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## Harvest Days '99

## Fair, parade, games will highlight Saturday bash

There will be something to entertain everyone this year at the annual Harvest Days celebration and county fair, which starts today (Thursday) and continues through Saturday in Dimmitt.

The big county-wide celebration starts today with a pedal tractor pull, just for the children. Friday will find the Expo Building filled with homemade pies, cakes, cookies and other goodies, canned goods, hand-crafted items, artwork and more as county residents enter their finest creations in the county fair and quilt show.

Those items entered in the fair will Center. be judged Friday and entries will remain on display through Saturday, the biggest day of the celebration.

The Expo Building will be open Saturday at 9 a.m. for visitors to booths at the arts and crafts show.

The day's festivities really explode at 10 a.m. when the annual Harvest Days parade begins winding through the streets of Dimmitt.

Following the parade, the action will be centered at the Expo Building and at the Dimmitt Senior Citizens

Beginning at 10:45 a.m. and continuing through the lunch hour at the Expo Building, live music will be provided by Mercury Fall, a band featuring Dimmitt natives Joshua and and Paul Miller of Amarillo.

The annual Early Settlers' Reunion will be held at the Dimmitt Senior Citizens' Center, and registration for the reunion will start at 9 a.m. A potluck dinner will be served at 12 noon at the center for those who register for the reunion.

At 12 noon, fair goers will be able to choose from a large variety of foods for lunch at the Expo Building-everything from hamburgers, fajitas, baked potatoes, chef's salads and more for a main course. A slice view the fair exhibits and browse the Justin Roberts along with Nick Bell of homemade pie will provide the perfect dessert for a meal.

A lean ground beef recipe contest and homemade fruit pie contest are planned for early Saturday afternoon and the judge's picks will be announced later in the afternoon.

The annual pet show, featuring some of the county's finest fourlegged friends dressed as cats, dogs, rabbits and more; as well as a few baby chicks, and other favorite pets are expected to be present for the parade before Dr. W. J. Hill of Dimmitt Veterinary Clinic. The show will start at 12:15 p.m. on the southeast corner of the Expo Building.

The fourth, fifth and sixth grade choirs from Dimmitt Middle School will perform on the Expo Building Stage, beginning at 1 p.m.

Also starting at 1 will be the 4-H Goat and Poultry Show and the Dimmitt Fire Dept. Reserves' water polo competition.

At 1:30 p.m., fiddlers of all ages will take the stage in the Expo Building for the annual fiddlers' contest and that will provide inside live musical entertainment during the after-

The cow patty bingo will start at 2:15 when a cow is released into a penned area on the southeast side of the Expo, and who knows when the winner will be named. That's up to the cow.

Pre-school playtime, featuring games for kids, will start at 3:30 p.m. in the Expo Building.

The VFW's second round of a three-week goat-roping competition will start at 4 p.m. at the VFW Post in Dimmitt.

Also at 4 p.m., the Chamber will sponsor a hula hoop contest at the Expo, with the top hula hooper receiving a Fuzz Beanie Baby.

A barbecue supper catered by Desperados, a branch of Dyer's Barbecue, will be served at the Expo

Building from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

The Castro County 4-H Horse Club will conduct a team rodeo and ladies' greased pig contest, along with several activities for children, Saturday beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Dimmitt Rodeo Arena.

The day's activities will conclude with a free dance at the Expo Building. Music will be provided by Janet Denton & The Six Shooters.

## Braafladt is honored as parade marshal

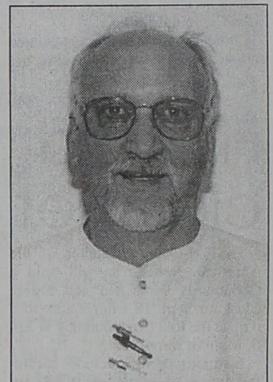
Dimmitt Lions Club for more than 20 years, Chuck Braafladt of Dimmitt will be honored saturday as the Parade Marshal for the 1999 Castro County Harvest Days Parade.

A Lion since 1968, Braafladt has served the club in every office except secretary and treasurer. He also has served as the longtime chairman of the annual Lions' Pancake Supper.

Braafladt said a highlight of his years in the Lions included his participation in the Lions Club Follies, which later became the Dimmitt Follies, with the entire community participating. He was honored with a plaque of appreciation at this year's Follies performances for his many years of singing and bringing laughter to the stage with his wry portrayals of humorous characters.

He has served on the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and formerly served as president of the Jaycees. He was president of the Castro County Recreation Associa-

After organizing parades for the tion twice, and served as chairman of the Clean Up, Fix Up, Pride Up cam-(Continued on Page 16)



**Chuck Braafladt** 



UM-M-M, GOOD!-Robert Wilhite lifts a rack of you-know-what out of the vat at the annual Bethel

Chicken Fry last Thursday night. A huge crowd attended the event at the Bethel Community Building. Photo by Don Nelson

#### By Don Nelson

A tale to help get football season

kicked off: Brett Favre dies after having lived a full life. And, having quarterbacked the Green Bay Packers, naturally he goes to Heaven.

God is showing him around, and they come upon a pretty little bungalow with a small Packers banner in the window.

"This is your home for eternity, Brett," the Lord says. "This is very special. Not everyone gets a house up here.'

Brett feels special indeed as he surveys his new heavenly home. But then he notices another house nearby - a three-story mansion of marble, with a sidewalk of blue gemstones and silver, a 50-ft. flagpole bearing a huge Cowboys banner, and a blueand-silver star decorating every win-

"Lord, I don't want to appear ungrateful," Brett says, "but I have a problem here."

"What's that, Brett?" God asks. "Well, I was an all-pro quarterback. I won a Super Bowl. I'm in the Hall of Fame," Brett says. "Why does Troy Aikman get a better house

than I get?" God chuckles and says, "Brett, that isn't Troy Aikman's house. It's mine."

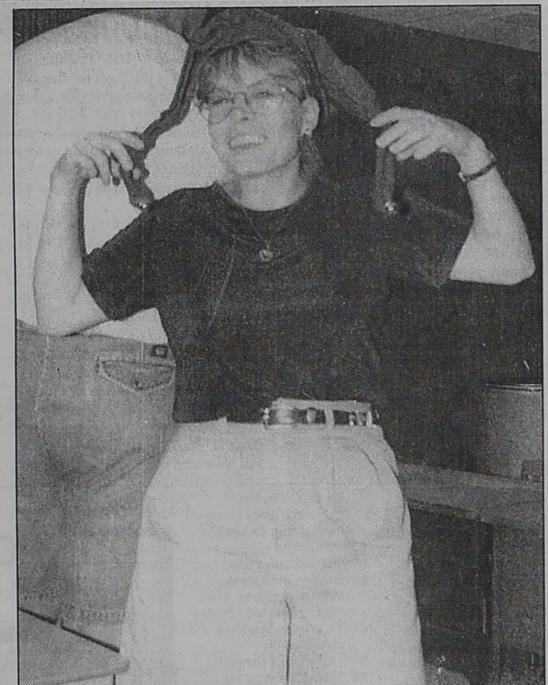
There was no public prayer before the opening game at Bobcat Stadium (Continued on Page 16)

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Readings taken every day at 7 a.m. at KDHN, official National Weather Service recording station for Dimmitt.



JEANIE BIRKENFELD of Nazareth has a blast showing how much fun you can have while wearing a jester hat, which was one of the prizes awarded to children playing numerous games during Nazareth's Labor Day Picnic Sunday afternoon. Plinko, pick-a-pocket, bingo, bean bag toss and more entertained the younger crowd Sunday afternoon. The day's celebration included a parade, roast beef dinner, games, an auction, adult bingo, water games, barrel rides, kids' games, hamburger supper and Photo by Anne Acker more.

## Merchants plan to offer 'Fair Deal Friday' specials

are planning to offer in-store specials Friday as part of the Castro County Harvest Days celebration and county

Participating merchants in Hart and Dimmitt will display "Fair Deal Friday" signs in their windows and will have special "Castro County Fair" deals for their customers.

The Dimmitt Chamber of Com-

Several Castro County merchants merce is sponsoring the event and hopes to continue the promotion each year.

> always offer a 'fair deal,' but this Friday they're offering a Castro Chamber Executive Director Bill Sava.

## **GTE** agrees to sell local access lines

GTE has agreed to sell more than 300,000 customer access lines in parts of Texas to dba Communications, LLC, a closely-held new entrant in the telecommunications industry. Financial terms were not disclosed.

Included in the sale are customer access lines serving Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth.

dba Communications was formed by the private equity firms of Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe (WCAS), Vestar Capital Partners and Citicorp Venture Capital in partnership with several prominent Hispanic-American investors with long-standing ties to the business community and governmental institutions in the Southwest.

The transaction includes 197 of GTE's local telephone exchanges and 307,180 access lines in Texas. In (Continued on Page 2)

### Football contest starts this week

The Castro County News is one of dozens of newspapers around the Lone Star State that will participate in the 1999 Texas Power Points Football Contest, which features a \$1,000 cash prize to the weekly state-wide winner.

In addition to the weekly state winner, there is always a local winner. The News will award a weekly local prize of \$20 to the contestant who tallies the high score among entries submitted locally.

The entry form will appear in the News each Thursday and the deadline for contest entry will be at 2 p.m. on Friday, except during the weeks of Thanksgiving and for the contest week of Oct. 11, due to the Columbus Day holiday the following Monday. Early deadlines will be announced as they arise.

Completed forms should be re-"Our Castro County merchants turned to the News office at 108 W. Bedford.

Featuring primarily National County Fair-Fair Deal. That's the Football League (NFL) games, but only difference," said Dimmitt including a healthy dose of Big Twelve Conference and other Texas (Continued on Page 2)



MERCURY FALL-A rock and roll band that also plays comtemporary Christian music is comprised of (standing, from left) Nick Bell on drums, Josh Roberts who is the lead vocalist and sometimes plays back-up guitar, and Justin Roberts on lead guitar; and (kneeling) Paul Miller on bass guitar. The group will be part of the entertainment at the Castro County Harvest Days celebration in Dimmitt on Saturday. Courtesy Photo

# Mercury Fall includes two Dimmitt natives

Dimmitt natives Josh and Justin Roberts are members of the rock and roll band known as Mercury Fall, which will be performing in Dimmitt Saturday during the annual Castro County Harvest Days celebration.

The sons of Jackie and Beth Roberts of Dimmitt, the two now live in Amarillo. The other two members of the band are Paul Miller and Nick Bell, both of Amarillo.

Josh is the lead vocalist for the members voting on it. group and also plays back-up guitar. He also supplies some harmonica stylings from time to time. Justin plays lead guitar.

Bell is the drummer and Miller plays bass guitar.

The Roberts brothers have played together—musically—for about four years, while Josh has been into the guitar scene for about six years. Both

have been self-taught in their guitar playing, although Josh did have some musical training from his days in band in his middle school years.

The two have had others playing with them at different times and have gone through several name changes for their group, including "The Blue Eighteens," "December," and now "Mercury Fall." They arrived at that name democratically, by the group

While working at a lumber company in Amarillo, Josh happened to mention to a co-worker that the band needed a drummer. The co-worker was Bell's mother. Bell brought along his friend, Miller.

Mercury Fall has made several appearances at Brewster's, a popular pub in downtown Amarillo. They

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#### More about

## GTE sells access lines

(Continued from Page 1)

Texas, 401 GTE employees will become employees of dba Communications at the close of the sale. In addition, dba Communications will acquire 91,904 customer access lines in New Mexico.

Upon closing, dba Communications will be among the 20 largest local exchange companies in the United States, as measured by access

This is the most recent agreement in GTE's previously announced initiative to sell approximately 1.6 million telephone lines in the United States. To date, GTE has agreements to sell more than 1.3 million access lines in 10 states.

"We are very pleased with the transaction. It represents another significant milestone in our wireline property repositioning process and a major step toward increased ownership diversity in the telecommunications industry," said John Appel, president of GTE Network Services. "Equally important, the agreement includes provisions for the fair and equitable treatment of the affected GTE employees in Texas and New Mexico.

It was also announced that Anne K. Bingaman, formerly a member of the senior management team at LCI International (now Qwest Communications) and former US Assistant Attorney General for Antitrust, will serve as chief executive officer of dba Communications.

"dba Communications is excited about the opportunity to serve our

## First aid class set

The Tri-County Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold a Community First Aid and Safety Class on Sept. 18 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Red Cross building at 224 S. Main in Hereford.

Instruction will include cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for infants, children and adults. Instructor for the class will be Tyson Foerster. Prive Jeronnies to bromen

For more information or to register for the class, call 364-3761.

More about

"If you have never taken a class taught by Tyson, it will be a real treat for you," a chapter spokesperson said. "He makes the class quite a memorable experience."

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college games, Texas Power Points

offers a unique twist on the tradi-

tional pick-the-winners football con-

ning teams, but they also must rank

their selections along a weighted

point scale according to their confi-

dence in them. The 16-point line is

the most valuable, the 1-point is the

least valuable. Your "surest" guess

goes on the 16-point line, and your

"least sure" guess goes on the 1-point

line. The points total 136. The win-

ner of the \$1,000 each week is the

person who amasses the most of

those 136 points. Tiebreakers—you

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new communities in Texas and New Mexico," Bingaman said. "We are confident that with the dedicated team of local employees already in place, we will continue to offer quality voice and data communications services and become a valuable partner in the communities we serve."

Thoms E. McInerney, a general partner at Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe, said "dba Communications represents the latest in a series of large transactions sponsored by WCAS in the telecommunications industry. The formation of dba Communications to acquire these properties from GTE reflects the belief that the local access market in rural communities provides a unique investment opportunity. dba Communications will focus on providing outstanding local customer service and providing additional services and features to its customers to allow them to benefit from the continued evolution of communications technology, including Internet access and high-speed data access."

"We and the Hispanic investors appreciate the opportunity GTE has provided to encourage minority entry into the rural telecommunications market and we look forward to delivering quality service to the communities we will be serving in Texas," said Federico Peña, senior advisor to Vestar Capital Partners and former Secretary of Transportation and Energy in the Clinton Administration.

Since May, GTE has reached agreements to sell:

186,839 GTE customer access lines in Arizona, California and Minnesota to Citizens Utilities.

\* 20,564 access lines in Alaska to the Alaska Telephone Exchange Acquisition Corporation, a consortium of four Alaska-based compa-

\* 280,422 access lines in Iowa to Iowa Network Services, Inc.

\* 116,149 access lines in Missouri to Spectra Communications Group,

\* 213,651 access lines in Arkansas and 64,798 access lines in Wisconsin to Century Tel, Inc.

\* 61,612 access lines in Wisconsin to Telephone USA of Wisconsin, LLC.

\* GTE Government Systems, except for the Information Systems Division, to General Dynamics.

\*GTE Airforce to Oak Hill Capital

Proceeds from the sale of GTE wireline properties—as well as GTE Airfone and GTE Government Systems-will be used for invest-

them violates this rule. Any such

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and decisions of the judges are final.

Full official rules accompany each

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ment in other strategic initiatives, including GTE's recent purchase of Ameritech wireless properties in Illinois and Missouri.

The deals do not affect GTE's offering of wireless, long-distance and Internet services to customers in Texas. Current directory publishing agreements will continue, at last until Dec. 31, 2001. In addition, current rates will remain in effect, but may be subject to review by state and federal agencies after the closing of the transaction.

Approval of the sale is required by the Texas regulatory commission, the Federal Communications Commission, and the US Dept. of Justice. The closing of the sales and transfer of GTE operations to dba Communications are expected to be completed by mid-year 2000. Post closing, GTE will still own and operate wireline properties serving more than 1.65 million access lines in Texas.

## **Sutton cops** player of the week honors

Justin Sutton of Dimmitt has been named the Class AAA Player of the Week by the Amarillo Globe-News and the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal for his performance in the Bobcats' 33-14 win over Sundown Friday.

The running back/defensive back picked up 168 yards and scored three touchdowns on runs of 10, 25 and 70 yards, returned a kickoff 80 yards for another touchdown and picked off a Roughneck pass. Sutton also kicked an extra point and ran for another.

Earning honorable mention honors this week in the Amarillo Globe-News poll was Nazareth tailback Cameron McLain, who rushed for 264 yards and four touchdowns in leading the Swifts over Lubbock Christian, 48-13.

### More about Mercury Fall

(Continued from Page 1) also have made appearances at a free outdoor concert at Sam Houston Park in Amarillo and at a promotional event for Hastings on Memorial Day.

The group plays selections from music made popular by Creed, Stevie Ray Vaughn, and Collective Soul. They also have a few original compositions, with words by Josh and music by Justin, with help from the other band members.

They also play contemporary Christian music, and would like to expand their repertoire into that area names of your friends or relatives on a little more.

The Roberts brothers are both Christians, as is Bell. They try to work in Christian songs whenever they can as a witness to their faith. In addition, they hope to expand their opportunities by playing at area churches.

Josh and Justin work in the computer graphics department of a directory company in Amarillo, designing yellow pages ads.

Justin is married to the former Jada Ethridge of Hart, and they have a baby daughter, Jewel

#### NGSP seeks contest entries

The National Grain Sorghum Producers is holding its annual yield and management contest and farmers are encouraged to enter their sorghum yields, according to James Vorderstrasse, contest chairman.

Sorghum growers from across the US compete each year to determine how their yields stack up on the county, state and national levels.

Competition divisions include nonirrigated conventional tillage, irrigated conventional tillage, non-irrigated no-till, non-irrigated mulch-till, and irrigated ridge-till. First, second and third place winners are named in each division.

Those interested in entering may contact NGSP at 806-298-4501. Entry forms also are available at NGSP's website at: ..Tuesday Noon sorghumgrowers.com

> An entry fee of \$35 must accompany each entry/contest plot. Contestants must be members of NGSP; however, dues may accompany the entry. State and national winners will be recognized at NGSP's annual conference in Corpus Christi in Feb-

The first air-conditioned cars were



## Police Calls

In an incident of assault/bodily injury, a Dimmitt woman, 25, told police Saturday night that a suspect grabbed her by the throat and push-

Three misdemeanor assaults were reported during the week. Last Thursday at 4:30 p.m., a 16-year-old juvenile told police that a suspect assaulted him in the 100 block of Northwest Seventh. Friday at 1:32 p.m., an 18-year-old Dimmitt man said that a suspect used his fist to strike him on his neck. Sunday at 9 p.m., an 18-year-old Dimmitt woman told police that a suspect struck a child.

Richard P. Gonzales of Dimmitt told deputies Aug. 29 that two calves were missing from their pen south of the FFA pens. One calf was a solid black female and the other was a male, red with white face. Both weighed between 600 and 800 pounds.

Another cattle theft was reported Sunday morning by Hubert Backus of Nazareth. He told deputies that someone took four calves from the Lester Backus Dairy, 2 miles east and .6 mile north of Nazareth. The animals are valued at a total of \$900.

In a traffic stop Friday night, police stopped a van carrying four juveniles and three adults. The driver was a juvenile, and was charged with driving under the influence. Passengers in the vehicle were charged with being minors in possession of an alcoholic beverage, and one attempted to flee after he was placed under arrest. One of the adults was charged with furnishing alcohol to

Deputies jailed four Dimmitt women on Sept. 1 for disorderly conduct.

Early Saturday, a 31-year-old Hereford man was jailed for DWI, second offense. Sunday night, a Dimmitt man, 20, was jailed for DWI, first offense. Sunday night, a Dimmitt woman, 36, was jailed for DWI, first offense.

John Craig Fuller of Dimmitt told deputies last Thursday that someone had illegally dumped dead animals on county roads and private property along the "new dumpground road."

Early Sunday, a suspect was charged with disorderly conduct for

using profanities in public and causing a disturbance.

Friday a Dimmitt man, 40, was jailed for driving while license suspended.

Theft by check charges were listed against a 22-year-old Plainview man who was jailed Sept. 1.

A Midland woman, 44, was jailed last Thursday for tampering with government records and theft, over \$1,500 and under \$20,000.

Picked up on warrants were:

-Aug. 31, a Dimmitt woman, 43, for cruelty to animals; a Happy man, 25, for possession of a controlled substance. —Sept. 1, a Dimmitt man for

aggravated assault with serious bodily injury; an Amarillo man, 32, for DWI, third offense.

-Saturday, a Dimmitt man, 25, for theft by check.

Aug. 22 at midnight, Victor Manuel Rivas, 19, of Dimmitt was driving a 1983 Chevrolet Blazer, and missed a turn at a dead end out at the Azteca Complex, went over a curb and struck a fence, causing an estimated \$100 in damage to the fence. No injuries were reported. Damage

to the Blazer was light. Rivas was given a ticket for no driver's license and for an expired inspection sticker.

Aug. 30, a 1986 GMC pickup driven by Juan Prieto Jr., 14, of Dimmitt, collided with a 1984 Chevrolet pickup driven by John Paul Ramos, 20, of Dimmitt. Damage to both vehicles was rated light and no injuries were reported. Prieto was ticketed for driving without a license and no proof of liability insurance. The collision was in the 600 block of East Dulin.

Last Thursday at 2:40 p.m. at the intersection of FM 3215 and Southwest 12th, a 1993 Ford pickup driven by Orville Rex Lust, 47, of Dimmitt. attempted to pass a 1976 Chevrolet pickup driven by Rogelio Angel Rivera, 18, of Dimmitt, when Rivera decided to make a left turn. Damage to both vehicles was rated light to moderate. Lust was given a ticket for passing when unsafe, and Rivera was ticketed for no driver's license. The drivers were reported to have no injuries, but a passenger in Rivera's vehicle had possible injury.

### 4-H Ambassador Workshop set November 12-14 in Brownwood

The Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood is the sight for the 1999 Texas 4-H Ambassador Workshop, which will be held Nov. 12-14.

The Texas 4-H Ambassador program was designed to utilize older 4-H members to project a clear and accurate image of the Texas 4-H Program.

At the workshop, 4-H'ers will tell and show audiences how 4-H has impacted them personally as well as others, and how the 4-H program is addressing key youth issues in the community and state.

To register for the workshop, team members must be 14 years of age on or before Aug. 31, 1999. A \$20 nonrefundable deposit is due by Oct. 15.

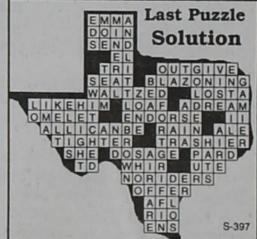
For those planning to arrive Friday night who won't be eating dinner that evening, registration cost is \$70. For those arriving Saturday morning,

The Original

fees will be \$51.75, and that includes breakfast.

Those planning to arrive Saturday morning will need to be there by 7:30 for breakfast and registration. Sessions will begin at 8:45 a.m.

For more information about the workshop, contact Castro County Assistant Extension Agent Benny Martinez at 647-4115.



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ALOHA, Y2K AND A 50-YEAR CHURCH history were themes of the winning floats in the Nazareth Labor Day Parade Sunday. The Nazareth cheerleaders (top photo) used a Hawaiian theme to decorate their float and it earned first-place honors in the parade. Second-place honors went to the Nazareth Museum (second photo) for its salute to

Holy Family Church, which is celebrating its 50th year in the current building this year. The prize for third place in the parade was presented to the American Legion and Auxiliary (third photo), which depicted warnings about things that could happen as we switch from 1999 to 2000 on Dec. 31.

Photo by Anne Acker

## Traveling tax help clinic will be offered in Amarillo

Solving tax problems often seems once and for all. hopeless, but the Internal Revenue Service is attempting to alleviate a few of the problems by offering a tax help clinic in Amarillo next Thursday, Sept. 16.

On Sept. 16, representatives from the IRS will be in Amarillo to host an IRS Problem Solving Day at 7201 West I-40, Room 105, from 2 to 7

p.m. "Sometimes the only way to get a tax problem solved is by sitting down face-to-face with a real, live human being who's capable of listening to the problem and offering solutions," said IRS District Director Ladd Ellis Jr. "What we do is bring all of the decision makers in one place to cut through the red tape and help people solve their tax problems

In a survey administered during the first quarter of this year, the HayGroup of Arlington, Va., found that 91% of Americans expressed a high level of satisfaction with Problem Solving Day. They rated their experience a 6.5 out of 7 possible

Fifty percent of the people who attended the Problem Solving Day reported that they received complete resolution of their problem. Of those people who did not receive complete resolution, 86% reached agreement with the IRS on what steps to take in order to resolve their problem.

The last time the IRS conducted a Problem Solving Day in Amarillo was in October 1998. A total of 44 taxpayers sought help during the

first-serve basis.

ule an appointment, call 359-2165.

All help at the IRS Problem Solving Day is free of charge. While people are encouraged to schedule an appointment, walk-ins on Sept. 16 will receive service on a first-come,

For more information or to sched-

# On the Go

I don't know if Elaine Heard had ared-letter day or a black one. She came of age Wednesday-she reached the 40-year mark. Several young girls got together at K-Bob's and helped her celebrate. I got the idea that the cake was x-rated. Some of the girls joining in the fun ere Shelly Nutt and Tami Nelson, Debbie Underwood, Connie Gilbreath, Melody Link and Sandy Machado.

Rayphard Smithson told me the old goats got together again and mowed and cleaned up around the museum. Those doing the volunteer work were Houston Lust, Tom O'Brian, Ted Stubblefield, Dale Winders, Rayphard Smithson, Bill Stevenson, Bill Henderson and Bill Birdwell. Four of the old goats didn't show up to work this time.

Dorothy Nutt called this week to check on her friends and to give us a report on how things are going with her. She is staying with Pam, who lives in Abilene.

Pam is expecting triplets in October. She has to stay in bed all of the time, but she's handling that okay for now.

Ruby Wilson, Dorothy Nutt's mother, had her 90th birthday recently and her children honored her with a party. Approximately 200 friends came by to wish her well. Ruby's children are Herschel of Sunnyside; Junior of Wolfforth, Lillian of Levelland, Bonnie of Ropesville and Dorothy of Dimmitt.

After the party, Ruby went home with her sister, who lives in Dallas. When it comes to going, Ruby and

run a close race.

Beth Schulte-Harder and her daughter, Lori Schulte, recently hosted a birthday party for members of their family.

Those in attendance were Denise, Dennis and Jayden Kirby of Lubbock; Kara, Travis and Hailey Bock of New Braunfels; Royce, Cindy, Jordan and Blake Schulte of Sunray; Nadine and Galin Latham of San Antonio; and Kaci Schulte of Canyon. Unable to attend was Gerald Harder of Canadian. Gerald is a mud engineer for Baker Hughes Inteq.

Dennis Kirby is recuperating from recent knee surgery. Denise works as a diagnostician for the Slaton Independent School District.

Kara Bock teaches fourth grade in New Braunfels and her husband, Travis, is a fireman in San Antonio.

Royce Schulte is a representative for Novartis Chemicals. His wife teaches computer technology in Sunray Junior High School.

Nadine Latham works for Snelling Medical in San Antonio. Her husband, Galen, will graduate from dental school in May.

Kaci is a sophomore at West Texas A&M University. She is a residents' assistant in Cousins Hall.

Ann and David Hays have gone to Fort Worth to help Scott and his wife move into their new home.

Scott and his wife have just recently moved from South Carolina. He is the owner/manager of Mail Pre-Sort.

Dondi, Scott's little sister, lives in Amarillo and is employed by Baptist/St. Anthony Home and Health Care.

Sandy Baker went to Lubbock on Tuesday to visit her daughter, son-inlaw and granddaughter, Jamie and Frank Mendoza and Reagan. The plan was for Reagan to come home with Sandy and stay a few days, but Jaime and Reagan weren't feeling up to par, so they just postponed the visit for awhile.

Dwight and Beth Joiner were the hosts for our Thursday Bridge Club. Dwight was the high scorer and Susie Reeves finished second. There were three tables of players.

## Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

The Labor Day weekend parish picnic was held Sunday and was a great success. Everyone seemed to do their assigned jobs and everything went great.

neat floats, which made it hard for the judges. First place was given to the Nazareth cheerleaders, second to the Nazareth Museum and third to the American Legion Auxiliary (Be Aware of Y2K). Honorable mention went to Don Acker.

The parade was headed by the Color Guard including Julius Birkenfeld, Dale Brockman, Dan Schilling and Art Brockman. The guard was followed by the young Swift Band, which played a couple of very good songs.

Everyone enjoyed a great meal and numerous activities. The horseshoe tournament drew a great number of teams with Pete Wheeler and Art Howes of Lubbock winning first place. Second place went to Henry Ramaekers and Keith Gerber and third went to Bryan Charanza and Marlon Backus.

It was great to see so many families and friends from the surrounding area come back to Nazareth for a fun day. It seemed to be a great time for young mothers to show off their new babies.

A surprise 30th birthday party was

held at the Nazareth Legion Hall Friday night for Norbert Acker. About 50 people attended, including his parents, Tony and Angela Acker; his brothers and sisters, friends and neighbors. It was a great party and The parade featured some really was one that Norbert will never for-

> Family members attended Peggy Birkenfeld's graduation on Aug. 19 at the Civic Center in Amarillo. She graduated with a master's degree in Texas A&M University.

> Family and friends gathered at the Birkenfeld back yard for a "Mexican fiesta" party on Friday, Aug. 20. Good food and fun was enjoyed by

Out-of-town guests included Peggy's mom, Rita Book of Bluffton, Roy and Alice Spear of Tulia and Lois Sinclair of Yuma,

A baby shower honoring Brynlee Shea Hill, infant daughter of Todd and Misty Hill of Lubbock, was held Saturday morning at the home of Mary Lou Schmucker.

Out-of-town guests were Darlene family nurse practitioner from West Maxfield of Amherst, Dorothy Dysart of Lubbock, Eyvonne Maxfield of Amherst, Misty's Aunt Barbara of Wolfforth, Audrey Harmon of Amherst, Traci, Anni and Ethan Scholl of Henrietta, Beverly Hill and Virgie Gerber.

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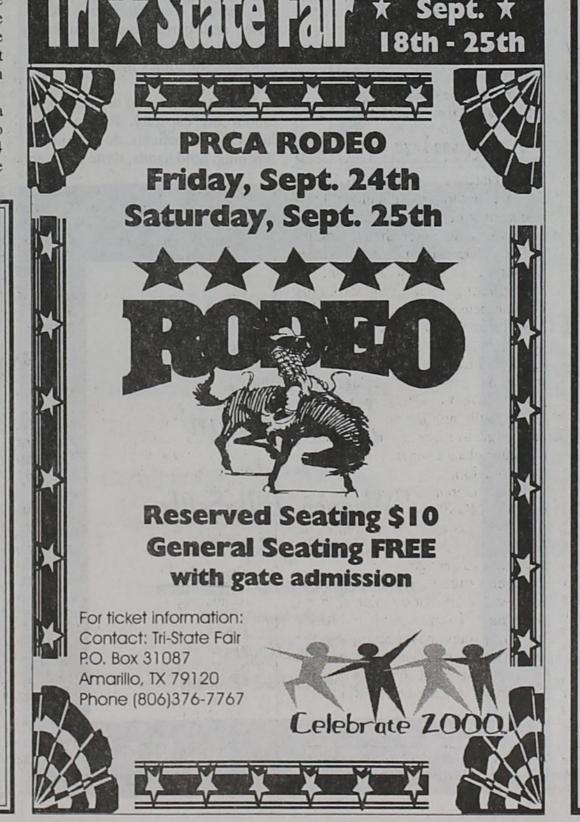
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# People

### Junior 4-Hers can attend leadership retreat

Junior 4-H'ers can learn numerous basic personal skills and leadership techniques by attending the 1999 Junior Leadership Retreat Nov. 19-21 at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood.

The retreat is for 4-H'ers between

the ages of 11 and 13.

Participants must be at least 11 on or before Aug. 31, 1999, and cannot be older than 14 on or before that date. Participants must send a \$20 non-refundable deposit with the registration form.

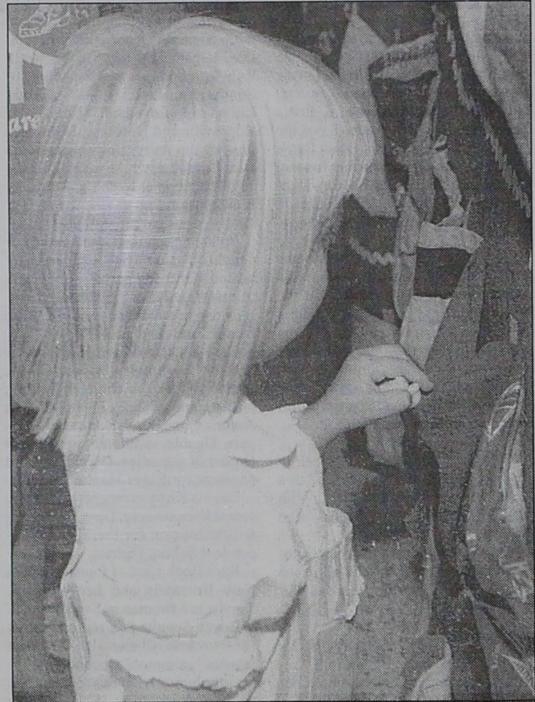
Cost to attend the workshop is \$70 for those arriving Friday evening or \$51.75 for those planning to arrive Saturday morning.

Those interested in attending should contact Castro County Assistant Extension Agent Benny Martinez at 647-4115.

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WHAT'S IN HERE? Kyla Acker, daughter of Cary and Leona Acker, peeks into one of the many pockets suspended from the wall and pulls out a prize Sunday. The pick-a-pocket game was one of many games just for children at the Nazareth Labor Day Picnic. Photo by Joyce Nelson

4-H Ambassador

The Texas 4-H Center in

Brownwood is the sight for the 1999

and show audiences how 4-H has

impacted them personally as well as

others, and how the 4-H program is

addressing key youth issues in the

To register for the workshop, team

members must be 14 years of age on

or before Aug. 31, 1999. A \$20 non-

refundable deposit is due by Oct. 15.

night who won't be eating dinner

that evening, registration cost is \$70.

For those arriving Saturday morning,

fees will be \$51.75, and that includes

insurance, meals, snacks and pro-

gramming fees. Workshop costs will

not be pro-rated for participants who

Those planning to arrive Saturday

morning will need to be there by

7:30 for breakfast and registration.

For more information about the

workshop, contact Castro County

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Sessions will begin at 8:45 a.m.

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## Brass concert will be Sunday in Plainview

The Plainview Symphony Orches- lar American songs. Favorites will be tra will begin its 21st season with a free chamber brass concert in the sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

hosted by the Musical Arts Club.

The symphony orchestra is made up of many area musicians during the year, but for the first brass concert, players from Lubbock, Canyon, and Plainview will perform.

Tim Kelley of Wayland Baptist nium Concert: A Proud Heritage." University is beginning his second ductor of the orchestra.

classics, jazz and dixieland to popu- office at 7 p.m.

played from John Phillip Sousa, George Cohan, Irving Berlin, LeRoy Anderson and others, Kelley said.

Season tickets for the Plainview A reception for the public will be Symphony Orchestra are \$20 for adults, \$40 for families and \$8 for

Other concerts are featured classical selections on Oct. 21, a Christmas festival on Dec. 2 and music by Floydada, Hale Center, Petersburg Sousa on Jan. 20, 2000. March 2, 2000 has been billed as "The Millen-

All concerts will be held in the year as the artistic director and con- Harral Auditorium on the Wayland Baptist University campus. The con-The Sunday concert, featuring the certs will begin promptly at 7:30 brass quintet, will last about one hour p.m. and will be over by 9 p.m. Limand will include favorites from light ited seats will be available at the box

Patricia Acker

### Acker attends Lions' Camp

Patricia Acker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Acker of Nazareth, attended Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville last summer.

Each summer, as parents begin searching for summertime activities for their children, the choices are often limited for parents whose children have disabilities; however, thanks to the Lions Club of Texas, many children with physical disabilities can look forward to an experience that all children dream about-going to summer camp.

The Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville offers special camping programs that serve children who have physical disabilities and diabe-

The Texas Lions Camp offers camping sessions to children ages • It takes just six units of blood to seven through 16 who have visual, camp offers a wide variety of activities for campers' enjoyment, including arts and crafts, field sports, riding horses, swimming, theater and camping out overnight. All activities are adapted so that each child can succeed. The camp is a non-profit organization, funded by the Texas Lions of Texas and private donations. Children attend the camp at no cost to

> themselves or their families. Further information and camper applications may be obtained by contacting a Lions Club member in your area or by contacting the Texas Lions Camp at PO Box 290247, Kerrville 78029-0247.

## Blood Center hopes drive will boost dwindling supply

Coffee Memorial Blood Center in blood donors. A specially designed t-Amarillo is sponsoring a blood drive Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Westgate Mall in Amarillo.

Coffee Memorial Blood Center has been experiencing a low blood supply due to fewer people donating blood at the drives the center has sponsored over the past several weeks. The cumulative effect of these shortages created a record low blood level just before Labor Day blood drive so important.

Coffee Memorial Blood Center handle, including Castro County. 50 for a car crash victim. More than 500 pints of blood are

shirt will be given to each donor as a thank you for giving the gift of life. The following are some facts about blood donation:

 Anyone in good health who weighs over 110 pounds and is at least 17 years of age may donate blood.

Donors may give blood every 56

• One donation from one person weekend, that's what makes this can help as many as three to four

serves 24 counties in the Texas Pan- survive heart surgery and as much as hearing or physical disabilities. The

For more information about this or other blood drives, or about Coffee Memorial Blood Center, contact

#### Texas 4-H Ambassador Workshop, needed weekly by patients in these which will be held Nov. 12-14. areas and these needs are only met The Texas 4-H Ambassador prothrough the generosity of volunteer Linda Guthrie at 358-4563. gram was designed to utilize older 4-H members to project a clear and accurate image of the Texas 4-H Classes are scheduled At the workshop, 4-H'ers will tell

for hospice volunteers Hospice Care, a division of the Castro County Hospital District, will be offering free training classes beginning on Sept. 21 for those inter-

ested in hospice care. The series of classes will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m., with the first class

slated for Sept. 21. The class is for hospice volunteers, professionals who wish to enhance their training, and individuals desir-

ing personal growth and enrichment. Volunteers are needed to become direct patient care volunteers, along with administrative volunteers. Federal regulations state that 5% of the total patient care hours must be pro-

vided by volunteers.

The volunteer course encompasses 30 hours of training in a wide variety of topics. Communication skills, grief and bereavement counseling and general hospice facts are among some of the topics that will be covered.

Volunteers can be utilized in just about any capacity. Patient volunteers read to patients, do light housekeeping, hold hands, write cards and letters or anything else that is needed at the time. Every situation is different with each patient. Administrative volunteers can help out with bereavement records and general office help.

"Our biggest need right now is additional volunteers in the Thrift Shop," said Connie Nutt, director of the agency. "We would like to keep the Thrift Shop open every day, but we currently have only three volunteers who generously donate their time to work in the store."

Thrift Shop volunteers are not required to complete the entire 30hour course. The proceeds from the Thrift Shop benefit the local hospice patients, helping cover any additional things those patients might have a need for that Medicare does not

Those interested in registering for the classes should call Nutt or Shelly Rice at 647-3785. Participants will be required to schedule an interview before beginning the hospice classes.

If you are interested in becoming a hospice volunteer but the above scheduled classes will not work for you, please call the hospice office to discuss alternative dates and times.

## Shot clinics set Sept. 27

The Texas Dept. of Health will conduct immunization clinics in Nazareth on Sept. 27 at the school cafeteria.

The immunization clinics will offer protection against several childhood diseases.

Vaccines offered will give protection against polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, mumps, rubella and

HIB (haemophilus influenza type B). The Texas Dept. of Health is charging money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size and

The pneumonia vaccine also will

the ability to pay.



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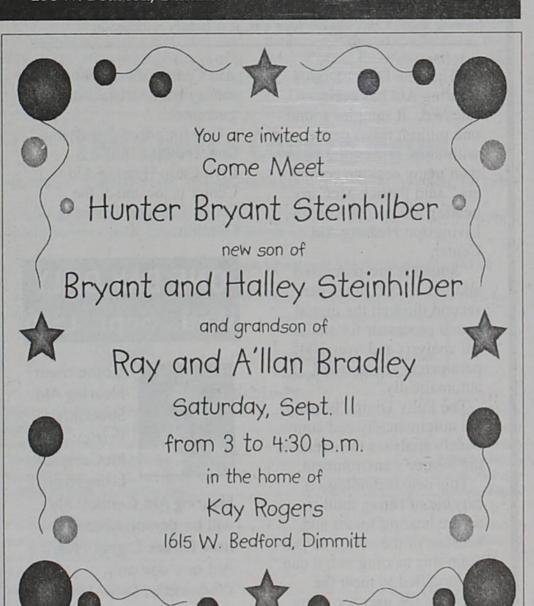
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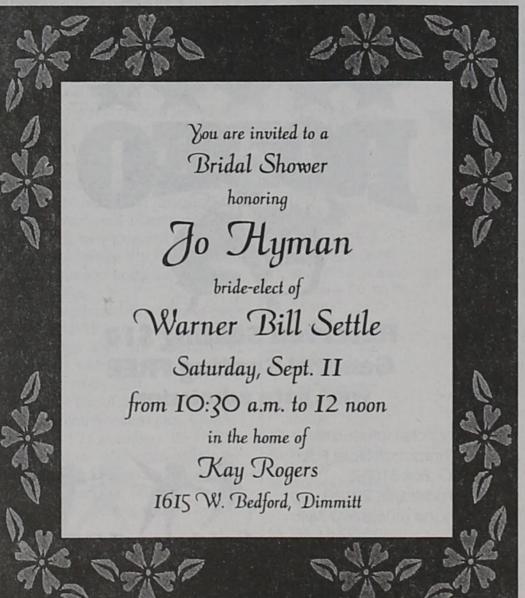
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## DHS plans full slate of homecoming events

The Homecoming '99 celebration gym. Members of the student body will get underway in Dimmitt Monday with the first of five special dress-up days, and activities will continue through next week, concluding with coronation of the homecoming queen and the football game between Dimmitt and Friona on Friday.

The Dimmitt High School Class of 1979 will be the honor class during this year's homecoming celebration.

The Student Council has designated each day of the week as a special dress day at Dimmitt High School and the appropriate attire for the days will be as follows:

Monday-Punk Rock Day. Tuesday-Hawaiian Day. Wednesday-Hippie Day. Thursday, Sept. 16-Pajama Day. Friday, Sept. 17-Dress-up Day.

The traditional pinning ceremony has been scheduled for Wednesday at 8:25 p.m. at Bobcat Stadium. During the event, football players will be pinned and the Flame King and

Queen will be crowned. Candidates for Flame King and Queen are freshmen Elizabeth Cartwright and Coby Martinez, sophomores Sarah Torres and Anthony Oltivero, juniors Lori Schulte and Daniel Proffitt and seniors Ironica Traylor and Armando Castaneda.

A special Junior Olympics will be held next Thursday, Sept. 16, at 1

will be participating in various events and the winning teams will be named at the Homecoming pep rally on Friday.

Highlighting the activities on Friday, Sept. 17, will be the Homecoming pep rally, slated for 3 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School gym. The Homecoming Queen will be crowned at the pep rally and candidates include seniors Larissa Fuentes, Maria Garcia and Carol Summers.

Members of the Homecoming Court are freshman Caitlin Buckley, sophomore Tramesha Rivers and junior Christina Moctezuma.

Also during the pep rally, winners of the Spirit Days dress-up contests will be announced, along with the winning teams from the Junior Olympics. The Class of 1979 will be recognized, too.

A fiesta supper, sponsored by the Dimmitt FHA, will be served from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School cafeteria. Cost for the meal is \$5 for adults and \$3.50 for children 12 and under.

The Homecoming football game between Dimmitt and Friona will begin at 8 p.m. at Bobcat Stadium.

The Dimmitt High School juniors will sponsor a Homecoming dance after the football game. The sock hop will be in the DHS gym and will last until 12:30. Cost to attend the dance p.m. in the Dimmitt High School is \$3 per person or \$5 per couple.



A BALL AND A BALLOON, WHAT MORE COULD A KID WANT? Kale Wilhelm of Nazareth shows off the soccer ball he received after picking a winning lollipop from a special tree Sunday at one of the kids' games held during the Labor Day Picnic in Nazareth. Numerous kids' games and other activities kept children entertained throughout the day while the adults played bingo, purchased items at the auction and took a chance on raffle prizes. A roast beef dinner and hamburger supper were served, too. Photo by Joyce Nelson

### Gospel meet set this week

The Fourth and Bedford Street 6 p.m., followed by worship time at Church of Christ in Dimmitt is having a Gospel Meeting, which started Wednesday and will continue through Sunday. The public is in-

national Bible Institute of Sunset devotional. Church of Christ in Lubbock.

there will be a meal at the church at spokesperson said.

7 p.m. Saturday, worship will begin at 7

On Sunday, Bible classes will be held at 9:30 a.m., with worship at

The speaker for the meeting is 10:30 a.m., followed by a potluck Charles Speer, dean of Sunset Inter- dinner, which will include a singing "Everyone is invited for the fel-

Today (Thursday) and Friday, lowship, food and worship," a church

## Friona plans Maize Days Celebration

Friona residents will crown the 1999 Miss Friona and Little Miss, and enjoy an art exhibit, auction, games, barbecue, parade, gospel music, fun run and more this week during the 43<sup>rd</sup> annual Maize Days celebration.

The celebration starts off with the Miss Friona Pageant Saturday afternoon at the Friona High School Auditorium.

Prairie Acres Nursing Home will hold an appreciation day and ground breaking ceremonies for its new assisted living facility on Sunday afternoon.

A senior forum has been planned for Monday from 5 to 7 p.m. at Friona State Bank, and a hamburger cookout will be held for those registered for the workshop.

On Tuesday, Friona's Little Miss Contest will be held at 7 p.m. at the Friona High School Auditorium.

pel music gathering, free to the public, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the FHS Auditorium.

A fall art exhibition has been Main Street in Friona.

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planned for next Thursday, Sept. 16, at the Depot and it will continue throug Sept. 17.

A six-mile run, two-mile run and fun walk will be held on Sept. 18

beginning at 8 a.m. A country store featuring homemade items will be open to the public Sept. 18 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on 707

Main Street in Friona. A photography show has been planned from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. that

The parade will start on Sept. 18 at 10:30 a.m. along Main Street. A "bed race" will begin immediately following the parade.

The barbecue lunch will be served at 12 noon at Friona City Park and cost is \$5 per person.

The cow patty bingo will start at 2 p.m. at City Park and tickets may be purchased for \$5. Grand prize is \$200 in Friona Bucks.

An auction will start at 2 p.m. on Wednesday's event will be a gos- Sept. 18 and miscellaneous donated items will be featured. Proceeds from the auction will go toward the purchase of Christmas decorations for

## FBC sets revival starting Sunday

The First Baptist Church of Division of the Baptist General Con-Dimmitt has set revival services to vention of Texas. start Sunday and continue through next Wednesday (Sept. 15), and ev- Simmons University of Abilene and ervone is invited to attend.

Jesus Without Fear."

lead the music, as well as presenting special music selections to guide the congregation in worship and praise. Services are planned for 10:30 a.m. Sunday, and at 7 p.m. each eve-

A nursery will be available for children 3 and under for all services.

ning of the revival.

Dr. Shuffield has been a Texas pastor serving Meadowbrook Baptist Church of Fort Worth, First Baptist Church of Olney, and Royal Haven Baptist Church of Dallas. He serves as a consultant for Local Church Evangelism with the Evangelism

## FHA plans brisket meal

The Dimmitt FHA will sponsor a brisket supper Friday night, Sept. 17, just prior to the Dimmitt-Friona Homecoming football game.

The meal will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Dimmitt High School Cafeteria and the public is invited to

The brisket meal will include baked potatoes, beans, rolls, water or tea, and peach or cherry cobbler.

Tickets for the meal are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. Tickets may be purchased from any FHA member or from Mrs. Carter or Mrs. Odom at Dimmitt High School.

Classifieds get results!

Dear Friends,

He is a graduate of Hardin Southwestern Baptist Theological Dr. Wayne Shuffield Jr. will be Seminary of Fort Worth. His present leading an emphasis on "Sharing ministry involves assisting local churches in developing strategies for

> He and his wife, Becky, have one daughter, Amy.

Keller is a music evangelist, along with his wife. He has served 10 years in area churches. He will be directing a revival choir, and those who would like to participate are invited to meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday.

## FUMC to host program about

odist Church's parlor in Dimmitt.

The workshop will be from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and the public is invited to attend.

Anne Burkeholder, R.N., a specialist in osteoporosis; and Senya Collins, a physical therapist specializing in women's health problems at University Medical Center-Dimensions, a center for women's health, will be the guest speakers at the workshop.

## Todd Keller of Plainview will sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ.

300 NE 7th, Dimmitt

# women's health

Two medical professionals will discuss lifestyle issues for maintaining bones and quality of life on Wednesday at the First United Meth-

"Everyone is welcome to come and participate in this seminar, which is designed to help women progress to a healthier, more active lifestyle. There will be slides, discussions by the specialists and a question and answer session," said an organizer of

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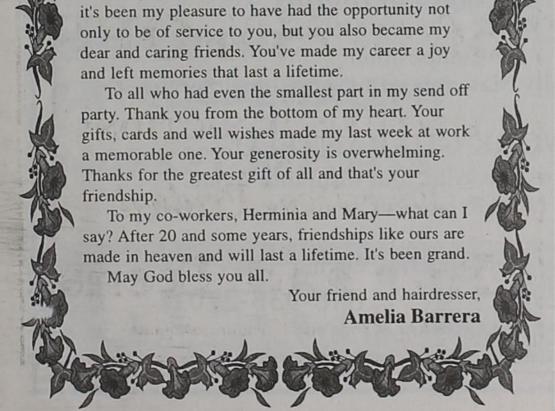
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## Ag chemical conference set Wednesday in Lubbock

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communicator, will give the 8:15 Institute, an organization of sciena.m. keynote address.

and donuts will start at 7 a.m., and institute has sponsored conducted registration fee is \$70 per person.

will run from 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m., since 1953. and will include presentations on enhance drift control, record keeping by state ag commissioner Susan Combs. More than 500 producers, people are expected to attend.

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Groups who plan to attend can receive a reduced hotel rate for the conference, if reservations are secured by Sept. 1. Call the LaQuinta Inn. Civic Center, at (806) 763-9441, and mention the WTACI conference. For more information on the conference, call WTACI at (806) 297-1231.

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-Alfred North Whitehead



BRADY GALES EARNED A HAND FULL OF GUM BALLS and a gumball dispenser for his accuracy in the ball toss Sunday afternoon at the Labor Day picnic in Nazareth. The ball toss and other children's games drew a large crowd Sunday afternoon. Photo by Joyce Nelson

## **EPA** okays 'Capture' for use on seed sorghum

The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has authorized the Texas Dept. of Agriculture (TDA) to issue a Section 18 specific exemption allowing the use of Capture 2EC (bifenthrin) on sorghum grown for seed to control the Banks grass mite.

The specific exemption will expire on Aug. 23, 2000. Capture 2EC may be used follow-

ing all label directions, restrictions and precautions on the label as well as the following restrictions:

 Applications should be made only by certified applicators, licensed applicators or persons under the direct supervision of licensed applicators. All applicators must have a copy of the EPA approval notice in their possession prior to any applica-

Applications may be made by ground or air through chemigation at a rate of .06 to .01 pound a.i. (3.84 to 6.4 fluid ounces of product) per acre. Applications must be made in a minimum of 10 gallons of water per acre

## Jackpot pole, barrel race set Monday

A jackpot pole and barrel race competition has been slated for Monday and on Sept. 20 at Kim Drerup's arena in Nazareth.

The event is being coordinated by Melanie Wilhelm.

For information call Wilhelm at 945-2335 or Drerup at 945-2205.

For more information, contact

by ground application, and a minimum of five gallons of water per acre by aerial application. A maximum of two applications may be made with a maximum of .2 pounds a.i. (12.8 ounces of product) applied

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your Texas Agricultural Extension Office or TDA at (512) 463-7407. A copy of the EPA approval notice is available on TDA's web page, http://ww.agr.tx.us/pesticide/captur e99.htm.

## September sales tax rebates sent

Sales tax rebates issued during September were down in Hart and Dimmitt, but rose slightly for Nazareth and Castro County.

The rebate issued to Castro County was up a quarter of a percent, from \$11,448.72 in September 1998 to \$11,478.46 this month. So far this year, Castro County is 6.18% ahead on its rebate total. Through September in 1998, the county had earned \$94,399.32. So far this year, the county's rebates have amounted to \$100,236.74.

Dimmitt's stipend fell 1.22% for the period, from \$26,361.27 in 1998 to \$26,039.24 this year. This year, though, the city's rebate total is still ahead of last year's by 5.48%, jumping from \$217,247.20 to \$229,164.99

Hart is still ahead of 1998 totals, too, despite seeing its September rebate drop 23.55% from \$1,511.56 to \$1,155.45. This month's rebate brings Hart's yearly total to \$13,785.24, up 12.19% from \$12,286.98.

Nazareth's rebate for September was up 11.9% from \$797.12 to \$892. So far this year, Nazareth has received a total of \$10,925.70 in rebates, compared with \$9.938.63 through September in 1998.

The cities of Dimmitt and Nazareth collect a 1.5% sales tax rate while Hart collects 1%. Castro County earns a half of a percent from the sales tax collected.

September's sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in July which were reported to the state comptroller in August.

### McDaniel's record book wins at state

Rusty McDaniel of Dimmitt captured first-place honors at State Roundup with his record book covering his 4-H horse project.

As a result of his state finish, McDaniel has earned a trip to Washington, D.C.

The trip to Washington is only partially funded, so the Castro County 4-H Parent/Leader Association is asking for financial help from other 4-H families and members, and from the general public.

The club is asking each 4-H family in the county to donate \$20 toward McDaniel's trip expenses.

"Rusty has worked very hard and has represented Castro County very well as a Senior 4-H member, so let's help him out," said a spokesperson for the Parent/Leader Association.

For more information about McDaniel's trip or to make a donation, contact the Extension Office in Dimmitt.

McDaniel wasn't the only Castro County 4-H'er to advance to state

with his record book. Thomas Brockman and Jeremy Bishop also submitted their record

books at the state level, and both placed among the top 10. Bishop finished fifth with his book

on recreation while Brockman earned a ninth-place finish with his consumer decision book.

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## Drip irrigation field day set Sept. 23 near Hereford

Efficient water management is a necessity for the operation of a profitable irrigated farm in today's agricultural economy.

Area producers interested in using drip irrigation to improve irrigation application efficiencies are invited to attend a Sept. 23 field demonstration day sponsored by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1.

The field day will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Ronnie Owens farm, located six miles east of Hereford on Highway 60 and one mile north on County Road E. Producers are inany time during the field day for a one-on-one discussion of drip irrigation and other water conservation stations. techniques.

The drip irrigation field day will nel will be on hand to answer profocus on the installation and management of drip irrigation systems, according to High Plains Water District Assistant Manager Ken Carver.

"Drip irrigation is slow, frequent applications of small amounts of water to the soil area directly surrounding plant roots. Water losses caused by evaporation, deep percolation and runoff are virtually eliminated. Using drop irrigation can save as much as 30 to 40% of the water used by furrow irrigation," said

The drip tape is installed on 20 vited to stop by at their convenience acres at this site and has been in operation since February 1997. Owens' system operates in a series of three

High Plains Water District person-

ducer questions and demonstrate various water conservation techniques, including soil moisture monitoring with gypsum blocks and resistance meters, use of Potential Evapotranspiration (PET) data to schedule irrigation, design and installation of a drip irrigation system, as well as pump plant energy efficiency

A dealer display area will be set up at the site to show various drip irrigation products. A Netafirm irrigation representative will discuss the drip tape, emitters, and other hardware installed at the site.

A noon lunch, sponsored by Diversified Subsurface Irrigation, Golden Spread Drip Irrigation, Netafirm, Poole Chemical, Paymaster Cottonseed, and Pioneer Seed Company, will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Carver encourages anyone interested in water conservation to stop

"This is not a formal field tour. Visitors can stop by whenever they have time to see all the demonstrations or when they have just a few minutes to see the demonstration in which they are particularly interested," he said.

The drip irrigation field day is sponsored by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 in Lubbock and its Deaf Smith County Committee including Sid Shaw, Harvey Milton, Bill Shore, Lewis Block, L.J. Clark, and county

Robert Meyer of Canyon is the Precinct District Director, representing portions of Armstrong, Deaf Smith, Potter and Randall Counties within the Water District service area.



READY, AIM, FIRE! Carsyn Steffens eyes the target and fires her bean bag, winning a prize Sunday afternoon. Hundreds of children flocked to the CCD Building in Nazareth Sunday to take part in the children's games held as part of the Nazareth Labor Day picnic. Helping at the booth was Jessica McGilvray. Photo by Joyce Nelson

Minding Your Own Business

### More room for a few mavericks

By DON TAYLOR

Brock was just a little different. Twice he had left the corporate rat race world to start his own business. And twice he'd returned to the security of working for someone else after experiencing less than glowing success as an entrepreneur.

I first met Brock in 1970. He was bright, talented, well educated and different. We worked together in the sales department of a small, but rapidly growing

company. The family that owned the company had Don Taylor begun tightening policies to maintain some control over the expansion. Brock was beginning to feel stifled. Brock told me he was going to leave the company. He was once again fed up with the inflexibility of organizations. He wanted freedom to try new

things, to innovate and to have a stake in the outcome of his own efforts. Within months, he was gone. This time he started a company with the right Secretary Jeanette Tice, all of Heremix of capital, opportunity and people. This start-up was a success and Brock

still runs the company today. While they don't have great success climbing the corporate ladder, mavericks like Brock have played an important role in the strong growth of our nation's economy. Brock, and tens of thousands of maverick entrepreneurs like him, created more jobs in the 1900s than all of the Fortune 500 companies

Mavericks change the cycle

combined.

Let me give you a new take on an old theory regarding the cycle of business. We've been taught for years about the traditional business cycle. A business begins in the start-up phase, progresses on to rapid growth, continues to maturity and then enters into decline.

My new business model has only three stages. Maverick, momentum and mediocrity. Mavericks start small, entrepreneurial businesses. If they are wellplanned and managed they develop momentum and grow. These businesses continue to grow until they become mediocre. Then they slow down and gradually fade away.

There is a cure for the mediocre phase. It is a good dose of mavericks. Yes, of 1979 will be holding activities mavericks can help a company regain its vitality, zeal and vision. Mavericks can send a can pump new life into aging, inflexible organizations. Mavericks can send a They will be the honor class at company back into the momentum building phase with a good dose of creativity and enthusiasm.

Managing mavericks

• Mavericks bring new ideas. Perhaps nothing stirs the innovation process as quickly and thoroughly as new ideas. You can spot mavericks by their creativity. New thoughts bubble up as from a spring. Of course, not all new ideas are good ideas so a little mentoring and encouraging is involved.

• Mavericks make a difference. The difference between mavericks and certified fruitcakes is that the mavericks will work within the confines of the system as long as they are making a difference. They earn the right to be different by working toward the goals of the company, but if there are no Sept. 18 in Lubbock. company goals, the mavericks will set their own.

• Mavericks need some running room. If they have to be on the 647-4114 or Sue Rita (King) Myatt corporate leash, make a long one. Let them accomplish their work in whatever way and time frame fits them. Keep them focused on the results, and let them discover the ways and means that best accomplish the desired results. You

should set the general direction and turn them loose. Give them ownership. Deep down inside, every maverick wants to own the company. Give them control over their area. Let them make decisions. Keep a watchful eye from a distance. Let them grow with only your general

• Don't tell them what can or can't be done. Henry Ford built his empire with men that didn't know it couldn't be done. Mavericks will do something. If not for you, then for themselves.

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.

### Class of '79 20th reunion activities set

The Dimmitt High School Class

They will be the honor class at the Homecoming Pep Rally and game on Sept. 17. There will be a section reserved for them at the football game.

After the game, they will have a party at the Country Club of Dimmitt, and everyone is invited to stop by and visit with the class mem-

Other activities are slated for

Call Tami (McMaster) Griffitt at at 647-3407 for more information.

### Foskey earns master's degree

Maureen Foskey of Dimmitt has earned her master's degree in speech/language pathology from Texas Woman's University in Denton.

Foskey received her degree during commencement exercises in August at the university.

### WI honors contributors

Individuals and corporations responsible for establishing the endowed scholarships which form the President's Honor Scholars Program at West Texas A&M University were honored last Thursday, Sept. 2, at the President's Honor Scholars dinner.

Since the President's Honor Scholars Program was started in 1992, many endowed scholarships have been established, including the Shawn David Schaeffer Memorial President's Honor Scholarship.

Recipient of this award for the 1999-2000 school year is Michaele L. Bell, a sophomore accounting major from Dimmitt.

Each President's Honor Scholarship endowment is a \$40,000 contribution given by an individual or group. The donation may be a onetime gift, or payments may be made over a maximum of five years. Gifts are permanent endowments that are never spent; only the income is used

to make scholarship awards. Each scholarship offers \$2,000 annually for four years, provided the student maintains certain eligibility requirements. To receive the scholarship, students must rank in the top 10% of their high school graduating class, score at least a 25 on the ACT or a 1,200 on the SAT and have proven themselves as community leaders. To maintain eligibility, students must keep a cumulative gradepoint average of 3.4 or higher and carry at least a 15-hour class load each semester.

Although restrictions may not be

The car known as a jeep was originally so-named from the initials for general purpose vehicle.

placed on a scholarship, the donor is allowed to indicate preferences such as geographic area or major.

## Veterinarian offers animal vaccine clinic

A pet vaccination clinic will be offered by local veterinarian Dr. W.J. Hill as one of his contributions to the Harvest Days celebration on

Special rates will be offered from 8 a.m. to noon at the Dimmitt Veterinary Clinic.

Rabies shots will be available for only \$8 each. Also a shot for distemper, para-influenza, and parvovirus will be available for \$12 for dogs; and a shot for feline leukemia and rhinotracheitis for cats will be available at \$12.

### Rubie Sanchez honored by DMS

Rubie Sanchez has been named Student of the Week in Mrs. Damron's and Mrs. Spring's rooms at Dimmitt Middle School.

Miss Sanchez was born Nov. 13, 1989, in Dimmitt to Abel and Lydia Vargas.

Her favorite food is pizza and her favorite book is Gremlins Don't Chew Bubble Gum. Her favorite animal is the cat.

She does well in math and she wishes she could ride her bike better. She likes attending Dimmitt Mid-

dle School because she has more When she grows up, she wants to

be a singer.

She admires her grandparents. In her free time she likes to read.

## Nazareth Homecoming activities are schedulued

Nazareth High School's Home- (Practically Nearly Everything) time coming week activities set for next at the football field. Students will week will include a pep rally, special divide into teams of seven and particemphasis days, and the crowning of the Homecoming Queen during halftime activities of the Sept. 17 game with Farwell.

The theme of the week is "Dreaming of a Victory." Special emphasis days will start with Monday as "Sweet Dreams" day, when everyone is encouraged to wear their pajamas to school. Tuesday will be 'I Don't Wanna Grow Up" day, with everyone dressing like little children. For Wednesday's "When I Grow Up" day, students are asked to dress depicting an occupation. "Dreaming in Color" will be the theme for Thursday, with everyone wearing the school colors. Everyone should dress up on Friday for "Wake Up in Style"

Tuesday at 7 p.m. will be P.N.E. and Cassi Birkenfeld.

ipate in humorous games.

The Pep Rally will be Thursday at 8 p.m. at the football field, weather permitting.

The Spirit Queen and King will be honored. Candidates include Teri Ramaekers and Luke Price, freshmen; Danette Ramaekers and Ky Wilcox, sophomores; Tara Kleman and Wade Price, juniors; and Karen Wilhelm and Clay Hoelting, seniors.

At the half-time ceremonies of the game, Homecoming royalty will be honored. Homecoming Princesses are Erica Gerber, freshman; Marsha Black, sophomore; and Whitney Hoelting, junior. Homecoming Queen candidates include seniors Meredith Braddock, Mindi Ethridge,

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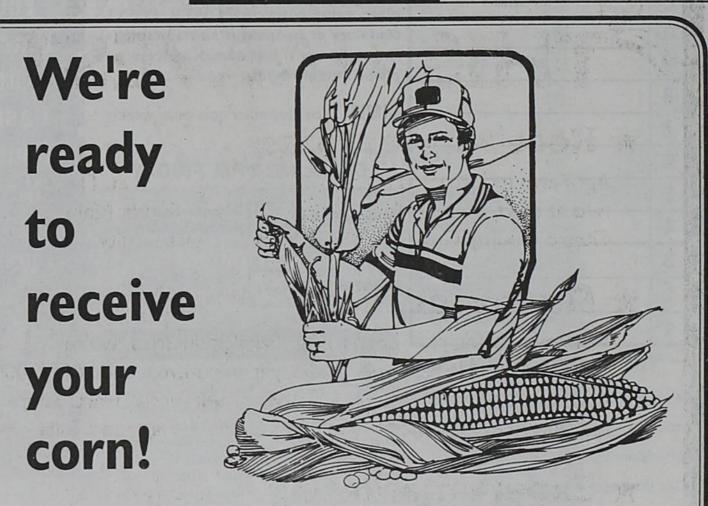
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# Sports













## Sutton paces Cats to 33-14 win in opener

By DON NELSON

The Bobcats made it look easy as they scored 33 points with just 39 plays Friday night.

The Cats' offense averaged almost nine yards per play in a convincing 33-14 win over the visiting Sundown Roughnecks.

Dimmitt's defense, meanwhile, held the Roughnecks to less than 21/2 yards per play in 52 tries.

Dimmitt tailback Justin Sutton scored on a 10-yard run . . .

And later on a 75-yard run . . . And later on an 80-yard kickoff

And later on a 70-yard run to finish

with 247 all-purpose yards and a very sweaty shirt.

Sutton also booted an extra point and ran a two-point conversion to finish with 27 points, and on defense he intercepted a pass and was in on 13 tackles.

However, he didn't march with the band or sell popcorn at halftime.

Of his four touchdowns, the speedy tailback said, "The most exciting one to me was the kickoff return," when the Bobcats ran their starburst pattern and Sutton took a handoff from Daniel Proffitt at the 20-yard-line and raced the distance through the Sundown defense, untouched.

That touchdown came as time ran

out in the third quarter, just after Sundown quarterback Clay Edwards had scored the Roughnecks' first TD on a beautiful 85-yard run up the left sideline with 13 seconds left in the

The two long-strike touchdowns in a 13-second span provided one of several rapid-fire highlights in the game, which otherwise was hindered by 27 first-game penalties.

Wide receivers Daniel Flores and Keevin Sanders teamed up to score Dimmitt's first TD of the season on a razzle-dazzle play early in the second quarter.

After three illegal-procedure penalties and an incomplete pass left Dimmitt facing a fourth-and-14 at Sundown's 25-yard line, Flores took a pitch from quarterback B. J. Hill on a fake reverse and winged the ball to Sanders, who was wide open at the 5.

Sanders stepped into the end zone and Sutton kicked the point-after to make it 7-0 on the second play of the second quarter.

"It was nice" to score the first TD of the season, said Sanders, who finished with three catches.

Flores, one of the most respected wide receivers in the territory, finished with one catch after throwing his TD pass.

"They were keying on me, so I

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DIMMITT'S KICKING TEAM closes in on Sundown's Rigoverto Medina (3, center) as he returns Tanner Griffitt's kickoff 14 yards to the Roughnecks' 26 at the beginning of the fourth quarter of Friday night's season opener here. This kickoff followed two rapid-fire touchdowns in the final

catch a pass," Flores said.

And if your name was Daniel Salazar, you got keyed on Friday night, too. The Bobcat defense worked to contain Sundown's speedy junior tailback, while the Rough-

didn't get many opportunities to necks' offensive line ganged up on Dimmitt's 210-lb. senior lineman.

> "They were always double-teaming me," Dimmitt's Salazar said. "I tried my best to get open and try to make a tackle. I gave 110% on every play. The way they cut me in the knees bothered me the most. I'm tall and they were kinda short, so they'd chop me in the legs."

The Bobcats' second TD was a quickie after the Roughnecks' punter shanked the ball out-of-bounds at the Sundown 24 late in the second pe-

Sutton picked up 14 yards on three inside runs, and runningback Anthony Oltivera added five up the middle on a quick opener to advance the ball to the 5-yard line.

From there, Sutton had to score twice to make one count. He followed good blocking to the left side and picked his way into the end zone for an apparent five-yard scoring run, but it was nullified by an illegalprocedure penalty.

On the next play, Sutton raced wide right from 10 yards out and touched the corner of the end zone to make it 13-0 with 3:41 left in the half. Sutton's point-after kick was wide.

The Bobcat defense held the Roughnecks to just two first downs in the first half.

"They were having trouble with their timing in the backfield," said linebacker Michael Penny. "We were jamming them some, but I think a lot of it was first-game jitters, and we just got to take advantage of it."

Salazar blocked a Sundown punt in the third quarter to set up the Bob-

convincingly, 33-14.

cats' third TD. giving Dimmitt a first down at the put together a sustained drive that led Roughnecks' 36. Four plays later, to a long defensive donnybrook in Sutton broke over the left side on a Dimmitt's end of the field. counter play, skirted a would-be tackler and raced 25 yards into the for seven plays inside the 15-yard end zone. Sutton went over the left line, only to lose their advantage to side again for a two-point conversion to make it 21-0 with 7:13 remaining in the third.

when the two teams exploded for two two yards of losses. wham-bam touchdowns.

Sundown 14, senior QB Clay Edwards optioned left on a third-andnine play, turned on the speed up the left sideline, got a clearing block at the 25 and raced 85 yards for the Roughnecks' first score.

The Roughnecks attempted a fake kick for a two-point conversion but the run came up short, leaving the score at 21-6 with 0:13 remaining in the third.

The crowd was still buzzing about Edwards' beautiful scoring run when the Roughnecks kicked off.

Daniel Proffitt took the kick at the Dimmitt 20, pivoted around to initiate the starburst return and slipped the ball to Sutton, who broke loose on an angle upfield and raced 80 yards for his third TD of the night as the buzzer sounded on the third quar-

Sutton's point-after kick was wide 30 after Sundown's kickoff went out right, leaving the score at 27-6.

The final two touchdowns came in rapid-fire order, too.

Photo by Carter Townsend

13 seconds of the third quarter that left the Bobcats with a

27-6 lead. After Medina's runback, the Roughnecks

marched 74 yards in 15 plays for their final touchdown,

which came with 3:09 left to play. Dimmitt won the game

Sparked by a 43-yard run by reserve The punt carried only four yards, QB Marc Dupler, the Roughnecks

> The Bobcats held their visitors out penalties.

An encroachment penalty set the Roughnecks up with a first-and-goal The rest of the third quarter was at the 4-yard line, but Penny and uneventful until the final 13 seconds, Sanders threw Sundown's Salazar for

On third-and-goal from the 6, After a Dimmitt drive fizzled at the Dubler went to the air and the pass fell incomplete-but the Bobcats were whistled for pass interference, giving Sundown another first-andgoal at the 3.

> An illegal procedure call against Sundown set the ball back at the 8, then the stifling Dimmitt defense -paced by Penny, Proffitt and Bobby Hill-left the Roughnecks still on the 7-yard line three plays

On fourth down, another Dubler pass fell incomplete-but Dimmitt was whistled again, this time for a personal foul, and Sundown had new

life again at the 3. On the next play, Dubler hit Todd Bradshaw in the back of the end zone for a TD with 3:09 left in the game. Salazar ran the two-point conversion to make it 27-14.

The Bobcats took over at their own (Continued on Page 9)



week's schedule of games, listed on entry form, and every game will be disqualified, as will entries participating co-sponsors. and decide which game you are SUREST of picking a winner in. Write the name of your projected of New York and other similar teams. game that week, you win 16 points. White the name of your second-surest winner on the 15-point line, and so on down to the 1-point line, which game you figure to be a toss-up. Next, fill in Tiebreaker 1, the total points scored by both teams in the week's

designated game. If this step fails to produce a winner, the judges will apply Tiebreaker 2, total offensive yardage from scrimmage in this game. If a winner still doesn't emerge, a drawing will be held among those contestants still tied. Decisions of the judges are final. The weekly statewide winner of

the contest will receive \$ 1,000. Any entry form that does not contain a legible

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TOUCHDOWN!—Dimmitt tailback Justin Sutton, after breaking over the left side of the line on a counter play, speeds past Sundown free safety Marc Dupler on his way to the end zone during a beautiful scoring run in the third quarter of Friday night's season opener here. Sutton also ran a two-point conversion to give Dimmitt a 21-0 lead. Sutton gained 168 yards from scrimmage, returned a kickoff 80 yards for a TD and scored 27 of Dimmitt's 33 points.

Photo by Carter Townsend

## More about

## Bobcats overpower Roughnecks

(Continued from Page 8)

of bounds, and on the second play, here came Sutton again. This time the senior tailback broke free behind a clearing block by fullback Fred Traylor, turned on the speed and went 70 yards for the final TD with 2:24 remaining. A two-point pass attempt failed, leaving the score at 33-14.

Although neither team had a fumble-an oddity in an opening game -both racked up lots of penalties. Dimmitt was assessed 68 yards on 14 whistles, and Sundown was penalized 13 times for 87 yards.

"We hurt ourselves several times because of penalties," Dimmitt Coach Dollar commented. "Both teams made a lot of mistakes. We were able to overcome our mistakes, though.

"We played well in the kicking game," he added. "We punted well and they didn't, and that was a big factor, I think.

"I was proud of the way our defense held them out forever down near the goal line."

The coach wasn't surprised by Sutton's performance.

"Justin has had bigger games than that," Coach Dollar said. "Last year against Tulia, he scored five touchdowns, and against Dalhart he had 270-something yards. But for a first game, that was a really good perfor-

He also praised QB B. J. Hill for "an exceptional game in his first varsity start. I was well pleased with our passing game.

"What you look for in a first game is effort, and ours was outstanding," Dollar said. "I thought we played really well for the first game."

#### Game at a Glance

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Sundown	0	0	6	8-14	
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First Downs			11	9	
Rushes-Yards	4	28	-225	42-102	
Passing Yards			77	3	
Total Yards			302	105	
Passes Comp/Att			4/11	1/10	
Interceptions By			2	0	
Fumbles-Lost			0-0	0-0	

Punts-Avg. Penalties-Yards

14-68

**SCORING SUMMARY** Second Quarter:

D-Keevin Sanders 25 pass from Daniel Flores (Justin Sutton kick), 11:26 D-Sutton 10 run (kick wide), 3:47. Third Quarter:

D-Sutton 25 run (Sutton run), 7:13.

S-Clay Edwards 85 run (run failed), 0:13 D-Sutton 80 kickoff return (kick failed), 0:00

Fourth Quarter:

S-Todd Bradshaw 3 pass from Marc Dubler (Daniel Salazar run), 3:09 D-Sutton 70 run (pass failed), 2:24

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing-DIMMITT: Justin Sutton 17-168, Anthony Oltivera 4-25, B.J. Hill 4-13, Jake Laurent 2-10, Fred Traylor 6-5.

Passing—DIMMITT: B.J. Hill 3/10-0 — 52, Daniel Flores 1/1-0 - 25 (1TD). SUN-DOWN: Clay Edwards 0/9-2 - 0, Marc Dupler 1/1-0 - 3 (1TD)

Receiving-DIMMITT: Keevin Sanders 3-60 (1TD), Daniel Flores 1-17. SUN-DOWN: Todd Bradshaw 1-3 (1TD).

Leading Tacklers-DIMMITT: Bobby Hill 1u, 16a; Sutton 1u, 12a; Michael Penny 1u, 12a; Proffitt 3u, 4a; Daniel Salazar 1u, 6a; Jacob Castillo 1u, 6a; Anthony Oltivera 4u, 2a; James Jackson

Tackles Behind Line-DIMMITT: Oltivera 3, Proffitt 3, Jackson 2, Sutton 1,

Flores 1, Castaneda 1. Interceptions-DIMMITT: Sutton 1 Daniel Proffitt 1.

Blocked Punts-DIMMITT: Salazar 1. Records: Dimmitt 1-0, Sundown 0-1.

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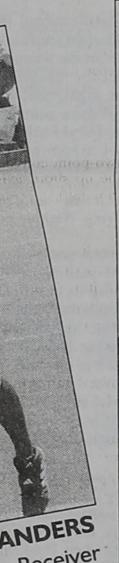
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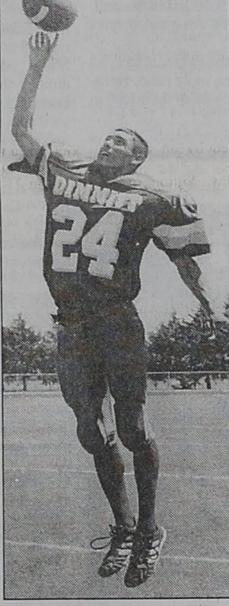
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Oct. 8 *River Road	Here	7:30
Oct. 15 *Tulia	There	7:30
Oct. 22 *Sanford-Fritch	There	7:30
Oct. 29 *Dalhart		7:30
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## McLain, Swifts run over Eagles, 48-13

By MEGAN HOELTING

An astounding 406 rushing yards, a solid passing game and a defense which gave up few yards allowed Nazareth to steamroll the Lubbock Christian Eagles, 48-13, in Friday night's season opener for both teams.

Nazareth senior tailback Cameron McLain remained untouched most of the night as he churned out 264 yards rushing and four touchdowns. His younger brother, Matty McLain, carried the ball eight times for 56 yards.

The Swifts also amassed 83 yards through the air. Sophomore quarterback Blake Birkenfeld hit three of his four pass attempts for a total of 61 yards. Nazareth's other quarterback, sophomore Ky Wilcox, completed two out of three pass attempts for 22 yards.

"This was a good game for us in several ways," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "Our offense moved the ball well and demonstrated the ability to make big plays. Our first unit on defense was solid, allowing just one first down."

Price also was pleased that the younger Swifts on the roster were able to log some playing time thanks to the big lead the varsity put on the scoreboard.

The McLains were a big chunk of Nazareth's offense, but several Swifts gained yardage and scored in

Sophomore Aaron Kern accounted for 45 rushing yards on seven carries. Wilcox picked up 20 yards and a touchdown on two totes. Jason Huseman rushed three times for eight yards and a touchdown and freshman Luke Price gained 11 yards on two

Nazareth also enjoyed success through the air, with freshman receiver Eric Schilling hauling in two passes, one of which was good for a 35-yard touchdown.

The Eagles received the opening kickoff, but after three plays, they were forced to punt.

Cameron McLain was the workhorse on the Swifts' first offensive series, enabling Nazareth to drive all the way to the Eagle 5 before a Swift fumble recovered by Lubbock Christian ended the scoring threat.

Lubbock managed just three plays before it was time to punt again, and this time Matty McLain took the kick and returned it 25 yards to give the Swifts good field position for their second offensive series.

Cameron McLain picked up 22 yards on a carry up the middle, then two plays later Nazareth went to the air with Blake Birkenfeld completing a 15-yard pass to Schilling.

The next two Nazareth plays netted no yards; but Lubbock couldn't

stop Nazareth for long. Cameron McLain finally broke loose around the end and raced 22 yards for Nazareth's first touchdown with 3:15 left in the first period. Stanton Wethington added to extra point to give the Swifts a 7-0 lead.

Lubbock's leading rusher, Kelly Staggs, picked up 20 yards on the kickoff return, but Lubbock couldn't get a first down and had to punt

This time Matty McLain returned the kick nine yards, then he got the handoff and picked up another 23 yards over the right end in the first quarter, moving the chains into Lubbock territory at the 38.

Two plays into the second quarter the Swifts were threatening with the ball on the Eagle 17 when Ky Wilcox found daylight and hit the hole up the middle for a 17-yard touchdown.

A five-yard penalty on the ensuing kickoff backed Nazareth up, and Wethington's second attempt of the night failed to split the uprights, leaving the score 13-0 with 10:48 left in the second quarter.

Nine plays later, after several running attempts made by Staggs, the Eagles were halted again and had to

With 5:21 left in the first half, the Swifts fumbled the ball and LCHS recovered on the Swift 45-yard line.



HEAVE HO! Lubbock Christian's top running back takes the handoff, heads downfield and runs right into a brick wall-Nazareth's Stanton Wethington (60). Wethington stands Staggs up, then lifts him high into the air before driving him backward to the ground Friday while teammate Bryce Pohlmeier (56) levels Staggs' lead blocker Friday in season-opening action at Lubbock. The Swifts' varsity gave up nothing to Staggs and the Eagles, enroute to a 48-13 win. Nazareth second team played most of the second half, then the junior varsity squad got in on the action late in the fourth quarter. The Swifts held the Eagles scoreless until the fourth quarter.

Photo by Anne Acker



NAZARETH'S McLAIN BROTHERS, Matty (44) and Cameron (40) were too much for Lubbock Christian to handle Friday night. The two racked up 320 yards rushing with Cameron McLain accounting for 264 yards and for four of Nazareth's seven

touchdowns. He scored on runs of 22, 44, 20 and 80 to lead Nazareth to a 48-13 win. On this play, Eagle defenders Trey Paden (10), Travis Hobgood (64) and Kelly Staggs (22) limit Cameron McLain to a threeyard gain, one of his smallest of the night.

Photo by Anne Acker

Two plays and a penalty later, Lubbock Christian returned the favor, fumbling the ball at the Nazareth 45, and Nazareth's Bo Hunter was there for the recovery.

It took just three plays and a little over a minute for the Swifts to reach the end zone again.

Cameron McLain dragged a defender or two with him as he picked up a few yards, then shook off the guards and broke for a 44-yard touchdown with 3:30 left in the half. Wethington's PAT was good to make it 20-0.

After holding the Eagles at bay and forcing a punt one more time, Nazareth continued to add to their lead in the first half.

Matty McLain started off the drive with a big 18-yard gain on the first play of the drive and on the next play, the Swifts struck again.

This time the path to the end zone was forged through the air, as Blake Birkenfeld connected with Schilling for a 35-yard strike. Wethington's kick was good for a 27-0 Nazareth

The first six minutes of the second half proved to be more of the same, with Nazareth scoring at will and the Eagles stymied deep in their own

Aaron Kern returned the second half kickoff eight yards to the Nazareth 45 to start the second half, then Matty McLain gained 20 yards around the right side. Two plays later, Ky Wilcox completed a 15yard pass to Daryl Pohlmeier, setting

up another touchdown play. Cameron McLain gained his third TD of the night, racing 20 yards down field for the score and a 34-0 lead following Wethington's bonus

After several small plays by both teams, a 15-yard Nazareth penalty gave Lubbock its best field position of the game on the Swift 20. But the Swift defense held strong, forcing and recovering a Lubbock fumble with 6:50 left in the third.

Touchdown number four for Cameron McLain was on the agenda on the next snap of the ball. This time he outran the pack for an 80yard score to make it 40-0. Wethington's boot gave the Swifts a

Another scoring threat by Lubbock Christian in the third quarter was demolished when Pohlmeier intercepted a Trey Paden pass and returned the pick down the sideline 28 yards.

With several backup players taking the field, Nazareth never missed a beat. Kern took over in the backfield, carrying twice up the middle for 32 yards, moving the ball to the Lubbock 15. Another carry by Kern had Nazareth pounding on the goal line door from the 1.

The Swifts fumbled twice near the Paden (kick failed)

goal line, but were able to recover the ball both times. Finally, on third down, Huseman was able to push his way into the end zone to give Nazareth its biggest lead, 48-0.

During the fourth quarter, the Swifts' big lead allowed junior varsity players to get in some playing

With four minutes left in the game, Staggs finally broke through the Swift defense for a 19-yard touchdown. The extra point was good to make it 48-7.

Lubbock Christian picked up another touchdown with less than 10 seconds left in the game, scoring on an 11-yard pass from Paden to David Garza. The extra point kick bounced off the crossbar

#### Game at a Glance

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	First Downs	1-19	17	4	
	Yards Rushing		406	81	
	Yards Passing		83	26	
	Total Yards Gained		489	107	
	Passes CompAtt.		5-10	2-10	
	Interceptions By		1	2	
	Punts-Avg.		2	5	
	Fumbles-Lost		1	5	
	Penalties-Yards		4-40	2-10	

Scoring By Quarters

NAZ-Cameron McLain 22 run (Stanton Wethington kick)

Second Quarter:

NAZ-Ky Wilcox 17 run (kck failed NAZ-Cameron McLain 44 run (Wethington kick) NAZ-Eric Schilling 35 pass from Ky

Wilcox (Wethington kick) Third Quarter: NAZ-Cameron (Wethington kick) NAZ—Cameron (Wethington kick) Huseman 1 run NAZ-Jason

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LCHS-David Garza 11 pass from Trey

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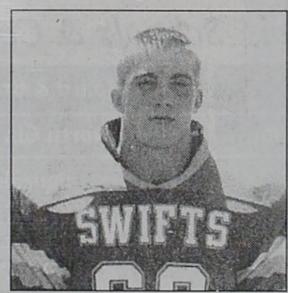
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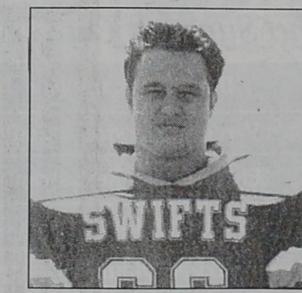
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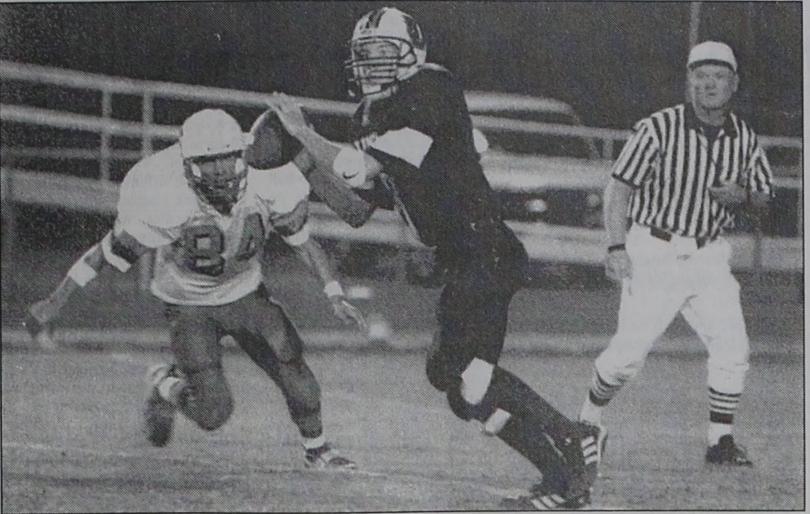
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GET RID OF IT!—With Sundown's Juan Rodriguez (84) bearing down on him, Dimmitt quarterback B.J. Hill keeps his cool and uncorks a pass to wide receiver Keevin Sanders early in the

third quarter of Friday night's season opener here. This pass was good for a five-yard gain. Hill completed three of 10 passes for 52 yards as the Bobcats won, 33-14. Photo by Carter Townsend



## Harris Picks

Here are Jon Harris's predictions for Week 2 of the regular season, along with his latest rankings for Class A and AAA. Harris rates teams by a unique power rating system, and each team's power rating, as calculated by Harris, follows its ranking.

**CLASS A TOP TEN** 

1. Wheeler, 195; 2. Bartlett, 190; 3. Detroit, 189; 4. Sudan, 188; 5. Aspermont, 187; 6. Iola, 187; 7. Dawson, 186; 8. Burkeville, 185; 9. Menard, 184; 10. Baird,

AREA CLASS A TEAMS

12. Gruver, 183; 24. Paducah, 170; 31. Happy, 168; 34. Memphis, 167; 38. Nazareth, 166; 39. Petersburg, 166; 41. Springlake-Earth, 165; 51. Claude, 160; 54. Kress, 159; 69. Anton, 153; 73. Valley, 152; 75. Vega,

### Here's how our opponents fared

Here's a rundown of how opponents of the Dimmitt Bobcats, Nazareth Swifts and Hart Longhorns fared during their respective season openers Friday night.

Dimmitt opponents

Lamesa (1-0) beat Lub. Cooper, 42-16 Friona (1-0) beat Lockney, 35-8 Brownfield (1-0) beat Kermit, 14-7 Muleshoe (1-0) beat Portales, 31-14 River Road (0-1) lost to San.-Fritch (1-0), 44-0 Tulia (0-1) lost to Childress, 39-14 Sanford-Fritch (1-0) beat River Road, 44-0 Dalhart (1-0) beat Guymon, Okla., 16-6 Perryton (0-1) lost to Borger, 29-22

Nazareth opponents

Valley (0-1) lost to Memphis, 32-6 Farwell (1-0) beat Petersburg, 23-0 Whiteface (0-1) lost to Happy, 31-13 Claude (0-1) lost to Clarendon, 26-20 Vega (1-0) beat Crowell, 41-8 Hart (0-1) lost to Morton, 19-0 S'lake-Earth (0-1) lost to Sudan, 33-0 Kress (0-1) lost to New Deal, 28-0 Happy (1-0) beat Whiteface, 31-13

Hart opponents

Smyer (0-1) lost to Olton (1-0), 20-6 Bovina (0-1) lost to Anton, 14-13 Olton (1-0) beat Smyer (0-1), 20-6 Valley (0-1) lost to Memphis, 32-6 Kress (0-1) lost to New Deal, 28-0 Nazareth (1-0) beat LCHS, 48-13 Happy (1-0) beat Whiteface, 31-13 S'lake-Earth (0-1) lost to Sudan, 33-0 Vega (1-0) beat Crowell, 41-8

151; 80. Shamrock, 150; 83. Whiteface, 150; 84. Booker, 149; 94. Hart, 146; 99. Crosbyton, 143; 106. Spur, 141; 110. Motley County, 138; 115. Smyer, 134.

CLASS AAA TOP TEN 1. Sealy, 212; 2. Aledo, 208; 3. Cuero, 207;

4. Cleveland, 205; 5. Iowa Park, 205; 6. Monahans, 204; 7. Giddings, 204; 8. Atlanta, 204; 9. Newton, 203; 10. Diboll, 203.

AREA CLASS AAA TEAMS

26. Childress, 197; 66. Lamesa, 188; 78. Sanford-Fritch, 186; 86. Muleshoe, 185; 87. Perryton, 185; 93. Friona, 183; 94. Littlefield, 183; 97. Dimmitt, 182; 102. Shallowater, 182; 106. Denver City, 181; 111. Seminole, 181; 122. Amarillo River Road, 178; 177. Lubbock Cooper, 166; 179. Tulia, 166; 196. Dalhart, 156; 198. Lubbock Roosevelt, 155; 199.

**WEEK 2 PICKS** 

(Home teams are listed in capital letters). LAMESA 8 over Dimmitt Hart 12 over SMYER Nazareth 14 over VALLEY STRATFORD 18 over Dalhart River Road 16 over WEST TEXAS HIGH LITTLEFIELD 17 over Tulia FLOYDADA 13 over Lubbock Cooper Friona 15 over BROWNFIELD Muleshoe 4 over DENVER CITY GREENWOOD 7 over Seminole LOCKNEY 13 over Slaton Paducah 3 over MEMPHIS HAPPY 8 over O'Donnell

Anton 15 over MOTLEY COUNTY Booker opponent not rated (Beaver, Okla. Kress opponent not rated (LCHS) Gruver opponent not rated (Texhoma) SUDAN 22 over Plains Post 12 over HALE CENTER BOVINA pick vs. Whiteface Farwell 35 vs. CROSBYTON

MORTON 21 over Lorenzo

Olton 16 over ROPES SUNDOWN 2 over Springlake-Earth Boys Ranch 7 over VEGA Canadian 45 over PANHANDLE Wheeler 25 over SUNRAY CLARENDON 12 over Shamrock Highland Park 20 over CLAUDE Quanah opponent not rated (Mangum, Okla.) Wellington opponent not rated (Hollis, Okla.) White Deer opponent not rated (Turpin, Okla.) Spearman opponent not rated (Ulysses, Kan.) NEW DEAL 12 over Petersburg RALLS 6 over Spur Amarillo 10 over PAMPA Borger 14 over AMARILLO TASCOSA LUBBOCK CORONADO 3 over Odessa Lubbock opponent not rated (Hobbs, N.M.) Sanford-Fritch 12 over AMARILLO CAPROCK PERRYTON 3 over Dumas CANYON RANDALL 15 over Palo Duro VERNON 7 over Lubbock Estacado FRENSHIP 3 over Snyder SWEETWATER 12 over Levelland Plainview opponent not rated (Clovis, N.M.)

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## Longhorn turnovers prove fatal in 19-0 loss to Indians

Keith Finch rushed for 108 yards in Hart's season opener Friday night, but penalties and turnovers proved costly for the Longhorns as they fell to the Morton Indians, 19-0.

Hart ball carriers coughed up the ball seven times Friday, losing four of the fumbles to their opposition. The Indian defense also picked off three Hart passes to hold the Longhorns in check during the game.

Hart was also plagued with several penalties, losing 70 yards on eight

The Longhorns were playing without several players who would normally have been in the starting lineup for the opener. Quarterback Jeremiah Velasquez broke his arm, and that forced Hart to move receiver Chris George to quarterback. Other injuries sidelined regulars including running back Jacob Reyna, tight end Dan Eric Castillo and guard Eric Gutierrez.

"We did exactly what we didn't need to do-turn the ball over," said Hart Coach Bryan Welps. "We were driving down the field and we'd fumble. Then we'd be driving again and we'd throw an interception. Or we'd have a drive going and a big penalty would kill us. We just made mental mistake after mental mistake.

"I know we're young, but we can't make those mistakes and win ball games. I know we penetrated their 20 one time, but we were flagged for an illegal block in the back and that just killed the drive," Welps said.

Morton racked up 340 yards on offense, 285 of those coming on the ground. Hart, paced by Finch's 108yard performance, gained 237 yards on offense.

While Finch was the only 100-plus rusher for Hart, Morton had two runners who topped the century mark in yardage earned on Friday-Robert Enriquez, who gained 116 yards on the ground, and Austin Savala, who finished with 107 yards rushing.

Both rushed for a touchdown and Savala completed a pass to teammate Dustin Silhan for another, giving Morton its 19-0 win.

On the first play from scrimmage, Morton gained 60 yards and moved inside the Hart 20. Two plays later the Indians scored.

Morton capped the quick offensive drive with a 9-yard sprint into

the end zone by Enriquez. The pointafter failed, but the Indians had the early lead, 6-0.

After a scoreless second quarter, Morton took control in the second half, scoring once in each of the remaining stanzas to put the game on

In the third quarter, Savala found an open Silhan for a 23-yard scoring strike and a 12-0 lead. The twopoint conversion pass fell incom-

Morton capped off its offensive performance with another touchdown in the fourth quarter, this time on a 44-yard run by Savala and the ensuing extra-point kick by Enriquez for a 19-0 win.

The game plan wasn't executed," said senior quarterback Chris George. "It will take a few games for the younger players to get where we need them to be."

"We definitely have to improve this week," said freshman defensive tackle Orlando Reyna.

"We had an excellent practice on Monday and the game this week

should be very different from the one we played Friday night," said Hart Assistant Coach Todd Bryant. "With injuries clearing up and time to mature, this young team will be tough leading into district."

#### Game at a Glance

Longhorns 0, Morton 19

Hart	0	0	0	0 -0	
Morton	6	0	6	7—19	
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First Downs			7	9	
Yards Rushing		•	180	285	
Yards Passing			57	55	
Total Yards Gair	ned	2	237	340	
Passes CompA	Att.	5	-12	4-7	
Interceptions By			1	3	
Punts-Avg.		2	-37	2-32	
Fumbles-Lost		100	7-4	4-2	
Penalties-Yards		8	-70	6-50	

#### Scoring By Quarters First Quarter:

MORTON-Robert Enriquez 9 run (kick

Third Quarter:

MORTON-Dusten Silhan 23 pass from Austin Savala (pass failed)

Fourth Quarter:

MORTON-Savala 44 run (Enriquez

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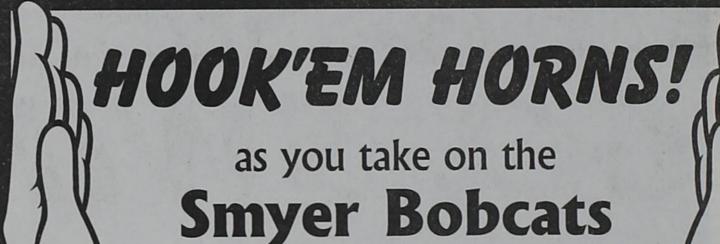
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# Tough challenges face teams this week

The Dimmitt Bobcats and Nazareth Swifts will be going after their second straight wins this week while Hart hopes to eliminate mistakes and post its first win of the season. All three will take to the road Friday night for 8 p.m. kickoffs.

Dimmitt will travel to Lamesa, Nazareth will head to Valley and Hart will face Smyer, there.

#### **Dimmitt at Lamesa**

While the Bobcats were whipping Class AA Sundown 33-14 here Friday night, Lamesa's Golden Tornadoes were flattening Class AAA Lubbock Cooper 42-16.

That ought to give you reason to a 35-0 halftime lead over Cooper. pause and worry about the Bobcats' next opponent.

concerned, but he isn't afraid.

"We beat them last year," Dollar said. "We should be able to do it

again this year." acknowledged. "It was last year. They got us down 17-0, and we came Friday night for an average of almost

back and won."

The Bobcats came out on top in last year's game, 21-17, despite having two touchdowns called back.

After its loss to Dimmitt last year, Lamesa went on to post a 5-5 season mark and a 3-2 record in District 3-AAA, good enough for the thirdplace playoff spot.

in bi-district.

The 1999 version of the Golden Tors proved to be a long-strike team Friday night as QB Waylan Hogg winged touchdown passes of 64 and 10 yards to flanker Noel Morales, and runningback Matthew Wade raced 94 yards for a TD as they built

Wade added another TD on a nineyard run and Hogg scored on runs of Dimmitt Coach Bruce Dollar is 18 and 16 yards as Lamesa roared to a 42-0 lead before Cooper could get on the scoreboard late in the third quarter.

Wade, a 5-9, 160-lb. junior, is the "It will be a tough game," Dollar main ball-toter for the Golden Tors. He gained 187 yards on 16 carries

12 yards per run.

The Lamesa roster includes seven juniors who were pressed into starting duty as sophomores last season, and Tors Coach Tim James has high hopes for them this year.

In all, Coach James has seven offensive and seven defensive starters back from last year's team. With this The Tors lost to Monahans, 21-10, solid nucleus, the Tors are expected to challenge for a playoff spot again this season.

The Tors' senior leader is noseguard Daniel Hernandez. You might think he's too small (5-7, 155) to play this here game-especially the smash-mouth position-but he was chosen the Most Valuable Player in District 3-AAA last season.

Hogg was pressed into the starting role at quarterback as a sophomore last year when Josh Wade went down with an injury early in the season. Hogg (5-9, 160) filled in admirably, and held onto the starting spot this year with Wade, a 6-2, 190-lb. senior, as his backup.

Last year it was the Golden Tors' 5-2 defense that kept them in the

race, giving up an average of only 14 points per game.

But Friday night, the Tors served notice that their veer offense has matured. They chalked up a whopping 280 yards in the first half against Cooper.

This will be the longest road trip of the regular season for the Bobcats-137 miles.

Kickoff time will be 8 o'clock at the Golden Tornado Stadium.

#### Hart at Smyer

The Longhorns hope all of the fumbles and mistakes were left on the field after Friday night's loss to speed." Morton, and they'll be looking for their first win of the season this week as they travel to Smyer.

Kickoff in the Longhorn-Bobcat game will be 8 p.m. in Smyer.

The injury-plagued Longhorns will have the services of recovered tight end/defensive end Dan Eric Castillo and left guard/noseguard Eric Gutierrez for this week's game; but starting quarterback/free safety Jeremiah Velasquez and starting running back/strong safety Jacob Reyna are still out with a broken arm and injuries from an automobile accident, respectively.

Smyer also struggled in its opener Friday, falling to Olton, 20-6, but it had several chances and the outcome could just as easily gone the other way.

The Bobcats have several returning starters back on both sides of the ball from last year's 11-2 playoff team, but they are still young and many players are still adjusting to the varsity level of football.

Smyer focused on a basic ground attack against Olton last week, picking up 128 of its 136 yards offense from its rushing game.

Leading the way for the Bobcats was Gilbert Garcia, who scored Smyer's lone touchdown—an 8-yard run- in the second quarter.

Smyer include tackle Curtis Villegas (5-10, 215-pound senior), fullback Simon Rodriguez (5-8, 167-pound junior), guard Chad Smith (5-10, 185-pound junior), running back Rodney Moore (5-9, 142-pound sophomore), center Kary Cooper (5-10, 158-pound junior) and guards

Matthew Pittman (5-10, 145-pound sophomore) and Nathan Pittman (5-10, 153-pound sophomore).

"Smyer has a big, physical ball club. They've got big linemen on both sides of the ball and they've got a fast running back in Garcia. He' a good ball player," said Hart Coach Bryan Welps.

"They like to get the ball to Garcia and send him behind those big lineman. I expect for them to line up and try to run over us early, then they'll try and hit him with a pass out of the backfield. They will definitely try and get him involved in the game early. They like to use him in a lot of different sets, taking advantage of his

The Bobcats line up in a Wing T on offense and they prefer the 5-2 on defense.

The defensive unit also has some experienced veterans with returnees T.J. Boren (6-1, 159-pound senior) at defensive end, defensive backs Moore, Chey Floyd (6-2, 170-pound junior) and Justin Preston (5-9, 142pound junior) and linebacker Stephen Tucker.

just 95 yards rushing Friday, but gave up another 99 yards passing in the losing effort. The Bobcats forced and recovered two Olton fumbles,

"Smyer has some good linebackers that make plays and they've got a strong line up front. They're aggressive on defense and they like to blitz a lot," Welps said.

#### Nazareth at Valley

with experience and size and they should give the Nazareth Swifts everything they can handle Friday

take on the Patriots Friday. Kickoff front line. The secondary features is slated for 8 p.m.

Valley didn't start off the 1999 Returning offensive starters for campaign with a win Friday, but the Patriots were taking on a tough Class AA squad in Memphis. The Cyclones prevailed, 32-6, in the opener.

The Patriots had a hard time mustering any offense against the Cyclone defense Friday, gaining just

206 total yards. Valley's lone touchdown came on an 85-yard kickoff return by Justin Davis after Memphis scored its first touchdown.

Valley's offense is paced by running back Nathan Wheeler, a 6-0, 190-lb. senior, who picked up 81 yards in the first game.

Directing Valley's option offense this year is quarterback Chris Price, who takes over for the graduated Cory Chandler. He will run with and throw the ball and his favorite target is B.J. Price.

The Prices and Wheeler have the benefit of a couple of big lineman to protect them up front, too.

Anchoring the offensive front are returning starters Jeffrey Butler, a 6-3, 290-pound junior, and Brody Davis, a 6-2, 250-pound senior. They are joined by another part-time starter from last year, Ben Pigg, a 5-10, 180-lb. senior.

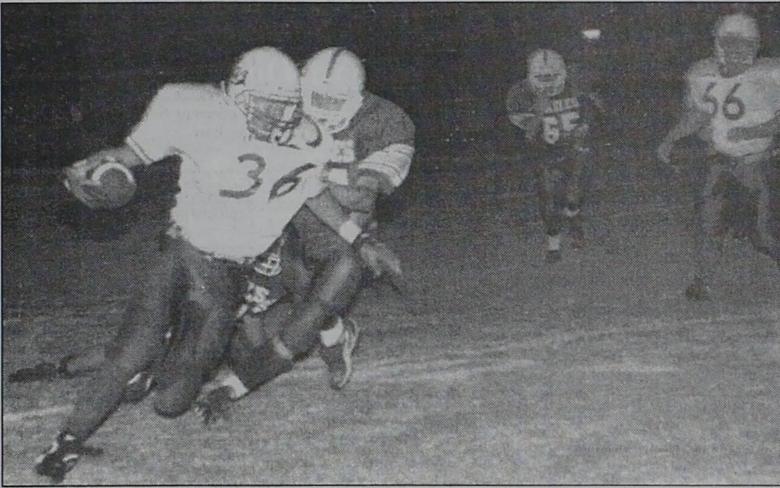
"Valley's still pretty big and they have a lot of guys back from last year," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "Offensively, their number one weapon is their fullback, Wheeler. They'll try and get the ball in his hands a lot, then they'll come off of Smyer's defense allowed Olton that with an option look and the quarterback will keep it.

> "We've got to be ready to take away their fullback, quarterback and receiver and we should be able to stop them okay," Coach Price said.

> Defensively, Coach Price expects Valley to line up in a couple of different formations, and he said "we have to be prepared to block two different fronts. Valley will show an eight-man split front and that's what they'll probably start out in. We'll probably see a 5-3 formation, too."

Valley's defense sports an experi-The Valley Patriots are loaded enced linebacker corps with Wheeler, Pigg, Stephen Ortiz (5-10, 190-pound senior) and Rowdy Mullin (6-3, 210-pound junior) as the strength of the unit. Davis provides a Nazareth will travel to Valley to big, solid anchor on the defensive another veteran, B.J. Price (6-2, 185pound senior), who Coach Price says is probably Valley's leading tackler so far this season.

"Usually when you've got a guy in the secondary making a lot of your tackles, it's a sign that the guys up front aren't doing a good job, but that's not the case here. B.J. Price is just so good at getting to the ball. He makes a lot of stops for no gain."



NAZARETH RUNNING BACK AARON KERN (36) slips by a Lubbock Christian defender and picks up 12 yards to give the Swifts a first-and-goal from the Eagle 4 with 2:16 left in third-quarter action Friday night in Lubbock. Kern led the Swifts in their final scoring drive of the game, picking up good yardage

on three straight carries, setting up a 1-yard touchdown by Jason Huseman. Also pictured is Nazareth's Michael Kormann (66). The Swifts had no problems handling the Eagles and posted a 48-13 opening day Photo by Anne Acker



Next time a storm knocks the power out at Mrs. Duffy's day care, she'll have to tell a shorter ghost story.



out. But it is up to us to get them back on quickly. In fact, we recently invested in a new communication system for our emergency crews, so we can get your business back up

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Changes in driving

## What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth schools for Sept. 9-17.

#### DIMMITT **Breakfast**

THURSDAY: Hot oatmeal, fresh bananas and milk

FRIDAY: Cheese toast, apple slices and

MONDAY: Waffles with syrup, grape juice an milk.

TUESDAY: Frosted Flakes cereal, orange wedges and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Canadian bacon and

biscuit, orange juice and milk. THURSDAY: Cocoa Krispie cereal, fresh bananas and milk

FRIDAY: Pancake on a stick with sausage, pineapple juice and milk.

#### Preschool-First Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Chicken strips, French fries, tossed salad, hot rolls and milk. FRIDAY: Cheeseburger, French fries,

hamburger salad and milk. MONDAY: Ground beef and macaroni, Mexicali corn, applesauce and milk.

TUESDAY: Fish nuggets, Mexipinto beans, watermelon and milk. WEDNESDAY: Corn dogs, hash brown

potatoes, tossed salad and milk. THURSDAY: Nachos with cheese, mixed vegetables, honeyhew melon, jalapeno pep-

pers and milk. FRIDAY: Red Baron Pepperoni Pizza, potato wedges, apple slices and milk

#### Second-12th Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken strips, chicken pot pie or green enchilada casserole; French fries, baked sweet potatoes or refried beans; tossed salad, pineapple sunset salad or cucumber and tomato salad; hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano or tortilla chips; chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

FRIDAY: Cheeseburger on a bun, cheese enchilada with sauce or chicken stir fry; tater tots, peaches or mixed vegetables; tossed salad, hamburger salad or pears; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls or Spanish rice; or chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

MONDAY: Choice of ground beef and macaroni, bean chalupas or beef taco; Mexicali corn, southern collard greens or seasoned black-eyed peas; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or applesauce; Fideo Mexicano, corn tortilla or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

TUESDAY: Choice of fish nuggets, Chili Fritos or beef tamale pie; broccoli with cheese sauce, savory green beans or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad, coleslaw or

WEDNESDAY: Choice of com dogs, southern fried chicken or Chinese chicken plate; hash brown potatoes summer squash or refried beans; tossed salad, potato salad or pasta salad; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls or tortilla chips; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

THURSDAY: Choice of nachos with cheese, barbecued chicken or fruit and cheese plate; vegetable medley, potato salad or mixed vegetables; tossed salad, haystack finger salad or thoneydew melon; hot wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano or crackers; and chocolate milk,

## **Swiftettes** dominate field in race

Nazareth runners took first- and second-place honors in the Brownfield Jamboree cross country meet Saturday, and placed three other runners in the top 10 enroute to the small school team championship.

Leading the race for the Swiftettes were Danette Ramaekers, who won the race with a time of 11:09; and Erica Gerber, who finished second in 11:26.

Nazareth accumulated 22 team points Saturday, easily outdistancing the pack. Sundown was second among the teams with 42 points.

Other Swiftettes placing among the top 10 were Stephanie Thiel, fifth, 11:45; Lindsey Gerber, seventh, 11:50; and Sara Schulte, ninth, 11:52. Rounding out the varsity squad were Mandy Hoelting, who finished 19th with a time of 12:10; and Whitney Hoelting, who placed 42<sup>nd</sup> in 13:01.

"This was a good first race for us. For the first outing, I thought everybody did great," said Nazareth Coach Mike Garrett. "Having five finish in the Top 10 is an accomplishment in any cross country meet."

Garrett said the course had a lot of gradual hills which runners had to conquer, and it was designed a lot like the course at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock, where regional races are held each year.

He did say the course at Brownfield was shorter than the traditional two miles, though. It was only about a mile and three-quarters.

In the varsity boys' race, Nazareth's Craig Birkenfeld finished 17th with a time of 19:33 and Quentin Jones was 20th in 19:45.

The boys ran a 2-3/4 mile race Saturday in Brownfield.

In the JV girls' race, the Swiftettes finished four runners among the top eight, including Cassie Birkenfeld, second, 12:14; Marsha Black, third, 12:25; Lesley Brockman, fifth, 12:37; and Mikki Huguley, eighth, 12:46. Rounding out the JV team were Lindsie M. Gerber, 11th, 12:52; Elizabeth Olvera, 12th, 12:55; and Wendy Black, 24th, 13:20.

white milk or punch.

FRIDAY: Choice of Red Baron Pepperoni tossed salad, fresh spinach salad or apple slices; combread, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

#### HART **Breakfast**

THURSDAY: Waffles, sausage, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk.

FRIDAY: Scrambled eggs, Canadian bacon, weiner wrap in biscuits, variety of cereal, graham crackers, assorted fruit juice and milk.

MONDAY: Waffles, sausage, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk. cereal, white toast, assorted fruit juice and or tea.

salsa, cinnamon rolls, assorted fruit juice,

variety of cereal and milk. THURSDAY: Sausage, biscuits, variety of or tea. cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk.

FRIDAY: Biscuits, Canadian bacon, scrambled eggs, assorted fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers, raisins and milk.

#### **Elementary Lunch**

THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, burrito or milk spaghetti and meat sauce; Texas toast, corn, salad, ginger cookies, gelatin dessert and milk. FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, burrito or hot dog on a bun; chili, pinto beans, fresh fruit,

corn chips, gelatin dessert and milk. MONDAY: Choice of barbecued rib sandwich with chips, burrito or sausage link; macaroni and cheese, peaches, rolls, salad, pinto beans and milk.

TUESDAY: Choice of hamburger with potato chips, burrito or arroz con queso with chicken; salad, refried beans, gelatin dessert, royal brownies, ice cream and milk. WEDNESDAY: Chicken sandwich with

chips, pizza or steak fingers; mashed potatoes, green beans, carrot sticks, cherry cobbler and THURSDAY: Choice of burrito, hamburger

with potato chips or barbecued beef on a roll; salad, dill pickles, gelatin dessert, mixed fruit, Longhorn cookie and milk. FRIDAY: Choice of spaghetti and meat sauce or hamburger with potato chips; toast,

cookie, gelatin dessert and milk. Junior High/High School Lunch THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, burrito or lasagna with ground beef; Texas toast, corn.

salad, peaches, green beans, whole wheat sugar

FRIDAY: Choice of brisket, hamburger

watermelon; garlic bread, hot rolls or Arroz basket or baked potato; wheat rolls, pinto Mexicano; and chocolate milk, white milk or beans, sliced cheese, salad, Longhorn cookie, corn, applesauce, dessert and milk or juice.

PROPOSITION NO. 1

ON THE BALLOT

HJR 44 - HJR 44 proposes a constitutional

amendment that would ensure a clear suc-

cession in event of vacancies in the offices

of Governor and Lieutenant Governor. Spe-

cifically, the amendment would provide that

if after qualifying for the office, the Gover-

nor is temporarily unable to serve, the Lieu-

tenant Governor shall act as Governor until

the Governor is able to serve; but if the Gov-

ernor is permanently unable to serve, the

Lieutenant Governor shall become the Gov-

ernor for the remainder of the unexpired term.

The amendment would require a Lieutenant

Governor who becomes Governor to forfeit

the office of Lieutenant Governor. The

amendment would also provide similar suc-

cession procedures when a vacancy occurs

in the office of Governor before the newly

elected Governor qualifies for office, and

when the newly elected Governor is tempo-

rarily unable to take office. The amendment

also would provide that if there is a tempo-

rary vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Gov-

ernor, the President pro tempore of the Sen-

ate will fill the position; but if there is a per-

manent vacancy in the office of Lieutenant

Governor, the President pro tempore of the

Senate shall serve as Lieutenant Governor

only until such time as the whole senate can

convene to elect one of its members to per-

form the duties of Lieutenant Governor. Fi-

nally, the amendment would provide that if

the Lieutenant Governor, while temporarily

exercising the powers of the Governor, be-

comes temporarily disabled or unable to

serve, the President pro tempore of the sen-

ate shall exercise the powers and authority

of the office of the Governor until such time

as the Governor or Lieutenant Governor re-

The proposed amendment will appear on the

ballot as follows: "The constitutional amend-

ment to revise the provisions for the filling

of a vacancy in the office of governor or lieu-

**PROPOSITION NO. 2** 

ON THE BALLOT

SJR 12 - SJR 12 proposes a constitutional

assumes those powers and duties.

ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

MONDAY: Choice of barbecued rib sand-Pizza, red beans and rice or enchiladas; potato wich with chips, burrito or barbecued wieners; wedges, corn on the cob or refried beans; macaroni and cheese, peaches, hot rolls, salad, pinto beans and milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choice of hamburger with potato chips, burrito or arroz con queso with chicken; tortilla chips, salad, refried beans, gelatin dessert, royal brownies, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich with chips, pizza or steak fingers; mashed potatoes, green beans, carrot sticks, cherry cobbler and milk, punch or tea.

THURSDAY: Choice of burrito, hamburger with potato chips or barbecued beef on a roll; salad, dill pickles, gelatin dessert, TUESDAY: Breakfast pizza, variety of mixed fruit, Longhorn cookie and milk, punch

FRIDAY: Choice of spaghetti and meat WEDNESDAY: Breakfast burrito with sauce or hamburger and potato chips; toast, salad, peaches, green beans, whole wheat sugar cookie, gelatin dessert and milk, punch

#### NAZARETH Breakfast

THURSDAY: Sausage on a roll, cereal, juice an milk.

FRIDAY: Breakfast tacos, cereal, juice and MONDAY: Cinnamon roll or blueberry

muffin, cereal, juice and milk. TUESDAY: Canadian bacon on a roll, cereal, juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY: French toast and sausage, cereal, juice and milk. THURSDAY: Sausage and pancake on a

stick, cereal, juice and milk. FRIDAY: Breakfast taco, cereal, juice and

#### Lunch

THURSDAY: \* Enchiladas or pizza, tossed salad, brown beans, pears, orange cake and milk or juice.

FRIDAY: \* Com dogs or chicken strips with gravy and bread, broccoli and cauliflower salad, chicken rice, oranges, pineapple upside down cake and milk or juice.

tossed salad, vegetarian beans, chocolate chip cookies, fruit and milk or juice. TUESDAY: \* Sloppy Joe or com dog,

MONDAY: \* Pizza or chicken stir fry,

tossed salad, fried okra, peaches, pears and milk or juice. WEDNESDAY: \* Soft taco or hamburger

and French fries, lettuce, beans, plums, peanut butter bars and milk or juice. THURSDAY: \* Frito pie or pizza, comsalad, ginger cookies, gelatin dessert and milk. bread, tossed salad, rice pilaf, fruit cocktail,

pudding and milk or juice. FRIDAY: \* Chicken spaghetti and biscuit or hamburger and French fries, tossed salad,

amendment that would simplify and clarify

the language of the Texas Constitution. The

amendment would make no substantive

changes, but would eliminate duplicative,

expired, out-of-date, and ineffective terms.

The proposed amendment will appear on the

ballot as follows: "The constitutional amend-

ment to eliminate duplicative, executed, ob-

solete, archaic, and ineffective provisions of

PROPOSITION NO. 4

ON THE BALLOT

HJR 4 - HJR 4 proposes a constitutional

amendment that would broaden the defini-

tion of charitable organizations. The amend-

ment would exempt from ad valorem taxa-

tion the property of any organization engaged

primarily in public charitable functions, and

it would allow such an organization to con-

duct additional activities to support its chari-

The proposed amendment will appear on the

ballot as follows: "The constitutional amend-

ment to authorize the legislature to exempt

property owned by institutions engaged pri-

marily in public charitable functions from ad

PROPOSITION NO. 5

ON THE BALLOT

SJR 26 - SJR 26 proposes an amendment that

would remove the restriction prohibiting state

employees who receive all or part of their

compensation from the state from serving as

members of a governing body of a school

district, city, town, or other local governmen-

tal district unless the state employee receives

no salary for such service. The amendment

would allow state employees to receive com-

pensation from the governing bodies of

The proposed amendment will appear on the

ballot as follows: "The constitutional amend-

ment allowing state employees to receive

compensation for serving as a member of a

governing body of a school district, city,

town, or other local governmental district."

PROPOSITION NO. 6

ON THE BALLOT

SJR 22 - SJR 22 proposes a constitutional

amendment that would increase the maxi-

mum size of an urban homestead, which is a

homestead in a city, town, or village, from

one acre to ten acres and require the urban

homestead to be composed of either a single

lot or several lots that are adjacent to one an-

other. The amendment also would provide

that the urban homestead must be used as a

home or as both a home and place of busi-

ness, whereas current law does not require

that an urban homestead that is used as a place

Current law further allows a person to se-

cure a home equity loan on their homestead,

provided that the loan does not overburden

the homestead. That is, the principal amount

of the home equity loan, when added to the

total of the outstanding principal balances of

all other indebtedness secured against the

fair market value of the homestead on the

of business be used also as a home.

which they are members.

the Texas Constitution.

table functions.

valorem taxation.

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

PROPOSED

**Special Election** 

**NOVEMBER 2, 1999** 

## rules started Sept. 1

Driving-related legislation that terstates and state numbered high-equipped. took effect Sept. 1 includes:

\* Large trucks (including 18wheelers), assorted vehicles pulling trailers and school activity buses will now be able to drive the same speed limit as cars on interstates and highways numbered by the federal and state government\*a maximum speed remains 16. limit of 70 mph day/65 mph night on those roadways. The truck speed limit will remain the same (maximum 60 mph day/55 mph night) on farm-to-market (FM) roads and ranch-to-market (RM) roads.

\* School buses without commercial vehicle inspection stickers will now have a maximum speed limit of 50 mph. The prior law allowed school buses to travel 55 mph on interstates. School buses with commercial vehicle inspection stickers will now

\* The speed limit on beaches has been lowered to 15 mph.

\* Although legislation to raise the driving age had been introduced during the session, nothing passed. The standard legal driving age in Texas

\* The current seat belt law has fuse a breath test. been broadened to cover all children in a vehicle, no matter where they are seated. That means that all children under 15 must be properly restrained—period. The new law also now requires seat belt usage for children under 15 years of age in oneton pick-ups. (Please note that children under two years of age must still be seated in an approved car caps will be pressure-tested during seat.) One other change clarifies that safety belt means a lap belt and a be allowed to travel 60 mph on in- shoulder strap, if the vehicle is so

\* The DWI threshold will drop from 0.10 to 0.08 blood alcohol content. This change in the law also will affect the Administrative License Revocation program, which allows for the civil suspension of driver licenses for those who register a .08 or above, as well as those who re-

\* Vehicle inspection fees increased on Sept. 1. A safety only inspection costs \$12.50; motorcycles, \$12.50; mopeds, \$5.75; new car initial inspection, \$21.75; emission only inspection, \$13; and safety and emissions inspection,

\* Starting Jan. 1, 2000, all gas vehicle inspections to make sure caps are not leaking gas fumes into the atmosphere.

\* New driver licenses, identification cards and renewals now have a writeable surface on the back, so license holders

will have the option to fill in a contact number to call in an emergency if law enforcement agencies need to contact next-of-kin. License and I.D. holders already are able to write in where an emergency directive to physician is filed and any allergic reactions to drugs the license holder may have.

Titmice are highly intelligent birds. In the 1700s French kings kept them in cages and trained them to do tricks.

The first baby incubator was used in France in 1891.

Aluminum is the most plentiful metallic element in the earth's crust and the third most common of all the elements, after oxygen and silicon.

## JV Cats stumble in third and fall to Sundown, 12-0

Dimmitt's junior varsity held Sun- yards in the second quarter and 30 down scoreless for three quarters last Thursday, but a third-quarter slump allowed the Roughnecks to put 12 points on the board and that was enough for the win.

Dimmitt had some bright spots during the game.

A bootleg pass play from quarterback Matthew Gauna to Raul Oltivero netted a 20-yard gain for the Cats in the second quarter.

Juan Gonzales picked up 55 yards on a big play in the third quarter before he was dragged down by

Ruber. Casas had a big game for the Bobcats, hauling in passes for 45

The Bobcats' defense gave up 100 yards rushing and 40 yards through Defensive standouts included

yards in the fourth quarter.

Coaches also credited Brandon

The Bobcats had success on of-

Furr with having a good offensive

fense, picking up 87 yards rushing

and 95 yards passing, they just

couldn't punch the ball into the end

Brent Josselet and Matthew Wright in the secondary; and Jonathan Jimenez, Steven Paz and Daniel Prieto up front.

spend public funds or extend credit to pur-

#### **PROPOSITION NO. 15** ON THE BALLOT

HJR 36 - HJR 36 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow spouses, by an agreement in writing, to convert all or part of their separate property into community property. Separate property is primarily the property owned or claimed by the spouse before marriage and the property acquired by the spouse during the marriage by gift or inheritance. Community property consists of the property, other than separate property, acquired by either spouse during marriage.

separate property to community property."

#### ON THE BALLOT

county that as of November 2, 1999, is divided into four or more precincts.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that certain counties shall be divided into a specific number of pre-

#### **PROPOSITION NO. 17** ON THE BALLOT

HJR 58 - HJR 58 proposes a constitutional of the PUF investments and annual distributions to the AUF.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the investment of the permanent university fund and the distribution from the permanent university fund to the available university fund.'

las enmiendas propuestas a la contitutión que aparecerán en la boleta el 2 de noviembre de 1999. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes in enpañol, podrá obtener una gratis por llama al 1/800/252/8683 or por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Tx 78711.

posed of an odd number of three or more Published by Secretary of State Elton Bomer

## Roughneck defenders.

ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment increasing the maximum size of an urban homestead to 10 acres, prescribing permissible uses of urban homesteads, and preventing the overburdening of a homestead."

#### PROPOSITION NO. 7

HJR 16 - HJR 16 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that if an employee is delinquent in paying court-ordered spousal maintenance, a portion of that employee's wages may be withheld to pay the spousal maintenance. Current law allows such withholding, or garnishment, only for payment of delinquent court-ordered child

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing garnishment of wages for the enforcement of court-ordered spousal maintenance.

#### ON THE BALLOT

HJR 95 - HJR 95 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that the adjutant general, who is appointed by the Governor and who serves as the governing officer of the state military forces, serves as long as the Governor wishes the appointed person to serve in that capacity rather than serving a specific two-year term set by the legislature.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that the adjutant general serves at the pleasure of the governor.

#### **PROPOSITION NO. 9** ON THE BALLOT

SJR 10 - SJR 10 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to create a judicial compensation committee to make recommendations for salaries for the justices and judges of the Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Courts of Appeals, and the District Courts. The amendment would mandate that the recommendations become law if neither the Senate nor the House of Representatives rejects them by majority vote.

ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to create a judicial compensation commission.

#### ON THE BALLOT

HJR 74 - HJR 74 proposes a constitutional amendment that would provide that the commissioner of health and human services, who is appointed by the Governor, serves as long as the Governor wishes the appointed person to serve in that capacity rather than serving a specific two-year term set by the legis-

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to provide that the commissioner of health and human services serves at the pleasure of the governor."

homestead, does not exceed 80 percent of the date the extension of credit is made. The

chase nonassessable property or casualty insurance from a mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Texas. Under current law, a political subdivision is generally prohibited from spending public funds or extending credit to become a stockholder in a corporation but is permitted to purchase nonassessable life, health or accident insurance policies from a mutual insurance company authorized to do business in Texas. This amendment would authorize a political subdivision to also obtain non-assessable property and casualty insurance from such a com-

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting a political subdivision to purchase nonassessable property and casualty insurance from an authorized mutual insurance company in the same manner that the political subdivision purchases life, health, and accident insurance.

#### **PROPOSITION NO. 12** ON THE BALLOT

SJR 21 - SJR 21 proposes a constitutional amendment that would exempt from ad valorem taxation a leased motor vehicle that is not used by the lessee primarily to produce income. The amendment would provide that the legislature also may limit the ability of a political subdivision to subject such a vehicle

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation leased motor vehicles not held by the lessee primarily to produce income.'

to taxation.

#### **PROPOSITION NO. 13** ON THE BALLOT

SJR 16 - SJR 16 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to allow the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue and sell general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$400 million in order to finance educational loans to students. The amendment also would authorize the Legislature to limit the amount of interest the bonds can bear and establish procedures for the investment of the bond proceeds. The proposed amendment would

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$400 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students.

specify the method of repaying the bonds.

#### **PROPOSITION NO. 14** ON THE BALLOT

HJR 29 - HJR 29 proposes a constitutional

amendment which would authorize the Legislature to require the board of regents of the state university and boards of trustees or managers of the educational, charitable, and penal institutions of the state, whose members serve six year terms, to be composed of an odd number of three or more board members (for example, 5, 7, or 9 members). The proposed amendment would allow approximately one-third of members of boards whose membership is not evenly divisible by three to be elected or appointed every two years. The amendment also would allow the Legislature to set the composition of constitutionally required boards, whose members serve for a term of six years, to a number divisible by three so that exactly one-third of the board members may be elected or appointed every two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide that a state board, commission, or other agency shall be governed by a board com-

## amendment that would resolve conflicts between the Texas Constitution and federal law

relating to the definition, rules, and procedures of reverse mortgages. The amendment would define "reverse mortgage" in part as an extension of credit made against the homestead of a person who is 62 years or older, or whose spouse is 62 years or older. It would expand the list of circumstances under which payment of principal and interest become due and the procedures involved in foreclosure, and would require certain advances to be made according to specific terms in loan documents, including advances by the lender, on behalf of the borrower for payments necessary to protect the lender's interest. Finally, the amendment would require the Texas Supreme Court to promulgate rules of civil pro-

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to the making of advances under a reverse mortgage and payment of a re-

cedure expediting court-ordered foreclosures

of reverse mortgage liens.

#### **PROPOSITION NO. 3** ON THE BALLOT

HJR 62 - HJR 62 proposes a constitutional

proposed amendment would clarify current law by specifically allowing home equity loans on all or part of urban homesteads of up to ten acres and subject such loans to the same requirement that the refinanced or new loan not overburden the homestead.

The proposed amendment will appear on the

### ON THE BALLOT

#### **PROPOSITION NO. 8**

The proposed amendment will appear on the

#### **PROPOSITION NO. 10**

PROPOSITION NO. 11

#### ON THE BALLOT

HJR 69 - HJR 69 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize a county, city, town, or other political subdivision to

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting spouses to agree to convert

#### **PROPOSITION NO. 16**

HJR 71 - HJR 71 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow a county with a population of 50,000 or more, rather than 30,000 or more, to be divided into four to eight justice of the peace and constable precincts. The amendment also would allow a county with a population between 18,000 and 50,000 to have two to eight justice of the peace and constable precincts, rather than the current maximum of five precincts. Furthermore, the amendment would limit Randall County to not less than two and not more than six precincts. Finally, the amendment would set a minimum of four precincts for any

amendment which would require the board of regents of the University of Texas System to manage investments of the permanent university fund (PUF) according to the standards of a prudent investor. Generally, earnings from the PUF are distributed to the available university fund (AUF) and then ultimately distributed to the public university systems of Texas. Under the amendment, the amount distributed to the AUF would consist of distributions, as determined by the University of Texas System board of regents, from the total return on all investment assets of the PUF, instead of consisting only of the dividends, interest, and other income of the PUF minus administrative expenses. The amendment also would provide guidelines for minimum and maximum amounts to be distributed to the AUF, and require that the board of regents manage distributions to the AUF in a manner that will provide the AUF with a stable and predictable stream of annual distributions and maintain the purchasing power

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NEED YOUR LAWN MOWED? Call Kris Lindsey or Casey or Jason Hargrove at 647-5772 or 647-2646.

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#### 19—Students Wanting Work

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CASTRO COUNTY is now taking applications for experienced road maintainer for Precinct 2. Applications may be obtained at the Castro County Treasurer's office and may be submitted until Sept. 17, 1999, at 5 p.m. Castro County is an equal opportunity employer. 20-23-2tc

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- 10. Agricultural services
- 11. Feed, seed and grain for sale 23. Lost and found
- 12. Farm produce for sale

13. Livestock and pets

20—Help Wanted

18. Services 18A. Insurance

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17. Business opportunities

- 19. Students seeking work
- 22. Notices

- 24. Cards of thanks

#### 25. Legal notices

25—Legal Notices

**BID NOTICE** 

County will accept bids on 2 (two) new

vehicles to be used by the Castro County

Sheriff's Office on Oct. 11, 1999, begin-

ning at 9 a.m. during Commissioner's

Bids should be submitted in the follow-

Bid for the outright purchase of 2 (two)

Factory Police Interceptors. Bids should

include the price with and without the

trade-in of 1 (one) 1993 Ford Crown Victo-

Vehicle offered for trade-in can be seen

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tacting the Castro County Sheriff's Office.

the Castro County Sheriff's Office from

Judge. Any other information may be

obtained by contacting Sheriff CD

Fitzgearld at the Castro County Sheriff's

Office at (806) 647-3311 or (806) 647-

Castro County reserves the right to

IRENE MILLER, Castro County Judge

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e Sheriff or at the Office of the Cou

Bid specifications may be obtained at

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#### 22—Notices

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25-23-2tc

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## Gospel Meeting Sept. 8th-12th

22—Notices

Candidate filing

Filing has started for candidates

wanting to serve on the Dimmitt City

Council to fill the place left vacant

by council member Lyman Schroe-

The special election will be held

Nov. 2. The term for the at-large

position will expire in May of 2001.

Candidate filing will close Sept.

20. Candidate applications are avail-

able at the Dimmitt City Hall and

must be returned there when com-

pleted. The city offices are open

from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday

Bob Murdock was the only one

who had filed as of Tuesday after-

Who's New

**OUT OF TOWN** 

the parents of a baby girl, Jewel Shayne, who was born on Aug. 13 at 2:48 a.m. in

Baptist-St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

The infant weighed 7 pounds and 2

ounces and was 1934 inches long. Grand-

parents are Jackie and Beth Roberts and

Coy and Vickie Ethridge, all of Dimmitt. Great-grandparents are Bessie Strickland

of Dimmitt and the late Durward Strick-

land, Ray and Fay Ethridge of Dimmitt,

and Jearldine Newsom of Hart.

Justin and Jada Roberts of Amarillo are

continues for

city election

der, who moved away.

through Friday.

Fourth and Bedford **Church of Christ** 

Dimmitt



Wednesday through Friday

### You are invited to a Fellowship Meal

from 6 to 7 p.m. and to hear an excellent speaker from Lubbock

> **Charles Speer** from 7 to 8 p.m.

### 25—Legal Notices

**LEGAL NOTICE** NO. PR 2348 THE ESTATE OF W.H. FELDER, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF **CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS** 

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING **CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF** W.H. FELDER, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that the Original Letters Testamentary to the Estate of W.H. FELDER, were issued on the 30th day of August, 1999, in Cause No. 2348, in the proceedings of the Estate of W.H. FELDER, Deceased, pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, to W.H. FELDER JR., as Independent Executor, whose mailing address is Box 803, Sunray, Texas 79086. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, are required to send the same to us, at the above address, within the time and within the manner prescribed by law.

W.H. FELDER, JR. Independent Executor of the Estate of W.H. FELDER, Deceased 25-23-1tc

#### 9—farm Equipment & Supplies

FOR SALE: The City of Nazareth is accepting bids through Sept. 13 to sell a Hough H40 payloader. For information call

## **Job Fair** set Oct. 27

The Dept. of Human Services local office is sponsoring a Job Fair on Oct. 27 at the Expo building in

Employers from Castro, Deaf Smith and Swisher counties are being asked to have exhibits and let workers know what type of jobs are available and what type of skills are needed to fill those jobs.

There will be no fee for employers who participate in the event.

"We hope to make this an annual event and to keep it on a non-profit, no-fee basis," said Belle Braddock of the local DHS office.

Other organizations also are helping with the job fair.

Braddock said volunteers will be soliciting local businesses for door prizes and items to be included in "goodie bags" that will be given to those attending the job fair. Also, donations are being sought to help supply a meal for the employers who participate.

An organizational meeting was held Wednesday (Sept. 8) to set up committees.

Call Braddock at 647-4181, ext. 24, for more information.

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at the following locations:

The 19th Hole, Nazareth Coleman Pharmacy Dimmitt Market Dimmitt Thriftway Fast Stop Lockhart Pharmacy Naz Stop, Nazareth The Pancake House Pay & Save Food, Hart Red X Travel Center Town & Country Food Store

## Criminal laws in Texas changed as of Sept.

changed or added provisions as of Sept. 1, due to recent legislation.

Sex-offender registration information available to the public used to include only an offender's name and street name. It will now include

ply with sex offender registration requirements was strengthened from what had been a state jail felony across the board for all offenders. After Sept. 1, the punishment for failure to comply with registration will depend on the seriousness of the specific crime for which the sex offender was convicted.

For example, if an offender has a single conviction for a serious felony offense that requires lifetime regis-

### BBB reports available on Internet

Panhandle and South Plains consumers, and indeed, the world, now have access to the Better Business Bureau's (BBB) reliability reports on the Internet. With just a click of the mouse button, consumers will have direct access to the Bureau's database of reliability reports right at their desktop.

The decision to put the bureau's database of information on-line was made in response to the rapidly growing use of the Internet for information and to allow inquirers greater access to a wide range of BBB information.

The website for the Lubbock area is: www.bbbsouthplains.org

For Amarillo area businesses it is: www.amarillo.bbb.org

Reports on businesses can alert consumers to a history of unanswered or unsettled complaints, law enforcement actions and advertising violations. Charity reports can provide information on local charities and other soliciting nonprofit organizations regarding their governance, fund-raising and finances. Searchable by company or charity name, phone number, or business category, consumers can do their pre-purchase or pre-donation investigation to see what kind of record the business or charity has with the BBB.

The excellent services of inquiry, conciliation and mediation of customer complaints are provided free of charge to area business and consumer communities by the member businesses that meet and maintain high standards of business practice and which support the BBB through their membership dues. The bureau does charge a nominal fee for administrating some arbitration hearings.

Classifieds get results!

Criminal laws in Texas have tration and annual verification with local law enforcement, that offender could be charged with a 3rd degree felony for failure to comply with registration. If an offender has more than one conviction for a serious felony offense that requires lifetime registration and verification with offender's numeric address and pho- local law enforcement once every 90 days, that offender would be The penalty for failing to com- charged with a 2nd degree felony for

### Scholarship fund established in Farris' memory

A memorial scholarship fund has been established at the First United Bank of Dimmitt in memory of John Scott Farris, a Castro County teenager who died July 4 in an automobile accident.

tion to the scholarship fund may do so by contacting Tim Farris at First United Bank, PO Box 929, Dimmitt 79027.

has been expanded to include all

offenders who are required to register as sex offenders, and all offenders convicted of aggravated assault, homicide and burglary of a habitation. Offenders incarcerated or convicted in Texas of sex-related offenses have been required since 1996 to give blood samples for DNA profiling and inclusion in the state's felony. (Previously, it was a misde-CODIS database. (Combined DNA Index System.) CODIS is a DNA investigators throughout Texas and the nation use to help solve sex crimes, which often are committed by repeat offenders. The CODIS database has helped Texas law enforcement officers crack six unsolved sexual assaults since June 1998.

\* A Sex Offender Compliance Unit will be added to the DPS Special Crimes Service to investigate and apprehend sexually violent of-Those who wish to make a dona- fenders. The Special Crimes Service already has a fugitive apprehension unit that targets violent re-offenders.

> \* The Special Crimes Service also will electronically monitor certain

failure to comply with registration. sex offenders (those subject to civil \* Collection of DNA identification commitment) who are deemed likely to re-offend and are believed unlikely to respond to traditional mental illness treatment aimed at keeping them from committing additional sex

\* Failure to stop or to report aggravated sexual assault of a child will be a Class A misdemeanor.

\* Fence-cutting will be a state-jail meanor for minor damage.)

\* Operating an amusement ride profile repository that law enforcement while intoxicated will carry the same punishment as driving while intoxicated. The blood-alcohol concentration also will be 0.08.

> \* The unlawful transport of persons (smuggling undocumented workers for hire) will be a state jail

> \* Identity theft (the fraudulent use or possession of identification, someone's name or date of birth), will be a state jail felony.

> \* The use of so-called "date-rape" drugs such as rohypnol and GHB to commit a rape will enhance the crime to first-degree felony aggravated sexual assault.

## As good as a letter from home ...

With just a little thoughtfulness and a phone call, you can have the local newspaper sent to the student in your family, or to the family member who is now living or stationed elsewhere. It's a welcome gift that keeps on giving-52 weeks a year. If you wish, the News will send the recipient an attractive gift card in your name.

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To initiate a gift subscription, just call the News office at 647-3123 and give us the complete address. Your recipient will begin receiving the News immediately and we'll bill you later. Or, you may mail the address with a check to the Castro County News, P.O. Box 67, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

They'll enjoy reading about their hometown happenings in the News ... and they'll think of you every time they do!

The Castro County News



## Dimmitt to hold line on taxes

The Dimmitt City Council voted Tuesday night to adopt the proposed budget and set the tax rate at the same 23.4 cents per \$100 valuation that was in effect last year.

City Manager Don Sheffy said that tax rate will actually raise a little less in tax revenue than it did last year due to a slight decline in property values in the city compared with last year. However, he added that the city should be able to function with that level of revenue.

Revenue for the general fund portion of the budget is expected to reach \$876,874, with \$300,260 of that coming from ad valorem taxes.

In the utility fund portion of the budget, revenues are expected to come in at \$1,301,600. Of that amount, \$690,000 will come from water and sewer service charges, with another \$220,000 from sanitation charges.

Expenditures for the general fund will include \$54,654 for the administration department, most of

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Instead, there was a "moment of

I kept my eyes open and looked

around from my seat in the press box

to see what people's reaction would

Most of the sports fans, I noticed,

were doing the same thing that I was.

eventually will be dropped as inef-

fective and/or meaningless.

I imagine the "moment of silence"

Virtually all public schools are

abandoning pre-game prayer this

year, in light of the latest federal

The Fifth US Circuit Court of Ap-

peals has held that prayer before

public athletic events not only vio-

lates the "establishment clause" of

the Constitution, but that juries may

award monetary damages to anyone

who sues a school district over the

DISD Supt. Les Miller is notice-

ably upset about the situation. But he

told me Friday night in the press box

that the American Civil Liberties

Union "has served notice that it will

represent any plaintiff, anywhere, on

So most public school districts are

caving. They don't want federal

funds to be cut off, or next year's

budget to go to some guy who claims

to be offended by someone else's

Prayer that's prescribed, imposed

But most school districts have

continued the custom of pre-game

prayer by having a student say the

At the same time, school boards

were ready to halt the pre-game

prayers if anyone in the community

complained or threatened a lawsuit.

In most communities which have

However, I've read statements

recently by people who said they

were offended by the Christian

the same broad religious standards,

that policy has worked.

prayer, and calling it "voluntary."

or mandatory in public schools has

long been banned as unconstitu-

(Can you spell GREED?)

More about

silence . . . for reflection."

Friday night.

court ruling.

issue and wins.

this issue."

tional, of course.

which is \$29,779 for salaries and benefits; \$92,929 for the fire department, including capital outlay of \$11,683; \$345,247 for the police department, with \$263,577 for salaries and benefits, and \$28,000 for capital outlay; \$18,357 for the city judge's office; \$73,990 for parks and recreation; \$11,812 for the airport; \$34,816 for the library; and \$100,091 for the street and alley department, including \$30,000 for seal coating.

The utility fund budget includes \$713,375 for the water department, with \$171,716 for salaries and benefits, and \$221,500 for capital outlay; \$40,032 for the shop and warehouse department; \$174,491 for the sewer department, with \$24,697 for salaries and \$95,064 for capital outlay; \$226,139 for the sanitation department, including \$82,481 for salaries and \$26,928 for capital outlay; and \$147,563 for the landfill, with \$70,291 for salaries and \$33,472 for capital outlay.

prayers, but that they haven't com-

plained because they didn't want to

whole public-prayer issue: Might

does not always make right. Fairness

should be the ruling standard, not

It could be argued that there's no

such thing as a majority opinion

among Christians anyway, as

factionalized as we are among (and

One of the finest schoolboy foot-

ball players I've ever known was a

kid in Arizona whose family hap-

The boy almost didn't get to play

football because of the National An-

them that preceded the games. His

religion would not allow him to pay

homage or allegiance to any man-

Coach John Pavlich had a talk with

the boy's dad, and they worked it

During the playing of the National

Anthem, the boy would stand along-

side his teammates with his helmet

off, but instead of facing the flag and

putting his hand over his heart, he

would simply bow his head in

So you can work through these

But as our society becomes more

homogenized, with an expanding

mixture of Christians, Jews, Mus-

lims, Hindus, Shintoists, etc., as well

as agnostics and atheists, it becomes

harder and harder to apply "commu-

nity standards" of religion to public

supported in any way by tax funds

administered by an elected govern-

mental entity, it becomes especially

promote morality, by either your

our country, is supposed to do.

And if those public gatherings are

No one was offended.

differences, up to a point.

gatherings.

definition or mine.

made government or symbol.

pened to be Jehovah's Witnesses.

within) our own denominations.

majority opinion.

That's one of the key points in this

invoke the wrath of the majority.

In other business, the council voted to table action on accepting bids for health insurance coverage for city employees.

Sheffy said two bids were received—one from the Texas Municipal League and one from Gilliland & Associates in Hereford, the city's current health insurance provider. Sheffy recommended staying with Gilliland, despite a rate increase.

However, Mayor Wayne Collins suggested that the city look into the possibility of self-insurance. He said he thinks it would be much cheaper. He said a representative of Gilliland will have information at the next meeeting of the council.

The council approved the second reading of the annexation ordinance for land south of Dimmitt on "Cemetery Road."

In another matter, the council approved Jo Hamilton as the city election judge, and agreed to pay her \$6 per hour, with any helpers she hires getting \$5.50.

Sheffy reported to the council that painting has started on the new water

Sheffy issued an appeal to property owners in the city to please mow their weeds. He said if any property receives a notice for needing to mow and does not comply, then the city will mow it and charge a lein against the property for the cost of the mow-

Council member Gloria Hernandez asked Sheffy to look into getting tables installed in the city park on Andrews and Ninth.

## More about

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In the First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt, Braafladt has been a member of the church's administrative board, the choir, the Methodist Men (famous for their cooking), and the Methodist Men's

Braafladt served in the US Army during the Viet Nam conflict from 1966 to 1967. He has been a member of the US Army Resrve for 28 years. He is a member of the Dimmitt VFW Post, and has served as quartermas-

He married the former Patricia

Tiffany Michelle of Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Charles Christian of Aus-

He is seldom seen without his hunting dog, Rosebud, a registered

Braafladt graduated from West Texas State University with a bachelor of business administration degree in 1966. After his stint in the service, Chet Braafladt in Dimmitt '66, which

### **Henry Bland**

Obituaries

Funeral services for Henry H. Bland, 77, of Howardwick, the brother of two Castro County women, were held Monday at 2 p.m. in Howardwick Baptist Church with Rev. Jim Powell, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon under direction of Robertson Funeral Directors Inc.

Mr. Bland died Sept. 4 in Ama-

He was born Nov. 5, 1921, in Kaufman County and was a resident of Afton for 25 years before moving to Howardwick 28 years ago. He married Cora A. McAllister on March 19, 1943, in Lubbock. He was an Army veteran of World War II and a life-time member of the Disabled American Veterans. Mr. Bland was a member of the Clarendon Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 7782, and was a charter member and deacon of First Baptist Church in Howardwick. He had been a farmer most of his life before his retirement.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Donald Bland of Groom and Kelly Bland of Floydada; two sisters, Dorothy Yates of Dimmitt and Billie Terry Hart; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Howardwick Baptist Church Building Fund.

#### **Robert Hunter**

Services for Robert Carroll "Bob" Hunter, 55, of Millsap, were held Saturday morning at Grace First Presbyterian Church in Weatherford. Burial will be under the direction of Mount Olive Funeral Home of Fort Worth.

Mr. Hunter died Tuesday in Brady. He was born Aug. 13, 1944, in Dimmitt. He was a US Army veteran. He was a longtime employee of M.L. Leddy's Boot and Saddlery and served on their board of directors. He was a Mason, a graduate of Texas Tech University, a member of the NCHA, TSCRA, NRHA and an upcoming inductee of the Tejas Vaqueros.

Survivors include his wife, Debbie; a son, Eric; a daughter, Stephanie Berault; his mother, Wana Hunter; a brother, Mike; and a granddaughter.

#### **Veta Self**

Veta Self, 96, of Dimmitt, died at 8:55 p.m. last Wednesday, Sept. 1, at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in

Services were held Friday afternoon at the Fourth and Bedford Street Church of Christ in Dimmitt with Dean Wiseman officiating, assisted by Chuck Bell. Graveside services and burial followed at 4 p.m. in Muleshoe Memorial Park under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Self was born Aug. 7, 1903, in Waco. She married O.M. Self on Sept. 10, 1922, in Hobart, Okla. He died on March 25, 1977.

She lived in Hobart, Okla., for a number of years before moving to Muleshoe in 1941. She was a member of the Fourth and Bedford Street Church of Christ in Dimmitt. She belonged to the Progressive Home Demonstration Club for 35 years. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include a son, Max Self of Jacksboro; a daughter, Dolores Ivy of Dimmitt; and 10 grandchil-

#### **Durward "Butch"** Strickland, Sr.

Funeral services for Durward "Butch" Strickland, Sr. 71, of Dimmitt, were held Monday afternoon at Lee Street Baptist Church in Dimmitt with the Rev. Jeff Addison officiating. Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Strickland died at 3:25 p.m. Friday in Amarillo.

He was born Dec. 16, 1927, in Terrell, Okla. He married Bessie Marie Thornton on Jan. 7, 1949, in

He was a veteran of World War II, having served in the Merchant Marines. He moved to Dimmitt in 1957 and had worked as a butcher at Dimmitt Thriftway for 25 years. He was a longtime volunteer fireman. He was a charter member of Lee Street Baptist Church and a member of the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Beth Ann Roberts of Dimmitt; two sons, Durward "Butch" Strickland, Jr., of Venezuela, South America, and Lonnie Wayne Strickland of Amarillo; two brothers, James Strickland, Jr., of Brownfield and Alvie Strickland of Albuquerque, N.M.; four sisters, Faye Bartlett of Brownfield, Oletha Sanders of Earth, Marie Wilson of Lubbock and Nita Colson of Blunt, S.D.; seven grandchildren; and two greatgrandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to the Venezuelan Mission Fund in care of Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union, Dimmitt Branch.

The warmest temperature ever recorded in the United States was 134 degrees Fahrenheit, at Greenland Ranch, California, July 10, 1913.

It's easier to peel a hard boiled egg that is still warm. If you allow it to cool the shell can stick to the egg.

Man does not live by words alone, despite the fact that sometimes he has to -Adlai Stevenson



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## Braafladt is honored

paign in Dimmitt for two years.

Quartet, in which he sang tenor.

Ann Pryor, and they have three children—Charles Todd of Dallas,

A favorite activity in recent years has been a semi-annual fishing trip to Canada with his fellow members of the Castro County Canadian Fishing Excursion Club.

he went into business with his father, became Braafladt Transport.

## **Cotton Talks**

#### By SHAWN WADE

Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foun- increases that could lead to sticky dation has taken some of the onus for cotton problems. late-season boll weevil treatments off of the backs of producers in some areas of the High Plains.

Unfortunately for some, boll weevils are beginning to increase in areas outside the currently active eradication zones. For producers in these areas it means having to make some difficult decisions about whether or not the bolls they are protecting from weevils truly have a chance to be harvested and are worth the additional treatment costs.

AgriPartner Boll Weevil Grid Trapping results for the past week indicate that only Deaf Smith, Castro and Parmer Counties failed to show dramatic increases in boll weevil trap counts. all other counties showed increases, some of them dramatic.

Not only are weevils on the rise across the area, but aphids, which have been around at levels just high enough to help sustain a healthy beneficial insect population throughout the season, have begun to creep up as well.

The latest court ruling doesn't The combination of the alreadyrising aphid numbers and boll weevil But it does promote fairness and treatments by the Texas Boll Weevil equality. And that's what the law, in Eradication Foundation and individ-

should be especially aware of the The start of the boll weevil aphids in their fields and watch for diapause program treatments by the potentially destructive population

> Producers do have some ability to prevent sticky cotton from occurring and PCG is encouraging a heightened awareness of this potential over the next several weeks as the weevil treatments continue and the crop

Producers should consult their county's integrated pest management agents and request a copy of 1999 Suggestions for Cotton Aphid Management in West Texas." Copies of the publication can also be found on the internet at http://entowww.tamu.edu/extension /bulletins/aphweb99.html.

Plains Cotton Growers is encouraging all producers to do what they can to reduce the chances for aphids to cause sticky cotton in order to protect the good reputation this area has with textile mill customers that purchase cotton from this area.

They warn that even a small, isolated problem could spell a long-term loss of markets for High Plains cotton. Textile mill buyers have communicated the fact that the only way to completely avoid sticky cotton is eliminate cotton from problem areas ual producers means producers and buy cotton from other sources.

# Catholic Family Services



#### Our local counselor is available to offer:

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◆ Crisis Intervention 

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Donna can be reached at:

647-0323 or 1-800-530-4704

(Leave message)

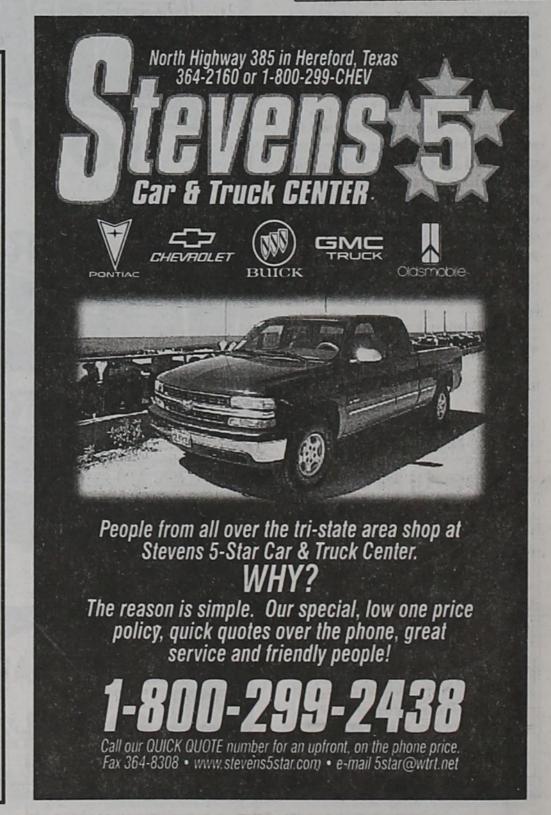
(Hotline)

Her hours in Castro County are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. She spends much of her time on the three school campuses in the county, but will answer all messages.

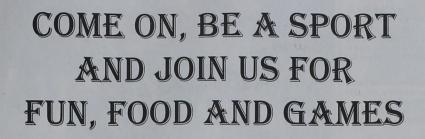
Catholic Family Services would like to thank Marlene Martinez for all of her help, especially with the Summer Quest Program. Also, many thanks to all the parents who helped so willingly to make Summer Quest a big success.

Our ACTEEN Group will be starting up soon and those interested are invited to call Donna for more information. Junior High and High School age students will meet and focus on problems they face, such as drugs, peer pressure and just coping with life.

108 SE Second, Dimmitt







DURING THE ANNUAL

## CASTRO COUNTY FAIR & HARVEST DAYS

THURSDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY, SEPT. 9-11.

#### AT THE EXPO BUILDING IN DIMMITT

- Kids' Tractor Pull
- ♦ Homemade Pie Contest
- Goat Roping

**♦ Quilt Show** 

- ♦ County Fair
  ♦ Hula Hoop Contest
- ♦ Harvest Days Parade ♦ Food, Food & More Food
- **♦ Live Music**

- ♦ Local Talent
  ♦ Cow Patty Bingo
  ♦ Preschool Playtime
- → Hula Hoop Contest
  → Barbecue Supper
- **♦** Street Dance

- ◆ Team Rodeo
- ◆ Ladies' Greased Pig Contest
- → Water Polo
- ◆ 4-H Goat and Poultry Show
   ◆ Fiddlers' Contest
   ◆ Arts and Crafts Show

### Chamber hopes to attract many floats for HD parade

Dimmitt and Castro County, and a big parade is a great way to begin festivities.

The Castro County Harvest Days celebration will be held Saturday and the annual parade through the streets of Dimmitt will kick off the day's celebration.

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce hopes that this year's parade-the last one of the millennium-will be the biggest and best ever, but they need your help to make that happen.

The Chamber is asking for all civic judged. clubs and organizations to enter some type of float or other entry in the parade.

"Be a Sport-Support Castro

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. scribe).

It's time for a celebration in and it will start at the Dimmitt Post Office on 205 Southeast Second

> The Dimmitt Lions Club will direct the parade and will serve as judges for the event. Cash prizes and ribbons will be presented to winners. Best of Parade winners will receive \$75 for first, \$50 for second and \$25

> Those planning to enter the parade should call the chamber at 647-2524 by 12 noon today (Thursday).

Parade entries must be lined up by 9:15 a.m. on Saturday in order to be

There are several divisions in the parade, including the following: Theme for this year's parade is Business float, civic float, antique car, antique truck, antique tractor, horse-drawn wagon and other (de-

Wake up-

time to go

to the fair!

Plan to spend an enjoyable day at the Castro

County Fair Friday or Saturday. You'll see the

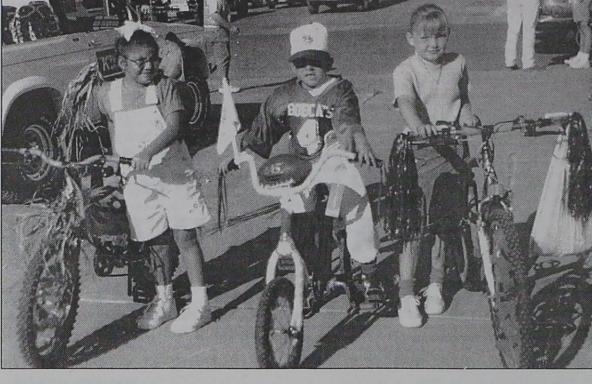
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tography and artwork. We'll see you there!



BICYCLE RIDERS PARTICIPATE in the Castro County Harvest Days Parade each year. This year, they will line up Saturday at 9 a.m. at 301 SE Second in front of C&S Battery in Dimmitt. The Dimmitt Lions Club sponsors the parade each year and this year's theme is "Be a Sport." Last year's winners were (from left) Casey Enriquez, 8, first, with a scarecrow theme; Joshua Alvarez, 6, second, dressed like a football player; and Brooke Parker, 7, third, with a rainbow and pom pons. Photo by Linda Maxwell

### It's time to plan for the fair

those interested in entering any of the competitions can get a jump start on their projects by picking up a fair book, which includes the rules, deadlines and more.

Fair books are now available at the County Extension Office, at the Chamber of Commerce Office, and at businesses around the county.

'Almost any project or hobby in which you are engaged can be exhibited at the fair," said Castro County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal. "Your club might be interested in having a float in the parade or in having a booth at the carnival."

For more information about the fair or other Harvest Days activities, contact Neal at 647-4115 or Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava at 647-2524.

#### **VFW** plans goat roping this month

The Dimmitt VFW's annual goat roping began last week and will continue this Saturday and will conclude with the final round on Sept. 18.

The heading and heeling foot back roping will cost participants \$12 for three head. The event will be held at the Dimmitt VFW Post 8056.

Books will be open from 4 to 5 p.m. on Saturday for the second round of the roping.

Saturday's performance is slated to begin at 5 p.m.

The final round will be held on Sept. 18, with books slated to open from 4 to 5 p.m. A calcutta will start at 5 p.m., followed by the roping at

A stew and cornbread supper will be served to participants following the Sept. 18 show.

The high money winner of the series will be awarded a set of handmade spurs, made by Ted

For more information about the roping, contact the VFW.

### Here's where you need to line up for the parade The Dimmitt Chamber of be presented to winners in most

Commerce and the Dimmitt Lions Club have established line-up spots for various entries in this year's Harvest Days parade, which will be held Saturday morning at 10.

Everyone entering a float, car, bicycle, etc., in this year's parade is asked to be at the appropriate starting spot by 9:15 a.m. Winners will be judged prior to the parade and awards will be presented while entrants are lined up. The only award which will not be presented during lineup will be the "Best of Parade," which will be announced as the winners pass the Broadway-Beford intersection on the parade route.

"Best of Parade" cash awards will be \$75 for first, \$50 for second and \$25 for third. Other special awards will be presented to the "Best Dressed Cowgirl" and "Best Dressed Cowboy." Ribbons and rosettes will

categories.

Parade traditional, including the parade marshal, elected officials, bands, color guard, etc., will line up in front of the Dimmitt Post Office Saturday morning.

Those planning to ride a bicycle in the parade are asked to gather in front of C&S Battery, 301 Southeast

Floats entered by clubs and organizations in the county will line up in front of Dimmitt Equipment Co., 411 Southeast Second.

Antique cars will meet in front of Gary's Engine and Machine, located at 207 Southeast Third. Antique tractors which will be

entered in the parade will line up on East Belsher next to Taylor's Garage. Commercial floats will line up

behind C&S Battery on Southeast

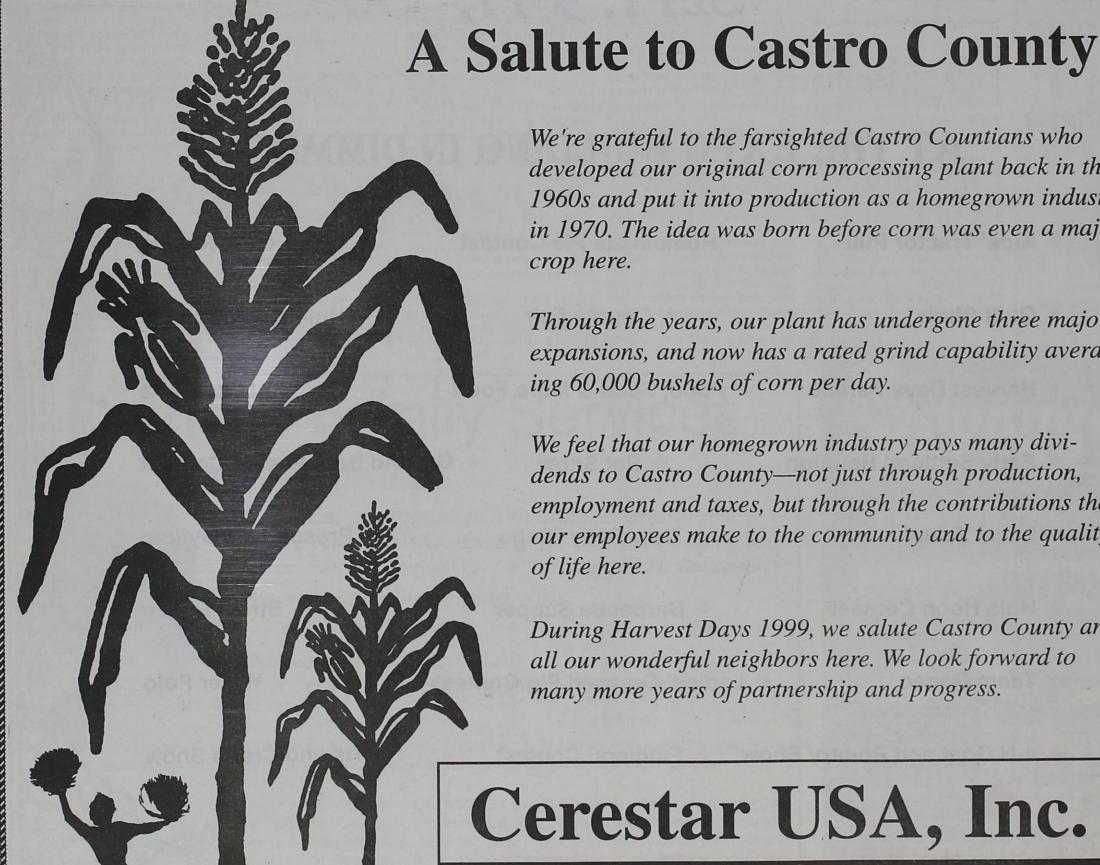
Three Wheelers, go-carts, motorcycles and other such entries will start from the north side of Dimmitt Equipment.

Riding clubs and individual horseback riders will line up north of the Expo Building on Southeast

Animal-drawn wagons will line up on Southeast Fourth ahead of the riding clubs and individual horseback entries.

Farm equipment and tractors will be the final entries to line up for the parade, and those drivers are asked to line up on Southeast Third south of Stinson Street.

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We're grateful to the farsighted Castro Countians who developed our original corn processing plant back in the 1960s and put it into production as a homegrown industry in 1970. The idea was born before corn was even a major crop here.

Through the years, our plant has undergone three major expansions, and now has a rated grind capability averaging 60,000 bushels of corn per day.

We feel that our homegrown industry pays many dividends to Castro County—not just through production, employment and taxes, but through the contributions that our employees make to the community and to the quality of life here.

During Harvest Days 1999, we salute Castro County and all our wonderful neighbors here. We look forward to many more years of partnership and progress.

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## Piecework creations will be displayed during Harvest Days weekend

hand quilting in the Texas Panhandle can be found in Castro County, and those talented seamstresses will be sharing their talent by displaying their creations at the 12th annual Castro County Quilt Show, which will be held Saturday in conjunction with the Castro County Harvest Days celebration.

The annual event is sponsored by the Friendship Quilters' Guild, and all Castro County residents are eligible to enter the show and competi-

Quilts entered in Division I will be judged for technique, design, creativity and overall quality. First, second and third place ribbons will be awarded to winners in each category. Several special awards also will be presented for "Best of Show," "Judge's Award," and "People's Choice."

Quilts that have won in a previous show can be entered only as display items. Only one quilt per entrant, per category will be allowed. If the quilt is the work of more than one person, written credit must be given to the other person. The person entering the quilt will be awarded the ribbon.

Some of the best machine and Quilts entered in the competition or show may be sold if the owner so

> Categories for this year's show are as follows:

- 1. Children's (crib quilt, made for children).
- 2. Combination technique (applique and pieced).
- 3. Embroidery and other needlework.
- 4. First quilt.
- 5. Group.
- 6. Hand applique (all methods) 7. Machine applique (all methods)
- 8. Machine quilted.
- 9. Miniature quilts
- 10. Pieced (hand-quilted only).
- 11. Quilts by youth (17 and un-
- 12. Quilt tops.
- 13. Small quilts and wall quilts (less than 60" x 90").
- 14. Specialized method (includes painted, cathedral windows and crazy quilts).

Those who would like to enter a quilt should pick up a fair book at the Extension office or Chamber of Commerce Office. The book includes an entry form and complete rules for the show and competition.

## Team rodeo, greased pig contest set for Harvest Days

It's not a traditional rodeo, but the team rodeo and ladies' greased pig contest has become one of the favorite activities held in conjunction with the Castro County Harvest Days

This year's event will be held Saturday at the Dimmitt Rodeo sored by the Castro County 4-H Horse Club.

Teams will be introduced at 6:30 p.m. to start the activities, then the kids' steer riding (for youngsters up to 12 years of age) will be held. That will be followed by the "Mutton Bust'n" competition (for youngsters no more than 40 inches tall) and the stick horse race (for those 5 and

under) Costs to enter the rodeo events are

\$100 for a four-person rodeo team, \$10 for a two-person team entering the greased pig contest, \$5 per person for the steer riding and "Mutton Bust'n," and \$1 per person for the stick horse race.

Entries are due by Friday and may be submitted to Pammy Millican at Arena and the show will be spon- 647-4115 or Kenny Ebeling at 647-

> Tickets for the show may be purchased in advance or at the gate. Adult tickets will be \$4 in advance while tickets for students 12-18 years old will be \$2 in advance or \$3 at the gate. Children 9 and younger will be admitted free.

> The rodeo events will be held regardless of "rain, dust or shine," according to organizers.



A REAL TREAT-The Castro County Harvest Days Parade will start in Dimmitt Saturday at 10 a.m. and children will be lining the route watching for treats and enjoying all the floats and pageantry. Last year, Morgan Dyer, 11/2, came all the way from Groesbeck with her parents, Kim and Scott Dyer,



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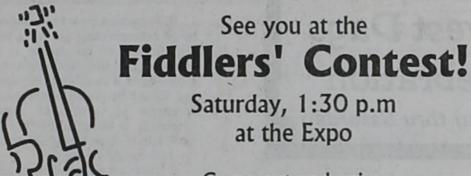
Country Club



## Fair time means chow time

"Fair food" is a favorite of many who attend county fairs around the country and Castro County's annual Harvest Days celebration and fair will offer something to satisfy every-

Exhibitors will offer everything from hamburgers, fajitas, various Mexican foods and barbacoa to salads, snow cones, soft drinks, homemade pies and more.



Come out and enjoy the many events planned during Castro County's annual celebration!

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# County fair rules are announced

CASTRO COUNTY FAIR COUNTY EXPO BUILDING SEPT. 11, 1999

Fair exhibits should be labeled before they are entered in the fair.

Friday, Sept. 10, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.: All entries due for fair exhibits. Judging begins at 6:30 p.m. quilts start at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 11, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.: Viewing of all exhibits at the fair. Pick up exhibits. (All items must stay on display until 4:30

General rules and Regulations. 1. Exhibitors in the Fair must be residents of Castro County. Anyone age 18 or under and single is in the Youth Division. Adults

will be 19 and over. 2. EACH PERSON MUST DO HIS OR HER OWN WORK. The entry may not have

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than 30 years, and we look forward to sharing many

more Harvest Days with you.

been judged in a previous Castro County Fair. 3. The superintendents in each section who are in charge of entries reserve the right to accept or reject entries, depending on conditions for suitability for exhibit.

4. You may enter only ONE article in each class. Superintendents have final decision on classification. 5. Entries must be entered as listed in each

division from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, 6. Exhibitors' items must remain on

exhibit until 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 11. Cash awards and/or items should be picked up 7. All articles not removed from the

building by 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 11, will become the property of the Fair Association and will be disposed of by the Association.

8. All articles must be labeled with your name in an inconspicuous place.

9. Label all entries with your NAME, SECTION, CLASS and DIVISION. Entry tags may be picked up at the Extension Office two weeks prior to the fair. This will speed up

your entry process. 10. There will be five (5) ribbons given,

Cash Awards must be picked up within 30 days at the Extension Office. Best of Show, \$5; First Place, ribbon and \$1; Second place, ribbon and 50¢. For more information contact the Extension Office, 100 E. Bedford, Dimmitt, Texas 79027; or Marilyn R. Neal, County Extension Agent Family and Consumer Sciences at 647-4115.

**Baking Section** 

1. Products may have been frozen, but it is NOT necessary. Thaw at room temperature in packaging materials to be ready for judging.

2. Display products on FOIL-COVERED CARDBOARD AND WRAP WITH CLEAR PLASTIC WRAP. If not displayed in this manner, your food will be disqualified. PIES SHOULD BE IN FOIL PANS. Cream pies may be taken after they are judged.

3. No commercial mixes, unless decorated

4. Note the number of items required for

#### Class Number and Amount 1. Cookie Bars/Squares-6.

- 2. Biscuits-6.
- 3. Brownies, any kind-6.
- 4. Candy, any kind-6. 5. Candy, molded, any kind-6.
- Cinnamon Rolls—6. 7. Cookies, any kind-6.
- 8. Cornbread, any kind-6 pieces.
- 9. Hot rolls-6.
- 10. Muffins-6.
- 11. Cake: coffee, decorated (mix accepted), plain iced, pound, specialty (i.e. German Chocolate, Italian Cream).
- 12. Pies: cream, fruit, nut, other.

13. Quick bread (whole loaf). 14. Yeast bread: white, whole wheat, other

#### **Home Food Preservation Standards for Canned Products**

**General Requirements** 1. All entries must have been canned by

person making entry. 2. All food entries should have been canned within the last food preservation

3. All vegetables (EXCEPT TOMATOES) and meats should have been processed in a pressure canner at recommended pressure for the recommended times according to the

current USDA recommendations. 4. All fruits, fruit juices, jams, jellies, preserves, pickles, relishes, marmalades, butters and conserves should have been processed in a boiling water canner for recommended times according to the current USDA recommendations.

5. All tomatoes and tomato juices should have been processed according to recommendations in the current USDA

6. All entries should be in standard canning jars in good condition with new self-sealing lids and jar rings free of dust, dents or other defects. All jars should be clean and free of dust. Any entries not canned in standard name of product and canning date. 11. For information on quality canning

standards, call the County Extension Office at

Canned Fruits & Vegetables

All canned products (except jelly and preserves) must be in standard square or round pint or quart glass tempered (mason) jars. Mayonnaise and other commercial jars are not to be used. Jelly and preserves may be in standard pint or half-pint jars. Jellies, jams and preserves must be processed and NOT paraffin-sealed.

8. Other

CIE	iss Numbers
FRUITS:	
1. Apples	5. Fruit Jui
2. Applesauce	6. Peaches
3. Apricots	7. Pears

JAMS, JELLIES & PRESERVES:

15. Pear 9. Apple 10. Apple Butter 16. Plum 17. Strawberry

11. Apricot 18. Tomato Preserves 12. Cherry 13. Grape 19. Other

14. Peach PICKLES:

26. Okra

4. Cherries

27. Peach 20. Beets 21. Bread & Butter 28. Pepper 22. Chow-Chow 29. Picante 30. Relish 23. Cucumber-Swt 24. Cucumber-Dill 31. Corn Relish 25. Hot Sauce 32. Tomatoes

33. Other

**VEGETABLES:** 

43. Peas (English) 34. Asparagus 35. Beans (Green) 44. Potatoes 45. Sauerkraut 36. Beans (Lima)

37. Beans (Shelled) 46. Soup Mix 38. Beets 47. Squash 39. Carrots 48. Tomatoes 40. Com 49. Tomato Juice

50. Other 41. Okra 42. Peas (Black-eyed)

**DRIED FOODS:** 

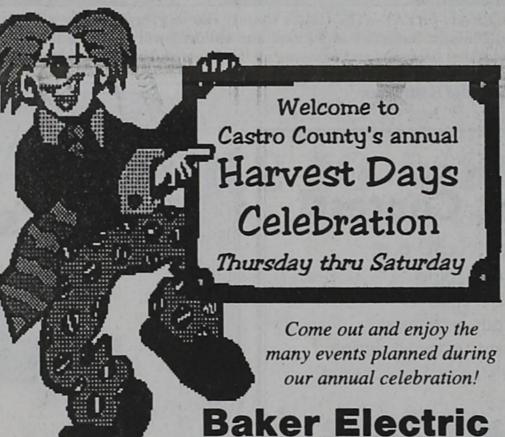
51. Apples 56. Pears 57. Plums 52. Apricots 58. Prunes 53. Bananas 54. Grapes 59. Other

55. Peaches

**Clothing Section** All garments must be clean and on hangers. Age groups are: Junior I, 9-11 (at time of fair); Junior II, 12-13 (at time of fair); Senior, 14-18 (at time of fair); Adult, 19 and over (at

3. Children's clothing

5. Dress



-Service

#### 8. Holiday apparel-adult or children

- 9. Jumpsuit 10. Men's suit
- 11. Pants 12. Shirt
- 13. Shorts 14. Skirt
- 15. Suit 16. Vest 17. Other

#### Craft Section 1. Afghan-Crocheted, Knitted, Other

- 2. Applique
- 3. Baskets-Hand-woven, Padded, Other
- 4. Calligraphy
- 5. Ceramics 6. China Painting
- 7. Crochet
- 8. Cross Stitch
- Counted-A. Baby Items; B. Pictures, C. Home Accessories
- Pattern/Kit-D. Baby Item; E. Pictures; F. Home Accessories
- 9. Dolls, Any Kind.
- 10. Doll Clothes 11. Decorated Shirt-Applique, Painted,
- 12. Drawing-Pastels, Pen and/or Ink,
- Pencil, Other
- 13. Embroidery-Crewel, Punch, Other
- 14. Jewelry 15. Knitted Items
- 16. Leather 17. Needlepoint
- 18. Painting-Acrylic, Oil, Paper, Tole, Water Color.
- 19. Pastels-Chalk 20. Pillows-Applique, Candlewick,
- Needlepoint, Quilted.
- 21. Place Mats-Quilted, Other.
- 22. Rugs-Hooked, Braided.
- 23. Stained Glass
- 24. Stenciling-Fabric, Paper
- 25. Stuffed Animals. 26. Tablecloths-Applique, Crochet, Embroidery, Holiday, Pieced, Other.
- 27. Tatting 28. Wood-Crafted, Hand-Crafted, Painted, Other
- 29. Wreaths other than Christmas
- 30. Christmas wreaths
- 31. Angels-Ceramics, Other 32. Holiday centerpiece
- 33. Nativity set 34. Ornaments-Ceramics, Other
- 35. Outdoor decorations 36. Stockings-Counted Cross Stitch. Pattern Cross Stitch, Crochet, Felt, Knit,
- Needlepoint, Other. 37. Trees-Ceramic, Other.
- 38. Tree Skirts-Felt, Patchwork, Other. 39. Holiday Items-Other than Christmas
- 40 Paper crafts

**Entomology Section** 

There will be three divisions including Junior (up to 13 years old), Senior (14-18 years old) and Open (for those over 18).

The two categories will include 1 Collections; and 2. Individual specimen(s)

A. Collections 1. Must be collected by the exhibitor.

2. Must be correctly pinned and labeled by the Exhibitor. A. Lables must be placed on a pin under the specimen and must include the following: 1. Location (county and/or state collected), 2. Date

Host specimen was collected from. B. Specimens must be identified by the common name and order, but identification to the family is a bonus. Order and common name should be on a small piece of paper and should be placed beside each specimen or group of same specimens. If identified by family,

collected, 3. Collector's name, 4.

place family name beside specimen (s) with common name. C. There are no required number

of specimens or orders. D. Specimen must be displayed in an appropriate hard box, either cardboard, wood or other sturdy material that has a removable closure top. The specimen must be visible through the top.

E. Judging based on collecting appearance, identification and

B. Individual Specimen with essay.

1. Specimens must be collected, pinned and labeled by exhibitor.

2. Individual specimen or group of specimens in a single family may be

3. Essay must include the specimen(s) common name, scientific name(s), life cycle, biology, ecology and any pertinent history of the specimen(s).

4. Specimen(s) must be displayed in an appropriate box that is visible through

5. Judging will be based on appearance, identification and labeling; and on essay information.

#### Farm and Garden Section

- Corn: 6 ears for each exhibit (no shucks)
- 1. Blue 4. White
- 2. Indian
- 5. Yellow
- 3. Popcom
- Cotton: 10 open bolls
- 6. Open Variety
- 7. Storm Proof Grain Sorghum: 10 heads
- 8. Milo (red hybrid or white hybrid) Sheaf Forage: at least 3-1/2" diameter
- 12. Soybeans 9. Alfalfa
- 10. Irrigated Pasture 13. Sudan
- 14. Sweet Sorghum 11. Millet
- Small Grains and Seeds: 15. Alfalfa 22. Oats
- 23. Rye 16. Barley
- 24. Sesame 17. Castor Oil 18. Com 25. Sudan
- 19. Grass Seed 26. Wheat 27. Other 20. Milo
- 21. Millet
- Sugar Beets: 28. Sugar Beets-3, topped Sunflowers:
- 29. Sunflower, 1 head, field variety 30. Sunflower, 1 head, garden variety
- 35. Plums-6 31. Apples—3 32. Grapes, bunch 36. Strawberries,
- 33. Peaches—3 37. Other 34. Pears—3
- Vegetables: 38. Beans, Shelled, 1 quart
- 54. Peas, shelled, 1 39. Beets—6 55. Peppers—6 40. Bell Peppers—3
- 56. Pumpkin-1 41. Broccoli—3 42. Cabbage-1 57. Rhubarb—6
- 43. Cantaloupe—1 58. Summer Squash Green or Yellow-3
- 44. Carrots-6 59. Winter Squash Green or Yellow-3
- 45. Cauliflower—1 60.-Sweet Potatoes, 6 46. Cucumbers—3 61. Tomatoes—6
- 47. Gourds—3 62. Turnips—3
- 49. Honey Dew-1 64. Other 50. Irish Potatoes-6 51. Lettuce-1 head 52. Okra-6
- 53. Onions-3 Horticulture Section

2. Floral arrangement 5. Other

3. Flower, one stem Photography Section

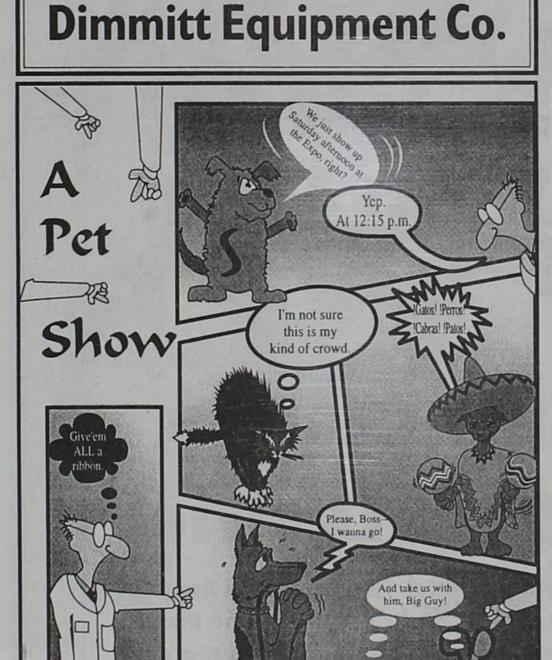
African violet 4. Potted plant

- (Professional and Amateur) 1. A person may enter only one (1)
- picture in each class, except one set of 2. Each entry must be mounted separately. 3. Only mounted pictures will be accepted
- (heavier than construction paper for displays. DO NOT MOUNT ON WHITE. 4. Pictures will be judged on impact,
- technique and composition. Snapshots: 3-1/2 x 5 or 4 x 6
- 1. Animals 6. Sports 7. Still Life 2. Building
- 3. Landscape 8. Transportation 4. People
- 5. Sequence \* Enlargements: 5 x 7 or
- 16. Sports 17. Still Life 11. Animals 12. Buildings

13. Landscape

14. People 19. Other 14. Sequence \* \* 3 or 4 photos telling a story. Antiques: For display ONLY.

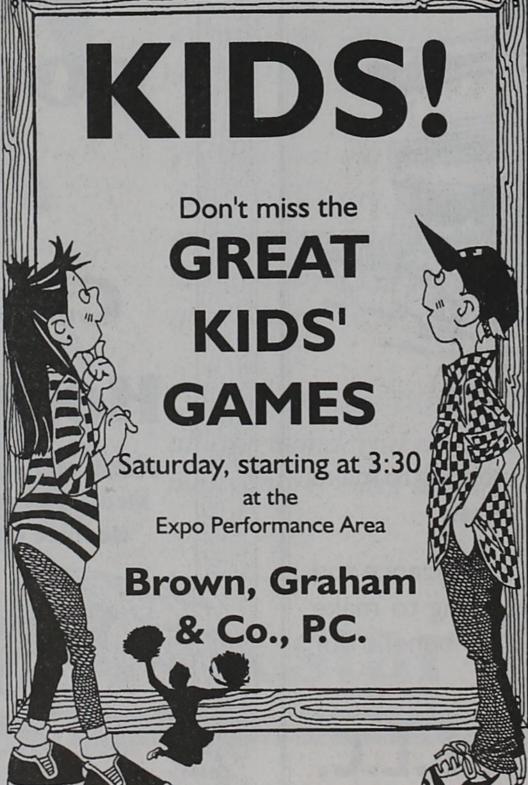
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## Team rodeo promises hilarious entertainment

events at the 4-H Team Rodeo are blanket, mount and ride the horse guaranteed to entertain crowds of all ages Saturday night at the Dimmitt Rodeo Arena, beginning at 6:30.

The event is part of the Castro County Harvest Days celebration and just like the old-time mail run. is sponsored by the Castro County 4-H horse Club, which will receive four team members will compete. proceeds from the event.

for adults and \$2 for those between that teammate who will complete the the ages of 8 and 18. Tickets at the second leg of the race. The second gate will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for will hand off to the third, and so on. children. Those 7 and younger will The person on the final leg of the be admitted free.

Teams entering the rodeo and then race to the finish line. ladies who will take part in the greased pig contest will be introduced at the start of the show.

team and each team will compete in six events-Rescue Race, Pony Express, Hide Race, Tomahawk Race, Saturday Night Bath Race and a surprise event.

entry fee is \$10 per team.

Several other events have been planned to entertain younger cowboys and cowgirls, including kids' steer riding for those up to 12 years of age, Mutton Bust'N for those up to 40 inches tall, and a jackpot stick reaches a stock tank filled with wahorse race for those 5 and under.

Entry fee for the steer riding and fee.

will be charged \$125.

To enter a team, contact Pammy Millican at 647-4115 or Kenny Surprise event(s) Ebeling at 647-3618.

Feedyard-sponsored teams are welcome and each feedyard represented will be recognized.

Here's a rundown of what each event in the team rodeo will entail:

#### **Rescue Race**

A rider must put on pants, boots, shirt and hat, then bridle and saddle his horse. He then mounts his horse and rides it to the opposite end of the arena, where the other three team members will be standing on top of a barrel.

The team members on the barrel must mount the horse behind the rider, who takes each across the starting line. Both members must be mounted on the horse as they come across the finish line.

The race continues until the first rider has "rescued" the remaining members of his or her team.

#### **Tomahawk Race**

Two members of the team stand at each end of the arena.

One rider is at the starting line and he will have an extra helper (team member) to hold his horse. He must blanket the horse, mount the horse unassisted, then ride to the opposite end of the arena where he will dismount. The rider then hands the

It's not a traditional rodeo, but the blanket to a second rider, who must back to the starting line.

#### **Pony Express**

The Pony Express Race will run

It will resemble a relay race and all The first person will carry a bag to a Advance tickets to the show are \$4 waiting teammate, handing it off to race must drop the bag in a barrel,

#### **Hide Race**

A cowhide pulled behind a horse Entry fee is \$100 per four-person will provide a big challenge for the cowboys brave enough to hang on to the skin as it's pulled toward the finish line.

One team member will ride his horse, pulling the hide, to the other The ladies' greased pig contest end of the arena. A teammate will requires a two-woman team and hop onto the hide and ride it back to the starting line.

#### **Night Bath Race**

A long-sleeved, button down shirt, pants, boots and hat are required for this event-until the competitor

The Saturday Night Bath Race will Mutton Bust'N is \$5 per person, per involve a horseback ride to the tank, event. Those competing in the stick then the competitor will have to rehorse race will be charged a \$1 entry move pants, shirt, hat and boots and completely submerge himself in All entries in the team rodeo and water. Once wet, he must reladies' greased pig contest are due by dress-with every button in Friday. Late entries in the team rodeo place-then ride back to the starting

At least one surprise event is planned for the teams, but no one will know what it is until the time

All teams are required to compete in the surprise events.

#### **Ladies Greased Pig**

In this event, two-person teams were required to catch a greased pig, then do something "different" with the animal.

One year they were required to put the pigs in a barrel and last year the ladies dressed the pigs in bloomers after catching the creatures.

#### **Mutton Bust'N**

This event is strictly for youngsters, but they can't be more than 40 inches tall.

Youngsters will be required to ride a lamb and each ride will be timed, just like a regular rodeo. An eightsecond ride will earn the youngster top points.

#### **Stick Horse Race**

The stick horse race is for all children ages 5 and younger and entry fee is \$1 per person.

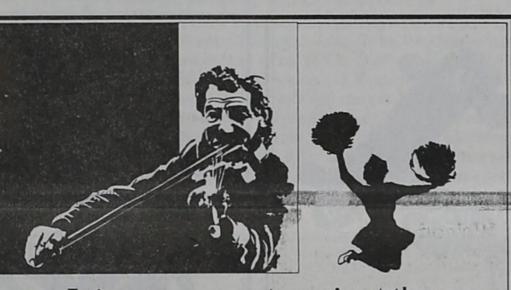
The kids competing in this race may bring their own stick horse or directors of the rodeo will find them something to use.

Competitors will ride their stick horses down the arena and the fastest one wins.

#### Kids' Steer Riding

Brave cowboys and cowgirls 12 and under will be able to try their hand at steer riding in this year's

Entry fee for the steer riding will be \$5 per person and a jackpot prize will be given to the winner.



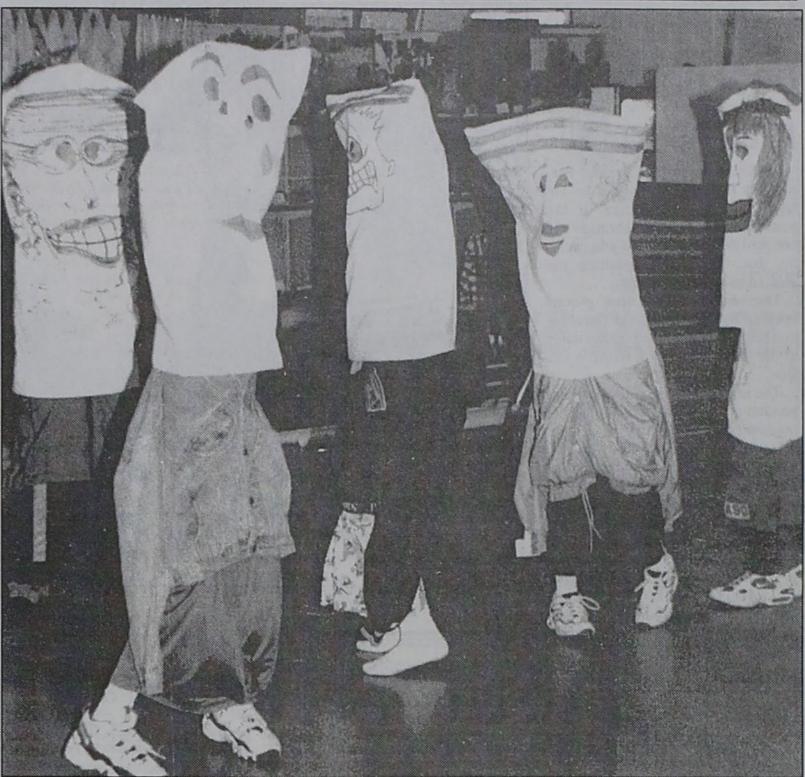
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### FIDDLERS' CONTEST

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LOTS OF FUN—There will be plenty of fun events on hand at this year's Harvest Days celebration set for Thursday through Saturday, with most activities

at the Expo Building. Last year, the gymnastics students of Dana Black of Hart gave a demonstration of their skills, including this humorous dance number.



Our compliments to all the wonderful people who work to make Harvest Days an exciting, wholesome time for Castro Countians of all ages.

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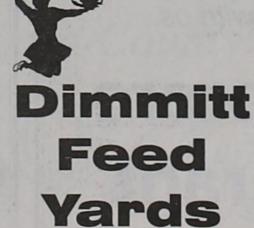


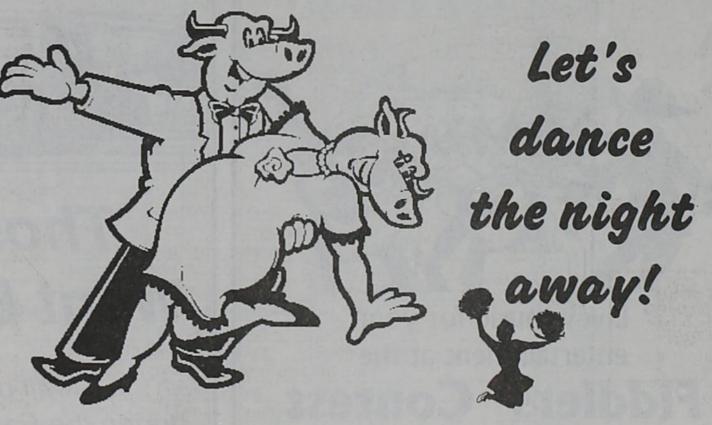
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### TEAM RODEO

Saturday starting at 6:30 p.m.

Our best wishes to all the cowboys and cowgirls who compete and to the sponsoring Castro County 4-H Horse Club.





If you like music, you're in for a treat Saturday.

#### **Mercury Fall**

will perform from starting at 10:45 a.m. at the Expo Building. Then the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce will sponsor its annual dance at 9 p.m. at the Expo, with music by

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Some of the tastiest ground beef recipies from local cooks were entered in a special contest at last year's Harvest Days celebration and county fair, and the event was such a hit that the Fair Committee has elected to sponsor it again.

The second annual lean ground beef contest will be held Saturday and rules and guidelines are available at the Castro County Extension Of-

The cooking project has been expanded this year to include a homemade pie baking contest.

Homemade fruit pies will be judged by well-known judges Saturday during the fair.

Ground beef dishes entered in the contest will be judged around noon on Saturday and winners will be announced later that afternoon.

The homemade pies will be judged at 12:30 p.m., with winners to be announced later that day.



FIDDLING AROUND—The winners from the Fiddlers' Contest at last year's Harvest Days celebration included (from left) Weldon Turpin of Lubbock, Justin Williams of Kress, and Gary Williams of Kress. This year's contest will start Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at the Expo building, with cash prizes offered in four age divisions. Photo by Linda Maxwell

## Cow's 'bingo' will earn a lucky

At 2:15 p.m. on Saturday, a cow will be turned loose in a fenced area marked with 100 numbers in squares, and when that cow drops its deposit, two-cent reduction will take effect. one of 100 generous people will win Approximately 76% of Texas tele-

The annual cow patty bingo is sponsored by the Castro County Fair cannot be disconnected for non-pay-Association and this year's event will ment of long distance charges. This be held on the east side of the Expo benefit is due to SB 86 by Sen. Jane Building.

The 100 squares marked inside the son who has purchased the square on the following: which the cow leaves a deposit will win the \$500 prize.

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\* Requires that eligible customers

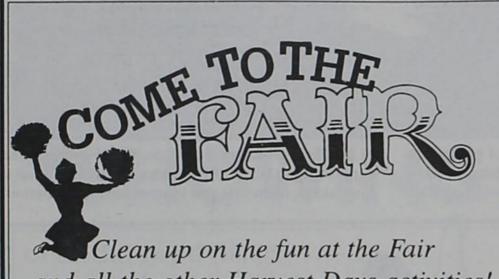
ing certificates of any telecommunications company that violates the law or PUC rules.

\* Strengthens the PUC's enforcement authority by removing a provision that gave a utility 30 days after receiving a PUC notice of violation to show that the utility solved the

On the electricity side, Senate Bill 7, authored by Sen. David Sibley and Rep. Steve Wolens, freezes electric rates for all customers of investorowned utilities, which serve approximately 80% of Texas customers. That will be followed by a 6% reduction on rates in January 2002.

Electric cooperatives are no longer regulated by PUC, but are required to adopt equivalent customer protection standards. In addition, the General Land Office can begin selling electric power at discounted rates to school districts, state universities and state agencies as well as cities and counties.

The major task of the PUC over the next two years will be to adopt new rules and regulations to implement the new laws. The commission already has established working groups to ensure a fair and speedy process.



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No later than June 1, 2000, or when SWBT begins offering intrastate long distance service, another

prices, enhanced services and stron-

electric utility laws which were

passed last spring and went into ef-

laws," said Public Utility Commis-

sion (PUC) Chairman Pat Wood III.

"They get lower prices that come

with competition, plus legislative

assurances that customer abuse will

Senate Bill 560, authored by Sen.

David Sibley and Reps. Toby Good-

man and Leticia Van de Putte, lowers

telephone access charges to signifi-

cantly lower prices for intrastate long

distance calls. To implement this part

of the law, the PUC ordered long

distance companies to pass these

access charge savings through to

customers and broadened the Texas

Universal Service Fund to provide

affordable local telephone service to

SB 560 also requires Southwestern

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Nelson and Rep. Debra Danburg. SB 86 is a comprehensive cuspen will sell for \$10 each. The per- tomer protection bill that also does

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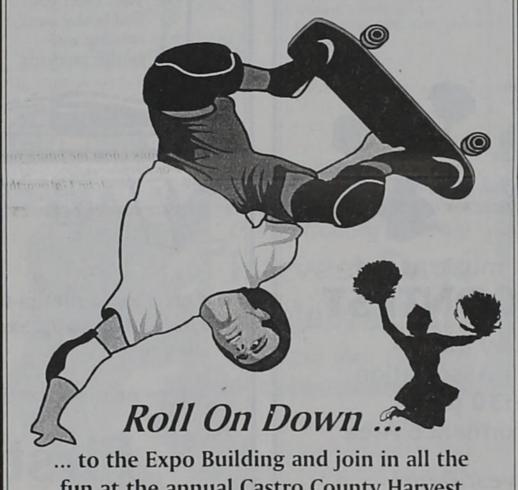
#### Harvest Days Goat and Poultry Show

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Registration begins at 4:30 p.m., inside the Expo Building

> Conducted by Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce and Dimmitt Kiwanis Club Tractors from Texas Pedal Pullers Association

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### **Harvest Days Tractor Pull** set for today

A tractor pull for children ages 4 to 12 will be held today (Thursday) starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Expo Building. Registration will start at 4:30 at the Expo.

Advance registration forms are available at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce office at 115 W. Bedford. There is no charge for participating and the pedal tractors are provided by the Texas Pedal Pullers Associa-

Boys and girls compete separately in nine age divisions.

The event is being sponsored by the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club.

More than one child may compete at a time. When the start signal is given, the child must start pedaling. A trailer pulled by the tractor holds a weight on an inclined pulley. As the tractor is pedaled, the weight moves up the pulley, increasing the amount of power it takes to pedal.

When the children stop pedaling, their turn is over and the distance they pedaled is measured. Those with the longest distance are the winners. If the weight reaches the top of the pulley, the child qualifies for the next round in their age group. For the second round, weights are increased. Top competitors will continue to take turns with greater weights until a champion is named.

### Barbecue meal one of Harvest **Days favorites**

The annual barbecue supper, catered by Richard Dyer of Desperados, is one of the highlights of the Harvest Days celebration for many.

The meal is sponsored by the Castro Masonic Lodge #879 and the Masons are selling advance tickets for \$6.50 adults and \$4.50 for children 12 and under. Tickets purchased at the door Saturday night will be \$7 for adults and \$4.50 for children.

The meal will be served from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Expo Building and the public is invited to come out and enjoy the barbecued sausage and beef, apricot preserves, beans, potato salad, coleslaw, bread and more.

For more information, contact Bill Henderson at 647-4342.



#### Presenting the Colors

Leading off last year's Castro County Harvest Days Parade was the who wants to show off his or her pet Cannon Air Force Base Honor Guard, featuring (from left) Senior Airman Dale Morehouse, Airman First Class Teri L. Murray, Airman First Class Kimberly A. Trent and Staff Sargeant A.J. Benavides. This year's parade theme is "Be a Sport." The parade will start at 10 a.m. from the post office, progressing through town along Southeast Second to Bedford, then heading west down Bedford to Front Street. It will turn east along Jones and end up at Southeast Third. After the parade, other Harvest Days activities are scheduled throughout the day. Photo by Anne Acker

## Food and nutrition meeting set

There will be a meeting on the 1999-2000 food and nutrition program for Castro County 4-H'ers on Monday at 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office.

"We will be planning program activities and setting dates for fall projects," said Marilyn Neal, Castro County Extension Agents.

Any adult leaders interested in helping with the food program should also plan to attend the meet-

For more information, contact Neal at the Extension Office, 647-4115.

## Pet show will be Saturday

Puppies, kittens, turtles, birds, baby chicks, rabbits-animals like these and more have been paraded before Dr. W.J. Hill, local veterinarian, during past pet shows and Dr. Hill is expecting more of the same this year as he prepares to judge the Harvest Days Pet Show.

The annual event will begin at 12:15 p.m. Saturday on the southeast corner of the Expo Building in

The event is one of many associated with the Harvest Days Celebration and Castro County Fair.

Last year's pet show drew a total of 58 entries, with most of the cuddly creatures being dogs and cats. All pets receive ribbons and samples of Merrick Pet Foods and specialty items donated by Merrick Pet Foods.

There is no entry fee, and anyone is invited to bring the animal to the Expo on Saturday for the show.

For more information about the pet show, contact Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava at 647-2524.

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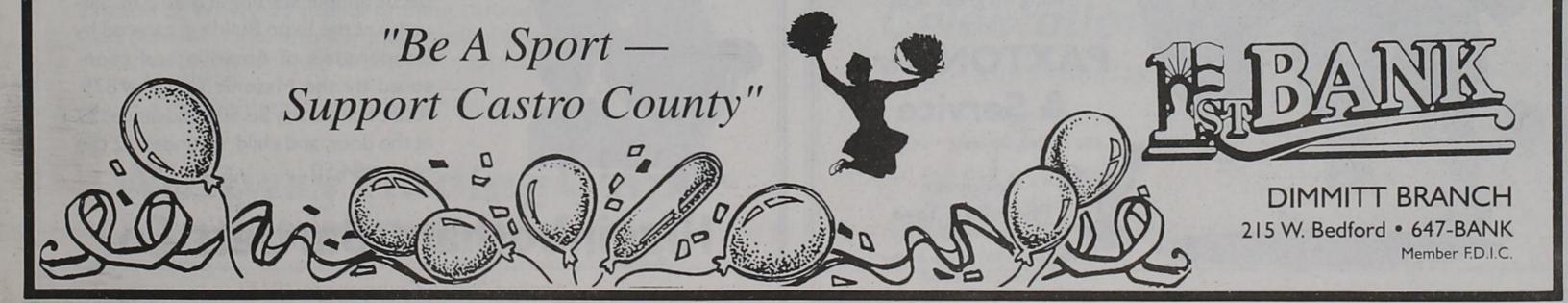
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## Here's Everything that's Happenin'!

CASTRO COUNTY HARVEST DAYS — DIMMITT, TEXAS — September 9-11, 1999

Day/Date	Time	Event	Location	Sponsored By	Contact	Phone #
Thu - Sept 9	5:30 P.M.	Kids' Tractor Pull - Registration & Event	Castro Co Expo	Chamber/Kiwanis Club	Bill Sava	647-2524
Fri - Sept 10	All Day	Castro County "Fair Deal Friday" Sales	Participating Merchants	Chamber of Commerce	Look For In Store Bargains	Check Stores
		Fair & Quilt Entries Accepted Until 6:00 P.M.	Castro Co Expo	Castro Co Fair Association	Marilyn Neal	647-4115
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		Judging of Fair Entries - Expo Closed	Castro Co Expo - Officials Only	Castro Co Fair Association	Marilyn Neal	647-4115
		Football - Dimmitt at Lamesa, Hart at Smyer		No Home Games	Bobcats, Longhorns, Swifts	Boosters
Sat - Sept 11	7:00 A.M.	Vendors Set Up In Expo & Quonset	Castro Co Expo	Castro Co Fair Association	Bill Sava	647-2524
		Exhibits, Booths, Activities Open At the Fair	Castro Co Expo	Castro Co Fair Association	Marilyn Neal	647-4115
		Early Settlers' Reunion - Registration	Senior Citizens' Center-218 Jones	Early Settlers' Committee	Wade & Walter Maynard	647-4358
		Parade Line Up & Judging	See CC News for Line UP Order		Bill Sava	647-2524
and the state of t	10:00 A.M.	Castro County Fair Parade	Downtown Dimmitt	Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce		647-2524
	10:45 A.M.	"Mercury Fall" - Live Music	Area Between Expo & Quonsets	Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce	Justin or Joshua Roberts	647-5242
		Chow Time - Hamburgers, Fajitas, etc. etc.	Inside & Around the Expo		Marilyn Neal	647-4115
		Early Settlers' Reunion Lunch(Covered Dish	Senion Citizens' Center-218 Jones	Early Settlers' Committee	Wade & Walter Maynard	647-4358
	TANK COLUMN	Fresh Ground Beef Cooking Contest Results	Expo Performance Area	Castro Co Extension Service	Marilyn Neal	647-4115
	12:15 P.M.		S.E. Corner of Expo	Merrick Pet Foods/W.J. Hill	Bill Sava	647-2524
	12:30 P.M.	Pie Contest - Judging of Entries	Expo Performance Area	Castro Co Extension Service	Marilyn Neal	647-4115
		Dimmitt Middle School Choir (4th, 5th, 6th)	Expo Performance Area	Dimmitt Middle School	Elaine Hazel	647-2524
		4-H Goat Show	S.E. Corner of Expo	Castro Co Extension Service	Benny Martinez	647-4115
SASTINIA.		Water Polo	S.E. 3rd St Behind C&S Battery	Volunteer Fire Dept Reserves	Bill Sava	647-4115
	1:30 P.M.	Fiddlers' Contest - Followed by Karaoke Fur	Expo Performance Area	Castro Co Fair Association	Herb Mayfield	647-5526
	2:15 P.M.		S.E. Croner of Expo	Castro Co Fair Association	Marilyn Neal	647-4115
	3:30 P.M.	Preschool Playtime - Games for Kids	Expo Performance Area	Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce	Bill Sava	647-2524
	4:00 P.M.	Goat Roping Contest	VFW Post - Co Rd	Veterans of Foreign Wars	Sam Hardy	647-5750
		Hula Hoop Contest	Expo Performance Area	Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce	Bill Sava	647-2524
	5:00 P.M.	Booths Close - Fair Entries Picked Up	Castro Co Expo	Castro Co Fair Association	Marilyn Neal	647-4115
		Bar-B-Q (Desperado's)	Castro Co Expo	Masonic Lodge # 879	Bill Henderson	647-4342
		Team Rodeo & Ladies' Greased Pig Contes	Dimmitt Rodeo Arena	Castro Co 4-H Horse Club	Pammy Millican	647-4115
		Dance - "Janet Denton & The Sixshooters"		Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce	Bill Sava / Max Ellison	647-2524



## Agriculture Outlook



By JOHNNA PATTERSON County Extension Agent-IPM

A few wet spells were seen in the area last week. Hot temperatures have been welcomed by producers trying to get heat units to build up their cotton yields.

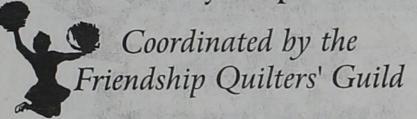
Most cotton fields have surpassed the stage where worm and plant bug infestations can damage the crop, but weevils and aphids are still a threat.

Silage cutting is definitely in swing, and grain harvest is just around the corner.



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#### **INSECTS & DISEASES** Cotton

Heat units continue to accumulate at a fairly rapid pace.

Between 1,689 and 1,791 heat units have accumulated in Dimmitt and Earth, respectively, on May 1 planted cotton.

About 750 heat units are needed to produce a harvestable boll, and 850 heat units are needed for a fully mature boll. With our wide variation in fruit set, it is necessary to check each individual field to determine how well they are progressing.

I know some late fields and some with abnormal fruit set will be difficult to determine when to terminate the crop.

Cotton aphids remain very low in most Integrated Pest Management (IPM) fields. Castro County fields ranged from zero to 10 per leaf and fields in Lamb County were showing between zero and three per leaf.

Producers need to keep a very close eye on aphid populations as we go into the last part of the season, especially once boll weevil eradication efforts begin.

Lady beetle adults and larvae numbers are holding at very high numbers, but these will be taken out with chemical applications. There certainly remains a high risk for developing high aphid infestations.

Avoiding sticky cotton is of utmost concern. Remember that the threshold for aphids at this time is 15 per leaf. A well-timed Furadan application or a good rain will eliminate the threat of sticky cotton.

Bollworms continu to increase in the Castro and Lamb County IPM fields. All of these IPM fields reported having bollworm eggs, but just over half in Castro County and only three fields in Lamb County reported finding larvae.

Larval counts range from 513 to ,517 per acre in the Flagg area, 1,197 per acre in the Dodd area, 2,052 per acre north of Dimmitt, none in Hart and 1,862 per acre north of Sunnyside.

Boll weevil activity is increasing in IPM fields. Punctured boll counts reported in Castro County were 2% in the Dodd area, 3% in the Flagg area, 5% north of Dimmitt and up to 6% in the Hart area.

Roll weevil orid tran catches have

continued to increase by 33% over the past week across the High Plains area, but the percent of traps catching weevils remained about the same.

As fields cut out, weevils emerging from fields will move to the lusher fields with squares and small bolls still in abundance. There are plenty of red weevils now appearing, which indicates that these weevils are home-grown. These weevils will fly considerable distances to find their next banquet table. This is when we start filling up our traps with weevils, especially near fields with few hostable squares or bolls.

For those producers who need to protect their crop for a few more days, make sure you are using the action level of 15% punctured small bolls. Wih the current pricing for cotton this year, you will need to protect at least three to four bolls per 10 row feet of cotton plants to break even. These bolls would have to be undamaged, still vulnerable to weevil attack and be able to mature before they run out of heat units in October. Corn

IPM fields are in the hard-dough to dent stage and some fields are close to being ready for harvest.

Spider mite infestations increased considerably this past week inb oth

The percent of leaf area damage ranges from 5 to 10% of the lower 1/3 of the plants west of Dimmitt; 2 to 10% of the lower 1/3 of the plants in the Flagg area, 10 to 15% of the lower 1/3 and 5 to 10% of the middle 1/3 of the plants north of Dimmitt; 2 to 35% of the lower and 2 to 20% of the middle 1/3 and 0 to 10% of the upper third of the plants in the Hart

Southwestern corn borer moth flight dropped considerably this past

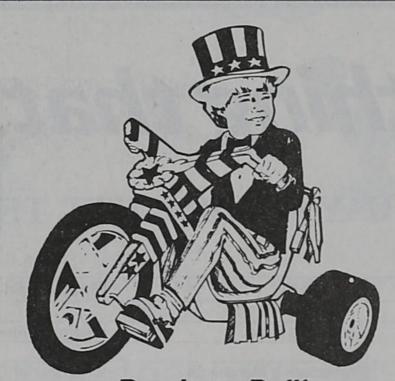
European corn borer moth flight held fairly steady last week. Program fields continue to report below threshold levels of eggs and small

Southwestern corn borer infestations in Castro County range from 1.25 to 8.75% south of the Dimmitt/Sunnyside area, 5% west of Dimmitt, 5% north of Dimmitt, up to 11.25% in the Hart area and 1.25 to 6.25% in the Flagg area.

Scouting in corn ended last week.



'OLDEST DOG' was the award that went to Sweet Pea, the pet of Carly Gilbreath of Dimmitt, in last year's Harvest Days Pet Show. This year's show will start Saturday at 12:15 p.m. at the Expo, with local veterinarian W.J. Hill judging the entries.



Ready to Roll!

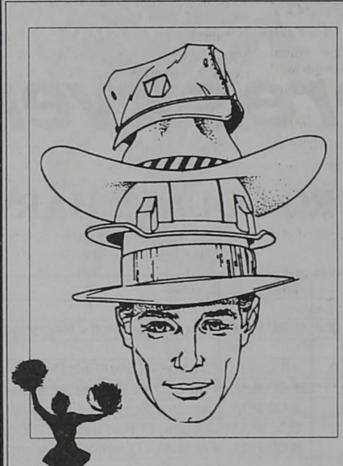
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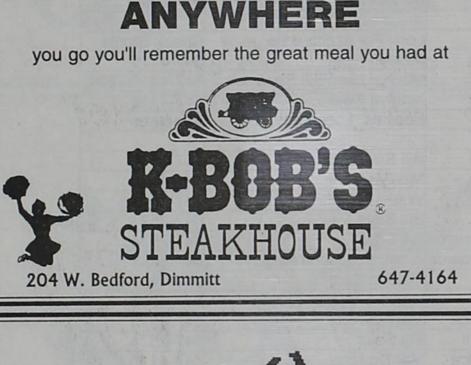
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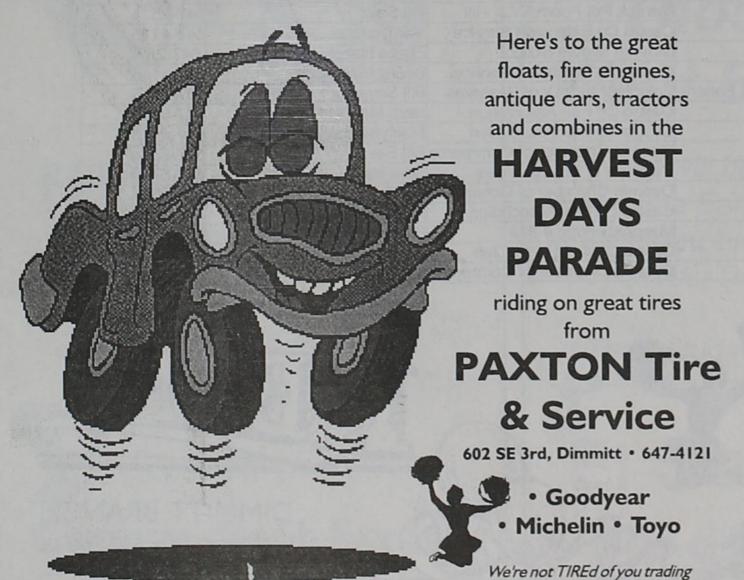
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## **BARBECUE!**

Don't miss the great Harvest Days Barbecue Supper starting at 5:30 p.m. Saturday at the Expo Building, catered by Desperado's of Amarillo and sponsored by the Masonic Lodge #879. Adult tickets are \$6.50 in advance, \$7 at the door, and children under 12 can eat for \$4.50.

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## Games and play time set for Harvest Days

test, and a special play time for preschool youngsters will be included in the Harvest Days activities Saturday at the Expo building.

Vendor booths will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. Those that will include game activities are the pie toss and basketball toss booths, both sponsored by the Dimmitt High School Student Council; a dart game for the American Red Cross; and a "pick-a-duck" booth, sponsored by an individual. There is a charge for participating in these booths, and most will offer prizes.

The pre-school playtime is scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m. in the performance area of the Expo. Ring toss, horseshoe toss and other simple games will be set up for pre-school age children, with no cost for partici-

"We want to have activities to capture the interest of everyone who attends Harvest Days, including some of the youngest," said Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava.

The hula-hoop contest, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, will

### Hula hoop contest will require stamina

Hula hoopers will be competing against each other in an elimination tournament Saturday, with the top prize being a Fuzz Beanie Baby.

The event is one of the games planned during the Harvest Days celebration Saturday at the Expo Building. Hopeful hula hoopers will ne compete in groups of three for the first round of the competition and will hula until they can't hula anymore, according to Chamber Executive Director Bill Sava.

The winners of the threesomes will return for another round against two other winners, and the winner of that will remain in the running until only one hula hooper remains.

### Early settlers will gather for reunion Saturday

Visiting, maybe a few games and good food will highlight the annual Early Settlers' Reunion, which will be held Saturday at the Dimmitt Senior Citizens Center.

Registration for the reunion will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday morning at the Senior Citizens Center.

Following registration, guests are invited to join with other early settlers to view the Harvest Days parade, which will pass in front of the

Local residents are asked to bring a covered dish for the pot luck luncheon, which will start at 12 noon.

For more information about the reunion, contact Wade or Walter Maynard at 647-4358.

Game booths, a hula-hoop con-start at 4 p.m. at the Expo building, with all ages welcome to enter at no charge. Prizes will be given.

### Water polo guaranteed for cool down

Teams wielding fire hoses will try and keep a ball suspended in the air with streams of water in the water polo contest Saturday afternoon.

The event, which is sponsored by the Dimmitt Fire Dept. Reserves, is guaranteed to offer a cool break for those brave enough to get soaked-and they WILL get soaked.

Those interested in competing in the water polo should report to the lot on Southeast Third Street behind C&S Battery, Inc.



FACEPAINTING will be offered this year at the Castro County Harvest Days celebration in Dimmitt Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Expo, sponsored by the Republican Organization for Women. Last year, Chelsea Buckley (seated, left) was one of the many youngsters who took advantage of the fun art.

## Motorists and farm equipment can share the roadways safely

With the 1999 crop season in full swing, Texas motorists traveling state highways and rural roads may occasionally find themselves sharing the road with the large, slow-moving farm equipment necessary for wheat harvest and summer crop planting and cultivation. These include combines, tractors and implements, grain carts and semi-trucks.

As a result, motorists should keep both eyes on road and traffic conditions, learn how to identify slowmoving equipment and give it a wide berth whenever possible, said Dr. Bryan Shaw, agricultural and environmental safety specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Ser-

Not recognizing slow-moving vehicles, or simply not being aware of them until it is too late, is a leading cause of collisions between motorists and farm equipment.

Farmers are very busy at this time of year and they often have to move their equipment along the road. Motorists who encounter this situation should remember that a car traveling 55 mph requires about 224 feet to stop on dry pavement, with average reaction time and braking. If you're traveling 65 mph, the safe stopping

A car traveling 55 mph can close a 300-foot gap (the length of a football field) and overtake a tractor moving or slow down as quickly as an autoat 15 mph in about five seconds. At 65 mph, that time drops to about four

cially cautious when traveling on hilly roads, in bad weather and during the dim hours around dawn and sunset," Shaw said.

most common farm vehicle accident faded or worn. New, self-adhesive occurs when a slow-moving vehicle makes a left turn after the motorist this chore. behind begins to pass. Texas motorists can avoid that and other potentially dangerous encounters with slow-moving vehicles by following the front and sides, and apply red or

these driving tips:

1. Recognize and respect the Slow-Moving Vehicle emblem—the triangular fluorescent orange emblem bordered in red. When you see one, slow down and be as cautious as when approaching a stop light.

2. Watch for hand signals. Don't assume that a slow-moving vehicle pulling to the right side of the road is going to turn right or is going to let you pass.

3. Slow down when you see a slow-moving vehicle's flashing turn

4. Keep your distance. Most farm equipment can only travel about 25 mph in road gear.

pass, especially when road shoulders are questionable.

6. Always make sure the road ahead and behind is clear before you

"If you spot something up ahead that isn't another car or truck, slow down immediately and proceed cautiously. That's the safest way to share the road with slow-moving equipment," Shaw said. "Don't pull out in front of a slow-moving farm vehidistance increases to about 302 feet. cle-such as a tractor pulling a grain cart-and then stop or slow down rapidly. Farm equipment cannot stop mobile."

At the same time, farmers and farm workers should drive their slow "Texas motorists should be espe- rigs defensively, and they should make every effort possible to increase their visibility on the road. They should install clean Slow-Moving Vehicle emblems on all their They should also be aware that the equipment and replace those that are emblems are now available to ease

> Marking slow-moving equipment with reflective tape is another good idea. Use yellow reflective tape on

fluorescent orange tape to the back of equipment. Shaw said drivers should always turn on their amber flashing lights when traveling on the road and should allow extra time and distance when crossing or pulling onto highways and roads.

"Be courteous. Let oncoming traffic pass before you move your equipment onto the road," Shaw said. "After you get moving, stay alert for curves, dips and intersections, and keep an eye on traffic around you. Drive slowly and allow more braking or stopping distance when pulling equipment that isn't equipped with independent brakes.

"Lock your tractor's brake pedals 5. Be patient. It's not easy for the together before you pull onto a pubperator to move aside to let you lic road. This helps prevent unintentional hard right or left turns if you have to stop quickly."

Use turn signals or hand signals and be extremely careful when you have to make a wide left turn from the road. Shaw added that if possible, slow-moving equipment shouldn't be driven on the road when visibility is restricted by bad weather or in the twilight hours near dusk or dawn.

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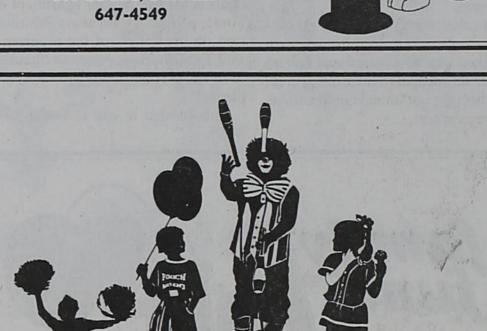
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THE HOLY WARRIORS, a Christian musical group that includes (from left) Richard Herring, Greg Birkenfeld and Glenda Birkenfeld, entertained crowds during the annual Harvest Days celebration last year. Music groups slated for this year include rock and roll band Mercury Fall, country and western artist Janet Denton and the Sixshooters, and the Dimmitt Middle School choir. Photo by Anne Acker

## 'Senior Wheels' makes power chairs available

The Senior Wheels Program makes power (electric) wheelchairs available to non-ambulatory senior citizens (65 and up) who qualify for the

program. The chairs are provided at no outof-pocket expense to those who are confined to a wheelchair and can no longer self-propel in their living area, and meet the additional qualifications of the program.

No deposit is required. This service also may be available to the permanently disabled if they qualify.

"If your need for a power wheel-

chair is for use in your apartment or home, please call for more information on the details of the program," said Tom Thurlow, program director. "We ask that no nursing homes call, please."

The number to call is 1-800-360-8765.

The unique, nation-wide program has as its main focus to educate and assist severely handicapped senior citizens in what options they may have in remaining independent.

"Without this awareness and education, they and others may prematurely choose a nursing home or spend out-of-pocket money unnecessarily for a power wheelchair or scooter," Thurlow said.

Participants in the program must already be in a manual wheelchair, and unable to self-propel in their

"In other words they must be dependent on others to push them," Thurlow said. "If their need is only for outside, they are not candidates for this program."

## Federal programs help restore wildlife habitat

traditions are quickly disappearing-abundant wildlife habitat and family

A pair of voluntary government programs promise relief for both, and current bills in the US Congress could expand these programs nationwide.

The United States is losing its wetlands, which are some of nature's most productive ecosystems, at a rate of more than 170,000 acres a year. Grasslands, forests and other important habitats are disappearing at similarly alarming rates.

At the same time, global economic problems are forcing many farmers out of business. Last fall, Congress approved nearly \$6 billion in emergency farm aid. Federally subsidized crop insurance may cost another \$4

The Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) and Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP) are restoring wildlife habitat and, at the same time, helping save many family farms. By paying farmers to set aside land for wildlife, these programs have restored millions of acres across the country at a cost of about \$2 billion annually.

The Conservation Reserve Program was initiated in 1985 to help stem erosion on agricultural lands. The program pays farmers to retire their croplands from production for 10 years, showing erosion and providing prime cover for breeding birds and other wildlife. Today, more than 36 million acres are enrolled in CRP.

The Wetland Reserve Program places conservation easements on marginally productive agricultural lands and restores them to wetlands. More than 800,000 acres are enrolled in this program. Many WRP lands are in the environmentally important Mississippi Delta.

Today, both CRP and WRP are still interested in enrolling their process with judges.

Across the country, two American lands, both for economic and conservation purposes. Bills recently introduced by Congress would raise the caps on acreage for both of these programs.

> the continent's largest wetlands and waterfowl conservation group, and other groups are recommending that the cap on CRP be raised from 36.4 million to 45 milliona cres. Likewise, work for people, too."

they would like to see the WRP cap raised from 975,000 to two million

"We are encouraging our members to contact their congressmen and urge them to support the expansion Officials from Ducks Unlimited, of CRP and WRP," said Matt Connolly, executive vice president of Ducks Unlimited. "These programs are examples of government programs that work for wildlife and

## Petting zoo planned, too 4-H'ers to exhibit goats and poultry on Saturday

Goats and poultry raised by 4-H'ers from Castro and Deaf Smith Counties will be judged Saturday in a special stock show sponsored by the Castro and Deaf Smith County 4-H programs.

Castro County Assistant Extension Agent Benny Martinez said he expects between 25 and 30 youngsters to show goats with another five to seven youngsters exhibiting poultry.

The goat and poultry show will be held on the southeast side of the Expo Building and is scheduled to begin around 1 p.m. on Saturday as part of the Harvest Days celebration.

Martinez said local businesses have donated items which will be given as prizes for the exhibitors of the grand champion and reserve grand champions in the show. Other top exhibitors will receive ribbons.

4-H'ers exhibiting animals in the show have been working with their projects since June, according to becoming victims of their own suc- Martinez. In addition to the livestock cess. The number of acres allowed in show, exhibitors also are required to both programs is limited by Con- complete a record book, which also gress, and both are due to "fill up" will be judged Saturday. Exhibitors soon; however, many landowners are also will undergo an interview

The Castro County 4-H also is planning to sponsor a petting zoo Saturday afternoon in one of the barns adjacent to the Expo Building.

Martinez said he hopes to have calves, lambs, goats, and may be

rabbits, for youngsters to see and pet. The petting zoo will be open from 1 to 3 or 4 p.m.

### Quilt to be raffled off

"There's A Dandelion in Our Garden," a quilt sewn by the Friendship Quilters' Guild of Dimmitt, will be raffled off during Harvest Days activities Saturday.

However, the winner will not take possession until after the quilt is shown at the 25th anniversary of the International Quilt Festival on Oct. 21-24 in Houston. It has been named a finalist in the International Quilt Association's Judged Show-Quilts: A World of Beauty.

The quilt was the Best of Show winner at the annual Ogallala Ouilter's Festival in Dimmitt. Call Joyce Davis at 647-5362 for information on buying chances on the



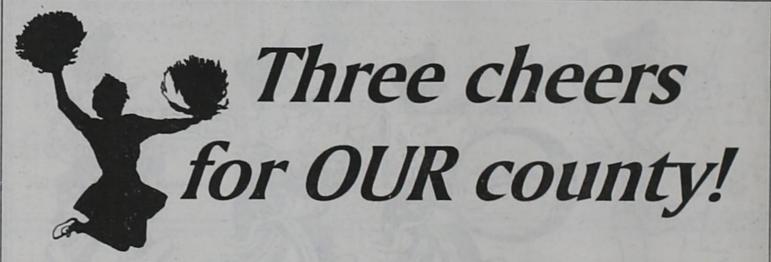




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LAST YEAR'S BEST OF SHOW WINNERS IN CANNED FOOD DIVISION County Fair winners will be on display at the Expo Building Saturday.

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# Farmers urged to look at water as commodity

By EDITH A. CHENAULT

have unprecedented opportunities to water as a commodity. chart their future in the next 50 years a Texas Agricultural Extension Service agricultural engineer said.

meeting water demands: some say by the year 2050, the state's water demand will be 20.95 million acre-feet per year. However, the groundwater and surface water supply projected will fall short by 6.04 million acrefeet, enough water to cover the entire state of New Hampshire to a depth of one foot.

"Existing supplies will not meet the demand," said Dr. Bruce Lesikar of College Station.

It is expected that the shortfall will be met through more efficient agricultural, landscaping and household practices, waste water reuse, development of new resources, or reducing the amount used on irrigated

Already, irrigated agriculture use is predicted to drop to 5 million acrefeet of water from the current 11.1 million acre-feet of water. Still, Lesikar predicted, about 17% of the irrigation demand will go unmet.

"Our water path is not really charted," Lesikar said. "We have the opportunity to change how our water picture looks in the future, either by increasing the amount of waste water that we use for the irrigation of crop land or turf grass areas and using more potable water resources for

## AED use legislated

Sept. 1 a new law went into effect that should ultimately make lifesaving automated external defibrillators (AEDs) more available throughout

AEDs, which are slightly smaller than laptop computers, monitor the heart's rhythms and, if appropriate, can deliver an electric shock, or defibrillation, to restore the normal rhythms of a heart that is not beating properly.

Restoring the normal rhythm is the only way to save a victim of cardiac arrest. Trained lay rescuers using these devices on a victim within minutes of cardiac arrest could make the difference between life and death.

"The number of deaths from cardiac arrest do not need to be as high as they are. This device is not a true lifesaver, and those good samaritans who use it to help others should be applauded, not penalized with a lawsuit," said State Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Flower Mound, one of the sponsors of the legislation.

An individual can be properly trained in CPR and the use of an AED in just a few hours. The AHA HeartSaver AED program, the firs basic course that combines CPR and AED training for lay people, can be completed in three to four hours.

meeting other demands."

Texas farmers and ranchers will Lesikar urged farmers to consider

"When we start considering water in light of predicted water shortages, as a commodity, we will be looking at what is the best use of that water resource," he said. "It may be more Texas is expected to fall short in profitable for the farmer to actually sell the water to other sectors than it is for him to use the water to grow an agricultural crop."

> For instance, urban water consumers pay from \$1 to \$2 per 1,000 gallons of water in the first part of their water usage; then \$2 to \$4 per 1,000 gallons as they get up into a higher water usage and rate structure. That could increase to \$4 to \$6 per 1,000 gallons as water becomes more precious and alternative technologies are needed to treat the water to drinking water quality, he said.

> If a farmer purchased his water for 65 cents per gallon and he grew a crop that required two acre-feet of water, or 650,000 gallons, to grow, his water cost would be \$422 per acre. On the other hand, the farmer could sell the water to the municipality, resulting in a profit of \$422.

> The city could then transport the water, pay for the pipeline to bring it to the city and sell the water and still cover their infrastructure costs, he

> The farmer could then use that land to grow dryland crops or could sell just a portion of his water and irrigate a smaller section of land, and still have an annual income coming from the sale of the water.

> Lesikar warned, "If you sell the right to the water, you get a one-time sale to the city. So it would be better to lease your water or sell it on an annual basis rather than selling the

Not everyone will have this option to sell water; however, farmers near major cities may wish to consider

Water deficits also may be met through new technologies being developed for water treatment, allowing the use of saline groundwater resources or the Gulf of Mexico as supplies. There also may be a shift in the types of crops being produced from those that use more water to those that use less.

Farmers have been switching to more efficient means of irrigation over the last two decades, said Dr. Guy Fipps of College Station, Extension agricultural engineer.

"One change we're seeing is the abandonment of furrow irrigation and a switch to center pivot irrigation," Fipps said. Long used on the Texas High Plains, the more-efficient center pivot method is being adapted widely in Southwest Texas. These types of systems put the water where the crop needs it, either on the surface of the ground or under the

Lesikar added, "With irrigation scheduling, we can calculate what the water demand is for that crop and apply that water at the time the crop needs it or store the water in the soil profile. We get the maximum return on the water invested in the crop production."

Texas reached its peak of irrigated acreage in 1974 with 8.4 million acres, Fipps said. In 1997, the total irrigated acreage in the state was 5.1 million acres, about 13% of the total. The drop was largely due to more efficient irrigation technology, higher input costs and volatile crop



Chances are \$10 each and are being sold by members of the Fair Association. Only 100 chances will be sold.

The "Bingo Field" will be 100 numbered squares southeast of the Expo Building. The cow will be turned loose at 2:15 p.m. Saturday. The game will end when the cow "bingos" on somebody's square, AND THE WINNER WILL GET \$500!

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## FCE to raffle bears and snowman

Members of the Town & Country Family and Community Educators club are raffling off a basket full of eight Beanie Baby<sup>TM</sup> bears and a painted wooden snowman yard dec-

A drawing for the winners will be

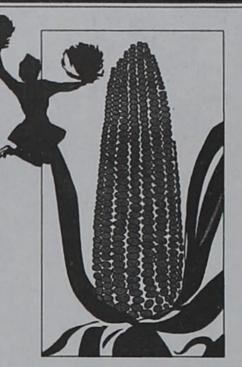
held Saturday at 4 p.m. at the Expo on display. building during Harvest Days.

Chances on each item are selling for \$1 each, and may be purchased from any FCE member or at Unique Gifts and More, where the items are

The bears include Germania, Peace, Valentina, a 1999 Signature Bear, Fuzz, Kicks, Millennium and Hope. The snowman was painted by Suzy Wall of Hereford.

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PET PRIDE-David Underwood brought "Smokey the Turtle" to last year's Harvest Days Pet Show and won the blue ribbon for the "Most Unusual Pet." Local veterinarian Dr. W.J. Hill judges the show. "To me, one of the highlights is seeing what categories W.J. makes up so everyone can have a unique award," said Bill Sava. Photo by Anne Acker



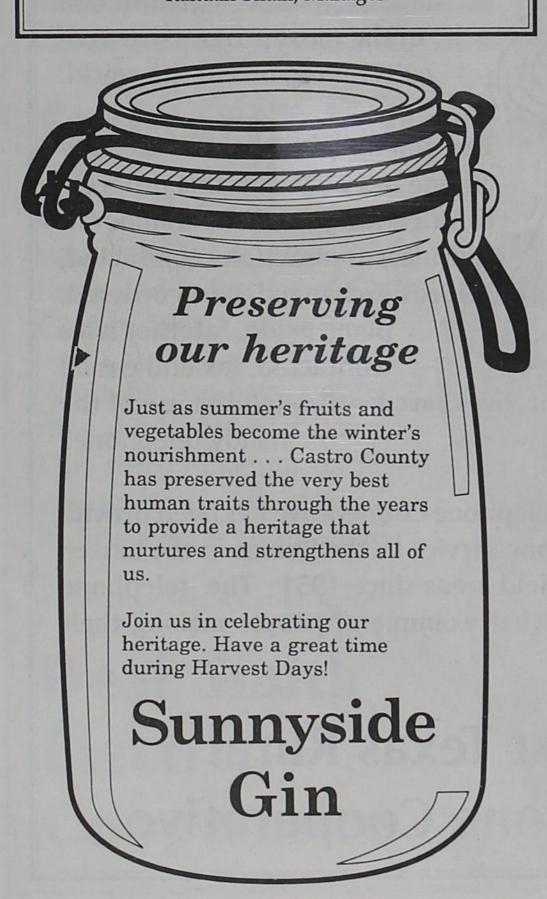
Be A Sport! Come on out and join in the fun at this year's Harvest Days Celebration!

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### Castro Co-op Gin, Inc.

Randall Small, Manager



## Harvest Days to swing with music 1911

and western band, middle school singers, a fiddlers' contest, and karaoke fun all will be included in the entertainment scheduled during the day Saturday as a part of the and third place in each age division. annual Castro County Harvest Days celebration.

"Mercury Fall," the band featuring Dimmitt natives Joshua and Justin Roberts, will perform from building. The group also includes Nick Bell and Paul Miller, both of Amarillo. They will play a selection of rock and roll numbers made popular by groups such as Creed, Stevie up just before the contest. Ray Vaughan and Collective Soul. They also play contemporary Chris- minutes to play three selections, tian music, in addition to a few original rock and roll compositions.

Josh is the vocalist and sometimes choice. plays back-up guitar and harmonica. on the bass guitar and Bell on the N.M., and Cal Tipple, also of Clovis. drums.

performance area inside the Expo. They are directed by Elaine Hazel. Featuring students from the fourth, sing three selections: Get Up, I Like School, and Education Rock. Hazel said the students will include motions ground music of popular songs playwith all of the songs, and for the final number they will don hats and shades.

age groups for the competition. Cash prizes are offered for first, second

For the Age 12 and Under division, the entry fee is \$5 per person. Prizes will be \$25, \$20, and \$15 for first, second and third places, respec-

Entry fees for all other divisions 10:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. outside the Expo are \$10. For the Ages 13-18 Division, prizes will be \$75, \$50 and \$25. In the divisions for Ages 19-40 and Age 41 and up, prizes will be \$100, \$75 and \$50. Participants may sign

Each contestant is allowed six including a waltz, a hoedown or breakdown, and then a tune of their

Judges will be Blackie Foster of Justin plays lead guitar, with Miller Amarillo, Jim Elliott of Clovis,

Karaoke Fun will follow the fid-At 1 p.m., the Dimmitt Middle dlers in the performance area set up School Choir will perform in the in the Expo. Everyone is invited to participate or just come watch the fun. The karaoke songs and singing set up will be supplied by Dimmitt fifth and sixth grades, the choir will Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava.

> Karaoke singing features backing, with the participant singing the words that are written out.

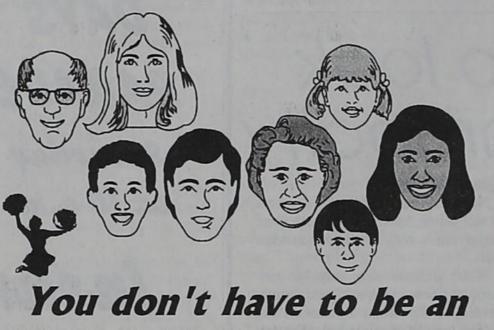
Janet Denton & The Sixshooters The Fiddlers' Contest will start at will be the featured band for the

A rock and roll band, a country 1:30 p.m. inside the Expo in the per- closing dance, slated to start at 9 p.m. formance area. Herb Mayfield, orga- at the Expo building. The group is a nizer of the event, said there are four country and western band, with all of its members coming from the Panhandle area.

> Denton was born in Amarillo and began playing the piano at age 3. Blind from birth, she has been enter

taining throughout the Panhandle for most of her life. She has been showcased in several "Opries" in the area and has made an appearance on the satellite program "Star Seek," as well as being featured on "Texas Country Reporter."



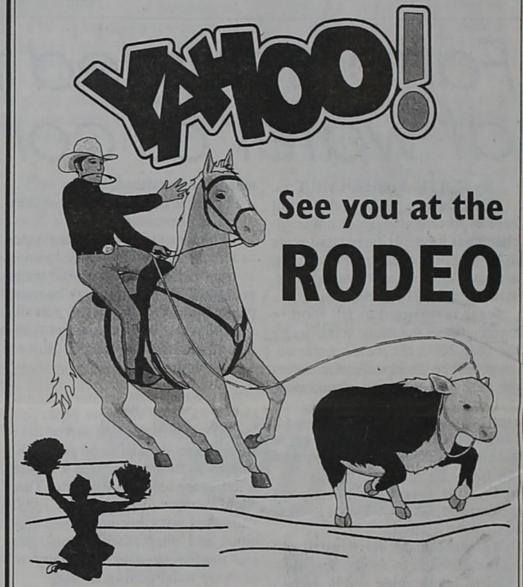


## old settler ...

... to enjoy the Old Settlers' Reunion at the Senior Citizens' Center Saturday. Whatever your age or length of residence here, just show up and bring a covered dish or two for the Basket Lunch at noon, and you'll be welcomed. You'll enjoy the fun, fellowship, and the feeling of friendship you'll find there.

From May to October, Panhandle Ag Service's planes work from dawn to dark, helping improve the quality and yields of our crops through the aerial application of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizer. We tip our wings to one of the greatest agricultural counties in the nation as it celebrates Harvest Days!

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Join us for the Team Rodeo and Ladies Greased Pig Event Saturday evening at 6:30 at the Dimmitt Rodeo Arena. These events are being sponsored by the Castro County 4-H Horse Judging Team.

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