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What are our political leaders doing or not doing -- about the insurance crisis?

by Teresa Mesman 210101010101010101

Several weeks ago, Mike Pomper and I were having an in-depth conversation about the skyrocketing costs of insurance.

I had just received in the mail the notice that my family's major medical insurance premium was, for the third time in one year, being increased. I was irritated.

Mike has been warning of major increases in all types of insurance in his columns for the past several years. He has been urging readers to contact our state and national politicians to face the issue.

Mike's warnings have come to be fact. Homeowners insurance and major medical insurance premiums have been raised over 60% within the past year...and it doesn't appear to be the end of the increases.

I began to make phone calls to our state and national politicians to see just what they had to say about these rising costs and the burden they are placing on their constituents.

After I had made my first phone call, the focus of this article was set: "Let the games begin."

I seriously wanted to know what the politicians had to say about what was being actively done to address and/or fix the situation. What I found out was that only a few of the many are making any efforts to "look into the issue."

Health care reform has been on the forefront of the political course for many years. What is actually the case in the reform is that the industry is being reformed by insurance companies.

automatically given their spills about health care reform, especially on the rural and low-income levels. While we may live in what is considered a rural area, we are fortunate to have quality health care available within reasonable distances. And, because our communities have been classified as typically low-income, I was basically given the facts of how low-cost to free health care was being given to our community.

I had to stop and ask, "Where?"

This issue is a whole other article that I may have to be medicated to write. It's an issue that makes me get on my soap box. I then got back to asking about the insurance cost issue.

Texas and New Mexico are two of three states in the nation that share a 23.2 percent population of people without health insurance. California is the third state with this high percentage. These three states have the highest percentage of uninsured people for all three insurance categories: health/major medical, homeowners and automobile. Texas has had the largest number of homeowners' insurance premium increases in history over the past three years. In some instances, premiums have increased 200 percent.

In order to simplify the article, I have kept all the responses by politician and their offices together. Take a look at how they responded:

Texas Governor Rick Perry: on the issue of health/major medical insurance, his office representative began speaking to the availability of quality health programs and care in rural areas. He also began talking about how the advancements in technology in Texas medical offices and hospitals have afforded more care to remote areas. When I then redirected him to the question of how Perry is going to address or solve the cost of health insurance, he directed me to look on Gov. Perry's website. I'd find his health insurance initiatives explained in detail there.

I logged on to his website and this is what I found:

Perry has unveiled a series of health care initiatives When I called the politicians offices, I was that are aimed at making it easier for employees of small businesses to get insurance, expanded health care options and better availability for prescription drugs for senior citizens.

The website article then goes on to explain that Perry feels that "too many small businesses cannot afford to purchase health insurance because of a preexisting condition among one or two employees and this often drives up the premiums exponentially for

Perry is proposing that companies with fewer than 10 employees be able to purchase insurance through the Texas Health Insurance Risk Pool, which currently provides insurance to Texans that cannot obtain adequate insurance coverage due to medical conditions or existing factors. (I looked into this pool several years back for family member; you have to be making an income way below poverty level to qualify for this. Let's hope this has changed, otherwise, what's the use of even working for wages? You might as well go on Medicaid to get "adequate" coverage.)

He also proposes to double the number of health care facilities throughout the state by using the tobacco settlement funds. Sixty-two of the 196 rural counties don't have a hospital. He wants to use \$20 million of the tobacco settlement funds to build and staff these facilities and then to use additional tobacco receipts expected during the next biennium to continue the funding above the amounts from the current budget. (Aren't the tobacco lawsuit settlements part of the reason our health 'insurance costs have gone so sky high?)

On the automobile insurance issue: Perry's office had no comment. The representative didn't seem to be aware that auto insurance costs had risen so drastically. He's going to make sure that Gov. Perry knows that this is a concern of ours. He also wanted to know if I had been in contact with his press office.

On homeowners insurance: Perry remains strong that the bottom line of this issue is not about politics. He feels that he has stood up for doing what is right in dealing with a corporation that was not able to do business ethically in Texas.

This is in reference to the fact that Texas never stopped non-regulated insurance companies from coming into the state to write homeowners insurance policies. According to research, there were companies writing homeowner policies that never even had a

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Mike,

I want to share with you a story about a boy and his family who have a tremendous need for help from our community.

Jerry Garcia was an active, healthy 6th grader at Texico School until February 2002, when his body began to run fevers of 107 and break out with rashes. Three weeks later and after an MRI, a diagnosis couldn't be determined.

Jerry was taken to Lubbock by ambulance and spent



The rise and fall of the American Empire

As a youth, my meals were simple: Breakfast, long john and milk; lunch, bologna sandwich, chips and Coke; and dinner, hamburger, french fries and Coke.

I ate all my meals alone (except when I had lunch at school).

So I used this time to read books. Mostly on history.

Thus, I found myself learning a great deal about the Greek, Roman and other lost empires.

To a student of history, the tendency is to view today's events in light of what has transpired in the past.

That is why it saddens me to see the war we now are waging and the way we view it.

One of the great ironies of history occurred in the great war between ancient Athens and Sparta. If memory serves me correctly, it occurred in the 5th Century B.C. on and

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Kress forfeits

The Farwell Steers' football game against Kress on Friday, Oct. 25, has been cancelled.

Kress lacked players due to ineligibilites and injuries. Kress forfeited.

Also, the sophomore class dinner was cancelled.

Farwell-Kress The game had been origianly listed as the tie breaker on the football contest this week. That has been changed to Eunice vs. Texico.

three weeks in a hospital there and endured numerous tests. Bone marrow testing for cancer came back negative, along with other tests. He was sent to Albuquerque, where he was diagnosed with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis. Children's Rhematologist in Albuquerque even tested him for Crohn's Disease. He was started on steroids by a Children's Rhematologist in Amarillo. He has since been in and out of local emergency rooms with heart problems.

Jerry has gone into cardiac arrest twice and was airlifted to Lubbock for more testing, including a spinal tap.

This month he has been having asthma attacks and low oxygen counts.

There is an answer to all the health problems this child is having and after talking to his mother, Elida Moncayo, they feel the next step in seeking those answers is to go to for further testing in Denver, as advised by a local pediatrician.

Not only does this family desperately need our prayers and support, but they are in need of financial help as well. I believe there are people in our communities who are able to help with the expense of the upcoming trip to Colorado on Nov. 1st. They need help with the expenses of fuel, meals, or whatever it takes to finally find an answer to their son's illness.

So, please, if you can help out in any way, there is an account set up at the Citizens Bank of Clovis (Texico branch) for Jerry Garcia. Any amount will be greatly appreciated.

If you need further information, please call me at 482-3464. Thank you and God Bless,

> Joyce Kube Texico

Are you owed money from Texas?

Texas has released its annual list of unclaimed property. If you are owed money, call 1-800-654-3463:

Lazbuddie -- Debbie Smith.

Farwell -- Pedro Agguelles, William Anson, Dale Berggren, Karen Britten, Brown Arrow Farms, Jeffrey Gonzalez, Cecil Johnson, Wilbert Kalbas, Charles Peterson, Reynaldo Santoya, Sunbelt, Eddie Villarreal.

Bovina - Pablo Acevedo, Ismael Arenivar, Gary Berggren, Esteban Hernandez, Larry Hodnett, Jaime Lara, Arturo Lugo, Juan Martinez, McKillip Dragline, Robert Owen, Tomas Pena, Donald Phelps, PHP Farms, Lupe Rodriguez, Robert Turner.

Friona -- Leticia Acosta, Felix Banuelos, Eugene Boggess, Billie Carmichael, Juana Carranza, Maria Car- Brownfield over Mulereon, Norman Coleman, Lynn Cox, Scott Elliott, John shoe, Midwestern State Gentry, Suzanne Gonzalez, Ramiro Gutierrez, John In- over ENMU, USC over gram, Jose Lara, Dick London, Ray Martinez, Brandy Washington, Texas Tech McAndrew, Parmer County Community Hospital, Paulino over Missouri, Ohio State Ramirez, Analia Rodriguez, Juan Rojas, Kathy Segura, over Wisconsin, Alabama Lenard Shepherd.

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Ana Cardoza nabs football contest

It was a very ' special football contest last week for Ana Cardoza, of Farwell.

She won the football contest and a check for \$20 by scoring a perfect "12."

None of the other hundreds of participants got more than 10 games right. Eleven entrants had that number right.

By virtue of being closest to the tie breaker (Texico 28, Loving 0), the winners of the second place prize were Adam Garcia and Ginger Agee. Both were 7 off the tie breaker and both got checks for \$7.

Others with 10 right and their totals off the tie breaker were:

Melissa Howard, 29; Gordon Waldrop, 17; Mark Owen, 33; Kirk Lingnau, 16; Jack Kirkland, 18; Doris Herington, 17; Darrell Crook, 24, and Joe Abeyta, 13.

Results of last week's games were:

Hart over Farwell in OT, over Mississippi, Ken-



football contest, receives the first place cash check from Natalie Leal, of Leal's Mexican Restaurant in Clovis. Leal's is one of the contest sponsors.

tucky over Arkansas, Arizona over Dallas in OT, Atlanta over Carolina, St. Louis over Seattle, and NY Jets over Minnesota.

The contest is swiftly moving toward the 2/3rds mark, with the overall champion receiving the Dallas Cowboys - San Francisco 49'ers package (two tickets to the game, overnight lodging for two at the Radisson Hotel, and other goodies).

For yet another time, there is a new leader at the top of the Leader Board. Steve Franse has moved into a tie for 1st place with Willie Martin. Both have 59 points.

Also on the Leader Board are:

58 -- Gay Goettsch, Audrey Kitrrell.

57 -- Joe Abeyta, Weldon Killough, Sherilyn Katherine Owen, Schraeder, Robert White.

56 -- Randy Cain, Larry Gregory, Darren Haseloff. 55 -- Jo Blackwell, Grant Gregory, Sydney Martin, Kevin Owen, Marshall Pool, Jacob Thompson.

54 -- Vicki Bowery, Robin Gregory, Dardan-Helton, ella Duke Kirkland, Tori Meeks, Craig Walls.

Banter

off over many decades.

Athens, the great democracy of the world, faced off with militaristic Sparta, whose sons were sent off to war with that famous battle cry by their mothers: "Return with your shields ... or upon them (dead)."

During their lengthy war, Sparta suffered a famine. So being decent folks, Athens sent them food relief.

And down the road, Sparta won the war, destroying Athens as a power forever.

If Athens had not offered such humanitarian aid, they could have defeated the Spartans.

Now view today's conflict between radical Moslems and the world's democracies, led by us.

We buy all that oil in the Mideast, with a goodly portion of it going to you know where...

own grayes. Just as Ath-

Obituaries

J.R. Ivins Sr.

J.R. Ivins Sr., 79, of Palestine, Teas, were held Sun-Dees officiating. Burial was in Neches City Ceme- that is what it will take. tery.

Cartmell Home for Aged.

and Mary lvins.

He was a member of Westwood Baptist Church and Woodmen of the problem as a democracy World. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a clerk for situation first, not the the U.S. Postal Service for 27 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his credit to President Bush. first wife, Marvin in 1999; As president, his No. 1 a brother, Wilford, and goal must be to safeguard sisters Ethylene Griffith, our nation. If he has to Alene Walding and Tris take an unpopular stand, Tingle.

Surviving are his wife, Connie, of Neches; a bility to call attention to Sheila daughter Prestridge, of Palestine; 2 sons, Ernie, of Frankston,

ens did...

Is history repeating itself?

Being an optimistic type person, I hate being pessimistic. But when I look at the U.S.'s future, it is difficult...

I really don't believe we have what it takes to win World War III. We need real grit, and our materialistic society has made us too soft.

Many of you may believe that because we are so technologically -superior, we can't lose. Only if that were the case ...

Take a look at the sniper attacks in the Washington, D.C. area. I don't know if it's a terrorist or not, but for the sake of argument, let's assume it is.

Look at how one lone terrorist is causing major havoc in our nation. Just one man with a rifle.

There's an old saying We are helping dig our that the army with the yukkiest uniforms usually wins the war. That may sound humorous, but there is a lot of truth in it.

I wish our leaders could fully comprehend Funeral services for the task we are faced with. But that will not happen until after the next day there with Rev. Rick tragedy; that will waken them up. It's just sad that

Oh, yeah, a majority of He died Oct. 17 at our congressmen voted for the Iraq war resolu-He was born Nov. 18, tion. But for most of them 1922, in Neches to William it was due to political reasons, not because of the real threat.

> And therein lies our facing radicals, our leaders look at the political safety of our nation. As the Athenians did.

This is why I give great so be it.

Thus, it's his responsi-

the threats facing us. And he is fulfilling that role. Well done, sir!

But congressmen don't have that responsibility (although they should have). What counts No. 1 for them is re-election.

So what I am getting around to saying is this:

Two planes hit a business office complex in New York, and our economy goes into a tailspin.

A lone gunman strikes fear into millions of people, causing all sorts of changes in how they live their lives.

How will our nation deal with the chemical and-or biological weapons that the radical Moslems plan to unleash upon us the first chance they get?

start of the Fall of the **American Empire?**

Will our battle with the terrorists over the coming decades so diminish our economy that we become a third-rate power?

Already, we are presiding over the death of our middle class.

Due to the economic drain on us in the coming years, will China bypass us as the top super power?

We need so badly for our nation's think tanks to work with our leaders and make plans to keep our economy strong despite the tragedies that we will face, and the high cost of this lengthy war we have been forced into.

Plans can be made. Tax cuts can be achieved in a way to allow both to happen. But it will take long-range planning coupled with our legislative and executive branches working together as a team.

In other words, it won't happen.

WE ALL JUGGLE

I know some of you folks believe I get too harsh on our politicians and bureaucrats

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The problem is that I lived in the Washington, D.C., area for 4 1/2 years and saw first-hand how those folks could care less about the rest of the nation. As I've written, if folks truly understood the situation, there would be a revolt.

Here's an example:

Would you believe it if I told you that, during this election season, some congressmen and senators instruct their employees to only keep letters that arrive which contain financial contributions. All others are thrown into the trash can, sight unseen.

You don't believe that, do you?

Yes, it's true.

Then why won't you Are we witnessing the . believe it? Ask yourself.

> An interesting footnote:

Of the seven weekly football contest champions so far this year, six have been ladies. What gives, guys?

Program set for investors

Katherine Schraeder, the Edward Jones investment rep in Muleshoe, will host a free program on Nov. 7 at 5:30 p.m. for investors seeking information on wills, trusts, and other estate-planning topics.

Company experts will discuss the myths and facts surrounding wills; differences between wills and trusts, and answer common estate-planning questions.

The live, interactive broadcast is presented at Edward Jones offices nationwide.

To reserve a seat, call Heather Foley at (806) 272-4102 or toll free (888) 272-4102.

If you are unable to attend at this time, additional viewing opportunities are available.



Kart Assn. winners

Local winners from the Clovis Kart Association Banquet held Oct. 13, 2002 were back row from left: Laramie Lambert, Texico, 3rd place stock champion; Courtland Luscombe, Texico, 3rd place champion youth IKF; Kaitlin Luscombe, Texico, 4th place rookie A sportsman champion; Bryan Reeser, Texico, 3rd place youth sportsman C champion; Amanda Antwiler, Farwell, 2nd place rookie A champion.

Bottom row, from left: Bo Mitchell, Farwell, 4th place stock champion; Shelby Cockerham, Texico, 1st place modified C champion; Aaron Warren, Farwell, 1st place youth IKF champion; Randy Reeser, Texico, 3rd place rookie B champion; Ashleigh Mesman, Farwell, 2nd place stock champion.

Courthouse Notes

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

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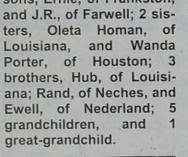
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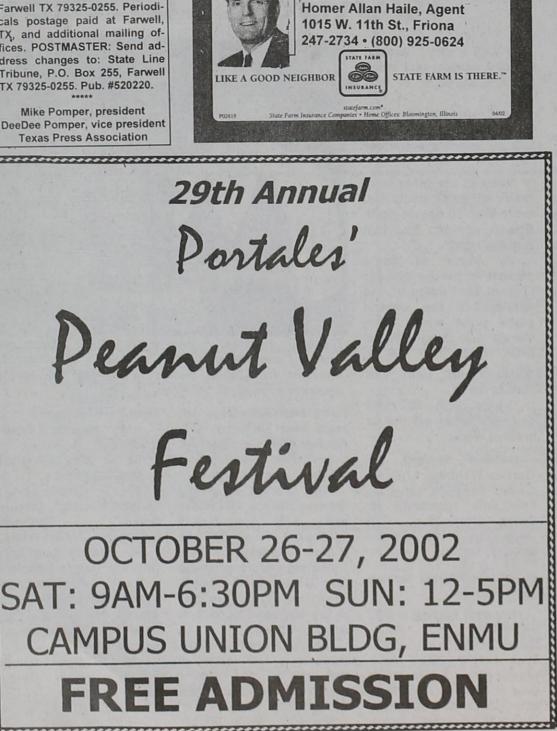
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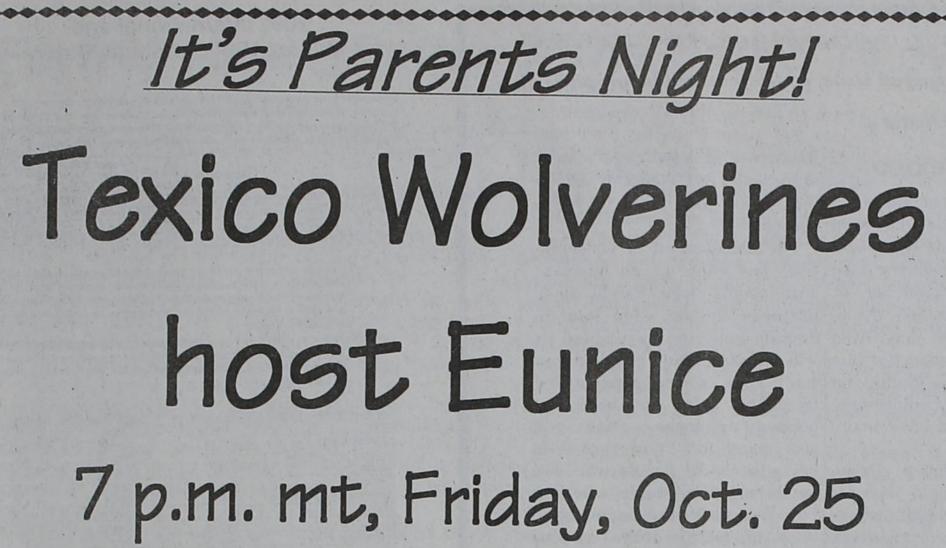


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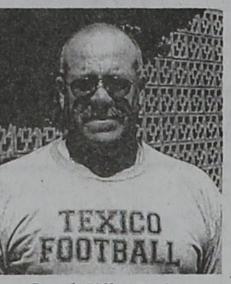
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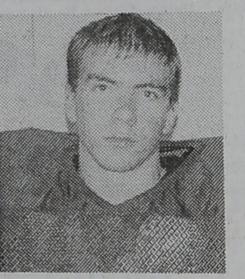








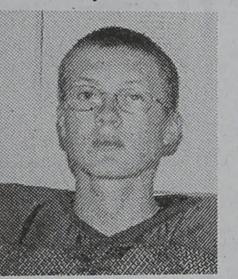
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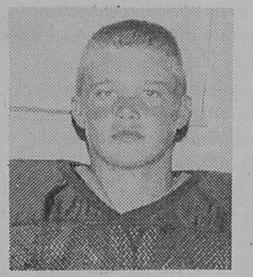
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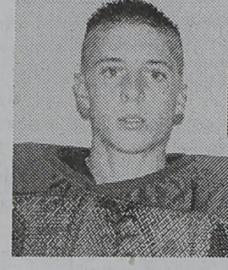
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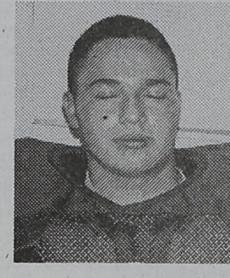
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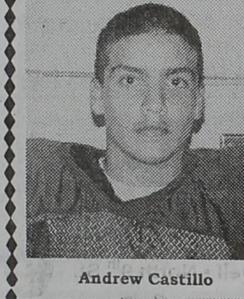
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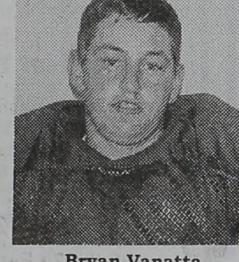


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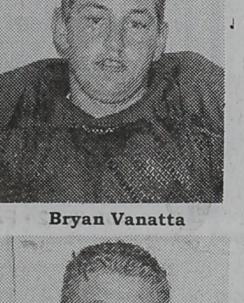


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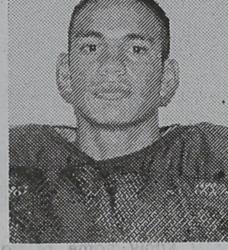


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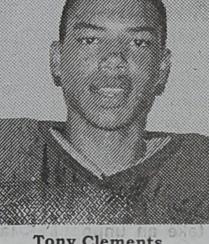




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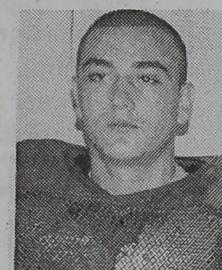


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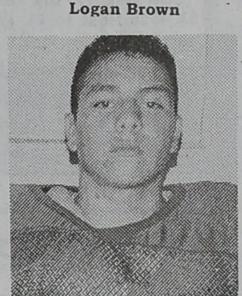




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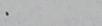


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Jared Curtis

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Master Tech

Auto Service





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Forrest Tire Co. Clovis	Jace's KC Mufflers Clovis	Hamilton GM Country Portales
Roosevelt County Rural Telephone Cooperative & Yucca Communications	Farmers' Electric Cooperative	Taylor Scale Co. Clovis

The page featured below comes from the Feb. 13, 1908, special issue of the "The Farwell Times.

The Tribune is publishing all 32 pages of that special issue, which featured biographies of local leading citizens, plus other features.

material advantages accruing to

with the bank from its incep

in banking circles.

We hope you enjoy this look back at our area's history.

The First National Bank of Texico.

The First National Bank of radical change in its officers. It ing, which has been in vogue Texico opened in the spring of was thought that the officers of recently 1906. Its chief incorporators the bank should be of the people Fre L. T. Lester of Canyon of the town and country and tive you want to do business Texas, J. P. Stone of Por- with this object in view Mr. J Ales, Now Mexico and C. C. M. Kindred was elected Presi- business closely. You want to Marshall of Dallas, Texas.

iness can boom in a new town eighteen years on the Plains, and want your money safeguarded and a new country. The Bank is known as a man of unimpeach- by strong safes and bolts and stayed open for business from able character and has many bonded employees, but you many friends. nine o'clock in the morning until nine o'clock at night. New arrivals on every train brought dent of the Amarillo National pay it back, to people who will money with them which they were unwilling to carry on their association with this bank as its With this feature of the business persons and they were glad to cause of the prestige such an asfind a place to put, it where it would be secure. There was almost as much banking done at its standing as a first class businight is in the day time and the ness institution. appearance of the town was the same with the exception of darkness overhead and illumination on the streets. Music tinkled everywhere with the counters of the gambling tables and business was good.

Think of it. over two hundred thousand dollars on deposit at one time and a large portion of this money was left in this country ou investment. Two hundred thousand dollars does not begin to be the figure that was invested but was the figure on one particular day and on many more days than one particular day that was held ready to be invested.

Take this to heart, think what one bank has done for this country. Then double it and treble it and think what this one bank together with other banks have done for this country. Hug this thought to your breast, you unbeleiver in banks, see what has been done for you. It may never have come home to you, but everything done for everybody, has also done something for you.

lists are also large thus eliminating much of the cost of collect-

The management is conservawith people who watch their dent. Mr. Kindred has lived deposit your money where it Business boomed as only bus- long here, having spent the last will be safe. Not only do you also want to know that it is . Mr. R. L. Stringfellow, Presi- being loaned to people who will Bank is a vice president, whose be a benefit to the community. vice president was sought be before them, the stockholders and directors brought into being sociation carried with it and also a discount board which meets at the banking house every week and talks over the general feat-Mr. C. C. Marshall, also vice ures of the business and passes president, has been associated on any requested loans.

> Primarily this was done to tion and has had wide experience safeguard the business, but its effect is far-reaching. To the Mr. A. A. Maxwell, Cashier, man who has money laid away has the detail work to look after. and does not deposit it, this feat-This bank is especially well e ure must do away with much of quipped to handle any business. his prejudice. He can feel sure Its correspondents list is a large that his money is guarded from one and it has an advantage in loss by robbery and from injuhaving correspondents whose dicious loans.



2002 International and Military Mail Christmas Dates

In response to customers' requests for this year's Christmas mailing dates, we are publishing the following recommended mailing dates. To ensure delivery of Christmas cards and packages to military APO/FPO addresses overseas and to international addresses, we suggest that mail be entered by the recommended mailing dates listed below

Military Mail Addressed To	First-Class Mail Letters/Cards	Priority Mail	Parcel Airlift Mail (PAL) 1/	Space Available Mail (SAM) 2	Parcel Post
APO/FPO AE ZIPs 090-098	Dec 11	Dec 11	Dec 4	Nov 27	Nov 6
APO/FPO AA ZIPs 340	Dec 11	Dec 11	Dec.4	Nov 27	Nov 6
APO/FPO AP ZIPs 962-966	Dec 11	Dec 11	Dec 4	Nov 27	Nov 6

- 1/ PAL: A special service that provides air transportation for parcels on a space available basis. PAL is available for Parcel Post not exceeding 30 pounds or 60 inches in length and girth combined. The applicable PAL fee must be paid in addition to the regular surface rate of postage for each addressed piece sent by PAL service.
- 2/ SAM: Parcels paid at Parcel Post postage rates are first transported domestically by surface and then to overseas destinations by air on a space-available basis. The maximum weight and size limits are 15 pounds and 60 inches in length and girth combined.

International Mail Addressed to	Air Letters and Cards	Air Parcel Post	Surface
Africa	Dec 9	Dec 9	Nov 1
Asia/Pacific Rim	Dec 16	Dec 16	Nov 6
Australia/New Zealand	Dec 16	Dec 16	Nov 6
Canada	Dec 16	Dec 16	Nov 23
Caribbean	Dec 16	Dec 16	Nov 20
Central and South America	Dec 9	Dec 9	Nov 6
Mexico	Dec 16	Dec 16	Nov 23
Europe	Dec 16	Dec 16	Nov 13
Middle East	Dec 16	Dec 16	Nov 1

Farwell JV game cancelled

again-off again JV football Hart due to lack of playgame between Farwell and Hart finally was called

Last Thursday's on off the night before beers.



At a recent meeting of the stockholders of The First National Bank of Texico, there was

The Latest

All interested parents,

The Band Boosters

uncles and citizens of

Farwell and Oklahoma

Lane are urged to attend.

will be running the

concession stand for the

Jubilee at the Parmer

aunts,

Christmas

Community

grandparents,

Country

County

St. John Lutheran Church at Lariat celebrated its Mission Festival on Oct. 20 with guest speaker Rev. Dr. Mike Ramey from Family of Faith Lutheran Church in Houston.

Children from the Life Christ Academy In preschool sang during the afternoon service.

The boys and girls that represented Texico and Farwell in the Clovis Youth Soccer Association will wind down the first half of their year on Saturday, Oct. 26.

The four teams will resume play in the Spring. The Tribune will carry

team pictures in the following weeks. ****

Band The Farwell Boosters are set to meet again on Nov. 2 at 6 p.m. in the Farwell Band Hall.

Residence of O M Conoley, Farwell.

Center Nov. 22"" & 23".

A correction to the Parmer County treasurer's report which appeared in last week's Tribune:

The general fund Certificate of Deposit has \$400,000 in it, not the \$450,000 figure given.

The Tribune regrets the error.

A white, six_month old dog weighing about 100 lbs. (great pyrenese) was lost in the Lariat area on Oct. 16. If found, call (806) 825-2000. ***

From Texico Junior

High football coach Steve Dollittle:

On Oct. 17, the Texico 8A team lost to Ft. Sumner, 8-0.

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The Farwell Sophomore Class enchilada dinner scheduled for Friday, Oct. 25, before the Steers-Kress game has been cancelled.

This is due to the forfeit by Kress of the football game.

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Folks who have purchased tickets may go to the high school for a refund.

The dinner will be rescheduled during basketball season.

Lazbuddie School to participate in Red Ribbon Week activities

Lazbuddie School will have its Red Ribbon Week activities Oct. 28 -- Nov. 1. The theme is "I'm no fool, drugs aren't cool!"

The red ribbon chosen by the Lazbuddie chapter of the National Honor Society depicts a "smiley face" with the theme's words imprinted around it. All Lazbuddie students will be encouraged to wear a red ribbon or use the yellow smiley face theme throughout the week.

Monday, Oct. 28

Pre-k -- 12th grade: Red ribbons will be distributed during 1st period by the National Honor Society. Students are required to wear their red ribbons throughout the week to be eligible for several prizes donated by businesses in Lazbuddie and Muleshoe. Students also will have a "change war." The elementary class and junior high/high school class with the most change collected at the end of the week will get an ice cream party.

In the kindergarten through 5th grade classes, teachers will daily put names of students who are wearing their red ribbons into a jar or other receptacle and draw



Tanner Mesman, a Farwell kindergartener, is the son of Berny & Teresa Mesman. His birthday is July 9. His brother is Taylor.

Grandparents are Jane Morris, and Ben & Mary Mesman.

He likes to play, go to school, snow ski, fish and go camping. His favorite foods are corn, hot dogs & mashed potatoes.

His favorite color is green. He doesn't like to clean up his room, and people that push him.

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Meet Farwell's Class of 2015



Mammography Screenings Thursday, October 24

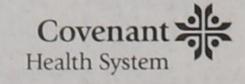
Covenant Health System reminds you that October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. That's why Covenant's Mobile Mammography Service is teaming up with Farwell Schools to provide mammograms in the Farwell community.

Because 1 in 8 women risk developing breast cancer in their lifetime, it's important to take preventative measures and to detect signs of breast cancer early. If you are age 40 or over, the American Cancer Society has set the following guidelines to help you:

Perform Monthly Breast Self Exams

- Have Annual Clinical Breast Exams by a Physician
- Have Annual Mammograms

Call Luanne Fillpot, R.N. at 481-9131 for more information or to schedule a time.



a classroom winner. FCCLA will provide a sucker for each winning student. And at lunch time, there will be a drawing for various prizes.

In grades 6 through 12, teachers will decide on rewards in each class for wearing the red ribbons. An example would be for one point each day added to a test. Also, students will have the opportunity at lunch to win various gift certificates.

Tuesday, Oct. 29

Pre-k through 5th grade: Early Childhood Professions class will distribute activity pages to the teachers. On Friday, elementary students who complete their activity pages and participate in the Red Ribbon Fun Day will receive certificates.

6th through 12th grade: Students will view a film which discussed underage drinking.

Wednesday, Oct. 30

NHS will conduct a coloring contest for elementary pupils. The coloring contest sheets will be passed out on Monday and papers need to be turned in by Wednesday.

NHS will sponsor a poster contest for the junior high and high school students. The winners will receive prizes.

Thursday, Oct. 31

NHS will host a Red Ribbon Fun Day for elementary students. It will stress ways to have fun that are safe. It will run from 1:25 to 3 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 1

Students wearing ied ribbons can purchase a ticket to wear a cap in class. the price of the tickets will be \$2.

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Farwell loses 'Battle of the Cattle' in overtime

by Mike Goettsch

The Farwell Steers lost a heart-breaker in overtime last Friday to the Hart Longhorns in the "Battle of the Cattle", 14-13 in overtime.

The Steers, 0-2 in district and 2-5 overall, host Kress on Oct. 25 at 7:30 p.m.

Rowdy Mitchell started the game with a strong kickoff return to midfield. Carlos Garcia ran for 5, then 7 more. But the Steers had to punt to the Longhorn 28.

On defense, Gaby Garcia and Randy Armstrong combined on a QB stop for -1 yard. And a QB gang sack came next. But a penalty put Hart at Farwell's 2 yard line, from where they scored at 6:13 of the 1st quarter. The kick was good and Hart led 7-0.

Mitchell returned the kick to the 43, where Farwell lost a fumble. Hart goe to the Farwell 22 before being halted. On offense, Zac Schilling ran for 7, then 16 more. A pass from Lonnie McFarland to Cale Stevenson gained 10. Then Stevenson scampered for 18. Garcia gained 8 more as the 1st quarter ended.

On 3rd and 11 from the Hart 17, McFarland hit Grant Gregory with a TD pass. The kick tied the score.

Mitchell tackled the kick returner at the Hart 11. Schilling batted down a pass, forcing a Hart punt.

Ledbetter scores for Farwell JH in loss to Hart, 14-8

From Coach Clint Conkin:

The Farwell Junior High Steers lost to Hart last week, 14-8. Farwell is now 3-3 on the season.

The 1st quarter was scoreless. Zach Bickel and Robert Williams made good defensive plays. In the 2nd quarter, Roper Ledbetter scored from the 1, and Williams ran in the 2-point conversion.

With 1:46 left in the half, Hart scored, and tied the game.

In the 3rd quarter, Matt Barnes recovered a fumble.

In the final quarter, Hart scored with 4:35 left. Farwell was driving late in the game, but lost a fumble and ran out the clock. On offense, Stevenson picked up 9 to midfield. Stevenson then gained 9 more. QB keepers by McFarland gained a first down at the Hart 31. Schilling rambled for 11, then McFarland for 5 more. A field goal try was wide.

Jose Cabello had a strong tackle. Mitchell sacked the QB for a 15-yard loss, forcing a punt to midfield.

In the 3rd quarter, Hart started at its 25. Cabello had a QB sack for a 6-yard loss, forcing a punt. Stevenson returned the punt to midfield. But Farwell was held, and punted. Hart then punted, but Farwell blocked it, taking over at the Hart 26. Hart recovered a fumble. A few plays later Farwell recovered a fumble.

Farwell was held and punted. Cabello had a QB sack for a 3-yard loss. The Steers began moving the ball late in the 3rd quarter. But a penalty stopped them and Schilling punted into the Hart end zone.

Mitchell had a strong tackle, forcing a punt. A fake on the punt resulted in an incomplete pass, and Farwell took over at the Hart 36 with 5:45 left in the game.

Behind good blocks by Shelby Teltschik and Cabello, Schilling gained 9. Then blocks by Devin Goettsch and Jeremie Chandler helped Schilling gain 4 more. McFarland ran for 6 behind blocks by Gaby Garcia and Cabello. A 10-yard run by Garcia around left end gave Farwell a 1st down at the Hart 5. A keeper by McFarland put Farwell at the 1 but the Steers were unable to score, as regulation play ended.

Farwell had the 1st possession in OT, at the Longhorn 25. On the 3rd play (3rd and 18), McFarland hit Jason Johnson with a TD pass. The PAT failed.

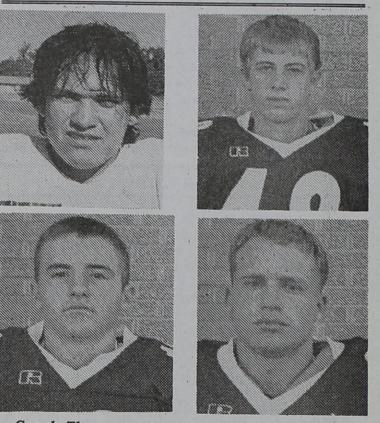
Then it was Hart's turn. On 4th and 9 from the Steers 11, Hart completed a TD pass. The kick was good.





Team stats: 1st downs, Farwell 12, Hart 13; rushing yards, Farwell 149, Hart 150; passing yards, Farwell 57, Hart 67. Both teams lost 2 fumbles and had 6 penalties for 40 yards.





Coach Thompson named as Steers of the Week for their play against Hart, top row from left, Jose Cabello, lineman, and Rowdy Mitchell, defense; and bottom row from left, Lonnie McFarland, 2 TD passes, and Zac Schilling, leader rusher.





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Obituaries

Floyd Coates

Services for Floyd Coates, 68, of Lubbock, will be at 10 a.m. Oct. 24 at Southcrest Baptist Church with Pastor Jerry Wilson officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park.

He died Monday.

He was born May 13, 1934, in Big Spring. He married Wyona Dixon on May 22, 1985, in Oklahoma Lane.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He retired from Farwell Farm Supply as owner and operator in 1995.

He was a Mason and a Shriner, and past Worshipful Master of Farwell Lodge 977.

He helped form the Little League baseball program in Texico-Farwell, and was a coach for 17 years. He served on the Farwell School Board.

He moved to Lubbock in 1995 from Farwell. He was a member of Okla-Lane Baptist homa Church for more than 30 years, and an active member of Southcrest

The Latest

An update on a Hispanic man without any ID who was crushed by a train two weeks again near Friona.

JP Pamela Haseloff said the autopsy indicates no foul play was involved. So it appears he apparently fell or tried to jump off the moving train, and was crushed.

There is still no identification for the man. ***

The Farwell Education Foundation is having a fund-raiser.

Hughes True Value has for it. Tickets cost \$10 and are available at the store.

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, Oct. 27. That means when you go to bed on Saturday night, it's time to move your clocks back one hour.

Just remember the old adage: spring forward, fall back.

A "5th quarter" will be held at the First Baptist Church of Farwell after the Steers game on Oct. 25. Free pizza and drinks will be offered antil mid-

Lazbuddie School's

possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. The case is pending in county court.

Cabrera, 17, of Clovis, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. The case pending in county is

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Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife; 5 sons, Anthony Joplin, of Farwell; Barry Joplin, of Slaton; Waverly Coates, of Gilbert, Ariz.; Marty Joplin and Kindell Coates, both of Lubbock; a daughter, Sandra Trautwein, of Hailey, Idaho; 4 brothers, Clifford Coates, of Enid, Okla.; Wayne Smith, of Bovina; Sliff Smith, of Snyder, and David Coates, of Tampa Bay; 2 sisters, Betty Davis, of Peoria, Ariz., and Esther Roper, of Laguna Park; 13 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren.

Monday - steak patty (pk-1), pizza, subs.

Tuesday -- fiesta pileon, burritos (pk-1), tuna sandwiches.

Wednesday - chicken hamburgers spaghetti, (pk-1), hot pockets.

Thursday - pizza, egg rolls, fish (pk-1).

tortillas.

VistaCare Family Hospice volunteer opportunities will be the topic of a meeting at the First Baptist Church of Farwell at 10 a.m. on Nov. 13. All are invited.



School supplies donated

On Oct. 17, employes at the Farwell office of ENMR • Plateau telecommunications turned over 126 school supply items collected during its special promotion. Pictured receiving the gifts from ENMR employees Shandra McIntosh, left, and Angela Reyes is Farwell School Supt. Larry Gregory, who said he appreciated very much the ENMR donation.

Longhorns win on forfeit

The Lazbuddie Longhorns won a 1-0 forfeit over Spade last Friday.

The Longhorns, 3-5 overall and 1-0 in district, play at Cotton Center on Oct. 25.

It's going to be a difficult chore for the Long-

offs because the district of the schedule. boasts two very strong teams in Amherst and Whitharral.

field a team due to injuries but it expected to

horns to make the play- have its team play the rest

Coach Joe Branham also noted that the Lazbuddie Junior High Spade was unable to squad won its first football game of the season against Spade last week.





Friday - chicken wrap

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The Latest

At the Nov. 1 READ Day at Texico School, counselor Robbie Allred will present an ACT preparation class for students at parents at 9:15 a.m. mt at the educational complex computer lab.

At the Dec. 6 READ Day at Texico School, counselor Robbie Allred will give "The Plan" test.

This is a pre-ACT that was developed for sophomores, although juniors can take it, too. The cost is \$8.50.

Results will help students know their academic strengths and weaknesses, as well as

possible career goals. To sign up, contact Mrs. Allred at the high school.

A retirement reception for retiring Lazbuddie School Supt. Hardy Carlyle will be held in the school cafeteria on Nov. 10 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the senior class will host a luncheon for anyone who has to travel long distance to attend the reception. ***

St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina will

Donations are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children



plex.

All parents are invited. Refreshments will be provided.

Texico Wolverine Logan Brown broke his toe in a motorcycle accident last week and will be out for the rest of the season.

Farwell High School has several copies of past school "Roundup" yearbooks for sale:

2002 - \$25. 2001 -- \$15. 1999 and 2000 -- \$10. 1998 and 1997 -- \$5. See Lori Haseloff at the school if you want them.

Townsend nabs ladies' championship

The Ladies Club Championship was held at the Farwell Country Club on Oct. 19-20. Club champion is Sandy Townsend, 128; and Jamye Bethel had low net with 107.

The tourney was shortened to 27 holes due to inclement weather. Results were:

Championship Fight:

Low Gross Category -- Sandy Townsend, 128; Jamye Bethel, 130; Alice Dosher, 133; Sharron Hughes, 136; Vernie Schacher, 143.

Low Net Category -- Jamye Bethel, 107; Sandy Townsend, 111; Alice Dosher, 118; Sharron Hughes, 119; Vernie Schacher, 126.

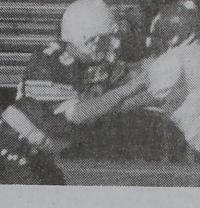
First Flight:

Low Gross Category -- Donna Alexander, 141; Betty Hodge, 143; Bev. Obenshain, 147; Kim Peterson, 169.

Low Net Category -- Donna Alexander, 111; Betty Hodge, 111; Bev Obenshain, 114; Kim Peterson, 139. Second Flight:

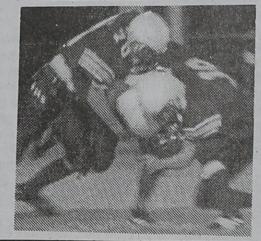
Low Gross Category -- Lisa Baird, 159; Gia Hardage, 167; Doris Ford, 172; Ann Johnson, 191.

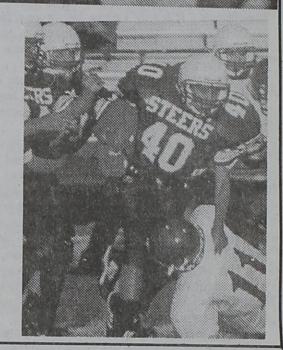
Low Net Category -- Gia Hardage, 121; Lisa Baird, 123; Doris Ford, 130; Ann Johnson, 143.



Farwell in action

Photos by Donna Ware







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Insurance

division for homeowners insurance.

Of course the focus for the dilemma came to a head when Farmer's Insurance pulled out of Texas leaving 700,000 homeowners without insurance. These folks have to get insurance somewhere and the other companies able to write homeowner policies just simply cannot handle the glut.

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Black mold, flooding and other water claims are putting a huge strain on insurance companies and many are refusing to cover homes over 30 years of age.

There are even instances of homeowners being dropped by their insurance companies because they made a claim. Other companies see that a claim was made and they'll often times deny coverage. It's a huge mess and one that needs immediate attention and solution.

Perry's representative referred me to the website for finding homeowner's insurance. Then I'd see that there were many companies available for getting adequate insurance. It's the Texas Insurance Dept. web site, { HYPERLINK "http://www.helpinsure.com" }. It's interesting, only if you're looking for insurance.

All I wanted was a straight answer.

I do have to give Gov. Perry some credit here. He strongly states in many articles that he won't allow an insurance company to operate unfairly, unethically or illegally in the state of Texas.

But why was it allowed to happen in the first place?

<u>Texas Rep. Pete Laney:</u> I could not ever reach Rep. Laney or a spokesperson in his office. However, in a recent article from the <u>Lubbock Avalanche-Journal</u> dated Sept. 18, 2002, the following quote appeared.

"The rhetoric you're hearing about being able to provide all the services that you have with less taxes is going to be real interesting next session," he said.

The article also quotes Laney as saying "Two of the most studied issues to be discussed during the next legislative session will be health care and rising costs of health care insurance," Laney said.

<u>Congressman Larry Combest:</u> at first, I was really frustrated at the run around that I was getting from Congressman Combest's office. I was directed to an intern, then to media relations. Then I was contacted by his press liaison, Dirk Fillpot. The skinny that I got from this office was that, yes, health care insurance was a major concern and one that Combest was fully addressing. However, the issues of homeowner and automobile insurance costs were a state issue. He just didn't see how this could be a national issue at this time.

"Texas does have problems with those concerns at this time," he stated.

Combest, however is addressing the rising cost of health insurance. In his weekly column and in a press release dated July 29, 2001, Combest speaks directly to this issue.

He questioned how patients can be protected while controlling health care costs. He felt that insurance companies must be held accountable for making decisions about a person's coverage that causes harm to that person. He felt that a patient's protection bill that would be signed into law was in order.

Through this a patient has the right to sue for lack of coverage or harm while setting up a strong appeal system that would weed out frivolous lawsuits that would ultimately result in higher insurance premiums across the board.

He voiced concern about providing employees unlimited rights to sue health care providers (HMOs) and even their employers. Employers voluntarily provide medical insurance. It is not a mandate. He feels that small businesses, whose employees and families make up about 60% of the uninsured in the nation, need assistance to afford health insurance coverage, not government mandates that make

coverage more expensive.

He is greatly concerned over the issues of lawsuits with limitless financial claims that are destroying the medical care industry and employers. At the time of the article, the House was preparing to take up its version of the Patient's Bill of Rights.

However, I could find no information on further action on this bill either through direct questions, Congressional web site research or archival data research.

Maybe the bill is still being formed?

Senators Phil Gramm and Kay Bailey Hutchison: no comments were available from their offices. I listened to a lot of recorded messages. I also toured their web sites. Nothing spoke to any of these issues. Sen. Hutchison did have a little bit about health care reform, but nothing specific, other than that it was a looming problem.

<u>The White House:</u> the official stance on homeowners and automobile insurance is that these are state confined issues that need to be addressed by our state legislatures.

However, the White House comment on the health care insurance issue was this: "This is a national problem that has been allowed to run away with frivolous lawsuits, settlements and increased premiums as a result. The middle-income Americans are bearing the burden for lack of adequate coverage and the lack of adequate research into typical needs for all Americans by the insurance companies."

The representative then went on to state that Texas, in particular, is in a mess because of the skyrocketing malpractice premiums that doctors are faced with.

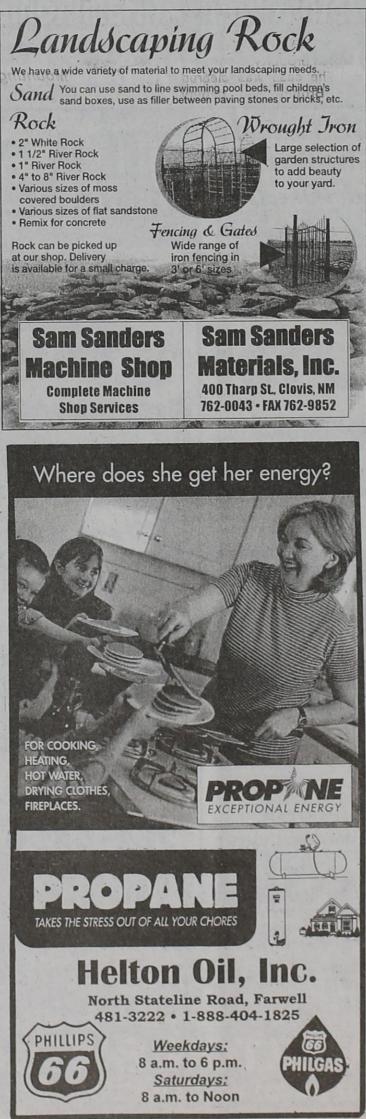
"Texas and New Mexico citizens that carry health insurance have to cover the costs for indigent health expenses. This literally takes money away that could go towards wages for better qualified health care workers," he stated. "The more uninsured you have in your state, the higher the cost of your health care and health insurance."

In a nutshell, something must be done to spread the costs of uninsured citizens. The upper and middle income citizen's simply cannot afford to bear the burden of indigent care any longer.

I asked several area doctors about this issue. Dr. Kyle Sheets feels that a visit to see a doctor should be fair and reasonable for everyone. "An office visit might cost you about \$10 if the lawyers and insurance companies would stay out of our business," he stated.

An area pharmaceutical representative said about the same thing. "It's almost embarrassing at the money these companies pay to insurance companies to keep out of discount programs," the rep. said. He asked to have his identity kept secret so that he wouldn't be in danger of losing his job. "It's a great job, but it's hard to think about how unethical this business can be at times."

<u>New Mexico Governor Gary Johnson:</u> no official comment was made about the health care insurance crisis, but the Governor has stood firm on his wishes for across the state health care reform. Some of



his views have been pretty radical, like in legalizing marijuana for medical purposes. However, the State of New Mexico aggressively puts money into rural health care programs and community based programs.

On the homeowners' insurance issue: Gov. Johnson's office had no official comment but the representative would see to it that our question was given to the Governor.

I've never heard back from his office.

On automobile insurance: this is massive problem in the state. It is an issue that is being aggressively addressed. It was put into the hands of the Motor Vehicle Division in 2001.

A private company has been hired to track down uninsured motorists. The number is being estimated at nearly 500,000 uninsured motorists across the state.

Insurance companies are required by law to notify the state about motorists that drop their vehicle coverage. New Mexico is a state that requires certain minimum insurance coverage for automobiles.

If coverage is not put back in place in due time, the registration for the vehicle is suspended.

But what about addressing the rising costs of vehicle insurance?

There were no further comments made officially about the topic.

<u>Senator Pete Domenici:</u> on homeowners and automobile insurance, I couldn't get any comments from his office. They, too, were state bound issues that, yes, needed addressing.

On health insurance: Senator Domenici has long been a proponent for increased health care options and fair coverage for his constituents. Domenici is proud that New Mexico has an insurance pool that provides coverage for those in need. He also is in favor of stronger laws for and ceilings on settlements for lawsuits against HMOs and employers.

The representative from his office in Washington also spoke to the problem of insurance companies gouging policyholders for things that don't even affect the individual policy holder. "Sept. 11 was way over used as an excuse for raising premiums. Terrorism should have never been allowed to have been a box that gets checked for increased risk. We're all at risk....we could walk out and get hit by a car today, but that doesn't mean we should pay increased premiums for being a pedestrian," he stated.

Senator Jeff Bingaman: I could never reach anyone

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Legal Notices

Notice to Contractors of Proposed

Texas Highway Improvement Contracts Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S) District: Lubbock:

Contract 6075-25-001 for SEAL COAT in LAMB County, etc. will be opened on December 5, 2002, at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office for an estimate of \$1,298,847.83.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT-Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 7997

State Office Construction Division 200 E. Riverside Dr.



Austin, Texas 78704 Phone: 512-416-2540

District Office Lubbock District District Engineer 135 Slaton Lubbock, Texas 79408-0771 Phone: 806-745-4411

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin.

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Gladys O. Kaltwasser, deceased, were issued on October 18, 2002, in Cause No. 2540, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to Security State Bank.

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

c/o Johnny Actkinson Attorney at Law P.O. Box 286 Farwell, Texas 79325 Dated the 18th day of October, 2002.

Johnny Actkinson Attorney for the Estate State Bar No. 00835700 P.O. Box 286 Farwell, Texas 79325 Telephone: (806) 481-3361 Facsimile: (806) 481-9060

THE STATE OF TEXAS .

To:

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF REAFORD KILEY WENNER, DECEASED

You and each of you are hereby cited, required and commanded to appear before the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to be held in the county court room in the courthouse of said county in the city of Farwell, Parmer County, Texas, such appearance to be at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from the date of service, exclusive of the day of such service, which day and date of service shall be the date of publication that this newspaper bears, and which appearance may be at such time on such Monday, which will be the 28th day of October, 2002, by filing written answer to the application hereinafter mentioned, contesting same, should they or any of them desire to do so, which application will, at such 10 o'clock hour and such place be acted on, said application having been filed by Juanita Wenner in said court on the 16th day of October, 2002 and now pending there, in a proceeding on the probate docket of said court, styled

IN THE ESTATE OF REAFORD KILEY WENNER, DECEASED the file number of which application and the docket number of which proceedings is 2541, the nature of such application being for APPLICATION TO DETERMINE HEIRSHIP

If this citation is not served within 90 days after date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Witness, Colleen Stover, clerk of the county court of Parmer County.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in the City of Farwell this 16th day of October, 2002.

Colleen Stover Clerk of County Court of Parmer County, Texas



Checks presented

The Farwell Fire Department and EMS last week received checks of \$1,082 apiece from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans (formerly Aid Association for Lutherans). St. John's Lutheran Church at Lariat had held a fund-raiser for the departments. Above, Lori Haseloff, representing St. John's, presents the EMS check to Nancy Roberts, left. And below, she gives the firemen their check, Chase Chisman, Henry Garcia and Mike Camp.



Border Games owners plead guilty to gambling charge

Games pled guilty in Parmer County on Oct. 16 to a charge of gambling promotion.

Darrell Cook and Robert McAfoos both were sentenced to 3 days in jail, \$500 fines plus court costs.

As part of the plea agreement, the county returned 48 of the 49 video gambling devices it had confiscated. The devices are not to be used in Parmer County ever again.

The county confiscated

The owners of Border and North Plains Mall gift certificates worth \$100.

> Border Games has not reopened since the June police raid.

> But the other two 8liner businesses in Farwell that were raided in June have reopened, offering "playbacks" - Winner's Touch and George's Gold Strike,

> Owners of these two businesses also plea bargained with the county similar to what Border Games did.



From left are Stephanie Williams, Shonnah Black, Sergio Cuevas and Jesse Gomez.

Lazbuddie students cited

Students of the Month for September at Lazbuddie junior high school and high school are:

Sergio Cuevas, 14, is the son of Nicholas and Rosario Cuevas. His movie favorite line is "They might take our life, but they won't take our freedom" from "Lionheart." A million dollars would take him to Las Vegas. He likes The Eminem Show, pizza, zebras, Brittney Spears, sapphires and Cancun. Important things are friends and family.

Shonnah Black, 16, is the daughter of Ricky and Sarah Black. Living a happy life is important to her. Her favorite movie line is "What's with you today? I mean, yesterday you were normal ... " from "Empire Records." With a million dollars, she would invest in something spectacular. She likes Morning View CD, Laura's Special from Leal's, 3-toed sloths, Vin Diesel, turquoise jewels and a visit to Venice, Italy.

Jesse Gomez, 14, is the son of Jesus and Maria Gomez. Important things are school and football. His favorite movie line is "I'll be back." With a million dollars, he would buy an Explorer 2003, and share a tiny bit of it. His favorites are Nellyville CD, Chinese food, dogs and kitty cats, Nelly, diamonds, and a visit to Cancun.

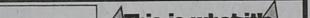
Stephanie Williams, 15, is the daughter of Howard and Tracey Williams. Her favorite movie line is "Bring it on, all of it." With a million dollars, she would buy a big ranch and a big house with lots of horses. Her favorites are Kenny CD, steak, horses, Freddie Prinz Jr., diamonds, and a visit to Hawaii.

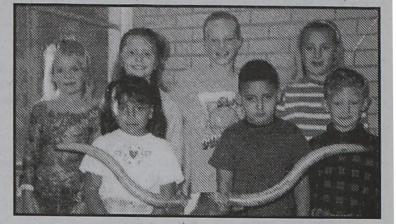
Texico Police Report

Here is the weekly report from Texico Police Chief Kelley Brophy:

A house burglary occurred in the 400 block of Anderson Street on Oct. 15. A 17-year-old Texico boy was charged with residential burglary, larceny and possession of stolen property.

The case was cleared by Brophy and deputy Wayne Atchley.





In back from left are Chandler Barnes, Emily Agee, Kinzi Schacher, Lacy Russell; in front, Nancy Marrufo, Alonzo Soto, John Isaacson.

Pupils recognized

Students of the Month for September at Lazbuddie Elementary School are:

Pre-k: Alonzo Soto, son of Luz Maria Andrade.

Kindergarten: Nancy Marrufo, daughter of Roberto and Maria Marrufo.

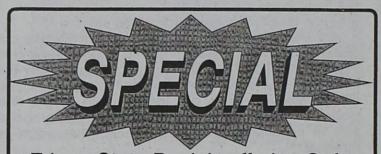
1st grade: John Ryan Isaacson, son of Dieter and Kristine Isaacson.

2nd grade: Chandler Barnes, daughter of Doug and Amy Barnes.

3rd grade: Emily Agee, daughter of John David and Ginger Agee.

4th grade: Lacy Russell, daughter of Clinton and Holly Russell.

grade: Kinzi Schacher, daughter of Daniel and 5 Mary Jo Schacher,



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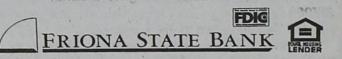
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Texico changes

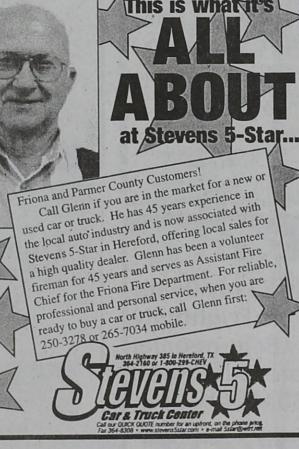
Here are some changes to the Texico sports schedule:

* The Santa Rosa volleyball games on Oct. 26 will start at 4 p.m. mt.

The basketball game on Dec. 23 against Yucca Junior High has been changed to Jan. 9 at 4 p.m. mt. And the Jan. 30 game has been changed to Dec. 9 at 4 p.m.

The basketball game with Gattis Junior High on Jan. 23 has been moved to 4 p.m. mt.





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for official comment or answers to my questions. listened to a lot of recorded messages here too, both in Washington and his state office. I looked up his web site, but couldn't find anything that spoke to these issues in specific.

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So, that's all the folks that I contacted.

I thought about getting hold of our local elected, but I thought that might be overkill for the same type answers. I don't mean to sound jaded or sarcastic, but I really feel that this an issue that everyone is chasing their tails.

I feel for some of the insurance salesmen around here. It's got to be a tough sell anymore for those that really want to help their clients.

I spoke to Mike Camp at Town and Country Insurance in Farwell. He is just as disgusted as we are. "The lawyers and big insurance companies are just too involved at setting policy and standards," he commented. "These are issues that are going to take some pretty drastic solutions to clear the problems up."

We're very fortunate to have insurance company representatives that are accessible to us in the area. As I mentioned in the beginning of this article, I received a third premium increase on my health insurance. contacted the Dallas office and was put on hold for over 40 minutes. 40 MINUTES!

The solution for the time being was to increase my deductible to an amount that would be about the same cost as having a gall bladder removed. Which, by the way, I've already had mine removed and they fought me about covering the surgery. It wasn't done in the facility that was never stated in my policy outline. One year later, the hospital was paid in full. I had to threaten to sue them to get them to pay.

I just love health insurance companies.

My homeowners' insurance coverage went up over .\$60 a month. The details of this increase get lost in the wording of why, but in simple terms, I have a ready-built home that has been bricked, added onto and, oh yes, sits in proximity to a dirt road without proper flood slope. Guess what? I've dropped that company and am now in negotiation with three others "that wants my business."

And what about those people that get insurance for homes that they built in a definite flood plain. Why do they even get to have insurance? They know it will flood. The companies know they will eventually get a large claim for damage and then guess what? We all get to pay for those schmoes that live on the opposite end of the state and their hundreds of thousands of dollars in claims.

But my mother can't get a new roof on her house because of a hail storm without jumping through nine hoops to prove damage. I'll bet if she started claiming black mold on the roof, she'd get one in a hurry.

But then, my new house insurance policy would increase at least \$50 for another black mold claim, my car insurance would increase another \$250 for the damage done to my vehicle when I drove it down to Dallas to drive through the insurance office and then my health insurance wouldn't cover my hospitalization. You know, those loopholes get them out of paying for crazed policyholders.

If you're sick of the games and tired of being stuck through loopholes, contact ... no, flood ... the offices of our congressmen, senators, governors and other elected with letters about these issues. It's your right to air your opinions and to get answers.

Besides, if they don't respond quickly to these problems, aired out problems go moldy. And if they

Lady Spikers keep rolling along

The Texico Lady Spikers are 6-0 in district and 15-3 overall after wiping out Clayton on Oct. 19, 15-6, 15-4, 15-5.

Coach Michael Littlejohn said the girls "put three good games together. The win assures Texico of at least a tie for 1st place. Everyone played well. Dru Mayfield and Megan Brown served really well while Dru and Brittany Autrey hit well. Megan and Jayia Walls set well, and Ashley Littlejohn, Brittany and Jazzi Walls blocked well."

Stat leaders were: service points - Mayfield, 16; Brown, 17; kills - Mayfield, 8; Autrey, 10; aces - Brown and Mayfield, 4 each; assists -- Brown, 12; Javia Walls,

Upcoming Sports

The Farwell-Kress varsity game was cancelled. The JH Steers are set to host Kress on Oct. 24 at 5 p.m. The JV Steers play at Bovina on Oct. 24 at 6 p.m.

The Lazbuddie Longhorns go on the road on Oct. 25 to play at Cotton Center at 7:30 p.m. The JV Longhorns are scheduled to play at Valley on Oct. 24 at 6:30 p.m. And the JH Longhorns are scheduled to host Cotton Center at 5 p.m. on Oct. 24.

It's Parents Night on Oct. 25 for the Texico Wolverines' last regular home game before playoffs start. Texico hosts Eunice at 7 p.m. mt. The Texico 8A team plays at Yucca on Oct. 24 at 4 p.m mt. The final JH game is on Oct. 29 when the 7-9 team hosts Ft. Sumner at 5 p.m. mt.

The Texico Lady Spikers "C" team plays at Clovis Christian at 5 p.m. mt on Oct. 24. The varsity and JV teams host Santa Rosa on Oct. 26 at 3 p.m. mt. District Tourney play starts on Oct. 28.

Wauson honored

Brenda Wauson has received the Parmer County 4-H Outstanding Adult Leader Award.

Mrs. Wauson serves as an assistant club manager for the Farwell 4-h Club. She also is Teen Council Adult Advisor.

She has served as photography project leader for several years.



Brenda Wauson

Marriage Licenses

The Parmer County clerk's office last week issued a marriage license to

Ecklund.

David J. Orton, DVM PC

Invites you to come by and see him

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9; excellent passes -- Mayfield, 21; Ashley Kidd, 13; Sissy Loper, 11; Autrey, 10.

The Texico Lady Spikers jumped to 5-0 in district and 14-3 overall with a convincing win over Tucumcari on Oct. 15, 15-0, 15-5, 15-10. The victory gave Texico a 2game lead with only 3 matches to play this season before playoffs.

Dru Mayfield served 29 for 29 with 12 aces. She also had 8 kills - a very domination night, reported Coach Michael Littlejohn.

Also, Brittany Autrey played very well at the net, with 3 blocks and 9 kills.

Other stat leaders were: service points - Megan Brown, 9; aces - Brown, 3; assists - Brown, 13; excellent passes - Mayfield, 20; Ashley Kidd, 16; and Sissy Loper, 15; and saves - Brown, 3.

JV Lady Blue win district title

The Farwell Steers ran in the district cross country meeting on Monday in Lubbock. Results were:

Varsity: Tate Nichols, 19:22, 19th; Byron Hardage, 23.20, 40th.

JV: Chris Culver, 20:29, 2nd; Trevor Norton, 22.34, 6th. JH: Alex Olmos, 13:55, 11th; Orlando Shelly, 15:51, 23rd; Robert Williams, 16:45, 26th; Brett Howard, 17:05, 29th; Dalton Cockerham, 17:10, 30th; Derrick Chandler, 17:16, 31st.

The Lady Blue varsity squad placed 3rd and qualified for regionals with 91 points. Results were:

Nikki Gober, 14:00, 12th; Kyra Christian, 13:43, 8th; Jaimie Diaz, 14:28, 18th; Selene Delgado, 14:57, 24th; Meagan Norton, 16:33, 48th; Julie Castillo, 15:11, 29th; and Khallie Foster, 15:24, 32nd.

The JV Lady Blue are District Champions, with 30 points. Results were:

Hailey Grimes, 15:09, 2nd; Sandra Saenz, 16:36, 14th; Ashlie Martin, 15:24, 6th; Roby Teltschik, 15:17, 5th; Kris-ten Garcia, 15:25, 7th; Cindy Quezada, 12:32, 13th; Amanda Barnes, 16:42, 17th; Kary Mathys, 15:36, 10th; Micah Christian, 17:15, 20th; Jennifer DeLeon, 17:31, 24th.

The JH Lady Blue took 2nd in their category with 89 points. Results were:

Shelby Christian, 14:16, 7th; Amanda Martin, 14:46, 15th; Lauren Beaubien, 15:17, 24th; Miriam Delgado, 15:14, 23rd; Brenda Cano, 16:01, 32rd; Britton Barrett, 15:37, 27th; Chanel Castillo, 15:04, 20th; Ashleigh Mes-Denver Riddle and Andria 'man, 17:04, 45th; Amber Armstrong, 16:26, 39th.



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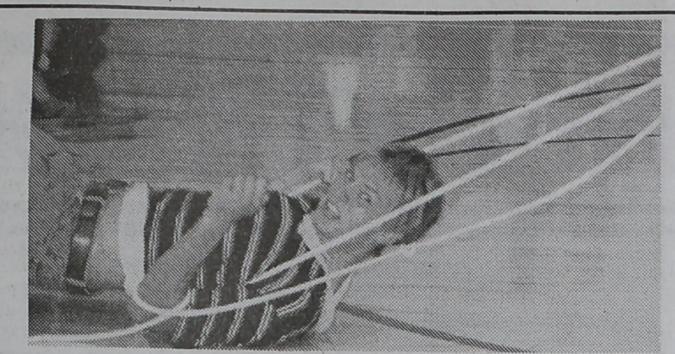
EMS Report

The Farwell ambulance was called on Oct. 15 to 604 2nd St. for a possible stroke victim, and on Oct.

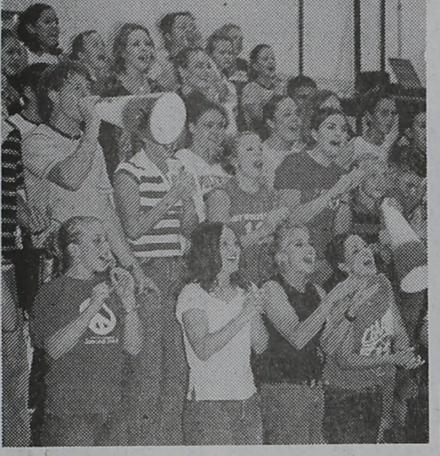
19 to the Farwell Convalescent Center for a possible broken hip problem.



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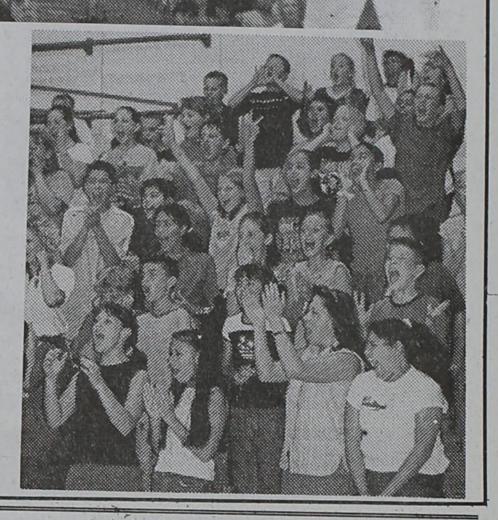




There's always a lot of fun at a Texico

School pep rally. (Photos by Dayla Bass)





Wolverines whitewash Loving to capture their 5th shutout of the campaign

by Ben Black

The mighty Texico Wolverines posted their fifth shutout of the season when they blanked the Loving Falcons, 28-0, last Friday in an away game.

Texico is now 7-0 overall and 1-0 in district. The Wolverine defense has only allowed 18 points this season (15 by Tucumcari), while the offense has provided 236

yards.

Logan Brown hurt his ankle in an accident so Thornton stepped up and covered the position with extreme good work.

Other stats were: rushing - Johnny Serrano, 9 for 70, and Mark Peabody, 6 for 32; passing -- Vaughan, 2 for 4 and 28 yards.

Wolverines of the Week

Coach Prokop named as Wolverines of the Week for their play against Loving:

Offense -- Garett Mayfield, Landon Johnson, Jesse Serrano for blocking downfield; Adrian Loera, for 243 rushing yards; and the offensive line of Bryan Vanatta, Alex Mendoza, Toby Thornton, Jared Curtis and Bryce Bailey.

Defense -- Bryce Bailey, Landon Johnson, Joe Zaikowski, Jared Curtis, Toby Thornton, Matt Soliz and Adrian Loera.

Special teams -- Garett Mayfield and Blake

points.

Texico and Jal are tied for the district lead. The Wolverines host Eunice (0-8 on the season) at Parents Night on Oct. 25.

The Wolverines struggled in the 1st quarter, with no scoring on either side; Texico gained very few yards. But the Texico defense was strong, holding Loving to a scant 14 yards.

But in the 2nd quarter, Texico pushed the Loving line to the goal line. Adrian Loera tiptoed for 10 yards to score. Braden Vaughan added the kick and it was 7-0.

Jared Curtis and Toby Thornton crunched the Loving line the entire first half.

The Wolverines came out of the locker room after halftime ready to devastate the Falcons. Texico pushed its way downfield to score with 9:50 left in the 3rd quarter when Loera hopped over the line for a TD. The kick failed. Later in the quarter, Loera scored again, this time on a 20-yard scamper. A pass from Vaughan to Joe Zaikowski added the 2 extra points and a 21-0 lead.

The 4th guarter rolled around and Texico scored early when Loera broke loose for 55 yards to paydirt, followed by a Vaughan kick. Loera later added an interception.

The Wolverines came away with a whopping 346 yards gained overall. Loera rushed for 230 of those



Photos by Shirley Prokop



Interception by Adrian Loera

Meet Texico's Class of 2015

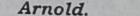
Kaylee O'Neal, a Texico kindergartener, has a April 15 birthday.

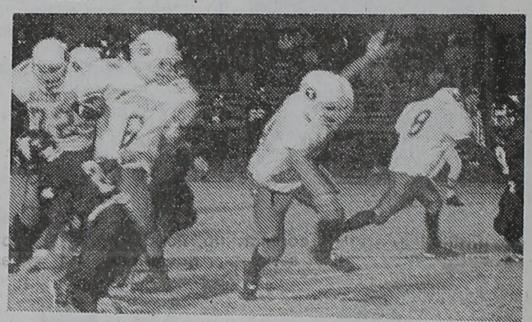
Parents are Jed & Valerie O'Neal. She has a brother, Kelby. Grandparents are Ed & Carol Widener, Ricki & Jackie O'Neal, and Lonnie & Susan Berry.

She likes to play with her brother and her friends, ride horses, play soccer and dance ballet.

Her favorite food is watermelon. Her favorite color is pink. She doesn't like to clean her room and fight with her brother.

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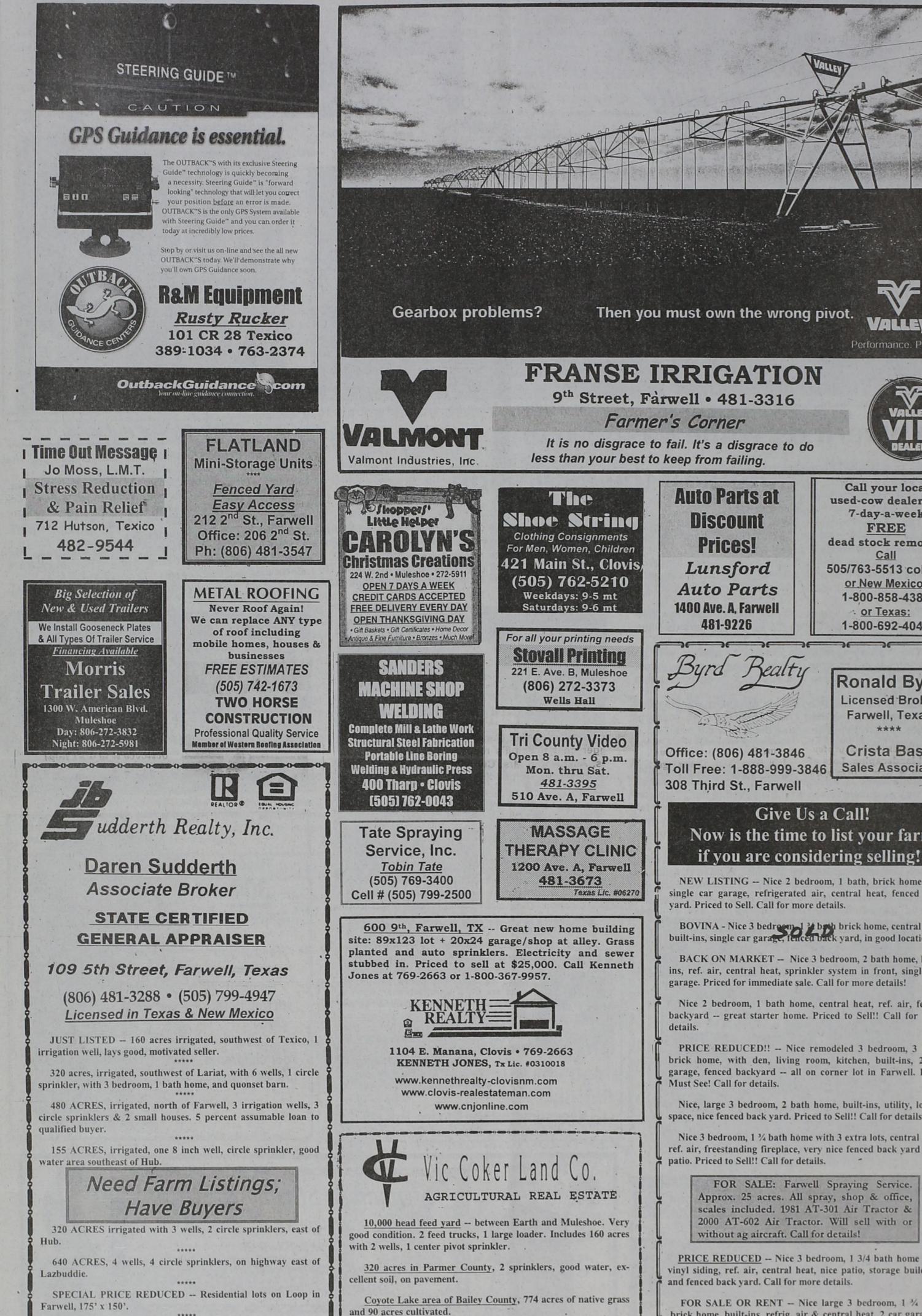
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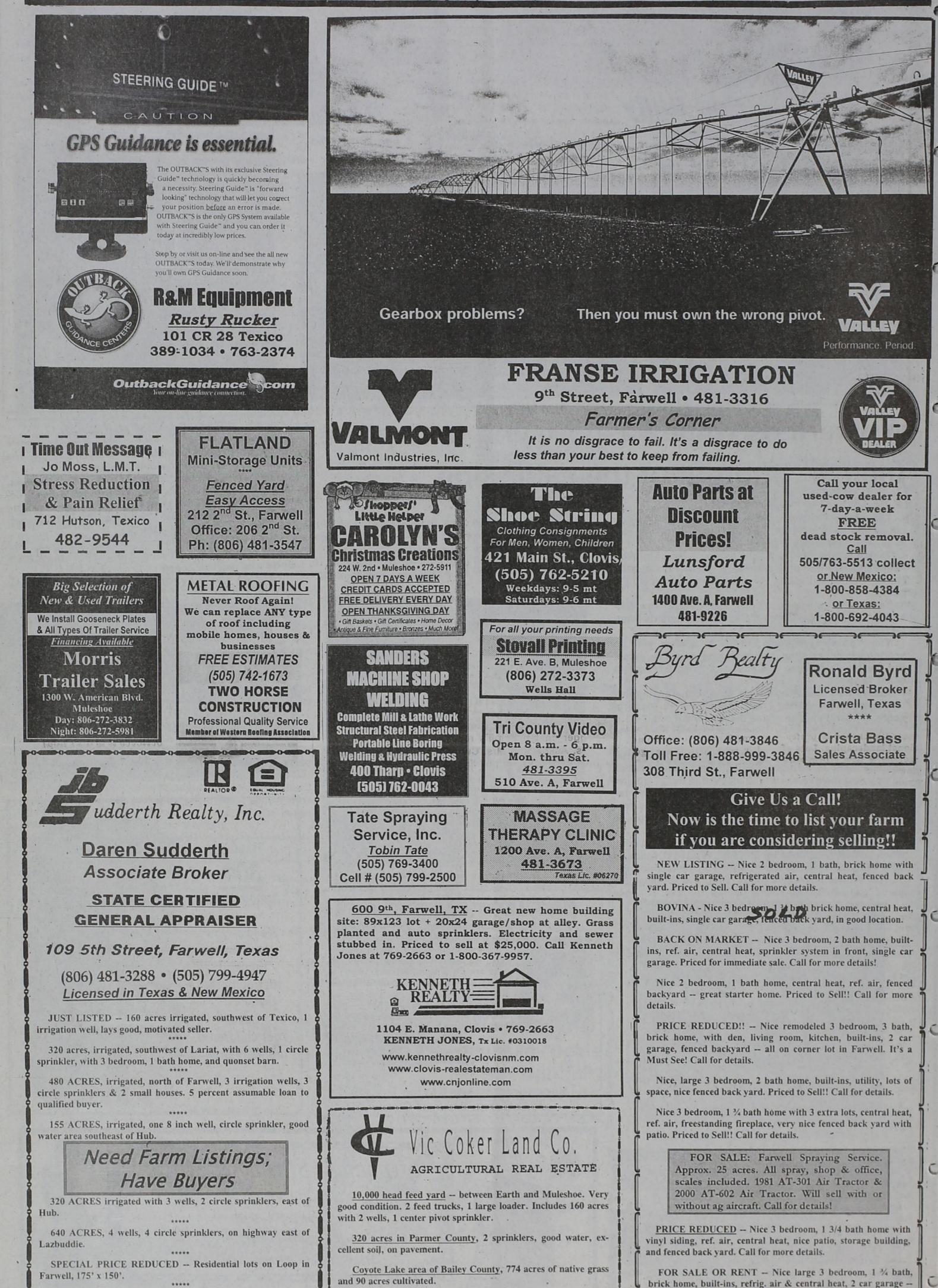
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The Classifieds Classified Deadline 9 a.m. Wednesdays





JUST LISTED -- Nice 3 bedroom, brick home on 2 acres with horse barns and corrals. Good location on highway. Near Oklahoma Lane.

BOVINA -- Nice, large 3 bedroom, 3 bath, brick home with fireplace, large 2-car garage and large screened porch. In good location.

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all in nice location. Call for more details!

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160 acres, 7 tower Valley sprinkler, north of Farwell, 75 hsp. electric motor. Priced for immediate sale.

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THE CLASSIFIEDS



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State strikes out Texico baseball field proposal

The Texico City Council on Tuesday dropped the suggestion of seeking state DCBG funds for a baseball field, as had been proposed recently at a public hearing by Texico School Supt. R.L. Richards and baseball booster Buddy Vaughan.

City clerk Teresa Harth told the council that folks at the state financial office told her that because the land suggested (the former baseball field used by the Twin Cities years ago on the south side of town) is owned by the railroad, it doesn't qualify for a state grant.

Instead, Mrs. Harth suggested that the council seek CDBG funds for more playground equipment at KKR Park. And the council voted to do so.

The other main topic at the meeting involved the city hall project. A few weeks ago, the council voted 2-1 to a 3,500-sq.-ft. facility at the north side of the community center. In favor were Monnie Cunningham and Sharon Askew. Opposed was Doug Scioli. Not present at that special meeting was Oran Jay Autrey. Scioli supported building the city hall next to the fire station.

Attending the council meeting Tuesday was architect Paul Reed, of Clovis. If the city hall is built next to the community center, less parking spaces will be available.

At a past meeting, Police Chief Kelley Brophy questioned what the law was involving the number of spaces necessary. Asked about this, Reed said he hasn't looked into it but said codes involving this normally call for allday situations (where facilities are in use fully -- not the case in Texico).

Brophy again voiced his opposition to the picked site, saying vandalism already occurs at the community center and this will occur at city hall, too, due to its proximity. He stressed the need to separate the two facilities. Fire Chief Lewis Cooper disagreed with Brophy.

Mrs. Cunningham asked Brophy why security wasn't at community center events, including school functions. He said it's not in the city ordinances, although he had advocated it.

Brophy also said the proposed city hall needs a redesign. He said another police office is needed; that there be separation between the police and judge's offices; a larger area for storage is needed; more security is needed for his department; and that a meeting room isn't needed because the community center can be used for council meetings.

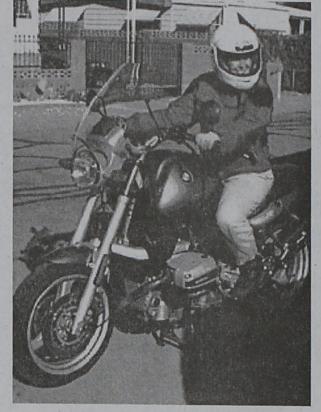
Reed responded that the plan he had put together was just preliminary and he needs input from the city. City department heads will meet with Reed, who will report back with new plans in November. Reed added that if the council

Cooper said the judge's office was too large, especially since he wasn't around much to use it.

Cooper said the city couldn't put a meeting room at the community center due to guidelines used when the state funded the center. He said this happened at Grady. Brophy said he thought the Grady situation was different because the city built offices there. City Attorney Marion Ty Rutter suggested the state be contacted on the legality.

In discussing where to put the city hall, Reed noted the bigger cost if Scioli's recommendation is chosen. But Mrs. Askew and Mrs. Cunningham said they stood by their positions of building next to the community center.

Thus, the only way the decision will be changed is if Autrey backs the site next to the fire station. This would make for a 2-2 council tie, and leave the decision up to



Nufer honored

Becky Nufer, of Clovis, who helps out at the State Line Tribune, has received a plaque from the Iron Butt Association for being the "World's Toughest Rider." Ms. Nufer was recognized for riding a 1995 BMW motorcycle 1,000 miles in less than 24 hours - from West Plains, Mo., to Clovis on April 16, 2002. Only a handful of riders have ever achieved this feat, which qualified her for membership in the famous Iron Butt Association for long-distance motorcycle riders.

Bridal shower planned

All are invited to a bri- from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Oct. dal shower honoring Jen- 27 at the First Baptist nifer McIntosh Sawatzki Church of Farwell parlor.



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Mayor Jerry Cunningham.

In other business, the council:

--Heard that the Craig Street drainage project was completed.

-- Received 3 bids for South Garwood street repairs (where the sewer was put in). The low bid of Mark Frazier, at \$3,404, was accepted. Other bidders were K Barnett, \$5,850; and Eastwood Construction, \$3,646.

-- Discussed a driveway where ash was requested. It was said that the area was not dedicated to the city, therefore it's not the city's responsibility to maintain it.

-- Told Cooper it was okay to advertise for a new pumper, estimated to cost about \$250,000.

-- Received 3 bids to repair the tower well. The lower bidder, from Grove, Okla., was accepted.

-- Received 3 bids for 5" hose for the fire department. thw bid of Triple A of Clovis, at \$6,708, was approved.

-- Went into executive session at Autrey's request to discuss litigation.

Rain pours in Parmer County, but not Rhea

A bunch of rain hit the area on Wednesday morning.

Farwell got 1.65 inches, according to Fred Chandler at the AGP grain elevator.

At Lariat, Lonnie McFarland said they had .61 hundredths.

And at Lazbuddie, Scott Brown said they had 1.35" inches.

But nothing at Rhea, said Debbie Zaikowski.

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Garison Lane Bohler was born on Aug. 21 at 10:41 a.m. at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock to Matt and Tina Bohler, of Muleshoe.

It's a Boy

Garison Bohler

He weighed 7 lbs., 14 oz. and was 21" long.

Grandparents are Jim and Terri Bohler, of Muleshoe, and Tommy and Elaine Walker, of Farwell.

Great-grandparents are Raymond and Joyce Bohler, of Brownfield, Texas; Ruth Barnett, of Hale Center, Texas, and Dave and Geneva Bentley, of Friona.

Great-great-grandpar-

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ents are Gwendoline Stunkard, of Wellman, Texas, and Ella Mae Wilkerson, of Friona.



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