

The Farwell Schools Administration Office held a Christmas Open House for all of the employees on December 9. Light snacks, refreshments and wassail were served. An announcement for the teachers who had been awarded mini-grants from the Farwell Education Foundation was made. Teachers receiving grants this year were:

Amanda McFarland. She received \$254.65 from the foundation for her grant, which was entitled "Rockin' the Elementary." She plans on using the money to purchase recorders which are used to introduce students to playing music.

Patty O'Hare. She received \$460.59. Her grant will be used to start a chess club at the junior high. She will purchase high quality chess sets with timers that can be used during competitive chess matches.

Dr. Kathleen Tayler. Her grant, titled "Making Connections across Texts," totaled \$464.28. She will use the funds to purchase a variety of graded reading books.

Superintendent Kelly Lusk presented the checks to the teachers. He said, "To me this is just exciting. We are so appreciative of the Farwell Education Foundation. It just gives you a good feeling inside when you know that the community supports our teachers. We just want to say thank you to the men and women on the Foundation Board for their time and efforts."