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BTD planning gets under way

The Border Town Days Committee on Monday held its organizational meeting for the new millenium.

Officers were elected. Jeff Atkinson will return for a second term as BTD president.

Also elected were Mike Pomper, vice president; Ann Cooper, treasurer, and Phyllis Arnold, secretary.

The committee picked as its theme for BTD this year as "We Are The Champions."

Honorary parade marshals will be discussed at the committee's next meeting in May.

The theme is important for groups that decorate their floats, and also for youngsters entered in the decorated bicycle contest.

Mrs. Cooper presented the treasurer's report and it was accepted.

The committee's savings account has \$2,188.93. This is up about \$47 from the beginning savings account from last April, which was \$2,141.68.

There is also \$530.06 in the scholarship accounts not used yet by BTD queen contest winners.

The committee expressed appreciation to the Farwell Chamber of Commerce for deciding to give the BTD group recognition at the April 15 annual Chamber banquet.

And the committee voted to pay Sagebrush Sounds to entertain this year. The group of former Farwell High graduates will be back for a class reunion and have offered to perform.

They include J.R. Sewell, Greg Meeks and Doug Harriman.

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Texas offers two run-off elections

Texas voters go the polls again on April 11 for the run-off elections.

Democrats will have one race. Charles Gandy and Gene Kelly are seeking the nomination to the U.S. Senate.

The winner will oppose Se. Kay Bailey Hutchison in the general election in November.

Republicans will vote on three positions on the state Court of Criminal Appeals.

Since the turnout will be very low for this election, the Parmer County GOP and Democrat parties are consolidating their voting places.

There will be three voting places:

1. Friona Community Center.
2. Bovina EMS building.
3. Farwell Community Center.

Voters from Rhea, Lazbuddie and Oklahoma Lane will vote at the Farwell Community Center.



Sketch by Johnny Sena

Sena shows his artistic side

By Monica Cantu

Let me introduce Johnny Sena, a Texico High School student. You've probably heard of this nifty young man and his prowess with a basketball. But few probably know of his other ability -- with a set of pencils and a piece of paper. There's an artistic side to his athletic personality.

Johnny has been a student at Texico Schools for 12 years, since kindergarten. But Johnny is now a junior in high school and has left his days of coloring books behind.

Well maybe not quite. You see, Johnny has been in art for about 4 years, with Mrs. Billie Cooper instructing. In that time he has learned a lot about his artistic talent. And he is very good at what he does.

Johnny says that he likes Mrs. Cooper's class because, "she lets you explore on your own, she lets you figure out your own style of art."

Johnny is into pencil drawings, shading, and working with colored pencils.

Taking a look at his various projects, you know that we have some very talented youth in our community and I believe that we should give them the recognition they deserve.

Art and basketball aren't the only things that Johnny is good at. He is also academically inclined -- he is a member of the National Honor Society.

Johnny plans on going to college after high school and is looking for art scholarships. He says that he would like to attend Texas Tech and study to be a radiologist or an x-ray technician, but he is still considering his options.

This is the first year that Texico High has had a full 6 periods of art classes, and Mrs. Cooper enjoys it. There are over 100 students enrolled in her courses. and pencils, shading and colored pencils are just a few of the different things that she teaches in her art classes.

Ceramics, scratchboards, and painting are other examples of other activities to be learned. Mrs. Cooper says that, "Students are held back by as much effort they choose to put out."

And Johnny Sena has done extremely well.



Victory parade

The Texico Lady Wolverines and Farwell Lady Blue state basketball champions mug it up before embarking on the victory parade through Clovis last Friday.

The parade and dance that followed were sponsored by the Clovis Chamber of Commerce. Also honored were the Clovis Lady Wildcats state hoop titlists.



Sagebrush Sounds, wind ranch headline banquets

The Sagebrush Sounds will entertain at the annual Farwell Chamber of Commerce banquet on April 15 at 7 p.m. at the Farwell Community Center.

Traditional western music and lots of fun is what you can expect from Sagebrush Sounds. The group has been entertaining audiences throughout Texas and New Mexico since 1991. The trio, originally from Farwell but now based in Seminole, Texas, consists of Greg Meeks, J.R. Sewell and Doug Harriman.

They began singing while together in high school. After a 20 year layoff, they reunited in Seminole. Greg, a physical education teacher at Seminole Elementary School plays harmonica. J.R., a farmer in Gaines County, plays bass. Doug, principal of Seminole Elementary School, plays guitar.

They have provided entertainment for audiences such as the Cotton Barons Ball, where they have opened for Brenda Lee in 1993 and Lee Greenwood in 1994, the Texas State Lions Club Convention, Texas State Square Dance Federation Convention, Texas State Good Sam Convention, U.S. Regional Good Sam Convention, West Texas Opre, Western Peanut Growers Conference, Odessa Opre, National Cowboy Symposium, etc.

Their first music album release is "At the Bunkhouse."

Beta Sigma Phi will serve appetizers starting at 6:30 p.m.

The meal, which will be catered, costs \$20. The cost is higher this year because all profits will go toward renovation work needed at the Farwell Community Center.

The annual Texico Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held on April 18 at 7 p.m. mst at the Texico Community Center.

The banquet will feature a steak dinner, entertainment by singer Jennifer Brown, and guest speaker Walter Hornaday, president of Cielo WindPower. He will speak about the Llano Estacado Wind Ranch on the outside of town.

Tickets, costing \$10, are available from Chamber members, such as Borderline Cuts and the Texico branch of Citizens Bank.



The Sagebrush Sounds includes J.R. Sewell, Greg Meeks and Doug Harriman.

The Latest

Farwell Schools will dismiss at 12:45 p.m. on April 14 with buses running at 1 p.m. Report cards will be going out and parents need to pick them up at their student's campus.

The Farwell High School One-Act Play placed in district and will compete in the area competition on April 6 at 2 p.m. at West Texas A&M.

Members chosen for the All-Star cast were Shane Roberts and Jourdan Nichols. Grant Opplinger received honorable mention.

Farwell Schools will be giving the TAAS tests April 11-14.

Parents are encouraged to have their child get plenty of rest and a good breakfast to start the day.

Grades 3-8 will take this test.

Texico Marshal Kelley Brophy reports all quiet last week.

Look for a high-powered radio station, that will be able

to reach seven states, to locate in the Farwell area this year.

Farwell will be well represented in the Golden Spread All-Star games in Amarillo this weekend.

On April 6, Clint Corn plays on the West team at 8 p.m. On April 7, Ryan Roberts will play on the South team at 8 p.m.

On April 6, Megan Miller and Chelsi Kaltwasser play on the West team at 6 p.m. On April 7, Ashley Crawford plays on the South team at 6 p.m.

At halftime of the 6 p.m. girls' game on April 6, the Farwell Lady Blue will be honored.

Christa Bass, of Lazbuddie, has a special birthday on Sunday.

Be sure and ask her how old she is!

Farwell Coach Steve Scott was stricken with a heart problem on Monday morning while at school and was transported to Muleshoe Area Medical Center, then to a hospital in Lubbock for tests.

There are still positions available on teams in the Farwell Little League baseball program.

Sign-ups will continue through the end of next week.

If you or your child is interested please contact Gary Patterson at the Farwell Banking Center of Muleshoe State Bank at 481-9580 or at home at 825-2094.

The bridge club in Clovis threw a really nice birthday party on Sunday for Farwell's Lura Rundell.

Lura has been a key part of the club's success over the years. As part of their weekly game at the Holiday Inn, the club also honored her with a cake, cards and a rousing "Happy Birthday" song.

The Acteens of First Baptist Church of Farwell are planning a mission trip to Benton Harbor, Mich., July 9-16.

Participants will be Jessica Chandler, Leslie Hardage, Kenzie Gabriel, Chrystal Wolven, Cassie Street, Jamie Coleman, K.C. Smallwood, and Karen and Richard Lavery.

Gerald Hardage and Brett Hargrove have been in Lubbock Covenant Hospital.

Aileen Teel has a new

great-grandson, Preston Teel Glenn.

He was born to Jeff and Teresa Glenn on March 21 and weighed 8 lbs., 5 oz.

He has 2 sisters, Priscilla and Nicole.

The National Farmers Union supports the U.S. Agriculture Department's newly formed Biotechnology Advisory Committee to review terminator seed technology.

This process genetically alters commercial crop seed, making it possible for a farmer to save seed from a harvested crop for replanting.

Courthouse Notes

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

Minnie Kelso - Billy Smith, lots 1-2, Blk. 58, OT Bovina. Sherry Atwell - Hardy May, E 46' of Lot 16 and W 29' of Lot 17, Blk 1, Lakeside.

B.K. Buske - Armstrong Kerry, lots 7-8, Blk. 72, Friona. Lowell Primrose - Myron Koehn, Se 1/4, T15S;R1E; S 1/2. S 1/4 and S 1/2 of SW 1/4.

Dale Vise - Sean Mason et al -- NE 1/4 S 32 T11 SR 3W Synd.

Steve Cockerham - Jimmie Cockerham, S/0t S4 Blk. E, Synd.

Conley Woltman - Arlin Hartzog Jr., S11 and S 19 Blk. B, Synd., and S12, Rhea B, Synd.

Christian Drager - Ruth Drager, S 240 ac S1 T1N;R1E, pt Sec. 6-7 Rhea Bro.

Johnny Mars - Jon Douglas, L7, Blk 1, Staley, Friona.

Greg Meeks et al - David Meeks, lots 29-30, B23, Farwell.

David Meeks - Ronald Byrd, same as above.

ATTENTION VOTERS
 May 9, 2000
 is the last day you can change your voter registration or register to vote for the upcoming primary election.

If you have moved, please check and make sure you have updated your registration.
 Call 763-5591

Coni Jo Lyman
 Curry County Clerk

Mario Trujillo
 Chief Deputy

The Texico Elementary Accelerated Reader winners for the week of March 27-31 are:

Kindergarten - Alejandro Montes; 1st grade - Andrew Powers; 2nd grade - Jonathan Hill; 3rd grade - Delilah Robbs; 4th grade - Brandi Smith; 5th grade - Buddy Jorde.

The Texico Schools will host a program April 11 at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. called "Mime Time" presented by Ernest McDaniel.

Mime Time is a 45 minute presentation on classical mime - followed by a short question and answer session.

Michael Downes, formerly Memphis (Texas) High School principal will be the new

Bovina school superintendent.

The Friona Chamber of Commerce gave out these awards at its annual banquet: Sharon White, Woman of the Year; Bill Stovell, Man of the Year; Marlene Mueller, Employee of the Year; Martha Hamilton, Citizen of the Year; Danny Hand, Conservation Farmer; and Tracy Ellis, Teacher of the Year.

Commissioner David Dewhurst from the Texas General Land Office sent a letter of recognition to Farwell Jr. High principal Jerry Dee Owen, congratulating him, his staff and the students for being recognized by the Texas Agency as a distinguished school.


Meet Texico's Class of 2012
 Neyda Ramirez is a kindergarten pupil at Texico School. His birthday is Sept. 13.
 His parents are Bertha Ramirez and Frank Navarrette. His siblings are Ronaldo Ramirez and Shania Ramirez.
 Grandparents are Cruz and Bertha Ramirez, and Elisando and Gloria Navarrette.
 His favorite food is macaroni and cheese.
 His favorite color is red.
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Obituaries

Jeree Reid
 Graveside services for Jeree Reid, 54, of El Paso, were held Thursday at the Memory Gardens of the Valley Cemetery. She died Monday.
 She was a member of the Church of Christ.
 Survivors are a daughter, Cara Hollis of Hobbs, N.M.; a brother, Terry Summers of Clovis; and a granddaughter.
 She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Verda Summers; and brothers, Dean and Larry Summers.

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A big 'thank you' to Jeff

Some odds and ends today, fans:

I know there are times when we frown or grimace when we think of attorneys and lawyers' fees.

Let's face it, we live in a litigious society.

So I would like to take this time to give a big "thank you" to Jeff Actkinson, who heads our Border Town Days Committee.

Jeff is an attorney in Farwell and recently handled a situation dealing with a national group that wanted Texico and Farwell to pay it money -- because we have music at BTB.

Jeff did not charge the BTB committee for his work -- which took some time in research before he could prepare an answer.

So many times attorneys do work for the community at no charge, and no publicity is sought. It comes with their territory.

Anyway, I just wanted to take a few minutes to thank Jeff for his help to the Twin Cities. It was appreciated.

Folks, the Texico and Far-

Farwell receives water tank repair bids

The Farwell City Council held a special meeting on March 30 to receive bids on repairing the ground storage water tank.

The council received two bids and the engineers are checking them.

The council approved to give water Supt. Dee Hammit the authorization needed to accept one of the two bids.

In other business the council:

- Approved a building permit for Mario Vidaurri for 500 Seventh St. with the proviso that he has one year to renovate the building.

- Approved the purchase order for 7 new chairs that will replace the old ones in the meeting room.

- Voted not to have a city election since only three candidates signed up for the three open posts.

Fire Calls

The Farwell ambulance transported Glen White to Clovis hospital on April 2 from North 9th Street.

On April 1, the ambulance took a person from the Farwell Convalescent Center to Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

BTB

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The tentative entertainment schedule this year at the gazebo would then be:

1 to 1:20 p.m., welcome.

1:20 to 2 p.m., other sing-

ers.

2 to 3 p.m., queen's contest.

3 to 4:45 p.m., Sagebrush Sounds.

4:45 p.m., giveaways.

This year's it's the Texico Volunteer Fire Department's turn for the giveaways.

Discussing last year's parade, it was noted that the fire department folks will be asked to tone down their sirens a bit this year.

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Mike Pomper, president

Member, Texas Press Association

Border Banter

By Mike Pomper

well Chamber of Commerces' banquet are getting closer -- just more than a week away.

These are most important events for our communities. Recognition is given to outstanding local citizens who deserve credit.

Please support the banquets by buying tickets to them. Tickets are available at various Chamber members, such as the State Line Tribune (for the Farwell banquet) and the Texico branch of Citi-

zens Bank (for the Texico banquet).

This year, the profits from the Farwell Chamber banquet will be used for needed Farwell Community Center renovation. Your help is needed.

So you not only get a good meal, plus entertainment, but you know that some of what you pay will go toward that needed renovation.

Usually, I use a full column to predict that the Chicago Cubs will win the pennant this year.

I don't think I need that much space this annum.

What hurt was when I was watching the opening Cubs' game against the New York Mets. The plus side to that game was that the Cubs WON!!!!

But the downside was when one of the announcers said the Cubs' lineup didn't

stack up well against the other teams in their division.

Hhhmmmmmm.

A bad sign.

However, let it not be said that I am of little faith. I am fully confident that Slammin' Sammy will lead the Cubbies into the World Series -- for the first time since 1945.

The Cubs have some Big Bats in their lineup. And, heck, who needs pitching, anyway?

So mark your calendars now: when October arrives, and the World Series begins, the TV cameras will pan over the "friendly confines of beautiful Wrigley Field."

Aahhhh. I can't wait!

There's a Riddle Rx drug store ad in today's Tribune that can save a lot of money for folks.

So if you are the type of person who likes to save money when buying something, please read on:

Riddle Rx is participating in an Internet program where folks can get big savings.

Riddle Rx went "on line" a couple of weeks ago, and, unfortunately, there were still a few "bugs" to work out. But Jon Riddle said the site is working great now -- and that's good news for area residents.

So, reader: if you go to vip.amerisource.com you can order a bunch of stuff -- and I mean a bunch of stuff -- at really good prices.

For full details, check out the Riddle Rx ad in today's paper.

Looking back on the Farwell Lady Blue's sojourn at Austin, I wanted to note that I thought state Rep. Pete

Laney, who represents Parmer County, and his wife did a super job at hosting the team and its fans.

Thank you, Pete and Nelda.

Hey, you!

That's right -- I'm talking to you.

We always like to brag how folks in Farwell come out to help in a time of need.

Well, that appears not to be the case concerning the recent advertisements placed in the Tribune by the City of Farwell in seeking more volunteer firefighters and EMS personnel.

Yes, a couple of folks called to volunteer. But only a couple.

Did you?

Folks, this is a serious problem. Farwell simply must have more volunteers in these crucial positions.

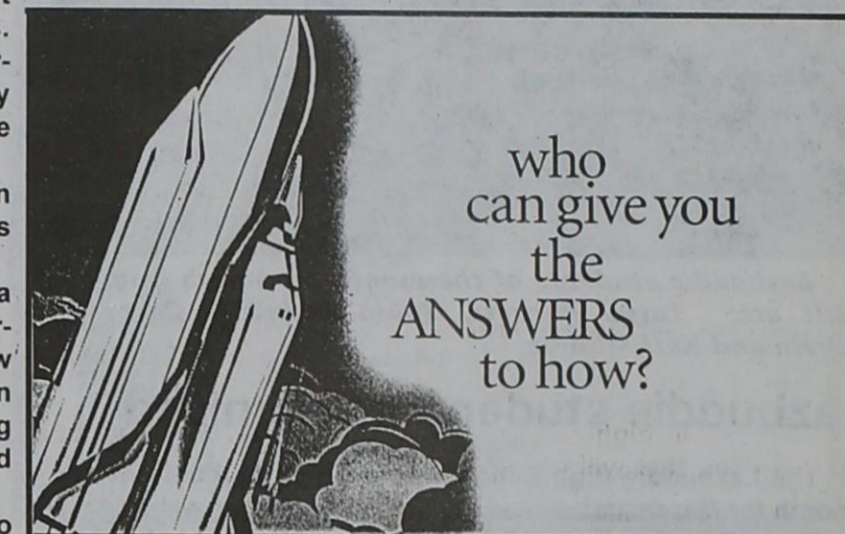
Please search your heart. If you are able-bodied and have some time available to help out, please call Farwell City Hall at 481-3620.

This is important for the community. Very important.

From Monica Cantu: I have heard some really funny jury duty stories lately and would like to hear more.

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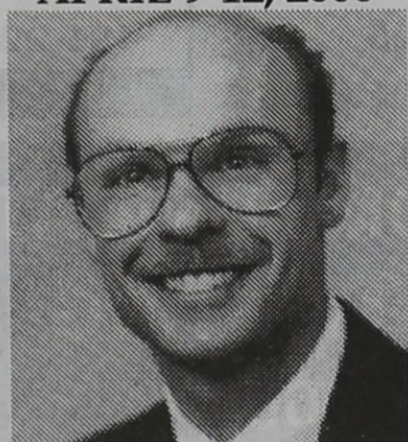
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6:00 PM sermon: "The Jerusalem Church: Her Devotion"

MONDAY April 10th:

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7:00 PM sermon: "Warning From Gethsemane"

TUESDAY April 11th:

10:30 AM class: "Translational Theory, Part 2"

7:00 PM sermon: "A Second Look at Peter"

WEDNESDAY April 12th:

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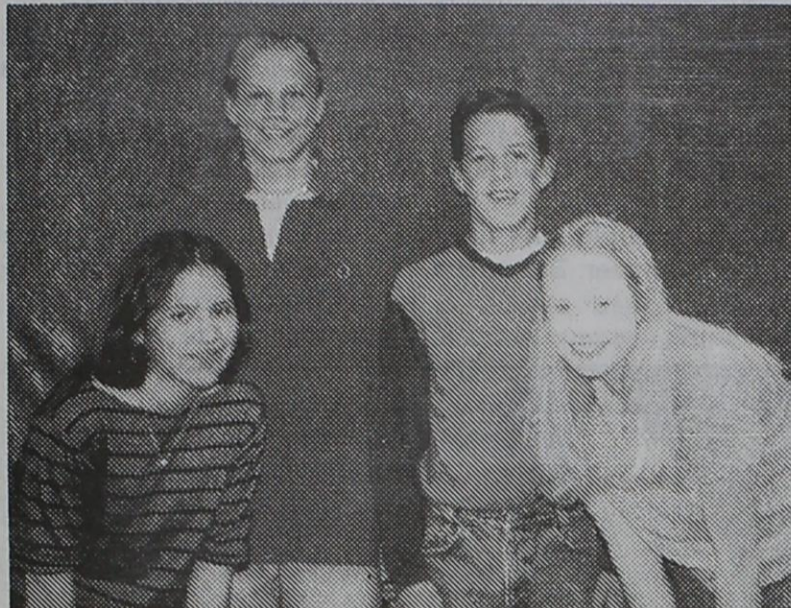
Meals-on-Wheels delivers!

by Monica Cantu

I'm more than sure that everyone has heard of the Meals-on-Wheels program. At least once or twice, right?

The Meals-on-Wheels program in the Texico-Farwell and surrounding communities has been operating since about 1974 when the Farwell Convalescent Center first opened.

Local churches help distribute the food to the people that order the meals. Currently, there are 3 churches that help distribute the food among area residents. These are the



Lazbuddie students of the month for March from left are: Taryn Burnett, Tobin Redwine, Casey Divin and Kati Mimms.

Lazbuddie students recognized

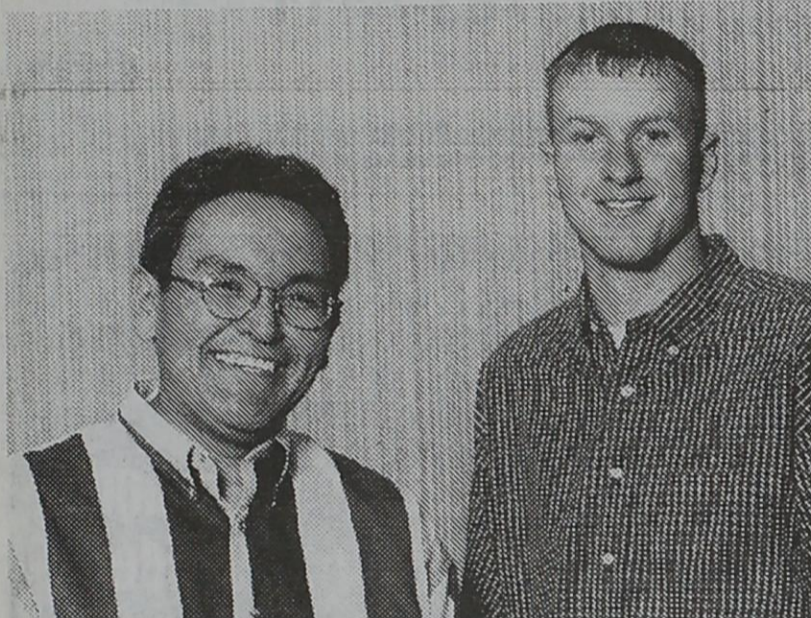
The Lazbuddie High School and Jr. High students of the month for March are:

Tobin Redwine is the 14 year old son of Bobby and Debra Redwine. His favorite book is "Green Eggs and Ham" by Dr. Seuss. He also enjoys Scooby Doo, ice cream, raw oysters. His pet peeve is mean people.

Kati Mimms is the 16 year old daughter of Clay and Reta Mimms. Her favorite book is "Little Women", her favorite celebrity is Julia Roberts, snack is M&M's, food is chicken quesadillas. Her pet peeve is when people act exactly like other people just to be "cool."

Casey Divin is the 13 year old son of Richard and Leslie Powers. His favorite book is the Bible. He likes Chris Tucker, cookies and milk, chili dogs. His pet peeve is when people ask him if he has any money.

Taryn Burnett is the 13 year old daughter of Bart and Betsy Burnett. Her favorite book is "In Too Deep," her favorite celebrity is Robin Williams, snack is nachos with Coke, and hot pockets. Her pet peeve is when people call her name and then pretend they didn't say anything.



Honor society initiates

Filemon Guzman, Jr. (left) from Lazbuddie and Kirk Gober from Farwell have been initiated into the Kappa Mu chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, international honor society for students in two-year colleges. They are full-time students at South Plains College who have completed a minimum of 15 semester credit hours with a 3.25 minimum GPA.

Mennonites, Texico First Baptist Church and the Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church of Farwell.

Every day the people at the Farwell Convalescent Center make 10 to 15 meals that are to be delivered to area residents.

Corretta Boutte of the center stated that they have even gone to Lariat to deliver a meal.

The meals are \$2 a plate which includes the meal of the day plus a drink and dessert.

That's something, great food and great people.

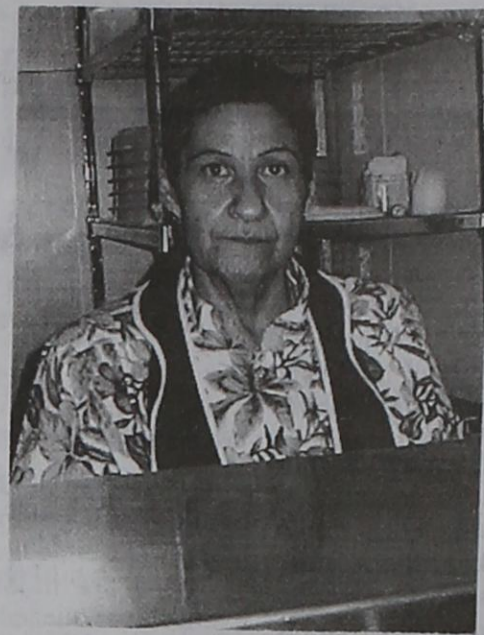
When I went to check out how the program worked I met with Polly Lucio, the director of the Meals-on-Wheels program. She and Geneva Rubio, one of the cooks for the program, were so nice and helpful - answering all my questions that I just had to make note of the fact that we have some great people working in our community.

And we should recognize them and thank them for the fine job that they are doing.

So, thanks you guys.... we appreciate it.



Meals-on-Wheels coordinators and cook Coretta Boutte, Polly Lucio and Geneva Rubio smile for the camera.



Meals-on-Wheels cook Geneva Rubio takes time out to say hi.

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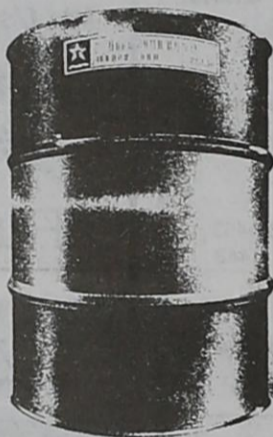
1. Log on to the web site: vip.amerisource.com
2. Select "Riddle Rx" in the pharmacy locator section
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4. Search for the items you want
5. Go to "check out"
6. Create an account.

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Fullingim's to lead two county revivals

Jim and Judith Fullingim will have a revival at the Lazbuddie United Methodist Church on April 9-12, then at the Oklahoma Lane United Methodist Church April 15-16.

At Lazbuddie, Sunday services will be at 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., with weekday services at 7:30 p.m.

At Oklahoma Lane, the Saturday service will be at 7 p.m., and Sunday services are 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.

The Fullingims have been active in ministry for many years and Jim is noted for his music ministry. He has recorded several albums which include such songs as "Midnight Cry", "Desperado", "Thank You" and "What a Healing Jesus."

Judith frequently speaks on the subject of restorative justice which concerns the Biblical concept of restitution by those who commit crimes against individuals.

They both are involved in prison ministry, too.

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Business Meeting: 10:00 AM - Clovis & ITV Remote Locations

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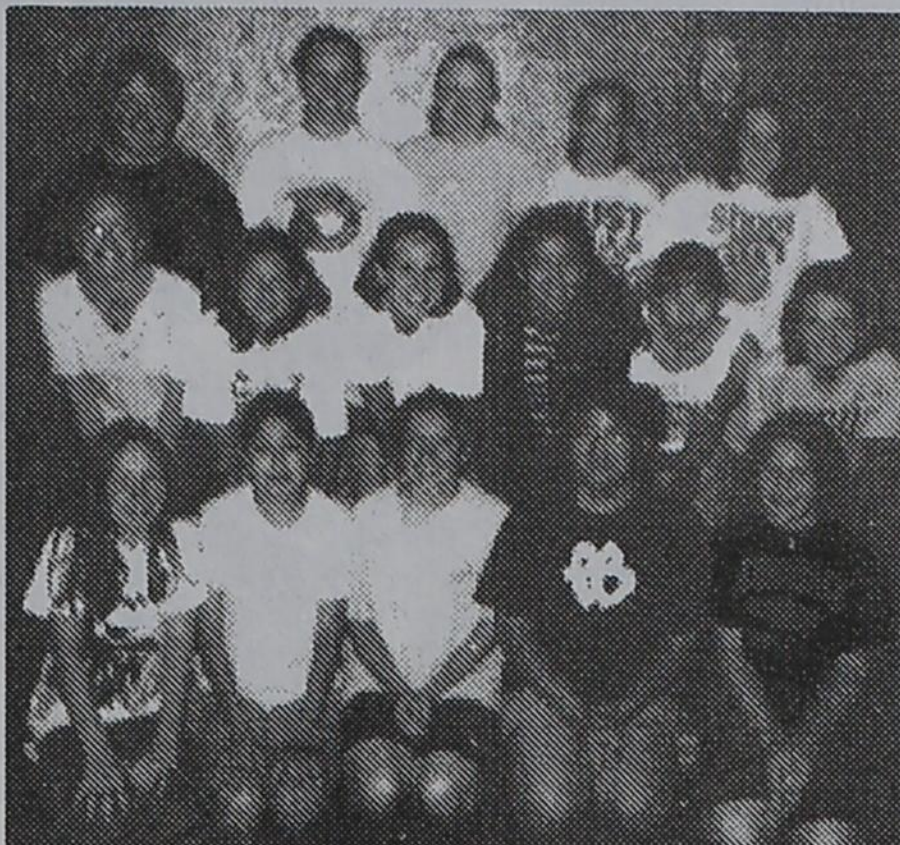
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Lazbuddie Junior High girls win district title

Lazbuddie Junior High athletes competed at district on March 30 at Springlake-Earth.

The girls won district with an amazing 240 points. In fact, they were undefeated in the 7th and 8th grades. The boys took second.

- Girls' results were:
 2400 run - Violet Aguilar, 1st; Miriam Hernandez, 2nd.
 Long jump - Shonah Black, 1st; Miriam Hernandez, 2nd.
 Shot put - Susie Juarez, 4th; Shawndee Nichols, 5th.
 Triple jump - Bethenie Sanchez, 1st; Michelle Scott, 3rd; Amanda Martinez, 5th.
 Discus - Nichols, 1st.
 400 relay team -- Lazbuddie, 1st.
 800 run -- Martinez, 2nd; Kaylee Burnett, 5th; Kayla Parham, 6th.
 100 dash - Melanie Winders, 1st; Black, 2nd; Nichols, 3rd.
 800 relay team -- Lazbuddie, 1st.
 400 run - Ana Hernandez, 2nd; Martinez, 3rd; Taryn Burnett, 4th.
 200 dash - Sanchez, 3rd.
 1600 run -- Aguilar, 1st; Miriam Hernandez, 2nd; Michelle Scott, 3rd.
 High jump - Black, 1st; Katy Loudder, 2nd; Winders, 6th.
 Boys' results were:
 2400 run - Casey Divin, 1st; Tanner Gartin, 6th.
 Triple jump - Gartin, 5th; Cory Puckett, 6th.
 Discus - Robby Martin, 2nd.
 High jump - Sterling Via, 3rd; Dan Bonilla, 6th.
 Pole vault - Garrett Scisson, 3rd; Puckett, 5th.
 Shot put - Bonilla, 1st; Kolby Wilkerson, 2nd; Martin, 6th.
 Long jump - Wilkerson, 2nd.
 400 relay team -- Lazbuddie, 1st.
 800 run -- Scisson, 6th.
 110 hurdlers -- Gartin, 2nd.
 100 dash -- Bonilla, 3rd.
 300 hurdles -- Via, 5th; Gartin, 6th.
 200 dash -- Wilkerson, 2nd.
 1600 run -- Scisson, 1st; Divin, 2nd; Chris DeLeon, 5th.
 1600 relay team -- Lazbuddie, 1st.



Lazbuddie junior high district track participants were, back row from left, Kelli Harris, Shawndee Nichols, Shonah Black, Melanie Winders, Michelle Scott; middle row, Nicole Lewandowski, Bethenie Sanchez, Katy Loudder, Ana Hernandez, Miriam Hernandez, Kayla Parham; front row, Kaylee Burnett, Violet Aguilar, Amanda Martinez, Susie Juarez, Taryn Burnett.

Blood needed

There will be a blood drive on April 15 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. to benefit Farwell High graduate Maria Olmos, who is in need of blood for her leukemia treatment.

It will be held at Southwest Cancer Center, University Medical Center, 602 Indiana, Lubbock.



Leah Turner

Turner honored

Lazbuddie High senior Leah Turner has been picked to compete in the Academic Excellence Award Program sponsored by the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals.

Leah was designated a Commended Scholar.

Seniors are recognized for outstanding academic achievement.



Lazbuddie junior high district track participants were, back row from left, Sterling Via; Robbie Martin, Kolby Wilkerson, Danny Bonilla; front row, Casey Divin, Cory Puckett, Garrett Scisson, Tanner Gartin and Chris DeLeon.

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TOTAL ASSETS	\$79,926,363.47

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Capital Stock.....	\$500,000.00
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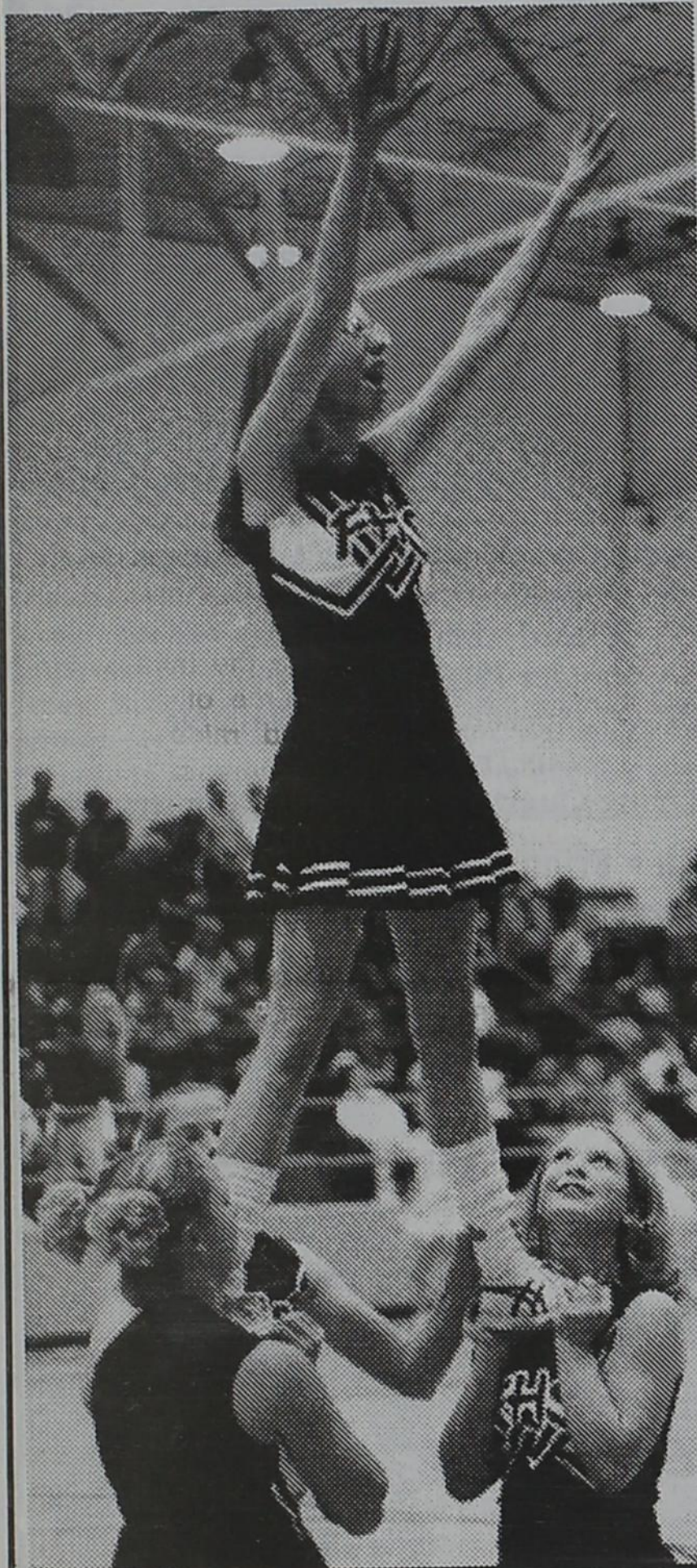
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The football team made the playoffs, as well as both the boys' and girls' basketball teams.

And we all know how well the Lady Blue did!



More elections planned

Although there are no contested races, elections will be held on May 6 for Farwell School Board and the Farwell Hospital District Board.

This is to allow for write-in candidates.

The election will be held at the Farwell Community Center.

Early voting starts on April

19 at the Parmer County clerk's office in the county courthouse.

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A Will Anderson adventure: fighting the narco-terrorists

(Editor's note: Farwell's very own Naval Commander Will Anderson, son of Bob and Carrie Anderson, is attached to the U.S. Embassy in Quito, Ecuador. As has been his custom over the years, he submits articles and photos from his postings around the world.)

by Will Anderson

If you drive eastward out of Quito's mountain valley (almost 10,000 feet) you soon begin the plunge down into the beginning of the vast Amazon rainforests.

You enter the Ecuadorian province of Sucumbios, which is bordered to the north by Columbia and to the east by Peru.

It is in this area that perhaps 80 percent of the world's supply of cocaine is cultivated and processed.

These vast rainforests are filled with peril and violence of all kinds, and it is here that the war against illegal drugs is going to be won or lost in the next few years.

Although only about 100 miles from Quito, as the condor flies, it takes six hours to make the descent of the Andes, through steep valleys and past spectacular waterfalls, and then the passage on the narrow unpaved roads to the heart of this region.

Approximately 9,000 feet lower than Quito, Sucumbios is the location of most of Ecuador's oil fields.

This oil is pumped from the ground at isolated sites in the middle of the rainforests and piped through a network of pipes to the capital of the province, Nueva Loja.

From here, the oil begins its journey via the cross-country pipeline, up and over the Andes, and on to the Pacific Ocean for transfer to tankers, or to the refineries on the coast.

Nueva Loja is an oil-town, and it is a rollicking and dangerous place to live and work.

Many of the "roughnecks" who work the oil rigs in the rainforests are from Texas, and they gave the city a nickname years ago because it reminded them of an oil-town in the Lone Star State, Lago Agrio.

It's streets are well surfaced, thanks to the presence of the oil industry there, but muddy and battered by the heavy traffic needed to support the province's oil field operations.

At night, the streets are filled with trucks, motorcycles, and diesel fumes, and crowded with a volatile collection of people.

Colombian narco-terrorists come here on leave from the near-constant battle with the nation's army, or to recover from wounds.

The cafes and saloons are filled with music and customers, Ecuadorian soldiers glaring at the Colombians from the other end of the bar, but nothing more.

There is an unspoken agreement in Sucumbios that the Ecuadorian Army and the Colombians will co-exist in an uneasy peace, as long as the narco-terrorists keep their revolution and crime north of the border.

In the midst of this stand-off are the roughnecks in from the oil-rigs for a beer and a hot meal (local specialties are monkey, snake, and the cayman alligator of the Amazon), people hawking various items, children trying to sell shoeshines, and the prostitutes that are brave enough or foolish enough to work in this town.

The rivers from this area join together in Peru to become the Amazon River, and one of these tributaries, Rio Putumayo, forms most of the border between Ecuador and Colombia.

The rainforests towering overhead support the ancient life of indigenous tribes that make up almost all of the population of the Orient.

They freely cross the borders between nations and do not really recognize any government beyond their own tribal elders.

Independent and fierce, receiving almost no benefits from the outside world, these tribes have been feared for centuries as the head-hunters of the Amazon.

They remain a fearsome people to this day. The oil-rigs isolated in the rainforests have high perimeter wire fences and armed guards against the bandits, the narco-terrorists, and the animals of the rainforests, but perhaps the greatest fear remains the indigenous warriors who resent the presence of the oil workers.

The Ecuadorian Army sends out armed patrols and the National Police man checkpoints, but other than that, there is very little law in this part of the world.

We do not wear U.S. military uniforms in this part of the world, and I was glad so many petroleum engineers are from Texas, because in boots and jeans and a Texas Aggies ballcap, nobody paid attention to me.

We traveled in convoy, took the blue diplomatic plates off of our jeeps, and disconnected the airbag safety systems. (If you stop and get out to clear any type of obstacle you might find on these isolated roads, you make yourself a target, so you just ram it. You don't want an airbag popping in your face at a time like that.)

Just after I arrived here last year, one of our convoys down these same roads drove up on a bunch of bandits robbing another vehicle.

The bandits fired a couple of shots at the convoy to scare the jeeps into stopping so they could rob them too.

The jeeps skidded to a halt, sure enough, but all the doors popped open and occupants bailed out of every side shooting back with their sidearms.

In the brief firefight that followed, our side took no losses but three bandits were killed and may of the others captured.

Banditry still continue in the rainforests, but nobody's been nuts enough to try and hit a convoy of unmarked jeeps since then.

Both sides of the border are like a powder-keg waiting for a spark these days.

The U.S. Congress is appropriating 1.4 billion dollars in the war against drugs in this part of South American, and most of that will go for the helicopters, defoliants, fuel, and ammunition needed for that struggle in the rainforests around the Putumayo River.

But it will take much more than that for the countries down here to beat the drug cartels.

To do that, they have to win the support of the people in the villages and family farms cut out of the rainforest.



Major Claudio Guerra of the Ecuadorian National Police and Will Anderson on the Colombian border.

The inhabitants of the rainforests don't have schools, medical care, or any other services to speak of from the governments of Colombia and Ecuador.

Many times, these are being provided to them by the drug-lords instead, in the attempt to "win the hearts and minds" to gain their support.

An acre or two of corn scratched out of a clearing in the rainforest will be worth a couple hundred dollars to a rainforest family.

That same land planted in coca for the drug cartels may net perhaps a couple thousand dollars for the same poor farmer and his family.

It is going to be very hard to win a popularity contest against the narco-terrorists in these rainforests under these conditions.

Putumayo and Sucumbios are words that are not familiar in the U.S.A. today, but that could change very soon.

There are three ways to fight the war on drugs and to stop the violence and corruption that cocaine and crack have brought to our nation's schools and streets.

The effort to reduce demand inside the U.S. has not been successful in most cities, and the supply is so plentiful that the price per gram continues to go down.

In the effort to stop the drugs in transit, the U.S. military services, Coast Guard, and Customs Service make huge seizures from time to time, but it is estimated that perhaps 90 percent of drug shipments make it across our borders to feed America's drug habits.

The real fight to come now will be the militaries of these countries trying to destroy the source of the drugs through air-defoliation of coca fields and raids on drug processing labs, to be funded by the U.S. Congress.

The Putumayo River and Sucumbios province may make headlines in the near future in this phase of the war against drugs.

Marriage Licenses

The Parmer County clerk's office issued a marriage license last week to Candace Rodgers and Joshua Sheehan.

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Art program added

There are 60 students enrolled in the Farwell art program. This is the first year that Farwell High School has ever had a full time art program and instructor Robin Gregory is enjoying every minute of it.

The students have had the chance to learn about and work with different mediums. Such as, perspective drawing, line drawing, still life drawing, values - lights and darks, colors, color schemes, acrylics, scratchboards, oils, paintings, textures and much more.

They are currently working with clay. "I'm just trying to start them out with the basics," says Mrs. Gregory.

Mrs. Gregory teaches 5 classes during the school day which consists of freshmen to seniors. She also comments that the students have been "eager to learn."

She would like to do more 3-D work because they have been working a lot with just 2 point perspective. And she says that this year has been quite the experience and fun to build.

"We've been learning from each other." Of course, it definitely helps for the school to be supportive of all kinds of talents. And the school board has been wonderful, from what Mrs. Gregory says, "They've just been great with stocking us up with all of our supplies."

And with the school board's support the rest is all up to the students.

And being creative is a piece of cake for these kids. Some of the students were able to show their work at the Texas Panhandle Student Art Show. Four students received blue ribbons for their art work and they were selected to show their art at WT.

If anything, Mrs. Gregory says that if she were to change anything, she would pick up the pace and cover more in a school year.

"Hopefully, these kids will want to be in Art II next year," she says.

With a teaching ability like hers along with talented youngsters, I'm more than sure that they will be in Art II.

Mrs. Gregory also says, "It's fun for me to be doing something that I love."

And her love for art shows through in her students.

"I'm just so glad that the school board decided to start this art program. It's a great way to see students that I taught in elementary and even better to help them tap into their ability as an artist."

And that is the biggest reward of all.

ENMR board election draws 13 candidates for 5 positions

The year 2000 board of directors' election for ENMR - Plateau Telecommunications has drawn a larger than usual field of candidates. Thirteen candidates will vie for 5 open positions.

Elections will take place at the cooperative's annual meeting on April 15 at Marshall Jr. High School Auditorium in Clovis.

Vying for position #1 (Pleasant Hill, Ranchvale, Farwell, South Clovis exchanges) are incumbent Kenny Wilhite of Pleasant Hill and Oscar Brooks of Ranchvale.

In the election for position #2 (Pleasant Hill, Ranchvale, Farwell, South Clovis exchanges) current Board President Frank Blackburn of Ranchvale faces challenger Spencer Pipkin also of Ranchvale.

Incumbent board member Dee Perschbacher of Amistad and Darlene B. Lucero of Clayton are seeking election to position #7 (Nara Visa, Clayton, Roy exchanges)

The election for Position #11 (White Lakes, El Valle, Anton Chico, Trementina, Mosquero, Conchas Dam, Santa Rosa exchanges) has attracted the most candidates with incumbent Walt Eastland of Santa Rosa facing Tony Brusuelas of Santa Rosa, D.D. Hatcher of Conchas Dam, and Deborah Reynolds of Conchas Dam.

Elections for Position #3 (Logan, San Jon, Grady, Bellview) have also drawn more candidates than usual. Incumbent Larry Wallin of Logan faces challenges from Sam W. Morrow, Jr. of Logan and Janet L. Rouston of Broadview.

Members must complete the registration process by 10 a.m. to be eligible to vote and participate during the meeting.

The business part of the meeting begins at 10 a.m. The meeting consists of presentations of the 2000 Educational Foundation Scholarship recipients; reports of the Cooperative's officers, committees, and staff; elections of Board of Directors; voting on proposed additions and changes to the Cooperative's bylaws and any and all other business that may come before the membership.

The event concludes with a door prize distribution and lunch at the school.

Sheriff's Report

Here is the weekly report from Parmer County Sheriff Walt Yarger:

On March 29, Steven Holfield, 46, of Friona, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI. The case is pending in county court.

On April 3, Javier Rodriguez, 27, of Mexico, was arrested by Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of DWI. He was turned over to the Border Patrol.

In 287th District Court, with Judge Gordon Green presiding on March 27:

-- Ismael Garcia, no age given, of 1202 5th St., Friona, charged with possession of a controlled substance (cocaine), was sentenced to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 18 months; \$292 court costs; \$500 fine; \$140 restitution; \$855 county court costs; 120 hours of community service; and obtain substance abuse counseling at own expense.

-- Yesenia Amador, 27, of 509 Grand St., Friona, charged with possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver (cocaine), was sentenced to 5 years in the Texas Department of Corrections, probated for 5 years; \$292 court costs; \$2,000 fine; \$140 restitution; loss of driver's license for 180 days; 360 hours of community service, and obtain substance abuse counseling at own expense.

-- Daniel Amador Jr., 28, of 509 Grand St., Friona, charged with possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver (cocaine), was sentenced to 10 years in the Texas Department of Corrections, \$267 court costs, \$2,000 fine, and \$140 restitution.

Statement of Non-Discrimination

Roosevelt County Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., is the recipient of federal financing assistance from the Rural Electrification Administration, an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and is subject to the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the U.S. Department of Agriculture which provide that no person in the United States on the basis of race, color, national origin, age or handicap shall be excluded from participation, admission, or access to, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any of this organization's programs or activities.

The person responsible for coordinating the organization's non-discrimination compliance efforts is Donald Massey, General Manager. Any individual, or specific class of individuals, who feel that this organization has subjected them to discrimination may obtain further information about the statutes and regulations listed above from and/or file a written complaint with this organization, or the Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250, or the Administrator, Rural Electrification Administration, Washington, D.C. 20250. Complaints must be filed within 180 days after the alleged discrimination. Confidentiality will be maintained to the extent possible.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION - REGENTES)

To the Registered Voters of Farwell, Texas:

(A los votantes registrados del Texas)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 6, 2000, for voting in a School Trustee election, to elect three (3) trustees.

(Notifíquese, por las presentes, que las casillas electorales sitadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 6 de Mayo de 2000 para votar en la Elección para elegir tres (3) regentes.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

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Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
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Parmer County Courthouse 401 3rd St., Farwell, TX
(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 19, 2000 (date)

(entre las 8:30 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 19 de Abril de 2000 (fecha)

and ending on May 1, 2000 (date)

(y terminando el 1 de Mayo de 2000 (fecha)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:
(La votación en adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:)

Date (Fecha) Hours (Horas)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Colleen Stover - Parmer County Clerk
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario de la Votación En Adelantada)

PO Box 356
(Address) (Dirección)

Farwell, TX 79325
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Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on
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May 1, 2000
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(Emitida este día 31 de March 2000)

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Signature of Presiding Officer (Firma del Oficial que Preside)

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NOTICE OF FARWELL HOSPITAL DISTRICT ELECTION (A VISO DE ELECCION FHI)

To the Registered Voters of Farwell Hospital District, Farwell Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Farwell Hospital District, Farwell Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 6, 2000 for voting in a Hospital District election, to elect 4 directors.

(Notifíquese por las presentes, que las casillas electorales sitadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el Mayo de 6 de 2000 para votar en la Elección para ELEGIR LA JUNTA PARA ELECCIONES DE DIRECTORE

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
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and ending on May 1, 2000 (date)

(y terminando el 1 de Mayo de 2000 (fecha)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:
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Date (Fecha) Hours (Horas)

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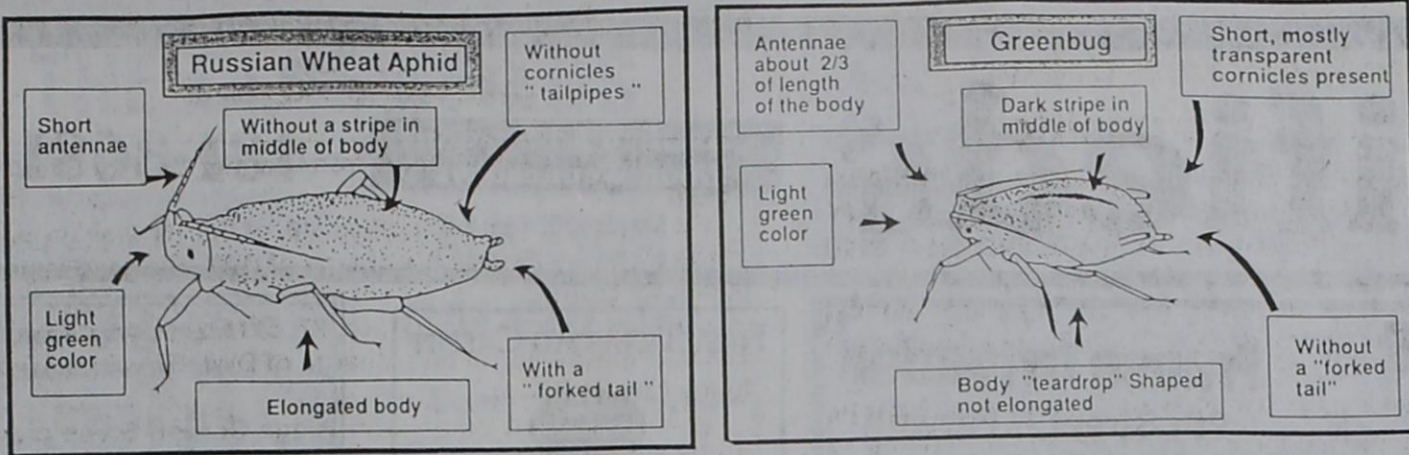
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Aphids vs. greenbugs

In last week's Tribune, Parmer County entomologist Cherinell Riley talked about Russian Wheat Aphids coming into the area. Here's a comparison with the greenbug so farmers won't get them confused.

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

Notice of Hospital Board Election
To the Registered Voters of Parmer County, Texas:
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM, May 6, 2000 for voting in a Hospital District Board election for the purpose of electing three (3) board of director members.

Location of Polling Places:
1304 Virginia (Redeemer Center) - Friona, Texas
EMS Center - Bovina, Texas
Community Center - Rhea, Texas
High School - Lazbuddie, Texas
Absentee voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Parmer County Community Hospital - 1307 Cleveland Street Friona, Texas between the hours of 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM beginning April 19, 2000 and ending on May 2, 2000.

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 28, 2000. Earliest date for submission of application for absentee ballot to be voted by mail is March 7, 2000.

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to: Parmer County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Street, Friona, Texas 79035.

Aviso de las Elecciones de la Mesa de Directiva del Hospital
Dirijido a los votantes registrados en el condado de Parmer, Texas.

Se les avisa que los lugares elejidos para votar estaran abiertos de las 7 de la manana hasta las 7 de la tarde el dia 6 de Mayo del 2000, para votar en las elecciones de la mesa directiva del hospital. Se votara por tres miembros para el hospital.

Lugares para Votar:
1304 Virginia (Redeemer Center) - Friona, Texas
EMS Center - Bovina, Texas
Community Center - Rhea, Texas
High School - Lazbuddie, Texas

Para votar temprano en persona, la votacion se llevara acabo el dia 19 de Abril del 2000 hasta el dia 2 de Mayo del 2000, entre las horas de 8:30 de la manana hasta las 5 de la tarde en el Parmer County Community Hospital.

Las solicitudes para los boletos para votar por correo por causa de ausencia deberan enviarse a Parmer County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Street, Friona, Texas 79035.

Las solicitudes para boletos por correo deberan ser enviadas antes del fin de las horas de negocio el dia 28 de Abril del 2000. Lo mas temprano que puede pedir este boleto es el dia 7 de Marzo del 2000.

Las solicitudes seran pedidas en esta direccion: Parmer County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Street, Friona, Texas 79035.

Farwell's UIL 'advancers' double

Farwell Schools doubled the amount of students to be taken to UIL regional over last year.

Fourteen students won at District in Hale Center last week and will advance to the Regional 1 meet in Abilene on Saturday.

The One-Act Play placed at Sundown and advances to Area in Canyon on the April 8. If the play places at Area, they will also go to Abilene on the 14th.

District results were:
Computer Applications -- 1st, Chelsi Kaltwasser; 2nd, Leesa Patterson; 5th, Cody Schilling.

Literary Criticism Team -- 2nd and alternate, Leesa Patterson, Eva Sanchez, and Leslie Cargile.

Mathematics -- 4th, Clint Patterson; 5th, Cody Schilling.

- Ready Writing -- 6th, Erin Norton.
- Science Overall --5th, Cody Schilling.
- Spelling and Vocabulary -- 1st, Lindsay Rich.
- Spelling and Vocabulary Team -- 1st, Lindsey Rich, Angela Billingsley, and Yvette Favila.
- Lincoln Douglas Debate -- 1st, Ben Oppliger.
- Persuasive Speaking -- 2nd, Grant Oppliger; 5th, Jourdan Nichols.
- Poetry - 2nd, Leslie Cargile.
- Prose --1st, Gage Gregory.
- News Writing -- 2nd, Jessica Chandler; 4th, McKenzie Gabriel; 6th, Lonnie McFarland.
- Feature Writing --6th, Erin Norton.
- Editorial Writing --2nd, Erin Norton.
- Headline Writing -- 2nd, Kasey Gast; 3rd, McKenzie Woods; 4th, Lindsey Rich.

Other students competing were Lane McFarland, Cade Christian, Linda Armstrong, Tyler Scott, Shara Taylor, Kolby Kimbrough, Lorisa Littlejohn, Cassie Street, Anna Quesada, Leticia Merino, Curt Christian, Megan Norton, Randy Armstrong, and Taylor Nichols.

Cloud-seeding program to continue in our area

Parmer and Curry counties are included in the cloud seeding program.

A couple of changes have been made this year.

Gaines County has been added to the target area, plus a 15-mile strip in northern Andrews County.

Also, a C-band radar unit and trailer have been bought and placed at Littlefield Municipal Airport.

Weather Modification Inc., of Fargo, N.D., continues to be the project coordinator. It provides 2 aircraft, a meteorologist, 3 pilots and some of the cloud-seeding materials.

Last year, 540 flight hours were logged. Pilots used 1,883 silver iodide flares and burnt 271 gallons of silver iodide and acetone through the wing-tip generators.

April 1 marked the start of the 4th season of precipitation enhancement activities within a 11,864,619 acre target area in the Texas High Plains and southeastern New Mexico.

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Meet Farwell's Class of 2012



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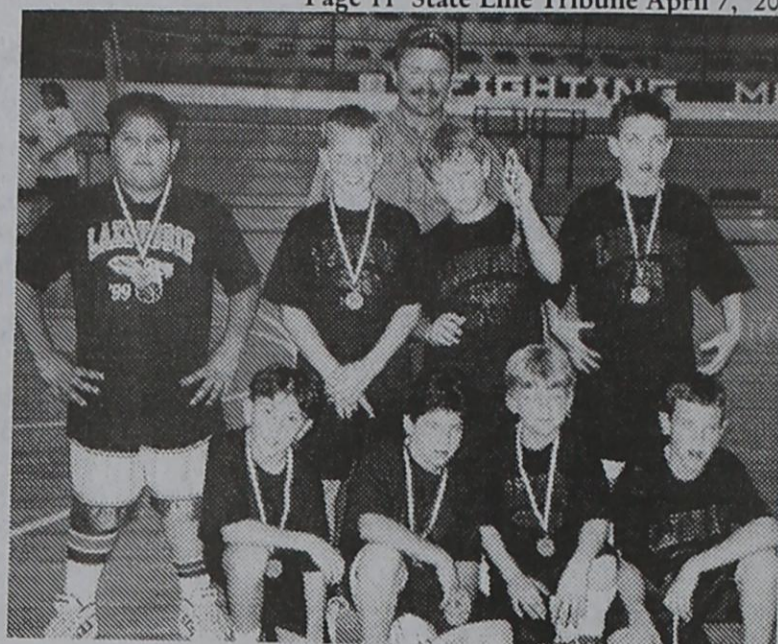
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Lazbuddie girls place 2nd

The Lazbuddie Little Dribblers won 2nd place in the Olton tournament for 3rd and 4th grade girls. Pictured, from left, are Coach Mike Nichols, Cenee Hood, Shayla Scisson, Amanda Miller, Chelsee Nichols, Brianna Sanchez, Hannah Burnett, Mayra Campos and coach Shawndee Nichols.



Lazbuddie boys take 2nd

The Lazbuddie Little Dribblers won 2nd place in the Olton tournament for 5th and 6th grade boys. Pictured are, in back, coach Robert Smith; front row, Steven Pacheco, Jason Davis, Rowdy Smith, Kirby Kimbrough; middle row, George Alvarez, Caleb Heinrich, Roper Smith and Trevor Hood.

Pesticide disposal on tap in area

Producers who have unwanted or unusable pesticide containers can dispose of them at the Deaf Smith County Bull Barn in Hereford on Friday (today) from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

It's sponsored by the extension service, Natural Resource Conservation Commission and Department of Agriculture.

Participation is voluntary and confidential. It's free and there are no fees or signatures required. Anyone who applies pesticides for producing ag products in Texas is eligible to participate. This program is held every year

but the locations rotate around the state.

Empty pesticide containers should be triple rinsed before bringing to the site. Unknown substances should be labeled "unknown" on the container.

For more information, call the Parmer County extension office at 481-3300.

Cat missing

Tanya Doshier reports that daughter Amber lost her cat on Friday in Texico.

The cat is a female, dark blond with a pink flea collar.

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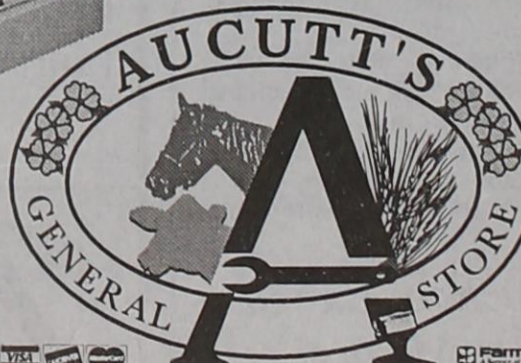
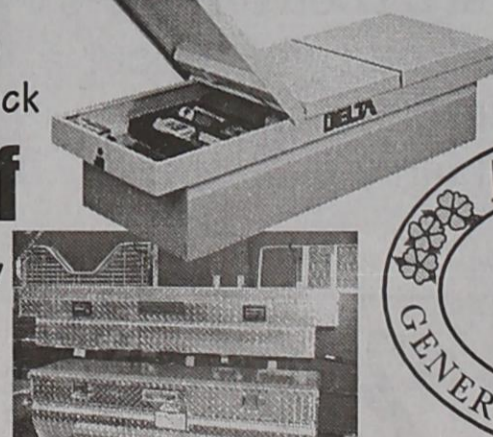
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Monica learns about the jury selection process

by Monica Cantu

You know, my jury experience is limited. Until last Monday I couldn't imagine why so many people detest jury duty. Personally, I thought it would be great to be able to be on a jury and decide what's right and what's wrong.

Hey, what can I say? I am planning on going into law. So when I got summoned for jury duty I was like, "cool."

Well, I can honestly say that waiting 4 to 5 hours *not* to be selected for jury duty can be a pain in the neck and hard on a person's backside sitting in a pew.

Don't get me wrong. I can't say that serving on a jury isn't a great experience, because for all I know it probably is.

But my experience that pertains to jury selection isn't the best. I literally had to shake myself awake a number of times to keep from falling asleep and snoring out loud. (no, I don't snore.)

Anyway, I thought it was a process that could have taken half that amount of time, and they could at least provide us with better seats. Maybe when I actually get picked for jury duty instead of just being there 4 hours for the jury selection process, I'll have something better to tell you.

But I can tell you the reason most people detest jury duty.... those seats!

It all started when I received my letter from the district clerk stating that I needed to register for jury duty. At first, I was iffy... I mean, most adults don't believe that 19 year olds can think rationally and I thought I could just fill out the form and forget ever being contacted.

I was wrong.

Within two weeks of sending off my form I was sent a packet with a calendar and additional information stating that I had been selected to serve for a minimum of 6 months, much to my surprise.

And just for the month of April I am to report to the courthouse 3 times.

They don't waste time do they?

So the first time I was to report was April 3, and I had to call the day before to make sure that the trial was still

scheduled.

So I show up in the big courtroom on the second floor of the courthouse in Clovis at the allotted time, 8:30 a.m., waited there for about 30 minutes while the woman took roll and told us the do's and don'ts of the jury selection process.

Take it for what it's worth... it was boring.

Then, we were sworn in. As citizens of the United States and residents of Curry County, we were sworn to be an impartial jury and whatnot.

When the swearing in was finally over, we sat down to wait for the judge to arrive. It seemed like forever! The judge took his seat about 9:30.

Things finally got under way, and the potential jurors, including myself, were asked a number of questions by the judge and the lawyers that were present. And it seemed to me that the same questions were repeated over and over. But that's my opinion.

Well, when the third degree was over, the lawyers and the judge deliberated for about an hour and finally selected a jury.

I'm glad I didn't get selected! I didn't have to stay in those uncomfortable chairs for the rest of the day.

And to think I have to go through this for the next 4 months. Who knows, maybe I'll get selected for jury duty sometime soon and be able to tell you all about it!

Area enjoys still more rain showers

The recent rains have put folks around the area in a much better mood.

But Cody Hill, Parmer County extension agent, alerts that farmers still need a lot of pre-plant watering before the next crop (corn) goes in.

Corn will be planted in two to three weeks, he estimated.

Corn is a crop that needs a lot of water. Hill noted that there used to be more than 100,000 acres in Parmer County planted for corn, but that the most recent total was about 85,000 acres.

Instead, more farmers have converted their acreage to cotton, which needs a lot less water.

In 1996, when Hill arrived in Parmer County, he said about 60,000 cotton acres were harvested. Last year, that total had risen to about 75,000 acres, and this year it's expected to reach about 90,000 acres.

Hill put the rains from two weeks ago at about 2 1/2 inches. The rains from last weekend were much less.

Shirley Steinbock, at the Sherley-Anderson grain elevator in Lazbuddie, said they got about two-tenths of an inch, although it was about six-tenths at J.T. Mayfield's.

Lazbuddie kindergarten roundup slated

Lazbuddie Elementary School will have its pre-kindergarten and kindergarten roundup on April 14 from 9 to 11 a.m.

New pupils will take a short bus trip and will be served a snack. Parents are welcome.

Parents are asked to bring birth certificates, immunization records and copy of Social Security cards.

For more information, call the school at 965-2153.

Yolanda McFarland, at the Sherley-Anderson elevator in Lariat, put the total at .22".

And Fred Chandler, at Farwell's Sherley-Anderson - Pitman elevator, gave a total of .15".



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