## Random thoughts from the Farwell tournament

As is my custom, the Farwell Tournament is the first chance I get to see our local teams in action.

Christmas is my busiest time of the year, and early December is work, work, work.

But I like to sit back for a couple of days in those comfy seats at the gym to watch our teams and get an idea of how they look.

So I got a good preview of our Texico and Farwell teams. I sure hope Bovina and Lazbuddie also sign up for this tourney in future years -- would make my job easier!

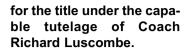
Anyway, here are some random thoughts from the tourney:

1. The Texico Wolverines.

Once again, this team is strong, with a shot at winning a state championship.

What we haven't see yet is a 6'3 player from Clovis who has transferred to Texico and becomes eligible to play in January. This will just make a strong team stronger.

By adding that fella, the Wolverines have all the ingredients to make a run



By the way, Luscombe's Texico teams have been in the title game of the Farwell tourney nine times -- with 6 championships.

As for what I saw during the tourney, one thing stood out: Braden Vaughan is a horse!

No, I'm not being negative or poking fun. What I'm trying to say is that he overwhelms his opponents with his hard playing.

In one series, he missed his inside shot, then got the next three rebounds! That is playing tough!

Braden, as you know, is an outstanding football player, with a good shot at playing college ball as either a quarterback or safety.

Normally, when you put a football player on a basketball court, well, you get a football player in shorts (like son Rob ... but that's another story).

Not with Braden, though. He is an excellent, intelligent basketball player, adept at playing inside,

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moving without the ball, and blocking out. He is a natural leader.

And, yes, the Wolverines have other very good players, like Garett Mayfield, Tony Clements, Josh Pena, Logan Brown and Curtis Williams.

Thus, it will be a fun year for Luscombe's team.

2. The Texico Lady Wolverines.

What I saw here is good team chemistry. The team may not have some of the outstanding individuals as past years, like Jennifer Roberts and Elizabeth Richards, but it appears to have an excellent work ethic.

If I'm correct, then with Stephanie Bailey, Ashley Kidd, Brette Hadley, Lori Richardson and Lauren Boazman leading the way, this team has a good shot at a state title, too.

But I also noticed something special about the Lady Wolverines. They have a freshman player

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# **Autrey receives major Texico Fire Dept. honors**

Ronnie Autrey received both the EMT of the Year award and Firefighter of the Year award from the Texico Volunteer Fire Department at its annual appreciation dinner

Ronnie Autrey received Saturday night at the fire oth the EMT of the Year hall.

Also honored was Royce Menning, for selling the most giveaway tickets at Border Town Days for the past five years. Fire Chief Lewis Cooper presented the honors.

There was a large crowd at the steak dinner.

Some of the Texico firemen were a bit late for it, though. They were called to a barn fire near the Texico cemetery. Three vehicles and lots of tires were burned up.



Ronnie Autrey is presented his awards by Fire Chief Lewis Cooper, right.



Royce Menning



David Kube was among the cookers.

## Scenes from the Texico dinner



Kaleigh and Clayton Autrey enjoy the dinner.



Doug Scioli shot this photo of the barn fire that Texico firemen went to on Saturday night.



Wyatt McIntosh tries his luck at the pinata.





# Superbowl champions

On Nov. 20, the Farwell/Texico Jr. Raiders vied for their second Play Inc. Jr. Tackle Superbowl Championship. They beat the Cowboys from Clovis, 14-6. The players were: from Bovina, Justin Curtis; from Farwell, Seth Chilton, Collin Christian, Haden Hadley, J.J. Herrera, Daniel Kirkland, Dillon Kirkland, Ryder Ledbetter, Seth Meeks, Chase Meyer, Jon Nicolas, Bill Nolte, Garrett Presnell, Austin Ratke, Adrian Reyes, Cheyenne Rodriguez, Canyon Scarborough, Bretton Stancell, and Riley Teltschik; from Lazbuddie, Jared Timms, and from Texico, Gentry Doolittle, Mitchell Edwards, Lane Goar, Chandler Loper, and Jonah Walls. The Raiders were coached by Sammy Herrera, Justin Holmley, and Lloyd Morris. This was Coach Herrera's 40th win in a row, and 5th Superbowl Championship.

#### **Obituaries**



#### Billie Green

Billie Louise Shaw Green, 71, of Farwell, died Dec. 9 in Farwell.

Services were Saturday at Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church with Rev. Scott Spitsberg officiating. Burial was in Grady Cemetery. Ellis Funeral Home handled arrangements.

She was born July 7, 1933, in Grady.

On Jan. 5, 1951, she married Doyle Green in Progress. She lived in Farwell since 1961, coming from Bailey County.

She was a homemaker and was a nurse's aide at the Muleshoe Nursing Home from 1970-72 and at Clovis hospital from 1973 to 1989.

She was a member of **Hamlin Memorial United** Methodist Church.

Preceding her in death were a sister, Wilma Jean Shaw, and a granddaughter, Savanna Green.

Surviving are her husband; 4 sons, Darwin, of Tallahassee, Fla.; Dwight, of Colorado Springs, Colo.; and Gary and Brent, both of Littlefield; a brother, Eugene Shaw, of Muleshoe, and 14 grandchildren.

#### Virginia Taylor

Services for Virginia Barnes Taylor, 59, of Texico, were last Friday at **Bethlehem Baptist Church** in Clovis with the Rev. R.L. Smith officiating. Burial was in Texico Cemetery.

Steed-Todd **Funeral** Home nangled arrangements.

She died Dec. 8 at Clovis hospital.

She was born Aug. 11, 1945, in Hartshorne, Okla., to Walter and Thelma Barnes.

She married Kenneth Taylor in 1958. She was a member of Bethlehem **Baptist Church.** 

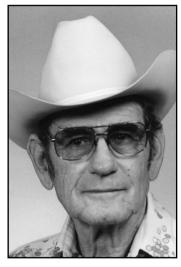
Surviving are 3 sons, Kenny, of Farwell; Timmy, of Roswell, and Leonard, of Texico: 3 daughters. Brenda Morgan, of Friona; Gina Hellums, of Roswell, and Kathy Foster, of Texico; 7 sisters, Molly Carter, of Duncan, Okla.; Mary Hudson, of Tulsa; Katherine Morris, Gustine, Texas; Linda Payne and Janet Nelson, both of Okmulgee, Okla.;

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and Dianna Tabor and Dina Cantrell, both of Henrietta, Okla.; 11 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchil-

Pallbearers were grand-Justin Hellums. Wesley Hellums, Timmy Taylor Jr., Tobi Taylor, Steven Taylor and Daniel Caywood.

pallbearers Honorary were Louis Foster, Craig Cass and all friends and neighbors.



#### Frank Dosher Jr.

Services for Frank James Dosher Jr., 78, of Clovis, were Dec. 15 at First Baptist Church of Farwell with Dr. Herbert Bergstrom and Rev. Jimmy McGuire officiating. **Burial was in Sunset** Memorial Terrace.

Steed-Todd **Funeral** handled Home arrangements.

He died Dec. 12 in Clovis. He was born Nov. 15, 1926, in Tipton, Okla., to Frank and Thelma Dosher.

married He Joyce Edwards on April 12, 1947, in Oklahoma Lane. He was a farmer and rancher. He served in the U.S. Army in World War II and was a past master of Masonic Lodge 977 in Farwell.

He was preceded in death by his parents; 3 brothers, Preston, Harold and Ken; and a sister, Koleta Lucente.

Surviving are his wife; a daughter, Laura Dosher. of Clovis; 2 sons, Michael, of of Clovis, and Gary, Albuquerque; 5 sisters, McGuire, Joyce Lubbock; Darla Stanley, of Atwater, Calif.; Shirley Patteson, of Fairport, N.Y.; Carmelita Holland, of Roswell, and Marilyn Sandi, of Santa Ana, Calif.;

a brother, Lanny, of Albuquerque; 9 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grand-Jared Dosher, sons Brandon, Joshua and Lunsford; a Matthew nephew, Jamie Dosher, and a friend, Roy Hartzog.

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## Teresa: 'I've got nothing to say'

From Teresa Mesman: I believe that my voice has taken a vacation.

It left on Sunday and didn't leave me a message as to when it would return. I really miss my voice.

I use my voice a lot and not having it around has put me into a rather vicarious position this week.

I attended several holiday parties this week and talking with friends was a key part of the fun. I squeaked, squawked and drank a lot of hot cider, coffee and hot tea. I also spent a lot of time going to the bathroom because of the drinking.

Does this qualify as a "drinking problem?"

Why is it that whenever laryngitis srikes, one is called upon to do the most talking? I had a presentation to make this week. It's been postponed until after the holidays. I was told to just stay home, rest my voice and drink a lot.

I can stay at home.

I can drink a lot. I don't have a problem

with these. I have a problem with the number of phone calls I receive while I'm at home trying to rest my voice. I'm not one to just let the phone ring either. It might just be my stockbroker telling me I've hit the big

My stockbroker was one of the calls I received this week. He wanted to discuss some things in my portfolio. He heard my scratchy, squeaky voice and said that he would do all the talking while I enjoyed something to drink. He asked if this would be problem.

I just squeaked the response that I hoped there was a bathroom nearby.

Then I learned a nifty trick that I'm happy to share with you.

Laryngitis is great for getting telemarketers off your phone.

"Hello, this is Guy with UltraFiltration Systems, is the lady of the house available?" the telemarket spiel began.

I scratched, cleared and urged my vocal cords to emit the sentence: "I can't talk right now."

"Oh goodness, you've got laryngitis. I'll let you go. Take care and drink lots of fluids!" Guy gushed. "I'll call back about our super Ultra Filtration System another day!"

I hung up, poured me another cup of hot coffee and realized that I already had an Ultra Filtration System. I put it to the test

this week, believe me.

I've pumped so much fluids through my system this week that I should be so hydrated that my skin glistens and glows. However, I've also had a cold on board this week and the medicines I've taken for this are very drying. The instructions for a cold are to drink lots of fluids for the duration.

I am looking pretty festive for the holiday season with my red nose brought on by the head cold and dealing with it.

As I stood before my refrigerator today about to pour myself another dose of liquids, I spotted a magnet that has one of my favorite Scripture verses on it: "Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10.

I poured my drink, sat down and remained still for about an hour. The phone didn't ring, the kids went outside and I began to read a book that I've wanted to read for a few weeks.

The only movement that I made, aside from turning the pages, was the action of drinking from my glass.

The vice grip feeling that had been locked around my throat began to ease and I felt myself begin to totally relax.

God, you really knew what you're talking about. The being still is nice and much needed at this time and I'm thankful that I know you and that you're with me all the time.

But I also realize that you've got a great sense of humor. While I was being so still and relaxing, the call of nature came through loud and clear and I had to get up and deal with the problem of drinking so much fluid.

I've still got laryngitis, so maybe the being still part is to be quiet and lis-

I'm going to listen to the sounds of the season, the music, the laughter and the love. I'm going to listen to the excitement in my children's voices as they tell me about their experi-

ences of the day.

And Lord, you know I enjoy my devotion time with you over a nice cup of coffee each morning. I will sit still and I will listen. However, I'm going to skip the coffee for a little while.

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I predict that Faith will be one of the great standouts in Lady Wolverine basketball history. She already has set scoring marks while playing for **Texico Junior High.** 

I watched her practicing before the Hale Center game. She walked out to the 3-point line, turned and swish.

And again. And again. And again.

I counted 4 of 5 3-pointers at one stretch.

She is a natural shooter and will put lots and lots of points on the board in the coming years.

3. The Farwell Steers.

What a fun team to watch! Led by Tate Nichols, Chris Culver, **Derrick Chandler, Rowdy** Mitchell and Robbie Tabb knocking down 3-pointers, the Steers will have a lot of success this year.

Although the Steers lack height, they jump well and constant hustle forces a lot of turnovers. Like I said, a fun team.

Unfortunately, Steers are in a district with Sudan (with their new star player from Fort Worth) and Morton. Last time I looked. Morton ranked No. 1 in the state of Texas, and Sudan No. 3.

Thus, it will be hard for Farwell to make the state playoffs ... but not impossible.

For example, say you are going against a team with an outstanding center. What you do is drive to the basket and draw fouls on him, if possible. Put him on the bench, and it's an even ball game.

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4. The Farwell Lady Blue In a phrase, this is a young team, with just two seniors and several soph-

Players like Britton Barrett, Bea Garcia, Salida Edwards. Dellani Jones are major forces for the Lady Blue.

I would call this a rebuilding year for the Lady Blue, who lost several players due to graduation last year.

From Rob Pomper:

It is easy to get down on politicians and government officials these days. However, every once in a while they really do get things right.

If you go buy a house, or a car, or even apply for a credit card, one of the first things a lender does will be to check your credit

A credit score is based on a lot of different things. but one of the most important parts comes from a check of all lines of credit and credit histories that they can find.

Remember that credit card you signed up for in 1988 but never used and never cancelled ... they probably still have a record it in your account.

Do you have a card that you continually forget to pay, or seem to always pay late on? That's probably in there, too.

Heck, what if someone applied for a credit card in your name and you never even knew about it.

It is now estimated that one in four people have been the victim of credit

My wife Rebecca and I got the opportunity to see credit fraud up close about 6 months ago while we were living in Houston.

An enterprising person bought themselves a new bedroom set over the phone and gave the company my credit card number. I don't know if they just guessed it, or if they found it somewhere, but I got one heck of a shock when I got my bill in.

I went through the proper channels of lodging complaints. The credit card company took the charge off of my statement, and the company that sold the goods let me know they had the address and drivers license number of the person who received the goods.

My next step was to call the Houston police department to file the complaint. It was then that I learned how big credit fraud is.

I was told in no uncertain terms that just having the address and drivers license number wasn't enough to get this person picked up immediately.

The officer told me that their credit fraud department processes thousands of fraud claims per month and they just didn't have the manpower to follow up on all of the leads.

About three months later I moved up here, and I still don't know if they ever recovered the goods.

So, you might be wondering what all that has to do with politicians and credit reports.

Well, that is the type of issue that, if not taken care of, can lead to bad marks on your credit report. But, most of the time you will not see your credit report

unless you are in the process of buying a bigticket item.

If you wanted to get a copy of your credit report, you would have to send money to the big three credit reporting companies, Equifax, Trans Union, and Experian. These are the three companies that virtually dictate your cred-

Now things are changing, and for the better.

A new federal law went into effect recently and started a website called www.annualcreditreport.c om where you can apply for a copy of your current credit report once per year.

This is a great opportunity to see everything that is in your name. Cars, houses, and even in some cases, electricity phone bills.

They are currently rolling out this service in four steps. Texas will be available to apply for their reports starting on June 1st. but New Mexico residents can apply today for their information.

You can also call 877-322-8228 and request your report that was as well.

Please take the time to check this info out. It only takes a few minutes to apply, and the information that is out there can affect you whether you know about it or not.

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## Approaching marriage

Chevette LaFaye Thompson and Isaac Lamar Crawford will wed on Dec. 31 at 4 p.m. at the First Christian Church, 701 SWD Ave., Lawton, Okla. The mother, Josephine Morris, attended Farwell School. Grandparents Timothy and Inez Morris live her.

#### Sign-up time

Dec. 21 is the day for folks to sign up for the Texico School Board.

There will be two posts on the Feb. 1 ballot. Incumbents are Randy Cain and Ted Richardson.

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### Chadwick knocks down four 3-pointers against Nazareth

Varsity Boys

The Farwell Steers came in 2nd in the Farwell Invitational Basketball Tournament last weekend after losing to Texico, 59-

Scoring were Robbie Tabb, 9; Derrick Chandler, 8; Tate Nichols, 17; and Chris Culver and Rowdy Mitchell, 10 each.

In the tourney opener, the Steers knocked over Hale Center, 60-41.

Scoring were Tabb, 9; Chandler, 2; Nichols, 19; Mitchell and Ty Gast, 4 each; Culver, 14; Colton Sudderth, 1, and Matthew Edwards, 7.

Then Farwell sliced by Whiteface, 60-44.

Scoring were Brett Howard and Chandler, 2 each; Tabb and Carlos Saenz, 6 each; Nichols, 19 (including a trio of 3-pointers); Mitchell, 4; Culver, 11; Sudderth, 7, and Edwards, 3.

The Steers lost on Dec. 7 to Nazareth, 67-46.

Scoring were Tabb, 9; Chandler, 2; Nichols, 11; Mitchell, 8; Gast, 2; and Culver, 14 (with a trio of 3pointers).

#### Varsity Girls

The Farwell Lady Blue went 1 and 2 in the Farwell Invitational Basketball Tourney last weekend.

In the tourney opener, the Lady Blue lost to Hale Center, 55-41.

Scoring were Micah Christian and Amanda Martin, 4 each; Britton Barrett, 2; Julie Castillo, 3; Bea Garcia, 15; Dellani Jones, 9; Salida Edwards, 3; and Amanda Martin, 1. Garcia had a trio of 3pointers.

Then they lost to Whiteface, 41-38.

Scoring were Jennifer DeLeon, 2; Amanda Martin, 3; Barrett, 15; Garcia and Jones, 5 each; and Edwards and Danielle Cargile, 4 each.

And Farwell downed Melrose, 57-41.

Scoring were DeLeon, 4; Martin Amanda and Barrett, 10 each; Castillo, 4; Garcia, 3; Edwards, 14; and Jones and Cargile, 6 each.

The Lady Blue lost to Nazareth, 58-40, on Dec. 7. Scoring were Christian. 5; Amanda Martin and Barrett, 2 each; Garcia, 4; Jones, 19 (including a pair

of 3-pointers); Ashlie Martin, 2; and Cargile, 6.

#### JV Girls

The JV Girls beat the Friona freshmen, 49-42. Scoring were Brenda

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Cano and Jourdan Kirkland, 3 each; Shelby Christian, 13; Cindy Quezada, 7; Kaylyn Meyer, 12; Hayley Fowler, 2; and Lauren Beaubien, 9.

Farwell nipped Nazareth, 34-32, in double overtime.

Scoring were Cano, 9; Christian, 6; Quezada, 4; Meyer, 10; Trish Robertson, 3; and Fowler, 2.

#### JV Boys

Farwell's JV boys lost to Nazareth, 57-45, on Dec. 7.

Scoring were Zach Bickel, 11; Cory Chadwick, 18 (with four 3-pointers); Ross McClaran, 5; Roper Ledbetter, 2; Ramon Quezada, 4; Alex Olmos, 3; and Roper Smith, 2.

Αt the Muleshoe Tourney, lost to Hale Center on Dec. 3, 41-36.

Scoring were Ryan McClaran, 13 (with a pair of 3-pointers); Ross McClaran and Olmos, 6 each; Trace Stevenson and Chadwick, 3 each; Quezada, 1; and Bickel, 4.

#### JH Girls

Farwell lost to Bovina, 33-22.

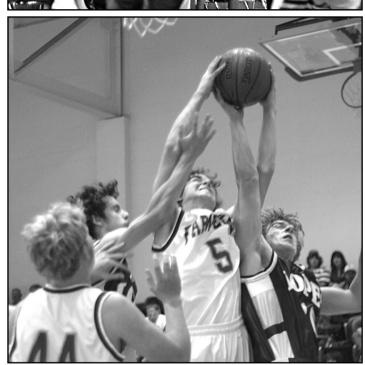
Scoring were Laura Martinez and Tiffani Jones, each; and Keegan Langford and Micky Ceniceros, 2 each.

#### Named to the All-Tourney teams at the Farwell Tournament:

Girls -- Stephanie Bailey, of Texico.

Boys -- Rowdy Mitchell and Tate Nichols, of Farwell; and Tony Clements and Braeden Vaugan, of Texico.





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Dalton Autrey is a Texico kindergartener. His birthday is Nov. 18.

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#### Posada scores 37 in JH victory

# Wolverines win Farwell Tourney

#### Varsity Boys

The Texico Wolverines won the Farwell Invitational Basketball Tournament last weekend after defeating Farwell, 59-54, in the title game.

Scoring were Braden Vaughan, 21; Tony Clements, 10; Garett Mayfield, 7; Logan Brown, 11; Curtis Williams, 5, and Aaron Vaughan, 3.

In the tourney opener, the Wolverines zapped Happy, 72-51.

Scoring were Isaac Zarate, 4; Williams, 8; Braden Vaughan, 15; Josh Pena, 6; Clements, 10; Mayfield, 12; Aaron Vaughan, 6; Johnny Ortiz, 3; Ricky Burns, 6; and Justin Garrison, 2.

Then they stopped a tough Melrose team, 62-59.

Scoring were Williams and Burns, 2 each; Braden Vaughan, 16; Pena, 8; Clements, 17; Mayfield, 10; Aaron Vaughan, 1; and Logan Brown, 6.

On Dec. 7, the Wolverines put away Dora, 73-58. Scoring were Williams, 9; Vaughan, 14; Pena, 6; Anderson, 2; Clements, 17; Mayfield, 15; Brown, 8, and Ortiz, 2.

#### Varsity Girls

The Texico Lady Wolverines took 2nd place in the Farwell Invitational Basketball Tournament after falling in the title game to Friona, 55-22.

Friona, a Class 2A school, is ranked 10th in Texas. Scoring were Skyla Cockerham, 2; Lori Richardson, 1; Stephanie Bailey, 5; Lauren Boazman and Brittany Anderson, 4 each; and Erika Autrey and Faith Martin, 3 each.

In the tourney opener, the Lady Wolverines put away Whiteface, 50-33.

Scoring were Bryn Mayfield, 2; Boazman, 6; Amber Parmer, 3; Brette Hadley, 5; Richardson, 8; Bailey, 18; and Ashley Kidd, 8.

Then they beat Hale Center, 51-45.

Scoring were Bailey, 15; Mayfield, 11; Boazman, 4; Faith Martin, 2; Hadley, 9; Richardson, 5; and Kidd, 6.

On Dec. 7, the Lady Wolverines destroyed Dora, 61-43. Scoring were Mayfield, 5; Boazman, 11; Autrey, 2; Parmer, 9; Martin, 5; Richardson, 2; Bailey, 14; and Kidd, 13.

#### JV Girls

Texico's JV Girls beat Dora, 52-2 (a pair of free throws in the first quarter).

Scoring were Skyla Cockerham, Micah Mayfield, Sarah Johnson and Leslie Vannatta, 2 each; Zandi Queener, 9; Barbara Vidal, 4; Brittney Anderson, 13; Stephanie Vega, 10; and Brooke Bailey, 8.

#### JV Bovs

Texico's JV boys creamed Dora. 77-63.

Edguardo Meza, 7; and Eli Morgan, 2.

Scoring were Ruben Lindley and Billy Scott, 4 each; Zac Morgan, 6; Daniel Schueler, 13; Rolando Renova, 18; Josh Murray, 11; Justin Garrison, 18, and Casey Crist, 13

#### 7th Boys

Texico's 7th grade boys beat Tucumcari, 42-33.
Scoring were Seth Zarate and James Conlee, 3 each;
Rhett Martin, 5; Marques Pena, 1; Seth Bailey, 21;



#### Meet Farwell's Class of 2017

Terry Brigham.



Naomi Brigham is a Farwell kindergartener. Her birthday is Aug. 16. Parents are Jeannie and Matt Brigham. Grandparents are Alvino and Maria Lopez, Irene Lopez, and Bill and

She likes to play outside, walk to the park, color, and play with friends.

Her favorite foods are pizza and spaghetti. Her favorite colors are pink and yellow.

She doesn't like cleaning her room, wearing socks or going to bed early.

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#### 8th Boys

Texico's 8th grade boys beat Tucumcari, 61-51. Mario Posada scored a whopping 37 points.

Also scoring were Luis Estrada, 6; Mark Rivera, 4; Brett Anderson and Jordan Broome, 2 each; Levi Richards, 1; and Tanner Allen, 9.

#### 8th Girls

Texico's 8th grade girls topped Tucumcari, 43-40. Scoring were Jerrica Reid, 3; Markita Askew, 4; Holly Harrison, 13; Jaryse Harris, 6; and Amanda Bass, 19.



#### The Latest

The Farwell Band Boosters will be working at a volunteer appreciation breakfast at the Order of Eagles in Clovis on Dec. 19.

Booster club members and Farwell Band members in grades 7-12 are needed to work this important fund raising breakfast.

For all boosters and band students already signed up

for this project, you need to be at the Eagle's Club at 8 a.m. Sunday. The club is located off of West 7th and Industrial Avenue by the Coca-Cola bottling plant.

The children and youth of St. John Lutheran Church of Lariat will present a Christmas program called "Christmas Clues" for the congregation and community on Christmas Eve at 7 p.m.

A word of caution for the holidays: There have been a few instances of folks having their belongings stolen from their unlocked vehicles while they are attending church. Don't forget to lock your doors and do not leave your vehicle keys in the ignition.

Hub cowboy fellowship, open to all, will be held Dec. 21 at the Hub Community Center, two miles south of Junction 214 and Highway 86 at 7 p.m.

Rev. Scott Spitsburg, of Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church, will speak. Rhonda and Jim Murphree will lead the worship.

Among the graduates at Southwestern Oklahoma State University was Britney Hawkins, formerly of Farwell, with a doctorate in pharmacy degree.



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#### State Supreme Court backs Puckett land seizure

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday hired Byrd Realty, of Farwell, to sell property that had been in the name of Ronnie Puckett in Lazbuddie.

In June 2003, 287th District Court Judge Gordon Green ordered that the Lazbuddie land, a half section, be forfeited to the state.

Evidence was introduced in court that Ronnie Puckett was the land owner.

The situation began in October 2001 when the Parmer County sheriff's office staged a raid on a farm 1 miles from Lazbuddie School. More than 200 pounds of mariiuana were recovered from the corn field and a barn

William Vernon Puckett, of Lazbuddie, (Ronnie Puckett's father), was arrested on charges connected to the marijuana seizure, found guilty, and put on proba-

Ronnie Puckett also was charged in the case, but a jury found him innocent.

Ronnie Puckett appealed the decision to take the land, and the case went to the Texas Supreme Court, which upheld Judge Green's decision, reported Parmer County Judge Bonnie Clayton-Heald.

Byrd will only be listing a quarter-section for sale. This is because the other quarter-section will go to the Federal Land Bank, the first lien holder, said Judge Clayton-Heald.

The other assets include a vehicle, which GMAC has a lien on; and items including weapons, refrigerators, bulletproof vest, flood lights, etc. These items eventually will be sold at a sheriff's sale. The assets have been confiscated, said District Attorney Johnny Actkinson.

In other business, the commissioners:

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-- Rescheduled their next meeting for Dec. 22, due to the Christmas holidays.

-- Said the courthouse will be closed on Dec. 24, 27 and 31 for the holidays.

-- Plan a swearing-in ceremony for new county officials, probably for Dec. 29 or 30.

#### Sheriff's Report

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

On Dec. 10, Antonio Gonzalez, 19, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of retaliation. Case pending in district court.

On Dec. 10, Bruce Ramos Jr., 19, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of retaliation. Case pending in district court.

On Dec. 9, Ray Rando, 44, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. Case pending in county court.

#### Courthouse Notes

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

Bruce Smolky - Edwin Everhart, L11-15, B35 Bovina.

Joe Wright et al -Frederico Vela, L4 B96

#### Marriage License

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

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Lee Hutchins - Jay **Bowers Construction, E** 42' middle 72' L1-4 Farwell. Mac Langford - Kevin Carter, S/2 S26 Blk B.



#### 50th anniversary

Jerry and Marcia (Foster) Bell will celebrate their 50th anniversary on Dec. 26 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Clovis library. All are invited; no gifts, please. Marcia is a Farwell High graduate. The couple was married in Farwell on Dec. 26, 1954. They farm and ranch north of Clovis. They have three children, Jady Bell, Jack Bell and Jill Denton, all of Clovis, and six grandchildren, Corey and Courtney Bell, Keeson and Kelby Bell, and Eric and Ashley Denton, all of Clovis.

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## Texico plans garbage rate hike

The Texico City Council moved ahead Tuesday on plans to raise garbage pickup rates.

The council would like the public's feedback before voting on new rates in January.

The next council meeting will be Dec. 28.

Councilman Oran Jay Autrey indicated that maybe a 50 percent hike in rates will be needed.

What the council has done in the past, and likely will do again this time, is raise the rates a lot so that the city makes a profit for a couple of years, then is break-even, then loses money. And rates are raised at that point, not

If the city raises rates just to cover current charges, then it's likely rate hikes would become an annual occur-

Duncan Disposal has raised its rates the past few years due to increased landfill charges, higher gas costs, etc.

The current fee a resident is charged by the city for garbage pickup is \$8.50 a month. But Duncan is charging the city \$9.71. Thus, the city is losing \$1.21 a month per residential fee.

If this fee were to be raised 25 percent, for example, then the individual resident would be paying \$10.63 a

The problem is greater for businesses that need containers ranging from 1.5 to 4 yards.

For example, Texico is charging a business \$36.78 a month for a 2-yard dumpster. Duncan is charging the city \$48.94. Thus, the city is losing more than \$12 a

If that fee were raised by Texico 25 percent, it would be \$45.98 a month -- and the city still would be losing

In other business, the council:

- -- Noted that the gross receipts tax in the city is going up from 6.375 percent to 7.0625 percent.
- -- Heard that water Supt. Darrell Stanton has passed his Level 2 in water state test. Next up is the Level 2 test in waste water.

Several applications have been received for the assistant's post.

- -- Heard Fire Chief Lewis Cooper report that CDBG funds are being sought for water lines, first, and to buy water rights, second.
- -- Heard Cooper say that state funds will be sought to repair Highway 348 (South Garwood, then along the state line).
- -- Heard building inspector Terry Martin report he is still checking on prices and chemicals before buying a mosquito fogger for the city.
  - -- Heard Mayor Jerry Cunningham report that it's a "no

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go" on working with Farwell on controlling stray animals. He said Stanton was told by Clovis officials that they will not accept strays from Texas.

-- Okayed a variance for Debbie Ryan to enclose her carport. The carport is 6 inches onto state property.

- -- Heard Stanton urge that the city buy fly ash to repair some allevs. In some cases where allevs have serious problems, the dumpsters will be moved to front yards.
- -- Approved application forms for truck parking permits. They will be good for a calendar year.
- The deadline for getting permits from City Hall, at \$45 each, is Feb. 1, 2005. After that, police tickets can be
- -- Gave Cooper the go-ahead to seek state approval to buy a new tanker. It would be paid for from fire department revenue.
- -- Plans to put out city limit signs on the northern, western and southern boundaries.

Councilman Jerry Bradley suggested that the Texico FFA create a "Welcome to Texico" sign for folks coming here from Texas highways.

-- Okayed the grave sites in the northwest corner of the original cemetery that can be sold. Eighteen sites are now available.

#### Texico accepted into pilot program

The Texico School Board on Tuesday heard that they have been accepted into a state pilot program to improve student instruction.

Only six states in the nation, and only seven schools in New Mexico, were chosen. Texico was picked along with Albuquerque and Rio Ranch, for example.

The \$3.6 million Wallace Grant will allow better student data to be gotten in order to improve individualized student instruction.

In other business, the board:

- -- Is close to purchasing property for a baseball field. Richard Luscombe was thanked for his help in this.
- Added as activity bus drivers were Rick Mayfield, Chris Thomas, and Kay and Charles Vannatta.
- -- Heard an update on the breakfast program, which started last January. It has been highly successful, said Supt. R.L. Richards.
- -- Awarded a construction project at the pre-school to Sam Sanders Materials, of Clovis.
- -- Awarded bids to United Enterprise Builders, of Clovis, to construct an academic learning lab and renovate the kindergarten rooms next summer.
- -- Set a school board workshop for Jan. 13 for current members and also candidates in next year's election.



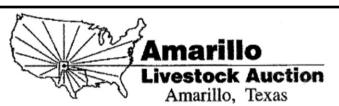
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## Farwell's total net assets increase

The Farwell City Council on Tuesday accepted the 2004 audit from CPA De'Aun Willoughby.

The audit noted that the City of Farwell will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2005. The city was founded in 1905, incorporated the next year, disbanded, then reincorporated in 1950.

Mrs. Willoughby said she found no legal violations in the city's finances, adding, "You are doing very, very

As of June 30, 2004, the city's total net assets are \$2,054,315. This total was up \$216,225 over the preced-

Major capital asset events during the fiscal year were the new City Hall (\$51,331) and purchasing a fire tanker

In other business, the council:

-- Approved a building permit for Mike Goettsch, 512 2nd St., for a storage building.

-- Approved selling about 20 foot of property (between the old theater building and the alley) to Jay Bowers Construction for \$100.

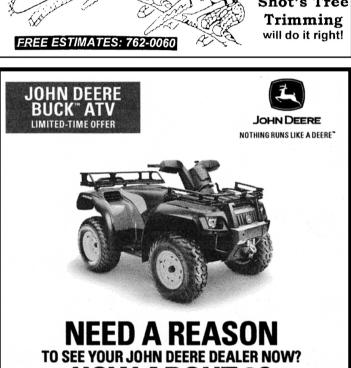
Bowers also needs approval from the Farwell School Board and Hospital District Board to buy the property, which has been off the tax roll for years.

-- Approved a request from Farwell Postmaster Lynne Mahaney for an alternate post office site (the Farwell Community Center) in case a disaster occurs.

-- Agreed to trade trailers with James Johnson.

-- Will write a letter to Joe Pena notifying him he is past the deadline for getting the house he moved into town on 9th Street up to city codes.





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## **Farwell Band** holiday concert held

The Farwell 2004 Christmas Concert was held on Dec. 8.

It featured the pre-kindergarten through 5th grade choirs, and the middle school and high school bands.

Songs were "We wish you a merry Christmas", "Away in a manger", "Jingle bells", "The angel band", "Santa Claus is coming to town", "Up on the housetop", "Rudolph, the red nosed reindeer", "Jingle bells", "Jingle bell rock", "Feliz navidad", "Silver bells", "Deck the hall", "A time for you."

The dance team of Jessica Adams, Kari Mathys, Ashleigh Mesman and Elisa Smith performed "I saw mama kissing Santa Claus."

The middle school band performed "Jingle bells", "A holly jolly Christmas" and "Up on the Housetop."

The high school band performed "Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow", "Greensleeves", "The little drummer boy", "The Christmas song" and "We wish you a merry Christmas."

#### Susan Johnson resigns

The Farwell School Board on Dec. 16 will be accepting the resignation of Susan Johnson, who is moving to Lubbock.

Mrs. Johnson was head librarian and taught keyboarding.

She will be replaced by Nedra Isabell, of Clovis.



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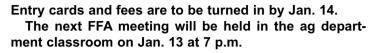
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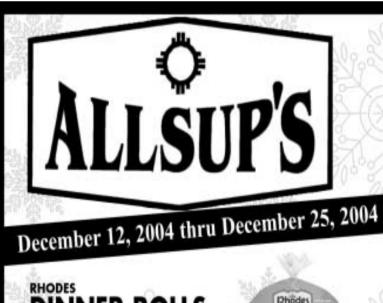
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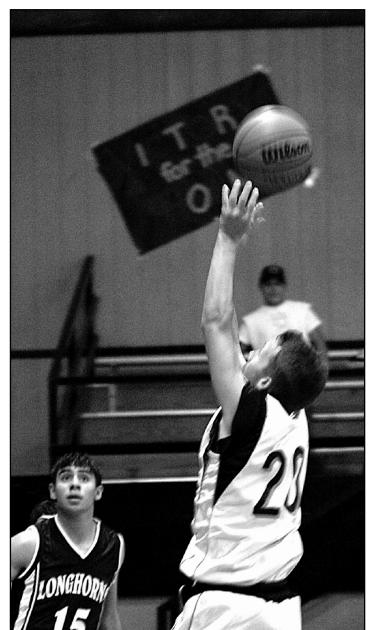
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## Lazbuddie participates in Whitharral Tournament

Varsity Boys

The Lazbuddie Longhorns fell to Silverton, 63-28, on Dec. 7.

Scoring were Jose Beliz, 4; Cory Chavez and Cory Chancey, 2 each; Bryce Haney, 1; Cory Puckett, 9 (with a pair of 3-pointers); Jesse Gomez, 7; and Jason Davis, 3.



In Whitharral tourney action:

Lazbuddie fell to Olton, 77-49. Scoring were Chavez, Contreras, Chancey and Beliz, 2 each; Puckett, 18 (including a trio of 3-pointers); Gomez, 15; Davis, 7; and Adam Pierce, 1.

Lazbuddie lost to Petersburg, 45-40. Scoring were

#### The Latest

basketball More report:

The Lazbuddie Longhorns varsity teams play at Happy on Dec. 17, and at Nazareth on Dec. 21.

The Farwell JV and varsity teams host Dora on Dec. 17. Then the varsity teams play in the Littlefield Tournament Dec. 27-29.

The Texico JV and varsity teams host Sudan on Dec. 17, then play at Logan on Dec. 18.

Former Texico football coach Barry Partain was at the Farwell basketball tourney last week. He is an assistant coach to boys' basketball and football at Whiteface.

He headed the Texico Wolverines from 1993-1998, with a state title under his belt.

Texico police are investigating a verbal harassment complaint this week.

At the West Texas Rehab Center Pig Jackpot Show on Dec. 11, a pig donated by Cody Hill, of Farwell, was named reserve breed champion

duroc.

There was a report to the Tribune of a lost dog. A Red Chihuahua with a red and blue collar that answers to the name 'Oochi' was last seen in Farwell on Tuesday. A reward has been offered. Call 481-0055.

Although this year's cotton harvest is now what local farmers would have liked after a great start last spring, at least the harvest is well up over last year, when bad weather ruined the crop in this area.

As of last Friday, about 50 percent of the cotton crop in the High Plains area has been harvested. The overall harvest is late due to rainy weather this

December, so far, has provided favorable weather for harvesting. The High Plains area planted 3.69 million acres and is expected to harvest 3.37 million acres.

Fortunately for farmers, the crop's projected yield per acre is allowing a broader tolerance for lint loss.

That might not be the case, however, in a year where every lock of cotton counts and yields are less than ideal.

Much cotton stripped was in less than desirable conditions and was a considerable challenge for both producers and gin-

Chavez and Pierce, 2 each; Puckett, 4; Conteras, 15; Gomez, 11; and Davis, 6.

Lazbuddie beat Hart, 40-33. Scoring were Puckett, 6; Contreras, 7; Gomez, 13; Davis, 12; and Pierce, 2.

#### Varsity Girls

The Lazbuddie Lady Longhorns put away Silverton, 56-50, on Dec. 7.

Kayla Parham put in 15 points, with a strong second half performance (11 points). Chelsee Nichols bagged 24 points, including a pair of

3-pointers; Melanie Winders added 12. Also scoring were Ana Hernandez, 3; and Brittney

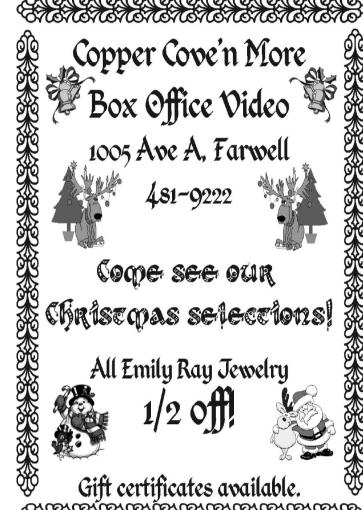
Schacher, 2.

In Whitharral tournament action last week:

Lazbuddie beat Kress, 62-33. Scoring were Parham, 9; Hernandez, 11; Schacher and Mica Brandvik, 2 each; Rochelle Smith and Regina Mata, 1 each; Winders, 12; and Nichols, 24.

The Lady 'Horns lost to Petersburg, 47-43 in overtime. Scoring were Parham, 16; Winders, 12; Nichols, 13; and Mata, 2.

Lazbuddie fell to Lorenzo, 43-28. Scoring were Parham, 15I Winders, 11; and Megan McGuire, 2.





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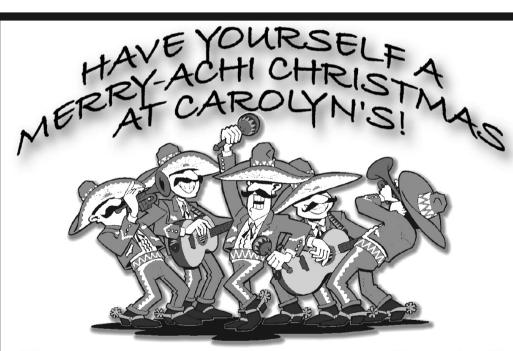
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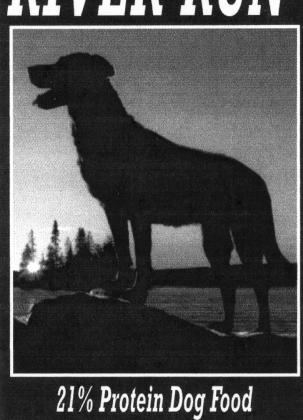
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Long time Bovinan Minnie Kelso was honored Dec. 5 with a surprise birthday party at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Ferman and Maxine Kelso of Clovis.

Ferman picked up his mother at her new home, Prairie Acres in Friona, for what she thought was just a typical day in Clovis. To her surprise, almost all of her family members were waiting at Ferman's home to celebrate her 90th birthday.

Those in attendance included her other son and daughter-in-law. Tally and Brenda Kelso of Llano: six of her seven grandchildren and 16 her 18 great-grandchildren. Many friends from Bovina and Tulia were also there. The family members and guests enjoyed an afternoon of sharing, visiting and cake and punch.

The city is looking at putting a lighted Christmas display in the city park. If it doesn't work out for this year, watch for the next time.

The varsity teams will play in the Floyd Tourney Dec.

16-18.

Farwell-Bovina Junior High action

#### **Bovina schools** add social worker

The Bovina School **Board on Monday hired** Rocio Mata, of Clovis, to be a social worker, starting Jan. 3.

This is a new position. Her office will be in the high school library where the migrant office has been. The migrant office moves to the home ec cot-

Ms. Mata's job will be similar to that of a high school counselor. She will help get students information on colleges, and will hold meetings with par-

She will not do testing, but will assist the testing counselor.

In other business, the board:

-- Heard a request from several high school students to change a graduation tradition.

For the past couple of decades, graduates wear all-maroon gowns.

The students suggested that the girls wear white, and the boys wear maroon -- like it was done in 1979. Jeff Casas served as the senior class spokesman.

The board took no action, just listened.

-- Accepted the audit report from Sue Riddick.

-- Discussed the baseball field building project.

The board, at the request of the coaches, will buy a pitching machine now and put off

buying a scoreboard. School officials will look into alternative funding for the scoreboard.

-- Awarded a contract to Bovina Community Network to replace the video computer lab. The school will buy 20 machines for \$1,200 each.

-- At the recommendation of Leon Ware, appointed Earl Whitten to the county's Review Board.

 Supt. Charles Carter said his annual evaluation by the board went well.

Removed TB immunization requirements.

School Band Director John Steinhardt will be giving concerts at the Victory Gardens Theater in Chicago Dec. 28-31.

Known professionally as "Schizoid Johnny," his Samadhi Concert will be presented.

#### **Band Concert**

From page 12

Vidana, Lynda Rodriguez, Blanca Herrera, Karen Rodriguez and Katherine Salazar.

-- "Ode to joy."

-- "Up on the housetop."

-- "Sakura, sakura." -- "First Christmas march."

-- "The River", with soloist Isaias Castillo.

The 7th grade grand played: -- "Threepack from 'The Nutcracker.'

-- "Banana Boat", with soloists Ricardo Delarosa, Daniela Flores, Jessie Rodriguez, Daniel Silva, Kew Mason and David Saucedo.

-- "Have yourself a merry little Christmas."

-- La Bamba."

The Bovina Show Band played:

-- "Johnny B. Goode," with lead vocals Saul Newton, Isabel Ramirez, Edda Robles and Aaron Ramon; and lead guitar, Miguel Caldera.

-- "Okie from Muskogee," with lead vocal Aaron Ramon, and fiddle, Hannah Miller.

-- "Sweet home, Alabama", with lead vocals Isaias Castillo, Hannah Miller and Jonathan Gutierrez.

-- "La Bamba," with lead vocal Saul Martinez, lead guitar Miguel Caldera, and keyboard solo Jose Valadez.

#### Basketball

From page 12

Saucedo, 7; Laura Rocha, 9; Hortencia Lara, 4; Ruby Vela, 17; Anna Rodriguez, 14; and Haylee Hughes, 9.

The Fillies beat Lorenzo, 30-15.

Scoring were Saucedo, 3; Lara, 4; Vela, 9; Rodriguez, 6; Crystal Amparan, 2; and Giselle Alvarado, 6.

#### Varsity Girls

The Fillies lost to Lorenzo, 51-47, on Dec. 7, despite a furious 4th quarter comeback.

Scoring were Liz Alonzo, 3; Jennifer Reyna, 10; Irma Rocha, 12; Isabel Guevara, 8; Dorothy Martinez, 4; Hilda Quintero, 3; and Jessica Bachicha, 7.

The Fillies lost to Olton, 69-40.

Scoring were Guevara, Quintero and Alonzo, 2 each; Reyna, 7; Rocha, 2; Martinez, 9; and Bachicha, 16.

#### JV Boys

The JV boys lost to Lorenzo, 65-38.

Scoring were Trent Quintana, 7; Jesse Gutierrez, 2; Noe Lara, 2; Abriel Terrones, 3; and James Lara, 17.

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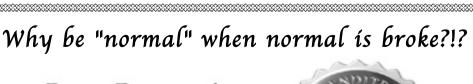
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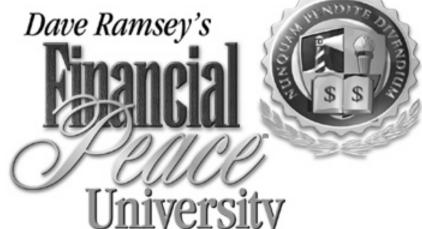




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## School band concert held

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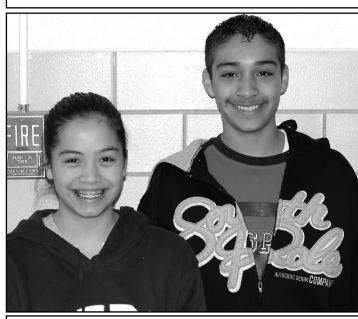
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persons present. The 5th grade band

played: -- "Barbie had a mustang rock", with soloists David Martinez, Tamara

There was a huge turnout, with about 250 Rivera, Gael Vela, Padyn

### Middle School students honored



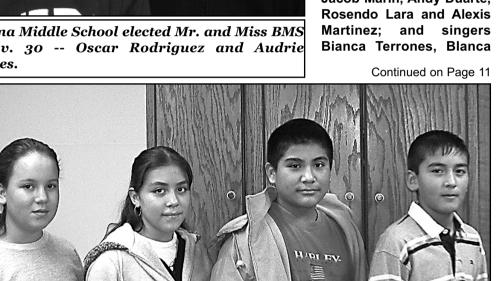
Bovina Middle School elected Mr. and Miss BMS on Nov. 30 -- Oscar Rodriguez and Audrie Terrones.

-- "The lightly

Tesenia Delarosa, Betancourt, Marinelarena, Rodriguez.

-- "Let it snow", featuring soloist Cinthia Munoz. The 6th grade band played:

-- "When the saints go marching in," with Gerald Salazar, Mathew Knoll, Dorian Vela, Zachery Ward, Elia Mejia, Irvin Vela, Christopher Rodriguez, Jacob Marin, Andy Duarte,



Bovina Middle School 6th graders honored recently were Most Outstanding Students Marianna Guevara, left, and Fernando Banelos, second from right; and Class Favorites Dorian Vela, right, and Blanca Herrera.



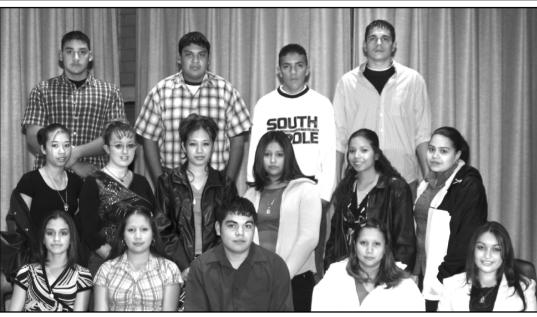
Bovina Middle School 8th graders honored recently were Most Outstanding Students Peter Hiebert, left, and Hannah Miller, second from left; and Class Favorites Jesus Rocha and Yesenia Guevara.



Bovina Middle School 7th graders honored recently were Most Outstanding Students Juan Navarro, left, and Gabby Castro, second from left; and Class Favorites Alicia Lopez and Ricardo Delarosa.

#### Hughes and Jake Brozem. polka."

-- "Jingle funk rock" with rapper Gael Vela, keyboardist Justin Salazar, soloists Jake Brozek, Castaneda, Bethany Moore, Jermiah Gabriel Navil Regina Quintero, Viviyan Mesza and Angelica Mejia; and dancers Bethany Moore, Bianca Roldan, Jennifer Garza, Jeremiah Delarosa, Viviyan Mesza and Judith



Inducted into NHS

Inducted into the National Honor Society on Dec. 6 were, back row, Frank Martinez, Jessie Reyna, Esai Saucedo and Saul Martinez; middle row, Irma Rocha, Johanna Knoll, Laura Rocha, Karla Rocha, Vanessa Garcia and Elizabeth Aguilar; and front row, Hilda Quintero, Crystal Amparan, Chris DeLeon, Yvette Amparan and Sandra Perez.

## It doesn't look like council will prohibit truck parking

The Bovina City Council on Dec. 7 held a hearing on the proposed ordinance to prohibit truck parking on city streets.

Several truckers attended and the gist of their comments was that street deterioration was not all their fault. Others, such as farmers, use the streets, and some of the streets are old.

Thus, the council took no action and likely won't. Instead, they plan to repair streets when necessary.

In other business, the council:

-- Purchased a new sewer machine from Baker Equipment, of Enid, Okla., for \$27,878. It was the lowest of four bids received. City Manager Ernest Terry, though, said it was selected for its quality.

The new machine uses a water-driven snake instead of the mechanical augers that are used in older cleaning machines. Also, the new machine comes equipped with a camera to see blockages. Friona is considering buying a similar machine.

-- Held the annual city manager's evaluation. Terry was very pleased with how it went. Terry also reported that the audit showed the city's finances to be in excellent

-- Modified the federal homeland defense grant to allow some individual equipment to be purchased for city firemen and EMS personnel.

-- Directed Terry to hire a computer wizard to evaluate the city's 3-year-old computer system for revamping.



## Vela leads JV Fillies to victory

Varsity Boys

On Nov. 7, the Mustangs fell to a tough Lorenzo team, 70-21.

Scoring were Casas, 9; Hugo Martinez, 6; and Michael Ortiz, Josh Shelby and Eddy Segovia, 2 each.

JV Girls

The Fillies defeated Olton, 60-54 in triple overtime.

Scoring were Lucero Continued on Page 11

## Here is a great way to say Merry Christmas

To continue an important tradition, the First Bank of Bovina will sponsor a large ad in the Tribune's Christmas issue giving credit to Bovina area friends and neighbors who contribute to the annual Christmas Card Fund, sponsored by the Bovina Ambulance Service.

This fund-raiser benefits the Bovina Ambulance Service and the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department.

All you need to do is stop by the First Bank of Bovina and drop off a donation, of any amount, in the name of the Bovina Ambulance Service. It will keep strong this very important volunteer group. And your name will appear in the Christmas issue ad in the Tribune on Dec. 25th.

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