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## Commissioners renew burn ban for county

By DAVIE ANN BROWDER  
Managing Editor

The Castro County Commissioners Court in special session on Thursday voted to extend the burn ban until it "can be safely lifted." As such, the prohibition against outside burning of any type will remain in effect for 90 days or until the county gets enough rain to warrant ending the ban.

County Judge Bill Sava said officials with agencies like FEMA had advised that conditions are still to dry in the area that the ban needs to stay in place.

Two commissioners, Bay Baldrige and Dan Schmucker and Sava attended the meeting. All three voted in favor of extending the ban.

That means no outside fires of any type, including outdoor barbecuing. Anyone who starts a fire outside is subject to a ticket and fine.

"People put themselves in real danger by ignoring the ban," Sava said. "If you deliberately start a fire, you're responsible for it. Usually, if a burn ban is in effect and someone starts a fire intentionally, that person's fire insurance is nullified. Not only will the insurance not pay for damage that you do to your property, you're liable for damage done to anyone else's property - and the insurance won't pay there either."

In other action, the court agreed to appoint Walt Kelley of Amarillo as Regional Unified Command Incident Commander to the Governor's Division of Emergency

Management.

"That means if we have an emergency, like a tornado, he'll be able to give us assistance with supplies, equipment, personnel, assuming that the area where he works hasn't been hit," Sava said.

"It's getting more complicated to handle Emergency Management. When I first became County Judge it didn't take very much of my time. Now, hardly a day goes by when I don't have to do something, provide some answers. I don't see it as adding another level of government - I see it as getting assistance if possible in case of an emergency in this county."

Sava, Schmucker and Baldrige all voted in favor of naming Kelley to the post.

## It's springtime .... and the breathing isn't easy

By DAVIE BROWDER  
Managing Editor

For millions of Americans the arrival of spring is met with mixed emotions. The greening of the trees and the blooming of the flowers are beautiful, but these signs of nature are hard to enjoy through clouds of pollen, itchy, watery eyes and fits of sneezing. If you are one of the 35 million Americans who suffer from "seasonal" allergies, it's time to take action.

Dr. Skylar Bizzell said the first line of defense is over the counter medications.

"If you have a runny nose; itchy, watery eyes; or a cough, you probably need an antihistamine like Claritin or Benadryl®. Sudafed is good to open you up, but it doesn't do anything to stop the allergies.

If over-the-counter medicines don't work, or they make you sleepy, it may be time to visit a doctor.

"We have several  
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It's beautiful to see the blossoms blowing off the blooming fruit trees in the area. What we can't see as well is the pollen that's blowing off, too. And for many sinus and allergy sufferers, spring can bring a season of headaches and stuffy noses - at the least. At worst, it's medicines or shots.

## Hospital board cancels election; reps will meet with attorney on tax abatement lawsuit

The Board of Directors for the Castro County Hospital District canceled its trustee election since Henry Ramaekers is running unopposed. That was the only position up for election this year.

In other business, the board decided not to discuss a lawsuit against Cargill concerning tax abatements given until CEO Linda Rasor and Ramaekers, along with representatives of the other taxing entities in Castro County meet with attorney Robert Mott to discuss the matter. Essentially, the taxing entities believe that since Cargill did not stay the length of time named in the various abatements given to the company under its various names, some \$5.6 million in tax abatements is at stake. Should a court decide in favor of the various entities, the city would get 9 percent; the hospital, 13 percent; the county, 21 percent; and the schools, 57 percent, according to Jerry Heller at the

Castro County Appraisal District.

Group health insurance and February statistics and financials were also reviewed by the board.

Rasor recommended that the District continue with BCBS for group health insurance coverage. There was no increase in premiums this year.

The February statistics and financials were also reviewed. Departmental numbers continue to be consistent particularly in lab, x-ray and physical therapy. Joyce Skelton has begun preparation for the April 30 year end audit and cost report which will be done by Parrish, Moody and Fikes Accounting Firm. Bids for the District's bank depository were reviewed. Banks submitting a proposal were First Bank, Hale County State Bank, Peoples Bank and First United Bank. The Board voted to continue with First United Bank as

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## DISD cancels one of two board elections

The Dimmitt School Board of Trustees canceled one of its two elections on Monday night. The Election in Place 1, for Robert Woolbright, an incumbent who is running unopposed. The other election, for Place 5 will be May 13 with early voting from May 1-9, from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Running in Place Five is incumbent David Schaeffer who is opposed by Kelby Bradley.

In other action, the board:

\* Accepted a \$2,200 donation from the Dimmitt Athletic Booster Club to buy mats for the field house.

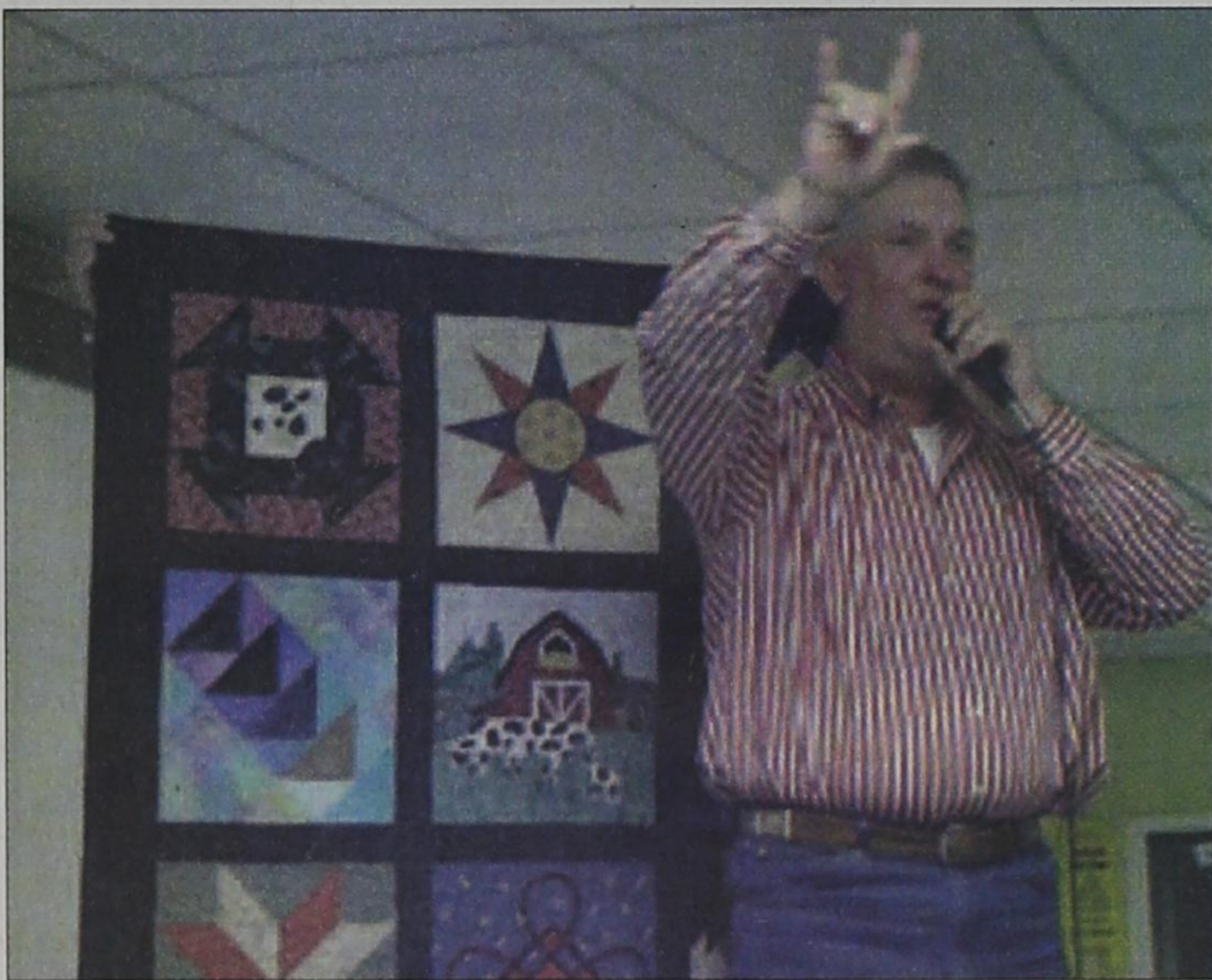
\* Agreed to contract with Interquest Detection Canines of West Texas to provide "Drug Dog" services for the 2006-07 school year.

\* Table until June adding Junior High Volleyball as an after-school sport. The board wants to wait and see what the Legislature does with school financing.

\* Hired Cornell and Co. to be the auditors for the 2005-6 school year.

\* Decided to offer a health class for high school credit this summer.

\* Approved a \$1,500 signing bonus for Special  
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## And the winning bid goes to .....

**GREG ODOM, WHO** has been the auctioneer for the Ogallala Quilting Festival all nine years it's been in existence was in for a couple of shocks the final night of the Festival. The last quilt to be offered up had gone up to more than \$10,000 when Odom was told, "O sorry, you can't sell that quilt, it's for you." The quilt was given to Odom in appreciation of his years of service for the Festival. Of course, most of the audience, except for Odom, were in on the story. Odom, never at a loss for words, left the quilters with this: "I'll have a year to figure out how to get back at ya'll."

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**Music Program**

Students in the first grade at Richardson Elementary School performed in their Spring Music Program last week.

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Education, Bi-lingual and Foreign Language teachers.

\* Approved allowed two students and a sponsor to attend the National FCCLA Convention in Nashville, Tenn.

\* Approved resignations from the following: Katie Ivey, high school social studies, Paul Fry, high school science and Diane Axtell, third grade, who are all three retiring; and Naum Frayberg,

eighth-grade science, Pamela Rhodes, eighth-grade math; Kris Knippa, sixth-grade social studies, Elly Rogers, high school social studies and AP English and Denise Calahan, eighth grade reading.

\* Approved hiring the following: Jessica Braddock, elementary.

\* Approved the following transfers: Thel Shelby to full-time administration and Sharron Bills to Federal Programs/Curriculum Director.

**65 percent rule isn't all it's made out to be**

By **DIGGER ELAM**  
*HISD Superintendent*

The so-called "65 percent" spending rule was established from an idea of the First Class Education Organization. This organization's goal is to enact a law requiring all school districts in our nation to spend 65 per cent of district's funds directly in the classroom.

This idea sounds very appealing to the public who has heard about this rule from the media. This organization claims that three things can happen by the 65 per cent rule.

One: Money will be moved from other areas of spending to the classroom.

Two: This rule will make administrators more efficient.

Three: Scores in the classroom will improve.

Statistics from the National Center for Education Statistics show that instructional expenditures compose about 61 per cent of operating budgets across the nation. This per cent holds up for Texas schools that spend an average of 61 per cent in the class room.

Governor Rick Perry will gradually institute this "65 percent" rule for all Texas Public Schools.

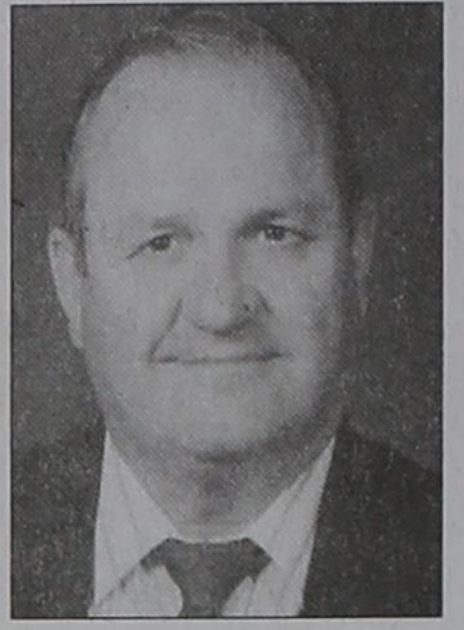
This is his answer to raise scores and eliminate superintendents.

The big problem is that he does not accept the statistics from NCES and does not recognize spending for

nurses, counselors, school transportation, and librarians.

Now here is the real story concerning this so-called "65 percent" rule of spending. According to School Matters who did a study on this rule concluded that of the states studied showed no significant positive correlation between the percentages of funds that districts spend on instruction and to student test scores. Test scores did not improve in these schools.

So there you have it in a nutshell. Don't buy into this idea that spending 65 per cent of school funds directly



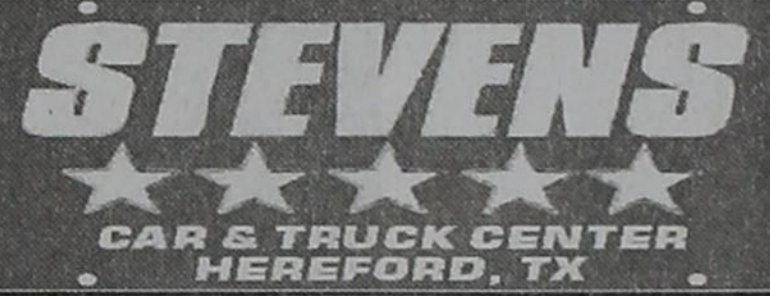
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to the classroom will make anything better. This idea will not!



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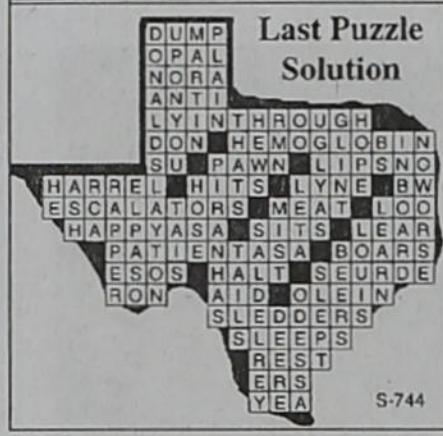
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- Austin potted-meat event: \_\_\_ arama
- this Guthrie played at Willie's "Farm Aid III"
- this Clements was elected gov. in '78
- Oklahoma town recording label for TX Waylon
- Tech Lady Raiders star in '93, Sheryl
- LBJ last words: "\_\_\_ Mike immediately!"
- TX Sissy Spacek goes on a crime spree in this '73 film
- western star Clint (init.)
- TXism: "put a pencil \_\_\_" (calculate)
- TXism: "two peas \_\_\_ pod" (alike)
- a hot TX month
- New Englander
- TX moonwalker Bean (init.)
- lake near Colorado City, TX
- farming terrace
- rough \_\_\_ (oil drillers)
- San Antonio publication: "Texas Farm \_\_\_"
- early TX jazz trombonist Glenn
- TX Kite's 1st swing on a hole (2 wds.)
- TXism: "foaming \_\_\_ the mouth"
- TXism: "\_\_\_ light idea" (good idea)

**DOWN**

- see these on display at Fort Hood's 1st Cavalry Division Museum
- "Benji, Zax, & The Alien \_\_\_" was filmed in Dallas
- no. of Fort Worth: \_\_\_ Airport
- TXism: "poured out of the same \_\_\_"
- early Denton outlaw Bass (init.)
- Gulf Intracoastal
- rod and \_\_\_
- "good \_\_\_ boy"
- TX Orbison's last hit
- TXism: "the ball \_\_\_ chain" (spouse)
- TX Joan Crawford's real name: Lucille \_\_\_Sueur
- in McLennan Co. on hwy. 6
- TX TV preacher scrutinized on "Prime Time Live" in '91
- boot aroma
- longtime U.S. Rep. \_\_\_ "Tiger" Teague
- invention security
- Rangers sports-caster Nadel (init.)
- "Star Wars" program (abbr.)
- yearly TX highway fatalities (2 wds.)
- TXism: "\_\_\_ salesman" (con man)
- missing from class
- TXism: "fat \_\_\_ a boardinghouse cat"
- TXism: "could fall \_\_\_ well" (clumsy)
- this TX Pete wrote "North Dallas Forty"
- city across the border from McAllen
- Mediterranean isle
- Dallas Stars league
- Charley & Guy are TC \_\_\_-creators
- San Antonio event: "George West \_\_\_"
- TX Jerry Jones' jet
- TX high school sports organ. (abbr.)
- TX Janis sang "Me and Bobby Mc \_\_\_"
- Astro pitcher's bag from here to there

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**WEATHER**

	High	Low	Prec.	Snow
Tuesday	76	46		
Wednesday	82	50		
Thursday	67	43		
Friday	68	30		
Saturday	67	31		
Sunday	84	37		
Monday	88	47		

April Rainfall .03  
2006 Rainfall 1.49  
2006 Snow 1.00  
*Readings taken every day at 7 a.m. at KDHN, official National Weather Service recording station for Dimmitt.*

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## Naz News

with Vergie Gerber, 945-2669

Thirty-some senior citizens gathered at the Center on Sunday evening for fellowship, a good dinner, a short meeting and cards or dominoes of their choice. Our planning committee discussed a few ideas about the future plans for our Center. The men are planning or preparing the food for next month's gathering - can't wait!

Norma Schacher, Alvina Gerber and Vergie Gerber enjoyed the Hospice Cares Program held in Dimmitt at First United Methodist Church to "to honor the memory of our loved ones" with the "celebration of life." Donna Charanga welcomed and thanked everyone in attendance. She then introduced the speaker Virgel Ichtertz, pastor of United Methodist Church, who gave a great, very meaningful talk. Judy Ichtertz and Charles Axtel sang several appropriate hymns which were enjoyed. Dianne Townsend read the list of names of deceased loved ones as Donna Charanga lit a candle for each one. Many family members came for their loved one. All then enjoyed fellowship and refreshments.

Mary Gerber enjoyed a week in Woodward, Okla., with her son, Norbert and

wife Helen and other family members. Ronnie and Regina Hoelting flew to Austin recently to visit family living there. One evening they attended a live "Way of the Cross" presented by the St. Louis Catholic Church Youth Group. They also attended their twin grandsons' First Holy Communion along with 38 other boys and girls. Jacob and Shane are the twin sons of Russell and Denise Hoelting of Austin. They enjoyed the reception later held at the Hoelting home. They also enjoyed visiting with their daughter, Rhonda and Barry Boyett and family.

Please pray for all of our sick people and those serving in our Armed Forces. News on Vera Ramaekers in Dallas states that she has a paralyzed vocal cord. There are several methods to treat this and her doctor will decide. Her new address is: Vera Ramaekers, 2732 Gaston Ave. - Apt. 110, Dallas, Texas, 75226.

Glenda Birkenfeld is recuperating at home, her facial stitches have been removed and she is very determined to get on with her life. She is a school nurse at Happy and Kress and a massage therapist.



### Recognize Anyone?

These are the Renegades, the intramural team champions at Angelo State University. The team's next hurdle is the regionals at Texas A&M University and, if they win there, it's off to nationals. Three Dimmitt students are on the team. Pictured from top left to right **Adam Wright** from Dimmitt; Lupe Duran; Jerrell Jones, Quinton Putman, **Nicky Gauna** from Dimmitt, Matt Castro, Adrian Zepeda. Bottom left to right: Neil Springer; Jose Guajardo; **Charley Saenz** from Dimmitt.

## Hispanic Voice

with Angie Arguijo, 647-0106

Hola amigos, que esta pasando en Dimmitt? Hello friends, what's going on in Dimmitt? I hate to say it, but I didn't get any info for the Hispanic Voice this week. Hopefully with the weather finally warming up things will pick up.

Josh and I would like to send a quick hello to Ernie Guzman. Josh and Ernie went to school together. Ernie sent us his congrats on our baby and we'd like to say thanks.

Happy early birthday to my sister Elidia Dozal. She will be celebrating her birthday on April 17. We all love you and hope you have a great day.

Happy birthday to Lorrain Taylor. Lorrain will be celebrating her big day on April 16. Hope you have a great day.

Attention class of 1996, if anyone has info regarding the class reunion, please send it my way. I'd love to help get the word out and get in touch with old friends.

Like I said, I didn't get much info this week. I hope to hear about everyone's Easter celebrations next week. Have a good week and send me your info to [angie79027@hotmail.com](mailto:angie79027@hotmail.com), 647-0106 or 346-3882. Hasta luego.

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# McLean-Lyon

Cassie Helen McLean of Amarillo and John Perren Lyon, also of Amarillo, were united in marriage on March 11, 2006, at First Presbyterian Church in Amarillo with Pastor Joan Gaines officiating. The bride is the daughter of Charles and Jill McLean of Dimmitt; and the granddaughter of Helen Braatfladt and the late Chet Braatfladt and the late Mr. and Mrs. Bob McLean. The groom is the son of Megan Perry and James Lyon of Amarillo and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Perry and the late Mr. and Mrs. P.A. Lyon.



**Mrs. John Perren Lyon  
nee Cassie Helen McLean**

Barrett Carter. The bride wore a formal gown combining duchesse satin and chiffon in a subtle shade of soft rose. The strapless satin bodice was lavishly hand-beaded in a delicate floral pattern. The dropped waist accented the bouffant ball gown skirt of cascading vertical ruffles which flowed into the cathedral train. She chose a matching sheer veil in soft rose chiffon and carried a bouquet of blush-colored calla lilies tied with chiffon ribbon. The bride wore an heirloom cameo pendant that belonged to her great-grandmother.

Special readings were given by Summer McLean, sister of the bride, and Maria Medrano.

Maid of honor was Summer McLean of Lubbock, sister of the bride.

Ring-bearer was Christian Alexander, nephew of the bride. Flower girl was Hope Braatfladt, cousin of the bride. Bell ringer was Scout Thrasher, cousin of the bride.

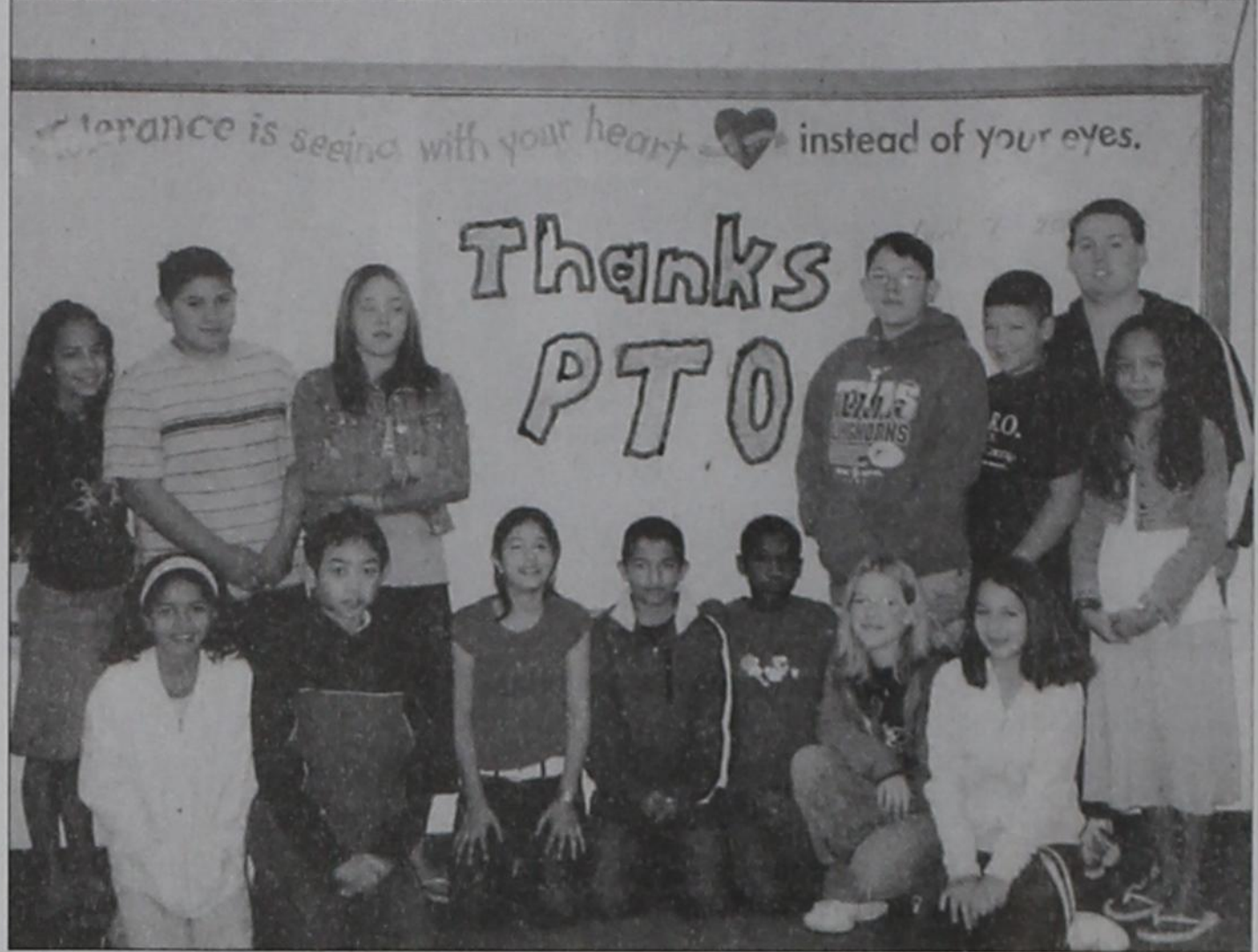
Best man was Bryan Kelley of Amarillo. Ushers were Justin Devore and

The maid of honor wore a strapless dress of black satin with a bouffant bubble skirt accented at the waist with a tied sash. She carried a kissing ball of pale pink roses and calla lilies and greenery.

The reception was held at the Fifth Season Inn Ballroom with dinner and dancing.

The couple will live in Amarillo.

She is a 1999 graduate of Dimmitt High School and a 2004 graduate of West Texas A&M University with a bachelor of science degree in interdisciplinary studies. She is employed by the Amarillo Independent School District as a teacher for the pre-school program for children with disabilities. The groom is a 1999 graduate of Tascosa High School in Amarillo and attended West Texas A&M University, where he majored in plant and soil science. He is a landscape contractor and owner of Spanky's Outdoor Services.



## The winner is ...

Kris Knippa's Class with 995 receipts. A contest was held last week at Dimmitt Middle School between the fifth- and sixth-grade classes during first period. They received one point for each Lowe's receipt, Box Top 4 Education and Labels for Education the students saved. Knippa's class won with 995 points and received a pizza party sponsored by DISD Food Service Department and DREAMS (PTO).

## Who's New

Britt and Karen Boozer of Fort Worth are the proud parents of a son, Greyson Monroe, born at 3:55 a.m., March 28, 2006.

He weighed 7-pounds, 12-ounces and was 19.25-inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Monty and Sue Boozer.

Maternal grandparents are E.J. and Betty Malone of Belton and Sam and Mary Curl of Granbury.

Great-grandparents are Merle Boozer of Hereford and Doris Savage of Fort Worth.

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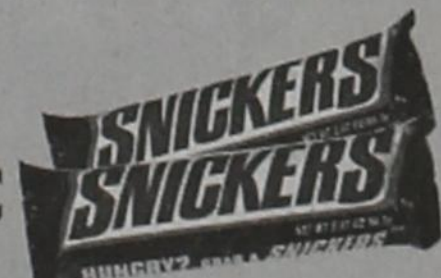
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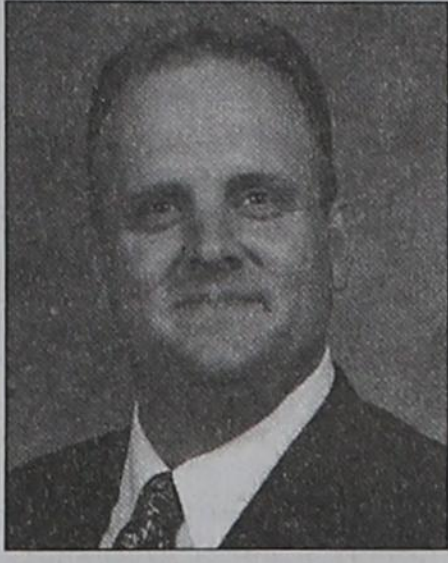
Many years ago in a textile factory there was a sign on the wall which read: "If your threads get tangled, send for the foreman." One woman who was fairly new was a diligent worker, but her threads got tangled one day. She tried to disentangle them, but her efforts only made matters worse. Finally she gave up and called the foreman. He came and looked for a few moments and then asked: "You have been trying to untangle them yourself, haven't you?" "Yes," she replied. "Why didn't you send for me, according to the instruction?"

She shrugged her shoulders and said: "I did my best." With much tact, yet, with great insight, he quietly said: "Remember that doing your best is sending for me."

How often in life have we tried to straighten out our own messes, only to make things worse, and certainly not to solve things? We think that a little more human effort, a bit more human wisdom, and a touch of human ingenuity are the solution. But mankind in general and individuals in particular tend to make the same mistakes over and over again.

Bad habits remain in place. Errors are repeated. We may even excuse our conduct by saying: "I did my best." Then God gently, yet firmly, reminds us: "Doing your best is calling for me."

Paul did the best that he could do, but it was not good enough. He mused: "I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I



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hate...I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do...Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death?" (Rom. 7:15-24). But Paul had learned that to obey the gospel of Christ was the best he could do and the solution to his problem.

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

## CASTRO COUNTY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY — APRIL 13, 2006

6:00 P.M. HOLY FAMILY - NAZARETH

6:00 P.M. ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE — HART

8:00 P.M. IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY — DIMMITT — CONCELEBRATED BY FATHER KEN KELLER & FR. LUPE MAYORGA

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# Obituaries

## FRED HENRY KUNTZ

Services for Fred Henry Kuntz, 84, of Dimmitt, were Friday, April 7, 2006, at First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt with the Rev. Virgel Ichtertz officiating. Burial was at Castro Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Mr. Kuntz died April 4, 2006, in Amarillo. He was born Oct. 24, 1921, in Swiss, W.Va. He married Helen Anthony on April 21, 1945, in Clovis, N.M.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He and his wife moved to Castro County in 1946. He farmed near Flagg until 1957 when he opened the Flagg Fertilizer Company. He was active in the American Legion and was a staunch Republican. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, Dimmitt.

Survivors include his wife, Helen of Dimmitt; a daughter, Linda Perry of Hereford; two sons, Ricky Kuntz of Dimmitt and Charles Kuntz of Wheeler; a sister, Ella Wilson of Fayetteville, W.Va.; a brother, Charles Page Kuntz of Swiss, W.Va.; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to First United Methodist Church, 110 SW Third; Dimmitt, TX. 79027.

## VIRGINIA 'VICKY' BARRERA

Services for Virginia "Vicky" Barrera, 72, of Hereford, were Saturday, April 8, 2006, at La Iglesia de San Jose with Monsignor Joe Bixenman of Immaculate Conception Church in Perryton and Deacon Emilio Fuentes, officiating. Burial was at St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery.

Mrs. Barrera was born Feb. 9, 1934, in Laredo to Antonio Mendoza and Ruperta Ibarra Mendoza. She died Tuesday, April 4, 2006. She attended schools in Laredo, graduating from Martin High School in 1954. She married Alfredo "Freddie" Barrera Sr. on July 27, 1958, in Laredo. She attended South Plains College, then graduated from West Texas State University in 1975, where she was on the President's List and Dean's List and graduated with honors. She began her teaching career as a bilingual teacher at Shirley Elementary, then at Tierra Blanca Elementary, then finally at Stanton Learning Center until her retirement from the school system in 2004.

Survivors include her husband, Alfredo "Freddie" Barrera Sr. of Hereford; a son, Freddy Barrera Jr. and wife, Marisa, of Hereford; four daughters, Imelda De La Cerda and husband Ramon of Amarillo, Thelma Barerra of Pharr, Sandy Pena and husband, Jerry, of Dimmitt and Cynthia Barrera-Cross and husband Dr. Damon, of Amarillo; one sister, Elvira Gonzales and husband Sammy Sr. of Hereford; 18 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two children, Carmen Barrera and Eric Barrera; and two grandchildren, Amanda Castro and Victoria Pena.

Memorials may be made to St. Clare Capuchin Sisters, 4201 Northeast 18<sup>th</sup>, Amarillo, TX. 79107.

## JUANITA NAVARRO

Services for Juanita Navarro, 59, of Dimmitt, were Monday, April 10, 2006 at Immaculate Conception Church in Dimmitt with Father Ken Keller officiating. Burial was at Castro Memorial Garden Cemetery in Dimmitt.

Mrs. Navarro died Thursday, April 6, 2006, in Lubbock. She was born Dec. 23, 1946, in Elsa. She was a homemaker most of her life and a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

She is survived by her husband, Rafael Navarro of Dimmitt; four sons, Henry Hernandez of Hereford, Joe, Gabriel and

Michael Reyes, all of Dimmitt; one daughter, Jessica Navarro of Dimmitt; one brother, Juan Hernandez of Dimmitt; her mother, Juana E. Hernandez of Dimmitt; two step-children, Rafael Navarro Jr. and Cynthia Navarro, both of Dimmitt; and 15 grandchildren.

Mrs. Navarro was preceded in death by a son, Rocky Navarro; and her father, Manuel Hernandez.



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## MARCHETTA HUTCHESON

Services for Marchetta Hutcheson, 80, of Hereford, were Monday, April 10, 2006, at First Baptist Church of Hereford with the Rev. Kyle Streun officiating. Burial was at West Park Cemetery.

Ms. Hutcheson was born Sept. 25, 1925, to Elwyn Hutcheson and Opal Blackmon Hutcheson in Farmersville. She moved to Hereford in 1928 and attended schools there. She was a beautician for more than 40 years. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Ms. Hutcheson was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Karl Hutcheson and Eugene Hutcheson.

Survivors include two sisters, Carolyn Hutcheson of Hereford and Kathy Davis of Dimmitt; three nieces; and two great-nephews.

Memorials may be made to: Vista Care Hospice; 4418 Olton Road; Plainview, TX. 79072.

## HOLY WEEK

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10:30 P.M. IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY — DIMMITT

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8:00 A.M. IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY — DIMMITT —

### ENGLISH

9:15 A.M. HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH — NAZARETH

10:30 A.M. ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE CATHOLIC CHURCH — HART

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### District Tournament - Not Quite

Members of the Dimmitt girls varsity golf team practice their drives before the district meet, which was canceled because of wind, at the Dimmitt Country Club on Thursday. From left to right: Darcy Fisher, Chelsea Buckley, Kylah Riddle and Heidi Vallalba.

## Two qualify for regional meet

Two Dimmitt High School golfers qualified for the regional meet, set for two weeks in Abilene. The first-round of the girls tournament in Dimmitt was

### DISD Menus

Friday: No school  
Monday: Breakfast - Egg omelette and cheese, breakfast burrito, cereal, Honey Bun, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal bar, apples. Lunch - Italian spaghetti, chicken taco, grilled cheese sandwich with bowl of chili, tomato and okra gumbo, peas, Mexipinto beans, arroz Mexicano, tossed salad, taco condiment salad, hay stack finger salad, fresh fruit, garlic bread, Kaiser rolls, crackers.

Tuesday: Breakfast - Pancakes, scrambled eggs with biscuits, peanut butter sandwich, Cocoa Puff cereal bar, orange wedges. Lunch - Fajitas with onions and peppers, Chinese egg rolls, turkey and noodles, frijoles refrieto, country rice dressing, peas, tossed salad, taco condiment salad, watermelon, fresh fruit, flour tortilla, crackers, home style rolls.

Wednesday: Breakfast - Waffles with syrup, Strawberry Pop Tarts, cereal, Danish, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal bars, cereal, bananas. Lunch - Meat loaf with Creole sauce, fried chicken, burrito with chili, parsley buttered potatoes, butter beans, broccoli/cauliflower, Mexipinto beans, taco condiment salad, tossed salad, fresh fruit, wheat rolls, cowboy bread.

Thursday: Breakfast - Breakfast bites, cinnamon rolls, peaches, Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal bar, cereal, apples, bananas. Lunch - Chicken fillet strips, enchilada casserole, pepperoni pizza, mashed potatoes, frijoles refrieto, green beans, tossed salad, taco condiment salad, fresh fruit, carrot celery raisin salad, golden nugget rolls, arroz Mexicano.

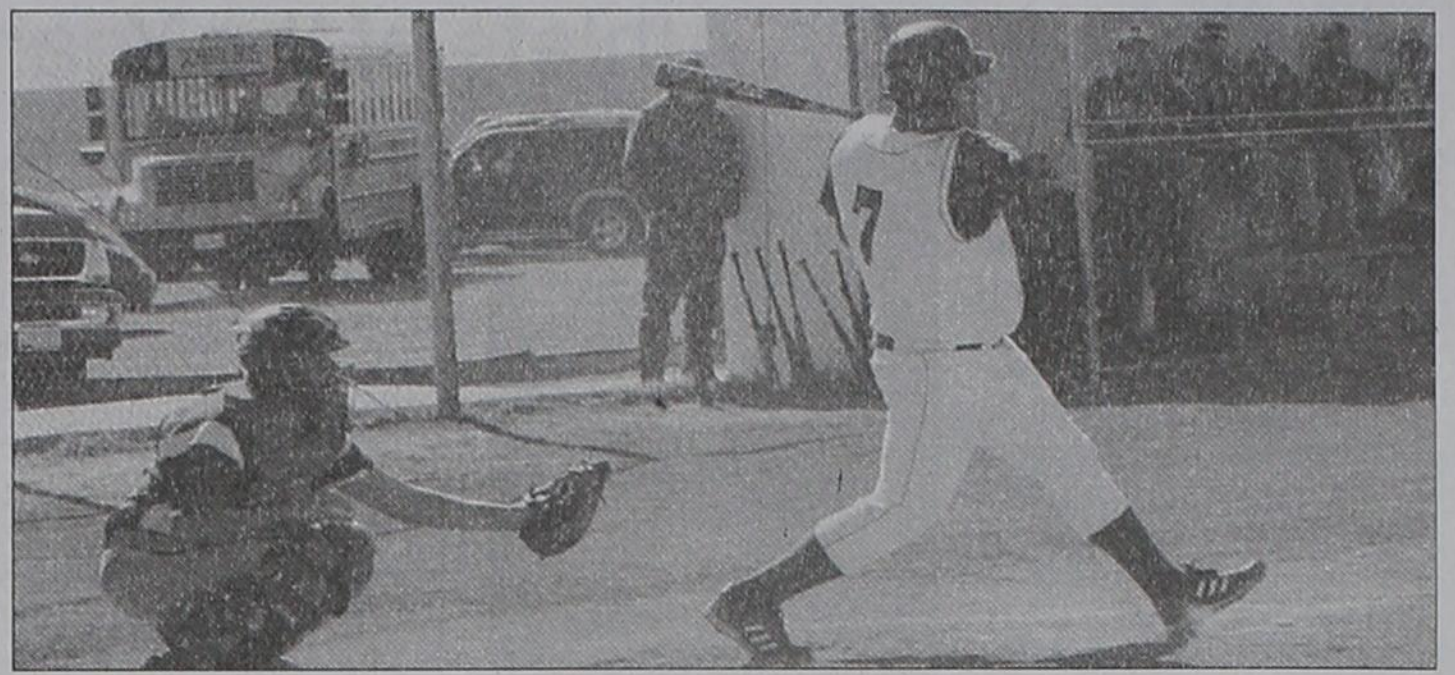
canceled due to weather.

Kylah Riddle won her spot in the regional meet in the second round of play, where she shot a 101 one-day total.

Houston Sutton qualified for the boys regional with a two-day total of 184.

The girls played their only round Monday at Friona.

The boys played their first round on Thursday at Floydada and the second round was Tuesday at Tulia.



DANIEL JACKSON GETS a hit against Friona on Friday.

## Bobcats defeat Floydada, Friona

The Dimmitt Bobcats had an important game against Floydada on Tuesday, April 4. Going into that district game, the Bobcats were 1-3, but coach Jesus Quiroz said he'd seen better practices in the days preceding Tuesday's game and thought that the Bobcats had a good chance to win a game and get a start toward a playoff spot in district.

"It's a very important week for us," Quiroz said. "The day before the Floydada game, we had the best practice, as far as the players having a positive mental attitude, that we've ever had."

Tuesday, the team traveled to Floydada and came

away with a 6-5 win.

Floydada started off with a run in the first inning, but Dimmitt came back to as Junior Limas singled and then was brought home on a Daniel Jackson hit to tie the score at 1-all.

However, in the third inning, Dimmitt scored three runs with Alex Chavira, Aaron Herrera and Junior Limas all crossing the plate, while the Bobcats held Floydada scoreless in the third inning. Chavira was hit by a pitch, scored on a single by Herrera. Limas then singled and a double by John David Gonzales scored Herrera and Limas.

In the fourth inning, pitcher Kyle Whatley scored

a run after taking a base on balls and coming home on a double by Chavira. Floydada scored twice in the fourth inning, as Dimmitt maintained a 5-3 edge.

In the fifth inning, Herrera scored doubled and later scored what would be the winning run. However, Floydada answered with two runs, but that was not enough to take the win away from Dimmitt. Neither team scored again and the Bobcats came home with a much-needed district victory.

On Friday, the team got another district win, defeating Friona, 7-6 in 14 inning, Dimmitt scored two in the

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## Bobbies defeat W.T. and Sanford-Fritch

The Dimmitt Bobbies defeated West Texas 16-7 on Friday. On Monday they defeated Sanford Fritch 27-19 and the JV won 15-0.

"Right now, we're 1-3 in district, but we're starting to click a little bit," said coach Styler Haddock. "Things are coming together at the right time. There are two more district games left. If we win one, that will put us in second place in district."

Haddock said the defense is holding up real well.

"Mentally, we're getting better, he said. "We need to get focused."



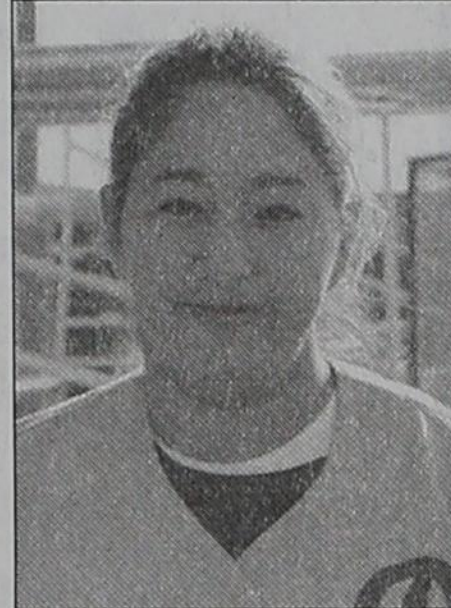
KAMRYN STEFFENS PITCHES against West Texas on Friday.

"Offensively as of Monday, we're ripping the ball real well. We're getting key hits when we need key hits.

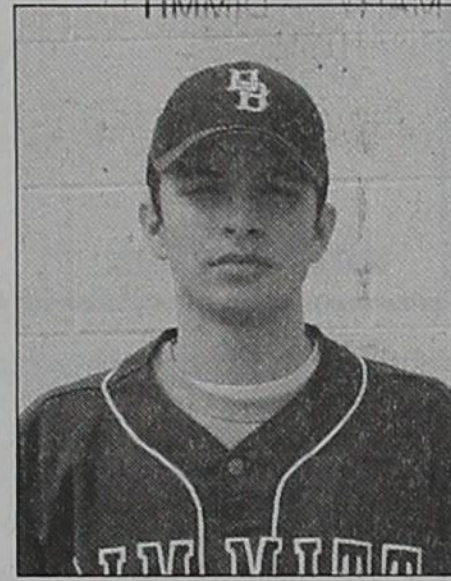
On Monday, Kamryn Steffens pitched seven innings and got the win.

"She stepped up big for us Monday and got the win."

Next Monday the team plays at New Deal at 4 p.m.; on Friday, April 21, they play West Texas at Amarillo, Southwest No. 3 at 4 p.m. and on April 25, they plan Sanford-Fritch at 4 p.m. at River Road No. 3 in Amarillo.



Victoria Torango



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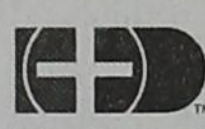
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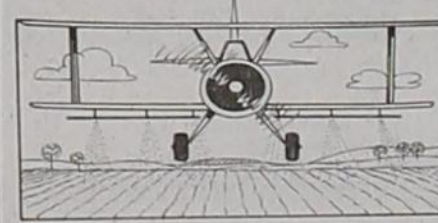


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# Peacock is FCA Athlete of the Year

Whitney Peacock, a senior at Nazareth High School, has been awarded the Texas Panhandle Fellowship of Christian Athletes Athlete of the Year Award. She has been a member of the Nazareth Fellowship of Christian Athletes for five years and is currently the team huddle leader for Nazareth.

"I feel extremely honored to received this award," Peacock said.

"Due to a major concussion this past summer, I was not allowed to participate by my doctors in the sports I love.

"This year has been very hard for me since I was unable to participate like I have done in the past. Being a coach's daughter made it even worse to not play.

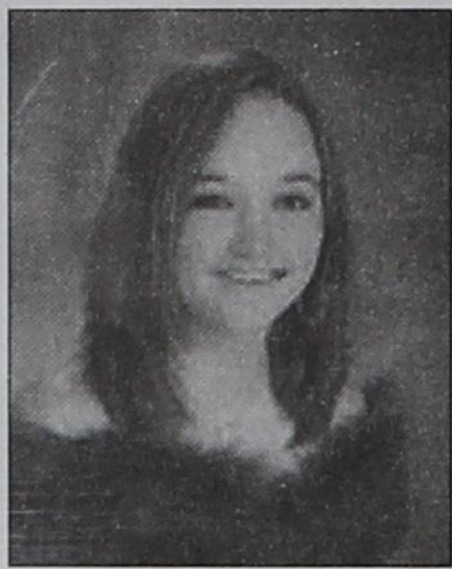
"I would like to thank Pat Ford and the F.C.A. Board of Directors for believing in me and for giving me this honor."

At the Annual Panhandle F.C.A. banquet, Pat Ford, F.C.A. director said, "Whitney had one of the most unique and inspiring essays, which was a requirement of the award."

Peacock plans to attend Texas A&M University in the fall and stay involved in the F.C.A. at College Station.

Also, Peacock was recently earned the SportQuest second team All-American recognition as one of the top high school Christian students athletes in America. Nominations were accepted from more than 20,000 high school nationwide.

Athletes were selected for their academic accomplish-



**Whitney Peacock**

ments, athletic achievements and Christian character to represent some of the brightest and most accomplished high school student athletes in the nation.

The SportQuest all-American program, now in its 10<sup>th</sup> year, was created to reward and encourage high school student athletes who effect their schools, communities and generations in a powerful way.

"We want to congratulate

Whitney on being selected to represent her school, city, state and country as one of the finest Christian student athletes in America," said Kent Susud, Athletes of Good News Executive Director. "Whitney is a student athlete who is truly making a difference and should be recognized not just because she makes good grades or because she is a star athlete, but for a great reason, because Whitney made a commitment to serve others and live a life of character and integrity based upon her personal relationship with Jesus Christ."

As a result of Peacock's award, she will receive numerous benefits, which include being listed as a SportQuest all-American second team on a Christian Athlete Profile that is made available to more than 1,500 colleges.

## Track results

The Nazareth boys varsity participated in the Dalhart track meet in April 7. The team amassed 62 points. Here are the results:

400-meter relay, second: Zane Farris, Chase Black, Thomas Schacher, Tucker Waggoner, 45.6  
100-meter hurdles, first: Bryce Parker, 15.8  
100-meter dash, third: Chase Black, 11.1  
800-meter relay, second: Bryce Parker, Zane Farris, Tucker Waggoner, Thomas Schacher, 1:38.  
300-meter hurdles, second: Bryce Parker, 44.9  
Discus, third: Berry Clinton, 119-8.  
Here are the results from the varsity girls district track

meet:  
3200-meter run, first, Allyson Hochstein, 13:53.41.  
1600-meter run, seventh, Alisha Womack  
400-meter relay: fifth, Kelcy Albracht, April Pena, Amanda Acker and Jenny Merritt.  
800-meter run: second, Allyson Hochstein  
Discus: Lacey Acker, second, 83-2.  
Junior Varsity  
100-meter hurdles, first, Brooke Parker, 16.65.  
300-meter hurdles, first, Brooke Parker, 56.50  
Long jump: first, Brooke Parker, 13-10.  
Triple jump: first, Brooke Parker, 26-1



Chase Black steals second against Ralls on Saturday.

# Nazareth downs Ralls

The Nazareth Swifts defeated their nemesis, Ralls, on Saturday after downing Kress earlier in the week.

First, Nazareth beat Kress 7-1 with Nate Huseman the winning pitcher.

"We played really good defense," said coach Ralph Albracht. "Zane (Farris) in rightfield made some really nice plays. And Bryce (Parker) made a great running play - he ran with his back to the plate and caught a fly ball over his head. Then Nate pitched real well. He had five strikeouts and

only one walk."

Albracht said his players were aggressive on the bases - "We stole a lot of bases."

We hit just fair - struck out 14 times, but put together enough hits to get it all done."

The Swifts downed Ralls, 5-2, but it was 1-1 until the fifth inning, when Nazareth scored four runs. Ralls scored one more run in the seventh.

"It was good to beat Ralls," Albracht said. "They were very good. The pitcher picked two guys off first."

"Dustin (Schulte) pitched - he pitched with a sore arm,

but he said it felt good. Nate finished the sixth and seventh innings.

"Chris Acker was our standout at defense on third. He made two or three great plays that sure helped us. Cliff (Gerber) was solid on second."

Albracht said he's a little surprised to be where they are now, 6-1 and at the top of district after defeating New Deal. (Both New Deal and Nazareth have 6-1 records, but Nazareth is No. 1 now because of it's win at New Deal).

"I didn't know how all the new players would respond to hitting," he said. "I was concerned with our outfield play but they've been tremendous. In fact we're playing better in the outfield better than we did last year. We hit just enough to win these last two games. Before that, we were killing the ball. "Our defense is probably better than it was last year and that's really a surprise. Chase (Black) has done a great job stepping in for Garrett (Kleman). That was the biggest concern. He's done very well.

The time for Friday's game against Bovina at home may be changed, Albracht said. Check with the school on Thursday.


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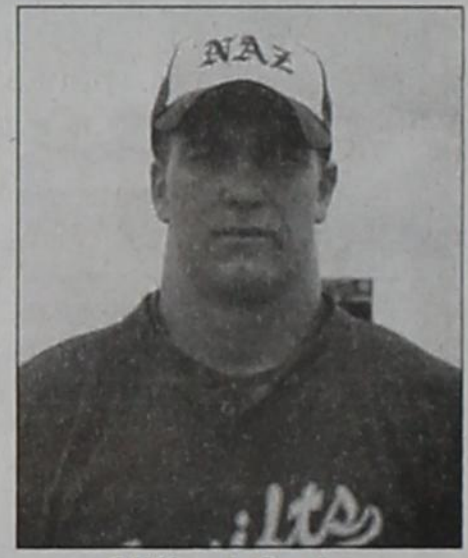
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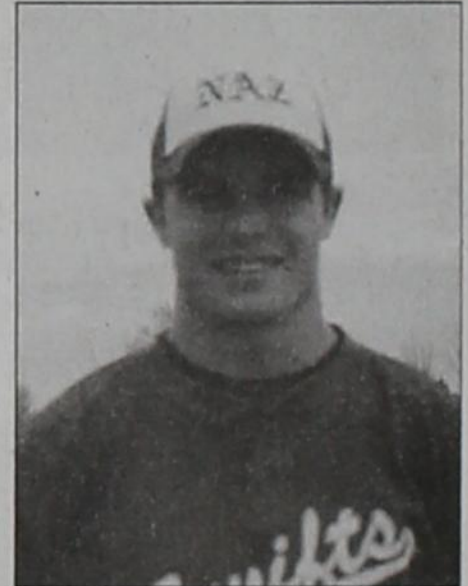


Varsity		
Apr. 14 Bovina	Here	4 p.m.
Apr. 21 Hale Center	There	5 p.m.
Apr. 27 New Deal	Here	4:30 p.m.
May 5 Kress	Here	4:30 p.m.
JV Schedule		
Apr. 22 Tulia	TBA	TBA
Apr. 24 Dimmitt	There	5 p.m.





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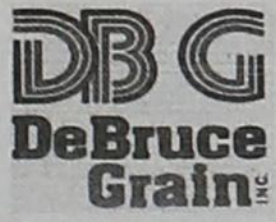
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 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Slumber Party  
 DHS – Interact Meeting – 12:25  
 Track: District 6-AA Meet @ Tulia  
**Friday, April 14**  
 GOOD FRIDAY  
 NO SCHOOL – Weather Day  
 Baseball: JV & Varsity vs Tulia – Here – 1:00  
 Softball: Bobbies vs Abernathy – Here – 4:00  
**Saturday, April 15**  
 No School Functions  
**Monday, April 17**  
 Softball: Bobbies @ New Deal – 4:00  
**Tuesday, April 18**  
 Grades 3 – 10 Math TAKS Test  
**Wednesday, April 19**  
 Grades 3 – 8 Reading TAKS Test

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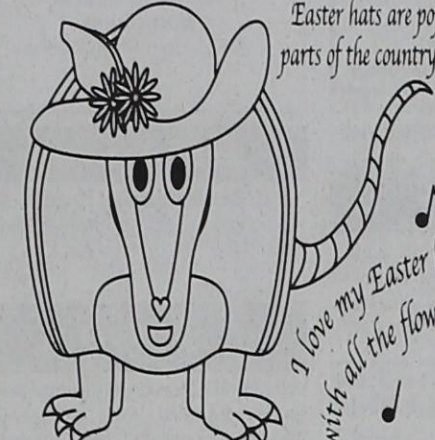
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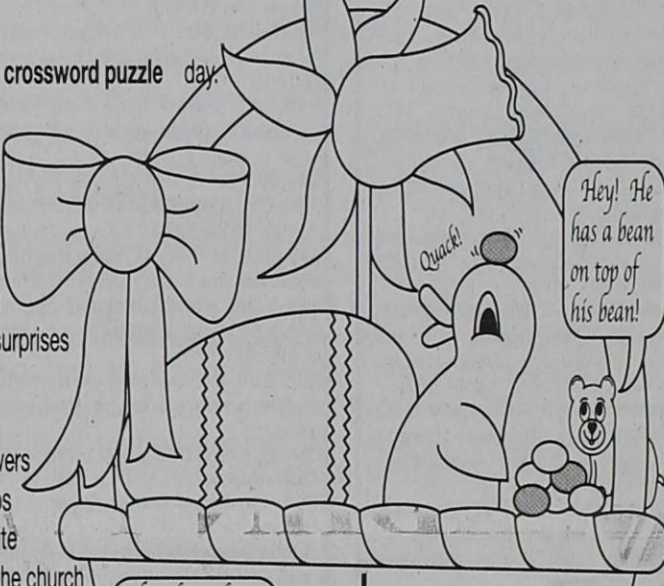
Easter is a time of...  
 Can you find and circle the words below?

family egg hunts light hot cross buns new clothes sunrise joy prayer bells song lambs lilies

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Can you fill in the crossword puzzle day?



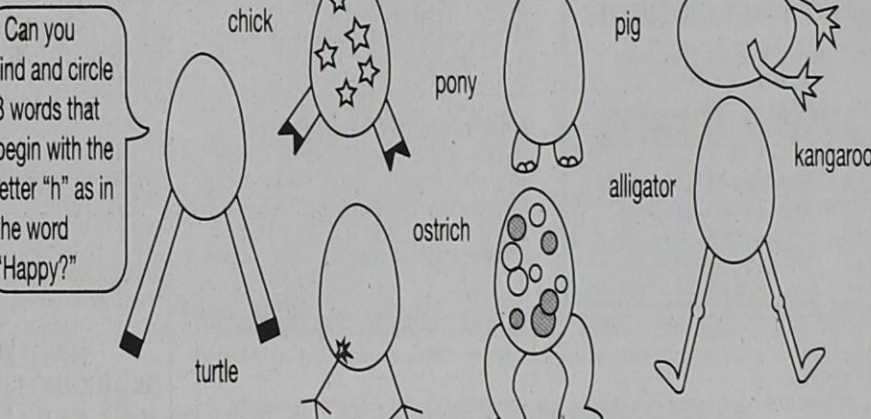
1. colored and hidden  
 2. hops by to deliver surprises  
 3. filled with treats  
 4. a new spring hat  
 5. beautiful, white flowers that grow from bulbs  
 6. bells ring out to invite people to these at the church

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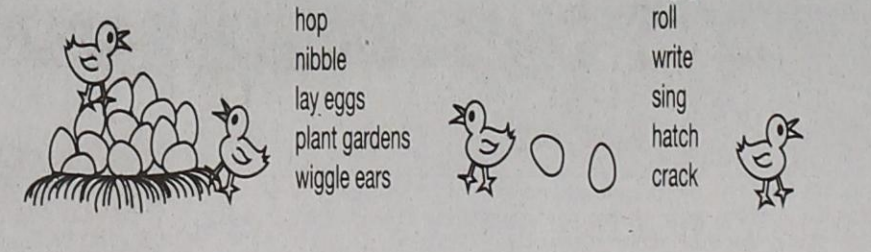
Chicks, flowers, rabbits and eggs are all symbols of Easter. Can you find and circle the three things each symbol can do? (The other ideas are silly.)

1. chicks can... peep scratch hop moo tell jokes

2. flowers can... run blossom grow attract bees dance

3. rabbits can... hop nibble lay eggs plant gardens wiggle ears

4. eggs can... roll write sing hatch crack



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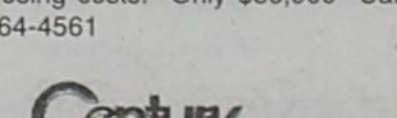
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# BOBCATS

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first, two in the second and two in the third, while Friona scored two in the

first, one in the second, two in the third, one in the fifth. After that both teams were

scoreless until the bottom of the 14<sup>th</sup> inning when Aaron Herrera scored.

# Spring

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options. First with have antihistamines like Zyrtec or Allegra - they don't make you sleepy. They're called non-sedating antihistamines," Bizzell said. "Or we can proscribe nasal steroids which usually work pretty well for people and we have Leukotrienes like Singulair we can prescribe.

"Allergies are an overreaction of your immune system to your environment - pollens, cat hair - some people do well when we give them a steroid shot to decrease their immune response to allergens in their environment. And of course, if none of those work, which

they usually do, we'll refer them to an allergist for allergy testing."

One thing with Claritin is normally it's taken once a day, but in Europe where it was first used it was a 20 mg. tablet taken once a day. What you get in the U.S. is a 10 mg. tablet, so Bizzell said that "a lot of times, if you take two tablets of Claritin, it will help your allergies and it's safe."

Another option over the counter, he said, is Nasalcom.

"It won't help the runny nose you have at the moment," he said. "But it helps prevent some of the

allergies in a couple of days."

He said that people shouldn't assume that low humidity in this part of the state will keep you free from spring-time allergies.

"The wind still blows, we have people cultivating plants, people watering their yards and weeds coming up everywhere, so the pollen is still out there," Bizzell said.

"If you have allergies all year long, that's usually something in your environment - dogs, cats, dust mites - that's different than having allergies to pollen and dust in the spring or fall."

# Obituaries

**LITTLEFIELD** - Funeral services for Ollie Bench Onstead, 97, of Littlefield were Wednesday, April 12, 2006 at Littlefield First Baptist Church Hemphill Chapel with the Rev. Joe Stewart, pastor, officiating and the Rev. Norris Onstead, assisting. Burial was in Littlefield Memorial Park. Mrs. Onstead died April 10, 2006 at her home in Littlefield.

She was born on April 21, 1908 in Red Springs, to George and Amy Bench. They moved to Amherst in 1924. Ollie married J. D. Onstead on Aug. 13, 1927, in Mineral Wells. They returned to Amherst in 1927 and then moved to Littlefield



**Ollie Bench Onstead** in 1939. She and her husband owned and operated Onstead Furniture for more than 30 years. She was also involved in real estate for several years. She was active in Girlstown for

several years. Mrs. Onstead was preceded in death by her husband on Aug. 20, 1974. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Littlefield. She is survived by: two sons, Reverend Norris Onstead and wife Maxine of Houston and Ronnie Onstead and wife Jean of Ruidoso, N.M.; a daughter, Jean Gilreath and husband Donald of Lazbuddie; six grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; 26 great-great-grandchildren; and one great-great-great-grandchild. The family suggests memorials to the Littlefield Senior Citizens, Littlefield First Baptist Church or a favorite charity

## NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF CASTRO

By virtue of Orders of Sale issued out of the Judicial District Court of CASTRO County in the following cases on the 3 day of APRIL, 2006, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell at 10:00 A.M. on the 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2006, which is the first Tuesday of said month, at the OFFICIAL DOOR of the Courthouse of said CASTRO County, in the City of DIMMITT, Texas, the following described property located in CASTRO County, to-wit:

**Cause No. A8060-0304 CASTRO COUNTY VS. HRABAL JIMMIE & ELLEN**

All of Lots Ten (10), Eleven (11) and Twelve (12) in Block No. One Hundred Thirty-Eight (138) of the Original Town of Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas

**Cause No. A8170-0311 CASTRO COUNTY VS. NAVARRO RAMONA**

All of Lot Number Twelve (12), Block Number One hundred Fifteen (115), Original Town of Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas

Levied on the 4 day of APRIL, 2006, as the property of said Defendants to satisfy the judgments rendered in the above styled and numbered causes, plus all taxes, penalties, interest and attorney fees accrued to the date of sale and all costs recoverable by law in favor of CASTRO COUNTY, DIMMITT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, CITY OF DIMMITT AND CASTRO COUNTY EDUCATION DISTRICT FOR DIMMITT ISD.

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By Jerry W. Jansa  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF DIMMITT TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Dimmitt will hold a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, April 17, 2006 at Dimmitt City Hall, in regard to the submission of an application to the Office of Rural Community Affairs for the Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen's participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views and proposals to David Denman, City Manager, at the Dimmitt City Hall, 200 E Jones Street. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall at 647-2155 to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

# HOSPITAL

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their depository.

Commercial Property Insurance bids were also reviewed. It was decided to secure property insurance through Health Sure Insurance Service at a cost of \$19,936.

A new law requiring Board Members to file documentation disclosing a financial relationship with anyone the hospital district does business with involving financial gain was discussed.

The Critical Access Annual Program Report was reviewed for the 04-05 fiscal year.

This included statistics, financials and

departmental evaluations along with plans for the current fiscal year.

The Board voted to give Rasor authority to sign the bank notes for the new construction process.

The excavation work is complete and now Cooper Medical is beginning the dirt work for the clinic.

The gas line and phone lines have been re-routed.

Signs have been ordered to assist with the designated parking areas and the entrance through the ER.

Construction is proceeding on schedule, Rasor said.

## Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

### NOTICE OF CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION APPLICATION

General Permit Authorization No. TXG920334

**APPLICATION.** GENE BRADLEY FEEDYARD, P.O. Box 49, Dimmitt, Texas 79027 has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920000 for authorization to expand an existing beef cattle feedyard from 4,000 head to a maximum of 12,000 head in Castro county, Texas. The notice of intent was received by TCEQ on March 17, 2005. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions or events. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The existing facility is located on the east side of Farm-to-Market Road 1055, approximately 4.5 miles south of the intersection with State Highway 86 in Castro County, Texas. The facility is located in the drainage area of the White River Lake in Segment No. 1240 of the Brazos River Basin.

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

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT.** Written public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the applicant meets the requirements of the general permit and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the notice of intent for coverage under the general permit.

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

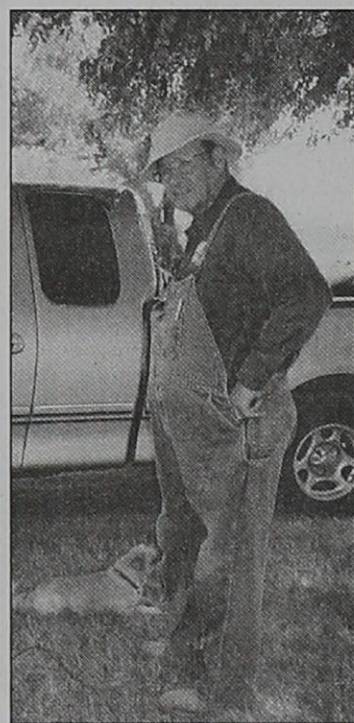
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Delbert at 8



Delbert's 28th birthday



Delbert at graduation



Delbert at work

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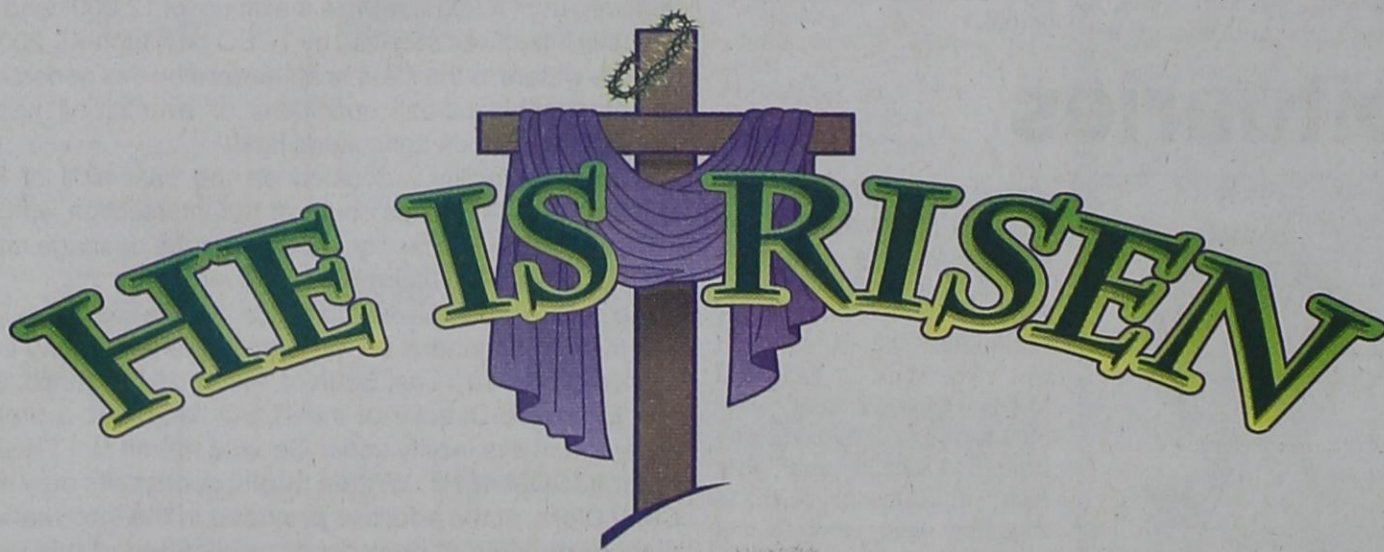
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Left to right:  
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