

Parmer County successful at Houston Livestock Show

Parmer County Extension Agent Cody Hill reports a successful year for 4-H'ers, with more than \$31,000 bring brought back from state livestock shows.

"The major livestock shows across Texas are very competitive. But our 4'Hers are very competi-

tive with their livestock projects. Everyone has done an outstanding job."

Only 660 head travel to Houston past the sift at Brenham from more than 3,500 head coming to Brenham. Parmer County exhibited 21 head at Brenham, and took 15 (75 percent) on to Houston. "This is a great accom-

plishment," said Hill.

Results of the Houston Livestock Show were:

Abby Johnson, 2nd, class 1 hamp.

Caleb Christian, 3rd, class 1 spot.

Ryan DeLeon, 4th, class 4 cross.

Dan Patterson, 4th, class 1 spot.

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GREAT FUN AT TEXICO!

As always, the Tribune enjoys putting in the fun photos of our area basketball teams after their seasons have ended. And the Texico varsity teams had a lot to smile about, since both had outstanding records.



Farwell High grad killed in shooting

A Farwell High School graduate of 1972 was killed in a Wisconsin shooting on Saturday.

From Associated Press reports, it appears that a churchgoer walked into a suburban Milwaukee hotel room where a church service was being held and fire 22 rounds from his handgun.

Among those killed were Rev. Randy L. Gregory, 51; and his son, James, 16. Rev. Gregory's wife, Marjean, 52, was listed in critical condition early this week after two surgeries for a gunshot wound to her chest.

Five other persons were killed along with four persons wounded. More than 50 persons were in the room. The Living Church of God has no building of its own.

The shooter, Terry Ratzmann, 44, then took his own life, after firing 22 bullets within a minute.

No suicide note was left but it seems Ratzmann was upset with a sermon from two weeks earlier.

Gregory received a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Texas and went to work for IBM. He then began preaching, which he always wanted to do.

He is the younger brother (by 6 years) of Farwell School Supt. Larry Gregory.

Texico students excel at regional science fair

Texico students excelled at the regional science fair last week at ENMU in Portales. Placing were:

Fallon Scanlan, a 6th grader, was a first place winner in the medicine and health category for "Sizzle, Not So Lean." She won the Surgeon General Award.

Jonathan Hill, a 7th grader, was a 2nd place winner in the zoology category for "What are the effects of fertilizer and herbicide on planaria regeneration?" He was awarded the 1st place AVS science and technology society award of \$125, with a matching \$125 to the science teacher. He also won the Roosevelt County Rural Telephone Cooperative award of \$50, and he received a year subscription to Scientific American magazine for outstanding achievement.

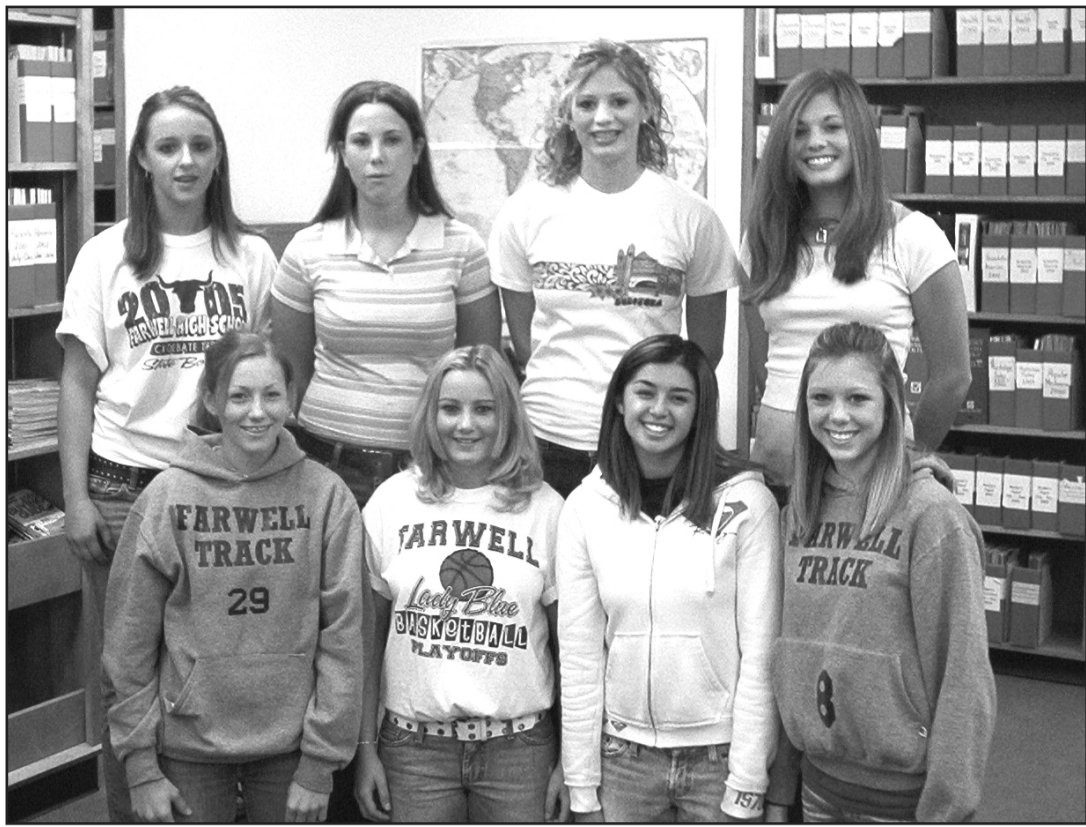
Caiden Thomas, an 8th grader, took 2nd place in engineering, and won \$150 in prizes and the New Mexico engineering award.

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SNOW FALLS



Yes, it snowed this week in the Twin Cities. Early estimates were about 5 to 6 inches by Tuesday afternoon. Pictured is Wanda Reeve working away at the Aldridge law firm in Farwell. Texico Schools were closed on Tuesday and Lazbuddie Schools started an hour late.



Farwell golf teams

The Farwell girls' golf team: back row, Robyn Teltschik, Dellani Jones, Britton Barrett, Micah Christian; front row, Talethia Nolte, Jenna Joplin, Kristen Garcia, Shelby Christian.



The Farwell boys' golf team: back row, Tate Nichols, Derrick Chandler, Ryan McClaran; front row, Cory Chadwick, Ross McClaran, Bryce Howard.

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- Tyler Schilling, 4th, class 4 hamp.
- Colton Christian, 5th, class 1 duroc.
- Jennifer DeLeon, 6th, class 3 hamp.
- Taylor Stancell, 6th, class 1 spot.
- Ray White, 6th, class 1 york.
- Russell Schilling, 12th, class 2 york.
- Samuel Billingsley, 13th, class 2 duroc.
- Austin Mason, 13th, class 3 spot.
- Jill Johnson, 15th, class 1 hamp.
- Bretton Stancell, 15th, class 3 york.
- Amberli Martin, 16th, class 6 cross.

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Tiffany Hagler, a 9th grader, took 2nd place in chemistry for "The Art of Popping Popcorn." The students head to the state science fair at Socorro in April.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,
Thank you for your kind words (deserved or not) in last week's issue. I am thankful for the support of my business from the community for nearly 40 years, and I have always hoped I could return something back. This is a wonderful place to live, and if we all get involved and work together, we can make it even better!

Frances Kube

Registration set

Registration for the Life in Christ pre-school, located at St. John Lutheran Church at Lariat, will start on April 5.

It will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. at the pre-school. The registration fee is \$35, which is non-refundable. See ad in today's Tribune for more info.

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Wednesday, March 23, 2005 - Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Wayne Ashburn Estate - Owner
Located: Lockney, Texas - Selling: Farm Equipment

Thursday, March 24, 2005 - Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
E.W. Nickels Farms - Owners
Located: Muleshoe, Texas - Selling: 160 Acres Irrigated Farm Land, Farm & Hay Equipment

Tuesday, March 29, 2005 - Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Jerry Oswald & Neighbors - Owners
Located: Abernathy, Texas - Selling: Farm & Livestock Equipment

Thursday, March 31, 2005 - Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.
Johnny Street, Donnie Young & Friends - Owners
Located: Claytonville, Texas - Selling: Farm & Ranch Equipment

Saturday, April 2, 2005 - Sale Time: 9:30 a.m.
24th Annual Gorman Farm Equipment Auction - Owners
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Ham Farms - Owners
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Taking the long-range view

To quickly recap what I've written about President Bush and the Iraqi battles:

I have continually written that what we are doing is in our best long-term interests although the short view contains shedding our blood (more than we should have but I won't dwell on that blunder any more).

And what we are starting to see in the Middle East is what I have been talking about. Democracy is coming, in bits and spurts.

Do you understand the massive changes that are now taking place in the Middle East? Let's take a look since the attack that toppled Saddam Hussein:

-- Libya gives up on nuclear weapons and seeks peace with the U.S.

-- Egypt for the first time in 25 years announces free presidential elections.

-- Protestors take to the streets in Lebanon and force a pullback of Syrian

Farwell registration scheduled

Parents can register children for next year's Farwell kindergarten, pre-K and Head Start classes on March 30.

Registration will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. at the elementary school office.

All children who will be 4 and 5 years of age by Sept. 1 and live in the Farwell School District need to register for next year's classes.

To register, a child must have immunization records, state copy of birth certificate and Social Security card.

A health department representative will be available during the registration.

Requirements to be eligible for pre-K and Headstart, a child must be four years old prior to Sept. 1, is unable to speak or comprehend the English language, or is from a family whose income, according to standards set by the State Board of Education, is at or below subsistence level (eligible for free or reduced price lunches), and is a resident of the Farwell School District.

Head Start requires income verification (check stub), Medicaid/TANF.

Texas school districts are required to provide pre-K if 15 or more students are identified.

troops stationed in their nation, plus the resignation of their pro-Syrian premier.

-- Palestine, under new leadership, seeks rapprochement with Israel.

-- Iraq has free democratic elections for probably the first time ever.

-- Other democratic changes, though smaller in nature, are taking place in smaller Arab nations. Many involve women's rights.

-- Afghanistan has held national free elections, another first. Women's rights soar.

This is how you defeat the terrorists -- by bringing freedom to the Arab peoples.

Frankly, what President Bush has done, looking long-term and seeing the bigger picture, simply amazes me. I thought it was beyond his capability.

And I just wish I had a dollar for every politician (and big news media) for predicting that the Iraqi elections were a mistake and they should have been put on hold for a year or two. Shows you how many stupid politicians and ignorant news media (like The New York Times) there are in this nation.

Yes, I know that if you take a poll of how Americans view what we have done in Iraq, etc., his "popular" vote would be

much less.

But that's because most Americans just look at things as they are now, not down the road. It's up to our leaders to have that ability. Most folks don't look further ahead than tomorrow.

Most of our leaders never climb that mountain. A perfect example is former President Bill Clinton.

I think I'm correct to say that when historians down the road rank U.S. presidents, Mr. Clinton will be put in the "10 worst" category.

Yes, it's true that the U.S. had an economic boom while he was president. But that was due to the computer revolution. Heck, I could have been president and had the same success. It had little to do with his leadership.

Instead, his lack of leadership is what historians will see. They will see how Al-Qaeda sprang up during his "watch", yet the U.S. did virtually nothing to attack this menace to our nation (yes, we bombed a pharmaceutical plant in Sudan. Oh, boy.)

And what I really get a kick out of is knowing that if Mr. Clinton ran for president today, he would be re-elected in a heartbeat.

Let's hear it for the American voter...

But going back to President Bush, I want to



New store coming

Work has begun to transform the former True Value hardware store at 5th and Avenue A into a Family Dollar store.

commend him for his foresight and his willingness to take on such a major challenge. He has not shrunk from the terrorist threat, but has put our nation on the offensive.

As the old cliché says, the best defense is a strong offense.

Rumor of the Week: Look for Buddy Little to step down as Texico Lady Wolverines' basketball coach, but continue his job as high school principal.

Trying to handle both positions is tiring.

We had an interesting

discussion in our Sunday School class last weekend, and I was wondering what your thoughts might be on this:

An evangelist spoke at the First Baptist Church of Farwell revival last month, and said that Christianity is the fastest growing religion today in the world outside the U.S. But he said that Christianity has decreased in the U.S. over the past many years, non-stop (I think he said last 20 years but I don't remember exactly).

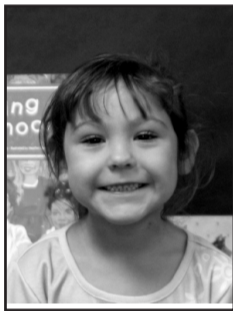
So here's a question: Should the national Christian leaders, for example, say they are

stopping most funding for mission trips aboard for 10 years, and put all the money into massive campaigns to bring God's word into the big cities, like Houston and New York.

Instead of spending the money elsewhere, what about putting millions of dollars and hundreds of mission workers into the inner-city neighborhoods of a Chicago or Houston, for example, over a 10-year period. Then move on to another city or two?

Good idea? Bad idea? Well, it doesn't really matter. It aint gonna happen.

Meet Farwell's Class of 2017



Kimberly Anzaldua is a Farwell kindergartener. Her birthday is Aug. 24. Parents are Michael & Jovtia Anzaldua. Her brothers are Anthony & Matthew. Grandparents are Lupe & Maria Olmos, and Jesse & Elva Anzaldua.

She likes to color and play with friends. Her favorite colors are purple and pink.

Her favorite foods are pizza and grapes. She doesn't like to clean her room.

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Sheriff's Report

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

On March 10, Valentin Cervantes, 24, of Bovina, was arrested by Bovina police on charges of assault and criminal trespass. Cases pending in county court.

On March 9, Benjamin Santiago, 17, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of assault. Case pending in county court.

On March 9, Jorge Rivera, 42, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on charges of DWI and duty on striking unattended vehicle. Cases pending in county court.

On March 11, Joseph Bautista, 22, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of driving on a suspended license. Case pending in county court.

On March 11, Marcus Alonzo, 22, of Lubbock, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of failure to ID. Case is pending in county court. He also had three warrants out from Lubbock County and is pending transport.

On March 11, David Zavala, 38, of Amarillo, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on revocation of probation (possession of marijuana) out of Navarro County. He is pending transport.

On March 9, Michael Hernandez, 23, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of theft by check. Case pending in county court.

On March 12, Gabriel Martinez, 24, of Clovis, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of possession of marijuana. Case pending in county court.

On March 11, Jesus Mendoza, 45, of Hereford, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of driving on a suspended license (out of Deaf Smith County). He posted bond and was released.

On March 12, Daniel Gonzalez, 21, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of aggravated robbery. Case pending before the grand jury.

On March 12, Kassie Kotara, 21 of Amarillo, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. Case pending before the grand jury.

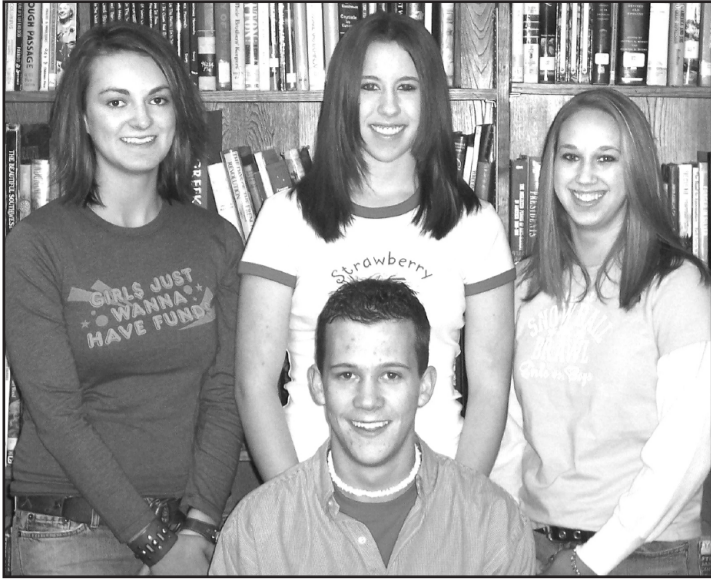
On March 9, Andrew Chico, 18, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of assault. Case pending in county court.

In 287th District Court on March 10, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

-- Victor Alvarado, 49, of Friona, charged with DWI, was sentenced to 2 to 10 years in the Texas Department

of Criminal Justice, probated for 3 years; \$403 court costs; \$1,000 fine; 10 days in Parmer County Jail as a condition of community supervision; 160 hours of community service; loss of driver's license; and obtain substance abuse counseling.

-- Daniel Carranza, 18, of Friona, charged with criminal mischief, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in state jail facility, probated for 2 years; \$303 court costs; \$500 fine; \$1,501 restitution; and 120 hours of community service.



Athletes honored

Lazbuddie's Chelsee Nichols was named to the All-District basketball team as the Newcomer of the Year. And Melanie Winders was named All-District honorable mention. Melanie was named to the Texas 6-Man Coaches Association All-Star game, with Lazbuddie's Kayla Parham as 1st alternate. Also, Chelsee and Kayla made 2nd team All-Regional. On the boys' side, Lazbuddie's Cory Puckett was named All-District honorable mention.

Obituary

Lois Brand

Lois Biddle Brand, 79, of Crawfordsville, Ind., died March 12 at home.

A memorial service will follow cremation on March 17 at 2 p.m. at the Power-Priebe Funeral Home.

Born on Sept. 14, 1925, she was a former Farwell resident and member of Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church until 2002.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Deborah Lewis, of Crawfordsville; Linda Porter, of Farwell; 2 sons,

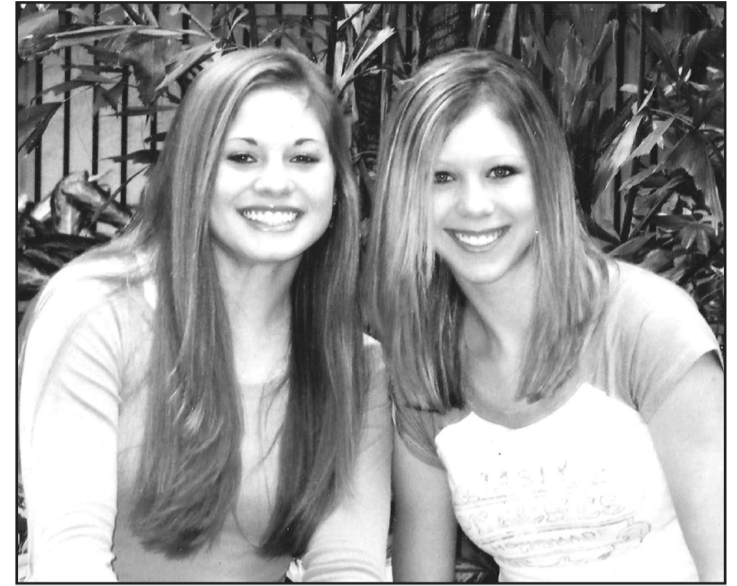
Stephen Cote, of Brookston; and Phil cote, of North Carolina; 2 sisters, Ruth Smiley, of Crawfordsville, and Jean Van Der Kleg, of Kalamazoo, Mich.; 7 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren.

Fellowship meeting set

Hub Cowboy Fellowship will be held at 7 pm on March 22 and the Hub community center.

Steve Friskup will be the guest speaker.

Everyone is invited to attend.



Cheerleader honors

Micah Christian, daughter of Vick and Denise Christian, and Shelby Christian, daughter of Todd and Hayley Christian, received All-American honors from the National Cheerleaders Association.

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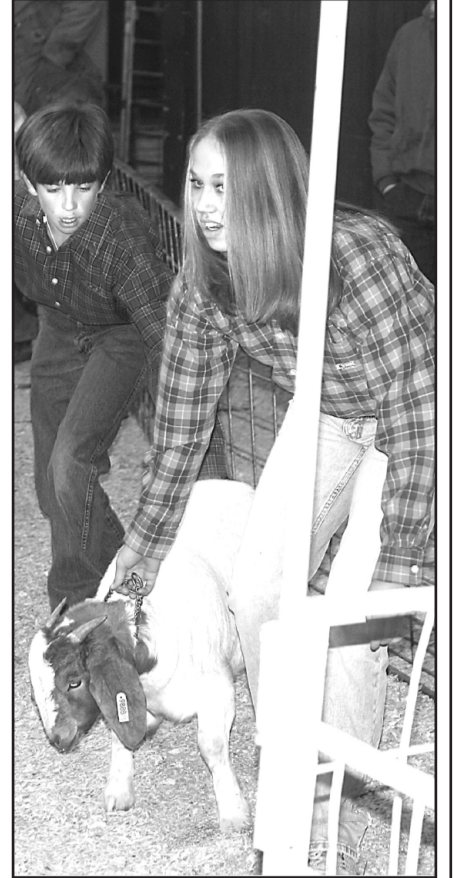
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Teresa J. Mesman - March 1995



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Cameron Scoggins works with Heather Stover



Instructor Eric Nelson prepares to be thrown by Brooke Williams.



Heather Stover topples Brooke Williams

Tae Kwon Do lessons held in Texico



Cory Fractus warms up with a jog around the Texico Community Center



Cameron Scoggins practices tumbling



Tae Kwon Do class members held a fundraising car wash on Saturday in Farwell.

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A neat practical joke

Talk about a great practical joke! One was pulled off by the Farwell boys' basketball team last Friday. They had Tammy Jones, right, of Pansies, Posies & Potpourri, deliver a dozen dead roses to Mike Pomper at the State Line Tribune. The note said "feeling your grief at Texico's loss," apparently dealing with a Texico basketball team loss. As everyone knows, the Tribune covers Texico and Farwell sports, and there's a great rivalry between their teams. And Pomper always gets ribbed by some Farwell athletes for giving Texico too much ink, and by some Texico athletes for giving Farwell too much space. Such will always be the case. Anyway, the joke was taken with a good nature. Way to go, guys!

Lazbuddie Shootout coming

The Lazbuddie Senior Parents of the Class of 2005 will present the annual Lazbuddie Shootout, a 3 on 3 festival, April 22 and 23 at the school gym.

There is a \$50 entry fee for each 4-member team. Divisions are: elementary, junior high, high school, adult, coed (2 men and 2 women), and over 40's. The entry deadline is April 15. For more information, call Debbie Weir, (806) 965-2302; Sarah Black, (806) 265-3861, or any high school senior.

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Forget basketball, baseball, track and golf are now the order of the day

First baseball:
 The Texico Wolverines open season play March 17-19 in the Dexter Tournament. And the Bovina Mustangs have their home opener on March 18 when they host Ralls at 4 p.m. in a district game. Their next game is on March 24 at Hale Center at 4:30 p.m.

And track:
 Texico High students are entered in the Dexter Relays on March 18, followed by the Fox Relays at Ft. Sumner on March 29.

And golf:
 Farwell's girl golfers take to the tee boxes on March 21 at Sundown, while the boys follow on March 23 there.

And once again, good luck to the Farwell High kids who head to District UIL in Sundown March 29 and 31!

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Commissioners reject 'demand letter'

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday held an executive session to discuss possible litigation.

They received a "demand letter" from an attorney representing the Griggs family of Bovina concerning the death of their son, Phillip Griggs Jr. The commissioners rejected the letter. A lawsuit may follow.

Griggs, 22, was found hanging in his cell in the Parmer County Jail on Feb. 22, 2004, where he was housed alone.

Griggs had been in the jail since Feb. 1, when he was convicted on a charge of DWI. After that sentence was concluded, he remained in jail after a motion to revoke probation (on a charge of possession of a controlled substance) was made.

Bond had been set at \$10,000, but Griggs had been unable to meet it.

In other business, the commissioners:
 -- Heard from the Texas Department of Transportation what surplus materials are available to Parmer County. The state has some leftover asphalt mix available from Highway 60 work.

The surplus material will be given to Pct. 1 (Friona area) and Pct. 2 (Bovina area).

Last year, the surplus materials available were given to Pct. 3 (Farwell area) and Pct. 4 (Lazbuddie area).

-- Conducted the annual review on insurance coverages.

-- Rejected an offer from Jay Bowers to buy for \$100 the west 50' of Lots 29-32, Block 1, Original Town of Farwell. This is the site on 1st Street where Bowers is building a tire store.

The offer was rejected because the commissioners felt it was too low.

-- Noted that the McClaran family had withdrawn, in writing, their opposition to the Parmer County Road Map Project.

Their protest was the only one received during the public hearing last month on the project.

The Latest

The First Baptist Church of Texico will have its 100th birthday in April.

 The old Playorama building in Texico is being torn down.

There are no plans for the property.

 It should have been noted in the obituary in last week's Tribune for Christopher Cooper, 40, of

Springtown, that he was also preceded in death by his maternal grandparents -- Arvil Neal Walls and Abbie Walls.

They were former Farwell residents.

 Gordon Travis, formerly of Texico and now a Washington state resident, reports he is a commissioner on the board of Evergreen Water-Sewer District.

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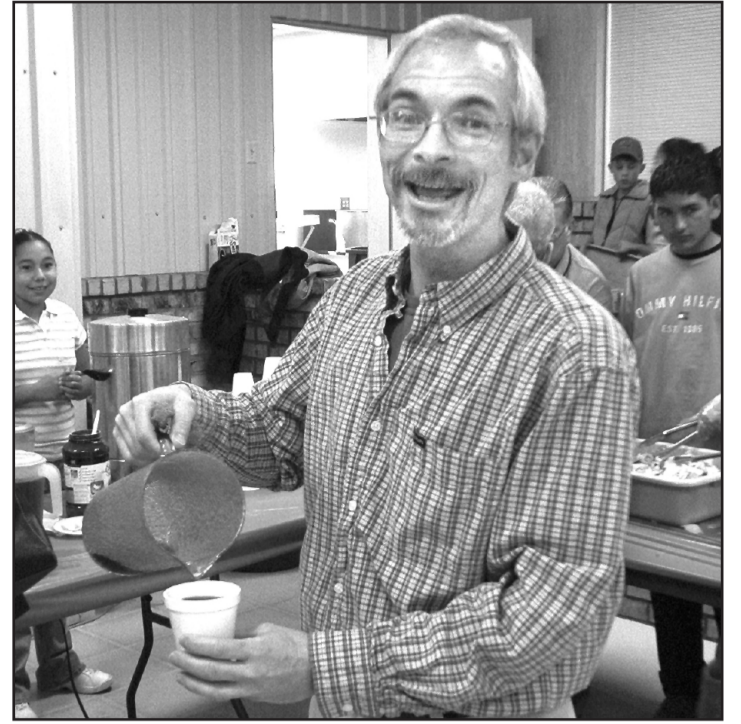
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Farwell Band fund-raiser

A fund-raiser dinner was held on Sunday at the Farwell Community Center for the Farwell Band program. Pictured are some of the folks attending the spaghetti dinner (using Robin Howard's secret recipe).

The Latest

Texico and Farwell schools are closed next week for spring break.

Lazbuddie was closed last week. And Bovina is closed this week.

Farwell's Danielle Cargile will be the Tribune's summer intern this year.

The Farm Service Agency has loans available for beginning and socially disadvantaged producers.

For more info, call Tom Taylor at the Farwell FSA

office, 481-3349.

The Texico baseball team opens its season March 17-19 in the Dexter Tournament.

Texico will participate in Class 1A this year.

One schedule change: the Floyd games set for March 21 have been postponed.

Traffic was detoured this week for re-planking of the railroad crossing on FM 292 in Farwell.

The work, done by the Texas Department of Transportation, included re-stabilizing the sub-

grade, raising the track to the existing roadway elevation, patching part of the road on the approaches, and replacing and replanking the crossing with concrete panels.

Three Farwell Steers were named to the All-District basketball team: Tate Nichols, Chris Culver and Robbie Tabb.

Sheryl Swoopes, former Texas Tech All-American and current professional player, will instruct a basketball camp from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on March 18 at the Farwell High gym.

It's open to all youths. Cost is \$40. Call Sammy Herrera at 481-3461 or 791-1662 for info on how to sign up at the Play Inc. office in Clovis.

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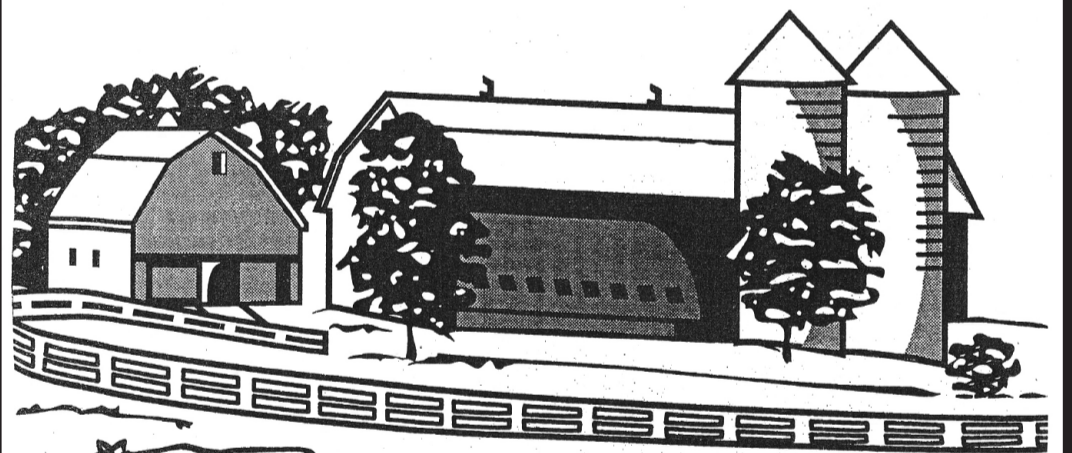
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Cooperatives schedule their annual meetings

ENMR•Plateau

The 56th annual ENMR•Plateau membership meeting will be on April 16 at Marshall Junior High auditorium in Clovis.

Member registration starts at 8 a.m. mt with the business meeting starting at 10 a.m. mt.

The meeting will include reports, board of directors election, and presentation of the 2005 ENMR•Plateau scholarship winners.

Door prizes will be held, followed by lunch. All participating members will receive registration gift items.

Board posts to be elected:

Position 3 -- Bellview, San Jon, Logan and Grady exchanges. Incumbent is Jerry Sours, of Grady.

Position 4 -- Ft. Sumner, House, Ragland and Weber City exchanges. Incumbent is Pow Carter, of Ft. Sumner.

Position 5 - Ft. Sumner, House, Ragland and Weber City exchanges. Incumbent is Jim Lyssy, of Ft. Sumner.

Position 6 - Roy, Clayton and Nara Visa exchanges. Incumbent is Michael Montoya, of Roy.

West Texas

Rural Telephone

The 51st annual membership meeting of West Texas Rural Telephone will be March 29 at the Hereford Bull Barn.

The meeting kicks off at 6 p.m. with a dinner of brisket, sausage and trimmings. The business session starts at 7 p.m., and drawings for door prizes will be held.

Three board incumbents are seeking re-election: Charles Christian, Oklahoma Lane; Charles Ray, Summerfield, and Pat Robbins, Frio.

No other candidates were named by members of the nominating committee for the three board seats at the committee's annual meeting last month. Nominations from the floor will be accepted.

Christian was appointed to the co-op board in 1995 to serve out the unexpired term of the late Billy Mayfield. He was elected to his first full board term the following year.

Raised at Oklahoma Lane, Christian is a 1976 graduate of Farwell High School. He received a bachelor's degree in ag economics from Texas Tech University in 1981.

After college graduation, he worked in the lending department of the First National Bank of Lubbock. He returned to the farm at Oklahoma Lane in 1984 to work in partnership with his father.

He has served as a member of the Farwell School Board, the Parmer County Appraisal District Board and the Parmer County Stock Show Board. He and his wife, Sheryl, have three sons.

In other WTRT news, the cooperative will issued patronage capital credit payments this spring to eligible customers who received telephone service from WTRT during 1981.

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative will receive capital credit refunds from 1991 and part of 1992 totaling \$1.5 million at the co-op's annual meeting and dinner on March 22 starting at 5 p.m. at the Hereford Bull Barn.

A fish, chicken and beef dinner will be served.

LaDonna Gatlin will provide entertainment following the meal. She grew up on stage with her brothers, the famous Gatlin Brothers. she has appeared with such music legends as Tammy Wynette and Johnny Cash.

After her first performance, a short business meeting will be held. Two directors will be chosen.

Candidates for Position 1 are Hubert Backus and incumbent Tony Acker.

Candidates for Position 2 are Randy Fellers and incumbent Nick Yosten.

Courthouse Notes

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

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Live Cattle: The rally expected in early March was more than the market could bear this week as prices have rallied almost \$7 in the last 6 days. The market jumped sharply higher on rumors that the Canadian border would be closed to beef crossing as well as live feeder cattle. Cash was sharply higher, but prices cooked off toward the end of the week. Look for a little lower price over the next coupe of weeks before another bump back up into early April.

Feeder Cattle: The market has seen almost a \$9 move up in about 6 days. Many traders were beginning to have flashbacks to the Fall of 2003, but once rumors were dispelled about a halt in Canadian beef trade, the market began to cool off by Friday. Numbers are expected to remain tight, but retailers will probably determine just how much the market can bear in coming weeks?

Corn: This market was able to shake off the USDA's increase in ending stocks this week as prices took most of their lead from soybeans. Prices were able to make it all the way back up to last October and November highs at \$2.25 basis the May contract. Seasonals are up into early April.

Soybeans: Weather in South America has taken this market over \$1.50 higher in just the last few weeks. The USDA still projects ending stocks up about 300 percent over last year, but this has done little to curtail the move. Demand is expected to remain strong and production problems south of the border still have the funds and bulls in control of the market. Trends are up into May.

Wheat: Although there is basically no export with prices moving up to current levels, the market has enough Fund and Speculator support to keep driving prices higher. This week, the long term \$2.67 objective was almost reached? The 15 seasonal tendency for this market is down into harvest. At this time, there seems to be few weather concerns, but someone is betting on it?

Cotton: Prices moved up above a long term projection this week, which was \$52.65 basis the nearby May contract. Demand from China has remained strong and higher crude prices have made polyesters unable to compete. The 15 year seasonals turn down fairly hard around the 15th of March? Technically, next resistance lies around 57 cents. Market is also very "overbought"?

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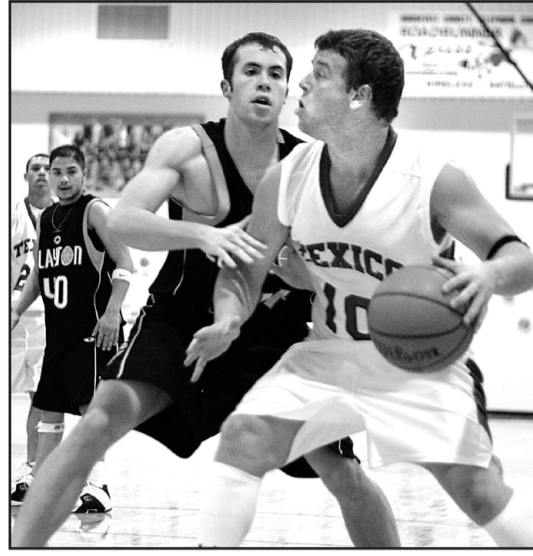
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Wolverines fall in state quarter-final

The Texico Wolverines basketball season came to an end in the quarter-final of the state playoffs at Albuquerque on March 9, when they lost to Mesa Vista, 69-61.

Texico ended with an outstanding 26-3 record.

Scoring for the Wolverines were Braden Vaughan, 10; Josh Pena, 11; Tony



Clements, 10; Garrett Mayfield, 12; Logan Brown, 11; Ricky Burns, 1; and John Schueler, 6.

Pena had Texico's only 3-pointer, while Mesa Vista had 5.

The Wolverines opened to an 18-12 lead after the first quarter. But Mesa Vista came back in the 2nd quarter to take a 33-30 lead at halftime.

The teams traded buckets in the 3rd quarter, with Texico taking a 1-point lead, but Mesa Vista responded, and led by 5 going into the final quarter.

Mesa Vista was led by senior guard Kris Martinez, who scored 33 points including 13 consecutive points for his team later in the 3rd quarter and early in the final period.

Texico tried everything to stop Martinez, using a zone, man-to-man, and helping out. But his hot streak was the margin of victory.

Coach Richard Luscombe was happy with the team's highly successful season.

Having lost experience veterans after last year, he went into this season not knowing what the team's strengths would be. "I'm very proud of them. They worked hard all year," he said. "It was a true team effort; there was no superstar. These a great bunch of kids who exceeded expectations."

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First Baptist Church of Farwell Rev. Randy G. Mullin 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. www.fcfarwell.org	First Baptist Church of Texico Rob Hollis - minister Sunday School - 9 a.m. Worship-10:15 a.m., 5:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m.	St. John Lutheran Church, Lariat David Symm - minister Worship Service - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School - 10:30 a.m.
Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church Rev. Scott Spitsberg Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Jim Peabody - minister Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship-10:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. winter 7:30 p.m. summer	San Jose Catholic Church, Texico Sunday Mass - Noon Religious Education - 1:15 - 2:15 p.m. Community Meal -- 1:15 p.m.
Lariat Church of Christ Sam Billingsley - minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. winter 8 p.m. summer	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	Farwell Church of Christ Phillip Steyn -- 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. Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 6 p.m.	New Light Baptist Church Pastor Bryan K. Phillips, Sr. Sunday School - 9:00 a.m. mt. BTU - 9:45 a.m. mt Worship - 11 a.m. mt Wednesday - Bible Study 6:30 p.m. mt	Bovina United Methodist Church Rev. Quita Jones Sunday School - 9:45 Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday study, 7 p.m.
St. Ann's Catholic Church Fr. David Contreras Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m. in English; Noon in Spanish. CCD -- 10:30 a.m. Evening Mass: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wed. - Fri.	First Baptist Church Of Bovina Aaron Reed, pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday worship & youth, 7 p.m.	Iglesia Bautista Hispana in Bovina Rafael Marin, pastor Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Wednesday worship, 7 p.m.
Farwell Convalescent Center Bill Bridwell -- chaplain Sunday services -- 9 a.m. Bible study - 9:30 a.m. Friday	Lazbuddie Church of Christ Mickey Chambiss - minister Sunday School -- 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:20 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday -- 7 p.m.	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.

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Cox may sell Farwell's cable TV franchise

The Farwell City Council on Tuesday was informed by Cox Communications, which has the city's TV cable franchise, that it is considering selling part of its operation, which affects 930,000 subscribers including Farwell.

In other business, the council:

-- Gave street Supt. Dee Hammit the go-ahead to buy a trailer for hauling dirt to the cemetery for \$121.

-- Heard Police Chief Robert Achterberg give the

annual racial profile report; as mandated by the state; and also a report on improving the animal control facility.

-- Approved canceling the city elections because all three incumbent candidates are unopposed: mayor Jimmie Mace and councilmen Tim Kasel and Joe Stanton.

-- Approved a building permit application for Tom Taylor to place a storage building at 404 Ave. G.

-- Took no action on a request by David Ancira to

move a trailer to 108 7th St. It didn't meet city requirements.

-- Took no action on a request by Jay Bowers Construction to buy tax property - the west 50 feet of lots 29-32 (100 block of First Street where he is building a tire store building).

It was noted that the county commissioners had turned down the request yesterday (see story elsewhere in today's paper) so action was not necessary at this time.

No write-in candidate for local elections

There were no write-in candidates for our area Texas elections. The deadline for filing was Monday.

What this means is this: -- Farwell City Council will have no election. Re-elected were Mayor Jimmie Mace and councilmen Tim Kasel and Joe Stanton.

-- Farwell School Board will have an election. There are three candidates for the two posts: Keith Hadley, Warren Schmidt and Darren Haseloff.

-- Lazbuddie School Board will have no election. Elected were Amy Barnes, Chris Timms and

Terry Jesko.

-- Farwell Hospital District will have no election. Elected were Ryan Williams, Mike Ratke, Jack Kirkland, Tom Nichols and Greg Actkinson.

-- Bovina City Council will have no election. Elected were Gaylon Rhodes, Radford Venable and Lance Teague.

-- Bovina School Board will have an election. Signing up for the two posts were Esther Steelman, Larry Mitchell, Buddy Prather, Honey Sue Gist, Mindy Neal Widner and Charles Wilkins.

Katherine White passes away

Word was received at presstime of the death of Katherine White, of Farwell.

Services are pending by Steed-Todd Funeral Home.

The Latest

Farwell golfers were scheduled to play in the Dimmitt Meet this week, but it was cancelled.

Judy Lekovich reports that she will be gone from her shop, Borderline Cuts in Texico March 24-26, but Sheri will be there to keep



Everybody's invited to see the play

Farwell High's UIL One Act Play will have its Zone Competition on March 24 about 4 p.m. at the Farwell High auditorium. To prepare for it, Farwell will present the play to the public on March 22 at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium, and everyone is invited! The play, "The Cover of Life", is about three Southern women who live with their mother-in-law in 1943 while their husbands are off to war. Because of a local newspaper story, their photo ends up on the cover of Life Magazine. The One-Act Players: Logan Carpenter, Amanda Barnes, Dan Patterson, Hayley Fowler, Shelby Christian, Danielle Cargile, Micah Christian, Colby Norton, Lindsey Mullin and Ashlie Martin.

things going.

Judy will be attending the retirement ceremony for Chief Petty Officer Rick Lekovich in Lewisville, Texas. He is retiring after 22 years in the U.S. Navy.

Rick, wife Fatima and sons Derrick and Nicholas, will be moving to Clovis.

"I am so looking forward

to having Rick and his family close by again -- especially my grandsons," said Judy.

A wedding shower will be held on March 19 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. mt at the Pleasant Hill Fire

Department for Courtney Mitchell and Kyle Mayfield.

Shawndee Nichols, of Lazbuddie, was on the Dean's list for the fall semester at Texas Tech University.

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Kindergarten, Pre-K and Headstart Registration Wednesday, March 30, 2005 is the day to register children for next year's Farwell kindergarten, pre-K and Headstart classes. Registration will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Farwell Elementary School office.

All children who will be four and five years of age by September 1 and live in the Farwell School District need to register for next year's classes. To register, a child must have immunization records, state copy of birth certificate and Social Security card.

A health department representative will be available during the registration.

Requirements to be eligible for pre-K and Headstart, a child must be four years old prior to September 1, is unable to speak or comprehend the English language, or is from a family whose income, according to standards set by the State Board of Education, is at or below subsistence level (eligible for free or reduced price lunches), and is a resident of the Farwell School District.

Headstart requires income verification (check stub), Medicaid/TANF.

Texas school districts are required to provide pre-K if 15 or more students are identified.

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Virgie Mae Cary, Deceased, were issued on March 7, 2005, in Cause No. 2634, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: Judy Cox.

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% Kathryn H. Gurley
Attorney at Law
701 Main Street
Friona, Texas 79035

Dated the 10th day of March 2005.

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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 Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, 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.

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Pereda takes 1st in 200 dash

Farwell's girls participated in the Springlake-Earth Track Meet on March 11. Placing were:
Discus - Britton Barrett, 7th.
Long jump - Salida Edwards, 3rd, 15'; and Kaylyn Meyer, 14'9 1/2. 4th.
Triple jump - Edwards, 2nd, 33'1.
Pole vault - Talethia Nolte, 3rd, 7'6.
3200 run - Chanel Castillo, 5th, 14.44.
100 dash - Meyer, 3rd, 13.6.

400 dash - Nolte, 4th, 1:10.
300 hurdles - Trish Robertson, 8th, 57.76.
200 dash - Edwards, 2nd, 28.3.

Here's how Farwell's boys athletes placed at the Friona Track Meet March 4-5:
Varsity -- Triple jump - Matthew Edwards, 7th, 36'11; Derrick Chandler, 9th, 35' 6 1/2"; shot put - Zach Bickel, 9th, 35' 3 1/2"; 800 run - Alex Olmos, 6th,

Becky's Banter

From page 14

He noted he would be living near Pittsburgh, while New York City is only four hours away.

News from Bovina's kindergarten class at Ridgelea:

They attended a dental health presentation by the school nurse and did activities to help them learn about the importance of good dental health.

To celebrate President's Day, they made log cabins out of Popsicle sticks and pennies (for Abraham Lincoln), and made paper puppets (for George Washington).

They also are working on short vowel words and writing numbers to 100, plus learning to write simple sentences.

News from the Baptist Church:

They have seen up to 25 kids come on Wednesday night, "and a big part of those are very faithful at being here each week. We are looking forward to going to the Cross Raising in Hereford in a few weeks. It's a reenactment of the crucifixion. We went last year and it was awesome. We had several decisions for the Lord from our group that went."

The Baptist Church will have its annual Easter Egg Hunt following the morning service on Easter

Sunday, March 27.

Stan Miller family got to visit Disney Land this week.

The Mustangs' baseball team is 0-2 after falling to Nazareth, 22-7, on Friday. No other details were available.

St. Ann's Catholic Church still has plenty of regular and jalapeno German sausage for sale at \$3.50 a pound.

Call Tami Schilling at 825-3031 if you would like to buy some.

Funds needed

Crystal Stover, of Farwell, is raising funds to attend the Words to Works Ministries this summer in Florida. She has to raise \$3,000.

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City council hears that crackdown is working

The Bovina City Council on March 8 got updates on the crackdowns on junked and abandoned vehicles, and on substandard housing.

The reports were highly favorable.

They started with a list of 22 abandoned or substandard houses and trash piles. City Manager Ernest Terry reported that 15 are being worked on.

So the other 7 will be sent certified letters advising them that they have 30 days to work on their problems or get a court ticket and schedule a public hearing with the city council.

The list of junked or abandoned motor vehicles totaled 160 when the crackdown began. Terry said about one-third have been removed, and a bunch more are being worked on.

As for those who have not done anything to remove their junked or abandoned motor vehicles, they will be sent certified letters notifying them that they have 30 days to fix the problem, or get a court ticket and schedule a public hearing with the city council.

In other business, the council:

-- Got a status update on the state loan for the new sewer project. Bovina has been officially notified of the loan and the money should arrive in 45 to 60 days.

-- Noted that it has to go through the process of getting a state permit for the old sewer system despite the fact that a new sewer system is being built. This is due to state requirements so an extension for the old system can be given.

-- Formalized in writing what has been understood verbally for years dealing with the Bovina ambulance service's connection to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona. That is, when the Friona hospital requires an ambulance transport to hospitals in Amarillo, Lubbock, etc., the Friona EMS will handle the transport, and Bovina EMS will "cover" Friona in its absence.

-- Did not appoint election judges because unless a write-in candidate signs up for the city council election, it won't be held. There are three council posts open, and three candidates -- Lance Teague, Gaylon Rhodes and Radford Venable.

-- Heard Terry report on water well problems. Of the six wells, four are having computer problems. Also noted is that when the alarms go off when a well malfunctions, no one hears it. Plans will be made to wire the wells so that when an alarm sounds, it will be heard at City Hall.

-- The public hearing was held for the water well project, which was closed out successfully. No one appeared.

-- Bovina's Lorraine Ramon was recognized by the Texas Municipal Courts as a certified Texas Municipal Court Clerk.

-- Bovina police officer Eddie Everhart is at a workshop in Amarillo learning about how to take down a drug lab.



Girls' golf team

Bovina's girls' golf team: Liz Alonzo, Giselle Alvarado, Karla Rivera and Vanessa Garcia.



Batter up!

The baseball field is getting into shape for the start of the Mustangs' season. Pictured practicing his pitching is Alfred Lonzo, who is helping Stan Miller with the renovations.

Becky's Bovina Banter

Becky London - 251-1164

The Julia Salinas family, which includes Lupe Salinas and Deana Curtis, wanted everyone to know how sincerely they appreciated "the wonderful job that our Bovina firemen did" in fighting their house fire.

And they wanted special thanks to go to Lori Saenz and Marie Elena Noriega, who called 911 and alerted Mrs. Salinas when they saw the fire.

There has been an account opened at First Bank Bovina for folks to donate money to help rebuild the home. The account number is #100-816-922.

Also, building supplies would be appreciated.

Bovina's Jeff Casas was named to the All-District basketball team. And Michael Ortiz was honored as Newcomer of the Year.

Here are the upcoming games for the baseball team: they host Ralls on March 18 starting at 4 p.m., then play at Hale Center on March 24 starting at 4:30 p.m.

Both are district matches.

A note from Toya DeLeon, of the Bovina Chamber of Commerce:

"I want everyone to know that the Chamber sincerely appreciated all the folks who chipped in to make our banquet such a success this year. I can't thank folks enough."

Joseph Cruz came in the top 10 at the regional last weekend at Lubbock in the 132-lb. weight class in power lifting.

Band Director John Steinhardt, who announced his resignation last week, said he plans to move to College Station in Pennsylvania where he will give private music lessons.

The move allows him to put on his Samadhi Concert since many large cities are within a shorter distance, from Canada to Virginia.

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It's almost time to register

Bovina School will have its pre-registrations for Head Start, pre-kindergarten, kindergarten and the migrant 3-year-old program on April 6 from 10 a.m. to noon and from 2 to 5 p.m. at Ridgelea Elementary School.

Who enrolls?

Kindergarten: every child who is 5 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2005, not currently enrolled at Bovina ISD.

Pre-k/Head Start: Any child who is 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2005.

Migrant 3-year-old program: Any child who qualifies for the Migrant program and is 3 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2005.

Here's what parents must bring with them:

1. child's birth certificate.
2. child's up-to-date immunization.
3. child's Social Security number.
4. proof of income: check stubs, income tax, etc (for Head Start and pre-kindergarten only).
5. proof of public assistance, such as food stamp card, WIC, TANF.
6. documentation of child's disability, if applicable.



Band students honored

Three Bovina music students scored well at the District UIL event: Saul Martinez, 1st, class 1, French Horn; Daena Carrillo, 1st, class 3, clarinet; and Roger Martinez, 2nd, class 1, French Horn.

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