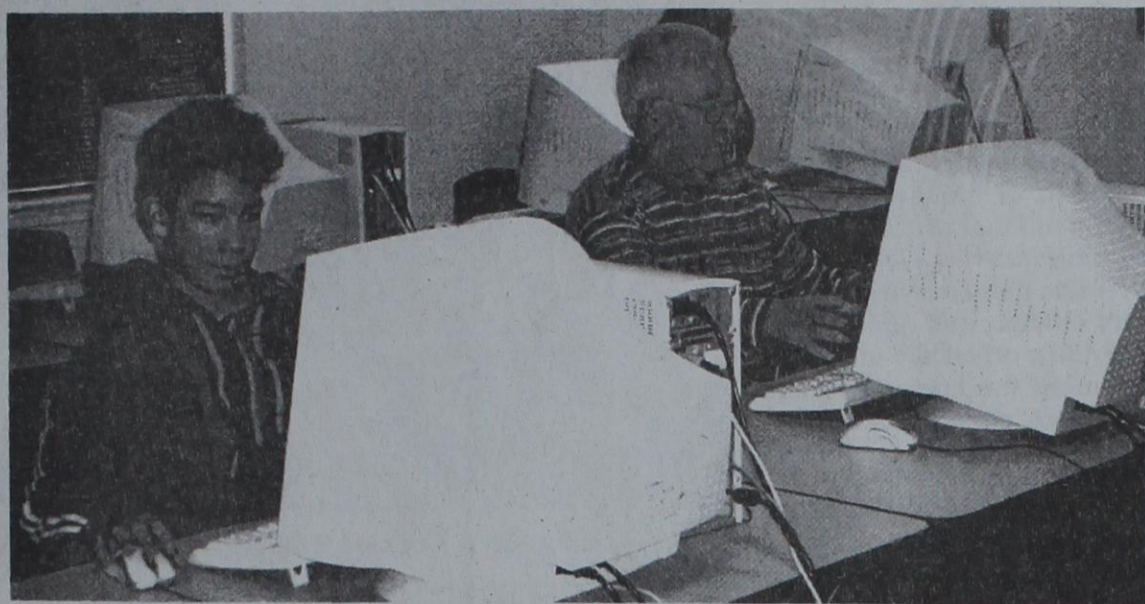


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Bovina and area residents have access to a large bank of computers for word processing, Internet access and research, and a variety of other computer functions.



Ola!

by Teresa Mesman

"Ola!"
"Buenas tardes, senora Kennedy! Me llamo Teresa Mesman."
"Mucho gusto, Teresa!"

This was the beginning of my very first lesson in conversational Spanish and I'm looking forward to taking several more lessons. I was amazed at how much I learned in two hours.

It was a very interesting two hours and it was in a very unique place that I hope to learn more about over the next several months.

I attended the class of Basic Conversational Spanish at the Bovina Community Network that is housed in the former Bovina Study Club building off the Dimmitt Hwy.

The class is being offered every other week on Thursdays from 5 to 7 p.m. The class is currently comprised of 4 to 5 people that can attend regularly with several other area residents that are only able to attend when they can. The class began back in November, but anyone can start at anytime.

The class is also free of charge. The instructor is Nina Kennedy, who is the Bilingual Education instructor at Bovina Elementary. She is quite an interesting woman that has a special touch in teaching the art and nuances of the Spanish language.

A native of Havana, Cuba, Nina moved to the U.S. with her family when she was 12 years old. They immigrated to New York. She attended college at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales and decided to stay in this area. She still resides in Portales and commutes each weekday.

I brought a friend over to the class that needed a ride. I didn't intend to stay for the class, but the warm and inviting atmosphere of the Bovina Community Network building caught my curiosity. The building houses three rows of state of the art computer terminals that are open to the public to use for free. They have full Internet and e-mail capabilities and word processing programs. The Bovina Community Network was established by a large grant that was procured by the City of Bovina. Today, the Network is maintained by the fees charged for computer repairs, donations and other funding sources.

It is staffed by Jim Swafford and Esther Steelman and a few other Bovina and area residents that come in to work shifts when Swafford or Steelman have to be elsewhere.

The Basic Conversational Spanish class began in November and is intended to run through the end of the school year in May. Course materials are provided at each meeting. For those that wish to practice more at home, a "Rosetta Stone" workbook and CD may also be purchased through Nina.

The lessons are simple, clear-cut and very easy to pick up and put into practical usage.

Perhaps the most interesting techniques that Nina uses in the class are the use of songs and simple games. The first night I attended, we played a version of the card game "Go Fish" or "vete a pescar!"

I was amazed at how fast I learned how to ask for a variety of foods, menu items and other simple questions.

It was fun, fast and very amusing. It helped everyone in the class that night to relax and have fun learning together.

When Nina feels that the class has become comfortable with Spanish at each meeting, she begins to totally immerse the students in the language. All questions and answers are given in Spanish. This is one of the important keys to teaching and learning any language properly.

"It's not enough to just teach phrases and phonetic pronunciation," Nina explained. "One has to hear the accents and the cadences. That's when the whole package comes together and someone really begins to learn a new language."

I was excited to be learning a new language and one that is very useful and practical for this part of the United States. I am looking forward to attending more classes and putting my skill into practice.

I encourage everyone to look into the programs that the Bovina Community Network has to offer area residents or to at least stop by the building and see what a wonderful setup and environment the staff has created. It's *muy buen!*

If you would like more information about the Bovina Community Network or the Basic Conversational Spanish class, contact Jim Swafford at (806) 251-1333.

On drugs: Part II

This is Part 2 of a recent column I wrote pertaining to the drug problem, the worst evil affecting our area.

Bovina city and school officials have taken a lead in this problem, setting up a coordinated committee.

And, to reiterate, this problem is areawide, nationwide. I commend the Bovina folks for trying to do more than just pay lip service to the drug problem.

As I wrote previously, I feel a key to combating the problem here is to use undercover agents.

Last week, we noted in the Bovina city council report that as a result of the end of the area drug task force, the undercover agents being used in Parmer County would soon be unemployed.

This is really bad news for us.

These undercover agents have been very successful here (see story elsewhere in today's Tribune about the drug bust in Friona last weekend).

So here is what I propose to the Bovina city officials:

Schedule a meeting of the school board-city council committee with Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geries.

Coordinate your efforts to get the Parmer County Commissioners to add funds to their budget for hiring undercover agents.

Then Geries could meet with Friona and Farwell officials to get their input, and hopefully their support, including financial.

I'm sure that neighboring counties, who also have lost the drug task force undercover agents, might be willing to join in an enterprise with Parmer County.

This is feasible. And it will work if the officials in Bovina, Friona and Farwell work together under the sheriff's direction.

I'm sick and tired of hearing how major drug dealers do their dirty work out of vehicles in a company parking lot.

It doesn't have to be that way. It can be stopped.

This is the time for action. And a time for our city and county officials to work together.

Wife DeeDee was sure glad to see Kel Seliger elected to the state senate post, that includes Parmer County.

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Gunman killed after standoff in Friona

A Muleshoe man on the run from the law was shot to death Friona on Sunday after a lengthy hostage situation.

Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geries said Robby Lynn Vaughn, 37, was killed after the standoff ended in gunfire.

Geries, who led negotiations with Vaughn, said the standoff began Saturday evening and ended after 2 p.m. Sunday -- more than 17 hours.

It involved six police departments, Texas troopers and the Amarillo, Austin and Lubbock SWAT teams.

Vaughn was wanted in Lubbock County on a charge of violating parole by committing aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Attempted capital murder charge was added to the warrant by Sunday morning.

Geries said the incident with Vaughn began about 4 p.m. Saturday when a Texas trooper, Eustacio Galvan, stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation in Hale County.

Geries said Vaughn took off and Galvan pursued, with shots being fired at the trooper's vehicle.

Galvan lost control of his vehicle, which flipped into a pasture, overturning several times. He was taken to a Plainview hospital in serious condition, according to the Department of Public Safety.

Vaughn, meanwhile,

stole three or four more vehicles, said Geries, and he ended up in Friona. There, he was spotted by Friona police who were shot at by Vaughn.

Then Vaughn had an accident with his vehicle, got out and ran to a nearby house, which he picked at random, said Geries.

The house, about a block from Friona High, turned out to be the home of Mark Stovall, pastor of the Friona Baptist Church, and his family -- wife Debby and daughter Hannah, 14.

Over a period of time, Vaughn released all three -- first the daughter, then the wife, then the pastor.

Geries said while stealing the vehicles, he also looted them of weapons. Vaughn also booby-trapped the home.

Geries said the negotiators finally decided that the SWAT teams needed to move in, and Vaughn met them with a weapon.

DPS records showed that Vaughn's criminal history included being a felon in possession of a firearm, and multiple parole violations.

Bovina-Friona EMS, fire boundary change made

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday voted to make a boundary change involving the EMS and fire departments of Friona and Bovina.

Friona area residents presented a petition with 26 names asking that the area from Highway 60 south on County Road 14 to Running Water Draw, and east to Highway 214, be moved from the Bovina EMS and fire department territory to Friona's.

In favor of the move were commissioners Kirk Frye (Friona area) and Ed Corn (Farwell area). Opposed was Tom Ware (Bovina area). Elvis Powell (Lazbuddie area)

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Jeff Actkinson appointed Parmer County attorney

The Parmer County Commissioners on Monday appointed Jeff Actkinson county attorney, effective immediately.

The post became vacant earlier this month when Charles Aycock, a Republican, resigned to take a state prison board position. Actkinson, a Republican, had been serving as assistant county attorney and is unopposed for election in November as county attorney.

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Methodist youth group plans mission trip

From Roberta Howard: The youths of Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church have a unique opportunity for the summer of 2004.

They have been invited to attend Island Encounter Missions for a week.

There is a great need for teams to tackle "work and witness" projects including projects such as:

Evangelistic outreach, help with farming techniques, sports clinics, VBS and church repair.

Most importantly the Island Christian needs spiritual support. We will offer them service and an encouraging word while showing Christ's love and that God cares about their conditions and has answered their prayers by sending youth teams from the United States.

It's working with...not for the people. Time will be taken to understand the customs and traditions of the Caribbean community.

Their lifestyle is extremely different from the island tourist. Ninety-five% of the islanders live in poverty. Education is a luxury.

We will be joining with a Baptist and a Methodist Church on the island for outreach work. We will become one team.

Island Encounter is a unique and exciting year round mission opportunity to work with our Caribbean churches. With

over 40 years of mission history, it's a privilege for our youth to be able to participate in this life-changing opportunity.

Island Encounter provides an avenue of ministry to fulfill the great commission. (Mark 16:15)

The youth from Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church will be going July 3-10. Twelve youth and two adults will be attending.

Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church will have a brisket dinner fund-raiser from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 28, at the Farwell Community Center.

All donations will benefit the Methodist Youth Mission.



Youths going to the mission trip are, back row from left, Jeremie Chandler, Rowdy Mitchell, Brett Howard, James Diaz, Cale Stevenson, Colby Norton; front row, Kyra Christian, Melissa Howard, Khallie Foster, Micah Christian, Jaimie Diaz, Shelby Christian, Nikki Gober.

Boundaries

abstained.

When it was noted that the vote was 2-1-1, County Judge Bonnie Clayton-Heald said she was voting against the motion, thus creating a tie 2-2-1. She gave as her reason that the area being moved into the Friona territory went too far to the west.

But it was pointed out that the judge only votes in case of a tie. Since the first vote was 2-1-1 -- no tie, Judge Clayton-Heald withdrew her vote. She said the majority thus approved the boundary change.

Bovina EMS Director Larry Mitchell argued against the move, noting that it included the Hub area, which

Actkinson

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Two persons applied for the post - Actkinson and Kathryn Gurley, a Friona attorney. She was supported by Pct. 1 commissioner Kirk Frye (Friona area). The other three commissioners - Ed Corn, Elvis Powell and Tom Ware, voted for Actkinson.

In other business, the commissioners:

-- Approved the annual tax on county vehicles.
 -- Re-worked the Parmer County Emergency Management Program, as advised by the state. Basically, it's seeking to have the emergency response programs of the county, Friona, Bovina and Farwell be similar.

-- Set the polling places for the April 13 runoff election for railroad commissioner on the GOP ticket. To vote in this election, you cannot have voted in the Democrat primary earlier this month. Also, regardless of where you live in the county, you can vote at any of the polling places.

Boxes will be placed at the Calvary Baptist Church in Friona, Farwell Community School, Lazbuddie School and Bovina EMS building.

-- Discussed state legislation that allows counties to settle potential issues regarding ownership of county roads.

To sum up: In some counties, there are disputes about county road ownerships. That isn't the case in Parmer County, but such problems could arise. The state is giving counties a three-year window of opportunity to pass local legislation clearly defining county road ownerships. The process involves putting together a map that will provide a reference for future questions if they were ever to occur. Parmer County will work on this in the coming months.

Obituaries



Elaine Hunton

Graveside services for Elaine Hunton, 54, of Clovis, were held Friday at Lazbuddie Cemetery with David Hunton, of Portales, and Jim Gammon, of Clovis, officiating.

Ellis Funeral Home handled the arrange-

ments.

She died March 17 at the Farwell Convalescent Center.

She was born June 10, 1949, in Clovis. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Mary Bowman, in 2002, and her grandfather, A.G. Thorn, in 1977.

Surviving are a son, Jason, of Clovis; parents, Carroll and Wenonah Hunton, of Clovis; 2 brothers, David Hunton, of Portales and Thomas Hunton, of Bakersfield, Calif.; and her grandmother, Irene Thorn, of Lazbuddie.

Memorials are suggested for the American Juvenile Diabetes Association, 8008 Slide Road, Lubbock TX 79424.

has been an excellent training area for Bovina EMS and fire department personnel over the years. "It has kept our skills up," he noted.

Powell said he felt it wasn't the commissioners' place to designate the boundaries, and he suggested folks voting on it.

But Floyd Reeve, and others, noted that the petitioners in the area in question wanted the change. This included Friona Feed Yard, Paco Feed Yard, and a gin. One area resident said Friona had more equipment.

Judge Clayton-Heald noted that each county EMS department gets a certain amount of money from the county, and it is not based on the number of calls.

Ware noted that the current boundaries were set up years ago based on school districts and mail routes.

The legality of the boundary change was questioned. But a check by Bovina and Friona officials found that the law which may have prevented the commissioners from making the change concerned "emergency service districts," which were taxed. Parmer County doesn't have such a district.

Also during the discussion, the question of who was to operate the county's 911 system was raised. Ware said the current system, operated out of the Friona police department, had lots of problems, and discussions were under way to perhaps move the 911 system to the county sheriff's department.

Powell pointed out 911 problems involving the Lazbuddie area.

Ware said a major problem was the large number of telephone companies servicing Parmer County, including those out of New Mexico. And the cell phone problem was brought up.

Wolverines win 4 of their first 5 baseball games

The Texico High School baseball team has jumped out to a 4-1 record under the tutelage of Head Coach Richard Luscombe and Assistant Coach Dennis Roch.

Last week, the Wolverines participate in the Eunice Tournament, winning 2 of 3 games.

In the opener, Texico lost to the Hobbs JV, 7-0. Braden Vaughan pitched for Texico. Hobbs scored 7 runs on 8 hits, getting two runs in the 1st and 6th innings, and single runs in the 2nd and 5th innings. Texico was held to one hit, a single by Braden Vaughan.

On Friday, Texico rebounded with a 12-7 victory over the Odessa JV. Aaron Vaughan pitched for Texico. Odessa got 7 runs on 12 hits, scoring in 4 of the 5 innings. Meanwhile, Texico scored in each of its 5 innings, getting 10 hits. Leaders were Aaron Vaughan, 3 for 3 including a double; Braden Vaughan, 2 for 2, with 2 doubles and 2 walks; Ricky Fuentes, 2 for 3; and Logan Brown, with a home run.

Texico then won the consolation final, whipping Dora, 13-4. Pitchers were Justin Loven and Bryce Bailey. Dora was held scoreless the first 4 innings, then got 4 runs in the 5th inning. Meanwhile, Texico scored in all five innings, capped by 4 runs in the 5th frame. Dora had 5 hits, while the Wolverines collected 12 hits. Leading hitters were Braden Vaughan, 4 for 4 with 2 doubles; Aaron Vaughan, 2 for 3; and Bryce Bailey, 2 for 3, with a double and a home run.

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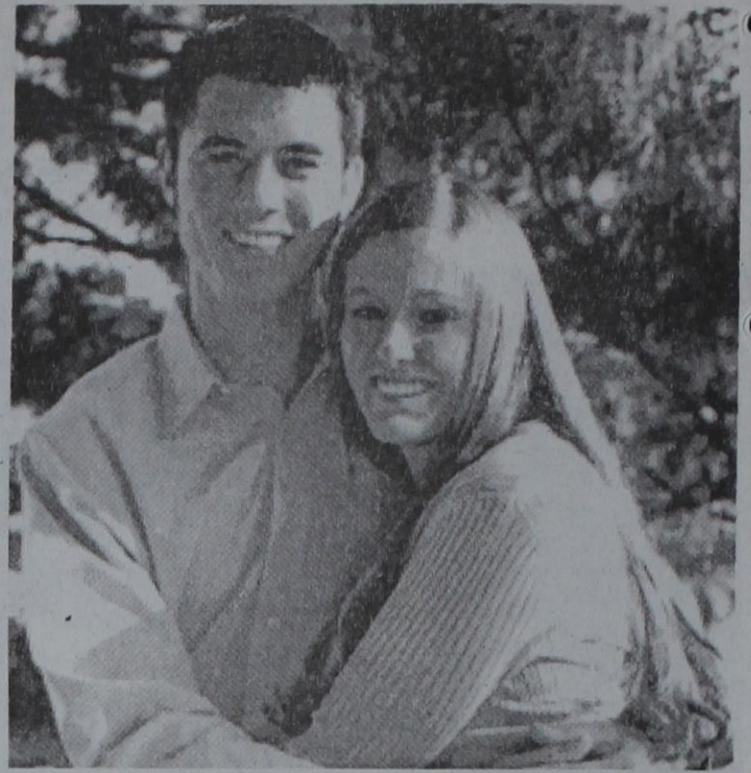
The Farwell Independent School District is currently accepting bids for the following: sprinkler system, concrete work, and paving.

Bids will be accepted until noon on April 8, 2004, at the Farwell ISD administration building.

If you are interested in placing a bid for any of the above items, please contact Larry Gregory, superintendent, Farwell ISD, Box F, Farwell, TX 79325. You may call (806) 481-3371 for a specification list on the items you wish to bid.

The Farwell ISD Board of Trustees reserves the right to refuse any or all bids.

Larry Gregory
Superintendent



Elizabeth Cortese and Ryan Autrey

Approaching marriage

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cortese, of Ft. Sumner, announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Anne, to William Ryan Autrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oran Jay Autrey, of Texico.

The wedding will be at 7 p.m. mt on June 24 at the First Baptist Church of Ft. Sumner. A reception will follow at the Ft. Sumner Community Center. All are invited. The groom's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stephens, of Clovis. The bride-elect's grandparents are Annie Robinson, of Ruidoso, and Liz Cortese, of Ft. Sumner.

The bride-elect graduated from Ft. Sumer High School in 2003, and the groom graduated from Texico High School in 2001. Both are attending ENMU in Portales.

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It's Time For The Annual West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Meeting

Tuesday, March 30, 2004

At The Hereford Bull Barn 6:00 p.m. -- Hereford, Texas

- Election of Three Directors To Be Held
- Registration and Free Supper Begins at 6:00 p.m.
- Business Session at 7:00 p.m.
- Door Prizes
- All Members Urged to Attend

West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

'Polar Bear' wins title

"Polar Bear" pawed through the competition to win Champion Poland China at the junior market barrow show on March 15 at the Houston Livestock Show.

The 264-lb. barrow is owned by Ryan DeLeon, 10, of Farwell, son of Michael and Lorena DeLeon.

Ryan said, "My barrow acts like a bear and is a Poland China breed, so I combined the two and named him Polar Bear."

He said he became interested in showing Poland China's while watching his dad raise pigs and his sister showing them.

Ryan said "my favorite parts of raising Polar Bear were walking and feeding him."

Other Farmer County

4-H results at the Houston show were:

- Jennifer DeLeon, 3rd place, cross.
- Suzanne Mason, 5th place, spot.
- Bretton Stancell, 13th place, hamp.
- Caleb Christian, 25th place, York.
- Caitlyn Stancell, 24th place, York.
- Drew Stancell, 29th place, duroc.
- Ryan Mason, 29th place, hamp.

Also exhibiting at the show were Colton Christian, Ray White, Dan Patterson, Zac Stancell, Abby Johnson, Russell Schilling, Jordan Mason, Matt Billingsley, Samuel Billingsley, Abriel Terrones and Levi McCormick.



Sunni Cranfill, Miss Texas 2003

Miss Texas to speak at Bovina Chamber banquet

Sunni Cranfill, Miss Texas 2003, will speak at the Bovina Chamber of Commerce banquet on March 27.

The banquet is set for 7 p.m. at the school cafeteria. Tickets, costing \$10 for the rib eye steak dinner, will be available at the door; the Appraisal District office, and the Junior High School office.

Ms. Cranfill, a 23-year-old senior at the University of Arkansas, is majoring in broadcast journalism. She hopes to become a sports broadcaster on TV.

Through her involvement in the Miss America Pageant system, she has earned more than \$46,000 in educational scholarships toward her degree.

She won the title of Miss Texas Dancing, ballet en pointe to a Carmen medley, but also is a very entertaining vocalist. She has been involved with her platform for over five years and has spent many hours "Empowering the Disabled"; National Education and Awareness to all Americans.

After her talk, she will be available for photos and to answer questions.

'Arsenic and Old Lace' to be presented at Farwell

Farwell High School students will be presenting their UIL One-Act play in competition this week.

The play, "Arsenic and Old Lace," will be presented in competition at 3 p.m. on Friday, March 26,

in the school auditorium.

The public is invited to the contest.

Also, the cast and crew will present the Farwell play on Thursday, March 25, at 7 p.m. to the public at the school auditorium. All are invited.

Time change draws closer

Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, April 4.

That means when you go to bed on Saturday, April 3, you need to reset your clock -- moving up one hour.

Just remember the old adage: fall back, spring forward.

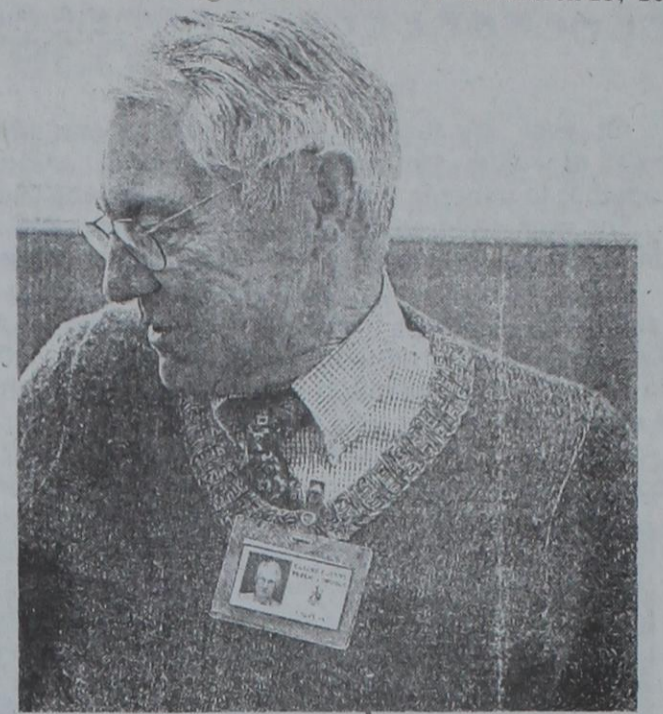
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Texico
Monday - burritos with salsa, corn, fruit, milk.
Tuesday - chili beans, corn bread, salad, fruit, milk.
Wednesday - country steak with gravy, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, hot rolls, fruit, milk.
Thursday - hamburger or cheeseburger, french fries, lettuce, pickles, fruit, milk.
Friday - pizza, garden salad, fruit, cookie, milk.

Farwell
Monday - spaghetti, tossed salad, green beans, breadsticks, orange, milk.
Tuesday - sloppy joes, french fries, dill pickles, apple cobbler, milk.
Wednesday - chef salad, crackers, rice krispy treat, fruit salad, milk.
Thursday - chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, hot roll, fruit, milk.
Friday - fish, mac & cheese, cole slaw, cornbread, fruit, milk.

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McCuan retires

John McCuan, who was raised in Farwell, officially retired as an educator in January. He is the son of Tom Paul McCuan, of Farwell. He had stepped down from the post of an elementary school principal in Virginia last year (after 23 years), but had agreed to return to the public schools to fulfill some training duties.

The Texico Community Activities Organization has reprinted the Texico Woman's Club cookbook, Volume 1.

They cost \$8 and are available from TCAO members, the Texico Fire Department, former members of the Texico Woman's Club, the New Spur Restaurant, the Beauty Box, the Citizens Bank branch in Texico, or by calling Ann Cooper at 482-9174.

All proceeds will go toward buying playground equipment for KKR Park in Texico.

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Batter Up!!

by Teresa Mesman

Ah, yes! It's that special time of the year when the smell of leather, sunflower seeds, "Icy Hot" and dirt mix together to usher in the official start of Baseball season!

For area children ages 5 to 18, it's also the official time to sign up for play in the Farwell Little League.

Registration for play in the 2004 baseball season will take place Thursday, March 25th and Thursday, April 2nd. Two registration times will be held each day: 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Farwell Elementary and 6:00 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Farwell Jr. High Gym.

There is a \$25 registration fee for each player and a copy of the child's birth certificate must be presented at

the time of registration. *Please note: a copy must be provided at the time of sign-up. No originals or copies can be made at the registration sites.*

"We're looking for a great season this year," said Jack Kirkland, president of the Farwell Little League.

All games take place in Muleshoe at the Little League Ball Park, with the exception of the Babe Ruth League games. These games are played on the fields located in the city park.

"The addition of a Babe Ruth League to our registration is new this year," said Kirkland. "This league will give the older boys and girls that are too old to play in official Little League games an opportunity to still play baseball in an official older players league."

The Babe Ruth League is a traveling league that will play games across the region in sites such as Littlefield, Morton and Hereford, in addition to Muleshoe. This league is compared to the Pony League that was once prominent in this area in the late 70's and early 80's.

T-Ball is still a large attraction for children in Kindergarten and first grade. All boys and girls who are ages 5 to 7 are eligible to play T-Ball. Each team is allowed five runs each time at bat or three outs, whichever comes first. All players take the field each inning; no players sit on the bench.

Children ages 7 to 10 are in the Minor League and play half of their game with a pitching machine monitored by the opposing team coach, with live player pitching the last half of each game.

The Major league is full team, live pitching with all rules of baseball applying.

All games have official umpires behind the plate. The Minor, Major and Babe Ruth leagues also have official field umpires.

"We're also needing parents, grandparents, aunts,

uncles and willing family friends to volunteer for coaching the teams!" said Richard Carpenter. Carpenter has served as a founding member of the Little League Board of Directors and as a coach for the past several years. "I'm going to coach again, but all of the teams could use more help!"

The Babe Ruth League team or teams will particularly be looking for coaches.

"Most of the kids that will play on this league have played together since their T-Ball years and they know (and love) baseball. This would be a great opportunity for someone that knows and loves baseball as well to further teach and coach some great kids," said Rick Klingensmith, Farwell Little League Board member and coaching coordinator. "If you're interested, please come to one of the sign-up sites and let us know."

One of the stipulations for coaching any of the Little League or Babe Ruth League teams is that all persons involved with the players will have a background check performed on them.

This is now standard policy with the International Little League and most all other sporting organizations across the United States.

Across the United States, communities just like ours are gearing up for the first pitches and hits of the season. We hope that you'll support the Farwell Little League and encourage your sons and daughters to play in this fantastic league and sport.

All children that either attend or live in the Farwell School district are eligible for play in this league. For more information and for any questions that you might have, please attend four sign-up sessions or call: Teresa Mesman, FLL Information Officer at 825-3830 or President Jack Kirkland at 481-3321.



Helton honored 2nd time

Senior Airman Kyle Helton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Helton, was named Maintenance Professional of the Year by the Air Combat Command on March 19. Last month, he had been named Maintenance Professional of the Year at Minot Air Force Base in North Dakota. This new award is from the entire command (not just the base) -- all bomber and most fighter squadrons.

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Friona State Bank.....Kids picture for the buyers

Can you help update the Texico Cemetery records?

The Texico Cemetery Board is trying to update its records and locate the people responsible for the following graves.

If you have any information on these people, please call Marcia Leavell, cemetery board officer, at (505) 482-9050 or write her at PO Box 164, Texico, NM 88135.

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Texico Police Report

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

Texico police have been running saturation patrols. On March 19, Joe Marquez, 25, of Amarillo, was arrested on a charge of DWI. On March 21, Carla Dixon, 41, of Clovis, was arrested on a charge of reckless driving.



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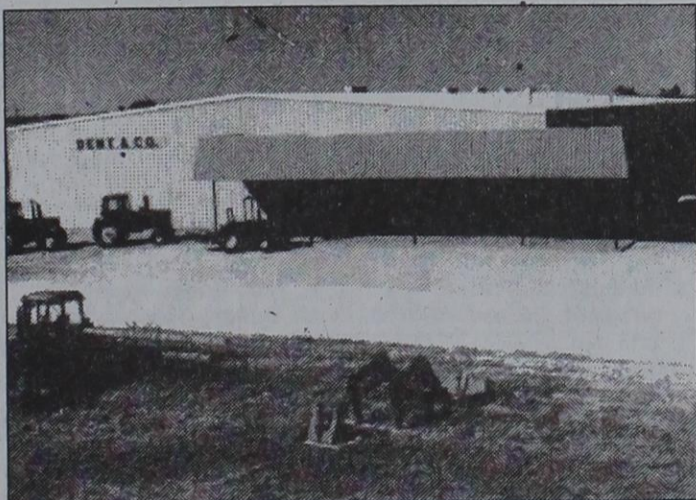
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3-19-04

LIVE CATTLE: The market took a hit this week when long term targets around \$83.50 were touched. Although many analysts had expected cash to trade at \$90 or higher, the market cut loose between \$86-87. This correction should be a short lived move down. Once prices find support, look for higher prices (futures) and possibly softer cash prices into April.

FEEDER CATTLE: Feeder prices also took a drop this week, started on fears on Canadian cattle coming within the next 60 days? Either way, according to USDA estimates, there should be very little impact on domestic markets. Canada is extremely light on cattle on feed and possible outside cattle as well. Either way, look for softer prices followed by another up into the August time frame.

CORN: The market has crossed the magic number of \$3.00 and projects up toward the \$3.50 area. Ending stocks are tight and demand strong. This market has continued to gradually inch its way up, and may do so into planting. Look for an increase in planted acres this year. Mostly acres switched from cotton. Not much to push prices lower until trade is certain the crop is in the ground.

SOYBEANS: Prices have solidly closed above the \$10 level for the first time in years. Reports continue to come out of South America that the bean crop will fall far short of previous USDA estimates? Stocks are tight and demand is strong. The fact prices are at current levels going into planting would make one think that any weather problems could cause an explosion from here?

WHEAT: The market jumped on news that Egypt made some fairly large purchases this week. There was strong resistance up around the \$4.00 level basis the July KC contract, which stopped the advance for now. A move above this level would open the door to much higher prices, but at this time, there will need to be signs of stronger demand and/or lower production estimates in order to force prices to higher levels. World production estimates have been raised for this year.

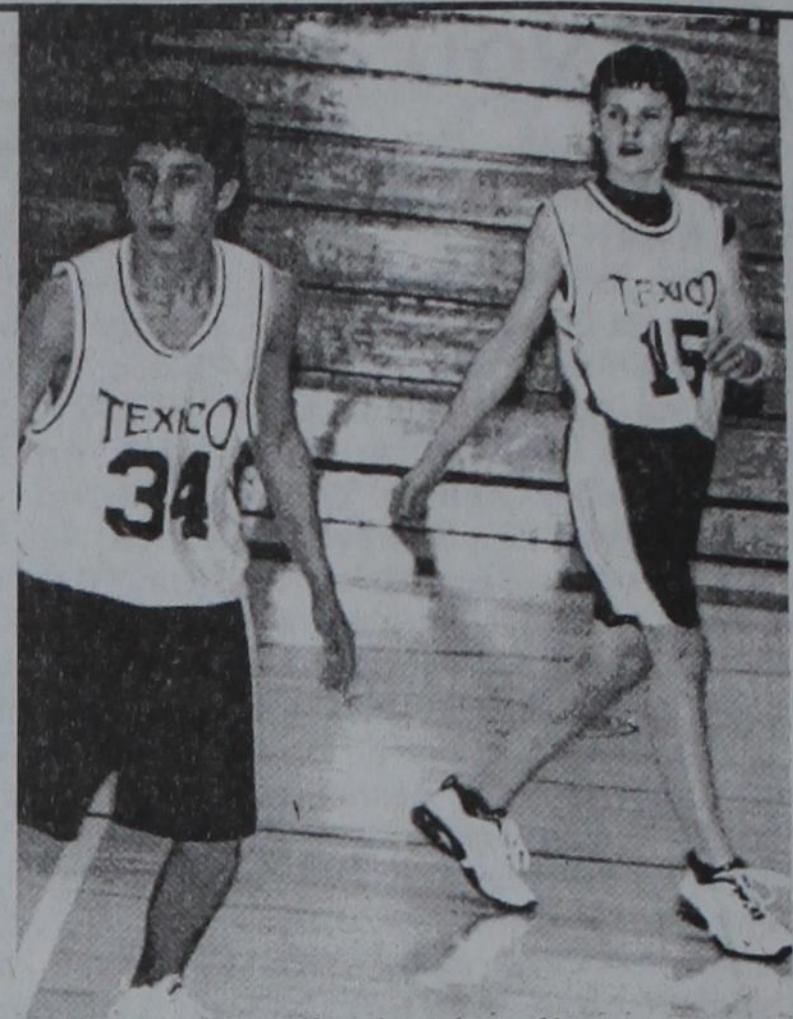
COTTON: The market has technically turned back up after the total collapse seen just a couple of weeks ago. The December contract still has strong resistance between \$68-70 level and should trade back into this area. Look for large losses in planted acres this year to beans and corn. The bottom line will remain demand coming from China no matter how many acres are lost?

Futures and Options Trading involves risk of loss and may not be suitable for everyone.



**Texico
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in action**

Here's a look at the Texico Junior High basketball teams, courtesy of Dayla Bass.



The Latest

Four persons, including the pilot, died in an air ambulance crash near Pyote, Texas, on Sunday.

The helicopter was piloted by Micky Price, of Dumas, Texas. He is a nephew of Cindy Littlejohn, of Texico.

A good gag: The sign in front of the Carpenter house on 3rd Street says "Carpenter for Sheriff."

The Texico School track is closed during spring break for resurfacing.

Exams are being offered for postal service jobs in the area. For more information, call 1-866-999-8777.

The youths of Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church are planning a

brisket dinner on March 28 at noon at the Farwell Community Center.

Funds raised will go toward the Island Encounter Mission Trip scheduled for later this year.

Donations are asked.

Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church will have Good Friday services at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 9.

The community-wide service will be led by the Methodist Youth Mission Team.

All are invited.

Courthouse Notes

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

Jorge Torres - Jose Molina, L12 B99 Friona.

Jerry Strawn et al - JKS Storage, S8 Blk E.

Tom Adair - Robards Adair, E/2 S28 Charles Harding.

Ken Hall - Larry Williams, SE/4 S12 T6S R3E.

Michael Blackburn - Gary Hicks, 160 ac SE/4 S21 T5 1/2 R5E.

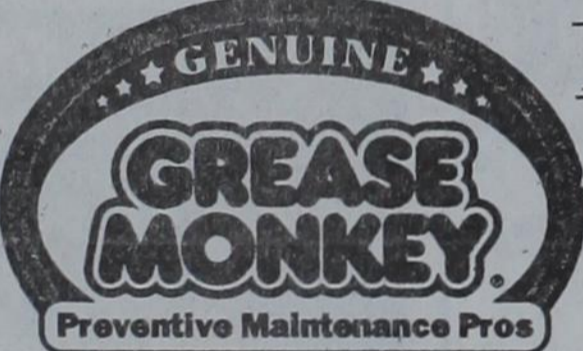
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8 p.m. winter

**First Baptist Church
of Farwell**
Rev. Randy G. Mullin
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Wed. - Prayer meeting 7 p.m.
Wed. - mission aux., 7:30 p.m.

Lariat Church of Christ
Sam Billingsley - minister
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship - 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m. winter
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James Koehn - minister
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Worship Service - 11 a.m.

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Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday study, 7 p.m.

**Assembly of God
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Bob Burris - minister
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m.
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Jenna Kirkland, a Farwell kindergarten, has an Oct. 30 birthday.

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| <p>TRACTORS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-1998 John Deere 7810 D Tractor MFWD, Cab, Air, Heat, Radio, 16 sp Trans, Triple Hyd, 18.4R42 Rear, 14.9R30 Frt, Wts, 5555 hrs, SN 015281 1-1984 John Deere 4650 D Tractor MFWD, Cab, Air, Heat, Radio, 15 sp Trans, Triple Hyd, Wts, 20.8-38 Rear Rub, 18.4-26 Front Rub, SN 7499 1-1984 John Deere 4650 Diesel Tractor, MFWD, Cab, Air, Heat, Radio, 15 sp Trans, Triple Hyd, Wts, 18.4R38 Rear Rub, 14.9-26 Front Rub, SN 8045 1-1977 Steiger Cougar ST270 Diesel Tractor, 4 wheel Drive, Cab, Air, Heat, 10 sp Trans, Quad Hyd, 30.5L30 Rubber, 3051 hrs, SN 105-00001 1-1976 John Deere 4430 Diesel Tractor, Cab, Air, Heat, Radio, Quad Range Trans, Dual Hyd, Wts, 18.4R38 Rub, SN 59877 1-1973 John Deere 4430 Diesel Tractor, Cab, PS Trans, DH, 18.4-38 Rub, SN 7654, Salvage <p>HAY EQUIPMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-Vermeer 504 G Roll Bale Hay Baler, New Belts 1-New Holland 14 ft Hay Swather, DT, PTO, Model 495 <p>TRUCKS - TRAILER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-1974 KW Cabover Semi Truck, Detroit 318 D Engine, 13 sp Trans, TA, 24.5 Rubber, Good 1-1971 Timple 40 ft Semi Trailer, Belly Dump, Sliding Gates, 56" Sides, 10.00-22 Rubber, 1-1976 Chevrolet C65 Grain Truck, 20 ft Bed, 5 ft Boards, 427 Engine, 5 sp Trans, TC Hoist, TA, 10.00-22 Rubber, Engine Needs Overhaul 1-1967 Chev C50 Grain Truck, 16 ft Bed, TC Hoist, 4 sp Trans, 20" Rub, Not Running 1-1987 Chev 30 Custom Deluxe Flatbed Truck, AT, 4WD, V8 Eng | <p>EQUIPMENT (40" rows)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-John Deere 1700 MaxEmerge Plus Vacuumer Planter, 8 row, Double FG Boxes, DD Openers Drags, Incorpors, Markers 1-John Deere 7300 MaxEmerge2 Vacuumer Planter, 8 row, Double FG Boxes, DD Openers Drags, Incorpors, Markers 1-Tye Series V 30 ft Grain Drill, DT, Bi Fold, 8" spacing, Double Disc, P Ws, Markers, Late Style 1-Versatile 40 ft Stubble Mulch Plow 1-Sunflower 19 ft Trash Mulcher Plow, DT, Model 4212 1-Baker 8100 38 ft Field Cultivator 1-Bush Hog 32 ft Field Cultivator 1-John Deere 8 row Cultivator, 5' x 7' Bar, Model 825 1-Lorenz 8 row Cultivator, 7' x 7' Bar, Fenders 1-Hamby 9 row Disc Lister, DSB, LTM, GW, Markers 1-Hamby 9 row Disc Lister, DSB, LTM, GW 1-Tye 9 row Disc Lister, DSB, LTM, GW, Markers 1-RAC 9 row Lister, DSB, LTM, 1x3 shanks, GW, Markers 2-Hamby 8 row Sweep Out Plows, DSB, LTM, 1" x 3" shks, GW 1-Sam Stevens 8 row Double Cut Stalkcutter, Late Style 2-P&W 8 row Stalkcutters 1-Noble 27 ft Springtooth Harrow, 3 pt 1-Case IH 21 ft Tandem Disc Plow, Fold Wing, #485 1-IH 21 ft Tandem Disc Plow, FW 1-IH 21 ft Tandem Disc Plow, FW 1-John Deere 18 ft Tandem Disc Plow, FW, For Parts 2-Krause 21 ft One Way Plows 1-SM 8 row 3 pt Rowcrop Herbicide Applicator 3-J D 28 ft Rotary Hoes, #400 2-M&W 28 ft Rotary Hoes, #1828 1-S Stevens 8 row Knifing Slide, Hi Clearance, 4x6 Bar, 4x4 Bar 1-SM 24 ft Double Blade Land Float 2-Oliver 508 6 btm Moldboard Plow 2-Stanton 6 btm Plow Packers <p>CATTLE PANELS-CHUTE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 20-Pipe Frame 12' Cattle Panels 1-SM Cattle Squeeze Chute | <p>COTTON HARVEST EQUIP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-1991 John Deere 7445 SP Diesel Cotton Stripper, 4 row Header, Burr Extractor, Cab, SN 8047, Field Ready 1-1980 John Deere 484 SP Diesel Cotton Stripper, 4 row Header, Black Cab, 16.9-26 Rubber, 5176 hours, SN 898 1-1980 John Deere 484 SP Diesel Cotton Stripper, 4 row Hdr, Black Cab, 16.9-26 Rub, SN 896, Engine Needs O H 1-Bush Hog Cotton Module Builder, Cab, 32 ft 1-Great Plains Cotton Module Builder, Cab, 32 ft 1-Crustbuster Super BB Cotton Boll Buggy, Packer, 18.4-26 Rubber, Late Model, SN 14353 1-Sam Stevens Cotton Boll Buggy, Swing Tongue, Packer, 18.4-26 Rubber, Late Model <p>PEANUT EQUIPMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-Amadas Magnum Force 6 row Peanut Combine 2-Pearman 4 row Peanut Diggers 2-Ficklin Model 435 Peanut Side Dump Trailers, 4 wheel 1-SM Peanut Shaker/Conveyor, 4 w Chassis, AC Engine, LPG <p>HI CYCLE - SPRAYERS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-1993 John Deere 6500 Diesel SP HiCycle Sprayer, Cab, Air, Heat, 12.4-38 Rubber, 60 ft Boom, X Fold, 792 hrs, SN 285 1-Lee 4 seat Spray Rig, DT, 100 gal 1-Lee 475 gal Diesel Transport Trailer, TA, 12 volt Pump 1-SM 1000 gal Water Transport Trailer, TA, Pump, 5 hp Engine, (2-500 gallon Poly Tanks) 2-200 gal Poly Spray Tanks, BM 1-300 gal Poly Spray Tank, FM 1-200 gal Poly Spray Tank, FM <p>EQUIPMENT CONTINUED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-B 4 btm Plow Packer 1-Case 13 shank V Ripper Plow 1-Hamby 21 ft Chisel/Sweep Plow, DSB, LTM, GW 1-Johnson 8 row Crop Knifing Plow 2-SM 8 row Crop Knifing Plows 1-Herd Sure-Feed Broadcaster, PTO, 3 pt, Mdl 1200C, NEW | <p>GRAIN HARVEST EQUIP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-Gleaner L2 D Combine, Cab, Air, Heat, 24 ft Header, 23.1-34 Rub, 2038 Eng hrs, 1780 Separator hrs, SN LK24455H 1-Gleaner L2 D Combine, Cab, Air, Heat, 24 ft Hdr, 23.1-34 Rub, 1865 Eng hrs, 1480 Separator hrs, SN LK24217H 1-Unverferth 275 Grain Cart, Side Dump, Hyd 12 ft Filler Auger, 4 wheel Chassis, Tarp 1-Big 12 400 bu Grain Cart 2-Gleaner C Combines, 16 ft Hdr, Salvage (1-Gas 1-LPG) 1-Cone 8 row Crop Pickup Reel 1-Hume 8 row Crop Pickup Reel <p>TRAILERS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-Hale 20 ft GN Livestock Trailer, Center Gate, Sliding Rear Gate, 6 ft Enclosed Nose, 6 wheel, 1 year Floor 1-SM 20 ft HD Utility Trailer, 8 ft Wide Steel Floor, Ramps, 8 hole Wheels, BP 1-SM Combine/Header Trailer, Single Axle 1-SM Camelback Imp Trailer, SA 2-2 wheel PU Bed Trailers 1-SM 8 ft 3 wheeler Trailer <p>IRRIGATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2-Pierce 1/4 mile Side Roll Sprinklers, 5" Pipe, 5 ft Wheel 3-Chev 350 Irr Engines, Hardy 2-Chev V6 Vortec Irr Engines 2-GMC V6 Irrigation Engines 8-Chev 292 Irrigation Engines 4-Chryler 8 cyl Irrigation Engine 1-Ford 300 Irrigation Engine 1-GM 4 cyl Irrigation Engine <p>TOOL MAKE-UPS - MISC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-Set John Deere 20.8-38 Axle Clamp Tractor Duals 1-Lot Tire & Wheels 1" x 3" Shanks & Clamps * Hyd Cylinders * Sweeps * Wheels & Tires * Planter Parts * Peanut Digger Parts * Quick Hitchers * Ace Pumps * Generators * Starters * Belts Grain Drill Parts Lot Items Too Numerous to List Terms: Cash or check w/Proper ID ** Lunch Available |
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Texico Wolverines in action
Here's a last look at the Texico Wolverines, who had another highly successful season. (Photos by Dayla Bass)



The Latest

Kendall DeVault has signed up as a write-in candidate for the Farwell School Board.

Also on the ballot will be Mike Ratke, Bryan Roach and Sam Billingsley.

Two posts are open.

Farwell School reports that the TAKS results are in for the 3rd grade and 97 percent of the pupils passed the reading test.

Farwell Steers' Tyler Myers and Tate Nichols were voted to the Texas

Association of Basketball Coaches 2nd team All-Region.

The Farwell Steers finished the year ranked 12th in the state, according to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches.

Sudan finished the year in 6th place and Morton was 2nd.

Farwell High School will conduct a blood drive on April 5.

It will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. The bus will be in front of the junior high gym.

Farwell High Principal

Gary Cates said he and Texico High are having a friendly competition to see which school gets more blood donors that day.

The Farwell Class of 1994 will hold its 10th class reunion at Border Town Days in July.

As always, BTD is held the last Saturday in the month - July 31 this year.

To sign up for the reunion, contact Christie Phillips Renner at cisero7@yahoo.com, or call (806) 655-7162, or Ginny Mitzelfelt Botello at rgb99@bellsouth.net.

Winners Touch Amusements

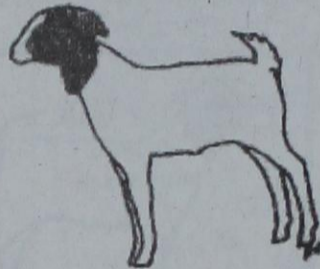
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His favorite color is red.
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Col. Haseloff gets new post

On March 19, Col. Robert Haseloff, who was raised in Farwell, became the Director of the Field

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As director, he oversees 25 personnel responsible for providing Air Force senior leaders with independent assessments of mission capability, ensuring air Force programs and processes function as intended to achieve maximum capability.

The division recommends improvements of Air Force policies and

programs for fulfilling peacetime and wartime missions.

The agency also conducts special reviews that are high priority and sensitive reviews of programs of significant interest to the Secretary of the Air Force, Congress, or the public.

Col. Haseloff graduated from Farwell High School in 1970.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Mike,

I would like to update Parmer County voters about the petition for a manual recount of votes in the Pct. 1 county commissioner's race in Friona.

The recount was conducted March 17. The results gave one more vote to John Tannahill, and one more vote to Kirk Frye. The number of votes that John Mars received remained unchanged.

After review, it was noted by the counting team that the two-vote difference was probably due to the fact that two ballots had very light check marks, which the scanner didn't pick up.

Colleen Stover
Parmer County Clerk



Lidia Onica and Timmie Smith

Engagement told

Lidia Onica and Timmie Gene Smith, both of College Station, Texas, announce their engagement and approaching marriage.

They are both PhD students in computer science at Texas A&M University.

Lidia received bachelor's degrees in both math and law in Romania. She has also received a master's degree in math from Texas A&M.

Timmie graduated from Lazbuddie High School in 1996, and has received bachelor's and master's degrees in computer science from Texas A&M. He is the son of Debbie and Dale Gallman, of Bovina.

The couple will wed in a private ceremony on May 29. Family and friends are invited to the reception.

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

On March 22, Larry Vaughn, 48, of Muleshoe, was arrested by the sheriff's office on a Lubbock County warrant. He is awaiting transport.

On March 21, Cindy Mireles, 23, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of assault. Case pending in county court.

On March 21, Roxanne Mireles, 20, of Friona, was arrested by Friona police on a charge of assault. Case pending in county court.

On March 19, Jaysun Lowery, 18, of Friona, was arrested on Department of Public Safety warrants. He paid fines and was released.

Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geries reported that a drug bust was conducted in Friona on Saturday afternoon.

Sheriff's Report

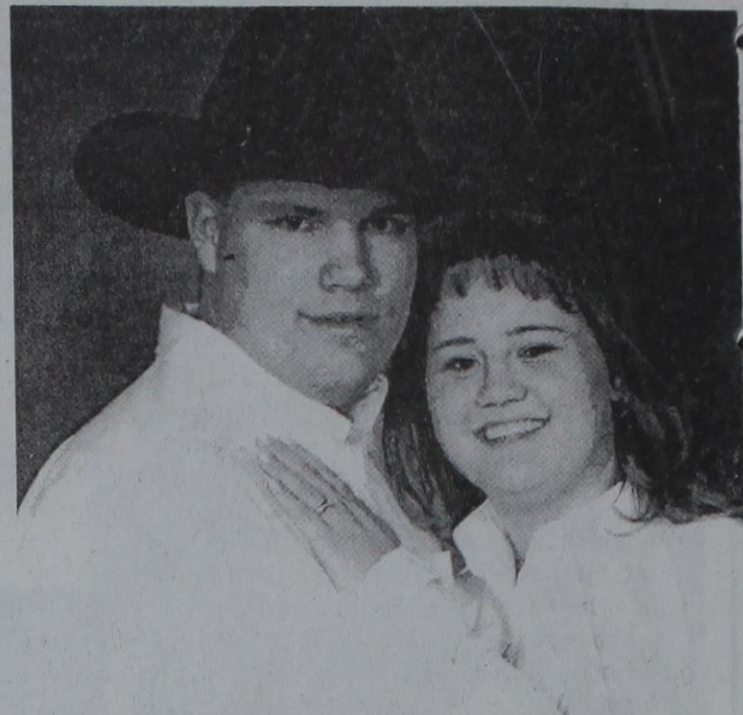
Sheriff's deputy Andy Stormes did the majority of the work, and Friona police were involved, too.

After a search warrant was issued, police searched a home and found a quantity of cocaine, plus more than \$1,700 in cash.

There was nobody home when the search was conducted. Charges are pending about the resident.

EMS Report

The Farwell ambulance went to Allsup's Convenience Store on March 17 when a person was reported ill. No transport was made.



Karissa Foster & Earnest Hengst

Engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Foster, of Oklahoma Lane, and Rev. and Mrs. Earnest Hengst, of Las Vegas, N.M., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Karissa Lorene Foster and Earnest Jordan Hengst.

The wedding will be June 19 at 3 p.m. at the Oklahoma Lane United Methodist Church. A reception and dance will follow at the Texico Community Center. All friends and family are invited.

The bride-elect's grandparents are Wayne and Louise Foster, of Oklahoma Lane, and Jack and Latrell Hyinger, of Olton, formerly of Muleshoe. Her great-grandmother is Lorene Stewart Jefferies, of Hale Center.

The groom's grandparents are Robert and Dorothy Schoppa, of Amarillo, and OlaBelle Hengst, of Cary, MS.

Karissa is a 2001 graduate of Farwell High School, and attends ENMU in Portales. She is employed by the Office of Development on the campus of ENMU. Jordan graduated from high school in 2001 and attends ENMU. He is employed by the Clovis Police Department.

They will make their home in Clovis.

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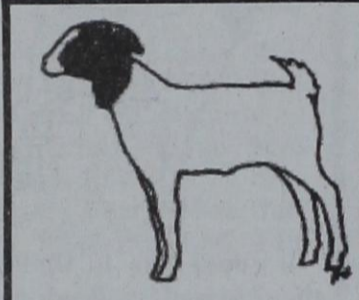
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Each player must bring a copy of their birth certificate for registration or have one on record with the Farwell Little League from last season. We also need parent volunteers for each team!

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Division/League determined by age as of Aug. 1, 2003

Tax increase approved

The Texico City Council on Tuesday approved an ordinance increasing the city's gross receipts tax in town one-quarter percent. The higher tax goes into effect July 1.

Need for more firefighters, EMS personnel discussed

The Farwell City Council on Tuesday discussed the need for more firefighters and EMS personnel.

Councilman Wayne Gruben, who also is the Parmer County chief deputy sheriff, said what is happening on a regular basis now is that when an ambulance is needed, they have to call on Texico because of the lack of Farwell ambulance crew personnel.

Mayor Jimmie Mace will look into the problems.

In other business, the council:

-- Heard Police Chief Robert Achterberg report some good news concerning the animal control facility.

It had been reported last year that new state rules indicated that it would cost a great deal of money to upgrade the Farwell shelter, to keep it operating.

Achterberg said that it has been found that the new laws were misinterpreted, and now have been clarified.

Thus, Farwell won't have to revamp the whole system but just needs to upgrade the current facility. This includes:

Having a clean area, drainage, good fencing, a roof over the animals' heads, a separate quarantine area, and extra padding in winter to keep the animals warm.

One question still remains -- whether Farwell's animal control officer (Achterberg) needs to be certified.

Mace asked Achterberg to meet with City Street Supt. Dee Hammit to go over the cost of upgrading the Farwell facility.

-- Received a proposed ordinance (based on Brownfield, Texas) from Achterberg dealing with excessive noise. The council voted to have city attorney Jeff Actkinson review it before its likely adoption.

The problem Farwell has had in the past in controlling excessive noise is that the state had a law allowing noise under 85 decibels.

But the proposed ordinance deals with "consistent and prolonged nuisances" without regard to decibel levels.

This means, for example, if the ordinance is adopted, violations could include dogs that keep barking; drivers playing boom boxes loud in their vehicles; playing musical instruments or other machines loud enough to violate certain parameters; or continued revving of a vehicle at a high volume.

Persons convicted would pay a fine.

-- Held an executive session at the request of Mace for personnel reasons.

-- Approved three building permit applications: Uvaldo Treviso, house addition, 507 4th St.; Harry Sheets, carport, 200 Ave. I; and Howard Quarles, carport, 606 6th St.

-- Had a zoning change request from Robert Koehn on the agenda but he did not appear. City Clerk Cynthia Thigpen said he wanted to add mobile homes to the property where his Chevy Chase Apartments were. The council took no action, but appeared unfavorable to it.

-- Approved a request from the fire department to seek a Forest Service grant for a new pumper, which could be used in rural areas. If the grant is approved, Farwell would have to match 10 percent of the pumper's cost, estimated between \$30,000 and \$40,000, said Mrs. Thigpen.

-- Cancelled the city election since the three incumbents -- Ysleta Kittrell, Don Gerles and Wayne Gruben, had no opposition.

The tax increase was approved by voters in the March election by a 55-24 margin.

In other business, the council:

-- Is close to adopting an ordinance restricting heavy vehicle traffic and parking.

City Attorney Marion Ty Rutter told City building inspector Terry Martin that policies and agreements needed to be in the same ordinance, and Martin will comply.

Martin had favored keeping policies and agreements separate from the ordinance.

Thus, the final ordinance is expected to be ready for the council's April 13 meeting.

-- Heard Martin report that he had talked with Rocio Perez, who had inquired into a liquor license for a dance hall inside the city.

Martin said Texico and Curry County are "dry." Only Clovis in the county allows liquor sales.

City Clerk Teresa Harth said a city in New Mexico has to have at least a population of 5,000 (Texico has 1,000) in order to vote on whether to offer liquor sales.

-- Heard Mrs. Harth report that the asbestos abatement at the old city hall will start Monday.

-- Gave Fire Chief Lewis Cooper approval to meet with the owners or Ruby's Antiques to see about swapping some land.

The fire department wants more property for its planned administration building.

-- Heard resident Lee Swerczek say that a portion of Avenue F needs to be paved because after it rains, it gets filled with mud and ruts of 2-3 feet.

In 1998, the major portion of Avenue F was paved. The city said it would look into it.

Also, Swerczek said more security lighting is needed along Avenue F. Mrs. Harth said she would contact Xcel Energy about adding a light.

The Latest

The Farwell High girls' golf invitational was held on Tuesday at the Farwell Country Club.

Friona was 1st with 427; Farwell 2nd with 445, and Sudan 3rd with 573.

For Farwell: Micah Christian, 100 (2nd individual); Britton Barrett, 111; Dellani Jones, 127; Kristen Garcia, 107; and Kyra Christian, 128.

Farwell medalists were Talethia Nolte, 122; Robyn Teltschik, 116; and Hayley Fowler, 126.

Bovina medalists were Yuri Vela, 111; Vanessa Garcia, 121; and Elizabeth Alonzo, 105.

meeting on Tuesday in Bovina.

Officers for the coming year will be:

J'Don Gallman, president; Lawrence Widner, vice president; Gary Patterson, secretary; and John Jarecki, treasurer.

The board also set its show dates for next year and put together the list for potential show judges.

Farwell Elementary School 1st grade teacher Nancy Roberts has been hospitalized in Austin.

She is doing okay and is expected to return to Farwell soon.

A baby shower to honor Hunter Graham Thompson, son of Jacob and Angela Thompson, will be held at 3:45 p.m. on Monday, March 29, at Farwell Elementary School library.

Lazbuddie Schools' lunch menus for next week:

Monday - chicken nuggets (pk-1), pizza, rice pilaf.

Tuesday - fajitas, burritos (pk-1), tuna sandwiches.

Wednesday - ham (pk-1), egg rolls, hot pockets.

Thursday - steak fingers (pk-1), pizza, sub sandwiches.

Friday - special.

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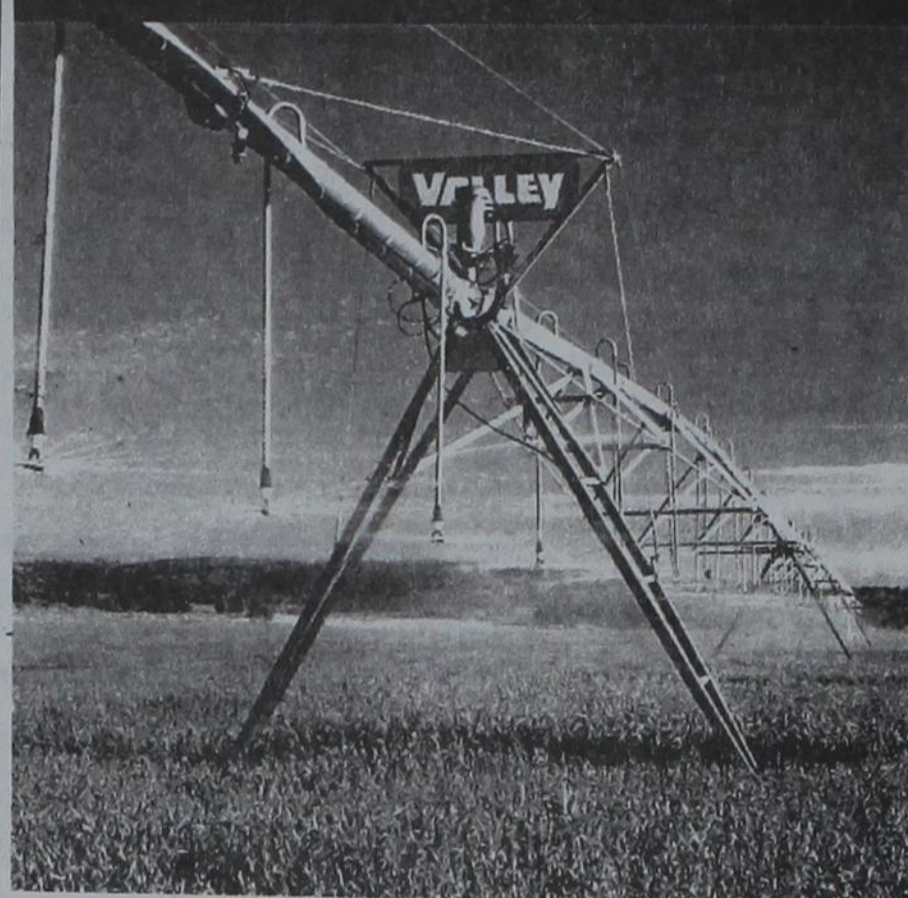
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Banter

You see, she went to junior high and high school in Borger with Kel. It will be a kick when he visits Farwell down the road and Dee comes to see him. She likely will remind him of the time Kel played "the bag lady" in a junior high play....

The Tribune got a call last week from a Clovis business asking if we accepted ads promoting liquor.

We don't.

I have to admit that all the public discussions on WMDs or lack thereof, the wisdom of fighting the Iraqi battle, should we have stopped 9/11, ad nauseum, is really getting to me.

The current hearings on what Presidents Bush and Clinton did or didn't do, I find disgusting.

What happened, happened. Was there fault to find? Sure. But as I keep writing, bureaucrats don't act, they react. So as far as I'm concerned, it doesn't matter who was in charge, Republican or Democrat, the problem was going to happen.

Instead of playing partisan politics and trying to place blame, I wish our politicians would instead look to the future.

Silly me.

Instead of hearings on who didn't do what, why aren't there hearings on the future of our battles with the extreme Moslems?

I mean, isn't that common sense?
Silly me.

We are a people that wants quick fixes. A populace that has grown up with TV and its short attention span. Voters who rely on sound bites to make their decisions.

We simply don't want to look ahead because it's frightening.

You know what my track record is:

1. Nine months before 9/11, I said terrorism would be the main story of the coming year.
2. The following December, I wrote about three nations where I predicted we would send troops to battle terrorists, and all three came about.
3. The day 9/11 occurred, I wrote a column saying World War III had begun, and would last for decades.

Just look at where the righting is going on around the world, and ask yourself if I was wrong. But, due to politics, our Congress won't officially declare WWII as it should.

Why? It's not politically popular.

Folks, I wish our nation could wake up to the reality of the situation. A reality that means sacrifice, that means hard decisions, that means deprivations.

But we don't want to hear that. We want victory today ... make that yesterday.

So I ask you: are you prepared for a nuclear bomb going off in New York City or Washington, D.C.?

What will the results be? Are we prepared for it? Do you believe it could happen?

I do. And that is why I believe we should levy special taxes and put billions (trillions?) of dollars into the war on terrorism.

If we need to cut back everywhere else, fine. Each of us needs to contribute to our nation's defense. If that means cutbacks in Social Security, so be it.

We need to go after terrorists with all our might. It shouldn't be just the No. 1 priority, it should be the only priority.

And to heck with all the petty problems our nation deals with.

But that takes long-range thinking. It takes leaders who have a strong understanding of geopolitics, and who are unafraid to cast votes in favor of the best interests of the nation.

And therein lies the problem....

So when the next tragedy occurs, don't be shocked, don't be surprised. Expect it.

If this sounds negative, I apologize. But show me where my logic is wrong.

March Madness is upon us, one of my favorite sports seasons.

Nothin' like good, hard-nosed college basketball featuring great teams playing like there's no tomorrow.

Because if you lose, the season is over. Everything is on the line.

There have been some great championship games over the years.

Who can ever forget when the University of Houston's Phi Slamma Jamma (I think that's the nickname) got upset by North Carolina State's Jim Valvano.

But my favorite will always be in 1963 when tiny Loyola of Chicago upset mighty Cincinnati.

Let me set the background.

This was the time when Cincinnati ruled the roost, using a mighty defense and 4-corner stall to great effectiveness. Once they got the lead, forget it. The game was over.

Cincinnati had won the national title in 1962, if memory serves me right. And they were expected to repeat.

But tiny Loyola, a blip on the screen, had an All-American named Jerry Harkness plus four teammates who worked as a cohesive unit.

Loyola had no bench

... period. After that starting five, the dropoff was significant. Thus, the starters played virtually the entire game.

Loyola played run and gun, in stark contrast to Cincinnati's slowdown style. A perfect matchup.

If memory serves me correctly, Cincinnati got off to about a 10-point lead in the 2nd half. Normally, that would doom any other team.

But it was Loyola's year. Somehow, they got the ball back despite the stall, and won -- in over-

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time, I believe.

What joy spread throughout Chicago that night. Tiny Loyola, with basically just five young boys, had won a national title. Unbelievable.

It was like when UTEP knocked off mighty Kentucky in another great match-up in a national final.

Those kinds of upsets don't happen much. But when they do, it's a thrill to see the little guy kayo the giant.

My pick to win this year's March Madness? Duke.

Deaf Smith Co-op re-elects Christian, Roberts

There was another huge turnout on Tuesday at the 66th annual meeting of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative at Hereford's Bull Barn.

Five hundred and one members were present, and over 1,656 plates of food were served (the record is 1,700).

Two director posts were on the ballot.

Vick Christian was unopposed for re-election to the Position 1 post. Vick has been a director for 7 years. He also serves on the Parmer County Tax Appraisal Committee.

He attended Texas Tech before returning to the family farm south of Bovina. He is a member of the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club. Vick and his wife, Denise, have two children, Curt and Micah.

Jerry Roberts, the incumbent, won the race for the Position 2 post over Greg Chavez. Roberts lives in northwest Deaf Smith County.

In his annual report, Steve Louder, Deaf Smith's president and general manager noted:

The year 2003 was again a record year with energy sales of 440,887,305 kilowatt-hours, up 5.4 percent over 2002. Rates were up an average of 16.8 percent over 2002. This average rate might have been higher without the record sales levels. The fixed costs had more kilowatt-hours over which to be spread.

Natural gas generates about half the co-op's needs and recent natural gas price hikes make projected rates uncertain. The best guess is that 2004 rates will be similar to the summer months of 2003.

The 5-year moratorium on electric deregulation continues in the Panhandle area. The co-op is watching this closely in each legislative session, hoping to retain the current structure. Deaf Smith's board and management firmly believe that electric deregulation, in our sparsely populated area, is not in the best interests for the consumer and Deaf Smith members.

During 2003, Deaf Smith installed 23 miles of underground wire and constructed 24 miles of overhead distribution lines to serve 380 new services. Irrigation load added during the year included 221 irrigation wells totaling 12,952 horsepower and 68 sprinkler systems totaling 3,567 horsepower.

The irrigation load added in 2003 totaled 16,569 horsepower. Deaf Smith's transmission, distribution and underground lines now total 4,401 miles serving 13,954 customers.

Also at the meeting:

- The Florida Boys entertained.
- Capital credits totaling \$1.5 million were returned to cooperative members.
- Total liabilities and net worth for this year was put at \$40,339,654, up from \$38,112,201 the previous year.
- Receipts above the cost of operation for this year were \$3,313,923, up from \$2,641,927 last year.
- Next year, the co-op will meet on March 22, 2005, and the guest performer will be LaDonna Gatlin.



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Bovina students enroll in nursing program

These are some of the Bovina students who work at Prairie Acres Nursing Home in the school's nursing program.

Those pictured have not passed the test yet to become Certified Nursing Assistants.

Two weeks ago, the Tribune ran an article with photos of the Bovina students who already were CNA's.

--- Lunch menus ---

Bovina school lunch menus for next week:

Monday - steakfingers, pepperoni pizza, cream potatoes, cream gravy, rolls, green beans, carrot sticks, salad, peaches.

Tuesday - pig in blanket, hamburger, chili beans, salad, potato puffs, jello with fruit.

Wednesday - BBQ on bun, pepperoni pizza, pickle spears, corn, potato chips, salad, pears.



Alicia Tapia and Chris DeLeon assist a resident.



Jolene Ortiz and Jennifer Reyna are pictured with two residents.

Becky's Bovina Banter

Becky London - 251-1164

Hello!

Many of you know me from my days of writing for the Bovina Blade and Friona Star newspapers. If not, let me introduce myself. I am Becky London and I live just outside of Bovina with my husband Mike and two children Ty, 5, and Emma, 1.

I have worked part-time for First Baptist Church in Bovina now for three years and have lived in Bovina since 1995. Each week I'll share a little news from the town of Bovina and its neighbors. If you would like to contact me, call me at home, 251-1164.

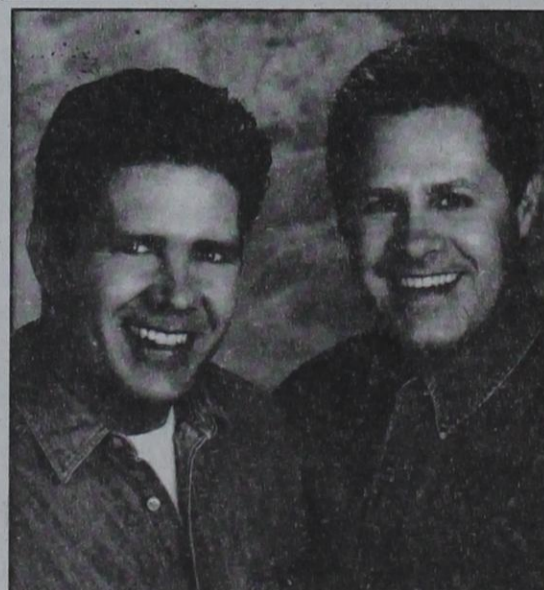
It was Spring Break in Bovina last week and lots of people were coming and going out of town. My children and I spent five days in Odessa helping my sister and her family and my mother move to a new home in Gardendale, Texas. That wasn't much of a "Break" for us, but we loved the "Spring" part. Temps were in the high 70's all week and the kids had a great time playing outside.

Several ladies from First Baptist Church went to the National Women of Faith Conference in San Antonio, Thursday through Saturday. We'll have pictures and a story on that in a week or so. Those who went included: Vonda Reed, Darlene Miller, Suezy Smith, Donann Teague, Ester Steelman, Molly Rundell, Yolanda Castillo all ov Bovina and Patsy Mejia of Memphis, Carolyn George of Texico and Nina Kennedy of Portales.

Also gone from the First Baptist Church was Aaron Reed, pastor. He and Vonda spent the week in Arkansas

Return of the McCains

Ben and Butch McCain, the sons of Les and Rose McCain of Bovina, will perform at the Farwell Chamber of Commerce banquet on April 17 at 7 p.m. at the Farwell Community Center. Tickets are \$15 per person and are available at several Farwell businesses, including the State Line Tribune, Farwell City Hall, Franse Irrigation and Farwell Hardware.

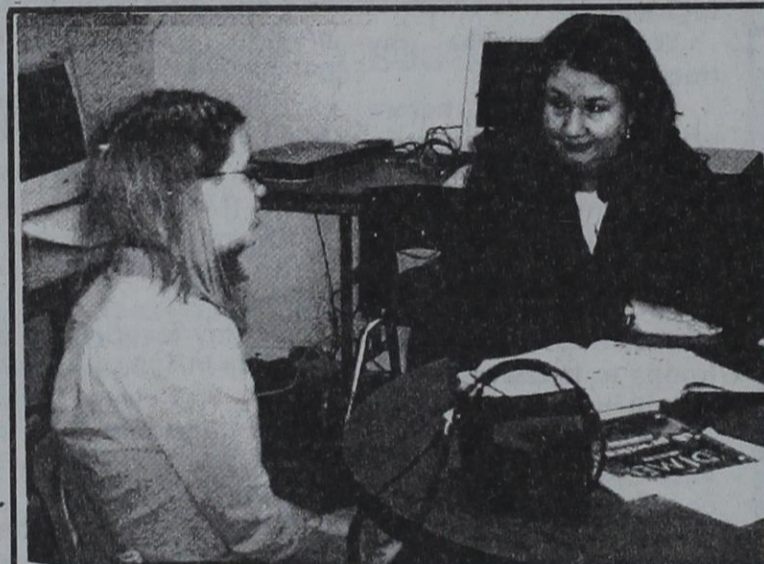


THE MCCAIN BROTHERS

preaching a revival at the Fairpark Baptist Church in Russellville. Vonda flew to San Antonio on Thursday to meet the ladies from Bovina for the conference.

By now, we all know all about the hostage standoff in Friona with the Stovall family. Mrs. Stovall teaches classes to 3 and 4 year olds each week in their basement; it is called "The Sunshine School." My son attended her classes last year and we had a chance to meet her husband Mark and daughter, Hannah then. They are a really sweet family and they have a lovely home. We're glad their nightmare is over.

March is a month of good eating and dividend checks for folks. This week is the Deaf Smith Electric Co-op meeting in Hereford and next Tuesday is the West Texas



Anna Symm, 16, of Lariat, practices her conversational Spanish with instructor Nina Kennedy. The class takes place in the relaxed atmosphere of the Bovina Community Network building, just off the Dimmitt Highway in Bovina.

See story on Page 1

Rural Telephone Co-op meeting, also in Hereford. Everyone enjoys a free meal, door prizes and entertainment.

The much anticipated annual Bovina Chamber of Commerce banquet is this Saturday. There aren't any dividend checks to be given away, but the steaks are always juicy, the potatoes are always big and the gathering of Bovina neighbors is always my favorite part. Hope to see you there!



Excel donation

Excel Corporation has donated \$7,500 toward replacing the lights at the Bovina Little League field. City Manager Ernest Terry, left, accepts the check from Excel manager Steve Thompson. Work was expected to begin this week on the lights.

Bovina Schools schedule pre-registration times

Bovina Schools will have pre-registration for Head Start, pre-kindergarten, kindergarten and the migrant 3-year-old program on April 14 from 10 a.m. to noon and 2 to 5 p.m. at Ridgelea School.

- Parents need to bring:
- child's birth certificate.
 - child's up-to-date immunization.
 - child's Social Security number.
 - proof of income (check stubs, income tax, etc. -- for Head Start and pre-kindergarten only).
 - proof of public assistance, such as food stamp card, WIC, TANF, SSI Medicaid, HUD (for Head Start and pre-kindergarten only).
 - documentation of child's disability, if applicable.

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Pre-kindergarten/Head Start -- any child who is 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2004.
Migrant 3-year-old program -- any child who qualifies for migrant program and is 3 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2004.

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