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Texico expands school day

The Texico School Board voted unanimously on March 13 to extend the regular school days on a trial basis starting next semester.

The regular student day will run from 8:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Currently, it's from 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Thus, an additional 30 minutes has been added per day. This translates into about 6 more minutes per classroom pe-

Supt. R.L. Richards said the school will try this for a year to see if it helps with instruction. If it doesn't seem to, then the board may return to the current schedule.

By having these extra hours built into the calendar, it also gives the board and administration some leeway into having more days off if found necessary, such as for a state tournament game or state fair.

For example, when the Texico Lady Wolverines were in Albuquqerque the previous week, so many students went to the games that instruction was difficult here. It might have been better to close school for those days.

As part of the calendar changes, READ Days will be instituted starting next semester, also.

READ Days are for students who are having academic difficulties. READ Days will be Sept. 20, Nov. 1, Dec. 6, Feb. 7, March 28, and May 2 and 9. READ Days will be half-days. If a student has a certain grade point average (on a class by class basis), then he doesn't have to attend school that day (junior high school and high school students). Elementary school students will go to READ Days after their testing period is over.

School starts Aug. 21 for students and ends on May 16. Vacation dates are: Labor Day, Sept. 2; October break, Oct. 7-8; Thanksgiving, Nov. 27-29; Christmas, Dec. 23 - Jan. 7; M.L. King Day, Jan. 20; Presidents Day, Feb. 17; Spring break, Marcy 17-21; and Good Friday,

In other business, the board:

-- Heard that the National Honor Society induction will

be April 9.

-- Heard Dr. Richards report that math next year will be offered at Texico High School for high school and college credits. This is due to teacher Buddy Little receiving his master's degree in math. He can now teach courses for Clovis Community College at Texico school.

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Shooting incident reported

Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geries said his office received a call of a shooting at a home about 8 miles north of Friona on State Highway 214 on Monday night.

Officers found Eric Rubio, 18, of Friona, with a gunshot wound to the head. He was transferred by Friona EMS to Parmer County Community Hospital, then to North West Texas Hospital in Amar-

As of Tuesday, Rubio (Continued on Page 2)

Bovina hit By major fire

Bonnie Scaff, at Bovina City Hall, told the Tribune on Tuesday that a fire was burning that morning on North Street across from City Hall.

One residence was burned, and two vacant buildings, which had been in the process of being renovated for new businesses, also were burned

Bovina firemen were paged at 4:50 a.m., and were able to save at least two other buildings.



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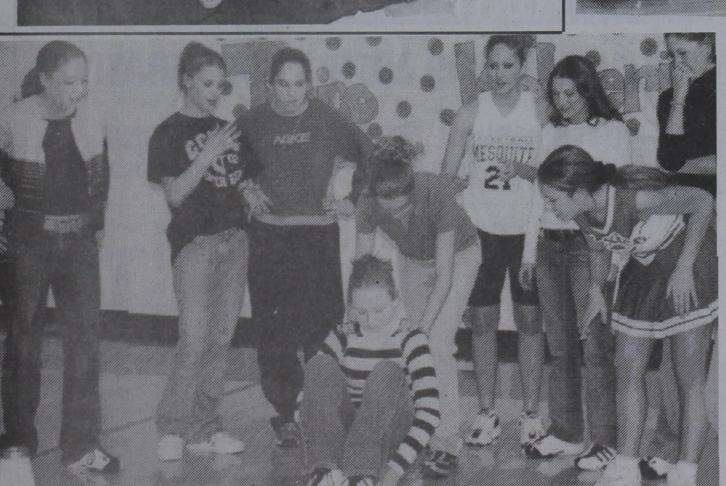
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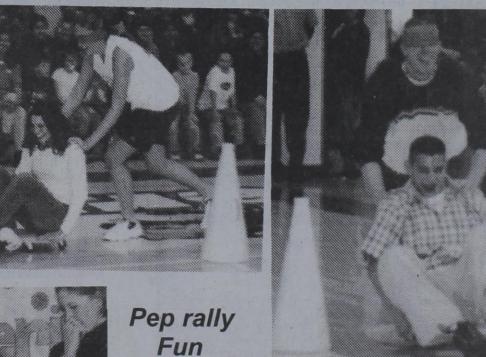
sored auction for the Texico and Farwell FFA

chapters on March 12 at the Farwell Commu-

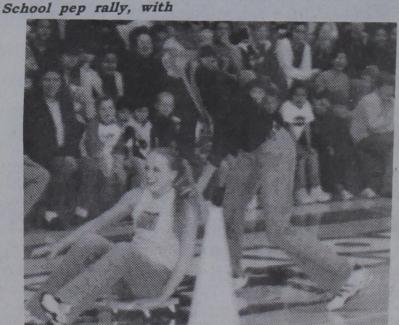
nity Center. Here are some scenes from it.







There was a lot of some nifty races being held! fun at this Texico



FFA helps out on buying sound system

As you know, the Farwell Chamber of Commerce has been raising funds to buy a sound system for use at the Farwell Community Center and at Border Town Days.

As you also know, there are times when the sound systems we rent for BTD don't have the quality that is desired. So our BTD committee is supporting this fundraiser 100 percent (and has contributed \$500 toward the purchase).

A really nice thing happened last week:

The Texico and Farwell FFA chapters agreed to contribute \$450 toward the sound system purchase

Here is how it came about (thanks to Randy Cain):

An extra cake was donated late to the Wilbur-

equipment back after school use).

Texico —

still up in the air.

Border Banter

By Mike Pomper

Ellis sponsored auction to help the two FFA chapters last week.

The auction was pretty much set, but the Texico FFA suggested the cake still be auctioned off -- with proceeds going to the sound system.

So this was done, and the cake went for \$225 -bought by the Texico FFA!

When Farwell ag teacher Jon Cullison heard that, he said the Farwell FFA group would match it.

Thank you, kids and adults. When you have next year's auction, it will be nice to know that a new sound system is al-

-- Accepted a baseball equipment donation, with no

-- Discussed activity funds for student meals. The ex-

-- Discussed the future of school dances in the wake

-- Accepted the resignation of elementary school

-- Rehired the other principals, Rick Stanley, junior

-- Will be seeking a new elementary school principal, social studies teacher and science teacher to fill vacan-

-- Received a \$70,000 state grant for capital projects.

of a recent incident where alcohol was involved. This is

principal Mark Littlejohn. He was principal for two years.

strings attached (earlier the donor had wanted the

tra-curricular program expands next year to include 22

baseball games. Thus, more money is needed.

-- Approved the school prom for May 18.

He is going on a mission trip to El Salvador.

high; and David Hutton, high school.

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Mike Pomper, president

DeeDee Pomper, vice president Texas Press Association ready located at the Farwell community center so you don't have to find one to bring.

By the way, the annual FFA fund-raiser brought in more than \$12,000, which is indeed wonderful.

Folks, the Farwell Chamber may be moving on this sound system

purchase shortly and, frankly, we don't have enough money yet.

If you can help, just drop off a check with Anne Norton at the county courthouse, or send it to: Farwell Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 1005, Farwell TX 79325.

Anything will be sincerely appreciated.

WTRT directors re-elected

West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative held its 48th annual meeting on Tuesday at the Hereford Bull Barn.

Re-elected as directors were Charles Christian, Oklahoma Lane; J.B. Noland, Summerfield; and Pat -Robbins, Frio. Only Robbins had an opponent - Tommy Sparkman. Robbins is board vice president.

WTRT General Manager Thomas Hyer reported that capital credits will be sent soon to cooperative members of 1980.

Also, the Co-op will continue the rural scholarship fund. This year, seven \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded. In the past four years, 30 scholarships have been handed out.

The co-op reported a net margin for the last fiscal year of \$385,975.

Long drought broken

After a lengthy drought, Parmer County got some great rain on Tuesday.

Here's what the Sherley-Anderson grain elevators reported:

Farwell – 8 tenths of an inch.

Lariat – 1.07 inches.
Lazbuddie – Between 7
and 8 tenths of an inch.

Shooting

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was listed in critical condition.

Geries said David J. Orozco, 19, of Friona, has been put in Parmer County Jail.

District Attorney Johnny Actkinson said a charge of aggravated assault was filed against Orozco Tuesday.

Although reports were sketchy, it was said that liquor at a party may have been involved in the incident.

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Here's some interesting Texas agriculture statistics

Some interesting agricultural stats for Texas:

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Texas ranks 1st in the nation with 130 million acres of farmland -- 80 percent of the land in Texas is in some form of ag production.

The top five ag-producing counties are Castro, Deaf Smith, Parmer, Erath and Lamb.

Texas farmers grow more than 60 different commercial fruit and vegetable crops.

Texas is the leading beef-producing state, ranking 1st in the U.S. in the number of cattle and calves (14 percent of the U.S. total).

with a raditionally produces enough cotton each year.

WTRT General Manager Thomas Hyer reported that to make almost 1.3 billion pairs of denim jeans.

Each Texas farmer grows enough food and fiber for 128 people -- 94.3 in the U.S. and 33.7 abroad.

Although agriculture employs 1 out of every 5 working Texas, less than 2 percent of the population is in-

volved in day-to-day farming or ranching.

Besides cattle, the state's other top crops are vegetables, citrus, corn, wheat, peanuts, pecans, grain sorghum, hay and rice.



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Meet Farwell's Class of 2014



Karina Retana is a Farwell kindergarten pupil. Her birthday is April 6.

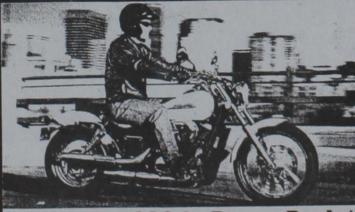
Parents are Mickie and Andres Loera. She has a brother, Andres Jr. Grandparents are Antonio and Jesus Retana, and Refugio and Manuel Loera.

She likes to play soccer. Her favorite food is pizza. Her favorite color is dark blue.

She doesn't like to clean her room.

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On Feb. 23, a wedding shower was held for Ray Haseloff and Marcia Brigham.

Ray is the son of Michael and Pam Haseloff, of Farwell, and Marty and Donna McGuire, of Lazbuddie.

Marcia is the daughter Bill and Terry Brigham, Texico.

The couple will marry on March 23 at St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat.

Farwell High 1985 grad Mark Cole ran for the Texas House of Representives in last week's primary election.

He finished a runnerup, but a runoff will be needed in April to determine the winner.

Vonnie McIntosh, of Texico, fell and broke her leg, tearing several ligaments loose, on Feb. 14.

She was hospitalized in

Lubbock for six days.

She's home now and anyone needing any computer chairs can call her at home; the number is on the shop door.

Mike and DeeDee Pomer celebrated their first wedding anniversary last weekend with a trip to Santa Fe.

Farwell Junior High's Yvonne Favila won the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club essay contest and received \$25.

Applications for four

Candidates filing to end

March 20 was the filing deadline for Texas local elections.

Here's how the ballots looked as of March 19:

Farwell Hospital District Board -- Only the four incumbents, Bert Williams, Troy Christian, Robbi Actkinson and Peggy Sudderth, signed up.

Farwell City Council -Only the three incumbents, Ysleta Kittrell, Don
Geries and Wayne
Gruben, have signed up.

Farwell School Board --Signing up for the two posts are incumbent Mark Schwertner and Darren Haseloff. David Norton is not seeking re-election.

Lazbuddie School
Board -- There will be a
race here. Signing up for
the two posts were Dieter
Isaacson and incumbents
Keith Hicks and Terry
Jesko.

Texico Police Report

Here is the weekly report from Texico police chief Kelley Brophy:

On March 16, Lawrence Edler, 47, of Muleshoe, was charged with aggravated DWI (4th or more), driving on a suspended license, and speeding.

On March 17, Feliciano Chacon, 31, of Muleshoe, was charged with DWI and open container. In the same vehicle, Ramon Rivas, 36, of Muleshoe, was charged with open container.

\$600 scholarships to be awarded this spring by Bailey County Electric Cooperative are due at the Muleshoe office by April

Applicants must be high school seniors who will graduate this spring, have completed high school or have received their GED.

You must live in the area and have received electric service from Bailey County Electric for at least one year to be eligible to apply.

Application forms are available at the high school counselor's offices in Lazbuddie and Farwell.

For more information, call Rickie Warren at 272-

Tanner Mesman broke his collarbone last week.

The Texico Booster Club will meet on Monday at 7 p.m. mt in the Texico High School library. All are invited.

Texico Schools received its CTBS and ACT rankings by school cluster.

The cluster includes Dexter, Estancia, Floyd, Fort Sumner, Hagerman, Jal, Lake Arthur, Loving, Maxwell, Tatum and Texico.

The 2000-2001 cluster rank was 2nd, behind Fort Sumner, for ACT scores.

For CTBS scores: grade 3, texico ranked 1st;

Texico

Monday - chalupas, salsa, jalapenas, salad, corn, fruit, milk.

Tuesday - ravioli, green beans, fruit, hot rolls, milk.

Wednesday - country steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed veggies, fruit, hot rolls, milk.

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

Friday - pizza, tater tots, mixed veggies with dip, cookie, milk.

Farwell

Monday - chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, buttered carrots, hot rolls, honey, butter, fruit, milk.

Tuesday - bacon cheeseburger, LTOP, french fries, oatmeal cookie, pear half, milk.

Wednesday - chicken pot pie, tossed salad, fruit salad, biscuits, milk.

Thursday - burritos with chili and cheese, LT salad, spanish rice, Jello with fruit, milk.

Friday - no school.

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grade 4, Texico ranked 3rd; grade 5, Texico ranked 6, Texico ranked 2nd; grade 7, Texico ranked 1st; grade 8, Texico ranked 1st, and grade 9, Texico 4th.

The Lazuddie senior class and CLT roping productions will host their annual team roping on April 7 at 1 p.m. at the Dusty Rhodes Arena in Muleshoe.

For complete information, call Thurman Myers at 272-3598.

The Lazbuddie School lunch menus for next week are:

Monday – steak patty with brown gravy, pizza (pk-1), sub sandwiches.

Tuesday – hamburger stew (pk-1), corn dogs, tuna sandwiches.

Wednesday - nachos,

beans, rice.

Thursday - spaghetti (pk-1), burritos.

Friday – manager's special.

State runoff elections will be held in Texas on April 9, and one involves Parmer County.

There will be another election for Justice of the Peace in Pct. 1 (Friona area) between Valton Howard and Shara Lookingbill.

Howard received 307 votes and Lookingbill

got 231 in last week's GOP primary election.

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Since neither received 50 eprcent of the vote in the four-person race, they will be on the runoff election ballot,

Normally, the first Border Town Days committee meeting of the year is held on the first Monday inn April.

This year, that has been changed to the second Monday – April 8.



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Sheriff's Report

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

On March 12, Ramon Villa, 39, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI 2nd. The case is pending in county court.

On March 13, Randy Baca Jr., 17, of Amarillo, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of unlawfully carrying a weapon. The case is pending in county court.

On March 14, Angel Garcia, 18, of Farwell, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 ounces and driving with a suspended license. The cases are pending in county court.

On March 14, Silas Garcia, 17, of Farwell, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. The case is pending in county court.

On March 16, Monte Smith, 35, of Oklahoma, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of possession of marijuana. The case is pending before the grand jury.

On March 16, Kevin Roberts, 32, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of assault on a peace officer. The case is pending before the grand jury.

On March 17, Armando Arratia, 23, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

So the Chamber voted

to rescind last month's

decision and give out two

\$1,000 scholarships each

year as long as funds are

ber banquet this year due

to declining active sup-

terviewed as normally

done, and the scholar-

ships will be awarded at

the school awards ban-

port for the Chamber.

There will be no Cham-

But students will be in-

available.

Chamber decision rescinded

There was a big turnout at Monday's Texico Chamber of Commerce meeting over a recent controversial decision.

Last month, the Chamber had voted not to award any student scholarships this year.

Previously, the Chamber had donated two \$1,000 scholarships each year to deserving Texico students.

The Chamber has over \$8,000 in its account. Some members hoped to use some of this money playground equipment.

But several Chamber members attended Monday's meeting to support giving the scholarships.

Money raised in the past hole-in-one golf fund-raisers had been earmarked for scholarships, it was stated.

FIRE CALLS

The Farwell firemen were called to a structure fire at Avenue C and 7th Street on March 13.

On March 18, they were called to a grass fire behind Lowe's Supermarket.



Calf capturer

Shelby Aycock, a Farwell High FFA student, captured one of 14 elusive calves during the Feb. 26 calf scramble at the House livestock show. He will receive a \$1,000 calf purchase certificate to be used to buy a registered beef heifer. Next year, Shelby will return with his animal to the Houston show for a special contest and a \$250 bonus from his donor, Lockwood International. He is pictured with Farwell ag teacher Jon Cullison.

Farwell boys win golf tournament

The Farwell "A" golfers won the Farwell Golf Invitational Tourney last week with a 379.

In second was the Farwell "B" team with 380. Five teams entered.

Scoring for the "A" team (which has a good chance to make it to state this year) were Johnny Lavin, 1st individual, 81; Nichols, Tate individual, 84; Taylor Nichols, 90; Tyler Scott, 85, and Gage Gregory, 88.

On Farwell's "B" team were Jeff Delgado, 89; Thomas Ortiz, 102; Grant Gregory, 93; Jeremy Chandler, 96m and Jason Johnson, 105.

Farwell medalist Jason Sudderth shot a 97.

Honor rolls listed

The Texico High School honor rolls for the 3rd nine weeks are:

All A's

Seniors - Cresta Crow, Kyle Duncan, Danny Loper, Ashlie Loven, Megan Marks, Alicia Peterson, Elizabeth Richards, Jennifer Roberts, Ambree Taylor, Jenni

Juniors - Megan Brown, Melissa Gilbreath, Dru Mayfield, Katie Peterson, Barbara Queener, Nicole Richards.

Sophomores - Jared Curtis, Amber Dalton, Sissy Loper, Mark Peabody, Ashley Smith.

Freshmen - Logan Brown, Garett Mayfield, Josh Pena.

A-B Honor Roll

Seniors - Kelsi Cain, Marc Foust, Trevor Kittrell, Spencer Kube, Michele Littlejohn, Ross Prokop, Norma Rodriguez, Tonya Stone.

Juniors - Chelsi Dickerson, Brenda Grado, Cherry Mayfield, Britny Powell, Carrie Rucker, Kody Vaughan, Jayia Walls.

Sophomores - Bryce Bailey, Corey Bell, Kevin Burns, Ray Ellis, Ricky Fuentes, Mollie Furrow, Justin Loven, Kehley Merrill, Shelly Smith, Sherry Stone, Toby Thornton, Jazzi Walls, John Nathan Williams.

Freshmen - Megan Billingsley, Lauren Boazman, Trent Crow, Nathan Foust, Brette Hadley, Von Hampton, Ashley Kidd, Ashley Littlejohn, Gabriel Sena, Lunden Taylor, Susie Trillo, Seneca Turner, Bryan Vanatta, Braden Vaughan.



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First Baptist Church of Farwell

Richard Laverty - minister Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. - Prayer meeting 7 p.m. Wed. - mission aux., 7:30 p.m.

Lariat Church of Christ

Sam Billingsley - minister Sunday School - 10 a,m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7:00 p.m. winter 8:00 p.m. summer

> New Light Baptist Church

Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Bible Study - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.

Church Services

All times are CT unless specified

United Pentecostal Church of Texico

Rev. Mickee Mounce Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11:15 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 8 p.m.

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Jim Peabody - minister

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. mt Worship-10:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. mt Church training - 5:30 p.m. mt Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. mt winter 7:30 p.m. mt summer

San Jose Catholic Church, Texico

Sunday Mass - Noon mt Religious Education - 1:15 --2:15 p.m. Community Meal - 1:15 p.m.

Farwell Church of Christ

Loy Hardesty -- preacher Bible Class Sunday - 10 a.m. Worship; 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. In Search - 7:30 - Ch. 4 Sun.

St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat

Monday men's prayer breakfast -

Church of God in Christ,

Mennonite

First Baptist Church

of Texico

Worship-10:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. mt

Hamlin Memorial

United Methodist Church

James Koehn - minister

Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Rob Hollis - - minister

Wednesday - 7 p.m. mt

Rev. Kevin Phillips

Sunday School - 10 a.m.

Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.

Sunday School - 9 a.m. mt

Worship Service - 11 a.m.

David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.

Assembly of God Church, Texico

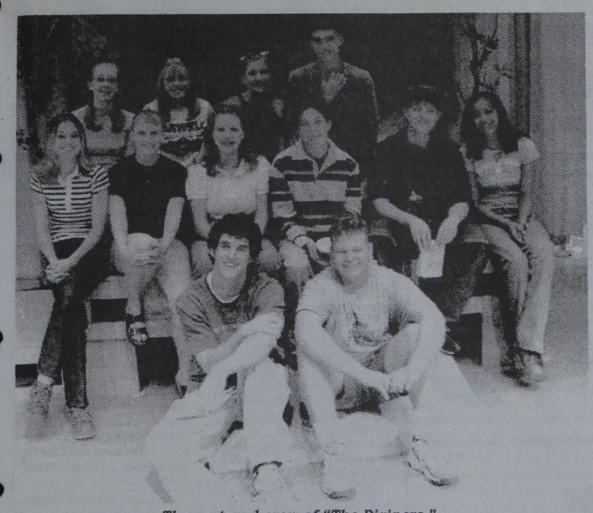
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The cast and crew of "The Diviners."

other date for sign-ups

the

following

registration.

Farwell High School to host zone contest

Farwell High School will host the UIL One Act Play Zone competition on March 21 at the high school auditorium

Two winners will be selected to advance to district competition, to be held at Sudan on March 23.

For the March 21 contest, four schools will participate – Farwell, Hart, Kress and Bovina. The contest will start at 1 p.m. with Farwell High students performing "The Diviners" at about 3 p.m. The public is invited.

"The Diviners" setting is in the 1930s and revolves around a poor rural community. Buddy Layman, played by Devin Goettsch, has a special "gift" of divining for water.

Micah Christian plays Buddy's sister Jennie Mae; and Grant Gregory plays Ferris, Buddy's father, a mechanic. The part of C.C. Showers, a backsliding preacher, is played by Gage Gregory. Norma Henshaw, the owner of a local dry good store, is portrayed by Tara Cargile, with Ashlie Martin playing the part of her niece, Darlene.

Baseball signup scheduled

Signups for the 2002 baseball season for the Farwell Little League will be on March 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Farwell Jr. High gym.

High gym.

The cost is \$20 per player and this includes the t-shirt/uniform and cap. Scholarships will be

available.

All players must bring
a copy of their birth
certificate for league

For more information, contact Jack Kirkland at 481-3321, Ruth Owen at (806) 925-6613 or Teresa Mesman at 825-3830.

There will be one

Leesa Patterson plays the owner of the café. Jarod Scott and D'Anna DeLeon portray a local farmer, Basil Bennett, and his wife, Luella. The play's cast also includes Jason Johnson and Michael Culver, as young farmhands.

The play crew includes Crystal Morris, Chrystal Wol-

The play crew includes Crystal Morris, Chrystal Wolven, Kyra Christian, Nikki Gober and Holly McIntosh. Directors are Rebecca Smallwood, Jo Pierson and Robin Gregory.

Crawford All-State

Farwell High basketball player Tucker Crawford was named to the All-State team by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches.

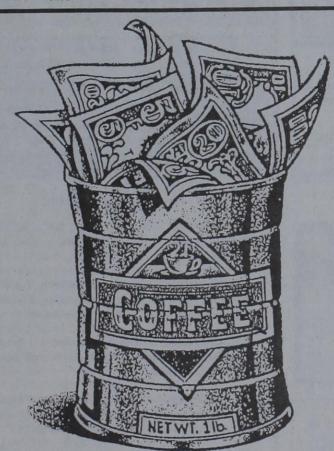
Crawford and Gage Gregory were named to the TABC's All-Region team, also.

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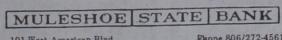
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Actkinson: Lazbuddie probe ongoing

Parmer County District Attorney Johnny Actkinson told the Tribune on Tuesday that the investigation into the Lazbuddie marijuana processing facility raised by police in October is actively ongoing.

William Vernon Puckett, of Lazbuddie, pled guilty on Jan. 22, to manufacture of a controlled substance (marijuana), and was sentenced to 10 years in the Texas Department of Corrections, probated for 10 years; \$293 court costs; \$5,000 fine; 300 hours of community service, obtain substance counseling at own expense, and loss of driver's license for 180 days.

He had been arrested Oct. 18 after the Parmer County sheriff's office staged a raid on the farm,

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After a search warrant was issued for the barns on the property, sheriff's deputies found a facility for processing, manufacturing and distribution of marijuana.

Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geries said it took deputies five hours to remove drugs from the facility.

A recent editorial in the Lubbock newspaper, followed by a letter to the editor in that publication from a Muleshoe resident, questioned how much interest Parmer County law enforcement officials had in pursuing the case.

But Actkinson said the Lubbock paper had

quoted the defense attorney, Floyd Holder, as saying that one condition of the plea agreement required Puckett to provide names of other people involved.

Actkinson said that occurred on videotape.

Easter egg

The community Easter Egg Hunt will be held at the Farwell Convalescent Center lawn on March 30 at 2 p.m.

All area children, ages 2 through 10, are invited.

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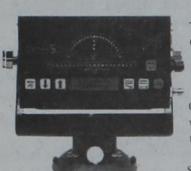


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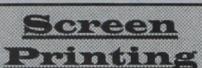
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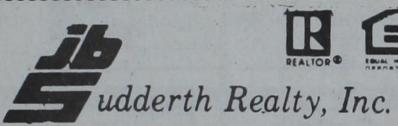
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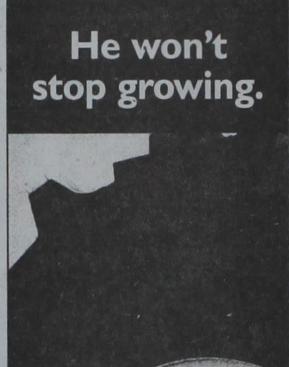
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Anna McDonald - Don McDonald, 122.951a S23 T11S R3E.

Bernardo Merino - Ruben Salazar, L6 B14 Friona. Dale Hart - Concepcion Vasquez, L4-6 B15 Drake. Robert Alexander - Robert Alexander, L22 part L21 B34 Friona.

Lazbuddie shoot-out set

The annual Lazbuddie Shoot-Out, a 3 on 3 basketball tournament, will be held at the school gym April 12-13.

The entry fee for a 4-member team is \$50. There will be elementary, junior high, high school, adult and coed (two men, two women) divisions. The deadline for entering is April 3.

To enter, list the names of all four players, including the team captain, with addresses, home telephone, sex, age and school grade. This list should be sent with a check or money order to: Lazbuddie Senior Class, Lazbuddie ISD, PO Box 9, Lazbuddie TX 79053.

Or you can call for more information or to enter, Debbie Weir, (806) 965-2302; Sarah Black, (806) 965-2149, or any high school senior.

The tourney is sponsored by the Lazbuddie senior class parents. A full concession stand will be provided. There will be 3-point and free throw contests for all age divisions for an additional \$2 entry fee. Prizes will be awarded to winners in each division.

Golf scramble upcoming

The Texico Booster players (16 teams with 4 Club will have a golf scramble on May 11 at the Farwell Country Club.

A shotgun start is planned for 9 a.m. ct.

It costs \$25 per player and is open to the first 64

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Legal Notices

NOTICE OF HOSPITAL BOARD ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of Parmer County, Texas: Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM, May 4, 2002 for voting in a Hospital District Board election for the purpose of electing three (3) board of director members.

Location of Polling Places:

1304 Virginia (Redeemer Center) - Friona, Texas EMS Center - Bovina, Texas Community Center - Rhea, Texas High School - Lazbuddie, Texas

Absentee voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Parmer County Community Hospital - 1307 Cleveland Street, Friona, Texas between the hours of 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM beginning April 17, 2002 and ending on April 30, 2002.

Ballot(s) by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 26, 2002. Earliest date for submission of application for absentee ballot to be voted by mail is March 5,

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to: Parmer County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Street, Friona, Texas

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1304 Virginia (Redeemer Center) - Friona, Texas EMS Center - Bovina, Texas Community Center - Rhea, Texas High School - Lazbuddie, Texas

Para votar temprano en persona, la votaccion se lievara acabo el dia 17 de Abril del 2002 hasta el dia 30 de April del 2002;, entre las horas de 8:30 de la manana hasta las 5 de la tarde en el Parmer County Community Hospital.

Las solicitudes para los boletos para votar por correo por causa de ausencia deberan enviarse a Parmer County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Street, Friona, Texas 79035

Las solicitudes para boletos por correo deberan ser enviadas antes del fin de las horas de negocio el dia 26 de Abril del 2002. Lo mas temprano que puede pedir este boleto es el dia 5 de Marzo

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80th birthday celebrated

Family and friends gathered to celebrate the 80th birthday of Gladys Kirby Fitz of Texico on March 14. She was surprised with a dinner at Juanito's in Clovis. Her six children attended with their families.

On March 16, Mrs. Fitz arrived for a reception at the First Baptist Church of Texico in a 1923 Model T car. The card shower, given by her children, ended in a photo session. On Sunday, the family attended church together.

Mrs. Fitz was born March 15, 1922, in Enid, Okla., to Clifford and Mae Kirby. She lives in the Clovis, Lubbock and Pleasant Hill areas, and for the past 38 years resided in Texico.

Her children are Delton, of Lubbock; Don, of Clovis; Pam Overstreet, of La Habra, Calif.; Rayford, of Plainview; Valerie Short, of Monee, III., and Carletta Renfro, of Tahoka, Texas. She has 12 grandchildren and 4 greatgrandchildren.

Out of town guests included a brother, J.D., and wife Marilyn, of Fruita, Colo.; and nieces Debbie Maul, of Kiowa, Colo., and Floretta Rogers and husband Charles, of Ashland, Kan. A life-long friend, Joyce Murphy and family, of Belen, N.M., also attended.

Deaf Smith Co-op to meet

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative members will receive capital credit refunds from a portion of 1990 totalling #1 million at the cooperative's annual meeting and dinner on Tuesday at the Hereford Bull Barn.

The meeting starts at 5 p.m. with a dinner of fish, chicken and beef. The Easter Brothers will provide the entertainment following it.

Then a short business meeting will be held. Position 1 candidates are incumbent Nick Yosten and nominee Daniel Jesko. Position 2 candidates are incumbent Tony Acker and nominee Floyd Schulte.

Another highlight will be drawings for door prizes totaling more than \$1,000. A color TV will be awarded as the grand prize.

The Easter Brothers -- Edd, Russell and James, will be making their first appearance at a Deaf Smith annual meeting. The trio is helping forge a new frontier in gospel music with a unique style that some have dubbed bluegrass/gospel, while others have termed it traditional country/gospel. The Easter Brothers' fabulous harmony, blended with the clarity of their instruments, is further enhanced by their clear-cut message of faith and inspi-

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LIVE CATTLE: Prices basically just collapsed this week after rumors of a Hoof & Mouth case was falsely reported in southern Kansas. Once the report was confirmed to be negative, prices were expected to regain their losses, but this did not happen. Prices broke all major support levels and turned their long term trends down. Look for lower prices into May/June. Sell rallies from here. FEEDER CATTLE: Feeders took a hard hit basically

all in one day. Prices have since made an effort to stabilize, but most long term trends have turned down. Once runs begin to wind down by the end of next week, prices should begin to rebound into the first of April. If fed cattle prices continue to drop, a rally may be out of the question? Either way, steady to higher prices should prevail.

CORN: This market has found it next to impossible to make any headway to the upside. The Beans and Wheat continue to move higher without the corn. Analysts are predicting that planted corn acres will increase about 3.2 million acres above last year. Weather will still be the main focus as we get closer to planting. Dry weather in the Mid West has had little impace on prices thus far.

SOYBEANS: Bean prices should have found a stopping point this week. The advance has continued up to this point, but indicators are beginning to signal a possible short term high? Once a correction is complete, we would expect to see the uptrend continue at least into the late Spring or early Summer. Estimates are that this year's acreage is going to be reduced by over 1 million acres.

WHEAT: Prices tried to give it a try to the upside again this week. Short term trends were able to turn higher, but Friday's rally above 6 cents on the day could not hold. Odds favor that long term trends should be about to turn up once again. Dry weather and poor crop conditions have yet to convince buyers that there is any upside potential. This market should remain higher into April.

COTTON: Cotton has been reluctant to sell-off since making a sharp drop in February. Short term trends were able to turn higher and have stayed this way since tuning up. A move above the \$41.25 level basis the May contract should be positive for another 5 cent move. Look to price December if prices can reach 48-50 with Puts Options or cash contract and use Call Op-



Lady Wolverines honored

A special assembly was held at Texico Schools on March 15 to honor the Lady Wolver-

ine state title basketball team.

School Board member Richard Hadley accepted the championship trophy on behalf of Texico Schools.

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