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By Don Nelson

Benny Baker, former minister of the Fourth and Bedford Church of Christ, now serves the Bono Church of Christ at Jonesboro, Ark.

When two schoolboy snipers killed a teacher and several of their schoolmates at Westside Middle School in Jonesboro a couple of weeks ago, several of the victims were Benny's parishioners.

In fact, Benny's son is married to the daughter of a teacher who was wounded in the attack.

Benny has been thrown into a lot of living rooms in the last two weeks.

I missed NBC-TV's first interview with him shortly after the tragedy. However, I happened to be tuned in when Katy Couric did a remote interview with Benny on the *Today* show Friday morning.

Benny did an excellent job of describing how the community is coping with the tragedy, and the tremendous outpouring of sympathy and help from around the nation and the world.

You could tell he was a professional, trained to deal with human crises. (I imagine NBC could tell, too, and that's why they called him back.)

Usually, these far-away tragedies seem abstract to us.

But when they involve someone we know, they also involve us, don't they?

If you'd care to send financial help to the victims' families, there's a fund set up. Make your check out to the United Way of Greater Jonesboro, and mail it to PO Box 234, Jonesboro, AR 72403-0234.

If you want to express your condolences, you can mail a card or letter to that same address, or send an e-mail to westside@insolwvb.net.

The High Plains Underground Water District is revving up for the second year of its rain enhancement (cloud seeding) program.

Ken Carver of the High Plains District told a banquet audience here Tuesday night that the new silver iodide flares to be shot from planes into the clouds this year are 1,000 times more effective than the flares used last year, thanks to a testing and improvement program conducted for the district by Colorado State University.

That's a LOT of improvement in a year's time. Could mean a lot more rainfall, too.

I've always been willing to try just about anything on the menu, and on the cultural plate, too.

I'm embarrassed to admit I had never been to the ballet.

No particular reason. You just don't come across the ballet that often here in the outback.

Verbie decided it was time to cure my cultural deprivation. The Bolshoi Ballet was coming to Lubbock, and she inquired as to whether I wanted to go.

(Well, she didn't exactly *inquire*, either. She more or less *informed* me that I wanted to go.)

So Saturday evening, there we sat in the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium, watching Act II of *Don Quixote*, plus selected dances from *Sleeping Beauty*, *Narcissus*, *Swan Lake* and *Nocturne* being performed by some of the finest ballet dancers in the world.

It was fascinating. And beautiful. I imagine that ice skating is the only other performance art that requires as much athleticism and as many years of training to master.

Not surprisingly, the Dying Swan dance from *Swan Lake*, performed in subdued stage light by Inna Petrova, provided what was probably the most beautiful moment of the evening.

But there were many, many impressive moments during the two-hour performance. I was as enthusiastic as anyone in giving the dancers standing ovations. And they thoroughly appreciated the audience's response.

It was difficult for me to relate to the male ballet dancers. But as I watched them leap and whirl around the stage, I remembered a story my college swimming instructor told.

(This guy was a tall, square-jawed Irishman with a chest full of curly gray hair, who could span an average swimming pool in two or three strokes. For a sideline, he wrote

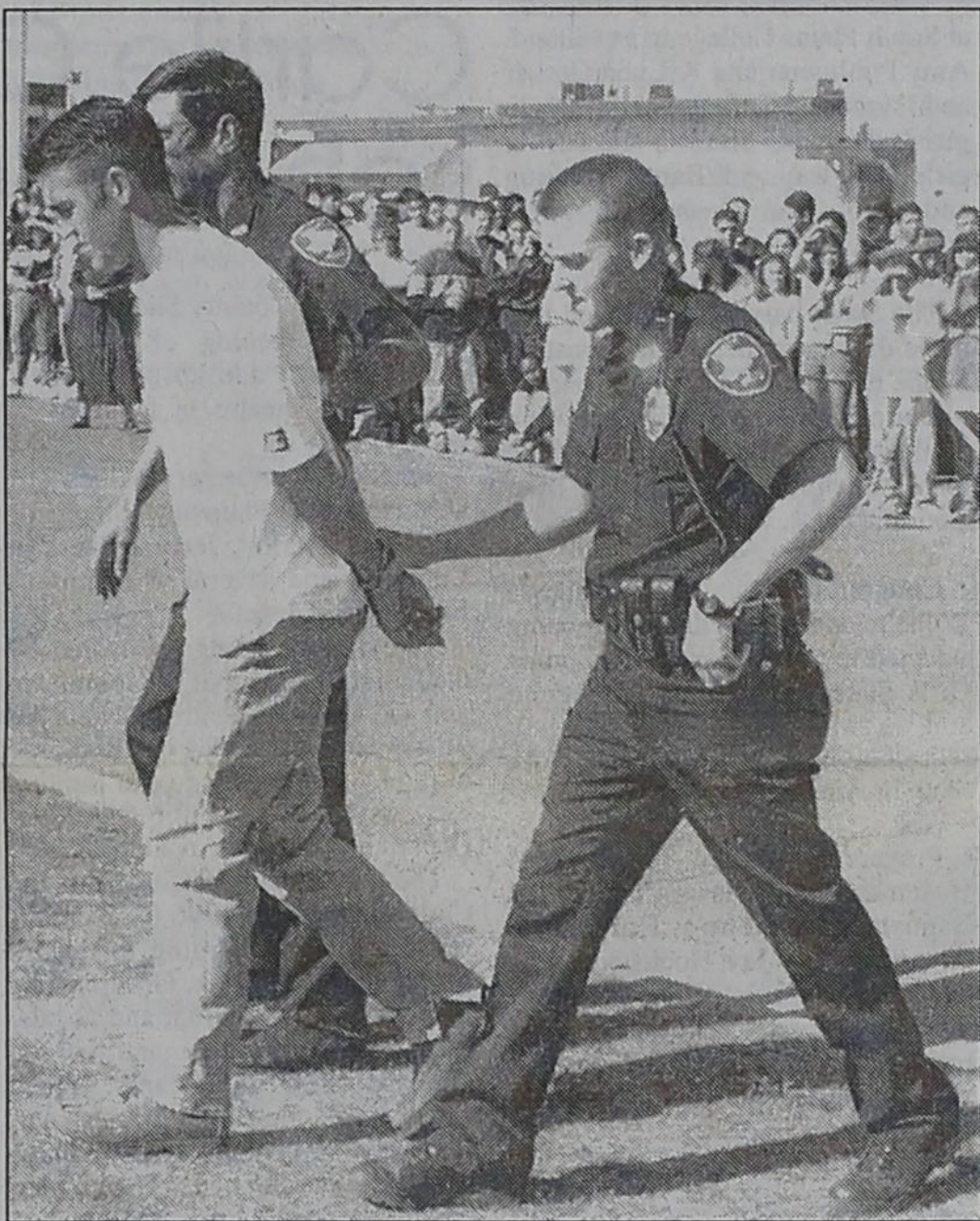
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DHS students stage drunk driving lesson

County emergency crews and students from Dimmitt High School presented a mock accident involving a drunk driver last Thursday during a special program at the school. In the top photo, the grim reaper, portrayed by Dimmitt Police Officer Sal Rivera, waits while emergency crews work on one of the accident "victims," Andy Hill. The picture to the left shows the car's driver, Travis Crow, as he is led away in handcuffs by officers after he "fails" a sobriety field test. One student surviving the accident was airlifted from the scene by a Flight for Life helicopter from Lubbock and the victim was taken from the scene in a hearse.

Photos by Anne Acker



OM team wins third at state

The Dimmitt High School Odyssey of the Mind structure team, "Camouflaged Creation," won third place honors at the State OM Competition April 17-18 in Grapevine.

Team members are Jason Hall, Andy Hill, Michael Keith, Jeremy Matthews, Sergio Pedroza and Tim Proffitt. They are coached by Pat Keith and Wayne Proffitt.

The team's structure held 1,052.5 lbs. of weights, the highest amount held by any structure in Division III. That earned the team a perfect score of 200 in the long-term portion of the scoring. In spontaneous, they placed third with 75.46 points out of a possible 100, and in style, they gained 34.9 out of a possible 50, for a total score of 310.36.

First place winner was Greenville High School with 346.40, with a structure that held 1,040 lbs. This team had a perfect score on the style

City-wide garage sale set June 6

The annual city-wide garage sale has been scheduled for June 6 and those interested in having a sale that day should contact the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce to have their sale registered for the event.

Flyers publicizing addresses where sales will be held will be distributed the day of the sale and the event will be advertised area-wide.

Registration is \$10 per listed address and those who wish to register their sale should call Chamber Executive Director Bill Sava at 647-2524.

portion of the competition.

Top scorer in the spontaneous portion was Newman Smith High School of Carrollton-Farmers Branch. They placed second overall, with a score of 315.08. Their structure held 980 lbs.

The team received a trophy and the individual team members received medals.

Only the first place winners at state qualify to advance to the world contest.



THIRD PLACE—The Dimmitt High School Odyssey of the Mind structure team took third place in the State OM Competition, winning this trophy and individual medals. Team members are (kneeling, from left) Jeremy Matthews and Michael Keith; and

(standing, from left) Sergio Pedroza, Andy Hill, Tim Proffitt and Jason Hall. The team members are showing some of the structures they built for props, along with a sample structure similar to the one that held the weights (held by Hall). Photo by Linda Maxwell

School elections set for Saturday

Voting in local school board elections will be held Saturday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. in designated voting sites for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth. Early voting concluded Tuesday.

Candidates and voting locations are listed below.

Dimmitt

Voting will be held in the board meeting room at the DISD Administration building, 608 W. Halsell. Voters may enter through the east door of the building, which is handicap accessible.

Terms are expiring for Earl Behrends in Place 2 and Paul Garcia in Place 4.

Incumbent Garcia is unchallenged in Place 4, and incumbent Behrends is being challenged by Rick Wright in Place 2.

Hart

Voting will be held at the Golden

Group Building.

Terms are expiring for Mark Bennett and Sandy Farris.

Incumbent Farris is joined by other candidates Carmen Minjarez, Mickey Mendoza, and Daniel Higgins.

Nazareth

Voting will be held in the Elementary or north end of the school building. Voters may enter through the north doors by the band hall. The change was made to more easily accommodate handicapped persons.

Terms are expiring for J.C. Pohlmeier, Kent Birkenfeld, and Keith Hoelting.

Rex Ramaekers has filed to fill the place that carries a one-year term. Incumbent Hoelting, Patti Kern, and Derwin Huseman have filed to fill the two places that carry three-year terms.

'Strengthening families'

Demo tour includes Dimmitt stop Friday

Texas Democratic leaders will unveil their plan to strengthen Texas families during an eight-town tour of the Texas Panhandle on Friday, and Dimmitt will be one of the stops on the tour.

The entourage will be in Dimmitt from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Castro County Courthouse. The public is invited to attend.

The tour also will feature stops in Amarillo, Panhandle, Dumas, Channing, Hereford, Plainview and Lubbock.

The group will spotlight new proposals to improve public education, give families the right to choose their own doctors, and ban sales taxes on food and medicine.

Texas Democratic Party Chair Bill White, Agriculture Commission candidate Pete Patterson, Railroad Commission candidate Joe Henderson and Court of Criminal Appeals candidate Winston Cochran will join local Democratic elected

officials and supporters at the Panhandle rallies.

"Texas Democrats are offering voters a new mainstream agenda aimed at ensuring a quality public education for every child, creating A Patient's Bill of Rights to give families the right to choose their own doctors, and passing a constitutional amendment banning taxes on food and medicine," said White. "Texas families deserve leaders who will put their interests first."

Kindergarten pre-registration slated May 8

Pre-registration for kindergarten at Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt will be May 8 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in the RES Library.

A child who will be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 may be registered for the 1998-99 school year.

Parents or guardians need to bring the child's birth certificate, shot record, and Social Security card.

Rain, wind, hail, freeze

	High	Low	Pr.
Thursday	72	38	
Friday	85	39	
Saturday	91	44	
Sunday	81	45	
Monday	66	42	.81
Tuesday	54	37	.01
Wednesday	58	32	

April Moisture 0.88
1998 Moisture 5.36

Temperatures and moisture are recorded each day at 7 a.m. at KDHN Radio, official National Weather Service reporting station.

EQIP sign-up begins Monday

County producers interested in participating in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) may enroll in the program beginning Monday.

The current sign-up period will continue through May 29, and those interested should contact the Farm Service Agency or Natural Resource Conservation Service office at 114 West Belsher in Dimmitt.

EQIP is the conservation cost-share program which replaced the ACP and Great Plains Conservation programs, according to Trish Elliott, County Executive Director of the Farm Service Agency.

EQIP provides for cost-share assistance on similar conservation practices by providing up to 75% in cost-share assistance on eligible practices.

EQIP contracts are five to 10 years and cost-share applications will be awarded to the practices that have the most environmental benefit points.

What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools



Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for April 30 to May 8.

DIMMITT

Pre-School-1st Grade Lunch
THURSDAY: Beef enchiladas, refried beans, Arroz Mexicano and milk.
FRIDAY: Fish burger, onion rings, fruited gelatin and milk.
MONDAY: Ground beef and macaroni, Mexicali corn, applesauce, assorted muffins and milk.
TUESDAY: Cheese pizza, watermelon, green beans and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Corn dog, hash brown potatoes, tossed salad with dressing and milk.
THURSDAY: Beef stew, honeydew melon, crackers and milk.
FRIDAY: Fish nuggets, corn on the cob, apple slices, cornbread and milk.

2nd-12th Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of shepherd's pie, chicken tomato bake or beef enchiladas; southern collard greens, scalloped tomatoes or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, macaroni salad or pears; cornbread, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
FRIDAY: Choice of turkey and dressing surprise, fish burger of fajitas with sauteed onions; candied sweet potatoes, onion rings or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, fruit fantasy or carrot-raisin salad; cornbread, hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
MONDAY: Choice of Pizza Hut pepperoni, beef or cheese pizza; savory green beans, whole kernel corn, mixed vegetables, tossed salad with dressing, fresh bananas, peaches, crackers and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
TUESDAY: Choice of chili Fritos with picante sauce, cheese pizza or beef and bean burrito with chili; fresh watermelon, savory green beans or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, coleslaw or watermelon; garlic bread, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
WEDNESDAY: Choice of Pizza Hut pepperoni, beef or cheese pizza, savory green beans, whole kernel corn, mixed vegetables, tossed salad with dressing, fresh bananas, peaches, crackers and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
THURSDAY: Choice of fruit and cheese plate, barbecued chicken or nachos with cheese and peppers; vegetable medley, potato salad or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, haystack finger salad or honeydew melon, cornbread, wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
FRIDAY: Choice of Pizza Hut pepperoni, beef or cheese pizza; savory green beans, whole kernel corn, mixed vegetables, tossed salad with dressing, fresh bananas,

peaches, crackers and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

HART

Elementary School
THURSDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich, barbecued ribs on a bun or chili; cornbread, pinto beans, sliced pickles, tomato, lettuce and pickles; peaches, gelatin dessert, gingerbread and milk.
FRIDAY: Choice of pizza or hamburger basket; corn on the cob, salad, whole wheat sugar cookie and milk.
MONDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or pizza; lettuce, tomato and pickles, potato chips, fresh fruit, peaches and milk.
TUESDAY: Turkey with bread stuffing, mashed potatoes, turkey gravy, wheat bread, cranberry sauce, green beans, cherry cheese pie, fruit salad and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, burrito or chicken sandwich; potato puffs; fruit cocktail; salad, gelatin dessert, fresh fruit and milk.
THURSDAY: Choice of burrito, corn dog or chicken enchilada casserole; tortilla pieces, salad, Spanish rice, fruit cocktail, fresh fruit, ice cream and milk.
FRIDAY: No school.

Junior High and High School

THURSDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich or barbecued ribs on a bun; pinto beans, sliced pickles, lettuce, tomato and pickles, peaches, gelatin dessert, gingerbread, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.
FRIDAY: Spaghetti with meat sauce and white toast; salad, peaches, green beans, Longhorn cookie, gelatin dessert and milk, punch or tea.
MONDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or

pizza; lettuce, tomato and pickles; fresh fruit, peaches, gelatin dessert, and milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Turkey and bread stuffing, turkey gravy, wheat bread, cranberry sauce, green beans, cherry cheese pie, fruit salad, and milk, punch or tea.
WEDNESDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, corn dog or chicken sandwich, potato puffs, fruit cocktail, salad, gelatin dessert, fresh fruit and milk, punch or tea.
THURSDAY: Choice of burrito, corn dog or chicken enchilada casserole, salad, tortilla pieces, Spanish rice, fruit cocktail, fresh fruit, sliced pickles, whole wheat sugar cookie and milk, punch or tea.
FRIDAY: No school.

NAZARETH

THURSDAY: * Frito pie or pizza, salad, peas, peaches, dessert and milk or juice.
FRIDAY: * Ham or corn dog, salad, scalloped potatoes, fruit, dessert and milk or juice.
MONDAY: * Soft taco or pizza, lettuce, corn, pears, dessert and milk or juice.
TUESDAY: * Chicken fried steak or corn dog, salad, potatoes and gravy, pineapple, Jell-O and milk or juice.
WEDNESDAY: * Casserole or pizza, pinto beans, salad, peaches, fruit cocktail and milk or juice.
THURSDAY: * Sandwich or corn dog, potato wedges, beans, lettuce, orange, dessert and milk or juice.
FRIDAY: * Spaghetti with roll or hamburger and French fries, salad, green beans, apple and milk or juice.

(Entrees designated with an asterisk will be served to elementary school students, while secondary school students will be allowed to choose between the two entrees.)

Nazareth with Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669

Congratulations to the Nazareth Swift Band for earning a Division II (excellent) rating at the UIL Concert and Sight Reading contest held recently at Boys Ranch.

The band received three IIs in the concert portion and two IIs and a I from judges in the Sight Reading competition.

The band members will enjoy a day of fun in Lubbock Tuesday and also will perform in a festival there. The band is planning its annual spring concert May 14 at 6:30 p.m.

Congratulations to those who qualified for the regional tennis meet

at South Plains College in Levelland: Amy Pohlmeier and K'Lynn Gerber and Jayme and Tiffany Schmucker in girls' doubles; Shawna Gerber in girls' singles; and Barry Hoelting and Billy Don Cannon in boys' doubles.

The Swift baseball team won two more district games Friday, beating Spade twice at the Nazareth field.

During April the Swifts also won a double header against Hartley, and lost games to Hereford JV and Cotton Center.

Congratulations to Vanessa Wilhelm and Ann Wilhelm for being selected to attend Texas Bluebonnet Girls State this summer in Seguin; and to Matthew Kern, who will represent Nazareth at Texas Boys State in Austin.

Prayers are asked for Dwayne Huseman, who is a patient at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo; for May Hochstein, who had surgery at Baptist/St. Anthony's last week and is now home to recuperate; and for John Schacher, who is a patient at the Veterans Hospital in Amarillo.

Jimmie Schulte, Florene Brockman, Nellie Wilhelm and Evelyn Rossi traveled to Hutchison, Kan., to celebrate their Aunt Mattie (Brockman) Endres' birthday on Friday. Mattie now lives in Kansas with her daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Jerry Hertach.

They enjoyed playing cards with Mattie—it's her favorite thing to do. On Saturday they went to Yesterday's Treasures Antique Mall, where they all enjoyed shopping and lunch.

After a brunch at the Hertach home on Sunday morning they headed home, driving through rain most of the way. They regretted that Norma Schacher couldn't make the trip with them.

Francis and Betty Wilhelm drove to Trenton, Mo., for an Army reunion of the 30th Infantry Division.

Francis saw old buddies he fought in Germany with and met some new people attending for the first time.

While there, Francis and Betty went to Jamesport, Mo., which is an Amish community. It was a very interesting experience.

On the way, they visited with Nub and Mary Hoelting in Olpe, Kan. They also visited with George and Dorothy Bowers. George had been to the doctor that day and received a very good report.

They went through Branson, Mo., on the way home and they enjoyed several shows.

Roxanne Wilhelm, daughter of Rocky and Dianne Wilhelm, was baptized on Sunday with Father John Hickey officiating. Godparents were Vanessa Wilhelm and Kit Schulte.

During the ceremony, he expressed that godparents should watch over the child and make sure she is raised the way they would like her to be raised, but stressed that they should also be the first example.

After the ceremony, the Wilhelms hosted a dinner at their home. Also present were other members of the Schulte and Wilhelm families.



THE U.S. PICKERS is a bluegrass-gospel band that performs throughout the area. They will be in Dimmitt May 9 at the Carlile Country Showcase. Band members include (from left) Joe Bass of Amherst, who plays guitar and sings lead and harmony; Elton Bass of Plainview, who plays mandolin

and sings lead and harmony; Donna Jones of Lockney, who plays guitar and sings harmony; and Cecil Jones of Lockney, who plays bass and sings lead and harmony. Not shown is Betty Jones of Lockney, who plays several instruments and sings lead and harmony. Courtesy Photo

Carlile Country Showcase scheduled for May 9

The Carlile Country Showcase will present an evening of bluegrass, classic country and gospel music at the Carlile Theatre in Dimmitt on May 9 at 7 p.m.

Scheduled performers include The U.S. Pickers of Plainview, Stephanie Silhan of Morton, Jerry Jaquess of Lubbock, and several of Dimmitt's finest performers.

The show is being sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce and the Carlile Theatre. Tickets are \$5 per person and may be purchased at the Chamber office or at the theater, or by calling 806-647-2091. Group discounts are available.

The U.S. Pickers performed at the Carlile in October 1996 to an enthusiastic crowd, according to theatre owner Susan Sandvik. Group members are Joe Bass, guitar and vocals; Elton Bass, mandolin and vocals; Donna Jones, guitar and vocals; Cecil Jones, bass and vocals; and Betty Jones, who sings and plays several instruments. They play mostly bluegrass and gospel music.

Stephanie Silhan also has performed before at the Carlile. She plays guitar and sings gospel favorites and original compositions.

Jerry Jaquess has performed around the Lubbock area. He sings

old-time country and bluegrass and also plays guitar.

Several local performers will round out the show; however, these were not confirmed as of press time.

Letter

Concern voiced over homosexual marriage

Dear Editor:

As a layman in the Methodist Church, I must express my concern about Jimmy Creech, the Methodist Minister that married the homosexuals.

I regret that it happened. I believe it will create much grief, sorrow, bad feelings and in the end, nothing good or positive will come from it.

I can continue to be a member of the Methodist Church because I imagine the structure of the church as like an upside-down pyramid. Individual church members are at the top (close to God) and the rest of the structure is merely support for unity.

Periodically (annually in most cases) we, the members, look at our support and decide to maintain or change the individuals in the structure. It is important that those who are members of the Methodist Church be reminded of the structure because it is effective and different than most governing bodies. To those outside our church and in the hierar-

chy (government), be patient, watch and pray—the light will shine!

I believe this became a national political issue when President Bill Clinton's pastor from the First United Methodist Church in Washington, D.C., was: 1. At the Nebraska Jury of Peers trial; 2. Made a television appearance; 3. Expressed his view that the pastor should be reinstated; and 4. That the incident should be kept local.

The question the reporter failed to ask should have been, "Are you a pervert or just a left-wing extremist?" I realize no laws were broken and I don't believe new laws will help. Government, church or federal, can't save my soul or get me to heaven. But character does matter and I solicit your support and influence to help create a more creditable, spiritual atmosphere in and around our governments.

Sincerely,
WILLIAM P. DANNEVICK

Letter

Drunk driving program was a 'wonderful idea'

Dear Editor:

I read the article in the newspaper about the drunk driving program that was presented at the high school, and I wanted to say that it was a wonderful idea.

I am happy that there are people who care enough to take time out of their busy schedule to teach the students about drunk driving. I wish there were more people like that, because if there were, maybe what happened to me would not have happened.

On April 2, 1997, I was hit head-on by a drunk driver. The man that hit me died on impact. It had taken the fire department and the paramedics a while to take me out of the van where I had been pinned between the seat and the steering wheel.

I was then rushed to Northwest Texas Hospital in a helicopter where they ran numerous tests on me.

The tests showed that I had a fractured neck and a broken foot. The doctors told me that I was really lucky to be alive.

A few hours later, my bottom gums and my chin, which had been split open revealing my bone, were stitched up. The next day I had a halo on to keep my neck straight, and I

had a cast on my right foot.

I was in a wheelchair for three months because I was not able to walk on my broken foot, and the halo weighed too much for me and I was unable to stand for a long time.

I could not even go to the restroom without my mother having to help me. I could not take a bath and sometimes I could not sleep.

I got so depressed that I tried to commit suicide. I would cry and scream because I was so angry at the man who had done this to me. I would ask, "why did he do this to me?" and "why was he stupid enough to get behind a wheel when he was drunk?"

After the three months were over, everything was taken off and I felt free again. It has been a little over a year now, and even though I look like nothing had ever happened to me, I still suffer pain.

My body and my mind will never be completely healed, but I thank God every day that I am still alive, and I thank my family for being there for me.

In January I did something that I almost was not able to do—I celebrated my 21st birthday.

MARIA E. GUJARDO

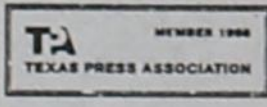
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ACROSS

- 1 TXism: 'he's ___ a bubble out of plumb'
- 5 Kuwait ruler
- 6 old-money Houston store: ___ witz
- 7 TXism: 'up and ___ juice' (coffee)
- 8 This Jenkins was 'The Sweet Swatter from Sweetwater'
- 9 Denton 'primarily for women' univ.
- 12 TX Sedgwick directed ___ Pa Kettle Back on the Farm
- 17 In Jones Co. on hwy. 6
- 19 TX Shaver wrote Old Chuck ___ for Johnny Cash
- 21 ex-Cowboy LB Bob
- 22 TXism: 'a hard ___ swallow'
- 23 TXism: 'as much ___ as a steer in a packing plant'
- 28 Corpus Christi TV
- 29 in Haskell Co. on 6
- 30 Houston's words upon Austin's death: 'The father of Texas is ___'
- 31 TX bumper snicker: 'I'm Mad Too, ___'
- 35 'Daddy sang bass, mama sang ___'
- 36 TXism: 'gentle ___ merry-go-round'
- 42 Tom Green Co. seat
- 44 Nazi Hitler
- 46 TX Gene Autry's That Silver-Haired Daddy of ___
- 47 UCLA is Troy
- 48 TX King Vidor directed film ___ Dallas
- 50 TXism: 'got the short ___ of the stick'
- 51 TX high schooler
- 52 what daddy used to raise on your behind
- 53 TX singer Stuckey
- 54 ___ Stanley Gardner
- 55 TXism: 'cautious as a small dog with a big ___'

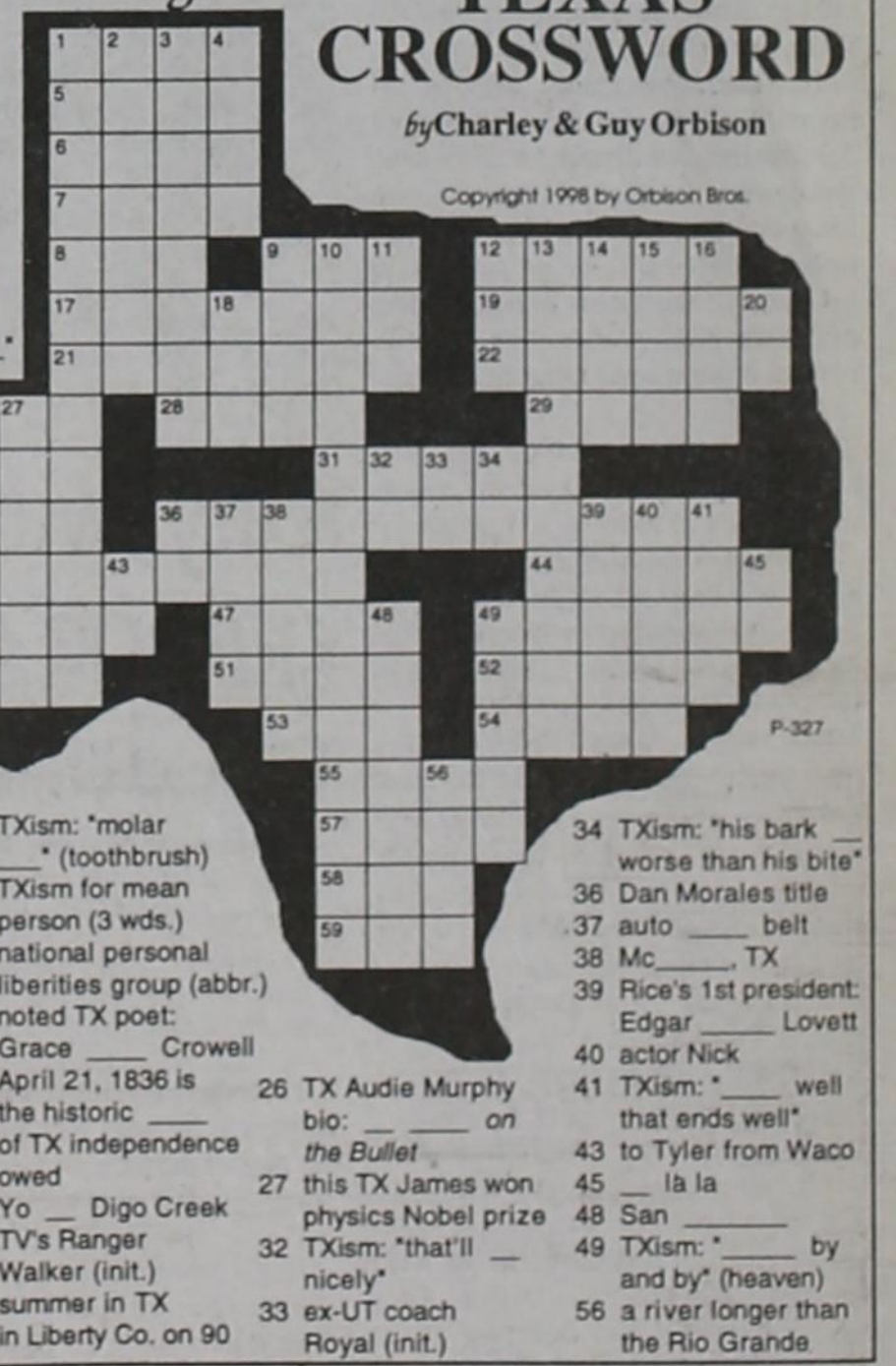
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- 2 TXism: 'tinhorn'
- 3 TXism: 'tastes ___-old dishwasher'
- 4 Ding Dong Daddy ___ Dumas
- 9 TXism: 'I'll ___ to it'
- 10 TXism: 'nothing to ___' (insignificant)
- 11 this future president Grant fought in the TX Battle of Palo Alto (init.)
- 12 TXism: 'molar ___' (toothbrush)
- 13 TXism for mean person (3 wds.)
- 14 national personal liberties group (abbr.)
- 15 noted TX poet: Grace ___ Crowell
- 16 April 21, 1836 is the historic ___ of TX independence
- 18 owed
- 20 Yo ___ Digo Creek
- 23 TV's Ranger Walker (init.)
- 24 summer in TX
- 25 in Liberty Co. on 90
- 34 TXism: 'his bark ___ worse than his bite'
- 36 Dan Morales title
- 37 auto ___ belt
- 38 Mc ___ TX
- 39 Rice's 1st president: Edgar ___ Lovett
- 40 actor Nick
- 41 TXism: '___ well that ends well'
- 43 to Tyler from Waco
- 45 ___ la la
- 48 San ___
- 49 TXism: '___ by and by' (heaven)
- 56 a river longer than the Rio Grande

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On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Several from Dimmitt attended the last Community Concert of the season at Hereford Friday night. The Amarillo Little Theatre presented Tour '98—*Smoke on the Mountain*.

This is a musical that takes place in 1938 in the sanctuary of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church in Mt. Pleasant, N.C. "The Sanders Family Singers" provide an evening of song and testimony for the church congregation, and it is a celebration of Appalachian gospel and bluegrass music.

Dwight Joiner of Dimmitt plays the part of a member of the Sanders family. He sang some solos, as well as singing with the Sanders family. Loren Strickland was the pianist, and he was wonderful. Charlotte Bybee stole the show. She is from Midland, but recently moved to Amarillo. She played the part of Denise Sanders and had energy plus! It was a very entertaining concert!

Loranell Hamilton was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club. She served stew, Mexican cornbread, fruit, chocolate cake, chips and dips. Dude McLaurin won high score and Loranell was second. Others playing were Carol Lantz, Susie Reeves, Helen Braafladt, Bill Thornton, Opha Burks, Emily Clingsmith, Louise Mears, Edith Graef, Wanda Kay, Martha Jo Hyman, and Charlie Wohlgenuth.

Cheryle Pybus and Cindy Ellis welcomed the guests to First Baptist Church on Sunday morning. Howard Rhodes, Debbie Annen and Dorothy Hopsan conducted the children's

Plainview church to host Gentry

Dale Gentry will be ministering at Faith Family Church in Plainview, 3400 Garland Street, May 9-10.

The revivalist and prophetic minister will be speaking May 9 at 6 p.m. and May 10 at 10 a.m. For more information, call 806-293-4356.

Gentry and his wife, Jean, have been in full-time ministry for 30 years. He serves as a prophetic voice to several congregations and has written a manual entitled "The Prophetic Voice in the Local Church." His monthly tape, "Is There Any Word From the Lord?" is heard by pastors and Christian leaders around the world. He also is the author of the book *Revival in the Morning*.

Gentry has been instrumental in starting early morning prayer services in local churches across America. He also had the privilege of leading prayer at the White House last year.

He gives oversight to the Power Tower, a 24-hour prayer ministry in Fort Worth that has attracted over 100,000 prayer requests since May 1995.

He recently led a four-week revival in London, with over 2,000 answering the call to "come and get right with God."

Cancer screening to be offered here

A breast cancer screening clinic will be held at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt on May 20 and those interested in scheduling an appointment should call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

The clinic is sponsored by the Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening that includes a mammogram and instruction in self-examination.

Cost for the screening is \$75 and a minimum of 15 women must register for the mobile mammography clinic to be held.

Funding is available from the Texas Dept. of Health for those who qualify for assistance.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

The children were seated around a "campfire," and Debbie, Dorothy and Howard told of their experiences at the Plains Baptist Assembly south of Floydada.

The GA's sponsored a fiesta dinner following the morning service to raise money for the camp. The girls had made pretty place mats and flowers for the tables. The backdrop on the stage had drawings of kids at camp, and even a bunk bed with kids sleeping. The little girls were so helpful in serving the many adults who enjoyed the fiesta.

Alice Cowen gave her husband, Joe, a birthday party on Sunday afternoon in the hospital. Other hostesses were Chris Cowen, Jill McLean, Lee Norris, Misty Correa, Carmela Salinas, and Sherri Greene. R.N. They served cake, ice cream and strawberries to Joe's many friends. The cake held several candles, but not the 88 that were needed! They all sang "Happy Birthday" and took pictures. There was a big sign that read "Happy Birthday," and there were balloons and party favors. On one table there was a



Pat Stanton

Stanton to address Flame Fellowship

Pat Stanton will speak to Dimmitt's Flame Fellowship group Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Rhoads Memorial Library in Dimmitt.

Stanton has taught the Word of God and ministered the prayer of healing for over 27 years. She has had the opportunity to minister through the avenues of churches, retreats, seminars, meetings, printed material, radio and television.

She hosted the Rays of Hope television program and was carried on CBN and Channel 39 in Dallas.

Stanton and her husband, Jay, are founders of the newly-organized Lubbock Rays of Hope, Inc.

The public is invited to attend the meeting.

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Our sympathy to the family of Dorothy Hutchinson, the sister of Mary Nell Malone of Dimmitt.

The services at the First Presbyterian church were held on Sunday afternoon with the congregation singing several hymns, with Helen Braafladt as pianist. Renise Blair gave a history of congregational music, and she sang several of the songs and played the guitar. Ruth Cochran gave the offertory prayer. It was a very impressive service.

"Short Stops," a musical, was presented by the children's choir at First Baptist Church on Sunday evening. This very entertaining program was directed by Debra Ball and Tami Griffith, with production support by Brenda Bruton and Cindy Ellis and sound by Wayne Proffitt.

The choir sang *It's That Season*.

Springlake FBC to celebrate its 50th anniversary

The First Baptist Church in Springlake will celebrate its 50th anniversary on July 26 with a noon meal and several other activities.

Former church members and pastors are expected to speak to those attending the celebration.

Organizers of the event will be contacting former church members and anyone who can help in locating these individuals is asked to write PO Box 159, Springlake 79082; call at (806) 986-4362; or fax at (806) 986-4357.

Again, *Would the Babe Understand?*, *Diamond Blues*, *Look Up*, *Never Give Up*, *Hot Dogs*, *I Love That Rulebook*, and *Choices*.

Solos were by Hanna Wise, Lana Reinart, Chauncey Gilbreath, Kaden Griffith, Shae Odom, Eric Odom, Lindsey and Kasey Wood, Haley Heard, Laura Rasor, Haylie Wise, Shawna Nutt, and Randy Gressett, who sang *Lord, Lead Me*.

All the children were dressed in their baseball uniforms and caps, since this was a musical about baseball. It teaches kids about God's willingness to guide us in our everyday decision-making.

Other children participating were Houston Sutton, Stuart Sheffy, Jared Griffith, Keshia Smith, Ross Myatt, Brandy Smith Ashley Brady, Chelsea Buckley, Sheena Ehly, Haley Heard, Stormy Nutt, Dennis Underwood, Lane Wood, Molly Bradford, Callie Crum, Ashley Patian, Michael Rasor, Kalan Steinle, and Cassidy Watts.

Donna Underwood and Kaye Stevens went to Amarillo Saturday. Donna visited with Nona Heard who is doing well, and Kaye had lunch with her mother, Allene Williams, daughter, Sherry Oliver, and grandchildren, Kortney and Cody.

They then met with Donna's cousin, Paula Brawley, and her family for dinner, then went to the Palo Duro amphitheater to hear the Amarillo Symphony present their concert—a tribute to romance. It was a beautiful night and the music was wonderful.

Sunday morning at First United Methodist Church, Lint Merritt conducted the worship service and Jim Wright brought the message on gifts and talents given by God to believers and their responsibility to use them for his glory.

The choir sang the anthem, *People Need the Lord*, led by Charles Axtell. In the evening service, Van Earl Hughes told the story of Ahab and Jezebel regarding the procurement of Naboth's vineyard and the consequences of their actions, as recounted in I and II Kings.

J.R. and Mary Jo Brown had a fun trip to southern California, visiting two of J.R.'s college room mates.

Special stops en route included Tucson, Ariz., Biosphere 2, and Phoenix.

While in California, the Browns spent three days with Cliff and Louisa Cooper in San Juan Capistrano and enjoyed the world-

renowned mission and an Amtrak trip to San Diego. Two days were spent in Costa Mesa with Paul and Tess Bennett, who on Easter Sunday took them to the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, where they heard Dr. Robert Schuller speak.

They also toured the Nixon Library in Whittier, Calif. Driving back to Dimmitt included stops in Barstow, Las Vegas, Flagstaff, Sedona and Albuquerque.

The name for Oz in the "Wizard of Oz" was thought up when the creator, Frank Baum, looked at his filing cabinet and saw A-N, and O-Z, hence "Oz."

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BILL HENDERSON OF DIMMITT (right), Past Master and Past District Deputy Grand Master of the 100th District of the Grand Lodge of Texas presents a pin to Luke McGuire for his 50 years of service to the Masonic Lodge. McGuire is a member of the Castro Masonic Lodge.

Courtesy Photo

Bridal shower honors Bradley

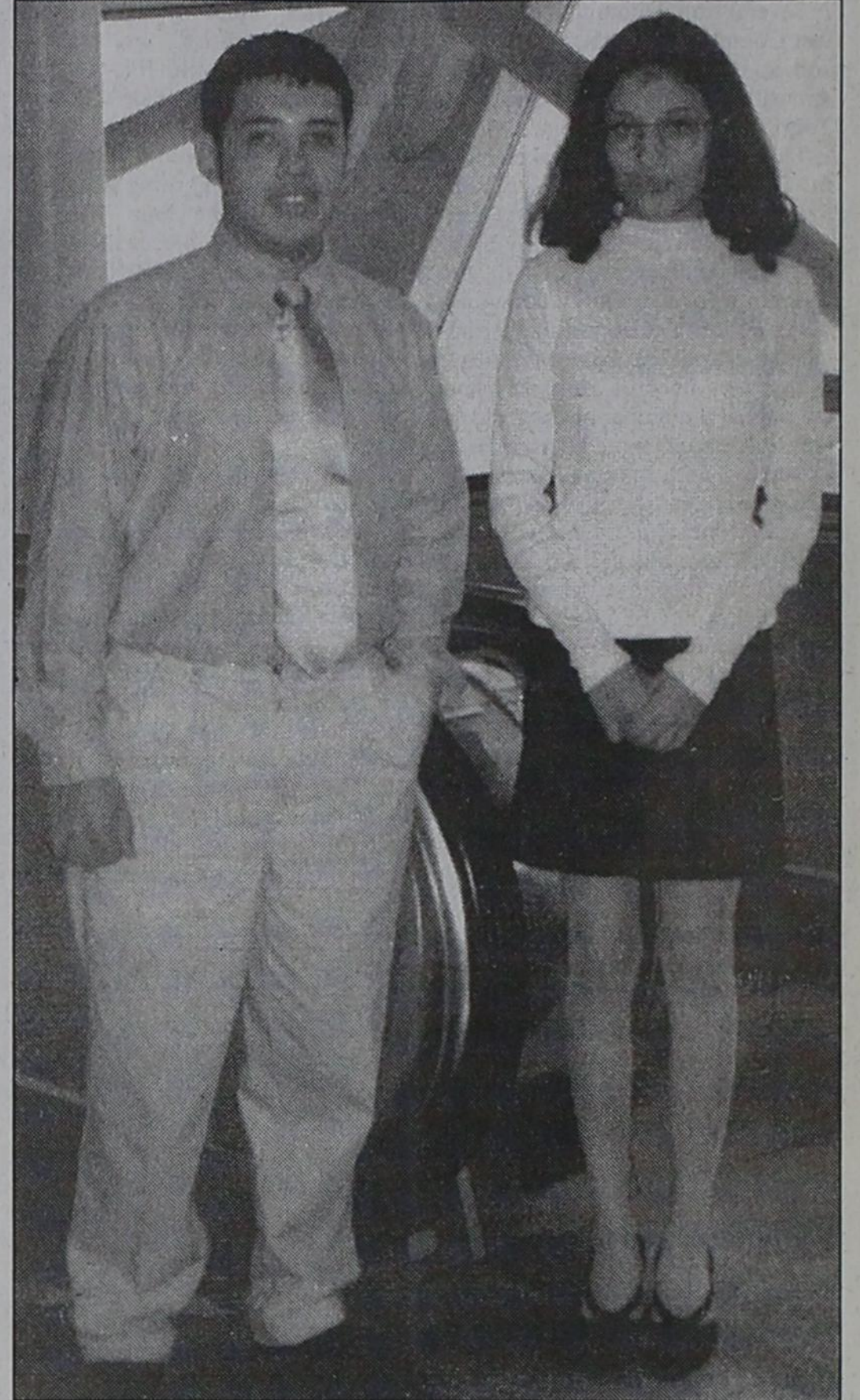
Halley Bradley, bride-elect of Bryant Steinhilber, was honored recently with a bridal shower in the home of Sandy Baker.

The serving table was covered with a Belgian lace cloth. A large bouquet of fresh gladiola served as the centerpiece. Table decor included mirrored pieces, and silver and crystal appointments.

Guests were served finger sandwiches, fresh fruit and dip, sausage balls, and strawberry drink or coffee. Special and out-of-town guests

included the prospective groom's mother, Glenda Steinhilber; the bride-to-be's aunt, Kristi Edwards of Lubbock; her cousins, Andi Edwards and Amy Hill, both of Lubbock; her sister, Carrie Bradley of Lubbock; her aunt and cousin, Kay Magee and Mindy Magee, both of McLean; a cousin, Misty Hannon of Canyon; and a friend, Christy Howard.

The 40 hostesses assisting Mrs. Baker with the shower presented the honoree with a set of bed linens.



STATE QUALIFIERS in the Business Professionals of America competition include David Medrano and Maria Gonzales of Dimmitt High School. Gonzales competed in the business math contest at state and was a state alternate in the financial assistance contest. She also competed in proofreading/editing, business knowledge skills and economic awareness. Medrano competed in business law, business knowledge skills, data communications and business math.

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Postal workers to collect canned foods on May 9

The US Postal Service wants to "Help Stamp Out Hunger," and on May 9 local postal carriers will do their part by collecting canned food as they deliver the mail.

The National Association of Letter Carriers, in conjunction with the US

Postal Service, will be collecting non-perishable food items like canned soup, vegetables and juice, pasta, cereal and rice on May 9. Items collected will help needy families in Dimmitt.

"You can help by placing your food donation at your mailbox on May 9 before your letter carrier arrives," said Jay Leuter, Dimmitt Postmaster. "Your carrier will take it to the post office and it will then be delivered to the local food pantry."

Those who live on rural routes and others may bring food donations to the post office before May 9, too.

Solicitation cards will be delivered by local postal carriers next Wednesday and postal workers will follow up and collect donations on May 9.

Book Club plans annual spring lunch

The Dimmitt Book Club will hold its annual spring luncheon Saturday at 11:30 a.m. at the Hereford Country Club.

Those planning to attend should call Ina Cleavinger at 647-5352 or Susie Bradford at 647-5435 for reservations.

Guest speaker will be the Bradfords' foreign exchange student, Senia Haure of Denmark, who will tell about her home country and her experiences since she's been living in Dimmitt.

Laurent earns USAA award

Kody Laurent of Dimmitt has been named an All-American Scholar by the United States Achievement Academy.

Laurent, son of Cindy Pigg and Reggie Laurent of Big Spring, is a student at Dimmitt Middle School.

He was nominated for the award by Mrs. Lust.

Laurent's name and biography will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook, published nationally.

All-American Scholars are selected upon the recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors. Once awarded, the students may be recognized by USAA for other honors.

Laurent is the grandson of Jim and June Fisher, and Don and Ginger Laurent, all of Dimmitt.

DHS qualifies two for state BPA contest

Maria Gonzales and David Medrano of Dimmitt competed in the state Business Professionals of America (BPA) contest recently, and they were honored during a special Torch Awards Ceremony in March.

Gonzales competed in the business math contest at state after placing third in the event at regional, which was held at Amarillo Tascosa High School in January. She was a state alternate in the financial assistant contest after placing fourth at regional. She also competed in the

proofreading/editing, business knowledge skills and economic awareness contests.

Medrano competed in business law, business knowledge skills, data communications and business math contests at state.

The duo, along with other BPA students, were honored along with County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal, during the March ceremony.

Medrano was master of ceremonies for the event. Also honored were regional contestants including Teresa Robertson, information processing assistant; Stephanie Flores, keyboarding; Medrano, database applications; Candice George, desktop publishing; Maria Meza, banking concepts; Cindy Oltivero, medical concepts; Gonzales, financial assistant; Lizabeth Campos, payroll accounting.

Other students recognized were Will Shannon, Ysela Gonzales, Jennifer Lilley and Myra Pena.

Local (Executive) and Regional (Diplomat) Torch Award recipients were Medrano and Robertson.

Medrano earned special recognition for receiving the State (Statesman) Torch Award at the state contest in Austin. He has applied for the National Torch Award, which will be awarded early in May.

Neal was honored as "Outstanding Business Professional, Friend of BPA" and received a special award from Medrano.

Awards were presented by Kathy West and Becky Book, business education teachers. Special guests for the awards ceremony were parents, student guests, Neal, and Connie Dickerson, business education teacher.

Hart Lions plan broom sale Saturday

The Hart Lions Club will sponsor its annual broom sale Saturday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. near the Hart Banking Center.

Merchandise sold is manufactured by visually-impaired workers and the proceeds from the sale will help create jobs for blind and multi-handicapped workers in the Lighthouses for the Blind, and helps fund Lions Club community projects.

For more information or to order items to be delivered, call Doyle K. Davis at 938-2273 or 647-7646.



Scott Hiatt, Materials Management Director

'You need it, we got it'

Here's good news about the American way of doing things:

The warehousing and delivery services in the US have become so efficient that no business keeps much replacement inventory any more.

That goes for hospital districts as well as car and tractor dealerships.

"We don't keep nearly as much inventory as we used to," said Scott Hiatt, materials management director for the hospital district.

It's a good thing, too, because inventories are expensive.

"Probably what we have in general storage right now is \$40,000 to \$50,000 worth of supplies," Hiatt estimated.

The hospital district really gets its money's worth on replacement supplies, Scott said, because it's a member of the largest purchasing group in the nation, Premier Purchasing Partners.

"Generally, it will save us 35% to 40% on day-to-day medical supplies, and even on such things as car rentals at seminars."

One of the district's suppliers has a huge

warehouse in Lubbock, "and they tell us that anytime we need anything in a hurry they can have it to us in a matter of hours," Scott said.

Because of the local inventory management system, the hospital district hasn't had to use that "rush" service yet.

"We run our inventory by computer, and we order on a regular basis during the week," Scott explained. "We're about to establish a system that will make the inventory management and ordering even more efficient. We should be able to just hit a key and tell how many bandages we have on hand and when we'll need to order. Then we can just order online."

Scott does double duty for the hospital district. He's also the Emergency Medical Service director, and is on call from 7 to 3 daily as a certified paramedic.

He can handle that double duty because he is backed up by a good staff in the materials management department—Jolene Schulte, B. C. Bossett, Janice Hyman and Tiffany Wilcox. Together, they make sure that all the agencies and staffers of the district have the materials they need, when they need them.

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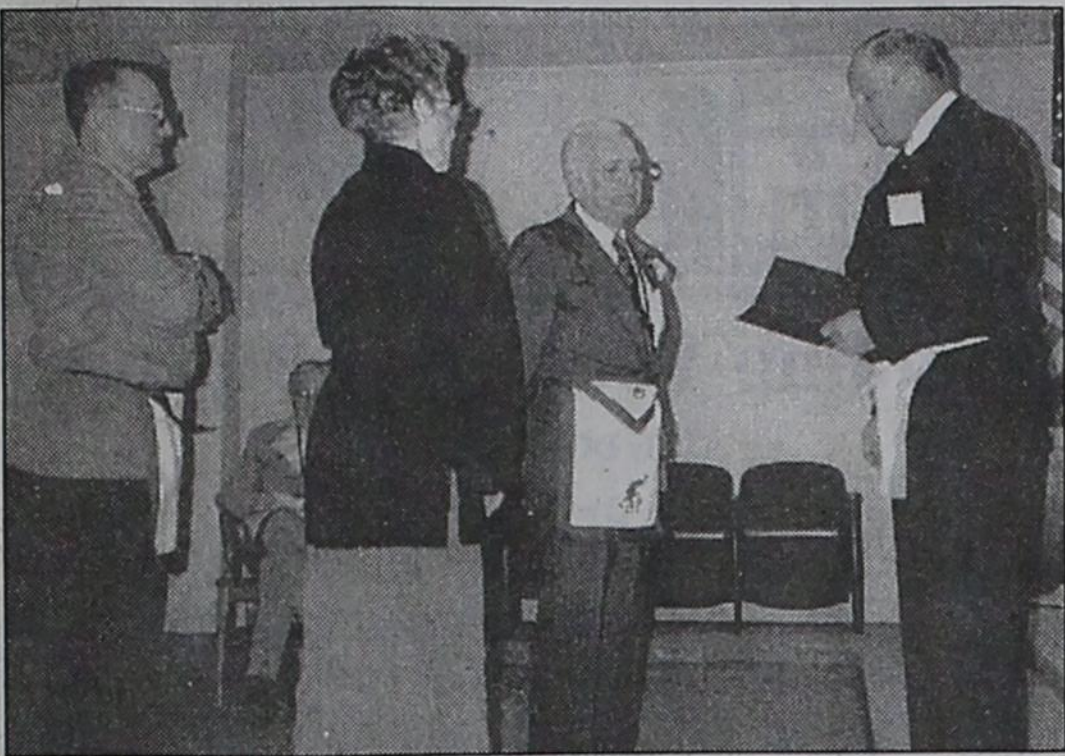
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A 50-YEAR MASONIC SERVICE PIN is presented to Charles Hendrick Vaughan of Dimmitt (third from left) during a ceremony at Castro Lodge No. 879 AF & AM recently. On hand for the ceremony are (from left) Bill Henderson, Past Master and Past District Deputy Grand-Master of the 100th District of the Grand Lodge of Texas; Charles' wife, Betty Vaughan; and Danny Thomas of Friona Masonic Lodge, who is District Deputy Grand Master of District 100 of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

Courtesy Photo



LUKE MCGUIRE of Dimmitt accepts the Golden Trowel Award from A.O. McGuire of Muleshoe Masonic Lodge AF & AM and Melvin Floyd of Shallowater Masonic Lodge AF & AM. Luke McGuire, a retired farmer and member of Castro Lodge No. 879 AF & AM, was presented the award during a recent ceremony at the local lodge.

Courtesy Photo

Technology students win at regional contest

Dimmitt High School Technology Education students won 11 first place honors and two best in division designations at the Regional Technology Student Association contest Saturday in Lubbock.

Best in division honors went to the club project of a horse drawn wagon, which also won a first place. Daphanie Rivera's cedar chest was named best in its division in Woodworking I, and also won a first place ribbon.

Other first place winners included: Laura Cardona in Woodworking I with a bookcase; Linda Trigo in Woodworking II with the restoration of a rocking chair; in Metalworking I, Rudy Dominguez with a lawn

swing, Jason Hall with a boot scraper, Gilbert Fernandez with a barbecue grill, Michael Pedroza with a tripe cooker, and Isias Olmos with a barbecue grill; the team of Jason Hall and Michael Pedroza in bridge building; and Juanita Vasquez in safety poster.

Second place winners are: Brandon Allison in Woodworking II with a hall display case; in Metalworking I, Hugo Quintana with a glider bench, Aure Gonzales with a barbecue grill, James Torres with an oxyacetylene cart, and Dominic Abalos with a coat rack; and the team of Michael Penney and Robert Sepeda in bridge building.

Third place honors went to Woodworking I students Luis Reyes with a television stand, Matthew Sandoval with a chest of drawers, Jose Vasquez with a microwave cabinet, and Juanita Vasquez with a night stand; Woodworking II students Eddie Maldonado with a gun cabinet, Christy Reyes with a television stand, and Domingo Rodriguez with a table; and Metalworking I students Isias Olmos with a bench, Jeremy Matthews with a toolbox, and Joe Acevedo with a boot scraper.

Fourth place winners included: Woodworking I students Antonio Barrera and Luis Rodriguez with lamp tables, and Pedro Quintana with a microwave cabinet; Woodworking II student Fabiola Ontiveros with a coffee table; and Metalworking I students Sergio Pedroza and Michael Pedroza, both with barbecue grills.

Stewart reports to Kingsville Naval Air Station

Navy Petty Officer Second Class Lincoln E. Stewart, a 1992 graduate of Dimmitt High School, has reported for duty at Naval Air Station in Kingsville.

Stewart's rotation to a new duty station exemplifies the worldwide assignability of Marines and sailors. This flexibility allows our naval forces to protect US national interests by serving as the principal enforcers of peacetime engagement, deterrence and crisis response around the world.

Stewart joined the Navy in January 1993.



Laura Martinez

Martinez wins USAA honor

Laura Martinez, daughter of Juan and Maria Martinez, has been named a United States National Award winner in business education.

Martinez attends Dimmitt High School and she was nominated for the award by Mrs. West, a teacher at the school. Her name and biography will appear in the United States Achievement Academy's official yearbook.

The academy selects winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors and upon the standards of selection set forth by the academy.

Hart plans kindergarten registration

Children in the Hart Independent School District who will be 5 before Sept. 1 must register for kindergarten classes from 2 to 3 p.m. next Thursday, May 7, at the Hart Elementary School.

Parents are asked to bring the child's birth certificate, Social Security card and shot record. Registration will be held in the kindergarten classroom.

Who's New?

OUT OF TOWN

Bryan and Tracy Ramsey of Canyon are the parents of a baby boy, born at 2:45 a.m. on April 17 at Baptist/St. Anthony's in Amarillo. Tyler Kade weighed in at 8 lbs., 10-1/2 ozs., and was 21 inches long. He has a big sister, Treva. Grandparents are Joe and Imogene Drerup of Nazareth, and Dwight and Anita Ramsey of Silverton. Great-grandparents are Lucille Drerup, Martha Huseman, Marie Ramsey and Olene Edward.

Plains Memorial

Jaime and Maria Salinas of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby girl, Alyssa Mercedes Salinas, who was born at 9:52 a.m. on April 23 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. The baby weighed 6 lbs., 12 ozs., and was 19 inches long. She has two big sisters, Alexandria Marie, 4; and Cassandra Nicole Salinas, 2-1/2. Paternal grandparents are Lorenzo and Guadalupe Salinas of Dimmitt. Maternal grandparents are Jesus and Tomasa Holguin. Great-grandparents are Augustine Padilla, Juanita Salinas, and Raul and Maria Holguin.

Durbin is nominated for WTAMU Woman of Year

Denia Durbin was nominated for West Texas A&M University's Woman of the Year.

Durbin is a junior majoring in special education. She is a graduate of Nazareth High School and is the

daughter of Paul and Joan Durbin. The WTAMU Man and Woman of the Year will be announced at the WTAMU Honors Banquet on May 1.

Other nominees are Leigh Ann Bolin of Amarillo, Elizabeth Callahan of Canyon, Katy Huffaker of Tahoka, Michelle Parker of Amarillo and Amy Williams of Elkhart, Kan.

Blood drive planned today

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will conduct a blood drive from 1 to 7 p.m. today (Thursday) at the Dimmitt High School Band Hall.

The drive is being sponsored by the DHS Student Council.

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Showers

May 9 — Cindy Kelly's bridal shower.
May 30 — Tisha Rice's bridal shower.
June 13 — Cathy Patterson's bridal shower.
We have selections for these brides-to-be.

Hope to see you soon,
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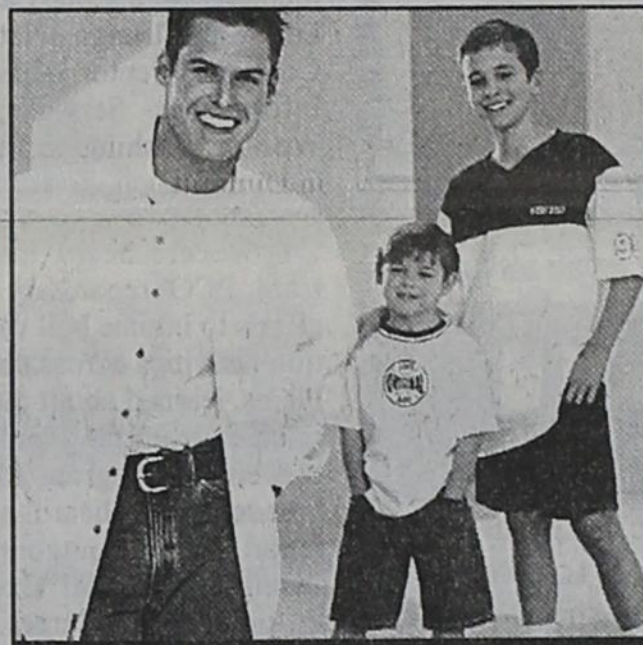
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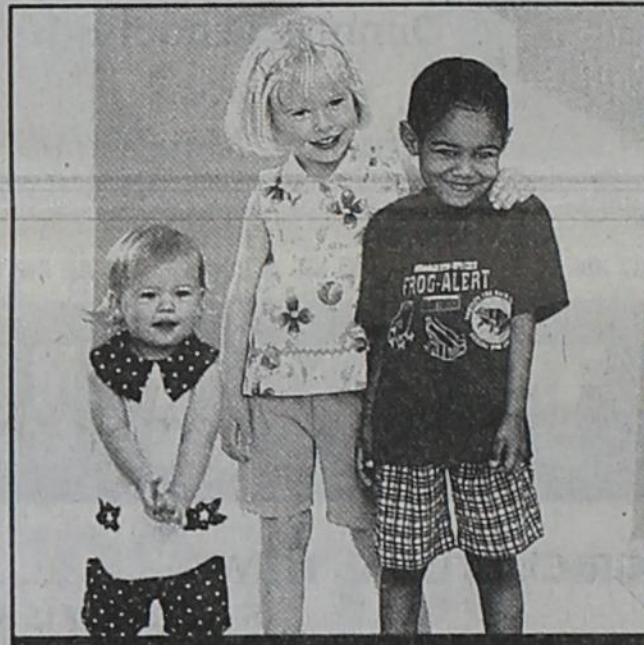
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TCPB director election ends Friday

Voting will end Friday in a biennial director election sponsored by the Texas Corn Producers Board.

Two producers have been nominated as unopposed candidates for two expiring director posts in the TCPB Voting Region 1, which includes Castro and Lamb counties. The candidates are Coby Gilbreath of Dimmitt and Steve Whitaker of Hart.

TCPB is conducting its biennial election in four of its eight voting regions where current members' terms are expiring.

Producers who raise corn or who have raised corn in at least one pro-

duction period three years prior to May 1 may vote in the election. You also may vote if you own a farm and your tenant or sharecropper pays the half-cent per bushel corn checkoff.

Directors also are being elected by producers in Voting Region 2, which includes Bailey, Oldham, Deaf Smith, Hartley and Parmer Counties; Voting Region 6, which includes more than 115 counties in western, central and eastern parts of the state; and Voting Region 8, which includes 24 counties in the Lower Rio Grande Valley and South Texas area.

Voting ballots are available from

the Texas Corn Producers Board office at 218 E. Bedford in Dimmitt at grain elevators and at county Extension offices within the voting regions.

"The election is being held under the guidelines of the Texas Commodity Referendum Law," said Jerry Don Glover, TCPB executive director. "We encourage Texas corn producers within the regions to take part in this important election."

Gilbreath and Whitaker were nominated to replace longtime directors Lois Wales of Dimmitt and Doug Higgins of Hart, both of whom decided not to run.

Gilbreath has farmed near Dimmitt for 15 years. He and his family grow corn, cotton, native grass and run cattle on 3,500 acres. He serves on or has served on various ag-related boards and organizations including the Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District, Castro County Extension Agriculture Committee, Texas Sugar Beet Growers Association, American Sugarbeet Growers Association and Texas Agriculture Lifetime Leadership (TALL).

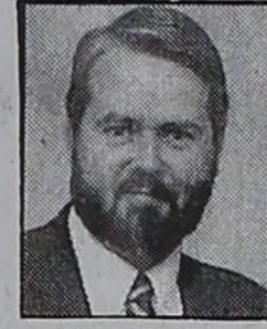
Whitaker farms about 1,600 acres near Hart. He has farmed since 1984 and grows corn, cotton, grain sorghum, wheat and runs cattle. He also served in the TALL program, is president of Hart Producers Co-op and

serves on the Castro County Extension Agriculture Committee.

TCPB is a research and promotion program for corn funded by a uniform corn checkoff collected on a refund basis from corn producers in every county of Texas. For more information about the election, contact TCPB at 647-4224 or (800) 647-CORN.

Minding Your Own Business

By DON TAYLOR



Don Taylor

Finding the profit drivers in your business

Several months ago I had the opportunity to do some work for a major hotel chain. In preparation for that speaking engagement, I interviewed more than 100 high-volume travelers to find the key factors that comprised a good night's stay in a hotel or motel.

This research represented nearly 4,000 nights' stays in 26 states and Canada, in rooms varying in cost from \$32 to \$275 per night. The survey included corporate presidents and CEO's, business owners, middle managers, sales representatives, housewives, writers, publishers, retirees and government employees. They all had one thing in common: They were customers who wanted a good night's sleep.

For hotels and motels, these frequent travelers represent future profits. Satisfied customers return, and also use other hotels in the chain based on good experiences. Higher occupancy rates mean higher profits. Here are some of the factors that drive customer satisfaction.

Ten key factors

◆ **Cleanliness.** This was the most mentioned factor and the one which respondents were most adamant about. One person said, "I judge the whole chain by how clean the bathroom is." Another commented, "I've changed hotels because of filthy rooms."

◆ **Quiet, restful environment.** People don't like noise when they are trying to sleep. These guests wanted better sound deadening in the walls and doors. Others complained about loud heating and air-conditioning units, traffic, planes and parties.

◆ **Everything works.** Guests wanted well-maintained facilities. They don't want dripping faucets, running commodes or non-functioning lights. Televisions, remote controls and heating and air-conditioning units should work properly.

◆ **Getting what you ordered.** If you reserved a single, non-smoking, pool side room at a rate of \$79, that is exactly what you should get. Especially if you have to guarantee the room with your credit card.

◆ **Friendly faces.** Sixty-eight percent of the respondents listed attitudes, courtesy and friendly service in their top five answers. One said, "Assume I've had a hard day and treat me kindly."

◆ **User-friendly rooms.** Guests wanted good lighting, comfortable chairs and a good work table or desk. They didn't want to sit on the bed or kneel to use the phone. They also mentioned towels you can reach from the shower, convenient electrical outlets and irons and ironing boards in the room.

◆ **Safe, secure environment.** Nearly every woman surveyed mentioned safety in her top answers. They wanted good lighting, no "hidden areas," secure doors with dead bolts and chains, and discreet use of room numbers.

◆ **Quick service.** Guests wanted employees who anticipate their needs. One told this story, "A bellman watched me drag and carry my bags across the parking lot in the rain. When I got near the door under the canopy, he offered to help. I gave him an icy stare and said I'd rather drag it myself."

◆ **No hassles, no surprises.** Guests complained of room clutter like magazines, advertisements and hotel information on tables and desks, hidden ice machines, no vending machines and outrageous prices in the gift shop.

◆ **Convenient room access.** No one wants to go up three flights of stairs, park 300 yards away or not be able to find the nearest entrance to their room.

What about your business?

You may think this column only applies to those who are in the hospitality business or those who stay in hotels frequently. Wrong. It is for your business, too.

Look carefully at what you do. I'll bet you'll find there are some key factors of customer satisfaction in your business as well. These are your profit drivers.

The more you know about your customers and their needs and wants, the better you'll be at serving them well. When you serve them well, they will drive your profits up.

Don Taylor is the co-author of "Up Against the Wal-Marts." You may write to him in care of "Minding Your Own Business," P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

USDA Rural Development moves its Amarillo office

The Amarillo office of US Dept. of Agriculture Rural Development moved to a new location Friday as part of a department-wide re-structuring effort to co-locate Rural Development, Farm Service Agency and Natural Resource Conservation Commission under one roof.

The new local service center address is USDA Rural Development, 6565 Amarillo Blvd. West, Suite C, Amarillo 79106; phone (806) 468-8600.

Rural Development customers in Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher and

Wheeler Counties are served by the Amarillo office.

"USDA Rural Development is pleased to be a partner in the new local service center in Amarillo. Our customers will now be able to make "one stop" for assistance and information about USDA services," said Steven A. Carriker, state director of USDA Rural Development.

USDA Rural Development serves rural communities through housing, infrastructure and business development programs formerly administered by the old Farmers Home Administration.

More information regarding Rural Development programs may be obtained by contacting the local service center.

Pohlmeier new head of HCSB

Brian J. Pohlmeier has been named new president of Hale County State Bank.

Pohlmeier, a 1972 graduate of Tulia High School, earned a bachelor's degree in finance from Texas Tech University in 1976. He graduated from the Southwestern School of Banking at SMU in 1988.

In 1986, Pohlmeier was named senior vice president of HCSB in Plainview. Prior to that, he had served as an executive vice president and chief operating officer in charge of the bank's lending operations.

Cotton Talks

Cotton growers heard the latest updates from Washington, D.C., and learned about the world cotton situation and how it will affect producer prices over the next growing season last week at the 41st annual meeting of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc (PCG).

Featured speakers at the PCG meeting were Con. Larry Combest; Dr. Mark Lange, National Cotton Council Director of Economic and Information Services; and Carla West of Washington, D.C., National Cotton Council government relations representative.

Producers heard the latest news from PCG regarding producer-led efforts to initiate boll weevil eradication activities across the Texas High Plains, learned about the most recent releases from the Plains Cotton Improvement Program to area cotton breeders, and heard a PCG status report from outgoing President Jackie Burris and Executive Vice President Steve Verett.

Burris presented Dawson County Extension Agent John Farris with the 1997 Cotton Agent of the Year Award in recognition of his efforts on behalf of the High Plains cotton industry.

Several new PCG board members were elected, including Ken Drake of Cochran County, Randy Arnold of Crosby County, Danny Nutt of Floyd County, Eddie Odum of Martin County, and Coy Franks and Jade Jones of Motley County.

Newly-elected directors were certified by the membership during the meeting.

Cotton producers and crop consultants packed the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center on April 17 to hear integrated pest management (IPM) experts from across the region share solid advice on managing the boll

weevil as part of the 1998 crop production system.

The three-hour session was attended by more than 250 people.

The proceedings were opened and moderated by Dr. James Supak, associate department head of Soil and Crop Sciences at Texas A&M University in College Station.

Extension IPM agents Brant Baugh, Philip Kidd, Clyde Crumley and Tommy Doederlein covered the biology of the insect while Dr. Dan Krieg of Texas Tech and Dr. Randy Boman of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station helped those attending understand the importance of integrating boll weevil management with irrigation and harvest techniques.

Four area crop consultants, Bob Glott, John Hunter, Donald Kitten and Dana Palmer, recounted their experiences with the insect in client operations over the past couple of years and their expectations for 1998.

Although past experiences differ by location across the High Plains, all agreed that producers should be on guard against the pest as the current growing season progresses.

Members of the PCG board of directors elected a new slate of officers at the April 17 board meeting.

PCG board members voted unanimously to elect Lubbock County cotton producer Don Langston as president. Also elected to officer positions were Hale County cotton producer Ronnie Hopper of Petersburg, vice president; and Parmer County cotton producer Mark Williams of Farwell, secretary-treasurer.

After fulfilling the maximum two terms allowed under PCG by-laws, Burris was named the organization's new board chairman.

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Certificates of Deposit	\$ 64,426.00	\$ 64,426.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 65,387.89	\$ 65,387.89
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Undisbursed Income Earned	\$ 24.39	
TOTAL IN TRUST	\$ 65,387.00	

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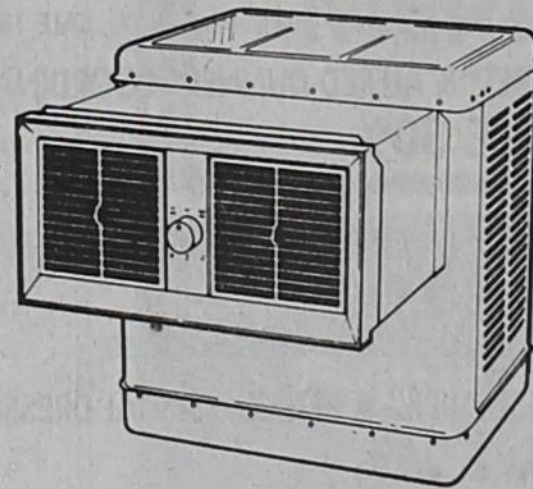
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New Century Energies reports quarterly earnings

New Century Energies, Inc., revealed their first quarter earnings in a report released last Thursday.

NCE was created with the merger of Southwestern Public Service Co. and Public Service Co. of Colorado in 1997.

The company reported net income of \$86.1 million, or 78 cents per share, on revenues of \$939.5 million for the quarter which ended March 31.

Net income for the same period in 1997 was \$78.2 million, or 75 cents per share, on revenues of \$890 million.

The increase in first quarter earnings is primarily attributable to moderate increases in electric and gas sales resulting from continued customer growth. The increased sales were mitigated to a certain degree by

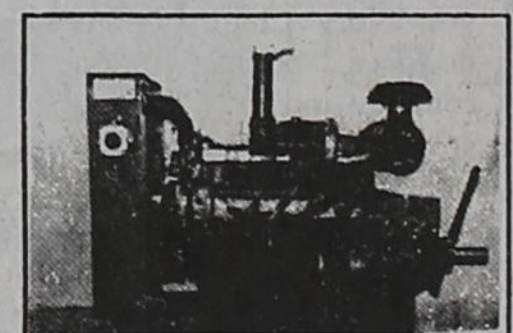
mild weather experienced during the current period.

Net income for the 12 months ended March 31—excluding a one-time extraordinary charge of \$110.6 million—was \$269 million, or \$2.55 per share, on revenues of \$3.4 billion. This compared to net income of \$275.3 million, or \$2.66 per share, on revenues of \$3.2 billion for the same 12-month period a year ago.

The extraordinary item, recognized in the company's third quarter of 1997, was the previously disclosed one-time United Kingdom windfall tax on Yorkshire Electricity, which is 50% owned by NCE.

The earnings for the 12 months ended March 31 also reflect significant costs incurred in connection with the merger.

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Group wants Arkansas River shiner listed as 'endangered'

It's one fish story that won't go away.

On March 16, the Sierra Club and the Southwest Center for Biological Diversity filed a lawsuit in New Mexico seeking to require immediate final regulatory action on the proposed US Fish and Wildlife Service rule to list the Arkansas River Shiner as an endangered species.

The plaintiffs contend that US Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt violated the Endangered Species Act (ESA) by failing to take final regulatory action on the proposed rule to list the Arkansas River Shiner as an endangered species by August 1995 and failing to designate "critical habitats" for the species by August 1996, as required by ESA rules.

In the lawsuit, the plaintiffs ask that the court "enjoin the defendant to take final regulatory action regarding listing the Arkansas River shiner as threatened or endangered within 30 days of the court's order; enjoin the defendant to issue a proposed rule regarding the designation of critical habitats for the Arkansas River shiner within 30 days of the court's order; to take final regulatory action regarding critical habitats within 90 days of the proposed rule's publication in the *Federal Register*; and to grant the plaintiff its costs of litigation, including attorney's fees, and any other relief as the court deems just and proper."

Listing first proposed in 1994

According to the US Fish and Wildlife Service, the Arkansas River shiner is "a small fish found in the Canadian River (South Canadian) in New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas; and in the Cimarron River in Kansas and Oklahoma."

The Arkansas River shiner was first proposed for listing as an endangered species in August 1994. At that time, the US Fish and Wildlife Service contended that it was "threatened by habitat destruction and modification from stream dewatering or depletion due to diversion of surface water and excessive ground water pumpage, water quality degradation and construction of impoundments," and other factors.

Opposition voiced at hearings

Public hearings were held in 1994 in Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas to solicit testimony about the proposed listing. During the hearing in Amarillo, hundreds of people packed into the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center auditorium to protest the listing of this species as endangered.

At that meeting, the US Fish and Wildlife Service received hours of testimony from individuals, utilities, businesses, agricultural producers and agriculture industry trade groups concerning the tremendous impact such a listing would have on the use of surface and ground water in the High Plains and Panhandle region.

Representatives from the High Plains Water District and other agencies presented testimony against the proposed listing and offered technical data showing that ground water pumpage from the Ogallala Aquifer has no impact upon spring flow into the Canadian River above Lake Meredith.

Scientific information presented to the US Fish and Wildlife Service at this meeting showed the Arkansas River shiner was thriving—rather than endangered. It was also pointed out that listing the Arkansas River shiner as an endangered species would jeopardize private property rights and public water supplies.

Congress-imposed moratorium

Shortly after the public hearing, Congress imposed a moratorium on new listings of endangered or threatened species. The moratorium prevented the US Fish and Wildlife Service from proceeding with any additions to the endangered species list.

In 1996, President Bill Clinton lifted the moratorium, allowing the US Fish and Wildlife Service to focus initially on emergency listing actions. The Arkansas River shiner was not classified in the emergency category.

Memorandum signed

A memorandum of understanding was signed in May 1997 between the Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept., the Oklahoma Dept. Of Wildlife and the US Fish and Wildlife Service. The Texas appendix to the memorandum contains the following principles:

- ◆ Conservation strategies will not restrict or regulate ground water use of the High Plains Aquifer (Ogallala Aquifer) in Texas, since based on current knowledge, there is no hydrologic connection between the ground water resources of this aquifer and surface flows in the Canadian River.

- ◆ Conservation strategies will not require releases of water from Lake Meredith, except as might be voluntarily agreed to by controlling authorities in contributing to the conservation and recovery of the species and its habitat.

- ◆ Existing agricultural and land management practices as currently practiced adjacent to occupied Arkansas River shiner habitats in Texas will not be adversely affected as part of developing and implementing conservation strategies unless those practices are modified to adversely affect the species or existing stream flow to its habitat, or degradation of water quality; and changes in those practices would benefit the species or habitat and are mutually agreed to by the landowner, Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept., and the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

During the hearings and from re-

search conducted in 1995 and 1996, new information relating to this proposal was obtained by the US Fish and Wildlife Service. As a result, the public was given another opportunity to comment on the proposed listing from Dec. 5, 1997, to Jan. 5, 1998.

Latest lawsuit

"The High Plains Water District believes this lawsuit fails to recognize the congressional moratorium preventing Secretary Babbitt from proceeding with any rulings," said A. Wayne Wyatt, manager. "Misrepresenting this critical fact, the plaintiffs have filed suit on an issue that is not ripe for adjudication."

The Water District's major concern regarding this latest lawsuit is that a ruling in favor of the plaintiffs could require periodic releases of surface water from Lake Meredith to sustain Arkansas River shiner habitats downstream.

Given the limited amount of surface water stored in Lake Meredith, any water released downstream could reduce water availability for the 11-member cities served by the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority.

Also, use of ground water could be severely restricted if the court's ruling directs action back to the assumptions on habitat restrictions needed by the shiner as published in the 1994 *Federal Register*.

The Water District has contacted congressmen and senators expressing concern about the lawsuit and re-

questing their help.

The Water District plans to monitor the situation and future develop-

ments regarding the proposed listing of the Arkansas River shiner as an endangered species will be reported

in future issues of *The Cross Section*, the Water District's monthly newsletter.



CONSERVATION WINNERS honored at the Running Water District's awards banquet Tuesday night are (women, from left) Terri Louder of Flagg, Homemaker of the Year; and Cindy Seward of Dimmitt Middle School, Teacher of the Year; and (men, from left) Jeff Smith of Deaf Smith County, Outstanding Absentee Farmer; Dan Nelson of

Dimmitt, Outstanding Business Professional; and Doug Higgins of Hart, Outstanding Cooperator for Water Quality Management Plan. Not pictured is Harold Hyman of Dimmitt, Farmer of the Year. Essay and poster winners also were honored at the banquet, which was held at the Expo Building.

Photo by Don Nelson

TDA secures exemptions for Confirm 2F on veggies

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry recently announced that the Texas Dept. of Agriculture has been granted approval by the US Environmental Protection Agency to issue two Section 18 specific exemptions allowing the use of Confirm 2F Insecticide (icbufenozide) to control beet armyworms in leafy vegetables, including turnip tops and Brassica (cole) vegetables.

Growers have been able to use Confirm 2F under a crisis exemption granted Dec. 16, 1997. The specific exemption expires Dec. 16, 1998. Confirm 2F may be applied in the following counties:

- ◆ Crop Group 5: bassica (cole) vegetables in Andrews, Bailey, Bexar, Brooks, Cameron, Castro, Crosby, Deaf Smith, Dimmitt, Dewitt, Floyd, Frio, Hale, Hidalgo, Knox, Lamb, Maverick, Medina, Parmer, Pecos, Presidio, Starr, Uvalde, Webb, Willacy, Zapata and Zavala.

- ◆ Crop Group 4: leafy vegetables (except brassica) including turnip tops in Andrews, Atascosa, Bailey, Cameron, Castro, Dawson, Dimmitt, Frio, Gaines, Garza, Hale, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Kinney, Lamb, LaSalle, Lubbock, Lynn, Maverick, Medina, Parmer, Starr, Terry, Uvalde, Webb, Willacy, Yoakum, Zapata and Zavala.

Confirm 2F, manufactured by Rohm and Haas Company, must be applied following all applicable directions, restrictions and precautions on the label, as well as the following restrictions:

- ◆ Confirm 2F can be applied with ground or aerial equipment and only by a certified applicator, a licensed applicator or by persons under the direct supervision of a licensed applicator. The licensed applicator must have the appropriate category applicable to the use of restricted-use pesticides for leafy vegetables.

- ◆ Confirm 2F may be applied at the rate of 1.125 lb. a.i. (8 fluid ounces) in a minimum of 5 gallons of finished spray per acre by air and 10 gallons of finished spray per acre for ground application. Application may not exceed 0.375 lb.a.i. (24 ounces) per acre per season.

- ◆ A maximum of three applications may be made using either aerial or ground equipment at the 8 fluid ounce rate.

- ◆ Applications must not be made within seven days of harvest.

- ◆ Consult the appropriate Extension service personnel, agricultural consultant or other qualified persons experienced in the practice of integrated pest management to determine treatment needs, timing and the quantity of Confirm 2F needed.

- ◆ Applications should not be made through any type of irrigation system.

- ◆ Livestock should not be grazed in treated areas, and cover crops grown in treated areas should not be fed to livestock.

- ◆ Treated areas should not be entered during the restricted entry interval (REI) of 12 hours.

- ◆ Ground applications must not be made within 100 feet of adjacent permanent water bodies.

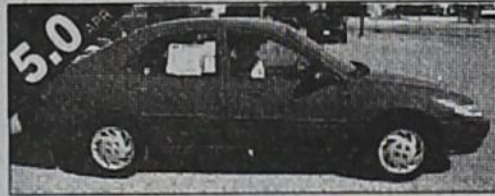





- ◆ All applicators must have a copy of the EPA approval notice in their possession prior to any applications.

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Sports



County runners gear up for regional meets

County athletes will be trying to run, jump, hurdle and throw their way to Austin this weekend.

Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth will send several athletes to regional track meets and all have hopes of earning trips to the state track meet in May.

Leading the list of regional qualifiers are the Hart Lady Horns, who won the District 3-AA team title and qualified several individuals for regional, which will be held Friday and Saturday at Elmer Gray Stadium in Abilene.

Lady Horns qualifying are Nykki Lee in the shot put; the 400 relay team of Charbra Lee, Geneva Finch, Veronica Gonzales and Ysa Rodriguez; Charbra Lee in the 100 hurdles and triple jump; the 800 relay team of Charbra Lee, Finch, Rodriguez and Angelica Perales; Rodriguez in the long jump and 100; Lisa Rincon in the 3,200; Isela Minjarez in the 800; Amanda Ethridge in the 300 hurdles; and Finch in the 200.

The Hart boys will send five to the regional meet. Qualifiers are Lucas Anzaldua in the shot put, Gerardo Dozal in the discus, T.R. George in the vault, Lupe DeLaFuente in the 110 hurdles and Eric Montemayor in the 1,600 and 3,200.

The Dimmitt Bobcats won the District 1-AAA championship and qualified two relays and several individual athletes for the regional meet, which will be Friday and Saturday at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa.

Dimmitt athletes will compete in the vault, 800, 1,600, sprint relay, 1,600 relay, shot put, 3,200 and 200.

D.J. Fleeks will try his luck in the 800 while Israel Martinez will run the mile and two-mile.

The mile relay team of Fleeks, Casey Smith, John Paul Ramos and Zack Matthews will compete at regional along with the 400 relay team, featuring Smith, Jerry Thomas, Stuart Sutton and Matthews.

Other qualifiers are Charley Sand-

ers in the shot put, Matthews in the 200 and Justin Sutton in the vault.

Two individuals and a relay team from Dimmitt will represent District 1-AAA girls in the regional meet.

The Bobbies' mile relay team hopes to earn a trip to state, but will face stiff competition. Members of the team are Shawna Kenworthy, Amy Matthews, Jacy Buckley and Carol Summers.

Matthews also qualified for regional in the 400 while Kenworthy earned a trip to the meet by placing second in the 800 meter run.

Three Nazareth athletes qualified for the Region 1-A track meet, which will be held Friday and Saturday at South Plains College in Levelland.

Bo Hunter will compete in the discus while Stanton Wethington will run the 110 hurdles.

Lindsey Gerber will run two distance races at regional after winning the 1,600-meter and 3,200-meter runs at district.



NAZARETH BASEBALL COACHES (from left) Joey Waldo and Colby Waldrop keep an eye on the action during the second game of the Swifts' double-

header with Spade Friday afternoon. Nazareth run-ruled their district opponent in both games, winning the first 19-2 and the second 12-2.

Photo by Dwayne Acker

Big hits, pitching propel Swifts past Spade twice

Swift pitchers Shane Ethridge and Mitchell Brockman held Spade batters in check Friday, each pitching a no-hitter as Nazareth run-ruled Spade in both games of a District 1-A double-header at Nazareth.

Nazareth rode a big 12-run first inning to a 19-2 three-inning win in the first game, then used a big 10-run second inning to take a 12-2 win in the nightcap that was also called in the third.

The wins improved the Swifts' district mark to 6-1 and lifted them to 7-3 overall.

Nazareth hitters pounded Spade's pitching staff throughout both games, highlighted by two home runs in each. Nazareth finished with 11 hits in two innings in the first game, then exploded with 10 hits in three innings in the second game.

Ethridge struck out the side to open the first game, then Nazareth went to work.

After lead-off hitter Kit Schulte walked, he stole second, then third before scoring on a wild pitch by Spade's J.R. Peralez.

Then the Swifts' long-ball hitters went to work. Mitchell Brockman hit a solo shot over the left field fence to give the Swifts a 2-0 lead.

A left-field double by Ethridge gave Nazareth one on with one out. Ethridge attempted to steal third, then dove back toward second as the throw came in. The off-target throw rolled into center field and Ethridge took off to third. He later scored on a wild pitch for a 3-0 Swift lead.

After Jerad Birkenfeld walked, Stacey Schulte singled to left, then Darren Huckert picked up a hit to center field that scored Birkenfeld.

A two-RBI single by Matt Olvera scored Stacey Schulte and Huckert, giving the Swifts a 6-0 lead.

With Olvera on first, Bo Hunter stepped to the plate and took a 3-1 pitch over the left field fence for a 7-0 Nazareth lead.

In his second at-bat of the first inning, Kit Schulte sailed a solid

triple to keep the Swifts alive.

A bunt by Jason Maurer scored Kit Schulte from third.

Brockman struck out, but Nazareth would rack up two more runs before Spade escaped the inning.

Ethridge walked, then stole second and advanced to third on a wild pitch. Birkenfeld walked, then Stacey Schulte doubled.

After giving up 12 runs, Peralez finally shut it down by striking out Huckert for the third out in the first.

Kase Trotter grounded out to second to open the second, but then Ethridge had a couple of problems and allowed two runners on. He hit Stacey Tucker with a pitch and that gave Spade its first base runner of the game.

He struck out Banda, but then walked Pablo Peralez. Tucker stole his way to third, and Peralez made it to second, then Ethridge walked Dina Corda to load the bases.

Tucker and Peralez scored after an error, giving Spade its only two runs of the game.

Second baseman Kit Schulte fielded a ground ball by Jacob Ayalla and threw him out at first to end the inning.

J.R. Peralez faced 12 Swift batters in the second and Nazareth was able to score seven more runs to go up 19-2.

Olvera reached on an error by Scott Gray, then moved to second on a base-hit bunt by John Scott Farris. Olvera moved to third on an error, and Farris advanced to second. A wild pitch scored Olvera and moved Farris to third.

J.R. Peralez walked Maurer and Brockman to load the bases, then Ethridge doubled, scoring three.

Adam Schulte, Stacey Schulte and Huckert all walked and the latter two scored before Spade was able to end the inning.

Ethridge struck out Jerad Gray to open the inning, then walked J.R. Peralez. Trotter flied out to Birkenfeld in left field, then Birkenfeld threw to shortstop Brock-

man who picked off J.R. Peralez at first after the runner left early, and that ended the game.

In the second game, Spade got its lead-off hitter, Ayalla, on after he was walked by Brockman. Ayalla stole second, then took third after a wild pitch. He stole home to give Spade a 1-0 lead.

After striking out Jerad Gray, Brockman walked J.R. Peralez, then Trotter reached on an error.

But Brockman struck out Tucker and Nathan Jones to hold Spade to one run.

Nazareth had trouble getting started in the second game, going three up and three down.

Brockman struck out Pablo Peralez to start the second, but walked Corda. Ethridge caught a fly ball hit by Scott Gray, then threw Corda out at first after she failed to tag up.

The Swifts' bats came alive in the second, starting off with a lead-off home run over the left field fence by Ethridge. That solo shot tied it at 1 and took the wind out of Spade's sails.

Trotter struggled with control after that, walking four of the next five batters. Those four all scored.

Ethridge, up for the second time in the inning, singled to score Olvera, then Birkenfeld nailed a two-run shot out of the park in left, scoring Bo Hunter and Ethridge.

Stacey Schulte doubled, then came home on a base hit to right field by Huckert.

Olvera struck out to end the inning, but Nazareth was up, 10-1.

Ayalla walked to open the third, then stole second and took third on a wild pitch. He scored on a wild pitch to make it 10-2, but that was all Spade would get.

Brockman went on to face six more batters in the inning. Jerad Gray walked, then J.R. Peralez struck out for the first out. An error by Ethridge put Trotter on first. After striking out Tucker, Brockman walked Jones to load the bases, but he escaped by striking out Pablo Peralez to end the threat.

Nazareth's Dustin Ramaekers was held to a ground-rule double in the third after he nailed a ball that bounced over the left field fence, then Kit Schulte singled to right. Both runners scored on a double by Adam Schulte and that gave the Swifts all they needed for a 10-run lead and the run-rule win.

'History Walk' set for Friday

Second graders at Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt will hold their annual "Pioneer Days in May History Walk" on Friday and the public is invited.

Dual productions of the event will be staged at 9 a.m. and at 10 a.m. The production starts in the RES cafeteria with a play depicting the history of Castro County, followed by a square dance exhibition. Then observers will move to the P.E. building, where second graders will demonstrate aspects of pioneer life.

Together We Can



THE DIMMITT STARS—This AAU team won first place at the sixth annual Lady Bulls Invitational Tournament in Lubbock April 17-19. Team members are Rachel Fabela, Mary Bradley, Lori Schulte,

Heather Black, Kylie Webb, Cassandra Casas, Ruby Rodriguez, Cherie Norman, Tamara Robertson, Jessica Salinas, and Audrey Saenz. They are coached by Glen Black and Rhenea Webb. Courtesy Photo

'Stars' win tournament

The Dimmitt Stars AAU basketball team won the gold at the sixth annual Lady Bulls Invitational Tournament in Lubbock April 17-19 at Irons Junior High.

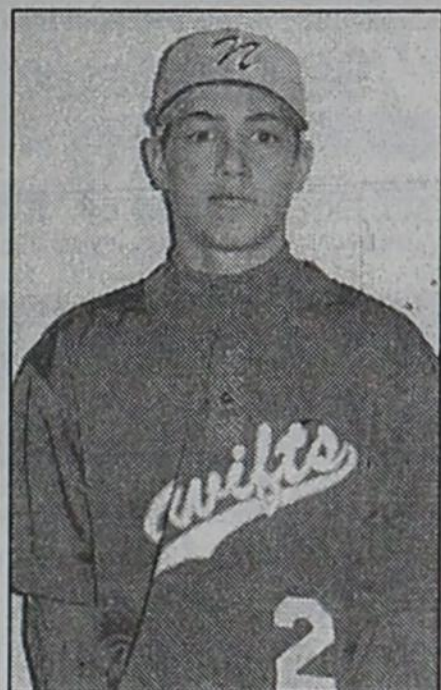
They took top honors by downing the Lady Hoopsters of Hobbs, N.M., 55-40. Top scorers in that game were

Tamara Robertson, with 13, and Kylie Webb, 10.

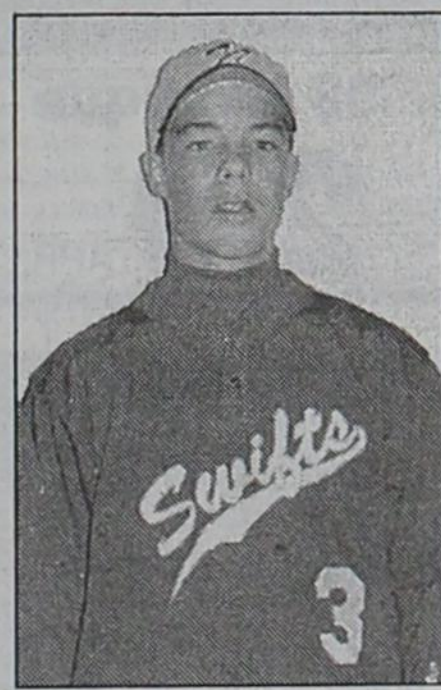
The Stars' second win came at the expense of the Clovis Lady Cougars, 50-33. Top scorers included Audrey Saenz, with 11, and Heather Black, Robertson, and Cassandra Casas, all with eight.

The championship game brought the Hobbs Lady Hoopsters back up through the loser's bracket, and the Stars downed them again, 40-27 this time. Top scorers were Saenz, 11, and Robertson, 9.

The team is coached by Glen Black and Rhenea Webb.



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Country Club of Dimmitt

Bobcats blast Dalhart, 16-4

Dimmitt hitters struck for seven runs in the first inning and nine in the third enroute to a 16-4 thrashing of Dalhart Monday in a District 1-AAA game halted in the fifth by the 10-run mercy rule.

The Bobcats improved to 3-7 in District 1-AAA play while Dalhart fell to 2-8.

Sergio Pedroza struck out five Golden Wolves and gave up just three hits to lead the Bobcats to the win.

Pedroza grounded out to start the game, but then Dalhart pitcher Jones walked Sammy Prieto for the first base runner of the game. A Zack Matthews double moved Prieto to third, the Rusty Wooten walked, loading the bases.

Michael Pedroza singled to score Prieto and Dimmitt was up 1-0.

Dimmitt got its second out of the inning when Derek Buckley flied out to first base, but the Bobcats weren't through, yet.

Jones walked Beau Hill, sending Matthews home for a 2-0 Bobcat lead. Wesley Wright cleared the bases with a three-RBI single for a 5-0 Dimmitt lead.

Juary Cavazos was hit by a pitch and jogged to first as Wright moved to second, then Sergio, Pedroza stepped up and knocked a double that scored Wright and Cavazos.

Jones walked Prieto before Dalhart escaped the inning when Matthew flied out to right.

Dimmitt took the field and retired the first two Dalhart batters, fielding ground balls. Sergio Pedroza walked the third batter, but made up for it when he struck out the next hitter to end the inning and preserve the Cats' 7-0 lead.

Wooten lead off the second inning,

grounding out to second, but then Michael Pedroza walked. Buckley advanced him to second with a single. Both runners advanced on a wild pitch, giving Dimmitt runners at second and third with one out, but that's where they stayed.

Hill flied out to third, then Wright struck out to strand the runners and end the inning.

Dimmitt's defense held in the second. Sergio Pedroza fielded a grounder by the lead-off hitter, then threw him out at first for the initial out. A single by Bezner gave the Golden Wolves a base runner, but the next hitter struck out, then Dimmitt ended the inning when Wright threw out Jones at first.

Dimmitt added nine runs in a big third inning that virtually put the game out of reach.

Dalhart walked Cavazos and Sergio Pedroza, then a Prieto single scored Cavazos for the first run of the inning.

Jones walked Matthews, then Wooten got a single that scored Sergio Pedroza.

Michael Pedroza was struck out for the first out of the inning, but Dimmitt sent five more batters to the plate before suffering the second out of the inning.

During that span the Cats enjoyed a single by Buckley that scored one, then the next three batters either walked or were hit by a pitch.

Sergio Pedroza struck out for the second out, Dimmitt had the bases loaded when Michael Pedroza got his second and Dimmitt's third out of the inning when he flied out to short.

Dimmitt's 16-run lead was cut to 14 in the bottom of the third when Dalhart finally picked up its offense.

Leading off was Ben Sperry, who got a single, then Lang walked. After a double by Scales and a single by Easley, Dalhart was able to put two runs on the board.

Sergio Pedroza struck out the fifth and sixth hitters, and Dimmitt was able to get Scales out to hold the Golden Wolves to two.

Dalhart added two runs in the third, then shut out the Bobcats in the fourth and fifth innings. Dimmitt returned the favor, holding the Golden Wolves to get the run-rule win.

Battin' Bobcats!

Good Luck, Bobcats!

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TUESDAY: Bobcats vs. Muleshoe, Here, 5:30 p.m.

Runs, Hits & Errors

FRIDAY
First Game
Swifts 19, Spade 2 (3)

Spade	020	2	0	3
Nazareth	(12)7x	19	11	1

J.R. Peralez and Kase Trotter of Spade; Shane Ethridge and Matt Olvera of Nazareth. **WP:** Ethridge (4-2). **LP:** Peralez. **2B:** Ethridge (2) and Stacey Schulte. **3B:** Kit Schulte. **HR:** Mitchell Brockman and Bo Hunter. **Records:** Nazareth 6-3, 5-1; Spade 0-7, 0-6.

Second Game
Swifts 12, Spade 2

Spade	1	0	1	2	0	0
Nazareth	0(10)2	12	10	2		

Mitchell Brockman and Kit Schulte of Nazareth; Kase Trotter and Jerad Gray of Spade. **WP:** Brockman (3-1). **LP:** Trotter. **2B:** Stacey Schulte, Adam Schulte, Dustin Ramaekers of Nazareth. **HR:** Shane Ethridge and Jerad Birkenfeld. **Records:** Nazareth 7-3, 6-1; Spade 0-7, 0-6.

SATURDAY
Bobcats 6, San Jacinto Christian 12

Dimmitt	400	020	0	6	8	8
SJCA	105	416	x	12	8	4

Benny Navarro, Derek Buckley (3), Zack Matthews (5) and Rusty Wooten of Dimmitt; Felder, Anthony (1) and Reneau. **WP:** Anthony. **LP:** Buckley. **2B:** Reneau of San Jacinto. **3B:** Rusty Wooten of Dimmitt (2); Rogers and Bagwell of San Jacinto. **HR:** Zack Matthews of Dimmitt and McCreary of San Jacinto. **Records:** Dimmitt 7-12; San Jacinto 12-6.

MONDAY
Bobcats 16, Dalhart 4

Dimmitt	708	10	16	6	2
Dalhart	002	20	4	3	5

Sergio Pedroza and Rusty Wooten of Dimmitt; Jones, Lang (3) and Scales of Dalhart. **WP:** Pedroza. **LP:** Jones. **2B:** Zack Matthews and Sergio Pedroza of Dimmitt. **HR:** Speer of Dalhart. **Records:** Dimmitt 8-12, 3-7; Dalhart 3-11, 2-8.

Kids, Inc. baseball sign-up set

Youngsters interested in playing baseball must sign up Wednesday to be eligible for league play this year. Sign-up will be conducted from 3:30 to 4 p.m. in the lunchroom at Richardson Elementary School and from 4 to 6:30 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce office in Dimmitt.

Students must sign up if they plan to play t-ball, minor baseball, major baseball, softball or Babe Ruth baseball.

Entry fee of \$20 for the t-ball, minor, major and softball leagues is payable Wednesday. If not paid by Wednesday, the fee increases to \$25.

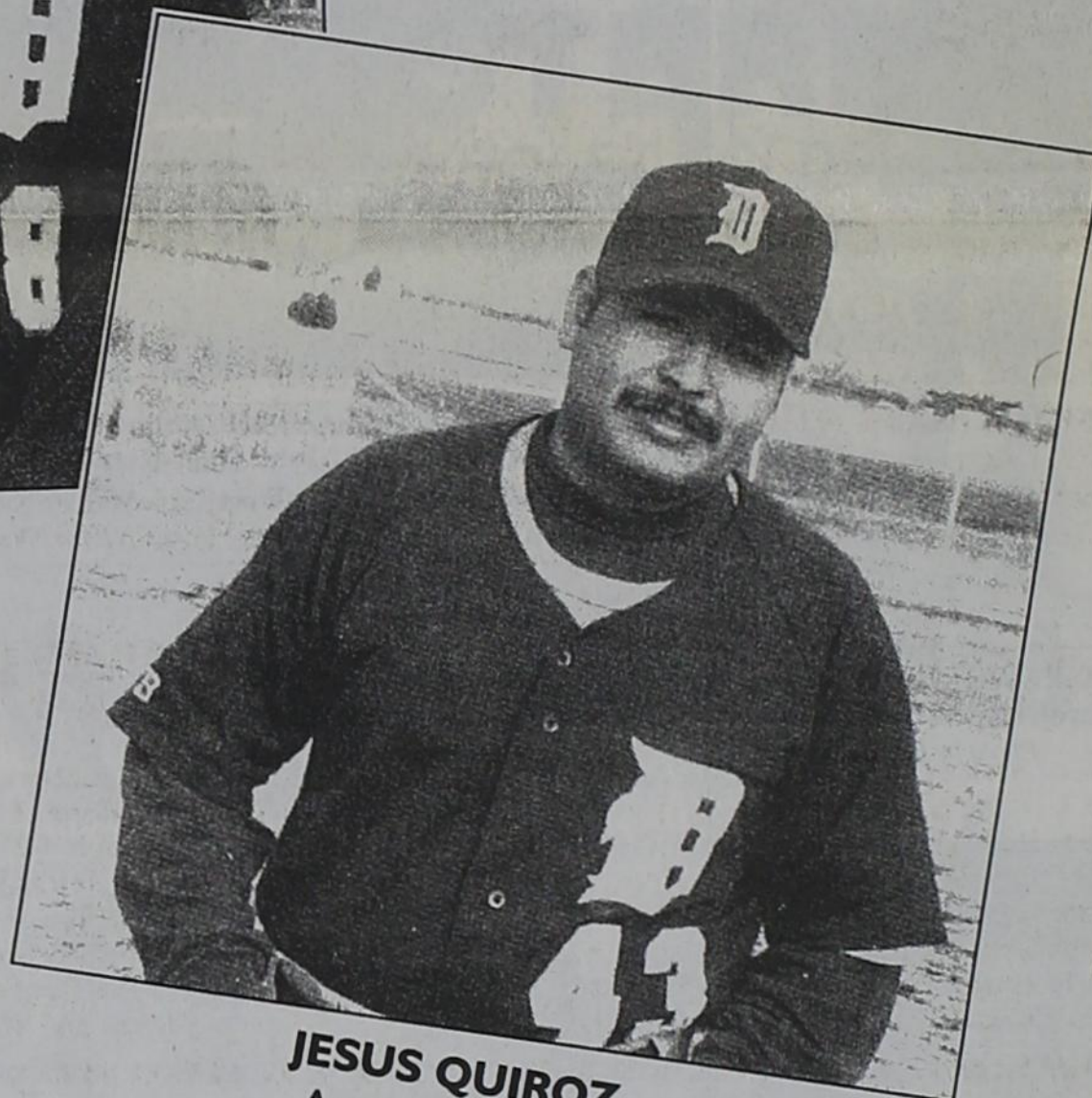
Those participating in Babe Ruth must pay \$25 by Wednesday, or \$30 thereafter.

A coaches meeting and selection of teams will be held May 11 at the Chamber office. The meeting for T-ball will begin at 7 p.m., minor league at 8 p.m. and major league at 9 p.m.

At least one coach from each team must be present at the meeting. Everyone who plans to coach must sign up by Wednesday's deadline.



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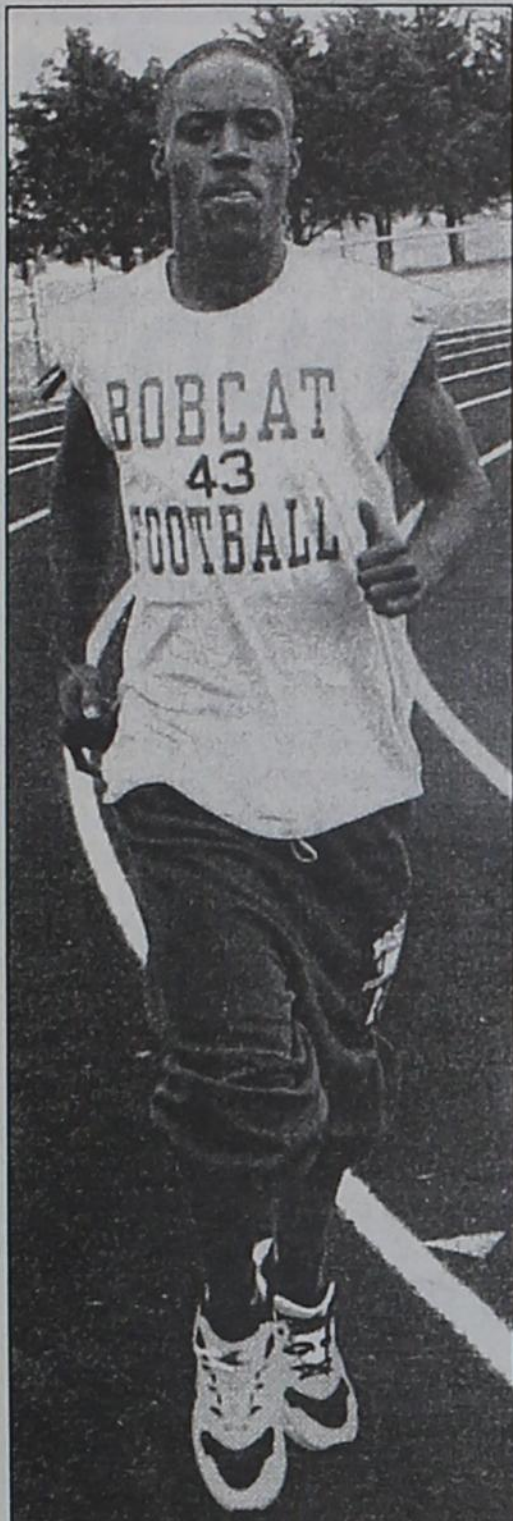
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D.J. FLEEKES OF DIMMITT
... Regional qualifier in the 800
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REGIONAL BOUND—Dimmitt sprinters (from left) Casey Smith, Jerry Thomas, Stuart Sutton, Zack Matthews and alternate Justin Sutton will be among the 400 Relay teams running in the Region 1-AAA meet Friday and Saturday at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa. The Bobcat relay team finished first in district.
Photo by Don Nelson



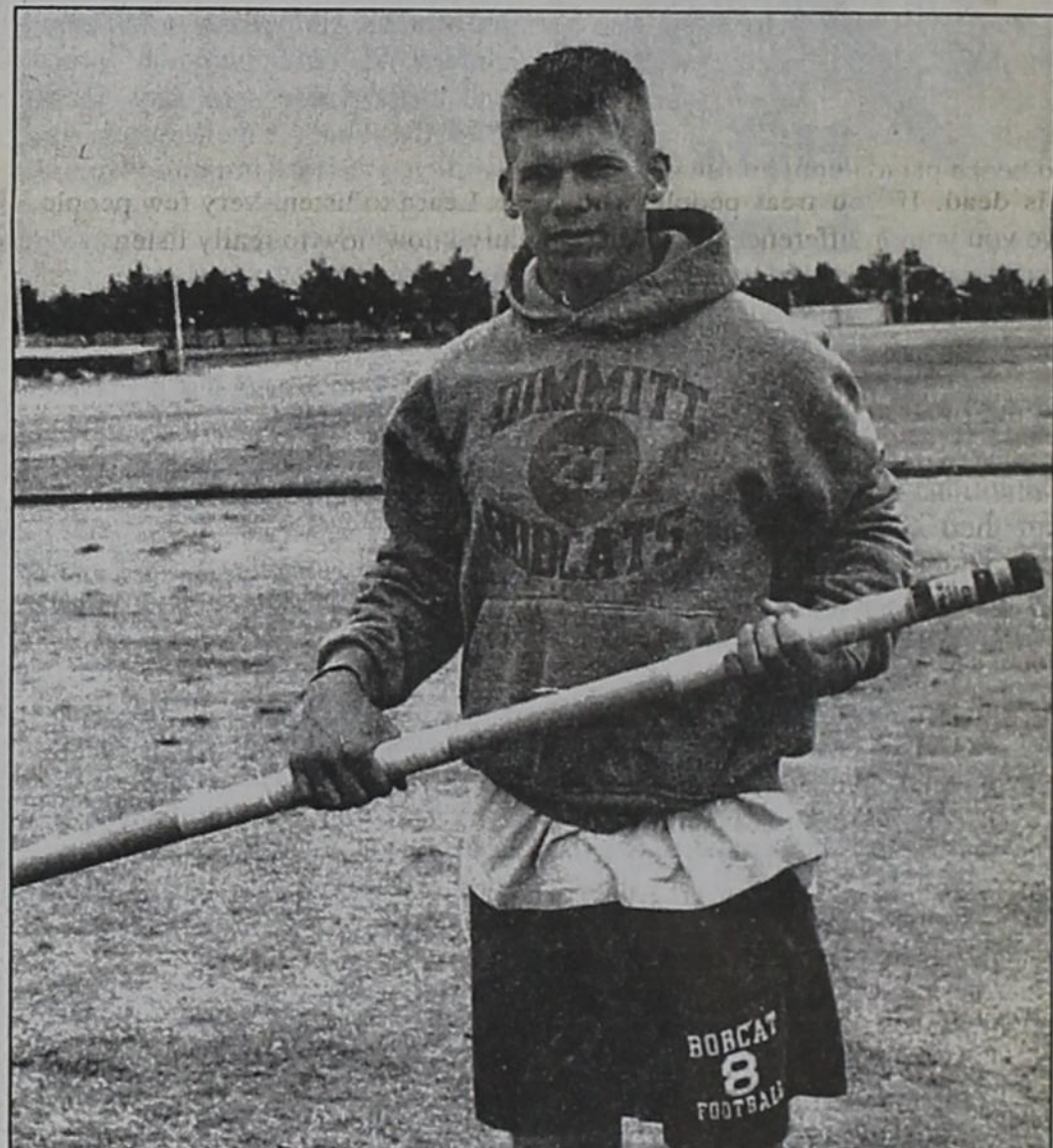
LONG-DISTANCE RUNNER Lindsey Gerber of Nazareth will run the mile and two-mile runs at the Region 1-A track meet Friday and Saturday at South Plains College in Levelland. Gerber won district in both events.
Photo by Brenda Schulte



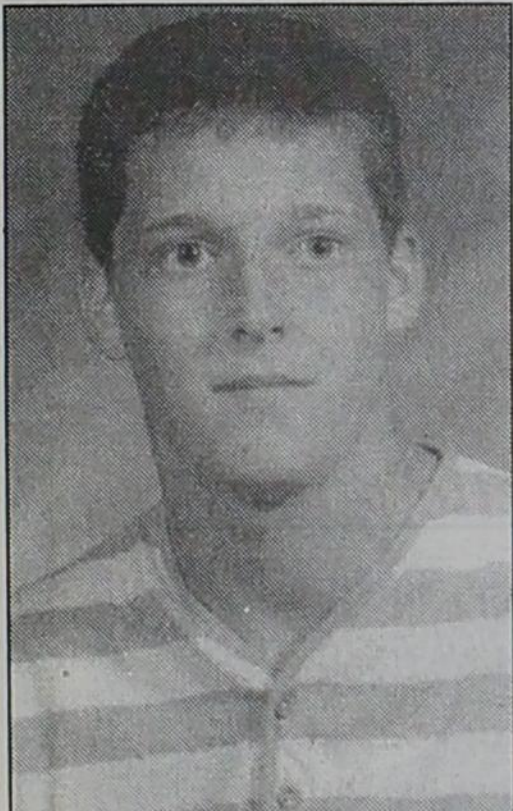
STANTON WETHINGTON
... Naz hurdler headed to regional
Photo by Brenda Schulte



DIMMITT'S MILE RELAY, featuring (from left) D.J. Fleeks, Casey Smith, John Paul Ramos, Zack Matthews and alternate Randy Porter, will race in the Region 1-AAA track meet Friday and Saturday at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa. The group captured the district title to earn the trip to regional.
Photo by Don Nelson



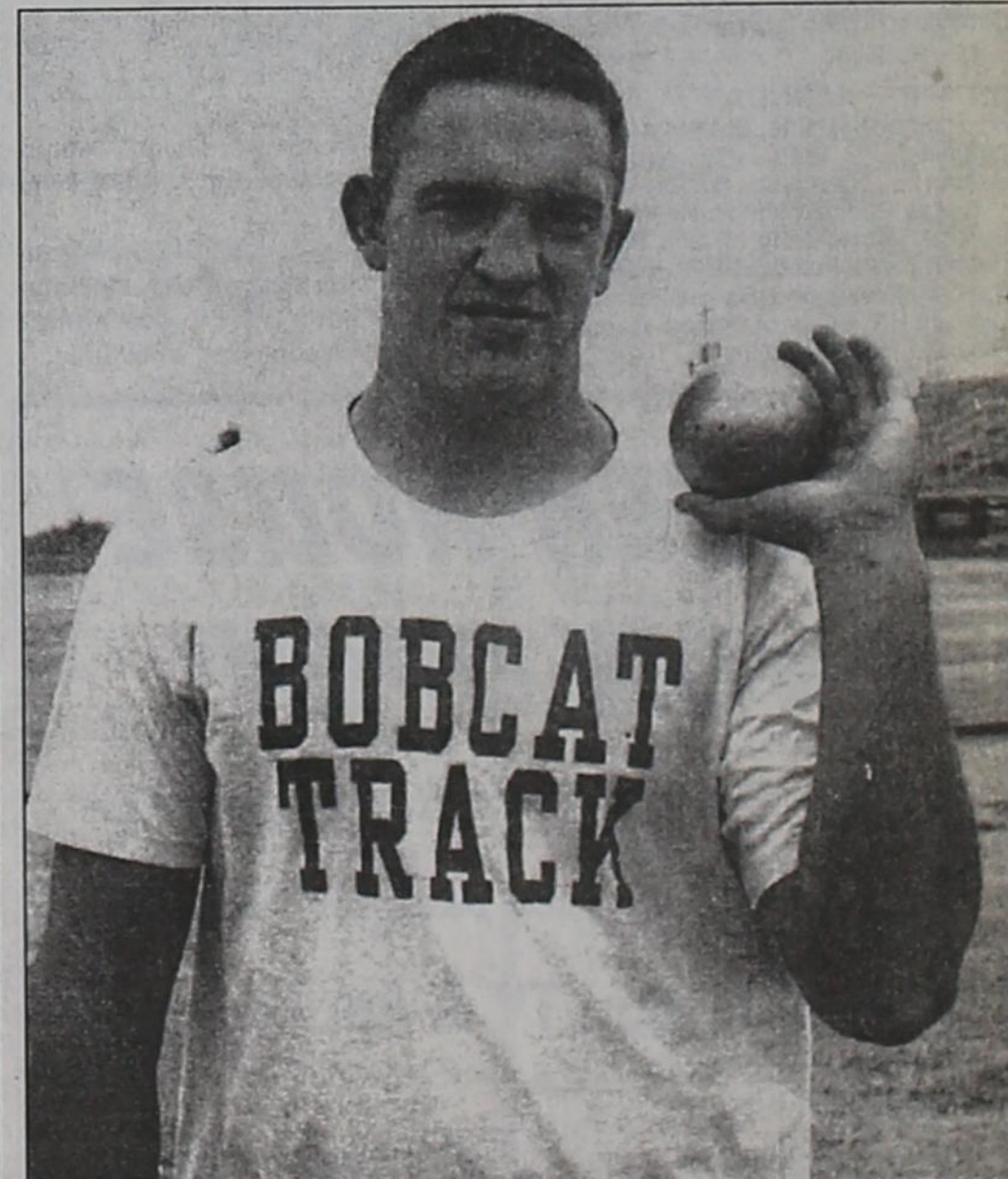
DIMMITT VAULTER JUSTIN SUTTON cleared 13-6 at the District 1-AAA meet and that was good enough for the district title and a trip to the Region 1-AAA meet at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa this weekend.
Photo by Don Nelson



NAZARETH'S BO HUNTER
... Earns regional trip in discus
Courtesy Photo



ON TO ABILENE—The Hart Lady Horns will send several track stars to Abilene for the Region 1-AA meet Friday and Saturday. The Hart girls captured the team district title and these earned trips to regional. They are (back row, from left) Charbra Lee, Geneva Finch, Lisa Rincon, Selina Carrasco, Angelica Perales and Nykki Lee; and (front row, from left) Veronica Gonzales, Ysa Rodriguez, Amanda Ethridge and Isela Minjarez.
Photo by Anne Acker



CHARLEY SANDERS OF DIMMITT will attempt to claim a trip to state in the shot put this weekend when he throws in the Region 1-AAA track meet at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa. Sanders was second in the shot put at the district meet, throwing 54-2 1/2.
Photo by Don Nelson

REGIONAL QUALIFIERS—Hart's (from left) Lupe DeLaFuenta, Eric Montemayor, Lucas Anzaldua and Gerardo Dozal will compete in the Region 1-AA track meet Friday and Saturday at Elmer Gray Stadium in Abilene. DeLaFuenta will compete in the 110 hurdles, Anzaldua will throw the shot put, and Montemayor will run the 1,600 and 3,200. Not pictured is T.R. George, who qualified in the vault.
Photo by Neoma Williams



Three Swiftettes earn trips to state tennis meet

Nazareth freshman Shawna Gerber survived a tough three-set semifinal Tuesday, then downed Lindsey Brown of Whiteface in the championship match to win the Region 1-A girls' singles tennis title at South Plains College in Levelland.

Gerber's win vaulted her into the Class A state tennis tournament, which will be in Austin in May.

Joining Gerber at the state tournament will be the Nazareth girls' doubles team of K'Lynn Gerber and Amy Pohlmeier, who beat teammates Jayme Schmucker and Tiffany Schmucker in a playback for second place in the regional meet Tuesday.

The Swifts' doubles team of Billy Don Cannon and Barry Hoelting made it to the finals before losing to Cuyler Smith and Garrett Flowers of Sudan, 4-6, 6-3, 2-6. Cannon and Hoelting missed a trip to state when they lost a playback for second to Curt Smith and Tanner Smith of Fort Elliott, 2-6, 2-6.

The Schmucker twins made it to the finals before bowing to regional champions Leah Chenault and Amanda Grace of Anton, 3-6, 6-4, 3-6.

Chenault and Grace had beaten Gerber and Pohlmeier in the semifinals, 3-6, 1-6.

But seniors Gerber and Pohlmeier were determined to earn another trip to the state tournament.

After the Schmuckers lost in the finals, the two teams squared off in a playback, which Gerber and Pohlmeier won, 6-1, 6-1.

Region 1-A Tourney

GIRLS' SINGLES

First Round: Shawna Gerber, Nazareth, defeated Jeana Booker, Higgins, 6-0, 6-0.

Quarterfinals: Gerber defeated Jessical Friemel, Groom, 7-5, 6-3.

Semifinals: Gerber defeated Schalee Lewis, Dawson, 5-7, 7-6 (7-4), 6-4.

Championship: Gerber defeated Lindsey Brown, Whiteface, 6-3, 6-4.

GIRLS' DOUBLES

First Round: Jayme Schmucker and Tiffany Schmucker, Nazareth, defeated Cathy Rainwater and T. Rainwater of Benjamin, 6-1, 6-3; Amy Pohlmeier and K'Lynn Gerber defeated Shawna Kemp and Katie Kemp of Borden County, 6-0, 6-0.

Quarterfinals: Schmucker and Schmucker defeated Susie Luttrell and Reagan Meadows, Fort Elliott, 6-1, 6-3; Gerber and Pohlmeier defeated Angle Conrad and Karen Conrad, Groom, 6-2, 6-1.

Semifinals: Schmucker and Schmucker defeated Capa Marquart and Holly Bradshaw, Chillicothe, 6-2, 6-1; Gerber and Pohlmeier lost to Leah Chenault and Amanda Grace, Anton, 3-6, 1-6.

Championship: Schmucker and Schmucker lost to Chenault and Grace, 3-6, 6-4, 3-6.

Playback: Gerber and Pohlmeier defeated Schmucker and Schmucker, 6-1, 6-1.

BOYS' DOUBLES

First Round: Billy Don Cannon and Barry Hoelting, Nazareth, defeated Bryce Dye and Ryan Grant, Borden County, 6-2, 6-4.

Quarterfinals: Cannon and Hoelting defeated Kyle Igo and John Allison, Whiteface, 6-3, 6-7 (5-7), 6-1.

Semifinals: Cannon and Hoelting defeated Josh Halsell and Heath Ownbey, Crowell, 6-2, 6-1.

Championship: Cannon and Hoelting lost to Cuyler Smith and Garrett Flowers, Sudan, 6-4, 3-6, 2-6.

Playback: Cannon and Hoelting lost to Curt Smith and Tanner Smith, Fort Elliott, 2-6, 6-1, 4-6.



GOING TO REGIONAL—Dimmitt High School tracksters Shawna Kenworthy (left) and Amy Matthews both qualified for the regional track meet Friday and Saturday at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa. Matthews, a senior, will run the 400-

meter run, and Kenworthy, a junior, will run the 800-meter run. Both also are members of the mile relay team. Other members of the mile relay team are Jacy Buckley and Carol Summers.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Police Calls

Huey Dement of C&T Fertilizer told deputies April 21 that an 18' utility trailer was stolen from a business 12 miles west of Dimmitt on SH 86 sometime during the previous weekend. The matter is under investigation.

On April 22, Ismael Carrasco of Hart told deputies that someone broke into the Cargill, Inc., building at Seventh Street and SH 194 in Hart. Nothing was found missing. The investigation is continuing.

Deputies were called Friday night to help with a Castro County man in the east part of the county who had threatened suicide and also threatened to kill peace officers. The man was taken to the MH/MR Center in Plainview.

The Town & Country Store in Dimmitt reported that someone drove off without paying for \$24.73-worth of gasoline around 6:30 p.m. Friday.

A 34-year-old Hereford man was jailed April 21 on a Williamson County warrant for failure to appear/child support hearing.

A Dimmitt man, 29, was jailed Sunday on a Potter County warrant for assault/bond forfeiture.

Saturday night, a 47-year-old man was jailed for public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

DWI-first offense charges were listed against an Amarillo man, 24, who was jailed early Sunday.

In separate incidents early Monday, a Dimmitt man, 44, was jailed for DWI-second offense; and another 44-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed for DWI-first offense.

A 19-year-old suspect was charged with DUI at 9:49 p.m. Sunday. He was stopped on S. US 385.

Can Love Die?



By **RON TRUSLER**
Executive Director
Central Plains Center

Yes! It can. Love must have nurturing and attention. If it is continually taken for granted and not taken care of, it will fade away.

Love is like a life. You can kick and beat a person until all life is gone. It is dead. If you treat people who love you with indifference, treat them hatefully, or physically and emotionally abuse them, you will lose their love. It will die.

I have observed families who were victims of a father's abuse for years. As time went on they virtually erased all emotions that had to do with love from their memory. There were no good childhood memories of a loving father/mother—only support and encouragement from siblings who endured the same abuse.

I have seen wives (it could be husbands, too) who had experienced so much physical and emotional abuse from their mate, they eventually left and dissolved the marriage without a trace of remorse. Any remorse they

had was from what could have been but never was.

It's interesting how many newly married couples think their love will carry them the rest of their life. In reality, they love each other just enough to get married but not enough to last the rest of their lives. The love that was started and nurtured to the point of a decision to marry must be continued to be built upon, reinforced, supported, fed and nurtured to grow and last.

How do you nurture or build love?

1. Learn to listen. Very few people really know how to really listen.

2. Touch without it leading to sexual activity.

3. Pay attention to little things. Be thoughtful without having to be reminded.

4. Make your spouse feel they are the most special person in the world. Treat them different (better, not worse) than anyone else.

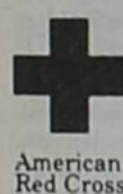
5. Don't try to change them. Learn to accept and appreciate the differences.

When you start to get comfortable with the person you love, don't neglect the above. Getting comfortable can be dangerous. Don't let it deteriorate your relationship. It's hard work, but it's worth it.

How much time do you have to get out of a fire?

Not as much as you think. Real fires are hot, smokey and dark. You may have only a very few minutes to safely escape from fire.

If you're ever in a fire, don't spend time getting dressed or trying to gather valuables. Just get out and stay out. Then call the fire department from a neighbor's telephone.



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LS package, low miles, bed liner.

***\$180.51** mo. Total price \$10,000



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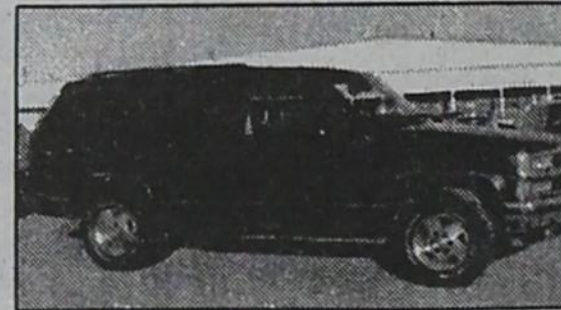
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'94 Buick LeSabre

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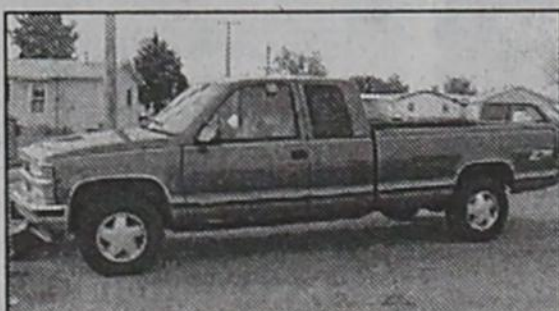
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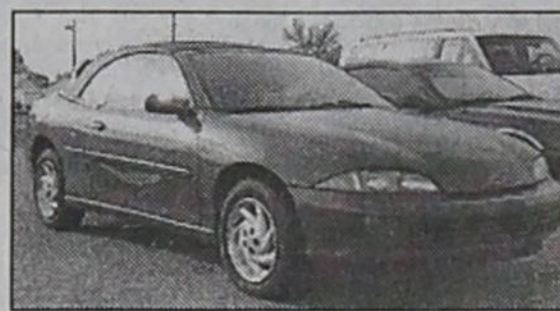
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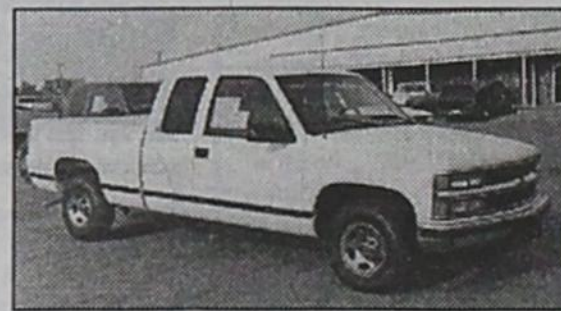
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Classified Advertising



1—Real Estate Homes & Land

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE
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This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are informed that the dwellings advertised in the newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis.

HOUSE FOR SALE: Noble Drive, Dimmitt, Texas. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage. Real nice home. One lot rental property goes with home. Call realtor. (806) 364-4670 or (806) 289-5831, nights. 1-52-4tc

USED 16X80 3/2 will fin. Call (806) 372-1491. 1-1-4tc

HOME FOR SALE: Three bedroom, two bath, brick, \$52,500. Price is negotiable. All serious offers will be considered. Gary Felts, 1010 Grant, 647-2594. 1-4-1tc

1014 W. GRANT. Nice three bedroom, brick, 1-3/4 bath. Down to \$57,000. Ready to sell. Price negotiable, 647-2147. 1-44-1tc

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GREGORY REAL ESTATE
BILL GREGORY, Broker
Phone 647-5421

MORRIS REAL ESTATE
C.W. George, Broker

PINE STREET, three bedrooms, two baths, two-car garage, large backyard patio, great condition. \$78,000.

THREE BEDROOMS, one bath, one-car garage, corner lot, wood fence, storage building. \$42,500.

2240 SQ. FT. BRICK, three bedrooms, two baths, two living areas, fireplace, new carpet, remodeled kitchen, large concrete drive. \$86,000.

THREE BEDROOMS, one bath, laundry room, carport. \$30,000.

WEST HWY 86, 25 1/2 sq. ft., three bedrooms, two baths, extra large living area and kitchen, fireplace, two-car garage. \$131,500.

WEST OF DIMMITT. Five bedrooms, three full baths, basement, extra large 2-car garage, large kitchen with lots of storage, brick. \$140,000.

THREE BEDROOM, one bath, central heat and air, large lot. Great starter house. \$40,000.

TEN ACRES with house north of Dimmitt. Three bedrooms, two baths, all highway frontage. \$85,000.

NAZARETH—Four bedrooms, two baths, completely remodeled kitchen, new carpet, brick. \$52,500.

FARMS
1266 ACRES north of Tam Anne, eight irrigation wells (seven gas and one electric), 157 acres in CRP, one house, one barn. \$525/acre. 2-3-4tp

80 ACRES of grass between Hart and Nazareth. Well established turf. \$250 per acre.

330 ACRES west of Dimmitt, 12 tower Valley nozzled at 650 with 60" spacings, two wells. \$550/acre.

DEAF SMITH COUNTY, north of Hereford, 320 acres, two wells, nice place. \$300/acre.

We still have several tracts between Dimmitt and Nazareth. Please call for terms.

COMMERCIAL
OFFICE SPACE—1200+ sq. ft., three offices, receptionist area, two bathrooms, coffee bar, easy access to a bank, lots of parking. \$45,000.

1950 SQ. FT. BRICK OFFICE BUILDING, corner lot, abundant parking, nice location, \$117,500.

SCOTT MORRIS
112 W. Bedford, Dimmitt
647-3734, Office
647-3686, Night 647-9325, Mobile

1—Real Estate Homes & Land

USED DOUBLE WIDE 3/2 with F/P. Will Fin. Call (806) 372-1491. 1-1-4tc

For Sale: 722 Pine Street, sparkling brick, three bedrooms, two baths, 2,300 sq. ft. including two-car garage, fireplace, new roof, two storage buildings. \$85,000. 647-3472.

EXCELLENT LOCATION at edge of city. Beautiful large brick home with lots of extras. \$131,500.

COUNTRY HOME, three bedrooms, 1-3/4 baths, own well and septic, good storage buildings. \$67,000.

VERY NICE BRICK! Two large bedrooms, living, den, enclosed patio, storm cellar kit with all appliances. \$50,000.

PRIME LOCATION. Large three bedroom, 2-3/4 bath, two car garage, den, formal living, heat pump, sprinkler system and more. Priced to sell, \$83,000.

READY TO SELL! Three bedroom, two bath, two car garage, brick in good location. Two living areas, new paint. \$67,500.

GREAT LOCATION! Large rooms, two living areas, fireplace, sprinkler and more. \$95,000.

COMPLETELY REMODELED with new paint, carpet and tile, heating system and sewer lines. Over 2200 sq. ft. stone. Three bedrooms, two baths with rental in back. All for just \$67,500.

THREE BEDROOMS, 1-1/2 baths, two living areas, built-ins in kitchen, nice yard. Assumable loan, reduced to \$45,000.

NEW ROOF, paint and linoleum, three bedrooms, one bath, large yard. \$38,500.

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THRIVING LIQUOR BUSINESS in a great area. Building, fixtures and inventory. \$175,000.

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FARMS
OVER 2400 ACRES, 23 wells, seven sprinklers. Five miles south-west of Dimmitt. Extremely clean well producing farm. \$825 per acre.

80 ACRES in Swisher County. New 10 year CRP contract. Asking \$365 per acre.

GEORGE REAL ESTATE

S. Hwy 385 647-4174

Jimmie R. George, Broker
Mobile, 647-7942

Mary Lou Schmucker.... 945-2679

2—Farms For Sale

217 ACRE FARM FOR SALE: Two irrigation wells. Just coming out of CRP Program. Three miles northeast of Dimmitt. \$500 per acre. Might consider renting. Contact Bill Wells, 850-875-4200days or 850-893-0989 nights. 2-3-4tp

3—Real Estate For Rent

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3—Real Estate For Rent

DIMMITT SENIOR CITIZENS APARTMENTS
622 N.W. 5th
ONE AND TWO BEDROOM APARTMENTS FOR RENT
Call 647-2638
S&S Properties

APARTMENT FOR RENT
CALL 647-5762

FOR RENT: Approximately 2,500 square foot commercial storage. 647-5244. 1-47-1tc

Stafford Apartments
One, two and three bedroom apartments. Call for availability. Call 647-2631 or 647-3696 evenings.

THREE BEDROOM HOUSE for rent. Call after 6 p.m., (505) 762-8743. 3-4-1tc

5—For Rent, Misc.

RENT TO OWN
NEW TV'S, VCR'S & APPLIANCES
No credit checks.
KITRELL ELECTRONICS
647-2197 Dimmitt

6—For Sale, Misc.

24' CULVERT for sale. \$200. (806) 276-5371. 6-4-1tp

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Pentium 200+ Computers Starting at \$700
Installed on-site. Includes 14" SVGA monitor, keyboard, mouse, 33.6 modem, CD-ROM and sound card.
Call Frank at 806-748-0510.

7—Garage Sale

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. First house west of Country Club, south side of road. Baby bed mattresses, sleeper sofa, love seat, toys, clothes, kitchen stuff, etc. 7-4-1tc

CHEAP, CHEAP CHEAP! Furniture, household, yard, and clothes—all items priced to sell! Garage sale Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2, 102 NW 12th. 7-04-1tp

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., 1008 Cleveland. 7-4-1tc

9—Farm Equipment & Supplies

HESTON 16' SELF-PROPELLED swather. Good condition, priced reasonably. (806) 764-3328 or (806) 948-1106. 9-4-1tc

Classifieds get results!

3—Real Estate For Rent

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910 E. Jones
★ NOW LEASING ★
1, 2 or 3 Bedrooms
We have Rent Assistance for qualified tenants (agricultural workers)
For more information, call (806) 647-3406 Night 647-2677
Miquel Velasquez, Manager

10—Agricultural Services

CUSTOM FARMING: No-till drill; mini-till tillage equipment. Kenneth or Ashley Heard, 806-945-2270 or 806-627-4623. 10-4-1tc

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CUSTOM SWATHING AND BALING. Call Roy Schilling, 647-2401. 10-31-1tc

CUSTOM SWATHING AND BALING. Call David Schulte at 945-2342, home; or 647-7740, mobile. 10-48-52tp

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Scott's Trading Post
Dimmitt's Oldest Dealer
S. Hwy. 385 647-3414
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FOR SALE: 1984 Chevy Silverado pickup, all electric, new engine, very good condition. Call 647-2121, days, or 647-2250, evenings. 14-04-2tc

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18—Services

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SERVICE ON ALL MAKES

18—Services

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George Lopez 402 N. Broadway
647-4641

20—Help Wanted

THE CASTRO COUNTY SHERIFF'S Office is currently accepting applications for positions as jailer. Applicants must be at least 19 years of age, possess a valid Texas Driver's License, and will be required to pass a physical exam and drug screening. These will be full-time positions, involving rotating shift work. Starting salary is \$1,204 per month plus \$100 uniform allowance per month. After six-month probation period is completed, salary increases to \$1,254 per month. Applications are available at the Castro County Sheriff's Office, and must be received no later than 5 p.m. on May 29, 1998. Castro County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 20-4-4tc

LVNs AND MEDICATION AIDES needed. Please call Canterbury Villa of Dimmitt, ask for Jennifer Roush, administrator. (806) 647-3117. 20-4-1tc

AVON NEEDS 10 people to take orders from friends and relatives. Must be over 18 and qualify. 1-800-658-6982. 20-4-4tc

TEXAS STATEWIDE CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING NETWORK



TEXSCAN WEEK OF 04-26-98
Note: It is illegal to be paid for anything beyond medical and legal expenses in Texas adoption.
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\$\$\$NEW PAY INCREASES\$\$\$ DRIVERS OTR* Regional *Some areas home on weekends *Paid insurance and vacation *Graduate students welcome *Continental Express* 1-800-727-4374 *1-800-695-4473 *EOE.
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20—Help Wanted
HEREFORD GRAIN CORP. accepting applications for bookkeeping position. Experience or degree required. Send resume to Box 910, Hereford, TX 79045. 20-3-tfc

SUMMER WORK for college students and 1998 high school grads. Up to \$9.15. Flexible part-time, full-time schedules. Apply in Amarillo, work in Amarillo or Dimmitt. (806) 353-9216. 20-4-3tc

22—Notices
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 945-2553. 22-52-51c

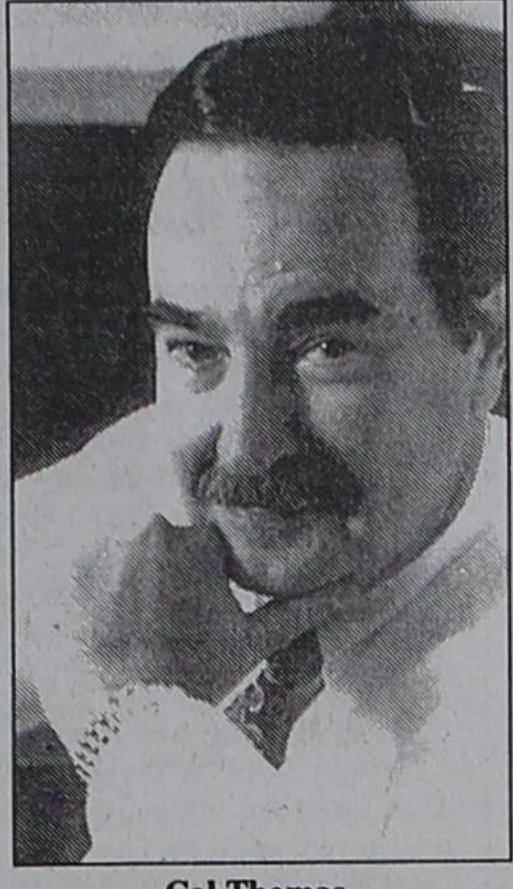
24—Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS
 Dear Friends,
 On behalf of our family, we would like to thank everyone who aided us during Meredith's illness and recovery. Having a loved one ill takes a toll on the entire family. However, you came to offer yourselves in any way that you could to help us. You healed our emotional pain and cared for our physical needs. Your prayers, gifts, and support were astonishing. We can not express in words our appreciation and gratitude. We thank God each day for our kind and loving community and area. Our prayers, as well as yours, have been answered as Meredith grows stronger each day.
 Thank you from our hearts. May God bless you.
 GERALD, MARY, HEATHER, BRYAN & MEREDITH
 24-4-11p

25—Legal Notices
PUBLIC NOTICE
 Castro County Commissioners Court is now accepting bids on heating and air conditioning for the County Jail. Bid specifications can be picked up in the County Judges Office Monday-Friday, 8-5 p.m. Bids should be submitted to the County Judge, Castro County Courthouse, Dimmitt, TX 79027, on or before May 8, 1998. Bids will be opened May 11, 1998 at 10 a.m. Castro County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and the right to waive formalities.
 IRENE MILLER
 Castro County Judge
 25-3-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE
 We, the undersigned County Judge and Commissioners in and for Castro County, Texas, hereby certify that we have this date made an examination of and compared the County Treasurer's Quarterly report, filed with us on the 27th day of April, 1998, and have found the same to be correct and in order and that the total of all funds held by the County Treasurer, as well as other assets in her hands in the sum of \$1,427,810.48.
FIRST UNITED BANK—DIMMITT, TEXAS
 Working Fund Certificates of Deposit
 Balance \$100,000
 General Fund \$920,205.35
 Precinct #1 \$22,071.05
 Precinct #2 \$83,479.72
 Precinct #3 \$86,711.83
 Precinct #4 \$215,342.53
 WITNESS OUR HANDS, officially, this 27th day of April, A.D. 1998
 IRENE MILLER, County Judge
 NEWLON ROWLAND, Pct. 1 Commissioner
 LARRY GONZALES, Pct. 2 Commissioner
 BAY BALDRIDGE, Pct. 3 Commissioner
 DAN SCHMUCKER, Pct. 4 Commissioner
 25-4-11c

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Castro County Commissioners' Court is now accepting bids for the construction of a six-person minimum security living area on the second floor of the Castro County jail. Construction must conform to the rules of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards. Bid specifications can be picked up from the Sheriff Monday-Friday, 8-5 p.m. Bids should be submitted to the County Judge, Castro County Courthouse, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, on or before May 8, 1998.
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 CD FITZGERALD, Castro County Sheriff
 25-4-2tc



Cal Thomas
Crisis Pregnancy Center fundraiser scheduled May 19

Cal Thomas, nationally-syndicated columnist and Fox Network News commentator, will be the featured speaker at the Canyon Crisis Pregnancy Center's annual Dessert Fundraiser.
 The fundraiser will be held May 19 at 7 p.m. in the West Texas A&M University Activity Center Ballroom. There is no charge to attend the banquet, but reservations must be made by May 15 by calling (806) 655-4673.

Thomas, a 35-year veteran of both broadcast and print journalism, was an award-winning reporter for NBC News, and was a 1995 Cable Ace Award nominee for best interview program on cable.
 Thomas is one of the most successful fundraising speakers for crisis pregnancy centers nationwide.
 The Canyon Center provides a variety of services for area women such as free pregnancy tests, free maternity clothes and baby items and Lamaze childbirth classes and counseling regarding abortion (procedures and risks), adoption, abstinence and parenting.

Shelton attends treasurer seminar

Castro County Treasurer Janice Shelton recently attended a county treasurers' seminar at Texas A&M University in College Station. Shelton participated in the four-day seminar designed to update officials on current procedures, duties and responsibilities pertaining to their office.
 County officials were updated on issues affecting their office, such as banking regulations, unclaimed property laws and ethics. Concurrent sessions included such topics as "Leadership and Communications," "Recent Changes in Investment Regulations," "Records Management" and "County Depository."
 Shelton also had the opportunity to participate in round table discussions with other treasurers from counties with similar populations.
 County treasurers who attended all of the sessions of the seminar received required continuing education units.

Colby Williams earns honor

Colby Williams has been named an All-American Scholar by the United States Achievement Academy.
 The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award program to offer recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3 or higher grade point average. These scholars are eligible for other awards given by USAA.
 Williams is a student at Dimmitt Middle School and he was nominated for the national award by Rose Ball, a teacher at the school. His name and biography will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook, published nationally.
 Williams is the son of Gary and Teresa Williams of Dimmitt, and he is the grandson of Lavon Leon, and Charlie and Bess Williams, all of Hereford.



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS FOR 1998-99 at Dimmitt High School were named recently. Those selected are (front, from left) **Kassandra DeLaCruz** (alternate), **Jessica Garcia**, **Stephanie Flores**, **Brenda Flores** and **Christina Moctezuma** (alternate); and (back, from left) **Jessica Flores**, **Becky Ramirez** (mascot), **Cassie McLean**, **Brittany Porter**, **Lindsey Welch**, and **Daphanie Rivera**. The group's sponsor is **Jennifer Edwards**. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Class of 1988 to set reunion

The Dimmitt High School Class of 1988 is making plans for a 10-year reunion.
 The reunion is scheduled for mid-July.
 Organizers said they need addresses of class members so that as many can be contacted as soon as possible. Any who know of the whereabouts of members of the class are asked to contact the reunion committee.
 Committee members are having difficulty getting any leads on Johnnie Chavers, Millie Cordova, Norma Corrales, Lisa Garcia, Johnny Garza, Warren McDonald, Armondo Montalvo, Melissa Morales, Anant Patel, Romaldo Sandoval, Alex Trigo, Guadalupe Yanez and Miguel Yanez.
 Those wanting to send addresses of class members may send them to Class of '88, HCR 5 Box 25, Dimmitt 79027.
 Also, those interested may contact Carla Schilling at 806-647-2401 or Carla Pybus Humphrey at 806-291-0004.
 "We want to hear from everyone, and we would be glad to hear any ideas you may have for the reunion activities," Schilling said.

Band Banquet set Saturday

The Dimmitt High School Bobcat Band will hold its annual banquet Saturday from 6:30 to 8 p.m., followed by a dance from 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.
 The combined events will be held in the Expo Building.
 Bill Sava will provide entertainment for the banquet, including some karaoke numbers. Band members, band parents and immediate family members are invited to attend the banquet.
 The dance will be open to students who are freshmen in high school through those who are 20 years of age. Admission will be \$3 per person or \$5 per couple. Z-93 will be the D.J.
 Sava also may present additional karaoke numbers for the dance.

Museum group to meet today

The Castro County Museum Association will meet today (Thursday) at 5 p.m. at the Castro County Museum, on West Halsell in Dimmitt.
 The monthly meeting is open to all interested persons.

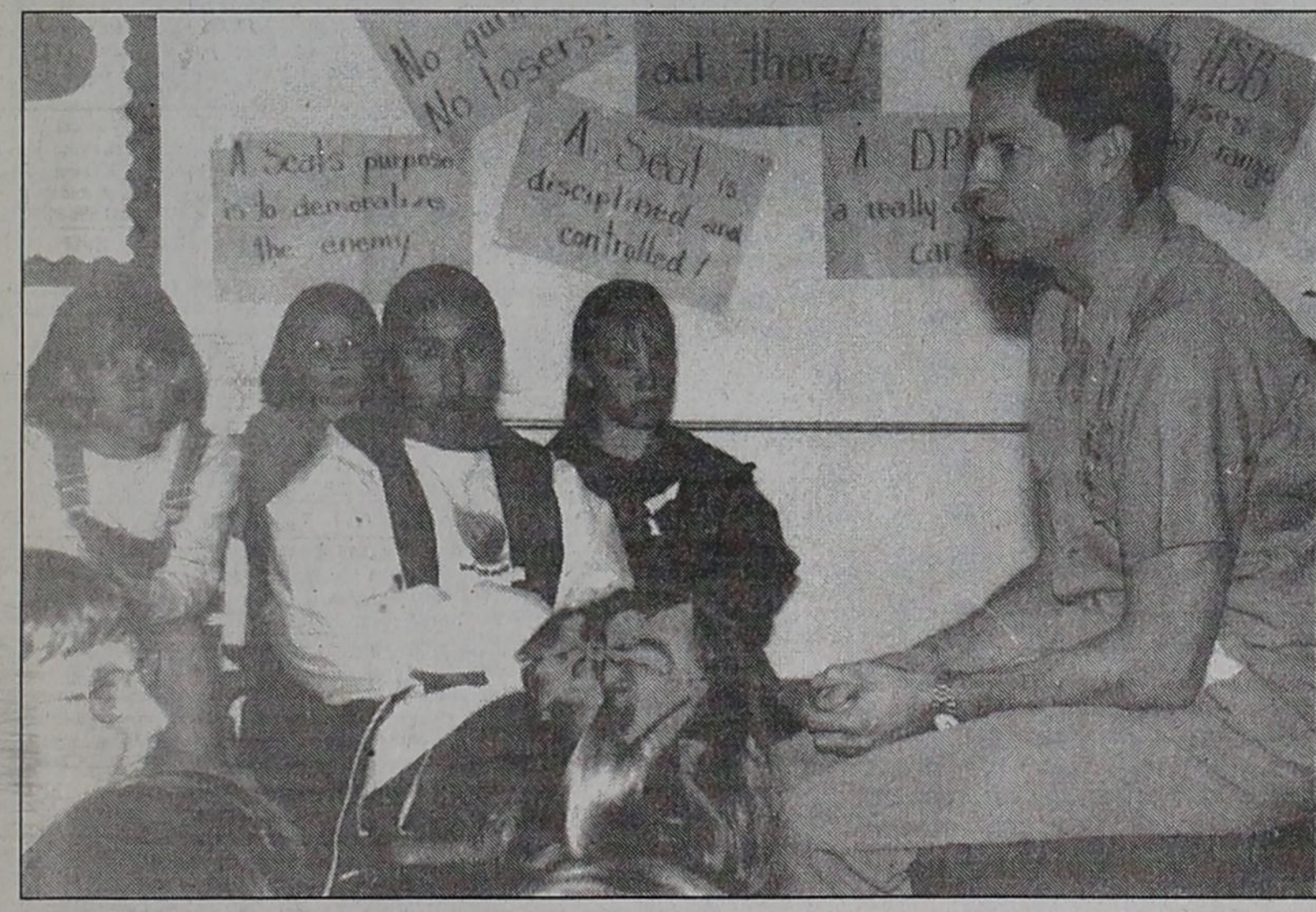
Harrington Center sets skin screening

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will hold a free skin cancer screening clinic from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday.
 The clinic will be held at the center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., in Amarillo.
 Sponsors of the event include the center, six area dermatologists, the American Academy of Dermatology, and the American Cancer Society.
 The free clinic is open to everyone.
 Skin cancer is the most prevalent of all cancers. Estimates vary on its occurrence, but it is estimated that approximately 700,000 Americans develop skin cancer every year. Fortunately, skin cancers are relatively easy to detect and most can be cured. Even malignant melanoma, if caught in its early stages, can be treated successfully.
 Dermatologists say that one helpful way to guard against melanoma/skin cancer is to perform periodic self-examinations.
 For more information, call Kathryn Hughes at the center at 359-4673, ext. 283; or 1-800-274-4673.

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A NAVY SEAL—Chief Boatswain Mate Joe Hill, 35, spoke to the Gifted/Talented class at Dimmitt Middle School recently. He told the class about the rigorous selection process and training that the SEAL candidates must undergo. Hill has been a SEAL for 14 years, and has served as a training instructor for the past five years. He is a nephew of the late Robert Benton and is married to the former Laurie Sides.

Obituaries

Jim Stewart

Jim Stewart, 84, of Plainview, brother of Jimmy Stewart of Dimmitt, died Saturday at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock.

Services were held Tuesday in Wood-Dunning Funeral Home Chapel with T.A. Williams of Ash and Carver Church of Christ officiating. Burial followed in Plainview Cemetery under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home.

Mr. Stewart was born June 15, 1913, in Dallas. He married Lillian Sterling on June 15, 1940, in Kauffman. He moved to Plainview in 1997. He was a member of the Church of Christ. He had farmed in Olton and Dimmitt.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Belinda Stewart Chance of Plainview; two sons, Pete Stewart of Dalhart and Jimmy Stewart of Dimmitt; 13 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Robert Taylor

Services for Robert "Bob" Taylor, 69, of Sudan, were held Monday in the Sudan First Baptist Church with Rev. Cliff Hargrove, pastor, and the Rev. Cliff Houghton, pastor of Fairview Assembly of God in Amarillo, officiating. Burial followed in Sudan Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mr. Taylor was born in Paris, Texas and had been a resident of the Sudan and Circleback areas since 1944. He served in the Korean Conflict.

He married Martha Merrell in 1953 at Clovis, N.M. He had worked for Nichols Oil Co. and had owned restaurants in Hart and Sudan.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Sudan.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Sheribob Johnston of Amarillo; three sisters, Ethel Smart of Morton, Joy Apalategui of Pico Rivera, Calif., and Gayle Hammonds of Midland; and three brothers, Jerry M. Taylor of Odessa, Larry J. Taylor of Nacona and R. Dennis Taylor of Castle Rock, Colo.

The family suggests memorials be to Sudan Fire Dept.

Head Start registration set May 8

The Head Start program at Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt will be taking applications on May 8 for enrollment in the classes.

Parents or guardians of children who will be 4 years old on or before Sept. 1 may apply for the program. Qualifying criteria include whether a family is on public assistance (meeting income guidelines), if a child has a documented disability, or if the child is in foster care.

Children are enrolled based on need, not on a first come, first served basis.

Those applying need to bring the child's birth certificate, income verification, immunization records, Social Security numbers, proof of public assistance, and (if applicable) a health insurance card and documentation of disability.

Applicants will be notified of the child's enrollment status prior to the first day of school. Children who qualify, but are not enrolled will be placed on a waiting list to be enrolled as slots become available.

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romantic short stories, and had been published in the *Saturday Evening Post*.)

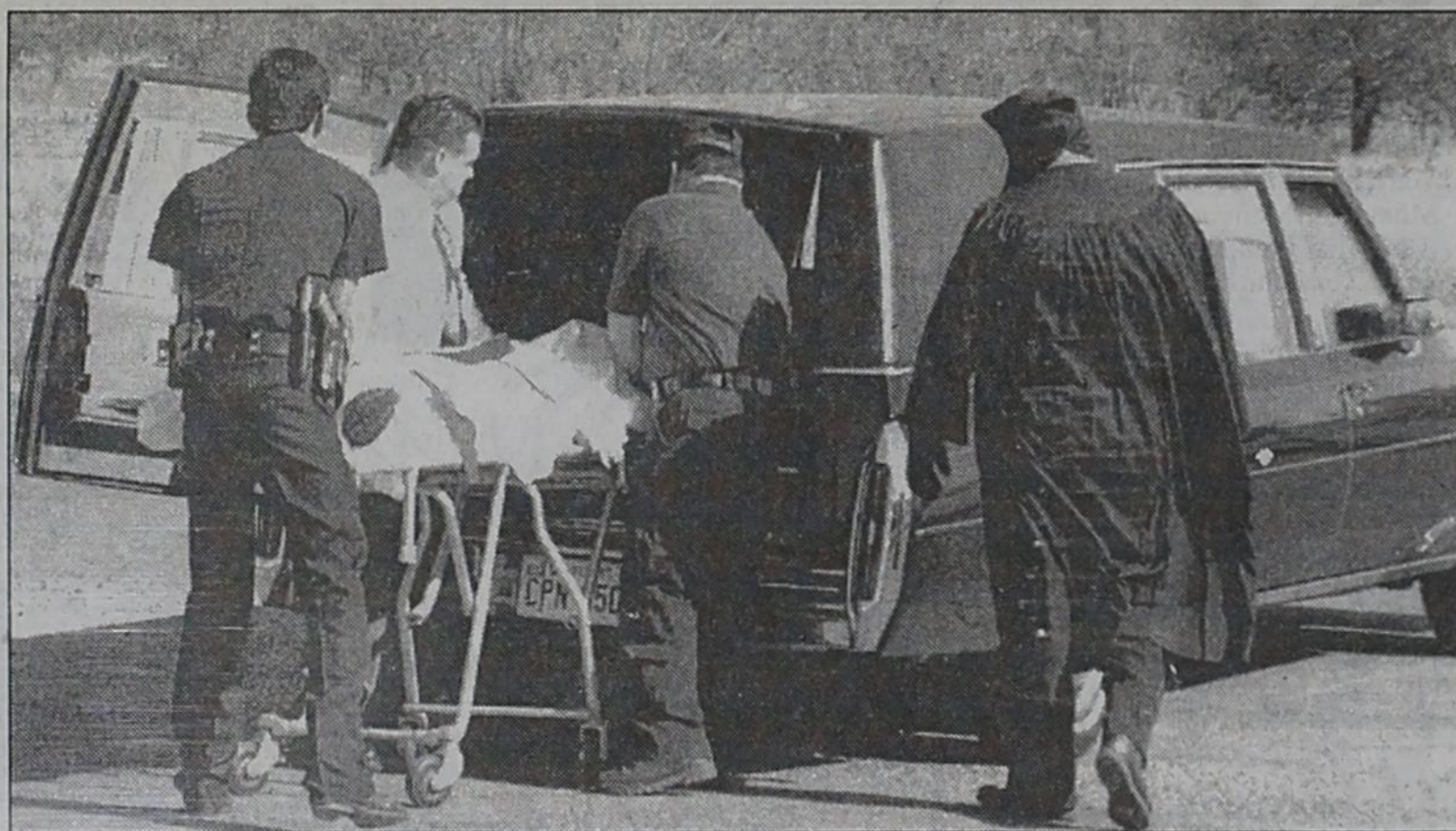
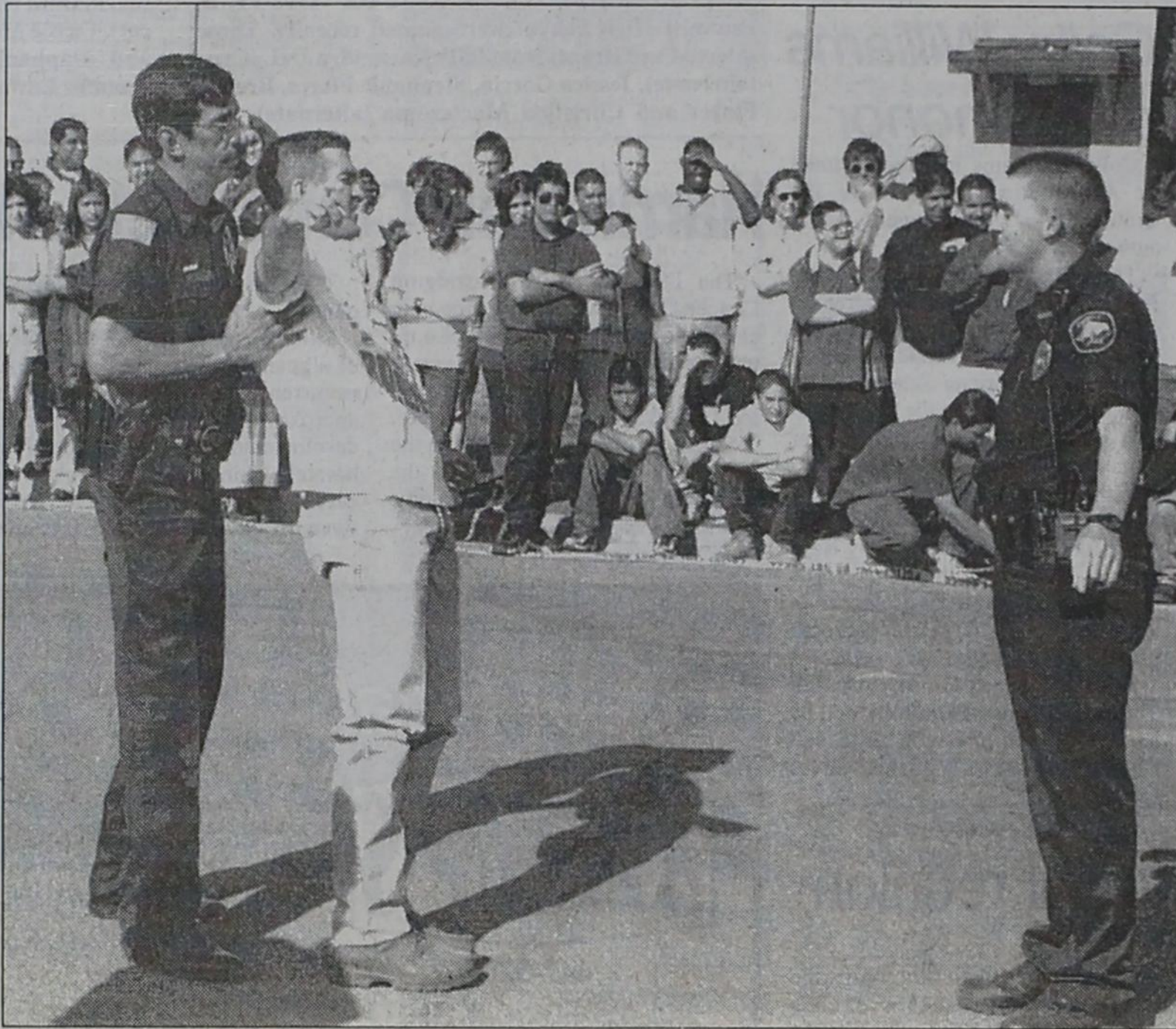
He told of the time he and a group of athletes were in New York for a meet and decided to take in the ballet.

At one point, the lead male dancer entered a scene by leaping through an open window from offstage.

The guys couldn't believe the leap, he said. They went backstage after the performance and asked the dancer if he would do it again so they could measure it. He obliged.

With just a three-step start, the male ballet dancer was breaking the world long-jumping record during every performance.

The full name of Los Angeles is "El Pueblo de Nuestra Senora la Reina de los Angeles de Porciuncula" and can be abbreviated to 3.63% of its size, "L.A."



DIMMITT HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS and county emergency personnel show what can happen if you drive drunk during a special program at the school Friday morning. In the top photo, Travis Crow, who was cast as the driver, leans on the wreckage and watches emergency crews work on his buddy, Andy Hill, who is portraying the victim receiving CPR. In

the second photo, Dimmitt Police Officers Santos Perez (left) and Ryan Hitt administer a field sobriety test to Crow, who "fails," and is "arrested" for driving while intoxicated. The bottom photo shows the victim, Hill, being loaded into a hearse as the grim reaper, portrayed by Sal Rivera (right), looks on.

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Scholarship funded for ag cooperative study

The agricultural cooperative that was once the world's largest exporter of wheat gave an endowed scholarship in the amount of \$31,700 to the Texas A&M University Dept. of Agricultural Economics.

The Producers Grain Corporation educational trust fund was established 10 years ago when the Producers Grain Corporation began to downsize and prepare for the company's liquidation.

Tom Engleke, trust fund executive director and a 1975 Texas A&M graduate, said the original planners wanted to create a fund for Texas A&M students who wanted to further their study of agricultural cooperatives.

"Most students wanting to study cooperatives go through ag economics, so that's where we decided to send the money," he said.

Bill Clark, former secretary of the board at Producers Grain Corporation and a 1950 graduate of Texas A&M, said he and the original planners wanted to use money left from the company's liquidation to establish the educational trust fund.

"Since the company was closing its

doors, we decided to use the funds that producers were to return to the cooperative to establish this educational fund," he said. "The producers had the option of putting the money into the trust or back into the corporation, and most everyone opted for the trust fund."

The funds were appropriated for this trust almost 10 years ago and the money has finally arrived at Texas A&M.

"It is great that we can finally put this money to use," said Clark. "Our initial intentions are finally being realized."

Dr. Edward G. Smith, Distinguished Roy B. Davis Professor of Agricultural Cooperation and Extension, said the cooperative industry has been a longtime supporter of Texas A&M, and this is another example of their commitment to education.

"We've always had a good relationship with the cooperatives," said Smith. "It's great that they have helped to establish this fund for those who are interested in cooperative management."

Volanty heads state association

Dr. Kathy Volanty, director of family and consumer sciences with the Texas Agricultural Extension Services for the South Plains District, has been elected president of the Texas Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

She was installed at the organization's state meeting on March 7 in Dallas.

Volanty will serve a one-year term and will represent the state in June at the meeting of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences in Atlanta. The state association has more than 800 members.

At the Dallas conference, more than 250 Texas Association of Family and Consumer Sciences members attended professional development sessions.

"The meeting focused on the intergenerational issues all families face—of parenting young children and teens, nutrition and health, and housing choices for the aging—and the extra challenge when these all come at once," said Volanty.

A native of Canyon, Volanty holds bachelor of science and master of science degrees in home economics from Texas Tech University and a Ph.D. from Texas A&M University. She began her Extension Service career in 1971 as an assistant county agent in Potter County. She became county agent there in 1973, then transferred to Hutchinson County in 1976.

In 1977 she was named Central District Director at Stephenville, became Coastal Bend District Director at Corpus Christi in 1981 and became South Plains District Director in 1988.

Certified in Family and Consumer Sciences by the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, she holds numerous major awards for leadership and service. They include the Extension Superior Service Award for Administration, Distinguished Service Award from the Texas and National Associations of Extension 4-H Agents, the Diversity Award from the Texas Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, Headliner Award from Women in Communications, Inc., and the State

Distinguished Service Award from Epsilon Sigma Phi, the Extension Service professional society.

In addition to the Texas Association of Family and Consumer Sciences and American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, she is active in the Texas Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, the Texas and National Association of Extension 4-H Agents, the Texas Council on Family Relations, and the Altrusa Club of Lubbock. She is currently one of 100 women participating in the 1998 class of Leadership Texas.

The American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences was founded in 1909. Its mission is to bring about the optimal well being of families, individuals and communities. To do this, it works to empower its members to address continuing and emerging concerns, to focus their expertise for action on critical issues and to assume leadership among organizations with mutual purposes.

Priority issues for the group include building and strengthening families and communities to provide optimal environment for youth development; maximizing community resources and volunteers to help families meet their needs; promoting research and education to positively impact mid- and late-life; promote health and wellness throughout life; and to educate professionals, families and individuals on emerging technologies and their ethical implications.

DYF to meet

The Dimmitt Young Farmers will meet next Thursday (May 7) at 7 p.m. in the Dimmitt High School ag shop.

"This will be our scholarship meeting," a club spokesman said. "All members are urged to attend."



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