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Thanksgiving service slated Sunday night

County residents are invited to gather and offer thanks for their many blessings Sunday when the Castro County Ministerial Alliance sponsors its annual community Thanksgiving service.

The traditional celebration of thanksgiving will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt and the public is invited to attend.

The service will feature a lot of music, according to Rusty Dickerson, pastor at First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt.

Among those expected to perform are the Dimmitt High School choir, quartets from the First United Methodist Church and First Baptist Church, and a community choir, directed by Charles Axtell.

Anyone may perform with the community choir, and those who wish to are asked to meet at the church at 6 p.m. Sunday for a rehearsal. Dickerson said there also will be congregational singing.

The message will be brought by Dickerson.

No offering will be taken because local churches participating have taken up additional offerings the two Sundays in November and will continue the collection during regular services this week.

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By Don Nelson

That was quite a tribute Dimmitt High School's students paid to local veterans Monday.

The students located as many veterans as they could; got their military service information; then picked up all the political yard-signs in town and converted them into holders for computer-generated name plates, and staked them in rows on the front lawn of the high school.

The climax of their Veterans Day observance came at noon Monday when they gathered local veterans onstage in the auditorium and recognized them, one by one, in an impressive program that included the high school band and choir.

As one of the veterans who was recognized, I'd like to say on behalf of all of us:

Thanks, kids. We felt honored that you would do that for us. You're among the most precious reasons that we served.

Isn't the fall foliage gorgeous here this year?

The red oaks are especially beautiful, and they're in various stages

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NEWLY-ELECTED Pct. 4 Commissioner Dan Schmucker (left) recites the oath of office, administered by County Judge Irene Miller Monday afternoon after the 1996 election results were canvassed. Schmucker edged Glenn Ehly in the Nov. 5 election to win the commissioner's seat, which was

left vacant after the death of Vincent Guggemos earlier this year. A special election was held to fill the vacant seat, and Schmucker will serve the two-year balance of Guggemos's term. Then he will have to run for re-election.

Photo by Anna Acker

County accepts offer on 50 cars

Castro County accepted an offer of \$5,000 from the City of Earth for two of its sheriff's dept. cars, which were to be traded in for newer models.

County Sheriff CD Fitzgearld said that in the past, vehicles offered for trade weren't valued at much by the dealers. He said he felt like the offer from Earth was a lot more than the county would get if it used the vehicles for a trade-in.

He added that it is permissible for a government entity to sell an item like the sheriff's vehicles outright, if the items are sold to another government entity like the city of Earth.

Commissioners agreed that it was a good offer, and agreed to accept it

by a unanimous vote.

Fitzgearld also updated commissioners on the status of the county's new drug dog.

He said the dog's handler, Glen Snitker, is currently attending the training school in Lafayette, La., and that it looks like the current dog Snitker is working with will do fine.

"The dog is doing great," Fitzgearld said. "On Friday they will take a certification test, and if they pass that, they'll undergo another week of training. Then they should be ready for service."

The current dog with which Snitker is working is the third tried by the county, Fitzgearld said. The 2-year-old dog is a Belgian Malinois

crossed with a German Shepherd.

Fitzgearld told commissioners the purchase of the dog and funding for the training and upkeep of the animal was raised through private donations.

He said the dog will be considered as another deputy, although it will be classified as "unsalaried."

After discussing the county's liability, commissioners agreed the dog should be insured for its value, and the county should carry liability insurance on it.

"I think the county should at least pay for the insurance," Pct. 1 Commissioner Newlon Rowland said.

Pct. 3 Commissioner Bay

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Kenworthy places 34th

Swiftette runners take second place in state cross country race

The Nazareth Swiftettes knew they'd have an uphill battle Saturday morning, trying to catch Rocksprings runners in the Class A state championship cross country race at Round Rock.

For the past two years, the Swiftettes have finished as state runners-up behind Rocksprings and they duplicated that effort Saturday, claiming their third straight state runner-up trophy in cross country.

Rocksprings runners easily outdistanced the pack, finishing with an impressive 25 points overall. The Swiftettes were second with 110.

Shawna Kenworthy of Dimmitt competed in the Class AAA state meet after qualifying with an eighth place finish at regional, and she finished in 13:15 for 34th place Saturday.

Rocksprings was boosted to its big

finish by Anita Gonzales and Cassidy Todd, who were first and second, respectively. Gonzales finished with a time of 11:53 while Todd was second in 12:38.

Nazareth's top runner was Tanya Wethington, who came in 16th with a time of 13:21. Trina Johnson broke into the top 20, earning the 20th-place spot in 13:25.

Other Swiftettes running were Tiffany Schmucker, 34th, 13:37; Misti Ball, 43rd, 13:45; Amy Pohlmeier, 44th, 13:46; Celina Braddock, 46th, 13:48; and Sara Birkenfeld, 54th, 13:57.

Nazareth Coach Johnny Hampton said the Swiftettes didn't get off to as good a start as they would have liked.

"We didn't draw a good box at the start. We had to deal with a narrow opening and had to run uphill at the beginning. Teams on the other end

started off going downhill. Then we got cut off around the first curve," Hampton said.

But even if the Swiftettes would have had a cleaner break from the

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TODAY: Canterbury Villa will hold its annual cake auction and Thanksgiving dinner on today (Thursday). The turkey dinner will be served free to residents and family members at 5 p.m. The auction will start at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds from the event will benefit the residents' activity fund.

FRIDAY: Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will sponsor its annual buffet and holiday bazaar at the Expo Building. The bazaar will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will feature crafts and baked goods made by members of the Auxiliary. The lunch buffet will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and the menu will include roast beef with gravy or barbecue sauce, salads, vegetable dishes, desserts, coffee or tea. Plates will be \$5 and take-outs will be \$5.25. During the bazaar, individuals will be able to sign up for Operation Christmas Greetings. The Auxiliary will also be selling chances for a quilt which will be raffled off at 1:30 p.m. Proceeds from the day's events will be used to purchase equipment for the hospital.

SUNDAY: The Castro County Ministerial Alliance will sponsor its annual Thanksgiving service tonight at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt. The service will feature a wide variety of music as well as the Thanksgiving message, which will be delivered by Rusty Dickerson, pastor at FUMC.

NOV. 21: The holiday shopping season in Dimmitt will officially kick off with the annual Christmas Open House. Businesses will be open late with after-hours promotions and special sales. Santa Claus will make his first appearance in Dimmitt that night and choir groups from the Dimmitt schools will sing carols from the gazebo.

Dec. 5: A "Night Light Parade" will be held as part of the holiday festivities in Dimmitt this year. The festive parade, held at night, will feature lighted and decorated floats entered by business and organizations, including farm machinery outlined with festive lights.

Dec. 19: A "Scrooge Night", honoring all last-minute shoppers, has been planned for Dec. 19. Plans for this promotion are still in the works.

'Project Partnership' is seeking investors

Are you looking for an investment opportunity, but want your money kept close to home? Do you not have the large amounts required by most investment offers?

Even if all you can offer are your own two hands and a strong back, "Project Partnership Dimmitt" offers an investment opportunity that can benefit a wide range of investors, according to Wayne Collins, one of the organizers of the project.

What is "Project Partnership Dimmitt"?

The core of the project revolves around building a 40-unit motel and possibly other businesses across the highway from Dimmitt Market on Block 1 of the Wanona Addition.

Although motels are not cheap, Collins said, "This project envisions unique construction techniques that will allow for a first-rate building at a very modest cost."

Collins said he estimates the basic construction of the motel will cost about \$500,000. The method being looked into is the use of the 3-10 Polysteel Form by 3-10 Insulated Forms, L.P., of Omaha, Neb. The construction is similar to concrete block, but one 3-10 Polysteel Form, weighing only five pounds, would take the place of six standard concrete blocks weighing up to 130 pounds.

The form uses less concrete to construct a stronger, fully insulated concrete wall, manufactured with a built-in, highly effective insulation factor that would greatly reduce heating and cooling costs, according to information from the manufacturer. The form is made of a fire-retarding, expanded polystyrene, which is highly fire-resistant. Reinforcing steel and concrete are added to the center of the forms for strength.

Another facet of the project that will make it attractive to "cash-poor" investors is the "labor and materials credits" that will be offered to those who help with the project. The method of construction for the proposed building will be able to make use of unskilled labor, according to Collins. He said he hopes to attract investors from all walks of life in Dimmitt.

"We will offer shares in the project for anyone who donates their labor or materials," Collins said.

"Also, shares will be sold for \$100 each for those who do have cash available. However, we may have to limit it to 10-share blocks due to Securities and Exchange Commission rules. In addition, we hope to have limited payment plans for those who want to make larger investments, but can't pay it all at once."

He said the investment group would like to set up the project with authorization to issue up to \$1.2 million in stock, or 12,000 shares. He said he would like to be able to set up the project without any indebtedness, eliminating any mortgage payments on the expense ledger. The project could start paying dividends sooner, too.

"This is an exciting project for our community and one that we believe will offer excellent profits for investors," Collins said. "Not only will we get a return on our investment, we also will stimulate Dimmitt's economy, benefiting our community in two ways."

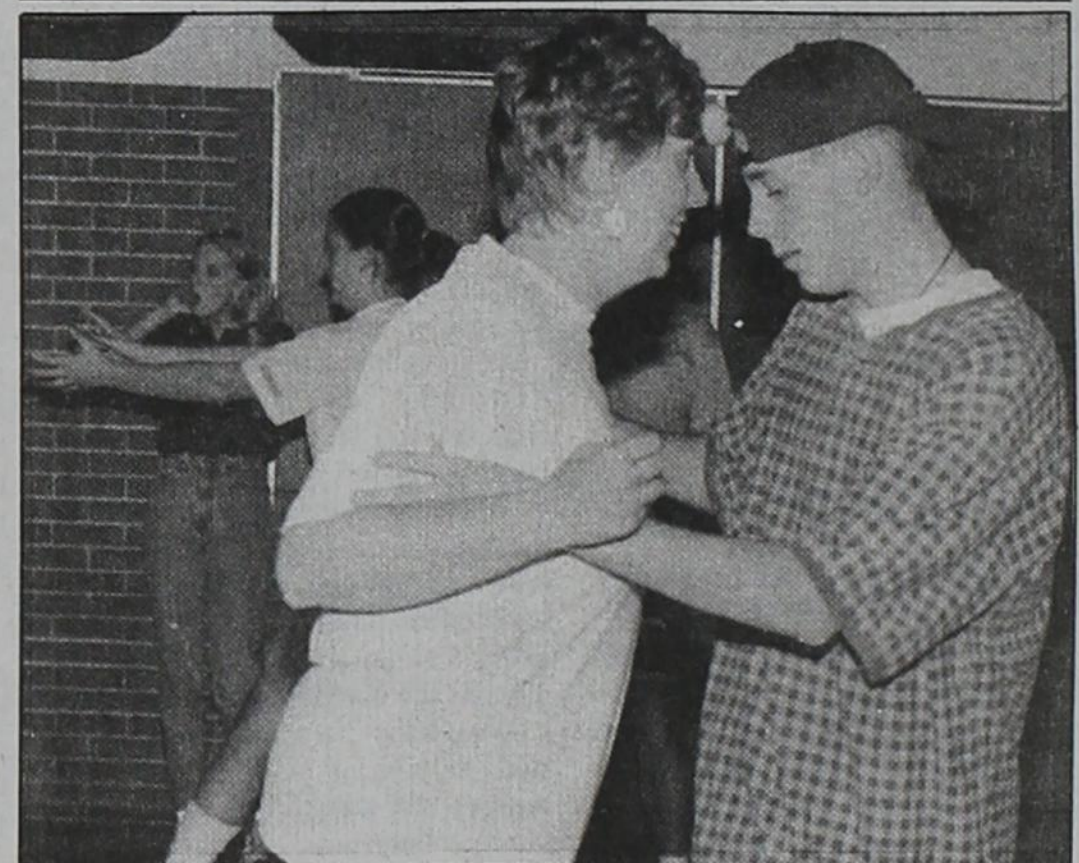
Projections for the motel show that a 25% to 30% occupancy rate (10 to 12 rooms rented) would need to be maintained for the operation to turn a profit. With an average room charge of \$41 per day, gross rental income would range from \$4,920 with four rooms rented per day for 30 days, up to \$49,200 per month at a 100% occupancy rate. Estimated

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Weather

	High	Low	Pr.
Thursday	55	22	
Friday	56	22	
Saturday	54	24	
Sunday	68	27	
Monday	70	27	
Tuesday	73	29	
Wednesday	45	34	
September Moisture			3.83
1996 Moisture			12.96

Temperatures and moisture are recorded each day at 7 a.m. at KDHN Radio, official National Weather Service reporting station.



PUTTING THEIR HEADS TOGETHER—Dimmitt High School teacher Dana Beck and her son, Brad, participate in the Family Olympics Monday night as a part of the Open House observance held at the school. Teams participating in the Olympics were required to compete in 10 events, including the "egg carry," in which two persons had to transport an egg using only their foreheads—no hands. Seven teams competed. The top three teams were awarded medals for each team member. The event was sponsored by the Dimmitt FHA/HERO chapter. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Merchants sign up today for holiday promotions

Today (Thursday) at 4 p.m. is the sign-up deadline for merchants wanting to participate in all of the holiday activities sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, including the Christmas Open House, sponsorship of the Night Light Parade, and Scrooge Night.

The cost of participating is \$50 per merchant, and includes the cost of publicity, parade prizes, showing of a movie, bicycles to be given away, and printing of posters and registration slips, etc.

Each participating business will be printed on the Christmas Poster, which will be placed in businesses in

Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth. Each will receive a recognizable door sign. General radio and cable ads will help promote the event, along with ads in the *News* and the *Hart Beat*.

The annual Christmas Open House observance will be next Thursday (Nov. 21) from 6 to 9 p.m., with Santa Claus coming to town at 6:30 p.m. on a fire truck, and visiting with children at the gazebo through 8:30 p.m. Also, choirs under the direction of Ken Strange will perform Christmas carols at the gazebo.

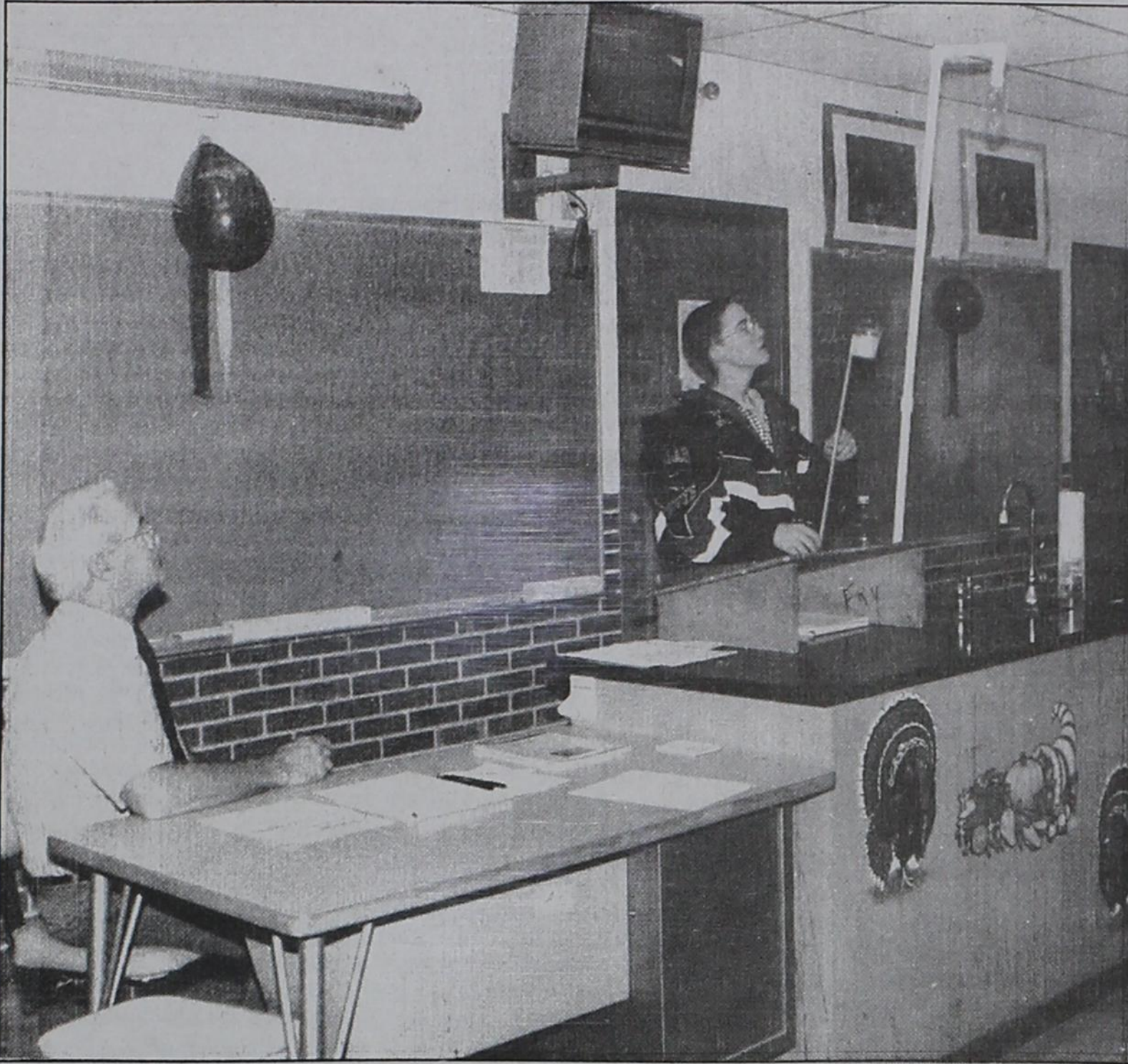
Participating merchants will be (Continued on Page 2)



I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE—Dimmitt High School teacher R.L. Duke (on stage, right) leads in reciting "The Pledge of Allegiance" to the American flag at a special assembly at the school Monday. The assembly was part of a special observance for Veteran's Day, and local veterans were invited to participate. Also, recognition was given for veterans who had been

killed in action. The DHS band played the National Anthem and the DHS Choir sang *I'm Proud to Be an American*. Chuck Braafladt gave a recitation honoring veterans. The assembly and a "Stake-Out," also honoring veterans, were projects of the DHS history classes.

Photo by Linda Maxwell



A LITTLE DEMONSTRATION—Jared Townsend gives a demonstration in the science classroom of Paul Fry (left) Monday night as a part of the annual Open House observance at Dimmitt High School. Parents of students followed a "mini schedule" of

classes attended by the students, and had opportunity to visit with teachers. Following the Open House, the DHS chapter of FHA/HERO sponsored the "Family Olympics," with students and parents participating in various events.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

More about Holiday promotions

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observing special hours and offering special promotions to enhance the "holiday spirit" around town.

The Retail Merchants Committee of the Chamber is encouraging participating businesses to feature a "Mystery Sale Item" to entice shoppers to visit each store to see what the specials are.

"The Mystery Sale Item should be good only during the three-hour open house," Nutt said.

Instead of giving away Dimmitt Dollars, this year the merchants will be giving away four bicycles, two for boys and two for girls. Shoppers may register at any participating business throughout the holiday shopping season, and the winners will be drawn on "Scrooge Night," Dec. 19.

The Chamber is encouraging stores to stay open until 7 p.m. each Thursday after the Open House night, except, of course, for Thanksgiving.

The "Night Light Parade" will be Dec. 5 at 6 p.m. around the courthouse square. Dimmitt Dollars will be awarded to "Best Lights" and "Most Original."

Those wanting to participate may contact the Chamber for more information.

"Scrooge Night" will be Dec. 19. A movie will be shown at the Carlisle

Two have filed for council spot

Nov. 4 was the first day candidates could file to run for the unexpired at-large position on the Dimmitt City Council. The last day to file is Dec. 4.

Those who had filed as of Wednesday included Rosa Jimenez and Lyman Schroeder.

Theatre, with admission set at 50 cents for children ages 4-12. It will start at 6 p.m. and should be over by 7:40 p.m.

"We want parents to drop their kids off at the movie and let us keep an eye on them while the parents shop for those last-minute gifts," Nutt said. She added that many businesses also will offer special in-store promotions.

Following the movie, the drawing will be held for the bicycles.

More about Cross country

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line, Hampton said he felt like there was no way anyone would catch Rocksprings.

"They are really tough. We just weren't going to beat them. We finished (as a team) as good as we were going to finish."

Hampton said the Swiftettes' placings in the mid-40s helped boost them to the second place finish.

"Farwell had girls come in at sixth and ninth, but the others finished way down in the pack and that hurt them," Hampton said.

Kenworthy also had problems at the start of her race Saturday.

After walking the course Friday, Kenworthy felt good about her chances, and was disappointed with her time on Saturday.

"Shawna was right in the center in the middle of a big pack, and she didn't get off to a good start," said her mother, Sherri Kenworthy. "She didn't feel like she did real well. She thought she could have done better."

Kenworthy did overcome her slow start, moving up in the pack of 103 runners, and was 25th at one point in the race. Sherri said at that point they felt like she would move up, but it didn't happen.

Police Calls

A burglary was reported to sheriff's deputies Nov. 6 by J.C. Pohlmeier of Nazareth Oil and Gas. He said that someone apparently broke into the building in the early morning hours and took an undisclosed amount of cash. Nothing else was reported missing.

The same day, Dennis Heiman reported a burglary at both the 19th Hole Package Store and Cafe in Nazareth. Doors and windows were damaged and an undisclosed amount of cash was taken. Sheriff CD Fitzgerald said the three incidents are apparently related, and are still under investigation.

A 38-year-old Dimmitt woman was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated following a traffic accident Friday evening.

No injuries were reported, but damages to both vehicles involved was rated moderate.

According to police reports, the woman had been driving a 1988 Chevy pickup and parked it at Richard's Town pump on East Bedford. She started her vehicle forward and it struck a freezer outside the establishment and a parked 1986 Buick Century belonging to Esther Salinas Washington, 47, of Dimmitt. Damage to the freezer was estimated at \$400.

Deputies received a report Monday that someone was growing marijuana at a residence in Coronado Acres. Officers went to the residence and seized seven plants cultivated in buckets. The case is still under investigation and charges are pending against one person.

A Dimmitt woman, 40, told police early Monday that a suspect had assaulted her by pushing her against a wall at an apartment in the Azteca Complex. Investigation is continuing.

Nov. 6, a 10-year-old Dimmitt boy told police that he had been assaulted by a suspect at the Azteca Complex.

An off-duty police officer observed a suspect shoplifting two items from the Alco store in Dimmitt. Total value of the items was listed at \$41.98 and both were recovered.

A Dimmitt woman, 28, was arrested Sunday afternoon for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Together We Can

Last Puzzle Solution

'Smoke Out'

Tips given to help quitters

You've seen them huddling and shivering in the cold, a mass of smoke rising from the group like steam from a subway grate.

Or perhaps you're even one of them, living by the clock for break time and a few puffs in the "designated smoking area"—usually the not-always-great outdoors.

Ever since information about the danger of second-hand smoke began swirling several years ago, many organizations have banned smoking outright, and it's highly unlikely that workplace restrictions will relax anytime soon, if at all. Nowadays, trying to sneak in a cigarette simply adds to the stress that nicotine and tar allegedly relieve.

With smoking becoming increasingly unacceptable, many smokers are motivated to quit simply because they are tired of being workplace outcasts, said Darlene Witcher, PhD, who as a psychologist at The Methodist Hospital's Institute for Preventive Medicine in Houston, sees more and more such people in her smoking cessation courses.

"Many actually try to hide their habit from co-workers," Witcher said. "They may not use the smoking area, but go somewhere else—like to their cars or behind trees—so that no one will discover their 'secret'."

Some smokers also feel hostility

at not being "allowed" to smoke at work, which Witcher counteracts by telling them the impact smoking can have on their professional lives.

"There is strong evidence that smoking dramatically affects productivity—not only because smokers take frequent breaks, but primarily because they get sicker more often than nonsmokers. That translates into lost work time," she said. "I've had many people in my classes whose year-old sinus and upper respiratory infections have been 'cured' once they stopped smoking."

That should come as no surprise; smokers and nonsmokers alike have known for years how harmful smoking can be. Many, though, are just realizing how addictive it is.

Witcher acknowledges that quitting is indeed difficult, but not impossible. There's more to it than just resolving not to smoke and praying for will power; real behavior modification is necessary, and it can start at the office.

She offers the following tips to combat those workday nicotine cravings:

◆ Limit your access. Don't have cigarettes on you, in your car or any place you can get to them. Many hopeful quitters still carry them as security blankets, which can lead to backsliding. Witcher recommends

trashing your matches and lighters, too.

◆ If you've taken "cigarette breaks" in the past, take a different kind of break now. Witcher suggests a short walk outdoors, a few minutes of pleasure reading or a light snack or drink. However you decide to spend your breaks, don't eliminate them completely; doing so can cause or exacerbate stress.

◆ Do deep breathing exercises. "One reason people relax when they smoke is that they inhale more deeply than normal, which is calming," Witcher said. Sit in a comfortable position at your desk or elsewhere and slowly inhale and exhale for at least one minute.

◆ Practice total body and muscle relaxation. Witcher teaches this in her courses, and books on the subject are available at most bookstores. The idea is to recreate smoking's relaxing effect without cigarettes.

◆ Don't go it alone. A co-worker in the same boat can make a great "break-buddy."

"Psychological support," Witcher said, "is invaluable."

Smokers who want support in quitting can join the American Cancer Society for a "Smoke Blowout" in celebration of the Great American Smokeout's 20th anniversary next Thursday.

More about

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of orange and red right now. I think the prettiest collection of red oaks is at the First United Bank.

My dad's big red oak tree—nestled among a lot of evergreens in his front yard at 211 SW Third—is just beginning its final stage of red, and will be in full color by Thanksgiving.

And our Centennial trees (flowering fruitless pear) turned prettier than ever this year. They're only six years old (they were year-old saplings when we got them), so they're only a fraction of the size they will be eventually. But boy, are they gorgeous. Their leaves have gone from yellow to orange to bronze-red.

Some of our Centennial trees, too, turned earlier than others, and the first ones have lost their leaves. But many are still in full fiery color.

If you want to see what your Centennial tree will look like in future years, drive by the hospital. There's a row of mature ones out front. And they're a sight to behold right now.

We have some great maples around town, but they didn't turn fully before they lost their leaves. They developed the brilliant-yellow first stage, and some went to a bright orange, but they never did go to red. I understand that the timing and amount of summer moisture have a lot to do with maple trees attaining full color in the fall.

There are some gorgeous trees all over town, but I think the prettiest combination of colors can be found at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Randy Hardee at West Bedford and Southwest Seventh.

Whatever you're doing today

can't be so important that you can't take a little time just to drive slowly around town and enjoy the colors for a few minutes, if you haven't already. It will renew your soul.

◆ Can you believe this cotton harvest?

After the high winds and heavy rains back in May, we didn't think we'd even have a cotton crop. Now the reports I'm hearing are that it's averaging better than two bales per acre here—more than twice the projected state average.

I stopped by a field southeast of town Monday evening that's producing three bales per acre.

"Super-fantastic," one gin clerk called this year's crop.

Not only has the crop surprised our cotton farmers; it has confounded the experts, too. The USDA is now predicting 200,000 more bales in the Texas crop than it was projecting just a month ago.

It hasn't been that many years since a bale per acre was considered an outstanding crop. People could hardly imagine two or three bales per acre.

Our cotton growers and all the people who work with them—county agents, agronomists, entomologists, sprayers, soil testers, irrigation specialists—obviously know what they're doing.

But a lot of the credit, too, has to go to our cotton breeders and seed companies for developing the high-yield, early-maturing, resistant varieties that are working so well in the Panhandle-Plains region—which at one time wasn't even considered cotton country.

After that exciting double-over-

time win over Canyon Randall in their season opener Tuesday night, what the heck are the Bobcats going to do for an encore?

◆ Funniest media comment of the month:

Writing in the November *Atlantic Monthly*, essayist Cullen Murphy noted that a 1994 survey of 1,200 people aged 15 to 35 found that most of those polled could name no more than two of the Ten Commandments, and "they weren't too happy about some of the others when they were told about them."

More about Project

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monthly expenses ranged from \$9,056 at a 10% occupancy rate to \$21,282 at 100% occupancy.

Collins said he does not feel this motel project will be of any major competition to the other motel businesses in Dimmitt, since it would draw a different clientele.

"We hope to attract travelers who otherwise would go on to Hereford or Plainview or other area towns," Collins said.

Details of the project can be obtained from Collins at 647-4161. He said the project may also include a restaurant, car wash or storage facility.

"We have held two meetings on the project already," Collins said. "There has been a lot of interest in it, and we will be contacting a lot of people on an individual basis from this point."

Collins emphasized that it is NOT a project of the city or of the Economic Development Commission.

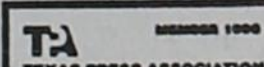
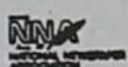
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ACROSS

- SMU Blvd. was once ___ Blvd.
- gem found in TX
- TX Tarzan Ely, et al
- Dallas FM radio
- the fleur-___lis once flew over TX
- TX eatery Pizza ___
- TXism: "___ dirt" (elderly)
- Eagle Mountain ___ was a glider landing strip
- TX Charley Pride's "Where ___ Her Memory?"
- TX Willie's "Last Thing ___ the First Thing This Morning"
- TX Roddenberry's complete 1st name
- TXism: "___ marm" (teacher)
- TXism: "___ solid perfect"
- Crosbyton drama: "___ Country"
- TXism: "___ the eye gates" (heaven)
- in Wharton Co. on 59: El ___
- UT has collection of poet ___ Nash
- TXism: "___ from a gusher"
- it gets you up in Reunion Tower
- TXism for a bad defeat
- braided hair: corn ___
- TXism: "been ___ hard and put up wet"
- TX Guy Clark's "She's Crazy for ___"
- help needed signal
- TXism: "would touch that with ___-foot pole"
- TXism: "six of one, half a dozen of the ___"
- non TX mineral
- Lone ___ State
- TXism: "___ dance!" (invitation to fight)
- Astro pitcher stat
- TX film critic Reed
- TX Bush missile system (abbr.)
- former newspaper for TX columnist Liz Smith: New ___
- Yo Lo ___ Creek
- limited
- TXism: "working between ___ (night work)"
- ___ River
- quitting or spelling
- Cowboy Novacek's position (abbr.)
- VHS record speed
- bidness "big dog"
- nickname of C&W singer Merle
- instructions to A&M cadets
- Houstons father-in-law: ___-te-ka
- in Morris Co. on 67
- TXism: "beats anything ___ saw"
- lion's den
- flag-burning case: Texas ___ Johnson
- TX nurse (abbr.)
- Cowboy Bob Lilly ___ the NFL Hall of Fame in '80
- An Aikman sack is a ___ of yards
- transport to and from DFW International Airport
- TXism: "naked ___ a jaybird"
- Dallas grocer: ___ "Buddy" Minyard
- Gov. ___ Ferguson
- football class
- Cowboy boots have a top pull ___
- TX writer Horton

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On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

The Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will sponsor its annual bazaar and dinner Friday at the Expo Building.

The bazaar will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and there will be baked goods for sale, along with craft items.

The dinner will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and the menu will include roast beef with gravy or barbecue sauce, vegetables, salads and desserts. Cost will be \$5 per plate or \$5.25 for take-outs.

Individuals will be able to sign up for "Operation Christmas Greetings." Those who donate money to the Auxiliary will have their names listed in a special greeting ad in the Christmas issue of the *Castro County News*.

The United Methodist Women held their annual Thanksgiving dinner on Election Day, Nov. 5. Doris Flynt was the chairman and it was a huge success. They served 933 plates of turkey and dressing, green beans, salad, hot rolls and pumpkin delight. The tables were decorated with pumpkins and fall foliage.

Elizabeth Huckabay was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club. She served a delicious apple cobbler and ice cream. Cleo Forson and Edith Graef served brisolat, pinto beans, gelatin salad, potato salad and cornbread. Virginia Crider won high scores, while Johnny Vannoy second. Others playing were Susie Reeves, Dude McLaurin, Alma Kenmore, Neva Hickey, Ina Rae Cates, Bernice Hill, Edith Graef, Bill Thornton, Cleo Forson, Loranel Hamilton, Opha Burks and Emily Clingsmith.

The Castro County Museum association held their monthly meeting last Thursday evening. Dale Winders presided over the business meeting and Clara Vick read the minutes. Rosetta Bellinghausen baked a cake to celebrate a belated birthday for Madge Robb. Mary Edna Hendrix served cheese spread and crackers. Ralph Lambright also attended.

Clara Vick, a member of the Castro County Historical Commission and the Castro County Museum Association, recently attended the annual reunion of Italian Prisoners of War (POW)(NON) in Pesaro, Italy. Pesaro is located south of the Adriatic Sea, across from Yugoslavia in an area of beautiful landscapes with all of the coastal plants and trees.

Oreste Giorgetti of Rome met Clara at the Leonardo da Vinci Airport in Rome, and Clara visited in his home with him and his family. Giorgetti took Clara to many historic places in Rome and the surrounding area.

One special place they visited was the American Military Cemetery, named "Sicily-Rome American Cemetery and Memorial," located at Nettuno, Italy, 38 miles south of Rome. There are 7,862 headstones of US military dead in the 77 acres of the cemetery.

The Memorial is a beautiful building of art and architecture, expressing America's remembrance of the dead. It includes a chapel, a museum room and a peristyle. On the white marble walls of the chapel are engraved the names of 3,095 of the missing.

While at the chapel, Clara found the name of Bradie B. Bills as one of

Cake auction set for today

Homemade cakes, pies and breads will be auctioned off today (Thursday) at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt.

The annual cake auction will start at 6:30 p.m., with Jack Howell serving as auctioneer. The public is invited to come out and bid on the cakes.

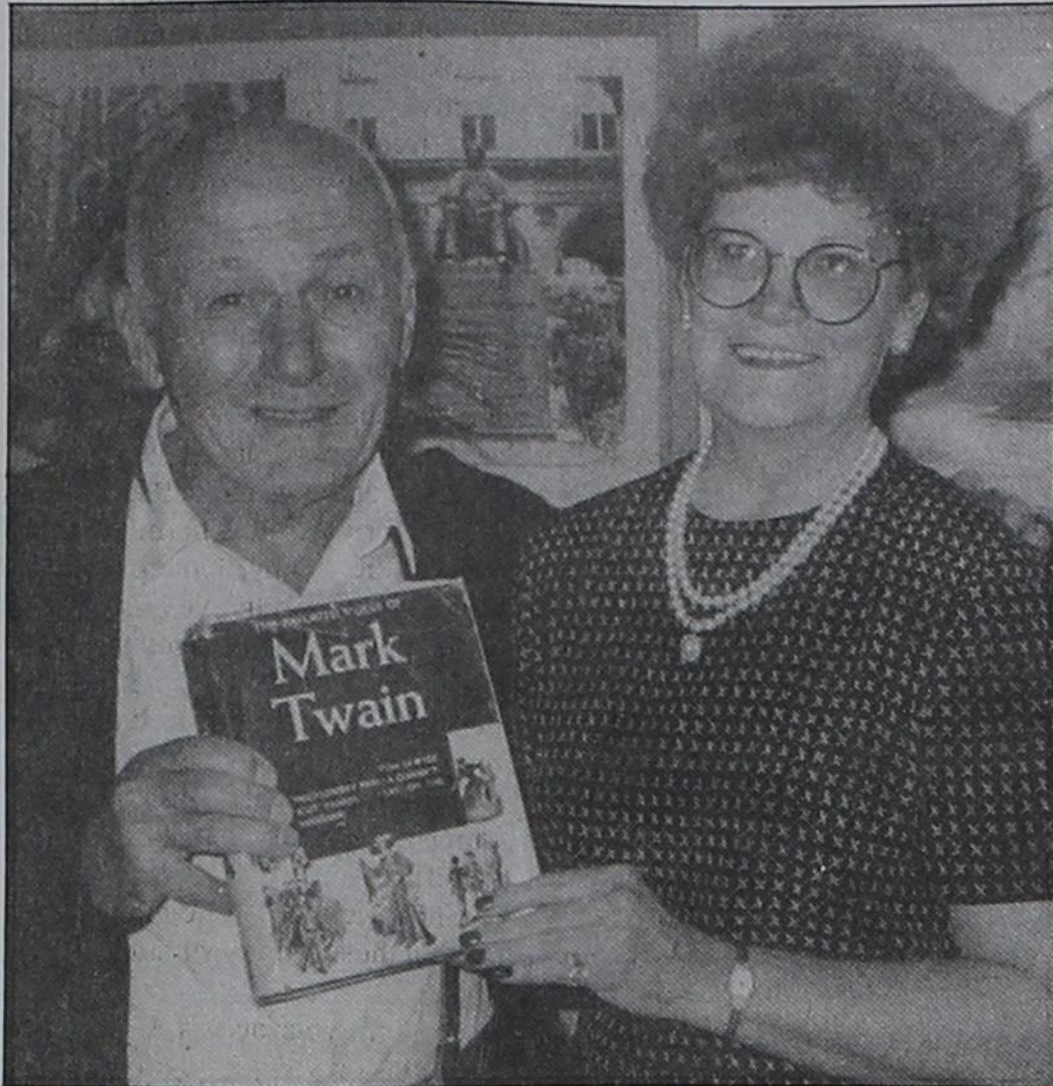
Before the auction, the residents and their family members will enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner at 5 p.m., including turkey and dressing and all the trimmings.

Proceeds from the auction will benefit the residents' activity fund, which is used to buy bingo prizes, Christmas presents, and other items for the residents.

"We always have a lot of fun and some very delicious cakes," a spokesperson said.

Those wanting to donate items for the auction may drop them by the home or bring it with them to the auction.

Contact Deborah Robertson at 647-3117 for more information.



RETURNING A BOOK—Prof. Remo Malaguti of Italy (left) gives a book of *Mark Twain* to Clara Vick, a representative of the Castro County Museum Association. He had gotten the book at the Hereford POW Camp during World War II, and returned it along with others to be placed in the POW Camp archive room at the local museum. He presented the books while Vick was in Italy for the annual reunion of former POWs.

Courtesy Photo

the missing. When they returned to the office of the cemetery, she asked about him and they gave her a computer print-out on him. He had the rank of sergeant. His date of death was listed as Nov. 12, 1945, but that was not accurate, since it is unknown when he died. He only was declared dead on that date. His name is one of those that will be included on the marker that will be installed at the Castro County courthouse, with dedication ceremonies planned for Memorial Day in 1997.

Giorgetti and his wife and Clara drove to Pesaro on the Friday she was there for the weekend reunion of the former POWs. There were ex-POWs from many places other than the Hereford POW camp. Clara said she was not sure of the registered number, although it was close to 100 who attended.

Clara said there were several sessions, with some directed by the POW group's leaders and by persons who publish the POW monthly newsletter *Volonta*. Clara led a session, reporting on the museum and chapel here.

One session was about an ex-POW of the Hereford camp,

Giuseppe Berto, who began writing books, articles and a sports newspaper, *Olympia*, while at the camp.

After his return to Italy in 1946, he continued writing and had some published. Many have been made into films and received high recognition. Irina Spilaceto, a daughter of ex-POW and journalist Fernando Togni, gave different remembrances about Berto, who died in 1986. Also offering different memories of Berto was his friend, Aurelio Manzoni of Milan, an ex-POW and an attorney. It was all very interesting.

Again this year, Prof. Vezio Melegari gave very funny and interesting reviews of "Napoleone." The Saturday evening dinner was very nice with all different kinds of fish and with many choices in the method of preparation. Also, a large cake was served with "Hereford 1996" written on it.

Dinner music was furnished by some of the members of the Concert chorale group.

"It was very, very nice," Clara said. This year she was presented with a beautiful artistic plate painted by the famous E. Benedetti of the Urbania province. His work is very valuable and recognized all over

Springlake bazaar set

The Springlake holiday bazaar will be held Saturday at the old church building on Highway 70 in Springlake.

Doors will open at 9:30 a.m. and the show will be open to the public until 6 p.m.

Admission fee will be \$1 per person, and a portion of that fee will be used for restoration of the interior of the old building, which is now being used as a community building.

Soft drink sales and donations from the day's event also will go to the building restoration fund. Since last year, with generous donations

from the community and area to this fund, the old building now has a new roof. The pressing need now is to repair the interior. The old church building is one of the oldest still standing in Springlake.

A noon meal and assorted homemade foods will be sold by Friends Ltd. Exhibitors will display vests, original greeting cards, musical ceramics, candles, bird houses, bird feeders, clothing, antiques, fine wood items, pillows, jewelry, collectibles and more. Door prizes will be given away hourly.

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Europe. Also, Clara was presented with a medallion struck with the Regional Counsel Trademark.

Sunday morning Mass was attended by all at the Chapel of St. Ubaldo, with Fr. Gianfranco Maria Chiti, who has held services for the ex-POWs at several of their reunions. After the church service, all attended a performance of the special Concert Chorale group "G. Rossini."

The reunion ended with a luncheon, followed by hugs and good-byes said with tears in everyone's eyes.

While at the reunion, Clara visited with retired General Franco DiBello, Alessandro Brighenti (who escaped three times while at the camp), Prof. Gianni Roberti, Luigi Deserti, Aurelio Manzoni, Prof. Piero Marzi, Ezio Lucio, Adriano Angerilli, Silvio Monte, Reno Bosso, Dr. Adelchi Broglio and Prof. Remo Malaguti, and many others.

Prof. Malaguti gave Clara several books that had been at the POW camp, one of which was *Mark Twain*. These will be added to the POW Archive Room at the museum here.

Clara returned to Milan with Maddalena Barillaro and visited with her and her daughter, Francesca, for a few days. Clara and Francesca had dinner with Armando Boscolo and his sisters, Anita and Addalberta, and enjoyed their visit and remembrances. Later that week, Anita, Addalberta, Francesca and Clara traveled by train to San Remo on the Italian Riviera, and enjoyed the vacation home of Armando. They had a most delightful visit and tour of the area. Experiencing the casino with Italian Lira was different, but similar to Las Vegas casinos.

They also visited a beautiful monastery with a unique and beautiful chapel and beautiful stained glass windows. They purchased some

good jam and jelly that was made by the Sisters from their own fruit orchard.

The roads and streets were covered by breath-taking Bougainvillea vines in full blossom. There were vacationers from everywhere, all enjoying the sunshine and beautiful landscapes and beaches.

The little group returned to Milan, and Clara traveled by fast train to Rome. This was a new train, very fast, with service of newspapers and snacks free, similar to airlines.

While at Rome with the Giorgetti family, they all toured a shop that makes and sells many carved wooden tables, chests, and chairs. Also on display were beautiful large and medium-sized tables made from "fossil," defined as "petrified remains of pre-historic organic life." Clara said it looks similar to marble. It is impossible to send home, but interesting and beautiful.

Giorgetti has continued working on a visit from the ex-POWs this next spring that will include Dimmitt and also Houston. While in Houston, they will have a meeting with their Italian Consulate General, who has been very helpful to the ex-POWs who are working on the project of having Pierluigi Berticelli's body returned to Italy. He was a POW who was killed by another POW in 1945. Berticelli and four other POWs who died were reinterred in the Fort Reno Cemetery in Oklahoma. His

brother, Gianpippino, and others are working with Clara on the requirements for the project. Clara has consulted with a funeral home in Oklahoma City for information.

Clara met with Mr. and Mrs. Gianpippino Berticelli at the reunion and they thanked Clara and the historical commission and the museum association for helping preserve the history that is important to both countries.

Many of the ex-POWs and their wives were celebrating 50th anniversaries or already had, and many have passed their 80th birthdays. Each person or family sent greetings to the citizens of Castro and Deaf Smith counties and to all their Texas friends.

One of their special friends, ex-POW and attorney Alfredo Pagliei, died Aug. 11, 1996. On his funeral program was the notation, "Gonna take a sentimental journey to renew old memories; like a child in wide anticipation, love to hear that 'all aboard'."

A memorial service was held Friday afternoon for Sugar, Mrs. Wakefield's dog. Others attending were Stuart Sheffy, Kendra Shannon, Caleb and Heather Snitker, and Mrs. Bernethy. Caleb gave the eulogy and those attending told about how Sugar "had enriched their lives" through her 15 years. "She will be missed," Mrs. Wakefield said.

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Santa Claus is coming to town

The annual Christmas Open House observance sponsored by Dimmitt merchants will be next Thursday (Nov. 21) from 6 to 9 p.m., with Santa Claus coming to town at 6:30 p.m. on a fire truck, and visiting with children at the gazebo through 8:30 p.m. Also, choirs under the direction of Ken Strange will perform Christmas carols at the gazebo.

Participating merchants will be observing special hours and offering special promotions to enhance the "holiday spirit" around town. Some businesses may feature a "Mystery Sale Item" to entice shoppers to visit each store.

Instead of giving away Dimmitt Dollars, this year the merchants will be giving away four bicycles, two for boys and two for girls. Shoppers may register at any participating business throughout the holiday shopping season, and the winners will be drawn on "Scrooge Night," Dec. 19.

Businesses participating in the bicycle give-away will take turns displaying one of the prize bikes.

Another holiday promotion sponsored by the Chamber is the "Night Light Parade" set for Dec. 5 at 6 p.m. around the courthouse square. Dimmitt Dollars will be awarded to "Best Lights" and "Most Original."

Those wanting to have an entry in the parade may contact the Chamber at 647-2524 for more information.

The Chamber also has planned "Scrooge Night" for Dec. 19. A movie will be shown at the Carlile Theatre, with admission set at 50 cents for children ages 4-12. It will start at 6 p.m. and should be over by 7:40 p.m.

Parents are encouraged to complete their holiday shopping while the kids are at the movie. Many businesses also will offer special in-store promotions.



STAKE-OUT—History students at Dimmitt High School place signs in the front yard of the school Monday in honor of Veteran's Day. Each sign bore the name of at least one veteran, along with rank, branch of service, and place and length of service. Some signs had names on the front and back, and additional information was included on some, such as

any medals that had been awarded. Students placed signs for family members, and members of the community submitted other names, for a wide representation. In addition, the students held a special assembly in honor of veterans, with music and speeches.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

PMHA plans dinner, bazaar

Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will sponsor its annual buffet and holiday bazaar on Friday at the Expo Building.

The bazaar will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will feature crafts and baked goods made by members of the Auxiliary.

The lunch buffet will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and the menu will include roast beef with gravy or barbecue sauce, salads, vegetable dishes, desserts, coffee or tea. Plates will be \$5 and take-outs will be \$5.25.

During the bazaar, individuals will be able to sign up for Operation Christmas Greetings. The Auxiliary will also be selling chances for a quilt which will be raffled off at 1:30 p.m.

Proceeds from the day's events will be used to purchase equipment for the hospital.

MS group to gather Saturday

The Panhandle chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society will present a program on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Clovis Community College, Room 412.

There is no cost for the program and lunch. Speakers will include Fredricka Gens, the chapter's director of patient services; and Ellen Lawrence, director of social services at the Texas Tech Clinic.

Topics will include new information on drug treatments for MS, including Betaseron, Avonex, Copolymer 1 and Linomide; simple rehab programs which may be done in the home; and how to live better with MS.

For more information call (505) 762-4119, (505) 762-1445 or the MS office at (806) 372-4429.

Ministerial Alliance plans showing of 'The Home Coming'

The Castro County Ministerial Alliance will present *The Home Coming* Nov. 20, 21 and 23 at the Carlile Theater in Dimmitt.

The Wednesday night show has been designated as a special "youth night"

The shows will begin at 7 p.m. on Wednesday and next Thursday, Nov. 20 and 21. The Saturday matinee on Nov. 23 will begin at 4:30 p.m.

Admission to the show is free, but donations will be accepted to help defray expenses.

The new dramatic film by World Wide Pictures features Jeremy Peter Johnson as Jordy Rembrandt, a big-city tough guy who must deal with peer pressure, the need to belong and choices in ways he hasn't experienced before.

When a judge decides to send him away from the city, hoping for a turn-around, Jody finds himself in a small-town high school. He is befriended by Wally, played by G. Riley Mills; and Pam, portrayed by Aimee Garcia. They form an unlikely friendship that eventually teaches Jody what it means to be a friend and to belong.

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What's cooking? In Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for Nov. 14-22.

DIMMITT
Preschool-First Grade Lunch
THURSDAY: Chicken and noodles, potatoes au gratin, peaches, assorted muffins and milk.
FRIDAY: Fajitas with sauted onions, Mexipinto beans, pears, Arroz Mexicano and milk.
MONDAY: Chicken filet strips, country rice dressing, applesauce, hot rolls and milk.
TUESDAY: Hamburger on a roll, French fries, hamburger salad, pears and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Grilled cheese with a bowl of soup, scalloped corn, cucumber and tomato salad, orange wedges and milk.
THURSDAY: Nachos with cheese and peppers, refried beans, fresh watermelon, Arroz Mexicano and milk.
FRIDAY: Baked cajun fish, baked potatoes, pineapple sunset salad, cornbread and milk.

Grades 2-12 Lunch
THURSDAY: Choice of hot dog on a bun with cheese, macaroni, ham and cheese, or nachos with cheese and peppers; potato chips, mixed vegetables or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, coleslaw or watermelon; assorted muffins, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
FRIDAY: Choice of baked cajun fish, Chinese plate or enchiladas; baked potatoes, Chinese-style vegetables or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad or cornbread, hot cheese rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
MONDAY: Choice of chicken filet strips, peanut butter and jelly or chicken taco with hot sauce; hash brown potatoes, country rice dressing, Mexipinto beans, tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad or applesauce; muffins, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, corn tortillas and crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

TUESDAY: Choice of hamburger on a roll, tuna and noodles or beef and bean burrito with chili; French fries, apple slices with cinnamon or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, hamburger salad or pears; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.
WEDNESDAY: Choice of grilled cheese with a bowl of soup, beef stir fry or green enchilada casserole; scalloped corn, Chinese-style vegetables or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, raw spinach salad or cucumber and tomato salad; cornbread, wheat rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of hot dog on a bun with cheese, macaroni, cheese and ham casserole or nachos with cheese and peppers; potato chips, mixed vegetables or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, coleslaw or watermelon; assorted muffins, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or beef stew; salad, cornbread, dill pickles, Rice Krispie bar, gelatin dessert, vanilla ice cream and milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or hot dog on a bun with chili; gelatin dessert, potato chips, dill pickles, salad, ice cream, ginger cookies and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or barbecue wieners, macaroni and cheese, gelatin dessert, pinto beans, peaches, salad, cornbread, fresh fruit and milk.

TUESDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or stromboli, corn, salad, gelatin dessert, apricots, dill pickles, fresh fruit and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of steak fingers, pizza or hamburger basket, green beans, gelatin dessert, cherry cobbler, fresh fruit, rolls, mashed potatoes and gravy and milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or chicken fajita, salad, pineapple, pinto beans, gelatin dessert, ice cream and milk.
FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or hot dog on a bun with chili, salad, peaches, vanilla ice cream, gelatin dessert and milk.

Junior High and High School
THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or beef stew, salad, peaches, cornbread, Rice Krispie bar, dill pickles, vanilla ice cream and milk, punch or tea.
FRIDAY: Steak, baked potato, broccoli with cheese, gelatin dessert, rolls, salad, ice

cream, devil's food cake and milk, punch or tea.

MONDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or barbecued wieners, macaroni and cheese, dill pickles, salad, gelatin dessert, cornbread, peaches, fresh fruit and milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or stromboli, salad, gelatin dessert, corn, apricots, fresh fruit, ice cream, potato chips and milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of steak fingers, pizza or hamburger basket, mashed potatoes, beets, green beans, salad, rolls, gelatin dessert, cherry cobbler and milk, punch or tea.
THURSDAY: Choice of chicken fajita, pizza or hamburger basket, salad, gelatin dessert, pineapple, pinto beans, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.
FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or hot dog on a bun with chili, salad, peaches, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

NAZARETH
THURSDAY: *Burritos or baked potatoes, salad, vegetable, fruit and milk.

FRIDAY: *Spaghetti with roll or hamburger and French fries, salad, vegetable, fruit and milk.

MONDAY: *Pizza or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, corn, peach cobbler and milk.

TUESDAY: *Fish with hot roll or corn dogs, coleslaw, green beans, fruit and milk.

WEDNESDAY: *Chili or baked potato, salad, fruit, beans, cinnamon rolls and milk.

THURSDAY: *Sloppy Joes or pizza, salad, corn, fruit and milk.

FRIDAY: Turkey and dressing or hamburger and French fries, corn, lettuce, fruit and milk.

(*Entrees designated with an asterisk will be served to elementary school students while secondary students will be allowed to choose between the two entrees.)

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A GIFT FOR KIDS—Ron Gruhlke (left), manager of the Alco Store in Dimmitt, presents two checks to Rhenea Webb, board member of the Dimmitt Kids, Inc. program. The Alco Store held a "Beautiful Baby" contest and donated the proceeds to the youth sports program. Individuals could cast votes for the contestants by placing money in a jar with a picture of the contestant on it. Each penny donated counted for one vote. The project brought in donations of \$209.98, and Alco donated a \$25 gift certificate to the contestant that raised the most money. Also, Gruhlke presented Webb with a check for the store's annual sponsorship of a youth sports team.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

A large crowd of relatives and friends enjoyed the steak supper Sunday evening at the Nazareth Community Hall.

The benefit dinner was hosted by the Knights of Columbus and proceeds were given to Katherine Huseman to help her pay medical bills.

◆
Congratulations to the Nazareth Swiftettes, who traveled to Austin this weekend for the state cross country meet. They claimed second place as a team. Tanya Wethington and Trina Johnson led the Swiftettes,

who finished with 110 points in the Class A girls' race. Others competing were Celina Braddock, Amy Pohlmeier, Misti Ball, Sara Birkenfeld and Tiffany Schmucker.

The girls, their parents, coaches and others enjoyed the trip to Austin to watch the races, which were held in Round Rock. It's always special when one of our teams advances to state.

◆
Paul Gerber is now recuperating after having hip surgery at Northwest Texas Hospital. He is a patient at the

Integrated Health Service Rehabilitation Hospital and Care Center in Amarillo. His address is 5601 Plum Creek Drive, Amarillo 79124.

◆
A large crowd of relatives and friends gathered at the Senior Citizens Center Sunday morning after mass to help Paul Venhaus celebrate his 80th birthday. It was great to see and visit with members of his family and others.

◆
Congratulations to Gail and David Hooks of Canyon on the birth of a boy, Leighton Dean, on Nov. 4 at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Grandparents are Herman and Marilyn Birkenfeld of Nazareth and Harold and Earline Hooks of Canyon. Great-grandmother is Sylvia Hoelting.

◆
LeRoy and Dorothy Pohlmeier and their grandson, Brett Conrad of Canyon, drove to Pueblo, Colo., to attend a volleyball state tournament over the weekend. Brett's sister, Tiffany Conrad, a high school sophomore, played on the Class AAA volleyball team which won the state championship. She is a student of St. Mary's Catholic School in Colorado

Springs, Colo.
Pam (Pohlmeier) Bogle of Center, Colo., was one of the referees for the four-court volleyball tournament. Tom and Brenda Conrad of Colorado Springs also attended the tournament with the Pohlmeiers.

◆
Bud and Rita Kern recently attended the 12th annual Army reunion in Houston. Their daughter, Patricia Kern of San Antonio, flew to Houston to visit with Bud and Rita and some friends. After the reunion Bud and Rita went to Merrianna, Ark., to visit their son and daughter-in-law and family, Francis and Nini Kern.

◆
Congratulations to Tom and Jennifer Kern of Midland on the birth of a baby boy, Zachary Thomas, on Nov. 5 at Midland Hospital. He has a sister, Emily Rose. Grandparents are Bud and Rita Kern of Nazareth and Mr. and Mrs. Millard Smith of Lamesa.

◆
Carl and Mary Kleman spent the weekend visiting Bernard and Irene Kleman in Burnet. On Saturday they drove to Round Rock to watch the Nazareth Swiftettes compete in the state cross country meet.

Holiday bazaar, turkey dinner planned in Nazareth

The annual holiday arts and crafts bazaar and Thanksgiving dinner will be held in Nazareth on Sunday, Nov. 24.

The arts and crafts show will be open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Nazareth School Cafeteria that day. The annual turkey dinner, sponsored by the Christian Mothers Society, will be served at noon in the Nazareth Community Hall.

Reservations are being accepted now for the arts and crafts show, and those wishing to reserve space are asked to contact Lucille Drerup at Box 3, Nazareth 79063, phone (806) 945-2562; or Rose Mary Wilhelm, HC2, Box 13, Nazareth 79063, phone (806) 945-2583.

Booths are 8 x 10 feet and rent for \$20. A table and two chairs will be provided with each space. Exhibitors are asked to specify whether they need the table and if they prefer a wall or center booth when they make reservations. Each exhibitor is asked

to send information on what will be featured in their booth. Booths will be assigned on a first-come basis.

Reservations will be accepted until Saturday and checks should be made payable to the Nazareth Art Club.

The cafeteria will open at 7:30 a.m. on the day of the show for exhibitors to arrange their products.

Sunnyside with Teeny Bowden

Bryan Jones of Lubbock, father of Joyce Wright, died Tuesday night in Lubbock Methodist Hospital after a long illness. Funeral services were held in the funeral home at Seagraves with burial following in the Loop Cemetery.

Lillian Carson and Verba Sadler attended the services on Friday.

Paula and Randy Sterrett and their three sons from Burleson came home with the Wrights for the weekend. Paula and Randy sang a special at the church service Sunday morning. Paula also sang at her grandfather's funeral.

◆
R.V. Bills was admitted to Plains Memorial Hospital on Friday morning with a breathing problem. He is on oxygen every four hours and is doing better.

Ronald Gray, a Loudder cousin, died last Sunday in his home at Lufkin of a massive heart attack. He is the nephew of Madge Robb.

◆
It was 24 degrees at 5:30 a.m. Thursday and it was 28 degrees Monday morning. Temperatures are usually under 32 early in the morning these days.

◆
Ezell and Verba Sadler went to Hubbard Creek Lake near Breckenridge on Saturday to do some work at the lakehouse.

◆
David and Gay Sadler had dinner Sunday with her mother, Ruth King and Brenda, another daughter and her family from Stratford.

◆
There were 62 ballots cast at Sunnyside on Nov. 5, with 25 voters casting early ballots. Lillian Carson helped Emma Jean King as an alternate judge. Pansey Byers and Anna D. Gibbs helped as clerks.

◆
Frances Duke spent Friday night with Larry, Lori and the girls and helped with a garage sale on Saturday. On Saturday night Frances and Robert went to the Johnny Gimble musical show at the Carlile Theater in Dimmitt.

Hershel Wilson is still improving. He and Retha attended the Hollis Cain appreciation supper at the Ollie Linder Center in Plainview on Friday night. It was a fried turkey dinner served with all the trimmings.

◆
Glenn and LaWanda Wilson flew to Providence, R.I., on Oct. 28 and took a ferry over to Long Island to visit with their daughter, Gwyn and Keith Randolph. They saw Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty. They also saw a lot of important mansions and several museums. They took the rented car and took a foliage tour. They had a good time.

Beames named citizen of week

Robin Beames has been named citizen of the week in Mrs. Damron's and Mrs. Spring's rooms at Dimmitt Middle School.

Beames, daughter of Tony and Deana Beames, was born in Hereford on April 26, 1987.

Her favorite food is macaroni and cheese and her favorite book is *The Boxcar Children*. Her favorite animal is the monkey and she says she is good at coloring. She wishes she were better at spelling.

She says she likes being in the bigger school and having different teachers.

When she grows up she wants to be a veterinarian or an artist. She admires her parents.

In her free time she likes to do needlework, read, draw, roller blade, ride bikes and play Nintendo.

◆
Most of us become parents long before we have stopped being children.
—Mignon McLaughlin

◆
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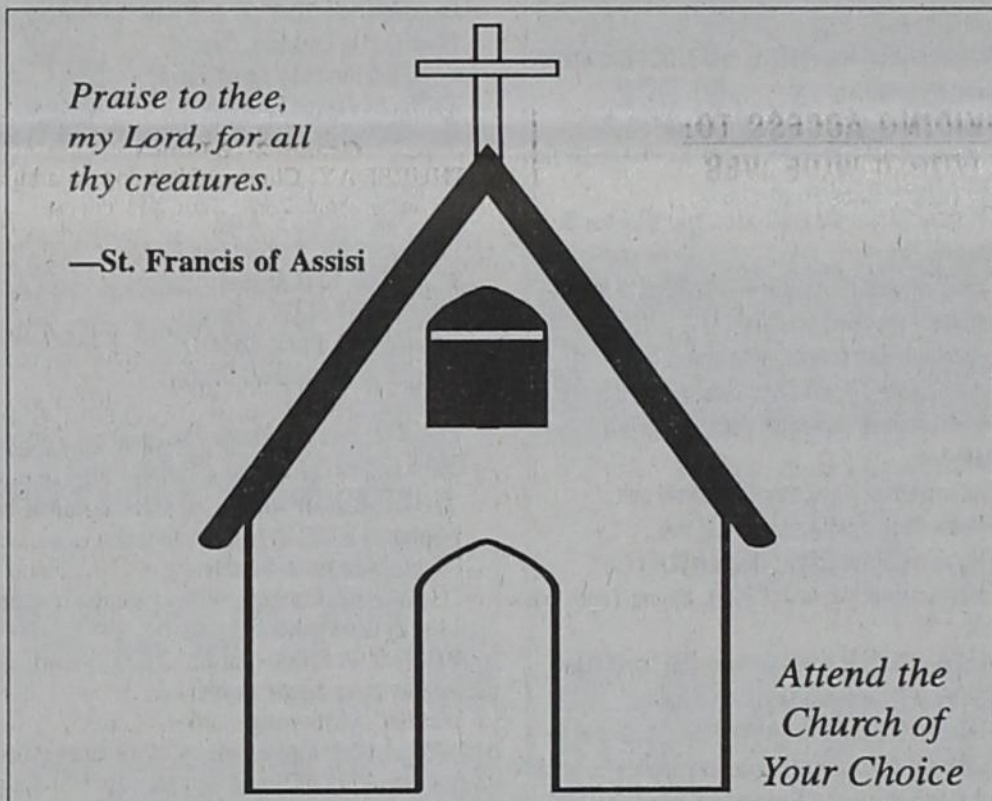


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I would like to thank the voters of Precinct 1 for their support in the Nov. 5 general election. I have enjoyed very much working with the people of Precinct 1 and Castro County. It has truly been a pleasure.

In the Commissioner's position, it helps a great deal to have employees who are as good and dependable as the guys of Precinct 1. I want to thank Charles Lee, Ben Montiel, Charlie Scott, and Paul Ramirez for the job they are doing and for being so easy to work with.

I am looking forward to the next four years working with and for Precinct 1 and Castro County.

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Minding Your Own Business

By DON TAYLOR

Been There, Done That



There are many things I'd like to do and places I'd like to go in this lifetime. For example, I'd love to visit Australia and Alaska. I'd like to ride a motorcycle from coast to coast. I'd also like to visit every county of every state in the United States. It may take some time to accomplish all of these travel goals, however, I can now cross off one small item on my list.

A few weeks ago I had the opportunity to visit the Mall of America in Bloomington, Minn. To anyone with roots and interest in retail, this huge retailing mecca looms like Mount Everest to mountain climbers.

The Mall of America is the largest fully enclosed retail and family entertainment complex in America. There are more than four million square feet under the mall's roof. The concept is to create a strong destination draw by combining family entertainment and retail shopping.

Center court at the mall is comprised of Knott's Camp Snoopy. It's the largest indoor theme park in the United States. It covers seven acres and houses 21 rides and attractions.

The shopping area is made up of a large rectangle with a big-name anchor store at each corner. Nordstrom, Macy's Bloomingdales and Sears provide the retail power at the corners. In addition, there are more than 500 specialty stores and shops on four levels. Though it's big, the layout is good and it's easy to find your way around.

A false front

As I walked around, I was surprised at how full the mall was. Specialty shops and chain stores filled nearly every space. This was pretty impressive.

However, I later learned that this is more illusion than reality. During a break at a workshop I was conducting in Minneapolis, I learned that the mall is not nearly as full as it looks. To create the impression of fullness, management is using a leasing technique known as a "bump back."

A bump back is a small store created in a larger space. For example, a 10,000 square foot space might only have the front 25% leased. The back wall is just bumped back a quarter of the way into the space creating the illusion of a completely rented space.

In addition to the bump-back technique, the mall has also used some other creative marketing strategies to attract businesses. One-year leases at very low rates are common as well. This enables a small chain or individual owner to test the water without big upfront commitment.

Unfortunately, you may be bumped out in the process. If you are a temporary tenant—all one-year leases are considered temporary—you may be bumped out of your space for a long-term lease. One of the store owners at the workshop said he'd already been relocated twice this year. A moving experience.

Too early to tell

All things considered, it is too early to tell if this mega mall and entertainment concept will be successful. At this point, I'd probably bet on its ultimate success.

It is a big, fun place to go. There is something fun there for just about everyone. The clincher may be the location. It gets cold in Minnesota. It's probably cold right now. It snows in Minnesota. It could be snowing right now. Winters are long and cabin fever sets in early. The mall is warm, spacious and an all-around great diversion.

Others are betting on the concept, too. Already there's a bigger mall on the drawing board. When it opens I'll tell you about it. I'll go visit it just so I can say, "Been there, done that."

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.

RIBBON CUTTING—Naz Stop in Nazareth is the newest member of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce and held ribbon-cutting ceremonies Friday morning. Those present were (front, from left) Chamber of Commerce members Deanne Clark and Carolyn Jones, Bea Acker, Mary Lou Schmucker, Naz Stop co-owners Morris and Rachelle Wilcox and Jocelyn and J.C. Pohlmeier, Georgiann Kleman, employee Mary Verkamp, Nazareth Mayor Ralph Brockman, Chamber members Avery Thrasher, Mickey Bishop, and Tammy Black, Chamber Executive Director Shelly Nutt and Chamber President Layne Myatt; and (back, from left) Chamber members Chau Gunstream, Mike Huseman, Francis Acker, and Henry Ramaekers, and Ray Schmucker, Shawn Pohlmeier, Vincent Gerber, Joan Harbison, and Chamber members Marty Gerber and Doug Pybus.

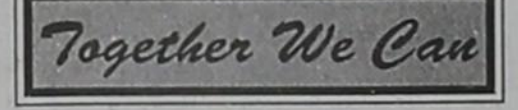
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4-H leadership rally is Nov. 23-24

The South Plains 4-H Council will sponsor a junior "lock-in" on Nov. 23-24 at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview.

The annual Junior Leadership Rally started with the 1993 4-H Strategies Planning Process. The rally was held two years in July.

Castro County 4-H is invited to have a delegate to the rally. The delegate must be a Junior II 4-H'er (11-13 years of age as of Jan. 1, 1997).



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'Pipeline Group' sets awareness program

The Pipeline Group's annual "Public Education—Contractor Awareness Program" will be held at 6:30 p.m. next Thursday at the Bailey County Exhibition Center and Coliseum in Muleshoe.

Those attending are invited to enjoy a free dinner, which will be followed by a brief safety program. The event is sponsored by a group of companies with a common goal of preventing accidents and damage to underground pipelines and utilities.

The safety information distributed by the sponsors stresses the importance of accident prevention by identifying pipeline and utility rights of way, use of One-Call systems, and the importance of working with pipeline and utility companies to safely excavate in the vicinity of underground facilities.

"Each year many people are injured or lives are lost, plus millions of dollars in repairs and lost products are incurred due to 'third party' incidents—someone digging into a pipeline," said a spokesman of the Pipeline Group. "Thousands of communications may be disrupted, sometimes in life or death situations, when expensive fiber-optics cables are damaged or severed. These types of excavations can be financially devastating to the responsible party."

Sponsors for the awareness program and free dinner include American Pipeline Co., El Paso Natural Gas Co., Mid-America Pipeline Co., Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America, Transwestern Pipeline Co., and WestTex 66 Pipeline Co.

Lamb exhibitors can learn tips at Dimmitt clinic

A showmanship clinic for lamb exhibitors will be held Saturday at the 4-H Livestock Center in Dimmitt, weather permitting.

The clinic will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the center. In case of inclement weather, the clinic will be relocated to the lamb barn adjacent to the Expo Building.

Among the topics to be discussed at the clinic will be feeding practices and working on showmanship skills.

New lamb feeders are especially encouraged to attend.

Two additional lamb showmanship clinics will be offered in Dimmitt on Dec. 14 and Jan. 18.

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IN APPRECIATION—Bob Alldredge (left) with Central Plains Mental Health/Mental Retardation in Plainview presents Lois Wales of Dimmitt with a plaque recognizing her voluntary service to MH/MR

as a member of its board of directors in 1996. She was recognized Monday morning prior to the county commissioners' meeting. Photo by Anne Acker

FSA plans committee elections for LAA-2

Eligible voters in LAA-2 will elect a representative to the Castro County Farm Service Agency (FSA) Committee in December.

All eligible voters in LAA-2 have the right to nominate a candidate of their choice by petition. Eligible nominees must be able to vote in LAA-2. Petitions will not be mailed. Those wishing to nominate a candidate should stop by the FSA office in Dimmitt and pick up a petition. If the form is completed by someone other than the nominee the preparer of the form must sign the petition.

The last day to submit a nomination petition will be Monday and all ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by Nov. 18. The final date to return ballots to the County FSA office is Dec. 2, and all mailed ballots must be postmarked by that date.

The newly-elected committee member will take office on Jan. 1, 1997.

Ronald Gfeller is currently serving as County Committeeman for LAA-2, Community C.

Owners, operators, tenants and sharecroppers of legal voting age can vote in the upcoming election if they are considered an eligible voter in

LAA-2 or Community C. Farm owners, operators, tenants and sharecroppers of legal voting age can vote if they are eligible to take part in any FSA program.

The election of responsible agricultural producers is important to all farmers and ranchers in LAA-2, Community C.

Duties of County FSA Committee members include the following:

- ◆ Informing farmers of the purpose and provisions of the FSA programs.
- ◆ Keeping the State FSA Committee informed of LAA conditions.
- ◆ Recommending needed changes in farm programs.
- ◆ Participating in county meetings, as necessary.
- ◆ Performing other duties as assigned by the State FSA Committee.

Beet growers enjoying higher prices, good quality

As the regional sugar beet harvest enters its final stages, area growers are enjoying strong prices and good yields, despite the fact that the sugar content is a little lower than usual for this time of year.

Kenneth Frye, president of the Texas Sugar Beet Growers Association, said area growers and their communities are benefitting from the beet crop, which is helping pump millions of dollars into the area economy.

This year, about 15,000 acres of sugar beets will be harvested by about 350 growers from Dalhart down to Plainview and across to Clovis, N.M., according to Frye. And so far, harvest looks sweet.

"We are seeing yields that should end up averaging 20 to 21 tons per acre," said Dennis Printz, agricultural manager at Holly Sugar in Hereford.

According to Printz, a combination of damp late summer mornings and other factors caused sugar content to settle in the 14% range, a little below what was anticipated during mid-summer.

However, with higher sugar prices created by short supplies across the nation and world, growers are still seeing a reasonable return per acre.

"With a net selling price of \$27 per hundredweight—about the highest price we've ever seen here—many growers will gross from \$700 to \$800 per acre in gross income," said Printz.

With those strong prices, which are expected to continue for the 1997 crop, Holly Sugar will pay regional growers between \$15 million and \$20 million for this year's crop.

"That's money that goes directly back into our cities and towns through purchases of goods and services, school taxes and jobs," said Frye.

Holly processes beets into refined sugar sold under the Holly and other food manufacturer names. The facility employs some 400 area residents and has an annual payroll of \$4.75 million.

The company annually pays about \$600,000 in school, county and hospital taxes. It spends about \$16 million on materials needed to operate the plant, and much of that is with area businesses, according to Frye.

"Even though we had hoped for a larger crop this year, the growers association is confident that we can have an improved crop with increased acres for 1997," he said.

"With lower corn, cotton, wheat and sorghum prices we are already seeing, sugar beets have the chance to be the highest paying cash crop for regional farmers," Frye continued. "We expect to see additional seed varieties which show resistance to some of the diseases which are sometimes seen in regional beet fields. And there are new herbicides cleared for use that should enhance our weed control capabilities."

For more information on area sugar beet production, contact the

Texas Sugar Beet Growers Association at (806) 364-6402, or the Holly Sugar agricultural department at (806) 364-6475.

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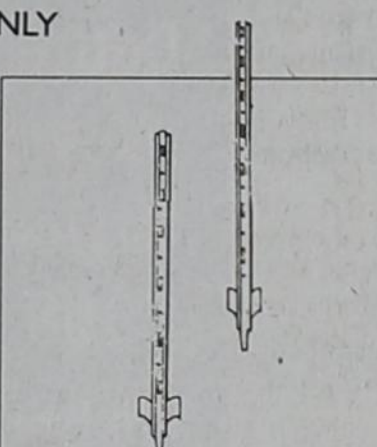
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Sports



ONE LAST TIME—Oscar Rueda (21) scores the Bobcats' final touchdown of the season Saturday afternoon at Perryton. It came on a seven-yard run in the third quarter after Stuart Sutton had set up the TD with a 53-yard run. After Serge Linskyi kicked the extra point, this score brought the

Bobcats within three points of the Rangers at 10-7. However, the Rangers came out with a 17-7 win. The Bobcats finished with a respectable 5-5 season record and tied for fourth in District 1-AAA with a 3-4 mark.

Photo by Carter Townsend

Rangers edge Bobcats, 17-7, in season finale

Third and four. Third and four. Third and four.

Anyway you want to say it, it can make for a long afternoon if you don't convert third and four. The Dimmitt Bobcats didn't convert often, but the Perryton Rangers did, leading to a 17-7 win for the Rangers on Saturday afternoon at Perryton.

The loss left the Bobcats at 5-5, 3-4 in District 1-AAA. Perryton finished at 4-6, 3-4. The teams tied for fourth in the conference behind (in order) Friona, River Road and Dalhart.

Dimmitt lost despite enjoying pretty good field position in the first half, with five drives inside Perryton territory. The Bobcats' lone score came on a 62-yard drive in the third quarter, capped by a seven-yard run by Oscar Rueda that brought the Bobcats within three points at 10-7.

Moments later, Dimmitt couldn't finish off a drive, as a short field goal attempt by Zack Matthews missed wide left. Perryton then zipped 80 yards down the field and scored an insurance TD to ice the game in the fourth quarter.

Perryton's junior quarterback Trey Duke, kept Dimmitt's defense on its heels all afternoon. Duke was sacked just once and completed nine of 13 passes for 93 yards. Most of the passes were short throws of seven to 12 yards. Countermeasures by the Bobcats were met by a quick slant route, where a three-yard snap throw resulted in a 12-yard gain, and a couple screen passes.

Meanwhile, Dimmitt's Derek Buckley completed four of nine tosses for 56 yards. Twice, Dimmitt tried the hook-and-ladder play, with the receiver tossing a backward lateral to a trailing runner. The plays

gained just 22 total yards.

The Dimmitt running game garnered 204 yards; 53 of those came on one play by Stuart Sutton that set up Dimmitt's only score. Sutton had 67 yards on four carries and was in on two passes for 15 yards.

Dimmitt caught a break on its first possession. After a holding penalty moved Dimmitt back to its 31, a 15-yard pass to D.J. Fleeks (who then flipped it to Matthews) moved the Bobcats to the 46. A five-yard penalty on the next play forced the Bobcats to punt on fourth-and-four, but Matthews was hit after he kicked, and the five-yard penalty gave the Bobcats a first down at midfield.

Dimmitt moved to the Perryton 38, then had to punt again, with the kick killed at the Ranger one.

The Rangers moved out to their 18 before having to kick, and Dimmitt took over at the Perryton 38. The Bobcats couldn't convert a first down, though, and turned it over on downs at the 34.

It was the first of several frustrating possessions for the Bobcat offense.

Perryton then drove to the Dimmitt 32, but fumbled the ball. Amado Caldera recovered at the Dimmitt 26.

Dimmitt moved to midfield before turning the ball over on downs again, and Perryton moved 50 yards on nine plays for its first touchdown. Allan Adkison went five yards for the score with 4:22 left in the half to make it 7-0.

Dimmitt responded after the kickoff with a 26-yard pass play to tight end Charley Sanders, who ended the season as the Bobcats' top receiver. On the next play, Dimmitt lost a fumble at the Perryton 46.

Perryton's ensuing drive was sloppy, but effective. The Rangers overcame two penalties, including a clipping call, to set up what became the winning field goal. Rafael Medina kicked with 33 seconds left in the half from 30 yards out, making it 10-0 at the half.

After stopping the Rangers on the first possession of the second half, Dimmitt moved 62 yards on six plays to get back into the game. Sutton had broken loose for a good gain on third down, but a holding call ate up all but seven of the yards. On the next play, from the Dimmitt 41, Sutton broke around the right side and raced 53 yards before he was dragged down at the Ranger seven.

On the next play, Rueda took a pitch from Buckley and darted into the end zone with 8:15 to play in the third quarter. Serge Linskyi added the PAT to make it 10-7.

Dimmitt's defense buckled down, and Dimmitt got the ball back at its 28. Three plays later, another Dimmitt fumble was recovered at the Bobcat 37. The Dimmitt defense again responded, forcing Perryton to punt. A nice return set Dimmitt up at the 38.

Keeping the ball on the ground, the Bobcats took 16 plays, all on the ground, to move to the Ranger four. Dimmitt lost a yard to the five on second down, and a third-down pass attempt to Rueda at the goal line was knocked away. Kicking from the left hash mark, Matthews just missed a 22-yard field goal with 6:16 left in the game.

The elated Rangers then drove 80 yards in seven plays, with Adkison again scoring, this time from 35 yards out. Medina's PAT tacked on the final of the 17 points.

In an interview last week, Dimmitt head coach Bruce Dollar looked back over the season and gave his opinion about what the Bobcats must do to improve in the future.

"The answer is easy," Dollar said. "We have to get in the weight room and on the track."

"We have some great kids and some really good athletes, but the difference comes with the 'average' kids. The people who are successful in football, their 'average' kids are working on getting stronger and faster. You can't do anything about any special talents God didn't give you, but two things you can improve are your speed and your strength."

"That means kids are going to have to be willing to run and lift and work throughout the off-season. That includes the summer, too. You can't stop lifting the last of May and come back the middle of August. Your muscles atrophy with disuse: you and I are proof of that."

Family Olympics results announced

Team No. 1, led by Captain Olivia Rodriguez, won the Dimmitt High School "Family Olympics" Monday night with 330 points.

Sponsored by the Dimmitt FHA/HERO Chapter, the event was held in conjunction with the school's annual Open House. Students and their parents and teachers formed teams for competition in events such as the orange pass, golf putt, grapefruit bowl, egg carry, penny drop, javelin toss, round candy-toothpick transfer, balloon pass, spoon pass-through, and hula hoop relay.

Winners were announced during the half time of the boys' varsity basketball game Tuesday night.

The top three teams were awarded medals for each team member.

Second place went to Team No. 2, led by Captains Heidi Weaver and Charley Sanders, with 309 points. The third place winner was Team No. 5, led by Captains Kimberly Newland and Bobby Feaster, with 278 points. Seven teams participated.

The event was held to encourage communication and provide an opportunity for fun with students and adults together, an FHA spokesperson said.

Bobcats 7, Perryton 17

	DIM	PER
First Downs	11	12
Yards Rushing	204	218
Yards Passing	56	93
Total Yards	260	311
Passing Att.-Comp.	4-9	9-13
Interceptions By	0	0
Fumbles Lost	2-2	2-2
Punts-Avg.	2-41	4-27
Penalties-Yards	6-57	12-76

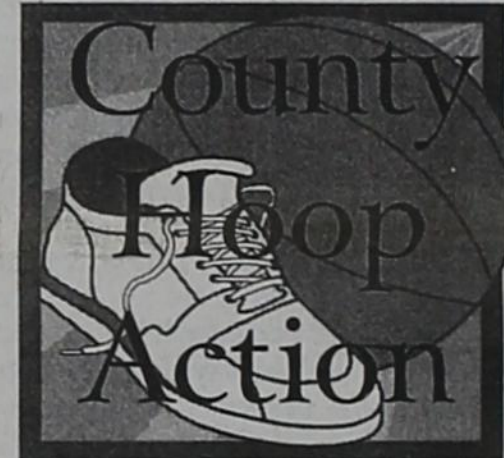
Nazareth	0	0	7	0	—	7
Perryton	0	10	0	7	—	17

SCORING

Second Quarter:
 PER—Allan Adkison 5 run (Rafael Medina kick)
 PER—Medina 30 FG
Third Quarter:
 DIM—Oscar Rueda 7 run (Serge Linskyi kick)
Fourth Quarter:
 PER—Adkison 34 run (Medina kick)

Individual Statistics

Rushing: Stuart Sutton 4-67; Beau Hill, 16-53; Zack Matthews, 4-36; Oscar Rueda, 9-36; Derek Buckley, 7-11.
Passing: Derek Buckley 4-9, 56 yards.
Receiving: Charley Sanders 1-26; D.J. Fleeks 1-15; Stuart Sutton 2-15. (Zack Matthews carried the ball on the end of two hook-and-ladder pass plays, including most of the last 15 yards of Fleeks' reception and part of seven yards on one of Sutton's catches.)



Castro County teams open the basketball season this week. Here are the scheduled games for the coming week.

FRIDAY: JV Lady Horns and JV Longhorns at Sudan, 5 p.m.; Varsity Lady Horns at Sudan, 6:30 p.m.; Varsity Longhorns at Sudan, 8 p.m.; JV Swiftettes and JV Swifts at Tulia, 5 p.m.; Varsity Swiftettes at Tulia, 6:30 p.m.; Varsity Swifts at Tulia, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY: JV Bobcats and Bobbies at Levelland; Varsity Bobbies at Levelland, 6 p.m.; Varsity Bobcats at Levelland, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY: JV Bobbies and Bobcats vs. Berger in Dimmitt, 5 p.m.; Varsity Bobbies vs. Berger in Dimmitt, 6:30 p.m.; Varsity Bobcats vs. Berger in Dimmitt, 8 p.m.; JV Lady Horns and JV Longhorns at Anton, 5 p.m.; Varsity Lady Horns at Anton, 6:30 p.m.; Varsity Longhorns at Anton, 8 p.m.; JV Swiftettes vs. Friona at Nazareth, 4 p.m.; JV Swifts vs. Friona at Nazareth, 5 p.m.; Varsity Swiftettes vs. Friona at Nazareth, 6:30 p.m.; Varsity Swifts vs. Friona at Nazareth, 8 p.m.

Meet Bobcats, Bobbies pie supper is scheduled

A "Meet the Bobcats and Bobbies" pie supper is planned for Wednesday (Nov. 20) at 8 p.m. at the Richardson Elementary School east cafeteria.

The public is invited to attend. Individual members of the Dimmitt High School basketball teams will be introduced, both boys and girls on the varsity, junior varsity and fresh-

man levels, along with the team managers and coaches.

The event is being sponsored by the Dimmitt Athletic Booster Club. It will cost 25 cents a slice for pie, with the proceeds benefitting the projects of the Booster Club.

Parents of basketball players and members of the Booster Club are asked to donate a pie for the event.

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12		TIEBREAKER 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Total offensive yards (both teams) in this game.	
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9		Chicago at Kansas City	Cincinnati at Buffalo
8		Denver at New England	Jacksonville at Pittsburgh
7		Miami at Houston	New Orleans at Atlanta
6		N.Y. Giants at Arizona	N.Y. Jets at Indianapolis
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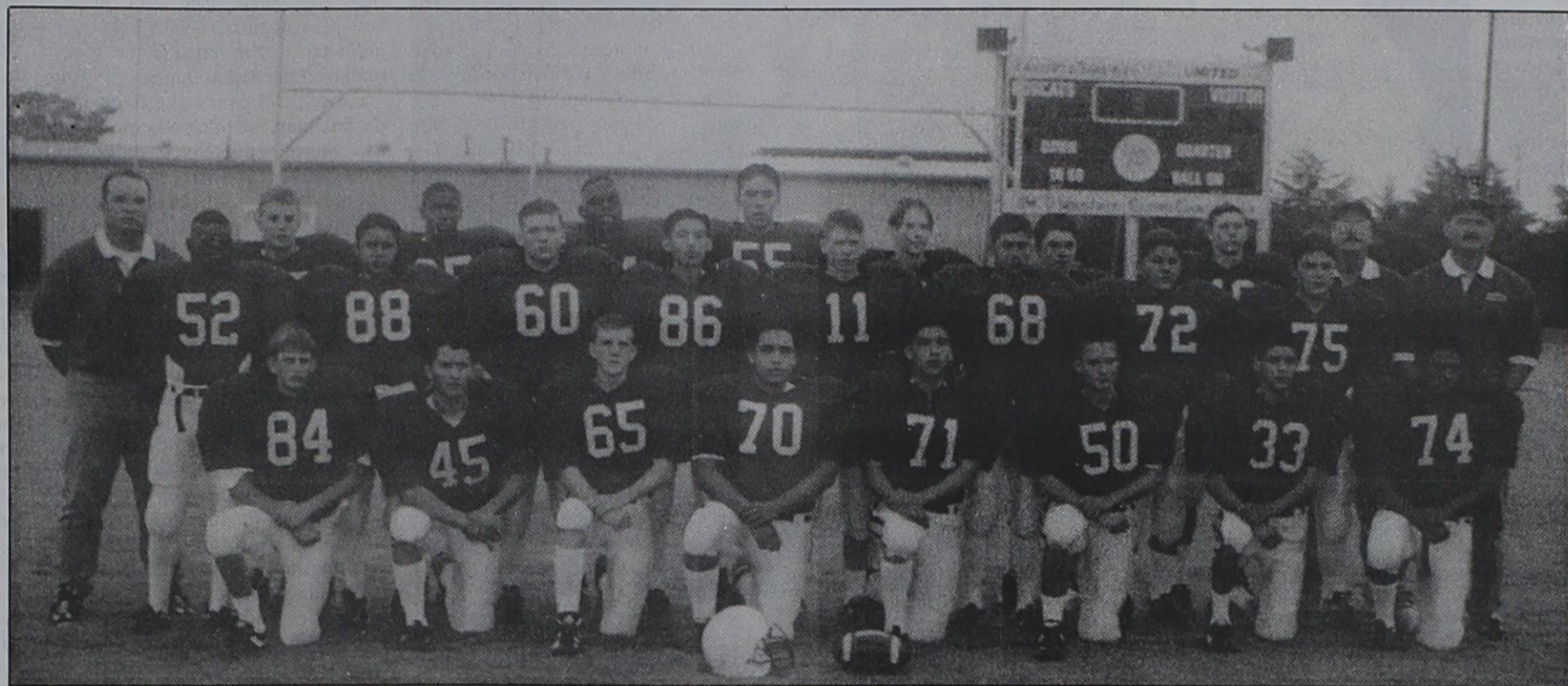
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- Object of the game is to amass as many of the 136 possible points as you can. Simply review the week's schedule of games, listed on entry form, and decide which game you are surest of picking a winner in. Write the name of your projected winner on the 16-point line. If that team wins its game that week, you win 16 points. Write the name of your second-surest winner on the 15-point line, and so on down to the 1-point line, which game you figure to be a loss-up. Next, fill in Tiebreaker 1, the total points scored by both teams in the week's Cowboys or Oilers game. If this step fails to produce a winner, the judges will apply Tiebreaker 2, total offensive yardage from scrimmage in this game. If a winner still doesn't emerge, a drawing will be held among those contestants still tied. Decisions of the judges are final. The weekly winner of the contest will receive \$1,000.
- Any entry form that does not contain a legible name, address, etc., will be disqualified.
- Entries that fail to forecast a winner from each and every game will be disqualified, as will entries that fail to distinguish between the Jets and Giants of New York and Pitt and Pittsburgh.
- No points are awarded on tie games or in case any game is not played for any reason during its scheduled week.
- Entering POWER POINTS constitutes permission by contestant for his or her name and photograph to be used for news and reasonable promotional purposes at no charge.
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- Weekly deadline for entry will be 2 p.m. Fridays except when noted otherwise on weekly entry form.
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- Limit: one entry per person per week. Each entry must represent the original work of one entrant; "group" entries, "systems" or other attempts to enter multiple entries will be disqualified. Filing out extra forms and putting your friends' and relatives' names on them violates this rule. Any such entries are destroyed prior to grading.
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(Front from left) Taylor Matthews, Sergio Navarro, Shane Furr, Jaime Rodriguez, Luis Reyes, James Jackson, Daniel Flores, Victor Reivas. (Middle from left) Tyson Traylor, Ruben Lopez, Michael Penney, Jacob Medrano, Justin Sutton, Gabriel Marrufo, Ronald DeLeon, Alonzo Ontiveros.

(Back from left) Coach Cory Lynch, Keevin Sanders, Randy Porter, Fredrick Traylor, Daniel Salazar, Zack Morgan, Armondo Castaneda, Russell Rickert, Coach Bobby Feaster, Coach Gus Ortiz. (Not pictured) Ivan Flores, Josh Castillo, Robert Mustain.

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VARSITY

Bobcats 0, Lockney 13
Bobcats 24, Sundown 13
Bobcats 7, Canadian 0
Bobcats 21, Muleshoe 6
Bobcats 31, Sanford-Fritch 10
Bobcats 28, Dalhart 31
Bobcats 16, Tulia 10
Bobcats 0, Friona 43
Bobcats 7, River Road 14
Bobcats 7, Perryton 17
Season Record: 5-5



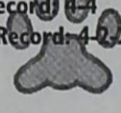
FRESHMEN

Bobcats 26, Lockney 8
Bobcats 26, Friona 0
Bobcats 22, Valley 20
Bobcats 30, Muleshoe 0
Bobcats 22, Sanford-Fritch 6
Bobcats 20, Dalhart 6
Bobcats 28, Tulia 0
Bobcats 38, Muleshoe 0
Bobcats 8, River Road 0
Bobcats 16, Friona 14
Season Record: 10-0



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8th Grade 6, Sundown 26; 7th Grade 12, Sundown 0
8th Grade 24, Olton 6; 7th Grade 0, Olton 0
8th Grade 6, Muleshoe 27; 7th Grade 0, Muleshoe 13
8th Grade 30, Tulia 8; 7th Grade 24, Tulia 0
8th Grade 0, Friona 6; 7th Grade 14, Friona 8
8th Grade 0, Muleshoe 38; 7th Grade 20, Muleshoe 8
8th Grade 28, Tulia 26; 7th Grade 6, Tulia 0
8th Grade 6, Friona 0; 7th Grade 6, Friona 6
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Big surge lifts Swifts over Farwell, 34-24

By SARAH OLVERA

Nazareth scored 22 points in a short span against Farwell Friday, turning a 10-point deficit into a 12-point lead before coasting through the fourth period for a 34-24 victory at Swift Field.

Two Coby Schacher touchdowns on back-to-back possessions that spanned just over a minute in the third quarter shifted the momentum from the Steers to the Swifts Friday.

Nazareth was ahead 12-0 in the first half, but was struggling. Farwell caught fire at the end of the half, scoring as time dwindled in the first half and the Swifts found their lead down to four at halftime, 12-8.

Farwell scored two quick touchdowns in the third quarter to take a 22-12 lead before the Swifts regained control.

"We really got our offense going in the third quarter when we scored three touchdowns," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "That really did them in. It was a weird game. When we were up 12-0 we thought we were going to blow them out. But then Cody (Annen) wasn't having a good night."

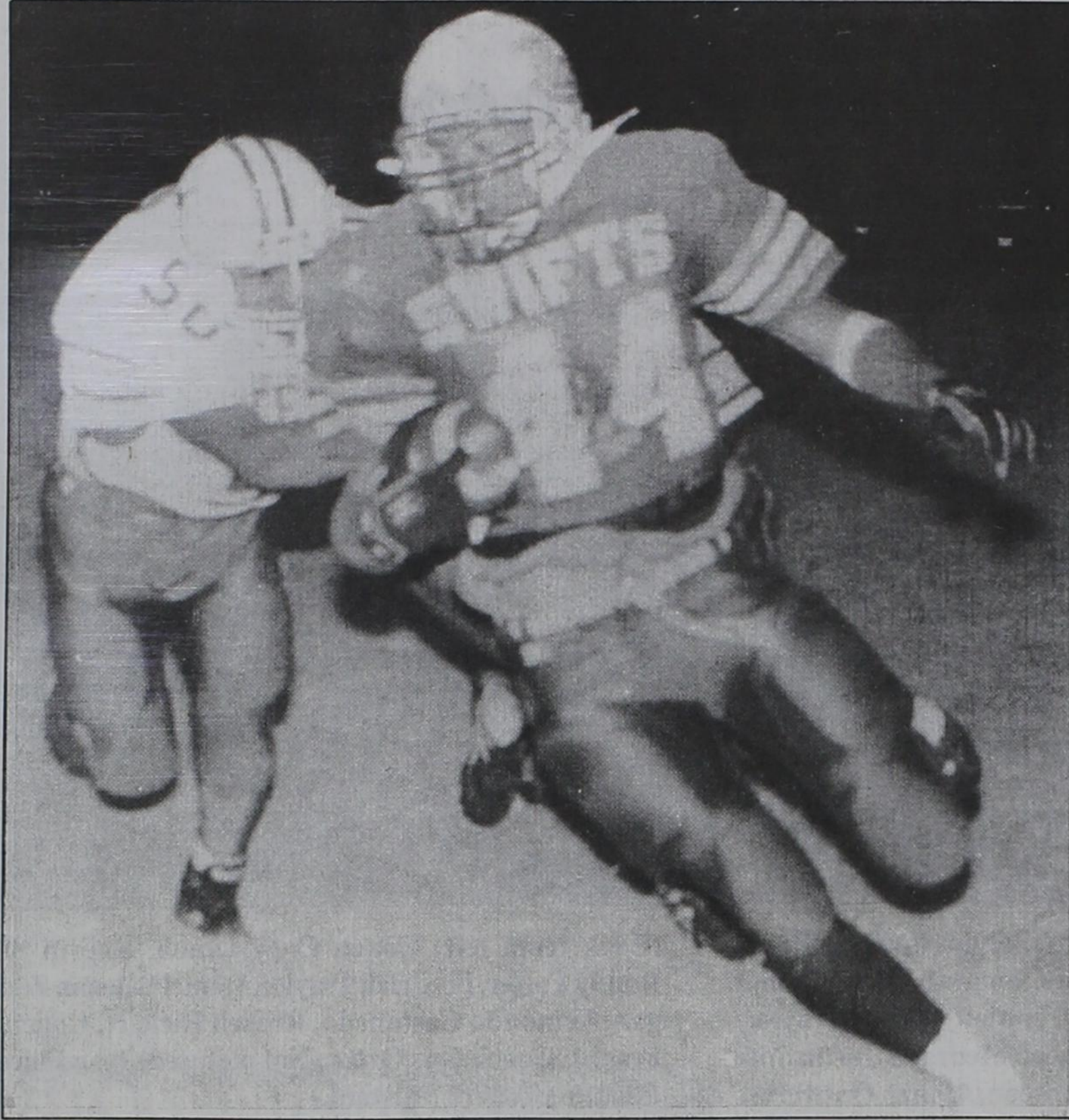
Nazareth kicker Cody Annen just missed nailing a 31-yard field goal to open scoring in the first quarter. Then he missed an extra point after one of Nazareth's early touchdowns. But he made up for it in the third quarter.

After Schacher scored to narrow the 10-point deficit to four, Annen kicked off. The kick was fielded by Farwell's Preston Ketcherside, then the Steers attempted a reverse to David Everett.

After a good gain, Annen grabbed Everett, snagging the ballcarrier's arm. Annen forced Everett to drop the ball and Marcus Brockman recovered the loose ball, giving the Swifts possession on Farwell's 35. On the next play Schacher gave the Swifts the lead for good.

"Our defense played well the whole game," Price said. "Farwell had a hard time moving the ball consistently."

The Swifts saw the ball first, starting from their own 30. Schacher, who gained 218 yards rushing, picked up a quick first down, but that was all the Swift offense could muster and Brockman had to punt.



NAZARETH'S COBY SCHACHER (40) slips away from Farwell's Daren Rubio (50) and gains 12 yards to the Nazareth 44 for a first down during second quarter action Friday at Swift Field. The Swifts took an early 12-0 lead, but then Farwell reeled off 22 unanswered points to take a 22-12 lead in the fourth

quarter. The Swifts bounced back to claim a 34-24 victory. Nazareth finished the season with a 7-3 mark. Against Farwell, Schacher gained more than 200 yards rushing, scored three touchdowns and ran in two two-point conversions. Photo by Anne Acker

Farwell took over on its own 20, but lost a yard on the first play thanks to a fumble. Two plays later Spencer Ketcherside had gained back-to-back first downs and moved the Steers to the 42.

Quarterback Brock Anderson tested the Swifts' secondary on the next play, but Nazareth passed, with Brockman snagging the ball for an interception.

Nazareth managed just a three-yard gain over the next series and Brockman punted again.

Farwell worked down to its own 42, but was facing a deep hole with a fourth-and-11 situation. Farwell faked the punt, with Anderson completing a pass to Preston Ketcherside for a first down.

The Steers would get off four plays before the quarter ended. On

the second play of the second quarter Farwell was flagged for illegal procedure and the extra five yards proved costly.

As Farwell threatened to score, Nazareth's defense got tough. Another fourth-and-11 play was on the table for the Steers, and this time they weren't lucky enough to convert. Anderson's pass deep to Russell Williams fell incomplete and the

Swifts took over on downs.

Schacher led the Swifts on the next drive. In five plays the Swifts moved the ball to Farwell's 12, but a holding penalty pushed them back to the 22. Over the next three plays the Swifts failed to reach the end zone, and Nazareth decided to try for the field goal when faced with fourth-and-12. Annen's 31-yard boot was just wide to the left and the score remained knotted at 0.

Farwell took over at the 20, and on the first play, the pitch was off-target and James Wilhite recovered the loose ball for the Swifts on Farwell's 12.

Josh Merritt gained 11 yards for a first-and-goal at the Steer 1-yard line, then Schacher capped off the drive with a short plunge through the line into the end zone for a 6-0 lead. The Swifts faked the extra point kick, and holder Justin Bingham attempted a pass to Brockman, but the throw was incomplete.

Farwell only had the ball four plays on its next drive. On third-and-eight, Anderson looked to Mark Lunsford near the first-down marker, but the pass was broken up by Barry Hoelting, preventing the first down and forcing a Steer punt.

Penalties and incomplete passes plagued the Swifts on their next drive and it resulted in a Brockman punt. Farwell didn't fare any better and four plays later Nazareth had the ball back inside its own 3-yard line with under a minute left in the half.

Seconds later the Swifts were up by 12.

Matthew Kern took the handoff from Mitchell Brockman on the first play from scrimmage, found a huge hole opened by his offensive line, then dodged and eluded several Farwell tacklers and found himself in open territory. It was a footrace after the first few yards, and Kern managed to pull away from pursuers for a 97-yard touchdown run. The Steers blocked Annen's kick, leaving the score 12-0.

Farwell answered that quick six with six of its own.

A Swift inside kick was recovered by Farwell at the Steer 41. Anderson found Williams with two passes resulting in a first-and-goal inside the Swift 1.

Two plays later Anderson followed a surge into the end zone to put the Steers on the board. Farwell faked the kick and Anderson connected with Williams to make it 12-8 Swifts at halftime.

Farwell took the lead on the first play of the second half. Everett received Annen's kickoff, then handed the ball to Preston Ketcherside who headed the opposite direction. He ran 90 yards down the sideline for a touchdown. Clint Patterson booted the PAT and Farwell took a 15-12 lead.

The Swifts were charged with holding on their first play from scrimmage in the second half, but Schacher made up for the lost yardage, gaining 12 yards on the next play. Then Kern picked up the additional yardage needed for a first, but that was all the Swifts would get, and they had to punt three plays later.

The Swifts had Farwell backed up to the Steer 19 thanks to a pair of penalties. But another big play would give Farwell a little more cushion on the scoreboard. Anderson looked to Preston Ketcherside, saw he was covered, then decided to keep the ball himself, racing 81 yards to the end zone. Patterson's PAT gave Farwell a 22-12 lead with 7:17 left in the third.

Nazareth started its comeback with just over five minutes left in the third.

Bingham carried the ball to the Nazareth 35. The next 65 yards were all Coby Schacher's. He picked up those yards on two totes. His first run netted 25 yards. His second was a hard-fought 40-yard effort for a touchdown. That narrowed the Farwell lead to four after the two-

point conversion pass from Mitchell Brockman to Bingham was incomplete.

The ensuing kickoff was when things really started going downhill for Farwell and picked up for the Swifts.

Everett's fumble, forced by Annen, was recovered by Marcus Brockman at the Farwell 35.

Schacher put the Swifts on top on the next play, hurdling one defender and dragging others downfield for the go-ahead touchdown. He also got the two-point conversion, running in untouched to give the Swifts a 26-22 lead, a 12-point turnaround in just over a minute.

Annen onsided the kickoff and the Swifts recovered, but the ball failed to travel the necessary 10 yards and Farwell took over.

Nazareth's defense rose to the occasion on the next series. Three plays later Hoelting intercepted an Anderson pass intended for Preston Ketcherside and the Swifts took over at their own 25.

An illegal procedure flag cost the Swifts five yards, but Kern used good blocking for a long gain into Steer territory. He fumbled at the end of the play, but the ball rolled harmlessly out of bounds.

Three plays later he found the end zone for his second TD of the evening. Schacher ran in the two-point conversion for a 34-22 Swift lead.

The Swifts tried another inside kick at the end of the third quarter, and Farwell recovered this one, too.

Anderson completed one pass to Preston Ketcherside, and tried the same play again, but this time Bingham was there for the defensive play. Everett and Spencer Ketcherside took turns carrying the ball over the next eight plays and four minutes, but eventually Nazareth's defense forced a punt, which was marked at the Swift 10.

A Nazareth holding penalty tacked on 10 yards and moved the Swifts to the 3. Nazareth attempted to run down the clock and was having success until Mitchell Brockman's pass was picked off by Williams at the Steer 39.

Farwell's Adrian Gonzales completed a pass to Williams for a first down and Farwell threatened to score as the clock wound down. But an attempted pass from Gonzales to Josh Littlejohn was snatched from the receiver's hands by Hoelting, preventing a possible six points for the Steers and giving Nazareth possession near its own goal line.

On the first possession for the Swifts, Steer defenders converged upon Mitchell Brockman, sacking him in the end zone for a safety and 34-24 score.

Shane Ethridge handled the free kick duties and Farwell accepted the boot with just over a minute left on the clock.

The first play ended Farwell's hopes for a comeback, when Marcus Brockman intercepted Gonzales.

Swifts 34, Farwell 24

	NAZ	FAR
First Downs	10	9
Yards Rushing	456	134
Yards Passing	0	161
Total Yards	456	295
Passing Att.-Comp.	1-6	5-19
Interceptions By	3	1
Fumbles Lost	2-0	4-2
Punts-Avg.	4-29	2-45
Penalties-Yards	3-30	2-10

Nazareth	0	12	22	0	—	34
Farwell	0	8	14	2	—	24

SCORING

Second Quarter:
 NAZ—Coby Schacher 1 run (run failed)
 NAZ—Matthew Kern 97 run (kick failed)
 FARWELL—Brock Anderson 1 run (Russell Williams pass from Anderson)
Third Quarter:
 FARWELL—Preston Ketcherside 90 kickoff return (Clint Patterson kick)
 FARWELL—Anderson 81 run (Patterson kick)
 NAZ—Schacher 40 run (Schacher run)
 NAZ—Schacher 35 run (Schacher run)
 NAZ—Kern 13 run (run failed)
Fourth Quarter:
 FARWELL—Safety

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Janice Shelton
Castro County Treasurer

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HART'S JUAN GUERRERO (2) heads downfield and he's met by a swarm of Hale Center defenders Friday in a District 3-AA finale at Hale Center. Guerrero scored one of Hart's six touchdowns Friday and the Longhorns buried the Owls, 40-12. Also

pictured are Hart's Abel Dominguez (77), Jared Aven (1) and Juanio Romero (54). Hart finished its season with a 5-5 overall mark and 3-2 district record.

Photo by David Knox

J.J. Finch scores five TDs as Hart buries Hale Center

There was absolutely no way Hale Center was going to stop Hart's J.J. Finch Friday night.

The Owls were crushed by Finch and the Hart Longhorn offensive line, 40-12, in the season finale for both teams.

Finch racked up 298 yards rushing and scored five touchdowns for the Longhorns, which finished the season 5-5 overall and 3-2 in District 2-AA play, just missing a playoff berth.

Finch's touchdowns came on runs of six, 54, nine, 10 and 44 yards.

Finch's 298 yards led a massive Hart offensive attack, which compiled 524 yards against the Owls defense.

Defensively Hart did the job, too, allowing Hale Center just 211 total yards. The Longhorns picked off two Hale Center passes and recovered one fumble.

Hart got on the board in the opening stanza with a six-yard run by Finch. The pass for the two-point conversion failed and it was 6-0, Hart, headed into the second stanza.

The Longhorn defense shut out the Owls in the first quarter and achieved the same success in the second.

The offense also doubled its scoring effort with another six points in

the second quarter.

This time it was Juan Guerrero who got the call, and he plunged in from a yard out. The two-point conversion run was stopped short of the goal line, but Hart was on top, 12-0, at halftime.

The third quarter was a scoring frenzy on both sides. Hart racked up another 21 points while Hale Center finally got on the board with 12.

The second-half scoring started off with Hale Center's Cory Needham hauling in a 22-yard pass from Jason Thomas. The pass play for the two-point conversion was broken up by the Longhorns, but Hale Center had trimmed Hart's lead to a touchdown, 12-6.

Then Finch went to work. He scored all of Hart's touchdowns in the third quarter.

The first was a big 54-yard run answering Needham's TD reception. After Finch's TD, quarterback Sergio Martinez teamed with Armondo Minjarez for the two-point play and Hart extended its lead to 20-6.

After Hart's defense stymied the Owl's offense the Longhorn's, led by Finch, went to work again. This time the Hart runner barreled in from nine yards out and the Horns were up 26-6.

Needham and Thomas connected

for another touchdown play, this time a four-yarder, for Hale Center's final score of the game. The kick failed, leaving Hart in control, 26-12. Finch wasn't finished, yet.

A 10-yard run by Hart's top rusher resulted in another touchdown, then Lucas Anzaldúa kicked the extra point and Hart was up 33-12.

Finch wrapped up the scoring in the fourth quarter, breaking free for a 44-yard run. Anzaldúa's kick was good for the final score, 40-12.

Horns 40, Hale Center 12

	HART	HC
First Downs	24	11
Yards Rushing	482	154
Yards Passing	42	57
Total Yards	524	211
Passing Att.-Comp.	3-6	5-24
Interceptions By	2	0
Punts-Avg.	1-51	7-32.2
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-1
Penalties-Yards	5-25	2-10

SCORING

- First Quarter:**
HART—J.J. Finch 6 run (pass failed)
- Second Quarter:**
HART—Juan Guerrero 1 run (run failed)
- Third Quarter:**
HC—Cory Needham 22 pass from Jason Thomas (pass failed)
HART—Finch 54 run (Armondo Minjarez pass from Sergio Martinez)
HART—Finch 9 run (kick failed)
HC—Needham 4 pass from Thomas (pass failed)
HART—Finch 10 run (Lucas Anzaldúa kick)
- Fourth Quarter:**
HART—Finch 44 run (Anzaldúa kick)

Freshman Cats edge Friona finish season with perfect mark

After trailing Friona for most of the game, the Freshman Bobcats exploded with a big touchdown drive in the fourth quarter to tie the game, then used a leap by Daniel Flores for the two-point conversion and a 16-14 victory last Thursday in Dimmitt.

The two-point conversion after Justin Sutton's 2-yard touchdown gave the Bobcats a 16-14 victory.

The freshmen finished the season with a perfect 10-0 mark as district champions.

Friona scored twice in the first quarter and picked up a two-point conversion after the first touchdown for a 14-0 lead.

The teams battled through a scoreless second quarter and the Chieftains were still on top, 14-0, at halftime.

Dimmitt got on track in the third period, scoring on a 3-yard run by Fredrick Traylor. Sutton gained the two-point conversion to trip Friona's lead to six, 14-8.

Sutton's run and Flores' two-point conversion gave Dimmitt the win.

"We turned the ball over four times in the first half," said Coach Cory Lynch. "Once we corrected

that problem, the kids did a great job of coming back to win the game. Fredrick Traylor bulled his way all night long."

Lynch said Zack Morgan, Michael Penney, Daniel Salazar, James Jackson, Shane Furr and Armondo Castaneda controlled the line of scrimmage in the second half.

"The entire defense played very well in the second half," Lynch aid. "We caused some turnovers and took advantage of them."

"We had an outstanding season. In August these guys set a goal to win 10 games. They worked very hard to reach that goal. The coaching staff is very proud of this group of men."



FINAL WHIRL—Crystal Stevens, Dimmitt High School's nationally ranked twirler, performs her final routine for Bobcat football fans Saturday afternoon at Perryton. "I was kinda sad, but it was fun," she commented. After thrilling North Texas football crowds for several years, she plans to be a twirler at Angelo State University next fall.

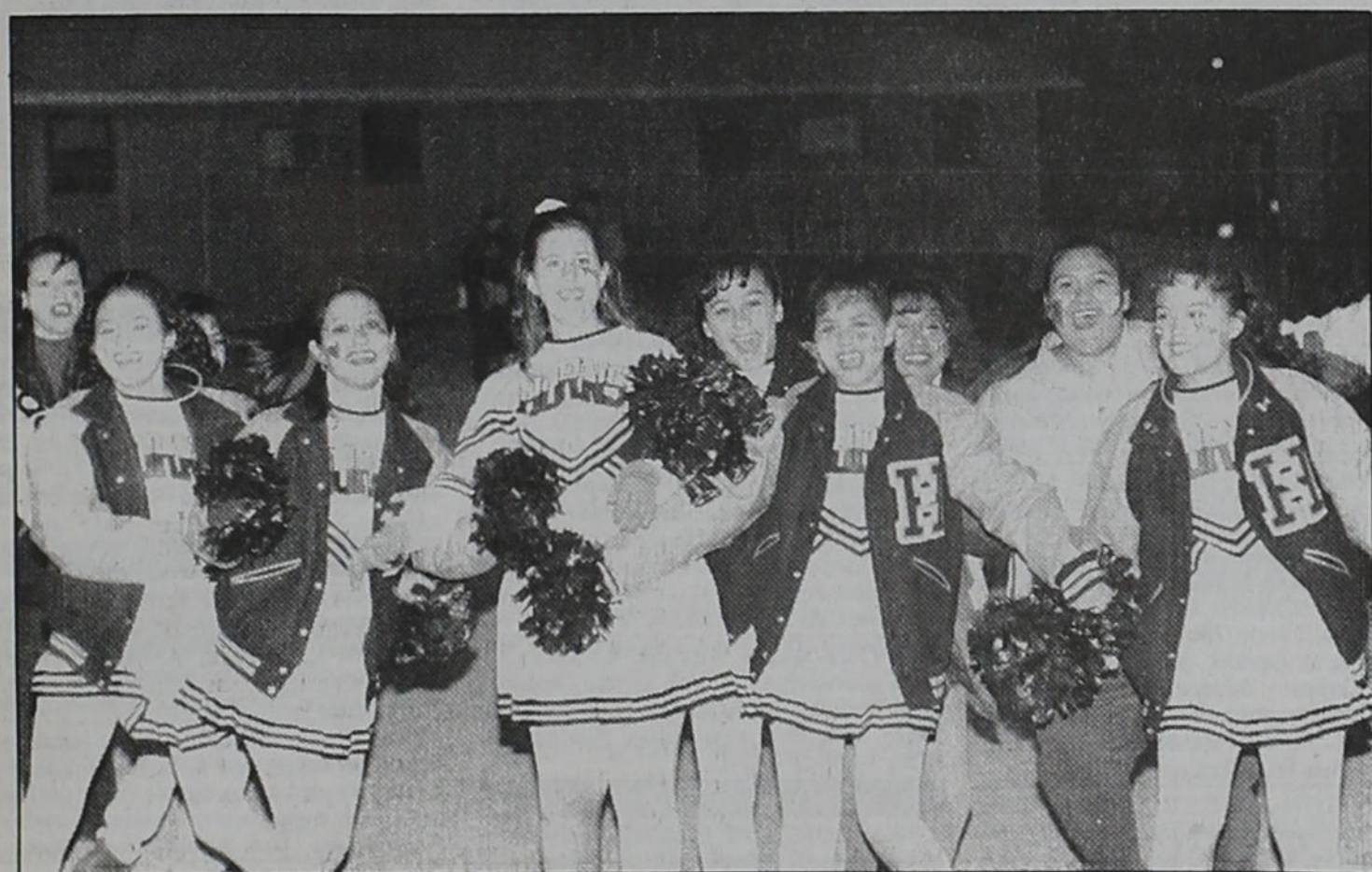
Photo by Carter Townsend

Farris reaches finals of USTA national meet

Adrian Farris and his mixed doubles partner reached the finals of the United States Tennis Association (USTA) nationals 8.0 Mixed Doubles Tournament, which was held over the weekend in Tucson, Ariz.

Farris and his partner played four matches, winning each before losing in the finals to a team from Arizona, 2-6, 3-6.

Farris's victories included a 6-2, 6-2 decision over a team from Colorado; 6-2, 6-2 over a Southern California duo; 7-5, 4-6, 7-5 over a pair from Hawaii; and 6-4, 6-2 over an Oregon team.



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MAKING 'EM JUMP THROUGH A HOOP—Luis Nino steps through a hula hoop passed along by his father, John, to his left. Students at Dimmitt High School enlisted their parents and community members to participate in the "Family Olympics" Monday

night, following the annual Open House at the school. The competition included 10 events, with the top three teams awarded medals. The event was held to foster communication between students and adults.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Bobcats nail long bombers to best Randall in double OT

Picking out the best of miracles from Tuesday's 81-75 double-overtime win by the Dimmitt Bobcats over Randall is like selecting your choice as most important person from the Bible.

There are several good choices you could make, but one really stands out.

For Dimmitt on Tuesday, the most important miracle was the one pulled off by Brandon Smith, who hit a 45-foot shot at the end of the first overtime to tie the game and send it to a second, four-minute period.

No less important was a three-point shot from almost the same spot at the end of the first quarter by Brandon's younger brother, Casey. Also no less important was a three-pointer fired in by Charlie Sanders

from the right-hand corner with eight seconds to go in the initial extra period.

Not that Sanders isn't capable, but his bread and butter is in the paint, fighting with the other big guys. Besides, through Saturday afternoon he was playing tough-guy tight end and defensive end for the Dimmitt football team. It wasn't like he's been honing that shot all fall.

It was Brandon Smith's shot, though, that ended up saving the day. It was unlikely from the get-go, was almost doomed to instant failure, but ended up as the most important shot of the game.

Dimmitt had led by as many as six points during regulation before Randall came back with a strong second-half performance to claim a five-point lead in the fourth quarter. The Bobcats charged back in the last couple minutes of the fourth period as Sanders tied the score at 61 with a free throw with 2:02 left, and Brandon Smith put Dimmitt up 66-63 with 1:25 left in regulation.

The Bobcats managed just one more point, a free throw by Brandon Smith with 27 seconds to go. By then, Randall had gone ahead by a point, and Smith's shot sent the game to overtime.

In the first overtime, Randall went ahead by four points, 73-69, on two Brian Embry free throws with 22 seconds left.

The Bobcats worked the ball down the court and got off a wild shot, then got the rebound. Sanders had worked his way out in the corner, and nailed a line drive from 20 feet out to make it a one-point game with eight seconds left in the first overtime.

Embry was fouled with three sec-

onds left and made both free throws to establish a three-point lead, 75-72. After a time out, Jason Nino set up to throw the ball in to Brandon Smith.

Smith got the pass with no trouble, but lost his balance for a second. Somehow, he maintained the dribble and regained his balance. He took two stumbling steps to the mid-court line, then let go of the long-range jump shot.

Of course, it hit nothing but the bottom of the net. Smith hit the floor, and several of his teammates joined him. Their joy lasted a few seconds, then they got ready for a second four-minute extra period.

Kalem Thomas hit a pair of buckets in the second overtime, but Brandon Smith did the rest of Dimmitt's scoring. Smith nailed four free throws and a basket to give Dimmitt 10 points in the second extra period, while Embry had the lone basket in the second overtime for the Raiders.

Smith led Dimmitt with 33 points, while Thomas added 17 and Sanders chalked up 14.

In the girls' contest, Randall rumbled to an early lead from which the Bobbies never fully recovered, with the Lady Raiders claiming a 50-41 win.

Randall rolled to a 12-2 lead in the first quarter, with Amber Matthews scoring Dimmitt's only bucket of the initial period with 3:34 to play. Dimmitt's next score was by Jacy Buckley with 5:42 left in the first half, with Dimmitt in a 20-4 hole.

The Bobbies outscored Randall 14-8 the rest of the quarter to trail by just 10 at halftime, 28-18.

In the third, Dimmitt got back within six points as Matthews had three baskets and a free throw in the quarter, and Carrie Bradley had one of her two treys in the game. Matthews cut the gap to six, 32-26, with a basket with 2:42 to play in the third, but Randall reasserted itself and led by 13 at period's end, 41-28.

Dimmitt was able to cut the lead back to single digits again early in the fourth quarter before Randall went on another run. The Lady Raiders were up by as many as 17 before the Bobbies surged late for the final 11-point margin.

Matthews led all scorers with 18 points.

More about

County accepts offer . . .

(Continued from Page 1)
Baldrige agreed, saying the drug dog would benefit the whole county, not just one or two people.
Commissioners agreed to provide the insurance.

Commissioners also discussed applying to the Texas Dept. of Transportation for help with improving some roads in the county.

Texas Dept. of Transportation apparently is offering for distribution around the state, materials for seal coating paved roads or caliche to improve dirt roads. The roads must be damaged by heavy traffic.

There is only a limited amount of funding available for this project, and the deadline for applications is Nov. 23.

Pct. 2 Commissioner Larry Gonzales said a representative from the state agency was scheduled to be in Dimmitt Wednesday and would be willing to meet with commissioners to answer questions about the project.

"I have a lot of questions about it," Rowland said. "I'd like to know how much is available, how much can we get, if we qualify and how can we prove our roads were damaged by heavy road traffic when we're work-

ing on them all the time."
Gonzales said he will be requesting help with 25 miles of caliche and seven miles of blacktop roads.

In other action, commissioners:
♦Authorized Assistant County Agent Pammy Millican to use the Extension's pickup until a new agent is named.

♦Approved bonds for Billy Hackleman and Mary Lou Lumbera.
♦Canvassed the 1996 election returns.

★ Power Points Football Contest ★

Acker wins in 'upset week'

After watching half of his picks go sour in the Week 11 Texas Power Points Football Contest, Francis Acker of Dimmitt commented to his wife, Bea, "Forget it!"

"He was really disappointed. He didn't think he had a chance," Bea said.

But it was that kind of week for all the pickers as fully half of the games produced upset winners. Acker and Shawn Sheffy of Dimmitt finished with only 87 points apiece (of a possible 136), but theirs were the highest scores around as one favorite after another bit the dust. Acker won the first tie-breaker by picking a 35-point aggregate score in the Dallas-San Francisco game, and wins this week's \$20 cash prize from the News.

Acker is a shift superintendent at the Cerestar USA Dimmitt plant, and he and his wife own and operate The Pancake House.

Scores were low throughout the state—except in Sweetwater, where (are you ready for this?) a sixth-grade girl, Shea Prado, racked up 130 points to claim the statewide honors and win the \$1,000 grand prize.

The bold young prognosticator predicted (for 16 points, no less) that Arizona would whip the Washington Redskins and that Cincinnati would beat Pittsburgh. In fact, she missed only San Francisco's loss to Dallas.

What will Shea do with her \$1,000?

"Clothes or toys or something," she said.

Then she reflected upon how her older brother Joe, who encouraged her to enter the contest, would take the news: "When Joe hears about this, he's just going to freak out!"

Shea entered the contest through the Sweetwater Reporter.

This week's Power Points Football Contest is on Page 8. Make your picks and turn in your entry form at the News office by 2 p.m. Friday.

And watch out for upsets.

Scoreboard

TUESDAY

Swiftettes 51, Springlake-Earth 52 (OT)
Nazareth 15 14 11 7 4—51
S-E 4 11 10 22 5—52
Scoring: NAZ—Jill Ramaekers and Misti Ball 12; S-E—Weldon 14, Embry 13.

Lady Horns 60, Floydada 56
Hart 17 8 18 17—60
Floydada 11 13 13 19—56
Scoring: HART—Charbra Lee 19, Ysa Rodriguez 14, Tylene Garcia 10; FLOYDADA—Hale 17, Green 11.

Longhorns 62, Floydada 86
Hart 6 15 17 24—62
Floydada 25 26 20 15—86
Scoring: HART—Dusty Ortiz 36; FLOYDADA—Cooper 19, Egulia and Palacios 18.

Bobcats 85, Randall 78 (2 OT)
Randall 18 14 22 13 8 3 —78
Dimmitt 18 14 17 8 10 —85
Scoring: DIMMITT—Brandon Smith 33, Kalem Thomas 17, Charley Sanders 14.

Randall 50, Bobbies 41
Randall 12 16 13 9—50
Dimmitt 2 16 10 13—41
Scoring: DIMMITT—Amber Matthews 18, Tonya Robertson 8, Carrie Bradley 8.

Obituaries

Myrtle Conyers

Funeral services for Myrtle Iva Conyers, 87, of Hereford, the mother of a Dimmitt man, were held Saturday afternoon in the Rix Chapel in Hereford, with Ray Sanders officiating.

Burial was in West Park Cemetery under the direction of Rix Funeral Home of Hereford.

Mrs. Conyers died Friday at the Hereford Regional Medical Center.

She was born June 22, 1909, in DeKalb, and moved to Oklahoma Territory. After finishing high school in Idabel, Okla., she became a registered nurse. She married John E. Conyers in 1941 in Ardmore, Okla. He died in 1977. They had moved to Hereford in 1950. She was a homemaker, and babysat for numerous children.

Mrs. Conyers also was preceded in death by a son, Jimmy, in 1960.

Survivors include two sons, Bill Conyers of Dimmitt and Fred Conyers of Houston; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Bryan Jones

Funeral services for Bryan Jones, 84, of Loop, the father of a Sunny-side woman, were held Friday afternoon at Connally Funeral Home Chapel in Seagraves with Rev. Chuck Sammons officiating.

Burial was in Loop Cemetery. Mr. Jones died Nov. 5 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

He was born April 30, 1912, in Hastings, Okla. He married Mildred Irene Wright on Jan. 29, 1935, in Roswell, N.M. She died Oct. 30, 1984. Mr. Jones was a member of the Loop school board and Co-Op Gin Board. He was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church in Brownfield, where he was a deacon. He had farmed in the Loop area for many years.

Survivors include two sons, Ross and Perry, both of Seagraves; a daughter, Joyce Wright of Sunny-side; a brother, Glenn of Waco; a sister, Judy Taylor of Fairfield, Calif.; eight grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

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Games moved to Saturday night

Dimmitt's games at Levelland have been moved from Friday to Saturday because of the football playoffs.

The Bobbies will play the Loboettes at 6 p.m. at Levelland High School, with the Bobcats squaring off against the Lobos at 7:30 p.m.

Those games will be preceded by the junior varsity.

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