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## County politics moves to forefront

As the filing deadline approaches for next year's Parmer County elections, there was a whole lot of political news this week.

The filing deadline is Jan. 2, and this article is being written on Dec. 31, but it appears the following will be correct by the time all the smoke clears:

Longtime District Attorney Johnny Actkinson, a Republican, will retire after this year.

Actkinson has served as DA for the 287th District since its formation in 1981. Before then, there was one District Court for Lamb, Parmer and Bailey counties. But in 1981, Parmer and Bailey got a separate district. At that time, Jack Young was District DA. He was appointed 287th District Court judge, and Actkinson became the DA.

It appears that Kathryn Gurley, current Parmer County Attorney, will file on Jan. 2 for the District Attorney's post. She will be unopposed for the post.

There are no attorneys who live in Bailey County that would be interested in the job. The three lawyers who live in Bailey County are Jack Young, a retired judge; Gordon Green, currently 287th District Court judge, and Jeanine Backus, who practices with the Aldridge law firm in Farwell and who just recently passed the Texas bar exam.

Why hasn't Mrs. Gurley already filed? It's because of the state constitution which says that if you file for another attorney's post with more than a year to go in your current county attorney's post, you have to resign. Thus, if she filed on Dec. 30, for example, she must resign as county attorney and a new county attorney would be needed for 2008.

But by waiting to file for District Attorney on Jan. 2, Mrs. Gurley does not have to resign and can continue as County Attorney throughout 2008.

One question does remain -- to see which political party Mrs. Gurley will sign up with. When she ran for county attorney three years ago, it was as a write-in candidate, without party affiliation.

And who will be the new Parmer County Attorney?

Jeff Actkinson has filed to seek the post on the GOP ticket. He sought the job three years ago, but lost to Mrs. Gurley in the general election. It appears he will be unopposed.

Besides all the excitement in the attorney's posts, there will be one contested election in Parmer County -- for the Farwell area county commissioner's job.

Filing for the Pct. 3 post are incumbent Mike Haseloff, a Democrat, and Ronald Byrd, a Republican. They will be unopposed in their respective primaries, then face off in November.

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## Folks enjoy meals at the senior citizens meal site



Flaura Lee Bass and Joyce Johnson are welcomed by Juanita Shannon to the Farwell Senior Citizens lunch site.



Shala Stewart preparing the meal.



Hugh Mosley and Ruddene Crowley.



Ysleta and T.J. Kittrell.



Carol Dean Huggins and Dovie Sears.

## Farwell Schools to celebrate 100th anniversary

Farwell Schools will celebrate their 100th anniversary this year -- and they are going about it in a big way.

The big gala is planned for Friday, July 25, the weekend of Border Town Days.

School Supt. Larry Gregory is forming a committee to honcho the event, which will be highlighted by dedicating the high school gym in honor of longtime Farwell principal and superintendent Jack Williams. His portrait will be displayed at the facility.

Gregory not only invites all alumni to attend this special event, but also hopes that former teachers and school employees will come back. They will be recognized at the gala.

His committee will send out invitations to alumni and ex-teachers who they have addresses for.

He realizes that those lists are incomplete and asks that community members who have addresses of those folks who have moved from the community to contact him at the school, (806) 481-3371 or by writing to Farwell Schools, PO Box F, Farwell TX 79325.

Gregory has been accumulating old yearbooks so that they, and other school memorabilia, will be available for viewing at the July bash.

But he could not find some annuals. If you have yearbooks that can help, he would very much appreciate it if you contact the school. Here is what is missing:

- Pre-1939 annuals.
- 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944 and 1945 annuals.
- 1947 and 1948 annuals.
- 1950 annual.
- 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958 and 1959 annuals.

The earliest annual that Farwell School has is from 1939, on loan from Ruby Meeks. It was called "El Vaquero."

Gregory also asks folks help on the following:

- Does anyone know when Farwell's first graduating class was? The earliest school board minutes that Gregory has is from 1908.
- Who is the school's oldest living graduate?
- Do folks have any school memorabilia that

Farwell Schools can borrow so they can be set up at the school for the July celebration?

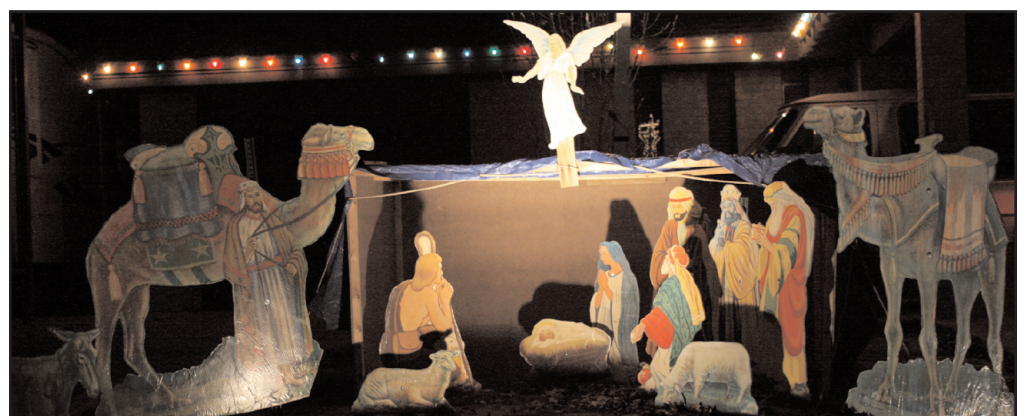
Again, please contact Gregory at (806) 481-3371 or by writing to Farwell Schools, Box F, Farwell TX 79325.

The State Line Tribune will be working with the schools on their 100th anniversary. Toward that end, starting with today's issue, photos of some of the school alumni will be published.

This project will continue weekly through July. Also, the Tribune plans to include a special historical feature on Farwell Schools in the Border Town Days issue of July 24. Extra copies will be printed, then distributed for free at the school's celebration on July 25.

Gregory plans to invite musicians who are Farwell graduates to play at the July 25 party. They will include Johnny Schell, Charlie Phillips, and Clay and Charla Corn, for example. These folks also will be invited to perform the next day, at Border Town Days, if they so choose.

## Christmas decorations in the Twin Cities



**Obituaries**



**Rocky Horton**

Rocky Horton, 44, of Texico, died Dec. 23 in Farwell.

He was born April 25, 1963 in Clovis to Corky and Peggy Horton.

Raised in Clovis, he married Suzahn Inman on June 6, 1992, in Clovis. He owned and operated Sparklin' Wash and Mighty Vac Pumping Service. He was a member of Muleshoe Cowboy Fellowship.

Surviving are his wife; a daughter, Rockell; a son, Ruge; a brother, Jackie, of Clovis; and his mother, of Clovis.

A memorial service was held Dec. 27 at Central Baptist Church in Clovis with Steve Friskup and Dusty Leatherwood officiating. Burial was at Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens. Steed-Todd Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Casket bearers were Marlon Inman, Brent Inman, Jackie Horton,

Layne Norris, Craig Johnson, Mark Boatman, Leroy Lucero and Buddy Mullinax.

Honorary casket bearers will be Harold Johnson, Kay Harmon, Jim Hobbs and the Monday & Tuesday Mornings Men Bible Study groups.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Baptist Children's Home, Box 629, Portales, NM 88130.

**Mark Charles**

Mark M. Charles, 73, of Horizon, Texas, died Dec. 25 in Amarillo.

Memorial services were Dec. 29 at United Methodist Church in Bovina with Rev. Larry Mitchell officiating.

He was born May 15, 1934, in Bovina to Wilbur and Mettie Charles. He had worked as a mechanic in the airline industry.

Survivors include his wife, Mary, at home; a daughter, Brenda Charles, of Rio Ranch, N. M.; a son, Randall, of El Paso; a step-daughter, Genn Ann Kush of Dawn, Texas; a step-son Jeff Shipley of Dawn; a brother, Jimmie, of Deming, N.M.; a sister, Ellen Estes of Bovina; 10 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren

**Border Banter**

--Mike Pomper

**What a lady!**

I was saddened to see the passing of Lura "Lu" Rundell.

What a lady! Lived to see 101 years and for the most part took care of herself the latter years. I only wish I can do as well.

We got to become good friends early on because we are both avid bridge players.

We played together at the Clovis bridge club many times and even went to tournaments together in Lubbock and Amarillo on occasion.

She was a very good bridge player and it was an honor to be her teammate.

But my favorite story involves us driving back from a Clovis bridge game on 21st Street.

I was driving her new car (she always preferred the men to drive) and we could see a car approaching from the east.

"Oh, no," Lu exclaimed. "It's (I will leave the name out to protect the innocent) coming and she is a real busy-body. She will tell everyone that she saw us together."

Well, that put a smile on my face and presented a challenge, too.

So when Mrs. (you fill in the blank) approached in her car, I put my arm

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around Lu and smiled at Mrs. X as our cars passed. The lady in the other car looked as us with her mouth wide open.

"Mike, what did you do!" hollered Lu. "She will tell everybody in Farwell about it!"

Heck, I figured that would be a real tribute to Lu, considering her age at the time.

Yes, Lu was always a very private person. When she reached the 100 mark, I had Teresa Mesman call her for a possible feature story in the Tribune.

"Hell no, I don't want people to know my business," Lu replied.

What a feisty lady. And a wonderful person.

As a staunch Dallas Cowboys fan, it was good to see the 'boys getting a 3-week window to rest their injured players.

As far as Sunday's game went against the 'Skins, let's not discuss it.

Frankly, they need a healthy T.O. when they begin the playoffs. I wish that wasn't the case but....

Having Terry Glenn

back will be a plus and I hope he can contribute. And I hope the break gives cornerbacks Newman and Henry, and others like Ratliff and Gurude, a chance to get over their injuries.

It's been a real fun year watching the Cowboys. You never know what to expect. A couple of teams with losing records gave the Cowboys fits.

But winning every week in the NFL is not very easy; just ask the Green Bay Packers. Everybody can have an off week. You never know.

I will predict right now that the New England Patriots, the best team in pro football, could get beat in the playoffs. They have some very good teams in the AFL, and Jacksonville could easily upset the Tom Brady Bunch.

But let's take it one game at a time, as coaches love to say. I would

like to see the Cowboys in the Super Bowl, sure. But I hope they will at least win one playoff game for now; they haven't done that in about a decade.

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One of the fun things as you go through life is to see someone you know "make it big."

Such was the case for me last week.

Back in the 1970s, I knew a young teacher in Michigan City, Ind., named David Parry. He was a football ref in his spare time.

Well, he moved up the ranks, and later became the coordinator of football officials for the Big Ten, quite an achievement. He also was an NFL ref.

Last week, it was announced my ol' friend will be the first national coordinator of college football officiating.

Like I said, it's a kick to see someone you know "make it big."

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Rosa Quiroga - Diane Cervantez, W 70' L22 B84 Bovina.

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Jose Bermea estate - Jose Chavez, N10 ac SE/4 T6S R3E.

Herman Friesen et al - Lynn Holdeman, N/2 S18 T11S R3E.

Denny Wiedebush estate - Terri Douglas, N/2 S33 Blk Y WD & FW Johnson

**County races**

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In the remaining political news, three incumbents are opposed so far for re-election:

-- Bobbie Pierson, a Democrat, county tax assessor-collector.

-- Randy Gerles, a Republican, county sheriff.

-- Kirk Frye, a Republican, county commissioner for the Friona area.

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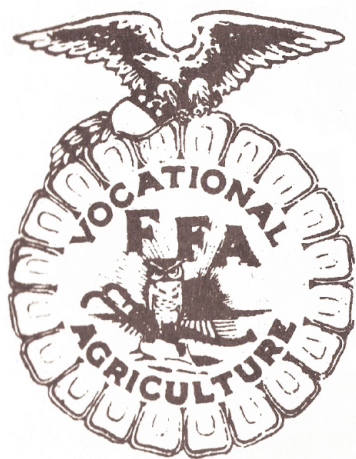
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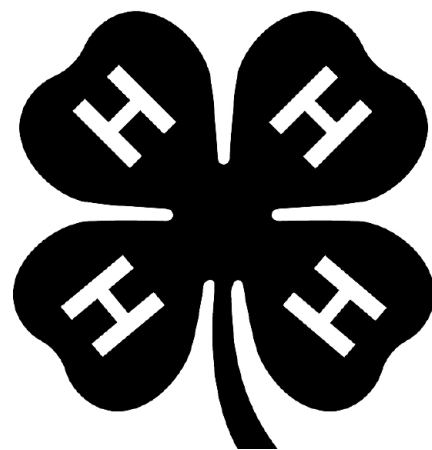


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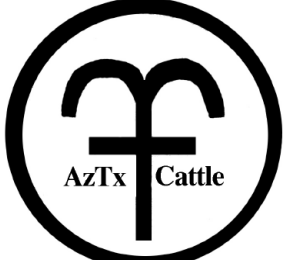
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## Sheriff's Report

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

On Dec. 18, Christina Mora, 32, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a Potter County warrant. She posted bond and was released.

On Dec. 29, Jacob Mireles, 20, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on charges of possession of marijuana under 2 oz., pending in county court; and possession of a controlled substance between 1 and 4 grams, pending before the grand jury.

On Dec. 29, Theresa Mireles, 24, of Friona, was

## The Latest

Here are the school returning dates:

Lazbuddie, Jan. 3; Farwell, Jan. 8, and Texico, Jan. 9.

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Elizabeth Symm, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. David Symm of Lariat, participated in the 35th annual Christ College freshman production, "Signed Off."

Christ College is Valparaiso (Ind.) University's honors college.

Elizabeth, a music major, is a cast member. The play explores person's dependence on technology and their reactions when the Internet is shut down.

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Word has been received of the death of Rada "Sister" Shelburn, 99, a resident at the Farwell Convalescent Center.

She died Dec. 25 at Clovis hospital.

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Lazbuddie reportedly got about 2 inches of snow last week, while the Twin Cities just got a dusting.

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Charlie Vannatta has resigned from the Texico School Board since he has moved out of the district, and now lives in Clovis.

The school board has 45 days to appoint a replacement. If they don't, then the state will.

## Martin's long shot sinks Portales

The Texico Lady Wolverines lost the opener of the Plateau Holiday Class in Clovis on Dec. 27 to Cibola, 48-24.

It was Texico's first loss of the season.

Scoring were Bryn Mayfield, 2; Katlin Luscombe, 3; Victoria Richards, 7; Faith Martin, 6; Holly Harrison, 1; Jaryse Harris, 2; and Brooke Bailey, 3.

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In the 2nd game, Texico nipped Portales,

Tribune coloring contest winners announced

Here are the results of the annual State Line Tribune coloring contest. Seventeen entries were received.

First place winners received \$15, and 2nd place winners got \$10.

Ages 4 to 6 -- Emma London, 1st; Abi May, 2nd.

Ages 7 to 9 -- Emily Kube, 1st; Tony DeLeon, 2nd.

Ages 10 to 12 -- Kimberly Brown, 1st; Alicia Mendez, 2nd.

26-25, when Faith Martin made a 3-pointer with a second to go from well beyond the 3-point line.

Scoring were Martin, 13; Luscombe, 2; Amanda Bass, 6; and Bailey, 5.

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In the 3rd game, Texico defeated Fairbanks Lathrop, 47-41.

Scoring were Mayfield, 10; Luscombe, 2; Richards, 4; Martin, 5; Shannon Van Matre, 2; Bass, 8 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Harris, 2; and Bailey, 14.

## Farwell Senior Meal Site

Menus for next week:  
Monday - hamburgers w/ toppings, french fries, bananas, strawberries.

Tuesday - catfish nuggets, coleslaw, french fries, pinto beans, fruit, cookie.

Wednesday - cowboy beans, salad, corn bread, chocolate cake.

Thursday - sweet & sour chicken, rice, green beans, sliced bread, fruit.

Friday - tacos w toppings, beans, apples.

Seniors over 60, \$2; all take-outs, 50 cents extra; guests under 60, \$6.

arrested by Friona police on a charge of possession of a controlled substance between 1 and 4 grams, pending before the grand jury.

On Dec. 19, Joaquin Marin, 22, of Bovina, was arrested by Bovina police on a charge of assault, pending in county court.

On Dec. 19, Patricia Aguirre, 20, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of contempt of court, pending in district court.

On Dec. 21, Thomas Cook, 21, of Friona, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a charge of driving with an invalid license, pending in county court.

On Dec. 22, Tabitha Martinez, 19, of Clovis, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of possession of marijuana between 5 and 50 lbs, pending before the grand jury.

On Dec. 22, Ruben Fernandez-Vidana, 22, of Bovina, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI, pending in county court.

On Dec. 23, Ascension Vargas, 37, of Friona, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI

3rd or more, pending before the grand jury.

On Dec. 23, Marco Portillo, 20, of Amarillo, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of no driver's license, pending in JP court.

On Dec. 28, Antonio Diaz, 21, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on charges of failure to ID, pending in county court, and tampering with a government records, pending before the grand jury.

In 287th District Court on Dec. 18, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

-- Lee Roy Salazar, 37, of Mexia, Texas, charged with theft, was sentenced to a Class A misdemeanor punishment of 120 days in Parmer County Jail, with a state jail felony conviction; \$291 court costs, and \$750 fine.

-- Erica Nicole Peace, 23, of Friona, charged with violation of community supervision (endangering a child), had her community supervision revoked, and was sentenced to 2 years in the state jail division, \$358 court costs, and \$10,000 fine.



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## NOTICE to Parmer County Taxpayers

January 31, 2008, is the deadline to pay all personal and property taxes in Parmer County.

Checks must be postmarked by January 31, 2008, or penalty and interest will occur.

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If you turned 65 years old as of January 1, 2008, then you need to sign up for the "65 and older" Homestead Exemption. This is a permanent exemption so if you already have signed up for it, you don't have to re-apply.

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If you have purchased a home since you signed up for the Homestead Exemption, you need to re-apply for this exemption.

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# Here come the junior livestock shows

The 42nd annual Farwell Junior Livestock Show will be held at the Farwell Community Center starting at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 5.

Last year, the starting time was at 1 p.m., but it has been moved up this year, said Farwell ag teacher Tomee England.

Weights on all animals must be turned in at the community center before 9 a.m.

Farwell staffers, 4-H and FFA students and their parents will set up pens and make arrangements for the show on Friday, Jan. 4.

The judge will be Lee Howard, from Midland, Texas. He is a former extension agent for Martin County.

Ms. England expects a good number of goats, pigs, lambs, steers and beef heifers entered again this year.

Ribbons will be awarded, plus belt buckles will be given the champions and showmanship winners.

The Farwell 4-H again will preside over the concession stand. Since the show will start at 11 a.m., the concession stand will feature a lunch menu, too.

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The Lazbuddie Junior Livestock Show will be held starting at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 12, at the Friona Community Center, reports ag teacher Sid Morris.

Show judge will be Allen Patraneli, dairy consultant at Muleshoe Vet Supply.

Grand champions and showmanship winners will receive belt buckles, and reserve grand champions will receive rosettes.

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The Parmer County Junior Livestock Show will be held Jan. 16-19 at the Friona Community Center.

Judges will be: steers, Jake Franke; barrows, Brad Bevel; goats and lambs, Mark Standlee.

Here is the event schedule:

## Here's a look at Friona fire calls for last year

Here's a look at the Friona Fire Department calls from December 2006 -- November 2007.

December -- burrs at Farmers Co-op (twice); grass, east on Hwy. 60.

January - house, owned by Alan Carson 10 miles west on FM 2013 and 3 north on CR 8.

February - grass, 1 mile north on Hwy. 214 and 1/2 mile west; grass, 1/2 mile west of James Street.

March - grass, 3 miles east on Hwy. 60; trash, 11 miles on Hwy. 60.

April - railroad crossties 3 miles west; Hub Café, 10 miles south on Hwy. 214; barn, 12 miles east on Hwy. 60; grass, on CR M; grass, Hwy. 214 and CR 9.

May - vehicle, Hwy. 214 and CR EE; grass, 13 miles north on Hwy. 214.

June - vehicle, Hwy. 60 at Summerfield; vehicle, Lewellen Storage Yard; combine in wheat field, 6 miles south on Hwy. 214 and 1 1/2 miles west; hay, Lone Star Dairy.

July - wheat stubble, CR 21 and CR M; wheat, 1/2 mile south of Summerfield; hay, Paco Feed Yard; wheat stubble, 2 miles east on Hwy. 60; tractor, 1 1/1 miles east on Hwy. 60.

August - vehicle, 1 mile east on Hwy. 60; burrs, Co-op Gin.

September, burrs, Co-op Gin (2 times); pasture, 8 miles east on Hwy. 60; vehicle, Hwy. 60 at Cattle Town.

October - corn field, FM 2397 and CR 28 (2 times); grass, FM 1172 and CR R; grass, 6 miles west on FM 2013; grass, 6 miles east on Hwy. 60 and 3 miles north; truck inside barn at Hub grain elevator; silage pit, Cattle Town; hay, Leslie's Dairy.

November - feed truck, Cattle Town; cotton, CR 21 and 1/2 mile south; cotton modules, FM 1172 and Hwy. 86; hay, 10 miles west on FM 2013.

Jan. 16 - weigh-ins from 1 to 5 p.m. of all animals, with barrows classified as weighed; 5 p.m., lambs classified; 5:30 p.m., steers classified; and 6:30 p.m. beef heifer show.

Jan. 17 -- 8 a.m., lamb show begins followed by goat show; 11 a.m., steer show; and 1 p.m., barrow show.

Jan. 19 -- Premium sale starts at 1 p.m.

The 2007 Grand Champions were Brittany Berend, steer; Ashton Mason, goat; Kolten Morris, lamb; and Ashton Mason, barrow.

The Parmer County stock show board advisory committee includes Scott Johnson, Charles Christian, Ed Terry, Rick Seaton and Chris Hunt.

Stock show board members are: Farwell -- Tomee England, Sam Billingsley, Keith Hadley, Mark Logan.

Bovina - Lawrence Widner, Vince Terrones, Buddy Prather.

Lazbuddie - Terry Jesko, Sid Morris, Shane Mason, Doug Barnes.

Friona - Davy Carthel, Paul Smith, Micah London, Alan Monroe.

County 4-H -- Chad Rhodes, Michael DeLeon, Benji Harrison, Sean Mason, Al Kerby Jr.

Officers are: Mack Heald, general superintendent; JeDon Gallman, general assistant superintendent; Lesley Curtis, swine superintendent; Kevin Schueler, lamb and goat superintendent; Jerry Simmons, cattle superintendent; JeDon Gallman, president; Lawrence Widner, vice president; Garry Patterson, secretary; and John Jarecki and Dale Schueler, treasurers.

Sale information: 1) 140 head will be sold with equal percentage of each species.

2) Only grand and reserve grand of each species will be presented for the sale. All other sale exhibitors will walk through the ring without their animals.

3) One and one half percent of the selling price of all animals will be retained by the stock show board for repair and improvement of facilities.

4) Premium on animals will be by the head.

5) Sale order will be steer, goat, barrow, lamb. Grand and reserve grands of each species will sell in the same order.

General regulations include: The show is open to all 4-H, FFA and FHA boys and girls under the supervision of the county agent or vocational ag teachers of the county. Entrants must be enrolled in grades 3 through 12 in one of the four public schools in the county or be a county resident attending a home/private school in those grades.

Floor prices will not be set on any animals. All animals will be taken home by exhibitors after the show. Pens will be assigned by community.

Exhibitors may show four animals per species -- and seven in total.

Each exhibitor may only sell two animals in the premium auction.

Showmanship: beef and goat will have two age divisions -- junior 8 to 14, and senior, 15 and up. Lamb and barrow will have three age divisions -- junior, 8-11; intermediate, 12-14; and senior, 15 and up.

Other rules include: Beef heifers -- This will be a jackpot show with the payout being: 1st -- 50 percent; 2nd -- 30 percent; and 3rd -- 20 percent. Beef heifers are not eligible for the sale. Entry fee is \$30 per head.

Lambs -- Classes will be fine wool, fine wool crossbreed, medium wool and southdowns. Lambs must weigh 80 lbs. to show. Ewe lambs may be shown. Entry fee is \$15 per head.

Goats -- Only wether or doe goats are eligible. The show is open to any breed or crossbreed. Entry fee is \$15 per head.

Steers -- Classes will be crosses, British breeds and American. Steers must weigh 900 lbs. to show. Entry fee is \$15 per head.

Barrows -- Classes will be york, chester white, crossbreed, berk, duroc, hamp, poland, spots and landrace. Entry fee is \$15 per head. Barrows must weigh between 170 and 265 lbs. to show. a 5-lb. tolerance will be allowed.

## Farm loans available

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused in Parmer County on Oct. 10 due to flash flooding, hail and high winds, are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency in Farwell.

For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, interest is 3.75 percent. Application deadline is July 20. For complete information, contact Tom Taylor at 481-3349.

## Meet Farwell's Class of 2020



Christopher Steelman is a Farwell kindergartener. His birthday is Nov. 5.

Parents are Tomas and Yolanda Vasquez. Siblings are Dylan, Jacob, Gage, Johnathan Jr. and Jeremia.

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John Zahn is the new Farwell postmaster, replacing Noma Lokey, who has been with the post office for 24 years.

Six Farwell Steers made All-District: Phillip Berry, Mitchell Walls, John Gulley, John Lovelace, Larry Pike, Darrell Garner.

Dee J. Brown was elected president of the ex-Texico student organization.

Naomi Hubbell led Farwell's girls with 15 points to beat House.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Goldsmith moved to Texico.

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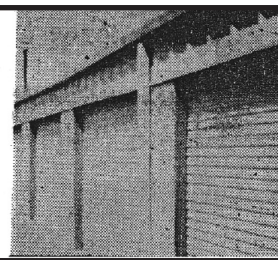
Texico -- The JV girls are in the Dora Tourney Jan. 4-5. The varsity teams are in the EPAC Tourney Jan. 8-12. The JH teams play Yucca Blue on Jan. 8 -- boys there and girls here. On Jan. 10, the JH teams play Portales -- girls at home and boys there.

Bovina -- District play begins. The JV/varsity teams play at Sudan on Jan. 4 and at Farwell Jan. 8. The middle School teams play Sudan on Jan. 7 - boys here and girls there. 8th graders play in the Sudan Tourney on Jan. 10.

Farwell -- The JV/varsity girls play at Olton on Jan. 4. The JV/varsity teams host Bovina on Jan. 8. The JH teams take on Olton on Jan. 7 -- the girls there and the boys at home.

Lazbuddie -- The varsity girls play at Happy on Jan. 4. The JV/varsity teams host Kress on Jan. 8. The JH teams host Happy on Jan. 7.

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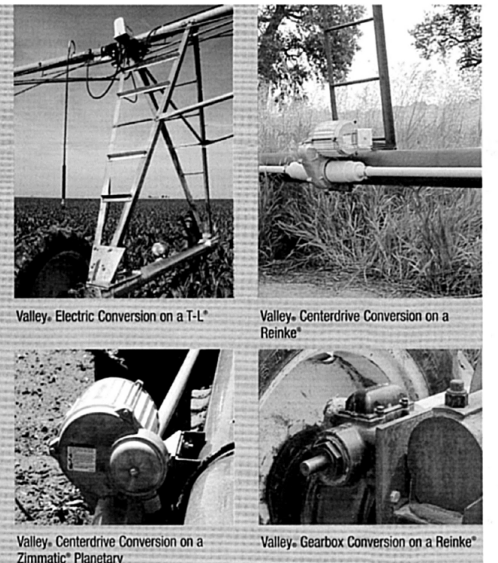
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Just Listed - 160 acres West of Texico. 1 irrigation well and circle sprinkler. Good water. **SOLD**

360 + or - acres of CRP on the east of Pleasant Hill, 2 irrigation wells, tile lined. Lease payments expire in 2012. Lots of depreciation. **SOLD**

Just Listed - 160 acres South of Lariat on highway. 1 sprinkler, 2 irr. wells. Owner says sell.

480 irrigated acres south east of Farwell. 5 irr. wells, 3 circle sprinklers.

391 Acres north east of Farwell. 2 irrigation wells. Located on highway. **IN CONTRACT**

74 +/- acres adjoining Clovis Airport on highway. Good development property.

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Just listed - 320 Acres NE of Lazbuddie. 2 electric circular sprinklers, 4 submersible wells, domestic well, 2 large metal barns. **SOLD**

160 acres on highway at Oklahoma Lane. Includes very nice 3-bedroom, 2 bath, brick home with ref/air, central heat, built-ins, fireplace, large utility. Has circular sprinkler, 2 wells, 70'x100' hay barn, 24'x25 storage building, many extras.

Country home on highway - Nice 3 bedroom 1-3/4 bath home, central air, heat, built-ins, nice sunroom, utility, 2 car garage, 20'x20' metal barn, all on 5 acres. Motivated seller! Call for details! **IN CONTRACT**

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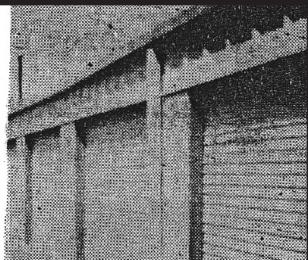
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**El Salvador due for a break**

In September, my new Navy office here in Miami began its first official journeys into Latin America when I made a trip to El Salvador. I knew El Salvador's history had been difficult, like other nations in the region, but this part of the world seems to have received more than its fair share of pain through the centuries.

The Mayan Empire probably extended into that part of the isthmus by the 6th Century but about 600 years later, the Aztec Empire slaughtered those tribes as it pushed its borders south along the Pacific coastline. It was at this time it began to be called "Cuzcatlan." A close interpretation would be "Land of the Precious Things."

In 1522, the Spanish Conquistadors arrived and quickly occupied the area with comparatively little warfare. The traditional trade with neighboring tribes brought people in Cuzcatlan into contact with European germs long before they had to worry about European armor or muskets. With no resistance to diseases from Europe, cities were wiped out, armies collapsed, and Spanish expeditions that came thereafter saw the abandoned forts and weakened survivors as a divine intervention on their behalf.

The Spanish established a capital city for the region in 1540, and they called it San Salvador. They built it in El Valle de las Hamacas, a translation of the indigenous name for the region. This name, the valley of the hammocks, was an indication of the strength and frequency of earthquakes there. It is the perfect name for the region to this day.

For almost 300 years afterwards, this province of the Kingdom of

Guatemala was most noteworthy for the quality of indigo dyes it produced for clothing back in the mother country. Spanish soldiers and colonists married indigenous women and the poorer population of mestizos (mixed race) provided the labor that brought wealth and comfort to the upper class of pure Spanish blood.

Then in 1821, cries for independence from Spain swept through Latin America and in the Plan of Iguala, a "Mexican Empire" was created down the isthmus to Colombia. That didn't last long; why break the shackles of a distant monarchy in Spain only to have the shackles of an also-distant Mexico take their place? The revolution in El Salvador against Spain had been tranquil compared to bloodshed against Mexico until 1823.

The end result was the creation of the United Provinces of Central America, which combined the countries we now know as Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica. That in turn produced another 17 years of bloodshed until the whole federation collapsed in 1840 and El Salvador took its first steps as its own territory. Its application in 1846 for statehood with the U.S. was not approved.

Failing that, it declared itself a Republic in 1856, but El Salvador's working people were quickly evicted by the moneyed class that had its own uses for those farms. By 1871, coffee had replaced indigo as the money crop and the country was run as a private business endeavor by the upper class' ruling "14 Families." They ensured land was dedicated to growing coffee and export crops, not food, and poor El Salvadorians had the sad distinction of leading the world in malnutrition, decade after decade.

When things could not look much worse, the military seized power in 1931 and within the year had launched La Matanza, the massacre of perhaps as many as 30,000 people. It was at this time that the indige-

nous populations were almost destroyed in El Salvador. Today, the remnants of those ancient tribes are less than two percent of the population.

As the military dictatorship continued on and on, El Salvadorian looked for work in other countries, taking jobs at lower wages that nobody else wanted. When it seemed that they had taken too many jobs in the 1960's, countries like Mexico and Honduras began to deport thousands of El Salvadorians back to their own country. The bad blood this caused was the real reason behind the Soccer War of 1969.

In that war, a fight in the stands during a World Cup soccer game didn't end in the stadium. Honduras and El Salvador eventually declared war on each other and fought along their common border for months. El Salvador's army pushed almost 20 miles into Honduras before peace was finally negotiated.

The years since were filled with violence and disaster. Major earthquakes hit in 1986 and 2001, and Hurricane Mitch in 1988. Communist guerrillas waged a campaign of murder and sabotage, and the government responded with its own death squads. The Chapultepec Accord of 1992 brought both sides



**Fern Tharp honored**

A reception on Friday honored Fern Tharp, who worked at the Texico branch of Citizens Bank for 31 years, upon her retirement. She is pictured getting a hug from bank President Kent Carruthers. The bank has given Fern and husband Nathan a cruise to Alaska as a retirement honor.

into the government and the death squads were disbanded, but by then, the civil war had killed more than 75,000 El Salvadorians and a million more were forced from their homes.

A large number of the El Salvadorians who managed to flee their country during the civil war made their way to Los Angeles. There, in their poor neighborhoods, gangs like "the Mexican Mafia" targeted the new arrivals for mur-

der, extortion, and rape. In response, the El Salvadorians (many of whom had just come from fighting a war in their own country) formed their own gang. They called it MS-13.

In their slang, Mara is a gang, Salvatrucha is an El Salvadorian, and one of their main neighborhoods was on 13th Street. Those words and that street are combined to form the name "MS-13." It has grown into a criminal gang that oper-

ates in Canada, the U.S., Mexico, and throughout Central America, using their trademark weapon for attack and assassination, the machete. In El Salvador itself today, MS-13 and other gangs have created the highest murder rate in the Americas.

It is sad that the El Salvadorian civil war distorted the childhood of a generation of its boys, and it is sad that the only thing many people know about El Salvador is that

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Tuesday	- no school.
Wednesday	- ravioli, green beans, crackers, fruit, milk.
Thursday	- popcorn chicken, french fries, fruit, milk.
Friday	- pizza, corn, fruit, milk.
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# Lady Blue win 2

## Varsity Boys

The Farwell Steers were scheduled to play Amherst on Dec. 29 but apparently there was a miscommunication -- Amherst's boys didn't come.

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On Jan. 1, the Steers lost to Hart. 81-68

Scoring were Ramon Quezada, 6; Rowdy Smith, 2; Bo Mitchell, 10; Ross McClaran, 20; Trace Stevenson, 5; Matt Billingsley, 6; Logan Carpenter, 10; and Dalton Cockerham, 9.

Jones, 23 (including five 3-pointers); Laney Christian, 6; Micky Cenicerros, 6; Amberli Martin, 4; Laura Martinez, 19; Shelby Christian, 18, and Brianna Anglin, 12.

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On Jan. 1, the Lady Blue blasted Hart, 72-27.

Scoring were Amberli Martin, 4; Micky Cenicerros, 6; Tiffani Jones, 13; Brianna Anglin, 19; Keegan Langford, 2; Shelby Christian, 6; Laura Martinez, 14; and Kaylyn Meyer, 8.

## JV Girls

Farwell's JV Girls beat Hart, 33-22.

Scoring were Gaby Vidaurri, 2; Brooke Hall, 6; Taylor Fillpot, 4; Laney Christian, 3; Lauryn Meyer, 4; and Cambry Devault, 4.

## Varsity Girls

The Lady Blue had an easy win on Dec. 29 over Amherst, 88-14.

Scoring were Tiffani

## Obituary

### James Smart

James Robert Smart, 83, died on Dec. 29.

He was born Jan. 26, 1924 in Farwell. He married Wanda Sanderson on June 5, 1948.

They had 2 daughters, Vicki Christian, of Austin, and Karla Christian, of St. Charles, Mo.; 5 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

He was a member of Christian Life Church.

## JV Boys

Farwell's JV Boys downed Hart, 49-41.

Scoring were Josh Olivas, 7; Lincoln Devault, 6; Russell Schilling, 3; Landry Actkinson, 7; Matt Martin, 2; Colby Read, 6; Mason Coburn, 10; Ray White, 2; Luke Carpenter, 4; Zac Stancell, 2.

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Farwell beat Melrose in



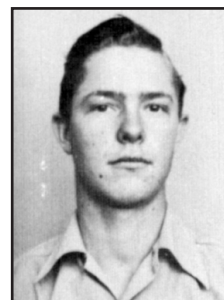
Farwell varsity in action



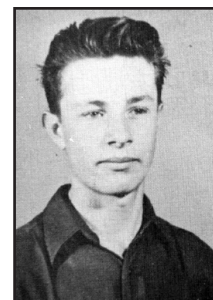
December, 70-58. Coburn, 14; Carpenter, Scoring were Olivas, 7; 19; Stancell, 7, and Actkinson, 12; Read, 11; Martin, 1.



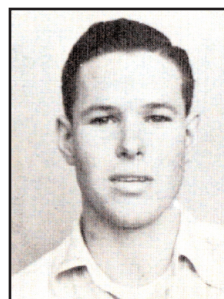
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## Anderson

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many of these boys grew into the MS-13 of today. But MS-13 is only a sliver of the population, distracting from the honor and goodness of the country overall.

El Salvador is the only nation in the Americas that has sent its army to fight alongside American soldiers in Iraq. Their force is only about 400 troops at any time, but they send their top combat units. They have lost five soldiers killed in action, and they have been determined to stay with us. El Salvadorian officers frequently say they feel a friendship with a U.S. that tried to help them through the turmoil of their civil war.

For my own part, I look forward to working with our El Salvadorian counterparts. Each of the countries in Latin America has its own unique problems and possibilities, and over the next few years, I am going to become familiar with every one of them. El Salvador is my first assignment in this job, through the end of the year. I hope my stories from there have good things to say, just because that would be good for America too.

But even more than that; the El Salvadorians are a good people, hard-working, simply trying to get by, and healing after 20 years of civil war. They have had a hard row to hoe the last few hundred years and they are really overdue for a break.

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Here's another in the series of articles from the Texico-Farwell News, which was published in 1917 and 1918.

The Nov. 29, 1918, issue was full of the good news that the War to End All Wars was over -- World War I.

Page 1 was loaded with all sorts of post-war news. Headlines included "Want Pershing for President in 1920", "President Wilson Will Sail For Europe Next Week", "Allies May Demand Delivery of Kaiser", "Plenty of Ships Available to Bring Boys Home" and "U.S. To Have a Great War Fleet."

There were only two local items that got their way onto Page 1.

One was a notice to school patrons: The compulsory School Law will be enforced in the Texico School after Dec. 1st. All children from 7 to 14 years of age must attend school six days out of the week."

The other was about a big snowfall that struck the Twin Cities, about 8 inches. It was the heaviest snowfall here in about 5 or 6 years, old-timers said. Curry County will raise the biggest crop of wheat ever harvested in this section.

Page 2 was also full of national news, with the war the topic of much of it. One interesting column was headlined "What America has Already Gained in This War." This article included:

- Such a position that no nation or combination of nations will ever defy the U.S. military power again.
- The world leadership of Anglo-Saxon peoples.
- Loss of all fear of the much touted "yellow peril" (referring to China and Japan).

- Such respect for us by Latin American that those nations will never again fear we have designs on them. "Mexico, in particular, will cease to be a troublesome neighbor."

- The confidence of the plain people that our government is not unduly influenced by the possessors of great wealth. Witness the income tax, the excess profits tax and the inheritance tax.

- Recognition by the "kings of capital" and "lords of industry" of their position as servants of the people.

- Introduction of the income tax, a new system of raising revenue for public expenses according to folks ability to pay.

As always, Page 3 featured the full page ad for the Cannon Ball Six-60, to be manufactured in Texico (which never came about). The ad said the assembly of such cars would begin in great numbers in early 1919.

Page 4 did have a bunch of local items, in addition to still more post-war news.

A united Thanksgiving service of local churches was held at the Methodist Church in Texico. Its pastor, Rev. L.L. Thurston, was unable to be there, and was feared to have typhoid fever. The services were well attended with all teachers from Texico and Farwell present.

Local items noted:

- The Cayce blacksmith shop was for rent.
- The Cozy Café served a delicious Thanksgiving meal. The charge was only 50 cents -- "it would have cost at least \$1 in the city."

- A number of young people were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Haber.



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**Christmas themes**

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We sat as a family and ate. The food was delicious, but the best thing was eating with all of them there.

The clock showed 10 p.m., Only two more hours to wait, so we decided to play some games while waiting for Christmas Day.

We opened the presents at midnight because we couldn't wait,

Wait to see those smiles on each other's face. Which made me happy because I could see the happiness on each of them.

I will never forget that day. That is my Christmas memory that I will never forget.

by Fernando Banuelos

What is the meaning of Christmas? I'm sure most people have asked themselves this question many times. I don't think there is only one meaning. It is all a culmination of the true meaning of Christmas, like love, happiness and cheer.

And it is better to give than receive. For me it is just spending time with my family and have a good time. But it is also a time for friends and family to gather. When enemies become good friends, and let bygones be bygones.

And maybe the most important reason of all is to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

by Marana Guevara

One of my favorite and funniest Christmas memories is of when I was 5 or 6 years old. First, we went to church and when we got home, everybody exchanged gifts.

I was so excited because I had gotten a big present from my aunt with princess wrapping on it. My mom had made calientitos and tamales. My mom said I had to eat before I could open my presents. I was so excited!

Finally! When I finished eating, I ran and picked up my present and began to shake it. I heard something talk and I thought, "it's a doll." Then my brother said, "It's Chucky." I got so scared I started to cry so bad it took 10 minutes to calm me down.

Finally, I opened my present after my mom convinced me it wasn't Chucky and saw that it was a doll. I was so happy ... and angry at my brother for scaring me. Then we went outside and he pushed me in the snow.

by Blanca Flor Vidana

Christmas is special to me in many ways, and sometimes even sad or depressing. The first thing that comes to mind when they say Christmas is Jesus, not gifts or food which are good, too. But Jesus plays an important part in our Christmas holiday.

We do many of the Mexican customs, like rocking baby Jesus to sleep on Christmas Eve. Or on Christmas Day, say a "Rosario" to rock him to sleep. Give out candy like what we call "volo" to the people who come to our house to help say the "Rosario." Give then dinner; you know, true Mexican "tamales" and all sorts of food.

Then on Jan. 6, on "El Dia de Los Reyes Magos," we do the same thing but instead of rocking him to sleep, we wake him up. So when we say the "Rosario," we put on his little dress, shoes, underwear, hat and sometimes gloves. We give out candy again, eat food and talk ...that is one of the things that are so special.

by Desmond Fox

My Christmas tradition is that on Christmas all of my family will come down to my grandmother's house where my aunts and uncles will be at. My family comes from all over, like my uncles come from Oregon and my cousins come from Atlanta, then my parents come from Fort Worth.

And when everyone gets there, it's a lot of confusion trying to put a family's bags into place and figuring out where people are staying. Then we sit down and watch the game and eat food that our aunts and mom bring us. Then we put each other's presents under the tree and the little kids sing Christmas carols around the tree.

But while the girls and little kids are singing carols, the women make the guys a plate so that the men don't have to miss any of the game or get up from their seats.

Then after that, the girls and the women go upstairs to talk about all the stuff that has happened over the years that they haven't seen each other. Then after the game goes off, the guys all fall asleep with their plates in their hand. And that's how my Christmas tradition is.

**Bovina Banter**

Deanna Curtis •  
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Hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New year! Wishing everyone the Best.

Bovina City Council will meet on Jan. 8th at 7 p.m. at the ambulance building.

Police Chief Leon Saddler reported an accident when a Duncan Disposal driver struck a telephone pole. Minor damage was done.

There was also another accident on Hwy 60 and 3rd Street ... just a fender bender.

There was a break-in on Christmas Eve at a local residence with a safe and some jewelry taken. It was a forced entry.

Chief Saddler has posted a job opening for a patrolman on the Texas Municipal League web site. The job will also be listed on newspapers after the holidays.

The job opening occurred when Officer Eddie Everhart took a job in Oklahoma in December.

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce will be busy planning the Chamber Banquet for March. Anyone interested in helping serve on the Chamber, please con-

**Texico Police**

Here is the weekly report from Texico Police Chief John Mares:

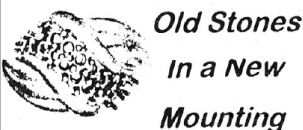
On Dec. 20, Charles Coby, 21, of Texico, was charged with criminal trespass.

On Dec. 20, a 15-year-old Texico girl was charged with battery on a household member, her mother.

On Dec. 23, Jesus Retana, 59, of Texico, was charged with driving on a revoked licensr.

Police checked on a two vehicle accident on Dec. 27 in the 500 block of Lamar Street. No injuries were reported.

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**Everhart reception**

A farewell reception was held by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce in December for Eddie Everhart, who has resigned as a Bovina police officer to take a similar post in Oklahoma. The Everhart family: Robert, Eddie, Vanessa and Chris. (Photo by Deanna Curtis)

tact Mindy Neal at The Bone Joint -- 251-1300.

I can't stress how important it is to have this organization in our community and volunteers are so needed.

Gabriel Medrano, manager at our Lowe's grocery store, said they were extremely busy this holiday season.

It's seems there are a lot of cooks in this town! They completely ran out of tamale-making supplies. Lots of full tummies I imagine.

Keep your eyes open and your ears to the ground for the First United Methodist Church rummage sale coming up soon. I will give you more information on when as soon as I receive it.

I asked around what people's New Year's resolutions were and these are the most popular answers I got:

1. Lose weight (imagine that).
2. Exercise more.
3. Spend more time with your family (now

that one I like).

Normally, at this time, the Tribune begins promoting the Bovina Junior Basketball League.

But Mike Knoll, who was expected to honcho the league this year, told the Tribune he won't be able to fulfill that post.

Eddie Lide said he and his wife, the league secretary, will now discuss things and get back to us.

District basketball play begins this week.

The JV and varsity teams play at Sudan on

Jan. 4 and at Farwell Jan. 8.

The Middle School teams play Sudan on Jan. 7 - boys here and girls there. And our 8th graders play in the Sudan Tourney on Jan. 10.

Congratulations to Tony DeLeon, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Tommy DeLeon. Tony was one of the Tribune coloring contest winners in December.

It's the third time that one of the DeLeon youngsters has been a Tribune contest winner!

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## Christmas themes

Here are more Christmas themes by Bovina High School students:

by Mayra Gomez  
A long time ago on

Christmas Eve, the best thing happened to me.

My family and friends came over and we looked at the Christmas tree.

We talked about all the years that we weren't

together for Christmas Day.

That day we realized everything that we were missed on every year's holiday.

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## Rocha goes on tear

### Varsity Girls

The Bovina Fillies lost to Cotton Center on Dec. 28, 64-31.

Scoring were Mayra Gomez, 3; Kim Casas, 9; Anna Rodriguez, 3; Yesenia Guevara, 6; Alicia Lopez, 4; Daniela Flores, 4; and Yoselin Rueda, 2.

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The Fillies on Dec. 29 fell to Petersburg, 77-47.

Scoring were Ruby Vela, 10; Rodriguez, 2; Guevara, 8; Lopez, 2; Flores, 11; Rueda, 7, and Haylee Hughes, 7.

### Varsity Boys

The Bovina Mustangs knocked off Cotton Center on Dec. 28 by a score of 79-51.

Scoring were Andy Duarte, 2; Dorian Vela, 2; Trent Quintana, 2;

Frankie Guevara, 10; Jesus Rocha, 45; Oscar Rodriguez, 14; and Robert Knoll, 4.

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On Dec. 29, the Mustangs pasted Petersburg, 66-29.

Scoring were Duarte, 1; Vela, 3; Quintana, 5; Guevara, 9; Rocha, 30 (including a pair of 3-pointers); Rodriguez, 10, and Knoll, 8.

## FELIZ NAVIDAD

Here are more photos from the Bovina Elementary School Christmas Concert. (photos courtesy of Denise Anderson)



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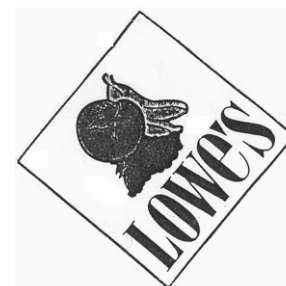
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