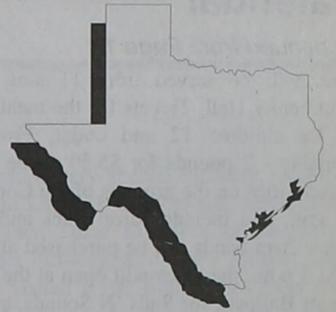


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Castro County Calendar



Hart Days set

Hart Days will be celebrated July 25 and 26. A carnival will be open from Thursday, July 24, through Saturday, July 26. The parade will begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday morning. Those with antique cars and tractors or other interested parties are invited to participate in the parade. For information about the parade, contact coordinator Rachell Wall at 938-2640 or 647-8369.

Other events of Hart Days include: Friday, a Dog Style show at 4 p.m.; Mexican Dinner at the school cafeteria, 5 to 6:30 p.m.; homemade ice cream contest in conjunction with the dinner; and the Miss Hart contest at 7 p.m. at the Centennial Pavilion.

After the parade on Saturday, there will be a Variety Show at 7 p.m. at the Pavilion and a street dance from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

Heart squares still available

The Friendship Quilters Guild is still selling hearts in honor or memory of loved ones who have fought cancer. The money goes to benefit the American Cancer Society, as do the proceeds of the quilt after it is raffled off. To buy a heart for \$5, contact Joyce Davis at 647-5362 or Ina Cleavinger at 647-5352.

31st Annual Nazareth German Festival

Nazareth's 31st annual German Festival and Suds 'N Sounds, held in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus, will be Saturday, July 12.

Activities begin at 10 a.m. with an Arts & Crafts Show in the Nazareth Band Hall, sponsored by the Nazareth Art Club.

A meal, include German sausage, sauerkraut, potatoes, beans, salad, fruit, bread, apple crisp and German chocolate

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Progress under way on NISD bond issue

By **DAVIE A. BROWDER**
Managing Editor

Plans for the improvements that the \$960,000 bond issue will bring in Nazareth are right on track, according to Superintendent Marshall Harrison.

On Wednesday night, board members looked at preliminary drawings and the plan is to have the final, certified drawings in August, which means that the district can then start advertising for bids, he said.

Harrison said he expects renovations and construction to start in mid-September on several fronts.

"Our projected time line is to start in our cafeteria the last part of September and also to start on our Ag and Maintenance building the last of September, as well as on new roofs for the

main campus and cafeteria," he said.

However, work on the cafeteria will not inconvenience the students too much.

"The students are going to be fed in the community hall, next to the band hall, while construction is going on," Harrison said. "We may have to move one or two classes.

"But all-in-all, we're trying to make it as painless as possible for everyone."

Other parts of the campus project will be done in the summer of 2004, he said.

"We hope to be finished with the cafeteria and Ag building and maintenance finished by the spring of 2004," Harrison said. "We'll tie two additional bays for school vehicles where we can do maintenance on the Ag buildings. And, we're also adding a new welding area for the Ag shop."

Harrison has been meeting with architects for the past few weeks, working out the final plans for construction.

Most of the money, about 85 percent, to pay off the bonds is coming from the state in the form of an existing debt allotment, he said.

"We'll also be getting IFA, instruction facilities allotment, money from the state," Harrison said.

NISD voters overwhelmingly approved the bond issue with 94 percent of those going to the polls giving the proposals a thumbs up.

Tax payers will see a total tax increase of about 5 cents per hundred dollar evaluation.

This year the total tax is \$1.41 per hundred dollar evaluation.

Next year, the tax rate is projected to be \$1.46, Harrison said.

July Jubilee



CELEBRATING OUR INDEPENDENCE:

A good crowd gathered on the lawn of the courthouse for the July Jubilee, July 3, to enjoy food and homemade ice cream. Entertainment was provided by Clowns Under Construction from Frio Baptist Church; brothers Kaury, Thomas and Lee Edwards of Tulia, who performed Native American dances; Trish Elliott and Tami Griffitt, who sang. Susan Coleman also joined Elliott and Griffitt on one number. Above, County Judge Bill Sava raises the American flag with the help of Chris Bradford. At left, Brenda Bruton, Faye Mohon and Joyce Davis sell homemade ice cream to benefit the Fair Committee. The annual event was sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce. More photos, see page 11.

Last chance to get old photos in for pictorial

With only a week remaining until the deadline for pictures from Castro County's past, Chris Bradford, owner/publisher of the Castro County News, has called on the community to help.

"The real story of Castro County is all around us," Bradford said. "People have the history in their homes - in scrapbooks, photo albums and family trunks.

"We hope everyone would make the effort to find those pictures, along with any information that helps explain them. We understand that everyone in each photo may not be identified, but that's O.K."

Bradford is asking for photos from the early days of Castro Country through the middle of the 20th Century.

"We're looking for photos

that show people and places that will get people talking about how things have changed - or maybe how they've remained he said," Bradford said. "Every family has a story and we want to tell that story through pictures."

Photos will be returned immediately; they will be scanned while the owners wait, so there's no chance of loss. If possible, Bradford,

said, he'd like to have some information about the area the photo was taken and who the people are, at least maybe the family name.

"These don't have to be complete or specific, but the reader needs to have some information," Bradford said. "Don't let a few unknown names keep you from submitting a great photo."

"I would hate for a project like this to fail just because

interesting pictures were left unshared, kept in photo albums where only a few people would have access to them."

Deadline for the photos is July 15. They may be brought by the Castro County News offices between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

The book is planned for release by Christmas 2003.

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Readings taken every day at 7:00 a.m. at KDHN, official National Weather Station Service

July moisture 0
2003 moisture 12.28

Calendar

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cake, will be served from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Community Hall. Tickets for the meal are \$6 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Frozen sausage will be available - 2 pounds for \$5.50 at the meal.

Activities on the grounds of the Community Hall begin at 11 a.m., and include barrel rides and two inflatable water slides. Arm bands can be purchased at the Community Hall.

At 5 p.m., the gates will open at the Nazareth Community Center Ballpark for Suds 'N Sounds, an outdoor concert that will kickoff with local bands performing. Admission is \$20 per person; performances begin at 6:30 p.m. The headline band is "Sixwire." Also performing are Copperhead, Young Guns, Clear Creek Band, Three Kinds, Kracker Jack and Cowboy Cold.

Fifth annual Bluegrass Festival in Tulia

Bluegrass music will fill the air as the Tule Creek Bluegrass Festival is held at Tule Creek Park July 11 through July 13. There will be food and refreshments available from vendors. The festival is from 6 p.m. until midnight on Friday, July 11; from noon until midnight on Saturday; and a Sunday devotional is planned from 9 a.m. until noon. No alcohol or drugs are allowed on the site and pets must be tethered.

Tickets to the festival will be \$8 Friday and \$10 Saturday. Weekend passes are \$14 in advance and \$16 at the gate. Advance weekend passes may be purchased at the Tulia Chamber of Commerce. Sunday's performance will be free of charge to the public and will feature much gospel and religious music.

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Project Number CBC4704-11-143

Sealed proposals for Metal Roof Retrofit and CMU Restoration at the Castro County Maintenance Section Office, located in Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas, will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation located at 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas.

A pre-bid conference will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, July 17, 2003 at the Castro County Maintenance Office at US 385 1 mile South of JCT SH 214 in Dimmitt, Texas.

Proposals will be received until August 6, 2003 @ 10:00 A.M.

Then publicly opened and read.

Proposals, plans and specifications for this project will be furnished without charge to any Contractor desiring to submit a bid. No pre-qualification is required. Contact Kelly Comer at 135 Slaton Rd., Lubbock, Texas, Telephone (806) 748-4446 for proposals or any questions.

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Obituaries

DAVID CLYDE MOSELEY JR.

Services for David Clyde Moseley Jr., 73, of Sanford, and formerly of Dimmitt, were at 2 p.m., Tuesday, July 8, at First Southern Baptist Church in Fritch with the Rev. Tommy Batson of Stinnett officiating. Burial was at Evergreen Garden at Westlawn Memorial Park in Borger. Mr. Moseley died Friday, July 4, in Sanford.

He was born Nov. 23, 1929, in Gause. He was a farmer and served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include his

wife, Berneice Moseley of Sanford; daughters, Phyllis Reise and Peggy Land of Fritch, Sherita Aguero and Connie McCormick, both of Stinnett; two brothers, Leland Moseley of Haskell and Ernest Moseley of Davilla; four sisters, Opal Baxter of Sweetwater, Frances Miller of Omaha, Neb., Hazel Hazelwood of Amarillo and Helen Copeland of Lubbock; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

National registry available for those who want no calls

Registration is free under this federal program

The National Do Not Call Registry is open for business, putting consumers in charge of the telemarketing calls they get at home.

The Federal Government created the national registry to make it easier and more efficient for you to stop getting telemarketing sales calls you don't want.

You can register online at DONOTCALL.GOV if you have an active email address.

If you live in a state west of the Mississippi River (including Minnesota or Louisiana), you can call toll-free, (888) 382-1222 (TTY (866) 290-4236), from the number you wish to register.

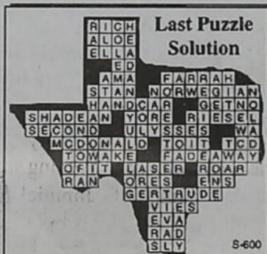
Phone registration will open to the entire nation on July 7.

Registration is free. The Federal Trade Commission, the Federal

Communications Commission, and the states will begin enforcing the National Do Not Call Registry on Oct. 1, 2003.

That's when consumers who put their numbers on the registry by Aug. 31, 2003 will notice a downturn in the number of telemarketing calls they get.

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- former TX Ranger catcher Rodriguez
- TXism: "slim and _____" (unlikely)
- Corpus Christi AM
- "Gone to Texas" came to mean "on the _____"
- TXism: "missed it _____ country mile"
- TXism: "_____ graze" (eat)
- TX Kenny Rogers group: "The First _____"
- TXism: "honest as the day _____"
- in Falls Co. on 77
- this James was a notable president of Trinity Univer.
- medical facility
- San _____, TX
- TXism: "I _____ that like a duck needs an umbrella"
- Panola Co. was named after this Cherokee word for "cotton"
- Dr. Pepper producer in China self-proclaimed "guardian of liberty" org. (abbr.)
- San Antonio school: "Palo _____"
- TXism: "twisters"
- "hippo" or "aero" ending
- pecan vendor (2 wds.)

DOWN

- Kermit is its seat
- guacamole fruit
- perfect shootist? (2 wds.)
- Vega h.s. class
- this Falk was a noted UT baseball coach ('40-'67)
- TXism: "gave _____ own medicine" (retaliated)
- TXism: "a day late _____ a dollar short"

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12 TX Kenny Rogers "_____ I Can Make it on My Own"

13 TXism: "comfortable _____"

14 TXism: "talked a _____ streak"

15 James F. Dobie was an expert on TX folk _____

16 OK town

18 TXns like it iced

20 giant appliance maker

23 TX singer Charley (init.)

24 Yo _____ Digo Creek

25 always check _____ park office before occupying a site in a TX park in Montague Co. on hwy. 82

26 TX feuds book: "I'll Die Before _____"

27 this Earl was UT Heisman winner & Oiler great RB (init.)

33 TXism: "don't _____ off half cocked"

34 Rangers leg. (abbr.)

36 citrus drink

37 "Whatever _____ wants . . ."

38 George Washington wasn't a TXn cause he couldn't _____ lie

39 Astro goof

40 TXism: "loose as a _____"

41 send out

43 TXism: "old _____ dirt"

45 _____ Paso, TX

47 sample again

48 foot part

55 Tech or UT female

Letters to the editor

In response to the Castro County Calendar column concerning "AIDS testing set in Tulia," the objective reality of prevention of this deadly disease is found in God's plan for life and love. Very briefly stated it is this: Marriage is the divine institution whereby every single human person ever created in His image and likeness is invited to participate in the sublime privilege of procreation and unselfish spousal donation of our entire being to another individual person.

We receive the most wonderful gifts from God: children. Children made to his image and likeness who are destined to live for all eternity in his loving embrace.

The distribution of condoms to our young people does not prevent AIDS or any other sexually transmitted disease. It encourages promiscuity which is rampant in our culture of death. It says to our young people, "Abstain if you can, but be responsible. If you must have sex, practice safe sex."

As great chastity educator Barbara McGuigan says, "There is no such thing as safe sex because there is no such thing as safe sex because there is no such thing as safe sin."

As for factual information, may I please quote from C.M. Roland, the editor of "Rubber Chemistry and Technology," who said, "the AIDS virus is only 0.1 micron (4 millionths of an inch) in size. Since this is a factor of 50 smaller than the voids inherent in rubber, the virus can readily pass through the condom should it find a passage. A reluctance to stake one's life on the ability of a condom to prevent HIV infection bespeaks wisdom."

We invite people to pray at 200 N. Austin St. in Tulia for our children and grandchildren who have been bombarded with lies concerning the sacred gift of their sexuality.

Mrs. Cyril Brockman, R.N.
Chastity Educator for the Diocese of Amarillo

Editor's Note: The Castro County News respectfully disagrees with Mrs. Brockman and believes that, while not 100 percent effective, condoms used properly and safe sex help keep the number of cases of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases, not to mention unwanted pregnancies, down.

Clarification

In last week's paper, an opinion piece written about the need for help in purchasing ambulances for use with the EMS service in Castro County, the numbers used were those hospital CEO Linda Rasor quoted "off the top of my head" at a Commissioners Court meeting earlier this year. In fact, Rasor said, the salaries of those employed by the hospital district totals \$4.196 million, not \$6. The district has \$11.767 million in expenses and has an annual budget of \$16.5 million, 48 percent of which is write-off. The hospital district has 136 full-time employees. And the long-term care program at the hospital will continue, but the patient number is capped at three, which means the beds are full at this time.

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On the Go

with Dorothy Hopson 647-4579

P.O. Goodwin met his three sisters at Manford, Okla., his daughter, Rickie Dane flew out of Midland and the group met at Storm Lake, Iowa, where they met P.O.'s brother, A.W.

The group spent three days with Mike and Gale Goodwin at Festus, Mo.

They got to visit Mike and Gale's children, Bill and Brandy and their children, Sam and Abigail.

P.O. and his group came back to his sister Flo's house in Oklahoma before they left for their own homes.

P.O. had been to Festus a few months before to attend Mike's 30th anniversary as pastor of the Faith Baptist Church. He has pastored one other church before he and Gale settled in Festus to become ministers there.

We were enjoying the Independence Day celebration at the Courthouse square and Nell Dicuffa approached me. She said that I had gotten her in trouble with her daughter, Billie Everman of Beavercreek, Ohio, because she keeps asking her for a recipe for frog eye salad.

I hope we are all back in Billie's good graces. I took Nell

a copy of Joyce Autry's version. If you are interested in making it, there has been a recipe for frog eye on every brand of Acini De Pepe pasta box I've ever bought. They are almost the same. I use the one that instructs you how to make your own sauce rather than use instant pudding.

Butch Strickland and his wife Pam and children Nathan and Stacy and baby Chase, Jonathan and his wife Elizabeth were here over the holiday weekend for Josh Roberts and Jill Smart's wedding.

Butch and Pam now serve at the historical Independence Baptist Church in Independence, Texas.

Their daughter, Carrie, is in Venezuela on a summer mission trip where her family served as missionaries for 15 years.

Butch spoke to the Naomi Sunday School class about his mission tenure and his Independence ministry. He will be in Lubbock in November for the Texas Baptist Convention. He will have a display of many of the artifacts from the historical church where Sam Houston found the Lord and served for many years before he died.

Gertie Waggoner had a very special birthday recently. She spent the weekend in Lubbock with her son, Jim and his wife, Judy. Judy's mother, Dixie Lightfoot of Seagraves was there to celebrate her birthday, also. They ate out, Judy cooked some and they visited a lot. Both ladies truly had happy birthdays.

Edgar and Leta Dennis had a big Fourth of July. Leta's sister Lindy and husband Jimmie Campbell of Uvalde, their son, Chip and his daughter, Kristin, from Oklahoma were at the Dennis' home. Lisa's Uncle Harlin and Aunt Bobbie Dodd came out to visit and see the late Harley Dodd's dog, Abby, that Lindy has inherited.

The family group went over to visit Uncle Trellis and Aunt Dorothy Summers. The Summer's son, Lee, from Abilene, was in Dimmitt to see his parents.

Cody and Connie Gilbreath and their girls came for a visit and a dip in the pool. Stacy Music and his fiancé Robin Bridges were also there to enjoy seeing everyone and participating in the summertime fun.

Hispanic Voice

with Mary Lou Lumbrera 647-4266

Belle Lumbrera attended the wedding of her cousin Pete Zamora of Olton on Saturday July 5. He married Crystal Luera also of Olton. Pete is employed by Wal-Mart Distribution of Plainview and Crystal is a homemaker.

We are saddened at the loss of Chevo Lumbrera's brother Albino Lumbrera of

Bovina, he was 68 years old. He died on June 29, in Clovis, N.M. Albino's wife Juanita died in 1986 of leukemia. Albino's adult children are Diana Lumbrera and Virginia Lumbrera Bribiesca of Kansas; Estella Lumbrera Espinoza of Bovina; Joe Lumbrera of Morton; Adam & Jesse Lumbrera of Clovis; Roy Lumbrera of Ruidoso, N.M.

Three sisters, Julia Lumbrera Gomez of Santa Rosa, Maria Lumbrera Aleman of Dimmitt, Margarita Lumbrera Torres of Detroit, Mich. Two brothers Joe Lumbrera of Clovis and Chevo Lumbrera of Dimmitt. The Christian services and burial were Thursday, July 3, at Saint Ann's Catholic Church. Pallbearers were

his grandsons. Here is a poem used a lot in loving memory, author unknown: "God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be, so He put his arms around you and whispered 'come to me.' With tearful eyes we watched you, and saw you pass away and though we love you dearly, we could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hard-working hands were put to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us. He only takes the best." (You will be missed).

This is the poem that was also chosen when my father Miguel Acevedo Sr. passed away. His birthday would have been July 5 and he would have been 85. We were lucky to have had him for this long, but it's never long enough.

He spent his 85th birthday in

Heaven. His grandson Pete Zamora chose this date as remembrance of him on his wedding day. We were all very happy but yet a little bit sad. My dad would always say, "don't be sad after I'm gone, when it's your turn. I'll be waiting for you with open arms." How sweet huh?

Monica and Karina Dozal of Dimmitt are the daughters of Mario and Elidia Dozal, were quite the performers at the Roxy Singers Showcase at the Olton Theater on Saturday June 28.

They both did so great they brought tears to their mother's eyes.

Monica has performed there before, but this was Karina's first time. The girls will be performing again in Olton, but this time it will be competition. The girls are

both excited and nervous, their families wish them the best of luck. Who knew we had so much great talent in Dimmitt, Texas? Monica, I just want to say, for such a little girl, you sure do have a STRONG and BEAUTIFUL voice and I wish you all the best and wish you all the luck in the world and I'm sure I will be buying your recordings.

Don't forget us little people when you are rich and famous. As for Karina, I must say I'm surprised, hmm, I thought you were very shy. But I can't wait to hear you sing!

Prayers are asked for the Albino Lumbrera family. Ricarda Acevedo, Marcelina Acevedo, Marcelo Aguilar, Julia Aguilar, Alyssa Monreal.

Naz News

with Vergie Gerber 945-2669

Our sympathy to the family of Rosemary Wilhelm, who passed away June 27, 2003. Funeral mass was read Monday, June 30 in Holy Family Church with Father John Hickey officiating. Burial was in Holy Family Cemetery beside her husband, Leonard Wilhelm, who died May 2, 2003. Survivors are two sons, Dean Wilhelm and Julius Birkenfeld; one daughter, Joy Ringwald of Oklahoma City; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Congratulations to B.J. Klein, who won the gold medal in the half-marathon, which he ran at the recent Special Olympics World Games in Dublin, Ireland. A reception was held recently in the CCD Building. The American Legion Auxiliary provided doughnuts, coffee and juice.

The past and present Postal employees from Dimmitt, Nazareth and Tulia gathered at the home of Dale and Elise Maxwell for a retirement celebration for Charley and Bev Hill. Lots of good food and stories were enjoyed by everyone. Everyone was happy to see and visit with Judge Bill and Jacque Sava and Jimmie and Floyd George. Charley and Bev have carried mail for all the rural area between the three towns for the past 27 years.

They also enjoyed a

"come and go" party Monday morning at the Nazareth Post Office as everyone came by to get their mail and wish them well. This party was hosted by Stevie Dobmeier, Judy Acker and Leola Ramaekers. Great cinnamon rolls and coffee. Good job, girls.

A solo tournament was held last Sunday from 3-11 in the Senior Citizens Center. Big winner was Don Acker; second place, Clyde Hoelting and third place Jr. Hochstein. First one out this time was Mary Kleman. A fun evening!

Family and friends gathered at Holy Family Church Saturday afternoon for the marriage of Kenneth Kern and Mindy Selvey with Father John Hickey officiating. The reception and dance followed at Nazareth Community Hall.

A bridal shower was held in honor of Jaimye Bingham, bride-elect of Brian Foote. It was held in the home of Darryl and Rose Ball on May 28, 2003. She received many pretty and useful gifts. The hostesses presented the couple with luggage and a vacuum cleaner.

A Fourth of July party was held Friday evening at the home of Dwayne and Sheryl Kleman. A great crowd of adults and children enjoyed lots of good food, games, yard dancing to the "Young

Guns" band, visiting and then, of course, the fireworks. A beautiful display.

A Fourth of July party was held Sunday evening at the home of Jimmie Schulte with 150 people attending. Jimmie's family were all here - Sue, Neal and Ryan Dobmeier of Odessa; Jeanna and Lynn Williams of Nashville, Tenn.; Nikki and Emiliano of Richmond, Va.; Brad Wethington of Dallas; Lynn Cameron and Lew Wethington of Tulia; Don and Bruce Schulte of Nazareth. Everyone enjoyed great food and visiting. The patriotic program was as always exceptional, consisting of raising the flag, drum roll, 21-gun salute and Megan Schulte singing "The Star-Spangled Banner." Very impressive program. The fireworks had to be canceled because of too much wind.

Tom and Brenda Conrad, 1968 graduates of Nazareth High School, hosted a 35-year reunion in their hometown of Colorado Springs. Those arriving Friday af-

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Bingham-Foote

A shower honoring Jaimye Bingham and Brian Foote was held at 10:30 a.m., June 28, at the home of Rose Ball. Hostesses presented the couple with luggage and a vacuum cleaner.

The lace-covered table held a photo of the couple and an arrangement of fresh flowers.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Chris and Twila Williams of Nazareth; the prospective groom is the son of Jerry and Connie Foote of Pampa.

Out-of-town guests included Connie Foote of Pampa, mother of the groom; Tronda Foote of Idalou and Bonnie Atwater of Midland, aunts of the groom.

The couple will wed Aug. 9 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth.

Chao announces an emergency grant for re-employment programs

WASHINGTON-U.S. Secretary of Labor Elaine L. Chao announced a National Emergency Grant of over \$1.4 million that will aid Texas' trade certified workers. National Emergency Grants are part of the secretary's discretionary fund.

A grant is awarded after a state submits a request and the grant guidelines have been met.

"The President and I are committed to helping displaced workers access the job and skills training they need to find new jobs that will enable them to provide for themselves and their families," Chao said.

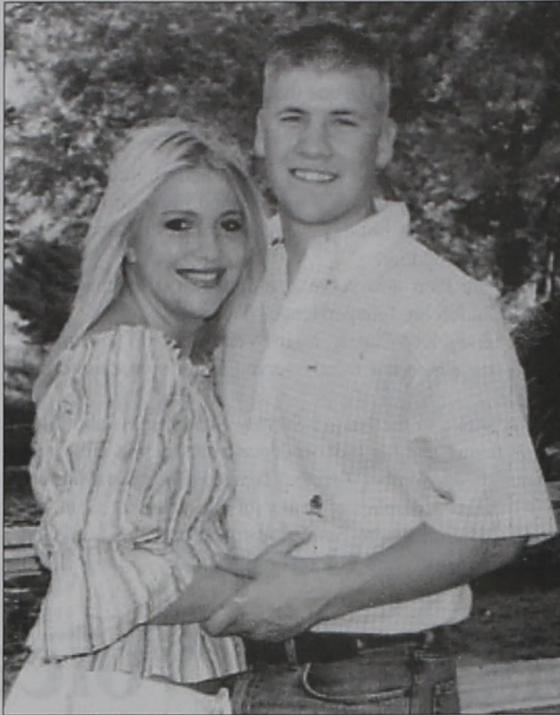
"We hope these funds will be deployed as quickly as

possible to help these Texas workers."

The grant project delivers critical help to dislocated Texas workers, underscoring one of the main goals of the President's economic agenda. The project will provide a variety of transition-related assistance including assessment, counseling, training, job development, job placement and supportive services.

"Helping all American workers who have lost their jobs remains a top priority for this Administration," said Chao.

For more information on the Department of Labor's unemployment and re-employment programs please go to www.dol.gov.



Misty Dawn Pritchard & Stuart Lee Sutton Pritchard-Sutton

Eddie and June Sutton are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their son, Stuart Lee Sutton, to Misty Dawn Pritchard, the daughter of Johnny and Deb Pritchard of Winters and Leta Pritchard of Houston. The wedding is planned for 7 p.m., Aug. 23, 2003, at the Watson Building in Lubbock.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Winters High School. She attended Texas Tech University and is currently enrolled at West Texas A&M University's nursing program.

The prospective groom is a 1998 graduate of Dimmitt High School. He graduated from Texas Tech University in December, 2002, with a bachelor of business administration in finance. He is employed by First United Bank of Dimmitt.

Following the wedding, the couple will make their home in Dimmitt.

Trussell-Higgins

Frances Upfold Trussell of Ash Grove, Mo., and Harry Higgins of Bremen, Ga., were united in marriage on Saturday, June 28, in the home of Frances' brother, Bobby Harlin of Ash Grove, Mo.

She retired from the Dimmitt School system in 1985 after teaching here 19 years. He retired as plant superintendent of The Keystone Co., in Clifton, N.J. He was also a vintage motorcycle racer. They will make their home in Bremen, Ga.

Who's New

Ky and Nichole Kirby of Lubbock are the parents of a daughter, Brityn Paige Kirby, born June 14, 2003, at 9:30 a.m. She weighed 6-pounds, 14-ounces and was 19.75-inches long. She has a sister, Jordyn Brienne Kirby. Her paternal grandparents are Dean and Belinda Kirby of Dimmitt and Derwin and Vera Huseman of Nazareth. Paternal great-grandparents are Vaden and Aline Kirby of Dimmitt and Ed and Bonnie Hartley of Hereford. Maternal great-grandparents are Ed and Leola Ramaekers and Arnold and Catherine Huseman, both of Nazareth. Helen Backus of Nazareth is the great-great grandmother.

Bryan and Tracy Ramsey are the proud parents of a baby boy named Tagan Brock. He was born at 11:46 a.m., July 3, and weighed in at 9-pounds, 12 1/2-ounces and 21.25-inches long.

He has an older sister, Treva, and an older brother, Tyler. He was born at Baptist St. Anthonys in Amarillo.

Grandparents are Joe and Imogene Drerup of Nazareth and Dwight and Anita Ramsey of Silverton.



Norma Soler

Soler named to Dean's List

Norma Soler, daughter of Ramon and Blanca Soler, was named to the Dean's List at Texas Tech University. She is classified as a senior and is majoring in elementary education.

Robles graduates from Texas Tech

Janie Robles, the daughter of Gloria Robles, was among 76 Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy students who graduated May 18 at United Spirit Arena in Lubbock. Robles earned a doctorate of pharmacy degree.

BBB warns consumers

The Better Business Bureau is warning consumers and businesses about fly-by-night companies and individuals going door-to-door looking for easy money.

They use high-pressure tactics to get you to commit and are gone before they

make good on their promises. Individuals have been reported to solicit everything from a fix-up home or business repair to cash for sick children with baby in tow). Selling something such as coupon books, magazines or toys is also typical. They have no physical location in the area and do not pay local taxes, taking discretionary income that could be better spent on local businesses.

"This warning is not a warning against local, reputable companies, who will also solicit door-to-door," said Janna Kiehl, Executive Director of the Better Business Bureau.

Many area companies chase storms in order to keep their business going during lean times.

These 'storm chaser' are legitimate and not to be confused with fly-by-night scam artists who work from the back of the pickup with no physical location and no traceable history.

Fly-by-night operators are only interested in taking your money and getting out of town. Legitimate businesses will allow you an opportunity, and even encourage you, to check them out.

"At this time of year, we see the usual paving and roofing scams from people traveling through the area," said Kiehl.

"This year, these type scams have not only increased in volume the very nature of the scams has become more creative."

Kiehl says one of the best and most effective ways to avoid this scam is to have a "family policy" against making purchases or paying any money prior to calling the BBB.

"Our best advice has been to tell people to say they check out all solicitations at the Better Business Bureau before they do business with anyone or donate any money.

A few tell-tale signs of a con artist:

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CHURCH NEWS



He knows your name

God knows who you are. He knows what you look like and what you're wearing right now. He knows you better than you know yourself and He cares for you. *"Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from the will of your father. And even the very hairs on your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."* (Mt. 10:30 NIV)

It's tempting to believe that God is distant. We sometimes imagine that God knows us the way our high school principal or our boss's boss knows who we are - a name or a face in the crowd. That's what Jonah thought when he tried to hide from God. Like a 2-year-old child with his

hands over his eyes hiding behind a slatted chair, Jonah may have fooled himself for a little while, but God knew. You can't hide from God. He knows what you're doing before you do. God knows you on a first-name basis. When you talk to Him, He hears what you're saying and He answers.

"Now, wait a minute," you may say, "I'm not a TV evangelist. I don't hear any voices from Heaven." Good, you're sane. God is all around us and He communicates in more ways than our puny brains are able to comprehend. God speaks to us through His written Word; though most of us don't read the parts we need when we need them the most. His creation witnesses to us every second of every day. (Rom. 1:19-21). God



Robert Leitz sent Jesus and He is still with us, *"For in him we live and move and have our being."* (Acts 17:28).

The next time you talk to God, remember, in the cosmic scale of the universe, you're an infant and God is without time. Have you ever tried to communicate with a 2-year-old? A child can be wise in ways and surprise us sometimes, but there are so many things that we just can't make them understand until they're ready. So keep that in perspective and realize, he knows you because you are His greatest creation.

Robert Leitz is Youth Minister at Fourth and Bedford Church of Christ.

The power of the blood

By The Rev. Doris Huckert
"They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of the testimony and they did not love their lives to the death." (Rev. 12:11)

I just returned from a trip to Las Vegas. It was an extended school to teach and stretch us for witnessing for Jesus. As I share with different ones about my trip, the most frequently asked question is, "What did you win?" No, I didn't gamble with money. My gambling was to meet people and share the love of Jesus where they would desire to receive him as their Lord and Savior.

In **Revelation 16:33, "In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."** This applies to so many people of the world for they do not have peace. The only true peace is to have Jesus in your heart. So

many people there were looking for big gain, but only finding that through Jesus Christ. As I shared the love of Jesus with a little man on the street, he started crying. I told him he could be an overcomer and be cheerful. He listened, received Jesus, thanked me and started the walk of a new man. He did not know any church that would receive him - cancer had caused this black man to have pink sores on his body - no hair - tattered clothes - poor grammar - he'd been on drugs and alcohol until he had gotten sick - one eye was damaged where it would cross and look funny - but most of all he had no family. After saying the sinners prayer, I gave him a card and said, "Now you have a big loving family." How many

people are needing someone to tell them of Jesus' love where they can be overcomers by the blood of Jesus and the word of the testimony?

Yes, I won at Las Vegas, for I got to share the riches of the one I love with people and that is worth more than any riches of the world. Where are you planting and what are your rewards?

The Rev. Doris Huckert is chaplain of Dimmitt Nursing and Rehab and Hospice Chaplain of the Castro County Hospital District.

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A test for first-time parents

BY JIM DAVIDSON

It has been said that "Children in a family are like flowers in a bouquet: there's always one determined to face in the opposite direction from the way the arranger desires." For the vast majority of parents, our greatest hope is for our children to grow up to be happy, healthy and successful human beings. In today's times this is no easy feat even for those parents who are the most qualified, but it is a monumental task for "first time" parents who did not have a good role model or were never taught parenting skills but rather who were allowed to grow up like weeds in a garden.

My good friend, Max Heath, sent me something the other day that really puts what I'm saying into context. It was an article titled "How to know when you are ready to have kids" and it contained a series of tests for first time parents. If you have successfully reared one or more children you will really appreciate this but for young couples who are expecting or thinking about having a child, this will definitely give you something to think about. Here are the tests.

No. 1: Mess Test, "Smear peanut butter on the sofa and curtains. Place a fish stick behind the couch and leave it there all summer." No. 2: Toy Test, "Obtain a 55 gallon box of legos (you may substitute roofing tacks if you wish.) Have a friend spread them all over the house. Put on a blindfold and take off your shoes. Try to walk to the bathroom or kitchen. Do not scream because this would wake a child at night." No. 3: Grocery Store Test, "Borrow one or two small animals (goats are best) and take them with you as you shop. Always keep them in sight and pay for anything they eat or damage.

No. 4: Dressing Test, "Obtain one large, unhappy, live octopus. Stuff into one small net bag making sure that all the arms stay inside. No. 5: Feeding Test, "Obtain a large plastic milk jug. Fill

halfway with water. Suspend from the ceiling with a chord. Start the jug swinging. Try to insert spoonfuls of soggy cereal into the mouth of the jug, while pretending to be an airplane. Now dump the contents of the jug on the floor.

No. 6: Night Test, "Prepare by obtaining a small cloth bag and fill it with 8-12 pounds of sand. Soak it thoroughly in water. At 3:00pm begin to waltz and hum with the bag until 9:00pm. Lay down your bag and set your alarm for 10:00pm. Get up, pick up your bag, and sing every song you have ever heard. Make up about a dozen more and sing these until 4:00am. Set alarm for 5:00am. Get up and make breakfast. Keep this up for 5 years. Look cheerful.

No. 7: Ingenuity Test, "Take an egg carton. Using a pair of scissors and pot of paint, turn it into an alligator. Now take a toilet paper tube and turn it into an attractive Christmas candle. Use only scotch tape and a piece of foil. Last, take a milk carton, a Ping-Pong ball, and an empty box of Cocoa Puffs. Make an exact replica of the Eiffel Tower.

No. 8: Automobile Test, "Forget the BMW and buy a station wagon. Buy a chocolate ice cream cone and put it in the glove compartment. Leave it there. Get a dime. Stick it in the CD player. Take a family-size package of chocolate chip cookies. Mash them into the back seat. Run a rake along both sides of the car. There, perfect!

No. 9: Final Assignment, "Find a couple who already has a small child. Lecture them on how they can improve their discipline, patience, tolerance, and toilet training and child's table manners. Suggest many ways they can improve. Emphasize to them that they should never allow their children to run wild. Enjoy this experience. It will be the last time you have all the answers." Well, that's it. At the least this should give us some food for thought.

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*** Revolving Charge Account:** Unlike a credit card, a charge card is good at only the issuing store. Although you are required

to make regular monthly payments, you do not have to pay the whole amount you owe every month. However, you will be charged interest on the remaining portion of your balance and will be charged a fee if your payment is late.

*** Retail Installment Contract:** With this type of contract, you are buying an item by making a certain number of monthly payments. Part of each monthly payment is used to

pay interest and part is used to pay off your balance. You own the item, but it can be repossessed if you default.

Don't confuse a retail installment sale with a rent-to-own contract. If you want to use furniture or an appliance for a short period of time, this option might be for you. But if you're looking to own the item, the weekly payments can add up to a high cost. Also, you do not own the item until

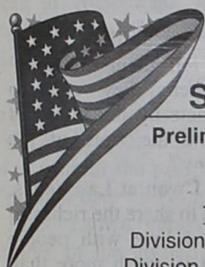
you make the last payment.

*** Signature Loan:** These are generally small loans that extend over a brief period of time and do not involve pledging any collateral. Rates can be very high.

*** Payday Loan:** These loans are also called "deferred presentment" transactions. The "borrower" writes a post-dated check but gets his money right away. The lender agrees to defer presentment of the check until its date, which typically has been the borrower's payday. Fees

may run about \$10 per transaction, but the term of the loan is very short, making the interest rate very high.

*** Pawn Loan:** These types of loans are typically small and secured by collateral held by a pawnbroker. While this is a quick way to borrow money, make sure you are dealing with a reputable pawnshop. Pawn loans are written for a set period of time and at the end of that time the customer is required to repay the loan in full or forfeit the collateral to the pawnbroker.



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Nazareth; Gary and Teresa (Pohlmeier) Rider and Linda (Huseman) Grissett and daughter, Amy of Amarillo - Gene and Jack Dobmeier from Minnesota, Kenny and Theresa Murrell of Indiana, Gene and Susie (Braddock) Gerber and Ralph and Beth (Wethington) Schulte of Dallas, enjoyed a great backyard supper catered by the Conrad kids. Everyone stayed at the Embassy Suites, enjoying their happy hours - breakfasts and lots of pictures, story-telling and letters from those who couldn't make it. Saturday afternoon, half of the group took a cog train ride up Pike's Peak while Brenda gave the others a three-hour tour of the Springs. Saturday

evening, the group enjoyed a barbecue at the Flying W Ranch with cowboys singing and fiddling and wound it up with more story telling and picture taking. Sunday morning brought a new face to the crowd, when Greg Anderle from Amarillo arrived.

Henry Ramaekers' daughters hosted a 50th birthday party honoring their father on June 28. Hamburgers and hot dogs were enjoyed by the family and friends from Nazareth, Umbarger, Tulia, Dimmitt, Hereford, Amarillo, Canyon, Floydada and Pampa.

A 50th surprise birthday party for Elaine (Dobmeier)

Culver of Austin was held this weekend at the home of Allen and Stevie Dobmeier. Also included was Susie (Schulte) Dobmeier of Odessa. Everyone enjoyed good food, visiting and fireworks. Elaine's classmates attending were Mick Gerber, Keith Gerber, David Olvera of Nazareth, Philamena Garza of Dallas and Raymond Huseman of Amarillo. Also, Elaine's husband, Mike, of Austin and her son, Jerad and wife of Levelland, Gina and Jackie Dobmeier of Minnesota, Susie Schulte, Gail Dobmeier and Glenn Dobmeier of Austin and Neal Dobmeier of Odessa.

Prayers are asked for Carol Birkenfeld, Joe and Rita Woetovech, Sam Albracht, David Nobile, Floyd Birkenfeld, Norma Schacher, Michael Schacher, Alice Palazzini, Joe Schmucker, Kenneth Lange, Deanna Huseman, Mildred Huseman, Anna Huseman Lee, Edith Huseman and Katy Ivey.

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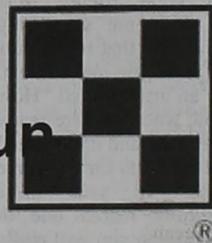
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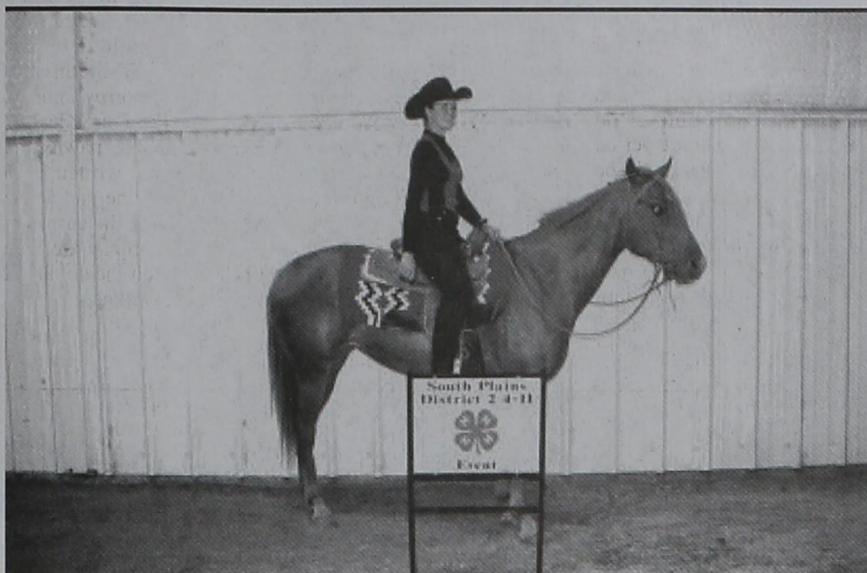
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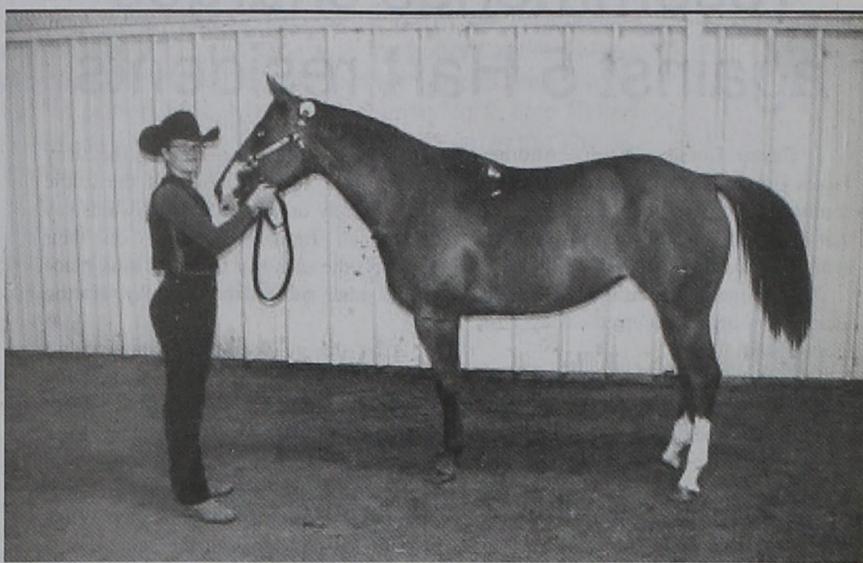
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South Plains District 2 4-H Horse Show



RANDI SHAW of Dimmitt took first place in the 3-year-old Stock Horse Division of the South Plains District 2 4-H Horse Show.



LINDSEY SHAW of Dimmitt took first place in the Grade Mares Division of the South Plains District 2 4-H Horse Show.

Castro County youth compete at Horse Show

Lindsey Shaw, Lilley will go to state competition

The South Plains District 2 4-H Horse Show was held at the Caprock Equestrian Center at Wolfforth outside of Lubbock on June 17. Some 65 4-H'ers from 13 counties competed in show, performance, speed and roping events.

Swisher County received the High Point Overall County. Mitchell County placed second and Lamb County came in third.

Robin Morris of Mitchell County placed second and Lamb County came in third. Robin Morris of Mitchell County was the Champion Judged Horseman and Kelly Morris, also of Mitchell County, received Reserve Champion Judged Horseman. High Point Timed Horseman went to Brooke Winters of Lamb County. Kendra Finck of Swisher County received Reserve High Point Timed Horseman.

Those placing from Castro County include the following:

Randi Shaw: first, 2-year-old Pleasure; first, 3-year-old stock horse; third, Registered Geldings, under 5; third, Reining; eighth, Showmanship; eighth, Western Riding.

Lindsey Shaw: second, 2-year-old Pleasure; first, Grade Mares; fourth, Reining; 12th, Showmanship; seventh, Western Riding.

Kean Lilley: second, Registered Mares, 5 and over; fifth, Reining; 13th, Showmanship; eighth, Western Pleasure.

State qualifiers were Lindsey Shaw in Grade Mares and Kean Lilley in Registered Mares, 5 and over.

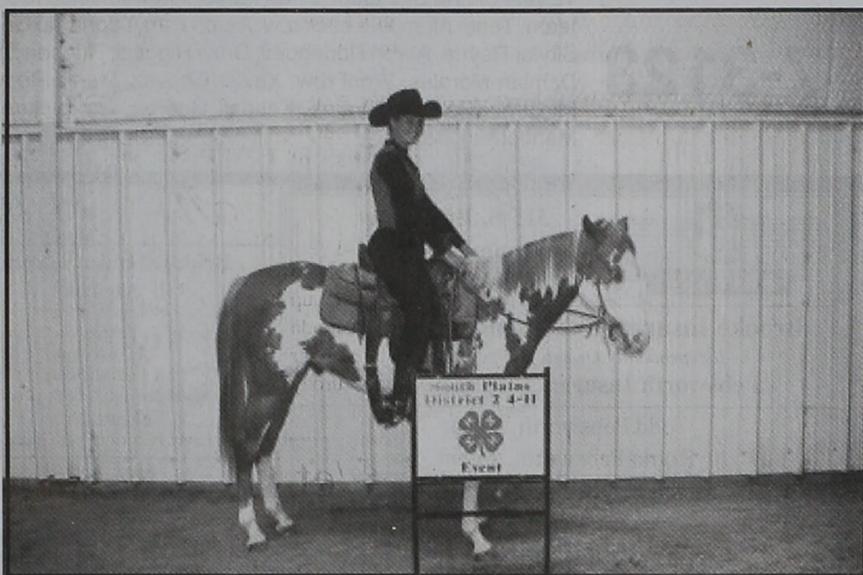
Who's New —

Jonathon and Kristin Ivy are the proud parents of a baby boy. Hunter Cole Ivy arrived June 30 at 5:42 p.m. at Odessa Regional Hospital, weighing 7-pounds, 6-ounces and was 21-inches long.

Grandparents are Ron and Janice Ivy and Kenny and Renee Doss, all of Dimmitt.

Great-grandparents are Cora and Ulric Henson of Clovis, N.M., and Patti Hughes and Charles Doss of Dimmitt.

Great-great-grandmother is Clara Bell of Slaton.



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Castro County grand jury recommends charges against 5 Hart residents

Castro County District Attorney James Horton confirmed Monday that a county grand jury has recommended that disorderly conduct charged be filed against five Hart residents.

The charges come in the wake of an incident which occurred May 18, Horton said.

"I referred the matter to the grand jury because I could not determine who should be charged," Horton said, adding that the deputy sheriff who investigated the incident will sign the complaint in the Justice of the Peace office.

He said the grand jury listened to both sides of the story as well as observers.

Reports said the May 18 incident was part of an on-going problem, which resulted in a showdown or fight -

depending on the person telling the story - took place near the home of the Eddie Swain family on FM 145. The Swains say three men from Hart came on their property; the men say the fight took place on the other side of the highway, Horton said.

After the incident, the Swains didn't seek treatment, but the three men, Leon Minjarez, Kenneth Wiley and Mark Montemayor, all 18, were taken to a medical facility. Minjarez and Montemayor were transferred to other hospitals and released the next day; Wiley was treated and released the same day.

The five persons that the grand jury recommended misdemeanor charged be filed against are: Eddie Swain, 48, Clint Swain, 21; Minjarez, Wiley and Montemayor.

Hart team wins Olton tourney



THE HART LONGHORN Little League team garnered the championship trophy this year in the Olton Baseball League. Teams from Olton, Springlake-Earth, Cotton Center, and Hart competed in the league. Hart's team finished the season with a record of 14 wins and 2 losses. Four members of the team were selected for the All-Star Team. Javier Minjarez, Fabian Morales, and Sebastian Gonzales were selected to play on the 11 and 12 year old All-Star team. Brian Pantoja was selected to play on the 10 year old All-Star team. Team members back row: Aaron Hart, Leonardo Gamez, Christopher Rodriguez, Skylar Reyna, Aaron Rodriguez, Drew Higgins, Rueben Robledo, Sebastian Gonzales, Damian Morales. Front row: Xavier Chavez, Martin Rodriguez, Brian Pantoja, Javier Minjarez, Fabian Morales, Kendall George. Not pictured Christopher Davis, coach Manuel Minjarez.

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Dimmitt is reflective of the people that choose to live here. We are a small town filled with the kindest of people, where everyone knows everyone, and possess endless potential. The many social organizations that exist here help promote the relationships that keep Dimmitt such a place and do their part in supporting the people of Dimmitt and surrounding towns. In return, it is important for the people of Dimmitt, Nazareth and Hart to do the same in supporting our local businesses.

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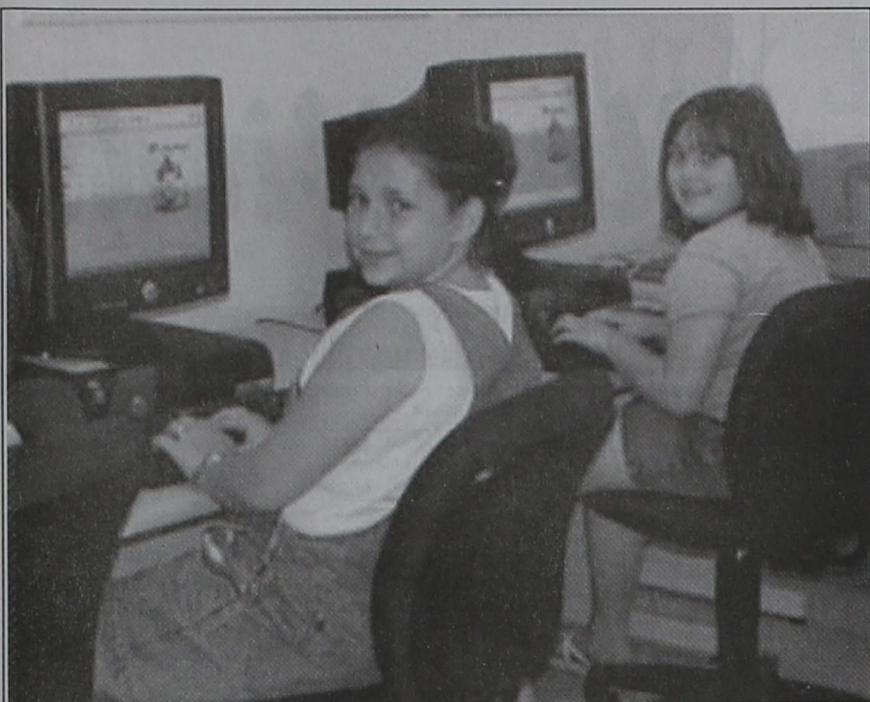
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KIDS CAMP NO. 1, part of the DCN network computer classes is in session at City Hall. At left, in the top picture are Jill Miller and Sarah Morris. In the bottom photo, Geena and Carsyn Steffens. This camp, which ended Wednesday, was for grades 3 through 5. Kids Camps No. 2, July 10 and 11, will also be for grades 3 through 5. To get in the Thursday and Friday camp, go to the Library, sign up, get a password. The third Kids Camp will be July 23 and 25, for grades 6 through 8. In order to sign up, drop by Rhoads Memorial Library and sign up. There is no fee; kids must furnish their own T-shirts and if they make a mousepad, the cost is \$5.



July Computer Classes

Complete a Network application at Rhodes Memorial Library and sign up for classes. There is no charge for classes through August. A small charge will be made for materials. Classes will be limited. Sign up early. This opportunity for technology learning is made available by a TIF grant, the City of Dimmitt, and DISD. Don't miss out! Classes will be held in the Dimmitt City Hall (CH) "Technology Center" and the Senior Citizens Center (SrC) "Learning Center."

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Please contact us if you are nearing the expiration date of your water well drilling permit extension and if you have decided not to complete your well due to weather-related problems.

District management will consider refunding the \$250 water well drilling permit deposit on a case-by-case basis.

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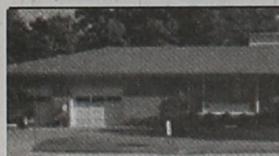
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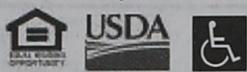
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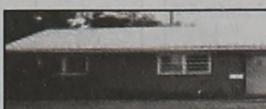
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Card of Thanks

The Family of Rose Mary Wilhelm would like to thank each of you, for the love and compassion shown to us through our illness and our loss. We are grateful for the prayers, visits, phone calls and cards. The beautiful flowers and wonderful food were comforting. We greatly appreciate the memorials honoring our mother and grandmother.

A special thanks to Father John Hickey, Deacon Al Maurer and Ethyl Schmucker for the daily bringing of the Holy Eucharist. Also a special thanks to the ladies who helped with the many trips to Lubbock. And a huge thanks to the Hospice Care People and the wonderful care givers that stayed with Mom.

We are grateful to come from such a having and caring community; one that Mom really cared for.

God bless each of you!
Sincerely
The Rose Mary Wilhelm Family
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and Family
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and Family
Julius and Kathy Birkenfeld
and Family

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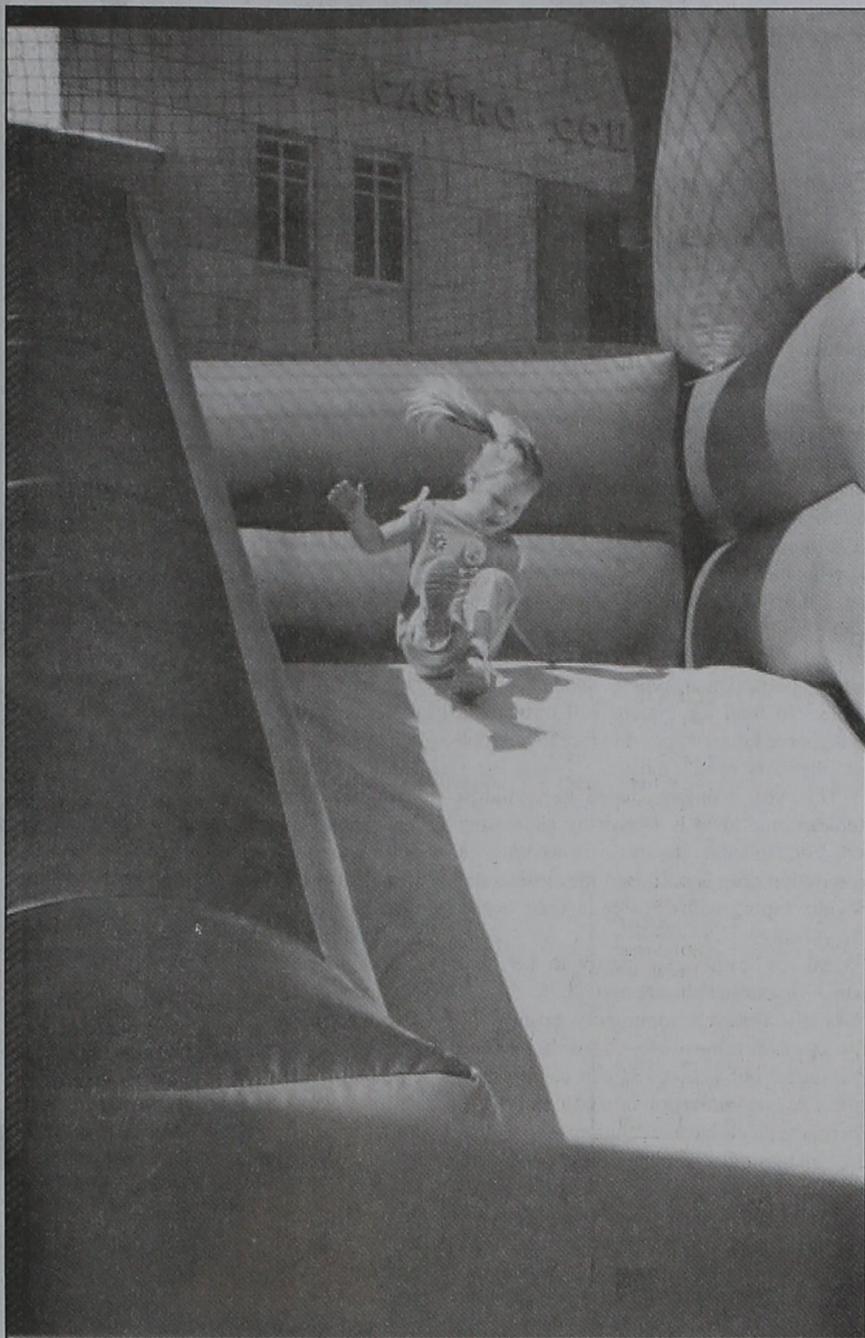
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of HAZEL WAGGONER, Deceased, were issued on July 7, 2003, in Cause No. PR-2579, pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, to: HAROLD WAGGONER and WINSTON WAGGONER. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o WINSTON WAGGONER
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DATED the 7th day of July, 2003.

WINSTON WAGGONER
HAROLD WAGGONER

JULY JUBILEE



Photos by Candice George & Davie Ann Browder

THERE WAS SOMETHING for everyone at the July Jubilee on July 3, including a slide for kids, entertainment and plenty of food. The Jubilee was sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce. At left, going down the slide is Elyssa Henderson, the daughter of John Henderson. Above, right, Kaury Edwards, flanked by his youngest brother Thomas, perform native American dances. Along with their middle brother, Lee, the brothers from Tulia entertained the crowd, along with Trisha Elliott, Tami Griffitt and Susan Coleman, who sang.

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Dozens of drawings illustrate the trees' leaves or needles and their acorns, berries, seed pods, cones and other identifying features.

"What Tree is That?" is organized to make it easy to identify trees in a simple step-by-step fashion.

"Helping people enjoy and appreciate trees is central to the educational mission of the Arbor Day Foundation," John Rosenow, the Foundation's president, said.

"Being able to identify trees is important to knowing how to care for them and how to plant the right tree in the right place."

To obtain your tree ID guide, send your name and address and \$3 to "What Tree is That?," The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NEB., 68410. Or go online to arborday.org.

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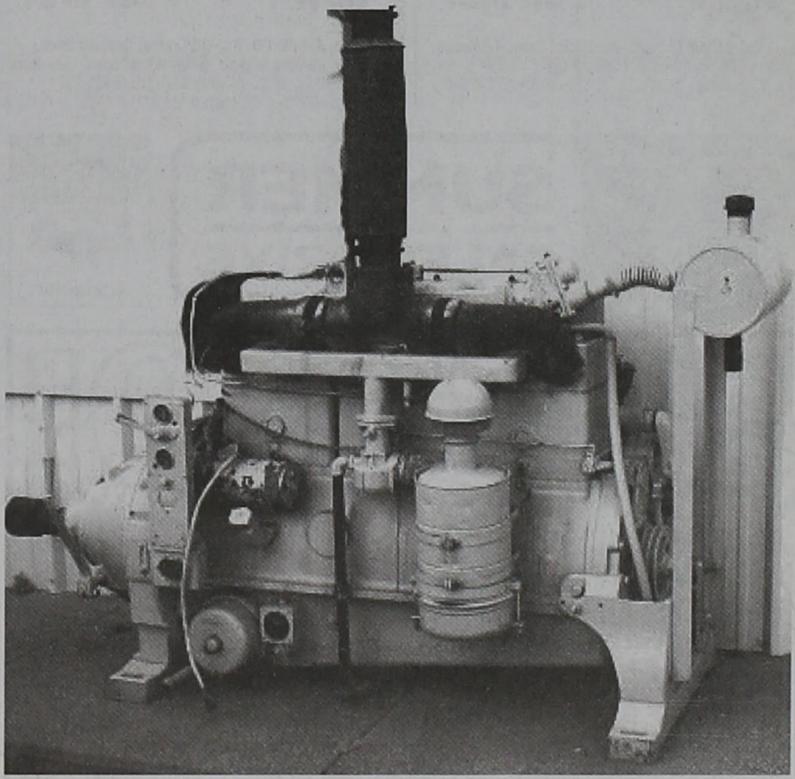
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TOO MUCH CELEBRATING? Apparently Fourth of July celebrants didn't read the road signs on the way to their private fireworks display at the intersection of County Roads 512 and 6130 north of town. The Don't Mess With Texas sign is not too far from the turnoff to CR 512, but those who left this mess didn't seem to care that it may fall to county road crews, spending taxpayer dollars, will have to clean it up.

Fixing Medicare

BY KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON
U.S. Senator - R-Texas

The call for Medicare reform has echoed through the halls of Capitol Hill for years. This June Congress passed significant legislation to bring Medicare up to health care standards of the 21st century.

While Medicare has provided important protections for millions of Americans in the past 37 years, it is an outdated federal program in need of a major overhaul. As the number of beneficiaries has grown, life expectancy has increased and the cost of medical care has skyrocketed, our nation's senior health care program has remained stagnant.

Largely financed by today's workers for today's retirees, Medicare is facing a structural crisis. Currently, Medicare covers 40 million Americans. By 2031, with the baby-boomer generation fully into retirement, it will have to serve an estimated 77 million people and the already-stressed system could be overloaded.

Simply put, too many retirees and not enough workers to fund the system will result in a catastrophic failure to provide care to millions just when they need it most.

This year Congress acted to revitalize Medicare and keep it solvent by addressing two fundamental issues: incorporate a prescription drug benefit into the system and provide seniors with choices in their health care coverage.

Medicare has not kept pace with the rapid changes in our health care system.

As our research community pushes the envelope to develop life-saving medicines and procedures, our nation's health care system must take that innovation into account.

Pharmaceuticals have revolutionized medical care. Increasingly, ailments are treated with medication instead of invasive surgeries and it is imperative that those who rely on Medicare have access to affordable prescription drugs.

When Medicare won't pay for medicine to treat diabetes, but will pay for an amputation of a limb caused by complications from the

disease, we have an obvious problem. But this new legislation corrects that absurd prescription.

The bill establishes comprehensive prescription drug coverage for traditional Medicare participants as well as those who opt for privately sponsored health plans. Beneficiaries will pay an average \$35 monthly premium, a \$275 annual deductible and 50 percent of drug costs up to \$4,500, with a provision for catastrophic coverage when bills exceed \$5,800.

The legislation also addresses the problem inherent with Medicare — its intrinsic inflexibility.

True reform must provide our nation's seniors the freedom to choose physicians and benefits based on their individual needs. This bill does just that.

It does not force participants out of traditional Medicare. If a beneficiary is satisfied with her existing coverage, she has the option to stay put. However, if she chooses to enroll in a private insurance preferred provider organization (PPO) or health maintenance organization (HMO), Medicare will allow that choice.

An important amendment to the Medicare legislation was approved by a 94-1 vote to make generic drugs more readily available to patients, which could significantly reduce their bills.

The amendment eliminates delaying tactics sometimes employed by drug companies to keep lower-cost prescription drugs off the market and inaccessible to consumers.

At the same time, it protects innovation and preserves incentives for companies to invest in research and development.

With the passage of Medicare reform, Congress has reaffirmed an important promise to America's seniors.

This legislation will help bring this venerable program into the 21st century and give our seniors the medical coverage they need and deserve.

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