

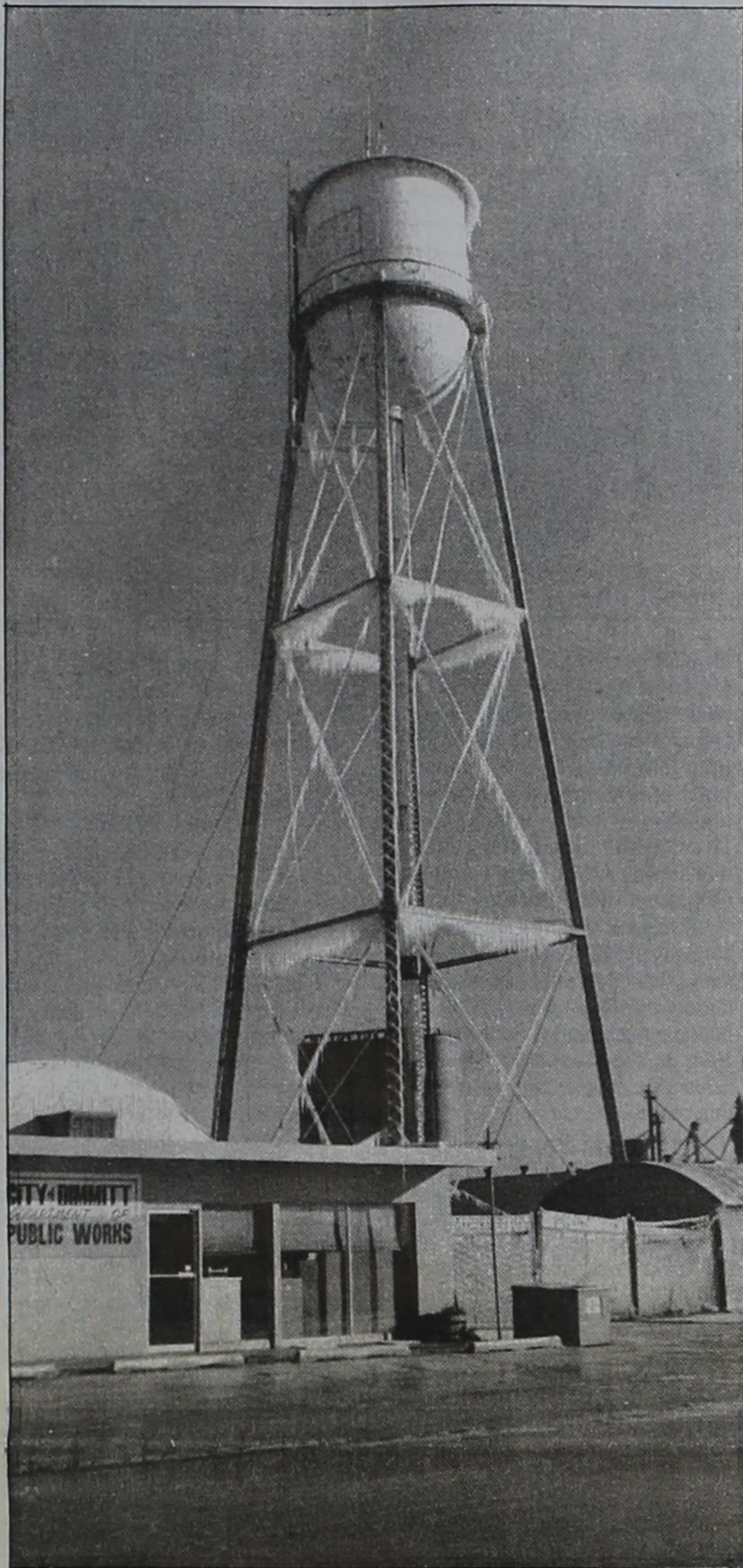
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**ICE SCULPTURE**—Dimmitt's east water tower was a sight to behold in the early-morning sunlight Saturday. An overflow in the tank turned it into a tower of ice. Water blowing from the high tank in the 6-degree weather also turned the property's south fence into a solid sheet of ice and created an ice slick across West Jones Street in front of the public works buildings. Ralph Salinas of the Public Works Dept. said a broken relay switch allowed the tank to overflow. Workers made emergency repairs Saturday afternoon, then installed all new switches at the top of the tower Monday. *Photo by Don Nelson*

## Three men sentenced in 242nd District Court

Three men entered plea bargain agreements in 242nd District Court criminal proceedings on Dec. 5 before Judge Marvin Marshall.

Cornelio Gentry, 18, of Dimmitt entered a plea of guilty to charges of first-degree escape--bodily injury. He was sentenced to 17 years confinement and was assessed a fine of \$2,000 and court costs of \$242.

The charges stemmed from an incident Sept. 27, in which Gentry escaped from the custody of a Castro County Sheriff's deputy and caused bodily injury to the deputy.

Charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and bodily injury of a public servant were dismissed against Gentry.

Anselmo Alcocer, 41, of Hart was sentenced in two separate charges to two years confinement probated for two years.

He was charged with felony possession of marijuana over 4 ounces

and under 5 pounds, and with possession of a controlled substance in connection with his arrest Oct. 6.

He also was fined \$500 in each instance, along with being assessed \$242 in court costs and reimbursement of attorney fees of \$250, community supervision reporting fees of \$40 and up to a \$50 donation to the Castro County Crime Line program.

Mark Lumbra, 17, of Dimmitt entered a plea of guilty to charges of burglary of a building in connection with an Oct. 21 incident in which he broke into a building owned by Lee Bradley.

Lumbra was sentenced to two years confinement probated for two years, and assessed a fine of \$500, restitution to Bradley in the amount of \$527.79, reimbursement of attorney fees for \$250, court costs of \$242, community supervision reporting fees of \$40, and a donation not to exceed \$50 to Crime Line.

the county," Matthews said. "So far in this term I've handled prosecution of all cases from Class C Misdemeanors to murder trials."

Matthews said he has been told by a knowledgeable legal authority that he prosecuted the first murder trial that ever resulted in a prison sentence being handed down in Castro County.

Matthews grew up in Dimmitt and he holds bachelor of science and doctor of juris prudence degrees from Texas Tech University.

## Matthews seeking second term as DA

Jerry Matthews, county/district attorney, will be seeking his second term in office in the March 12 Democratic primary election.

Matthews was first elected to the district attorney's post in November 1992. Since he has been in office, Matthews has attended the required schools, including professional prosecutors school.

"The first two years in office were a learning experience for me, but now I feel like the office is running well and I'd like to continue to serve

## King, Wales to leave TCPB positions

The Texas Corn Producers Board has officially accepted the retirement of its executive director, Carl L. King, and the resignation of his assistant, Lois Wales.

But the two say their decisions to leave the board were not voluntary.

King will be retiring as executive director of the 15-member board effective Jan. 1, 1996. Wales also will be leaving her post as assistant executive director, but she will remain as one of the 15 elected TCPB directors.

Jerry Don Glover of Lazbuddie, a current board member and agriculture producer, will serve as interim executive director of TCPB. The TCPB offices will remain in Dimmitt, with Glover operating from that location, according to Wales.

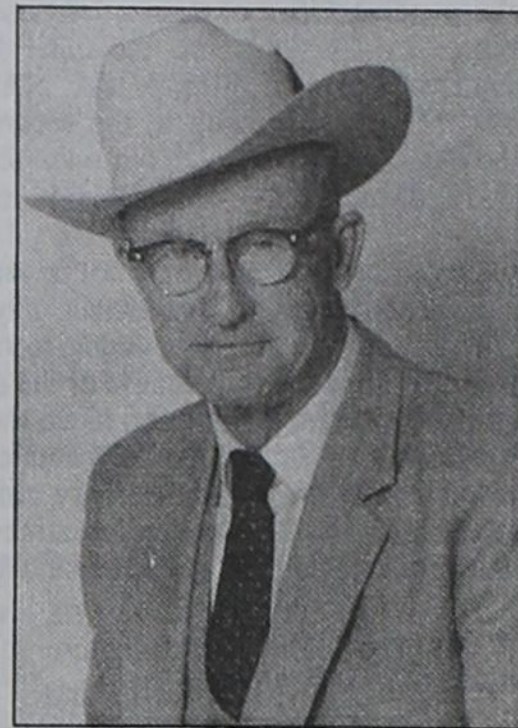
King said he was planning to retire in a couple of years anyway, but that

he was asked to take an "early retirement."

"I would have preferred to stay a little longer—until the man I'd trained, Harold Bob Bennett, returned and could take over. But the board had other ideas," said King. (Bennett is serving as the state director of the Farm Service Agency.) "They've (board) been trying to do this for a long time now. When you are operating statewide, you tend to pick up some political enemies.

"I'll still be an active fighter for agriculture; my work will just be done under a different name—the Texas Corn Growers Association," King said.

King will still serve as president of the Texas Corn Growers Association, from which the TCPB was spawned 15 years ago. He also remains as chairman of the board of



Carl King

the American Corn Growers Association. Neither association is affiliated

with TCPB, the checkoff board.

Wales said she loved her work and will miss the job, but she feels like she was "fired for political reasons."

"I really didn't resign," Wales said Monday. "I was replaced—really, I guess I was fired. That's the way I feel about it. They came in and replaced both of us. I'm still on the board and if I feel like I can still represent the farmers who elected me, I'll remain on the board."

"Lois Wales stands head and shoulders above many people when it comes to working for the betterment of agriculture," said King. "She has been a true champion for farmers, especially in her regional and national efforts to establish corn-produced ethanol as an alternative fuel to conserve our natural resources (Continued on Page 13)

## Assistant city manager

# City taps Sheffy for post

Don Sheffy was tapped Monday night to be Dimmitt's next city manager.

He will start work in February and will train under longtime City Manager Reeford Burrous, who plans to retire at midyear.

Sheffy, a 10-year city councilman who is in the process of liquidating his western-wear store here, was chosen from a field of five finalists, all Dimmitt men. As an applicant, Sheffy was excluded from the council's closed-door deliberations.

Mayor Wayne Collins said the city was blessed with top-notch candidates. He praised all five finalists, who were picked from a field

of 10.

"It was a tough decision because there were so many applicants who were well-qualified, who were local, and who were our friends," Collins said. "We had a number of wonderfully qualified candidates. Every single applicant brought management experience to the table. Most had college degrees, all have had solid business experience, and several are experienced military officers, as Reeford was. We felt there was no way we could make a mistake in picking any one of them."

He added, "It's both a pleasure and a curse to have so many well-qualified candidates that you're

friends with."

The city had advertised the job opening only in the local media.

"We wanted to give local applicants preference," Collins said. "We feel that we get better people locally who are more likely to stay and who have a better understanding of our community."

Sheffy, 56, was born and raised here. He holds a master's degree in business administration from West Texas A&M. He was a pharmaceutical sales representative for Dow Chemical Co. 19 years, living in Canyon, and also "moonlighted" by farming and raising cattle near Happy.

He and his wife, Karen, returned to Dimmitt with their three daughters in 1981 to open Sheffy's Western & Casual Wear.

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## Weather

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Thursday	67	20	
Friday	44	20	
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Sunday	31	6	
Monday	55	14	
Tuesday	71	27	
Wednesday	74	38	
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## 'Brown Bag' donations needed

The Castro County Ministerial Alliance 'Brown Bag' Christmas campaign is off to a 'slow' start, according to a spokesman, but collections will continue through Monday, with the items to be distributed to the needy of the county on Dec. 21.

Members of all local churches are urged to bring donations of food and toys to their church Sunday. Items also may be dropped off at most churches during the week, as well as at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce office. Also, cash donations can be made at the office of Dimmitt Thriftway or IGA Foodliner, with checks made out to the Ministerial Alliance.

Those who know of needy families are asked to notify the Ministerial Alliance.

Those needing assistance are asked to fill out a registration form so that the distribution can be made according to each family's needs.

Canned foods of all types are welcome, as well as other staple food items such as flour, sugar, rice, beans, etc. Hams will be provided by the Ministerial Alliance from the Thanksgiving offerings taken up at local churches.

"The Thanksgiving offerings brought in \$1,400 this year, about \$500 more than last year," said Johnny Robertson, pastor of Dimmitt's First United Methodist Church and a member of the Ministerial Alliance. He said after purchase of the hams, funds will be used to buy any additional food

items needed to round out the food distribution.

"As in the past, we regretfully cannot accept home-canned items or items that may spoil before they can be distributed," a project spokesperson said.

"We are asking for donations of new toys for boys and girls age 12 and under," the spokesperson said.

Registration forms can be picked up from any local church, and may

be turned in to the church, the Chamber of Commerce, or the Dept. of Human Services. They must be turned in by Dec. 18.

Volunteers will be needed for distributing the boxes on Dec. 21, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Those wanting to help may come to the old Sears building at 108 SW Second.

Those who want to receive items from the project are asked to have someone available to receive the delivery, or it will not be left.

## Community Cantata planned for Sunday

The Christmas Festival will be presented by a community choir Sunday at 6 p.m. at Dimmitt's First Baptist Church, and the public is invited to attend.

Directing the presentation will be Bill Newland of Dimmitt's First Baptist Church and Charles Axtell of Dimmitt's First United Methodist Church. The cantata is orchestrated and arranged by Bob Krogstad.

Highlighted by performances by the Methodist Handbell Choir, the

FBC Children's Choir, and an instrumental group with members from several participating churches, the cantata will feature a choir of at least 50 voices rerepresenting several local churches.

A rehearsal for the cantata had been scheduled for Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the FBC. A final "polishing" is set for Sunday at 4:30 p.m.

"This will be a quality Christmas program the whole community can enjoy," Newland said.

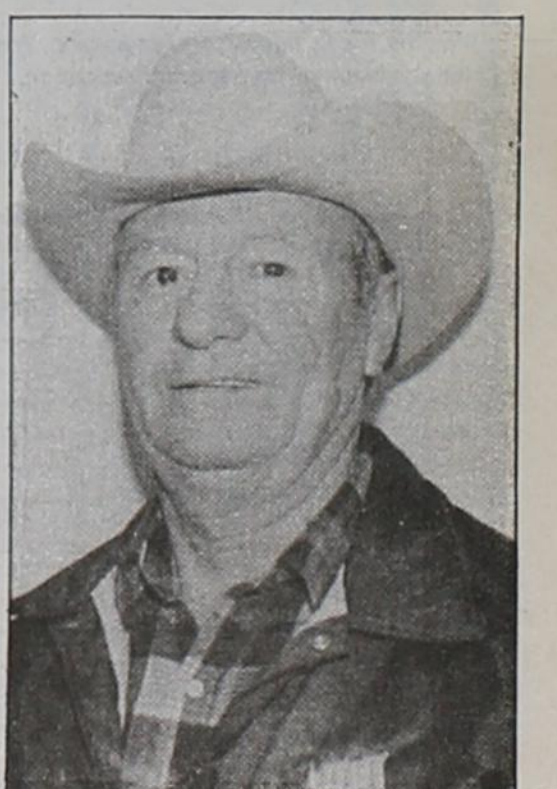
## Rowland seeking re-election as Pct. 1 commissioner

Newlon Rowland of Hart has announced that he will be seeking re-election as Pct. 1 Commissioner subject to the March 12 Democratic primary.

Rowland was appointed commissioner to fulfill the unexpired term of Harold Smith, who resigned from the office. Then in November 1994 Rowland was officially elected to a two-year term in a special election.

"I have enjoyed these two years as your commissioner. I have attended several schools and have studied about county government so that I may serve the citizens of this precinct," Rowland said.

"I have enjoyed serving as your commissioner and I appreciate the support I receive. I would very much appreciate your vote in the Democratic primary," he added.



Newlon Rowland



**NAZARETH POSTMASTER STEPHANNE DOBMEIER** shows off a few of the hundreds of pieces of Christmas mail she will be stamping with a special holiday cancellation today (Thursday). The Nazareth Post Office has resumed its holiday stamp cancellation and this year's art was designed by Imogene Harris. It depicts a couple approaching a distant city with a bright star shining overhead. Dobmeier said she receives requests for cancellations from people across the United States and foreign countries including Germany and Holland. *Photo by Anne Acker*

## Op-Ed

Opinions, Editorials, Letters, Features



## Shirking Bosnia would be disgrace

By EDWIN M. YODER JR.

For a very long time, and especially since the demise of isolationism, American presidents have found it useful to clothe international duties in high-minded sentiment — "making the world safe for democracy" or assuring "the four freedoms everywhere in the world."

Bill Clinton's plea for support of the pending US armed mission in Bosnia is in that tradition.

His evocation of the suffering innocents of Bosnia fits the usual mold.

But to base US intervention in the Balkans on exalted sentiment may increase the already substantial risk of disillusionment.

Perhaps it would not be amiss to say a word or two for dry-eyed realism. The more so, since in this instance realism is a kind of idealism. The best reason to send 20,000 or more American troops to Bosnia has less to do with the future of Bosnia itself than with the future of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The NATO alliance, originally conceived to contain the threat of Stalinist imperialism, stands alone as the only deliberate commitment the US has ever made in peacetime to collective security.

It was the offshoot of a hard lesson. This country had to be goaded, belatedly, into both world wars—the first, by submarine warfare against neutral shipping on the high seas, the second by Japanese attack and Hitler's ensuing declaration of war against us.

The hard lesson was that when the United States took no active interest in Europe's destiny, Europe's destiny would take an eventual interest in us.

NATO is thus a great exception in American history, an investment in the idea that the stability of the Atlantic community is essential to our own. Indeed, it has historically been easier for presidents to rouse this country to intervene in the Pacific theater (as far back as the Boxer Rebellion in China) than in Europe, where most of our ancestral roots lie.

The explanation of that paradox is for another day. But when wise and informed people speculate that an American failure to ante up now in Bosnia could

spell the end of NATO, it is no joke.

There is no present prospect that NATO will be needed to deter and contain Russian aggression. So if NATO cannot or will not attempt to put out a nationalist fire in the Balkans, the seedbed of so much European misery in this century, it runs the risk of being seen to have no useful role at all and perishing of missionlessness.

On the other hand, if it can measure up to this difficult task, NATO's prestige will be enhanced and, with it, the security and stability of the continent on which our own ultimately rests.

The United States is the linchpin, the horseshoe nail, for want of which the mission will not succeed and may not be attempted.

The errand may turn out to be beyond us. But it is surely wrong to reach that conclusion without trying, or because of the military risks.

Oddly, since the end of the draft and the beginning of the all-volunteer army, we have become skittish about military risk anywhere—as if so expensive and excellent an armed force were a collector's bauble, to be gazed at and admired but too fragile to risk in use.

If this is so, we are wasting hundreds of billions a year on a museum piece.

This disabling attitude, in part a hangover from Vietnam, must change if the United States isn't to slink back into the isolationist shell that we once found so deceptively comfortable.

We can withdraw from the European security system, but we can be sure that in our absence our destiny will be shaped by others—perhaps mischief-makers.

These are among the considerations that ought to govern the debate about the unpleasant and risky duty in Bosnia.

We may not succeed there, but it would be disgraceful not to try.

Edwin Yoder writes for the Washington Post Writers Group. This column appeared in the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal.



## State Capital



## HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling  
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all other farm-to-market and ranch-to-market roads. Results of the first phase indicate the Transportation Department cannot justify a speed limit lower than 70 mph on the majority of rural interstate and divided highways — which make up about 10 percent of the total highway system in Texas but carry more than 60 percent of the traffic.

## Academic Ratings Upgraded

Texas public schools will be held to higher performance standards under the newly revised Public School Accountability System for 1996 to the year 2000, the Texas Education Agency announced early this month.

Mandated by the Texas Legislature in 1993 as a method of rating school districts and campuses, the new four-tiered rating system is based on students' scores in the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) exam given to pupils in grades 3 through 8 and 10, and dropout rates and attendance rates. In 1996, districts and campuses will also be acknowledged for high performance on college admission tests.

School districts are rated exemplary, recognized, academically acceptable and academically unacceptable. Campuses are rated exemplary, recognized, acceptable or low-performing.

"Although in many ways, the system remains unchanged for the past years, some performance standards will be substantially increased by the turn of the century. The system expects high performance from all groups of students," said Texas Education Commissioner Mike Moses.

In 1995, for example, a district or campus was rated academically unacceptable/low performing if less than 25 percent of its total students or student groups (African American, Hispanic, white or economically disadvantaged) passed the reading, writing and math sections of the TAAS exam.

Now the bar is being raised. In 1996, districts or campuses will be rated academically unacceptable/low performing if the TAAS passing rate for all students or any

of the four student groups is below 30 percent. And, by the year 2000, any district or campus that has less than a 50 percent TAAS passing rate will receive the lowest rating.

## National Forum Set in Austin

Organizers of the National Issues Convention, Jan. 18-21 in Austin, are calling the event "an unprecedented experiment in the American Democratic process."

It is hoped the convention will draw many of the 1996 presidential candidates. Only U.S. Sen. Robert Dole, R-Kan., has said he would not attend.

Creator of the convention is James Fishkin, chairman of the government department at the University of Texas at Austin. Fishkin said he is confident most of the candidates would come, and if they do not, they would be replaced by other political figures.

About 75 percent of the 600 people asked to be delegates have accepted invitations, Fishkin said.

## Bell to Refund Customers

Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. is to share \$19.4 million with customers as a final payment under a four-year regulatory plan that governed its rates and earnings before the state's new telecommunications law took effect Sept. 1.

In a report filed with the Public Utility Commission, Southwestern Bell agreed to a one-time credit that customers may see on their billing statement as early as March. Credits will be \$1.36 per residential line and \$2.99 for a business line.

If approved, the refund will bring the five-year total of refunds to \$172 million.

## Grover Challenges LBJ Law

Former GOP state Sen. Henry C. "Hank" Grover of Houston filed a lawsuit in Travis County against the Texas Republican Party, claiming that the election rule allowing a person (in this case, Phil Gramm) to run for the presidency and another office at the same time is unconstitutional.

The rule was written in 1960 to allow then-U.S. Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson to run for re-election and president.

## Family comparable to DC

By CHRISTOPHER MATTHEWS

The budget fight reminds me of home.

Like other husbands, I find myself performing two tasks: turning off lights in empty rooms and locking doors. Nobody ever gave me those assignments. I accept them as the commonplace duties of my life.

I turn off the lights because I imagine that little niddle spinning somewhere, running up nickels and dimes of cost that will someday overwhelm the family's income.

I lock the doors because it's my job to go downstairs if I hear a noise in the night.

But mainly it is my job to turn off the lights in rooms where someone has left a tape playing, which is also my job to turn off.

At home, I behave like a Republican. Whatever I think reading the newspapers, whatever I say at the dining table, whatever I write when at the news bureau, I conduct myself at home according to the rules, priorities and principles of the GOP. I believe my in-an-emergency job is defense, hence my concern with locked doors.

But my never-relenting concern, day and night, is protecting the family budget. This explains why I look upon salesmen of the widest variety (door-to-door, telemarketers, 1-800ers, interior decorators, landscape "artists") as the enemy. To me, they are the special pleaders trying to accomplish through charm, intimidation and humiliation, the same goal as the midnight burglar: get hold of our money, as much as they can get, as fast as they can get it.

To me, everyone who wants me to write a check is a

threat to my well-being. They want my money now. But if they get it, I will not have it down the road. I will only have higher property assessments and mortgages. Those special pleaders who enter our door will be off with my money to pay for their higher property assessments, their mortgages.

Yes, at home I think and feel as a Republican. Why should I look kindly on anyone out to get my money? Any more than I should catch the glare of a ceiling light shining from an empty room or the specter of an unlocked door with midnight afoot?

My wife, though every bit as professional as I in her career, guards home from a far different post.

Where I worry about lights on in empty rooms, she worries about homework not done, about special education challenges, about health concerns. She worries about the children not getting enough sleep, the kids they hang around with and getting to soccer, baseball and Sunday night religion class.

My wife worries about the house being a nice, attractive place to live, about our environment.

At the risk of betraying her politics, let me say that, at home at least, my wife is a Democrat. Her at-home priorities are education, health, child-care, the environment, just as my concerns are classic Republican: defense, law and order, and sticking to the budget.

So we shouldn't be surprised at what's happening in Washington. In choosing a Republican Congress to co-habit with a Democratic President, we created a household where there are bound to be differences.

Christopher Matthews is syndicated by Tribune Media Services, Orlando, Fla. This article appeared in the Amarillo Daily News.

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# On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

The Panama Canal was the primary destination point for the George Sideses, the Bill Clarks and the Percy Parsonses over the past few weeks.

The three couples spent a couple of days in Fort Lauderdale before boarding the Sky Princess Cruise Ship for Limon, Costa Rica, Cartegena, Columbia, the Panama Canal, the San Blas Islands and finally Cozumel, Mexico.

A great time was had by all and "cruisin'" is a favorite vacation choice.

Fred and Bobbie Bruegel took a similar cruise before Thanksgiving on a different cruise line.

Long reports and countless photos will soon be available to interested parties.

The Birthday Club honored Charles Richard and Donald Schilling by taking them to Hereford to eat at Sirlon Stockade on Sunday. Others enjoying the food and fellowship were Rena Richard, Agnes Schilling, Edna Reinart, Lawrence and Vernice Green, Andy and Oleada Schumacher and Leander and Clara Reinart.

Ed and Betty Freeman celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary recently. Betty was a guest along with Ed at the Kiwanis luncheon on Monday and the couple celebrated their special occasion.

The Thursday Bridge Club met at the Senior Citizens Center with Edith Graef as hostess. The group enjoyed a covered dish luncheon and Edith served cookies for snacks and

a delicious banana nut cake for dessert.

Helen Braafladt won high score and Neva Hickey was second. Others playing were Loranel Hamilton, Virginia Crider, Ferne Dickey, Bernice Hill, Cleo Forson, Elizabeth Huckabay, Johnnie Vannoy, Emily Clingsmith, Dude McLaren and Ina Rae Cates.

Last week was the week of prayer for foreign missions and this year's theme is "Missions: Reshaping a World Without Borders."

This is the season to show our love for our neighbors, our families and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Monday morning we met in Maxine Tidwell's home with Dorothy Hopson organizing the program on missions. Several prayers were offered for the missionaries and one special prayer was offered for Pam Strickland, wife of Butch Strickland. This was Pam's birthday and the couple are missionaries in Venezuela.

Maxine served fresh fruit, bran muffins, hot cider and coffee to guests.

After the meeting Bill Newland took the women on a tour to see the Primera Iglesia Bautista Mexicana building and the lot the church has purchased for its new building.

Women present were Bobbie Baldrige, Bernice Hill, Ysleta Ball, Mauzee Youts, Mary Edna Hendrix, Hopson and Tidwell from the Dimmitt First Baptist Church; and Daviene Wall, Opal Thomas, Yvonne Wakefield, Norma Conard and Darla Stewart from Lee Street Baptist Church; and Elida Campos from Primera Iglesia Bautista Mexicana.

On Tuesday morning the group

met at Ysleta Ball's home and Dorothy Hopson showed a film on missions around the world. One surprising part was focused on missionaries ministering to gypsies in Europe.

Ysleta served hot cider to Hopson, Gertie Waggoner, Mauzee Youts, and Mary Edna Hendrix from First Baptist Church; and Opal Thomas, Daviene Wall, Yvonne Wakefield, Lynette Rials, Doris Frazier and Bessie Strickland from Lee Street Baptist Church. The new name for the women's organization is Women on Missions.

There are several couples from Dimmitt and Castro County who are serving as missionaries including Gale and Verna Sadler in Tanzania, Butch and Pam Strickland in Venezuela, Johnny and Barbara Burnett in Brazil and Steve and Debbie McCord in Korea. Mike and Christy Pennington were in Venezuela until recently, and now they are back in the United States.

On Wednesday the women met at the church for a prayer meeting and Hopson showed the film, "Missions in a World Without Borders" featuring Keith Parks as the commentator.

I have always wanted to "crash" the men's Thursday morning breakfast, but I didn't quite have the nerve to do it. Well, Dorothy Hopson planned for the women to meet with the men for their week of prayer program. We had to get up at 5:30 a.m., but it was worth it! The men served sausage, scrambled eggs, biscuits, jelly, orange juice and coffee. V.C. Hopson was one of the cooks. (Bro. Paul, where were you?)

Roger Malone welcomed the women and Barbara Kenley gave the response. Dorothy showed another film on missions.

The pheasant season opened Saturday morning and many hunters were coming in on Friday.

Rosetta Bellinghausen and I were eating at K-Bob's on Friday evening and there was a long table with about 25 men from out of town eating fish. We talked with some of them and they were from Garland and Midlothian. They said they were hunting with the Lions Club and were staying at the American Legion Hall in Nazareth, which accommodated about 30 men with their bed rolls and sleeping bags. One man told us they were the nicest bunch of men anywhere! They were all young and middle-aged.

The Dimmitt Kiwanis Club held its annual pheasant hunters' breakfast at the Expo Building Saturday morning at 5:30. They served sau-

sage, scrambled eggs, biscuits, gravy, orange juice and coffee.

The Hart Lions Club served the same menu to hunters at the Hart High School cafeteria Saturday morning.

The Nazareth Lions Club served breakfast as well as lunch on Saturday at the Nazareth Community Hall. Then the Nazareth Museum Association sponsored a steak dinner on Saturday evening.

The Easter Lions Club served coffee and doughnuts Saturday morning and a barbecued lunch at noon at the Easter Community Building.

Roger and Geneva Malone hosted a dinner for the members of the Adult 5 Sunday School Dept. at First Baptist Church on Sunday following the morning church service. They

served ham and brisket with all the salads, vegetables and desserts furnished by class members.

The tables were decorated with colorful Christmas arrangements and several Santa Clauses. A pretty miniature Christmas tree was on the dessert table. Thanks to Roger and Geneva for a special dinner.

I visited with the Don Warrens at the restaurant and asked to see pictures of their new grandbaby. Would you believe they didn't have a picture with them? The Troy Kirbys are the paternal grandparents and Kent and Whitney are proud parents.

Betty Freeman reported recently that Ed has been set free from his neck brace this week--after wearing it for four months following a fall while they were vacationing.



LUPE MENDEZ OF DIMMITT (second from left) was a finalist in the 1995 Miss Caprock pageant, which was held Dec. 1 at South Plains College. Pictured with Mendez are the newly-crowned queen, Aimee Fondy (center) and other finalists (from left) Amy Neal of Whiteface, Trish Bradley of Springlake and Kristy Brown of Levelland. Courtesy Photo

# Sunnyside with Teeny Bowden

Rev. Brent Childers of Amarillo filled the pulpit Sunday morning in the absence of a pastor. His wife, Leslie, and their children, Seth, Jake and Amber, came with him for Sunday School and attended church services.

Bro. Childers played the guitar for the song service since we didn't have a pianist.

It was decided in a called business meeting to have Sunday morning services on Dec. 24 at 10 a.m. so more families could get together earlier for Christmas Eve parties.

The church's 75th anniversary committee had a meeting at Teeny

Bowden's home Monday afternoon, but only Lillian Carson and LaWanda Wilson came. Verba Sadler was sick and Gerald Elkins forgot about the meeting. Lori Sisemore hasn't been replaced yet because she is still doing computer work for us.

We read the history again, this time with the pastors' names scattered through it, and we decided it sounded okay, we just need to make it longer. We also cut some out of the history.

Hershel and Retha Wilson put up Christmas lights this week and they have been busy all week attending the revival at Springlake and watching their grandchildren play ball.

Alton and Betty Louder and Doug Louder went to Stamford Lake last Friday and stayed until Monday. Tom and Yvonne Messer of Bridgeport and Genevieve and Lowell Westmoreland of Littlefield were there, also.

Verna Thompson of Hobbs and her daughter, Glenda Bell of Amarillo, visited Friday afternoon with Goldie Thompson. Verna is Goldie's sister-in-law.

Ezell and Verba Sadler were at Hubbard Creek Lake the last part of the week and over the weekend to prepare everything for winter.

It was 8 degrees on Saturday morning, 14 on Sunday morning and 24 on Monday morning. Each reading was taken at 7:30 a.m.

Teeny Bowden talked with Anthony Sisemore on Sunday afternoon.

He presided over his first funeral on Thursday and he said there have been four wrecks, some involving deaths. On Wednesday a module truck hit a car involving a family where one was killed. The driver of the truck was a member of his church. Another accident involved youths and the driver, who was celebrating his 19th birthday, was killed.

I didn't get to talk to Lori. They had eaten a meal with one of the families there and Ashley was ready for her nap so Anthony had brought Ashley home and put her to bed.

## CofC selects prize winners

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce selected winners recently for two of the weekly drawings in the Christmas Shop at Home campaign sponsored by participating merchants.

Winners of \$25 in Dimmitt Dollars are Rhonda Field, who signed up at Dimmitt Printing & Office Supply; Bobby Martinez, who registered at ALCO; and Dorothy Summers, who registered at Lockhart Pharmacy for the Dec. 11 drawing.

Also, for the Dec. 4 drawing, \$25-prizes went to Betty Birkenfeld, who registered at Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union; Margie Sandoval, who signed up at Pizza Hut; and Linda Rator, who registered at Seale Florist.



ALL-STAR HONORS--Dimmitt Middle School students Rachal Harman (standing) and Natasha Vasquez (seated) earned special honors at the District One-Act Play contest held Nov. 18 in Friona. Harman, in her part as Helen of Troy, was named to the All-Star Cast; and Vasquez, as Charon, was given Honorable Mention All-Star Cast honors. The DMS play was *Persephone*. Photo by Linda Maxwell

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# People



## DHS students to exhibit art

Students from Dimmitt High School art classes will display samples of their work in the gallery hall at Rhoads Memorial Library in Dimmitt. The work will be displayed at the library Monday through Dec. 29 during regular library hours and the public is invited to attend.

## Breast cancer screening set for Dec. 26

A breast cancer screening clinic will be conducted at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt on Dec. 26, and appointments are being accepted. Those wishing to schedule an appointment should call the Women's Center at Harrington Cancer Center, 1-800-377-4673 or 806-359-4673. The clinic will be conducted by the Women's Center and High Plains Baptist Health Systems.

Each participant at the screening will receive a breast exam and one-on-one instruction in breast self-examination by a registered nurse specially trained in breast cancer detection and a mammogram by a mammography technician. The program is certified by the Food and Drug Administration, American College of Radiology and the state health departments of Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. Cost for the screening is \$70 and financial aid is available for breast screening and mammograms to those who qualify.

## Arredondo wins design contest

Marta Arredondo of Dimmitt was one of several winners in an engineering design contest for college students. Arredondo is a freshman at South Plains College in Levelland and she was one of 11 freshmen winners in the contest.



**YES VOLUNTERS** from Dimmitt High School include (standing, from left) Tracy Grand, Angie Mendosa, Sarah Goldsmith, Polly Bolton, Jessica Vasquez, Rachel Goldsmith and Chris Abalos; and (seated, from left) Summer McLean, Lindsey Garza, Crystal Stevens, Amy Fuller and Roxanne Vigil. Courtesy Photo

## DHS students share time, talents through YES program

One of the most popular sayings at Dimmitt High School these days is YES. YES is a program of Youths Exchanging with Seniors, and it features a select group of FHA members

who have been specially trained and volunteer their time and talents to a group of senior citizens from the community. The students spend time with their assigned pals in many different ways. Some citizens need house chores done, others simply need someone with which they can share a few laughs or tears.

"The students are mainly there to remind the senior citizens that somebody does care and they are a big part of our community," said Barbara Kenley, YES sponsor.

YES is a project of the Future Homemakers of America, and 12 juniors and seniors from Dimmitt High School are participating in the program. They include Tracy Grand, Angie Mendosa, Sarah Goldsmith, Polly Bolton, Jessica Vasquez, Rachel Goldsmith, Chris Abalos, Summer McLean, Lindsey Garza, Crystal Stevens, Amy Fuller and Roxanne Vigil.

## Who's New!

**Plains Memorial**  
It's a boy for Jose and Sonia Pineda of Earth. Their son, Joe Andrew, was born at 8:10 a.m. on Dec. 1 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. He weighed 6 lbs., 1 oz. He has a big sister, Sandra Lorena. Paternal grandparent is Concepcion Pineda of Muleshoe. Maternal grandparents are Salvador Salais of Plainview and Elizabeth Rivera of Clovis, N.M.

## Basic computer classes offered

Adult computer education classes will be offered in Dimmitt beginning in January. The classes will be conducted by Richard Spears, and will be held at the Dimmitt High School computer lab. Classes are designed for beginning and intermediate computer users and courses will be two or three evenings from 7 to 9 p.m.

Cost for each course is \$15, and the classes offer only essential information to help users get the most out of their personal computers.

Classes include "Computer Basics: Introduction to Computers," "Beginning Windows, version 3.1," "Word Processing (DOS and Windows)," "Using Spreadsheets in Windows" and "Developing a Windows Database."

The Computer Basics course will be offered Jan. 8-9 and Jan. 22-23 and will feature instruction on how computers work, beginning applications, printing tips, how to compose, save and print a file (letter or memo, etc.) And computer terminology. Tips also will be given on purchasing a computer for your home or business.

The classes in Windows will be offered Jan. 15, 16 and 18; and Feb. 5, 6 and 8. Objectives of this course will be installing the Windows program, using a mouse, starting applications, creating icons for Windows and DOS programs, managing files, troubleshooting and more.

In the word processing course on Jan. 29-30, Spears will offer instruction in creating simple documents, printing, editing, saving, and spell-checking the documents.

The spreadsheet class will be offered Feb. 12-13 and students in this course will learn how to create a basic budget spreadsheet by entering data, formulas for calculations, formatting cells, and creating graphs and charts to represent the data.

Students will learn to create a custom database in the Windows Database class on Feb. 19, 20 and 22. They will create a database for a fictitious company, designing the database to handle a customer list, price and product inventory.

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# Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

The Nazareth Senior Citizens were treated to a Christmas dinner Sunday thanks to the American Legion Auxiliary ladies. We enjoyed the meal and also the decorated dining area.

A dinner party celebrating Helen Backus's 84th birthday was hosted by her family Sunday at the home of Hubert and Joan Backus. Helen enjoyed an afternoon of visiting and

playing solo with her family. Those attending were Arnold and Catherine Huseman, Paul Venhaus of Nazareth, Edmund and Sharon Backus of Dumas and Francis and Connie Backus of Hereford.

Prayers are asked for Max Acker who fell last Wednesday evening and broke her hip. She had surgery Thursday at High Plains Baptist hospital in Amarillo and is now in therapy. Cards may be sent to this address: H.D. White, 3317 Gramercy St., Amarillo 79108.

Todd Hill of Carrollton, Traci Scholl of Wichita Falls and Charley and Beverly Hill attended funeral services Saturday for Charley's grandson, Stacy Brown, 20, of Scott City, Kan. Services were held at the Methodist Church in Scott City. His parents are Lee Ann and Dave Brown of Scott City.

Lee and Denise Schilling are the proud parents of a baby girl, Shelby Claire, born Nov. 20 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. Her grandparents are Agnes and Donald Schilling of Dimmitt and Linda Jackson of Spur. One great-grandmother is Gracy Erath of Spur.

Gordon Wilhelm of Bryan spent last week here with his parents, Francis and Betty Wilhelm and family members. They joined family in Amarillo including Raymond and Kimmie Huseman and Eric and Leona Wilhelm one evening for dinner and several games of

bowling.

Many hunters joined Lions Club members here for the pheasant hunt this weekend. They also gathered at the Community Hall for the steak supper Saturday evening, sponsored by the Nazareth Museum Committee.

Prayers are asked for Elma Schacher, who fell Saturday evening in her home and broke her hip. She is a surgery patient at St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock. Cards may be mailed to her at the hospital,

4000 24th St., Room 556, Lubbock 79410.

Treva Jean and her mother, Tracy Ramsey, were honored with a baby shower recently in the home of Mary Lou Schmucker. Many friends and relatives attended and Treva received many lovely gifts. Hostesses were Natalie Schmucker, Jill Pohlmeier, Peggy Ramaekers, Ethel Schmucker, Monica Wilhelm, Dorothy Kleman, Joy Wethington, Cince Schulte, Nikiki Wethington and Vickie Kleman.



## Church Happenings

### First Christian Church

Dec. 17 the congregation will go Christmas caroling for the evening service, beginning at 6 p.m.

The Wednesday Bible study on Dec. 20 will cover the second lesson in the study book on I & II Peter.

Christmas Eve Sunday will have regular morning services, but there will be no evening service. However, the building will be open from 6 to 8 p.m. for those wishing to partake in a come and go candlelight communion service.

Members are reminded to save labels from Campbell's soup and Swanson's products and place them in the box at the church for Alpha Christian Children's Home to get credit toward the purchase of a van.

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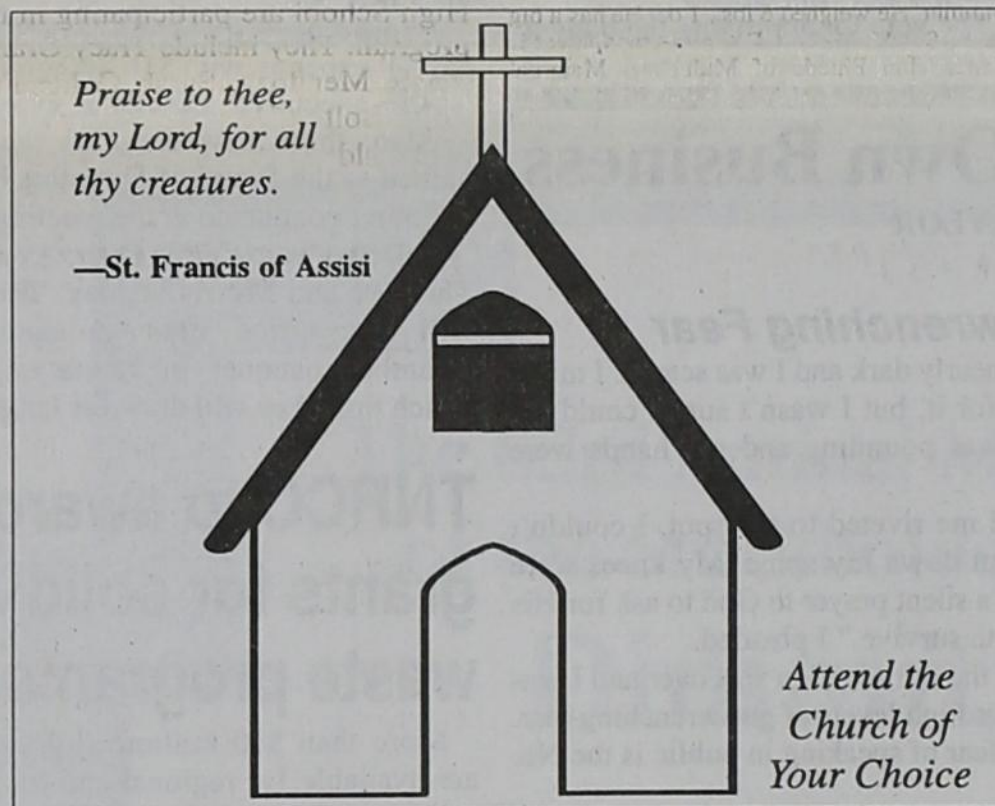
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# ABI Agriculture, Business & Industry



## Sorghum group plans meetings

The Texas Grain Sorghum Producers will hold three area meetings Monday and Tuesday and among the items expected to be addressed at the meetings are the proposed 1995 Farm Bill, estate planning and minimum and no-till farming practices.

The first meeting will be held Monday at the Hereford Community Center.

On Tuesday, a meeting will be held at 12 noon in the Carson County Ag Building. Those planning to attend the meeting should call the Carson County Extension office at 806-537-3882 by Friday.

At 6 p.m. Tuesday a meeting will be held at Iveys Restaurant in Spearman. Anyone planning to attend this meeting should call the Hansford County Extension office at 806-659-4132 by Tuesday.

Jack Eberspacher, executive director of the National Grain Sorghum Producers, will discuss the proposed 1995 Farm Bill. He'll outline the specifics of the sorghum farm program and will give an update on the status of several important agricultural pesticides, including propazine, atrazine and carbofuran.

Mike Morgan, president of Total Benefit Service of Lubbock, will speak on estate planning and will explain how farmers can protect their families from excessive estate taxes.

Bob Dietrick, sorghum grower from Tyrone, Okla., will be on hand to discuss minimum and no-till farming practices. Last August more than 400 people visited Dietrick's farm for a field day to see the success he's had with production practices. He'll also talk about new technology in precision chemical application.

Ordie Jones, sorghum researcher with USDA Research Center at Bushland, has compiled 11 years of data comparing continuous wheat, wheat/sorghum/fallow and continuous sorghum and he'll explain how the different methods compare and will show the economic data for each method.



**DIRECTORS-ELECT:** These three have been elected as new directors for the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and will take office after the annual Chamber banquet in January, at which time they will draw for length of terms, with two named to three-year terms and one for a one-year term. They are (from left) Carole Dyer, Morris Wilcox and Avery Thrasher. They were selected by voting conducted at the annual Chamber Membership Luncheon held Dec. 6 at the Country Club of Dimmitt.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

## Dimmitt Chamber members adopt budget and elect three

After hearing that the 1995 budget finished with less of a deficit than was expected, the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce members voted to adopt a deficit budget for 1996.

The budget for 1996 shows projected income of \$51,425 and projected expenses of \$54,100, leaving a deficit of \$2,675.

The vote for approving the budget

was taken at the Annual Membership Meeting held Dec. 6 at the Country Club of Dimmitt.

Of the income budgeted, \$29,000 is expected from membership dues, and another \$10,700 from projects such as the Christmas promotion, Gallery of Gifts, City-Wide Garage Sale, etc.

Expenditures include \$25,400 of payroll expense, with \$16,400 going to the executive director's salary.

Also, three new directors were named to the Board of Directors by balloting conducted at the meeting.

Selected were Carole Dyer, Avery Thrasher and Morris Wilcox. They will take office after the annual Chamber banquet in January, at which time they will draw for length

of terms, with two drawing three-year terms and one getting a one-year term. Outgoing directors are Gail Bruegel, Acie Boyd and Carter Townsend.

The 1995 budget report showed that the fiscal year ended with a deficit of only \$1,148.83, rather than the projected deficit of \$6,190. Income was listed at \$48,587.05 and expenses at \$49,735.88.

During his president's comments, Chamber Board President Layne Myatt thanked Delores Heller, former executive director of the chamber, for all of her efforts on behalf of the chamber. He also welcomed Shelley Nutt, the new executive director.

## Minding Your Own Business

By DON TAYLOR

### Gut-wrenching Fear



The room was nearly dark and I was scared. I might have made a run for it, but I wasn't sure I could get away. My heart was pounding and my hands were sweaty.

The voice held me riveted to the spot. I couldn't move. A shiver ran down my spine. My knees were weak. I whispered a silent prayer to God to ask for His help. "Please let me survive," I pleaded.

Then suddenly, the introduction was over and I was on. Yes, being a professional speaker brings high levels of gut-wrenching fear. According to communication experts, the fear of speaking in public is the No. 1 fear among adults.

For me the fear is real and so was the scene I just described. It happened to me just weeks ago as I made my first keynote speech in the big-leagues. The crowd numbered in the thousands and I was using a brand new technology. I was the keynote speaker and fear filled my soul.

### Why punish yourself

Why would anyone subject themselves to fear and stress? Why not just avoid speaking situations and skip the hassle?

I can't answer for others, but I can try to tell you why I do it. There is a rush of adrenaline that wipes away all fear when "you're on." It's a natural, safe high that is a greater reward than the risk of making mistakes or the fear of failing. In addition, you get to meet wonderful people, it's clean work and it pays pretty well.

There's another reason I do it. Overcoming fear, learning to use stress in a positive way and building skills in this area is a long-time goal of mine. Doing what frightens you—overcoming your fears—builds character and strengthens your inner person.

### How to speak like a pro

◆ **Know your subject and believe what you say.** To be effective, you must know your topic. You must have lived it, been there and done that, or you must research it thoroughly. When you know more about any topic than other people do, you become the expert. Folks want to hear what experts have to say.

You also have to believe what you say. You can use clever quotes and catchy phrases, but if you don't know your subject and believe what you're saying, you may appear insincere.

◆ **Know your audience.** If you are going to relate to your listeners you'll need to know all you can about them. What do they do, where do they live and work, what do they have in common and what are they expecting from you?

Whatever your goal is as a speaker—to entertain, inform or persuade—you'll only achieve success if you connect with your audience. You should customize every presentation with your audience's needs in mind.

◆ **Practice and time every presentation.** Nothing shouts "amateur" any louder than a speaker with no sense of time. If you are asked to speak for one hour, speak for an hour. If you are to present for 30 minutes and give the audience 10 minutes for questions, do just that.

Practicing your presentation will help you know the material, eliminate awkward phrases and transitions and allow you to time each part of your speech. Then as you present, you can check your timing as you go.

Using these four techniques will not make the fear go away. However, when you are ready and *know* you are, you can overcome the fear. Then one day you will reach your audience and the thrill will come. That's when you'll realize that the reward is worth the risk.

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

## TNRCC to award grants for solid waste programs

More than \$10 million in grants are available for regional and local solid waste management programs under the direction of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC).

This represents a substantial increase from last year's grant allocation of approximately \$6 million.

As directed by the Texas Legislature, the grants will be issued through the state's 24 regional planning commissions and councils of governments. Funds can be used for a variety of solid waste projects, including litter enforcement, recycling and household hazardous waste programs. The projects must be consistent with each region's solid waste management plan. The funds will be available to counties, cities, school districts and selected categories of regional and local districts.

The Legislature also directed that the program consider private and non-profit providers of recycling and solid waste services. As a result, the councils of government will be evaluating proposed grant projects for their impact on existing private recycling and solid waste programs. Private and non-profit providers are encouraged to contact their local council of government for its mailing list to find out about projects proposed for funding.

For more information on the grants, contact your local council of government or call the TNRCC's Waste Planning and Assessment Division at 512-239-6809.

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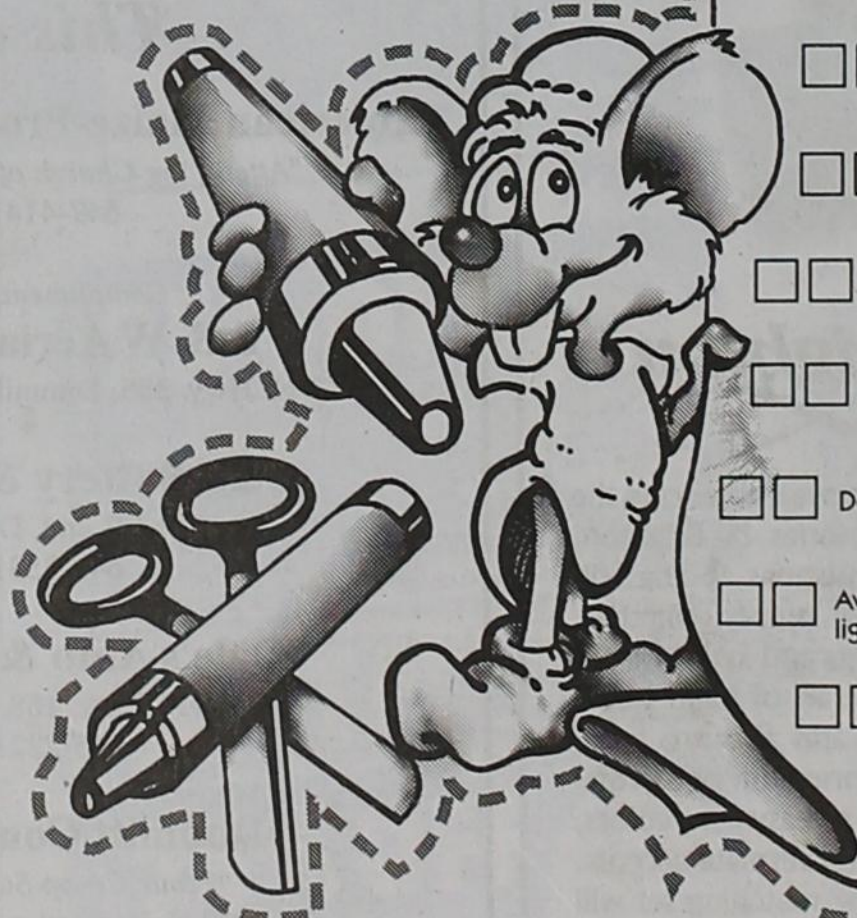
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## Boozers represent DAI at Farmland annual meeting

Kim and Robert Boozer of Dimmitt were among more than 70 producers from across the Midwest who attended the Farmland System Academy in Kansas City Dec. 4-5.

The academy, which includes round table discussions, seminars and a tour of Farmland's Research and Development Farm, is a unique opportunity for farmers and ranchers to gain and share knowledge about agriculture and about their Farmland Cooperative System.

Topics that emerged during this year's round table discussions ranged from fertilizer production to agricultural legislation to world hunger. Seminar presentations focused on the challenges of the

livestock industry and the future of production agriculture.

Participants learned how their system is working to help them lower production costs, increase access to markets for their farm products and add value to those products. This year's academy also featured motivational speaker Ron Hanson, an agribusiness program director at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, who addressed working relationships and communication on family farms.

The Boozers were chosen by Dimmitt Agri Industries to attend the academy, which was held in conjunction with Farmland's annual meeting.



**TOP JUNIOR SHOWMAN**—6-year-old Dennis Underwood, son of Danny and Debbie Underwood of Dimmitt, shows off his prize gilt, which claimed Reserve Grand Champion honors at a jackpot pig show in Lubbock recently. Underwood's animal was named the first-place mediumweight Hampshire, Reserve Breed Hampshire, then earned overall Reserve Grand Champion honors at the King Cotton Classic Jackpot in Lubbock on Dec. 2. He was awarded a belt buckle for winning at the open show. On Sunday Underwood drove his Berkshire to a Breed Championship at the Top of Texas Jackpot in Pampa. *Courtesy Photo*

## Cotton Talks

Monthly marketing figures through October show the weighted average price of cotton continues to decline. The decline in the price

received by growers is no doubt directly related to the fact that the bulk of the 1995 crop has now been harvested.

According to Lubbock-based Plains Cotton growers, Inc., harvesting activity on the High Plains is almost complete, with many area gins already beginning to reach the end of the 1995 ginning season.

Estimates of the crop continue to decline with many observers now expecting this year's crop to fall in the 2.5 to 2.6 million bale range, which would be down significantly from the most recent US Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) estimate of 2.74 million bales. There is considerable interest in what USDA's December crop estimate will show for the Texas High Plains region.

Marketing figures through October indicate that a total of 7.652 million bales have been marketed. The average price received by growers, weighted by total marketings, was 78.95¢ per pound, 1.51¢ below the weighted average price at the end of September. That reflects an increase in marketings for October.

October marketings totaled 2.112 million bales, up from the 440,000 bales marketed during September. The average price received by growers for October cotton was 75¢, down .2¢ from the average price received during September.

The weighted average price remains well above the 72.9¢ target price established for the 1995 crop, and producers who received an advance deficiency payment in 1995 will be asked to pay back that amount. What form the payback will take will depend a great deal on what happens in Washington with the 1995 Farm Bill.

Marketing and price figures quoted above were taken from the National Agricultural Statistics Service and are subject to revision.

## Dimmitt FFA shows top pigs in weekend shows

Dimmitt FFA member Jay McCormick was named the grand champion swine showman at the Rolling Plains Prospect Pig Show in Seymour on Saturday, then traveled to Pampa for the Top of Texas Jackpot Sunday where he exhibited the show's Reserve Grand Champion pig.

McCormick and several FFA members competed in the two shows this weekend.

In the Seymour show, McCormick exhibited the Breed Champion Yorkshire, a heavyweight which won its class. He also showed a first-place mediumweight Yorkshire, second-place mediumweight Cross and lightweight Hampshire; and a third-place mediumweight Hampshire.

Wesley Mays finished third in the showmanship contest and he had the Breed and Reserve Breed Champion Spot pigs. His heavyweight Spots finished first and second, and he had second place winners with a heavyweight Hampshire and Cross.

On Sunday, Jeremy Simpson showed the Breed Champion Spot and Reserve Breed Champion White OPB. Other pigs which placed for Simpson were a lightweight white OPB, third; heavyweight white OPB, second; and heavyweight spot, first.

Mays earned Reserve Breed honors with a dark OPB. His heavyweight and lightweight dark OPBs were second and he also had a fifth-place heavyweight dark OPB. He was third with a heavyweight Hampshire.

McCormick's heavyweight Yorkshire was first in its class, was Breed Champion and earned him Reserve Grand honors. He also showed a first-place heavyweight Cross and first-place mediumweight Yorkshire. He finished second with a mediumweight Hampshire and third with a lightweight Hamp and mediumweight Cross.

Tucker Self had a second-place heavyweight Hamp.

## Bottom line farming course set in Dimmitt

South Plains College is offering Bottom Line Farming classes in Dimmitt. The classes are designed to help area farmers learn more about borrowing.

The final classes of the December session will meet from 3 to 9 p.m. today (Thursday) and Friday in the courthouse basement.

Additional classes will be held Jan. 22-26.

Interested persons may register at the Rural Economic and Community Development office in Dimmitt or call the office at 647-5141. Cost is \$350 per person and the instructor will be John Norwood.

Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis, and class size is limited. The course includes 36 classroom hours and covers such topics as goal setting and priority management, interpretation and use of financial statements, strategic planning, operational planning and other practical aspects of farm management.

The curriculum was developed by Ron Presley, SPC assistant professor of agribusiness, in conjunction with

the Texas A&M Extension service and Texas Rural Communities because of a Farmers' Home Administration mandate requiring that all FHA direct and guaranteed borrowers complete and pass educational courses involving agricultural finance and agricultural production.

## Underground storage tanks must be registered with state

Individuals with underground storage tanks must register those tanks with the state of Texas by Dec. 31.

After that date, unregistered storage tanks will not be eligible for state funding of underground leak cleanup, according to Joe Grimes, principle engineer with Grimes and Associates.

Leaking underground storage tanks are a potential danger to water aquifers, as well as the land where such tanks are located. Costs for cleaning up such sites can be considerable and may be the

responsibility of the owner unless these tanks are registered prior to the Dec. 31 deadline.

"It would be a shame for people to face such expenses just because they didn't know about the deadline," Grimes said.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission has indicated that tank owners should consider taking action as soon as possible to insure reimbursement before the program ends.

Property owners should contact the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission office in their area.

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# Sports



## TABC ranks Swiftettes #1, Cats, Swifts #9

The Nazareth Swiftettes are the top-ranked Class A girls team in the state while the Dimmitt Bobcats and Nazareth Swifts have claimed the ninth positions in the Class AAA and Class A boys' poll, respectively.

The latest Texas Association of Basketball Coaches (TABC) rankings were announced last week and the three local teams were among the top Region 1 teams featured.

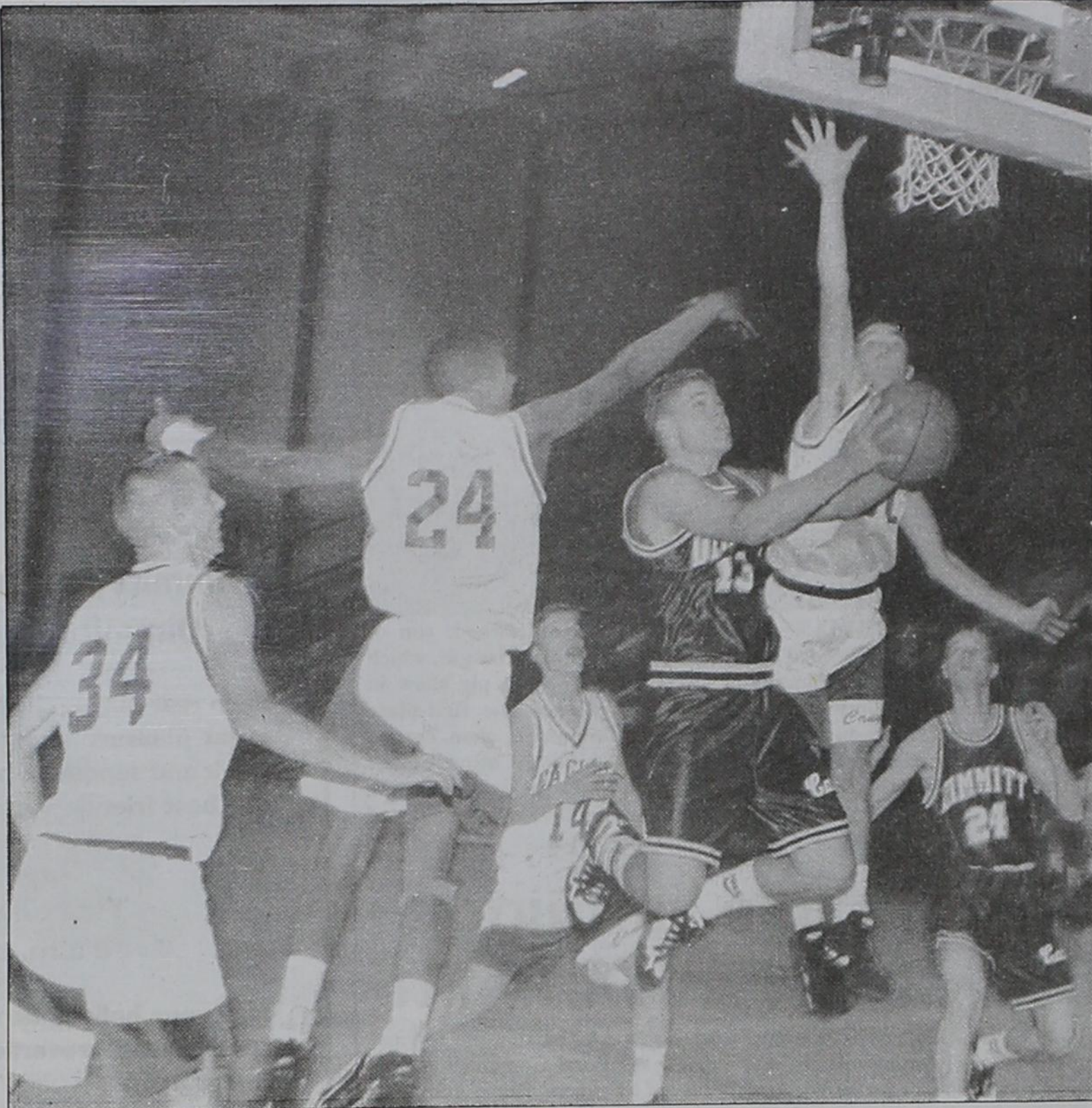
In Class A girls, the Swiftettes nailed down the top spot with district and regional rival Sudan hot on their heels in second. Regional contenders Meadow, Whitharral, Happy, Claude and Spur also hold top 20 rankings.

In Class AAA girls, Slaton is the top-ranked local team, coming in at sixth. Childress holds down the No. 10 position and Graham is 11th. The Bobbies other regional foes ranked among TABC's Top 20 are Friona, 14th; Lubbock Cooper, 15th; and Clint, 18th.

The Swifts are the only Class A boys' team ranked from this area in TABC's first poll of the regular season.

Graham is ranked No. 7 in the Class AAA boys' poll while the Bobcats hold down the No. 9 slot. Seminole is ranked 14th and Slaton is 18th.

Neither Hart team is ranked in the Class AA polls.



DIMMITT'S CHAD ELLIS (13) maneuvers his way around several Canyon defenders during action in the championship quarterfinal round of the Seminole Classic Friday. Crashing the boards for a possible rebound is teammate Justin Newman (24). Ellis and Newman were Dimmitt's leading scorers as the

Bobcats beat Canyon, 62-51. Newman finished with 22 and Ellis had 11. The Bobcats beat Denver City, Canyon and Seminole (in double overtime) to advance to the championship finals, where they lost to Andrews. *Photo by John Brooks*

## In finals of Seminole Tournament

# Weary Cats lose to tough Andrews squad

There were no last-second buzzer beaters this time around, as Andrews took a 63-49 win over Dimmitt in the finals of the Seminole Christmas Classic last Saturday.

"We played three very solid games against three very solid teams in two days," said Dimmitt coach Alan Steidle. "We sure would have loved to have won the tournament, but we came down here with some things to work on and some things we needed to do. I think we did that. Our kids played very well, and I think this was a very good tournament for us."

The goodness included a double-overtime 76-70 win over the host team in Friday's semifinals, a 75-53 win on Thursday night over Denver City, and a 61-52 victory against Canyon on Friday morning.

The highlight of the tournament was on Friday, when Dimmitt fans could debate between an all-Dimmitt first half against Canyon or a great finish against Seminole.

In the early game, Dimmitt raced to a 22-point lead in the first half and held a 41-24 lead at halftime after Canyon scored seven points in the last two minutes of the second period.

That was a portent of things to come, as was the 61-57 win by Canyon a week earlier in the Plainview Lions-Pioneer Classic. In the Plainview game, Canyon outscored the Bobcats 17-4 in the third quarter. This time, the Bobcats scored one point more; alas, so did Canyon, as the Eagles made it 46-42 at the end of the third quarter.

"Sometimes when you come out and play as well as we did in the first half, you don't come out in the second half with that same fire," said Steidle. "And, too, sometimes when you get an animal caged in a corner, sometimes they come out clawing and scratching with everything they have."

In this case, it was a caged eagle that was finally freed, in the form of Brandon Skow. Skow, a senior who has been a thorn in Dimmitt side since his sophomore season in a bi-district playoff game, hit 11 points in the third quarter to lead the Eagles as they cut the Dimmitt lead to just four.

Then, in the first five seconds of the fourth quarter, he hit another from the left corner to make it 46-45. After that, though, it was all Dimmitt. Canyon didn't score again until there were just 55 seconds left, by which time Dimmitt had made it a 58-47 game.

Justin Newman, who had 13 points in the first half, finished with a game-high 22. Chad Ellis, who converted a three-point play early in the game that gave Dimmitt the lead for good, had 11. Joe Larra and Brandon Smith each scored 10.

In the semifinal Friday night against Seminole, the Indians' freshman duo of 6-5 Chris Ogden and 6-4 Caleb Clay had 45 points, but the rest were just a little short at the end of Dimmitt's second double-overtime match of the season.

"It was just another good old-fashioned barn-burner between two really good teams," Steidle said

Friday night.

The teams were even-Stephen through much of the first half, with Dimmitt retiring with a 25-23 lead. In the third quarter, Dimmitt raced to a 20-11 advantage for a 45-34 lead after 24 minutes.

Seminole came back with a late surge, though, with Dimmitt scoring two baskets late in the quarter to salvage a 59-all tie at the end of regulation.

In the first overtime, Seminole established a five-point lead at one point, but Joe Larra hit a trey late in the four-minute period for a 66-all tie.

In the second overtime, Dimmitt rolled to an early lead and held it, outscoring the Indians 10-4 in the last four minutes for the six-point win.

Dimmitt had to overcome a big advantage by the Indians at the free throw line. Seminole made 20 of 28 free throws as the Bobcats were whistled for four more fouls. Dimmitt was 15 of 23 from the line, but made 28 field goals to just 22 for the Indians.

Newman led Dimmitt with 24 points, while Smith had 19 points (including three treys).

In Thursday's first game, the Bobcats had no problems with the Mustangs after a close first quarter that saw Denver City take a 14-13 lead after the first eight minutes. Dimmitt went on to empty the bench throughout the game as the Bobcats took a 34-25 lead at halftime and stretched the advantage to 51-38 after three periods.

Larra led Dimmitt with 24 points, while Newman added 17 and Ellis pitched in 13. Newman and Ellis easily handled DC's 6-7, 250 lb. Brad Woolsey.

In Saturday's finals, the Bobcats came out like a house afire, jumping to a 12-1 lead. Dimmitt forced two Andrews turnovers in the first two minutes, and three-point plays by Ellis and Newman gave Dimmitt a 6-0 lead in the first 57 seconds. Ellis scored again with 5:40 left for an 8-0 lead, and Newman scored off an offensive rebound with 4:51 to go for a 10-0 advantage.

Andrews broke the shutout with a free throw a few seconds later, but Newman nailed a 17-foot jumper with 3:52 to go in the quarter for a 12-1 lead. Dimmitt cooled quickly, though, and Andrews closed to 16-13 at the end of the period.

The Mustangs forged their big comeback at the free throw line. Dimmitt was whistled for its 10th team foul of the half with 5:20 to go, while Andrews had just three infractions called over the same time. The Bobcats went to the line only four times in the first half, while Andrews had 20 free throws before the break.

Andrews led for much of the second period after a trey by Will Mayfield with 4:02 to go in the half handed the Mustangs a 22-20 lead.

Dimmitt reclaimed the lead when Joe Larra made two free throws with 37 seconds left, 28-27. Andrews then worked diligently for a last shot, and Patrick Fariss made a lay up with two seconds left for a 29-28 lead at the break.

Dimmitt never really threatened after that as the Mustangs came out red hot in the third quarter. Before every had settled into their seats, Andrews reeled off 10 straight points for a 39-28 lead.

Andrews' lead was double-digits much of the quarter before Dimmitt finally got it back in single digits late in the period. With 45 seconds left in the period, Joey Martinez made a trey to cut the lead to six, 41-35. However, Martinez was plastered after the shot and no foul was called against Andrews. When Steidle stood to complain, he was assessed a technical foul. Andrews made both free throws to close out the quarter with an eight-point lead, 43-35.

Andrews stretched its lead to as many as 15 points midway through the period. Dimmitt never got closer than 10 points the rest of the game.

Andrews continued to get a big break at the free throw line, making 15 of 20 free throws while Dimmitt made eight of 10 shots. The Bobcats fought foul trouble throughout the night.

## Monterey tops Bobbies, 56-42

Dimmitt got off to a good start, but Lubbock Monterey's veteran unit proved too much in a 56-42 win over the Bobbies last Friday in Clovis, N.M.

The game was part of a basketball festival over the weekend in Clovis. The game was originally set for Saturday but was moved to accommodate Sudan, who is in the Class A football playoffs and played Friday night.

"We're still making progress, and we're playing well," said Dimmitt coach Jan Newland. "We're not making our shots, which is something we can work on. We are getting better at running the offense, but it's still sporadic at times."

"We're also continuing to come along on defense. If we'll keep working, we are in good shape."

Monterey and Dimmitt played toe-to-toe for the first half of the first period before the Lady Plainsmen took off. In less than two minutes, the game went from 4-4 to 11-4, Monterey, with two minutes left in the period. Jacy Buckley scored with 1:02 left in the quarter to make it 11-6, but Monterey made a free throw late for a six-point lead at quarter's end.

Monterey hit a basket early in the second, but Dimmitt came back with two free throws by Kara Josselet and a basket by Amber Matthews to make it 14-10 two minutes into the period. Monterey hit a trey, and Dimmitt never got closer than three the rest of the way. Carrie Bradley made two free throws with 3:55 left in the half to make it 17-14. Dimmitt didn't score again in the half until a Matthews basket with 33 seconds left to make it 23-16.

Monterey held Dimmitt off the scoreboard for the first 3:06 of the third quarter, when Amy Ethridge scored to make it 30-18. Ethridge scored Dimmitt's next basket, also—but it was 2:10 later, and made it 36-20.

Dimmitt never got closer than 12 the rest of the way, but never let Monterey get completely out of hand, either. The Plainsmen led by 20 very briefly early in the fourth quarter, but Dimmitt came back with baskets by Josselet and Bradley. Monterey went on a 7-0 spurt after that, but Dimmitt scored six baskets to Monterey's one during crunch time to make it a 14-point game.

Josselet led Dimmitt with nine points, with Bradley adding eight.

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AMY ETHRIDGE (31) of Dimmitt shoots from the high post against Monterey Friday night in Clovis while Amber Matthews (20) and Jacy Buckley fight for rebound position. Pictured in the background is

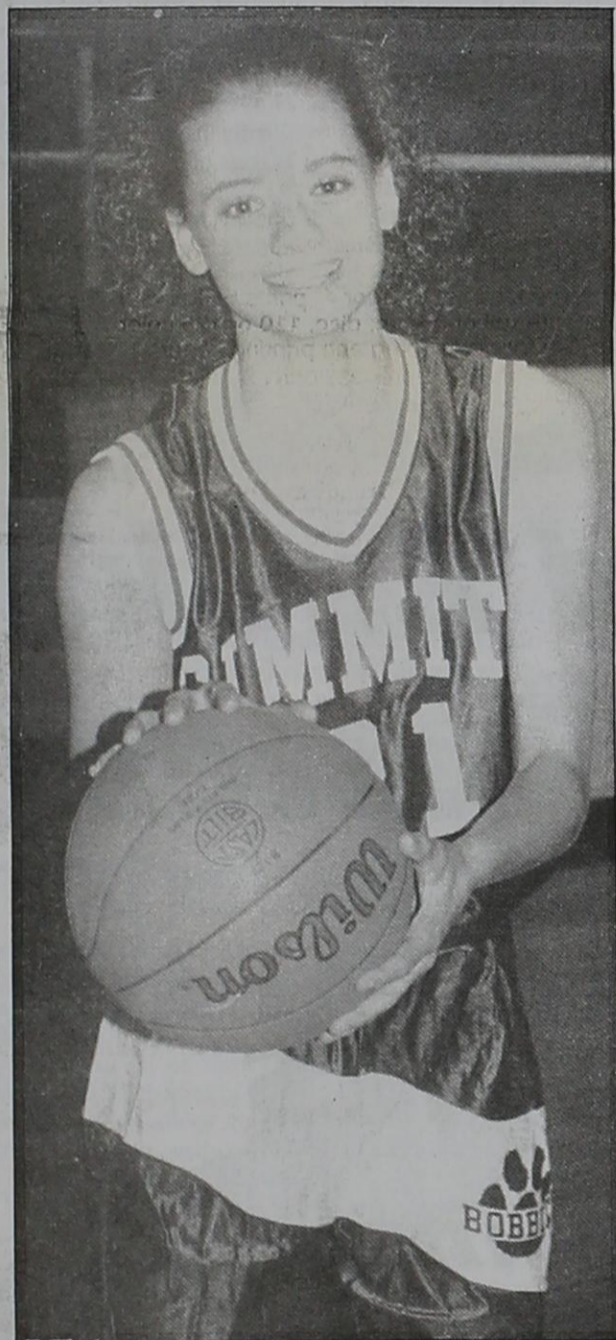
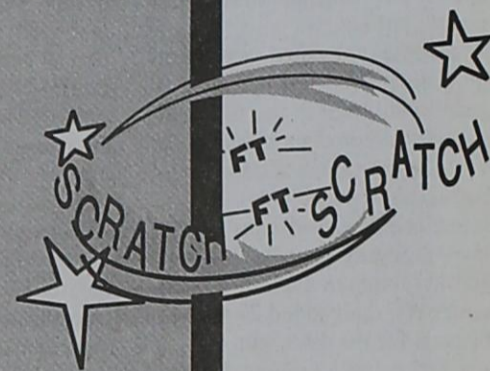
Kara Josselet (13). After a good start, the Bobbies had problems in the second half and fell to Monterey, 56-42. *Photo by John Brooks*





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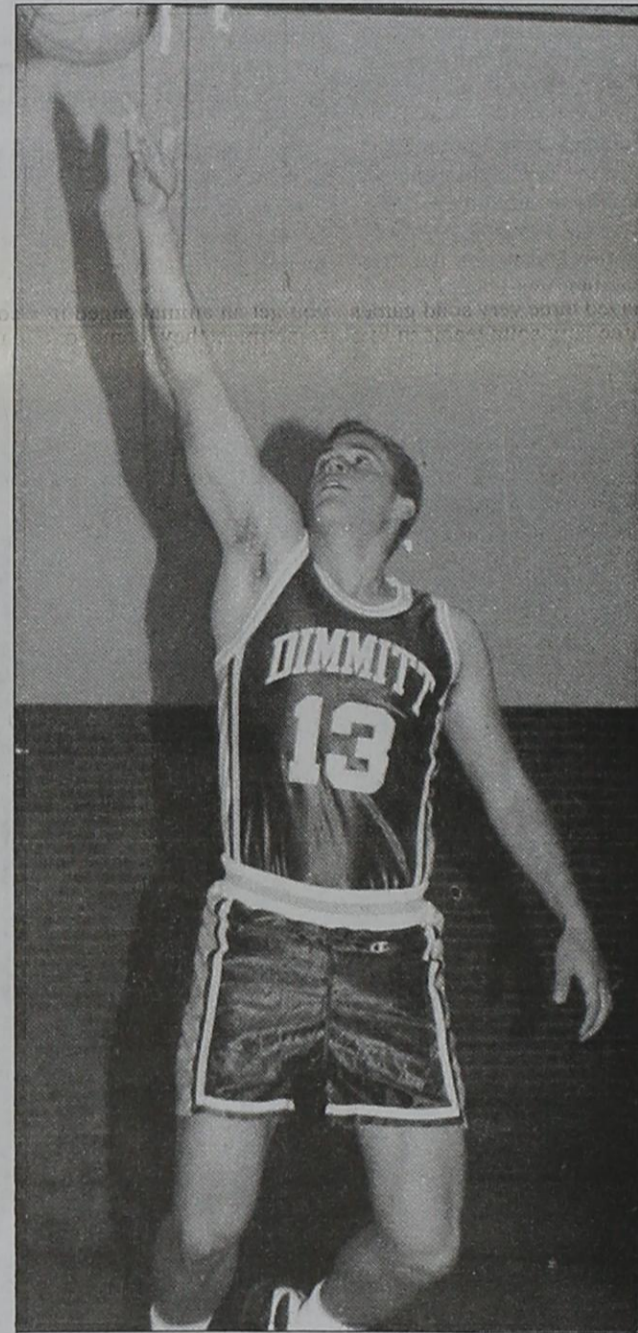
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# Swifts take consolation

## Swiftettes win I-27 Invitational title

The Nazareth Swiftettes survived two close games to capture the championship in the I-27 Abernathy Invitational while the Swifts rebounded from a first-round loss to win three straight games and the tournament's consolation title.

After breezing through their first two games in the tournament, the Swiftettes edged Hereford, 42-36, in the semifinal round; then bested Abernathy, 46-29, for the championship.

The Swiftettes' leading scorer throughout the tournament was Melinda Schmucker, who poured in 75 points in four games.

Nazareth had no problem handling Vernon in the first round of the girls' division.

The Swiftettes jumped to a quick 16-2 lead in the first quarter last Thursday and never looked back, coasting to a 48-28 win. Schmucker finished with 17 while Amy Pohlmeier added seven.

Nazareth's defense almost recorded a complete shutout of the Hale Center Owlettes in the championship quarterfinal last Thursday, allowing just nine points the entire game.

Hale Center managed two points in the first quarter and that was all the team would see in the first half. The Owlettes scored six points in the third stanza and one in the fourth for their nine-point total.

Meanwhile the Swiftettes had no problems splitting the nets. Nazareth scored 11 points in each of the first two quarters, then added 27 second-half points for the 49-9 win.

Schmucker had 13 points, K'Lynn Gerber had 12 and Pohlmeier finished with 10.

Nazareth used a smothering second-quarter defense to take a commanding lead over Hereford in Friday's semifinal game, then had to hold off a second-half rally by the Lady Whitefaces to pull out a 42-36 win.

The two teams were a point apart at the end of the first eight minutes, with the Swiftettes holding a 12-11 lead.

But Nazareth blew open the first half when it outscored Hereford 15-4

in the second quarter for a 27-15 halftime advantage.

The Lady Whitefaces outscored Nazareth in the second half, 21-15, but couldn't make up their second-quarter slump and settled for third place in the meet. Schmucker's 19 points led the Swiftettes with Pohlmeier adding 11.

Nazareth took advantage of 20 Abernathy turnovers and was almost perfect from the charity stripe in Saturday's title game.

The Swiftettes trailed the Lady Lopes just twice in the game—once early in the first quarter and midway through the third period.

The rest of the time Nazareth was in control and took home the gold medals with a 46-29 victory—the Swiftettes' 10th win of the season.

Nazareth struggled from the field, hitting only 16 of its 39 field goal attempts. The Swiftettes didn't have any problems from the line, however, hitting 11-of-12 free throws.

Schmucker and Misti Ball started the Swiftettes on an early run scoring all of Nazareth's 10 first quarter points between them. Abernathy managed just two free throws by Stacie Nelson and a field goal by Leisha Elliott in the first quarter. The Lady Lopes took just three shots from the field, and turned over the ball six times against the Swiftette press in the first quarter.

Nazareth went ahead by nine points midway through the second quarter after Schmucker hit a pair of free throws, Gerber hit a baseline shot, then Schmucker scored off of a Carrie Wethington steal and assist.

The Lady Lopes came right back with baskets by Jennifer Williamson and Elliott to trim the margin to five before Gerber scored off of a Schmucker assist with 2:08 left. Abernathy's Candice Riley scored her first points of the game after that for the halftime margin of 18-13, Nazareth.

Fouls plagued the Swiftettes early in the third quarter.

Nazareth was whistled for six fouls in the first four minutes of the second half and they put the Lady Lopes on the line for six free throws.

Riley got the chance for four of those attempts and she capitalized on each. Nelson added a pair of her own and Abernathy regained the lead, 19-18 with 4:26 left in the quarter. Nazareth had yet to score a point.

Schmucker took care of that seconds later when she scored after Pohlmeier nabbed an offensive carom. Another Schmucker basket with 2:35 put the Swiftettes back on top by three. Then as time was dwindling in the stanza, Schmucker penetrated, then the ball back out to Courtney Hoelting on the baseline. Hoelting picked up the easy baseline jumper for a 24-19 Nazareth lead at the end of three.

The six early free throws Abernathy managed in the quarter were the only points the Lady Lopes would score in the stanza. The Lady Lopes were 0 for 5 from the field during that span.

The fourth quarter saw Nazareth take control early with Schmucker picking off an Abernathy pass and driving the length of the floor for a layup to open the quarter's scoring. Then Gerber added two free throws and a basket for a 30-19 Nazareth lead with 5:12 left and the Swiftettes never looked back.

Abernathy had six turnovers in the last quarter and four of those resulted in Nazareth points. Abernathy scored its 19th point of the game with 4:26 left in the third quarter and didn't score again until the last 2:50 of the game. Nazareth's defense shut out the Lady Lopes for more than nine full minutes.

Riley ended her team's drought when she canned a three-pointer with 2:50 left to make it 36-22, then teammate Krista Bryant added a trey of her own with 2:03 left.

Abernathy got baskets from Riley and Nelson in the last minute, but the Swiftettes answered each with three-pointers by Tiffany Schmucker, who only played the last minute-and-a-half in the game.

The Swifts had their hands full in last Thursday's tournament opener against a bigger Lubbock Estacado team, and for three quarters the Swifts stayed right with Lubbock.

But the fourth quarter proved to be

all Estacado and the Matadors turned a 33-28 third quarter lead into a 59-41 win. The Matadors advanced to the championship game, where they lost to Tulia in overtime.

The Swifts held a lead over Estacado at the end of the first (7-4) and second (19-18) quarters, but Estacado dominated the second half. The Matadors outscored Nazareth 15-9 in the third quarter before blowing open the game in the final eight minutes by recording a 26-13 fourth-quarter advantage.

The Swifts got 10-point performances from Robby Schmucker, Gaylon Schilling and Justin Bingham.

Nazareth recovered from that first loss to win their next three games for the consolation championship.

Ralls was Nazareth's first victim, falling 59-43 in the quarterfinals.

Robby Schmucker scored 19 and Schilling added 15 for Nazareth.

The Swifts outscored the Jackrabbits in each of the four quarters: 10-7 in the first, 13-9 in the second, 13-5 in the third and 23-22 in the fourth.

The next victim was Lockney, and the Swifts had a little tougher time handling the Longhorns, struggling through the first three quarters before pulling away in the final period.

A slim 14-13 first quarter Swift lead was stretched to 28-23 at halftime.

Lockney attempted a run at the Swifts in the third quarter and even gained two points on the Swifts, but still trailed 42-39.

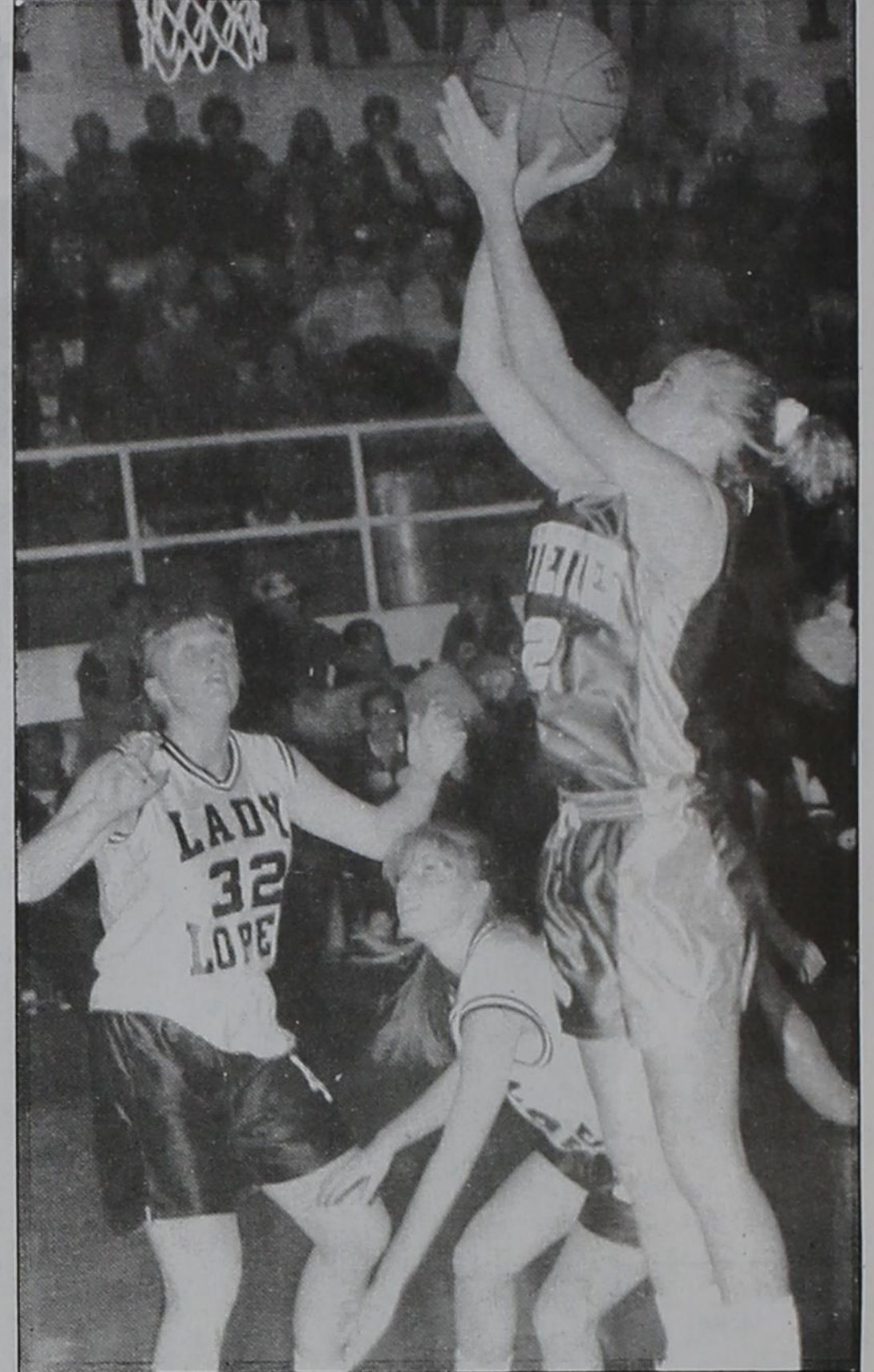
The Swifts pulled together in the fourth quarter and scored 20 points while limiting the Longhorns to 12 for a 62-51 win and spot in the consolation championship.

Leading scorer for Nazareth was Nathan Hoelting with 18 points. Schilling had 14 and Robby Schmucker added 11.

A strong fourth-quarter surge also lifted the Swifts to a 49-43 victory Saturday in the consolation championship game with Littlefield.

Nazareth struggled inside against an aggressive Littlefield defense, but the Swifts used hot-handed guards and a baseline attack to stay close.

Nazareth had a 10-5 lead at one



**TWO MORE FOR SCHMUCKER**—Melinda Schmucker penetrates and scores another two points in action against Abernathy in the championship game of the I-27 Abernathy Invitational Saturday night. Schmucker finished with 26 to lead Nazareth over Abernathy, 46-29, and to the tournament championship.

Photo by Dwayne Acker

point in the first quarter, but Littlefield cut that lead to 10-9 by the end of the quarter.

Nazareth managed a four-point lead on a baseline jumper by Hoelting and a three-pointer by Brian Braddock, but Littlefield came back to tie the game on baskets by Anthony Saucedo and Jermaine

Davis off of a pair of Nazareth turnovers.

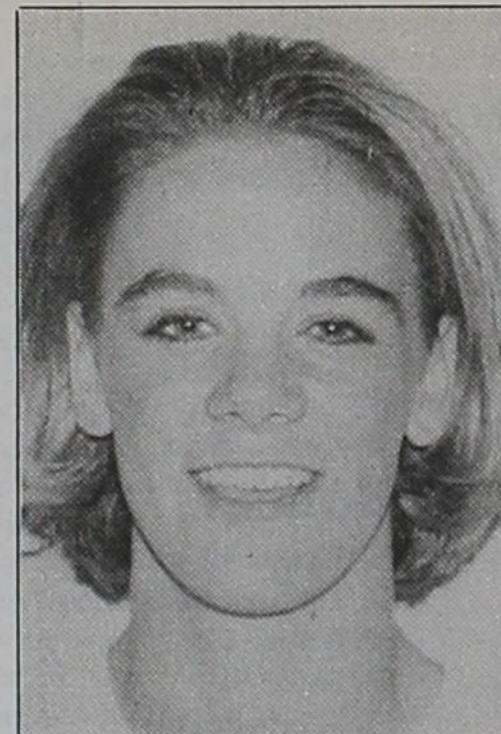
Billy Don Cannon scored two baskets of his own to put the Swifts back on top by four, then he added a pair of free throws (after one by Littlefield's Aaron Clark) for a 21-16 Nazareth lead with 37 seconds left in

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**NAZARETH'S GAYLON SCHILLING (24)** struggles with a shot, but still manages to score against Littlefield defenders Saturday afternoon in the consolation championship game of the I-27 Abernathy Invitational. The Swifts lost to Estacado in the tournament's first round, but came back to beat Ralls, Lockney and Littlefield to claim the consolation title. Estacado advanced to the title game, but lost to Tulia in overtime.

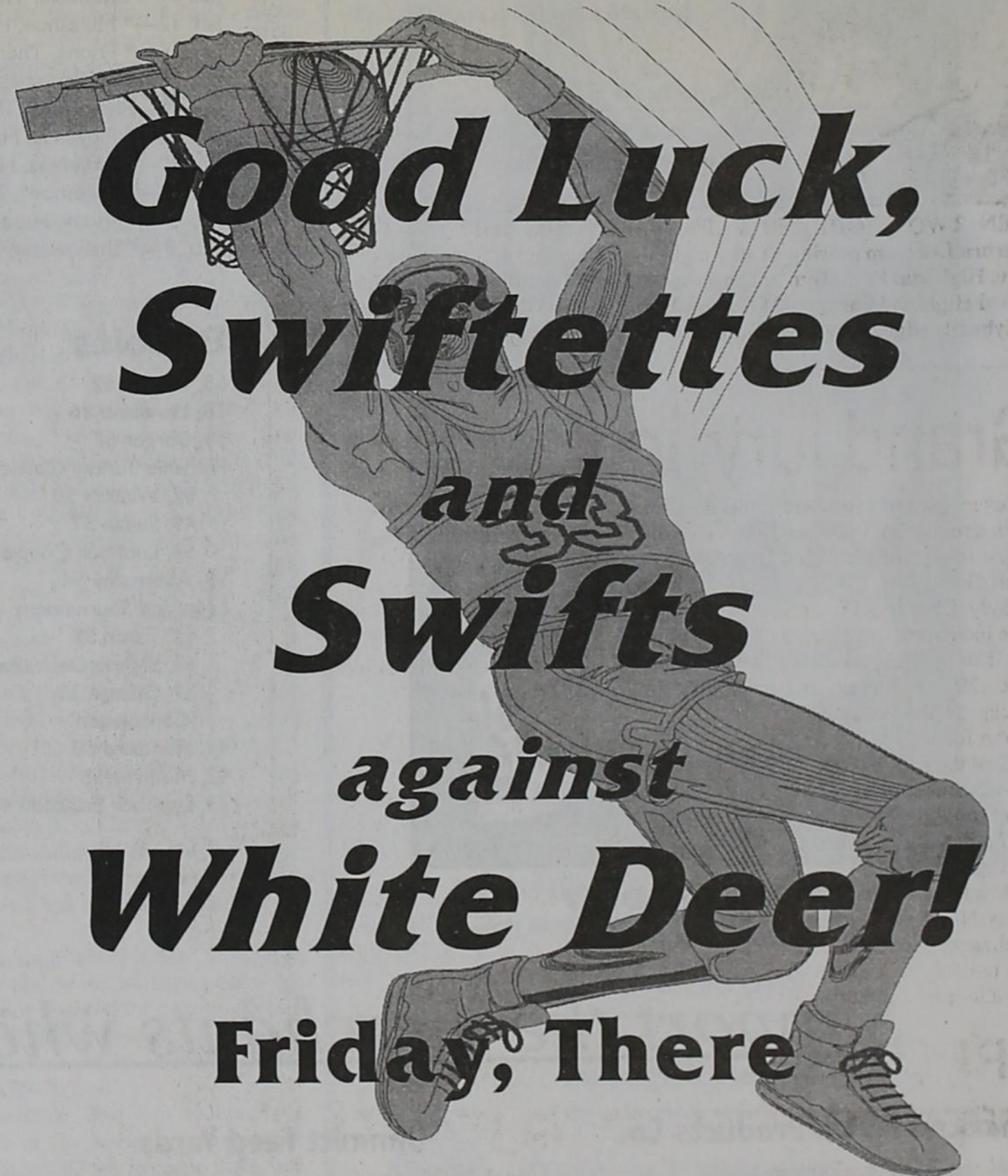
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# Lee scores 92 in trio as Horns finish third

How do you stop J.R. Lee and the Hart Longhorns?

Only one team in the Highland Park Tournament figured that out, and that team went on to the championship game.

Hart trounced its first-round opponent, Plainview JV, 79-65 and the Bulldogs couldn't stop Lee, who exploded for 44 points.

In Saturday's third-place game Hart topped the century mark for the first time this season, scoring 102 against San Jacinto Christian. Lee only managed 33 points in that game.

His worst game of the tournament

was Friday in the championship semifinal against Tucumcari, N.M.

The Rattlers held Lee to 15 points enroute to a 58-43 victory.

Plainview suffered through a slow first quarter which saw Hart tally 23 points while limiting the Bulldogs to nine.

Plainview battled back in the second quarter and the Longhorns' lead was trimmed to seven, 34-27, at halftime.

The teams were almost even in their scoring in the third quarter, but Hart won the eight-minute battle, 17-16.

After that the 'Horns coasted through the fourth quarter for the victory.

Lee's 44-point performance was boosted by teammate Dusty Ortiz' 14-point effort.

Tucumcari jumped on the Longhorns early and Hart never recovered.

The Rattlers held an early 16-8 lead, then extended that margin to 31-19 in the second. Over the final 16 minutes, Tucumcari outscored Hart 26-14 for the 58-43 win.

Jeremy Card and Raynea Garcia each tossed in eight points to go with Lee's 15.

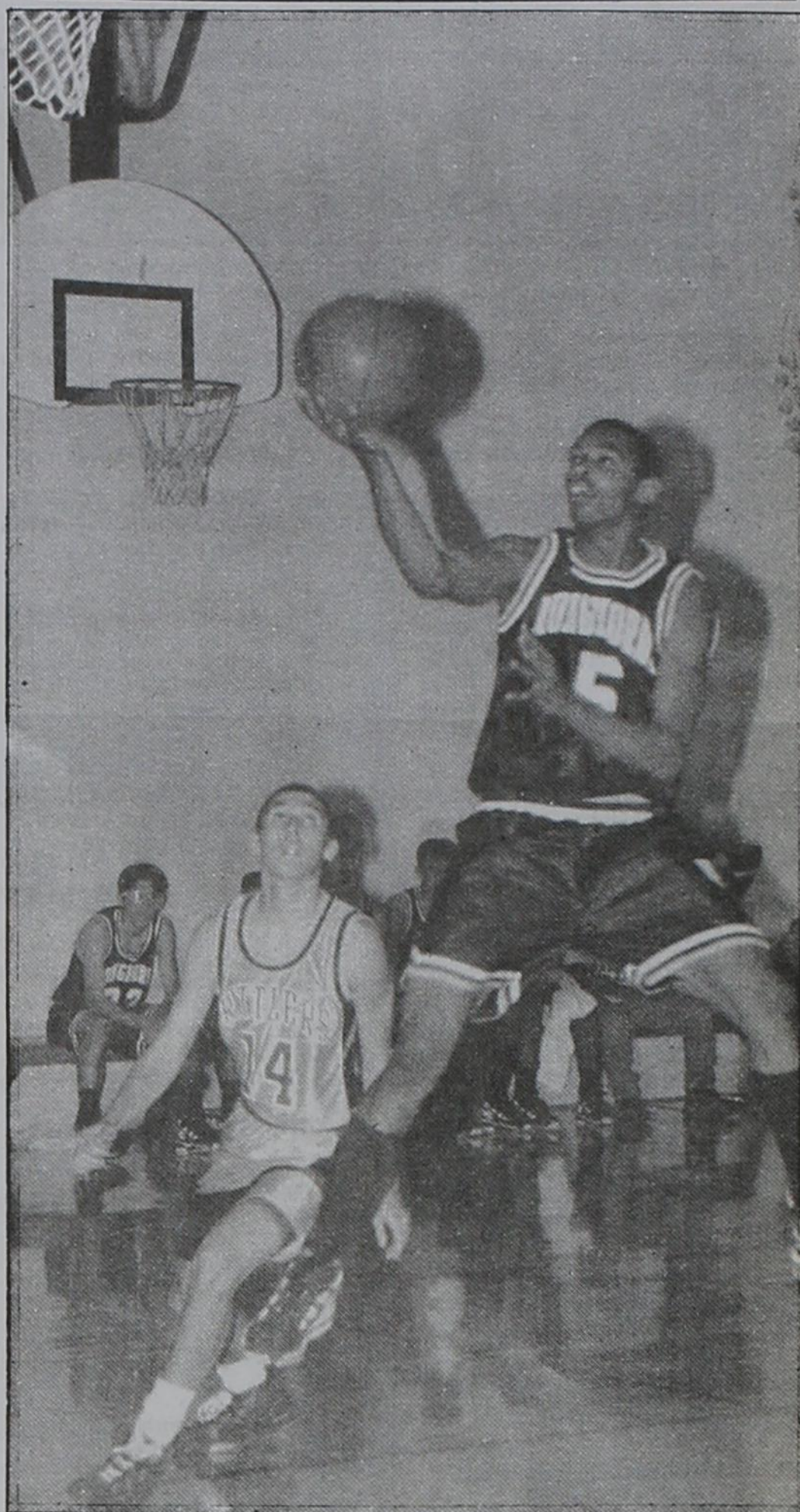
San Jacinto Christian new it was in trouble in the first quarter of Saturday's third-place game. Hart already had a 17-point lead after the first eight minutes.

The Longhorns sank basket after basket enroute to a 34-17 lead at the end of the first, then added 25 points in the second, 29 in the third and 22 in the fourth for their 102-point total.

But Hart wasn't all offense, either.

The Longhorns held San Jacinto to 38 first-half points, and limited the team to 70 in the game.

Lee's 33-point show was high with John Welps recording 17 for the Longhorns.



IT LOOKS LIKE HART'S J.R. LEE (5) has a clear shot at an uncontested layup, but he's fouled from behind by a Tucumcari defender and his shot rims out Friday night in championship semifinal action in the Highland Park Tournament in Amarillo. Tucumcari beat Hart, 58-43, but the Longhorns topped San Jacinto Christian, 102-80, on Saturday to finish third in the tournament. Lee was hot throughout the tournament, scoring 44 points in the opener against Plainview JV, 15 in the loss to Tucumcari, and 33 against San Jacinto.

Photo by Anne Acker

# Ladyhorns finish first in Highland Park tourney



EVEN TWO HIGHLAND PARK DEFENDERS can't stop Hart's Charbra Lee from scoring Friday night in a championship semifinal game in the Highland Park Tournament. Lee scored 18 points as the Ladyhorns topped Highland Park, 45-38. Hart advanced to the title game, where the Ladyhorns edged Vega, 57-56, for the first place trophy.

Photo by Anne Acker

Hart's Ladyhorns are riding high after beating Highland Park and Vega to win the championship in the Highland Park Tournament.

The Ladyhorns entered the tournament with just one victory, but the girls are just beginning to adjust to the varsity level of play.

Everything came together for the Ladyhorns this weekend.

Both games went down to the wire, with Hart winning the semifinal over Highland Park, 45-38. Then in Saturday's championship game with Vega, the Ladyhorns saw a big first-half lead evaporate in the third quarter, then Hart had to struggle to hold onto the lead in the waning seconds of the game.

Hart Coach Rachelle Wilcox said the tournament was a "big confidence booster" for her team.

Hart drew a first-round bye and didn't play its first game in the tournament until Friday's championship semifinal round.

Hart handled Highland Park's Lady Hornets in the second and third quarters of that game, and that was enough for the victory.

The Ladyhorns fell behind 15-12 in the first quarter, but bounced back to take a 22-20 lead at halftime. Hart extended its lead to 38-28 at the end of the third stanza.

Highland Park battled back in the fourth quarter, but Hart sank free throws down the stretch to hold on

for the win.

Charbra Lee went on a scoring frenzy against the Lady Hornets, pouring in 18 points to lead the Ladyhorns. Teammate Ysa Rodriguez had eight points.

The Ladyhorns were all over Vega in Saturday's championship and as fans in the gym held their breath in the waning seconds, Hart players were celebrating a heart-stopping 57-56 victory and accepted the tournament championship trophy.

This time it was Gayla Reyna and Tiffany Bradford doing a number on the opposing defense. Reyna tossed in 19 points and Tiffany Bradford added 16 to lead a balanced Hart scoring attack.

Hart's 20-7 first-quarter advantage had Vega reeling.

Hart was hot and Vega couldn't stop the Ladyhorns.

Hart added another two points to its advantage in the second quarter and held a 32-17 lead at intermission.

The Vega Lady Horns regrouped at halftime, though, and it was a different game in the second half.

While Hart dominated the first 16 minutes, Vega controlled the final 16.

Vega outscored Hart 19-7 in the third quarter to narrow the gap to three points, 39-36, at the close of the third quarter.

Hart was rattled, but managed to regain enough composure at the end of the game to pull out the victory.

# Grand jury indicts five

Seven indictments were handed down against five individuals in the Dec. 4 session of the 242nd District Court Grand Jury.

Eddy Chavers, 18, of Hart had three indictments on charges of forgery. The indictments allege that on Sept. 20 he forged and cashed checks on the account of Martina Moran for \$62, \$122, \$67, \$63 and \$132 at the Pay-N-Save at Hart; on Nov. 2 he forged checks on the account of Dario Rincon for \$122 and \$167 at Pay-N-Save; and on Nov. 18 he forged checks on the account of Andrea Rincon for \$50, \$50 and \$80 at Pay-N-Save at Hart.

Elizabeth Leal, 17, of Dimmitt was indicted on charges of forgery. She allegedly forged two checks on

Aug. 24 on the account of Blanca Iracheta for \$268.18 and \$251.73 to Sheffy's Western & Casual Wear.

Richard Delacerda, 48, of Texas City also was indicted for forgery. He allegedly forged a check on the account of Jose Antonio Hernandez for \$265 at Thriftway on Nov. 3.

Randy Dwayne Powell, 36, of Dimmitt was indicted for DWI, third offense, a felony. He was stopped for alleged DWI on Nov. 20. He has had two prior convictions for DWI, in 1991 and 1992.

Danny Ramos, 17, of Dimmitt was indicted on charges of burglary of a building. He allegedly broke into a building belonging to Lee Bradley on Oct. 21.

# PRPC gets okay for county mapping, addressing project

Castro County Commissioners agreed Monday to allow the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission to proceed with plans to establish a rural mapping and addressing system for Castro County.

A portion of the project has already been completed, but PRPC plans to give every rural block a physical address, just like a city block. The county road numbers would be used for the street designations, and each house or individual property would be assigned a "street number"

Commissioners had hesitated about granting approval of the project in the past, but grant money is currently available to pay for the project.

"The way I see it, we're going to

have to have it in the future anyway. We might as well go ahead now while we can take advantage of the grant money," said County Judge Irene Miller.

Commissioners breezed through a light agenda at Monday's meeting.

They also designated Jan. 1, 1996, as an official New Years holiday for county employees.

They also agreed to take estimates on having flag poles at the courthouse painted.

County Auditor Maretta Smithson offered to contact a caterer about having a county Christmas dinner, and she agreed to check on a place where the party could be held.

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## SEMINOLE CLASSIC

**Bobcats 75, Denver City 53**  
 Dimmitt 13 21 17 24 — 75  
 Denver City 14 11 13 15 — 53  
**SCORING—DIMMITT:** Joe Larra 24, Justin Newman 17 and Chad Ellis 13.

**Championship Quarterfinals**  
**Bobcats 62, Canyon 51**  
 Dimmitt 19 22 5 16 — 62  
 Canyon 9 15 18 9 — 51  
**SCORING—DIMMITT:** Justin Newman 22, Chad Ellis 11 and Joe Larra and Brandon Smith 10.

**Championship Semifinals**  
**Dimmitt 76, Seminole 70 (2OT)**  
 Dim 8 17 20 14 8 10 — 76  
 Sem 13 10 11 25 8 4 — 70  
**SCORING—DIMMITT:** Justin Newman 24, Brandon Smith 19, Chad Ellis 12.

**Championship**  
**Bobcats 49, Andrews 63**  
 Dimmitt 16 12 7 14 — 49  
 Andrews 13 16 14 18 — 63  
**SCORING—DIMMITT:** Brandon Smith 12, Justin Newman 10.

**I-27 TOURNAMENT**  
 at Abernathy, New Deal and Hale Center  
**Swiftettes 46, Vernon 28**  
 Nazareth 16 11 10 9 — 48  
 Vernon 2 7 8 11 — 28  
**SCORING—NAZARETH:** Melinda Schmucker 17, Amy Pohlmeier 7.

**Swifts 41, Lubbock Estacado 59**  
 Nazareth 7 12 9 13 — 41  
 Estacado 4 14 15 26 — 59  
**SCORING—NAZARETH:** Robby Schmucker, Gaylon Schilling and Justin Bingham 10.

**Championship Quarterfinals**  
**Swiftettes 49, Hale Center 9**  
 Nazareth 11 11 14 13 — 49  
 Hale Center 2 0 6 1 — 9  
**SCORING—NAZARETH:** Melinda Schmucker 13, K'Lynn Gerber 12, Amy Pohlmeier 10.

**Consolation Quarterfinals**  
**Swifts 59, Ralls 43**  
 Nazareth 10 13 13 23 — 59  
 Ralls 7 9 5 22 — 43  
**SCORING—NAZARETH:** Robby Schmucker 19, Gaylon Schilling 15.

**Consolation Semifinals**  
**Swifts 62, Lockney 51**  
 Nazareth 14 14 14 20 — 62  
 Lockney 13 10 16 12 — 51  
**SCORING—NAZARETH:** Nathan Hoelling 18, Gaylon Schilling 14, Robby Schmucker 11.

**Championship Semifinals**  
**Swiftettes 42, Hereford 36**  
 Nazareth 12 15 4 11 — 42  
 Hereford 11 4 9 12 — 36  
**SCORING—NAZARETH:** Melinda Schmucker 19, Amy Pohlmeier 11.

**Consolation**  
**Swifts 49, Littlefield 43**  
 Nazareth 10 11 10 18 — 49  
 Littlefield 9 8 15 11 — 43  
**SCORING—NAZARETH:** Nathan Hoelling 16, Brian Braddock 13.

**Championship**  
**Swiftettes 46, Abernathy 29**  
 Nazareth 10 8 9 22 — 46  
 Abernathy 4 9 6 10 — 29  
**SCORING—NAZARETH:** Melinda Schmucker 26, K'Lynn Gerber 8.

**HIGHLAND PARK INVITATIONAL**  
**Longhorns 79, Plainview JV 65**  
 Hart 23 11 17 28 — 79  
 Plainview 9 18 16 22 — 65  
**SCORING—HART:** J.R. Lee 44, Dusty Ortiz 14.

**Championship Semifinals**  
**Longhorns 43, Tucumcari 58**  
 Hart 8 11 6 8 — 43  
 Tucumcari 16 15 8 18 — 58  
**SCORING—HART:** J.R. Lee 15, Jeremy Card and Raynea Garcia 8.

**Ladyhorns 45, Highland Park 38**  
 Hart 12 10 16 7 — 45  
 Highland Park 5 8 10 — 38  
**SCORING—HART:** Charbra Lee 18, Ysa Rodriguez 8.

**Third Place**  
**Longhorns 102, San Jacinto Christian 70**  
 Hart 34 25 29 22 — 102  
 SJC 17 21 13 19 — 70  
**SCORING—HART:** J.R. Lee 33, John Welps 17.

**Championship**  
**Ladyhorns 57, Vega 56**  
 Hart 20 12 7 18 — 57  
 Vega 7 10 19 20 — 56  
**SCORING—HART:** Gayla Reyna 19, Tiffany Bradford 16.

**CANYON 9TH TOURNEY**  
**Freshmen Cats 94, Plainview 20**  
 Dimmitt 36 17 28 13 — 94  
 Plainview 2 4 6 8 — 20  
**SCORER—DIMMITT:** Derek Buckley 19, Jerry Thomas 15, Jacob Larra 14 and Ephraim Torres 10.

**Championship Semifinals**  
**Freshmen Cats 71, Valley View 66**  
 Dimmitt 14 21 18 18 — 71  
 Valley View 19 14 13 20 — 66  
**SCORING—DIMMITT:** Jerry Thomas 24, Jacob Larra 14, Derek Buckley 14.

**Championship**  
**Freshmen Cats 59, Canyon 51**  
 Dimmitt 17 13 21 8 — 59  
 Canyon 10 11 14 16 — 51  
**SCORING—DIMMITT:** Derek Buckley 21 and Jerry Thomas 19. (Record: 9-0)

**VALLEY VIEW 9TH TOURNEY**  
**Freshmen Bobbies 69, Borger 60**  
 Dimmitt 25 16 19 9 — 69  
 Borger 8 18 13 21 — 60  
**SCORING—DIMMITT:** Tonya Robertson 35, Shawna Kenworthy 16.

**FRIDAY**  
**Bobbies 42, Monterey 56**  
 Dimmitt 6 10 8 18 — 42  
 Monterey 12 11 17 16 — 56  
**SCORING—DIMMITT:** Kara Josselet 9, Carrie Bradley 8.

**TUESDAY**  
**Ladyhorns 55, S-E 44**  
 Hart 4 15 17 19 — 55  
 S-E 10 13 10 11 — 44  
**SCORING—HART:** J.R. Lee 29, Dusty Ortiz 14.

**Longhorns 57, S-E 52 (OT)**  
 Hart 15 13 7 9 13 — 57  
 S-E 9 20 2 13 8 — 52  
**SCORING—HART:** J.R. Lee 29, Dusty Ortiz 14.

**Bobbies 83, Lubbock Cooper 62**  
 Dimmitt 28 19 20 16 — 83  
 Cooper 10 18 11 23 — 62  
**SCORING—DIMMITT:** Justin Newman and Chad Ellis 19. (Record: 10-4)

**Bobbies 73, Estacado 40**  
 Dimmitt 19 24 18 12 — 73  
 Estacado 7 13 5 15 — 40  
**SCORING—DIMMITT:** Carrie Bradley 21, Amy Matthews 19. (Record: 5-8)

**Swifts 44, Petersburg 29**  
 Nazareth 13 9 11 11 — 44  
 Petersburg 7 9 2 11 — 29  
**SCORING—NAZARETH:** Nathan Hoelling 17, Casey Hoelling 11. (Record: 8-2)

**Swiftettes 44, Petersburg 29**  
 Nazareth 10 14 16 4 — 44  
 Petersburg 9 7 2 11 — 29  
**SCORING—NAZARETH:** Melinda Schmucker 28. (Record: 11-1)



**PROBABLY TOTALED--**This 1990 Oldsmobile driven by Elias Martinez, 63, of Hart was damaged in a collision about 10:15 a.m. Saturday 3.4 miles southeast of Hart on SH 194. It was rear-ended by a 1992 Geo driven by Bertha Anzaldúa, 28, of Plainview. Martinez and his wife and grandson were taken to Methodist Hospital in Plainview by the Castro County Emergency Medical Service. Martinez was being treated for possible whiplash-type injury and had not been released at the time investigating troopers left the hospital, according to DPS Trooper David Bratton. Photo by Don Nelson

# Police Calls

A 60-year-old Nazareth man remained in jail Tuesday awaiting arraignment on charges of family violence with injury to an elderly person after his arrest Saturday by Nazareth Patrolman Michael Colley.

Also, a 27-year-old Dimmitt man remained jailed on warrants from Potter County. He also was charged with evading arrest last Thursday night.

An Odessa man, age 57, was arrested Friday afternoon for no driver's license, class C possession of counterfeit documents, display of fictitious registration and tampering with government records.

A 35-year-old Dimmitt man was arrested on a warrant alleging violation of probation stemming from charges of theft by check. He was arrested Friday afternoon.

Charges of assault/family violence were listed against a Dimmitt man, age 30, early Saturday.

Public intoxication was the charge against a 37-year-old Hart man when he was arrested at 11:55 p.m. Saturday.

Late Sunday, a Floydada man, age 36, was picked up on seven DPS warrants.

Beth Buckley reported to police Friday afternoon that someone had scratched both sides of her 1993 Lexus. The damage was listed between \$500 and \$1,500.

Sara Lee Hunter, a teacher at

Dimmitt Middle School, reported to police Monday afternoon that someone took her purse and removed money and other items from it. The purse, two wallets and a check were recovered, but some cash was missing.

Terry Hill of Dimmitt told police Sunday afternoon that someone broke into his pickup, causing \$200 in damage to a window, and took a bag phone valued at \$400 and a stereo valued at \$200.

A Dimmitt juvenile told police

Sunday that someone had assaulted her. Investigation is continuing.

A Dimmitt woman complained to police that a suspect has been harassing a juvenile.

Allsup's convenience store reported that someone pumped \$9.16-worth of gas around 11:30 a.m. Dec. 4 and didn't pay.

Francis Acker at the Pancake House told police around 8 a.m. last Thursday that someone ordered some food and left without paying the bill.



**TICKETED FOR FAILURE TO CONTROL SPEED--**Bertha Anzaldúa, 28, of Plainview, the driver of this 1992 Geo, was X-rayed and released at Methodist Hospital in Plainview following an accident Saturday morning. The car had extensive damage to the front right quadrant. Investigating DPS troopers said Anzaldúa reported that she had felt tired and had a headache, then looked up and a car was in front of her. Both vehicles had been driving southeast on SH 194. Photo by Don Nelson

# DISD advanced program will require some changes

Dimmitt High School Principal R.L. Stockstill told the school board Monday night that changes must be made if Dimmitt is to continue offering more than a basic diploma to its graduates.

He gave a brief overview of the Distinguished Achievement Program, which will eventually phase out the Advanced High School Program and the Advanced High School Program with Honors. Both will be eliminated by the 1999-2000 school year.

The Advanced High School Program requires that students complete 22 credits in specified curricular areas. The Advanced High School Program with Honors requires 22 credits and also requires that five of those 22 credits be in state-approved honors courses.

As of November 1993, the State Board of Education adopted a Recommended High school Program (RHSP) that requires 24 credits, which is more than the current advanced programs.

The Distinguished Achievement Program is based on completion of the 24-credit RHSP and then building upon that base.

Rather than relying on additional credits, the new program requires the addition of any combination of four advanced measures, including original research/project, test data, college courses, or license.

Test data may include a score of 3 or above on an AP exam, a score of 4 or above on an International Baccalaureate exam, or a score on the PSAT that qualifies a student for recognition as a Commended Scholar or higher by the National Merit Scholarship Corp.

College courses include having a grade point average of 3 or higher on courses that count for college credit, including tech prep programs.

License includes earning a license awarded by a professional board or association.

The original research/project must be judged by a panel of professionals in the field that is the focus of the project or it must be conducted under the direction of a mentor or mentors and reported to an appropriate audience.

Stockstill told the board that if they decide to allow students to go for the Distinguished Achievement Program, changes must be made.

He said the choices would include reallocating present resources avail-

able to the school district or creating new resources.

Creating new resources would mean building more classrooms and hiring more teachers, which would require a tax increase.

Reallocation of existing resources could be accomplished one of four ways or through a combination of them.

Stockstill said the district could:

1. Stop teaching lower level science and English and have teachers recertify to needed fields.
2. Offer athletics after school and assign coaches to teach other classes. They would have to recertify. A gain of 1-1/2 teachers would be realized.
3. Open campus, eliminate Channel 1, and offer athletics for an hour after block 4. This step alone would only help on student scheduling to allow students more flexibility. If combined with number 2, it could help with resource reallocation, Stockstill said.
4. Expand to a five-block day with one block being omitted by both teachers and students. The block omitted would be at the option of the administration. More teachers would have to be hired and some adjustments made in student transportation, but it could prevent a building project. (Teachers would have to share classrooms.)

The Distinguished Achievement Program will require offering an additional year of a foreign language. Stockstill said another option would be to start offering Spanish I to eighth graders.

In other business, the board heard the Academic Excellence indicator System report from curriculum director Gainell Minnick. She said DISD was rated in the accredited/acceptable range of standards for 1995.

She said no test score area could fall below 25% in the percentage of students passing.

"We are in good, good standing," Minnick told the board. "We have no categories at the 25% level. All are well above that."

She pointed out that the district also was well below the cut-off rate for drop-outs, too. The state target is to have a drop-out rate of no more than 6%, and the DISD rate is 3.3% district-wide.

She showed figures that revealed increases in test scores comparing 1994 with 1993. Minnick said that areas of improvement included those

targeted in campus improvement plans.

The board approved two policies governing the use of the Internet, to which DHS recently gained access through a grant program. Separate, but similar, policies were adopted for staff and student use of the Internet.

Users must abide by "net-etiquette" and other technical rules for use of the Net.

An agreement must be signed by students and their parents saying that they will not hold DISD responsible for materials acquired or sent via the network, "since it is impossible to restrict access to all controversial materials."

Anyone who violates the guidelines for use of the Net will be banned from its use.

Board members asked whether supervision would also be on hand when students are accessing the Net.

Stockstill said, "We try even now not to leave the students without supervision. We seldom have a room with a computer in it that is without supervision."

Approval was given to hire Grimes & Associates as the engineering firm to draw up specifications for roof work and air conditioning needs of school buildings.

## Cats earn AD honors

Tucker Schumacher, a 185-lb. senior, was the lone Bobcat to earn first-team all-district honors this year.


The offensive lineman was a two-way honoree, also claiming second-team honors on the defensive line.

The District 2-AAA team was announced this week.

Several Bobcats made the second team including offensive lineman Will Sanders (210-lb. senior), tight end and defensive lineman Chad Ellis (195-lb. senior), and defensive backs Joey Flores (145-lb. junior) and Dagon Newton (145-lb. senior).

## EXERCISE

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# Haywood terms session 'a success'

State Senator Tom Haywood of the 30th Senatorial District, which includes Dimmitt, said he had a "successful" first session as a state legislator.

He visited Dimmitt last Thursday as part of a post-session tour of the district. He is making the tour to introduce his constituents to Celeste Cooke, the new director of communications for his Austin office.

Haywood said during his visit that he had authored 43 bills that were passed during the legislative session.

"I'm well-aware that it is not the number of bills that make one successful. There are a lot of 'successful' legislators who don't author any bills," Haywood said. "Some are successful by killing bad bills."

He said that a lot of the bills he

had authored had been passed in the House and their sponsors were looking for a 'competent' sponsor in the Senate.

"He had the largest number of bills passed of any freshman sponsor," Cooke said, "and the only bill he voted against that was passed anyway was eventually vetoed by the Governor."

Cooke added that Haywood was ranked the fourth most conservative member of the State Senate and that he had a 99% attendance rate.

He said the only time he missed attending a session was because his plane had been grounded due to weather.

Cooke can be reached at P.O. Box 12068, Austin 78711, or call 512-463-0130, or FAX 512-463-0155.



**INTRODUCTIONS--**State Senator Tom Haywood (left) of the 30th District stopped in Dimmitt Thursday afternoon to check on constituents and introduce his new Director of Communications Celeste Cooke (center). They are speaking with Dimmitt resident B.M. Nelson (right).  
Photo by Linda Maxwell

# More about King and Wales . . .

(Continued from Page 1) and help clean our air."

The Texas Corn Producers Board is King's brainchild. He spearheaded establishment of the board in 1980 to oversee collection and distribution of the statewide half-cent per bushel corn checkoff for corn research and market development and he has served as the board's executive director ever since.

"I'm grateful for the tremendous faith farmers have had in me to lead this organization," King said. "I'm grateful they have enough confidence in me to pay the half-cent checkoff. With their support, TCPB has become one of the most successful and respected commodity groups in the country. I just hope the work I've started will continue."

King has farmed around Dimmitt and Castro County since 1955. He has devoted most of his time toward working for the agriculture producer. He formed the Texas Corn Growers Association in 1971, then organized the TCPB in 1980.

Through 1990, TCPB operated as a seven-county checkoff area representing growers in Castro, Deaf Smith, Lamb, Bailey, Parmer, Swisher and Hale counties. More than 75% of the state's corn production was in those counties when

TCPB was formed. Some of the seven-county checkoff funds were used for down-state research on aflatoxin and other problems in that region.

In 1989 King led efforts to spread the program statewide. Texas corn producers voted in favor of the state checkoff in 1990.

King played a lead role in dozens of TCPB accomplishments, including establishment of a Texas as a leader in high quality food grade corn production. As a result, Frito Lay and other companies expanded their manufacturing facilities to the Panhandle-South Plains area. Many foreign countries also have purchased high quality Texas corn.

"I'm proud to have been associated with establishment of Texas Supreme, a line of Texas food grade corns which are unsurpassed in quality anywhere in the nation," King said.

With strong input from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Texas Dept. of Agriculture, King was the point man in obtaining temporary and full label usage of many herbicides, pesticides and other agricultural chemicals.

"These chemicals have been vital for Texas corn producers," King said. "The fight will now be to keep the labels for miticides and other chemicals intact."

# Sales tax rebates continue to decline

Sales tax rebates issued to Dimmitt dropped again, this time 32.82% lower than the December 1994 rebate.

Dimmitt received a check for \$14,840.67, 32.82% lower than last year's check for \$22,093.69.

Nazareth received a December rebate totaling \$656.14, but no comparison with last year was made because the city did not receive a rebate check in December 1994.

Hart received a rebate in 1994, but did not receive a stipend this month.

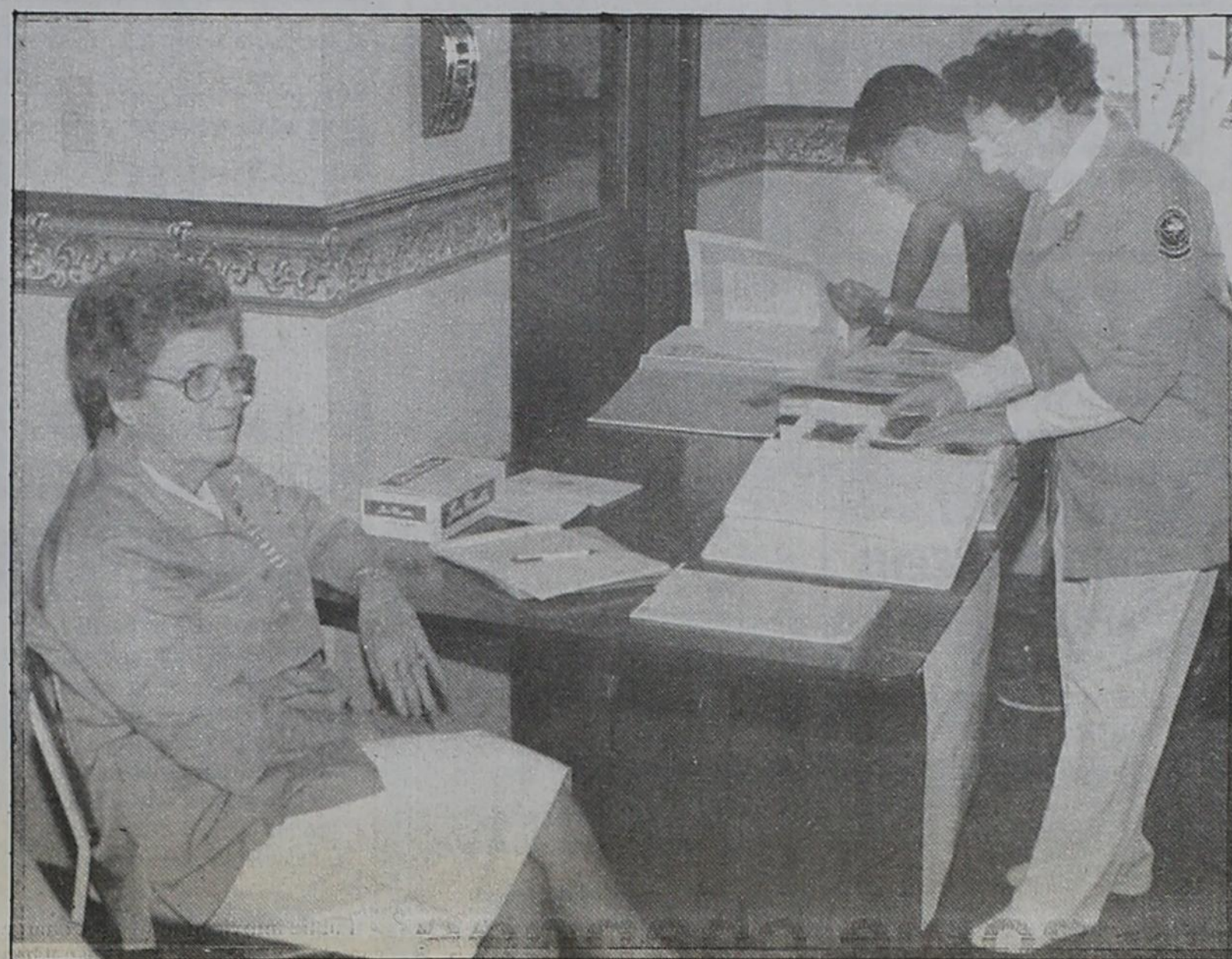
For the year, Dimmitt has received \$271,344.74 in sales tax rebates,

10.49% lower than the 1994 total of \$303,172.53.

Hart's year-to-date total also reflects a decrease, from \$16,082.19 a year ago to \$13,257.60 this year.

Nazareth's rebate total has risen so far, with this year's rebates of \$10,222.77 reflecting a 5.08% increase over 1994 totals of \$9,728.24.

This month's payments include taxes collected by monthly sales tax filers in October which were reported to the comptroller in November.



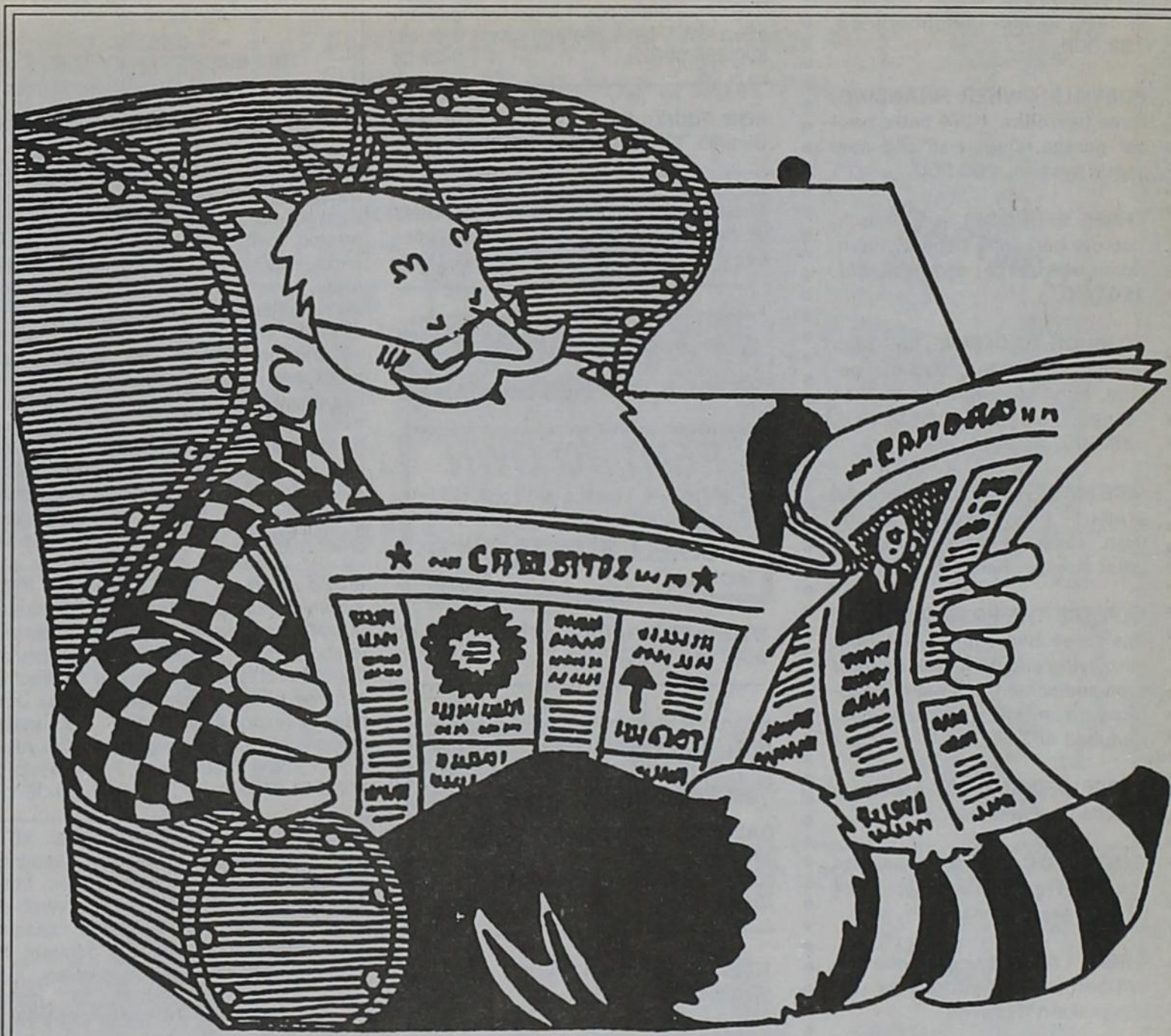
**A RICH HISTORY --** Hospital Auxiliary member Irene Blanton (seated) presides at the registration book while Betty Freeman and Raymond Banson study the history of Plains Memorial and its auxiliary in scrapbooks during the hospital's 50th anniversary open house Sunday afternoon. The "Pink Ladies," hospital staffers and board members hosted approximately 50 visitors for tours and refreshments.  
Photo by Don Nelson

# Greetings due

County groups sponsoring Christmas greeting projects this year are asked to have their lists turned into the *News* by today (Thursday) at 12 noon.

The names will be printed in a Christmas greetings ad in next week's Christmas edition.

Donations to the project will benefit Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary in Dimmitt, Holy Family Cemetery Fund in Nazareth and the Hart Cemetery Fund.



# Even Santa Needs New Ideas

Christmas is just around the corner and even old Saint Nick is running out of last-minute gift ideas!

Year after year, he vows to plan ahead--and year after year, the *Castro County News* comes to the rescue with great gift ideas from convenient local stores.

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**HOSPITAL RECEPTION --** Linda Rasor, R.N., director of nursing, serves punch and cookies to Mildred Bradford, Ina Cleavinger and Charles Axtell in Plains Memorial Hospital's new sunroom

during the hospital's 50th anniversary open house Sunday afternoon. Staffers and members of the Hospital Auxiliary and board hosted approximately 50 visitors during the two-hour event.  
Photo by Don Nelson

# More about Sheffy . . .

(Continued from Page 1)

He said he and his wife had made the decision to close their store "before this job came open."

"We had some good years at the store, but we decided it was time for a change," he said.

Sheffy has served about 10 years on the city council, including several terms as mayor pro tem. During that time he has attended workshops on city administration and departmental management conducted by the Texas Municipal League.

"Dimmitt is a good town," he said. "I do think we need to continue our search for new industry. You can look at the neighboring towns without it and see a lot of buildings boarded up."

He said he also is a proponent of keeping Dimmitt's landfill open. Dimmitt is one of the few cities its size that still operates a landfill that meets all state and federal requirements.

"Other towns have been going with commercial garbage collection companies," Sheffy said, "and the contracts have gone up after the initial period."

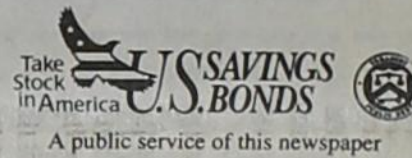
He said the new Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission is working well with cities wanting to keep their landfills open and in compliance, and added, "It's important to work with the state in doing this, instead of fighting them."

Noting that the hiring process had taken two months, Sheffy said he felt the other candidates for the post were "excellent and well-qualified. That's why the council had such a hard time making the decision."

He added, "I'm glad I got the job."

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## Political Announcements

The News has been authorized to list the names of the following candidates for public office in the Mar. 12 primary elections. Candidates are listed in alphabetical order. Incumbent office holders are designated by (i) following their names.

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### 24-Card of Thanks

**CARD OF THANKS**  
We wish to thank our many friends, neighbors and loved ones for your many prayers, cards and visits while I was in the hospital. Thanks to those who brought food. A special thanks to Dr. Joplin for your loving concern and care. We are blessed indeed to have someone of your character and integrity in Dimmitt. Thanks also to the fine staff of nurses at Plains Memorial Hospital for your tender loving care. We are fortunate to have such a hospital and staff.  
Another thank you to the many churches who not only were praying for me, but who came by and prayed with me. May God bless each one of you.  
WILMA DOSS  
24-36-1tp

### 25-Legal Notices

**SPECIAL MEETING REAPPOINTING CASTRO COUNTY AUDITOR**  
The Judges of the 64th and 242nd Judicial District Courts will conduct a special meeting on Dec. 19, 1995, at 9:30 a.m. in the District Courtroom of the Castro County Courthouse to consider the re-appointment of the Castro County Auditor. JACK R. MILLER  
64th District Judge

MARVIN F. MARSHALL  
242nd District Judge  
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**BID NOTICE**  
Castro County Hospital District is accepting bids for banking services. Sealed bids should be delivered to the administrator of Plains Memorial Hospital at 310 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, by 5 p.m. Thursday, December 21, 1995. Effective date of contract will be Jan. 26, 1996. Bids will be opened at the board of directors meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 21, 1995. Bids should explain investment methods available for reserve funds, all interest rates to be paid by bank, any charges to be assessed by bank and method of securing the funds deposited. The Castro County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 25-35-2tc

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**25—Legal Notices**

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATION OF CONTRACT TO PURCHASE ELECTRIC POWER**

Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Golden Spread") hereby gives notice that it intends to purchase a portion of its requirements for electric power and energy from an affiliated exempt wholesale generator. Golden Spread has filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") requesting that the PUC make certain determinations required by the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 and certify the Power Supply Contract between Golden Spread and its affiliate exempt wholesale generator.

It is anticipated that the affiliated exempt wholesale generator, GS Electric Generating Cooperative, Inc., will construct a generating plant consisting of approximately 300 MW of combined cycle and 100 MW of simple cycle generation fueled by natural gas, located in Yoakum County, Texas, approximately 4 miles east of Denver City near County Road P10/P10 North and adjacent to the Plains gas plant. The estimated cost of this project is \$165,223,000. The contract between Golden Spread and its affiliate exempt wholesale generator for which certification has been requested requires that Golden Spread purchase electric power and energy from the generating plant and pay therefor an amount sufficient to cover all fixed and variable costs associated with producing power and energy purchased by Golden Spread. The contract has a term commensurate with the life of the plant. The PUC will determine whether the proposed contract is reasonable. Golden Spread anticipates that the proposed contract will lower the cost of providing service to consumers.

Persons with questions about Golden Spread's application should contact Robert W. Bryant, president and general manager of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc., at (806) 379-7766. Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon action sought should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas at 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Austin Texas 78757, or call the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Office at (512) 458-0256 or 458-0221 for the text telephone. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding has not been determined. Golden Spread intends to request that the PUC set January 3, 1996, as the deadline for intervention.

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**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK**

Sealed proposals for mowing highway right-of-way in all counties of the Lubbock District will be received by the Texas Dept. of Transportation located at 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas, beginning at 8:20 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 12, 1996.

All prospective bidders are encouraged to attend the pre-bidders conference on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1995, at 1:30 p.m. at the above address.

Bidding proposals, plans and specifications will be available at the Engineer's offices as listed below:

For the counties of Hale, Floyd, Castro and Swisher, on LP 445, 1.4 miles N. Of IH-27 in Plainview; phone 806/293-5101.

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**More about I-27 Invitational . . .**

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the first half.

The teams traded baskets for most of the third quarter, and Nazareth gained a six-point advantage when Hoelting scored on an offensive rebound with 2:52 left in the quarter. Robby Schmucker scored with 2:21 left and the Swifts held their biggest lead of the game.

Then Littlefield got hot. A three-pointer by Saucedo, a basket and two free throws by Clark and another basket by Dorsett Jefferson boosted the Wildcats to a 32-31 lead at the end of the period.

Nazareth regained the lead early in the fourth period on when Hoelting turned a fast-break pass from Schilling into two points. Then Braddock connected on a three-

pointer. The Swifts held a five-point lead with 5:31 left when Braddock was fouled by Davis on a good basket. He added the free throw to make it 39-34.

A basket by Schilling with 3:46 left in the game forced Wildcat Coach Brian Huseman to call a time out as his team faced a 43-36 deficit.

Littlefield managed to cut the lead to three points with 2:38 left after a three pointer, then a shot by Clark both rattled the nets.

Littlefield tied it at 43 on a pair of free throws by Davis with 2:11 left, but those shots would be the Wildcats' last points.

Nazareth hit its free throws down the stretch—4-of-7—and Hoelting added a basket for the 49-43 win.



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Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of Dec. 14-20.

**FRIDAY:** Choices of \*crispy cod filets, hoagie submarine sandwich or beef and bean burrito with chili; \*Spanish rice, macaroni and cheese or Mexicali corn; \*tossed salad with dressing, fruit fantasy or watermelon; \*hot cheese rolls, saltine crackers or flour tortillas; apple, orange or banana; and \*milk, punch or tea.

**MONDAY:** Choices of chicken fried steak, Italian spaghetti with beef or ham and cheese sandwich; mashed potatoes with gravy, broccoli with cheese sauce or seasoned black-eyed peas; tossed salad with dressing, garden relish or orange wedges; \*hot wheat rolls, saltine crackers or flour tortillas; apple, orange or banana; and \*milk, punch or tea.

**TUESDAY:** Choices of \*toasted cheese sandwich with chicken and rice soup, soft taco or barbecued hot links; \*potato wedges, onion rings and Mexipinto beans; \*tossed salad with dressing, coleslaw or fruit fantasy; cornbread, hot rolls or flour tortillas; apple, orange or grapes; and \*milk, punch or tea.

**WEDNESDAY:** Choices of \*roast turkey or turkey and dressing; \*mashed potatoes or green beans; \*hot cheese rolls; and \*milk, punch or tea.

**THURSDAY:** Choices of \*hamburger on a roll, corn dogs or beans and rice with sausage; \*Ranch Style Beans, hamburger salad or potato salad; tossed salad with dressing, applesauce or fresh fruit; hot rolls, flour tortillas or crackers; apple, orange or banana; and \*milk, punch or tea.

**FRIDAY:** Choices of \*fish nuggets, sausage and pepperoni pizza or fajitas with sauted onions; \*green beans, baked potatoes or pasta salad; tossed salad with dressing, haystack finger salad or cantaloupe; \*cornbread, hot wheat rolls or crackers; apple, orange or grapes; \*milk, punch or tea.

(Items designated with an asterisk will be served to students in pre-kindergarten through the second grade.)

**HART**

**THURSDAY:** Turkey and dressing, green beans, fruit salad, cranberry sauce, sliced bread and milk.

**FRIDAY:** Stew (elementary) or chili and beans, grilled cheese sandwich, cornbread, crackers, peaches, cookies and milk.

**MONDAY:** Chicken nuggets (elementary) or chicken strips, whipped potatoes, green beans, rolls, variety of cobbler and milk.

**TUESDAY:** Chicken fajitas (elementary) or burritos, salad, pinto beans, fruit and milk.

**WEDNESDAY:** Sloppy Joes (elementary) or hamburgers, French fries, tomatoes, lettuce, pickles, fresh fruit and milk.

**THURSDAY:** Frito pie (elementary) or French fries with chili and cheese, crackers, fruit and milk.

**FRIDAY:** No school!

**NAZARETH**

**THURSDAY:** Pizza, tossed salad, cherry cobbler and milk.

**FRIDAY:** Chicken fried steak, potatoes, gravy, corn, rolls, peaches and milk.

**MONDAY:** Chili, carrot and celery sticks, crackers, peanut butter and cinnamon rolls.

**TUESDAY:** Hot turkey sandwiches, cauliflower, peaches and milk.

**WEDNESDAY:** Sandwiches, lettuce, cheese, chips, oranges and milk.

**THURSDAY-FRIDAY:** No school!

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**STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER** at Dimmitt Middle School are (kneeling, from left) Lyndee Behrends, Stephanie Flores, Angelica Lara, Casandra Casas; (seated, from left) Ashley Irons, Isabel Garcia and Joel Puente; (standing, from left) B.J. Hill and Matthew Wright; and (top) Jose Vasquez. Photo by Linda Maxwell

**County pig jackpot is scheduled**

The Castro County Swine Breeders and the Castro County Extension Service is planning a jackpot pig show on Saturday, Jan. 6, at the Expo Building.

Entry fee is \$20 per head and barrows and gilts will be shown together.

Weight cards must be turned in to show officials by 10 a.m. on Jan. 6, and the show is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m.

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# Obituaries



## Beverly Durham

Funeral services were held Monday at 3 p.m. at the Fourth & Bedford Street Church of Christ in Dimmitt for Beverly J. Durham, 50, of Dimmitt. Officiating were Harry Riggs, minister; Benny Baker, former minister; and Dean Wiseman, deacon.

Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mrs. Durham died Dec. 8 at 2:50 a.m. at Palo Duro Hospital in Canyon after a lengthy illness.

She was born March 30, 1945 in Portales, N.M. She married Jerry Durham on Dec. 27, 1964, in Causey, N.M. They moved to Dimmitt in 1971 from Whitharral. She was a member of the Church of Christ, and was a leader in the Dimmitt Kids, Inc. organization, serving as ramrod of fundraising activities for the organization for several years and working in the concession stand at the baseball park as well.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Pamela Elaine Durham, in 1966, and by her father, Gene Gardner, in 1982.

She is survived by her husband; a son, Todd Durham of Dimmitt; a daughter, Leslie Durham of Biloxi, Miss.; three brothers, Larry Gardner of Anderson, Mo., Butch Gardner of Portales, N.M.; and Rodney Gardner of Abernathy; four sisters, Patricia Brooks of Tatum, N.M., Bonnie Breakbill of Conroe, Frances Vilverry of Portales, N.M., and Tracy Vaughn of Clovis, N.M.; her mother, Mildred Davies of Bovina; and two grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Gary Webb, Terry Ellison, David Keith, Randy Griffitt, George Rasor and Lyman Schroeder.

The family suggests memorials to New Mexico Christian Children's Home, HC 69, Box 48, Portales, N.M. 88130; or to SmithLawn Maternity Home, Box 6451, Lubbock, 79404.

## Joe Fenn

Funeral services for Joe G. Fenn, 63, of Artesia, N.M. were held Friday in the First Baptist Church of Artesia, with Rev. Rick Sullivan officiating.

Burial was in Twin Oaks Memorial Park under the direction of Terpening & Son Mortuary of Artesia.

Mr. Fenn died Dec. 6 in Artesia General Hospital.

He was born in Magdalena, N.M., and graduated from Seminole High School and Texas Tech University. He married Peggy Messenger on Dec. 25, 1953 in Dimmitt.

He was past president of the Artesia Rotary Club, and he was named a Paul Harris Fellow. He served on the Artesia Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and the Artesia Industrial Committee. He had lived in Seminole, Littlefield and Lubbock.

He owned Fenn's Thriftway in Artesia, and he was a co-owner of Fenn Foods Inc., with stores in New Mexico and Texas. He was preceded in death by a son, John D. Fenn, on May 29, 1983.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Bill Fenn of Giddings; his mother, Ruth Fenn of Artesia; a brother, Herbert Fenn of Salt Lake City, Utah; and four grandchildren.

## Mary Garrison

Mary E. Garrison, 78, of Hereford, mother of Sarah Hart of Hart, died Monday in Hereford Regional Medical Center.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. today (Thursday) in St. Thomas Episcopal Church with Rev. Charles Wilson, pastor, officiating.

Burial will follow in Hereford's West Park Cemetery under the direction of Gililland-Watson Funeral Home of Hereford.

Mrs. Garrison was born Aug. 16, 1917. She married Homer Garrison in 1967, in Lubbock. He died Dec. 18, 1993. She was a member of the Methodist Church and she was a homemaker.

Survivors include three sons, Larry Garrison of Tulia, Robert Wadzeck of Borger and Mike Wadzeck of Corpus Christi; four daughters, Hart, Melinda Woods of Austin, Marihelen Willis of Sun City West, Ariz., and Patricia Moore of Muleshoe; a brother, David Ernest of Pittsboro, N.C.; 15 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to St. Thomas Episcopal Chrch, to Hereford Senior Citizens, or to Hereford Regional Medical Center.

## Elias Gutierrez

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon for Elias Gutierrez, 48, of Hart at the Hart Pentecostal Church with Rev. Roger Velasquez, pastor, and Rev. Jessie Lopez of Nueva Esperanza Mission Bautista in Amarillo officiating.

Burial followed in Hart Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Gutierrez died Friday in Amarillo.

He was born July 31, 1947, in Illinois. He moved to Hart from Goodland, Kan., in 1963. He married Pearl Lopez on May 5, 1982, in Goodland. He was a member of Hart Pentecostal Church. He was operations manager for Rising Hills Produce in Olton.

He is survived by his wife; four sons, Elias Gutierrez Jr. of Uvalde, Aurthur Lopez of Clovis, N.M., and John D. Gutierrez and Leo E. Gutierrez, both of Hart; a daughter, Cynthia B. Gutierrez of Hart; a brother, Phillip Gutierrez Jr. of Denver, Colo.; five sisters, Oralia Tenorio of Hart, Rosemary Gutierrez of Amarillo, Irene Alfaro of Plainview, Gloria Ontiveros of Monford, Wis., and Olivia Joslin of Hereford; and five grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Sammy Gonzales, Sabas Flores, Vincent Padilla, Phillip Gutierrez Jr., Arelio Tenorio and Eleseo Mendez.

Honorary pallbearers will be Aurthur Tenorio and Aurthur Lopez.

## Joe Valdez

Funeral Mass for Joe David Valdez, 19, of Amarillo, the brother of a Nazareth woman, was held Saturday at our Lady of Loretto Catholic Church in Silverton with Rev. Ed Graf, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Resthaven Cemetery in Quitaque under the direction of Myers-Long Funeral Directors of Quitaque.

Mr. Valdez died Dec. 6 in an automobile accident.

He was born Dec. 6, 1976, in Lockney. He attended Valley schools, and he was active in high school athletics. He was a member of St. Martin Catholic Church in Amarillo.

He was a cook.

Survivors include a son, Talynd Pointer of Childress; his mother, Mary Valdez of Quitaque; five sisters, Nora Hernandez and Maria Valdez, both of Quitaque, Lupe Parga of Nazareth, Estella Juarez of

Silverton and Rose Harper of Amarillo; and a brother, Arnold Valdez of Amarillo.

## Leonard Welty

Funeral services for Leonard H. Welty, 74, of Amherst, the brother of a Hart woman, were held Friday afternoon in Lemons Funeral Home Memorial Chapel with Rev. Donnie Howell, interim pastor of First Baptist Church in Amherst, officiating.

Burial was in Plainview Memorial Park. Mr. Welty died Dec. 5 at his residence.

Mr. Welty was born Jan. 6, 1921, in Hamlin. He attended Sands schools, and he was a US Army Air Corps veteran of World War II. He was a member of the Lamb County Senior Citizens, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and First Baptist Church of Amherst.

He had farmed in Amherst. Survivors include three daughters, Donna Stoner of Amarillo, Joyce

Welty of Sudan and Leoria Sisson of Moore, Okla.; two brothers, R.C. Welty of Hobbs, N.M., and Othel Welty of Midland; a sister, Irene Brooks of Hart; three grandchildren; and a special friend, Ressie Welty of Amarillo.

Pallbearers were Troy Tolbert, Larry Edwards, Thomas Lee Brooks, Rodney Welty, Randell Welty and Rubert Wayne Welty.

The family suggests memorials to Amherst Volunteer Fire Dept. or the Lamb County Senior Citizens.

## Stella Wester

Stella Gatewood Jones Wester, 86, of Hereford, the sister of a Dimmitt woman, died Dec. 7, and funeral services were held Saturday in the Central Church of Christ in Hereford with Tom Bailey officiating.

Burial was in West Park Cemetery by Gililland-Watson Funeral Home of Hereford.

Mrs. Wester was born in Glen

Rose. She moved to Deaf Smith County in 1947 from Amarillo. She married Earl Jones in 1928. He died in 1943. She married Harold Wester in 1946. He died in 1991. She also was preceded in death by a son, Terry Mack Jones, in 1943.

She had been a school teacher and attended Central Church of Christ of Hereford.

Survivors include two sons, Stuart Carrol Jones of Lubbock and Barry Lynn Jones of Hereford; five daughters, Bettye June Powell of Hereford, Delores Jean St. Amour of Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., Louise Riggs of Pilot Point, Mildred Bryan of Valencia, Calif., and Sandra Cotton of Mineral Wells; a brother, L.C. Gatewood of Leavenworth, Kan.; three sisters, Willodyne Brooks of Hereford, Velma Birchfield of Dimmitt and Althea Owens of Fort Worth; 16 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Amarillo Children's Home.



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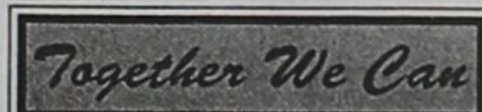
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## Stacy Schwartz

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon for Stacy Alan Schwartz, 20, of Scott City, Kan., the grandson of Charley and Beverly Hill of Nazareth.

Other survivors include his parents, Dave and Lee Ann Brown of Scott City and Doug Schwartz of Illinois; two brothers, Shawn Lynn Schwartz of Hays, Kan. and Jeremy Brown of the home; and a sister, Krista Brown of the home.



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