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Voters get say on nine amendments

By DAVIE ANN BROWDER
Managing Editor

Although there's been little stir, there is an election set for the Tuesday, Nov. 8.

However, the only items on the ballot in Castro County will be nine amendments for voters to contemplate adding to the already lengthy Texas Constitution.

County Clerk Joyce Thomas has begun accepting applications for early voting by mail ballots.

The deadline for applying for a mail ballot is Nov. 1.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at the office of the Castro County Clerk, 100 E. Bedford, Room 101 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

beginning Oct. 24 and ending on Nov. 4.

In-person absentee voting will be Oct. 24-Nov. 4 in the county clerk's office.

The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 8.

Polling places are as follows:

Precinct 1:

101 - Hart Golden Group - 1018 Hwy. 194 (Hwy. 194 & Date St.) - Hart

105 - Sunnyside Baptist Church - 2797 Hwy. 385 (US 385 & CR 628)

109 - Texas Highway Department - 1544 Hwy. 385 - Dimmitt

Precinct 2:

201 - Immaculate Conception Church - 1001 W. Halsell - Dimmitt

206 - Ag Supply (Flagg Fertilizer) 2695 FM 1524

(FM 1524 & FM 1055)

Precinct 3:

301 - First Baptist Church - 1201 Western Circle - Dimmitt

307 - Easter Community Center - 796 FM 1055 (FM 1055 & 2397)

Precinct 4:

401 - District Courtroom - 100 E. Bedford St., Room 200 - Dimmitt

408 - Nazareth Community Hall, 104 N. 1st St. - Nazareth

Applications for ballots should be mailed to: Joyce Thomas, early voting clerk; District/County Clerk; Castro County Courthouse, Room 101; 100 East Bedford; Dimmitt, TX. 79027.

Applications for ballots by mail

must be received not later than the close of business on Nov. 1.

The propositions on the ballot include:

* **Proposition 1:** To create a Texas rail relocation and improvement fund and would authorize grants of state revenue and bond issues to relocate, rehabilitate and expand publicly and privately owned passenger and freight rail facilities and to build railroad overpasses and underpasses.

* **Proposition 2:** The most controversial amendment by far. It was proposed by Rep. Warren Chisum of Pampa, who represents Dimmitt, and it would define marriage as the union of a man and a

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Coming Through



The leading edge of one of several fronts that moved through the area turns the sky into hues of orange and red on Friday afternoon. This shot was taken between Dimmitt and Hart. Starting on Thursday, several successive cool fronts dropped temperatures into the 30s and 40s at night and lower 70s and 60s during the day. For football teams area wide, it was the first night of real football weather and the crowds came out - to both the Nazareth-Hart game in Hart and to follow the Bobcats for their first district game with Friona. For more on the games, see the Dimmitt, Nazareth and Hart sports pages 7, 8 and 9.

DISD trustees rename part of DMS after John W. Blaine

By DAVIE ANN BROWDER
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The Dimmitt ISD Board of Trustees on Monday night voted 5-1 to rename part of Dimmitt Middle School. The two-story part of the school that was once Dimmitt High School will now be called the "John W. Blaine Building" in honor of former coach and superintendent John W. Blaine, who taught, coached and was an administrator in the DISD from 1936 until 1952.

A petition signed by a number of DHS exes was presented to the board by Bill Stephenson, himself a DHS graduate and former teacher in the district.

Trustees noted that they couldn't guarantee that there would be a "John W. Blaine" building in perpetuity, since it's likely that this older building will one day be torn down. And Dimmitt Middle School will remain DMS legally. Adding Blaine's name to part of the structure is purely ceremonial, board president David Schaeffer said.

Among Blaine accomplishments in his seven years of coaching were coaching the girls basketball teams in 1950,

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Castro County Health Fair set for Oct. 19

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is recommending that Texans at high risk of severe influenza complications get their flu shot starting in October.

Luckily for Castro County residents, it's once again time for the Castro County Health Fair, set for 7 a.m. until 6 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 19, at the Senior Citizens Building.

In addition to various vaccines, CCHD will be offering blood pressure and skin cancer screening, cholesterol, diabetes check, glaucoma testing and much more. The following will be available: flu vaccinations, \$15; pneumonia vaccina-

tions, \$30; TSH test, \$21; PSA test, \$25; HBA1C, \$10; glucose test, \$10; lipid panel test, \$10; and bone density test, \$60.

Anyone interested in the blood glucose or lipid checks is asked not to drink or eat anything after midnight. See ad, Page 3.

Blood pressure checks will be done free by Home Health.

Physical therapy will offer Balance Screenings and information about a fitness program. Radiology will be setting up appointments for bone density screenings. WHALE (We Have A Small Emergency) will have child seat identification stickers available. And Coffee Memorial will be holding a blood drive from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Anyone planning on getting a vaccination is asked to wear a short-sleeved shirt or blouse.

In addition, there will be information on the new Medicare Prescription Drug Program. You can enter to win a quilt being raffled by the Hospital Auxiliary, which will be taking orders for fresh Christmas wreaths and garlands.

Last year, the Castro County Health Fair was one of the few places that had an adequate supply of flu vaccine. That was because, CCHD CEO Linda Rasor said, they had placed their order early. This year, the state health department is recommending that certain groups be sure and get the flu vaccine. Those groups include people age 65 and older, residents of long-term care facilities, people ages 2 years to 64 years with chronic health conditions, children ages 6 months to 23 months, pregnant women, health-care workers who provide direct patient care and

household contacts and out-of-home caregivers of children less than 6 months old. Last year, the Castro County Health Fair had enough vaccine for anyone who wanted to get it and nothing has been said this year about limiting the vaccine to certain age groups.

"Many people will ache with the flu this fall and winter," said Dr. Eduardo Sanchez, Commissioner of State Health Services, "but for some, flu can be deadly. Now is the time for those at high risk to get their flu shots."

Flu season typically runs from October through March, and vaccinations can be given at any time during this period. Influenza, or flu, is a viral respiratory illness marked by a sudden onset of fever, headache, extreme tiredness, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose

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Coming Soon!

The Castro County News soon will have a Web presence:
www.castrocountynews.com

Some of the features will include:

- * Fast, electronic same-day delivery of the news to subscribers who live out of state and have had problems getting their papers in a timely manner
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NISD

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appraised value of the district increase by an estimated \$4 million.

* Through attrition we have cut 10 staff members.

The following relate to our combination of staff responsibilities:

- We only have one staff, plus myself in the Superintendent's office.

- The cafeteria manager serves as our school secretary.

- The maintenance and transportation staff only consists of three persons.

- The maintenance director also is our baseball coach.

- We only have four full time coaches.

- The Superintendent also serves as the Athletic Direc-

tor.

- No instructional aides in the school.

- Our Home Economics teacher is also our Pre K teacher

- We have implemented increase costs of cafeteria meals.

- We have implemented transfer fees.

- We do not pay for any students extracurricular meals until district play is complete.

- We do not buy athletics shoes.

These are only a few of the ways we have saved, and continue to save money. This information begs the question, "Then why does each year continue to be a struggle financially?" The following will answer that question:

* In 2000 the state

mandated a \$3,000 raise for all teachers, and funded it for only two years.

* As of 2005, this same raise is costing NISD \$63,000 a year; we will receive only \$2,700 in New Salary money.

* In 2003, the state mandated we pay a year each employee \$2,700 who chose the state health insurance, the state partially funded this mandate for two years.

* As of 2005 this mandate is costing NISD \$60,021.26 annually.

* In 2002 insurance (property, legal and transportation) cost NISD \$17,000 a year.

* As of 2005 NISD's insurance (property, legal and transportation) will cost NISD and estimated \$34,000 annually.

* The raise in the teacher's pay scale for 2005-2006 is expected to cost NISD an additional \$11,000, none of which is funded by the state.

The total of additional unfunded costs upon NISD since 2000 is \$157,021.26 annually.

Yet through all of these cuts and additional cost we still are able to accomplish the following:

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Continuous repeated performance at District, Area, Regional and State contests for academics, band, Career and Technology programs and athletics.

The state continues to tell the public, that public schools are not efficient, other schools sue the state over more money and other non educational state agencies continue to receive more money. I really do not know how much more efficient we can be and continue to receive less funds from the state. The people of Nazareth continue to pay their taxes at a 99 percent collection rate and continue to support the school on all fronts.

Therefore, it is not the money that makes a great school; it is the people that support the school through all seasons. As the superintendent, I will continue to work at maintaining financial integrity with the continued increases in state requirements and the continued decreases in state funding.



Left to right: CCHD board members, Dr. W.J. Hill and Layne Myatt; CCHD COO-CFO Nathan Flood; Karen Sheffey and Joe Josselet, First United Bank; CCHD board chairman Henry Ramaekers; CCHD CEO Linda Rasor; CCHD board member Carolyn Sides; CCHD's Director of Nurses Trudy Jackson; and Joyce Skelton, CCHD Comptroller at First United Bank on Tuesday as Ramaekers paid off the note owed by CCHD.

CCHD pays off note

Castro County Hospital District Board of Directors Chairman Henry Ramaekers, along with other members of the board, presented First United Bank on Tuesday with the final payment for an operating loan that was needed by the hospital district to continue operating in the fall of 2002.

The \$1.8 million loan was obtained to give the hospital district time to begin the process of becoming a stable and profitable public entity.

Over the course of the last three years, the hospital district has seen many dramatic

changes. The hospital has become a Critical Access facility, the billing for the district has been brought back in-house, several services have been discontinued and expenses have been addressed.

These changes would not have come about if not for the support of the two local banks, especially First United Bank and Ray Bain, said Linda Rasor, CCHD CEO. The hospital district ended fiscal 2005 in the black for the first time in nine years. Rasor said the work and dedication of the employees of CCHD was a major factor in its turnaround.

NAZ NEWS

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Toby Gerber, Dolly Schulte and Lisa Schulte enjoyed their annual trip to "Sorehead Days" at Stanton - a craft show with more than 700 vendors. They drove back to Dolly's lake house near Colorado City each evening to relax and play "sols."

Joe and Imogene Drerup, Kevin, Janice, Dwayne and Martha Huseman flew to Riverside, Calif., to see their brother, Keith Huseman, and family and their aunt Gene Nihill and her children, Darlene and Jeff.

They toured the USS Maiden aircraft carrier in San Diego. The ship was completed in 1945 and was used until 1991. It was quite an experience touring it. They met the president of the project and he took them on a tour of parts of the ship that aren't accessible to the public year.

They went to watch Ricky Huseman race on Saturday and Sunday in the CORR pickup dirt races in San Diego. He came in third on Saturday. On Sunday, he rolled his pickup over and finally got turned back over to come in 10th. He came in fifth-place overall. It was very exciting to watch. Jeff Huseman is also starting to race and is building him a pickup this winter for next season.

Please remember to pray for all of our sick people - as well as those who are serving in our Armed Forces, especially those stationed in Iraq. This week we add Nellie Wilhelm, who will have surgery and Matilda Anderle, who is still in Bivins Rehab in Amarillo.

CHURCH

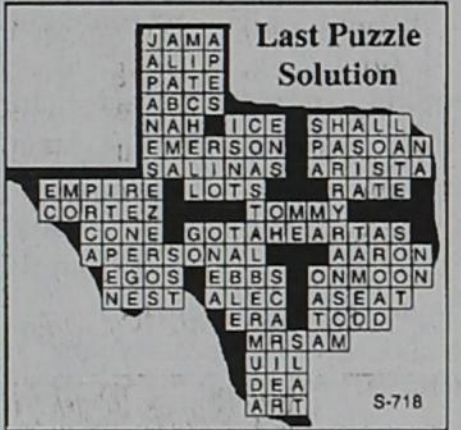
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illiterate. Because of our lack of Bible knowledge, indignation from the truth is continuing at an alarming

rate in which many "untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the scriptures" (2 Peter 3:16).

Since we have failed to learn a lesson from past history we are seeing the same problems arise again today. The attitude today is "I want it and I am going to have it my way."

Brett Page is the preacher at Fourth and Bedford Church of Christ, Dimmitt.



ACROSS

- 1 TX Carolyn Jones film: "The Seven Year ____"
- 5 natl. college sports org. (abbr.)
- 6 hair coil
- 7 former Houston mayor Lanier (init.)
- 8 this Heisman winner Brown played h.s. ball in Dallas
- 9 rubs it in
- 15 Odessa AM
- 16 book: "Little ____ of the Texas Revolution"
- 19 in Grand Prairie: "Ripley's Believe ____"
- 21 Tex Ritter was Johnny ____ in "The Arizona Trail"
- 22 TX O. Henry's "A Houston ____"
- 27 San Antonio AM
- 28 TXism: "gave 'em ____ and a hug"
- 29 this Doug pitched for Astros ('93-'97)
- 30 song: "It ____ You"
- 32 a TX Mandrell (init.)
- 33 TXism: "hot ____ in July"
- 36 TXism: "feel like ____ chewed up and spit out"
- 37 TX pilot Chennault was adviser to Chiang ____-shek
- 38 what Jack took up the hill? (2 wds.)
- 39 produce electricity
- 41 areas along the Gulf

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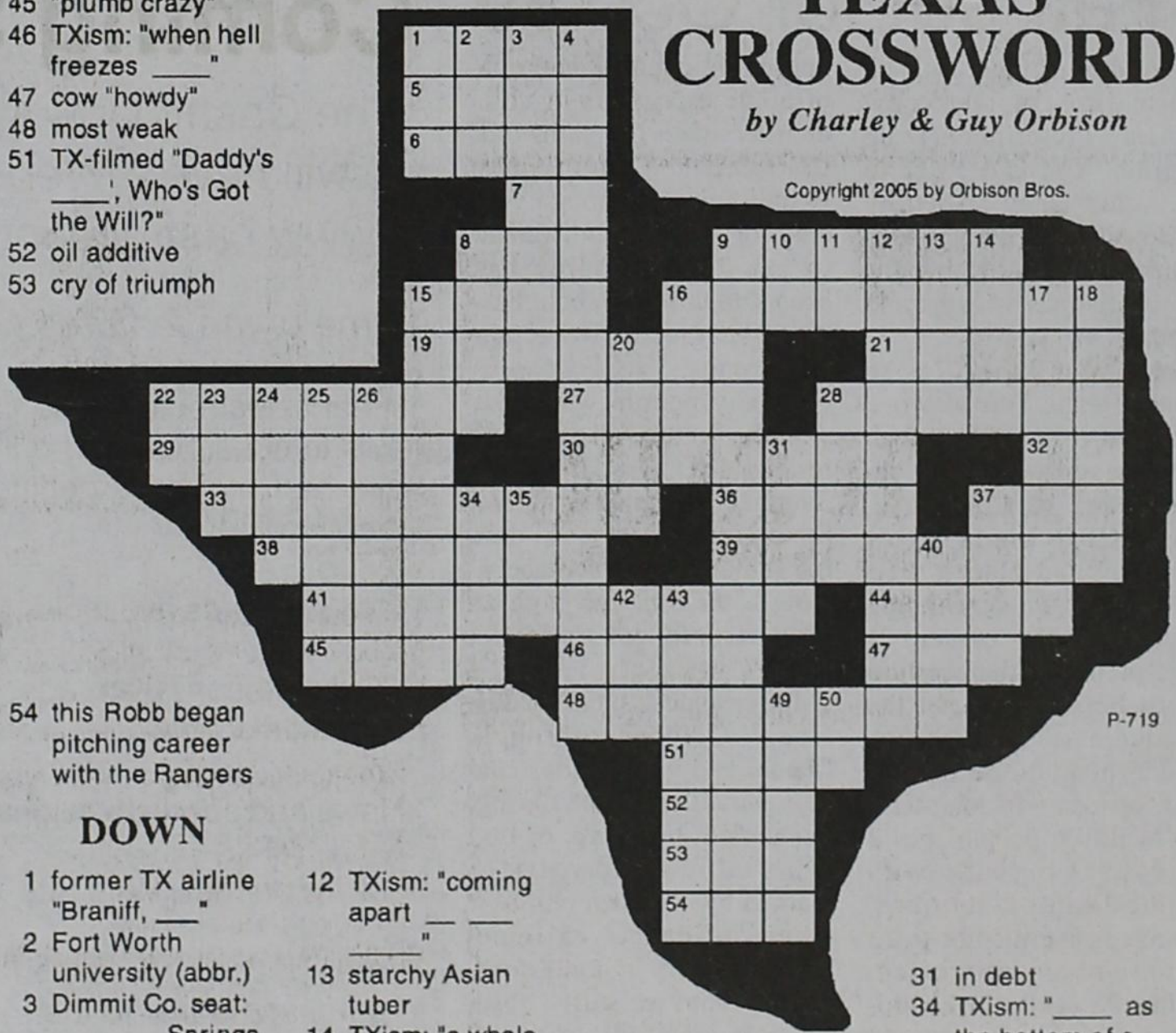
- 1 former TX airline "Braniff, ____"
- 2 Fort Worth university (abbr.)
- 3 Dimmit Co. seat: ____ Springs
- 4 TV movie producer: "____ Fame"
- 8 TXism for "carry"
- 9 TX Buck Owens' "I've ____ Tail"
- 10 TX Sissy played this Loretta in "Coal Miner's Daughter" (init.)
- 11 TX Janis died of this (abbr.)

The Original

TEXAS CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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WEATHER	High	Low	Prec.	Snow
	Tuesday	84	57	
Wednesday	82	48		
Thursday	49	39	.02	
Friday	65	40		
Saturday	73	40		
Sunday	71	47	.26	
Monday	60	33	Tr.	
Oct. Rainfall			.65	
2005 Rainfall			18.35	
2005 Snow			3.90 inches	

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

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On the Go

with Dorothy Hopson, 647-4579

The Dimmitt High School classes of 1965 and 1964 celebrated their 40th class reunion recently at the Dallas Marriott Quorum Hotel in fine fashion. Several of the alumni live in Dallas, so they organized and hosted the big weekend.

Patty George Summers told me about the fun they had and said she would be glad to tell me about it. When the time came for me to get the information for "On the Go" Patty was in Dallas and Fort Worth on business!

I decided to call a good friend, Jerry Kay Dodd Rhode, who is a 1965 DHS graduate and lives in

Burleson. Here's her story: Several members of the DHS graduating class of 1965 live in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. David and Sue Hendrix Vaughan and Linda Shreck Ditto began calling other 1965 grads and before long they'd created a lot of excitement and plans for a reunion.

The Dallas Marriott Quorum Hotel was the selected site for the celebration. There were about 75 or 80 grads, spouses and three or four mothers who attended. Myrtle Lois Moran was one of the mothers but we didn't get the names of the others.

Friday night was the "Meet and Greet" time. Saturday night was a dinner and dance

and Sunday morning was a goodbye brunch.

Some of those attending were Sue Hendrix and David Vaughan and Linda Shreck Ditto. Jerry Kay said that these ladies did a lot of the work to get the reunion together. Others that a lot of us remember that live in that area and who helped make the gathering fun are Tommy Nichols, Arnold Acker, Linda Davis Johnson and Jerry Kay Dodd Rhodes. Shari and Gene Bradley were there from Dimmitt and I'm sure there were others.

After I'd let Patty George Summers get away before I got the information, I called Jerry Kay. She was at home

in Burleson and Patty Summers was with her. I enjoyed hearing about all the fun they had and here's hoping that they'll do this again in 2065! To quote Mary Edna, "And a good time was had by all!"

If someone from the Class of 1964 would call me, I'd like to hear about your special time. My numbers at the top.

We called Jacksonville to check on our friends Edith and Stacy Davis. We thought Hurricane Rita had come very close to their town. They were safe and their town was in tact.

However Edith had an interesting story to tell. Jacksonville had been host to about 200 victims of the damaging storm. The refuge

for the people was in the family center of Central Baptist Church of Jacksonville. These people seeking shelter were from Beaumont, Orange, Port Arthur and Jasper. These towns were still without power as of Wednesday of last week. Jacksonville was completely out of gas at one time during the storm but was unscathed.

The people who had left their homes to get out of the hurricane started coming through Jacksonville. The steady stream of cars bought every drop of fuel that Jacksonville had.

Edith was helping prepare food for the evacuees and Stacy was doing a great job of helping to entertain those who were stranded. He had planned a talent show for

one night's entertainment. One preacher and his daughter sang some hymns and many others performed. Lots of other organizations and churches were also helping to feed the people.

One woman with two sons had made it to safety to Jacksonville and the shelter, but she had been separated from her husband and their baby. Stacy's niece saw a man with a small child on T.V.

The man was looking for his wife and two boys. It didn't take long for Janice to realize that she might just know where his wife was. It was a very gratifying experience for the Davis family to be a part of helping to unite this family and minister to those who needed food and shelter.

Hispanic Voice

with Angie Arguijo, 647-0106

Hola, amigos. Hello, friends. I hope everyone got their sweaters out of the attic in time. I hate to say it, but I don't have much to share this week, but as always what I do have is important.

Huge congratulations to Jose and Olga Barrios. They are the proud parents of a baby girl named Crystal Marie Barrios. Crystal was born Oct. 4 in Hereford. Crystal has an older brother, Darien, who's surely gonna help look after her. Her grandparents are Nicolas and Maria Gonzalez and Jose Barrios and Martha Barrios.

My neighbor, Santos G. Perez says she wants to warn her friends about something. "Quidensen de las arranas!! Watch out for spiders!!"

This past week she was bitten by a spider and it landed her in the hospital for a few days. She's now home, and feeling better, but she's more careful about her surroundings. She says those little critters can be anywhere - the toilet, a chair, your clothes, anywhere. So, cuidado en donde se sientan. Be careful where you sit down.

Josh, me, my niece, Monica

Dozal, and her friends, Jessica and Sarah, all enjoyed a really fun night at the Palominos dance last Sunday. I hope the girls went to school on Monday, if not then I just ruined it for them. Anyway, it's always great when Los Palominos put on a show for in Dimmitt. Monica's older sister, Maggie and her hubby Martin and their friends also hit the dance floor and enjoyed Los Palominos oldies and their new hits.

Bueno, esto es todo para esta semana. Okay, that's all for this week. With the holidays just around the corner, I hope to hear more from my readers. As always, send your info to angie79027@hotmail.com, 647-0106 or 346-3882. Hasta luego.

Naz News

with Vergie Gerber, 945-2669

Congratulations to Lawrence Schmucker who was honored on his 80th birthday with a family dinner on Sunday at the Home Merc. A large gathering of friends also attended an "Open House" for him during the afternoon at the Home Merc. "Smick's" two sisters, Louise Braddock and Alvina Gerber, and several of his nieces had a fun time decorating and planning the event, which turned out great.

A large group of Senior Citizens met at the Center on Sunday evening for fellowship, dinner, a short meeting and cards of choice. Peggy Nunn and Ronda Jacobsen presented a short program on Outreach Health Services of Amarillo.

The Senior Citizens all wish to thank Dianne Wilhelm for all of her work in obtaining a grant to install new handicap restrooms in our Center. October birthdays were recognized with Alice Palazzini, Lawrence Schmucker, Louis Huseman, Alvina Gerber, Evelyn Backus and Leola Ramaekers. Special guests were Father Ken Keller and Gene and Susie Gerber of Keller.

A big thanks to our Holy Family Church Youth Group, who delivered decorated pumpkins around town on Sunday evening as part of their "Halloween Gathering." It was a fun evening for all as they filled a long trailer with pumpkins and kids. I will sure enjoy mine!

Ronnie and Regina Hoelting are home after spending a few days in Austin with their children, Barry and Rhonda Boyett, Blake, Megan and Tommy Lee, also Russel and Denice Hoelting, Natalie, Shane and Jake. They watched Tommy Lee play football and Megan volleyball. They helped Rhonda and Russel celebrate their birthdays and

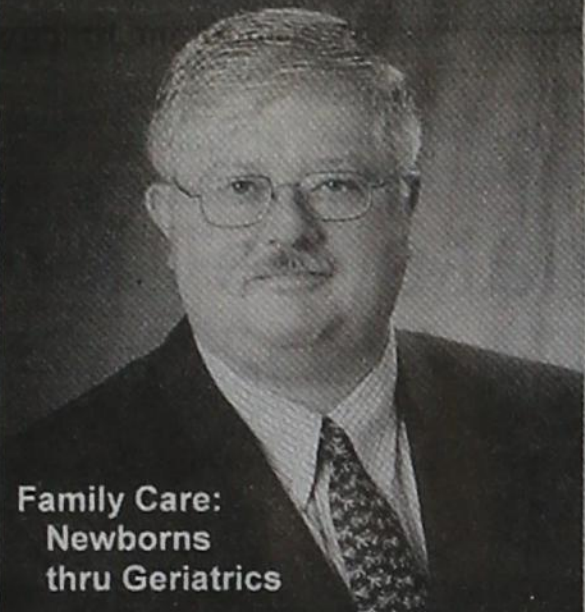
as there was no school Wednesday and Thursday, they enjoyed taking care of their grandchildren. They loved every day of their visit, but were glad to get back home to their small little town!

Brigitta Dobmeier received her 60th year pin recently at the Catholic Daughters meeting. Brigitta was a charter member. She was the first Regent of our Court, organized in 1944! She has been a faithful member all of these years and still continues to attend meetings.

Cecil and Norita Hoelting are home after spending the week in Dallas visiting their children, Mark and Vera Hoelting, Kevin and Nicole Hoelting, Dale and Susan Hoelting and Annette Hoelting and their grandchildren. They stayed with Dale's children, Melissa and Brianna and took them to school each morning. Norita enjoyed shopping in Canton and a quilt show and Cecil went to a car show with Mark and his son.

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Family Medicine



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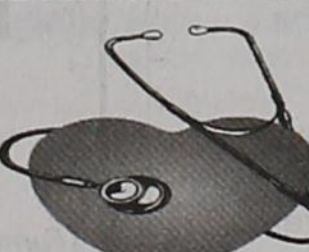
COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR!

See you at the Senior Citizens Center at 218 W. Jones on Wednesday,
October 19th from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

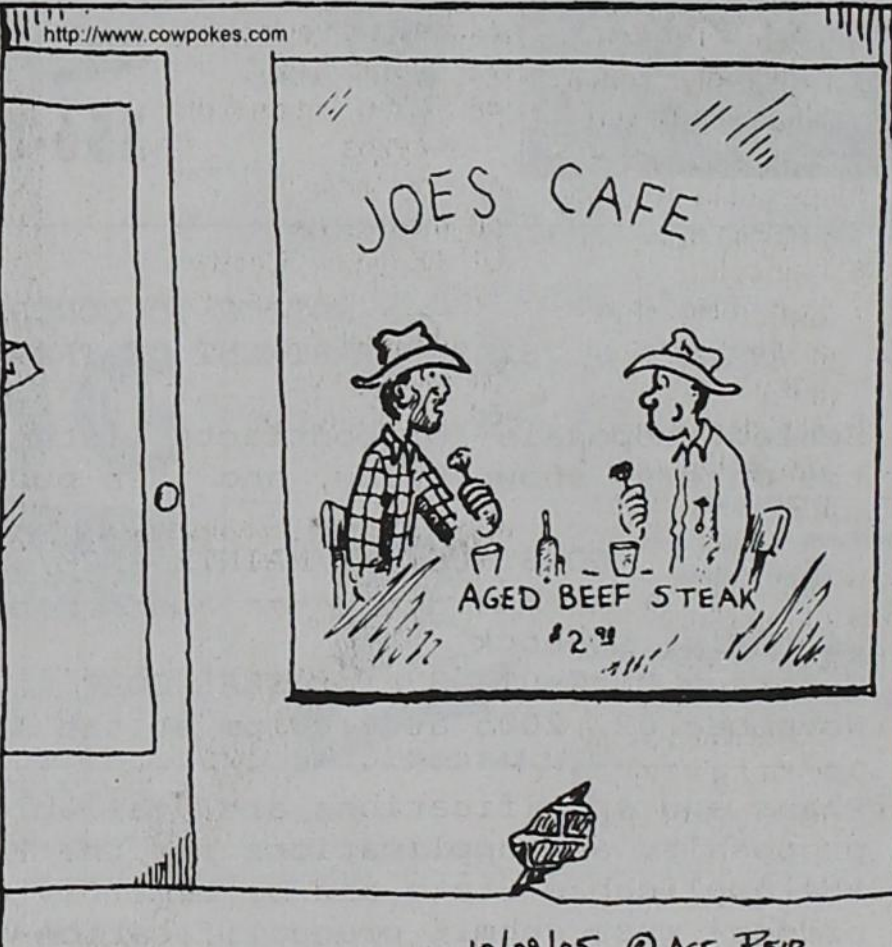
It's time for the Castro County Health Fair! Every year Health Care becomes more important. CCHD is privileged to be able to offer blood pressure and skin cancer screening, cholesterol, diabetes check, glaucoma testing and much more.

The following will be available:
 FLU VACCINATIONS-\$15.00
 PNEUMONIA VACCINATIONS-\$30.00
 TSH test-\$21.00
 PSA test-\$25.00
 HBA1C test-\$10.00
 GLUCOSE test-\$10.00
 LIPID PANEL test-\$15.00
 BONE DENSITY test-\$60.00

If you are interested in blood glucose or lipid checks please do not drink or eat anything after midnight. Free blood pressure checks by Home Health. **Physical Therapy** will offer Balance Screenings and information about fitness programs. **Radiology** will be setting up appointments for **bone density** screenings. **WHALE** (We Have A Small Emergency) will have child seat identification stickers available. Coffee Memorial will be holding a blood drive from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.



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Military News

Carson A. Gerber, PFC, graduated from Basic Combat Training at Fort Jackson, S.C., on July 8, 2005 and Advanced Individual Training at Fort Bragg, N.C., on Oct. 6, 2005.

He is a 2003 graduate of Nazareth High School. He is the son of Carroll and Denice Gerber and the grandson of Hank and Evelyn Rossi and Vergie Gerber.

In BCT, he was taught the core values and skills of becoming a soldier and in

AIT, he trained to become a Civil Affairs Specialist - part of the Special Operation Forces.

He was taught invaluable skills in areas such as: populace and resource control, civil military operations, humanitarian assistance, emergency services, foreign nation support and government development.

He also received an in-depth training and application of unarmed combatives, military convoy operations, weapons training and sur-



Carson A. Gerber

vival training.

He is currently assigned to the 413th Civil Affairs Battalion at Lubbock.

Dent & Co. sells to Ray Lee Equipment

"How do you put into words a period of 53 years of service in this area - selling John Deere equipment - the Dent family has provided their customers?" asks Ronnie Dent. "It's difficult."

Chubby and Pansy Dent started in the hardware business in 1952 and in that same year were approved by John Deere to be a dealer in the small West Texas town of Earth.

In 1962, a son Tuffy Dent came back into the business and was instrumental in its growth until his death in 1996. Another son, Ronnie Dent, joined the business in 1978 at which time the Dents purchased the dealership at Muleshoe. In 1987, the Dents purchased the dealership in Clovis, New Mexico, and in 1988, another son, Dale Dent, joined the business to manage the store at Clovis while Ronnie continued managing the Muleshoe dealership.

How do Ronnie and Dale Dent put into words the end of an era - Dents serving the people of this area? Ronnie and Dale both agree that you have to "look at it as the beginning of a new era in each of our lives."

Both will still be managing their stores in Muleshoe and Clovis, just under a different name - Ray Lee Equipment.

Ronnie and Dale officially an-

nounced the selling of Dent & Co. of Muleshoe and Dent & Co. of Clovis to Ray Lee Equipment Co., Ltd. on Monday, Oct. 10, at an employee meeting. The transfer of ownership takes effect Nov. 1, 2005.

The Dent and Lee families have enjoyed a long history of working together to satisfy their customer's agricultural needs. The Dent brothers look forward to leading their employees toward meeting those same John Deere equipment needs under the new name.

Ray Lee and Barbara along with their two sons Mark and Aaron and their families "welcome the Dents into their family to continue serving the people of West Texas and Eastern New Mexico for all of their John Deere equipment needs."

"On behalf of the Dent families, Dale and I want to acknowledge our employees for making the business successful," said Ronnie Dent. "We truly want to extend our appreciation the customers and farm families who allowed the Dent family to serve them and their agriculture needs, and we appreciate the relationship we have had over these 53 years with the John Deere Company, from the Popping Johnny to the most advanced technology in the industry. It's been a real pleasure."

Castro County Grand Jury issues 14 indictments

The Castro County Grand Jury handed down 14 indictments on Oct. 4.

They include the following:

* Julian Lopez Gil, Dimmitt, possession of a controlled substance, less than one gram.

* Julia Lopez Gil, Dimmitt, assault bodily injury - family member, enhanced.

* Gwendolyn Pevehouse, Dimmitt, theft of property, over \$1,500 and under \$20,000.

* John David Gutierrez, Hart, forgery of a financial instrument.

* Jose Carlos Martinez Jr., Dimmitt, forgery of a financial instrument.

* Adolfo Ruiz, Dimmitt, forgery of a financial instrument.

* Ricardo Melendez Ramirez, Dimmitt, driving

while intoxicated, third or more

* Ricardo Melendez Ramirez, Dimmitt, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle

* David Villa Delgado, Hereford, forgery of a financial instrument

* Jim Brett Hanks, Muleshoe, criminal mischief over \$1,500 and under

\$20,000

* Atilano Rosalez, Dimmitt, possession of a controlled substance, less than one gram

* David Diaz Jr., Hart, indecency with a child, sexual contact

* Jonathan W. Johnson, Nazareth, assault with bodily injury (misdemeanor A)

What's the Law?

Q. If a hospital sues me, can they take my furniture and clothing? The debt collector said they can and will.

A. Even if you are sued, you get to keep what is called "exempt" property.

In Texas, most of your clothing and furniture is exempt.

For a single person up to \$30,000 of personal property is exempt, for a family up to \$60,000.

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Dist/Div: Lubbock
Contract 0052-01-037 for SEAL COAT in PARMER County, etc will be opened on November 02, 2005 at 1:00 pm at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.
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Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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CHURCH NEWS



Our present apostasy

"Because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion; that they should believe a lie that they all might be damned who believe not the truth."

-2 Thessalonians 2:10-12

Apostasy means, "Falling away". Apostasy is

caused by those who "want to pervert the gospel of Christ" (Galatians 1:7). The church in the first century was warned, "There will be false teachers among you who secretly bring in destructive heresies" (2 Peter 2:1). There is an apostasy that is now occurring in many congregations. It was predicted in 1 Timothy 4:1-2, "Now the Spirit expressly

says that in later times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron." The end result of apostasy is many will lose their souls in eternity.

Many departures have occurred during the past 2000 years, which have resulted in hundreds of different kinds of churches.

Paul says, *"For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be*



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turned aside to fables" (2 Timothy 4:3-4). The apostasy we are facing is not caused by those outside the church but from within. Paul warned the Ephesian elders; "Also from among yourselves men will rise up speaking perverse things to draw away disciples after themselves" (Acts 20:30).

The reason we are facing this apostasy is the rejection of Bible authority and our lack of Bible

knowledge. God says in *Hosea 4:6, "My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge."* Brethren are not studying their Bibles the way we did in the past. We are becoming Biblically illiterate.
See CHURCH, Page 2

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WHEN PHARAOH WAS ADVISED BY JOSEPH TO STORE UP ALL THE FOOD GROWN IN THE LAND DURING SEVEN YEARS OF PLENTY, AGAINST THE TIME WHEN THERE WOULD BE SEVEN YEARS FAMINE, ALL OF WHICH JOSEPH HAD PREDICTED BY INTERPRETING PHARAOH'S DREAM (GENESIS 41:25-44), PHARAOH WAS SO PLEASED HE MADE JOSEPH RULER OF THE ENTIRE LAND, SECOND ONLY TO PHARAOH, HIMSELF!

JOSEPH IMMEDIATELY HAD HUGE STORE-HOUSES BUILT TO HOARD EGYPT'S PRODUCE AND, WHEN THE FAMINE SET IN THERE WAS FOOD APLENTY—BUT JOSEPH DIDN'T GIVE THE FOOD TO THE PEOPLE—HE SOLD IT TO THEM AND, WHEN THEY RAN OUT OF MONEY, HE TOOK THEIR ANIMALS IN PAYMENT ON THE GRAIN THEY NEEDED FOR FOOD AND TO PLANT AS SEED....

FINALLY, WHEN THE FARMERS NEEDED MORE FOOD AND GRAIN, THEY HAD NOTHING LEFT BUT THEIR LAND WHICH JOSEPH TOOK TITLE TO IN THE NAME OF PHARAOH IN PAYMENT FOR MORE FOOD AND GRAIN—SO THE PHARAOH WOUND UP OWNING ALL THE LAND OF EGYPT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE LANDS OWNED BY THE PRIESTHOOD! THE PRIESTS, WHO BY TRADITIONAL LAW, WERE FED FROM PHARAOH'S STORES, HENCE THEY HADN'T HAD TO BUY ANY FOOD OR GRAIN AND KEPT THEIR LANDS!

AFTER THAT, JOSEPH GAVE THE PEOPLE FREE GRAIN WITH WHICH TO PLANT MORE CROPS BUT THEY HAD TO GIVE TO PHARAOH ONE-FIFTH OF ALL THAT THEIR LAND PRODUCED, FROM THEN ON! WITHOUT A DOUBT, THIS WAS THE MOST EFFECTIVE TAKE-OVER OF A LAND BY ONE MAN THAT HISTORY HAS EVER RECORDED—"EFFICIENCY EXPERT" IS A MILD TERM FOR A MAN OF JOSEPH'S CALIBER, WHO HAD COME INTO EGYPT AS A SLAVE AND, IN DUE TIME, ENSLAVED THE ENTIRE NATION—ALL BY HIMSELF!

NEXT WEEK: TAKING OFF OF A SHOE IS A VERY SERIOUS MATTER!!

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Obituaries

James Allan McClure

A memorial service for James Allan McClure, 75, of Brownfield and formerly of Dimmitt, will be at 2:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 14, 2005, at Colonial Funeral Home Chapel in Dimmitt with the Rev. Steve Carter officiating. Mr. McClure died Friday, Oct. 7, 2005, in Brownfield.

Family visitations will be held from 1 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, 2005, in Colonial Funeral Home in Dimmitt.

He was born Jan. 28, 1930, in Bingen, Ark. He married Betty Awbrey on May 27, 1956. They were married for 49 years. He was a life-time produce broker and a produce buyer for Kroger, as well as a partner in DIMCO Industries Inc. He attended the University of Arkansas in Magnolia, where he played college football. He served in the Navy from 1950-1954 as well as being a Korean War Veteran. He was a member of Emanuel Baptist Church in Nashville, Ark. He was an avid golfer and after retirement spent quality time

with his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Betty McClure of Brownfield; three children, Allan McClure and wife Janie of Brownfield, Howie McClure of Lubbock and Christy McGee and husband Max of Brownfield; one sister, Judith Parrish and husband Gerald of Horton, Ala.; two brothers, Verl McClure and wife Sue of Nashville, Ark. and Robin McClure and wife Kay Lynn of Beebe, Ark.; six grandchildren, Leath McClure and wife Erin of Lubbock, Ryan Moore and wife Amber of Brownfield, Matt McClure of Brownfield, Jossalyn McDaniel and husband Derrick of Oklahoma City, Okla., Jacquelyn McClure of Shongaloo, La., and Bob McClure of Shongaloo, La.; and three great-grandchildren, Carter Moore of Brownfield, Addison McClure of Lubbock and Kaydan McDaniel of Oklahoma City, Okla.



Obituary

Obituaries are printed in the Castro County News free of charge and will contain the following types of information: date and details of funeral and place of burial; date and place of birth and parents names; date of marriage; limited biographical information, including the highest level of schooling achieved, service in the Armed Forces, profession (and retirement information if applicable); names of relatives who have preceded the person in death; names of survivors

(including husband and wife, parents, in-laws, brothers, sisters, grandparents (only the number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren will be included); and where memorials may be directed. We will be pleased to run a one column black and white photo at no charge. A larger photo or a color photo will cause the obit to be paid. Please keep in mind that everything must be submitted by your funeral home.

Q. My daughter and her husband were divorced about one year ago.

He has custody of the children. At first he let me visit my grandchildren, now he refuses.

He does not want me to have any contact with my grandchildren. Do I have any legal rights?

A. Yes you do. Under Texas law, a grandparent may file a suit to request access to a grandchild.

A court may order reasonable access if it is in the best interest of the child. Additionally, the statute requires other facts be present such as:

1. the grandparent requesting access is the parent of a parent of the child who is in jail or has been declared incompetent or is dead; or
2. the parents of the child are divorced; or
3. the child has been abused or neglected; or
4. the child has resided with the grandparent for at least six months within the prior 24-month period.

In your case, because the parents are divorced, you have the right to petition the court to visit with your grandchildren.

If the court finds that it would be in the best interest of your grandchildren to visit with you, it can order that you be provided with access to the children.

I should point out, however, that under this statute a

grandparent has no right to access if both parents are living with the child and do not want the grandparent to visit. In that case, the law honors the parents desires.

Q. My husband told me he wants a divorce. I was shocked.

I do not think we should get divorced. I believe we can work out any of our problems. What can I do to contest the divorce?

A. If you mean "what can I do to stop the divorce," the answer is not much. Texas is what is known as a "no fault" divorce state. This means that you do not have to prove one or the other parties was at fault in causing the marriage to fail.

If one party wants a divorce, there will be a divorce. You may be able to delay or postpone the divorce, but you cannot prevent it.

All that is required to obtain a divorce is proof that "the marriage has become insupportable due to discord or conflict of personalities" that has destroyed the "legitimate ends of a marriage relationship," and "prevents any reasonable expectation of reconciliation."

If one party, for example your husband, testifies with respect to this test, there probably are adequate grounds for the judge to grant the divorce.

Notice of Special Election (Aviso de Eleccion Especial)

To the registered voters of the County of Castro, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Condado de Castro, Texas):
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on November 8, 2005, for voting in a special election to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas.

(Notifiquese, por la presente, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 8 de Noviembre de 2005, para votar en La Eleccion Especial para adoptar o rechazar la enmiendas propuestas constitucional asi como fueron sometidas por la 97a Legislatura Sesion Regular, de la Estado de Texas.)

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| Precinct 4 | 401 | District Courtroom - 100 E. Bedford St., Room 200 - Dimmitt |
| | 408 | Nazareth Community Hall - 104 N. 1 st St. - Nazareth |

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at: the office of the Castro County Clerk, 100 E. Bedford, Room 101 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning October 24, 2005 and ending on November 4, 2005.

(La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de Lunes a Viernes en la oficina del Secretario del Distrito y Condado de Castro, Texas entre las 8:00 a.m. y las 5:00 p.m. empezando el 24 de Octubre de 2005 y terminado el 4 de Noviembre de 2005.)

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to:
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Bobcats fall to Friona Set to take on Olton Friday

By **DAVIE BROWDER**
Managing Editor

The scoreboard said it all, Friona 42, Dimmitt 6.

"We didn't play real well, gave up some easy, early points and got ourselves into a whole real fast," said head coach Rob Wills. The Bobcats had only three first downs and 11 yards on offense in a game where the team dug a hole for itself early on. The Bobcats had 30 yards passing, but minus 19 yards rushing.

Friona jumped ahead 30-0 in the first quarter - and never looked back.

Chance Lewellen ran 30 yards for a score after a fumble recovery. Then Ruben Chico ran two yards for the second score. The

"And on the bright side, some of our younger kids stepped up and got after it. That's encouraging."

- Coach Rob Wills

Antonio Monreal kick made it 13-0. Next Friona scored a safety. Still in the first quarter, a 47-yard run by Sawyer Reed gave the Chieftains their next score. The Monreal PAT was good. Finally, a 20-yard fumble recovery and run by Lewellen with the kick by

Monreal ended the first quarter.

Dimmitt got on the board in the second period, when Scott Martinez intercepted a pass and ran it back for 77 yards and the score.

Friona scored two more times - both in the third quarter. First Andrew Chico ran one yard for a touchdown, but the kick failed. Then Chico ran 11 yards and the PAT failed, giving the Chieftains their final 42-6 win.

"At least one of Friona's scores came because of our inexperience," Wills said. "The players didn't all realize that you can pick up a lateral and run with it - they thought it was an incomplete pass. We gave them short fields all night long and it was three and out most of the night for us."

It's on offense where the Bobcats have the biggest problems, he said.

"It seems like we make the same mistakes over and over," Wills said. "We ask ourselves all the time, what can we do different. We have to continue working on the fundamentals. Eventually they will either catch on or they won't."

Although Wills said he could blame the loss on losing four varsity players - three of them starters - to grade, he won't.

"It's an opportunity for

someone else to step up," he said.

"We were struggling the same way before we lost those players.

"And on the bright side, some of our younger kids on Friday stepped up and got after it. That's encouraging."

Defensive standouts on Friday included linebacker Rye Patton, defensive ends Aaron Herrera and J.D. Fowler and Ross Myatt in the secondary, who did a "real good job, had several tackles and a key interception."

Offensively, "there were times we worked real good," Wills said. "But then we'd get a penalty and back us up again. We punted three times from our endzone."

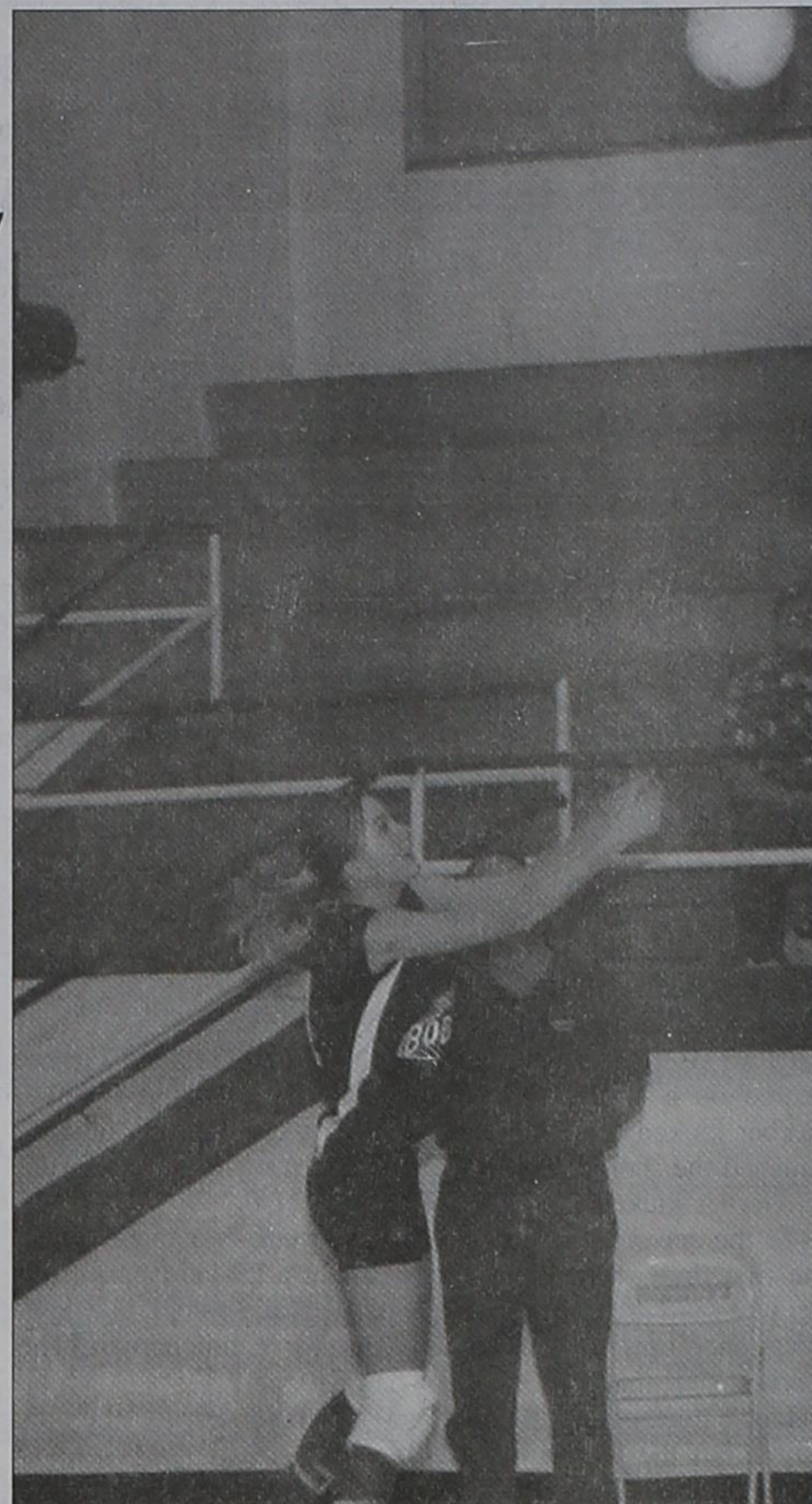
Wills said he thought Martinez's interception and return for a score would spark the team - but that didn't happen.

This week, the seventh and eighth-grade teams will be combined for a game Thursday at 6 p.m.

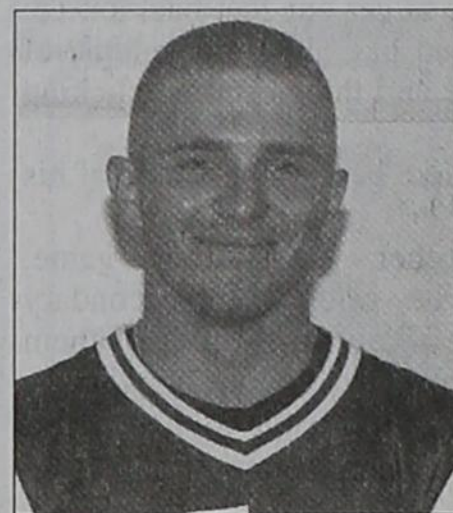
Then on Friday night, the Bobcats host Olton in a 7:30 p.m. district matchup.

"I think we matchup well against them if we execute," Wills said.

"They throw the ball pretty well and have a pretty good running back. If we get any production offensively, we'll do well."



ABOVE, MOLLY BRADFORD sets up the ball for the Bobbies during Saturday's game against Colorado City at Cleveland Gym.



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Oct. 18	JV-V Friona	There	5 p.m.*
Oct. 22	OPEN		
Oct. 25	JV-V Shallowater	Home	5 p.m.*

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Aug. 26	New Deal 42	DIMMITT 0
Sept. 2	Farwell 0	DIMMITT 6
Sept. 9	Abernathy 40	DIMMITT 0
Sept. 16	Sundown 48	DIMMITT 2
Sept. 23	Plains 9	DIMMITT 6
Sept. 30	OPEN	
Oct. 7	Friona 42	DIMMITT 6
Oct. 14	Olton	Home 7:30 p.m.
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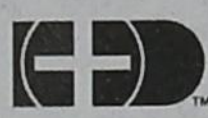
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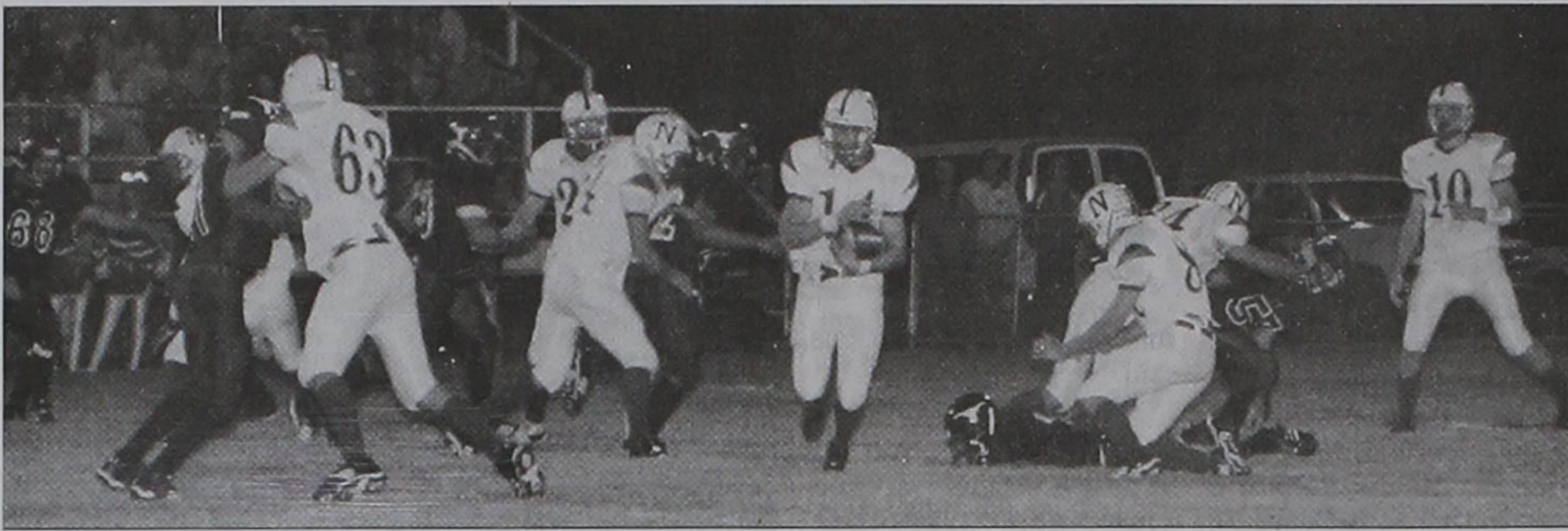
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ZANE FARRIS, NO. 14 for Nazareth, tucks the ball away as he gets free on a run in the first quarter of Friday's matchup with Hart. It was the first district game for both teams.

Nazareth handles Hart, 48-0

By **DAVIE ANN BROWDER**
Managing Editor

HART - The Nazareth Swifts scored the first two times they got their hands on the football - but both scores were called back for illegal use of hands. However, the Swifts still put 21 points on the scoreboard in the first quarter in their defeat of Hart, 48-0.

The first score came on a 6-yard run by Tucker Waggoner; Clifford Gerber kicked the PAT. Next, Clifford Gerber scored on a 6-yard pass from quarterback Dustin Schulte. Gerber kicked the PAT and the Swifts led 14-0. Waggoner finished the scoring in the first quarter with a 3-yard run. C. Gerber kicked the PAT to make it 21-0.

In the second quarter, the Swifts struck two more times, the first time when Zane Farris caught a 29-yard pass from Schulte and scored. Gerber's kick made it 28-0. Next, Waggoner ran in from 7-yards out for a touchdown. The Gerber kick made it 35-0.

In the third period, Schulte ran 3-yards for a score; the kick failed, but the Swifts led, 41-0.

In the final period, Chase Black caught a 47-yard toss from Cameron Cluck to score. The C. Gerber kick was good, giving Nazareth 48 points on the night.

"We had a few penalties early - made mistakes we hadn't been making," said Nazareth head football coach Ricky Peacock. "Part of that was trying to get our feet back on the ground after a week off. It seemed like about the middle of the first quarter, we hit our stride and things started clicking again."

The part of the game Peacock like best was the play of his defense.

"Defensively, we had another outstanding game, especially in the secondary," he said. "Our secondary played awfully well, keeping the receivers in front of them and coming up and making solid tackles. I thought we handled that real well. I felt like we were able to take Hart's passing game away from them. That was our game plan - make them run the ball."

For next week, Peacock said, the Swifts need to work on

a few things on defense.

"We saw some stunts and things we hadn't seen before, so we've got a little work to do there," he said. "At times our offensive line lost its aggressiveness. We've got to make sure we don't do that. We've got to come off the ball."

Then again, it's hard to be too negative when your team is 6-0, outscoring all comers by double digits.

"We had a couple of young guys who came off the bench and played real well," Peacock said. "Brady Schulte, a junior, had a couple of interceptions and forced one fumble, made several good tackles and had a couple of good catches on offense. Troy Ramaekers, a junior, made his first start defensively for us and ended up with an interception, three or four tackles and a couple of pass deflections."

"It was good to see some guys that hadn't gotten a chance before come up and play well."

Next up for the Swifts is Springlake-Earth at 7:30 p.m. Friday - another away game.

"They will challenge us up front," Peacock said. "They run the ball, run the ball and then run it some more. Our defensive line and linebackers will get a good test this week."

"They've got a senior running back, Justin Castillo. He's a 190-pound senior that's one of the better running backs we'll see this year. We'll get a good challenge."

Despite their 6-0 record, Peacock warns the Swifts that they still have to take each time one week at a time when you've got nothing but district games on the schedule.

When teams play Nazareth, they often raise their level of play.

"We'll get a good effort from them," Peacock said of Springlake-Earth. "In district, you just have to play who's next. You can't pick and choose and you have to be up for every game. You can't have any letdowns. Those would be costly."

Against Hart, Nazareth had 13 first-downs and 400 yards total offense.

On offense, Dustin Schulte had 36 yards and one touchdown rushing and completed 9 of 16 passes for 171

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NISD superintendent looks back on tenure

By **Marshall Harrison**
NISD Superintendent

It is time once again to begin writing my weekly article for the paper. This past summer has provided many changes in my family's life. We are in the process of completing our new home and we are expecting our third child in February. Four years ago when we moved to Nazareth we truly evaluated this superintendent's job as an opportunity to "move up the career ladder." Now after three years we have decided to make Nazareth our home. Over that last several months I have been evaluating my tenure at Nazareth. Through my evaluation I have come to the following conclusion:



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Sept. 9	Morton	17	NAZARETH 34
Sept. 16	White Deer	0	NAZARETH 34
Sept. 23	Clarendon	6	NAZARETH 44
Sept. 30	OPEN		
Oct. 7	Hart*	0	NAZARETH 48
Oct. 14	Springlake-Earth*	Home	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	Farwell*	Away	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 28	Sudan*	Home	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 11	Bovina*	Away	7:30 p.m.
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Junior High

Oct. 13	Springlake-Earth	Away	5 p.m.
Oct. 20	Farwell	Home	5 p.m.
Oct. 27	Sudan	Away	5 p.m.
Nov. 3	Bovina	Home	5 p.m.

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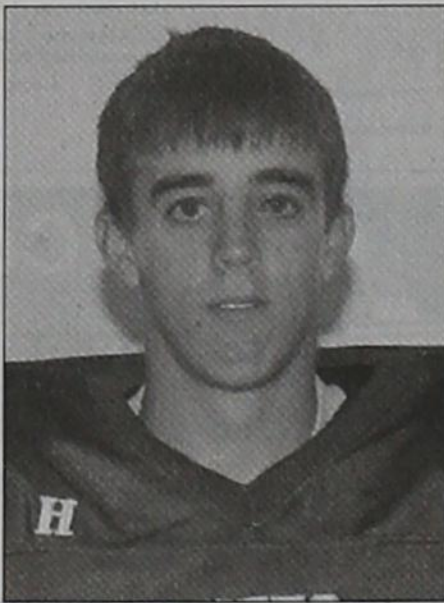
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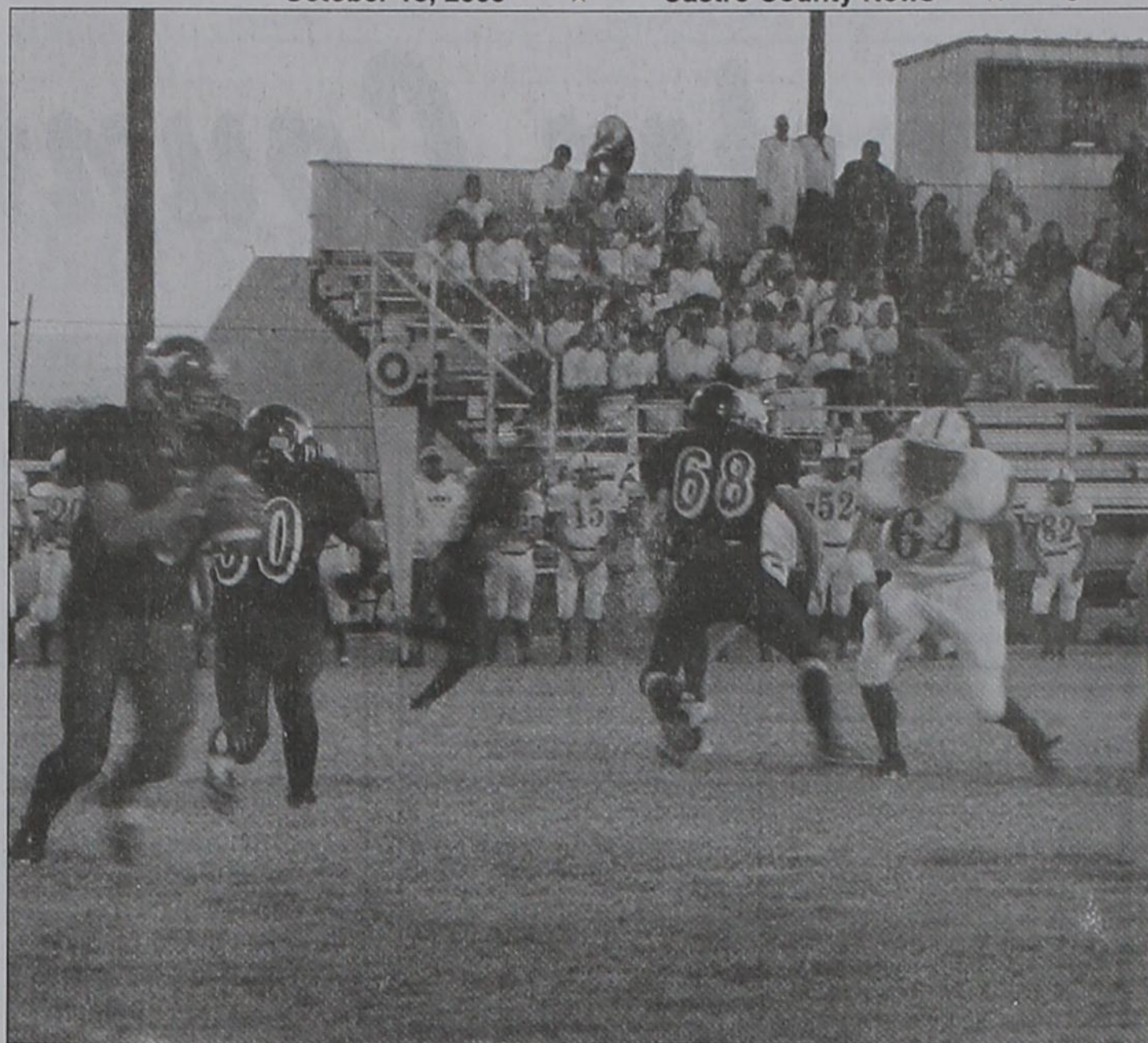
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ABOVE, HART QUARTERBACK George Chapa, No. 6, looks downfield for a receiver. At left, he tucks the ball away and goes around the end after he was unable to pass during Friday's district opener against Nazareth.

Hart falls to Nazareth

By DAVIE BROWDER
Managing Editor

HART - The Hart Longhorns had almost as many first downs as Nazareth - 10 to the Swifts' 13, but the scoreboard told a different story Friday night as Hart fell to Nazareth, 48-0, in both teams' district opener.

"We can't overcome turnovers," said Hart head football coach Jay McCook. "We ran the ball better than we have been, but we didn't throw it very well. They capitalized on some mistakes we made and we didn't."

Although the Longhorns had only 80 yards rushing, that was a big improvement over last week, he said.

"Our running game was better, the line blocked better than they have and Demetrio Gamez ran the ball real well."

However, to compete in district, there are a few fundamentals that the Longhorns will work on this week, McCook said.

"We've got to block and tackle," he said. "The offensive line has got to continue its tackles. On defense, we've got to wrap up. We had some opportunities to make tackles and they got through us."

"They're a good football team."

Next week, the Longhorns host Farwell at a 7:30 p.m. kickoff.

"Most importantly, we've got to not turn the ball over this week," McCook said. "We've got to stop their running game. Farwell is big and they run the ball well. We've got to keep our offense on the field and move the ball."



Orrin McLain
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No. 75

Hart Longhorns 2005 Schedule

Sept. 2	Petersburg 47	HART 7
Sept. 8	Wellington 51	HART 6
Sept. 16	Clarendon 64	HART 2
Sept. 23	White Deer 8	HART 0
Sept. 30	Sundown 49	HART 7
Oct. 7	Nazareth 148	HART 0
Oct. 14	Farwell*	Home 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 21	Bovina*	Away 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 28	S.L. Earth****	Home 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 4	Sudan*	Away 7:30 p.m.

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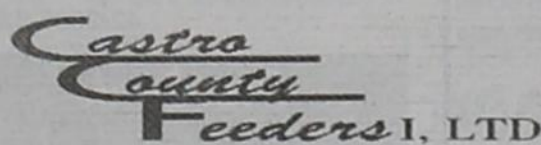
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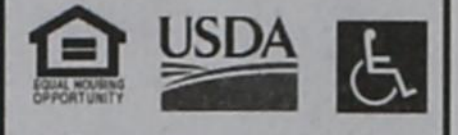
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Legals

The Castro County Appraisal District, 204 S.E. 3rd (rear) Dimmitt, TX., will accept sealed bids for the following properties:

1. A 6.866 ac tract in the NW pt of Section 13, Block 1, Halsell S/D
2. Lot 4 & the E/W Alley, Block 158, OTD
Bids will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. October 25, 2005. Castro County, Dimmitt ISD and the City of Dimmitt each have the right to reject any bid for property located in their jurisdictions. 29-2tc-78

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COUNTRY LIVING - 7.5 acres +/- with lovely 3-4 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home, basement, double car garage, central heat/air, nicely landscaped, metal barn, many amenities. Priced to sell!

HART-314 Ave B-nice 3 bdrm., 1 1/2 bath home, double car garage, central air, lots of storage, good condition.

205 NW 11th-Attractive 3 bdrm., 1 1/2 bath home, single car garage, central heat, new fence.

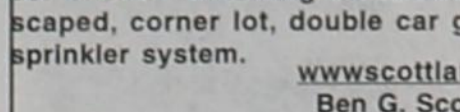
600 MAPLE-DIMMITT-Lovely 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home, nicely landscaped, corner lot, double car garage, central heat/air, fireplace, new flooring, interior paint and appliances, workshop, many amenities. Let's Look!

607 W LEE-Charming 2 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home, nicely landscaped, double car garage, central heat/air, workshop, sprinkler system.

1009 FRONT-Spacious 5 bdrm, 3 bath brick home, double car garage, central heat/air, storage building, nicely landscaped, edge of town.

HILLTOP HOME & HORSE FACILITY-approx. 7.63 acres, exceptional 3-4 bedroom, 2 bath, manufactured home (brick and rustic wood siding), beautiful landscaping, great horse facility w/ horse barns, stalls, training/riding pens & other out bldgs, pipe rail fence throughout.

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607 W Lee - Attractive 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath brick home, nicely landscaped, corner lot, double car garage, central heat/air, workshop, sprinkler system.

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NW 12th-3 bed, 1 bath, brick. Fence, fireplace, ceiling fans. Was \$52,900-lowered to \$45,000. Make offer 647-6504.

QUITE & PRIVATE location - Lovely 3 bed, 1 bath, 1 car garage, brick. Fireplace and storm cellar. Extra tall attic for 2 or 3 room expansion. Three additional large lots. Possible owner financing. \$58,000. Don't miss this one. 647-6504

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School Menus

DISD
Friday: Pancake on a stick, cereal, apple cinnamon loaf. Lunch - Barbecued beef on a bun, chicken and dumplings, shepherd's pie, potato wedges, collard greens, broccoli with cheese sauce, tossed salad, cole slaw, pasta salad, fresh fruit, fresh melon, Danish, biscuits, cornbread.

Monday: Sausage and biscuit, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal bar, apples. Lunch - Italian spaghetti, chicken taco, grilled cheese sandwich with bowl of chili, tomato and okra gumbo, peas, Mexipinto beans, arroz Mexicano, tossed salad, taco condiment salad, hay stack finger salad, fresh fruit, fresh melon, garlic bread, Kaiser rolls, crackers.

Tuesday: Breakfast- Peanut butter/strawberry sandwich, cereal, blueberry muffin. Fajitas with onions and peppers, Chinese egg roll, turkey and noodles, frijoles refrieto, country rice dressing, peas, tossed salad, watermelon, fresh fruit, fresh melon, flour tortilla, crackers, rolls.

Wednesday: Breakfast - Donuts, peaches, cereal, Honey Bun. Lunch - Meat loaf with creole sauce, fried chicken, burrito with chili, butter beans, parsley buttered potatoes, broccoli-cauliflower, Mexipinto beans, taco condiment salad, tossed salad, fresh fruit, fresh melon, wheat rolls, cowboy bread.

Thursday: Breakfast - Smuckers grilled cheese sandwich, cereal, apple muffin. Lunch - Chicken fillet strips, enchilada casserole, pepperoni pizza, mashed potatoes, frijoles refrieto, green beans, tossed salad, taco condiment salad, fresh fruit, fresh melon, carrot celery raisin salad, rolls, arroz Mexicano.

NISD

Friday: Breakfast - Sausage on a roll, cereal. Lunch - Chicken fried steak, pizza, tossed salad, potatoes and gravy, pineapple, peach cobbler.

Monday: Breakfast - Banana mini loaf, cereal. Lunch - Soft tacos, pizza, lettuce, pinto beans, applesauce, brownies.

Tuesday: Breakfast - Waffles, sausage, cereal. Lunch - Pig in a blanket, baked potatoes, tossed salad, corn, fruit cocktail, pudding.

Wednesday: Breakfast - Breakfast Pockets, cereal. Lunch - Fish, chef salad, hushpuppies, coleslaw, macaroni and cheese, pears, s'mores.

Thursday: Breakfast - Pancakes and sausage on a stick, cereal. Lunch - Frito pie, pizza, cornbread, tossed salad green beans, peaches, apple crisp.

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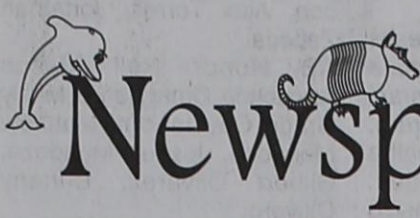
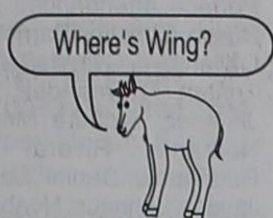
Friday: Breakfast - Scrambled eggs, biscuits and sausage, cereal. Lunch - Popcorn chicken, ham sandwich, potato puffs, dill pickles, carrot sticks, tossed salad, fruit cocktail.

Monday: Breakfast - Sausage breakfast, cereal. Lunch - Steak fingers, chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, cream gravy, green beans, tossed salad, peaches, fresh fruit.

Tuesday: Breakfast - Pancakes, cereal. Lunch - Corn dogs, sloppy joe on a bun, potato puffs, tossed salad, peaches, sugar cookies.

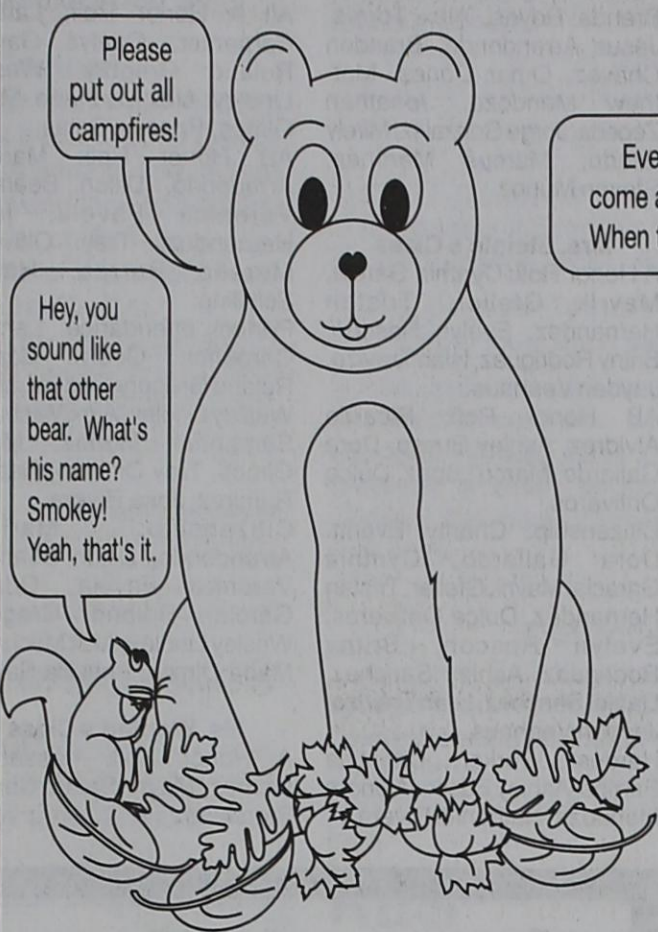
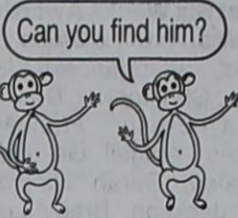
Wednesday: Breakfast - Breakfast sticks, cereal, graham crackers. Lunch - Bean burrito, pizza with cheese, carrot sticks, corn, fresh fruit.

Thursday: Breakfast - Cinnamon rolls, cereal. Lunch - Taco salad, beef enchiladas, refried beans, Spanish rice, tossed salad, carrot sticks, dill pickles, oatmeal cookies.



Newspaper Fun!

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Please put out all campfires!

Hey, you sound like that other bear. What's his name? Smokey! Yeah, that's it.

Everyone likes to talk to fire fighters about their jobs. It's fun to visit the firehouse or have a fire fighter come and talk at school. They like to talk about preventing fires and to show pieces of their equipment. When they talk about fire safety they tell students:

- Get out of the house quickly if there is a fire.
- Call the fire department from a neighbor's house.
- If your clothes catch on fire remember to

STOP, DROP AND ROLL!

Cut out this checklist.

Talk to your family about these ideas. Put the list on the refrigerator or bulletin board for everyone to see.

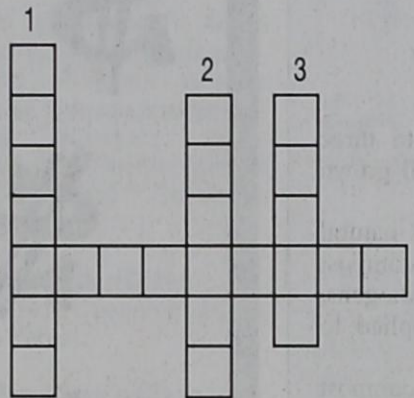
Family Checklist

- Only cook in the kitchen when an adult is helping you.
- Do not touch matches or cigarette lighters or candles. They are for adult use only.
- Do you have smoke detectors on every level of your home? Test them monthly and change the batteries at least once a year.
- Do you know two or more ways out of the house?
- Never use elevators (stairs are much safer) if there is a fire.
- Smoke rises, so if there is a fire, stay low, crawl under the smoke.
- Have you picked a place to meet the rest of your family once you are all out of the house?
- Once you are out of the house, **stay out** of the house.

Why do you think fire fighters need to keep in good physical shape?

Because they:

1. climb _____
2. carry _____
3. fight _____
4. use heavy _____



equipment fires
ladders people



"To stay strong, we like to work out lifting these:"



Uuhhhh!

Arrrgghhh!



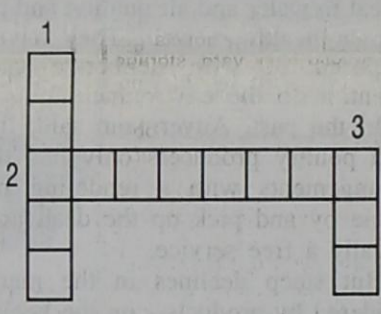
This is a lot heavier than it looks.

How do fire fighters stay in top physical condition?

They:

1. get enough _____
2. _____ every day
3. _____ right

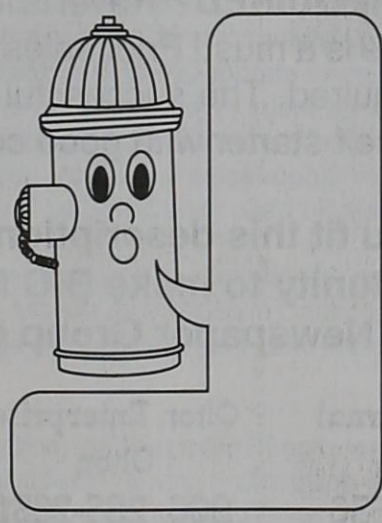
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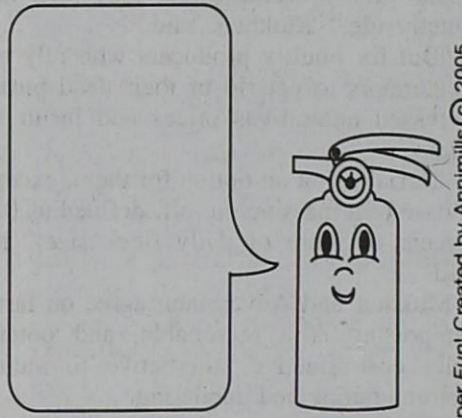
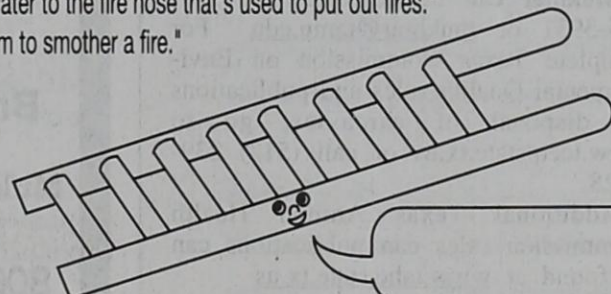
Check out our website for the answers to the puzzles: www.newspaperfun.com...or tell me if you cut out the fire safety checklist and talked it over with your family by dropping me a note at ForestBear@newspaperfun.com.

Fighting Fires!

Fire fighters learn to use many different pieces of equipment to fight fires. Finish these cartoons. Fill in the "bubbles" with the explanation of the job each does.



- "I help fire fighters to reach people trapped by fire."
- "I provide water to the fire hose that's used to put out fires."
- "I spray foam to smother a fire."



DISD Calendar

Thursday, Oct. 13
 Football: 7th & 8th - vs Olton - Here - 6:00
 JV - Open Date
Friday, Oct. 14
 DHS - Pep Rally - 3:30
 Football: BOBCATS vs Olton - Here - 7:30
Saturday, Oct. 15

Oct. 15
 Volleyball: JV & Varsity vs Colorado City - There - 1:00
 Cross-Country - High School & Jr. High - @ Canyon UIL Band Marching Contest - Dick Bivins Stadium - Amarillo
Monday, Oct. 17

DHS - FCCLA Officer Installation - 11:30 - 12:00
Tuesday, Oct. 18
 Volleyball: JV & Varsity @ Friona - 5:00
Wednesday, Oct. 19
 Nothing but EDUCATION on the agenda

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Best Citizens: Sarah Hinojosa, Laura Alanis, Christopher Damron
A Honor Roll: Bock Boozer, Christopher Damron, Suzette Fuentes

AB Honor Roll: Laura Alanis, Dontra Ewing, Abigail Gil, Brady Luna, Vicente Pacheco, Maricela Quiroz, Paul Sanchez
Hardest Workers: Maricela Quiroz, Christopher Damron

Mrs. Goolsby's Class

A Honor Roll: Kaden Hatla
AB Honor Roll: Jessica Aguilar, A.J. Bermea, Erica Gil, Santos Jackson, Brantley Powers, Chelsey Rodriguez.
Perfect attendance: Jessica Aguilar, Sara Espinosa, Santos Jackson, Olivia McDonald, Ivon Munoz, Karina Reyes, Mauricio Sandoval, Robert Woolbright.
Citizenship: Jessica Aguilar, Erica Gil, Kaden Hatla, Brantley Powers

Miss Thames Class

Honor Roll: Peter Arguijo,

Diamond Luna, Matthew Olivero, Daniela Rodriguez, Amy Sanchez.
Perfect attendance: Lindsey Burris, Larissa Castillo, Jayson Larra, Jennifer Lopez, Diamond Luna, Gabrielle Navarro, Matthew Olivero, Sage Reed
Citizenship: Peter Arguijo, Larissa Castillo, Jayson Larra, Jennifer Lopez, Diamond Luna, Brittany Medrano, Gabrielle Navarro, Matthew Olivero, Sage Reed, Daniela Rodriguez, Amy Sanchez, Luis Zepeda

Mrs. Venhaus Class

Honor Roll: Misael Flores, Paola Garcia, Alexa Gonzales, John Justin Ramirez, Kirsty Taylor, Whitney Thomas, Abigail William
Citizenship: Anyssa Enriquez, Misael Flores, Paola Garcia, Alexa Gonzales, Israel Montoya, John Justin Ramirez, Bianca Ramos, Marissa Rodriguez, Katie Sweet, Kirsty Taylor, Whitney Thomas, Jovanny Villalba, Abigail William

Perfect attendance: Anyssa Enriquez, Misael Flores, Paola Garcia, Alexa Gonzales, Ezkiel Lopez, Israel Montoya, Cedrick Ramirez, John Justin Ramirez, Richard Ramirez, Bianca Ramos, Marissa Rodriguez, Mario Sanchez, Katie Sweet, Kirsty Taylor, Whitney Thomas.

Mrs. Bradley's Class
Perfect attendance: Jesus Aguero, Robert Anex, Victoria Arcos, Arturo Caedna, Israel Dones, Nathaniel Herrera, Kaymee Howell, Samantha Leahy, Aylin Melendez, Leonardo Saucedo, Nemeccio Vollandueva, Gabe Walton.
A Honor Roll: Samantha Leahy, Morgan Nelson
Citizenship: Victoria Arcos, Abbey Gonzales, Kaymee Howell, Aylin Melendez, Lori Saenz, Israel Dones, Nathaniel Herrera, Mark Marquez, Morgan Nelson, Nemeccio Vollandueva

Ms. Toulouse's Class

B Honor Roll: Maria Alanis, Jasmin Ramos
Perfect attendance: Maria Alanis, Luis Lujan, Diana Morales, Jasmin Ramos, Eloy Robles.

Ms. Rosales Class

Perfect attendance: Ana Salas, Jose Perez, Erika Pena, Hope Aguero, Gerardo Silva, Maria Camacho, Javier Dominguez
Honor Roll: Erika Pena, Hope Aguero, Hugo Cabrera, Valeria Esqueda, Rebecca Jaramillo, Abigail Lopez, Jose Perez, Ana Salas, Andrea Teran.

Mrs. Spring's Class

A Honor Roll: Steven Munoz, Macy Smith, Mason Thomp-

son, Alex Torres, Jonathan Zepeda.
AB Honor Roll: Jesus Arredondo, Omar Dones, Mirely Grado, Gavino Luna, Matthew Mendoza, Joshua Mendoza, Gilbert Olivarez, Brittany Olivero.
Perfect attendance: Gilbert Olivero, Brittany Olivero, Brenda Reyes, Alex Torres, Jesus Arrendondo, Brandon Chavez, Omar Dones, Matthew Mendoza, Jonathan Zepeda, Jorge Gonzalez, Mirely Grado, Marcus Martinez, Steven Munoz

Mrs. Steinle's Class

A Honor Roll: Cynthia Garcia, Mavrik Gfeller, Tristan Hernandez, Evelyn Rascon, Britny Rodriguez, Isiah Trevizo, Jayden Venhaus.
AB Honor Roll: Ricardo Alvidrez, Ashley Busso, Dora Gallardo, Marco Lopez, Dulce Ontiveros.
Citizenship: Charity Everitt, Dora Gallardo, Cynthia Garacia, Mavrik Gfeller, Tristan Hernandez, Dulce Ontiveros, Evelyn Rascon, Britny Rodriguez, Ashley Sanchez, Daniel Sanchez, Isiah Trevizo, Jayden Venhaus.

Hardest Worker: Christina Barrios, Ashley Busso, Alondra Mendoza, Nathaniel Rivera

Perfect attendance: Ashley Busso, Christina Barrios, Dora Gallardo, Cynthia Garcia, Tristan Hernandez, Tony Jimenez, Alondra Mendoza, Nathaniel Rivera, Britny Rodriguez, Daniel Sanchez, Jayden Venhaus, Noah Webb.

Mrs. Merritt's Class

All A Honor Roll: Landon Carpenter, Odalys Garcia, Roland Gregory, Wesley Lindley, Alex Machado, Maria Olmos, Priscilla Salas
AB Honor Roll: Maricsa Arredondo, Dillon Beames, Veronica Favela, Iraiz Hernandez, Trey Olivero, Marelia Porras, Hailey Schilling.
Perfect attendance: Landon Carpenter, Odalys Garcia, Roland Gregory, Judas Larios, Wesley Lindley, Alex Machado, Samantha Munoz, Maria Olmos, Trey Olivero, Nathan Ramirez, Jose Rivera.
Citizenship: Maricsa Arrendondo, Dillon Beames, Veronica Favela, Odalys Garcia, Roland Gregory, Wesley Lindley, Alex Machaco, Maria Olmos, Priscilla Salas.

Ms. Wooten's Class

A Honor Roll: Cassandra Gomez, Mayra Salas, Christy Stephens.

AB Honor Roll: Mallory Aleman, Vanessa Flores, Arturo Marquez, Joanna Montes, Janice Ramirez, Ambrosia Rivera, Shawn Sanchez, Ruben Silva, Austin Torres.
Perfect attendance: Arturo Marquez, Austin Torres, Brandon Reyes, Issac Moreno, Janice Ramirez, Joanna Montes, Karissa Schacher, Kassandra Gomez, Marcos Villarreal, Mayra Salas, Michael Hinojosa, Ruben Silva, Shawn Sanchez, Vanessa Flores

Mrs. Padilla's Class

A Honor Roll: Amanda Hernandez
AB Honor Roll: Charlos Chavez, Rosalba Favela, Maria Garcia, Gabriela Sanchez.
Perfect attendance: Carlos Chavez, Isabel Castillo, Rosalba Favela, Jacqueline Fuentes, Amanda Hernandez, Jennifer Hernandez, Jose Lujan, Julio Quiroz, Luz Ramirez, Edgar Sanchez.

Mr. Thompson's Class

A Honor Roll: Marisol Quintana
AB Honor Roll: Elizabeth Majia, Emily Mireles, Izrael Olivarez, Mariela Ontiveros, Oscar Ontiveros, George Velasquez

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Disposing of dead animals can be costly

AMARILLO - East Texas cattle and chicken producers whose herds or flocks suffered major losses in Hurricane Rita may have their work cut out for them, said two Texas Cooperative Extension engineers.

"It's just no longer acceptable to pitch dead animals in the bar ditch or drag them out to the Back 40," said Dr. Brent Auvermann, a waste management engineer here. "Improperly handled dead animals in large numbers are a potent threat to water and air quality, and possibly human health as well. They have to be disposed of with deliberate care and attention to the environment."

In the past, Auvermann said, livestock and poultry producers only had to make arrangements with a rendering plant to come by and pick up the dead animals - usually a free service.

But steep declines in the market for rendered by-products - on the heels of the outbreaks of transmissible diseases in the cattle industry - have forced rendering operations to cut back on pick-up services or charge for them, Auvermann said.

It can cost a rancher \$40 or more to have a dead cow removed, he said. Rising fuel prices have a two-fisted impact on producers disposal options, said Dr. Saqib Mukhtar, Extension waste-management engineer in College Station.

"Most obvious is the increased cost of diesel fuel to send trucks out into the countryside," Mukhtar said.

"But for poultry producers who rely on incinerators to get rid of their dead birds, increased natural-gas prices add insult to injury.

"Burial is not an option for them, except in case of a massive die-off, defined as 0.3 percent or more of daily flock size," he said.

Mukhtar and Auvermann agree on-farm composting is a reasonable, and potentially cost-effective, alternative to incineration, burial and rendering.

"Dead chickens can disappear in a well-managed compost pile in a matter of days," Mukhtar said. "It takes more time for the heavier carcasses, like calves and

yearlings, which may take up to three months, and twice that for a full-grown steer or cow."

"Still," Auvermann said, "the natural heating that goes on in a good compost pile will kill off most of the pathogens, and the end product can be applied to land as an organic fertilizer.

"The catch, he warned, is a compost pile can't just be thrown together and expected to work.

"Get some help," he said. "You need the right mix of materials, a secure site away from surface water and uncapped wells, and a front-end loader, at a minimum." In East Texas and east Central Texas, materials for building a compost pile include waste hay, peanut hulls, gin trash, sawdust, wood shavings and even shredded yard trimmings.

"Mixing some barnyard manure or partially composted poultry litter into the pile will jump-start the process nicely," Auvermann said. "If for some reason the mixture is dry, add water as you mix, but whatever you do, don't soak the pile. The middle of the pile has to get some air."

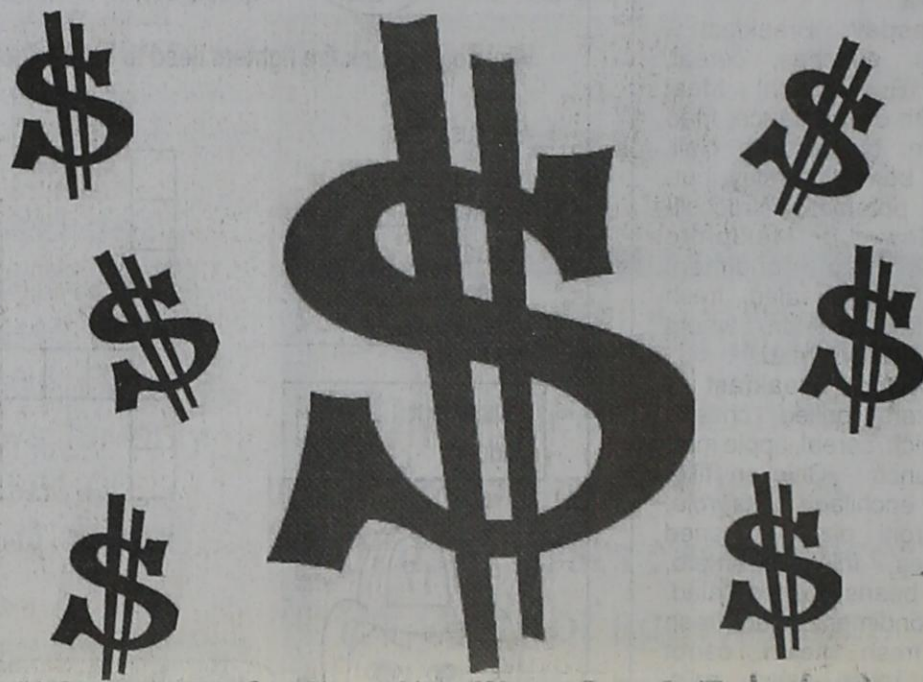
Mukhtar noted that the compost materials don't have to be perfect, but the pile does have to be built properly on the correct site and tended closely, especially for the first two weeks.

"If things look good for the first couple of days, the temperature in the center of the pile rises quickly above 130 degrees F and there's not a lot of rancid odor coming from it, just keep on doing what you're doing," he said.

For more information or guidance on building a carcass composting pile, Auvermann can be contacted at (806) 677-5600 or b-auvermann@tamu.edu

Mukhtar can be contacted at (979) 845-3931 or mukhtar@tamu.edu For complete Texas Commission on Environmental Quality rules and publications on disposal of carcasses, go to www.tceq.state.tx.us or call (512) 239-0028.

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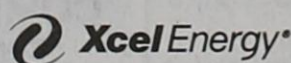
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Community Calendar

Christmas Open House/Web page

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce is working hard to organize this year's Christmas Open House. For it to be a success, we invite anyone with a business or organization to join us every Tuesday in October at 8 a.m. at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce to plan the Open House and discuss our upcoming Web site.

Arts & Crafts Festival

The 31st Annual Running Water Draw Arts & Crafts Festival will be held Oct. 14-16, at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview. This year's show has attracted more than 100 vendors from four states showing their handiwork.

There will be a wide variety of crafts - some are previous exhibitors, but 75 percent of the booths have never shown at Running Water Draw before.

An example of some of the crafts on display is decorative gourds, painted metal, jewelry, decorative clothing, candles, floral designs, hand and body care, Western metal designs, homemade candies, caramel corn and coups and many other items.

A new concession stand by the Plainview Church of God will feature items such as stuff burritos, footlong corn dogs and funnel cakes.

Running Water Draw's surprise addition this year will be a silent auction.

This is where exhibitors have donated items to be bid on during the show.

At 4 p.m. on Sunday the highest bidder is allowed to purchase that item. This gives the public a chance to get bargains at the same time as having fun outbidding the

previous bidder. Proceeds from this auction go to the Llano Estacado Museum and Wayland University Fine Arts Department.

Rotary Club as always been the sponsor of Running Water Draw these 31 years.

They also sponsor the Taste of Home Cooking School on Thursday night before the Running Water Draw show starts on Friday.

This year the show opens at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 14. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

L.I.F.T. training continues

L.I.F.T. (Leaders Involved in Formation and Training) is a community leadership training program designed to build knowledge, skills, and attitudes.

The program consists of nine evening sessions, lasting two hours each session.

The sessions will begin on Sept. 13, with four successive sessions by Oct. 25. Four additional sessions will take place in January to March 2006. The program is open to any interested Castro County resident. For more information, contact Darryl Birkenfeld, 938-2529.

Collecting for Katrina

All three Catholic churches in Castro County are collecting now for Hurricane Katrina relief. Funds are being channeled through "Catholic Charities USA" when you donated at Immaculate Conception Church, Dimmitt; Holy Family Church, Nazareth; and St. John's Church, Hart.

Save receipts, boxtops

The Dimmitt PTO wants the public to know that we have a chance to participate in two programs that allow the PTO to earn free educational equipment and money for our schools.

From Sept. 1 through March 31, 2006, the PTO will be able to turn cash register tapes collected from any Lowe's Supermarkets (Dimmitt, Hereford, Hart, Canyon, etc.) into valuable and important educational equipment we otherwise would only dream of getting.

Also, all year long you can save all your Box Tops 4 Education found on many Betty Crocker, General Mills, Pillsbury and Old El Paso products.

To get our program started, you can help by shopping at Lowe's Supermarkets.

Then give your Lowe's register tapes and Box Tops 4 Education to your child, or a child you know, to bring to school for deposit.

Ask your neighbors, grandparents, friends and co-workers to collect tapes and box tops too!

Boxes are set up at or near each principal's office.

For your convenience, other boxes are set up around town to deposit your receipts and box tops into.

These boxes are located at 1st Bank Muleshoe, The Body Shop, First United Bank, Castro County Courthouse break room (upstairs), Church of Christ, DISD Administration Building, Headhunters, First United Methodist Church, Henderson's TV, Hereford Credit Union, La Coiffures and Rhoads Memorial Library.

Booster Club meets Mondays

The Dimmitt Athletic Booster Club will meet every Monday evening at 7 p.m. at the High School Cafeteria.

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Perfect attendance: Adam Villanueva, Albert Rodriguez, Angelita Rivera, Beatriz Bojorquez, Cassandra Aguiero, George Velasquez, Javier Sanchez, April Puente, Marisol Quintana, Oscar Ontiveros, Teresa Ramirez

Ms. Vick's Class

A Honor Roll: Cassandra Pugh, Evelyn Perez

Mrs. Clark's Class

Perfect attendance: Blas Cadena, Caitlan Smith, Darron Hart, Jas Villanueva, Marissa Oltivero, Mark Trevizo, Meggan Lytle, Nicolas Lara
A Honor Roll: Darron Hart, Steven Munoz, Caitlin Smith, Macy Smith, Mason Thompson, Alex Torres, Jonathan Zepeda
AB Honor Roll: Jesus Arredondo, Ryley Burris, Blas Cadena, Omar Dones, Stephanie Fuentes, Mirely Grado, Tobie Keese, Gavino Luna, Meggan Lytle, Matthew Mendoza, Joshua Mendoza, Gilbert Oltivarez, Brittany Oltivero, Marissa Oltivero, Takara Thomas, Jas Villanueva

Trunk or Treat set for Monday, Oct. 31

The Preschool and Children's ministries of First Baptist Church will host a TRUNK or TREAT Party for all children through 6th grade. TRUNK or TREAT will be held Monday, Oct. 31, from 5:30 — 6:30 p.m. in the back parking lot.

Parents wanting to hand out treats are asked to arrive by 5:15 p.m. and park their

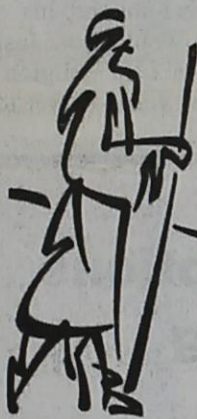
cars in the back parking lot with the trunk facing the inside of the lot. Treats should be placed in their trunks and handed out as the children come by.

If you would like to contribute candy, please bring it by the church office by 3 p.m., Monday, Oct. 31 and it will be distributed at TRUNK or TREAT.



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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

NOTICE OF CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION APPLICATION

General Permit Authorization No. TXG920618

APPLICATION. Heartland Livestock Company, Inc., P.O. Box 41, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920000 for authorization to operate a new beef feedlot facility at 7,500 head in Castro County, Texas. The notice of intent was received by TCEQ on May 9, 2005. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions or events. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The existing facility is located on the north side of Highway 86, approximately 1 mile east of its intersection with Farm-to-Marker Road 1055 in Castro County, Texas. The facility is located in the drainage area of the White River Lake in Segment No. 1240 of the Brazos River Basin.

A copy of the notice of intent, application, the Executive Director's technical summary, and the CAFO general permit is available for viewing and copying at the Castro County Clerk's Office, 100 East Bedford, Room 101, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

The Executive Director of the TCEQ has made a preliminary decision to approve coverage of this facility under General Permit No. TXG920000.

PUBLIC COMMENT. Written public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. In addition, the public may request a public meeting. If significant interest exists, the Executive Director will direct the applicant to publish a notice of the public meeting and hold the public meeting. The applicant must publish notice of a public meeting at least 30 days prior to the meeting in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the CAFO is proposed to be located. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the applicant meets the requirements of the general permit and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the notice of intent for coverage under the general permit.

INFORMATION. Written public comments should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For additional information, about the application or the procedure for public participation in the general permit process, individual members of the general public may contact the Office of Public Assistance at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us



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HEALTH

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and muscle aches. The illness is spread when an infected person coughs, sneezes or talks, sending the highly contagious virus into the air.

The flu shot takes about two weeks to become effective. A nasal-spray flu vaccine that contains weakened live viruses is an option for most healthy people ages 5 years to 49 years who are not pregnant. Flu vaccine for children ages 6 months to 23 months is free of preservatives.

Four manufacturers expect to provide influenza vaccine to the U.S. market during the 2005-06 flu season. Between 5 million and 8 million doses are expected to be given by health care providers in Texas. The vaccine protects against three virus strains: A/California (H3N2), A/New Caledonia (H1N1), B/Shanghai and strains similar to these.

DISD

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51 and 52 to state championships. In 1952, he also took the boys basketball team to a state title, while winning district championships in football and track.

Three highlights of Blaine's career, according to his wife writing in the history book "Castro County Texas 1891-1991," were his being chosen Coach of the Year by the Texas Sports Writers Association in 1952; his induction into the Texas High School Coaches Association Hall of Honor in 1970; and his induction into the Panhandle Sports Hall of Honor in 1971.

Mr. Blaine died in 1974, but many of his students and team members still remember him fondly and the influence he exerted upon them, said board member Donald Wright.

In other business, the board:

* Reappointed George Sides and Dr. W.J. Hill to the Castro County Appraisal District Board of Directors for the DISD.

* Agreed to purchase a Chevy diesel Longhorn, 28-student capacity school bus, at a cost of \$47,075. The decision was made because diesel engines last longer than gasoline engines.

* Approved a \$600 budget amendment to the 2005-2006 budget.

* Accepted the resignations of school nurse Vicki Buckley and eighth-grade coach and P.E. teacher Cody Burris.

Cars and deer equal damage, injuries

Deer season presenting unique challenges to area drivers

The nation's deer population is growing and each year car collisions with deer account for more than 150 human and nearly one and a half million deer fatalities. October through December is the highest season for the accidents, since it's a time for both wandering deer and holiday travelers.

Most collisions with a deer occur during this time of year when deer are mating and migrating.

"Drivers need to be particularly cautious with the season's shortened daylight and deer foraging near roadsides. It's a very dangerous combination," cautioned Ray Palermo, Director of Public Relations for Response Insurance. "To compound it, more drivers are on the road at dawn and dusk, the very time of day when deer are most active."

An adult deer can weigh more than 200 pounds and a car striking one can not only result in the death of the deer, but also incur, on average, two thousand dollars in damage to the vehicle. Palermo suggested a few basic cautions for drivers:

* In many cases it is best not to swerve around the deer since the deer may move in the same direction. You may also inadvertently hit another vehicle, or go off onto a dangerous shoulder. Unless certain of those road factors, it

is often best to simply brake and continue in your lane of traffic.

* Be particularly careful at dawn and dusk and when driving either over a hill or around a curve, where visibility is limited. Use your high beams to give you a greater area of visibility and allows you to see the deer's eyes sooner.

* Scan a wide swath of the roadside. Slow down when approaching a deer standing near the side of a road and be prepared. If startled, the deer can bolt onto the roadway and into your path. If necessary, honk your horn and flash your lights to try to scare it away.

* Be alert for more deer than you may see at that moment. Where there's one deer, there are often more nearby.

* Deer whistles or ultrasonic deer avoidance systems attached to vehicles have never been proven to work by independent studies and may give drivers a false sense of security.

* Take deer crossing signs seriously, particularly those installed specifically for this time of year. Be particularly cautious in wooded and agricultural areas where there is little distance between the road and the woods.

A free brochure, Car + Deer = Damage, is available by calling 1-800-610-5928 or by visiting their website: www.Response.com.

Proper relationship of church and state?

By REX M. ROGERS

Rogers Williams' life is explored in the recently published book, "Rogers Williams: Lives and Legacies."

The proper relationship of Church and State occupied Roger Williams' mind for the entirety of his adult life - primarily because the Church

in his day used the State to restrict his liberty of conscience and to tell him what to think. But for Williams, whenever people were forced to conform to a mode or content of worship that their "hearts embrace not," they have been violated in the very depths of their being.

Expelled from the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1636 for "diverse new and dangerous opinions," Williams wondered in wilderness snow until he found the "sweet spring" that became known as Providence, R.I. In this place he established a church - the first Baptist Church in America - which people could only join voluntarily as a confessing believer and which had no connection to a national church. In Williams' colony, the civil government was assigned no religious duties whatsoever, and people enjoyed "full liberty in religious

concernments." Providence and eventually the colony became a haven for the religiously persecuted and repressed.

To say that Roger Williams was ahead of his time is an understatement. His radicalism time and again distinguished him from the majority, so much so that he often appeared detached.

Yet religious liberty "became his enduring monument." Williams' questions resonate today: What is the proper role of religion in matters of state - and vice versa?

Did Constantine create a fatal confusion, this thing called Christendom, a political-religious, messy mixture? Why is it possible to use the Christian religion to deprive Indians of their property without negotiation or compensation?

What is the role of women in the church and society? How does one live for God in

a rapidly changing, pluralistic culture? What is a New Testament church and is it possible to recreate it in the 17th Century? The 21st Century?

For Williams, religious liberty was a God-given right no bishop, colony or nation could rightfully deny. So he fought tirelessly for what he called "soul liberty," something that belongs to all humanity.

This is the first biography of Roger Williams written by an expert in religious liberty, Edwin S. Gaustad, for the general reader.

It is an easy and relatively quick read, and it is long overdue.

If Williams came back from the dead, his vocabulary might be quaint, but his wisdom and his arguments would not. Just the right mix of religion and politics vexes us yet today.

NAZ

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yards and two more touchdowns.

Cameron Cluck completed 2 of 3 passes for 62 yards and one touchdown.

Waggoner led the Nazareth offense in rushing with nine carries for 52 yards and three scores and Zane Farris had two runs for 32 yards.

Receiving, Chase Black caught four passes for 80 yards and one score; Farris caught one for 27 yards and a score and Clifford Gerber caught three for 63 yards and a touchdown. Brady Schulte had one catch for 40 yards.

On defense, Zane Farris led all tacklers with 12 and a quarterback sack; followed by Tucker Waggoner with eight; Chris Acker with seven tackles; Chase Black with six; Tyler Cornett with five; Brady Schulte, Clifford Gerber and Jacob Braddock with four tackles each. Braddock and Bradley Gerber also had a quarterback sack each. Bradley Gerber and Ramaekers each recovered fumbles.

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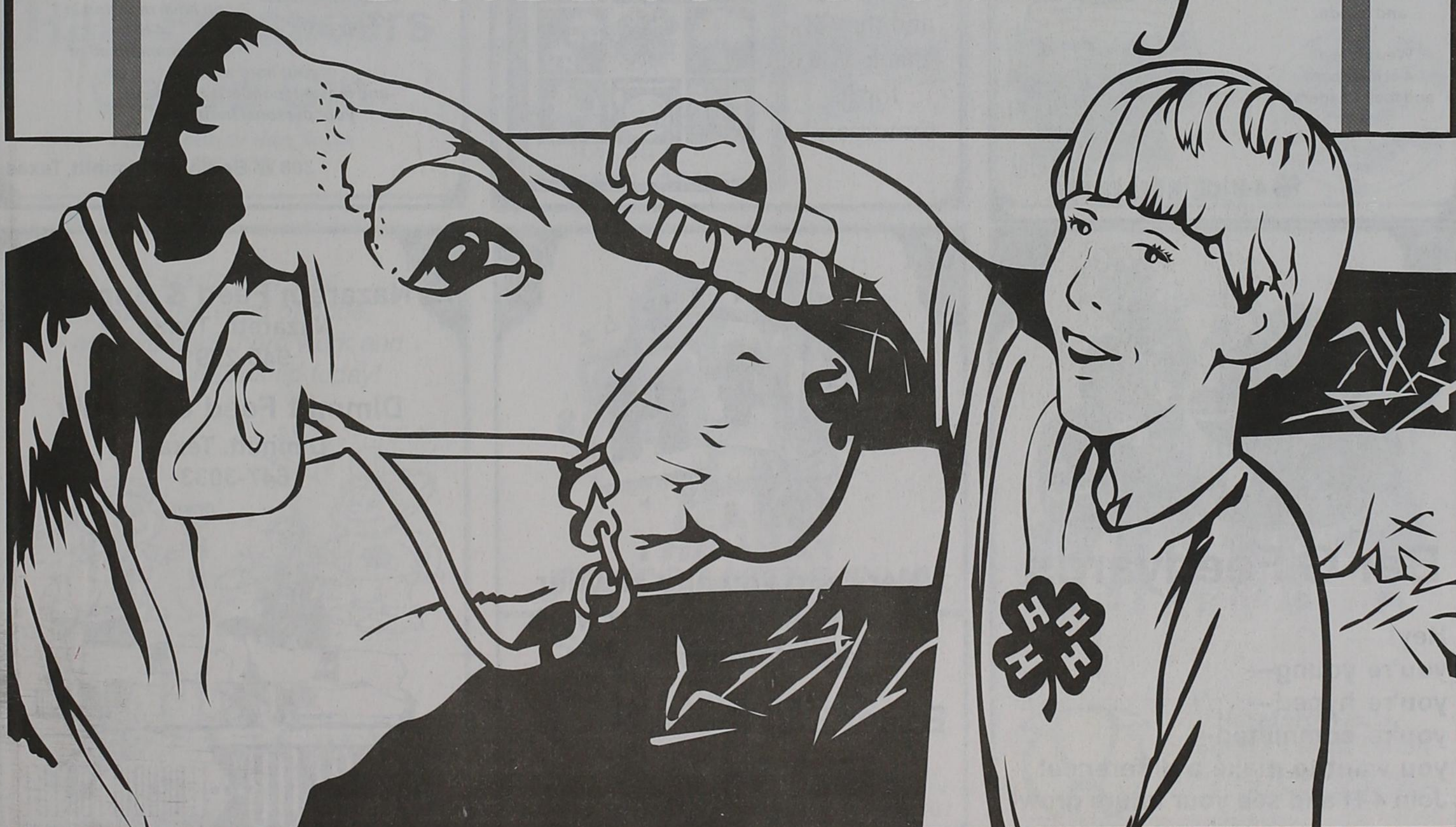
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Award Winners

Above, Castro County 4-Hers celebrated their achievements with a bowling party and pizza this year. Below, Donna Reinart and Shirley Brockman enjoy the back-to-school 4-H swim party earlier this year.



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Castro County 4-H stories ...

Hi. I'm Elizabeth Hill, but my friends call me Liz. I am 14 years old and a freshman at Dimmitt High School. And finally a senior 4-Her eligible for State Roundup!

I live in Dimmitt, Texas, with my parents and younger brother who is 11 years old. My parents are Lee and Patrice Hill.

I joined 4-H when I was 6 years old, as a Clover Kid. My neighbor asked me to go to the meetings with him, and pretty soon I joined the club.

When I first started 4-H, it was the only extracurricular activity I had so I had a lot of time to finish all my fun ideas. Now, I am involved in basketball, volleyball, track, honors classes, student council, and friends, as well as 4-H. So now 4-H is one of the many things that I do.

I want to stay active in 4-H, but I also want to do a variety of other activities with my friends.

Conservation of Natural Resources

This year my record book is in Conservation of Natural Resources (CNR). I am interested in learning about the earth



LIZ HILL PLACED first at the District 2 4-H fashion show in the Dresy Buying Category. This was her fifth year to compete in the contest.

and our natural resources. I think that the world's population is using our resources carelessly, and I want to find ways to encourage better uses of our resources. My future goals include becoming a researcher working on ways to use the polar ice caps as a source of fresh water, or becoming a lawyer specializing in environmental issues. I plan to be able to say that I made a difference in the world.

Although on paper, my project doesn't look like it has grown, I know I have grown from what I have learned. In this past year began to look at my project more as, "I can learn and plan for the future from this." I have also begun to explore my project as a career goal. I have also started to understand what my parents tell me about taking action, not just talking about action. For a busy teenager, talking is a lot easier to complete than actions. As I've worked on this record book I have realized that I need to get back to planning and finishing projects, not just telling people to conserve and recycle.

I think the biggest influence my project has made has been on my family. We now recycle cardboard, old newspapers, aluminum cans, plastic bags, and egg cartons. We also have our own compost bin, which we use for our flower

and vegetable gardens. Not only does my family collect these items for recycling, we also have friends and family members who contribute to our recycling efforts. Even the people at the Extension office and the members of the Castro Extension Education Association collect plastic bags and egg cartons for me.

At first I took the plastic bags and egg cartons to the High Plains Food Bank in Amarillo for them to use when distributing food. Now I found out that the county Food Pantry can use them, which helps out locally. Last summer I donated 72 egg cartons. As of right now I have 96, but I'm still collecting.

The area of CNR I am most interested in is water conservation. Water conservation was the topic of my method demonstration for 2 years. My partner and I placed first with our demonstration about a household water check-up in which I played the part of Dr. Water, and my partner played the part of Nurse Drippy. We had a lot of fun with this demonstration. This year I didn't get to do District Round-up because I was at the state Technology Students Association Contest. Next year, I'm thinking of doing a method demonstration about recycling.

My brother and I have had many fights about me telling him to turn off the water when he's brushing his teeth, to turn off the water when he has no dishes to rinse, or to turn off the water in the bathtub because he has enough water for two baths.

I attended the Texas Community Futures Forum for Castro County. Although many of the topics were not interesting to me, I was amazed to learn that the number one concern of the group is our water supply. My goals for the future include helping the extension committee members address this concern.

This year I recorded several radio spots about conserving water and water management. These radio spots reached over 2,000 people in my area, most of them farmers. My mom also helped me make bookmarks to set out at our local library for people to take. These bookmarks had some simple water conserving facts and our County Extension Office number on them.

One of my first CNR project activities included making posters about recycling facts to display at the stock show,

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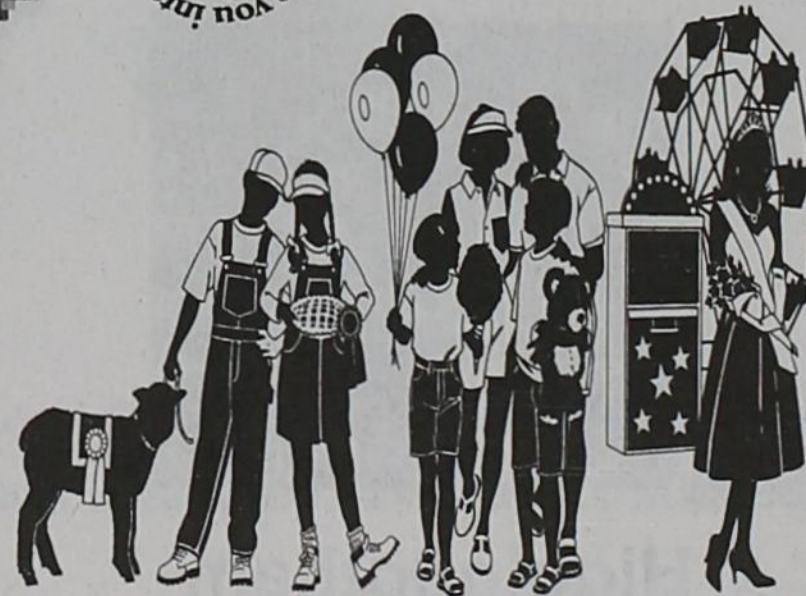
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KIRSTY TAYLOR, RIGHT, and Carter Hill, along with 20 other 4-Hers enjoyed hot dogs at a swim party earlier in the year.



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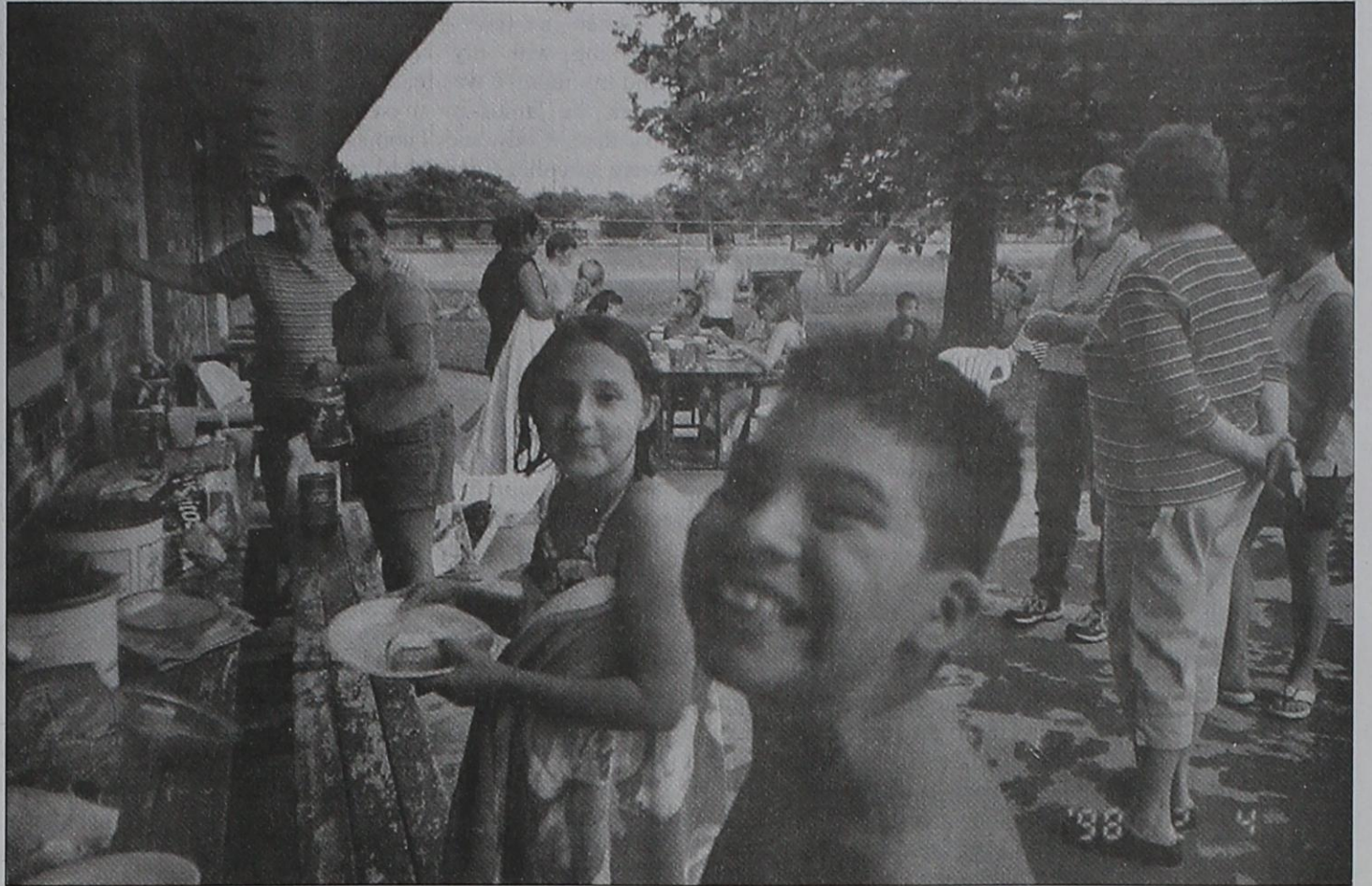
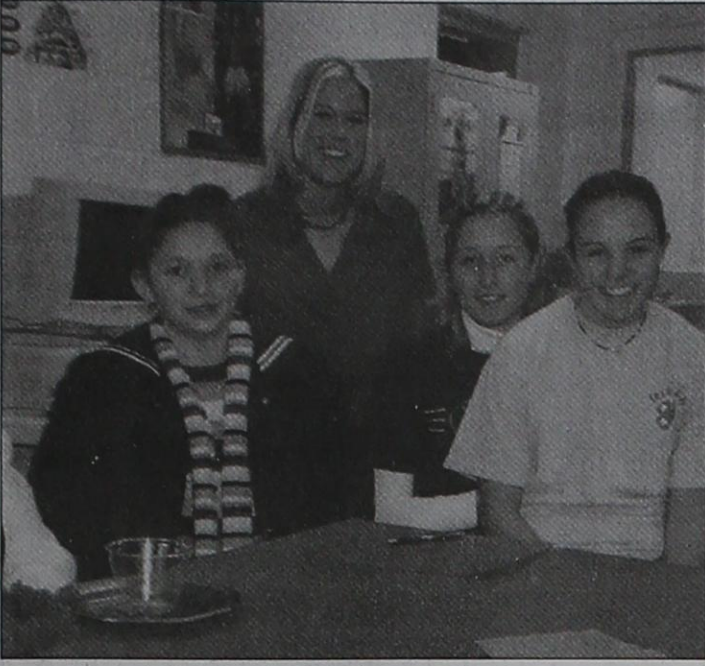
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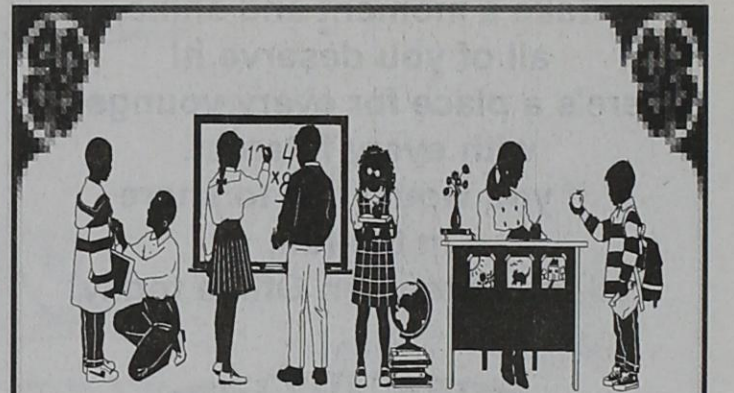


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 give the talk for them so that they could see and hear what a method demonstration was. I helped sew "baby bundles" as part of the state clothing board community service project. I competed in the Fashion Follies, Buying, Dressy category for three years and I helped younger 4-Hers practice their interview questions for their first Fashion Follies.

Last year, I competed in the Junior II Buying Dressy with a suit that was just the best! I got second and I was really proud, since the girl that beat me is a very good 4-Her. This year I again competed in the Dressy category, with a dress I wore to my Eighth Grade Banquet. I found a great dress for a great deal. I got first and was really excited because this was the first time I had been first in the Junior II category.

I really like my 4-H activities and I want a lot of my friends to join me, so it seems like I'm always coming up with ideas to get other people interested in 4-H. That's probably why Leadership is a natural project area for me. I have been club reporter, club secretary, club treasurer, first vice president, twice and council delegate. I coordinated the recycling efforts at our county stock show and worked with my agent to coordinate our county gleaning project. In the past three years I have helped recruit eight new members.



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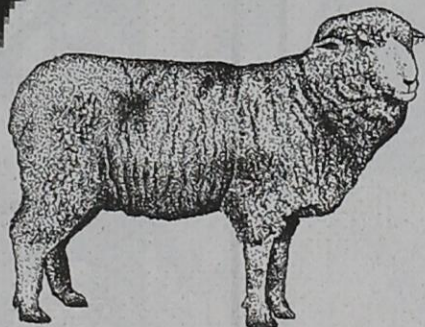


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Castro County 4-H stories ...

Hello, my name is Anna Brockman. I have lived in Dimmitt, Texas, all my life. My mom Shirley Brockman is a staff accountant at Brown, Graham and Co. P.C. I have two older brothers Cody 24, and Thomas 21. Cody is a graduate of Texas Tech University. Thomas is a senior at Texas Tech University. I'm a junior at Dimmitt High School.

I became very familiar with 4-H, because my parents were leaders, and since I was the youngest in the family, I naturally went to all 4-H functions. When I joined 4-H, it was because I wanted to meet new people, to go to all the fun camps and experience new things that my older brothers told me about. I have been in 4-H since first grade, when I became a Clover Kid. I began working projects six years ago.

Being a Junior I was fun and the projects weren't too hard. Then I moved up to Junior II and my parents and leaders expected me to take on more responsibility with my projects. Plus, when my older brothers went away to

college, I had to take more responsibility, especially with my sheep project. Now that I am a Senior, I really have to learn to be independent in my projects because my dad passed away in 2002, and it's just my mom and me. All of my 4-H leaders and friends have helped me get to meetings and events. I'm glad that my 4-H family has been around to assist me.

My sheep project started when I was just nine. That year my sheep were bigger than I was. They always jumped up and tried to get away. I learned from my brothers how to walk the lambs for exercise. I also learned about mixing the feed to that the lambs gained the right amount of weight. I didn't realize how much work lands were: feeding in the morning and at night, exercise every day; watch that each lamb gets food and that the others don't eat one lamb's share; learning when to give them alfalfa hay; and then washing and shearing before the shows. Whew! I'm glad my mom and I did all that work together!

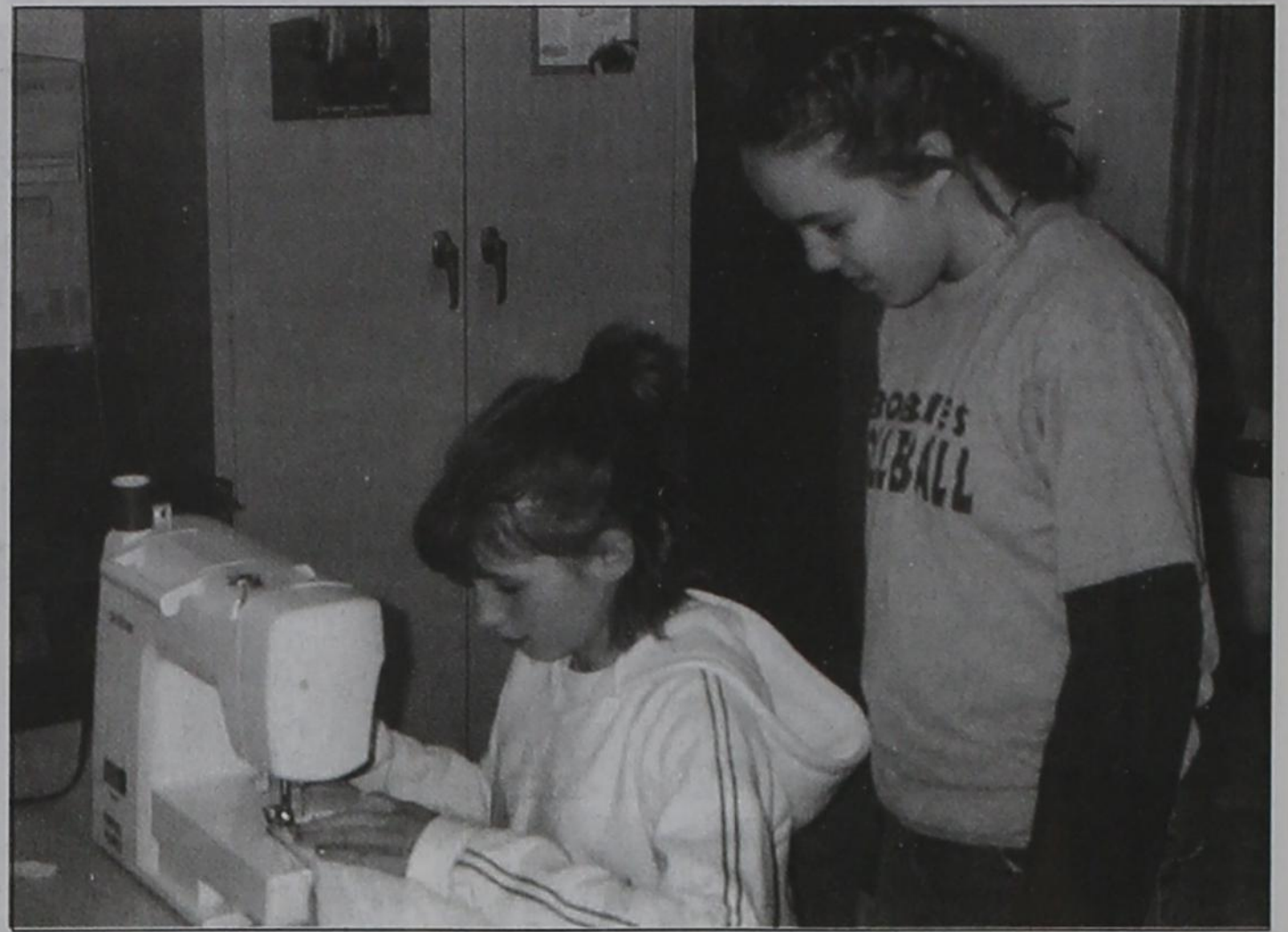
After a few years of working with my brothers and my mom, I was ready to work the lambs by myself. By then, Cody and Thomas were in college and I had to learn just to go out and start working with them on my own. Otherwise, they wouldn't get worked with. My mom and I had worked together to exercise the lambs and she taught me how to work them to "push." Last year when my aunt had surgery, my mom and I went and stayed with her until she was better. One chore that we did was feeding their lambs. We would go out in the morning and in the evening to feed. One year, I took my lamb to the Houston Livestock Show and it made it in the show. At the show, I noticed that there were different techniques to show lambs. Some people were using their knees to get the lambs to push and others used their bodies to get the lambs to set up just right for the judge. I think either way works, it just depends upon how strong you are.

This year my project consisted of two lambs. I learned to just let them know who the boss was by being repetitious in working with my lambs every day. In doing this, I soon learned that it did not take much to get them to set up right away. And I kept learning more about mixing the feed, exercise and how to get them to the correct weight.

This year I learned how to doctor a sick lamb. One of my lambs had a hole in his sinus cavity and it got infected. So I helped my county agent clean out the sinus cavity (which by the way was really gross) and doctor my lamb. We had to do this two times a day. It took several weeks for the infection to clear up. We think that he probably got the puncture from trying to eat a thistle. So needless to say, I learned to keep my lamb pens clean.

I also learned when the sheep need shearing, when to hear them and how to shear them. Also that you need to wash your lambs before you show them in the ring. I think one of the biggest lessons I learned from my sheep is responsibility. It doesn't matter how cold and snowy it is, or how tired I feel, I still have to care for my lambs.

A lot of my 4-H friends are in the Foods and



Anna Brockman, right, supervises Keila Schilling as she sews hot pads for a community service project.

Nutrition project with me. We have foods classes after school in the fall and most of us compete at the district Food Show in Levelland. The best part is trying new dishes and making the one you choose a dozen times before you go to the food show. This year I was one of the older members at the Foods classes. I was a senior leader helping the adult leader with the first year members. I drilled them on the food guide pyramid, nutrients, food safety and how to make their dishes. Working with them helped me to prepare myself for my interview questions.

Another project of mine is Clothing and Textiles. I'm glad that I'm learning how to sew, but I'm really glad that I don't have to make all my own clothes! I'm learning how to read clothing labels, including the care instructions. From the knowledge I've gained, I have learned which fabrics are the easiest to care for. I can use what I learned in Consumer Education about smart buying when I shop for clothes. I've also learned that when buying clothes, you might want to look at the seams and hems to make sure none of them are ripped or poorly constructed. When you are buying clothes that need to be a certain fabric, you need to check the tags of the clothes.

One of my newest projects that I had this year in 4-H was Health. This year I did a speech over organ donations. One reason that I chose this topic was because my dad had a double lung

transplant about three years ago. After his transplant he lived for another 15 months, because of an organ donor. I had a really fun time surfing the Internet and getting information to put my speech together. This year, I competed at District with my speech, since I was the only one in my category, naturally, I got to State Roundup. At State, I was told that I was not there to perform but to inform. One of the very important causes mentioned was that the main probable cause for a lung transplant is smoking. I am also learning how to take better care of my body by drinking either power Aide or water to replenish the vitamins or minerals in my body rather than drinking soft drinks.

Another one of my projects is Photography. In one of my competitions, I received a third place award for still life. In another competition, I received a fourth place award in floral arrangement.

I've helped people in my community because of 4-H. One year another member and I volunteered to hand out maps at the stop light for the city-wide garage sale. That was fun, but we had to be really careful of the cars. Last year, I helped at the Chamber of Commerce banquet by taking tickets and decorating a table for 4-H. The Chamber of Commerce knows they can always call upon 4-H members when there is a job that needs volunteers. I like keeping busy with different activities and it's good to

know I'm helping other people.

Looking back, it seems like I've done a lot already in 4-H and because of 4-H. But I know that there is a lot more out there to do. Now that I'm getting older, I think it would be neat to talk to younger kids at school and encourage them to become a part of 4-H. And I could work with the Chamber to do something for my community - like a reading program at the library where we read out 4-H stories to pre-school kids, or a skit about 4-H for the Follies Variety Show or even a garden project at the Senior Citizens Center.

Since my years in 4-H, I've held several office positions. I was elected 2nd Vice-President. I worked with the President and 1st Vice President on activities and games that we could play. I also help the position of 3rd Vice President. Although the 3rd Vice President doesn't do a whole lot of stuff, it was fun just being part of a big office. Two other offices that were exciting to hold were Historian and Reporter. We did a lot of work getting advertisements out to the newspapers, and to the radio stations. Recently I was elected President. Although it has been hard work considering I'm involved with a lot of sports, it has also been fun.

We've scheduled car washes and bake sales. I'm excited to see what the 2005-06 officers can do with our club and what our projects will be.

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collecting empty cans from our concession stand and recycling the cardboard boxes from our concession stand supplies.

Another project experience was leading a craft program at my club's meeting. We made pumpkin doorknob hangers out of aluminum cans. We smashed the cans; spray painted them orange and then decorated the bottoms with faces. I also have done a method demonstration about how to make your own compost bin in your backyard.

After my method demonstration my family decided to make a compost bin in our backyard. My dad and I nailed together a three-sided bin made of old pallets. We started adding vegetable peelings, grass clippings and some newspaper that was too soiled to recycle. Now that our bin is three years old it is really beginning to make a difference in our garden's soil.

My primary goal for my CNR project is to share my ideas and concerns with my community, not just my family and 4-H friends. I want to work with the county's Futures Forum committee, present my method demonstrations to community organizations and get our community more involved in recycling efforts, especially for newspaper and cardboard. My school already recycles cans, and I want to get the high school student council involved in recycling the daily newspaper, too. I hope to serve on the community service committee for Student Council.

Other 4-H Projects and Activities

My first 4-H project was Foods and Nutrition. My friend Joshua and I worked on this project together our first year in 4-H. His mom and my mom organized the foods classes once a week after school. Some of our other friends came, but we were the only ones who entered the Food Show. We learned about nutrients, food safety and balanced meals. Every week we made a different simple snack. Our favorite was apple slices and cheese squares on toothpicks.

For the last five years my mom was the foods group project leader. We continued to learn about nutrients and answering the questions for the food show, but we really concentrated on food safety and helping others through our foods project. One year we made treats for the Extension office to hand out during Halloween. The agents were really impressed with the "popcorn hands" we made. They said lots of people thought it was a neat idea. This summer we made cookies for a migrant program county camp that our Extension agent was attending.

Our foods group has also been a part of the Nutrition Quiz Bowl contest. Being part of the team was fun because we could help each other with the answers. Our team has been second for two years. This year our county did not compete because of a bad snow storm on the day of the contest. I've competed in the food show for four years now and this time I won first. During the summers we have foods workshops and I get to be a leader. It's fun teaching the younger 4-Hers about washing their hands, how to measure, keeping foods hot or cold, and how to use a knife safely. We also teach them how to take hot pans out of the oven safely.

Another one of my early projects is Clothing and Textiles. I have completed this project for four years now. It all started because I kept asking my mom to let me use the sewing machine. Finally she said I could as part of a clothing and textiles project. The first time I used the machine I made two cushions for the desk chair in my room. I entered them in the Castro County Fair and got a blue ribbon. Then I made

a nightgown to enter in the Fashion Follies. I got to go to district and won second place. When we modeled at the South Plains Fair I was really nervous, but once I got started it wasn't so bad. My nightgown also got best of show in the Castro County Fair. Lots of people were surprised that someone my age was sewing already.

At the end of my first year in Clothing and Textiles my agent and I set a goal of making aprons for the Parent Leader Association to use. I accomplished that goal when I sewed six aprons, kept one for my mom and gave five of them to the parent leaders. They sure came in handy at the stock show concession stand. I also made boxer shorts and decorated a T-shirt with sandpaper art.

My first method demonstration was about putting together a sewing kit. Even though I had been sewing for almost a year, I learned a lot about needles, pins, scissors and seam rippers. One summer I did the demonstration at the district sewing and fashion day camp. Another club in the county asked me to

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A Model For 4-H Youth Experience

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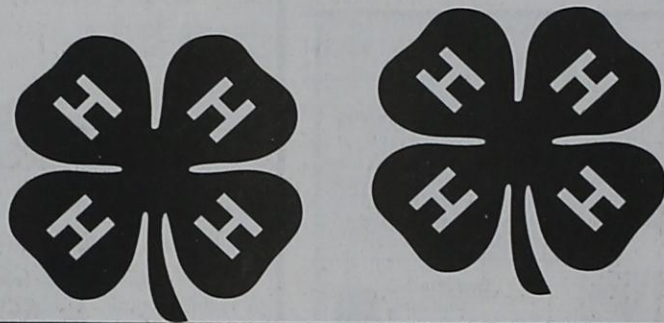
Second Annual 4-H Fun Day

More than 20 youngsters attended the Second Annual 4-H Fun Day sponsored by the Dimmitt-Bethel 4-H Club. Top back row, left to right: Adam Reinart, Kelsey Schilling, Keila Schilling, Stephanie Castro, Liz Hill, Schuler Underwood, Chance Schilling, Carter Hill. Middle row: Monica Gonzalez, Sydney Settle, Paige Howell, Riley Durbin. Bottom row: Whitney Wilcox, Lexy Bain, Baylee Mullins, Carsyn O'Brien, Macy Howell, Aubrie Durbin, Macy Birdwell, Rhett Bain and Mason Birdwell.



Dimmitt-Bethel Officers

Front: Ivan Fuentes, Liz Hill, Anna Brockman. Back: Adam Reinart, Stephanie Castro, Carter Hill, Jill Miller and Jeff Bishop.



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Silver Star Winner

Jeff Bishop was awarded the Silver Star for being the outstanding 4-Her in the Junior II division for the past year. He's shown here with leader Patrice Hill.

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It's great to see our 4-H'ers at work. Through their 4-H Club experience, these boys and girls, young men and women learn to take pride in their work, and in themselves. They become skilled farmers and homemakers, self-assured individuals, compassionate friends and responsible citizens ... in short ... better people. With pride and respect, we salute these 4-H members for the valuable job they do.

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Through the years, our Castro County 4-H'ers have won top awards at the district, state and national levels. In doing so, they have expanded their horizons toward greater accomplishments in the future.

We are proud to help our 4-H clubs and leaders throughout the year, and we salute you on your special week.

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