.

-- You must be present at the park to receive your cash prizes when the announcements are made during the 1 p.m. ceremonies.

- -- There will be two judging categories:
- 1) Division A: Best decorated bike, ages 7-12.
- 2) Division B: Best decorated bike, ages 6 and under.

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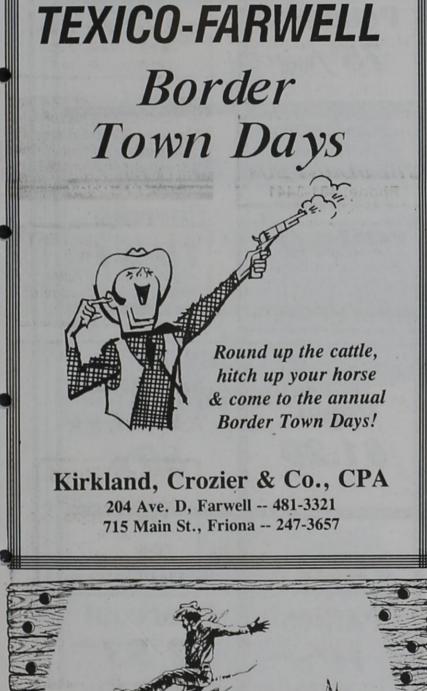
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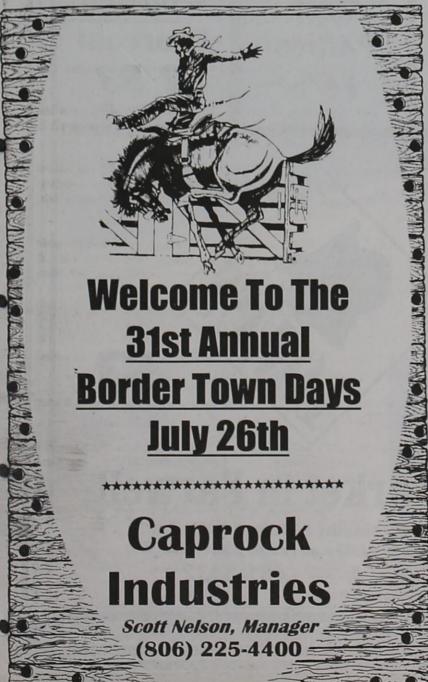
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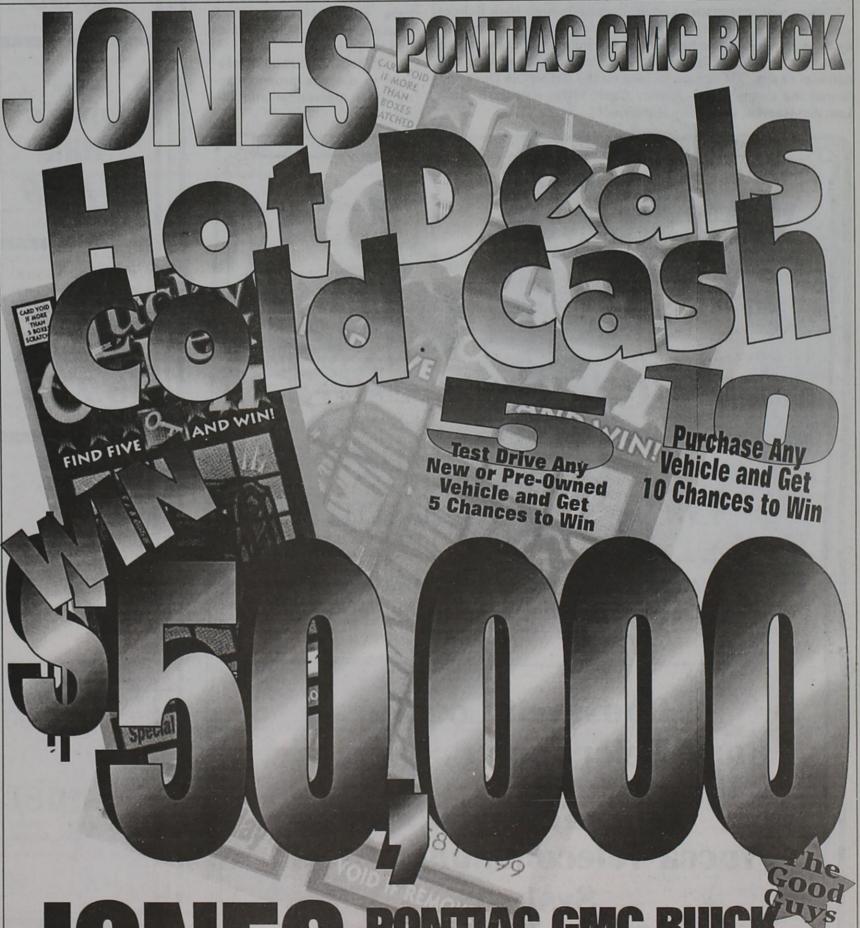
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Texico to change ordinance

The Texico City Council held a special meeting on July

The main discussion centered on a re-discussion of recently-adopted Ordinance 284, dealing with fence requirements.

Several folks attended the session.

Ray Autrey asked that Or- blown down. Before you can

dinance 284 be rescinded, citing the need for many changes.

Leland Autrey said he opposed Ordinance 284, noting that many folks can't afford to buy new materials when a fence needs replacing.

One problem pointed out deals with a fence that is

put it back up, you need a

The council also discussed whether to specify materials used for fences in the ordi-

council meeting Aug. 12.

Mayor Nathan stressed the need to have a fencing ordinance that is enforceable.

council:

a double-wide trailer later.

-- Heard Rutter report that West Hereford is not city property and that the city thus

-- Heard Tharp report that two persons have applied for the vacant animal control position.

-- Still is checking on the noise abatement problem involving trains blowing their whistles when they through town.

laws that limit the number and length of the whistles and whether they can force the railroad to abandon blowing train whistles when they go through town.

-- Heard Tharp report that the Highway 108 renovation is still being held up by the need

the community center parking

have applied for the clerk treasurer's job. Marie Chris-

-- Called an executive ses-

Texico to charge \$4 per day tuition

Texico Schools has released more information on their busing changes, announced in last week's Tribune.

Morning kindergarteners who live more than one mile from the school will be offered afternoon "instructional day care." Depending on the eligibility of students to meet special education or Chapter 1 criteria, parents of students who don't qualify will be asked to pay tuition at a rate of \$4 a day (11:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.).

At 3:15 p.m., students will be bused home by the school.

Students not eligible for for "instructional day care" will need to be picked up at school at 11:15 a.m. If parents don't pick up their child, the parents will be assessed \$4 a day for "instructional day care."

Students in the "instructional day care" program will be supervised by an instructional assistant in the Texico preschool building.

Sugartimers to perform

Charlie Phillips and the "Sugartimers" will play a benefit dance at the Holiday Inn-Clovis on July 25 starting at 8 p.m. mdt. Tickets will be \$6 at the door. This is the ninth annual benefit Charlie will be doing during Border Town Days to benefit the Farwell Convalescent Center Auxiliary.

The "Sugartimers" band is one of the area's top western dance bands. The five member band consists of Jimmy Young, fiddle; Vick Ashmead, steel guitar; Frank Hardcastle, lead guitar; Chet Calcote, bass guitar; and Ted Czahowske, drummer. Young and Calcote once played with the legendary Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys. Young is also a member of the Western Swing Hall of Fame.

Charlie Phillips became famous for writing and recording the No.1 hit in 1958, "Sugartime". His original version was recorded at the Norman Petty Studios in Clovis. Buddy Holly played the lead guitar on the original recording. It hit the top of the country and western charts, but the McGuire Sisters pop version gave it worldwide recognition. An HBO movie titled "Sugartime" was released in September 1995. The movie is about the life of Phyllis McGuire, the youngest member of the singing group. The movie was of course named after the song title and used the music in the movie.

Phillips was a teenager and student at Farwell High School when he wrote "Sugartime" while driving a tractor on the family farm. Since then he has recorded a number of country and western hits. In the Sixties, every record he made was on the national charts. He has performed on the Grand Ole Opry and toured the country with Johnny Cash, Willie Nelson, Brenda Lee, Jim Reeves, and Marty Robbins.

permit, even if it's only one board that was knocked down. Also, the board must be new.

The ordinance will be redrafted by city attorney Marion Ty Rutter, who was asked to meet with Ray Autrey over Autrey's concerns before the re-draft is completed. It will be discussed again at the next

In other business, the

--Approved an aesthetic review for Shawn Autrey, who is moving a 10'x55' trailer temporarily to 508 Rose St. Autrey said he plans to put in

won't maintain it.

The city is trying to find any

-- Decided to take all the kitchen materials and utensils from the old community center and place in the new community center.

to move some utilities.

This, in turn, has put back lot work.

-- Noted that 12 persons tian is retiring.

sion to discuss property acquisition, personnel and liti-



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The Texico Fire Department

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This fireman concentrates on laying the hose correctly.



McIntosh listens closely for the next step.



Tracey Young offers some advice to McIntosh after completing the task.

By Rachel Embry

The Texico Fire Department may be composed of volunteers and its operation may be labeled as such, but its service is in no way unprofessional. This group of volunteer firefighters run a fine department, utilizing top of the line equipment and continually improving their station and members' training to provide only the best protection for their community.

I had the opportunity to attend a meeting of the Texico Volunteer Fire Department recently and it was a very eye-opening and interesting experience. I think it's safe to say I would be speaking on behalf of a good portion of the community when I say that most of us have little idea or concept of what goes on behind the scenes of this somewhat unnoticed, unlauded, but vital organization.

It takes a special person to be a volunteer fireman. Without any pay or compensation for their generous donation of time, effort, and self, these people are on call twenty-four hours a day, ready to volunteer assistance at any time in any situation while tending to their own jobs, obligations and families.

The responsibilities related to firefighting are not exactly easy either. These volunteers must be prepared to render aid in any situation, just like trained and paid professionals. But unlike professionals who often specialize in a specific area, these members need to be able to both effectively fight fires and offer medical assistance if qualified.

That's what makes Texico unique as compared to many other rural type departments. Four members are professional firefighters, serving the Clovis department on a regular basis. Their expertise is a definite advantage to the overall competency of the Texico department. In addition, 20 out of 24 volunteer members have attended schools and training sessions to become firefighter certified. Four members have received E.M.T. certification as well, with 7 members having completed certification on the intermediate level.

In a small community such as Texico, the need for better equipment and funding is not viewed as a top priority by the state, but nonetheless is important to how well the department can serve its citizens. Texico does an excellent job of making do with what is available to them and finding ways to stretch the budget to offer any improvements they possibly can. These improvements definitely pay off in the long run, not only in saving lives and properties, but in the further betterment of the station itself so that its primary purpose can reach the highest level of efficiency.

As a Class ISO8 station, Texico receives around \$32,000 a year to run their department. However, the department has risen to a Class ISO5 station, guaranteeing them an additional \$15,000 a year due to improvements in equipment, hoses, hydrants, and training of members. Also, the new substation will receive annual funding of around \$15,900.

At first glance, these amounts might seem sufficient for a small department like Texico that may get called out just one or two times a week. But the high-tech equipment necessary for such calls makes running an effective station extremely

For example, Texico has purchased a new 1997 Class A pumper fire truck that was picked up July 22. This piece of equipment alone cost \$160,000.

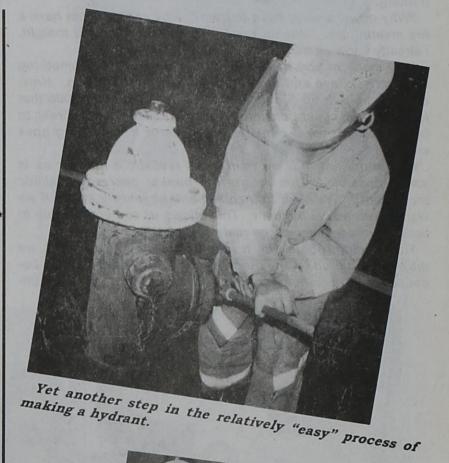
Furthermore, Texico is only alloted \$7,400 a year for EMS services. The money granted for firefighting and that intended for EMS cannot be mixed, so it is difficult to stretch that budget. The fund raisers that Texico holds, such as the giveaway at Border Town Days, mainly go to the ambulance service.

Last year, Texico purchased a new ambulance costing \$58,900 and a new defibrillator at \$7,000. The defibrillator is a machine used for monitoring the heart and jump-starting it during cardiac arrest by electric shock. Fire Chief Lewis Cooper reported this machine has already paid for itself since its purchase, saving two patients whose hearts had stopped.

All in all, the Texico station is well-equipped for its size and funds available. They own 3 Class A pumpers (besides the new one), 1 brush truck, 1 tanker, and 2 ambulances. They are also building another brush truck.

Now, if many of you are like me, you know basically that a fire truck is that red thing with a ladder on the side and a loud siren that firefighters take to fires, right? So some of these

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Leroy Jupe assists in preparing the hose to hook up to the hydrant.



Tribune reporter Rachel Embry gets a taste of what being a fireman really feels like.



Members of the Texico Volunteer Fire Department dress out in bunker gear even on a hot July evening for a training session.



Texico Volunteer Fire Department

terms might require a little more definition to fully understand what all the department encompasses.

-- A brush truck is the one that the crew takes to situations like grass fires, just as its name implies.

-- A tanker holds 4,000 gallons of water and is taken to stucture or grass fires, basically wherever large amounts of water are needed.

-- The Class A pumper is actually just your basic fire engine. A truck that is rated Class A must meet certain requirements. It must have a pump capable of pumping at least 750 gallons per minute, a water tank, hose, and a ladder.

Texico has recently expanded into a substation and they plan to house 1 ambulance, 1 Class A pumper and 1 generator in the new building.

Texico residents may occasionally notice the trucks and members in bunker gear around town doing something but no apparent emergency taking place. It's not because the volunteers are bored or playing fireman; they are most likely holding one of their frequent training sessions. Now that the department has the equipment necessities well in hand, the top priority is to train its members and prepare them to face many different situations.

David Kube, a member of the department, publishes a monthly newsletter for the volunteer fire department and in the July issue included an article noting the importance of training. It goes as follows:

"Why do we always have to train? Why can't we just have a fire meeting and relax for once? I'm too tired to train tonight. I already know all that stuff."

How many of you have said these things or felt something like that? I have and I'm sure that I will in the future. However, we train to do a job in a professional manner and do that job with the fewest possible errors. We also train in order to be able to recover if a mistake is made or if something goes

It is important that we train in as realistic a manner as is safely possible. This means full bunker gear and realistic movements. We need to mentally and physically act as if we were on an actual incident. This allows us to become able to act in confidence when the real call comes in.

The repetition gets old, it may be too hot or too cold, we may feel too tired or any other reason. But we are all here because we want to help provide a service. The continual training makes us what we are: Volunteer professionals. Be proud!

The Texico department is dedicated to better preparing its members for emergency situations and often spends time in improving this area as well. The meeting I attended was just that. Members held a training session in what in firefighter lingo is called "making a hydrant" and I was personally trained in what could be called "Firefighting 101."

"Making a hydrant" is basically learning how to hook up the hose to the hydrant and get it to the fire. There are different ways to do this that were explained to the members before actually dressing out in bunker gear, taking the trucks out, and participating in hands- on practice.

Even in such a minor task, there is much to remember and many problems to be encountered. Members addressed these problems and answered any questions so that when a real incident occurs, they can be depended on.

Meanwhile, Cooper and Asst. Chief Doug Scioli treated me to the grand tour and taught me some basics about the fire department.

We all have seen firefighters on TV and in action movies, McIntire reunion was held dramatically running around and rescuing people with apparent ease. But after trying on the official gear of a fireman, I wonder how this is possible!

Season in and season out (summer, too!) firemen must ing, eating, games, and going dress out in bunker gear for every call. This includes a heavily insulated coat, pants, boots, hood, gloves and helmet. Texico also owns 2 air packs, weighing 60 packs each. These are supposed to provide oxygen for up to 30 minutes. As an untrained individual, I found I could hardly move in all the bulk and very nearly melted in the short minutes I wore the suit and so now have a deepened respect for the people who actually volunteer to put on all that stuff and help those in need.

Perhaps you are wondering how people become members as it seems to be quite an awesome responsibility. To become a member of the Texico Volunteer Fire Department, one must first fill out an application that is then referred to a board of 5 department personnel that interviews the individual and turns it over to the chief. Once the person is approved, they go through extensive training and then are encouraged to become firefighter and EMT certified.

The department at Texico answers an average of 170 calls per year. When a dispatch is made, all members try to answer

and report for fire calls if at all possible. For medical emergencies, a driver and two EMT certified personnel are sent to answer the call. As we all know, such situations can occur at any hour of the day, and these volunteers must always be ready to assist.

Firefighting is a tough job that not just anyone can undertake, especially on a volunteer basis. After seeing what all the job entails, I have gained a good measure of respect for these people and what they do and hope that Texico citizens will fully appreciate this invaluable service that is offered to them year around, free of charge by individuals who are recompensed only by the satisfaction of a job well done. We may not hear too much about the volunteer fire department, but rest assured that when the need arises, they will undoubtedly be there to offer the best possible assistance they can.

Family reunion held

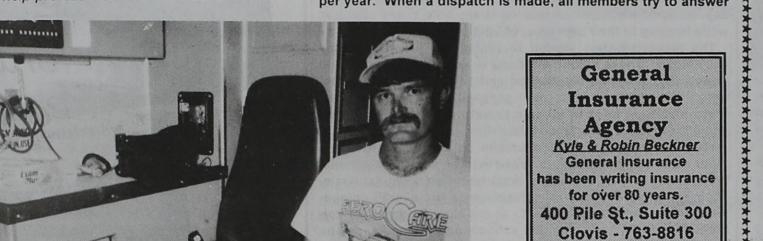
The annual McMahan-July 5-6 at Muleshoe with 50 relatives present.

The time was spent in visitthrough the Heritage Center. An auction of craft items etc. was held as a moneymaker to cover expenses.

Those attending from out of town were: Paul and Pat McMahan of Fort Worth, Jerry and DorotbyJean of Abilene, Clyde McMahan of Menkel. Tex., Billy D., Sharon, and Jarod Williams of Lubbock, James, Melissa, Brianna, and Cameron Gulley of Lubbock, Scott, Deena, Krystal, and Brandon Bass of Plainview,

Marvin Ward of Amarillo, Rex and Kathryn Beardain of Clovis, Carolyn Curd of Texico, Kenneth, Charlotte, Kellie and Clifton Harris of Lazbuddie, Walter Curd of Texico, Wade, Cindy, Leslie, Tara, and Daniell Cargile of Farwell, Clarence and Hazel McMahan of Farwell and **Eunice Crume of Farwell.**

Those attending from Muleshoe were John Gulley, Kim, Marilyn and Blake Gable. Dacia Stewart, Euiline Harris, Danny and Twana Ward, Bobby Hudson, Cleo and Ruby Ward, Lehman and Judy Jacobs, Derek, Misty, and Brittany Prater.



Doug Scioli demonstates the defibrillator and its functions in one of the Texico ambulances.



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Farwell's Chelsi Woods elected city attorney at Girls State

by Rachel Embry

From silly songs to framing counselors to seeing movie stars, Farwell High School's Chelsi Woods experienced it all at Texas Bluebonnet Girls' State held June 17-27 at Texas Lutheran University in Seguin.

"At least I should make a 100 in Coach Taylor's government class next year," Chelsi laughed. The 10-day camp is basically a conference intended to give representatives from schools all over the state an opportunity to learn not only about government but to gain leadership skills and the confidence to become leading figures in their schools and communities. Chelsi was selected by her teachers earlier in the year to attend but little did she know what she was in for.

Chelsi's adventure began when her flight was delayed two hours and she and the other girls' state-bound passengers missed orientation. The girls did eventually get in the right place at the right time though. After the scurry of opening assemblies, meeting roommates, and registration, the real stuff could begin.

Five-hundred and sixty-three girls were divided into 7 "cities". Chelsi was in City "J". The girls were allowed to sign up on ballots to run for the various positions at either the city, county, or state levels. Elections were held just like official ones, with political parties and campaigns. Chelsi ran for the position of City Attorney. Her campaign slogan was "It's no debate- Chelsi's great for City Attorney!" Apparently the other girls thought so too because Chelsi won. She was sworn in and attended a reception for all the new officials.

Chelsi's job as City Attorney was to write a court case along with the city judge and prosecute it. Her first experience as a lawyer was "The Case of the Kidnapped Teddy-Bear." They stole a girl's teddy and planted it in the counselor's room. The City Sheriff then arrested the counselor and brought her to trial. Chelsi prosecuted the case and the counselor was found guilty due to Chelsi's outstanding debate skills.

The girls also participated in simulations of House and Senate sessions. They were appointed to one of the branches and daily debated and passed bills. Chelsi was appointed to the House of Representatives.

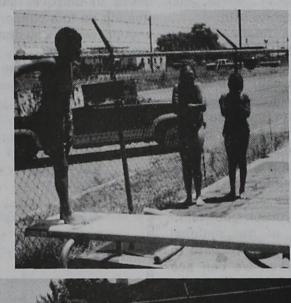
"My favorite part of the trip was Captiol Day," Chelsi said. "It was so cool." The girls went to the Texas State Capitol building in Austin and held their legislative sessions in the actual chambers in the desks of the actual reperesentatives and debated bills. They also heard Gov. George W. Bush, speak and watched him swear in the girls' state district and state of-

The girls were allowed to explore the capitol somewhat as well. When Chelsi attempted to go down a certain hall, she was stopped by a security guard. She noticed a crowd so she asked what was going on and discovered that Ethan Hawke, Sandra Bullock and Matthew Maganahay were filming a movie in that section of the capitol. "I saw them!" Chelsi said, explaining how she had to jump up to see over the crowd of people in order to view the famous actors in the process of filming.

The girls participated in many activities not strictly associated with the running of a government. There were talent shows, flag ceremonies, silly singing sessions, morning jogs,



Splashing at the pool is as much a part of summer as the hot sun and itchy mosquito bites. Here are some scenes from the Texico city pool.





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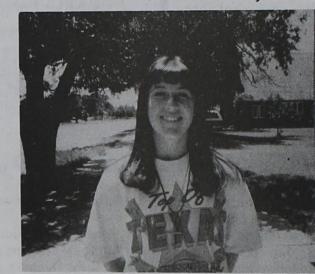
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and assemblies with speakers such as the Texas Land Commissioner and Texas Railroad Commissioner.

After a busy week and a half of making new friends and learning not only about government but a little about herself as well, Chelsi returned home full of stories and with a new sort of confidence, accomplishing exactly what the conference is intended for and making the trip totally worthwhile.

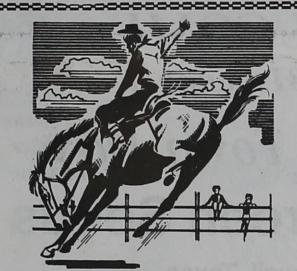
"I know government like the back of my hand!" Chelsi said upon her return. "But the best part was learning not to be afraid to take risks and to always have confidence in yourself because how you feel about yourself is what you will be."



Rep. Chelsi Woods, "Attorney at Law."

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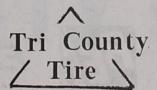
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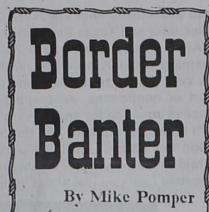
'The blob' leaves long, weirdly-shaped black claw things

From Rachel Embry:

It's just another ordinary peaceful day in the Twin Cities. Everywhere except the newspaper office, that is.

"You want me to do what?" has become the saying of the summer since I arrived at the Tribune. Working here has been....interesting, to say the least. Or perhaps 'weird' would be a better word. At any rate, I have encountered a lot of things in my naive innocence that I hardly expected.

With the loss of that charming innocence, I have picked up a rather ruthless



desire for revenge. In return for all the strange things I've faithfully done for Mike the past few weeks, I'm going to

take this opportunity to enlighten the community on what really goes on behind the doors of the Tribune office -- things never revealed to you before! (Tee-hee-hee)

Every week without fail, the Tribune comes off the press and into your eager hands. How this is possible some weeks is yet a mystery to me and most of the time I'm just happy to complete my work on time amid the eccentricities of this office.

I mean, writing up a simple wedding story becomes a melodrama when Mike Pomper is the editor.

Imagine after struggling and polishing your first such article and then having the editor go ballistic over baby's breath in the floral arrangements, shouting hysterically about insensitive people murdering innocent infants for the frivolous use of their breath in wedding decorations. I was practically in tears from the horror of it all and had to solemnly vow that I would never personally use baby's breath in such a careless fashion before we could move on to the next article.

The Tribune office is a very old building and sometimes rather...eerie. So imagine my fright one quiet afternoon when I was startled by a Pablo Lucio roots for the St. four years or something, only strange screeching noise. Afments, I was only slightly relieved to discover Mike was treating us to a concert. That When he finally outgrew anyone would call that singing is still scary.

> Another frightening thing Oakland A's cap. I've forgot- is....THE BLOB. Yes, we have

our very own horror movie character (and its not me at 8:30 in the morning). THE BLOB occasionally leaves us presents by the bathroom door -- long, weirdly-shaped black claw things. (Yeah, I'm a writer). Actually, our little friend is only a dripping leak of tar from the ceiling left over from roof repair, but we love him anyways.

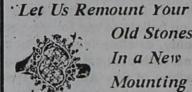
I think my greatest accomplishment since coming to the Tribune has not been learning to cope with the butchering of my favorite lines of an article (it's murder- yes it is!). It hasn't been organizing papers and photos from. 50 years into easy to find referencing or even gaining the confidence to bravely walk up to strangers and annoy them.

No, my greatest accomplishment has risen above all those things. For I have learned to use the fax. Yes! I just recently became a fullfledged member of the staff after meeting the fax requisite for the first time.

It began with the unmistakable beep and I knew this was it. I will never forget the glory of knowing, after a few mad

seconds of sprinting from phone to phone, picking up receivers, hanging up receivers, pushing buttons and the breathless moments until the fax began to roll out, I had manipulated the Tribune's bungled system successfully.

After all, that's what this whole journalism thing is really all about.



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Rangers have our loyalties

By Rachel Embry

For some people, baseball may be that pointless, boring game they find instead of their favorite television sitcom on summertime evenings (like me!).

For others, it may be more than mere sport. The brawn, the dirty uniforms, the wad of chew in the cneek - an, its a way of life (yuk!).

True, not everyone will fit into one of these two categories, but baseball fan or not, it is almost unAmerican to totally ignore the sport and not favor a particular team.

Now that the major league teams have reached the All-Star break, the Tribune decided to launch an in-depth survey of local residents and see just where their loyalties lie this baseball season.

"Rangers," said Betty Jean Kelley.

"Texas Rangers," said Jarrod Franse.

"Why, the Rangers, of course," said Vernon Symcox. "Everyone knows they're the team."

"I guess the Texas Rangers," said Rusty Smallwood.

(Are you getting the idea who is pretty popular here?) "I like the Rangers," said

Pam Monk. "Yeah, the Rangers are all

right," added Jerry Monk. "Brooklyn Dodgers."

Brooklyn Dodgers? Uh, right. Leave it to Roy McGaa to mess up the Ranger monopoly in Farwell. But

they aren't too threatened as McGaa doesn't believe the Dodgers are doing too well this year.

McGaa wasn't the only one to dare to deny Texan loyalty. Dennis Dillon's TV is tuned to the Colorado Rockies while

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Louis Cardinals.

And, yawn, Mike Pomper's lonely but loyal support of the Chicago Cubs (who?) never dies.

"Even though the team is in last place, I am sure they will make a strong run for the pennant in the weeks and months ahead and this will be the year we see Ernie Banks in the World Series," Pomper said confidently (yeh, sure!).

How do such loyalties begin? For some it is at a very young age as a result of quite simple attachments.

Such is the case with my younger brother, Dawson. He wore his green Oakland A's Tshirt 7 days a week for like

allowing it to be briefly ripped ter a few heart-stopping mooff for an occasional washing, if we were lucky. It was practically his second skin.

what was left of the shirt, he adopted a green and yellow ten what his hair color is.

Now the cap has about seen its last inning as well, but no other cap will quite do. And Dawson is an A's fan for life.

Well, no matter where your loyalites lie, the Tribune commends you on your faithful support of our national pastime and looks forward to October - when we can see who was really right.

Go, Cowboys!



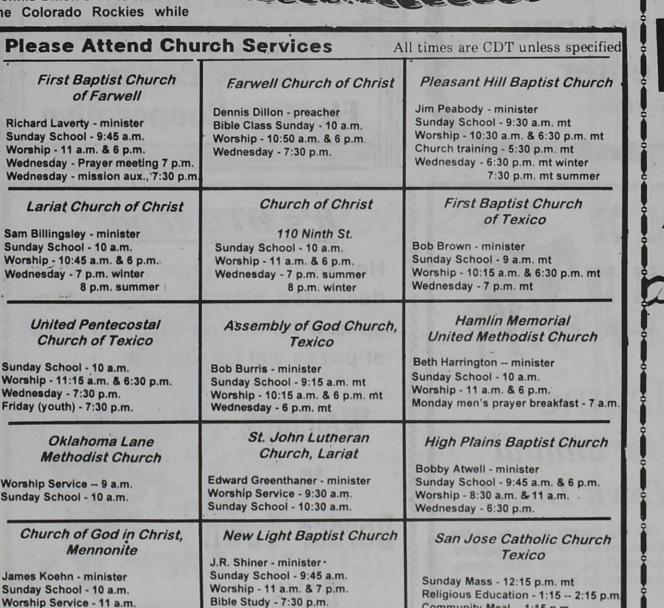


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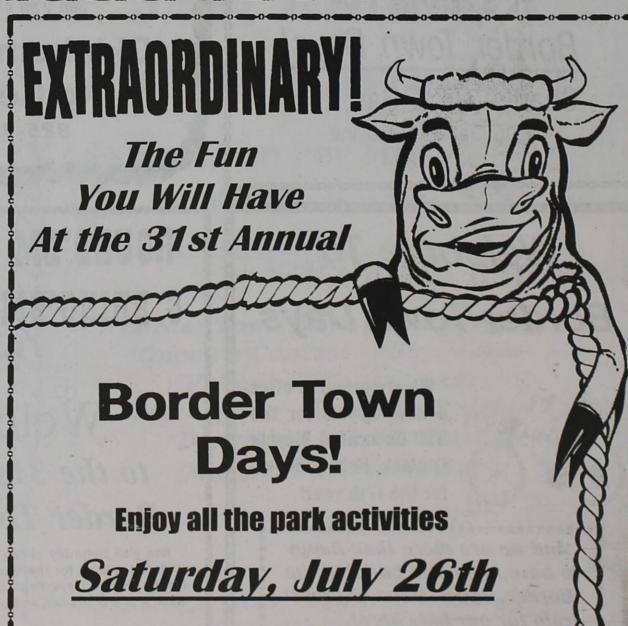
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Will Anderson goes eyeball to eyeball with a jellyfish

(Editor's note: U.S. Navy Commander Will Anderson, a Farwell High graduate, is the son of Bob and Carrie Anderson. Periodically, over the years, he has sent articles about his postings as features for the Tribune. Currently, he is stationed in Guam.)

By Will Anderson

If you proceed southwest from the island of Guam across the Philippine Sea, prior to reaching Indonesia, you will encounter the small island group of Yap, the then another small group called Palau. It was to Palau that my travels took me most recently, and I took some time off the job to do some diving there in its remarkable maritime environment, unlike any other place in the world.

Palau is an archipelago of 70 islands. Some are actually the tops of volcanos which emerged from the seas thousands of years ago. Other islands were formed in the shal-



Will Anderson nears the volcanic island



A close-up of a venomless jellyfish

low seas by living coral which over the centuries emerged from the sea and began collecting debris and sand and the seeds of the plants and trees which cover these islands now, carried there by winds and waves and birds and the canoes of the ancient tribes of people in this part of Melanesia.

The people of Palau live by subsistence fishing and agriculture on their small scattered islands, and they have been very successful in maintaining the pristine beauty of their delicate environment. One of the most remarkable sights in the world exists there, inside the small crater on a small and uninhabited volcanic island that can only be reached by small boat.

As the volcano rose from the sea and eruptions of molten rock from its heart deep in the earth ceased to occur, it

cooled and the ocean filled its crater.

With this water from the sea came jellyfish, ancient creatures which have changed little in all the years since creation, and the ancestors of these original jellyfish still live inside this crater. But there is one very big difference, because this small colony of jellyfish was totally isolated from all other jellyfish in the enormous ocean outside, and also isolated from any create that might attack them.

And so now, on all the earth, there is only one small body of water that has jellyfish that have long ago lost all their stingers and all their venom. Jellyfish stings can be fatal; they are terribly painful, and they are one of the great fears of anyone who works the seas; but not here in this one

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The living coral in a lagoon's shallow waters



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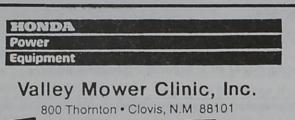
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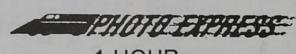
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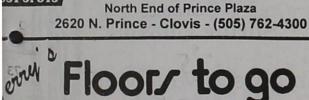
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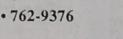
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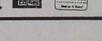
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small lake inside the crafter of a small extinct volcano rising up out of the Celebes Sea (this lake is about half the size of Farwell, but its depth goes down hundreds of feet).

And so it was that we embarked on a small boat on the island of Koror and passed through channels and islands, until we eventually reached this small extinct volcano. Climbing through the jungles on its slope, we made our way down the other side into its crater, and slid into the warm waters of this private lake of saltwater.

We got there early in the morning when the jellyfish rise from the dark and cold depths, and swam among them, thousands of them, ignoring our presence as we slide between them like we were swimming among white grapes in an enormous bowl of lime Jello. Looks can be deceptive, though, because that lake tastes like salt and jellyfish, which is not very good to eat -- I guarantee that!

As the sun went higher, the jellyfish began to scatter and to sink down to the dark coolness in the lake bottom. We climbed out of the volcano and hiked back to our boat for the return voyage to Koror. The next day, I had to return to Guam but I had a new experience to take with me.

I had swum with the only venomless jellyfish in the world and none had stolen by beer or my dogtags!



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Fish are everyone in part of the reef environment

Pollard: Don't forget the sun's strength

From County Extension Agent Debbie Pollard:

Cancer of the skin is the most common of all cancers. About 700,000 cases of skin cancer occur in this country each

Skin cancer most often occurs among older, fair skinned people. A majority of Parmer County residents are spending a lot of time outdoors, such as farmers and construction workers, and those who play a lot of outdoor sports or sunbathe are at the highest risk of developing skin cancer.

The sun's rays are the strongest from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Whenever possible, exposure to the sun should be avoided during these times. Those who are exposed to the sun should use a sunscreen lotion with a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of 15 or more, and wear enought clothing to cover the skin as much as possible and wide-brimmed hats.

If you must wear a cap, be sure and put sunscreen on your ears. Avoid overexposure to the sun. Limit your time in the sun as much as possible. Have a physician look at any unusual sore, lump, or blemish. A change in the way anaea of th skin looks or feels may be a sign of skin cancer or a warning that it is likely to occur.

Have fun in the sun but remember what's not so hot about

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Barbeque, hot dogs, cold drinks Home-baked goodies, ice cream, cakes. Entertainment, singing, Beauty Queen, Arts and crafts, a lot to be seen.

Family reunions, class reunions not a few Meet old friends and acquaintances renew. Or just sit and relax in the shade of a tree, Greet old friends you happen to see.

Fun and games for the children; train rides, too. There will be plenty of things for them to do. So come on down, now don't be late, Let's all be there to celebrate!

Eunice Crume

Recipe of Week

Apple Waldorf Salad

- 1 Granny Smith apple 1 Red Delicious apple
- 1 T. lemon juice
- 1/2 c. chopped celery 1 T. slightly chopped pecan halves
- 1/4 c. raisins
- 1/4 c. Daisy Light Sour Cream Dash of cinnamon
 - Dash of nutmeg

leaves (optional)

- 1 T. light mayonnaise Purple cabbage or lettuce
- 1. Chop unpeeled apples;
- sprinkle with lemon juice. 2. Add other ingredients;
- combine gently.
- 3. Serve on purple cabbage leaf or lettuce leaf.
- Yield: 4 servings

Per Serving (1/2 cup): 110 cal, 4 gm fat, 2 gm pro, 19 gm carb, 5 mg chol, 32 mg sodium, 2 gm dietary fiber

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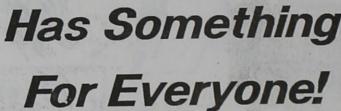
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There's so much to do. It's non-stop entertainment at the gazebo; a whole bunch of arts and crafts booths; plenty of food, ranging from barbeque to frito pie to ice cream and hot dogs; games for the kids, like the BTD Express, water polo, dunking board, etc.

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The famous XIT Ranch once covered more than 3 million acres

(Recently, Carol Ellis, co-owner of the Friona Star and Bovina Blade with her husband Bill, wrote an interesting column in their newspapers about the history of the XIT Ranch. She kindly gave permission to the Tribune to reprint it.)

By Carol Ellis

If you own any real estate in Parmer County, whether it is a home, a business, a vacant lot, farm lands, etc., you might want to take some time to look over the abstract of the deed to your property. That is quite a historical document you own, dating back to the 1880s when a land investment company located in Chicago got financial backing from some wealthy investors in England and Scotland to obtain 3,050,000 acres of land in the Western Panhandle area. This then became the famous XIT Ranch.

A series of dramatic events led up to that blue-backed legal document in your safety deposit box.

First, when Texas became a state in 1845, the federal government deeded tens of millions of acres to the state. Most of Texas remained in public lands, owned by the state government for many years. While the main focus of settlement was located in East Texas, the rest was just "empty" lands occupied mostly by buffalo, outlaws and a few wandering bands of Indians.

Then in 1881, the old capitol building in Austin burned. So it became necessary to build a new one. Texans, being no different than then than now, decided they needed the biggest, finest, showiest capitol building every built. In effect, one that would rival the capitol in Washington, D.C. This would, of course, require millions of dollars to build. Texas did not have millions of dollars to spare at that time, but it did have millions of acres of land to spare.

So in 1882, the state legislature advertised that they would accept bids from any person or persons who would build an enormous state capitol building in exchange for three million acres of public lands located in the Texas Panhandle.

A company of four Chicago businessmen took up the gauntlet and were awarded the 3 million acres, which stretched 30 miles wide and 200 miles long, along the Texas-New Mexico border, in exchange for providing the funds to build the capitol in Austin. So the largest fenced ranch in the nation, if not the world, was established right were we live.

Legend says that XIT took its name from the fact that the 3 million acres of ranch lands touched into 10 counties in the western Texas Panhandle; the interpretation being "Ten In Texas." I had always heard that, of those 10 counties, Parmer County was the only county which was completely encompassed by the XIT Ranch. However, a more accurate map of the ranch shows that all except one small 2-mile area up in the northeast corner of Parmer County was included as ranch property. So you could say that Parmer County was about 99.98 percent XIT lands.

John and Charles Farwell, Amos Babcock and Abner Taylor were four of Chicago's leading businessmen. They didn't know much about buying cattle, providing water where they was almost none, building barns and corrals, fencing 3 million acres, etc. And they didn't really have enough money to build the new capitol in Austin either, but they had the "know how" that it took to raise money.

American banks would not loan money for such a venture and it was impossible for them to raise the "capital for the capitol" in the U.S., and so they went abroad.

The Farwells were the largest supplier of wholesale dry goods merchandise in the Chicago area, and as such, they had ample connections in Europe. The Farwells maintained offices in Paris, Manchester and Belfast and were well-known as capitalists in those cities. In 1885, the Chicago businessmen and their British friends formed an English company known as the Capitol Freehold Land and Investment Company Ltd., in London.

This company had nothing to do with the raising of cattle; just cash, through the sale of bonds. Major directors of the company were the Earl of Aberdeen, Quintin Hogg, the Marquis of Tweeddale, governor of the Commercial Bank of Scotland, Sir William Ewart, Sir Herbert Maxwell, and others. You will find all of the above mentioned names on your property deed in the late 1880s up through 1909 when the company was dissolved, having served its purpose. They raised \$3.25 million to fund the building of the Texas capitol and \$2 million more to get the ranch operating.

On March 2, 1885, the 49th anniversary of Texas Independence, a granite cornerstone was laid for the new capitol building in Austin. It was completed in 1888, with the golden Goddess of Liberty reaching 30 stories into the air atop the elaborate new state house which was built at a cost of \$3.774.630.

In the meantime, our Chicago businessmen began to tire of their venture into cattle ranching, and by 1902 they started to sell off large wholesale chunks of the land to other development companies.

The George G. Wright Land Co. of Kansas City purchased 176,814 acres in Parmer and surrounding counties at \$5 to \$6 per acre. George G. Wright's name also appears on your property deed.

Most of you have heard how Wright brought settlers on the train from other parts of the country and how he laid out the townsite, establishing Friona in 1906, intending it to be the county seat. Bovina, the oldest town in the county, was already well under way by then as a railway shipping point for XIT cattle.

In the "My Turn" column dated Sept. 2, 1995, I related to you how Judge James Hamlin, a member of the Chicago syndicate and a close associate of the Farwell brothers, established the townsites of Farwell and Texico and decided to make Farwell the county seat by hook or by crook.

The Santa Fe Railroad was, at that time, interested in establishing a division point in Parmer County. Hamlin jacked up the price of property in Farwell so as to line his own pockets from the sale of land to the railroad. Santa Fe would have none of this scheme and proceeded on down the road to establish their operations center in Clovis, which then grew as an enterprising railroad town.

The XIT papers, consisting of thousands of documents pertaining to the operation of the ranch, are preserved in the archives of the Panhandle - Plains Historical Museum on the West Texas A&M University campus in Canyon. Anyone wishing to research facts about the ranch should check with the Museum in Canyon.

An exhibit entitled "XIT: The Ranch That Built The Texas Capitol" opened Feb. 25 in Austin at the Capitol Complex Visitors Center located in the restored 1856-57 General Land Office on the grounds of our Texas Capitol which we helped to

build. The exhibit will be shown at the Museum in Canyon from Aug. 8 through Jan. 5, 1998.

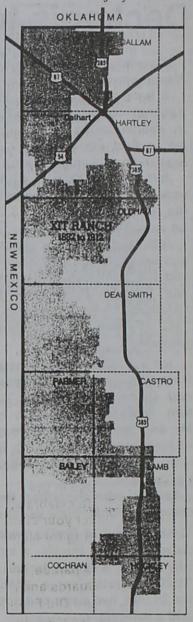
The exhibit will feature XIT displays and documents concerning the construction of the Texas Capitol, the operation of the ranch, and the sale of ranch lands from 1901 to 1963.

A couple of notes you may find interesting to go along with the article on the XIT by Carol Ellis:

Constructing the Texas Capitol took 6 years. The building became the second largest capitol in the U.S., with a dome that stands seven feet taller than the Washington capitol.

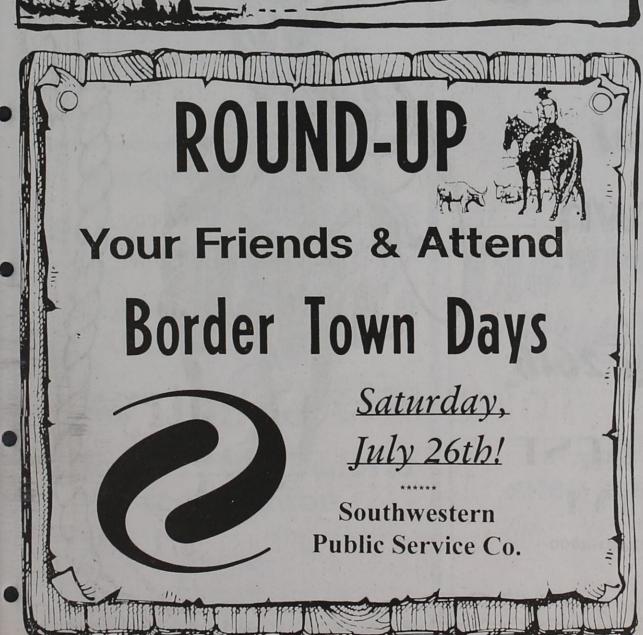
The XIT Ranch was the largest fenced-in ranch in the world in the late 1800s. It became one of the first ranches to use scientific practices to grow crops.

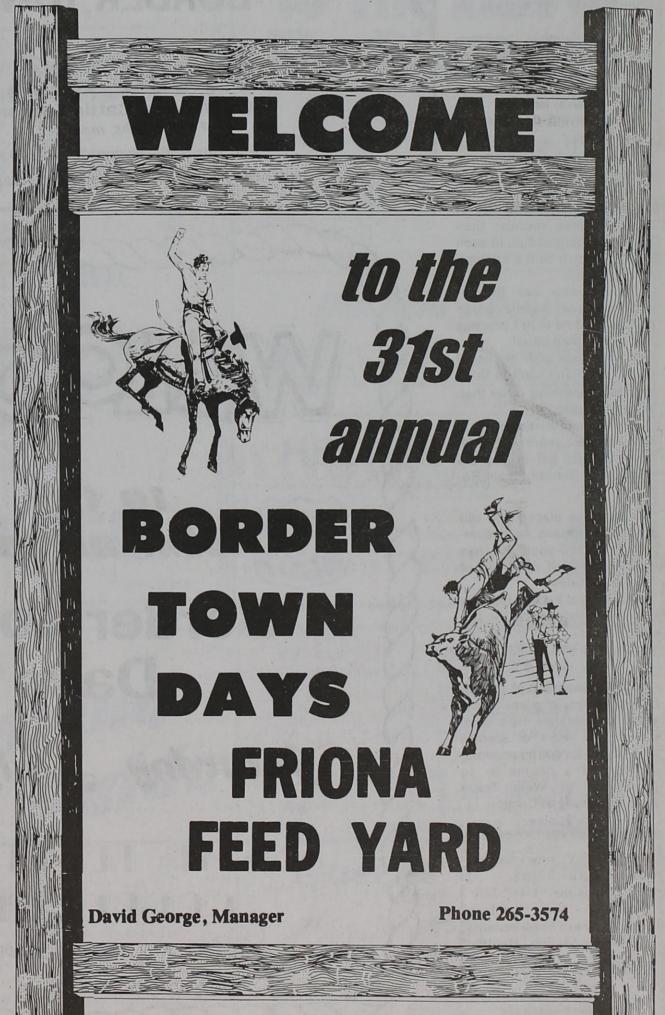
Here's what the full extant of the XIT Ranch looked like.











Decker is top college rodeo saddle bronc buster

(Courtesy of the Perryton Herald newspaper:)

A local cowboy is the new national collegiate champion in saddle bronc riding after taking first place in the College National Finals Rodeo.

Jeff Decker, 20, had a final score of 274 on four horses at the rodeo in Rapid City, S.D., on June 4-8.

Jeff is the son of Jolene and Bruce Julian, of Perryton, and the grandson of Sterling and Dorothy Donaldson, of Oklahoma Lane. Jolene was a 1962 Farwell High School graduate.

Jeff's college teammate, Rusty Henard, son of Oscar and Carolyn Henard, of Tatum, N.M., and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Langford, of Pleasant Hill, placed 7th in team roping at the rodeo competition.

Decker, who described the college national finals as "the Orange Bowl of Rodeo," was awarded a belt buckle, a trophy saddle, a leather jacket, a \$1,500 scholarship, a check for \$1,000, two pairs of boots and a painting.

Decker broke his arm when he got off his last horse and was on his way to the ambulance when he learned he was the new champion.

With his arm in a temporary sling, he briefly bypassed the ambulance to pick up his award and cheers and applause from the arena crowd. He said he was "tickled to death" to win the title.

Decker was tied for 4th place going into the finals and appeared to be out of the running for the event title.

However, three of the four riders in front of him were bucked off during their final rides, and the fourth scored very low as Decker jumped into the top spot.

According to Decker, the competition at CNFR was tougher than the average ro-

"It's a tougher program. The horses were tougher; they all bucked hard. All the cowboys were good, too. There wasn't anyone who didn't deserve to be there."

Each of 11 regions across the country sends a regional champion and a reserve champion in each event to the CNFR. All contestants vie in the first three rounds; then the top 12 contestants in each event advance to the championship round.

Decker, who was the reserve regional saddle bronc champ, said he didn't practice any harder than usual.

"I just stuck with my usual practice. I didn't want to think of this as anything other than a regular rodeo."

He has been participating in rodeo for five years. He previously placed 3rd in the national High School Finals Rodeo in 1995.

Decker has placed in 9 out of the 10 rodeos he's competed in this year. He has been bucked off once out of his past 30 rides.

Decker said he has recently begun competition on the pro rodeo circuit. "I'm doing fair to okay. I've got a long way to

He is a member of the rodeo team at Western texas College in Snyder. He's completed two years of studies and plans to continue working toward a degree in ag economics at West Texas A&M University at Canyon.

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National saddle bronc riding collegiate champion Jeff Decker



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The meeting was also the club's yearly picnic and members played games and ate a meal.

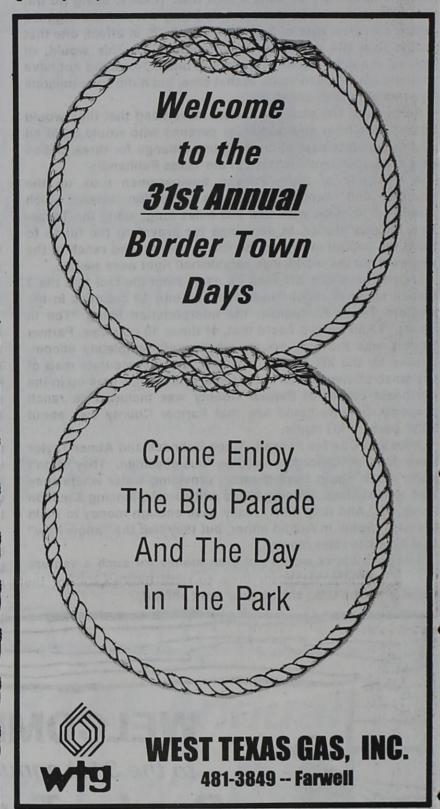
The club recognized members partticipating in the **Curry County contests: Wade** and Lori Richardson and Kyle Mayfield.

Sam Singleterry gave a demonstration on beekeeping. Wade Richardson talked about the fundamentals of archery and shot a demonstration arrow. Lori Richardson finished with her demonstration on how to properly groom your pet.

Members and parents present were: Taryn, Tanner and Allen, Debbie Brittany, Chance and Becki Bradley, Lindsay, Ross and Robin Burford, Kelsi, Elaine, and Randy Cain, Tanya, Tasha, and Sherry Cain, Skyla, Shelby, and Charlotte Cockerham and Krysta Morris, Watson, Suzy, and Leon Langford, Cherry, Kyle, and Roxanne Mayfield, Mark, Tim, and Libby Peabody, Lori, Wade, Deanne, and Ted Richardson, Dustin and Denise Whitener.

Guests present were Nicki and Ryan Autrey.

The meeting was hosted by the Richardsons and May-







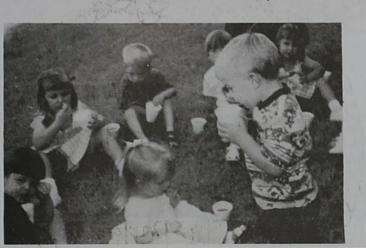














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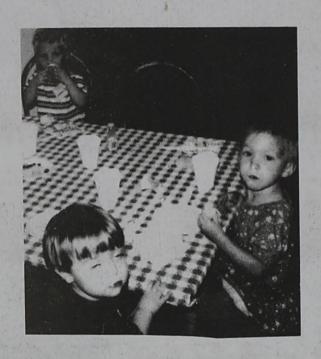
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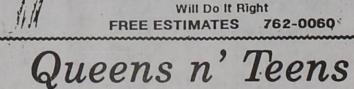
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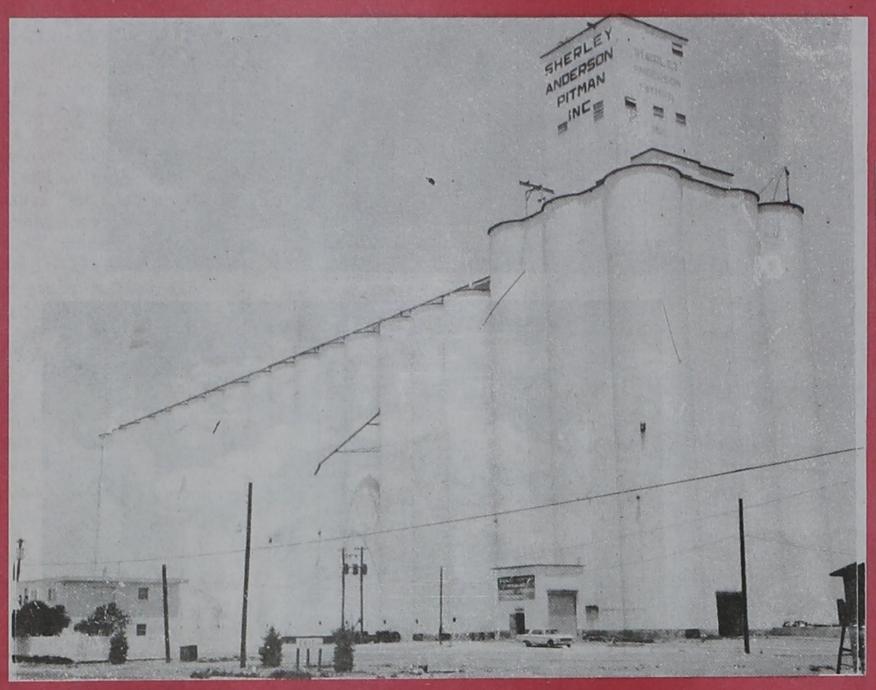
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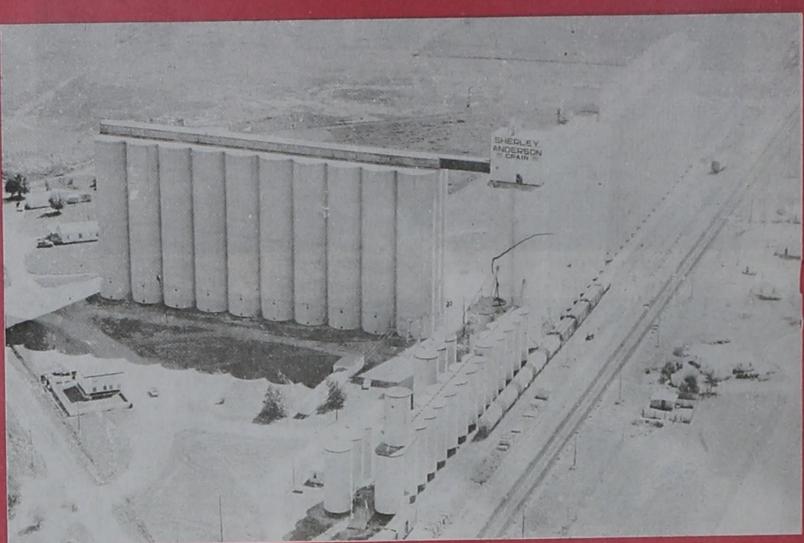


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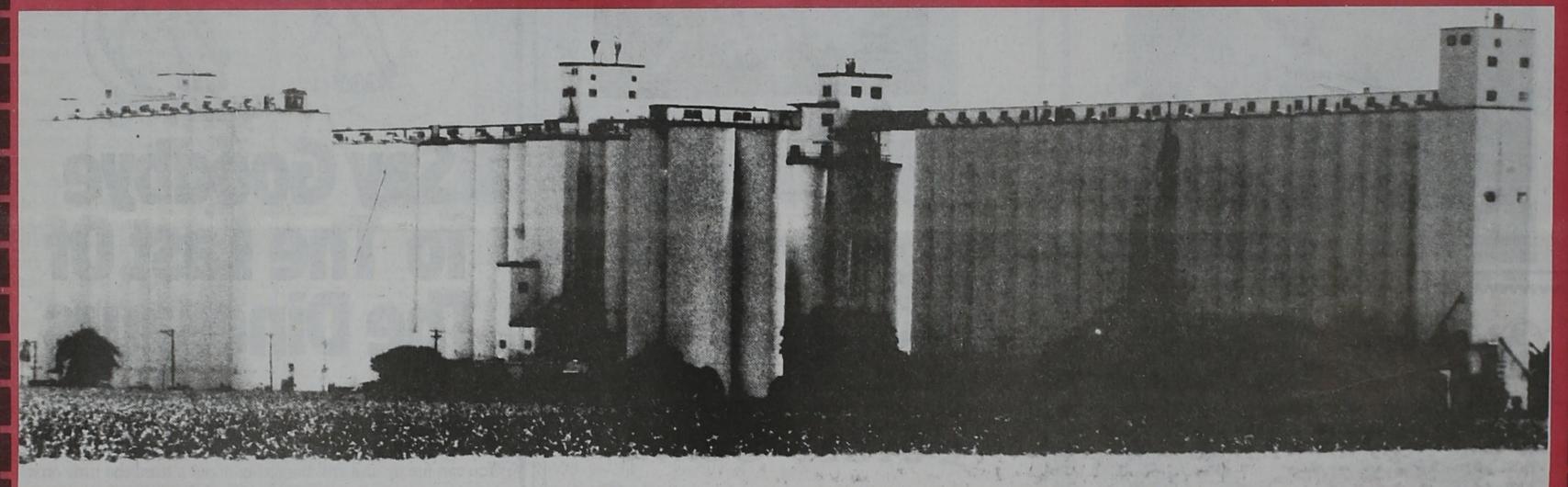
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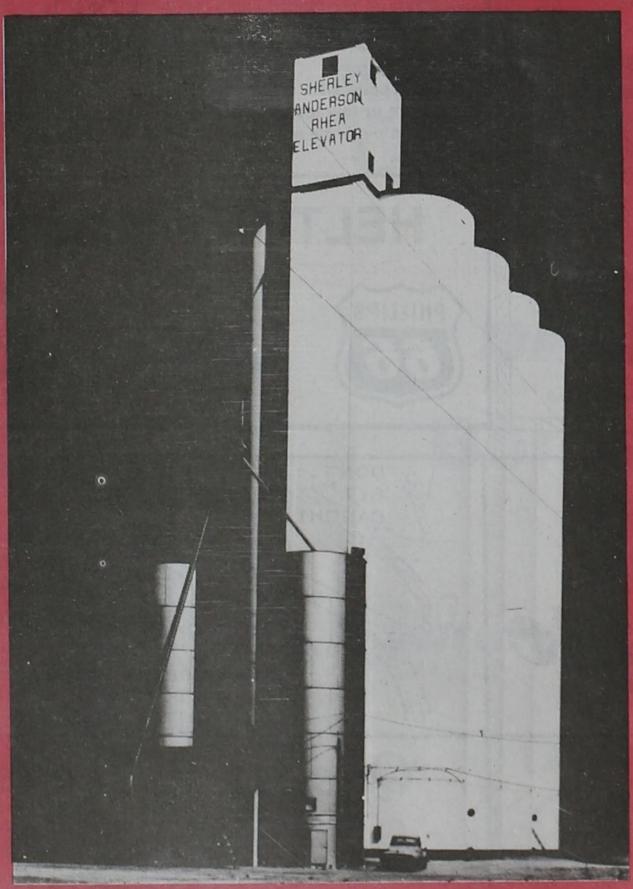
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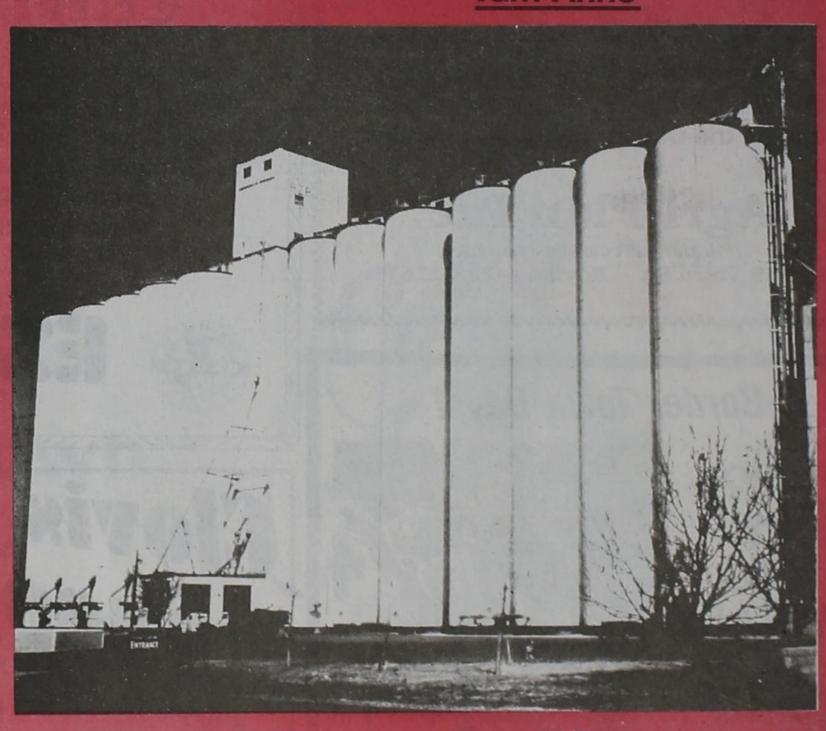


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