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Wolverines to face Foxes for state football title

See story inside...

Border Banter

-- Mike Pomper

A community newspaper

Y'know, folk, our little newspaper is a bit different from most.

And that idea hit home the other day when I was picking up "stuff" at Farwell High and talking with Patsy Camp and Sherry Christian.

When I say the Tribune is a "community newspaper," that means a lot more than the fact that it reports about the community.

It means that many, many folks participate in getting information into our little weekly.

I really see myself as the editor, as one participant in the process.

When you look at all the information that appears in our paper each week, you can readily see that a large number of folks are equal to me.

Just think of all those Texico and Farwell junior high and JV football stories. Did you notice the by-lines?

"From Coach Clint Conkin..." "From Coach Kirk Saul..." "From Coach Steve Doolittle..." "From Coach Douglittle..."

Without the help from our coaches, we simply could not give the credit to our young athletes who are so deserving.

And the reports from Texico Lady Littlejohn are excellent, year after year. He goes out of his way to make sure we get the complete stats so that all stat leaders are recognized.

As longtime readers know, I believe mentions such as we do can help the self esteem of adolescents and be a positive in their maturing process.

But we can only achieve that with a lot of help, and the coaches really come through. When you see your son's or daughter's coach, you need to thank them for their assistance. They are most deserving.

Those Steers, Wolverines and Longhorns of the Week picks by coaches Jacob Thompson, Mike Prokop and Joe Branham are very important.

But there's a lot more help that the Tribune gets. Ben Black and Buddy Vaughan helped cover Texico Wolverine games, for example. And Mike Goetsch helped with their

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Please note our early deadline

The Tribune will present its special Thanksgiving issue next week.

Due to the holiday, we will print our paper a day early (on Tuesday) so that folks in town and on the rural routes will get it before the holiday.

Thus, our deadline next week for ads and stories will be at 5 p.m. on Monday.

Christmas on Parade

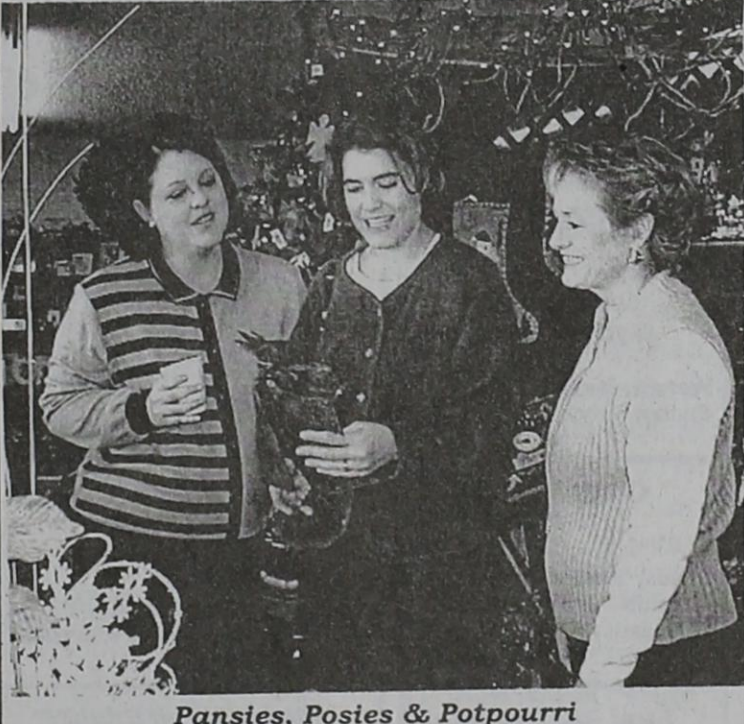
Folks enjoyed visiting local businesses that participated in the annual Christmas on Parade last weekend in Farwell.



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Texico's Jerry Garcia reported improving

From Kye Thomas, Texico FCCLA teacher: Here's an update on Jerry Garcia, the Texico Elementary School youth who has been ill:

He has been in Denver, receiving treatment. His mother reports he is greatly improved. The swelling in his face has gone down, his medication has been adjusted and he is feeling 100 percent better.

His mother was quoted as saying, "I believe my little boy is going to live..."

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William Orozco wins 11th contest

One of the hundreds of entrants in last week's Aentra Merchants Football Contest managed the perfect score, by getting all 12 games right.

For that wondrous achievement, the first place cash prize of \$20 went to William Orozco.

Four participants named 11 games correctly. By virtue of being closest to the tie breaker (Carlsbad 27, Clovis 6), the second place cash prize of \$7 went to both Dick Pylant and Charlie Bowers. Both were 27 off the tiebreaker.

Also with 11 right was Ronald Byrd, who was 35 off the tie breaker, and Cynthia Thigpen, 32 off the tie breaker.

Results of last week's games were:

Canadian over Friona, Canyon over Muleshoe, Texas Tech over Texas, Alabama over LSU, Kansas over Nebraska, Colorado over Iowa State, Iowa over Minnesota, Indianapolis over Dallas, Tennessee over Pitts-burgh, NY Giants over Washington, Atlanta over New Orleans, and Kansas City over Buffalo.

This is the final week of the 12 week contest, with the overall champion winning the Dallas Cowboys package.

This includes two tickets to the San Francisco 49'ers game at Texas Stadium, hotel lodging for 2, breakfast, transportation to and from the hotel, and other goodies.

It looks like it's down to just four folks with a shot at the title. Here's how the Leader Board looks, with one week to go:

92 points -- Steve Franse.

91-- Audrey Kittrell, Larry Gregory.

90 -- Robin Gregory.

Breakfast program outlined

Texico Schools' new breakfast program will begin after Christmas, Supt. R.L. Richards said.

The program will offer free and reduced price lunches. The costs for others will be announced later.

Breakfast will be offered from 7:50 to 8:15 a.m. Some days, a full breakfast will be offered. On other days, it will be

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Marsha Swerczek, of Wienerschnitzel Restaurant in Clovis, presents the check for winning 2nd place in last week's football contest to Charlie Bowers. Wienerschnitzel is one of the contest sponsors.



Lazbuddie School Board President Terry Jesko, left, congratulates Roy Baker on his appointment as the new school superintendent. At Baker's side is his wife, Oleta.

Lazbuddie Schools hire superintendent

(Related story on Page 7)

The Lazbuddie School Board held a special meeting on Nov. 15 to unanimously select Roy Baker as its new superintendent.

He was given a three-year contract, which begins July 1, 2003.

Current Supt. Hardy Carlyle retires Nov. 30, at which time Tom Jarboe, former Friona school superintendent, will take over as interim superintendent.

Baker, 50, currently is Cheyenne, Okla., school superintendent. He is less than a year away from retirement in that state and was looking to move out of Oklahoma to continue his educational career.

Baker's brother knew Richard Boothby, former Farwell School superintendent now living in Oklahoma. Boothby

spoke highly of Lazbuddie's program so Baker decided to apply for the Lazbuddie position.

Baker is a graduate of Southwestern State University at Weatherford, Okla. He received his superintendent's certification from Oklahoma State University.

He has been an educator for 28 years.

He and his wife, Oleta, have three children.

Daughter Lacy Crompton, of Sayre, Okla., has the Baker's first grandson. Lacy's husband is an electrician.

The Baker's also have twin sons, both sophomores at Southwestern State. Ryan plans to be a pharmacist. Brian is working toward a business degree and has a job with United Parcel Service.

Banter

Farwell counterpart. And don't we get some great photos from Dayla Bass, J.R. Ivins, Donna Ware and Shirley Prokop? I don't know what I would do without them. Whenever anyone asks me how big our Tribune staff is, I normally just think of me and DeeDee, Betty Jean and Teresa. But you can easily see that our staff encompasses a lot more folks. And that is why I call the Trib a true community newspaper. Just think of all the folks who help. And the school board reports we get, with the help of our local school superintendents. And County Judge Bonnie Clayton-Heald helping with the county commissioner reports. And

Rhonda Webb's help with the police reports, along with Sandra Warren. So many, many people work together to make sure the Trib is a true community paper. I know I've left out a lot of folks, but it was inadvertent. You all know how important you are to us. It's very humbling for me to see all the help we receive. But it also makes me proud to be a member of the Texico-Farwell community. Hope you noticed the request in last week's Trib of the Texico City Council for volunteers to serve on the cemetery board. Five folks are needed. It's not a hard job, and public-minded folks are asked to help out their community. Please show your care. Call city clerk Teresa Harth at City Hall and volunteer. It's seldom that I would publicly compliment someone new here for the job they are doing because it's usually better to wait awhile. But I have to say that Farwell Schools are darned fortunate to have Bill Shelly arrive as the new band director.

He took over a non-program and has built it up superbly in just a matter of a couple of months. That's awesome. At the Bovina-Steers game on Nov. 8, the Farwell Band sounded - and acted - very professional. Thank you, Bill, for improving our community. I've been trying to avoid writing about politicians recently because they depress me. But when I hear a really dumb comment from one of our top leaders, I cringe. Such was the case last week with Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-Ohio. He criticized President Bush for not capturing the terrorist bin Laden. Now, it's fine and dandy to criticize our President, even in wartime. That's every American's right. I used to say President Clinton was a jerk, and that's my free right. But Daschle continued on to say we were lost the war because we had not captured or killed bin Laden. Here he is, one of our top political leaders, a man who may be the next President, and he has no concept or understanding

of geopolitics. The bin Laden case is not a war -- it's a battle. Fighting in Afghanistan last year was not a war, it was a battle. If we attack Iraq, it's a battle, not a war. Why? Because we already are in World War III. All the situations involved in this war, which will last for decades, are battles. For example, in World War II, did we say when we attacked Normandy it was a war? No, it was a battle. And remember the "Battle of the Bulge?" It wasn't "War of the Bulge." Because it took place in the context of the overall war. And that's what Daschle doesn't understand. That the war we are in, which we didn't want but had no choice in the matter after the 9/11 tragedy is much, much bigger than killing one terrorist. And this is why I rail about our stupid leaders. Over the coming decades, long after bin Laden is dead, other terrorist leaders will emerge. Long after al-Qaeda is finished, other terrorist groups will organize. And their aim is to destroy the West because they hate our culture and our religion. There are 1 billion Moslems in the world, More than 99 percent of them are decent folks, just like you or me. But that very, very small percentage of fanatics can do severe damage through guerrilla warfare with weapons of mass destruction.

We are going to take some hard hits, unspeakable acts. And are we prepared for them? Hell, no. We need to: 1. Raise taxes so we can build up a huge force of our own guerrilla fighters. The CIA needs to be quadrupled, too. 2. Make homeland security real and not just a

(Continued from Page 1) public relations effort. 3. Make every American aware of what we are facing and the depth of the problem. Oh, yes, these things will occur. But only after the next tragedy forces it. Rumor of the Week: A barbecue restaurant opening in Farwell?

Texico Police Report

Here is the weekly report from Texico Police Chief Kelley Brophy: On Nov. 10, a house burglary was reported in the 500 block of Garwood Street. A handgun was taken. Between Oct. 31 and Nov. 11, a house burglary occurred in the 300 block of Anderson Street. A DVD player and a VCR were stolen. On Nov. 14, a 2-vehicle accident occurred in the 200 block of Wheeler Avenue. One driver, Tom Tipton, 78, of Texico, and his wife, Lana, 76, a passenger, were taken to Clovis hospital with minor injuries.

Meetings cancelled The Farwell Chamber of Commerce meetings for November and December have been cancelled due to the holiday season.

Texico

(Continued from Page 1) just muffins, cereal, juices and milk, for example. Dr. Richards said there are two reasons the board has voted to start the breakfast program: 1. School officials found that many students are coming to school each day without proper nutrition in the morning. 2. School officials are trying to keep the cafeteria program "in the black." It has been running a deficit for some time. Dr. Richards said that in some school districts, the added revenue from a breakfast program has helped offset costs of running a cafeteria program.

When the FCCLA leadership class at Texico read the letter in the Tribune by Joyce Kube concerning Jerry, they were inspired and took action. Penny jars were placed all over the school. Because of the generous efforts by the students, teachers and parents, over \$3,500 was raised for Jerry and his family. A photo of this donation appeared in last week's Tribune. The high school contributed the following amounts: seniors, \$117.11; juniors, \$85.88; sophomores, \$78.58, and freshmen, \$34.02. The junior high, through selling Froze Fruit, candy, cookies, burritos and pickles, sold an amazing \$2,578.83 with the help of a generous anonymous \$1,500 check. Elementary school pupils pulled together in the effort and raised \$606.74. "Helping a fellow student in time of need is something that should be expected, it is something we shouldn't think twice about," said Ms. Thomas. "We have an obligation to make sure the needs of others are met. Thanks to a group of students that decided to stand up and make a difference, Jerry and his family had enough money for their trip to the Denver hospital. However, financial support isn't the only way Jerry can be helped. The prayers of fellow students and community members will help more than anything. "Congratulations to the FCCLA, Texico students, parents and everyone who contributed funds and prayers because you made a big difference. Hang in there, Jerry, we love you!"

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Obituaries

Corky Horton Services for Corky Horton, 71, of Clovis, a retired locomotive engineer, were held on Monday at Steed-Todd Chapel in Clovis, with Dr. Herbert Bergstrom officiating. Burial was in Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens. He died Nov. 15 at home. He was born Nov. 26, 1931, in Texico to Herman and Pauline Horton. He graduated from Ranchvale High School in 1949. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He worked for the Santa Fe Railroad for 43 years. Surviving are his wife, Peggy; 2 sons, Jackie, of Clovis, and Rocky, of Texico; and 6 grandchildren. Pallbearers were Dudley Bailey, Delbert Miller, Clark Colson, Mike Gray, Travis Denton, O.T. Rozzell, Tanner Horton, Ruger Horton and Pat Williams. Memorial contributions may be made to Central Baptist Church Library or to a local hospice.

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Church of Christ 110 Ninth St. Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. summer 8 p.m. winter	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.	First Baptist Church of Texico Rob Hollis - minister Sunday School - 9 a.m. mt Worship-10:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. mt Wednesday - 7 p.m. mt
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.	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	Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church Rev. Jonette Gay Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Monday men's prayer breakfast - 7 a.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	San Jose Catholic Church, Texico Sunday Mass - Noon mt Religious Education - 1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Community Meal - 1:15 p.m.	St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.
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.	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.	Assembly of God Church, Texico Bob Burris - minister Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. mt Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. mt Wednesday - 6 p.m. mt

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The Latest

Cindy Meeks at Farwell Hardware wants to remind everyone that they have UPS shipping available at her store -- and the sooner you ship your Christmas gifts the better.

Ronnie Puckett, 48, of Lazbuddie, was scheduled for trial in 287th District Court on Nov. 19, but it has been postponed until January.

District Clerk Sandra Warren said the postponement was made because Puckett has had surgery recently.

Puckett was arrested last June by the sheriff's office on a charge of possession of marijuana between 50 and 2,000 pounds.

He was released after posting \$10,000 bond.

Farwell Schools have been recognized by the Texas Education Association for successfully educating its migrant students.

TEA's Division of Migrant Education has picked Farwell as a winner of the 2002 Award given schools that had high TAAS passing rates among their migrant students.

Statewide, 111 school districts received this recognition.

Our tradition at the Tribune each Thanksgiving is to ask one of our local ministers to write on the topic for our main Page 1 story.

Next week, it will be presented by Rev. Bob Burris, of the Texico Assemblies of God Church.

Over the years, we have had these themes written by ministers from

Baptist churches, 6; Church of Christ, 4; Methodist, 2; Menonite, 1, and Lutheran 2.

The Lazbuddie varsity boys basketball roster includes Sterling Via, Kirby Kimbrough, Andy Martin, Cory Puckett, Monse Melendez, Tanner Gartin, Daniel Hefner, Tobin Redwine, Andrew Martinez, Chris DeLeon, Robby Martin, Roper Smith and Jose Beliz.

On the roster of the Lazbuddie junior high boys team are Dakota Williams, Brock Steinbock, Chase Timms, Bryce Haney, Rowdy Smith, Ryan Mason, Trevor Coker, Jacob Schacher, Jesse Gomez, Arturo Lucio, George Alvarez, Erik Estrada, Joaquin Campos, Bart Guillen and Jason Davis.

The Curry County Commission on Tuesday nominated Texico coach and teacher Dennis Roch to be a state senator, to fill the seat vacated by Shirley Bailey, R-Hobbs.

Roch, Curry County GOP chairman, would need to be appointed by the governor.

Ms. Bailey resigned her seat earlier this month, since her family is moving to Texas.

The Farwell JV Steers roster has been announced:

Robbie Tabb, Rowdy Mitchell, Jason Sudderth, Ty Gast, Colby Norton, Ryan McClaran, Chris Culver, Logan McFarland, Matthew Edwards, Luis Olmos, Fabian Reyes, Juan Carlos Vidaurri,

All District

The Texico Lady Spikers dominated the District 6 Class AA Volleyball Team.

All today, six of the 12 girls were named All-District.

* Dru Mayfield, outside hitter.

* Brittany Autrey, middle blocker.

* Sissy Loper, middle blocker.

* Megan Brown, setter

* Jayia Walls, honorable mention, setter.

* Ashley Kidd, honorable mention, outside hitter.



Brittany Autrey



Dru Mayfield



Ashley Kidd



Megan Brown



Sissy Loper



Jayia Walls

Trevor Norton, Zane Johnson, Jeremie Chandler.

762-4495. Rick Armstrong of Farwell, celebrated his birthday on Nov. 19.

This was an especially important birthday that made for a happy celebration following the head injury and hospitalization that Rick had to endure late last month.

James Willis, 24, of Texico was scheduled for arraignment Nov. 12, but Willis' attorney waived this right.

Willis was arrested and charged with involuntary manslaughter and contributing the delinquency of a minor.

The charges stem from the shooting death of Michael S. Johnson, 17, of Clovis on Aug. 10, 2002 in Texico.

The Ninth Judicial District Attorney's office will be setting a trial date to hear the fourth degree felony case.

The football game Saturday between Texico and Ft. Sumner will be broadcast on KSMX 107.5 at 2 p.m. mst.

ENMR-Plateau Telecommunication's board in October authorized the retirement of \$7 million in capital credits to its members.

Checks to individual members are scheduled for mailing the first week of December.

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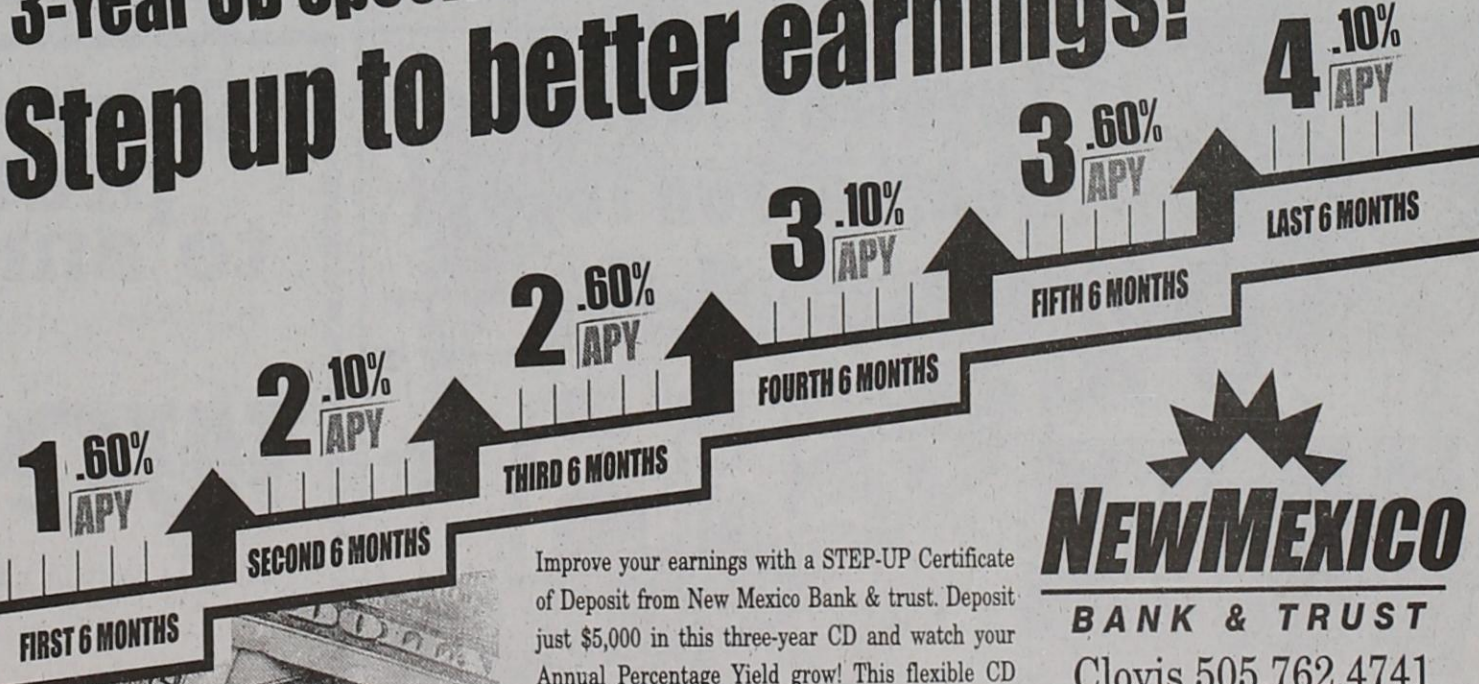
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Lazbuddie meeting place

One of the favorite meeting places in Lazbuddie is Treider's Electric. This is where a bunch of the buys gather each morning, and also after ball games. Pictured are Janie Neal, Brad Treider and Ted Treider.

Praise the Lord...

Here are some more psalms written by our youth as part of the Jesus Warriors program at Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church, where youngsters have been studying different ways to praise God.

by Colton Christian and Ballard Saul

Praise the Lord with all your heart
For He is the greatest God and the only God.

You have given Your son
None of us had the strength to do that.
You have furnished all our needs.
You gave us the earth, plants, animals, and us.

You are the only God.
You are wonderful.
You are merciful.
You are holy.

by Laney Christian and Mason Howard

Praise and love God for He loves you.
He has made the sky blue.
He has made you and me,
the ground, trees, plants, dirt.

You are awesome.
You are loving.
You are super.
You are terrific.

by Pace Fly and Keegan Langford

You make me feel like a bluebird in the trees, and a beautiful sunset, too.
You have created heaven and earth. Made the day bright and the night dark. You give us the choice to do what we want freely. You help us in our times of need.
You are most high. More powerful than anything else. You sit at your throne, watching us like a shepherd watches its sheep. You are as loud as thunder and as powerful as a storm.

Sheriff's Report

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

On Nov. 16, Johnny Alonzo, 21, of Dexter, N.M., was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On Nov. 18, Amador Davila Jr., 29, Lubbock, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of failure to appear on a driving with a suspended license charge. The case is pending in county court.



Top row from left, coach Glynn Martin, Faith Martin, Kristina Strickland, Micah Mayfield, Barbara Vidal, Claudia Rodriquez; bottom row, Sarah Zarate, Amber Bagwell, Ashley Conlee, Stephanie Vega, Bryn Mayfield, Amanda Riley.

The Latest

The Farwell School Board on Nov. 14 hired Kyla Ledbetter as a special ed assistant and for other duties.

In other business, the board:

-- Heard that the enrollment (Head Start through 12th grade) is 461.

-- Was told that drug testing commenced last month, with 40 students tested.

-- Noted that Nov. 26 will be a regular school day, with no early out. The holiday starts Nov. 27.

Word has been received of the death of Lois Magness, of T or C, N.M., sister of Velma Magness.

Brette Hadley, of Texico, will be the 2003 president of the Curry County 4-H.

Other officers will be: Mia Armstrong, vice president; Melissa Johnson, secretary; Curtis Williams, treasurer; Kirsty Forrest, reporter; Kecia Bradley, parliamentarian; Ryan Belcher, chaplain; and Jennifer Blackburn and Skyla Cockerham, historians.

A white longhair male cat was lost on 7th Street in Farwell last week. If found, please call 481-1970.

Tribune reporter Teresa Mesman ran into

former Tribune summer intern Greg Qualls, a Texico High graduate, last weekend.

Greg is doing very well and is three semesters away from completing his degree at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales.

He is a religion major and plans to enroll in seminary. He plans on becoming an international missionary.

He is also a Resident's Assistant in one of the men's dorms at Eastern.

Due to a miscue by school officials, it was reported last week that the Farwell Junior High basketball teams would start their season in the Melrose tourney Nov. 14-16.

The tourney will be held on Nov. 21-23.

The area received a gentle, lengthy rain last Friday.

Lonnie McFarland reports .49" fell at his home in Farwell, and .42" at the AGP grain elevator in Lariat.

Word has been received of the death of Ralph Shelton, 84, of Friona.

He lived in Friona since 1952 and helped start Bovina Feeders and Lazbuddie Feed Yard.

He was a former school board member.

Texico 7th grade volleyball team goes undefeated

The Texico 7th grade volleyball team had an outstanding season, going a perfect 12-0 under the tutelage of Coach Glynn Martin.

Coach Martin said, "We focused on passing, setting and hitting the ball. Whereas, most of the other teams would just pass the ball right back over the net on the first hit."

"We had some excellent overhand servers in Bryn Mayfield, Ashley Conlee, Stephanie Vega and Barbara Vidal. Faith Martin and Bryn Mayfield led the team in kills as the outside hitters, and Stephanie Vega covered the floor well as the team setter."

"Of course, the key to the game is good passing, and Sarah Zarate, Faith Martin and Bryn Mayfield displayed excellent passing skills. Other contributors to our game were Micah Mayfield, Amanda Riley, Kristina Strickland, Amber Bagwell and Claudia Rodriquez."

"The girls worked hard, played together as a team and never gave up. They were even able to beat two 8th grade teams to earn their undefeated record. Great things are expected from this team during next year's volleyball season."

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Wolverines whip Springer in state semi-final

The Texico Wolverines recorded the 8th shutout in their 11-0 season so far by whipping the Springer Red Devils, 36-0, here on Saturday in the state semi-final.

The Wolverines, ranked No. 2 in the state, will play the Ft. Sumner Foxes, ranked No. 1, for the state championship at 2 p.m. mt Saturday at Ft. Sumner.

Springer finished at 9-2. The clock began "running" midway through the final quarter due to the 35-point rule.

Tony Clements opened the game with a 25-yard kick return. On his first carry, Wolverine workhorse Adrian Loera broke tackles in gaining 35 yards. On his 2nd carry, he scored a 34-yard TD. The kick was wide and it was 6-0 in Texico's favor.

Springer started at its 20. Good tackles were recorded by Corey Bell and Bryce Bailey. Springer moved the ball well on the ground. Excellent tackles were made by Mark Peabody, Clements and Joe Zaikowski. Springer tried a field goal from the Texico 20. It was blocked by Zaikowski. Clements picked up the loose ball and returned it 23 yards.

The teams traded possessions. Landon Johnson and Bailey had good tackles. Then Johnson had a QB sack for a 2-yard loss.

In the 2nd quarter, Springer got down to the Texico 5. A field goal try was short. Springer had kept the ball almost 11 straight minutes, except for one play by Texico (a lost fumble) -- but got no points on the board.

Texico lost the ball again at its 35 on a fumble. Zaikowski killed a screen pass play. On 4th and 14, Springer went for it, but Braden Vaughan intercepted and galloped 65 yards for a TD. The pass for extra points was knocked down and it was 12-0 at 7:02.

The tams traded punts. Johnson tackled the punt returner. Johnson then had a big tackle, for a 14-yard loss, when Springer tried a halfback pass play. Springer tried to punt but the ball was snapped over the kicker's head and out of the end zone. The safety, at 1:08, gave Texico a 14-0 margin as the teams headed into halftime.

In the 3rd quarter, Springer started at its 23. Zaikowski and Peabody had strong tackles so Springer punted. Jesse Serrano had a huge punt return to the original line of scrimmage, the Red Devils 26. Loera ran for 12. A Vaughan pass to Johnny Serrano gained 9. But a 4th down play at the Spriner 11 failed.

Springer got the ball to its 21. But then its QB went back to pass, was chased, then tackled in the end zone for a safety by Johnson and Zaikowski at 4:47. This gave the Wolverines a 16-0 lead.

Clements had a huge kick return to the Springer 15. Seconds later, at 4:32, Peabody scored on a 10-yard run. The kick was blocked but Texico led 22-0.

The Springer kick returner was tackled by 8 Wolverines, showing the gang tackling that has personified the team's defense during its record season.

Bailey deflected a Springer pass, that Johnson

caught for the interception, and returned it 27 yards to the Springer 23. Johnny Serrano gained 17. Then Serrano scored from the 5 at 1:27. The kick was blocked and it was 28-0.

The 4th quarter started with Springer throwing lots of passes. Johnson broke up a pass. Then the Springer QB, in the midst of throwing, pulled his arm up short but the ball sailed forward, caught by Bailey for an interception at the Springer 43.

Johnny Serrano ran for a first down. Vaughan kept for 19 yards. A 5-yard pass to Johnson scored the TD at 7:24. Johnny Serrano ran in the 2-point conversion.

On defense, Bell had a good tackle. Clements intercepted in the end zone to end Springer's final threat.

Upcoming Sports

Basketball has begun to go full blast. Farwell Junior High boys host Bovina on Nov. 25 at 5 p.m., while the FJH girls play at Bovina at 5 p.m.

The Farwell JV and varsity teams host Sundown at 5 p.m. on Nov. 22, then play at Melrose on Nov. 26 at 5 p.m. ct.

The Lazbuddie varsity teams play at LCHS on Nov. 22, then at Kress on Nov. 26.

Texico Junior High teams take on Portales Nov. 26: the 7B, 7A and 8A girls host them, while the 7B, 7A and 8A boys play there.

The Texico varsity and JV teams are scheduled to open the season at Bovina on Nov. 26 at 3 p.m. mt.

Jody Miller to be in concert at Oklahoma Lane church

Grammy-award winning recording star Jody Miller will be in concert at the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church on Sunday, Dec. 1 at 10 a.m.

The church is at the intersection of Highways 145 and 1731. The phone number is (806) 965-2121.

Jody was raised in Oklahoma. Her first major recording contract was with Capitol Records where she had her first chart record, "He Walks Like a Man."

Soon after, she recorded her Grammy award winning hit "Queen of the House."

She has had other hit songs, including "Baby, I'm Yours", "There's a Party Goin' On" and "He's So Fine," for which she

was nominated for her third Grammy.

She has appeared on many TV shows like Nashville Now, Orange Blossom Special, The Tonight Show, CMA Awards Show and American Bandstand.

She entertained U.S. troops in Vietnam with Bob Hope, and performed at President Bush's inaugural ball two years ago.



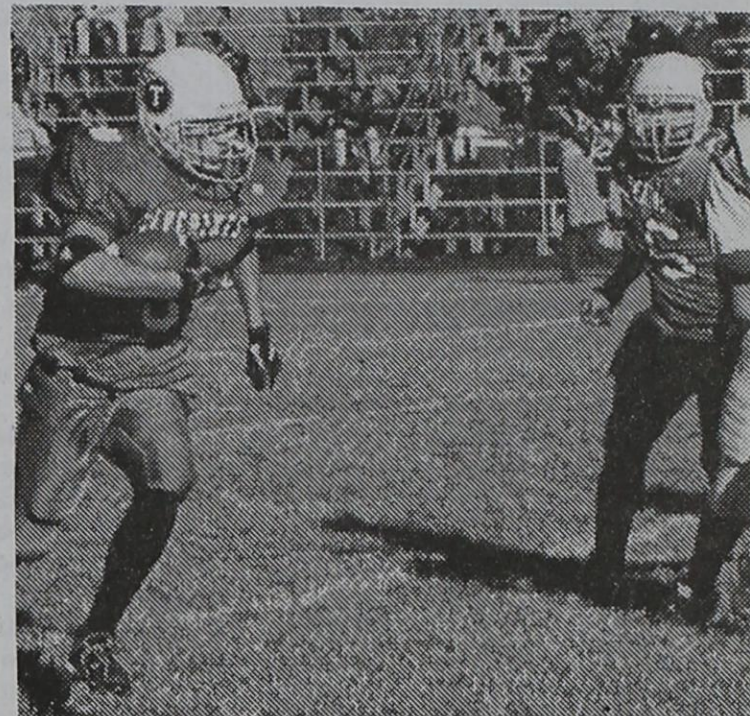
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For Texico, Vaughan hit 2 of 6 passes for 13 yards. Top rushers were Loera with 103 yards; Johnny Serrano, 40; and Peabody, 10.

To gain the title game, Ft. Sumner defeated Jai, 21-3. During the regular season, Texico beat Jai, 52-13.

Wolverines of the Week

Coach Prokop named as Wolverines of the Week for their play against Springer: offense - Adrian Loera, Braden Vaughan, Bryce Bailey; defense - Joe Zaikowski, Landon Johnson, Toby Thornton, Johnny Serrano, Bryce Bailey, and the secondary of Tony Clements, Braden Vaughan, Adrian Loera and Mark Peabody; and special teams - Corey Bell and Jesse Serrano.



Meet Texico's Class of 2015



Dillon Ward, a Texico kindergartener, has an Aug. 3 birthday. Parents are Ricky and Jody Ward. He has a brother, Jordan Broome. Grandparents are Danny & Sylvia Davis, and Larry & Luana Ward.

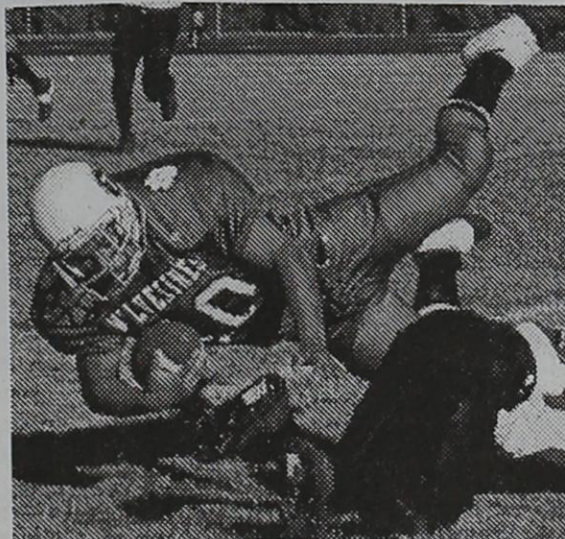
He likes to ride his bike, drive a truck, and working with his dad. His favorite food is pizza. His favorite color is blue.

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Texico FCCLA officers

Texico FCCLA officers for the year are, from left, Crystal Edwards, president; Heather Diaz, historian/reporter; Cristina Reynoso, vice president; and Dixie Aleman, secretary-treasurer.

Lazbuddie hires Jarboe as interim superintendent

The Lazbuddie School Board on Nov. 20 hired Tom Jarboe as interim superintendent. Jarboe, former Friona school superintendent and the board's consultant in seeking a new superintendent, will replace retiring Supt. Hardy Carlyle on Dec. 1. Jarboe will serve until the next superintendent takes over.

In other business, the board: -- Accepted a transfer student from Dimmitt. -- Scheduled the December board meeting for the 11th, so it doesn't conflict with basketball. -- Received the Academic Excellent Indicator System report. A public meeting on it will be held on Dec. 11. -- Heard that the JV girls basketball schedule was cancelled due to lack of players. Also, the JV boys schedule won't start for a few weeks because of injuries and academic ineligibilities.

Peck's service station closes

George Peck has closed his service station on Wheeler Avenue in Texico.

Happy 50th birthday, Scott Brown!

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The Texico Lady Spikers

As is the Tribune's tradition, we publish a picture at the end of a successful season for one of our local teams, and such is the case today with the Texico Lady Spikers. The girls finished 18-4 on the season, put six of its members on the All-District team, won district with an undefeated record, won the district tournament championship and made it to the state regionals. Quite an outstanding year for the Lady Spikes, coached by Michael Littlejohn!

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer county clerk's office recorded the following warranty deeds last week:
Gary Fly Jr. - Able Robles, L1-10, B14 Farwell.
Jeffery Steelman -- JKS Storage, part L2 B85 Bovina.
First Bank of Muleshoe -- Jason Brito, L18-20 B43 Bovina.
Celia Loflin - Teresa Nichols, L5 B5 Staley, Friona.
Washington Mutual Bank - Veterans Affairs, L9 B2 Ridgelea Bovina.

Farwell JH scholars listed

The Farwell Junior High 2nd 6 weeks honor roll includes:
6th grade - Nina Galvan, Kayla Sanders, Alicia Brand, Emilio Loera, Kade Foster.
7th grade - Shelby Christian, Roper Ledbetter, Bryce Howard, Maria Rodriguez, Logan Carpenter, Kamarie Schmidt, Perla Sanchez.
8th grade - Dan Patterson, Alex Olmos, Hailey McIntosh, Crystal Garcia.

County FSA accepting loan applications

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by severe drought and excessive temperatures that occurred this year are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency in Farwell.

Parmer County is one of 122 Texas counties named by the U.S. as eligible for loans to cover

part of actual production losses resulting from drought.

FSA's Tom Taylor said as a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for this loan.

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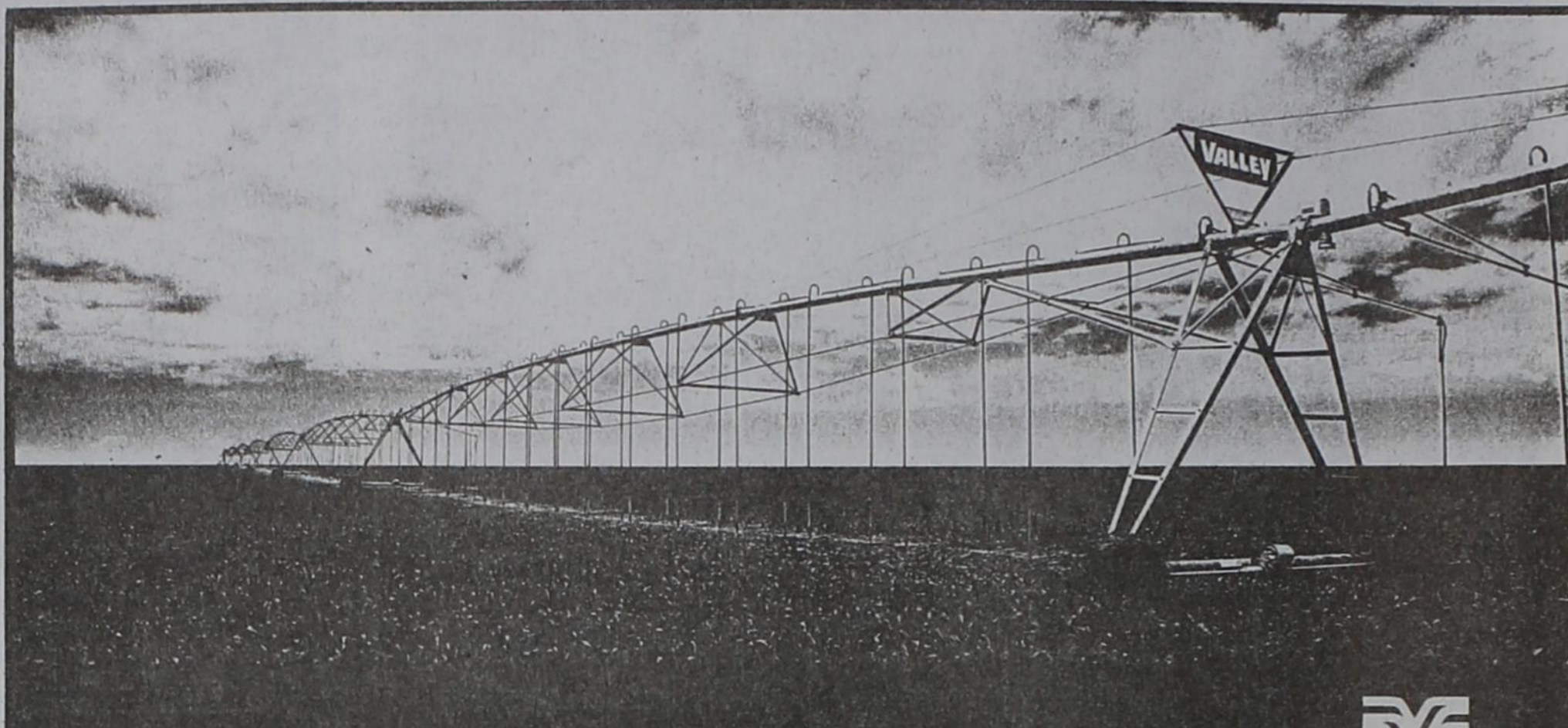
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