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First Baptist Church of Farwell celebrates 50th anniversary

"Golden Reflections -- 50 Years of God's Family" was the theme Sunday for the special service commemorating the 50th anniversary of the First Baptist Church of Farwell.

On hand were three former pastors -- J.L. Bass, Rick Sullivan and Pat Riley (their photos are among the pictures).

The day began with a reception in the parlor. Cookbooks containing recipes by local ladies were sold. The morning worship contained messages from former pastors.

A brisket meal was served in the fellowship hall afterward.

The day concluded with music and a slide presentation of the church's history.

Charter members and deacons were recognized, also.



Ballots set for Texas elections

The filing deadline has passed and the local Texas ballot lineups are established.

The major race will be for Lazbuddie School Board, with six candidates vying for three positions.

They are: Randy Smith, Paulette Foster, Sheldon Mason, Kim Kimbrough and incumbents Daniel Schacher and Donnie Coker.

Incumbent Tommie Martin, who was appointed to the board last year to fill an unexpired term, did not seek election.

There also will be races for posts on the Farwell School Board and Farwell Hospital District Board.

Seeking the three posts on the Farwell School Board are Randy Mitchell, Dr. Nancy Chasteen and incumbents Roberta Howard and Mike Woods.

Seeking the five posts on the Farwell Hospital District Board are Dr. Chasteen and incumbents Jack Kirkland, Tom Nichols, Tim Cooper, Greg Actkinson and Mike Ratke.

The only local election where there will not be a race is for Farwell City Council.

Incumbent Mayor Jimmie Mace and councilmen Tim Kasel and Joe Stanton were unopposed. Thus, all three are automatically elected.

Texico speed limit signs to be moved

Bob Kurtz, with the New Mexico State Highway Department was contacted Monday about the speed limit problem on Hwy. 108 in Texico (in back of Texico Schools).

In response to the Tribune's request to have the distances between speed limit changes investigated, Kurtz said he had officially drawn up a "Speed Declaration" document.

"The changes were too close together and there was valid cause for concern," he stated.

Basically, the speeds go from 55 to 45 to 15 mph within a few seconds.

The Speed Declaration is the official first step in changing the distance between the speed limit signs. The Declaration is now on its way to be signed in Sante Fe. Once the appropriate signatures are in place, the state will move the 45 mph speed limit signs 250 to 300 feet further north of the school.

"This action should take place within the next two to three weeks," Kurtz stated.

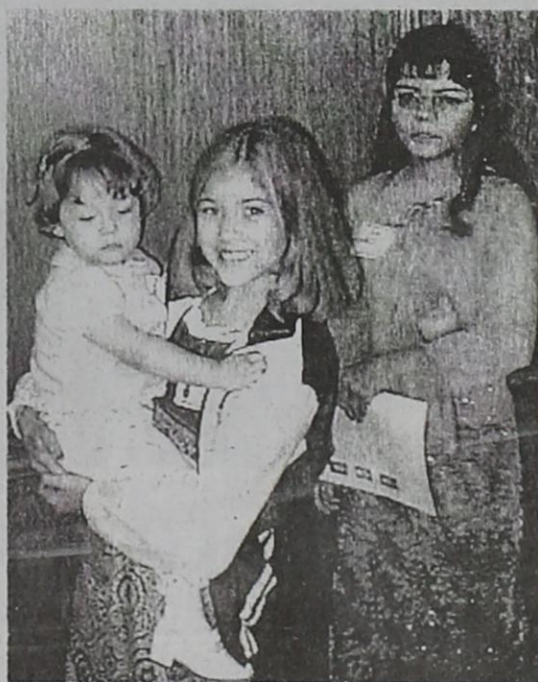
County approves jail plans

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday unanimously approved the plans for the new jail.

The 197 ft. by 107 ft., 49-bed facility will be built about 30 feet north of the current jail.

After it is built, the current jail will be used by all Parmer County offices for storage space, said

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Obituaries

Luigi Posada

Services for Luigi Posada, an infant who died March 21 at Clovis hospital nursery, have been held.

He was born March 21 in Clovis to Mario and Socorro Posada, of Texico.

Surviving are his parents; 3 brothers, Mario Jr., Jose and Sergio, all of Texico; and grandparents, Josefina and Petronilo Posada, of Texico, and Raquel and Vicente Monzarrez, of Juarez, Mexico.

The Rev. Sotero Sena officiated at the service. Burial was at Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens, Clovis.

Nicole Long

Services for Nicole Marie Long, 15, of Pikeville, N.C., were held on Saturday at First Assembly of God Church. Burial followed in Wayne Memorial Park.

She died on March 17

from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

A native of Austin, she was the daughter of TSGT David and Cynthia Long. A junior in high school, she was a member of the National Honor Society, the Math Club and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

She was active in the Power House Youth Ministry at the First Assembly of God Church.

Surviving are her parents; a brother, David Jr., of Greensboro, N.C.; maternal grandparents Doug and Mae Landrum, of Farwell; and paternal grandparents, the Rev. Marvin and Betty Long, of Clinton, Mo.

Farwell election cancelled

The Farwell City Council held a short meeting on Monday and approved a building permit for Ubaldino Treviso to place a carport at 507 4th St.

In other business, the council:

-- Approved buying a mosquito fogger for the street department.

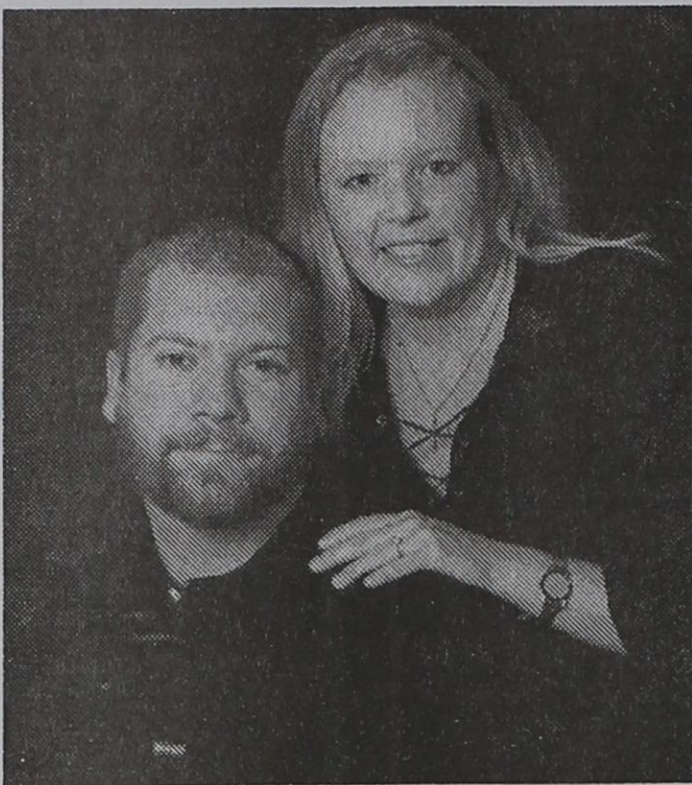
-- Received an overview of the new cot purchased for the EMS department.

-- Canceled the city election because there were only three persons filing for the three posts on the ballot.

Re-elected are Mayor Jimmie Mace and councilmen Tim Kasel and Joe Stanton.

-- Heard a progress report on the new city hall (the former drug store building).

A new roof has been put on it. City workers now will start renovating its interior.



Brea Travis and Brent Barner

Engagement told

Terry and Nedda Travis, of Farwell, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Georjina Brea Travis, to Brent Meredith Barner, the son of John and Dana Barner, of Kingwood, Texas.

The prospective groom attended West Texas A&M University where he played collegiate soccer for four years and completed his bachelor's degree in mass communications/production. He currently is the chief photographer at NBC Channel 4 in Amarillo.

The bride-elect also attended West Texas A&M University, receiving a bachelor's degree in biology. She currently is a student at the Texas Tech University School of Pharmacy, where she is in her second year of her doctorate of pharmacy.

The couple will wed on May 31 at Las Tiendas Courtyard in Amarillo.

The Latest

Martin Kube, of Farwell has been in Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

Ben Mesman, of Oklahoma Lane, has been in Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat hosted a Mexican Pile-On dinner and Bingo night Sunday as their monthly "Family Night."

Elizabeth Horner of Texico has also been in Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

Lazbuddie School will have its pre-k and kindergarten roundup on April 11 from 9 to 11 a.m. in the school library.

Bring your child's birth certificate, Social Security number and current immunization record.

Call Alicia Pacheco at 965-2152 for information if needed.

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DeeDee Pomper, vice president
Texas Press Association

Gober, Delgado, Cabello, Olmos, Christian take track 1st places

The Farwell High School girls' tracksters took 3rd place at the Anton Meet on March 14. Placing were:
3200 run - Kyra Christian, 1st, 14.30; Selene Delgado, 2nd, 14.54; Kary Mathys, 4th, 15.18.
800 run - Melissa Howard, 4th, 2.49; Beatrice Garcia, 5th, 2.53.
100 dash - Jennifer DeLeon, 4th, 14.49; Robyn Teltschik, 5th, 14.51.
400 dash - Khallie Foster, 4th, 68.70.
200 dash - Chelsea Meyer, 2nd, 21.6; Teltschik, 5th, 30.2.
1600 run -- Selene Delgado, 1st, 6.44; Kary Mathys, 7th, 6.54.
Shot put - Danielle Cargile, 7th, 25'8.
Discus - Cargile, 5th, 69.3.
Long jump - Nikki Gober, 6th, 11' 1/2.
Triple jump -- Gober, 1st, 33'1; Hailey Grimes, 6th, 30'6; and Foster, 7th, 30'8.
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The Farwell High boys' track team placed 6th at the Anton Track Meet on March 14. Placing were:

400 relay - Farwell, 5th, 47.83, Logan McFarland, Robbie Tabb, Matthew Edwards, Rowdy Mitchell.
800 run - Fabian Reyes, 5th, 39.30.
800 relay - Farwell, 5th, 1:39.68, McFarland, Tabb, Edwards, Mitchell.
1600 relay - Farwell, 4th, 3:53.38, Tabb, Logan McFarland, Edwards, Mitchell.
Shot put -- Jose Cabello, 1st, 43'5; Joel Chavez, 6th, 37'2.
Discus - Cabello, 2nd, 110'6".
Long jump -- Edwards, 7th, 18'4".
Pole vault - McFarland, 2nd, 8'0.

Farwell JV boys' results were:
Shotput -- Giovanni Moreno, 3rd, 36'2.
Discus - Roper Fulcher, 5th, 89'3.
100 dash - Luis Olmos, 2nd, 12:38; Justin Ware, 4th, 12.97.
400 dash - Olmos, 1st, 59.87; Ware, 3rd, 62.88.
200 dash - Olmos, 1st, 26.16.

Jail

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County Sheriff Randy Gerles.

The plans now go to Austin for approval. Meanwhile, bids will go out, and be received at the commissioners' April 28 meeting.

If all goes well, the new jail will be open for use late this fall.

One question still to be answered is whether to build the jail at ground level or raise it a couple of feet. This is due to plumbing problems. Periodically, there is a backup at the courthouse.

Thus, the new building will be raised, or a pump used, depending on the cost.

In other business, the commissioners:

-- Heard a presentation by Blue Moon Solutions concerning products and services. They talked about grant funds available to enhance communications.

-- Approved the following insurance coverages for Parmer County:

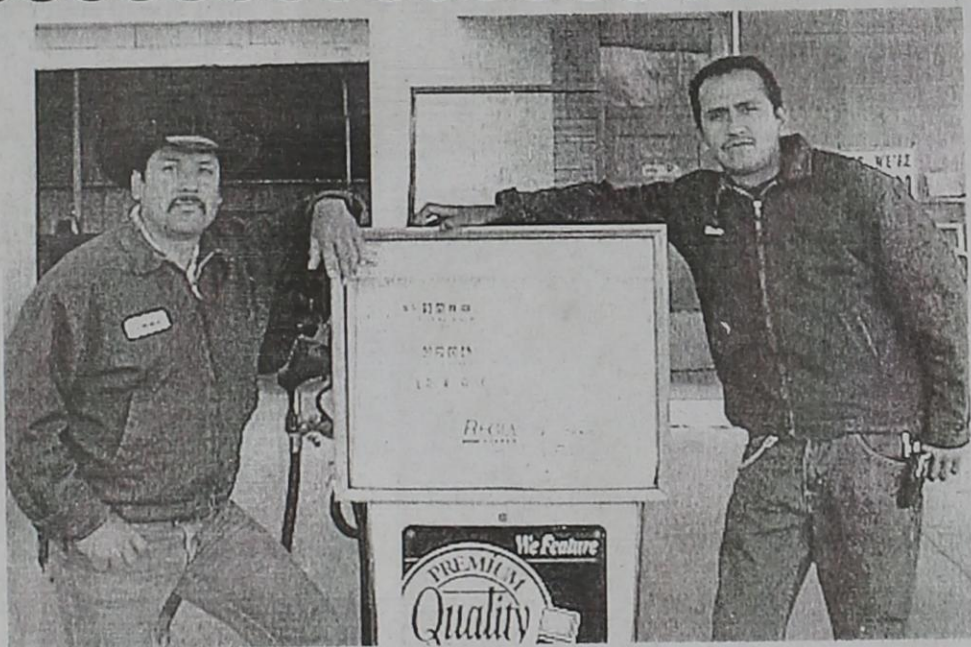
- Auto liability, \$7,616.
- Property, \$16,364.
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Basketball champions

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Signups under way for baseball, t-ball leagues

Sign-ups for Farwell Little League Baseball and T-Ball are under way. A second sign-up will be held March 28, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the lobby of the Farwell Jr. High gym. Children ages 5 to 12 who attend Farwell Schools or live in the Farwell School District are eligible. All games take place in Muleshoe; all practices are held in Farwell. A goal has been set to field two T-Ball teams and two Major League teams. This will give all players more time on the field and at bat. Coaches are also being lined up. Parents, friends and family that are interested in helping coach or assist on a team are encouraged to sign up as well. Registration is \$20 per player and includes the uniform, cap and league insurance. At the time of sign-up a copy of the player's birth certificate must be provided. (Please, do not bring original birth certificates to this sign-up, as copies cannot be made at the gym!) Returning players are not required to bring their birth certificates because they are already on record with the League. Some children may be involved in Spring soccer and the Little League assures parents that all practices and games will not conflict with their season, especially of those children playing in the Clovis Youth Soccer Association. For more information, contact, Teresa Mesman - 825-3830; Jack Kirkland, 481- 3321; or Greg Actkinson - 481-3327.



Karen Neie and Josh Waldrip

Engagement told

Glen and Freda Neie, of Farwell, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Karen Renee Neie, of Weatherford, Okla., to Joshua Quinn Waldrip, son of Randy and Angie Waldrip, of Lakewood, N.M. Karen is the granddaughter of Howard and Marcia Leavell, of Texico, and Oliver and Joy Neie, of Corrales, N.M.

She is a 1998 graduate of Texico High and currently attends Southwestern Oklahoma State University, pursuing a doctor of pharmacy degree.

Josh is the grandson of Walter and Freda Hicks, of Hico, Texas, and Stanley and Wanda Waldrip, of Lakewood.

He is a 1998 graduate of Artesia High and a 2002 graduate of New Mexico State University, where he received a bachelor's degree in wildlife science.

The couple will exchange vows at 8:30 p.m. at Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church in Farwell on May 24. All friends and family are welcome. No local invitations will be sent.

Conservation technical service information sought

USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is seeking information on current market prices for conservation technical services from existing and potential technical service providers by March 30.

The information will help NRCS establish payment rates for existing and potential technical service providers.

The 2002 Farm Bill expanded the availability of technical assistance to producers by encouraging third parties - called technical service providers - to help landowners meet their conservation goals.

Conservation technical services include conservation planning and the design, layout, installation and review of approved conservation practices. The work must meet NRCS standard and specifications, program requirements, and relevant laws and rules.

Mail responses to Ed Biggers, director, Management Services Division, Room 5221-S, USDA-NRCS, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250, or submit info online at <http://tspcost.sc.egov.usda.gov>.

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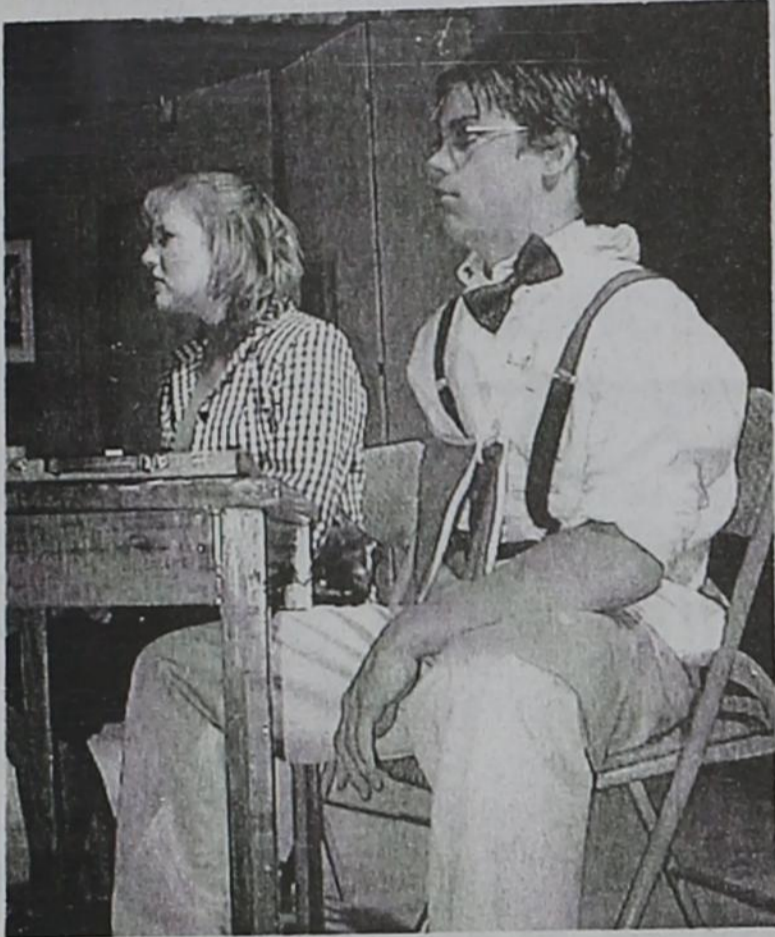
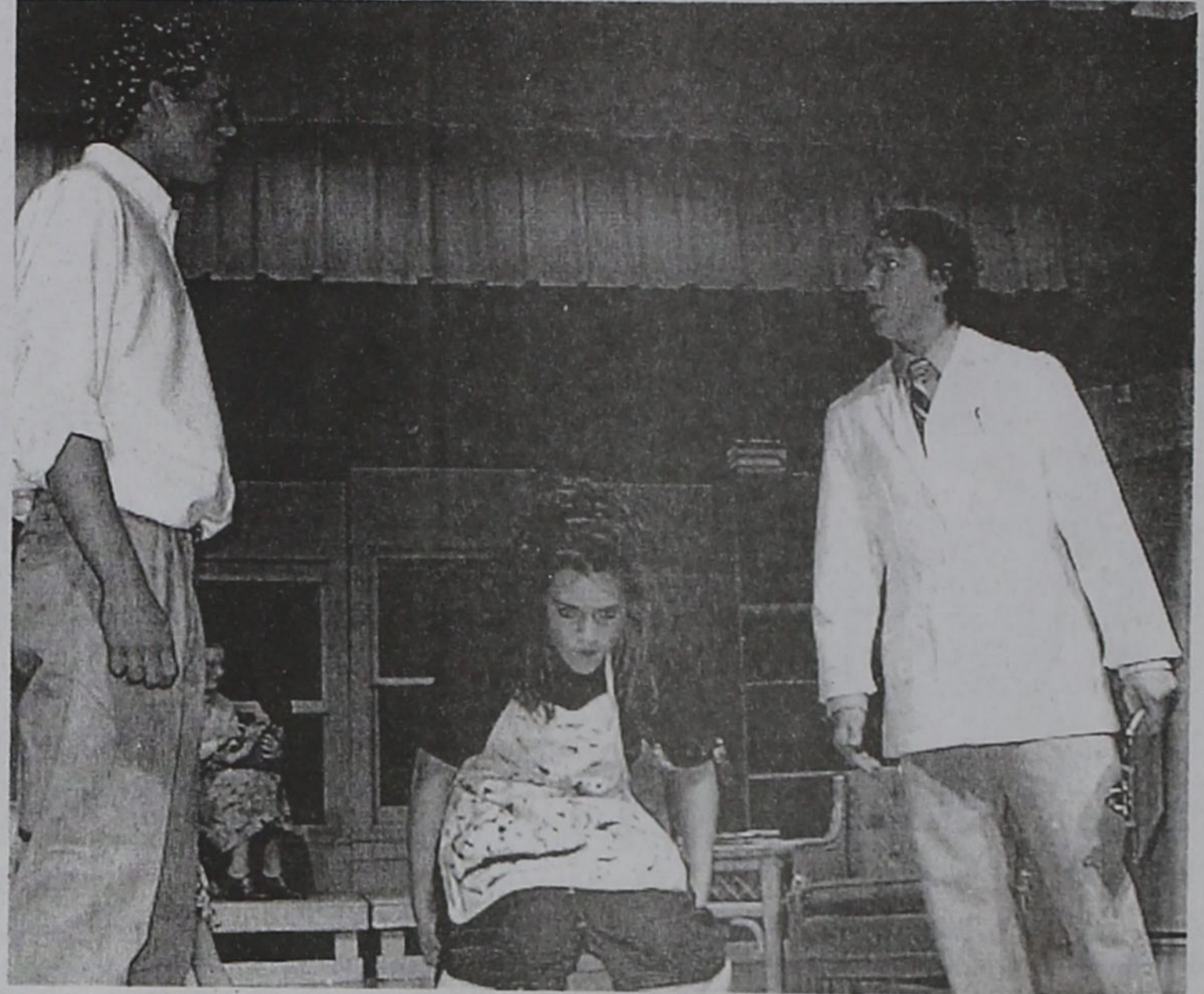
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Farwell One-Act Play advances

Farwell High School's One-Act Play, "The Curious Savage," was picked at the District 4-A North Zone Contest on Saturday to advance to the district competition. Farwell and Sudan were picked to advance. The contest, held here, also included Kress, Bovina, Hart and Springlake-Earth school. Farwell will present its play at the district contest on March 29 at Sundown, about 4:30 p.m. Named Best Actress was Micah Christian. Named to the All-star Cast were Devin

Goettsch, Hailey Grimes and Kyra Christian. Named Honorable Mention were Ashlie Martin and Danielle Cargile. Cast members are Ashlie Martin, Devin Goettsch, Kyra Christian, Michael Culver, Danielle Cargile, Grant Gregory, Colby Norton, Hailey Grimes, Micah Christian, Nikki Gober and Jason Johnson. Crew members are Daniel Kaltwasser, Jeremie Chandler, Logan Clemmer and Crystal Morris. The directors are Robin Gregory and Jo Pierson.


Texico Police Report

Here is the weekly report from Texico Police Chief Kelley Brophy: During the "Super Blitz" on Friday, about 30 tickets were issued, mostly to persons without auto insurance or driver's licenses. One arrest was made: Christian Luna, 29, of Lubbock was charged with possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute. Also on Friday night, police were called to a fight in the 400 block of Avenue F. The men ran off but were tracked to another house. Adrian Estrada, 18, of Texico, was charged with minor in possession of alcohol, possession of marijuana and resisting arrest. Paul Castillo, 19, of Texico, was charged with minor in possession of alcohol, possession of marijuana and resisting arrest; and Eric Smith, 21, of Texico, was charged with possession of marijuana, and furnishing alcohol to a minor.

Farwell boys' golf team wins Bovina tournament

Farwell golf reports from Chris Fontanilla: The Farwell boys "A" team took first place in the Bovina Boys' Golf Invitational on March 20. Tate Nichols won 1st place individually with an 80. Other scores were: Jason Sudderth, 95; Jeremie Chandler, 91; Johnny La-

vin, 85, and Ty Gast, 84. Farwell "B" team scores were: Colton Sudderth, 86; Grant Gregory, 93; Colby Norton, 139; and Jason Johnson, 108. Farwell girls' scores at the Bovina Girls' Golf Invitational on March 18 were: Micah Christian, 121; and Kristen Garcia, 124.



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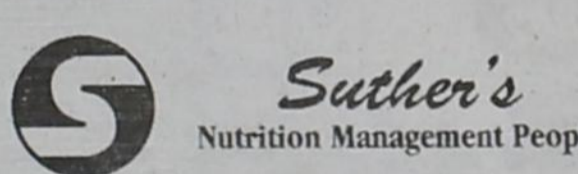
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LIVE CATTLE: Live Cattle prices turned higher this week and we should see higher cash prices going into next week. Look for strong resistance in the April contract around \$76.00-76.50. Odds are that once we get into early April, prices may come under some pressure from contract cattle with the possibility of one more drop into late April before major lows are done.

FEEDER CATTLE: Short term feeder charts are still pointing higher with some resistance above around the \$78.00 level. Similar to Live Cattle, look for a move up into early April followed by some pressure into late April. At this time, most of the pressure should be behind us and odds favor major long term lows are now in place. Much will depend on how the August Live Cattle fair.

CORN: Short term trends turned higher this week, but prices looked a little weak on Friday? When prices broke below the January lows this week, projections point down towards the \$2.22 area basis the May contract? Odds are that the 3 million acre increase the analysts are projecting will not happen. Corn is now at 7 month lows and beans at 10 month highs. Why plant corn over beans?

SOYBEANS: Short term trends have remained higher even though prices continue to trade inside a tight range. There has been plenty of negative news taking place and yet prices have held strong. The fact that prices are now in a corrective mode (sideways) leads us to believe that there will be another move up, possibly up towards the \$6.50-7.000 area basis the nearby contract.

WHEAT: Although the July KC Wheat made attempts to rally on Thursday, most of those gains were gone by Friday's close. There are rumors that U.S. Wheat will be shipped to the Middle East to support refugees, but apparently not enough to support domestic prices. Much needed moisture over most of the major wheat growing areas has pressured prices. Targets are close at \$3.06.

COTTON: Trends remain higher even though price action has remained choppy. Until recently, prices would see a big move up in one day followed by two or three down days and then back up again? World demand has remained strong enough to support this rally, but the December contract is dragging behind the nearby months. Still looks like a shot at 65-68 cents is possible.

They serve

We salute our military

The Tribune is publishing photos of local servicemen and women, along with information about them.

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Kyle Helton

A/C Kyle Helton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Helton, is stationed at the U.S. Air Force Base at Minot, N.D.

Currently, he is deployed to the 8th Air Force in England as a crew chief member for the B-52s - the planes flying sorties over Iran.

Helton has been in the Air Force for two years.



Tobie Askew

Tobie Askew, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Askew, of Texico, is a private in the U.S. Army stationed at Fort Hood, Texas. Currently, he is deployed to Corpus Christi, Texas.

He entered the Army in February 2002. He is a member of a maintenance company.

Tobie graduated from Texico High School in 1998.

Johnny Miranda

Leroy Salinas

Two Texico High School graduates are currently serving in the military.

Johnny Miranda graduated in 1998. He is in the U.S. Navy stationed at Fort Worth.

Leroy Salinas graduated in 1999. He is the U.S. Marines, stationed at San Diego.



Monti Vandiver
Extension Agent-IPM
Parmer County

It's time to apply pre-emergent herbicides

Now is the time to start applying pre-emergent herbicides for the control of summer annual weeds in lawns, commercial sites, sports fields and on golf courses.

To be effective, these products need to be applied and watered in thoroughly before the weed seed start to germinate.

The sooner the herbicide is watered in following application the better since sunlight will break down these materials when left on top of the turf grass plants. Once the weed seed has germinated and the plant is actively growing, most of the pre-emergents will have little or no effect on controlling the annual weeds.

For post-emergent control of winter weeds, applicators need to wait until daytime temperatures are at least 50 to 55 degrees F for the application of the broadleaf herbicides, and at least 85 degrees F for the post-emergent control of grassy weeds.

Most of the post-emergent broadleaf herbicides are in the growth regulator category. For these herbicides to be effective the plants need to be actively growing. The ideal temperature range for most of these broadleaf products is in the 70 to 85 degree F range.

One of the big problems with application of herbicides to turf grasses in home lawns is the over application of product because of poor calibration of sprayers and/or spreaders.

This over application generally results in damage to

the turf grass plants. Contact your local Texas Cooperative Extension office to obtain a guideline for the calibration of a spreader for the application of dry products, such as pre-emergent herbicides.

ENMR•Plateau co-op to meet April 19 in Clovis

The 54th annual ENMR•Plateau membership meeting will be on April 19 at Marshall Junior High Auditorium in Clovis.

Member registration starts at 8 a.m. mt and ends at 10 a.m., when the business meeting begins.

Meeting highlights include reports from the board president, committees and chief executive officer; election of board members; and presentation of Education Foundation Scholarship winners.

Board posts to be elected are:

Position 1 -- Ranchvale, South Clovis, Pleasant Hill and Farwell exchanges. Incumbent is Kenny Wilhite, of Pleasant Hill.

Position 2 -- Ranchvale, South Clovis, Pleasant Hill and Farwell exchanges. Incumbent is Frank Blackburn, of Ranchvale.

Position 13 -- Bellview, San Jon, Logan and Grady exchanges. Incumbent is Larry Wallin, of Logan.

Position 7 -- Roy, Clayton and Nara Vista exchanges. Incumbent is Dee Perschbacher, of Amistad.

Position 11 -- White Lakes, El Valle, Anton Chico, Trementina, Mosquero, Conchas Dam and Santa Rosa exchanges. Incumbent is Walt Eastland, of Santa Rosa.

Position 5 -- Ft. Sumner, House, Ragland and Weber City exchanges. This position is open due to the death of Mike Teeter, of Ft. Sumner.

Door prize drawings will be held, and lunch provided in Clovis. All participating members will receive registration gift items.

Set of keys found in city park

A set of keys was found in Farwell city park. If they might belong to you, contact Cynthia Thigpen at City Hall earlier this month.

Thank You

To all of our Farwell-Texico friends:

The family of Frank C. Ancira wishes to express our gratitude to God for his life, for your friendship, kindness and prayers.

The Ancira Family



Look who's 40!!!!

Happy Birthday, Randy!!!!

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Rain falls

The area received a nice steady, soaking rain on March 19.

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Mark your calendar

Folks, it's time to mark your calendars - April 12.

That's the day for the annual Farwell Chamber of Commerce banquet, and it promises to be really special this year.

I was very impressed the last two years at Border Town Days when a lovely lady from the Hub area named Janet Denton stepped into the gazebo to sing and play the keyboard.

She was magnificent. Well, this year, Ms. Denton has agreed to sing at the Chamber banquet. If you have not heard her, you are in for a real treat.

I remember the first year when she sang a Mariah Carey song, and I thought she did a better job with it than Ms. Carey did. That's no lie.

Besides hearing Ms. Denton entertain, the Chamber again will honor Man of the Year, Woman of the Year, Agriculturalist of the Year, Teacher of the Year and Students of the Year.

An outstanding meal is on hand, to be catered by Linda Moss & The Lunchroom Ladies (sounds like a rock band, doesn't it?).

The cost is the same as last year, \$15 per. Tickets are available at many Farwell businesses, including the State Line Tribune, Hughes Auto Parts, Kirkland CPA, Franse Irrigation, Byrd Realty, etc.

The meal starts at 7 p.m., preceded by appetizers at 6:30 p.m. The event will be held at the Farwell Community Center.

If you want a fun and exciting evening, plan to be there.

And get your tickets early!

I know it's a bit early to be thinking about Border Town Days, but the first meeting of the planning committee is coming up.

It will be held on Monday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m. ct at the Texico Fire Hall.

This is quite an important meeting because some relevant decisions will be made.

Thus, we would love for folks to join us at the meeting. "New blood", so to speak, is vital in maintaining our strong LTD tradition.



At the meeting, we will elect officers; pick a theme for this year; and choose the Honorary Parade Marshals.

So if you have any ideas along these lines, please come and present them.

And don't worry about being made an "officer" just because you attend. We have a good set of folks who serve on our committee each year, so you wouldn't get "stuck!"

We are so fortunate to

have a strong LTD celebration each year (and remember - it's always the last Saturday in July).

A lot of such events in other small communities have fallen by the wayside as time goes by. But our LTD continues to be strong - thanks to folks like you who support it.

So if you are interested in helping out in some way, or just wish to offer some ideas, please attend our April 14 meeting.

One of the most difficult things we have to accept, as adult parents, is the fact that our children will not have better lives than we have.

Most of us had parents and grandparents who at one time or another said that they worked hard so their children could have better lives.

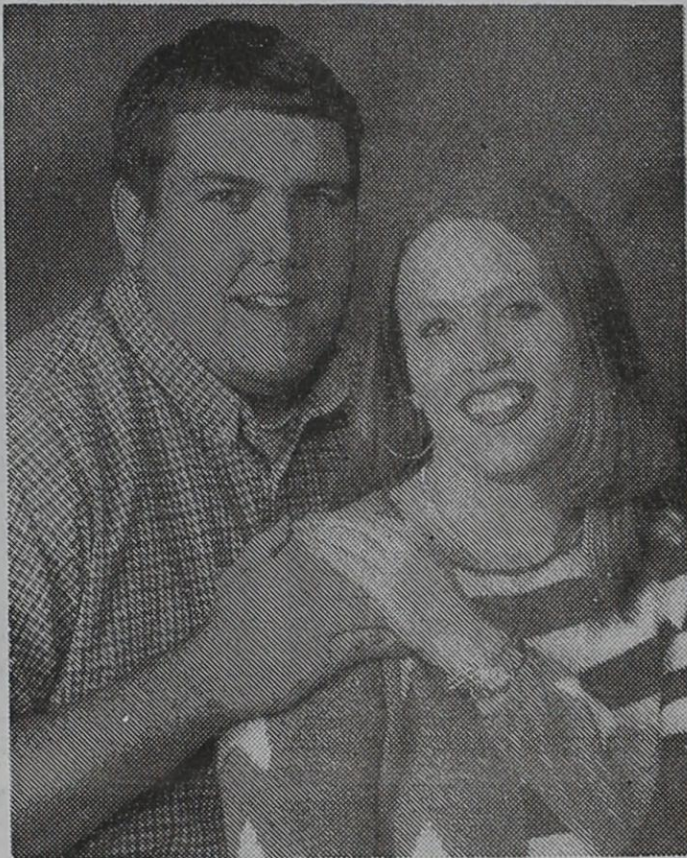
Courthouse Notes

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

Countrywide Home Loans - HUD, L5 B9 Staley Add, Friona.

Elwin Collier - Nickey Collier, S/2 S28 T4S R4E. Countrywide Home Loans - USA, L4, N5' L5 B24 Friona.

Monty Allen et al - Tomasa Carranza, pt S6 T4S. Ralph Shelton estate - Wesley Barnett, NE/4 S15, S17 Blk C less 10 ac.



Shena Seaton and Michael Parks

Approaching marriage

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Seaton, of Lazbuddie, announce the engagement of their daughter, Shena Seaton, to Michael Parks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parks, of Walters, Okla.

Shena is a 1999 Lazbuddie High graduate and is currently a senior at Oklahoma State University.

Michael is a 1999 graduate of Walters High, a 2001 graduate of Murray State College, and currently attends Oklahoma State University.

The wedding is scheduled for 2 p.m. on May 17 at the First United Methodist Church in Stillwater, Okla. A reception will follow.

The daughters of Allie Burris wish to thank everyone who donated food, time, flowers and donations to the Bible Fund.

Your prayers were especially appreciated.

Meet Farwell's Class of 2015



Xavier Germain is a Farwell kindergartener. His birthday is July 15. Parents are Louis Germain and Maria Nicolas. Siblings are Tomas, Facio, Angel and Jr. Grandparents are Alberto and Sahara Nicolas, Rosa Hernandez and Tomas Rey.

He likes to ride his bike and play outside. His favorite foods are mashed potatoes and gravy. His favorite color is red.

He doesn't like chocolate milk, and cleaning his room.

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But with the way our economic structure is going, we must face the obvious: our children will have worse lives.

Just think of some of the recent changes in our society:

-- The growing number of young adults who are living with their parents, because they cannot afford to make it on their own.

-- The credit card debt that is crushing so many of our young families.

-- The skyrocketing number of personal bankruptcies.

-- The fact that so many young adults can no longer afford insurance.

-- The turning to drugs and alcohol by so many youths as their way of "dealing" with their lives.

The list goes on and on.

And why? Because, in my opinion, a lack of statesmanship and foresight by our political leaders.

The continuing decline of American society could have been prevented to a large degree. And, yes, if our political leaders wanted to, they could change many problems around.

But they won't. Because they are not capable of understanding the "big picture."

Frankly, most of our leaders don't understand geopolitics. They don't have a good understanding of how economics work. They cannot fathom the fact that the middle class has declined to a point where we have a two-tier society, of rich and poor. They are utterly lost in these venues.

However, our political leaders are handsome, Anglo, wealthy and great speakers and debaters! And they sure know the law...

I have gotten sick and tired of writing about insurance problems. How many years???

Oh, yes, actions are starting to be taken. But on a piecemeal basis, state by state. That is not

how to attack a major problem that is crippling our society.

Where, or where, is the leadership? I feel like a whisper in the desert, crying out to be heard. Yet my echo falls on no ears.

I was reading a bulletin from Texas Realtors last week that spoke of a statewide survey they took. It said that 51 percent of the state's Realtors said one or more of their clients were unable to secure homeowners insurance coverage at all.

And home ownership also has been the base of a strong middle class. One more dagger in it.

Anyway, the bulletin went on to talk about bills coming before the state legislature on the problem.

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Same goes for the health insurance crisis.

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What the heck, nobody cares. As the noose tightens around our children's future, you don't care, do you?

In watching the Iraq War coverage, did you notice that the lead ground element was the 3rd Infantry Division?

That's my old unit. I served with the 3rd Inf Div's 504th Administration Co.

I'm proud of them.

Rumor of the Week: Bill and Carol Ellis are selling the Friona Star and Bovina Blade to a Friona couple.

Ellis has been a Parmer County newspaperman for 41 years and is retiring. But he may continue to write some sports for the Star.

Texico

Monday - grilled cheese, soup, crackers, fruit, milk.
Tuesday - frito pie, corn, fruit, milk.
Wednesday - baked potato with chili cheese, garden salad, hot rolls, fruit, milk.
Thursday - cheese burger, lettuce, tomato, french fries, fruit, milk.
Friday - tuna sandwiches, fritos, pickle spears, orange, cookie, milk.

Farwell

Monday - tamales, pinto beans, cornbread, fruit salad, milk.
Tuesday - chicken nuggets, baked potato, tossed salad, apricot cobbler, milk.
Wednesday - sub sandwich, lettuce leaf, pickles, sliced pears, peanut butter cookie, milk.
Thursday - pizza, tossed salad, corn, apple sauce cake, milk.
Friday - nachos, taco salad, pinto beans, fruited gellatin, peanut butter cup, milk.

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Please attend church services (All times are CT unless specified)		
<p style="text-align: center;">Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church</p> <p>Worship Service - 9 a.m. Sunday School - 10 a.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Farwell Convalescent Center</p> <p>Bill Bridwell - chaplain. Sunday services - 9 a.m. Bible Study - 3 p.m. Friday & 2:30 p.m. Wednesday</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Church of God in Christ, Mennonite</p> <p>James Koehn - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Church of Christ 110 Ninth St.</p> <p>Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. summer 8 p.m. winter</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">United Pentecostal Church of Texico</p> <p>Rev. Mickee Mounce Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11:15 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 8 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">First Baptist Church of Texico</p> <p>Rob Hollis - minister Sunday School - 9 a.m. mt Worship - 10:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. mt Wednesday - 7 p.m. mt</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">First Baptist Church of Farwell</p> <p>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.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Pleasant Hill Baptist Church</p> <p>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</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church</p> <p>Rev. Jonette Gay Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Monday men's prayer breakfast - 7 a.m.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Lariat Church of Christ</p> <p>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</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">San Jose Catholic Church, Texico</p> <p>Sunday Mass - Noon mt Religious Education - 1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Community Meal - 1:15 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat</p> <p>David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">New Light Baptist Church</p> <p>Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Bible Study - 7:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Farwell Church of Christ</p> <p>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.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Assembly of God Church, Texico</p> <p>Bob Burris - minister Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. mt Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. mt Wednesday - 6 p.m. mt</p>

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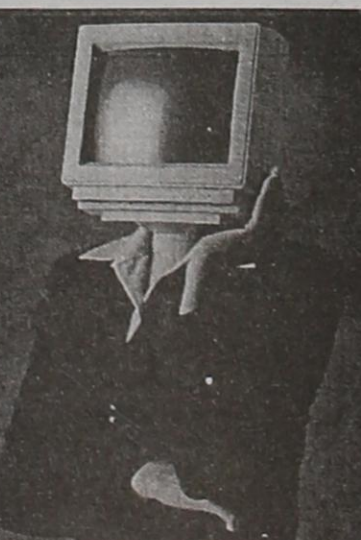
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Chief Brophy working on 'strays' problem

The Texico City Council on Tuesday heard Police Chief Kelley Brophy report on proposed changes in the animal ordinance to help with the "strays" problem, especially with folks feeding stray cats.

Brophy reported that since the problems have been reported, the situation has improved. He has talked with Clovis officials about a fine schedule, and will report on it at the next council meeting in April.

In other business, the council:
-- Okayed the permit fee schedule recommended by city inspector Terry Martin.

-- Accepted the bid of Grimes & Associates, for \$1,535, to check on whether there is an asbestos problem at the current city hall.

-- Heard Fire Chief Lewis Cooper report on the Ute Lake Water Commission. He said some participating communities have increased their sales tax a quarter percent or increased their water fees to help pay expenses for it.

-- Heard Brophy report that the swimming pool will need some painting before opening. He has \$3,100 on hand for the pool and estimated it will cost about \$500 to get it ready. Six lifeguards likely will be hired. Three will be on duty at all times. They will be paid \$6 an hour. The pool will open when school ends in May.

-- A business registration for the new service station was tabled until Martin can do his inspection.

-- At Cooper's request, okayed a mutual aid pact with the Clovis fire department, aimed at the new apartment complex in south Texico, if needed.

Board directors re-elected at Deaf Smith Co-op meeting

A huge crowd, 1,480 persons, attended the 65th annual meeting of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative at the Hereford Bull Barn on Tuesday night.

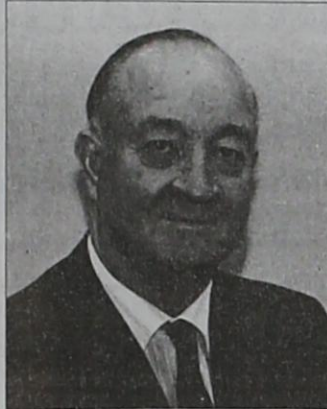
Three board posts were on the ballot and the incumbent directors were re-elected:

-- Position 1, Clark Andrews won over L. Dee Taylor.

-- Position 2, Clarence Martin won over David Carthel.

-- Position 3, Donald Wright won over Mark Cluck.

The crowd enjoyed the Flying J Wranglers, from Ruidoso, N.M., perform. A photo of the group is on Page 9.



Clarence Martin

One million dollars worth of capital credits from 1990 and a part of 1991 were returned to co-op members.

A meal of beef, fish and chicken was provided, and door prizes worth more than \$1,000 were awarded.

Farwell Chamber finalizes plans for annual banquet

The Farwell Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday finalized plans for the annual banquet on April 12.

Fred Chandler will be emcee. Linda Moss is in charge of the brisket dinner. ESA Sorority will decorate. Beta Sigma Phi will handle the appetizers.

Singer Janet Denton will entertain after the dinner. Persons to be honored have been picked by a committee.

In other business, the Chamber:

-- Okayed a \$250 donation for the upcoming trip

by about 10 Farwell students to work at the state legislative session.

-- Plans to have a 2-person, 18-hole golf scramble at the Farwell Country Club on June 21 as a fund-raiser.

The cost will be \$50 per person. Prizes will be given.

Chris Fontanilla and Ronald Byrd are spearheading the event.

Funds raised go toward scholarships that the Chamber gives to Farwell students each year.



Top spellers

Farwell Elementary School held its spelling bee on Feb. 28, with 32 pupils in grades 3, 4 and 5 participating. The local bee champion was 4th grader Ray White. Fifth grader Nikki Gholston was 2nd. Fourth grader Landry Actkinson was 3rd, and alternate was 5th grader Torrey Davis. The Parmer County spelling bee was held in Bovina on March 5 and White became Parmer County champion, too. Actkinson placed 3rd in the county.

The Latest

Lazbuddie School's lunch menus for next week are:

Monday - steakburgers (pk-1), pizza, subs.

Tuesday - fiesta pile-on, tuna sandwiches, bean burritos (pk-1).

Wednesday - roast/gravy, mashed potatoes.

Thursday - hot dogs (pk-1), BBQ sandwiches.

Friday - special.

*** Ruby Meeks offers a patriotic suggestion:

Have U.S. flags placed all along main street in Farwell with notes under each having the names of local servicemen and servicewomen on them.

That way, our area can honor those from here serving in the armed forces.

*** Farwell Elementary School will have its

Scholastic Book Fair the week of March 31-April 4.

It will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

A special family event is planned for 7:30 on April 2. All are welcome to attend.

For more information, call Angela Thompson at 481-9131.

Girls' golf team takes 1st

The Farwell girls' golf team took 1st place on Monday in the Farwell golf invitational.

Farwell had a 414. Scores were Mindi Roberts, 89; Tara Achterberg, 110; Amanda Barnes, 109; Micah Christian, 116; and Kristen Garcia, 106.

Sudan was 2nd with 447 and Bovina 3rd with 453.

Bailey Warren had a 120 for Farwell, also.

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Jimmie Mace, mayor

Attest:
Cynthia Thigpen, city secretary

Notice to Bidders

The Farwell Independent School District is accepting bids for roof repairs at the school cafeteria and auditorium. Bids will be accepted until 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 11, 2003. If you are interested in placing a bid, please contact Supt. Larry Gregory, Farwell I.S.D., Box F, Farwell, Texas 79325. You may call (806) 481-3371 for a specification list.

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

Larry Gregory
Superintendent

Notice to Bidders

Pursuant to the Local Government Code Annotated Chapter 116, Notice is hereby given that the Parmer County Commissioners Court will select a depository bank for Parmer County Funds and Parmer County School Funds.

Sealed applications must be brought or mailed to Bonnie Clayton-Heald, County Judge, 401 Third Street, Room 104, PO Box 506, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 10:00 a.m., Monday, April 21, 2003, at which time all applications will be considered.

The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications. The Depository Contract will be awarded at the Commissioners Court meeting on Monday, April 28, 2003, at 10 a.m.

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1997 Chevy Suburban 4x4 #36062A	\$13,995	2000 Cadillac Deville W/Top, #31008A	\$21,995
1997 Chevy Ext. Cab Z71 #P6750	\$14,995	2002 Chevy Trailblazer 2WD #31010A	\$21,995
2002 Ford Taurus SES #P6843	\$14,995	2002 Ford Explorer EB 4x4 #P6873	\$26,995
2001 Dodge Ram RC 4x4 #P6787	\$15,995	2001 Chevy Tahoe 4x4 LS #36097A	\$27,995
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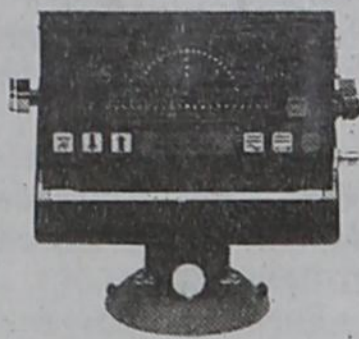
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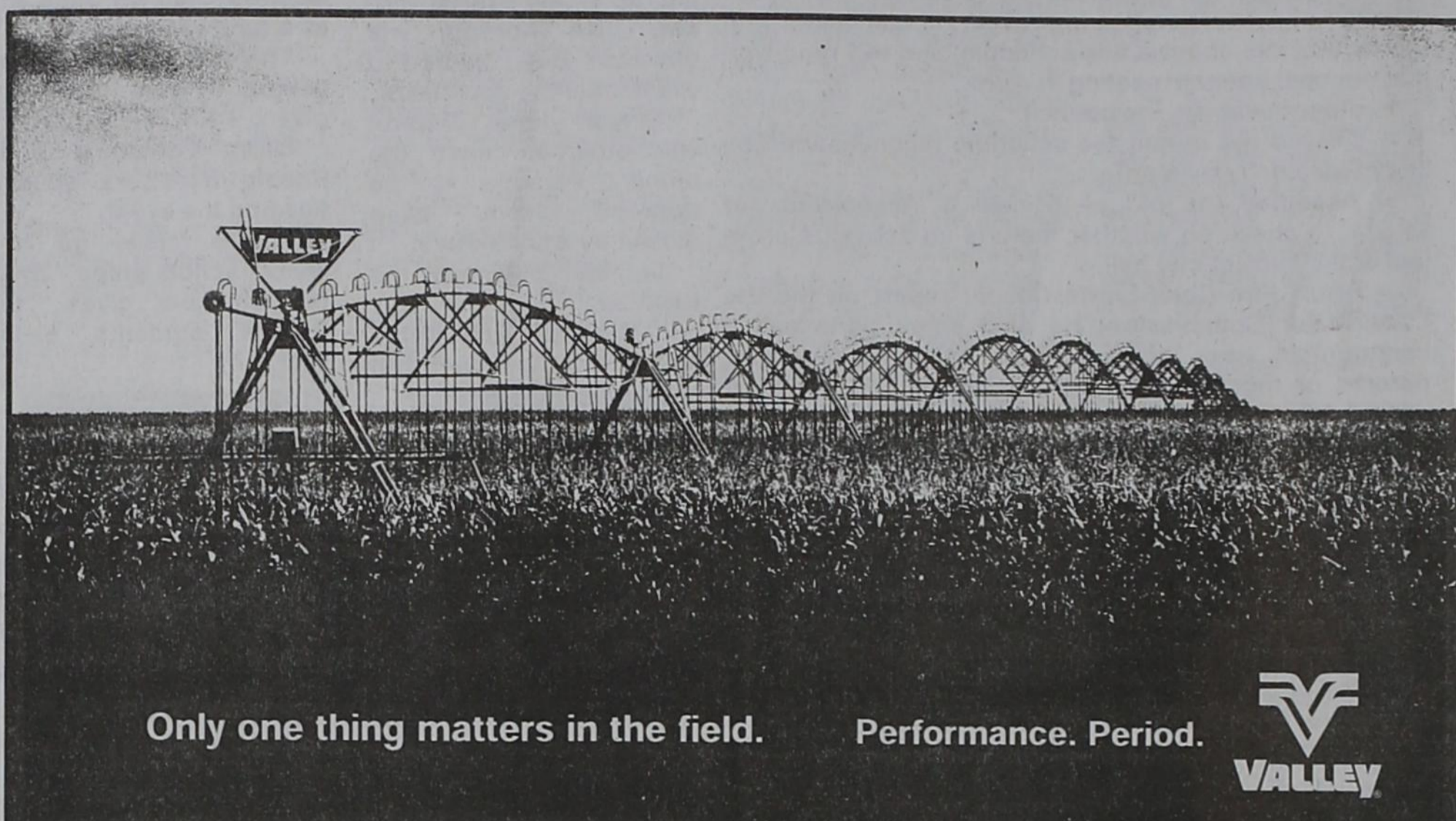
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Hair donation

Linda Mathys, of Farwell, grew her hair long, then had it cut at the Beauty Box on Friday. She donated the cut hair to the American Cancer Society, for use as wigs.

Herington joins clerk's office

Priscilla Herington is now employed in the Parmer County clerk's office.



Flying J Wranglers

The Flying J Wranglers, of Ruidoso, N.M., performed at the Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative annual meeting on Tuesday in Hereford. The Wranglers are run by Farwell High grad James Hobbs and his wife.

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.

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



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January 1st, 1907, he was appointed Postmaster of Texico, is vice president of the Texico National Bank, and also holds several other offices of responsibility. He is a member of the New Mexico Medical Society and of the American Medical Association. He is a member of the Masonic and Woodman lodges and of the Methodist church. He is earnest and active in every movement toward the improvement and upbuilding of his home town and has liberally assisted, both financially and otherwise, every measure toward building up the town.



J. I. Phillips.

J. I. Phillips, the photographer, who made most of the photos from which the cuts were made for this edition. He is a fine photographer and the work he turns out is his best advertisement.

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Sheriff's Report

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On March 19, Mark Longerio, 21, of Bovina, was ar-

Pre-registration set for Life in Christ Academy

Pre-registration for the 2003-2004 school year for Life in Christ Academy will be held on April 1 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Life in Christ Academy school building.

It is located next to St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat just off Hwy. 84, east of Farwell.

This is the main registration. Registration, though, will continue, through the month.

Classes for 3 and 4 year olds will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to noon. The pre-school follows the Farwell

ISD calendar for the holidays.

Children must be 3 years old before Sept. 1 and completely potty trained.

Tuition for LICA is \$80 per month. A non-refundable registration fee of \$35 is due at the time of registration.

For more information, contact LICA director Tina Symm at 825-3074 or Gary Haseloff at 481-9453.

rested by Bovina police on a charge of assault. The case is pending in county court.

On March 23, Ricardo Ortiz, 22, of Friona, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On March 16, Serjio Pena, 21, of El Paso, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On March 22, Guadalupe Izaguirre Jr., 32, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of driving on a suspended license. The case is pending in county court.

On March 23, Jose Aguirre, 42, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On March 23, Fredy Martinez, 22, of Bovina, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On March 23, Jason Teague, 31, of Amarillo, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on charges of possession of a controlled substance, pending before the grand jury, and possession of marijuana under 2 oz., pending in county court.

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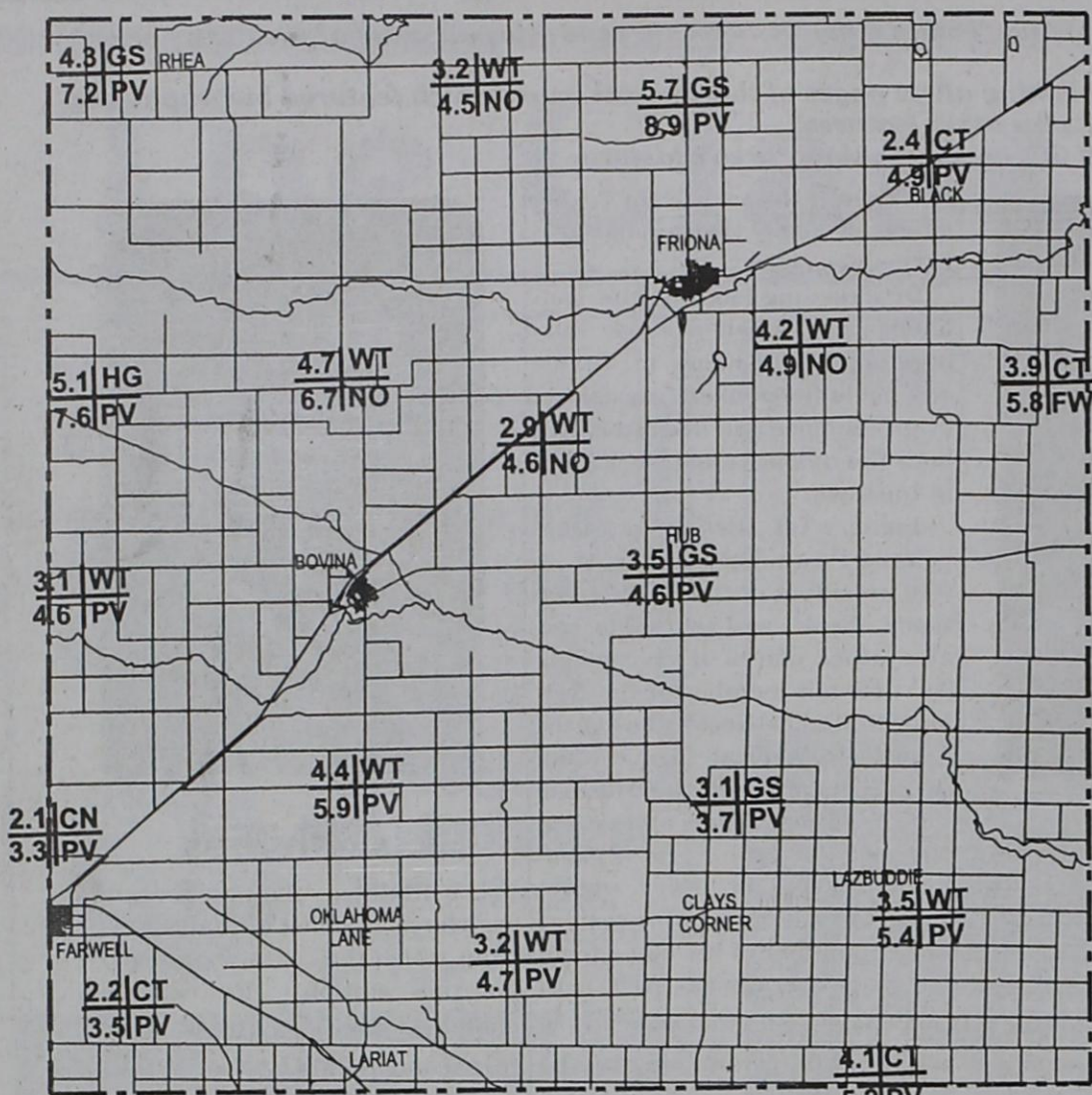
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Parmer County pre-plant soil moisture survey results announced



Producers should check soil moisture conditions in their individual fields.

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Breakfast program may expand next year

Texico School's breakfast program, begun in January, has been going better than expectations.

Cafeteria manager Fela Sena said that originally it was hoped that 50-plus students would participate.

But the average has been between 90 and 100 each morning.

Currently, students have to meet income guidelines to qualify.

But next January, all Texico students will be asked to fill out a "severe needs questionnaire."

This questionnaire will find out the percentage of students who don't eat regular breakfasts at home. If the percentage is at least 75 percent, then the school would be allowed to give breakfast to all students, regardless of income guidelines, said Ms. Fela.

Ms. Fela said preliminary checks have been made and she believes there is a good chance that the 75 percent level will be reached.

High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 and the USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Service have completed the 2003 pre-plant soil moisture survey within the district's 15-county service area.

Producers are encouraged to review the pre-plant survey results for their respective counties and then check soil moisture conditions in individual fields to determine whether or not pre-plant irrigation is needed prior to the 2003 growing season.

On the map of Parmer County, the monitoring sites are represented by a "cross hair." The number in the upper left side of the cross hair represents the soil moisture (in inches) found in the upper three foot of the soil. The number in the lower left side of the cross hair represents the soil moisture (in inches) in the upper five feet of the soil. The letters in the upper right side of the cross hair indicate the crop grown at that site in 2002. The letter in the lower right side indicates the type of irrigation system, if any, used at that site.

For example, a site identified on the deficit map has a 2.3 in the upper left corner; a 3.5 in the lower left corner; "CT" in the upper right corner; and a "PV" in the lower right corner. This indicates the site had a 2.3 inch moisture deficit in the zero to three foot portion and a 3.5 inch deficit in the zero to five foot portion. Cotton (CT) was grown and irrigated with a center pivot (PV) at this site during the 2002 growing season.

Producers should preserve existing soil moisture conditions by reducing the any tillage operations that might expose moist soil to evaporation from sunlight and wind. It is also important for producers to prepare their fields in order to maximize the benefits of timely rainfall. Use of furrow dikes, contour farming, conservation tillage, and control of plowplans are practices producers can use to make sure rainfall enters the soil.

It is also recommended that producers check soil moisture conditions in their own fields prior to planting.

An illustrated step-by-step procedure to assess soil moisture conditions is found in the water district's Water Management Note, Estimating Soil Moisture By Feel and Appearance. This publication is available free of charge.

Farwell tennis players vie in Plainview tourney

Farwell's tennis teams played at the Plainview Tourney on March 14-15. Twenty-six schools participated, ranging from Classes 1A to 3A. Farwell results were:

Singles

Tyler Myers lost to Sudan, 8-2; defeated Slaton, 8-5; defeated Canadian, 9-8; lost to Slaton, 8-3.

Tate Nichols defeated LeFors, 8-6; lost to Dalhart, 8-1. Cale Stevenson lost to Slaton, 9-7; lost to Canadian, 8-1.

Kim Taylor beat Dimmitt, 9-7; lost to Canadian, 8-1. Erma Williams beat Friona, 8-5; lost to Floydada, 8-0.

Doubles

Khallie Foster and Tara Sanchez lost to Slaton, 8-0; defeated Friona, 8-3; lost to Floydada, 8-5.

Kyra Christian and Jaimie Diaz lost to Hart, 8-0; lost to Dalhart, 8-4.

Robbie Tabb and Chris Culver beat Boys Ranch, 8-2; lost to Floydada, 8-0.

Grant Gregory and Jeremie Chandler defeated Canadian, 8-2; defeated Friona, 8-1; lost to Post, 8-2.

Jose Cabello and Michael Culver lost to San Jacinto, 8-0; beat Cotton Center, 8-3; lost to Floydada, 8-1.

Early warning

Early warning: Daylight Savings Time begins on April 6, a Sunday.

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100 percent of 3rd graders pass TAKS

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Friona elections finished

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Three Friona School Board posts are on the ballot and there are three candidates -- Mitch Smiley and incumbents Loraine Anthony and Joe Santelana. Thus, they are automatically elected.



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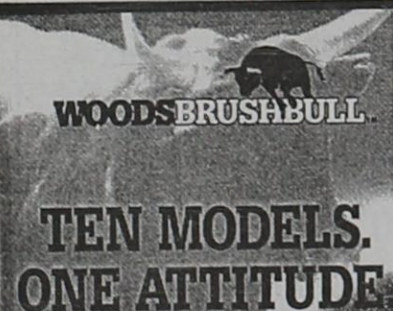
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