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Tragedy stuns celebrating community

Youth, 15, fatally injured in rollover

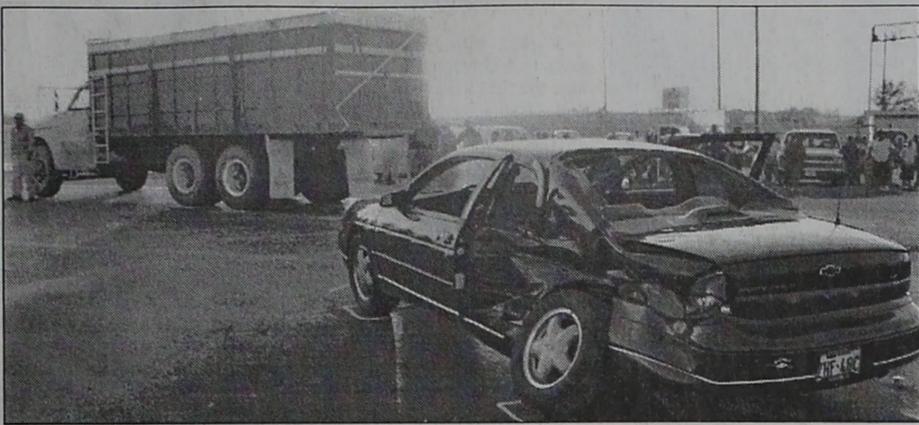


Photo by Don Nelson

BEN BIRDWELL WAS RIDING IN THE BACK SEAT OF THIS 1997 MONTE CARLO ... When the grain truck in background hit it Monday evening at George Howell Park

Collision at ball park sends boy, 14, to ICU

A 14-year-old Dimmitt boy received a serious head injury Monday evening in a car-truck collision where west Highway 86 passes the George Howell Baseball Park.

Ben Birdwell, son of Kelly and Deanna Birdwell, was transported by helicopter to Lubbock's Covenant Medical Center, where he underwent surgery Monday night to replace shattered bone in his upper left forehead with a plate.

Birdwell was in the left back seat of a 1997 Chevrolet Monte Carlo that exited the ballpark's gated entrance and pulled onto the highway into the path of a westbound grain

truck. The left front bumper of the truck hit the left rear quarter-panel of the car, sending the smaller vehicle into a 180-degree spin across the pavement.

The car's driver, 14-year-old Ricardo Reyes, and another passenger, 16-year-old Armando Hinojosa, were treated at Plains Memorial Hospital for less serious injuries, according to Police Officer J. R. Ledesma, the accident's lead investigator.

The grain truck was owned and driven by Santiago Barrios, 74, of Dimmitt, who told officers he was leaving town to pick up a load of

wheat. He was not injured, Ledesma reported.

"An extended-cab pickup was pulling in at the ballpark at the same time that the car was pulling out, and it was between the Monte Carlo and the grain truck," Ledesma said. "It obstructed the vision of both drivers."

Barrios told officers that he noticed the pickup pulling off of the highway toward the ballpark gateway, but didn't see the car until it pulled in front of him.

"And nobody in the car saw the truck until it was right there,"

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In the midst of a wedding celebration Saturday evening, the Nazareth community was stunned by the fatal injury of a 15-year-old honor student in a pickup rollover east of town.

Shane Kleman, who had just finished his sophomore year of high school, died at Lubbock's Covenant Medical Center after being transported there by helicopter with massive head trauma and internal injuries.

He died at 9:04 p.m., about two hours after the accident.

Kleman, son of Doyle and Rosie Kleman, was one of four teenage boys who reportedly were going home to change clothes for a wedding dance when the accident happened.

DPS Trooper Augustine Perez, the investigating officer, said all four boys were riding in the front seat of a 1999 GMC extended-cab pickup, with Kleman next to the right door. The pickup's driver, Daryl



Shane Kleman

Pohlmeier, 17, told Trooper Perez that he lost control of the pickup while driving west along County Road 614 where it intersects with CR 527, three miles east and a mile north

of Nazareth.

"He told me he thought he was going about 50," Trooper Perez said.

The pickup went off the south edge of the caliche-topped road and nosed into a deep bar-ditch, rolling as it did so.

"The pickup evidently hit the embankment and rolled to the driver's side, throwing out the two on the passenger end of the seat," Trooper Perez said.

Those two were Kleman and 15-year-old Trey Robb.

Robb suffered a broken thumb, plus multiple bruises.

Pohlmeier and the pickup's fourth passenger, Justin Kleman, 16 — Shane's cousin — stayed in the cab during the rollover, Trooper Perez reported.

Justin Kleman suffered a dislocated shoulder but reportedly walked to the nearby Sunrise Farms dairy for help. Meanwhile, Pohlmeier called a

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Photo by Don Nelson

FATAL ACCIDENT SCENE EAST OF NAZARETH SATURDAY EVENING ... Shane Kleman, Trey Robb thrown from pickup when it nosed into a deep bar-ditch and rolled

Wheat is excellent but price is inferior

Amber waves of grain are falling fast across Castro County as combines make short work of the winter wheat crop which is ripe for harvest.

The first load of wheat was harvested on June 5, and now harvest is in full swing across the county.

Harvest is about 25% to 60% complete in the county, and with favor-

able weather, the crop should be out of the fields within the next 10 days to two weeks, according to representatives from local grain elevators.

The wheat crop is "excellent," but higher production costs and depressed commodity prices have diminished the success of this year's

harvest, say elevator reps.

"I think this seems to be a good crop," said Robert Boozer at AgriFarm Industries in Dimmitt. "Producers are disappointed in the price, but for the most part they've been happy with yields. If we just would have had one more rain in late April or early May, then the yields

would have really been exceptional."

Rodney Hunter at DeBruce Grain said this year's wheat crop is "really good."

"We had an excellent spring, and if we would have had just one more rain, I think the county would have been covered in wheat," Hunter said.

"Test weights have been running

between 61 and 64 pounds per bushel, and that's a little above average. We've had some farmers with 50 to 60 bushel wheat, and the quality looks good," Hunter said.

Jarrel Sewell at Cargill Grain Division of Hart said test weights have been averaging between 62 and 64 pounds, but he hasn't heard any yield estimates from producers, yet.

"We had a week or 10-day period there where we had a lot of hot, dry and windy weather and that hurt the wheat. The quality is still good, but I think it hurt the yields. The semi-irrigated wheat suffered the most," Sewell said.

"We're seeing heavy test weights—about 61 on the average," said Boozer. "And the quality is excellent. I'd say it's a little above average. The dryland looks good, too. Some is really good, but some looked better than it actually was. We've seen yields average around 42 bushels per acre on irrigated wheat and between 20 and 22 bushels on dryland crops."

A lack of moisture last fall put a damper on the wheat outlook. Then skyrocketing gas prices, related hikes in fertilizer, and a low price for the grain forced farmers to decide whether or not to harvest their crop.

Heavy winter snows and beneficial spring rains enabled some producers to go ahead with harvest plans, but many opted to graze out their wheat

The Texas Agricultural Statistics Service has forecast the winter wheat crop at 36.2 million bushels in the Texas High Plains area, with 2.9 million acres expected to be harvested. The statewide yield is expected to be 92.8 million bushels. That's 41% above last year, but 24% lower than 1999. Statewide yields are expected to average 32 bushels per acre.

or bale it for hay.

There are still 68,379 acres in Castro County which are expected to be harvested for grain, according to Trish Elliott with the Farm Service Agency.

"It's not going to be a big wheat year. The majority of the producers in our area grazed out their wheat or swathed and baled it—more so than usual," said Sewell. "All input costs, especially irrigation and fertilizer, were up. The dry weather in the fall didn't help, either."

"I think there was a lot more hay made this year, and it's all due to the price," said Boozer. "A lot of acres were taken out of production."

"Everybody cut back on irrigation this year," Hunter said. "The price of wheat was low, but the costs of natural gas, electricity and fertilizer were all higher. The cost has been terrible this year on everything."



ROLLING THROUGH THE FIELD—Crews work into the evening harvesting wheat on the J.C. Pohlmeier farm between Dimmitt and Nazareth Tuesday night. Joe Hochstein operates the combine, cutting irrigated wheat while Dan Schmucker operates the grain cart. Wheat

harvest is in full swing around Castro County and although most farmers are pleased with their crop, they would like to see a better market price for their product.

Photo by Anne Acker

Many taxpayers can expect rebates beginning in July

Over the next 10 years, American taxpayers will enjoy a \$1.35-trillion tax cut under the recently-approved Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001.

President George W. Bush's plan is described as the largest tax cut in two decades.

Income tax brackets across the board will be lowered, a one-time lump sum rebate will be paid to most taxpayers this year, the child tax credit will be increased and the so-called marriage penalty and estate tax will be repealed by 2010. Many of the tax cuts and changes will be phased in between now and 2010.

Tax refunds

The first major impact of the plan will be felt by taxpayers later this

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Weather

	High	Low	Prec.
Thursday	98	48	
Friday	84	46	
Saturday	91	56	
Sunday	95	59	
Monday	94	58	
Tuesday	97	59	
Wednesday	95	60	

June Moisture 0.15
2001 Moisture 12.87

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

Council gives EDC go-ahead on dairy idea

Dimmitt's City Council gave the Economic Development Committee the go-ahead Monday to negotiate with SRJ Dairy Development to build a large dairy here.

By a 4-1 vote, the council approved a recommendation from the EDC to "authorize the committee to negotiate with SRJ Dairy Development Co. toward formulating a contract for the location and construction of a dairy, using a financial incentive

to be paid from city reserve funds, with all provisions of the contract to be subject to City County approval."

Bill Sava, speaking for the EDC, told the council that a \$150,000 cash incentive will be required for SRJ to locate one of its dairies here. That's about the same incentive that other area communities and EDCs are paying, he said.

Sava told the council that the \$150,000 figure had basically been

decided in advance of any contract. "They said \$200,000 at first and I countered with \$100,000," Sava said. "He said, 'You're not going to get us to build a dairy in Castro County for any less than \$150,000.'"

Although SRJ agreed in principle to work within an area requested by the city and the EDC, "they said they wanted to do their own negotiating with a land owner, and would not be

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Head Start applications being taken

The Texas Migrant Council is recruiting children up to the age of 5 for its Migrant Seasonal Head Start Program in Hereford, Muleshoe, Plainview, Lubbock, Floyada, Pecos and Fort Stockton.

The Head Start program features free, quality, comprehensive services including early childhood development, family and community partnerships, free transportation for all children and services for children with disabilities.

Under the early childhood development portion of the program, children will benefit from lessons in school readiness, individualization, and age-appropriate educational activities; health services and nutrition programs, disabilities and mental health services.

The program also includes referrals to social services agencies and offers opportunities for parent involvement and development.

Special programs for children with disabilities include speech and language therapy, physical therapy, Braille services, audiological and other services as needed. Referrals and follow-up services and treatment also are included.

For more information contact the Texas Migrant Council—Panhandle Region, at 1210 Ave. R, Lubbock 79401; or call 1-888-837-5151, toll-free.



HOWARD RHODES, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt, got a delightful surprise during the church's 110th anniversary luncheon program Sunday when he got back the first letter he had written to his home congregation at Oklahoma Lane in 1983 after he and his wife, Belinda (right) became missionaries to Malawi. Mrs. Kitty Bailey (center) presented the framed letter. Photo by Don Nelson

More about

Dairy idea . . .

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dictated to as to a specific site," Sava reported.

Sava said the proposed dairy would cost \$2.6 to \$2.8 million to build, would have 2,400 cows, would employ at least 20, and would generate an anticipated \$6.5 to \$7 million a year in gross sales of its milk and culled cattle.

Layne Myatt, C.P.A., a member of the Economic Development Committee and former Chamber of Commerce president, told the council, "I have always advocated that our best hope for a new industry would be something ag-related or something that would 'fit' our community . . . and this is such an industry."

Councilman Roy Garza cast the only dissenting vote on the motion to approve the EDC proposal. After negotiating with SRJ Dairy Development, the EDC is to report back to the City Council with a proposed contract for the council to accept or reject.

If you want to buy a fire truck, be prepared to spend about \$156,000

and wait 300 to 360 days for delivery.

The council voted unanimously to purchase the new fire truck in a 50-50 partnership with the county. The truck will replace a 1972 model truck in the department.

Bill Conyers of the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept. said the new truck would be built to city specifications and would be equipped with "everything that we thought we could afford." It would have a 1,000-gallon tank and be able to pump 1,000 gallons per minute from a fire hydrant.

City Manager Don Sheffy said the \$156,571 bid price on the truck is "a little less than on the previous fire truck. He added that an equipment reserve fund can provide \$40,571 for a down payment, leaving the city and county to pay about \$58,000 each.

Plumbers Roy Gonzales and Keith Acker complained to the council about an out-of-town plumbing firm doing business here without getting job permits.

Gonzales accused the firm of doing below-par work on a project in the

Flagg area, including the use of a rubber hose for a gas hook-up, and said he's had to "re-do some of the work they've done."

"I know of about 50 or 60 projects in this town that were done without permits . . . and that's a lot of money the city is losing (in permit fees)," Gonzales said.

He added, "I don't mind buying a permit for a job, but if they don't have to buy a permit, then why should those of us who live here?"

Councilman Paul Wayland said he is working on a policy statement to apply to economic development projects, "so (the Economic Development Committee) will have a set of guidelines to adhere to that will answer a lot of their questions."

He said the proposals will be "wide ranging and very general."

Councilman Roger Malone urged City Manager Don Sheffy to purchase a specialized "attic nozzle" for the Fire Dept. to cut down on the chimney-effect danger to firemen when they're opening up a roof or ceiling to fight an attic fire.

Jeremy Bishop is named District 2 4-H president

Jeremy Bishop of Dimmitt is the new president of the District 2 4-H Council, and he will serve for the 2001-2002 project year.

Over 20 candidates representing 10 counties from across the South Plains threw their hats into the ring for the president's seat, and Bishop was elected. He is now qualified to serve on the State 4-H Council.

"We were thrilled and excited about our representation from Castro County when Jeremy decided to run for president," said Suzanne Gibbs, Castro County Extension Agent for 4-H.

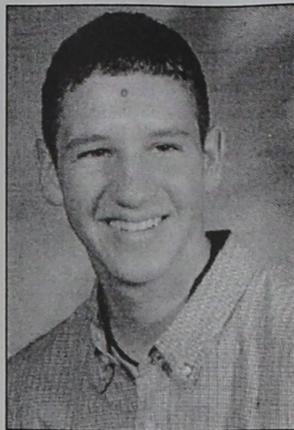
"I spoke with Jeremy about his goals in 4-H before the election. In fact, the first time I met Jeremy he said, 'I want to be on Texas 4-H Council.' So I knew what he wanted to accomplish," Gibbs said.

For several weeks, Bishop worked on his speech and strategy in preparation for the elections.

"Jeremy worked tirelessly on his speech, *You're One In a Million*," Gibbs said. "It informed the 4-H'ers about Texas 4-H's recent accomplishment of having 1.7 million members enroll for a single year. That makes 4-H the largest youth organization in the state of Texas. Furthermore, it means that Texas 4-H has a greater number of members than any other state."

"Jeremy outlined the theory that not only are 4-H'ers active and competitive and considerate, they are truly, one in a million."

Texas 4-H Council is made up of the president and vice president of each of the 12 districts and Texas, so Bishop will have a seat on the state



Jeremy Bishop

council.

When Bishop attends his officer training workshop, he will again have an opportunity to run for office—this time at the state level.

"While he was at Texas 4-H Roundup in June, Jeremy got to witness all the great things that the state council does and how widely it is respected," Gibbs said.

"I was blown away by the current council members and they made me proud to be a 4-H'er," Bishop said.

"I can't tell you how proud the entire Castro County Extension staff is of Jeremy," Gibbs said. "He always puts in his best effort and brings out the best in others. We know he will represent us well as district president and state council member."

FUMC plans Bible school

The SonCreek Vacation Bible School will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Classes will be held at the church, located at 110 SW Third Street, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon each day. For more information call Melissa Feinsod at 647-1128 or Vicki Smithson at 647-0516.

"This year's Vacation Bible School promises to be an adventure your children will never forget," said FUMC pastor Rusty Dickerson. "SonCreek is a western gold mining town set in the 1800s. Here your children will have a rip-roaring time singing lively songs, watching humorous skits, creating western crafts and playing active games. But most importantly, they'll discover five golden nuggets of truth for growing as God's children. They'll learn to 'Start Up, Listen Up, Open Up, Look Up and Speak Up in the family of God.'"

The school will conclude with a musical program on Wednesday at 12 noon.

"We're looking forward to this very special opportunity to share with the children and the parents in our neighborhood," Dickerson said. "We hope they all will join us at SonCreek Junction as we discover the adventure of living and growing in God's family."

Proffitt named to dean's list

Timothy Wayne Proffitt of Dimmitt has been named to the dean's list for the spring 2001 semester at the University of North Texas in Denton.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must complete at least 12 academic hours during the semester while maintaining a grade-point average of 3.5 to 3.9.

Conkwright named new GM of High Plains Water District

Jim Conkwright has been named the new general manager of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 in Lubbock.

Conkwright took over as general manager on June 13. He succeeds the late A. Wayne Wyatt, who served as Water District manager from 1978 to 2000.

"The High Plains Water District's board of directors, county committee members and staff are excited to have Jim Conkwright as our new manager. The board believes his business and leadership skills will be invaluable as the district faces the challenges of managing area groundwater resources," said Board President James P. Mitchell of Wolforth.

"It is a very high honor and privilege to be named manager of the High Plains Water District. For the past 50 years, the Water District has provided a very valuable service to residents of the Texas High Plains," Conkwright said. "The district has

served as a catalyst for many of the agricultural and urban water conservation practices now in use within its 15-county service area. Even with our rich history, I feel that the Water District's most important days still lie ahead."

Conkwright was born in Hereford in 1942. His family was involved in farming and ranching in the Hereford area from 1926 to 1984.

He attended Texas Tech University and received his degree in animal science with a business option in 1964. Conkwright and his wife, Janice, have two grown daughters.

He was elected to the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 board of directors in January 1979. He represented District Director Precinct Four, consisting of Armstrong, Deaf Smith, Potter and Randall counties for 14 years.

He was invited to the White House in 1974 to discuss agriculture issues with President Gerald Ford and was named one of five outstanding young Texans by the Texas Jaycees in 1975.

His professional memberships

include president of the Texas Hereford Breeders Association from 1971 to 1972 and a member of the Hereford Independent School District board of trustees from 1975 to 1977. He also belonged to American Hereford Breeders Association, Rotary International Boy Scouts of America, Texas Water Conservation Association and the Texas Farm Bureau.

He is an elder at Westminster Presbyterian Church of Lubbock and is a member of the Texas Tech Ex-Students Association.

What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for the Dimmitt schools for June 21-29:

DIMMITT SUMMER FEEDING Breakfast

THURSDAY: Scrambled eggs with biscuit, grape juice, milk.

FRIDAY: Breakfast burrito, fresh bananas, milk.

MONDAY: Waffles with syrup, grape juice, milk.

TUESDAY: Frosted Flakes cereal, orange wedges, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Sausage and biscuit, orange juice, milk.

THURSDAY: Apple Jacks cereal, orange wedges, milk.

FRIDAY: Pancakes with syrup, apple juice, milk.

Lunch

THURSDAY: Beef taco, Mexipinto beans, taco condiment salad, milk.

FRIDAY: Hot dog on bun with cheese, cole slaw, tater tots, milk.

MONDAY: Chicken salad sandwich, tater tots, fruited gelatin, milk.

TUESDAY: Grilled cheese sandwich, mixed vegetables, potato chips, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY: Italian spaghetti, savory peas, tossed salad, garlic bread, milk.

THURSDAY: Hamburger on a bun, tater tots, hamburger salad, milk.

FRIDAY: Chicken fillet strips, baked beans, mashed potatoes with gravy, milk.

HART Lunch

THURSDAY: Spaghetti and meat sauce, pizza, mixed grain toast, salad, corn, carrot sticks, pineapple, gelatin dessert, sliced pickles, chocolate chip cookies, milk.

FRIDAY: Tuna salad sandwich, sub sandwich, chicken fajitas, refried beans, salad, gelatin dessert, dill pickles, carrot sticks, ginger cookies, milk, kool-aid, tea, ice cream.

Dimmitt Darlins tourney is slated

The annual Dimmitt Darlins golf tournament will be held at the Country Club of Dimmitt June 30 and July 1.

The \$70 entry fee per person includes a cart fee, mulligans, and a Saturday night meal.

Prizes will be awarded on every hole Saturday.

For more information or to sign up for the tournament call 647-4502.

Scramble ends in tie

The weekly scramble at the Country Club of Dimmitt ended in a tie once again, and that means the prize money carries over for another week.

Two teams shared the lead with 32 strokes in the nine-hole scramble. They are Mickey Bishop, Bill Snider, Cheryl Brown and T.D. Davila on the first team; and Kent Lindsey, Tony Fisher, Steve Smith, Ray Sandoval and Jo Beth Bates on the second team.

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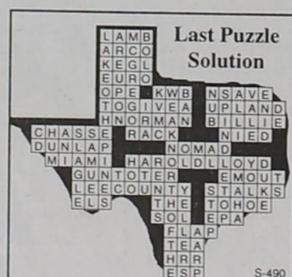
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ABOUT 97 PERCENT of women diagnosed with breast cancer in its earliest stage could survive! Ladies, is it time for your mammogram?

Nowadays the only time people seem to get on their knees is when looking for a contact lens.



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ACROSS

1 mama's 'bigger half'
 5 TXism: "blind as _____"
 6 Decatur's county
 7 _____ Chaney Street is in San Antonio
 8 TX no longer produces this mineral
 9 "how are you?" south of the border (2 wds.)
 17 ex-Gov. Richards
 18 horse track near Austin (2 wds.)
 20 TX "Tarzan" (init.)
 21 TXism: "_____ as a squirrel up a tree"
 22 dry creek bed
 23 33-down was _____ man in the world
 29 XIX ranch got land for 50¢ an _____
 30 TXism: "don't get your shorts in a _____" (calm down)
 31 _____ Goodrich
 32 old TV show of TX Buck Owens
 33 USS Texas was in this Normandy event
 34 irritable
 35 TXism: "_____ in concrete (permanent)"
 36 "Big Tex's" stompin' ground (2 wds.)
 38 TXism: "footloose and fancy _____"
 39 TXism: "running _____" (wife)
 40 belief in God
 41 TXism: "that gets my _____"
 42 cowboys wear 'em with big buckles

DOWN

1 "south _____" (lefty)
 2 Taylor Co. seat
 3 El Paso resident: El _____
 4 camping shelter (2 wds.)
 8 TX Kenny's "The Gambler, _____ II"
 9 TXism: "busier than a boomtown _____"
 10 "_____ riot, one Ranger"
 11 "The Mighty _____" doesn't run in TX
 12 a UT color
 13 on I-37, Patricio Co.

14 TXism: "_____ it all out" (unravel)
 15 Texas _____step
 16 TXism: "if it was _____ I couldn't stand it"
 18 TX "Peter Pan" Martin
 19 most like a baby's bottom
 21 wound reminder
 23 this Hoffman was 1st Texan in the major leagues (init.)
 24 won pres. nom. in Houston in '28 (init.)
 30 Center AM radio
 33 Bob Hayes '64 gold medal: 100m _____
 34 Dublin's county

35 La _____ County
 37 TXism: "hissey _____"
 38 FW of DFW
 39 TXism: "give _____ bacon without the sizzle" (be brief)
 41 TXism: "don't look a _____ horse in the mouth"
 42 "B" of TX H.E.B.
 44 TXism: "that _____ won't hunt"
 45 winter garment
 48 corrected the Houston Chronicle
 52 an athletic confer.

On the Go with Dorothy Hopson, 647-4579

Susie Reeves was honored on her 80th birthday by her children, Donny and Jackie George of Yuma, Ariz., who came three weeks prior to her birthday to make preparations for a lovely party. Her daughters, Joyce Rickerd and Linda Powell, both of Dumas, helped with the festivities at the Senior Citizens' party room.

Eighty-five people came by to visit and wish her well. Among the guests were her grandson, Woody Rickerd, his wife, Mitzi, and their children, Tyler, Saber Nicole, and baby girl of Hart.

Later, Susie's granddaughter, Dee Dee Bishop; and friends Kendra Murphy and Maxine Ballard; and her grandson, all of Lubbock, came with belated birthday wishes and enjoyed a long visit.

Judy Birdwell had company from Canton. Her brother-in-law, Aaron Blackwell, and Don Crabtree stopped here on their way to Nevada to a Blackwell family reunion. Aaron is the nephew of the late Blackie and Sarah Blackwell, which means he is a cousin of Elmo and Sonny Blackwell of Dimmitt.

Bonnie Kenworthy had a good visit with a longtime friend from Earth, Gayle Burton. They enjoyed several quilt shows in the Phoenix, Ariz., area where Gayle lives now. Bonnie and Gayle are both long-ago Earth residents.

Barbara and Ray Bain recently enjoyed a cruise to Alaska and at my request, Barbara has given an account of their trip aboard the Norwegian Sky cruise liner.

The Bains enjoyed a cruise to Alaska aboard the Norwegian Sky, sailing from Seattle, Wash., on May 27 and returning to Seattle on June 3.

They toured Seattle for a couple of days before returning home. Also on board for the trip were the Bains' friends from Perryton, Jim and Betty

Clark and Mike and Marilyn Gilger.

The Norwegian Sky included over 2,000 passengers and 750 crew members. The trip included wonderful food and fantastic entertainment nightly.

There were many activities on board for the passengers to pick and choose from including all sorts of games, contests, various classes, exercise and spa opportunities.

Barbara said since they were almost always in view of land, they especially enjoyed watching the scenery from the ship.

One of the most phenomenal things they saw was Sawyer Glacier, and their ship came within a mile of the glacier. They were told that the captain usually didn't get the ship that close to the glacier. They spent about an hour near the glacier.

They docked at three ports in Alaska during the cruise—Juneau, Ketchikan and Skagway. They toured all of these towns and also took some side excursion trips.

At Juneau they went whale watching on a jet boat where they saw humpback whales and Osprey or killer whales. They also saw many bald eagles either in their nest or flying.

That evening they went to a salmon bake where fresh salmon were grilled with all the trimmings.

At Skagway they went to the Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve, which was a trip by bus. They saw very beautiful scenery on this excursion and their trip took them to the town of Haines, where Fort Seward is located.

They visited the American Bald Eagle Foundation where specimen of the Valley's many inhabitants are displayed. A buffet dinner was served there before they boarded the ferry back to Skagway.

During their time in Ketchikan, they went to a Lumberjack Show, which is what a rodeo would be to cowboys. Lumberjacks competed in

chopping, sawing, log rolling, tree climbing and other events connected to logging.

Their other side excursion was to Victoria, British Columbia, where they took a sight seeing tour of the city.

When they returned to Seattle they spent two days sight seeing there, enjoying a tour of the Boeing Aircraft Museum and dinner on the waterfront.

These are just some of the out-of-town guests who I saw or visited with at the 110th anniversary of the First Baptist Church on Sunday.

The Bob Askeys of Dalhart are now retired. He was the Bobbies' coach circa 1970-75 and his wife, Nelda, taught in the elementary grades. They were special guests of a former Dimmitt Coach, John Lantz, and his wife, Carol.

The Bryce Dowells of Granbury were special guests of their aunt, Irene Carpenter, and Jimmie and Floyce George while they were here for the anniversary celebration. The Dowells are at least second-generation First Baptist Church members. They are the children of the Lester Dowells and J.O. Carpenters.

Bobby Jack Stewart, a former staff member of First Baptist Church who now resides in Paris, Texas, with his wife, Wanda, also were present. He is the father of Carole Hopson of Dimmitt.

Robert and J'Lyn Ryan, who have just retired from the Seminole School District, joined in the celebration as well. Robert was the Dimmitt ISD superintendent and J'Lyn taught high school business here. They accepted basically the same positions a few years ago in Seminole. They are now in the process of moving to Runaway Bay near Bridgeport.

Also present were Margaret Coker and her granddaughter, Maggie of

Amarillo. Margaret and her late husband, Paul Coker, lived here in the 1980s and Paul was employed by the television cable company here.

Margaret is the sister of Howard Rhodes, pastor of First Baptist Church. Margaret's daughter, Stacy, was in my fourth grade Sunday School department. (Incidentally, I found this prayer request recently in an old Bible: "The Howard Rhodes' family go to Africa as missionaries July 26, 1982, from Oklahoma Lane Baptist Church. He is Stacy Coker's uncle.")

Kathryn (Easter) Vardell and her daughter, Ann, and Ann's husband of Hereford, joined the Baptist celebration on Sunday, too. Kathryn was the second person baptized in the first building of the First Baptist Church. She was a school history

teacher at Hereford for several years and was a Sunday school teacher here for a long time.

Also joining us were Troy and Billie Kirby's children, Bobbi Wooten of Lubbock, Kerri Jo Jack and her daughter, Holly. Kerri Jo lives north of Friona and Holly lives in Lubbock and is attending nursing school.

Don and Verbie Nelson of the Castro County News joined the Baptists for lunch after attending worship services at the Methodist Church. I'm sure they were covering the celebration for the newspaper. They were a delightful addition to the gala event.

Don recently disclosed the news that Linda Maxwell, a faithful News employee for 21 of 27 years was retiring. I know everyone at the

News office will miss Linda. I only frequent the office one time a week on Mondays about 12:30 p.m. Linda was usually there while others were on lunch break. She advised me when I asked her and corrected my spelling, grammar and other errors as she typed my column and prepared it for printing. I certainly appreciate her quiet and pleasant countenance and will miss her greatly. We wish her well.

Specialist Gracie Smith is now stationed in Heidelberg, Germany.

She and her husband, Brandon, and their children, Jason and Alanna, will return to Germany after spending a month visiting in Dimmitt with their parents, Manuel and Connie Martinez, and Gail Smith of Lubbock and other relatives and friends.

Camp Alphia seeking participants

Camp Alphia, an overnight summer camp for children with cancer and cancer survivors, is accepting reservations.

The camp will be held Aug. 5-10 at Ceta Canyon Methodist Camp south of Amarillo near Canyon.

Children ages 7 through 14 who have cancer or have had cancer are welcome to attend Camp Alphia, and a sibling may accompany each camper.

Camp Alphia is free to campers, thanks to individual, business and civic sponsors who underwrite expenses. Sponsoring a camper costs \$250.

Established in 1988, Camp Alphia offers all the normal activities of summer camp including indoor and outdoor sports and recreation, arts

and crafts, swimming and much more. The camp provides special facilities, diets and trained staff to accommodate the needs of cancer patients.

The parents of Camp Alphia residents also receive a much-needed dose of relaxation and fun as they attend a free, concurrent parents' camp. While the children enjoy outdoors, parents spend a week at an Amarillo hotel being treated to a variety of diversions such as special dinners and visits to area attractions.

"We plan Camp Alphia and Parents' Camp to give everyone in the family a break," says Camp Alphia President Robin Johnson. "This fun has a serious purpose in that it helps redirect attention back to the family.

It's important for families to establish a quality of life that can be maintained through the time of treatment and beyond."

Camp Alphia staff members are volunteers and nearly all parents' camp activities are donated. Camp counselors are high school graduates and most are in college. They work on a volunteer basis, and some are even cancer survivors.

Because of laws governing the confidentiality of cancer patients, Camp Alphia cannot contact eligible campers without their permission. Parents of eligible campers are encouraged to contact Camp Alphia by writing to P.O. Box 3819, Amarillo, TX 79116-3819. Pre-registration is encouraged prior to June 30.

Camper sponsorships and activity sponsorships remain available. For more information, call Susan Bentley at (806) 359-4586 or Norman Stuppi at (806) 353-8941.

Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

Our community was saddened this weekend as we lost one of our high school students, Shane Kleman, who died in a pickup accident Saturday evening.

Our sympathy is with his parents, Doyle and Rosie Kleman; his sister, Holly; his grandparents, Carl and Mary Kleman and Gilbert and Dolly Schulte; their extended families; and the three boys who were also in the pickup.

The very first basketball tournament in the new Nazareth Gymnasium was held this past weekend. There were eight teams participating with each team playing four games. Teams playing were from Happy, Petersburg, Tulia, Littlefield, Lockney, Abernathy and two from Nazareth. The teams were all varsity except the one junior varsity team from Nazareth.

The varsity team won all four of its games in the tournament. Nazareth Coach Mike Scarborough, who put together the tournament, said that other coaches were all very impressed with our new facility.

Whitney Hoelting of Nazareth and Tiffany Lewis of Canyon played in the SCCC All-Star Basketball Game in Liberal, Kan., over the weekend.

Jim, Sandee and Jake Hoelting and Howard and Tawny Lewis of Canyon enjoyed watching the game.

Nick Gerber of Austin spent last week here visiting with his Birkenfeld, Hoelting, Rose and Gerber cousins. He was busy with many things. On Monday they all enjoyed a picnic in Palo Duro Canyon, then attended the production of TEXAS.

Vacation Bible school will be held June 25-29 for children in grades K-7. Coordinators are Kim Birkenfeld and Mary Lynn Olvera.

The 29th annual German Festival, arts and crafts show and Suds and Sounds concert will be held on Saturday, July 14. The day's events are sponsored by the Nazareth Community Hall and the Knights of Columbus, with proceeds going to benefit different organizations and the community.

Emily Kern, daughter of Tom and

Jennifer Kern of Midland, received five of seven awards at Jane Long Elementary School in Midland. She received the President's Award and the top reader honor in the first grade. Emily is the granddaughter of Bud and Rita Kern.

Tom and Jennifer Kern celebrated their 12th wedding anniversary on Saturday, June 16, by going to see the production of TEXAS in Palo Duro Canyon.

Prayers are asked for Francis Wilhelm, Virgil Brockman, Anna Huseman Lee, Edith Huseman, Lori Huseman, Tammy Drerup, Ray Schmucker, Art Albracht and Ann Heck; and for Daryl Pohlmeier, Trey Robb and Justin Kleman, who were all involved in Saturday's pickup accident.

Class of 1991 plans reunion

Members of the Dimmitt High School Class of 1991 are making plans for their 10-year reunion, which has been set for Saturday, July 28.

Class members would also like to extend a special invitation to any teachers who might want to attend.

The event will start out at noon at the Dimmitt City Park with a family picnic. Dinner along with music will be at the Country Club of Dimmitt, and the cost will be \$25 per couple or \$15 per person. Money must be turned in to Leigh Durbin by July 1.

All members of the class are asked to get in touch with Jamie Baker Mendoza at 647-0443 or log on to the reunion web site at www.angelcities.com/members/dhsc1991/index.html and leave their information.

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'Country picnic' is on tap in Littlefield

A country picnic sponsored by the Littlefield Arts and Heritage Committee will be held Saturday, June 30, at the Lamb County Ag and Community Center at 17th and Hall Ave., in Littlefield.

The annual summer event will begin with a parade at 10 a.m. and will feature floats, autos, tractors, riding groups and a lot more. To enter, contact Ronnie Vaughn at (806) 385-5941. Prizes will be awarded to winners in various categories.

Following the parade, the committee will sponsor a barbecue meal beginning at 11 a.m. in the Ag Building.

Throughout the day, a carnival will be open to the public, with rides and games furnished by Lazbuddie At-

tractions. The carnival will be operated by members of the Littlefield Wildcat Band.

An open horseshoe tournament will be held at the Fannie May Horseshoe Park. Cash awards will be given and for more information call Bob or Othana Donnell at (806) 385-5736.

A Talbert-sanctioned chili cook-off will be held along with bean and salsa cook-offs. For more information on these contests or to enter them call (806) 246-3469.

There will be an antique tractor pull at 3 p.m. in the Sheriff's Posse Arena.

Other activities will include an arts and crafts show in the Ag Building, a softball tournament and performances by area bands.

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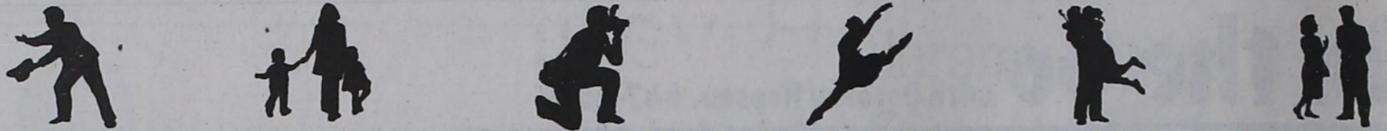
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People



GOING CRUISING—Canterbury Villa's residents get ready to enjoy a shopping excursion in their new van. Canterbury Villa Administrator Laurel English said Rex Wooten and First United Bank of Dimmitt helped make it possible for the nursing home to purchase this van, which is used to transport patients to doctor's appointments, shopping and other outings. Among the residents pictured here are (from left) Emily Ramey, Laura Rios, Rex Wooten, Wilda Hawkins, Nita Beavers, Teeny Bowden, Adell Clark and Glen Duncan. *Courtesy Photo*

Mr. and Mrs. John Welps establish home in Amherst

Mr. and Mrs. John Welps are home in Amherst after enjoying a wedding trip to Colorado.

The couple exchanged wedding vows June 9 in a formal, double-ring ceremony at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth. Deacon Al Maurer officiated at the service.

The bride is the former Vanessa Wilhelm, daughter of Rocky and Dianne Wilhelm of Nazareth. She is the granddaughter of Elmer and Florene Schulte and Francis and Betty Wilhelm, all of Nazareth.

Parents of the groom are Virginia Holland of Floydada and Joe Welps of Fort Worth. His grandparents are Jack and Mary Roberts.

White bouquets with orange Gerber daisies, yellow babies' breath and pink and purple flowers decorated the sanctuary along with candelabra accented with greenery.

Pianist Courtney Hoelting, cousin of the bride, provided accompaniment for solist Nicole Schulte, a friend of the bride.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, Rocky Wilhelm, wore a sleeveless dress accented with scattered pearls on the bodice, a keyhole back and a cummerbund-style waistline. Scattered pearls graced the sides and bottom of the gown.

She carried a cascading bouquet of Gerber daisies, white daisies and yellow babies' breath accented with purple and pink flowers.

Serving as maid of honor was Tiffany Schmucker of Nazareth, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Amber Scott of Plano, Renee Lechner of Amarillo and Genese Schmucker of Wichita Falls, cousins of the bride.

The bridal attendants' dresses were black sleeveless creations with a vee back. A chiffon overlay accented each gown and was scooped up from the bottom to the sides with a ruffle on the bottom. They wore shoes dyed to match with a sheer layer over the top.

The bridesmaids' carried flowers matching those in the bride's bouquet.

Best man was Brian Welps of Amarillo, brother of the groom. Groomsmen included Sergio Martinez of Hart, Brett Conrad of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Jeremy Card of Dallas, friends of the groom.



MRS. JOHN WELPS
... nee Vanessa Wilhelm

Candle lighters included Samantha Hooper and Shanda Hooper, both of Wichita Falls, Melissa Reed of Houston and Kori Wilhelm of Amarillo, cousins of the bride.

Cale Wilhelm of Nazareth, brother of the bride, was the ring bearer.

Flower girls were Roxanne Wilhelm of Nazareth, sister of the bride; and Scout Welps of Amarillo, the groom's niece.

Ushers were Shelby Wilhelm and Shay Wilhelm, both of Nazareth, brothers of the bride; and Kit Schulte of Nazareth, cousin of the bride.

After the wedding, a reception honoring the couple was held at the Nazareth Community Hall.

The tables were decorated with tin buckets holding fresh flowers, votive

candles and greenery. The bride's cake was decorated with fresh flowers and was topped with double white hearts with a miniature Precious Moments bride and groom. Big white hearts decorated the satellite cakes.

The groom's chocolate cake included chocolate-covered and almond-covered strawberries.

As the reception came to an end, the bride changed into a black dress for her traveling attire as the couple departed for their wedding trip to Colorado.

The bride plans to seek a job in the dental field somewhere in the area.

The groom has been employed as the new ag teacher at Amherst Independent School District.

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Springlake VFD sets dance June 30

The Springlake Volunteer Fire Dept. will have a fund raiser dance June 30.

The dance will be held 1 mile west of Springlake, starting at 9:30 p.m. There will be live music. Admission will cost \$5 per person or \$8 per couple.

Proceeds will benefit the Springlake Fire Dept.

Local People Caring for Local People



Ray and Angie Sandoval

Ray and Angie Sandoval, a pair of Dimmitt natives who have been husband and wife for 18 years, started a new joint venture together in January 1999. Their goal was to become emergency medical technicians (EMTs).

They attended class together in the courthouse basement two nights a week, four hours a night, and also did a lot of on-the-job training both inside and outside—all the while juggling their family schedules with their son, Matthew, 17, and daughter, Danielle, 7.

During basketball season, Matthew played two nights a week as a member of the Bobcat varsity. Fortunately, they weren't the same two nights as his parents' EMT classes.

Ray and Angie completed their training and became certified EMTs last fall.

Then, guess what? "They started a paramedic class and we decided we might as well take advantage of the opportunity," Ray said.

Now both are paramedics. They're certified paramedics because they completed the course and exam work. But they're also licensed paramedics because they had already fulfilled the college requirement for licensing. Each has had at least two years of college—Ray at UT-Austin and Texas Tech, and both Ray and Angie at WTAMU and Amarillo College.

So now Ray and Angie are licensed and certified to operate an ambulance, take all vital signs, perform patient assessments, administer cardiac drugs and intravenous

procedures, chest decompression, incubation and tracheal procedures, and most standard pre-hospital procedures on patients experiencing heart attacks or accident trauma.

They fill such a vital need here that the Castro County Hospital District helped pay for their training.

"Until we became licensed as paramedics, there weren't any other paramedics in the hospital district who actually lived in Dimmitt," Ray said. "They'd have to come in from out of town. The nearest one lived in Summerfield. We're five minutes away from the hospital."

"Also, I haven't known of any other Hispanic paramedics in Castro County," Angie said. "That's important because more and more of our geriatric patients are people who don't know English. That language barrier between a paramedic and a patient can make a life-or-death difference."

They're continuing with their fulltime jobs (Ray is a lab technician at Cerestar USA and Angie is the materials management director for the hospital district).

But now they're also on call for medical emergencies.

We're happy about that, and proud of both of them.



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First county 'baby fair' slated tonight in Dimmitt

Pregnant women and new mothers can benefit from the Castro County Baby Fair, which is scheduled tonight (Thursday), from 6:30 to 8:30 at the Extension Office in Dimmitt.

Moms attending the seminar will receive a free gift and refreshments and can register for door prizes including a high chair, baby monitor and car seat. Fun and interesting ideas on pregnancy and parenting will be shared. The main focus will be on infants and preschoolers.

Several community service agencies will give short presentations. There will also be exhibits and dis-

plays to help you with your parenting concerns.

The event is being hosted by the "Baby Fair Task Force." Members of the task force represent the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, WIC, Dept. of Human Services, 2CARE for MOMS and 2CARE for BABIES, and Jamie Mendoza, who represents young mothers in the county. Also participating in the event will be representatives from Early Childhood Intervention, Coalition of Health Services, Castro County Area Partnership for Moms and Babies, and Plains Memorial Hospital District.

The goal of the Castro County Area Partnership for Moms and Babies is to promote early and continued prenatal care, well-child checkups and childhood immunizations as well as to provide continuing parenting education. The group also supports the missions of 2CARE for MOMS and 2CARE for BABIES, both incentive programs of the Coalition of Health Services.

"This event is a new way for us to reach women with new babies and those about to give birth," said Holly Hancock, program director for 2CARE for MOMS and 2CARE for BABIES. "It's extremely rewarding to see so many organizations come together to present this program that ultimately benefits children in Castro County."

Free child care for the Castro County Baby Fair is being provided from 6 to 9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church at 110 SW Third. Child care is available for infants through age 7.

Women enrolled in the 2CARE for MOMS and 2CARE for BABIES programs will receive participation points for attending the Castro County Baby Fair. Participants should bring their program gift card to the fair.

Hart 4-H plans to roller-blade

Members of the Hart 4-H Club are planning an evening of roller-blading fun tonight (Thursday) and all county 4-H'ers are invited to join in the party.

The event will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Centennial Pavilion in Hart.

Those planning to attend should bring their roller blades, favorite compact discs and money for drinks.

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Bryant and Scarborough marry in formal ceremony

Cynthia Lee Scarborough of Lubbock and Tory Wayne Bryant of Plainview were married Saturday in a formal, evening ceremony performed by Dr. Tom Mills at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Lubbock.

The bride is the daughter of Jack and Cindy Scarborough of Lubbock and the granddaughter of Jimmie Wilson of Petersburg. Parents of the groom are Mike and Vicki Bryant of Graford, formerly of Plainview. He is the grandson of Dale and Marie Winders of Dimmitt and Russell and Betty Bryant of Las Cruces, N.M.

Music was provided by Karen Dawson, organist; Jonathan Mills, soloist; and Georgette Weisgerber, trumpet player.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a white, two-piece corset gown in delustered matte satin with an A-line skirt, chapel-length train and double trails. Roses and pearl trim outline the square neckline, sleeves and double trails. A separate "brooch" of roses adorns the back waist.

She wore a headpiece decorated with exquisite pearl detail. The attached two-tier cascading veil was elbow length and edged with satin cord.

Her bouquet was a clutch of ocean, Virginia roses, Lily of the Valley and small porcelain roses, with the stems wrapped in organza.

Jill Jacobus of Lubbock, the bride's sister, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids included Alison Cudnoski, Mandy Allison and Marisa Mills, all of Lubbock, and Amanda Comegys of Kerrville, friends of the bride; and Amanda Scarborough of Lubbock, the bride's sister-in-law.

The bridal attendants wore light



MRS. TORY BRYANT
... nee Lee Scarborough

Guests were seated by Joe Adams of Petersburg, Stephen Hamrick of Abilene and Ty Miller of Conway, Ark.

Flower girls were Hannah Harbin and Maddie Harbin, both of Littlefield, cousins of the groom.

Following the wedding, a reception was held at Lakeridge Country Club.

Members of the house party were Michelle Rogers of Fritch, Cory Langston of College Station, and Nicole Bourland, Anna McSpadden, Kelsey Montgomery and Emily McMahan, all of Lubbock.

The couple enjoyed a wedding trip to Cozumel, Mexico and will reside in Arlington.

The bride is a graduate of Lubbock Monterey High School and West Texas A&M University.

The groom graduated from Plainview High School. He did his undergraduate work at Texas Tech University before completing graduate work at West Texas A&M University. He is employed as the women's assistant basketball coach at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Other pre-wedding courtesies included a rehearsal dinner hosted by Mike and Vicki Bryant at County Line Barbecue, followed by a dance.

A bridesmaids luncheon hosted by Judy Sell, Cathy Wilson, Janette Scarborough and Julie Swindle was held at the Lubbock Club.

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MRS. TRAVIS SCHULTE
... nee Shawna Kenworthy

Kenworthy and Schulte exchange wedding vows in double-ring ceremony

Shawna Kenworthy and Travis Schulte were married Saturday in a formal, double-ring ceremony at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt.

The Rev. Rusty Dickerson officiated at the nuptial service.

The bride is the daughter of Tommy and Sherri Kenworthy of Dimmitt. Parents of the groom are Greg and Karen Schulte of Nazareth and the late Leon Schulte.

The church was decorated with a spring floral theme. The aisle pews were marked with bows and the altar was decorated with white tulle, greenery and white lights. Wrought-iron candelabra used in the wedding were handcrafted by the bride's grandfather.

Music was provided by organist Ronda Wise and Beth Buckley on the keyboard. They accompanied soloists Tami Griffitt, Nicole Schulte and Dwayne Kleman. Griffitt performed *The Lord's Prayer*, Schulte sang *When You Say Nothing At All*, and Schulte and Kleman performed a duet of *From This Moment On*.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a strapless white satin gown. The bodice of the gown is lavishly adorned with delicate silver embroidery and hand-beaded crystals and rhinestones. The embroidered motif is repeated in the panels of the Princess-line skirt and flowing chapel-length train. The low-cut square back and three straps are embellished with horizontal beaded straps.

She wore an elbow-length veil with matching crystals and rhinestones attached to a rhinestone and pearl crown.

In keeping with tradition, the bride had "something old, something new, something borrowed and something blue."

For "something old" she carried a handkerchief that had belonged to her great-great-aunt. "Something new" was her wedding gown. She "borrowed" a diamond ring from her grandmother. She wore a "blue" garter which held a lucky penny from the year of her birth.

She carried a traditional nosegay composed of Tineke roses. It was enhanced with orchid lisanthus encircled in fragrant stephanotis. Enveloping the bouquet was white tulle enhanced by small clusters of ruscus.

Maid of honor was Carol Summers of Lubbock, friend of the bride.

Bridesmaids were Sharla Kenworthy and Shayla Kenworthy, both of Dimmitt, sisters of the bride; Heather Wise and Stephanie Hinojosa, both of Lubbock, and Allison Dowdell of Amarillo, friends of the bride; and Jacy Buckley of Lubbock, the bride's cousin.

The bridal attendants were outfitted in floor-length black satin sheath dresses trimmed in orchid with matching stoles. Each carried a small nosegay of fresh spring flowers.

Best man was Brian Schmucker of Lubbock, friend of the groom. Groomsmen included Kit Schulte and Chase Schulte, both of Nazareth, brothers of the groom; Michael Schmucker of Canyon, Colby Pohlmeier of Nazareth and Jaret Schulte of College Station, cousins of the groom; and Trampas Ball of

Dallas, friend of the groom.

The groom's wedding ring was made from the gold, silver and diamonds from his late father's wedding ring set.

Candles were lit by Jinna Wright of Dimmitt, the bride's cousin; and Sierra Wilcox of Nazareth, cousin of the groom.

Ring bearers were Zak Kenworthy of Colorado, cousin of the bride; and Braden Hudson of Iraan, friend of the bride.

Flower girls were Blaire Webber of Colorado, cousin of the bride; and Roxanne Wilhelm of Nazareth, the groom's sister.

Guests were seated by Clint Coley of Hereford, Nick Johnson of Amarillo, Brandon Schilling of Hereford, Heath Schulte and Gaylon Schilling of Nazareth, Blake Conrad of Denver, Colo., Rob Kendrick of Dallas and Wesley Wright of College Station.

Following the wedding, the couple were honored with a reception in the church's Fellowship Hall.

The bride's and groom's cakes were made by the bride's grandmother.

The bride's cake was a five-layer white cake creation decorated with fresh spring flowers. The groom's chocolate cake was shaped like a basketball. Silver appointments were used for serving at the reception.

Following the reception the newlyweds and members of the wedding party were taken by a trolley car to Nazareth Community Hall for a dinner and dance.

After a wedding trip to Nassau, Bahamas, the couple will establish their home in Amarillo.

The bride is a 1999 graduate of Dimmitt High School. She is currently enrolled in dental hygiene classes at Amarillo College.

The groom is a 1992 graduate of Nazareth high school. He holds a degree in kinesiology from West Texas A&M University in Canyon. He is currently employed as head boys' basketball coach at Sunray.

Bridal shower honors Hunter

Sherri Lynn Hunter, bride-elect of Mike Baker, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Sandy Baker.

Sara Hunter, the bride-elect's sister-in-law; and Charlynn Wilhelm, the honoree's sister, presided over the serving table. They served stuffed cream puffs, fresh strawberries, cinnamon logs and peach tea to a large group of family and friends.

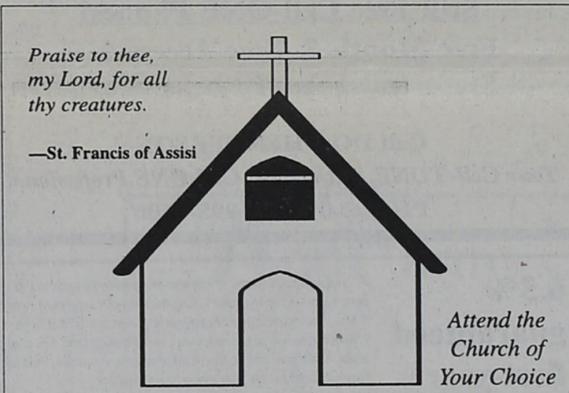
The table was decorated with a floral centerpiece and gold flat wear and crystal appointments were used.

The 32 hostesses assisting Mrs. Baker with the shower presented the honoree with a headboard for her bed.

Special guests attending the shower included Rachel Hunter, the bride-elect's grandmother; Mona Dell Bishop of Pampa; Paul and Barbara Kenley, former Dimmitt residents; Danielle Williams, Amber Stephens, Patricia Martinez, Jan Betzen, Jennifer Heiman and Susie Bradley, close friends of the honoree.

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Texas postpones SPS deregulation until 2007

A new Texas law will continue Southwestern Public Service Company as a price-regulated electric utility—not subject to the state's "deregulation" plans—for at least five years.

Texas Governor Rick Perry signed legislation June 15 that selectively postpones deregulation of SPS until 2001, or later. Most other Texas investor-owned utilities will be deregulated Jan. 1, 2002.

New Mexico, in which SPS also serves, and Oklahoma and Kansas—parts of which are "traditional SPS territory"—similarly have postponed or rejected plans to deregulate electric utilities.

"This means SPS will continue to operate in all four states as we have traditionally," said SPS's president, Gary Gibson. "And our tradition is to provide electric service at prices lower than those offered by comparable utilities in the region."

"We supported the legislation that postponed deregulation of SPS-served markets. In the long term, a competitive market can provide benefits to customers. But in the short term it would be difficult to realize many of those benefits in the low-cost, SPS-served area," he said.

"The delays in Texas and New Mexico serve the interests of SPS's

retail and wholesale customers, and, in turn, the interests of our wholesale customers' retail customers."

Gibson commended the legislators from SPS-served areas who supported postponement of deregulation. He said Texas House members Warren Chisum of Pampa and Pete Laney of Hale Center, and Texas Senator Teel Bivins of Amarillo, were primary movers of the Texas legislation.

"All the legislators from SPS-served areas in each of our states sponsored or supported the deregulation delays and preservation of the status quo," he said.

This year's Texas legislation requires SPS to construct high-voltage transmission lines to interconnect with other electricity suppliers. By 2007, a combination of the new high-voltage lines and SPS's existing interconnections will allow competitors to offer service in the region now served by SPS.

It had appeared the 1999 Texas Electric Choice Act would require SPS to sell most of its power plants.

Sale of plant capacity would reduce the company's market power in the service territory and selling the plants to at least four new owners was expected to "create competition" in the SPS-served area. Constructing the high-voltage interconnections is an alternative approach to addressing market power issues.

David Wilks, Xcel Energy's presi-

dent of energy supply, praised the new tie-line, "import-export," approach.

"We are relieved and pleased that we will continue to own and operate all of our Texas and New Mexico power plants—some of the highest-performing units in the nation," he said.

SPS already is constructing one of the new, high-voltage transmission lines. It is a 345-kilovolt tie between Amarillo and Holcomb, Kan. It will interconnect SPS to a major electricity-exchange point. SPS plans to construct another line, connecting Amarillo and Oklahoma City, before 2007. The company will be studying that line, and others, in the next several years.

"Improvements such as these will assure that more suppliers can compete in the area. Then, the forces of competition can put downward pressure on prices of service," Gibson said.

SPS is a regional electric utility that provides retail and wholesale service to about one million persons in a 52,000-square-mile area comprised of the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, eastern New Mexico, the Oklahoma Panhandle and southwestern Kansas. SPS is an operating company of Minneapolis-based Xcel Energy, the nation's fourth-largest combined electric and natural gas supplier.



CASTRO COUNTY STUDENTS Charley Nutt, Sadra Daniels and Susie Kern recently attended the Texas Farm Bureau's 38th annual citizenship seminar in San Angelo. The trio represented the Castro County Farm Bureau office. *Courtesy Photo*

Nutt, Daniels and Kern attend Farm Bureau leadership meeting

Charley Nutt and Sadra Daniels of Dimmitt and Susie Kern of Nazareth were among 350 high school juniors and seniors from 150 Texas counties participating in the Texas Farm Bureau's 38th annual citizenship seminar in San Angelo June 4-8.

The purpose of the seminar is to provide the students with a better understanding of their American heritage and the capitalistic free enterprise system, according to Bruce Fuller, Castro County Farm Bureau president.

Vernie Glasson, executive director of Texas Farm Bureau, presented a program on "Farm Bureau—Your

Host" after students were welcomed to Angelo State University.

A program on Farm Bureau scholarship opportunities was then presented by Texas Farm Bureau field representative Dale Bullock, 2000 Miss Texas Farm Bureau Jade Lusk and Kerri Schneider, the 2000 Texas Farm Bureau speech contest winner.

The students also participated in a program called "Congressional Insights," which allowed them to simulate a congressional office and election.

Other speakers at this year's seminar and their respective topics were David Vernon of Lubbock Christian

University, "Basics of Free Enterprise;" Ronald Trowbridge of Hillsdale College, "The Constitution;" and Clebe McClary, a motivational speaker, "Press on Regardless."

In addition, the students participated in a panel discussion led by Trowbridge and Vernon, followed by a question and answer session on "Our Rights, Our Freedom, Our Responsibility."

The students were entertained one evening by Neal Jeffrey of Dallas, a humorist and motivational speaker.

County ground water declines 2.01 feet in 2001

The ground water in Castro County is depleting—by more than two feet during 2000.

Annual depth-to-water level measurements made by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District indicates a decline of 2.01 feet in the ground water level of the Ogallala Aquifer in 2000.

The decline was determined after Water District personnel compared data gathered from the 92 observation wells located within Castro County.

The most recent decline is consistent with declines over the past 10 years.

From 1991 to 2001, the average annual decline is 2.16 feet in Castro County. Over the past five years dating back to 1996, the average decline has been 2.05 feet.

Across the Water District's service area, there was an average decline of 1.14 feet in the ground water level during 2000. That's 0.46 of a foot more than the 0.68 of a foot decline recorded for 1999.

The depth-to-water levels are usually taken in January or February of each year to allow water levels to stabilize from pumping during the previous crop growing season; however, this year a portion of the data collection was delayed by rain and snowfall which made it difficult to reach some of the well sites.

At the end of the 2000 crop growing season, only the portions of Armstrong and Randall Counties within the Water District recorded water level increases of less than a foot.

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Counties, plus the portions of Castro, Crosby, Hockley, Lamb and Potter Counties within the Water District, had average annual water level declines of more than a foot.

In addition, Bailey County, Lubbock County, and the portions of Deaf Smith and Floyd Counties within the Water District had water level declines of less than a foot in 2000.

Historically, depth-to-water level measurements show a district average decline of 0.73 of a foot in 1991; an average rise of 0.14 of a foot in 1992; an average decline of 1.46 feet in 1993; an average decline of 2.15 feet in 1994; an average decline of 1.91 feet in 1995; an average decline of 1.49 feet in 1996; an average decline of 0.34 of a foot in 1997; an average decline of 2.15 feet in 1998; an average decline of 0.68 feet in 1999; and an average decline of 1.14 feet in 2000.

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Police Calls

"When it turned summer, everybody got thirsty," Deputy Sheriff Joshua Arguijo quipped this week as jail bookings took a jump over previous weeks.

Law officers booked 22 persons into the county jail during the week. All but eight of them were processed out within a matter of hours.

Of those arrested, 11 were charged with alcohol- or drug-related offenses—either public intoxication, driving while intoxicated (DWI), or minor in possession. They included:

- ✓ 21-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested June 11 for public intoxication.

- ✓ 21-year-old Friona man, jailed June 13 on a warrant for possession of marijuana.

- ✓ 19-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested June 13 for driving while intoxicated and driving with license suspended after court.

- ✓ 19-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested June 13 on three warrants for driving while intoxicated and driving with license suspended after court.

- ✓ 34-year-old Amarillo man, arrested Friday on warrants for possession of intoxicating beverages and failure to appear.

- ✓ 37-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested Saturday for public intoxication and possession of marijuana.

- ✓ 30-year-old Dimmitt woman, arrested Saturday for public intoxication.

- ✓ 23-year-old Elk City Okla., man, arrested Sunday for public intoxication.

- ✓ 19-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested Sunday on charges of minor consuming alcohol.

- ✓ 30-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested Monday for public intoxication.

- ✓ 18-year-old Salt Lake City, Utah, man, arrested Monday for driving while intoxicated, first offense; no driver's license; and speeding.

- Others jailed during the past week were:

- ✓ 22-year-old Plainview man, jailed June 12 on felony forgery warrant.

- ✓ 28-year-old Olton man, arrested June 13 for theft over \$500 but under \$1,500.

- ✓ 42-year-old Lubbock man, arrested June 14 on a contempt of court warrant issued by Judge Ed Self.

- ✓ 83-year-old Friona man, charged June 14 for driving without a seat belt.

- ✓ 41-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested June 14 on a warrant out of Indiana for criminal non-support.

- ✓ 18-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested June 15 for driving without a license (third or subsequent offense).

- ✓ 38-year-old Dimmitt woman, charged Saturday with execution of a document by deception, \$1,500-\$20,000.

- ✓ 21-year-old Dimmitt woman, arrested Saturday on warrants for having a child unrestrained in a vehicle, displaying a fictitious registration sticker and an inspection sticker issued to another vehicle. She was initially stopped by the DPS for two on-site violations—expired license plates and fictitious inspection certificate.

- ✓ 29-year-old Phoenix, Ariz., man, arrested June 18 for disorderly conduct.

- ✓ 18-year-old Dimmitt man, stopped and ticketed for having no insurance, then arrested on Monday on an outstanding burglary warrant.

Law enforcement officers investigated several reports involving theft during the past week.

Roy Rivera told police someone had entered his residence at 806 SW Fourth St. in Dimmitt sometime between 2 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday and had taken a 24-inch television and an AM/FM stereo cassette. Rivera valued the items at \$1,075.

On June 12, Nancy Fuller reported someone had used her 1991 Cadillac Deville without her consent from 702 Cleveland St. in Dimmitt. Fuller said her cellular phone also was in the vehicle when it was taken.

The car was returned to Fuller the next day and her cellular phone was recovered.

A blank check was reported stolen by Reid Lewis Horan of Dimmitt on Friday.

Police reports indicate that after stealing the check, the suspect forged it at Dimmitt Market.

James Rayphard Smithson of 720

Maple St. in Dimmitt told police someone had taken his wife's bicycle without permission sometime on June 12.

Baby clothes were reported stolen in a burglary of a habitation incident on Monday.

According to police reports, someone entered Felix Fernandez's residence at 910 E. Jones, Apt. 701, sometime after 1:55 a.m. on Monday, and took some baby clothes.

On June 14, someone broke into the office at Dimmitt Laundry and stole two sets of keys.

A flag with a wooden pole, valued at \$20, was reported stolen on June 9 by Mark Wishard of 708 W. Lee St. in Dimmitt.

A 45-year-old Hart woman told police someone had assaulted her at Town and Country Food Store Sunday night at 11:23.

Dimmitt Police broke up a fight Sunday night in the 200 block of Northeast Seventh Street, charging the combatants with disorderly conduct.

City Manager Don Sheffy has this request of all Dimmitt residents:

"If you have a bunch of limbs and trash from your yard that you want to carry to the alley, put it on your side of the alley, no matter where the Dumpster is.

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FUN AND GAMES will be on tap July 3 in Dimmitt when Texas Tech University sends its "Raider Fun Zone" and the Masked Rider to take part in the annual July Jubilee celebration. The event kicks off at 11 a.m. with a flag raising on the courthouse

square in Dimmitt. Other activities include a street hockey clinic conducted by the Amarillo Rattlers, music, screenings and traditional Fourth of July food including hot dogs and homemade ice cream.

Courtesy Photos

Masked Rider, Rattlers, hot dogs and games on tap for July Jubilee

Texas Tech University's Raider Fun Zone and the Masked Rider will be at the courthouse square in Dimmitt on July 3 to highlight the July Jubilee celebration.

Castro County's July Jubilee celebration will begin at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, July 3, with a flag raising ceremony and performance of *The National Anthem* on the square. The Raider Fun Zone will be in place at that time.

The day's event also will feature a hockey clinic conducted by the Amarillo Rattlers, traditional Fourth of July foods like hot dogs and homemade ice cream, music and a variety of safety and health demonstrations.

The Raider Fun Zone consists of inflated games where youngsters may run obstacle courses, climb and slide, and exhibit their prowess (or potential) with basketballs and footballs as the hoopsters and gridiron stars of tomorrow. Older brothers, sisters and parents (even grandparents) will also find the games exciting.

The street hockey clinic is scheduled to kick off at 11:30 a.m. and will feature two hours of fun and exercise.

Texas Tech's Masked Rider will

make an appearance at 1:15 p.m.

"We think it's great to be able to welcome Texas Tech's mascot and the Raider Fun Zone to Dimmitt this year," said Bill Sava, executive director of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce. "They're going to create a lot of excitement on the square and we hope to have a tremendous turnout."

Hot dogs and soft drinks, along with homemade ice cream, will be served for a nominal fee throughout the celebration.

"We'd especially like to invite our Hart and Nazareth neighbors to join us and make July Jubilee a county-wide celebration," Sava said. "Be sure to bring your cameras.

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Gonzales wins scholarships

Valerie Gonzales, daughter of Roy and Robin Gonzales of Dimmitt, is the recipient of three scholarships from Eastern New Mexico University for the 2001-02 school year.

Gonzales will receive the Lone Star Scholarship for Texas students, the Dessie Rierson Langston Memorial Scholarship in Education, and the Eddy McMinn, Vivian and Staci Belmont and Daena Johnson Endowed Memorial Scholarship.

Gonzales is an elementary education major with a minor in reading. She is a junior at ENMU.

She has been named to the academic honor roll at Easter for the spring 2000 and 2001 semesters and carries a 3.9 grade-point average.

Gonzales served as the vice president of the Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society during the past year and will serve as a junior advisor during the upcoming school year. She also served as a learning facilitator and as "Greyhound Guide" for incoming freshmen in the fall of 2000.

She works at the Campus Children's Development Center and is active in the Student Council for Exceptional Children organization on campus. She also is a member of the International Reading Association.

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20—Help Wanted

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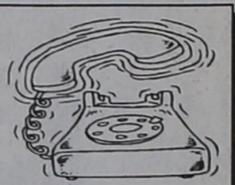
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20—Help Wanted

SECRETARIAL POSITION available. Competent computer skills a MUST. Previous office experience needed. Applications are available in the office of the Castro County Treasurer, Courthouse, Dimmitt, Texas. Applications will be taken through June 29, 2001. For more information, contact the Extension Office at 647-4115. Castro County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 20-12-1tc

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22—Notices

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23—Lost & Found

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25—Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE
The Judges of the 64th and 242nd District Courts will conduct a public hearing on July 9, 2001, at 6 p.m. in the District Courtroom of the Castro County Courthouse to set the salary for the County Auditor and to set the budget for the County Auditor's office for the 2001-2002 fiscal year.
JACK R. MILLER, 64th District Judge
EDWARD L. SELF, 242nd District Judge
25-12-11c

German Fest slated July 14

The 29th Annual Nazareth German Festival will be held in conjunction with Suds and Sounds on Saturday, July 14.

A German sausage meal will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Nazareth Community Hall. A variety of entertainment will be going on during this time.

Suds and Sounds will begin at 5:00 p.m. at the Community Center Ballpark, located east of town on Highway 86. Bands will begin performing at 6:30 p.m. and continue until 1:00 a.m. Sausage sandwiches and other foods will be served.

Suds and Sounds is sponsored by the Nazareth Community Hall and the Knights of Columbus with proceeds going to benefit different organizations and the community.

The Nazareth Art Club will once again be sponsoring the arts and craft show in the school cafeteria from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Booths are available for the show, measure eight feet by 10 feet, and cost \$20 per booth. When replying, please give a preference for either wall or center booth, if the table will be needed and send information about what will be displayed in the booth.

Make checks payable to Nazareth Art Club. Money must be received to reserve a booth and are assigned on a first-come basis.

The last day to make reservations for a booth is July 7. The school cafeteria will be open at 7:30 a.m. on July 14 for booth set-up.

For more information contact Rose Mary Wilhelm, HCR 2 Box 13, Nazareth, TX 79063, (806) 945-2583 or Lucille Drerup, Box 3, Nazareth, TX 79063, (806) 945-2562.

Letter
PCS deserves pat on the back

Dear Editor:
On behalf of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, I would like to express my appreciation to Panhandle Community Services for its efforts to improve the quality of life for the residents of Dimmitt and of Castro County.

The PCS staff does a remarkable job and have become a valuable asset to our community.

The impact of the Panhandle Transit Service is obvious and we especially appreciate the way PCS employees participate in community affairs from the Community Christmas Tree to our Chamber events—including the July Jubilee and the Follies; but actually, these services are just "the icing."

The true value of having PCS in our community is reflected in the renewed sense of hope on the faces of those people who have benefitted from their "bread and butter" programs: energy assistance, rentals, home maintenance and training.

By providing information and assistance, they show people how to get out of seemingly hopeless situations—and equip them to stay out. With the advent of a new program to benefit first-time home buyers, PCS has expanded its services to fill yet another need in the local community.

Panhandle Community Services is an "action" organization. It's a good time to pat the local staff on the back and recognize them for the contributions they make and the excellent job they do.

Thanks "guys." Keep up the good work!

BILL SAVA
Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce

Classifieds get results!

More about Tax rebates . . .

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summer, as the government will issue one-time lump-sum rebates to taxpayers who filed returns in 2000.

The refunds will amount to 5% of income up to \$6,000 for single taxpayers and \$12,000 for married couples. Single parents will get up to \$500. That translates into refunds of up to \$300 for single taxpayers, and up to \$600 for married taxpayers who filed 2000 returns this year.

The IRS is planning to send taxpayers a letter describing the check amount and the week it will be sent. Those not eligible for the advance payment also will receive a letter of explanation as to why they are being denied a refund. Taxpayers are urged to keep a copy of the letter they receive from the IRS.

Checks will be issued between July 23 and Sept. 24. Using the last two digits of taxpayers' Social Security numbers, checks will be issued as follows: Those with 00-09 as the last two digits of their Social Security number can expect their rebate check in the mail by July 23. Those with 10-19 will be mailed July 30; 20-29 will be sent Aug. 6; 30-39 will be sent on Aug. 13; 40-49 will be mailed on Aug. 20; 50-59 will be sent on Aug. 27; 60-69 will be mailed on Sept. 3; 70-79 will be sent on Sept. 10; 80-89 will be mailed Sept. 17; and 90-99 will be sent Sept. 24.

Those who have not yet filed a tax return for 2000 won't get an advance payment check until the IRS processes their return.

Americans will get refund checks this year, and their tax bills will continue to go down for the next 10 years.

The plan creates a new tax rate structure as well—10%, 15%, 25%, 28%, 33% and 35% by 2006.

Effective for the 2001 tax year, the current 28% rate will drop to 27%, the 31% rate drops to 30%, 36% rate drops to 35% and the top 39.6% rate drops to 38.6%. Those rates will remain in effect until 2004, when the rates will again be slashed by a percent, across the board. By 2006, the 10% to 35% tax rates will be in effect.

A new 10% tax rate will go into effect on July 1 for the first \$6,000 of taxable income for single taxpayers and the first \$12,000 for married couples filing jointly.

Under the plan, the child credit will double from \$500 to \$1,000, with increases planned as follows: to \$600 in 2001-07; \$700 in 2008; \$800 in 2009; and \$1,000 by 2010.

Eventually, the marriage penalty will be repealed, with the 15% bracket widening until it is twice that of single taxpayers. It also eliminates the marriage penalty in the standard deduction for those who elect not to itemize.

The death tax penalty is expected to be repealed by 2010. The plan also includes a phased-in increase in the unified credit to \$3.5 million in 2009.

Retirement savings also is addressed in the plan. Allowable IRA contributions will be raised from \$2,000 per year to \$5,000 per year, and 401(k) and other tax-deferred contribution limits will increase from \$10,500 to \$15,000.

The tax cut package is due to expire in 2010, unless it is renewed by Congress and the president.

The following box includes a summary of what the tax cut will mean to you.

Breast cancer screenings set

Breast cancer screening clinics will be held at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt on July 5 and 6 and appointments are still available.

Those who wish to have an exam should call 1-800-377-4673 or 356-1905 to schedule an appointment.

The clinic is being conducted by the Women's Center of the Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening that includes a mammogram and instruction in self-examination by a registered nurse.

Funding is available through the Texas Dept. of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

A summary of Bush's tax cut plan

Marginal rate reductions

- Creates a new tax rate structure which will be fully implemented by 2006: 10%, 15%, 25%, 28%, 33% and 35%.
- Gives lump-sum refund of \$300 for single taxpayers, \$500 for single parents and \$600 for married taxpayers this year.
- New 10% tax rate effective July 1, 2001, will apply to the first \$6,000 of taxable income for single taxpayers and the first \$12,000 of taxable income for married couples filing jointly.
- Repeals personal exemption (PEP) and itemized deduction phases-out beginning in 2006.

Marriage penalty repealed

- For married taxpayers, the standard deduction and 15% bracket will be widened to twice that allowed for single taxpayers, beginning in 2005.
- Eliminates marriage penalty in the standard deduction for those who don't itemize.

Estate tax repealed

- Repeals the estate tax by 2010.
- Phases in increase in the unified credit to \$3.5 million in 2009. The exemption will be \$1 million in 2002, \$1.5 million in 2004 and \$2 million in 2006 before topping out at \$3.5 million in 2009.

Child tax credit expansion

- Doubles the child credit from \$500 to \$1,000 by 2010. In 2001, the credit jumps to \$600 and will remain at that level through 2007. It will be raised to \$700 in 2009, \$800 in 2009 and \$1,000 in 2010.

Retirement savings

- Contribution limits for IRAs will gradually increase from \$2,000 to \$5,000 by 2008.
- Increases 401 (k) and other tax-deferred contribution limits from \$10,500 to \$15,000 by 2006.
- IRA catch-up contributions.
- Modifies Section 415 aggregation rules for multi-employer plans.

Education incentives

- Increases education savings account (ESAs) contribution limits from \$500 to \$2,000 and expands the plan to cover K-12 public and private education.
- Implements an above-the-line deduction for higher education expenses.
- Allows private institutions to offer pre-paid tuition plans.
- Makes permanent employer-provided education assistance exclusion.

Adoption tax credit

- Increases the credit to \$10,000 for special needs (currently \$6,000) and non-special needs (currently \$5,000).
- Increases the income phase-out range from current \$75,000 to \$150,000.

Alternative minimum tax

- Adjusts alternative minimum tax (AMT) to prevent taxpayers from losing benefits of tax reductions in the bill.
- Increases the exemption amount by \$2,000 for singles and \$4,000 for couples in 2001.



TALENTED TRIO—The vocal trio of Elaine Hazel, Tami Griffitt and Debra Ball (from left) provided one of the program highlights during the First Baptist Church's 110th anniversary luncheon at the Expo Building. A huge crowd of present and former members attended the luncheon and the special worship service that preceded it. Photo by Don Nelson

More about Nazareth accident . . .

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relative who was at the wedding reception to report the accident and request help.

Pohlmeier and Robb were taken by private vehicle to Plains Memorial Hospital, where they were treated and released Saturday evening. Justin Kleman was taken by ambulance to Plains Memorial, where he was held overnight for treatment.

The violent rollover occurred about 7:15 p.m.

Many Nazareth residents were attending a dinner and dance at the Nazareth Community Hall following the wedding of Shawna Kenworthy and Travis Schulte in Dimmitt earlier in the day. Others were at Saturday evening mass at Holy Family Catholic Church when word of the accident spread rapidly through the community.

When they arrived at the accident scene and saw the extent of Kleman's injuries, emergency medical personnel ordered a helicopter from Lubbock, and took the injured youth by ambulance to the Nazareth baseball park to await its arrival.

People of all ages rushed to the baseball park. They gathered in clusters, hugged each other and wept during the sad vigil.

After the helicopter arrived, medical technicians continued to work another half hour with Kleman in the ambulance, trying to get his condition stabilized before transporting him.

The youth was pronounced dead shortly after the helicopter arrived at Covenant Medical Center.

An autopsy was performed Monday to determine the exact cause of death. Results aren't expected to be available for a week or more.

Funeral mass was conducted Wednesday morning in Holy Family Church. Burial followed in the Holy Family Cemetery.

Kleman would have been a junior in Nazareth High School next school year.

More about Monday wreck . . .

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Ledesma said.

The accident occurred at 8:20 p.m. and immediately drew a crowd of onlookers from the baseball game, the neighborhood and the busy traffic along the highway.

Incoming traffic from the west was backed up almost half a mile as the wreck scene spanned almost the width of the highway. City, county and state law officers and highway department volunteers directed traffic during the investigation, diverting westbound vehicles toward Hospital Road or FM 3215.

Birdwell is in the intensive-care unit of Covenant Medical Center's Children's Unit in Lubbock. His family reported Wednesday morning that he was showing marked improvement and had been taken off of life-support machines.

Damage to the Monte Carlo was rated at LBQ-4, which is considered total, Ledesma reported.

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DATE: JULY 3, 2001
TIME: 1:00 P.M.
PLACE: AT THE FOYER OF THE COURTHOUSE IN CASTRO COUNTY, DIMMITT, TEXAS
206 NW 12th, Dimmitt, Texas
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Please phone (806) 468-8600 for further information
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Obituaries

Bob Berry

Bob Berry, 63, of Lubbock, former Hart resident, died Saturday at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock.

Services were held Tuesday morning at the First United Methodist Church in Hart with the Rev. Perry Hunsaker of Amarillo officiating, assisted by the Rev. Tom Long, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Hart. Burial followed Tuesday afternoon in Rose Hill Cemetery at Tulia under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Berry was born Oct. 6, 1937, in Tulia. He graduated from Tulia High School in 1956 and moved to Amarillo to attend the police academy. He graduated from the academy in 1958 and worked as a police officer there for several years. He married Kay Evans on Aug. 18, 1961, in Canyon.

He lived in Hart for 30 years. He worked as a mill manager for Hill Feed Yard. He worked for Frito Lay Corn Elevator as a manager for 16 years. He retired from Wal-Mart Private Fleet in 1999. He moved to Lubbock after his retirement.

He was a member of the Lions Club and was a charter member of the Hart Golden Group. He worked with the FFA and attended the Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Betsy Bob of Lubbock; a brother, Bud Berry of Amarillo; and three grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch in Amarillo, or the American Cancer Society.



J.B. Moore

J.B. Moore, 87, of Dimmitt, died Wednesday, June 13, at 7:10 a.m., at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon in the Ivey Chapel at Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt. Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mr. Moore was born Oct. 24, 1913, in Brushy Creek. He married Thelma Youts on Nov. 5, 1938, in Silverton.

He moved to Castro County in 1937 and had lived in Dimmitt for 63 years. He served three years in the US Army Air Corps and was one of the first members of the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept., serving as fire chief. He was instrumental in starting Dimmitt's first ambulance service. He was a member of the First Baptist Church and a member of the Oddfellow Lodge. He owned and operated Northside Motor Shop for several years. He worked for Texas Highway Dept., from 1957 to 1975, when he retired as district manager. He enjoyed traveling, fishing and camping with family and friends.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Larry Moore of Altus, Okla.; two daughters, Sammie Hughlett of Lamesa and Janis Williams of Mesa, Ariz.; three sisters, Christell Wilcox and Omega Johnson, both of Dimmitt, and Christeen Taack of Olton; seven grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to Hospice Care, 112 West Etter, Dimmitt 79027; or your favorite charity.

Birkenfeld is national finalist for American Legion scholarship

Blake Birkenfeld of Nazareth has been selected by the staff of Texas American Legion Boys State as a Samsung American Legion Scholarship national finalist.

Boys State was held at the University of Texas in Austin earlier this month.

In making the announcement, the selection officials said Birkenfeld was named a Samsung American Legion Scholarship national finalist on the basis of academics, school and community involvement, and financial need.

As a finalist, Birkenfeld will join 96 other national finalists from around the US, each competing for one of seven scholarships, each worth an estimated \$20,000.

Birkenfeld has a 3.95 grade-point average and ranks first in his class. He hopes to be either a computer programmer or a computer engineer, earning his degree from Texas A&M University.

The Samsung American Legion Scholarship funds come from the earnings of a \$5 million endowment given by Samsung. Samsung, in

recognition of the sacrifice and commitment of the United States servicemen and women who served during the Korean War to maintain the security of the Korean Peninsula, joined with the American Legion to offer an educational opportunity to the descendants of wartime veterans who have served honorably.

Birkenfeld's grandfather, Herman James Birkenfeld, served honorably in the US Navy during World War II, December 1943 to April 1946.

The president and chief executive officer of Samsung, North America, Bo-Soon Song, says his corporation wants to recognize the sacrifices and commitment of US servicemen and women.

"We believe this is the best way to show our appreciation to the US and to US war veterans," he said.

Members of Texas American Legion Boys State selection committee said the selection process was difficult. The applicants were some of the best qualified students in the state and the competition was keen.



'BY THE POWER OF THE LORD'—Dr. Leon Joplin sings what has become his signature song during the First Baptist Church's 110th anniversary luncheon Sunday at the Expo Building. It was one of two songs that the Dimmitt physician sang from his new compact-disc album, which was recorded recently in Nashville. Former pastor Paul Kenley returned to deliver the anniversary sermon and a large number of former members also were on hand for the observance, which included a memorial program for members who have died within the last 10 years, and the production of a booklet of memoirs and letters from present and former pastors and members of the church. Photo by Don Nelson

Livestock camp planned in July

Castro County Extension Service will join with Extension offices in Deaf Smith and Oldham counties to present a livestock camp this summer at the Deaf Smith County Bull Barn.

The workshops will cover exhibiting of sheep and goats, swine, and heifers and steers, and are planned July 10, 11 and 12.

The July 10 workshop will focus on sheep and goats and speakers will include Storm Gerhart, Kenny Brdecko and the District 1 master sheep volunteers.

July 11 will feature a program on swine, presented by Kyle Stevens, Danny Nusser and Scott Strawn.

Heifers and steers will be the subject for the July 12 workshop. Presenters will be Tracy Haymes, Bryan Martin and Robert Devin.

There will be a cost of \$10 per day for the workshop and this will cover lunch and all handouts and materials.

Each workshop will cover daily care, show day preparations, grooming and showmanship.

There will be a character counts lesson every day.

All registration is due in the Castro County Extension office before Tuesday.

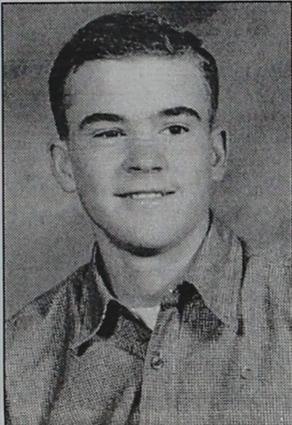
For more information call Castro County Extension Agent Rick Auckerman at 647-4115.

Reyes will be stationed at Holloman AFB

Air Force Airman Melinda Reyes has arrived for duty at Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo, N.M.

Reyes is a traffic management apprentice with the 49th Transportation Squadron.

She is the daughter of Leo L. and Maria I. Reyes of Dimmitt. She is a 1999 graduate of Dimmitt High School.



Shane Kleman

Shane Matthew Kleman, 15, of Nazareth, died at 9:04 p.m. Saturday at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock from injuries he sustained in a one-vehicle accident at Nazareth.

A vigil service was held Tuesday evening at the CCD Building in Nazareth with Father Peter Otto, pastor of Holy Family Catholic Church, and Deacon Al Maurer, officiating.

Mass was celebrated Wednesday morning at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth with Msgr. Harold Waldow, former pastor of Holy Family Church, officiating. Burial followed in Holy Family Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Kleman was born June 21, 1985, in Tulia. He was a junior at Nazareth High School and he played football, basketball and baseball. He was a member of the National Honor Society. He competed in UIL Mathematics, placing second in the region. He was a member of the CYO and worked for Pro-Ag Inc., in Dimmitt.

Survivors include his parents, Doyle and Rosie Kleman of Nazareth; a sister, Holly Kleman of Nazareth; his paternal grandparents, Carl Dean and Mary Kleman of Nazareth; and his maternal grandparents, Gilbert and Dolores Schulte of Nazareth.

The family requests memorials be to the Shane Kleman Memorial Scholarship Fund, in care of Nazareth High School, PO Box 189, Nazareth 79063.



OUT OF TOWN
Chad and Jennifer Ewing of Pampa are the parents of a baby boy, Dillon James, who was born at approximately 12:35 a.m. on June 9 at Golden Plains Community Hospital in Borger. Dillon James weighed 6 lbs., 15 ozs., and was 19-1/2 inches long when he was born. Grandparents are Edward and Sharon Ewing of Dimmitt and Gareld and Gwen Bright of Dumas. Great-grandparents are Arlon and Edna Ewing of Dimmitt and Mildred Bright of Dumas.

It's a boy for Scott and Yvette Hill of Houston. Their son, named Aidan Scott Hill, was born June 15 in Houston. He weighed in at 8 lbs., 9 ozs., and was 21 inches long. He is the first grandchild of W.J. and Sara Hill of Dimmitt. Other grandparents are J.D. and Suzette Cromer of Dallas. Great-grandmothers are Mrs. Geraldine Cox of Lubbock and Mrs. Evelyn Hill of Amarillo.

Luis and Lezly Martinez of Amarillo are the parents of a baby girl, Aloxandrea Rose, who was born May 23 weighing 5 lbs., 14 ozs., and measuring 19-1/4 inches long. Grandparents are Felipe and Irma Martinez, and Jeanette Martin, all of Dimmitt; and Lance Martin of Nashville, Tenn. Great-grandmother is Ramona Annen of Dimmitt.

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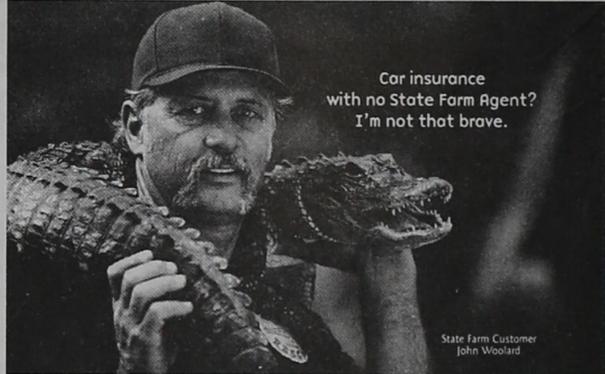
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