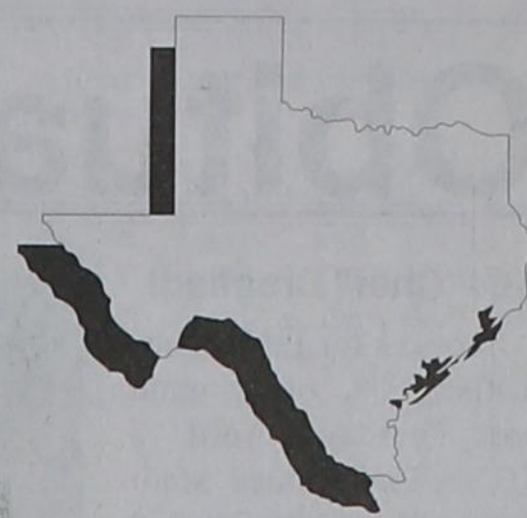


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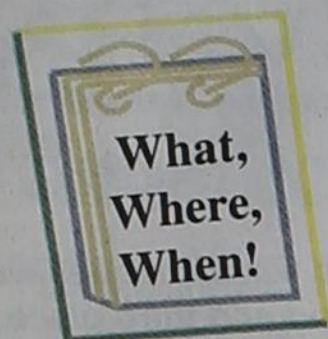
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Castro County Calendar



The Dimmitt Kiwanis will hold its annual Kite Flying Day on Saturday, April 12. It will start at 10 a.m. in the field east of the high school. Free kites will be available, provided by Lowe's Market. Hot dogs and soft drinks will be available.

The Running Water Soil & Water Conservation District No. 136 is having its 2003 lunch/banquet from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Friday, April 11. A barbecue lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m., with an awards program at noon. The program will honor the following: poster winners; Conservation Home-maker, Conservation Farmer, Water quality Management Plan Cooperator and Business/Professional Individual.

The Dimmitt Young Farmers will meet at 7 p.m., Thursday, April 10, at the ag shop in the high school. The meeting is to set rules for the upcoming stock show.

Dimmitt High School's Student Council is sponsoring a blood drive from 3 to 7 p.m., Wednesday, April 16, at the high school band hall in conjunction with Coffee Memorial Blood Center. The community is invited to come and donate blood. To donate, one must be 17 years old and have a driver's license and Social Security number on hand. For more information contact the center at (800) 658-6178 or the high school at 647-3105.

The Gem Theatre in Turkey will have the distinctive country piano of John Walker, along with his 'Warm Country Heart' band to do a tribute to Western Swing, the music made famous by Bob Wills. "Swinging' In Turkey Tonight," will be at 7 p.m., Saturday, April 19. Tickets are \$12. For information or tickets, call (806) 423-1273.

Schools will feel state budget crunch

School officials in Castro County have been scrambling to find ways to maintain the quality of education as the state cuts their funds.

For the Dimmitt ISD, Superintendent Les Miller said the district is restructuring staff assignments and reducing staff through attrition only - so far.

"The principals and I have had frank discussions about cuts and I've sent out memos about no increase in budgets," Miller said. "Now, I want to make sure our taxpayers are aware of what's going on."

And if the Region 16 Education Service Center in Amarillo is hit as hard as seems likely, contracts between the district and the center could increase as much as 51 percent, he said. "We're looking at making major cuts or reshuffling our funds," Miller said. "Regardless, we plan to provide the best education possible here in Dimmitt." Dimmitt is looking at a shortfall of some \$300,000, combined with the fact that the school is running a

deficit budget of \$375,000, along with a decline in enrollment means that "we don't see a rosy picture for Dimmitt, Miller said.

And raising taxes won't be the answer, considering the amount of money involved, he said.

In Nazareth, the picture isn't quite so glum, said Superintendent Marshall Harrison.

"If the House and Senate committee numbers don't change, we'll lose about \$47,537, Harrison said. As long as the student count doesn't drop below 200, the impact will be minimal, and studies projected for the next five years show the district's population won't drop below 223.

Additionally, Nazareth's state funds will drop because property values have increased by \$2.1 million, Harrison said.

Last year the district was able to put \$92,000 back into its reserves, Harrison said, noting that this year "we've been operating on a balanced budget."

"My philosophy has

been to have a smaller staff and have more resources for our students," he said, adding that NISD has an 11-to-1 student-teacher ratio.

And Harrison is ready to ask for a tax increase to make up the deficit. He said he thinks property owners will understand.

"If you ask for a tax increase to offset a loss of revenue from the state and to keep the budget balanced, I think they'll understand," he said. "We're not out spending money recklessly."

But Harrison said the public should be miffed by the actions of the Legislature.

"The Governor said 'no new taxes,' but what he

meant when he was running for office was 'no new state taxes,'" he said. "The state, with its cuts to schools has reduced its help from 46 percent to 38 percent and that's a lot of money to make up.

"The state is not stepping up and taking its part of the responsibility for education, so it's important for those of us in the community to let our lawmakers know how we feel."

To that end, Harrison said he encourages citizens to call local lawmakers and make their view known.

"If the state doesn't do its part, it's put back on the local property owners," he said. "Add to that 90

percent of the Senate Finance and House

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Hometown Heroes

Men and women serving their country who have Castro County connections!

James Bradford	USAF
Laura Bradford-Quiroz	USAF
Brad Murdock	USAF
Eric Kinser	USNG
Gloria Gonzales	USMC
Scott Heck	USA
Jayson Heck	USMC
Jose Acevedo	USA
Dewayne Espinosa	USA
Daniel Medrano	USA
Miguel Medrano	USA
Bryan Sharp	USMC
Monica Broadstreet	USMC
Bryan Charanza	USA
James Flores, Jr.	USA
Shaun E Furr	USA
Jacei Furr	USA
Jeff Headrick	USN
Joe Collins	USMC
Saul Medrano	USA
Danny G George	USA
James R Alexander	USAF
Lance Brockman	USAF
Jesse J Salinas	USMC
Dustin Ramaekers	USAF
Kirsten Verkamp	USAF
Selma Navarro	USAF
Steven Villanueva, Jr.	USA
Albert Ramirez	USN
Tawny Thompson	USAF
Jonathon Ivy	USMC
Terry Myers	USN
Darrell Washington	USN
Aaron Arguijo	USN
Eric Soldevia	USMC
Greg Malone	USMC
Kenny Wilhelm	USN
Philip Durbin	USN
Shane Etheridge	USN
Michael Mullen	USN
Eric Brown	USAF
Joe Juarez, Jr.	USA
Laura Flynt-Brown	USAF
Jason P Brown	USAF
Jenna L Flynt	USAF
Jack W Flynt, III	USAF
Lawrence Stephenson	USAF
Michael Moore	USAFR

Do you know of someone with Castro County roots currently serving in our Armed Forces? If so, please provide their name and branch of service so that we may honor them.

can convey. Quilts can make life just a little better wherever they are."

Winners listed on page 14

Dimmitt City Council met

The Dimmitt City Council met last Tuesday evening at the city hall in Dimmitt. The first order of business was to cancel the election relative to the mayor and council members at large. These seats are all unopposed.

Dimmitt Flaking is in operation and delivering feed to local dairies. The original agreement between the City of Dimmitt and Dimmitt Flaking included favorable water rates, some help with dirt work and tax abatements. In addition, Dimmitt Flaking is to receive \$30,000 cash that is tied to creating and maintaining a certain level of

jobs.

Renovation work has begun on the airport. Being in the very early stages, no progress report is available. The project will cost approximately \$900,000 with the city being responsible for 10 percent of the total and the Texas Department of Transportation picking up the remainder.

Mayor Collins was complimentary of Atmos Energy and their attempts to hold gas prices low. "We applaud their efforts. We encourage them to be innovative in keeping the gas prices as low as possible."



FIRST PLACE. WINNER: Shay Wilhelm, far right, made his first trip to the Houston Livestock Show this year and came away for a first-place win in the Maine-Anjou Heavy Light-Weight Division. He bought his steer in Crosby County and got a sale price of \$7,000, \$6,000 of which went to Shay. The other \$1,000 went for scholarships. Wilhelm, a sophomore at Nazareth competed in the Houston show on March 12. Also pictured with Wilhelm, left to right are Vanessa Welps, his sister, Dianne and Rocky Wilhelm, his parents; Cody Roth, breeder; John Welps; his brother-in-law; and Shay.



BEST OF SHOW: "Delectable Mountains," by Yvonna Hays of Dimmitt was named Best of Show at the Sixth Annual show. It was quilted by Shari Schumacher.

Quilt Show a big success

More than 1,100 quilt fanciers signed up over the weekend at the Ogallala Quilters Society Sixth Annual Festival and Quilt show, organizers said Tuesday.

As visitors packed the Expo Center, Senior Citizens Center and Methodist Church, original estimates of 800-to-1,000 people increased.

"We're hopeful we can keep growing and that we'll be able to expand," said Darlene Collins, one of the original organizers of the show.

Collins said the show couldn't get off the ground without the 100 or so volunteers who spend thousands of man hours doing everything from sending out flyers to setting up quilt displays to decorating the tables at the two banquets held during the show.

"We don't have anyone working on the show who's paid," Collins said. "Our volunteers work thousands of hours."

And the work pays off. Visitors to the three display venues oohed and ahhed over the hundreds of quilts and related displays.

"We go the Dallas and Houston quilt shows, and this one is as good as either of them," said Paula McWilliams of Snyder.

Whether it was a quilt depicting a family tree, a silver fan spread over a black background or a representation of the American flag, cameras and sketchbooks were in

abundance to help those in attendance remember - and replicate - favorite designs. "I love this show," said JoAnn Ham, also of Snyder. "I've got lots of good ideas to take home."

Both Ham and McWilliams said they'll be back for next year's show.

Which is good news for organizers. Return visitors and word-of-mouth has helped the show grow from its inception.

After a trip to Portland, Ore., Collins came back with a mission.

"I contacted quilt shops and quilters in the region and talked about organizing a show," she said. "No one turned me down."

"We formed a board. There were eight of us and we paid \$10 each in dues. So we started out with \$80 and lots of volunteers."

It's obviously been a labor of love that's paid off for quilters from throughout the region.

"There's lots of love and memories that make our life better through quilts," Collins said. "What we are doing is making people aware of the comfort, warmth, the love that quilts

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Obituaries

L.C. "Chet" Braafladt

Services for L.C. "Chet" Braafladt, 88, of Dimmitt, were Tuesday, April 8, 2003, at First United Methodist Church, Dimmitt, with the Rev. Paul Braafladt of Seattle, Wash., officiating. Assisting were the Rev. Vergil Ichtertz of First Methodist church, Dimmitt and Chuck Ball of Fourth and Bedford Church of Christ, Dimmitt. Burial was a Castro Memorial Gardens.



L.C. "Chet" Braafladt

Mr. Braafladt died April 4 in Dimmitt. He was born Jan. 28, 1915, in Chicago. At the age of 2, he moved to China with his parents, where his father was a medical missionary for the Lutheran Church. The family returned to the United States in 1922. That same year, his mother died; in 1924, the family moved back to China.

Mr. Braafladt attended and graduated from high school in England in 1930.

He married Helen Galloup on Aug. 7, 1937, in San Francisco.

In 1940, he was accepted into the California Highway Patrol. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and the Korean Conflict.

He and his family then settled in Amarillo; they moved to Dimmitt in 1962. He owned and operated Dimmitt 66, Inc., which evolved into Braafladt Transport. Mr. Braafladt served on the Dimmitt city Council for six years. He was an extremely active member of the Dimmitt Lions Club and is a past Boss Lion. He had been active in Scouting since his youth. He was an Eagle Scout and was the Lion's Club liaison with the Boy Scout troop in Dimmitt. He was also active

from Littlefield, Texas. She was a member of Earth Church of Christ and was a homemaker. Survivors include her son, James Lee Herriage of Earth; daughters, Carla Scott of Overland Park, Kan., Judy Garcia of Earth, Kim Rodriguez of Amarillo, Kelli Hill of Gilbert, Ariz., and Michelle Miller of Dimmitt; sister, Sue Roberts of Littlefield; and nine grandchildren, Amy Langford, Sonya and Gabriel Garcia, Christina and Chasity Rodriguez, Tyler Hill, Samantha Herriage, Haydon and Payton Miller.

Memorials may be made to Earth Church of Christ, 506 Main, Earth, TX., 79031 or Earth Memorial Cemetery, P.O. Box 523, Earth, TX., 79031.

Herschel G. Kenmore

Memorial services for Herschel G. Kenmore were March 29, 2003, at Corinth Baptist Church in Eldorado, Okla., with the Rev. Mark A. Farr officiating. Mr. Kenmore died March 22, 2003, in Walla Walla, Wash., after a short illness.

He was born in Harmon County, Okla., on Nov. 14, 1923, and moved with his parents Ferron and Faye Kenmore, to Dimmitt, Texas, on Oct. 31, 1933. He graduated from the Dimmitt schools in 1941 and attended Texas A&M in College Station.

He was involved in agriculture in Texas, Oklahoma, Arizona, Washington and Canada. He introduced deep-well irrigation to the Bethel, Okla., farming community when he drilled the first irrigation well on his Grandfather Conner's homestead.

Mr. Kenmore served his country during World War II, when he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He had many memorable experiences, ranging from being blown out of bed by a German buzz

bomb in England to providing support for the D-Day Invasion. He was involved in many campaigns throughout Europe, serving God and his country proudly.

Mr. Kenmore married Doris Darby of Gould, Okla., on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 27, 1947. She preceded him in death on Jan. 12, 2000.

To their union five children were born.

His reputation as an avid, innovative farmer led to him being sent to Israel as a U.S. agricultural representative, where he assisted in developing agriculture techniques for the area. This opportunity fulfilled a life-long dream to see where his Lord Jesus Christ lived, died and rose from the dead to fulfill His role as Savior of the world.

Mr. Kenmore was active in the Gideon International Organization.

After the death of his wife, Doris, Mr. Kenmore married his high-school sweetheart, the former Dorothy Cooper of Dimmitt, Texas, on Nov. 11, 2000.

In addition to his wife, Dottie, he is survived by his five children: Debbie Perdona of Quincy, Wash., Denise Cantrell of Elk Grove, Calif., Timothy Kenmore of Richland, Wash., Deana Rowe of Walla Walla, Wash., and Ferron Kenmore of Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada; two step-children, Jan Craft of Garland, Texas, and Kirk Dearman of Mobile, Ala.; 11 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; a brother, Hoyt Kenmore of Payson, Ariz.; a sister, Monette Ray of Rochester, Minn.; an uncle, Darrell Kenmore of Lubbock; and six nieces and nephews. He was also preceded in death by two brothers and one sister.

Burial was at Louis Cemetery Bethel Community, Gould, Okla.

Saturday, April 12th
Fun will start with the **Goat Roping** at 3:00 p.m.

Sunday afternoon there will be another goat roping at 2:00 p.m.

Dance Saturday night to the Double D and the Phantom Band at 8:00 p.m. until 12:00 a.m.

You are invited to the **Old District #13 Reunion** April 12th and 13th Dimmitt VFW Post #8056

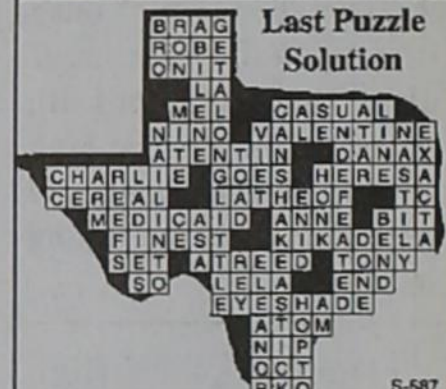
Sunday, April 13th
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- TX Dr. Rec Duke can help
- cr. to Austin from Abilene
- Dallas' Biblical _____ Center
- TXism: "a _____ hombre" (mean)
- "Lonesome Dove's" Gus was buried at: "_____ Orchard"
- residents of TX's westernmost city
- nickname of ex-TCU lineman Aldrich
- Tech grad Demetrio Lakas was pres. of this canal country
- cut glass with acid
- His Warren started with TX Quaid in "Tough Enough"
- TX Pace product
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- charge a crime
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- Gov. "_____ Ferguson
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- TX fiddler Robertson
- run away to marry sergeants (abbr.)
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On the Go with Dorothy Hopson, 647-4579

Amy and J. Mykytuk and their son Benjamin of Blanchard, Okla., were guests of Amy's grandmother Mearle Morgan recently. Amy and J. attended church with the Baptists and Jason and Amy Stone and their son Caleb joined them for supper at Mearle's house on Saturday. The Stones and Mykytuks became friends while in school at Wayland in Plainview.

Amy and J. were married in Durango, Colo., at the F.B.C. a few years ago, and Jason was the minister who performed the wedding ceremony. Mearle was delighted when she learned the new youth and education minister at First Baptist Dimmitt was the one she'd met at her

granddaughter's wedding a few years before.

Guests in the home of Loyd and Jane Vaughan over the weekend were Jane's brothers and wives of Tipton, Okla.: Jack and Leah Killebrew, Sam and Lois Killebrew and Robert and Linda Killebrew. The families enjoyed hearing their nephew, Bill Killebrew, present the Sunday morning Bible class lesson, as well as the pulpit sermon at the Church of Christ.

Accompanying Bill from the International Bible Institute, Lubbock, was Sang Weon Lee of South Korea. Bill's home is in Osceola, Iowa. Both are students preparing for the mission field.

In the late 60s, Gene and Mary Nell King moved to

Dimmitt to work in the Dimmitt school system. Gene was the school business manger and Mary Nell one of the counselors. In the early 70s, Robert and J'Lyn Ryan joined the Dimmitt school system as high school principal and business teacher. Robert became superintendent of our schools a few years later and the Kings and Ryans had become very good friends.

Several years later, the Kings moved to Seminole, Texas, as the school business manager and counselor. If that were not bad enough, they encouraged the Ryans to take the superintendent position and work there with them.

Hispanic Voice with Mary Lou Lumbrera 647-4266

Belle Lumbrera went to the beauty shop last week and got her ears pierced. Her Aunt Jane took her and I think it hurt her aunt more than it did Belle. Irene Cavazos is the one that pierced my granddaughter's ears; it looked like a big staple gun! I wanted to say, "Never mind," but we were brave and did it anyway. Irene instructed us on what to do and she said, "Please, if anything, don't go aaaaaahhhheeeee, because the baby knows and it will start to cry, move and wiggle and I might miss or get it crooked." Well, her Aunt Jane said, "O.K., it's a deal, but do I have to look?" So Aunt Jane held her breath, turned her head and closed her eyes! Now, who did it hurt the most. I never laughed so hard in my life!

Manuel and Elizabeth Saenz joined by Aaron and Sandra and Braden Saenz spent some time during spring break with Daniel and Kristi (Saenz) Medrano. They are stationed at Fort Hood. Daniel and Kristi were married in February in Dimmitt. They got to tour at Fort Hood and went to the museum and spent quality time together. Kristi plans to return to Dimmitt in May to graduate from high school.

Ben and Rita Aleman of Dimmitt became grandparents to twin girls. The babies' names are Mindy Nicole and Mandy Rene Stanley. Mindy and Mandy have two other siblings. The eldest one is Mallory Marie; then there is Mason Stanley. The Stanleys live in Cleburn. The proud parents are Richard Dallas and

Noemi Rene Stanley. Congratulations to Ben and Rita and great-grandma Maria Aleman, also of Dimmitt.

I would like to thank Christopher Martinez, son of Martin Martinez and Maggie Dozal. He has been so wonderful with Belle. We introduced them and he smiled real big. We pretend that she's his little sister and he is very protective of her. He brought her a tennis ball and wanted to play. He looked at her shoes (they were pink) and said, "Hey, those are not Builder Bob shoes like mine!"

Special prayers are needed for our military, Julia Aguilar, Marcello Aguilar, Maria Aleman, Alysya Monreal.

Naz News with Virgie Gerber 945-2669

The "Celebration of Life" Candle lighting Service was held Sunday afternoon at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt. Donna Gerber-Charanza, Hospice Director, welcomed all families and guests. Each was given a small silver cross and attached prayer. Music selections were sung by Wayne Proffitt, Tami Griffitt and Debra Ball. Diane Townsend, Bereavement Coordinator, read the list of deceased loved ones and Lisa Mixson helped with the lighting of candles. The Hospice staff presented Donna Charanza with a special blue candle to light in honor of her son, Bryan, who is in Kuwait. Vergil Irchterz, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, gave a very meaningful talk on why and how everyone grieves in their own way. The Benediction was given by Doris Huckert, Hospice Chaplain. Everyone then enjoyed a reception in the

Solarium. A group of Christian Mothers Society members attended the DCCW Deanery meeting in Bovina, Texas on Thursday. Matilda Anderle was honored as the outstanding "Woman of the Year" from Holy Family Parish for her work in the church, community and school. Congratulations!

A "Right to Life" Banquet was held Sunday evening at the Civic Center in Amarillo. About 50 people from Nazareth attended. A big thanks to Mitzie Brokman who brought her eighth grade CCD class. A skit was performed concerning abortion that really touched everyone.

Congratulations to our tennis teams who won district last week in Canyon. Regional playoffs will be after Easter in Levelland. Those participating are-Monty Hoelting, singles; Erica Gerber, singles; Jake Hoelting and Charlie Rundell, doubles;

and Jamie Birkenfeld and Jenna Acker, doubles.

Becky Book and Virgie Gerber attended the wedding of Julie Mumme and Gerry Smith Saturday at the First United Methodist Church in Slaton, Texas. Julie is the daughter of Bill Mumme and the late Debbie Mumme. Debbie taught Home Ec. in the Nazareth Schools for several years.

Prayers are asked for Fr. John Hickey, Leona Maurer, Ed Gerber, Lori Huseman, Michael Schacher, Robert Fisher Sr., Rosemary Wilhelm, Leonard Wilhelm, Katie Ivey, Alice Palazzini, Joe Schmucker, Margaret Brockman, Kenneth Lange, Deanna Huseman, Mildred Huseman, Anna Huseman, Edith Huseman, Emil Ehly and Kathy Faulkerson.

A few years ago, the Kings and Ryans retired. The Ryans moved to Runaway Bay near Bridgeport. They live near their son, Robin, and his family.

The Kings live in Lubbock and are frequent visitors to Dimmitt to see their daughter, Sue Rita Myatt, her husband Layne and children. They've renewed their loyalty to the Dimmitt Bobcats, enjoying Tyler's football games and other family occasions.

On a recent trip to Seminole, we were impressed by the town's spacious school facilities and glad to see townspeople had appreciated the Dimmitt people who'd joined their faculty.

The Seminole Indians have a state of the art baseball facility and named it Robert Ryan Ball Park in his honor.

The Ryan's daughter Stephanie, her husband Joey

Waldo and two children live at Loop and are with the school there. We visited with Stephanie at the boys basketball playoff game, Dimmitt vs. Seminole, during the 2002 season. It was heart warming to win that round with the Seminoles. If you remember, they even took our football coach!

During a trip to the Covenant Methodist Hospital to be with some Dimmitt folks, as we stepped up to the elevator Andrea Davis Price, D.H.S. Class of 70, was coming off on our floor. We had a brief hug and greeting. She is the daughter of Billie Gwen Davis and is a registered nurse at Covenant.

Doc and Elaine Eacker were our guests during the 2003 Ogallala Quilting Guild weekend. Doc does custom combining and knows several people here for whom he worked years ago. The Eackers were glad to hear from Leroy and Jackie

Edwards that they knew in Dimmitt and Adrian were here and sent them greetings.

Val Davis; her granddaughter, Maegan Davis; and Gayle Ward spent the spring break with Gayle's daughter, Suzanne Ward Vernon, her husband, Kevin and children, Meagan and Hope. A trip to Sea World and seeing other San Antonio sites made for a great spring break.

If all goes as planned, we are going to Lubbock on Friday to meet Nell and Darrell Kenmore. Nell and I are attending the Women's Festival at First Baptist Church. Denise Glenn, author and speaker from Houston and founder of MotherWise Ministries, will be the main attraction. Dinner will be served, and we hope to see some friends who now live in Lubbock while we were there. The guys will do whatever guys do while we're at the Women's Festival.

What's the law.....

Q. I had an automobile accident. I am being sued by the person I hit for \$3,000. I

have no insurance and no money. Can I force them to settle with me?

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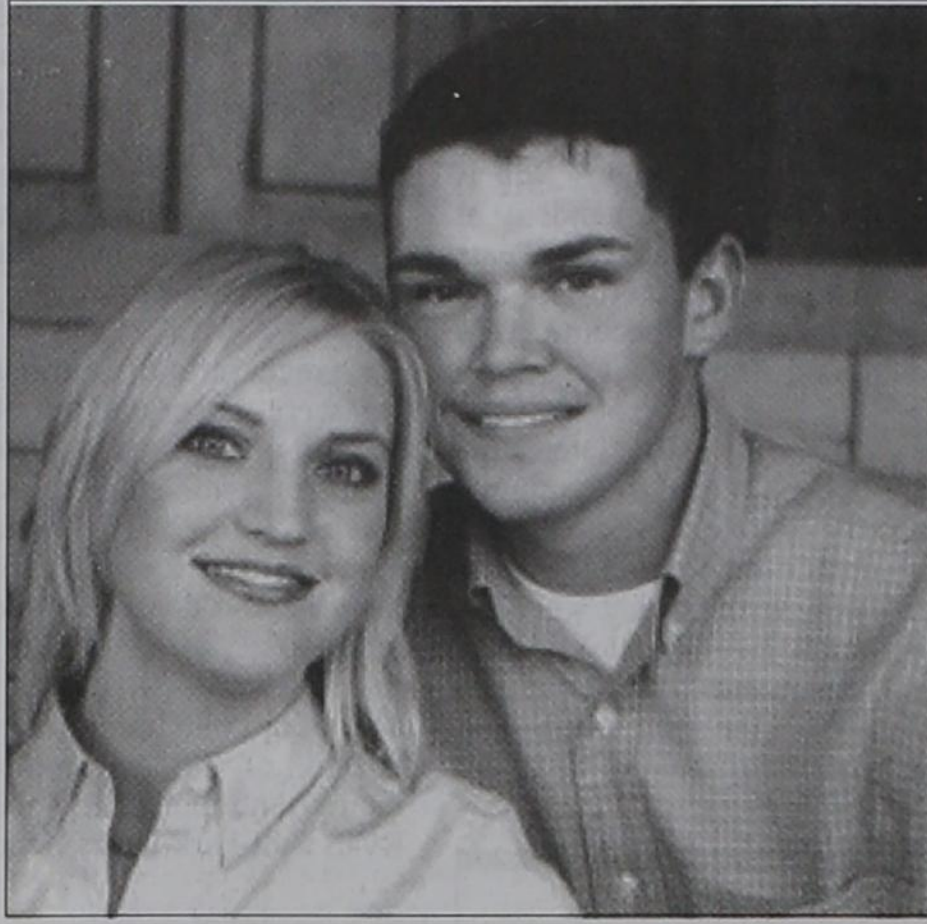
Mr. and Mrs. Benito Barrera of Dimmitt have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Neoumi Barrera Perez of Amarillo to Fabian A. Lopez of Amarillo.

He is the son of the late Mercedes Lopez.

The bride-elect is a 1985 graduate of Dimmitt High School and attended Amarillo College. She is employed with the Attorney General of the State of Texas.

The prospective groom is a 1989 graduate of Clayton High School. He attended Eastern New Mexico University, where he majored in wildlife. He is employed with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in Amarillo.

The wedding is set for 4 p.m., May 3, 2003, at The Body of Christ, Amarillo South, in Amarillo.



Carol Sue Summers and Kody Levi Lunsford

Summers-Lunsford

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Summers have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Carol Sue, to Kody Levi Lunsford.

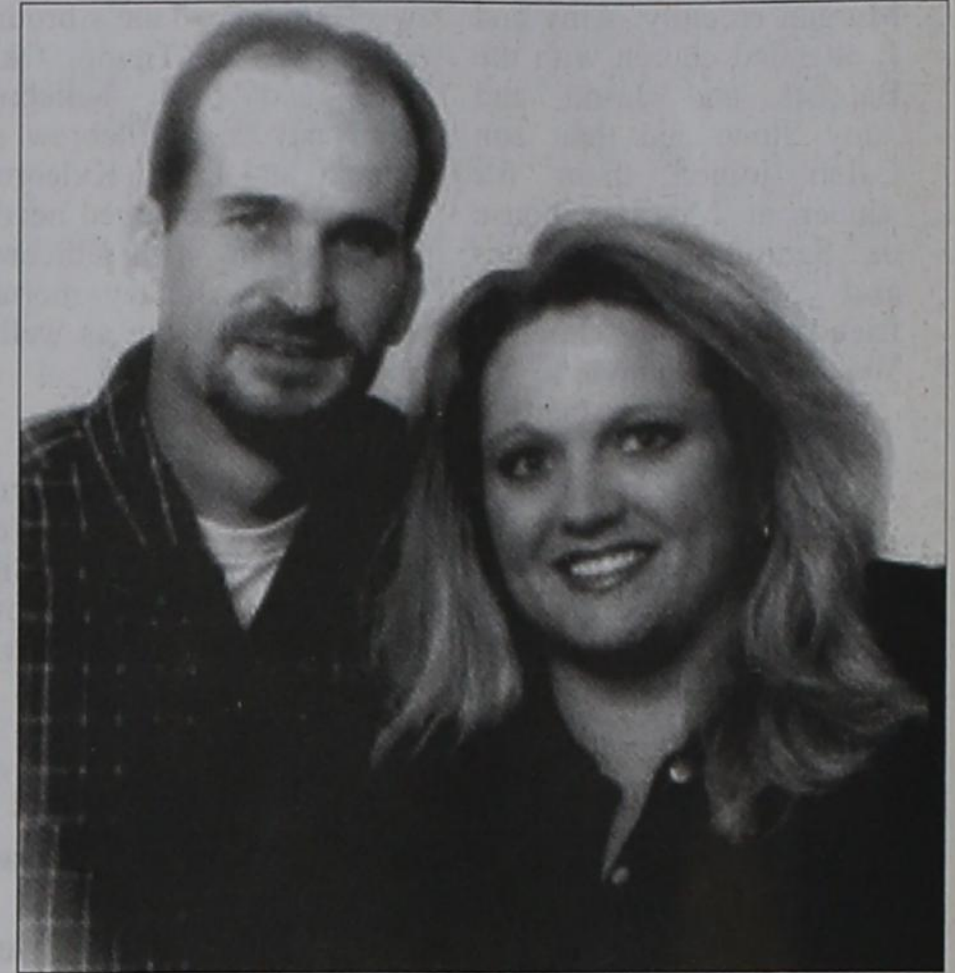
The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lunsford of Miami, Texas.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Dimmitt High School and a student at Texas Tech University majoring in elementary education.

The groom-to-be is a graduate of Miami High School and is working toward a landscape architecture degree at Texas Tech University. He is employed at the YMCA in Lubbock.

Carol is the granddaughter of Houston and Doris Lust and Melvin and Juanita Summers all of Dimmitt.

Levi is the grandson of Red and Mary Snyder of Higgins, Texas and the great-grandson of Pearl Stanford of Canadian.



Michelle Winders and Blane Provence

Winders-Provence

Mike and Roxanne Winders of Lazbuddie announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Michelle, to Blane Provence, son of Tommy and Pat Provence of Hereford.

She is the granddaughter of Bud Street of Muleshoe and Lillian Street of Muleshoe and the late Dud and Evelyn Winders.

The bride-elect is a graduate of First Baptist High School in Lazbuddie and attended Texas A&M University in College Station. She is employed by American Home Patient in Hereford.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Hereford High School and is employed at Texas Bearing Company in Hereford.

The couple will be married at 5 p.m., Saturday, May 17, at Trinity Fellowship Church in Hereford.

CCEEA hosts district meeting

The Castro County Extension Education Association in conjunction with Bailey, Lamb and Hockley counties hosted the District 2 Spring Conference at the Hart Senior Citizens building on April 3.

There were 20 counties represented. Nelma Ritchey, District 2 Director from Colorado City, was presiding officer, Marguerite McLain, Mayor of Hart, brought the welcome and the colors were posted by Boy Scout troop no. 246 of Hart.

Pastor Tom Long of Hart Methodist Church gave a blessing and returned thanks for the meal prepared by the Hart Senior Citizens and Judge Bill Sava presented an inspiring message and shared music.

The two candidates for

Director Elect spoke at the conference and Pat Byard of Bailey County was elected.

A selection of cultural and craft items were exhibited and judged and a silent auction was held, raising money for the Aubrey Russell Scholarship Fund. The Aubrey Russell Scholarships provide college funding for worthy 4-H members.

Embroidery thread was collected for the Threads of Hope program to go to women in third world countries as means to provide for their children.

Coins of friendship were collected. These will go into the state wide collection at the State TEEA Meeting in Plano on Sept. 16-18, 2003.

A short program was given by Jackie Edwards on recycling items to make

decorations for your home and yard.

Members attending from Castro County were Patsy Enterkin, Sandra Bagwell, Pauline Hoyler, Claudine Langford and Jackie Edwards. New County Extension Agent, Kristy Mitchell and Suzanne Gibbs also attended.

The next meeting will be held in Brownfield in 2004.



CCEEA met April 3 for the District 2 Spring Conference at the Hart Senior Citizen Building.

Nazareth wins UIL Literary meet

Nazareth students competing at the 3-1A UIL Literary meet won the team overall title with 266 points. Students advancing to regionals include the following: Jamie Birkenfeld, calculator applications; Andrew Brockman, Brett Hoelting, Craig Birkenfeld and Carson Gerber, team current issues and events; Craig Birkenfeld, mathematics; Ross Birkenfeld and Carson Gerber, persuasive extemporaneous speaking.

In addition, Nazareth journalism students won the team title with 97 points; four students advanced to regional. Those students include Whitney Peacock, feature writing; Ross Birkenfeld, editorial writing; and Brett Hoelting and Eric Schilling, headline writing.

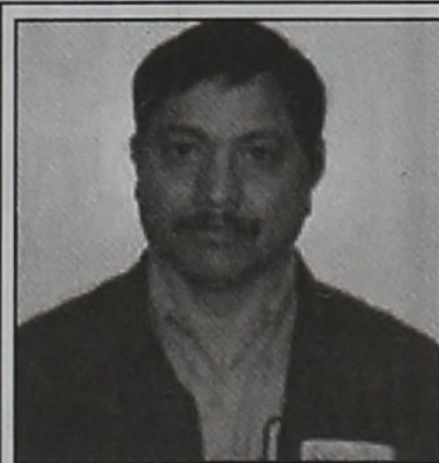
Albert Key, who served in Viet Nam, talked about the work of the Green Berets and Kyle Johnson presented his award-winning essay, written after the events of 9/11, called "Freedom Isn't Free."

Hart rallies behind troops

A rally to show community support for our country's leaders and troops drew a crowd estimated at 100 to the Pavilion in downtown Hart on Sunday, March 23.

The rally was called by Mayor Marguerite McLain and included participation by County Judge Bill Sava, Cub Scouts, student Chris George and Church of Christ preacher Aaron Lee. A prayer for the men and women in the armed services was led by Jerry Kittrell.

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Submitting to our leaders

It was a very disturbing sight although it wasn't real. It was a very frustrating sight because they stood in opposition to our country's leaders. I'm referring to those war protestors who just weeks ago walked up and down streets of Boston with fake blood and bandages all over each of them. The message that they obviously wanted our country to see is that war is wrong and that it's never right. I must admit that I was extremely frustrated as I watched this scene because these protestors are not willing to submit to the President and other leaders of our country and they're proud and very vocal about their opposition.

I don't know of anyone who is absolutely for war and bloodshed. Most would agree with me when I say that it's heartbreaking to think of all the blood that is being shed; I just wish that all would agree to submit to the leaders of our country. It bothers me that we are involved in this conflict and people are dying but I'm committed to submit and stand behind the leaders of my country. I stand and applaud and say "Thank You" to those men and women that are over there fighting, even as I write, because they are fighting for my freedom and yours. The truth of the matter is instead of protesting the war and bashing our leaders, we should simply say "Thank You" to those that are fighting because they are fighting for us.

I've shared with you what I believe and now allow me to share with you why I believe what I believe. "Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities



Chuck Ball

that exist have been established by God. Consequently, he who rebels against the authority of God has instituted and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves." (Rom. 13:1-2)

These two verses tell us that President Bush is the President because it's God's will. He is in office because God wanted him to be in office to fulfill a certain purpose. The second verse explains that, whoever rebels against President Bush, since God has placed him in a position of authority, is also rebelling against God and in danger of judgement.

Let us stick together and submit to our leaders and pray that this conflict can be resolved quickly with few casualties. Let us pray daily for our men and women who are constantly in harm's way. May we follow what the Bible says and also pray for our president and other leaders. "I urge then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness." (1 Tim. 2:1-2)

Byrnes-Underwood shower

A bridal shower honoring Rala Byrnes of Lubbock and Jason Underwood of Plainview was held in the home of A'llan Bradley on Saturday, April 5, 2003. Parents of the couple are Stan and Jackie Byrnes of Dimmitt and Pat Underwood of Denver City.

The serving table was covered with a white battenburg cloth with a beaded, jewel toned overlay. The center of the table was filled with Easter grass in which whimsical Easter bunnies were nestled along with glittered, ornate Easter eggs. A bouquet of tulips adorned the back of the table. Easter bunny stands held crystal trays of chicken balls and fresh fruits. Cream cheese pastries with raspberry sauce were also served. The refreshments were served on china which coordinated with the color scheme of the table. Battenburg napkins completed the table.

Honored guests included: Jackie Byrnes, mother of the bride; Pat Underwood, mother of the groom; Faith Underwood, daughter of the groom; Peggie Gates and Dimple Davis, grandmothers of the groom; Jean Dulaney and Geneva Schaeffer, grandmothers of the bride; Poppy Elbert, Buffy Schaeffer and Sherry Schaeffer, aunts of the bride; Briar and Hannah Head, Texi Schaeffer and Ashley Irons, cousins of the bride; Debra Crump and Rycke Bullock, aunts of the

groom; and Shirley Garrison, a special family friend from Hereford.

Out-of-town guests included: Aimee Corley, Santa Fe, N.M.; Carolyn Ferrell, Clovis; Stacy Davis, Hobbs, N.M.; June Porter, Carlsbad, N.M.; Christi Hart, Joyce Armstrong, Stephani Puckett and Kristi Sadler, Lubbock; Brenda Hefley and Bobby Horn, Brisco; Dana Beck, Alli Thrasher and Joan Meason, Canyon; Andrew Hooper and Amy Haggerman, Plainview; Karen Ford, Levelland; Tana Hoover and Linda Gressett of Amarillo; Kristen Ivey, Midland; Shawna Schulte, Sunray; Arlene Bryan, Happy; and Helen Piehl, Bushland.

The hostess gift for the bride and groom was quilted bedding in primary colors.

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A. This may be a good case for Small Claims Court. I suggest you send him a certified letter asking that he pay, as he promised. Let him know that if you cannot settle the matter, you will consider a claim in Small Claims Court.

If you do not resolve the dispute, file a petition with the appropriate Small Claims Court.

George wins trip to Washington D.C.

Lindsay George, an eighth grader from Hart High School. George is one of the winners of an all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C.

The students participated in a speech contest sponsored by Swisher County Electric Cooperative in Tulia. For 37 years, Swisher Electric has sponsored the Government-In-Action Youth Tour to Washington D.C. Through the contest, area youth can win an all-expense paid, 12-day trip to Washington in June.

Any student ages 14-19 attending Kress, Happy, Tulia, Silverton, Hart, Canyon, Nazareth, or Olton Schools, or home schooled within Swisher Electric's service area is eligible to participate.

Lindsay's speech was entitled "Electric Cooperatives: Building on the Past to Meet the Challenge of the Future."

The speeches were required to be five-to-eight minutes long and were judged on speaking ability; delivery, poise, enthusiasm, voice; and appearance; and speech content, knowledge of the speech, speech development, organization, interest, effectiveness and original thought.

Lindsay is the daughter of Kerry and Sally George, and the granddaughter of Marsha George and Jack and Bonnie George, all of Hart.

Also entering the contest was Ross Birkenfeld from Nazareth High School.



WINS TRIP TO D.C.: Pictured left to right - Alternate Rebecca Hubley, winner Kate Harman and winner Lindsay George. George, an eighth grader from Hart High School. George is one of the winners of an all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. She is the daughter of Kerry and Sally George, and the granddaughter of Marsha George, and Jack and Bonnie George, all of Hart.

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The Internet can't substitute for public notices in the newspaper

By Richard Stone
 Publisher of The Cameron Herald

For over 80 years, local governments have kept Texans informed about its business through legal notices published in the local newspaper.

Right now, there are several bills moving through the Texas Legislature that would allow local governments to post legal notices on a state-sponsored Internet web site instead of publishing these notices on the local paper.

While the arguments in favor of this idea seem sound on the surface, they contain a fatal flaw where open government is concerned.

Sen. Jon Lindsay (R-Houston) is the sponsor of SB 1359, which would let school districts post bid notices on the Internet instead of the newspaper. The House Public Education Committee approved a companion bill, HB 443, last week.

Lindsay contends that most of the contractors who bid on government projects look for these notices on the Internet. Posting school bid notices on the Internet would be a more cost-effective way to reach these contractors and might result in more competitive bids on school projects, he said.

This may be true but the argument entirely misses the secondary - some might even say the primary - point of publishing bid requests, calls for election and annexation, tax rate notices and the like in the local newspaper. Posting notices on the Internet may let select contractors know that a school district has a project up for bid but it won't let taxpayers know how their money is being spent. Notice by publication in a newspaper involves citizens in the process of government spending. It should be said that newspapers have a financial stake in this issue. Newspapers get paid for publishing legal notices. But, as part of that service, this newspaper, along with many other newspapers across the state, post these notices to our own web sites at no additional cost.

And, the cost just isn't that high. Lindsay and his supporters say that using an Internet web site for bid notices will save Texas schools \$3.1 million over the next five years. That's an average of \$563.64 per school district per year. Frankly, this is a small price to pay for open government. What's more, most Texans believe that public notices should be published in the local newspaper.

According to a survey conducted last fall by Newton Marketing and Research, 81 percent of Texans believe that legal notices, paid for by local government, should be published in the newspaper. Even Texans who don't regularly read their local newspaper believe that local governments should pay to publish legal notices in the newspaper rather than relying on the Internet.

Conversely, only 9 percent of Texans said they'd look on for public notices on an Internet site. This doesn't even take into account the digital divide afflicting poor and rural Texans. This digital divide is real. Poor and rural Texans are much less likely to have regular access to the Internet. Using the Internet as the sole means of providing legal notice will effectively shut these Texans out of the process.

Newspapers also serve as an independent third party archive for the acts of local governmental entities, which is another reason to maintain the current notice and posting requirements. Notice by publication in a newspaper provides a permanent record that will never go away and remains available for the public to see. Finally, this newspaper, along with most newspapers across the state, already post legal notices on the Internet at no additional cost. And it didn't take legislative action to make this happen.

If those representing local governments in Austin really believe that posting bid notices will generate more competitive bids, that's fine. There's nothing wrong with posting them on a state-sponsored web site.

However, it should not supplant the requirement of publishing the same notices in the local newspaper. That would be a huge step backward for open government in Texas and it's a bad idea.



Students of the Character Counts program at Richardson Elementary And Dimmitt Middle Schools were around town tying yellow ribbons at the Court House gazebo, schools, churches and businesses last Wed. April 2. This was done in an effort to convey hope for the safe return of military troops overseas.

The Character Counts program is implemented through school counselors and has been a part of RES and DMS for the past two years.

The program helps build character and morale in children and teenagers by allowing them to participate in activities in the community that involve helping out and doing things for others. This year students have delivered packages to tenants of the Senior Citizens apartments at Christmas time, prepared food for people who were ill and delivered card to residents of Dimmitt Nursing and Rehab.

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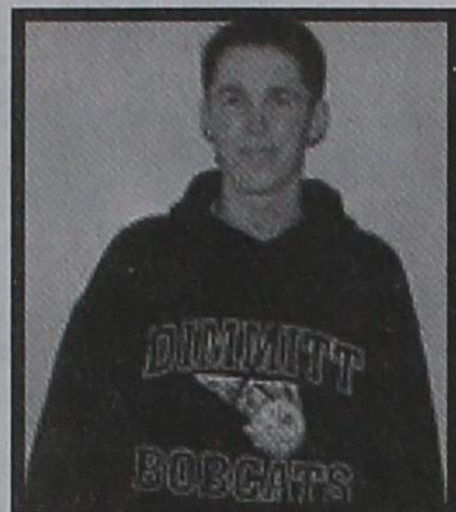
Hunter scores in All-Star Game

Patrick Hunter, a senior at Dimmitt High School, participated in the Golden Spread All-Star Games held Thursday through Saturday, April 3-5, at the Event Center in Canyon.

"It was a pretty good experience," Patrick said. "I was glad to get a chance to go. We had a few practices before the games, so we were pretty well prepared."

Playing for the West, Patrick scored four points in the Thursday game against the South, which the West lost, 90-67. In Thursday's game, Patrick had six rebounds and four blocks.

In Saturday's game



Patrick Hunter

against the East, which the West won, 81-80, Patrick scored four points, while pulling down six more rebounds and blocking two. He was 2-for-2 on free throws.

The son of Gary and Mary Hunter of Dimmitt, Patrick said he's still mulling his choice of colleges.

Bobbies compete in Abernathy

The Dimmitt Bobbies competed at the Abernathy Track Meet on April 4.

Ashley Irons won the 400-meter dash in 61.24, won the triple jump at 32-11.5 and placed second in the 200-meter dash at 27.17; Brittany Williams placed third in the 3200-meter run at 14:01.7; Marisa Allison was sixth in the 100-meter hurdles at 19.96; Jill Merritt was third in the long jump at 15-2; Lauren Waggoner was second in discus at 97-6; and the 400-meter relay team of Waggoner, Merritt, Williams and Irons placed sixth at 55.1

Dimmitt Bobcat Baseball Schedule

April 5	*Brownfield	There	1:00
April 8	*Lubbock Cooper	There	7:00
April 12	*Muleshoe	There	1:00
April 15	*Slaton	Here	5:00
April 18	*Littlefield	There	5:30
April 22	*Brownfield	Here	5:00

Dimmitt Bobcat baseball team splits two

The Dimmitt Bobcats provided plenty of offense and defense to down the Littlefield Wildcats, 8-4, Tuesday, April 1. Miguel Sanchez led the offensive surge with four hits, including two RBIs, while Caleb Dickerson continued his hitting rampage with three hits and four RBIs. Clutch defensive plays, by Sanchez at shortstop and Nicky Guana in left, sparked the team's defensive efforts.

Overall, the Bobcats hammered out 13 hits, while committing only two defensive errors. Raul Melendez was the winning pitcher as the Bobcats evened out their record at 2-2 in district play.

However, on Saturday, it was a different story, as the Brownfield Cubs took advantage of six Dimmitt fielding errors to win, 12-1. The Bobcats' offense that produced 13 hits Tuesday, could only muster three

against strong pitching. The second and third innings, filled with two-out errors, proved costly for the Bobcats. Going in to the April 8 game with first-place Lub-

bock Cooper, the Bobcats are tied with the Muleshoe Mules and the Slaton Tigers at 3-2 for third place in the district race. Overall the Bobcats are 5-10.

Jr. High track meet results

The Dimmitt Middle School boys and girls track teams recently competed at the district meet, held April 5 at Littlefield. Results are as follows:

Eight-grade boys:
Gold medalists: Diego Salinas, 1600-meter, 2400-meter; Bryce Parker, triple jump, 300 hurdles, 110 hurdles; Sverre Vogt, pole vault.

Silver medalists: Bryce Parker, 1600-meter relay; Jessie Lara, 1600-meter relay; Sverre Vogt, 1600-meter relay; Gerardo Reyes, 1600-meter relay and triple jump.

Bronze medalists: Bryce Parker, long jump; Eric Saenz, 300-meter hurdles; Beau Gonzales, 110-meter hurdles.

Seventh-grade boys
Gold medalists: Kaden Griffitt, pole vault.
Silver medalists: Kaden Griffitt, 800-meter relay and long jump; Ross Myatt, 800-meter relay; Michael Rasor, 800-meter relay, 110-meter hurdles, high jump (set a school record of 5-4); Cameron Cluck, 800-meter relay, triple jump and 300-meter hurdles.

Bronze medalists: Tyler Cornett, discus; Cameron Cluck, 110-meter hurdles.

Eighth-grade girls
Bronze medalists: Kayla Saenz, shot put; and Thelma Medrano, Brandy Smith, Edith Velasquez and Dana Sandoval, 400-meter relay.

Seventh-grade girls
Silver medalists: Ashley Fleeks, 100-meter dash.
Bronze medalists: Laraine Aguero, Whitney Houchin, Vanessa Reyes and Ashley Fleeks, 800-meter relay.

Porsch-Lindsey place in golf tournament

The Dimmitt High School golf team recently

with 247. The Dimmitt team score was 401. Slaton was the top-3A golf tournament, held at the Country Club of Dimmitt.

For Dimmitt, Jake Porsch finished 10th with a 245, while Kris Lindsey was 12th Slaton with a 223.

Dimmitt ISD Calendar

Dimmitt ISD is proud to be a "RECOGNIZED DISTRICT" by the Texas Education Agency.

- Thursday, April 10-
- * RES-End of after school tutoring program
 - * RES-RIF book give away in the library
 - * High School-Student Council Meeting
 - * District Track: JV and Varsity at Littlefield
- Friday, April 11-
- * RES-Head Start Registration
 - * Middle School fourth, fifth and sixth grade Jump-A-Thon
- Saturday, April 12-
- * Baseball: JV and Varsity at Muleshoe-10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
 - * ACT Test-8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon
 - * FFA-Judging Contest at Texas Tech
- Monday, April 14-
- * Baseball: JV vs Slaton-Here-5:00 p.m.
 - * Parent Roundtable with DEC team-6:00 p.m. in the High School Library
- Tuesday, April 15-
- * Baseball: Varsity vs Slaton-Here-5:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 16-
- * High School-Student Council Blood Drive-Students and Teachers 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.
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Nazareth track teams compete at district meet

Merritt, Black lead girls with first-place wins

The Nazareth varsity girls track team competed at the district meet recently at Silverton. Teams and individuals placing first through fourth will advance to regionals.

The results are:
 3200-meter run: J'Lae Merritt, first, 13:38.75.
 800-meter run: Kimberly Brockman, second, 2:41.79; Kembra Albracht, 2:41.79.
 800-meter relay: Team of Tanya Herring, Kimberly Brockman, Kendra Huseman and Jamie Black,

second, 1:58.37.
 400-meter dash: Kendra Huseman, second, 69.38; Whitney Peacock.
 300-meter hurdles: Jamie Black, first, 49.8; Kembra Albracht.
 1600-meter run: J'Lae Merritt, fourth, 6:23.3334; Kembra Albracht.
 1600-meter relay: Team of Tonya Herring, Jamie Black, Kendra Huseman and Kimberly Brockman, first, 4:34.42.
 Discus: Kelcee Kleman, Rebecca Olvera.
 Long jump: Jamie Black, fifth, 14-8.75; Tanya Herring, sixth, 15-6.5; Kendra Huseman.
 Triple jump: Jamie Black, second 82-7.5.

Varsity boys take sixth place with 44 points

The Nazareth boys recently competed at the District 1-3A track meet, finishing in sixth place overall with a total of 44 points.

In the 1600-meter run, Trey Robb won with a time of 5:05.68, while Cole McClurg was second with 5:26.95. Robb also won the 800-meter run with a time of 2:07.71.
 Stuart Sheffy won the 100-meter dash in 11.41, was fourth in the 200-meter dash in 24.61 and finished fifth in the long jump.



EXES DOWN SWIFTS: The Nazareth Swifts took on the Nazareth Exes on Saturday and lost, 6-5. Winning pitcher was Dwayne Acker; losing pitcher was Eric Schilling. The Swifts had six hits and four errors, while the Exes had six hits and three errors. The Swifts are 1-4 on the year.

Nazareth tennis teams win district

The Nazareth boys and girls varsities competed at the District 3-1A tennis meet, April 1-2 at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

In the boys singles division, Monty Hoelting won, defeating Montoya of McLean, 6-1, 6-4; Ollinger of Groom, 6-1, 6-1; and Rodriguez of Valley, 5-7, 6-4, in the championship round. Also competing in the singles division was Andrew Brockman, who lost to DeLeon of Lazbuddie, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 in Round 1.

Charlie Rundell and Jake Hoelting won the boys doubles division, defeating Fields and Barkley of Groom, 6-2, 6-0; Payne and Ortiz of Valley, 6-0, 6-1; and Valdez and Mendoza of Valley, 6-0, 6-2, in the

championship match.

In the girls singles division, Erica Gerber won first place, defeating Parham of Lazbuddie, 6-0, 6-1; Fraser of Groom, 6-1, 6-1; and Britten of Groom, 6-0, 6-2 in the championship game. Also, Jenna Braddock took third place, defeating Lutrick of Cotton Center 6-2, 6-1; losing to Britten of Groom, 6-4; and defeating Fraser of Groom, 6-0, 6-1 for third place.

In the girls doubles, Jenna Acker and Jamie Birkenfeld took the title, defeating Taylor and Moudy of Happy, 6-0, 6-0; Pigg and Fierra of Valley, 6-0, 6-1; Hill and Allisen of Hedley, 4-6, 6-3, 7-4, in the semifinals; and Burgin and Crowel of Groom, 6-3, 6-2, in the finals.

Nazareth JV boys take district track meet

The Nazareth junior high boys track team took first place at the District 3-A South Zone meet recently. Results follow:

2400-meter run: Kean Lilley, third, 12:27.0; Brandon Wilhelm, fourth, 12:28.6.
 High jump: Dustin Schulte, fifth, 4-10; Brady Schulte, sixth, 4-10.
 Long jump: Tucker Waggoner, first, 17-11.5; Eric Book, fourth, 16-4; Chase Black, sixth, 15-5.
 Triple jump: Dustin Schulte, third, 30-0; Troy Ramaekers, fifth, 29-9; Taylor Schulte, sixth, 27-6.

Discus: Berry Clinton,, second, 95-1; Ryan Mixson, fourth, 92-2.
 Shotput: Jacob Braddock, second, 34-6.25; Matt Birkenfeld, third, 34-4.5.
 400-meter relay, Chase Black, Dustin Schulte, Eric Book Tucker Waggoner, first, 50.51.
 800-meter run: Taylor Schulte, fourth, 3:01.75; Troy Ramaekers, fifth, 3:05.15.
 110-meter hurdles: Berry Clinton, second, 19.79; Chris Gregory fifth, 22.9; Ryan Mixson, sixth, 23.09.
 100-meter dash: Tucker

Waggoner, first, 11.81; Chase Black, second, 12.29.
 800-meter relay: Brady Schulte, Jacob Braddock, Troy Ramaekers and Matt Birkenfeld, first, 1:56.57.
 300-meter hurdles: Dustin Schulte, first, 50.94; Berry Clinton, second, 51.38; Chris Gregory, sixth, 61.03.
 200-meter dash: Jacob Braddock, second, 28.99; Ryan Mixson, fifth, 30.50.
 1600-meter run: Troy Ramaekers, third, 6:37.28; Taylor Schulte, fifth, 6:50.87.
 1600-meter relay: Chase Black, Dustin Schulte, Matt Birkenfeld, Tucker Waggoner, first, 4:19.99.

Nazareth JV girls compete at district

The Nazareth Junior High girls recently competed at the district meet.

Results are as follows:
 2400-meter run: Heidi Ramaekers, first, 10:34.20; Candace Birkenfeld, second, 10:45; Brandy Hudson, third, 10:50.
 Triple jump: Candace Birkenfeld, second, 26-8; Macee Schulte, fourth, 24-4.5; Heidi Ramaekers, fifth, 23.4.5.
 Shot put: Lacey Acker, first, 32-6; Brittany Birkenfeld, second, 28-10.
 Long jump: C.J. Gregory, third, 12-11; Katylin Huseman, fourth, 12-3.
 Discus: Lacey Acker, first, 78-4; Brittany Nelson, second, 67-10.
 800-meter run: C.J. Gregory, first, 2:56.24; Macee Schulte, third, 3:12.62; Stormie McClurg, fourth, 3:12.92.
 100-meter hurdles: Kelsey Albracht, third, 20.65; Jennifer Acker, fifth, 21.74; Lacey Acker, sixth, 21.79.
 100-meter dash: Valeria Rodriguez, fourth, 15.0.
 400-meter dash: Allyson Hochstein, first, 1:10.34; Heidi Ramaekers, second, 1:14.79; Samantha Hudson, fourth.
 300-meter hurdles: Kelsey Albracht, second, 60.07; Jennifer Acker, fourth, 62.78; Darcy Schulte, fifth, 63.70.
 200-meter dash: Brittany Nelson, second, 31.59; Brittany Birkenfeld, fourth, 33.48.
 1600-meter run: Brandy Hudson, first, 6:59.56; Macee Schulte, second, 7:14.29; Stormie McClurg, third, 7:43.21.
 The 400-meter relay team placed second at 61.33; the 800-meter relay team was second at 2:11.14; and the 1600-meter relay team finished first at 5:07.43.

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April 17	Area Track Meet Canyon Randall	VB, VG
April 25-26	Region 1-A Meet Levelland	VB, VG
May 9-10	State Track Meet Austin	VB, VG

April 12	Kress	Here	4:00
April 15	San Jacinto	Here	4:30
April 18	Crosbyton	Here	4:00
April 22	TBA		
April 25	Kress	There	4:00
April 29	Ralls	There	4:00

Hart netters compete at district meet

The Hart varsity and junior varsity tennis teams competed at the District Tournament, held March 31 and April 1 in Levelland. The results are as follows:

Varsity girls singles:
Lupe Lujun lost to Martinez of Anton, 6-0, 6-0; Kellie George defeated Alvarado of Anton 6-4, 6-7, 6-0 and then lost to Martinez of Plains, 6-3, 7-5.

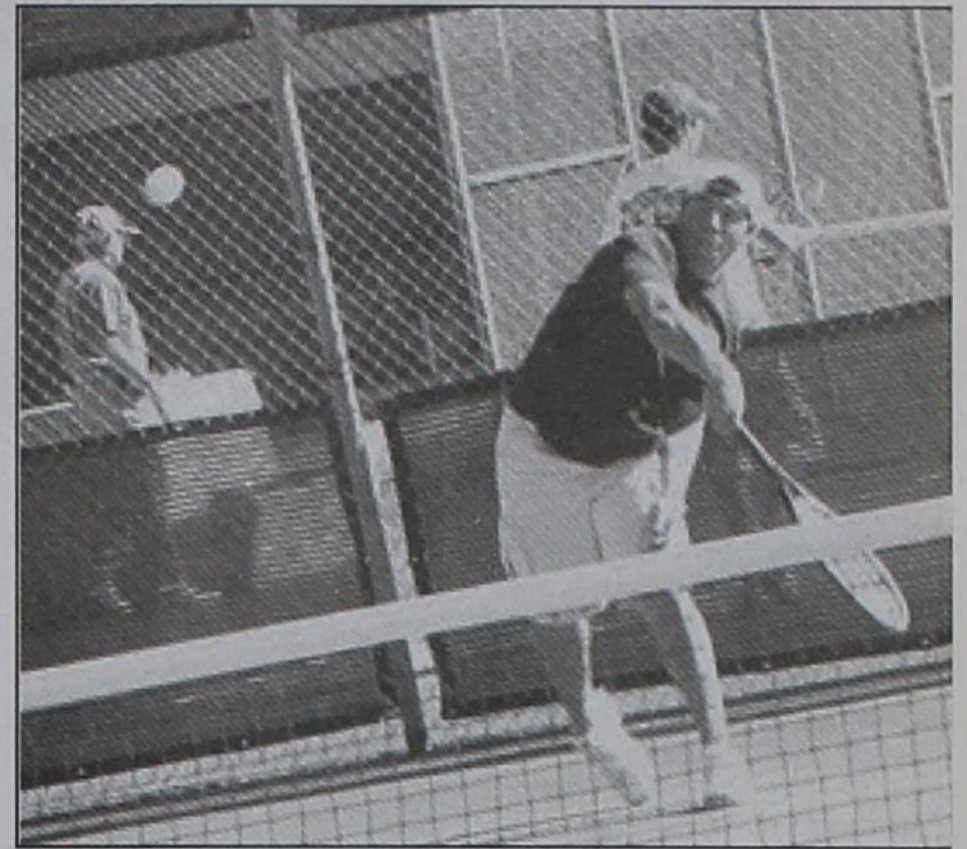
Varsity girls doubles:
Crystal Diego and Amanda Reyna took fourth place by defeating Foster and Sanchez of Farwell, 6-2, 6-1, and Flores and Tafolla of Springlake-Earth, 6-3, 6-4, before falling to Gaston and Debman of Sunday 6-4, 6-3, and Brown and Grant of Whiteface, 7-6, 6-4. Kathleen Diaz and Mariza Mendoza lost to Morales and Martinez

of Plains, 6-4, 6-4.
Varsity boys singles:
Trent Barnes defeated Davis of Anton, 6-3, 6-1, and lost to Messamore of Sudan, 6-3, 6-3; A.J. Carrasco defeated Robinson of Kress 6-1, 6-3, and lost to Dominguez of Anton, 7-5, 6-4.
Varsity boys doubles:
Jose Montemayor and Javier Velasquez won fourth place by defeating Reyes and Martinez of Anton, 6-1, 6-4, then lost to Howell and Bowers of Plains, 7-5, 6-3, and also to Gregory and Chandler of Farwell, 6-4, 7-5. Edgar Montemayor and Mark Montemayor defeated Sands and Sanchez of Sundown, 4-6, 6-3, 6-1, then lost to Gaston and Provence of Sudan, 6-0, 6-0.

then defeating Honesto of Morton, 9-7.

JV girls doubles:
The team of Valerie Ellis and Fatima Rodriguez defeat Swart and Layton of Sudan, 9-8; Ellison and Hughes of Whiteface, 8-2; Rodriguez and Rodriguez of Morton, 8-4; before losing to Fierro and Gallegos of Plains, 8-4.

JV boys singles:
George Chapa took first place by defeating Garcia of Kress, 8-0; Holm of Sudan, 8-2; Corbitt of Hart, 8-6; and Duran of Morton, 8-6. Jeff Corbitt took third place by defeating Smith of Sudan, 8-0; McLain of Hart, 8-2; losing to Chapa of Hart, 8-6; and defeating Myers of Farwell, 8-2. In addition, Justin Chavez lost to Duran of Morton, 8-4; Marcos



HARD SERVE: Javier Velasquez serves during the district match

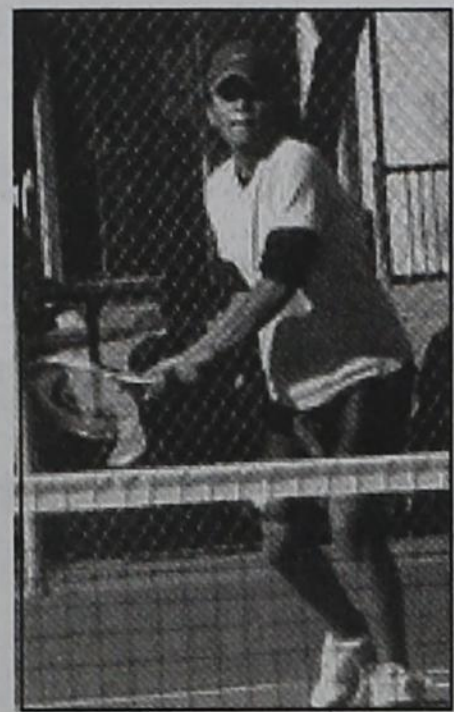
Velasquez lost to Holm of Sudan, 8-1; Logan McLain lost to Corbitt of Hart, 8-2; and Jeff Corbitt defeated Smith of Sudan, 8-0.

JV boys doubles:
Eran Castillo and Isaias Ponce won third place by defeating Alvarado and Alvarado of Anton, 8-0; losing to Culver and Tabb of Farwell, 8-6; and defeating Gust and Suddereth of Farwell, 8-2.

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JV girls singles:
Amber Moore won third place by defeating Cline of Sudan, 8-4; losing to Hunhinen of Sudan, 8-1;



SET AND READY: Amanda Rena readies for a return at the district meet in Levelland.

Hart's boys varsity track team wins district meet in Sundown

The Hart High School boys recently placed first at a district meet in Sundown.

Results are as follows:
3200-meter run: Joey Martinez, third, 11:09.77; David Cisneros, fifth, 11:21.10.

Triple jump: Josh Finch, first, 21-5.

Shot put: Kenneth Wiley, fifth, 42-6.75.

Long jump: Josh Finch, first, 21-5.

Discus: Kenneth Wiley, fifth, 131-8.

Pole Vault: Eran Castillo, sixth, 10-6.

800-meter run: Roy Robledo, second, 2:03.18.

100-meter dash: Paul Finch, second, 11.37; Daniel Carrasco, fourth, 11.66; Zach Farris, sixth, 11.98.

400-meter dash: Salvador Velasquez, fourth, 53.81; Logan McLain, fifth, 55.53.

200-meter dash: Josh Finch, second, 23.13.

1600-meter run: Roy Robledo, second, 4:53.90; David Cisneros, fourth, 4:58.09.

1600-meter relay: Joey Martinez, Roy Robledo, Logan McLain and Salvador Velasquez, second, 3:36.36.

400-meter relay: Daniel Carrasco, Salvador Velasquez, Paul Finch and Josh Finch, second, 44.41.

The Hart varsity boys track team are the District 4-1A champions. They will advance to the Area Qualifiers meet on April 11 and the Area Track Meet April 17 at Randall High School in Amarillo.



GOING FOR IT: Hart's Daniil Carrasco strives to pass a Farwell runner



SETTING THE PACE: Hart's Angie Mata looks to be a front-runner during the district track meet.

NEW & NOTEWORTHY

Castro County Lunch Menu

Friday-April 11th	Monday-April 14th	Tuesday-April 15th	Wednesday-April 16th	Thursday-April 17th
Waffles w/ Syrup Turkey and Dressing Hot Dog on a Bun Chili Fajitas Sweet Potatoes Parsley Buttered Mixed Vegetables Ambrosia Fruit Salad Cole Slaw Homestyle Rolls Fideo Fruit Juice White Milk	Fried Pie Lasagna Poor Boy Steak Chicken Taco Broccoli and Cheese Mexicali Corn Mexipinto Beans Tossed Salad Fruit Fantasy Taco Salad Garlic Bread Hot Sauce Fruit Juice White Milk	Frosted Flakes Steak Fingers Gravy Cheese Enchilada Chicken and Noodles Potatoes Au Gratin Frijoles Refried Corn on the Cob Tossed Salad Guacamole Salad Fresh Spinach Salad Hot Wheat Rolls Tortilla Chips Cornbread Fruit Juice White Milk	Sausage and Biscuit Hot Dog on a Bun Chili Chicken Fillet Strips Meat Loaf Pork and Beans Mashed Potatoes Gravy Tossed Salad Cole Slaw Cucumber/Tomato Salad Rolls Fruit Juice White Milk	Banana Nut Loaf Nachos with Cheese Bologna Mexican Enchiladas Mexipinto Beans Mixed Vegetables Spanish Rice Tossed Salad Hamburger Salad Taco Salad Peaches Fresh Fruit Fruit Juice White Milk

Friday-April 11th	Monday-April 14th	Tuesday-April 15th	Wednesday-April 16th	Thursday-April 17th
Blueberry Muffin Cereal Sausage Pizza Chicken Stir Fry Gingerbread Blackeye Peas Peaches Tossed Salad Fruit Juice Milk Sweet Tea Unsweet Tea	Sausage Link on Bun Cereal Chicken Pot Pie Chef Salad Spice Cake Pears Carrots Tossed Salad Assorted Fruit Juice Milk Unsweetened Tea Sweet Tea	French Toast Sticks Sausage Patti Cereal Beef Enchiladas Chewy Peanut Bars Peaches Spanish Rice Tossed Salad Fruit Juice Milk Unsweetened Tea Sweet Tea	Breakfast Pockets Assorted Cereal Frito Pie Baked Potato Cornbread Peanut Butter Bar Fruit Cocktail Green Peas Tossed Salad Fruit Juice Milk Unsweetened Tea Sweet Tea	Sausage on Roll Cereal Chicken Fried Steak Rolls Sausage Pizza Chocolate Pudding Mashed Potatoes Gravy Pineapple Chunks Tossed Salad Milk Unsweetened Tea Sweet Tea

Friday-April 11th	Monday-April 14th	Tuesday-April 15th	Wednesday-April 16th	Thursday-April 17th
Scrambled Eggs Sausage Cereal Sub Sandwich Pizza Chalupas Spanish Rice Jello Salad Peaches Fruit Juice Milk	Breakfast Pizza Waffles Sausage Corn Dog Burrito Pizza Fresh Fruit Jello Peaches Fruit Juice Milk Tea	Hamburger Burrito Fried Chicken Rolls Mashed Potatoes Gravy Carrot Sticks Green Beans Cherry Cobbler Fruit Cocktail Fruit Juice Milk	Pancake & Chicken Breakfast Stick Pizza Hamburger Nachos Sliced Pickles Pinto Beans Fresh Fruit Salad Jello Ice Cream Fruit Juice Milk	Breakfast Pizza Cinnamon Rolls Sub Sandwich Tuna Salad Sandwich Salad Corn Jello Sugar Cookies Ice Cream Fruit Juice Milk

HART ISD CALENDAR

Thursday, April 10-
* Dist 4-A Jr. High Track and Field Meet in Sundown 4 p.m.
* Elementary Attendance Committee Meets 2:30-3:15 p.m.
* Jr.-Sr. High Attendance Committee Meets 3:15-4:00 p.m.
Friday, April 11-
* Elementary Reading Awards
Saturday, April 12-
* Area I Judging Contest Lubbock
* Jr.-Sr. Prom in Canyon 7-12 midnight
* Upward Bound to Canyon 8-2 p.m.
Monday, April 14-
* Hart ISD Board of Trustees meet 7 p.m. in Board Room
* Naz JH Dist Tennis Tourney at Hart 4 p.m.
Tuesday, April 15-
No Activities Scheduled
Wednesday, April 16-
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FINISH LINE: Josh Finch lunches for the finish line in the 400-meter relay, where the Hart team placed second in 44.41 seconds.

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Castro County Hospital District is accepting bids for banking services. Sealed bids should be delivered to the CEO of Castro County Hospital District at 310 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027 by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 18, 2003. Bids should explain investment methods available for reserve funds, all interest rates to be paid by bank, any charges to be assessed by bank and methods of securing funds deposited. In addition, all services available, but not limited to, overdraft protection, preparation of monthly bank statements, electronic banking and account reconciliation should be explained. Castro County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 1-2tc-110

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Julia Argen Draper also known as Argen H. Draper, Deceased, were issued on April 7, 2003, in Cause No. PR-2569, pending in the County of Castro County, Texas to: Milton Draper, John A. Smith and Steve Olsen.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: **Rex W. Easterwood**
Attorney at Law
623 North Main Street
Hereford, Texas 79045

DATED the 7th day of April, 2003

Rex W Easterwood
Attorney for Estate 2-14c-111

NOTICE OF AVAILABLE STUDENT LOANS

The Burch-Setton Student Loan Fund trust has loans available to graduates of any high school located in Hale, Floyd, Lamb, Castro, Swisher or Briscoe Counties of Texas, to be used for the purpose of attending college or university. Applications will be considered without regard to religious preference, race, creed or color. Loan Applications may be requested by writing to, or coming by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. 205 W. 5th St., Plainview, TX 79072 or writing to: Wells Fargo Bank Texas N.A. Investment Management & Trust, P.O. Box 10517, Lubbock, TX 79408. Deadline for accepting applications is June 1, 2003.

Know what to do in case of a tornado or lightning storm!

Tornado Safety Rules

Decide in advance on a primary and secondary shelter. A storm cellar is best; there is no universal protection against tornadoes except underground facilities. There are no public tornado shelters in Castro County, however, the courthouse basement is made available during threatening weather. If you can't get to your primary shelter in time, then go to your secondary shelter.

In cities and towns, a tornado alert is signaled by a long, sustained blast of a siren. Safety officials will try to sound the alert in time for you to reach shelter.

IN HOMES: Go to the storm cellar or basement and get under something sturdy.

If an underground shelter is not available, to an interior, well-braced room that does not have windows. Closets, bathrooms and hallways are usually best.

Wrap yourself with blankets, pillows or a mattress for protection against flying glass and debris.

IN APARTMENT BUILDINGS AND MULTI-STORY OFFICE BUILDINGS:

Seek shelter in the basement or on the lowest floor, in an interior room—the smaller the better. Stay away from windows.

IN MOBILE HOMES:

Abandon the mobile home and go to the nearest shelter or permanent building. If there is no nearby shelter, lie flat in a ditch and cover your head.

IN SCHOOLS:

If school building is of strongly reinforced construction stay inside, away from windows. Remain near an inside wall on the lower floors when possible. **AVOID GYMNASIUMS AND AUDITORIUMS**—they usually have poorly supported roofs!

IN FACTORIES AND INDUSTRIAL PLANTS:

On receiving a tornado warning, a lookout should be posted to keep safety officials advised of the tornado's approach. Advance preparation should be made for moving workers to sections of the plant's offering the greatest protection and least hazard.

IN VEHICLES:

Get out of the vehicle and go to the nearest shelter area.

Lie flat in a ditch or low place if shelter is unavailable.

Do not attempt to outrun the tornado.

IN OPEN COUNTRY:

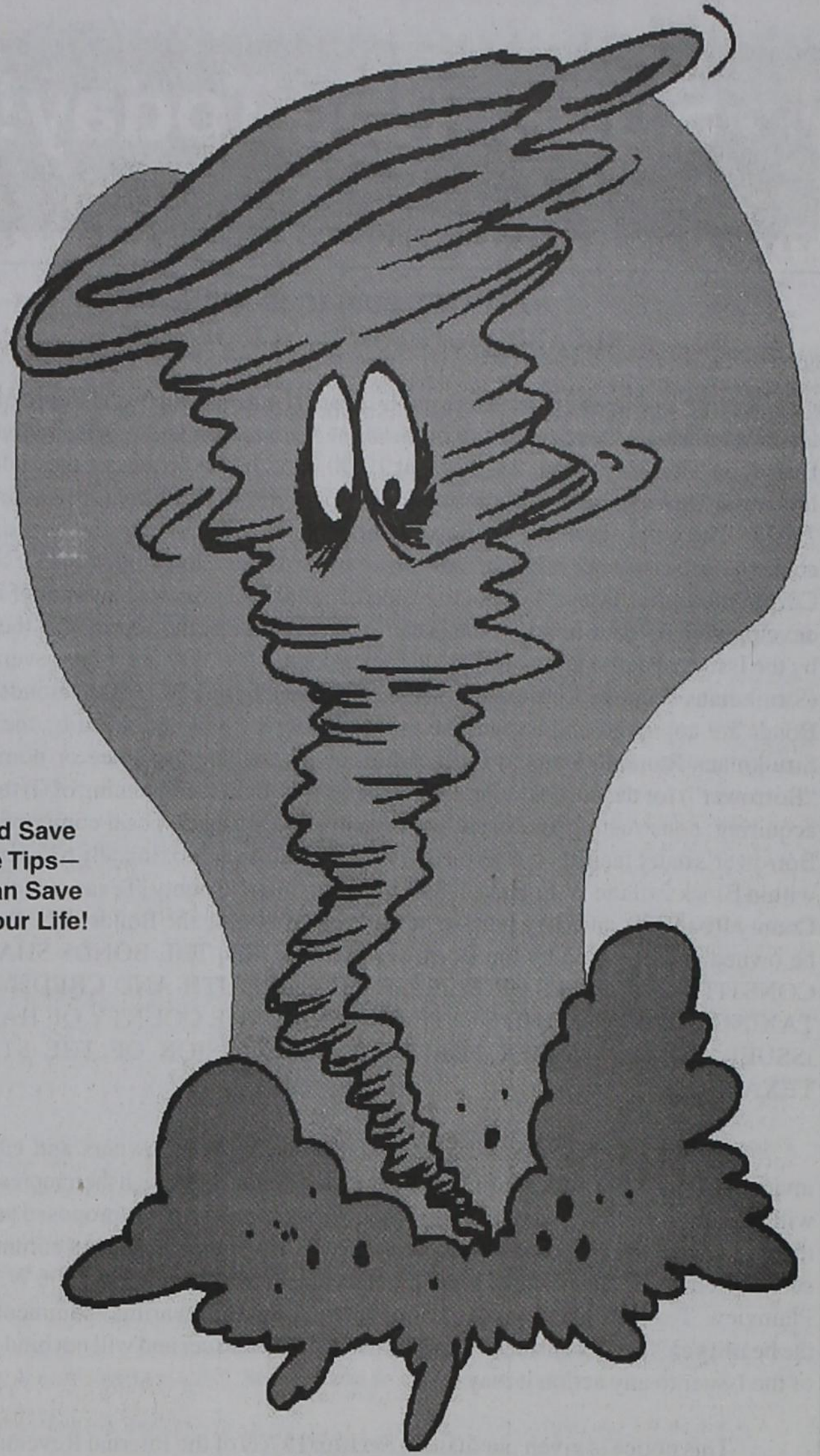
Lie flat in the lowest area possible—such as a ditch or ravine—and cover your head.

IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES:

Keep calm. It will not help to get excited. People have been killed by running out into streets and by turning back into the path of a tornado.

Remember even though a warning has been issued, the chances of a tornado striking your particular home or location are still slight. A tornado's path is relatively narrow and sturdy structures are seldom totally demolished. But give yourself every advantage you can.

Stay tuned to your radio or TV station for latest tornado advisory information. If you have a scanner radio, keep it with you. Do not call the Weather Service, except to report a tornado, because your individual request may tie up phone lines and are urgently needed to relay advisories to radio and TV stations in the critical area.



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Lightning Storm Safety Rules

Move indoors immediately.

Do not use hand-held electrical appliances, including the telephone, except for emergencies.

Stay away from windows, doors, chimneys and other connections to the outside.

Do not bathe or take a shower until the storm passes.

Do not allow children to play outdoors during a thunderstorm.

IF CAUGHT OUTDOORS:

Stay away from isolated tall objects and structures, including trees.

Avoid open areas that will cause you to project above the surrounding land surface.

Do not stand near wire fences, clotheslines, pipes or other metal surfaces which could conduct the lightning current from a distance.

If you are in your car, stay there—it offers excellent protection.

Stay away from tractors and farm equipment.

In a forest or wooded area, get under a group of SMALL trees.

ON THE GOLF COURSE:

Put down clubs, remove spiked shoes and head for a shelter.

Avoid open areas and trees.

Move away from golf carts.

NEAR WATER:

If swimming, get out of the water immediately and move to a shelter.

Boaters should head for shore immediately.

Fishermen should put down rods and move away from the water.

IN ANY LOCATION:

Regardless of your location, a tingling sensation on your skin or hair standing on end may indicate that lightning is about to strike. Drop to your knees immediately but do not lie flat on the ground.

A person struck by lightning may sometimes be revived with prompt first aid treatment. Administer CPR on victims until qualified medical help arrives.

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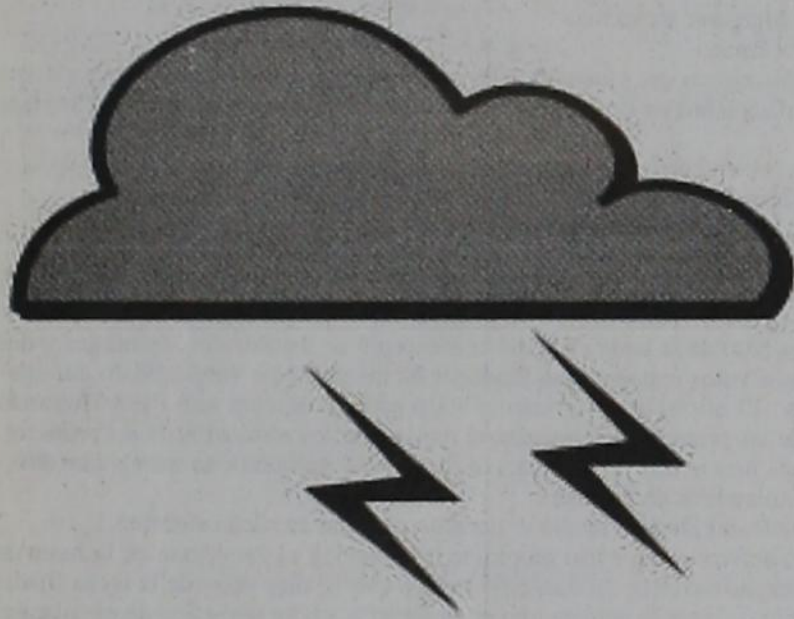
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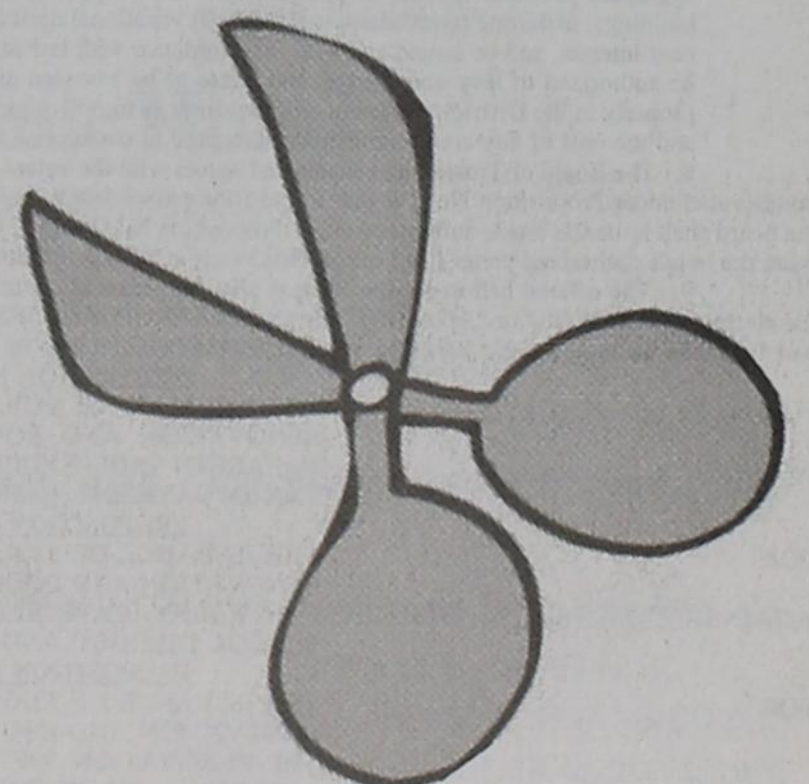
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Board of the Hale County Industrial Development Corporation, or an authorized representative of such Board, on Thursday, April 24, 2003, at 10:00 a.m., in the offices of the Hale County Industrial Development Corporation located at 1906 W. 5th Street, Plainview, Texas 79072. The purposes of the hearing are to: (1) receive comments and hear discussion concerning the issuance in one or more series by the Hale County Industrial Development Corporation (the "Issuer") of not to exceed \$3,000,000 principal amount of industrial development revenue bonds of the Issuer; and (2) consider the approval of the issuance by the Issuer of a maximum aggregate face amount of \$3,000,000 of its revenue bonds (Struikmans Ramona Limited Partnership Project), Series 2003 (the "Bonds"). If the Bonds are approved and issued, the proceeds thereof will be loaned by the Issuer to Struikmans Ramona Limited Partnership, or its affiliate, assignee or nominee (the "Borrower") for the purpose of assisting the Borrower in the financing of (i) the costs of acquiring, constructing and installing certain solid waste disposal components to the Borrower's dairy facility (the "Project") to be located on approximately 632 acres of land within Block 2 of the W.E. Halsell Subdivision, Castro County, Texas, which is east of County Road 303, and (ii) a portion of the costs of issuing the Bonds. The Project will be owned and operated by the Borrower. IF ISSUED, THE BONDS SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE A DEBT OR PLEDGE OF THE FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE TAXING POWER OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, THE COUNTY OF HALE, THE ISSUER OR ANY OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

All interested persons, affected taxpayers, property owners and citizens are invited to attend this public hearing and, either personally or through their representatives, will be given an opportunity to express their views concerning the proposed project and the issuance of the proposed bonds. Anyone desiring to make written comments may submit them to the Hale County Industrial Development Corporation, 1906 W. 5th Street, Plainview, Texas 79072, prior to the time set for the public hearing. Comments made at the hearing are for the consideration of the Board of the Issuer and will not bind the Board of the Issuer to any action it may take.

This notice is given pursuant to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HALE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

NOTICE OF ELECTION

TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF NAZARETH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT: TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the Nazareth Independent School District as provided in an election order duly passed by the Board of Trustees of the District, which order is substantially as follows:

ORDER CALLING AN ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF CASTRO
NAZARETH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of Nazareth Independent School District (the "District") deems it advisable to call the election hereinafter ordered; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place and purpose of the meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF NAZARETH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

1. An election shall be held between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. on May 3, 2003 in the District at the following designated polling place:

Nazareth School
101 South First Avenue
Nazareth, Texas

The District shall constitute a single election precinct for the election, and the following election officers are hereby appointed to hold the election:

Presiding Judge Margaret Brockman
Alternate Presiding Judge Jerome Brockman

2. The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two nor more than five qualified election clerks to serve and assist in conducting the election; provided that if the presiding judge actually serves as expected the Alternate Presiding Judge shall be one of such clerks.

3. Early voting shall be conducted by personal appearance and by mail at:

Nazareth School
101 South First Avenue
Nazareth, Texas 79063-0189

and during the period early voting is required or permitted by law, being April 16, 2003 through April 29, 2003, the hours designated for early voting by personal appearance shall be from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon and from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. on each day except Saturdays, Sundays and legal state holidays; and the early voting clerk shall keep the early voting place open during such hours for early voting by personal appearance. The early voting clerk shall be Patsy Huseman.

4. An early ballot book is hereby created to process early voting results, and Patsy Huseman is hereby appointed as presiding judge of the board. The presiding judge shall appoint at least two other members of the board.

5. All resident, qualified electors of the District shall be entitled to vote at the election.

6. A substantial copy of this Order shall serve as proper Notice of the election, and the president of the Board of Trustees shall cause the Notice to be published one time, not earlier than the 30th day or later than the 10th day prior to the date set for the election, in a newspaper published in the District or, if none is published in the District, in a newspaper of general circulation in the District. In addition, not later than the 21st day prior to the date set for the election, the President of the Board of Trustees shall cause the Notice to be posted on the bulletin board used for posting notices of meetings of the Board of Trustees.

7. At the election the following PROPOSITIONS shall be submitted in accordance with law:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

Shall the Board of Trustees of the District be authorized to issue the bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$550,000, for the purpose of the construction, renovation and equipment of school buildings in the District, with the bonds to mature, bear interest, and be issued and sold in accordance with law at the time of issuance; and shall the Board of Trustees be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the District, sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds?

PROPOSITION NO. 2

Shall the Board of trustees of the District be authorized to issue the bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$200,000, for the purpose of the construction, renovation and equipment of school buildings, including improvements to the school cafeteria with the bonds to mature, bear interest, and be issued and sold in accordance with law at the time of issuance; and shall the Board of Trustees be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the District, sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds?

PROPOSITION NO. 3

Shall the Board of trustees of the District be authorized to issue the bonds of the District, in one or more series, in the aggregate principal amount of \$210,000, for the purpose of the construction, renovation and equipment of school buildings, including renovations to the school vocational agriculture building and bus barn with the bonds to mature, bear interest, and be issued and sold in accordance with law at the time of issuance; and shall the Board of Trustees be authorized to levy and pledge, and cause to be assessed and collected, annual ad valorem taxes, on all taxable property in the District, sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds and the cost of any credit agreements executed in connection with the bonds?

8. The Board of Trustees covenants and agrees with the voters of the District as follows: (a) the Board shall issue the bonds voted under Proposition No. 1 if that Proposition passes without regard to the passage of the other two Propositions; (b) the board shall issue the bonds authorized under Proposition No. 2 only if both Propositions 1 and 2 pass; and (c) the Board shall issue the bonds authorized under Proposition No. 3 only if both Propositions 1, 2 and 3 pass.

9. The official ballots for the election shall be prepared in accordance with the Texas Election Code so as to permit the electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid PROPOSITIONS with the ballots to contain such provisions, markings and language as required by law, and with such PROPOSITIONS to be expressed substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

FOR _____ THE ISSUANCE OF \$550,000 OF BONDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND EQUIPMENT OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN THE NAZARETH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND LEVYING THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF

AGAINST _____

PROPOSITION NO. 2

FOR _____ THE ISSUANCE OF \$200,000 OF BONDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND EQUIPMENT OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS, INCLUDING THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA, IN THE NAZARETH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND LEVYING THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF

AGAINST _____

PROPOSITION NO. 3

FOR _____ THE ISSUANCE OF \$210,000 OF BONDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND EQUIPMENT OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS, INCLUDING THE RENOVATION OF THE VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE BUILDING AND BUS BARN, IN THE NAZARETH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND LEVYING THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF

AGAINST _____

10. In all respects, the election shall be conducted in accordance with the Texas Election Code.

Dimmitt Area Retired Personnel Association gave books to 56 children

Dimmitt Area Retired Personnel Association gave books to 56 children in Head Start and Early Childhood classes at Richardson Elementary School on Friday, April 5.

Students in the classrooms of Margaret Echevarria, Katrina Howell, Karen Roberson and Kim Hays were the recipients of colorful storybooks.

The Children's Book Project began in 1999, sponsored by the Texas Retired Teachers Association. The Dimmitt unit is one of many across the state participating. The focus of the project is to provide books to young children, and try to foster a love of reading and promote success in school, making for better educated Texans in the future.

Since it's beginning, retired school groups across the state have distributed 71,000 books. The local unit president is Joanne Snider. Anyone interested in education is invited to join the local and state organizations. Call 647-3502 or 647-3250 for more information.



BOOKS DONATED-Front Row: Sarah Oltivero, Leonela Sanchez, Xochitl Quiroz, Valeria Esqueda, Joshua Ramirez, Juan Castillo Jr. and Carlos Luna Back Row: Paola Garcia, Danlela Rodriguez, Ana Salas, Matthew Oltivero, Ricardo Mendoza, Aylin Melendez, Brandon Dones and Amy Sanchez. Also, pictured were Joann Snider, Mary Jo Brown and Margaret Echevarria.

64th District Court

State of Texas vs. Peggy Lee Scott

On March 27, Judge Rob Kincaid found that Scott had violated the terms of her probation. She had been convicted of tampering with government records and her original sentence of five years in prison had been reduced to 10 years probation. Kincaid issued an order modifying Scott's probation and reinstated her sentence of community supervision with restitution payments of \$245 per month set to begin May 10.

What's the law... Questions & Answers

Q. I heard that if my ex does not pay child support he can lose his driver's license. Is this true?

A. Yes. A person who does not pay court ordered child support may lose any

license issued by the State of Texas, including a driver's license. In fact, he or she may even be put in jail. *Want to know more about your legal rights? Check out my web site, www.peopleslawyer.net.*

AVISO DE ELECCION

AL RESIDENTE, ELECTOR CALIFICADO DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE NAZARETH: SE LES HACE SABER que se llevara a cabo una eleccion en el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Nazareth como se estipula en una ordenanza de eleccion debidamente aprobada por la Junta de Directores del Distrito; cuya ordenanza es substancialmente como sigue:

ORDENANZA LLAMANDO UNA ELECCION

EL ESTADO DE TEXAS
CONDADO DE CASTRO
DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE NAZARETH

VISTO QUE, la Junta de Directores del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Nazareth (el "Distrito") juzga aconsejable llamar la eleccion aqui adelante ordenada; y

VISTO QUE, pro este medio oficialmente se encuentra y se determina que la reunion fue abierta al publico, y aviso publico de la hora, lugar y proposito de la reunion fue dado, todo como estipulado por Capitulo 551, Codigo de Gobierno de Texas.

POR CONSIGUIENTE, ESTA ORDENADO POR LA JUNTA DE DIRECTORES DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE NAZARETH:

1. Se llevara a cabo una eleccion entre las horas de las 7:00 de la mañana y las 7:00 de la noche el 3 de mayo de 2003, en el Distrito en el siguiente designado lugar de votos:

Nazareth School
101 South First Avenue
Nazareth, Texas

El Distrito constituira un solo recinto de eleccion para la eleccion, y los siguientes oficiales electorales estan por este medio nombrados para llevar a cabo la eleccion:

Juez Actual: Margaret Brockman
Juez Actual Suplente: Jerome Brockman

2. El Juez Actual nombrara no menos que dos ni mas que cinco oficiales calificados de eleccion para servir y asistir en el conducto de la eleccion; con tal que si el Juez Actual actualmente desempeñe sus funciones, entonces el Juez Actual Suplente debera ser uno de tales oficiales.

3. Se llevaran a cabo los primeros votos hechos en persona y por correo en:

Nazareth School
101 South First Avenue
Nazareth, Texas 79063-0189

y durante el tiempo en que los primeros votos son exigidos o permitidos por la ley, siendo el 16 de abril de 2003, hasta el fin del 29 de abril de 2003, las horas designadas para los primeros votos hechos en persona seran desde las 8:00 de la mañana a las 12:00 del mediodia y desde las 1:00 de la tarde a las 5:00 de la tarde cada dia con excepto de los sabados, domingos y dias feriados oficiales del estado; y el oficial de los primeros votos mantendra dicho lugar de los primeros votos abierto durante dichas horas para los primeros votos hechos en persona. El oficial de los primeros votos para la eleccion sera Patsy Huseman.

4. Por este medio se nombrara una junta de las primeras balotas para el registro de los resultados de los primeros votos, y Patsy Huseman esta por este medio nombrada juez actual de la junta. El juez actual nombrara no menos que dos otros miembros de la junta.

5. Todo residente, elector calificado del Distrito tendra el derecho de votar en dicha eleccion.

6. Una copia substancial de esta Ordenanza servira como aviso propio de la eleccion, y el Presidente de la Junta de Directores causara que se publique dicho Aviso una vez, no mas que 30 dias o no menos que 10 dias antes de la fecha fijada para la eleccion, en un periodico publicado en el Distrito o, si no se publica uno en el Distrito, en un periodico de circulacion general en el Distrito. Adicionalmente no menos que 21 dias antes de la fecha fijada para la eleccion, el Presidente de la Junta de Directores causara que se fije dicho Aviso en el tablon usado para el fijo de anuncios de las reuniones de la Junta de Directores.

7. En la eleccion se presentaran las siguientes PROPOSICIONES de acuerdo con la ley:

PROPOSICION NUM. 1

Se debera autorizar a la Junta de Directores del Distrito a emitir los bonos del Distrito, en una o mas series, en la cantidad agregada principal de \$550,000, con el fin de construccion, renovacion y equipo de edificios escolares en el Distrito, con los bonos a vencer, devengar interes y ser emitidos y vendidos de acuerdo con la ley al tiempo de emision; y se debera autorizar a la Junta de Directores a gravar ya a empeñar, y dar causa de avalorar y recaudar, impuestos ad valorem anuales, sobre todos los bienes imponibles en el Distrito, suficiente, sin limite a tasa o cantidad, para pagar el principal y el interes de los bonos y el gasto de cualquier acuerdo de credito ejecutado con respecto a los bonos?

PROPOSICION NUM. 2

Se debera autorizar a la Junta de Directores del Distrito a emitir los bonos del Distrito, en una o mas series, en la cantidad agregada principal de \$200,000, con el fin de construccion, renovacion y equipo de edificios escolares, incluyendo mejoras a la cafeteria escolar, con los bonos a vencer, devengar interes y ser emitidos y vendidos de acuerdo con la ley al tiempo de emision; y se debera autorizar a la Junta de Directores a gravar ya a empeñar, y dar causa de avalorar y recaudar, impuestos ad valorem anuales, sobre todos los bienes imponibles en el Distrito, suficiente, sin limite a tasa o cantidad, para pagar el principal y el interes de los bonos y el gasto de cualquier acuerdo de credito ejecutado con respecto a los bonos?

PROPOSICION NUM. 3

Se debera autorizar a la Junta de Directores del Distrito a emitir los bonos del Distrito, en una o mas series, en la cantidad agregada principal de \$210,000, con el fin de construccion, renovacion y equipo de edificios escolares, incluyendo renovaciones al edificio de la escuela vocacional agricola y barn de omnibus, con los bonos a vencer, devengar interes y ser emitidos y vendidos de acuerdo con la ley al tiempo de emision; y se debera autorizar a la Junta de Directores a gravar ya a empeñar, y dar causa de avalorar y recaudar, impuestos ad valorem anuales, sobre todos los bienes imponibles en el Distrito, suficiente, sin limite a tasa o cantidad, para pagar el principal y el interes de los bonos y el gasto de cualquier acuerdo de credito ejecutado con respecto a los bonos?

8. La Junta de Directores estipula y esta de acuerdo con los votantes del Distrito como sigue: (a) la Junta emitira los bonos aprobados bajo Proposicion Num. 1 si se aprueba esa Proposicion sin hacer caso del apruebo de las otras dos Proposiciones; (b) la Junta emitira los bonos autorizados bajo Proposicion Num. 2 solamente si se aprueben las dos Proposiciones 1 y 2; y (c) la Junta emitira los bonos autorizados bajo Proposicion Num. 3 solamente si se aprueben Proposiciones 1, 2, y 3.

9. Se prepararan las balotas oficiales para dicha eleccion de acuerdo con el Codigo de Eleccion de Texas para permitir a los electores votar "A FAVOR" o "EN CONTRA" dichas PROPOSICIONES con las balotas conteniendo dichas estipulaciones, marcas y terminologia como estipuladas por la ley, y con dichas PROPOSICIONES presentadas substancialmente como siguen;

PROPOSICION NUM. 1

A FAVOR _____ LA EMISION DE BONOS DE \$550,000 PARA LA CONSTRUCCION RENOVACION Y EQUIPO DE EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES EN EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE NAZARETH EL GRAVAMEN DEL IMPUESTO EN PAGO DE ESTO

EN CONTRA _____

PROPOSICION NUM. 2

A FAVOR _____ LA EMISION DE BONOS DE \$200,000 PARA LA CONSTRUCCION RENOVACION Y EQUIPO DE EDIFICIOS

EN CONTRA _____ INCLUYENDO UNA CAFETERIA ESCOLAR, EN EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE NAZARETH EL GRAVAMEN DEL IMPUESTO EN PAGO DE ESTO

PROPOSICION NUM. 3

A FAVOR _____ LA EMISION DE BONOS DE \$210,000 PARA LA CONSTRUCCION RENOVACION Y EQUIPO DE EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES INCLUYENDO LA RENOVACION DEL EDIFICIO DE VOCACION AGRICOLA Y BARN DE OMNIBUS, EN EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE NAZARETH EL GRAVAMEN DEL IMPUESTO EN PAGO DE ESTO

10. En todo respeto, se llevara a cabo dicha eleccion de acuerdo con el Codigo de Eleccion de Texas.

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To Parents/Guardians/Community/Business:

During the week of April 14 - 17, staff from the Texas Education Agency and educational leaders from other school districts will be visiting our school district to determine how well our schools are meeting our students' needs. They will also be checking to ensure that our district and campus staff members are observing all federal and state requirements.

The Agency team will meet with parents of the students to provide an opportunity for comments and suggestions. You are invited to provide your input by attending a meeting scheduled for **Monday, April 14th, 6:00 PM at the Dimmitt High School Auditorium.**

The team members will look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,
Les Miller
Superintendent

A los Padres/Guardianes/Comunidad/Negocio,

Durante la semana del 14- 17 de abril, personal de la Agencia de Educación de Texas y los líderes educativos de otros distritos escolares estarán visitando nuestro distrito escolar para determinar qué bien nuestras escuelas está satisfaciendo las necesidades de nuestros estudiantes. Ellos también estarán verificando para asegurar que nuestro distrito y miembros de personal de cada escuela están observando todo los requisitos federales y estatales.

El equipo de la Agencia tendrá una reunión con los padres de estudiantes para darles una oportunidad de dar sus comentarios y sugerencias. Se le invita a exponer ideas que usted desea compartir asistiendo a una reunión el **lunes, 14 de abril, a las 6:00 PM en la Sala de Conferencias de la Escuela Secundaria de Dimmitt. (Dimmitt High School Auditorium)**

Los miembros del equipo lo esperan verlo allí.

Atentamente,
Les Miller
Superintendente

What: Head Start application for enrollment
When: Friday, April 11, 2003 8:45 a.m. until 12:00 noon
Where: Richardson Elementary
Who: Children who will be four-years-old on or before September 1, 2003.

Qualifiers:
* Family Meets Income Guidelines
* Family on Public Assistance
* Child with Documented Disability
* Child is in Foster Care

Bring all the following:
* Child's Birth Certificate
* Child's Social Security Card
* Immunization Records
* Child's Documentation of the Disability (If Applicable)
* Income Verification:
2 Months in a Row of Your Most Recent Pay Stubs
Or a Letter from Your Employer with your last 2 Months of Wages
Or Last Tax Return
* Child Care Documentation:
2 Months of Receipts of Childcare (most recent)
Or a Letter from Your Caregiver with the Last 2 Months of Charges
* Proof of all Public Assistance (TANF, WIC, Medicaid/Texas Healthy Steps/CHIP, Foster Care Adoption Subsidy, Unemployment Insurance, Energy Assistance Program, Title V, HUD, CCMS, SSI, Food Stamp Case letter, etc.)

(ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE PRESENTED AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION)

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:
647-3314

Qué: Aplicación para matricular en Head Start
Cuándo: Viernes, 11 de Abril, 2003 8:45 a.m. until 12:00 noon
Dónde: Richardson Elementary
Quién: Niños que tengan 4 años cumplidos antes del día primero de Septiembre 2003.

Para Calificar:
* Familias deben calificar por guías de ingresos
* Familias que reciben asistencia pública
* Niños que tengan documentación de inhabilidades
* Niños adoptivos

Debe Traer:
* Acta de nacimiento de su niño
* Tarjeta de seguro social de niño
* Tarjeta de inmunizaciones
* Documentación de inhabilidades (si pertinente)
* Verificación de sueldo:
2 meses consecutivos de su más reciente TALON de cheque, o una carta de su empleador con 2 meses de sueldo, o su última FORMA DE IMPUESTOS
* Documentación de guardería
2 meses de recibos de guardería, o una carta de la persona que cuida a su niño/a significando los últimos 2 meses de pago
* Prueba de toda asistencia pública: (TANF, WIC, Medicaid/Texas Healthy Steps/CHIP, reembolso para servicios de niños adoptivos, reembolso de desempleo, Energy Assistance Program, Title V, HUD, CCMS, SSI, la carta de caso de estampillas de comida, etc.)

(FAVOR DE PRESENTAR TODOS LOS DOCUMENTOS EN EL DÍA DE MATRICULACIÓN)
PARA MÁS INFORMACIÓN LLAME AL
647-3314

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO THE FOLLOWING:

IVA LOYCE BYERS, and if she be deceased to the heirs, devisees, legatees, successors, and assigns of IVA LOYCE BYERS;
OVID NELSON STANTON, and if he be deceased to the heirs, devisees, legatees, successors, and assigns of OVID NELSON STANTON;
VERNON WINFRED STANTON, and if he be deceased to the heirs, devisees, legatees, successors, and assigns of VERNON WINFRED STANTON; and,
HENRY STANTON JR., and if he be deceased to the heirs, devisees, legatees, successors, and assigns of HENRY STANTON JR.

YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO APPEAR AND ANSWER HEREIN at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation. Your answer is due no later than 10 o'clock a.m. on Monday, May 19, 2003. You may employ an attorney. Your answer must be filed at the office of the Clerk at Castro County Courthouse, 100 East Bedford, Room 101, Dimmitt, Texas.

The suit is numbered A8048-0303 and is styled "LOYDAS ILENE BURRESS, Plaintiff vs. IVA LOYCE BYERS, OVID NELSON STANTON, VERNON WINFRED STANTON, and HENRY STANTON JR., Defendants." The petition in this cause was filed on March 4, 2003 in the 242nd Judicial District Court of CASTRO County, Texas. This lawsuit is a Suit to Quiet Title to establish, by limitations, Loydas Ilene Burress as the sole owner of the following described property:

All of Lots Thirty-one (31) and Thirty-two (32), Block One (1), Old Town of Hart, City of Hart, Castro County, Texas, as shown on the map or plat thereof recorded in the Deed Records of Castro County, Texas, being in the Northeast corner of Section Twenty-eight (28), Block O-7, EL&RR Ry Co. Survey, Castro County, Texas.

Plaintiff's Attorney Name and Address:

Jack L. Edwards
105 East Bedford
Dimmitt, Texas 79027

NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANTS: You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation a default judgment may be taken against you. Your answer is due no later than 10 o'clock a.m. on Monday, May 19, 2003.

ISSUED AND GIVEN under my hand and seal of office on April 3, 2003, at Castro County Courthouse, 100 East Bedford, Room 101, Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas 79027.

JOYCE M. THOMAS
Clerk of the 242nd Judicial District Court
Castro County Courthouse,
100 East Bedford, Room 101,
Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas 79027

By: Carlene Long

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Medical Center of Dimmitt is Recognized

The Medical Center of Dimmitt has recently been recognized and commended by the Texas Medical Foundation for its participation in its Rural Health Clinic Diabetes Project. The clinic has been participating in this project for the past 3 years. The project includes properly treating, documenting and following up on patients with diabetes. The results showed documenting and following up on patients with diabetes. The results showed that the clinic did extremely well and was in the top 15% of the 41 clinics who participated in the project. Much of the success was due to Kim Sava, CFNP, acting as the project champion and endorsing the project at the clinic, and to Gary Hardee, M.D., Medical Director, for his continued support of the project. The entire staff and physicians were extremely critical to the project in correctly documenting the services provided.

The clinic also received a certificate of participation from the Texas Medical Foundation for its enrollment in the OutPatient Rapid Assessment Project (OPRA). This project involves the physician using an assessment form filled out by the patient that includes recent history, adult immunizations, etc. The form will then prompt discussion and decision making between the physician and the patient to determine appropriate timing for recommended preventive services. This project is fairly new and the clinic is one for the groundbreaking clinics in Texas for OPRA. We wish them much success with this project.

The Medical Center of Dimmitt has always been dedicated to providing high quality patient care. Castro County Healthcare would like to commend the entire staff at the Medical Center of Dimmitt for their hard work and dedication. Congratulations to you all and keep up the good work!

Legal Notice City of Dimmitt Special Election

To the registered voters of Dimmitt, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling place listed below will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, May 03, 2003 for voting in a city special election, to elect a council member from district number three (3) to fill an unexpired term.

Location of polling place:
Council chambers at City Hall, 200 East Jones, Dimmitt, Texas.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on April 16, 2003 and ending April 29, 2003.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Myrna Langford or Margie Sandoval, P.O. Box 146, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 25, 2003.

Betty McClure
Signature of Presiding Officer

MEDICAL CENTER OF DIMMITT

112 West Jones Street
Dimmitt, Texas 79027
647-2194

Family Practice

Gary R. Hardee, M.D.
Bill D. Murphy, M.D.
Kim Sava, C.F.N.P.

Family Practice-Obstetrics

Skylar K. Bizzell, M.D.
Marie D. Percy, M.D.

General Surgery

Gregorio Matos, M.D.

Psychiatrist

Josefina Diaz-Vogt, M.D.

Medical Services Offered

Family Practice
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Well Women & Child Care
Sport & Work Physicals
X-ray Diagnostic Work Up
Mental Health Program

Clinic Hours

Monday thru Friday
9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Call **647-2194** for an appointment

We Would Like to Welcome Our New Staff Members

Physician Assistant

Tonia Frye, P.A.-C.
Monday-Friday 8:00-5:00 p.m.
Emergency Room/Clinic

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Letter to the editor...

Appreciation for the band program

Dear Editor:

Just wanted to tell the students and parents how proud of our "band students." I have a grandson who will graduate as a senior in a few weeks - he's all my husband and I have left here at Dimmitt and we are so proud of him and all the band students. It seems like the band is talked about in our paper as an after-thought. And no one knows how many hours the kids have to practice to play their parts well.

Many times a student is tired and ready to come home after school is out - but they have to stay and practice.

The band is what peps the football students along. They encourage people at the games. I'm very proud of them and want to tell all of the band how great I think they are. The band directors have to put a lot of extra hours into it, too. Thank you!

I never get to go to a football game, but I do care. This is the only special way I

know how to tell my grandson and all the band of our Dimmitt school that I know that you students put many hours of work and time in to be as good as possible. To me, you are almost perfect. I will let your director tell your mistakes to you. I can't play an instrument, but when I can hear your band playing, I feel very loyal to you and our school.

All three of my children graduated from Dimmitt and all but two of my grandchildren have attended

Dimmitt schools - so grandparents are proud.

My grandson is very dear to us and I'm sure all the parents are proud of their children of the band.

So, I want to say "Thank you" once again for all teachers and directors of our band and school. My chance to go to a ball game has passed me by now, but I feel a certain pride for our band and especially our seniors of the band this year. My husband and I love you young people.

Vernon & LaRue Hasley

School Finance

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Appropriations committees' membership is from east of I-35, you can see that rural, Panhandle schools are losing out."

Hart ISD Superintendent Digger Elam said he and his staff have been running the numbers - and the deficit could run anywhere from \$50,000 to \$194,000.

"It gets pretty depressing," Elam said. "But we aren't looking at any layoffs. We've been paring our staff by attrition since I got here, so we're in pretty good shape."

A tax increase is probable, he said. How big a burden the schools and tax payers face is up to lawmakers.

Elam said he believes the Governor and Legislature will not leave the students of Texas in the lurch by cutting huge amounts of school funding.

"I don't think the people of Texas would stand for the Legislature abandoning the school children of Texas," he said. "If that happens, there'll be repercussions at the polls."

"Of course, I think education should come first."

State lawmakers are trying to find a way to make up an estimated \$9.9 billion shortfall in the state's budget.

"We can all tighten our belts," he said.

How tight that belt will get depends on Austin.



MISS MOLLY RETURNS: Ina Cleavinger, AKA as "Miss Molly," has been a staple of the annual quilt show every one of its six years. Dressed in red and ready for repartee, Miss Molly made Friday night's auction fun for everyone.

Police Calls

April 1-4

*April 1	200 block E. Jones	Suspect took money without owner's permission
*April 1	200 block E. Jones	Suspect sexually assaulted victim
*April 2	700 block W. Etter	D.O.C. profanity
*April 2	100 block NW 9 th	Suspects took lawn mower without consent
*April 3	400 block N. Broadway	Suspect assault victim
*April 3	300 block W. Anders	Suspects took items without owner's consent.
*April 4	South U.S. Hwy. 385	Suspect stopped for reckless driving
*April 4	300 block N. Broadway	Suspect had DPS warrants
*April 4	500 block W. Belsher	Victim was assaulted by the suspect
*April 5	1500 block W. Circle	Someone broke window
*April 5	500 block W. Bedford	Suspect was driving while intoxicated
*April 6	100 block E. Bedford	Victim was spit on face
*April 6	100 block E. Andrews	Criminal trespass
*April 7	200 block E. Jones	Runaway

Ogallala Winners

Ogallala Quilters Society Sixth Annual Festival and Quilt Show winners:

Best of show: Yvonna Hays, Dimmitt.

Viewers choice: Flora Johnson, Lubbock.

Cotton Bowl awards: creativity, Linda Fisher; Lubbock; machine quilting, Yvonna Hays, Dimmitt; use of color, Beckie Fry, Hereford; hand workmanship, Tracey Brauer, Las Cruces, N.M.

Theme quilt: Ann Podany, Artesia, N.M., first; Debbie Williams, Stinnett, second; Jean Gilles Dean, Midland, third.

Miniature: Beckie Fry, Hereford; Ann Powell, Canyon, second; Ann Podany, Artesia, N.M., third.

Challenge: Ina Cleavinger, Dimmitt, first; Dorothy Burdick, Lubbock, second; Doris Lust, Dimmitt, third; Barbara Watson, Amarillo, HM.

Applique amateur: June Collier, Amarillo, first; Becky Everett, Lubbock, second; Arlene Clark, Andrews, third; Flora Johnson, Lubbock, HM.

Applique group: Sue Haney, Lubbock, first; Diane Seitz, Amarillo, second; Stitches' Post, Friona, third.

Applique two person: Margaret Frye, Dumas, first; Doris Lust, Dimmitt, second; Dawn Berry, Lubbock, third.

Mixed techniques two person: Gerry Davis, Gruver, first; Ina Cleavinger, Dimmitt, second; Margaret McKinney, Canyon, third; Janice Joyner, Amarillo, HM.

Mixed techniques amateur: Mary Lou Wise, Midland, first; Martha McClenagan, Amarillo, second; Gloria Hedges, Brownfield, third; Debbie Williams, Stinnett, HM.

Mixed techniques professional: Annette Watson, Amarillo, first; Paige Phillips, Lubbock, second; Nancy Richburg, Plainview, third.

Pieced amateur: Arlene Clark, Andrews, first; Beckie Fry, Hereford, second; Mary Laskowski, Midland, third; Bettie Moran of Lubbock and Mary Lou Wise of Midland, HM.

Piece group: Midland Quilters Guild, Midland, first; Friendship Quilters Guild, Dimmitt, second; Tracey Brauer of Midland, third.

Pieced professional: Linda Fisher, Lubbock, first; Jackie Reis, Lubbock, second; Sara Voyles, Lubbock, third.

Pieced two person medium: Joyce Davis, Dimmitt, first; Linda Quaglino, Lubbock, second; Sara D. Sims, Dumas, third.

Pieced two person large: Yvonna Hays, Dimmitt, first; Camelia Elliott, Amarillo, second; Kathryn Purdy, Amarillo, third; Inez Adams of Lubbock and Hazel Cozart of Midland, HM.

Specialty: Mona Lagan, Midland, first; Beth Nelson, Canyon, second; Melbe Childress, O'Donnell, third; Nancy Chambers, Morton, HM.

Crib/Juvenile: Diane Wood, Lubbock, first; Linnea VanWinkle, Lubbock, second; Tommie Sue Nesbitt, Dimmitt, third; Doris Lust, Dimmitt, HM.

Wall quilt amateur: Dorothy Burdick Lubbock, first; Irene Jones, Farwell, second; Martha McClenagan, Amarillo, third; Lisa Bond, Clovis, N.M., HM.

Wall quilt professional: Tracey Brauer, Las Cruces, N.M., first; Linda Fisher, Lubbock, second; Paige Phillips, Lubbock third.

Wearable art: Sandra J. Sims, Amarillo, first; Rosie Hall, Lubbock, second; Nancy Richburg, Plainview, third.

Silver Dollar winners and sponsors:

Margarett McKinney, Canyon, Arlie Petty Spray Service; Dorothy Burdick, Lubbock, Billy Hackleman, TAC; Mary West, Clovis, N.M., Brooke Ins. & Financial; Nancy Richburg, Plainview, Castro Co-op Gin; Patty Love, Canyon, Castro County News; Martha McClenagan, Amarillo, Chaparral Quilters Guild; Ann Powell, Canyon, Dimmitt Pharmacy; Martha McClenagan, Amarillo, Dimmitt Printing; Debbie Williams, Stinnett, Dr. and Mrs. Gary R. Hardee; Dorothy Burdick, Lubbock, Friendship Quilters Guild; Sara Voyles, Lubbock, Liveoak Broadcasting; Nancy Richburg, Plainview, Mayor Wayne Collins; Sue Haney, Lubbock, Midland Quilters Guild; Bettie Moran, Lubbock, Mr. Burger, John Garth; Gerry Davis, Gruver, South Plains Quilters Guild; and Camelia Elliott, Amarillo,

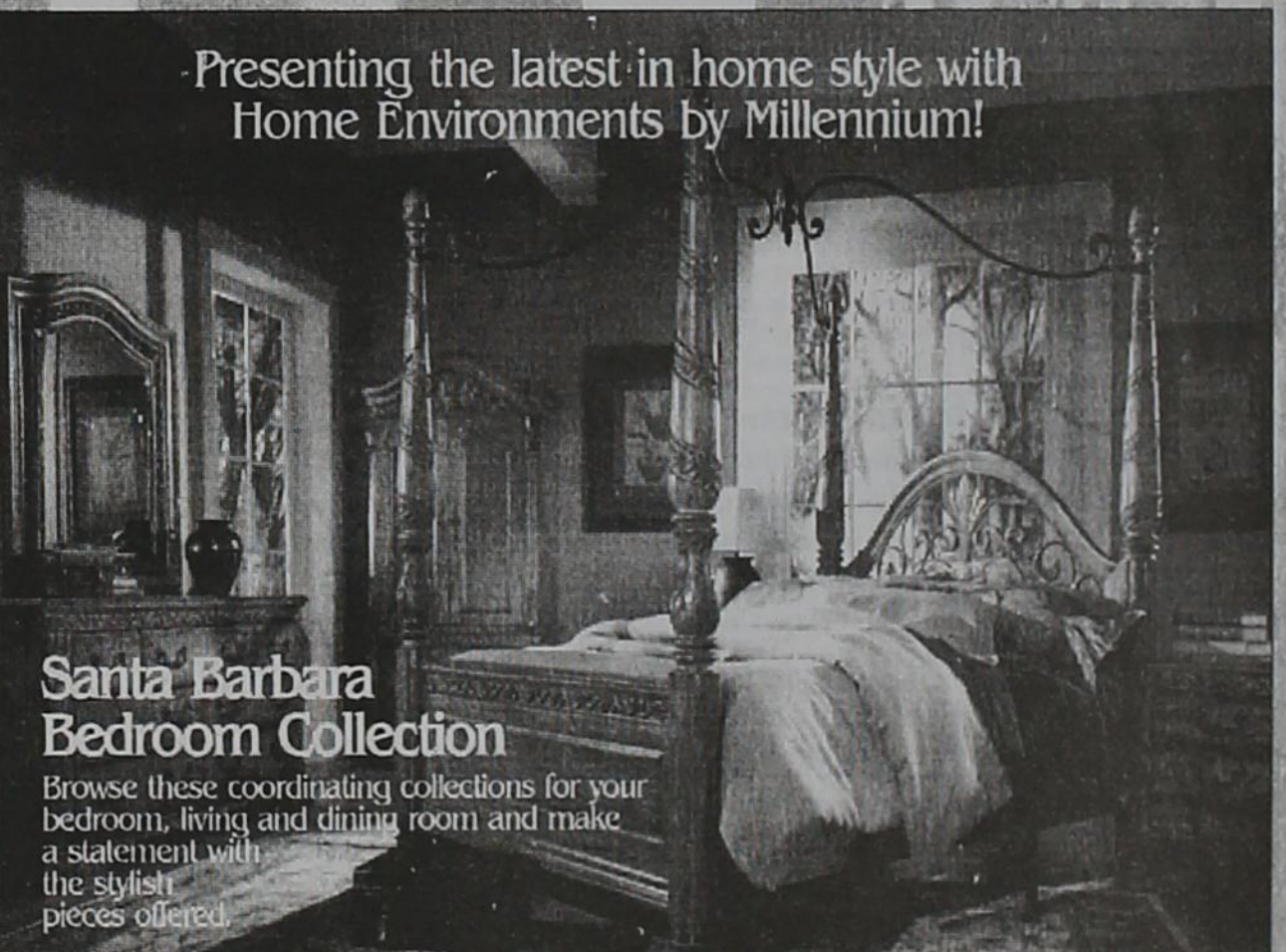
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Santa Barbara Bedroom Collection

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Santa Barbara Dining Room Collection

Come see the collection in our show window. Pieces are priced as a group or can be sold separately.

Furniture pieces are all hand crafted with the finest selection of hardwood solids and oak veneer. A distressed antiqued oak look with brushed and glazed accents only adds to the beauty of this collection.



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