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#### By Don Nelson

Journalists, Lord help 'em, think that what they do is important.

They sometimes risk life, limb and hair control to gather their chips and chads of fact and shepherd them into print or onto the screen or airways with full hope and confidence that their contributions will help humankind to understand and learn.

And if humankind refuses to heed an obvious warning or even acknowledge a well-turned adjective, and simply blames "the media" for all of the foibles, controversies and scams that these denizens of the second oldest profession uncover and report . . . well, at least there's a real kick sometimes in just the trying.

One of the thrills of being a reporter is that you never know just what the new day will bring or where

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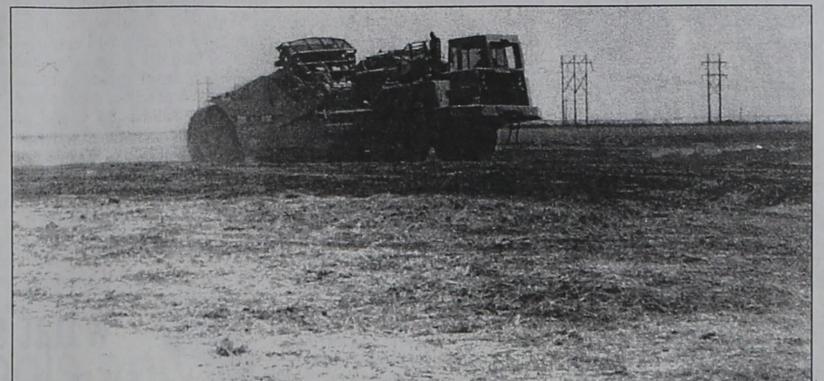


Photo by Susan Book

"To protest a permit," Jones said,

"there has to be some merit to the

protest for it to be a big deal, and

from what we can gather, the merit is

not there on that protest. Still, we

don't want to go where we're not

Upon the Economic Development

Committee's recommendation, the

city council approved both the site

and a \$150,000 incentive payment to

the SRJ firm at a public meeting on

July 23. The incentive payment will

A public notification of the permit

About the protesters' claims that

the dairy would bring dust, odor and

flies to town, Jones said, "I don't

believe that's right at all. I don't

the town of Amherst," Jones said.

away and the other is one mile away,

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"One of them is a quarter of a mile

"We have two dairies right next to

believe that's even an issue."

will be published in the News "within

the next 30 to 60 days," Jones said.

come from unused city reserves.

wanted."

BOTTOM-LOADER MOVES DIRT AT DAIRY SITE ... Next stage of construction will be pouring pads for barns

# December completion seen for 2,400-head dairy here

Construction has started on a 2,400-head dairy southwest of Dimmitt, and the developer said this week that it "will be completed within five months."

"We'll do the dirt work, then the milking-barn pad, then the commodity-barn pad, then start on Jones, vice-president of SRJ Dairy Development of Littlefield.

miles west and 11/2 mile south of Dimmitt—a site that is drawing criticism from a few locals who are worried about how the prevailing wind direction and the dairy's proximity to town might affect the city, especially

Jeremy Bishop

new state 4-H president

There are 1,170,365 members of and recreation, therefore; many pro-

The most recently elected presi- July Jubilee a few years ago. Chil-

dent, Jeremy Bishop, is the 17-year- dren decorated the sidewalks with

old son of Mickey and Carole chalk, hula-hooped and got to talk to

lings, Jaci and Jeffrey, who also "I entered my record book in Rec-

Bishop joined 4-H seven years ago sports, like kids, and I have no ani-

time at the meeting he then led others show animals to be a member. That

"I have learned some very useful ent projects involved with 4-H," he

tions and titles while being a member National Honor Society, Spanish

He has been active in community Fair during his term as president. In

projects throughout his membership June, he will go to College Station

in 4-H. These projects help him to for State Round-up and to celebrate

build knowledge, skills, and attitudes the 100th birthday of 4-H.

Bishop likes working with children Texas Tech University.

Bishop. He has two younger sib- the Amarillo Rattlers.

at the encouragement of one of his mals," he said.

He enjoyed the position of chil-

dren's recreation coordinator for the

reation because I have a passion for

"Most people think you have to

is just one aspect of the many differ-

Bishop divides the rest of his time

between football, student council,

club and countless other organiza-

Bishop will get to travel to

After graduation from Dimmitt

High School, he hopes to attend

Brownwood and to the Texas State

Texas State 4-H, and Dimmitt has jects he works with combine the two.

been the home to two state presidents

friends. After having such a good

skills over the last few years and

have had fun while doing it," he said.

of 4-H. The most recent was that of

him to be eligible for the state presi-

he'll need to be a strong productive

District 2 president which allowed tions.

Bishop has held numerous posi-

in the last four years.

attend Dimmitt schools.

to join in the fun.

dency.

Jeremy Bishop named

the southwest part of town where the high school, football stadium and nursing home are located.

Ray Robertson, 1006 Maple St., a business owner and retired farmer, was said to be planning a protest petition. But Robertson said this week, "I'm not planning a petition; I the barns and the pens," said Johnny think that's the wrong way to go about it. . . . I have some objections, not to the establishment of a dairy The dairy will be located four here, but to the location of it so near to Southwest Dimmitt."

> Mayor Wayne Collins, who also heads the Economic Development Committee, agreed with Jones that the dairy's application for a permit "is already deemed administratively correct."

> "I'm being told by the TNRCC (the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission) that unless someone has a home within half a mile of the site, they can't stop the permit," Collins said.

He added, "If the TNRCC rules that the dairy would not be a detriment to the air and water and so forth, then that's about it where the permitting process is concerned.

"Anyone opposed to the dairy can certainly protest to the TNRCC under our system, but in my opinion they wouldn't be successful."

## 'Worm' crawling in area computers

News reports of the "Code Red" worm virus have many people keeping a close eye on their computers, but there is another virus that has "wormed" its way into the computer systems of some county residents and businesses.

It's the W32.Sircam.Worm@mm similar to the W32.Matistr.Worm.

Local computer technician Frank Mendoza of Computer Solutions of Dimmitt, said he has had reports from several people who received the virus via e-mail.

This worm arrives as an e-mail message with the following content:

will be random, and will be the same as the file name of the e-mail attach-

file taken from the sender's computer and will have the extension .bat, .com, .lnk or .pif added to it.

Message: The message body will be semi-random, but will always contain one of the following two lines (either English or Spanish) as the first and last sentences of the

Last Line: Nos vemos pronto, gracias.

First Line: Hi! How are you?

Between these two sentences, some of the following text may ap-

very simple: Spanish Version

# So long, summer Students' holiday drawing to a close

School teachers and administrators registering at 8 a.m. and seventh across Castro County are preparing lesson plans and getting ready for the 2001-2002 school year, which starts next week for most Castro County students. Before students report for school, however, they will need to register for their classes.

The schools in Castro County have scheduled their registration times. Dimmitt students will register on Friday, Aug. 10 as will Nazareth students. Hart students will register throughout the week of Aug. 13-17.

Students in Nazareth will report for classes on Monday, Aug.13. Dimmitt students will start school three days later on Aug. 16. Hart students will report for school the next week on Monday, Aug. 20.

#### Hart

On Monday, Aug. 13, high school seniors will register at 10 a.m. and juniors will register at 1 p.m. On Aug. 14, sophomores are expected to bly. sign up at 1 p.m. On Aug 15, freshman will register at 10 a.m.

Registration will conclude on Friday, Aug. 17 with eighth graders

graders registering at 10 a.m.

Hart's first day of school is Monday, Aug. 20. Their first bell will ring at 8:00 a.m.

#### **Dimmitt**

High School

Dimmitt High School students will register on Aug. 10.

The seniors will register from 9 to 9:45 a.m. The juniors will follow from 10 to 11 a.m. The sophomores will report from 11 to 12 a.m. and the freshmen will register from 1 to 2

On Friday, individual school pictures will be taken during registration. School officials say the dress code will be enforced during registration.

Students will report for the first day of class on Thursday, Aug. 16. The first bell will ring at 8:10 a.m. At 8:15, there will be an opening assem-

Principal R.L. Stockstill will introduce the new teachers and give a short talk. Assistant Principal Harold

# Follies are canceled

The 2001 production of the Follies, scheduled for Aug. 25-26 at the Dimmitt High School auditorium, has been canceled.

Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava announced cancellation of the program as an addition to his August newsletter, distrib-

uted to Chamber members. In the newsletter, Sava said response from residents willing to serve as cast

and/or crew members had been light, but there were still enough interested people to make the show happen.

Sava said hectic economic development commitments have kept him busy and he's been unable to devote the needed time to the Follies' project. That's why he was forced to cancel the show this year.



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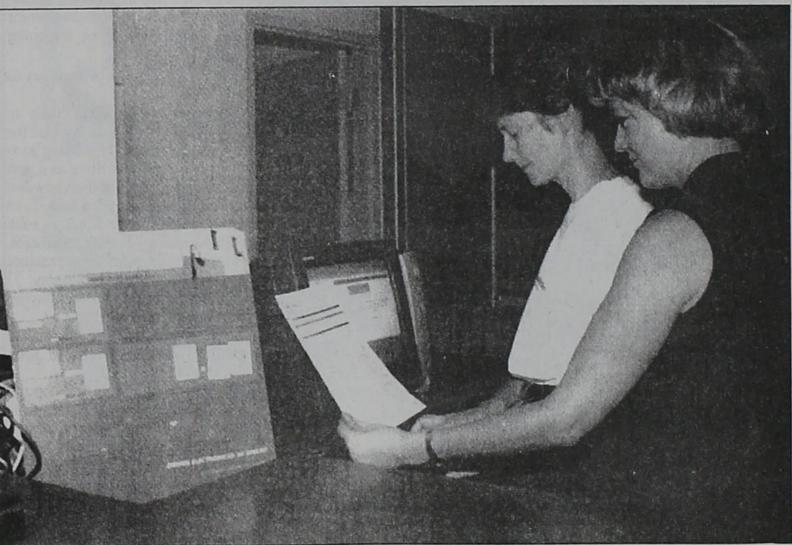
Spanish Version First Line: Hola como estas?

**English Version** 

Last Line: See you later. Thanks.

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15-MINUTE MONEY TRANSFERS from Dimmitt to Mexico are now possible at the Dimmitt Post Office. Dimmitt Postmaster Karen Martin and clerk Donna Reinart go over the procedure involved in operating the new Dinero Seguro system, which will enable the post office to offer electronic money transfers to Mexico. The funds can be claimed at one of Bancomer's numerous branch locations in Mexico. Photo by Anne Acker

# Dimmitt Post Office offering money transfers to Mexico

The Dimmitt Post Office is now offering a new service—electronic money transfers to Mexico.

A new, state-of-the art computer has just been installed in the post office, and it will offer a fast, safe and guaranteed service for sending money from Dimmitt to residents in Mexico, according to Dimmitt Postmaster Karen

Dimmitt is one of several post offices in the area that

have installed the new Dinero Seguro® system. According to Martin, you can make a money transfer from a participating post office in the United States, and the money will arrive in 15 minutes or less at any of the

2,300 Bancomer branches in Mexico. Every time you use Dinero Seguro, you also get a

three-minute prepaid phone card. Martin says the procedure to transfer the money is

1. You fill out an application form. 2. Hand it to the postal employee with the money you are sending. If you're sending over \$1,000, show appropriate identification.

3. The postal employee will tell you how much the transaction costs. Dinero Seguro rates are competitive.

4. Keep the receipt with the confirmation number. The amount printed on the receipt is the actual amount your family will receive in Mexican pesos, with no hidden

5. Use your free, three-minute phone call to contact your family and provide the confirmation number printed on your receipt. At Bancomer, your relative must show a valid photo identification and say that the money was sent with Dinero Seguro.

Those using the Dinero Seguro system to transfer money should carefully check the "unconfirmed receipt" they will receive after the transaction.

"Make sure you have the EXACT SPELLING of the recipient's name. If the recipient's name is misspelled-even if one letter is wrong-he or she will not be able to receive the funds," Martin said. "Being careful when you fill out the form can help prevent delays and problems for the recipient."



COMMUNITY CARES-June Norman, Elodia Martinez, Gloria Hernandez, and Chene Sepeda prepare fajitas during a special benefit lunch Friday on the Square in Dimmitt. More than \$600 was raised to

benefit the children of the late Frances Castaneda Dominguez. The meat was cooked by Ben and Rita Aleman, Marshall Young, and Ray Aleman.

Photo by Micah Crutcher

The same goes for caffeinated

drinks such as colas and that other

Texas favorite, iced tea. These drinks

make you lose more water, Rice said.

Instead, go for plain and simple

"Drink a lot of cool water, even

more than you think you need, when

the weather is hot and humid," Rice

said. "When the weather is humid

perspiration doesn't evaporate as

quickly so the body cools down more

slowly and heat injuries become

You should drink about 1-1/2

needs to make sure you don't get

dehydrated. Rice recommends drink-

ing a gallon of liquid a day-about

16 glasses—when the outside tem-

perature is above 90 degrees and you

are not in air conditioned surround-

If air conditioning is not available,

♦ Use a fan to keep the air circu-

♦ Open windows as wide as possi-

♦ Open drapes or curtains on the

♦ If at all possible, spend at least

a part of the day in some air condi-

tioned environment, such as a senior

center, mall, library or shopping

♦ Take cool baths or showers as

"Older people are more likely to

have problems with heat, because the

body's temperature-regulating sys-

tem is not quite as sensitive as it gets

older and they don't realize how hot

as Parkinson's disease, diabetes,

heart disease or high blood pressure

Rice offered more tips on staying

♦ Don't think it's necessary to

♦ Wear light-colored, cotton

clothing. Avoid synthetic materials

that trap body heat and are not absor-

bent. Don't forget to wear a hat to

ties during the early morning or late

evening hours when temperatures are

cooler. If you have to work outside,

take frequent breaks and drink cool

water. Do not run or do other types

of energetic exercise during the heat

♦ Avoid drinks with caffeine. They

may cause muscle cramping. Eat

plenty of fruits and vegetables to

maintain adequate amounts of so-

Precious Lord, today I will commend

more and condemn less. Help me to

refrain from judging others and keep

me ever mindful of this promise all

Always try to drive so that your li-

Last Puzzle

Solution

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dium, calcium and potassium.

through this day. Amen

♦ Try to schedule outdoor activi-

increase your salt intake to keep

may be more heat-sensitive, too.

People with chronic illnesses such

they are becoming," Rice said.

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and close them on the sunny side.

ble to create cross ventilation.

♦ Don't cook

often as possible.

safe in the heat:

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center.

Rice offers the following safety tips:

more likely," she said.

water. It's the best drink for before,

# Soaring summer temperatures can be dangerous, even fatal

Record-setting heat across Texas tive Extension Service health spethis summer has stricken many people with heat-related conditions, some of which can be extremely dangerous and even fatal.

Some of these heat-related condithe past. tions are heat cramps, heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

and cramping of large muscles in the legs, arms or abdomen brought on by enough fluid intake such as water or juice.

Heat exhaustion—A feeling of tiredness, weakness and dizziness, accompanied by headache, nausea and possibly vomiting. Like heat cramps, heat exhaustion is brought on by dehydration and too much heavy physical activity in the heat. Perspiration is heavy; skin feels

Heat stroke—Serious medical condition that includes feeling tired, weak and dizzy, but also includes disorientation and/or deliriousness, and possibly unconsciousness.

"Heat stroke is truly a medical emergency for which you would call 9-1-1," said Dr. Carol A. Rice, associate professor and Texas Coopera- loss.

cialist.

But with a few precautions and a little common sense, some of these dangers of summer can be a thing of

First, reduce your risk of heat- during and after heavy physical acrelated conditions by making sure tivity. Heat cramps-Painful spasms you get plenty to drink and don't become dehydrated.

"Be sure you are adequately hytoo much exertion in the heat and not drated before you go into the heat," Rice said. "Make sure you have plenty of water with you, too."

> If you know you're going to be out in the sun doing heavy physical activity, Rice said the best thing to do is to drink a couple of eight-ounce times what your body tells you it glasses of water, juice or sports drink about two hours before you go outside, and follow that up with another four to eight ounces of these liquids 15 to 20 minutes before you go. That way you give your body time to accumulate needed fluids.

The kind of fluid you drink is just as important as how much, Rice said. In spite of a popular Texas cultural belief, beer is not the best beverage for hot weather because it acts as a diuretic and actually increases fluid



TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE—Nazareth High School business education teacher Darlene Fetsch familiarizes herself with the school's newlyinstalled computers purchased with the help of a TIF grant last spring. The school was able to purchase 26 new, state-of-the-art IBM computers with the grant, which covered 90% of the cost. The school picked up the remaining 10% of the cost as its matching fund contribution to obtain the grant. The new computer lab will be operational when the 2001-02 school Photo by Micah Crutcher officially begins on Monday.

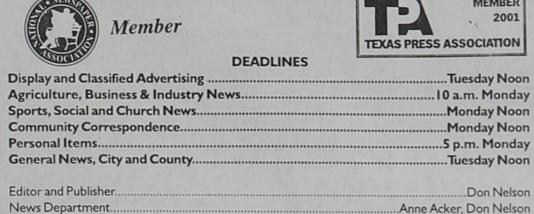
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## **Up-to-date immunization** records needed for children While back-to-school needs often include notebooks, pencils and pa-

per, clothing, shoes, backpacks and lunch boxes, one of the top items required is an up-to-date immunization record for children in schools and childcare facilities.

Immunization requirements remain the same for this school year with one exception, according to Monica Gamez of the Immunization Division at the Texas Dept. of Health (TDH).

"TDH is deferring for one school year the requirement that students have a booster dose of tetanus and

diphtheria (Td)," Gamez said. The 10-year booster is usually given to students at about age 14.

The action applies to Texas schools from July 1, 2001, to Aug. 1, 2002. Once the deferment is lifted, all students will be required to show proof of a Td booster. The deferment is due to a national shortage of adult tetanus and diphtheria vaccine that resulted when one of two manufacturers discontinued production.

Vaccines required at various ages for all children are polio, diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis or acellular pertussis (DTP/DTaP); Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib); measles, mumps and rubella (MMR); chicken pox (varicella) and hepatitis B.

A hepatitis A vaccine requirement affects only children attending



Clint and Cindy Seward of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby girl, Remie Jane Seward, who was born at 5:09 on July 26 at Baptist/Saint Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. She weighed in at 7 pounds 2 ounces, and was 19 inches long. She has two older siblings, Tyler and Jacie.

It's a girl, Macy Markay, for Kennen and Jennifer Howell of Dimmitt. She was born at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo on July 5 at 5:28 p.m. She weighed in at 6 pounds, 13 ounces., and measured 19-1/2 inches long. She has one older sister, Paige, who is 2. Grandparents are Jimmie and Sue Howell of Dimmitt, and Karen Carter of Dimmitt. Great-grandparents are Russell O'Brian of Friona and Roland Ward of San Anto-

Plains Memorial Manuel E. and Amalia Mata of Hereford are the parents of a baby boy, Alejandro Mata, who was born at 6:50 p.m. on Aug. 3 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. He weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces at birth. He has two big brothers, 7-year-old Manuel E. Mata and 3-year-old Marco A. Mata. Paternal grandparents are Maria Lourdes Mata of Hereford. Maternal grandmother is Ofelia Soto of Hereford.

### Power wheelchairs available to seniors

The Senior Wheels USA Program is making power (electric) wheelchairs to senior citizens (65 years old and up) and the permanently disabled at no cost to the recipient, if they

The power wheelchairs are provided to those who cannot walk and cannot self-propel a manual wheelchair and who meet the additional guidelines of the program.

If the patient's need is for use in the home, call for more information to see if they qualify at 1-800-246- Sigma Beta, a co-ed, professional, 6010. No deposit is

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school or child-care facilities in 32 ple, should have had the following counties along the Texas-Mexico border. Children with proof of a previous hepatitis A infection do not need to be vaccinated.

All children attending public or private schools or licensed, certified or registered child-care facilities must have the required immunizations for their age group completed by the first day of attendance. State law gives local school districts and child-care facilities the option of allowing children to attend if at least one immunization in each series has been received, but the remaining required immunizations must be received as soon as medically possi-

Children ages 5 and 6, for examborn on or after Sept. 2, 1994.

immunizations to enter school:

♦ Three doses of polio vaccine, including one on or after the fourth birthday.

♦ Four doses of DTP/DTaP vaccine, including one on or after the

fourth birthday. ♦ One dose MMR vaccine on or after the first birthday and one additional dose of measles vaccine that may be received as part of a second MMR.

♦ Three doses of hepatits B vac-

♦ Two doses hepatitis A vaccine (32 border counties only).

♦ One dose varicella vaccine on or after the first birthday for children



Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for melon; tortilla chips, white hot rolls or assorted Dimmitt and Nazareth for the first week of muffins; and white milk, chocolate milk or school, August 13-17. Hart students will begin punch. school on Aug. 20.

DIMMITT

Pre-K to 12th Grades Grab and Go Breakfast AUG. 16- Apple cinnamon loaf, orange

wedges and milk. AUG. 17-Schmucker's peanut butter sandwich, grape juice and milk.

> Lunch Pre-School to 1st Grades

AUG. 16-Hamburger, potato rounds, hamburger salad, cowboy cookies and chocolate

milk or white milk AUG. 17-Burrito with chili, Mexipinto beans, tossed salad, watermelon, and white milk or chocolate milk.

2nd-12th Grades

AUG. 16—Choices of hamburger, Italian spaghetti or fajitas with onions and peppers; French fries, savory green beans or frijoles refeito; hamburger salad, tossed salad or haystack finger salad; garlic bread, flour tortilla or cowboy cookies; and chocolate milk, whit e milk or punch.

AUG. 17-Choices of burrito with chili, chicken fried steak or grilled cheese with soup; Mexipinto beans, mashed potatoes or butter beans; tossed salad, guacamole salad or water-

NAZARETH

MONDAY: Cinnamon roll, cereal, orange

juice and milk TUESDAY: Breakfast taco, cereal, orange

WEDNESDAY: French toast, cereal, orange juice and milk THURSDAY: Pancake and sausage on a

stick, cereal, orange juice and milk. FRIDAY: Sausage on a roll, cereal, orange

Lunch

MONDAY: Pizza or chicken stir fry, tossed salad, corn, pears, orange cake and milk or

TUESDAY: Beef taco or hamburger and french fries, lettuce, pinto beans, peaches, brownies and milk or juice. WEDNESDAY: Chicken fried steak or rolls

and pizza, tossed salad, potatoes and gravy, pineapples and pudding, and milk or juice THURSDAY: Hamburger or chicken sandwich, french fries, lettuce, orange, cookies and

milk or juice. FRIDAY: Chicken nuggets or chef salad,

tossed salad, scalloped potatoes, applesauce, S'mores and milk or juice.

### Garcia earns bachelor's degree

Larry Scott Garcia will graduate from Texas Tech University Saturday with a bachelor of science degree in restaurant, hotel and institutional management.

Commencement exercises will be at the United Spirit Arena on the main campus of Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

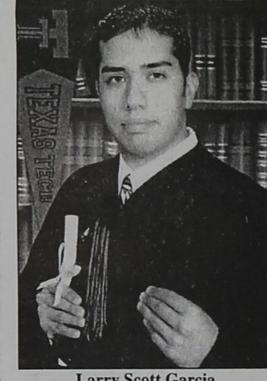
Garcia is a 1996 graduate of Dimmitt High School.

Throughout his college career, Garcia maintained a 3.4 grade-point average and has been on the dean's and president's lists.

He is a member of Who's Who and has been honored with scholarships from minority leaders, and Hyatt. He has been featured in various trade publications for research in hospitality administration.

He has become "Safe-Serve Food and TABC certified.

He has been active in several campus activities including National Restaurant Association, College Division; The American Hotel and Lodging Association, Collegiate Division; Club Managers Association of America, Collegiate Division; The Red Raider Chapter; Alpha



Larry Scott Garcia

Recruiter for the College of Human Science; and was an ambassador for Lubbock.

After graduation, Garcia plans to pursue a master's degree and a career with International Hospitality Administration in Las Vegas, Nev.

He is the son of Steve and Gloria Garcia; and the grandson of Walter and Eloisa Leal, Estefana Garcia and

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# On the GO with Dorothy Hopson, 647-4579

Decimae Dennis, a Dimmitt native who now lives in Midland, has spent the year living out her dream of seeing the world.

Decimae has toured every continent on planet Earth over a period of several years.

In the year 2000, Decimae joined the Lindblad expedition on a voyage to the North Pole. This was a scientific expedition to count polar bears and discern their state of existence. The farthest point north for this expedition was in Svalbard.

The group saw two polar bears fighting over a seal. One member of the group recorded this on video. They came by way of Puerto Rico and Peru and enjoyed the beautiful mountains and Inca Ruins.

In the spring of 2001, Decimae joined the Lindblad party again. This time their destination was to the South Pole to count penguins.

They saw 16 different species and came to the conclusion that there is no danger of penguins becoming an endangered species in that part of the world.

The trip home was more exciting than Decimae had planned when a hurricane hit the ice cutter vessel that just had less than 100 people on board. The radio and radar equipment was quickly destroyed, but the crew had managed to get a quick SOS sent before losing contact with the outside world. This was on the Antarctic Ocean.

After 18 hours of struggling with 100-feet high waves and a million dollars worth of damage to the vessel, the Coast Guard finally came to their rescue.

During this ordeal, some of the crew managed to hold the cook high above the water and he provided a pizza for the weary travelers.

I quote Decimae from a written account of her South Pole voyage:

"In addition to our week of exploration in Antarctica, this voyage incorporated two days in the wildlife—rich Falkland Islands and four days in South Georgia, an island of abundant wildlife, scenic beauty and history.

"It's been said that if God were going to take a vacation on Earth, he would go to South Georgia. Our naturalist staff loves South Georgia—that spectacular scenery and the sight of millions of stately king penguins are absolutely unforgettable."

Credit for Decimae's adventurous account goes to her brother and sister-in-law, Edgar and Leta Dennis of Dimmitt. Their shared their latest annual mule ride with us.

This time they headed out to

Chama Basin of the Rio Grande National Forest. This basin is in Colorado just northeast of Chama, N.M. It is a beautiful place.

They were joined by Bob and Verna Sigmon of Iraan, R.W. and Merle Russell of Mesquite and Ron and Jackie of Grand Saline. There were seven mule riders and nine mounted on horses when everyone finally gathered.

This trail ride lasted for about a week through beautiful mountains, forests and creeks. The adventure included one of the mules becoming entangled in the reins which tethered him to a tree, Edgar's dip into the icy waters of a mountain river, eating lots of scrumptious food at the end of each day's ride and watching a black bear hunting and finding prey for his own meal. Leta has pictures for proof.

Cody Hoover, daughter of Sue awaiting father-to-be, Brent Hoover. Ann Blackwell of Dimmitt, flew into Lubbock from her home in Montgomery, Ala., to be honored with a baby shower for her soon-to-be-born shower was given by friends of the paternal grandparents.

She traveled on to Dimmitt where Coy Alexander, joined them. Cheryle Pybus and seven other hostesses presented her with even more baby gifts.

There were four generations of Dimmitt grandparents at the Pybus party including Ruth Brown, greatgreat-grandmother; Sunny and Elmo Blackwell, great-grandparents; and Sue Ann Blackwell, grandmother. Roxie Burnett of Amarillo was one of the hostesses.

Later that day, Cody, loaded with more gifts than Santa Claus, flew

back to Montgomery to her eagerly

Patricia Braafladt has been visiting her daughter, Tiffany, near Knoxville, Tenn. They rented a large baby boy, Brantley, in Lubbock. The house with six bedrooms and four bathrooms on Lake Norris. Jill, Summer and Kathy McLean and a friend,

> Their recreation included water sports, hiking and golfing. Tiffany's husband, Jeff, is a great cook and kept the family group sated with good food.

> The drove into Knoxville and enjoyed visiting a restored old town and saw the beautiful University of Tennessee campus. It is built on the riverside and the old buildings and campus are very pretty.

They also enjoyed eating at several good places along the river.

# Local schools announce policies for free and reduced price lunches

The Dimmitt, Nazareth, and Hart school districts will provide free and reduced-priced meals during the 2001-2002 school year to students whose families qualify.

Each school has copies of its policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party. The household size and income criteria determine eligi-

Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside.

To apply for free or reducedpriced meals, households must fill out the application and return it to their school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school

For school officials to determine eligibility for this benefit, household receiving food stamps or TANF only have to list their child's name and food stamp or TANF number. An adult household member must sign the application.

Households that do not list a food stamp or TANF case number must list the names of household members, the amount of income received by each, and the social security number of the adult that signs the appli-

If the adult does not have a social security, the adult must indicate that the social security number is not available by writing the word "none."

Under the provisions of the free and reduced-priced meal policy, the Food Service Director of the school district will review applications and determine eligibility.

Parents or guardians that are dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewing official on an informal basis.

Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or by writing to the superintendent of the school district-DISD Supt. Les Miller, 608 W. Halsell St., Dimmitt TX 79027; NISD Supt. N. Dean Johnson, PO Box 189, Nazareth TX 79063; or HISD Supt., Hart TX

Households that list a food stamp or TANF number must report when they are no longer receiving these benefits. Other households approved

for benefits based on income information must report increases in income over \$50 a per month.

If a family member becomes unemployed, or if or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school.

No child will be discriminated against because of race, color, sex, national origin, age, or handicap. If any feels he or she is discriminated against they should write immediately to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington D.C. 20250.

#### National School Lunch & Child Nutrition Programs 2001-02 income eligibility guidelines

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1	\$11,167	\$15,892	\$931	\$1,325	\$215	\$306		
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7	\$34,723	\$49,414	\$2,894	\$4,118	\$668	\$951		
8	\$38,649	\$55,001	\$3,221	\$4,584	\$744	\$1,058		
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10	\$46,501	\$66,175	\$3,877	\$5,516	\$896	\$1,274		
11	\$50,427	\$71,762	\$4,205	\$5,982	\$972	\$1,382		
12	\$54,353	\$77,349	\$4,533	\$6,448	\$1,048	\$1,490		
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# DISD will offer free breakfast

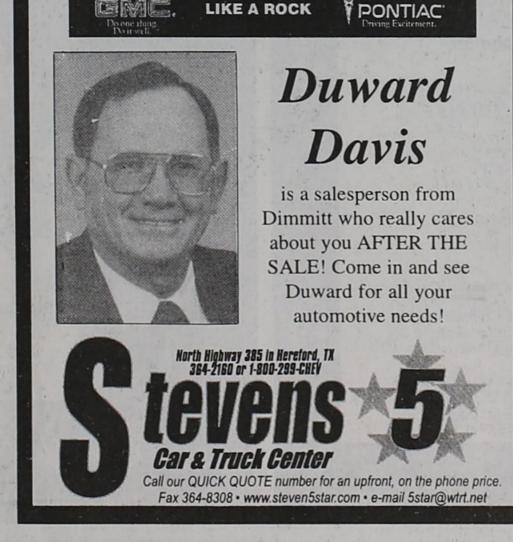
The Dimmitt Independent School District will provide breakfast, free of charge, to all students enrolled in pre-kindergarten through the 12th grade beginning Monday, Aug. 20.

Called "Breakfast on the Go," the meal will be served to the students in their classrooms. The breakfast will contain three food items: bread/grain product, fruit or fruit juice and milk.

Students may decline one of the three items, but are required to take at least two items.

No breakfast will be served the first two days of school, Aug. 16 and

Do it tomorrow-you've made enough mistakes for today.





WHAT A CATCH!—Carl King of Dimmitt (right) battled this huge, nine-foot long sturgeon for over an hour from a friends boat before he landed the fish on the Snake River in Idaho recently. Holding the

exhausted fish at the water's edge is guide Jason Schultz, who estimated the fish's weight at 350 pounds and its age at 95 years. King released the fish back into the Snake River.













# Student Council will sell parking spots at DHS

The Dimmitt High School Student Council will be selling student parking spots during the 2001-02 registration on Friday at Dimmitt High School.

The price for each spot will be \$10. Those interested in reserving a parking spot should bring their money and sign up during registration on Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"If you don't have the money up front, we cannot guarantee that there will be a spot left for you. Don't forget," said a Student council spokesperson.

### Garcia to graduate from Texas Tech

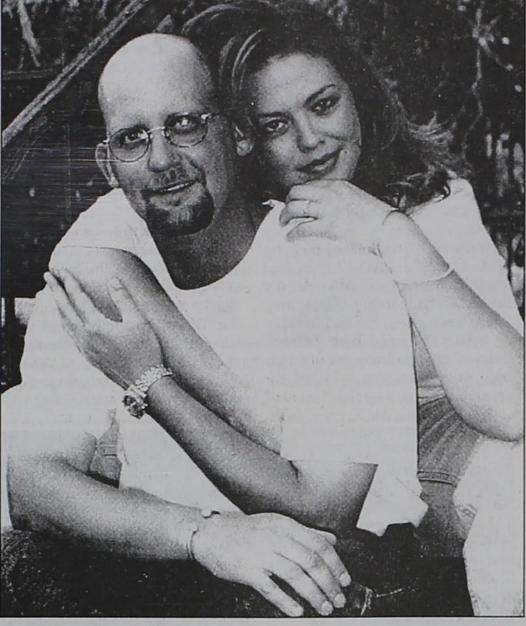
Amy Denise Garcia will receive her bachelor's degree during commencement exercises at Texas Tech University at 9 a.m. on Saturday in the United Spirit Arena.

Garcia, a human development major, will receive special recognition as a graduate with the highest grade-point after in her respective college, the College of Human Sciences. She also will be one of the banner bearers for her college.

Banner bearers were selected by administrators based on all-around achievement.

Featured speaker at the commencement service will be Amy D. Love, founder and chief executive officer and publisher of Real Sports

Love is a Texas Tech University graduate and holds two bachelor's of business administration degrees in marketing and management. She earned her master's degree from Harvard in 1993.



Charles Avery Thrasher and Allison Rachael Squier

# October wedding is planned

Larry and Sharon Squier of Canyon announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Allison Rachael Squier, to Charles Avery Thrasher, son of Joan Craig of Leander and Avery Thrasher of Ama-

The prospective groom is the grandson of Chet and Helen Braafladt of

The couple will exchange wedding vows on Oct. 13 in Canyon. Miss Squier and Mr. Thrasher are both employed by Canyon Country Club. After the wedding, they plan to reside in Canyon.

# Dominguez is 'Molly Marine'

Marine Corps Pfc. Lilia Dominguez, a 2000 graduate of Dimmitt High School, was designated "Molly Marine" during

graduation ceremonies at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot at Parris Island,

Dominguez successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Dominguez and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m. by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Dominguez spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-tohand combat and assorted weapons

training. Dominguez and fellow recruits worked as a team to solve a number of tactical problems during the program. They performed close order drill and operated as a Marine small

infantry unit in the field. They also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values-honor, courage and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional

Dominguez was selected by the members of her recruit platoon for displaying the highest degree of esprit de corps, cooperation and enthusiasm during her training cycle.

Dear Father, instill in me that I can depend on You always, that You will share my joys and my sorrows.

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# Newlyweds establish home in Wichita Falls

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Blake Brown are home in Wichita Falls after enjoying a wedding trip to Jamaica.

The couple were married June 23 in the garden of the historic Galbraith House in Amarillo. The couple wrote their own wedding vows and exchanged those vows while standing under the gazebo. The Rev. Darrell Trout of Fritch, friend of the couple, officiated at the nuptial service.

The bride is the former Andrea Leigh Burkhalter of Borger, daughter of Larry and Jimmie Reed of Borger and Rick and Dianna Burkhalter of Calera, Okla. The groom is the son of J.R. and Mary Jo Brown of Dimmitt.

The gazebo setting was outlined with small twinkle lights, wisteria and rose garland. Twinkle lights and seasonal blooming flowers were featured throughout the yard.

Music during the ceremony was provided by "The Groom's String Quartet."

The bride, given in marriage by her father and stepfather, wore a white, two-piece organza gown with a chapel-length train and a full Cinderella skirt. The strapless bodice was accented with lace and pearl beading and featured a lace-up back. Her fingertip veil was attached to pearl beading.

She carried a bouquet of roses in shades of pink with accents of Misty Blue. The bouquet was tied with

In keeping with tradition, the bride had something old, something new, something borrowed and something blue. Something old and borrowed was her great-grandfather's wedding ring, which was tied to the ring bearer's ring box. Something new was a string of pearls which she wore. She also wore a blue garter.

Matron of honor was Jimmie Reid, the bride's mother. She wore an iridescent taffeta gown of watermelon pink with a square neckline and lace-up back. She carried a bouquet of pink roses and Gerber

The best man was J.R. Brown of Dimmitt, father of the groom.

Serving as the flower girl was the bride's niece, Jennifer Ricks of Huntington.

Ring bearer was Jeremy Ricks of Huntington, nephew of the bride.



Ushers were Ware Brown of Sweetwater and Blair Brown of Lubbock, cousins of the groom.

Lynda McClellan of Borger, aunt of the bride, presided over the guest book. The guest book table in the foyer of the Galbraith House featured a tall arrangement of pink roses, stargazer lilies and Gerber daisies. On display were photographs of the couple from childhood to the present day.

Following the wedding ceremony, guests joined the couple for a special toast offered by the best man, and the

cutting the wedding cake. In the dining room, the bride's table held a square-shaped bride's cake decorated with pink and white

plaid motif accented with pink roses.

The groom's table featured a University of Texas Longhorn banner and cloth with the same logo. The square chocolate cake was topped with a basketball.

A reception followed in the back yard and garden area, and guests enjoyed dancing and a buffet of various pick-up foods.

The bride is a graduate of Calera High School and West Texas A&M University. She will be employed as a special education teacher and cheerleader coach at Petrolia High School.

The groom is a graduate of Dimmitt High School and the University of Texas at Austin. He is the assistant men's basketball coach at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls.

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# Harvest Days booths are for rent

Castro County's annual Harvest Days celebration is being planned for Sept. 4-8, and the event will include a parade, barbecue dinner, fiddlers' contest, early settlers reunion, games, a county fair, an arts and crafts bazaar and more.

The Castro County Fair Association, through the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, is currently offering booths for rent at the show, and those interested should contact Bill Sava at the Chamber office, 647-2524.

Booths inside the Expo Building will rent for \$35 while those outside will rent for \$25 to \$35, depending on the amount of space a vendor requires. Those requir-Anticipating is even more fun than ing electricity will be charged an additional \$5 fee.

"Right now there are plenty of spaces available, but

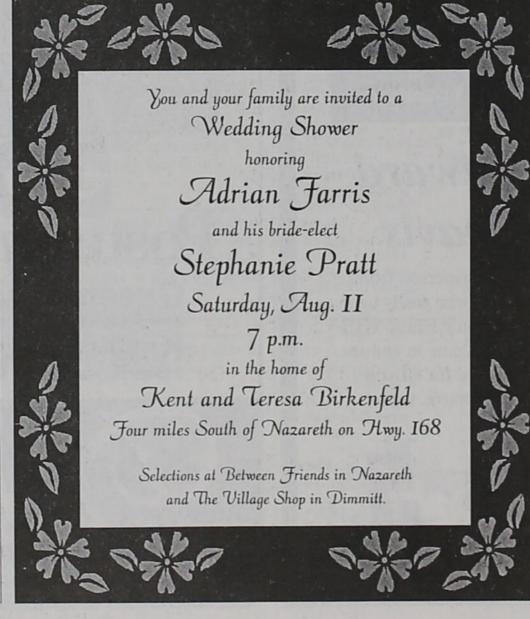
don't wait too long if you'd like a good, inside space," Sava said. "We do restrict the number of food items which may be offered at any booth, and we do not permit the duplication of food items already being offered by another vendor, so those planning on having a food booth should check with us early."

Activities are planned for Sept. 4-7, including the kids' pedal tractor pull. The Chamber and Fair Association are still organizing activities, and a complete listing will be available sometime in August.

The main event will be on Saturday, with the parade, early settlers' reunion, fair, bazaar and more.

For more information or to reserve a booth, contact Sava at 647-2524.

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THIS ONE'S FOR MOM—Nazareth native Stacy Wilhelm (left) signs a copy of her first published novel, The Long Way Home, for her mother, Evelyn Albracht, on Saturday during a special reception and book signing at The Home Mercantile in Nazareth. Wilhelm writes under the pen name of Staci Stallings, and The Long Way Home was released in June. She sold about 60 books Saturday, and she signed about 75 copies in Nazareth. Wilhelm said 46 people signed her guest book at the event. A second book signing has been slated for Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 2415 Soncy Road, in Amarillo. Books are also available at Between Friends in Nazareth. Her second book, Eternity, is expected to be released in late August or early September.

Photo by Anne Acker



VOLUNTEERS HONORED—Hospice Care volunteers including (from left) June Brock, Maria Sloan, Martha Jo Hyman and May Hochstein were recently honored with an appreciation luncheon at Plains Memorial Hospital. Hospice Care is a division of the Castro County Hospital District. Courtesy Photo

# Hospice Care volunteers honored by hospital district

volunteered to serve in the Hospice Care program were recently honored with an appreciation luncheon sponsored by the Castro County Hospital District.

Those enjoying the luncheon at Plains Memorial Hospital on July 26 were June Brock, Maria Sloan, Martha Jo Hyman and May Hochstein.

"There are not enough words to express to our volunteers how much the Hospice Care staff appreciates the time, effort and commitment given by each," said a Hospice spokesperson. "We ask each one of you in our community to open your hearts and become a caring volun-

Several local residents who have teer. Volunteers really are the 'Heart of Hospice."

> For more information about the Hospice program or to volunteer call 647-3020.

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# Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

Nazareth native Stacy Wilhelm, who is now writing as inspirational author Staci Stallings, held her first book signing at the Home Mercantile on Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m.

It was well attended and she almost had more books that she could sign in the time frame allotted. Carol Kern was the winner of her special gift box.

website www.stacistallings.com and one can visit www.pdbookstore.com to order her book, The Long Way Home.

She had her second book, Eternity, published on Friday.

Stacy was honored that evening with a party at Joe and Dana Kleman's barn with many friends and family attending.

Members of the graduating class of 1991 gathered on Saturday for their 10-year reunion.

The group met for a barbeque lunch at the home of Billy Ed and Bernita Hoelting where they enjoyed reminiscing and their children enjoyed swimming.

Several members of the class enjoyed a tour of the school and physical education facility and were surtaken place in 10 years.

After attending Holy Family Catholic Church in the evening they all met again at Jim and Sandee Hoelting's where a catered meal was enjoyed. A fun time was had by all.

Those attending the reunion included Shelly and Mike Huseman of Tulia with their children, Tristen, Dawn and Collin; Leon Verkamp of Lubbock; Janay Johnson of Cleveland, Texas; Blaine and Tonya Johnson of Levelland and their children Steven and Leon; Bernie and Mat- Brockman. thew Hatla of Bryan and their daughter Sydney; Steven and Sheila Lange and Cindy Huseman of Nazareth and

their daughter Faithe; Darlene and Randy Miller of Darrouzett and their children Brady and Kylie; Marcia Hoelting of Cedar Park and her friend Bob Kern; Vance and Erika Acker of Ennis; Monica and Troy Fry of Turkey and their son Brayden; Stephanie and Kyle Schilling of Dumas and their children Karli and John Cole; Noel Johnson of Kyle; is and Wade Hoelting of Austin and his friend Hannah Williams of Austin.

> Whitney Hoelting played basketball last week in the BCI National Tournament at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo.

> Her team, "The Texas Mullets" consisted of Mandi Moore, Megan Cliff and Chelsea Rapp, all of Canyon; Melanie Carter of Lubbock; Lindsey Arndt and Michelle Henke of Albuquerque, N.M.; Kirby Wilson of Edmund, Okla.; and Jamie Morgan of Amarillo.

> They played in the Prep No More Division. They played Calgary Canada Stars, Team Colorado, Phoenix Mercury and lost to Older Boulder Rockies to win second place in the tournament.

Whitney, Mandi Moore and prised to see all the changes that had Melanie Carter were named to the All-American Team.

Sandee Hoelting went with the team and sponsors and enjoyed all of their games. She spent each night at the home of Tom and Brenda Conrad.

A benefit Mexican stack-up meal will be served next Sunday, Aug. 12 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Community Hall. A handmade quilt will also be raffled off. This event will help with medical expenses for Virgil

Dorothy Guggemos, Jane, Laura, of Borger and their son Dakota; Scott Alan and Mick Gerber just returned from a family reunion in Minnesota.

Dorothy, Jane, Laura and Alan left two days earlier than Mick so they could go to the Mall of America. They met Mick at Glencoe, Minn. on July 20.

The next day was spent at Winstead, where the Guggemos Family Reunion was taking place.

The first stop was the cemetery to find family member graves. They then went to the Legion Hall for the reunion. There were over 200 people able to attend. They were the only ones able to attend the reunion from the Joe Guggemos branch. Everyone enjoyed the visit.

Later they attended mass at the same Catholic church where their great-grandparents, Charles and Josephine Guggemos, had been married in 1889. The church survived one major fire years ago.

After supper, they went to Don and Helen Guggemos' beautiful home by the lake.

The next day, they drove to Grygla, Minn. where Jane and Dorothy's sister, Jackie Dobmeier and her husband Gene live.

The next morning Alan and Mick met up with Jackie and Gene's sonin-law, Scott Helgeland in Roseau, Minn. From there they went with Scott to the Lake of the Woods, the largest fresh water lake in the United

Later that day, they were joined by Jason Dobmeier (Jackie and Gene's son). They had so much fun that they decided to return the next day and fish again.

With the guys fishing, Jackie, Dorothy, Jane and Laura went to the woods to pick blueberries and raspberries. Although they were hoping to see a bear, none materialized (but Gene saw one later at their garden).

Laura had so much fun that she wants to return and do it again some day. After they were finished picking, they went into Roseau, Minn.

and picked up Josie Helgeland, Jackie and Gene's granddaughter.

On Wednesday morning, they all set out for Lake Itasca, where the Mississippi River starts. From the head waters, the river flows north before going south to the Gulf of Mexico.

Thursday they went to Crazy Days in Thief River, Minn., while Mick and Gene went to the casino and to do some sight-seeing at Jack Pine Ridge.

Friday, they went to Winnipeg, Canada to do some more sight-seeing. It ended up raining all day, so they just went shopping. While they were in Canada, Mick and Gene did some farm chores and when it started raining, they went to town and visited with the locals at the local "hang

Saturday, Mick left for home. Bryan Dobmeier, Jackie and Gene's son had come home for the weekend. Tiffany Helgeland (Jackie and Gene's daughter) and Josie came from Roseau, Minn. The day was spent visiting and playing games. The next day was spent doing more of the same.

Later that afternoon, Jason, Scott, Alan and Bryan set out on fourwheelers to go "mudding." Alan experience walking on a bog. They set out for Fourtown, Minn. and only got half way there due to rain.

Monday was spent with Tiffany and Josie in Roseau, Minn. Tuesday morning, they set out for Nazareth and arrived home Wednesday to find things hot and dry.

Prayers are asked for Bert Huseman, Randy Schilling, Francis Wilhelm, Virgil Brockman, Anna Huseman Lee, Edith Huseman, Lori Huseman, Elma Schacher and Julia Baca.

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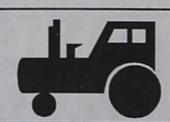
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# **Producers should inform TBWEF** about spraying

Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation officials are asking cotton growers to contact their respective district offices with information on when a field has been treated with any chemicals and what chemicals were used.

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The TBWEF also wants to avoid any unnecessary treating of fields, because some of the pesticides growers use provide control of boll

For more information, growers should contact their local eradication

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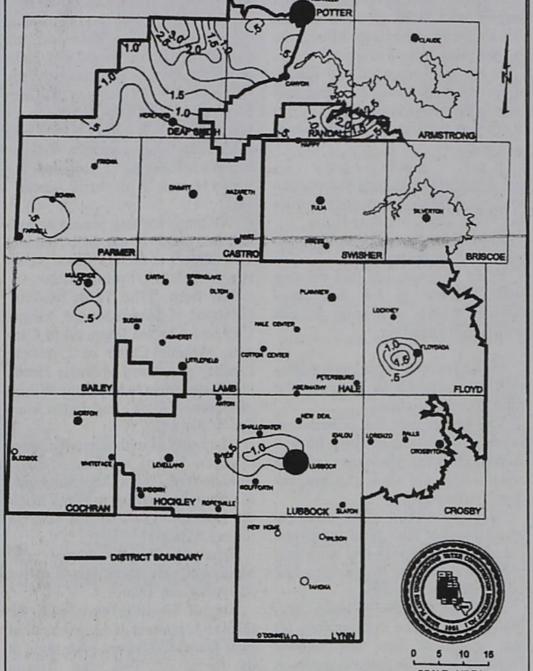
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HOW DRY WAS IT IN JUNE? If you lived in Castro County, you know haven't seen any significant moisture in more than two months now, and most other areas haven't fared any better, according to a precipitation map released by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1. Zero rainfall was recorded in the Water District's gauges located in Castro County during June. While most of Deaf Smith County and a small area in Randall received good rain during June. The moisture recorded by the Water District was very spotty, as indicated by this map. Graphic by High Plains Underground Water Conservation District

# Texas receives \$935,000 for crime reporting system

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"Law enforcement agencies across America are still working with crime reporting standards developed in the days of Bonnie and Clyde," said US Sen. Phil Gramm. "This system will provide the quick, detailed information that police need to fight crime in the modern era.

Texas is one of 26 states receiving funding for the new National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS). The total amount awarded is more than \$12 million.

through the Office of Justice Programs, will assist states in converting crime statistics from simple summary accounts to a new and more sophisticated system of incidentbased data, detailing many of the elements of crimes recorded at the scene by the investigating officer. Agencies will be able to use the new standards without replacing their existing, computerized field reporting equipment, saving local agencies the cost of upgrading their systems.

The information will be used by local, state and federal agencies to better understand trends in crime and improve allocation of resources with which to fight.

# FSA is still accepting disaster loan requests

financial hardships because of drought and other natural disasters may qualify for a helping hand from the Farm Service Agency (FSA).

Castro County was declared eligible for FSA disaster emergency loans on Jan. 3 and again on Feb. 12, and applications for those loans will be accepted through Aug. 20 and Oct. 12, respectively.

The first disaster declaration came on Jan. 3-EM Release/Secretarial Natural Disaster Determination S1501—and producers may apply for these loans through Aug. 20.

The second, announced on Feb. 12—EM Release/Presidential Major Disaster Declaration M1356-will include applications from producers until Oct. 12.

"Farmers who have lost at least 30% of their production due to damages and losses caused by various disasters that occurred from Jan. 1, 2000, through Jan. 15, 2001, are eligible for these FSA loans," said Castro County FSA Farm Credit Manager Edward C. Luebken. "Proceeds from crop insurance are taken into account when determining eligibility."

Luebken said all farmers interested in receiving an emergency loan should submit applications to FSA as soon as possible.

FSA lends money and provides credit counseling and supervision to eligible applicants who operate family-size farms. Several types of loan programs are available.

conventional agricultural lenders for program covers farm ownership and up to 95% of the principle. The farm operating loans. lender may sell the guaranteed portion of the loan to a third party; how- groups include Hispanics, Native ever, that will not change the rela- Americans, Black, Asians, Pacific tionship with the lender. All loans Islanders and women. Persons who must meet certain criteria to be eligithink they may be eligible should ble for guarantees, and FSA will contact Luebken.

Castro County producers facing monitor the lender's servicing of the loan.

Farmers interested in guaranteed loans apply directly with a conventional lender, who then arranges for the guarantee.

For those unable to qualify for guaranteed loans, FSA offers direct loans, which are made and serviced by FSA officials.

Funding for director loans is limited, and applicants may have to wait until funds are available.

To qualify for a direct farm operating or direct farm ownership loan, applicants must have sufficient repayment ability and loan collateral.

"We will work with you to analyze your situation, provide technical assistance and tailor loans to meet your needs," Luebken said.

FSA also makes loans to individual rural youths interested in establishing and operating income-producing projects of modest size in connection with their participation in 4-H clubs, Future Farmers of America and similar organizations.

Each project must be part of an organized and supervised program of work. The project must be planned and operated with the help of the organization advisor, produce sufficient money to repay the loan, and provide the youngster with practical business and education experience.

FSA also has a loan program designed to help members of socially Under the guaranteed loan pro- disadvantaged groups acquire land gram, FSA guarantees loans made by for farming in Castro County. This

Socially disadvantaged population

# **USDA** announces CCC lending rates for August

The interest rate for 1995 and prior provision of the Federal Agriculture crop year commodity loans Improvement and Reform Act of disbursed by USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation during August is

3.625 percent. That's unchanged from the July The NIBRS grants, provided rate. For 1996 and subsequent crop year commodity loans, the interest rate is 4.625 percent for loans

> from July. The interest rate for farm storage facility loans approved in August is 5.125 percent, down .125 from the

disbursed during August, unchanged

Past monthly releases announcing interest rates charged by USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation on commodity loans disbursed for that particular month reflected the interest rate charged the CCC by the

U.S. Treasury for that month. This was the interest rate specified by the CCC since January 1, 1982, but the process of establishing the interest rate was changed by a

1996, enacted on April 4, 1996.

Section 163 of the Act requires that monthly interest rates applicable to commodity loans are to be 100 basis points-or, 1 percent-greater than the rate determined under the applicable interest rate formula in effect on October 1, 1995. This formula resulted in a rate equivalent to the amount the U.S. Treasury charged the CCC for borrowing for the month.

The provisions of Section 163 are not retroactive. Accordingly, this and subsequent monthly interest rate announcements will carry two sets of rates: one for 1995 and prior crop year loans and one for 1996 and subsequent crop year loans.

Further program information is available from Sally Nunn at (703) 305-1383 or by sending her an e-mail at sally nunn@wdc.usda.gov.

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# Outbreak of spider mites concerns area producers

reported in Moore County and has on grasses, including corn and sorproducers very concerned about their corn crop.

spider mites are capable of [producing] rapidly and are most likely to develop economically damaging populations in fields that are moisture-stressed, particularly if weather is hot, windy and dry," said Dr. Carl Patrick, entomologist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Amarillo.

tremely bad and without cooperative weather some decisions on how to made," said Patrick

mites, the Banks grass mite and the severe, leaves may be killed. Twospotted spider mite.

Both mites are present in the areas suffering but the Banks mite seems to be the primary problem. Banks

### First Ag Credit wins award

First Ag Credit, FCS, which has an office in Dimmitt has been awarded the 2001 Farm Credit System "Crystal BioStar Award" for excellence in Image Awareness by Farm Credit Council Services, Inc.

Tanya Bishop, the institution's assistant vice president/marketing director, received the award for her entry titled, "First Ag Credit's Name Identity Campaign.

In addition to being awarded a "Crystal BioStar," Tanya also received a Certificate of Merit for outstanding achievement on the First Ag Credit web (www.agmoney.com).

### Reception slated for Jarrel Sewell

Cargill AgHorizons in Hart will host a retirement reception Aug. 21 for Jarrel Sewell, longtime general manager.

The come-and-go reception will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 21 in the facility's main office in Hart.

Sewell has served 22 years in the grain business with Cargill, Inc.



Tyler Shackelford Shackelford awarded Houston scholarship

Tyler Shackelford, a resident of Castro County, has recently received a \$10,000 scholarship from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Shackelford is the son of Lee and Donna Plummer and attended Springlake-Earth High School.

He received the four-year scholarship through the FFA.

He plans to attend Texas Tech in the fall and enter the medical field. He hopes to later become an orthopedic surgeon.

A spider mite outbreak has been grass mites feed almost exclusively proval of use is prevented," said ghum.

"This is the time of year when somewhat similar in appearance, they differ in several biological characteristics and in their susceptibility to pesticides.

> Mites damage crops by piercing plant cells with their mouthparts and sucking the plant juices.

The first evidence of mite feeding, which can usually be seen on the top of the leaf, is a yellow or whitish "The mites in these areas are ex-spotting of the leaf tissues on the lower leaf surface.

As mite infestations develop, deal with the problem have to be leaves may be severely damaged and the food manufacturing ability of the There are two types of spider plants reduced. If an infestation is

> In corn, effects on yield on most severe when mites start damaging leaves at or above the ear level.

Spider mite control decisions are based on many factors including the mite species present, level of infestation, growth stage of the crop, cost of application and market price of the

'One of the challenges with controlling mites with miticide is getting it through the canopy formed by the crops height," said Patrick.

"Currently, mixtures of miticides are being used to try to control this infestation although most attempts are failing and there are few mixtures left to try.

'Some mixtures have reduced the mite populations after the application. If 90 percent of the problem isn't controlled after the first application, it is just as bad or worse than when you started the control process," stressed Patrick.

"Miticides used on other crops, such as cotton and ornamentals, have been looked at for possible use but because residue testing on corn has For more information, call the not been done, labeling and the ap- PCS office at 647-3244.

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Patrick.

"The standard miticides aren't Although the two species are working and are very costly," states Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB) member David Ford, of Hartley County. "Hopefully through shortterm research sponsored by Texas Corn Producers we can find some immediate relief for this problem."

> "A good rain and cooler temperatures would definitely help the situation, but until then a decision has to be made on whether or not the crop will be lost or if the producer is going to continue to water and see if the problem will eventually dissipate," concluded Patrick.

> Because of the resistance problem seen in these mite outbreaks TCPB has initiated an emergency research project with Dr. Patrick and Robert Bowling, extension and IPM agent in Moore and Sherman counties.

"We hope to see immediate results with the evaluations being conducted so that the producer can be offered some relief," said Ford.

There are some spider mites in the area, but they are nothing like what they have up north," said Emilio Niño, entomologist for Castro

"They could flare up in the hot weather, but there is no problem now," said Niño.

# PCS offers help with utility bills

Panhandle Community Services has funds available to assist less fortunate families with meeting their electric utility costs.

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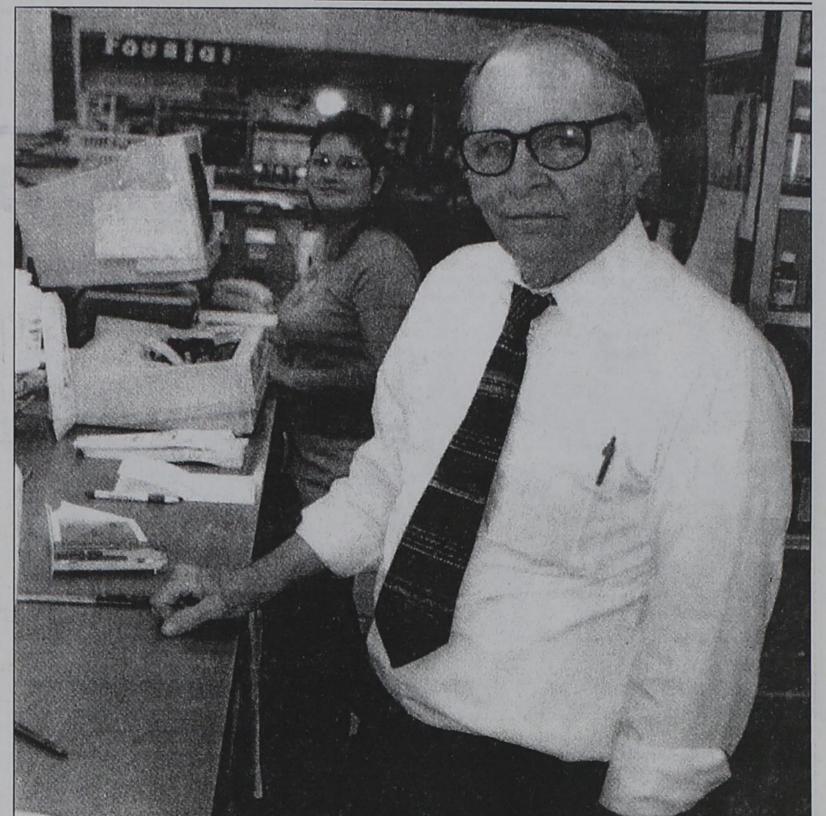
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RETIRING, AGAIN—Registered Pharmacist Sandy Parsons filled his final prescription at his usual stand at Lockhart Pharmacy Saturday, and has gone into retirement for the second time. In background is Jo Ann Peña, pharmacy technician. Parsons bought his first pharmacy in Dimmitt from Reed Bond in 1960, and in the mid-'60s he built Parsons Rexall Drug. In

1990 he retired and sold the store to his sister and brother-in-law, Mary and Bill Lockhart, R.Ph., but returned to the pharmacy when his brother-in-law died in July 1992. The pharmacy has been purchased by Coleman Pharmacy, and Mary Lockhart is in the process of liquidating the store's stock of gifts and sundries. Photo by Don Nelson

# Classified ads get results!

### **2001 Property Tax Rates in Castro County**

This notice concerns 2001 property tax rates for Castro County and Castro County Hospital District. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property laxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties faxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start rollback procedures. In each case, these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	Co	ounty General	C	County Road	Ho	spital Distric
ast year's tax rate:						
Last year's operating taxes	\$	1,602,812	\$	515,851	\$	1,268,448
Last year's debt taxes	\$		\$	No. of the last	\$	-
Last year's tax base	\$	377,132,320	\$	373,805,100	\$	375,280,60
Last year's total tax rate	\$	0.425	\$	0.138	. \$	0.33
his year's effective tax rate:						
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$	1,602,748	\$	515,653	\$	1,268,44
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$	376,293,460	\$	372,969,240	\$	373,786,62
(after subtracting value of new property)						
= This year's effective tax rate	\$	0.426	\$	0.138	\$	0.33
Total	\$	0.564				
1.03 Maximum Rate without hearings	\$	0.581			\$	0.34
'his year's rollback tax rate:						
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property.	\$	1,737,507	\$	515,653	\$	1,268,44
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$	377,188,060	\$	373,185,210	\$	374,005,59
= This year's effective operating rate	\$	0.461	\$	0.138	\$	0.33
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$	0.498	\$	0.149	\$	0.36
= This year's rollback rate	\$	0.647			\$	0.36

A county or city that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes must insert the following lines: Sales tax adjustment rate 0.036

0.611 = Rollback tax rate

#### Schedule A

**Unencumbered Fund Balances** 

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Castro County General	\$ 600,00
Castro County Precincts	\$ 440,00
Hospital District	\$ 28.18

#### Schedule C

**Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax** 

(for cities and counties with additional sales tax to reduce property taxes) In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive the following amounts in additional sales and use lax revenues.

> \$ 134,759 Castro County

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at the Castro County Appraisal District, 204 S.E. 3rd (Rear), Dimmitt, Tx.

Notice prepared by Jerry Heller

Chief Appraiser Prepared on July 27, 2001

Stevens 5-Star-Gar & Truck Center-receives North Highway 385 in Hereford, TX 364-2160 or 1-800-299-CHEV Mitchell Reeve, Jerry and Steve Stevens from Stevens 5-Star Car & Truck Center were awarded a plaque for outstanding Pontiac sales performance nd customer satisfaction for the year 2000. Presenting the award are Calvin Williams, Jr., Steve Pardy and Gabriel Ismaio from General Motors.





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Arnold Peralez has recently been

Peralez, son of Arnold and Dahlia

He received his degree from

ball coach in Lamont, Okla. He was an assistant basketball coach in

His most recent job was in Gallup, N.M., where he was the assistant head boys' basketball coach and

Peralez, is a Dimmitt High School

hired as the new head girls' basket-

ball coach in Vilas, Colo.

graduate.

Dimmitt in 1999.

education.

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assistant activities director.

Booster club

Club will hold its first meeting of the

new school year on Monday, Aug.

School cafeteria. The public is in-

vited to come to the meeting to meet

the upcoming year, according to

Rusty Dickerson, president of the

the coaching staff, new and old.

It will be held at the Dimmitt High

The club will also make plans for

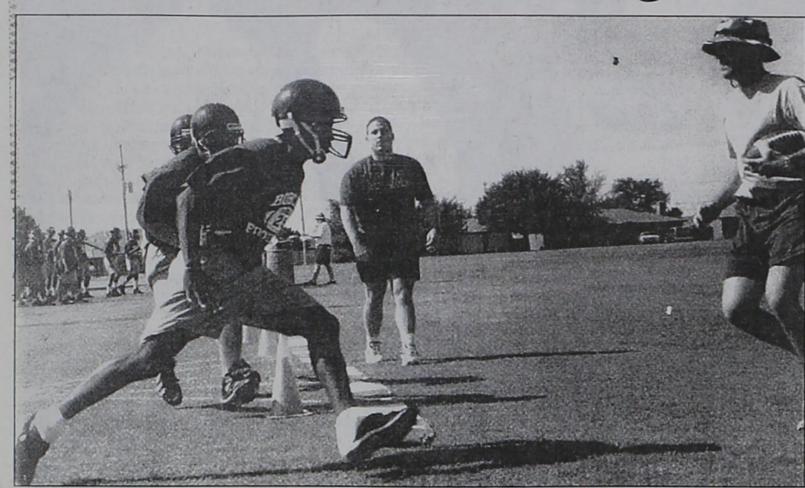








# Coaches encouraged by players' enthusiasm



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... Dimmitt Coach Glenn Dunnam guides players through conditioning drills during first workout Monday Photo by Micah Crutcher

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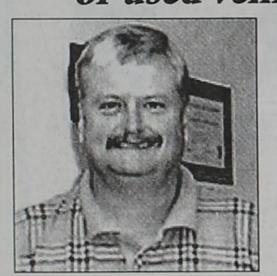
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Area teams had their first glimpse of what the season will hold during two-a-days this week.

A record number of boys reported shape," he added. Monday to meet their new coaches ing football season.

Castro county has three new area coaches, and trying to get their guys familiar with their system will be a challenge for each of these coaches.

fields during these workouts. stay hydrated with the number of

heat strokes occurring recently," said Mondays workout. one area coach. field early Monday morning to begin

preparation for the upcoming season.

(Continued from Page 1)

and we just haven't had any problem

"I sure wouldn't think the dairy is

Despite any criticism, Jones said,

"We've had a lot of positive feedback

in Dimmitt, that the area is glad to be

getting a dairy, because dairies have

such a positive economic impact.

tlefield. It's helping us greatly there,

going to have an effect on the city of Dimmitt, except from the economic

More about

whatsoever.

standpoint."

Oklahoma Panhandle State Univer- They certainly have had around Lit-

1998, he was the head girls' basket- men are good citizens."

In 1997, he was the head girls' and bringing jobs to Littlefield. Dairbasketball coach in Felt, Okla. In ies are good business, and the dairy-

"They seem very excited and eager to begin the season," said head coach

Glenn Dunnam.

and ran over the summer to stay in season.

Keeping in shape during the long home on August 24. and begin work outs for the up com- summer break helps many boys prepare for working out in the extreme heat during two-a-days.

Monday's practice. The Bobcats will take the field in their first scrim-Water jugs and hoses line practice mage at home on August 18th.

Thirty Nazareth Swifts met their "It is very important that the guys new coaches, received work out clothes, and took the field during

"We are trying to get the boys The Dimmitt Bobcats took to the familiar with the new offense and defense," said coach Peacock.

The key for the Swifts is to add depth on both sides of the line. They home August 24.

will rely on their skill positions to "Many of the boys lifted weights improve their record of 9-2 from last

Nazareth will scrimmage Anton at

The Hart Longhorns had record numbers turn out for two-a-day practice. The Longhorns will have to Dimmitt had 48 boys turn out for endure two weeks of two-a-days

before they report to school. "We are trying to get the kids familiar with the new drills and with the new coaching staff," said coach Jay McCook.

Just missing a playoffs last year, look for Keith Finch and Albert Velasquez to lead them in the hunt during the 2001-2002 football sea-

Hart's first scrimmage will be at



SAME GAME NEW ATTITUDE ...Dimmitt Bobcats take to the field with new shirts and new attitudes



FIRST PLACE TEAM - This Little League team won first place in the Mustang Division at a tournament held in Friona recently. Pictured are team members (bottom row, left to right) Anthony Jackson, Tito Rodriguez, Chance Schilling, Marcos Herrera, Joshua Alvarez, Edgar Perez, David

Oltivero, (middle row, left to right) Andre Aleman, John David Gonzales, Mondo Prieto, Sinfo Arguijo, Nick Aguilar, Jeremey Berrea, Issac Sifuentez, George Dones, (top row, left to right) coaches Tony Rodriguez, Ignacio Sifuentez, Val Berrea and Joe Courtesy Photo

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# Police Calls

Police have recovered three of five bicycles reported stolen from Aug. 2 to Aug. 4.

Gloria Lara and Johnny Gonzales both reported bicycles stolen on Aug.

The suspect took a boy's Mongoose bicycle valued at \$170 from Lara's home on the 500 block of West Etter Street.

The suspect also took a boy's Rhino bicycle valued at \$300 from a location on the 800 block of West Andrews Street.

On Aug. 3 the suspect stole a boy's Motiv bicycle valued at \$170 from the 100 block of Northwest 12th Street.

Later that day, Mararita Ledesma reported another boy's bicycle stolen valued at \$150 on the 600 block of Northwest Sixth Street.

On Saturday, the suspect stole another boy's Mongoose bicycle valued at \$157 from a home on the 600 block of West Andrews Street.

The police hope to recover the other two bicycles and say that they have a suspect in the case.

Freddie Garcia reported that someone had stolen a motorized toy Barbie car valued at \$350 from his residence on the 300 block of Northeast Seventh Street on July 31.

Charles Spring reported an occurrence of criminal mischief over \$500, but under \$1500 on Aug. 1. Someone had vandalized his Ford pick-up by breaking the glass on the passenger side door while it was located at Dimmitt Motor Company.

Several employees of Coleman's Pharmacy had their vehicles vandalized last Thursday. An unknown suspect took a sharp object and scratched the hoods of three fourdoor cars, one pick-up and one van. Each hood was valued at \$400.

An 18-year-old woman reported an occurrence of assault on Friday. A suspect slapped the victim near the 700 block of Southwest Fifth Street.

Police investigated a report of criminal trespassing on Aug. 4. Brenda Leal reported that a suspect had entered her residence without consent on the 600 block of Northwest Seventh Street.

On Saturday, law officials investigated a report of a suspect touching four juveniles on the 100 block of Northwest 11th Street.

Rhonda Mixson reported to police on Sunday that an unknown person had burglarized the home of Lois Waggoner in the 100 block of West Lee Street.

The suspect stole \$20 in quarters, an Emerson VCR with remote valued at \$150, a Bearcat desktop scanner valued at \$150, a small stereo with a cassette player and an AM/FM radio valued at \$50, a bed comforter valued at \$20 and a green bed pillow valued at \$10.

A stolen car was found Monday south of Sunnyside. The suspect driving the car had hit a fence and wrecked it. The car had been stolen from Littlefield early Sunday morning. The car was wrecked sometime later that day. There are no known suspects.

Two-thirds of those arrested this week were arrested on drug and alcohol charges.

Those arrested on these charges

- 51-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested Aug. 3 for possession of marijuana under two ounces.

- 27-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested Friday for possession of marijuana under two ounces.

- 20-year-old Lubbock man, arrested Aug. 4 for driving while intoxicated, first offense.

- 20-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested Saturday for driving while intoxicated, first offense.

- 24-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested Saturday on a warrant for driving while intoxicated, third or

- 42-year-old Dimmitt man arrested Aug. 5 for driving while intoxicated, driving while license suspended, disregard for stop sign and no safety belt.

- 46-year-old Dimmitt woman, arrested Aug. 7 for driving while intoxicated, second offense.

Those arrested on other charges this week were:

- 31-year old Dimmitt woman. arrested Aug. 1 on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, no valid inspection certificate, theft by check greater than \$20, but less than \$500 and violation of promise to appear.

- 25-year-old Dimmitt woman, arrested Aug. 2 on warrants for burglary of habitation and forgery.

- 23-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested Aug. 3 on warrants for two counts of unrestrained children under four years of age and violation of promise to appear.

- 19-year-old Dimmitt woman, arrested Aug. 4 on warrants for forgery and theft greater than \$500, but less than \$1500.

### Harvest Days will include barbecue and chili cook-off

A barbeque and chili cook-off will be held at the Castro County Fair this year on Sept. 8.

It will be held on the Castro County Expo grounds. There are four categories for contestants to enter.

The pinto beans category has an entry fee of \$5 and its turn-in time is 11 a.m. The pork spare ribs category has an entry fee of \$10 and its turnin time is 11:30 a.m.

The brisket category also has an entry fee of \$10 and its turn-in time is 12 p.m. The final category, chili, has an entry fee of \$10 and its turnin time is 12:30.

The contest is restricted to residents of Castro County.

For more information about the contest, please call the Extension Office at (806) 647-4115 or (806) 647-3736.



DIMMITT HIGH SCHOOL Student Council members recently attended a leadership workshop at Angelo State University in San Angelo. Students attending were (back row, from left) Tramesha Rivers, Bianey Saucedo, Melanie Walls and Erica Mendoza; and (front row, from left) Jaci Hardwick, Cliff Wright and Caleb Dickerson. Courtesy Photo

# DHS Student Council members attend leadership workshop

Dimmitt High School was well and skills needed to effectively operrepresented during the summer leadership workshop in July at Angelo State University.

DHS Student Council Members Tramesha Rivers, Bianey Saucedo, Melanie Walls, Erika Mendoza, Jaci Hardwick, Cliff Wright and Caleb Dickerson participated in the workshop at San Angelo.

The students and their sponsor, Connie Dickerson, learned strategies

ate their DHS Student Council chap-

Workshop structure and activities were designed to develop both the council as a whole and as individual student leaders. The students were separated into groups and completed many projects together.

Activities included a junior Olympics and a talent show.

# Chamber taking entries for Harvest Days parade

One of the highlights of the annual Harvest Days celebration is the parade, and the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce is currently accepting entries for this year's event, which is Sept. 8.

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. on Sept. 8 and theme will be Cattle, Cotton, Corn 'n Cowboys.

"This is an excellent time to publicize your organization, business activities and/or events in downtown Dimmitt. There is no entry fee and ribbons and cash prizes will be awarded," said Chamber Executive Director Bill Sava.

If you'd like to be a part of the parade, contact the Chamber at 115 W. Bedford St. in Dimmitt or call Sava at 647-2524.

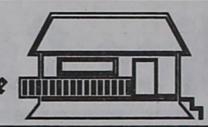


- 45-year-old Hart man arrested 'THANKS, DON'-The Castro County Memorial Post of the Veterans Saturday for public intoxication. of Foreign Wars, represented here by Post Commander Don Howell (right), presented News Publisher Don Nelson with a VFW Appreciation Award last week "for meritorious and distinguished service in furthering the aims and ideals of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States." Photo by Joyce Nelson

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3-Real Estate

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THREE BEDROOMS, one bath, single garage, brick, fenced backyard, central heat and air. 12th Street. \$49,500.

160 ACRES IRRIGATED LAND with Center Pivot, south of Dimmitt.

COMMERCIAL

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Don and Shirley Cornett, Agents 647-5642, Home 647-6517 or 647-8155, Mobiles

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6—For Sale, Misc.

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✓ The first time your ad runs it will cost at least \$5 (25 cents per word with a \$5 minimum).

✓ Each consecutive time you run your ad with no changes, it will cost 25 cents per word with no minimum.

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- 2. Farms for sale
- 3. Homes and apartments for rent 16. Auto parts and supplies 4. Things people want to rent
- 5. Miscellaneous items for sale
- 7. Garage sales 8. Household goods for sale
- 9. Farm equipment and supplies 20. Help wanted
- 10. Agricultural services
- 11. Feed, seed and grain for sale 23. Lost and found
- 12. Farm produce for sale 13. Livestock and pets
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- 15. Recreational vehicles
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- 19. Students seeking work
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19—Students

Wanting Work

20—Help Wanted

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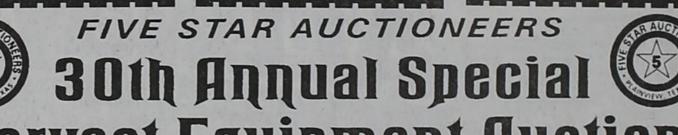
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Tuesday, August 21, 2001 - Sale Time 10:00 a.m. Combines, Cornheads, Headers, Attachments, Grain Carts, Augers, Combine Trailers Wednesday, August 22, 2001 - Sale Time 10:00 a.m.

Grain Trucks, Truck Tractors, Implement Trucks, Trailers, Cars, Pickups, Buses, Hopper Bottom Grain Trailers, Livestock Pot & Straight Trailers, Float Trailers, Motor Homes & Travel Trailers

Thursday, August 23, 2001 - Sale Time 10:00 a.m. Cotton Strippers, Module Builders, Boll Buggies, Cotton Trailers, Livestock Equipment, Stock Trailers, Irrigation, Hay Equipment, Ensilage & Peanut Equipment

Friday, August 24, 2001 - Sale Time 10:00 a.m. Tractors, Backhoes, Loaders, Front End Loaders, Construction Equipment, Motor Graders, Forklifts, Crawlers, Tractor Makeups

Selling All Farm Implements, Fertilizer Equipment, Utility Traners, Tanks, Toolbar Makeups, Shop Equipment, Grain Drills

Saturday, August 25, 2001 - Sale Time 9:00 a.m.

Deadline For Getting Equipment In Place: Monday, August 20, 2001 At 6:00 p.m.



# Merv Evans (Home): (806) 864-3721 · Jimmy Reeves (Home): (806) 864-3362

Jim Sumners (Home): (806) 864-3611

Cashiers: Gail Hanna (806) 647-5115, Donna Noel (806) 293-1124

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For more information, call (806) 647-3406 TDD 1-800-735-2989 Joe Franco, Manager

CUSTOM SWATHING AND BALING.

CUSTOM SWATHING AND BAILING. Call Leslie Birkenfeld, 647-3320. 10-5-tfc

#### **GOT SEED?**

MEAT AND SHOW GOATS for sale, 647-

6—For Sale, Misc.

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#### EIGHTH GRADE GIRL will do babysitting for you this summer. Call 647-3503. Area's Oldest Dealer Since 1966 S. Hwy. 385 647-3414 15-YEAR-OLD BOY will do odd jobs for you this summer. Call 647-3503. 19-9-tfc

18-16-4tp

# Harvest Equipment Auction

# Cotton talks

By SHAWN WADE

Prospects and possibilities for the 2002 Farm Bill will be the focus of the Texas Agricultural Policy Summit Monday and Tuesday in Lub-

The meeting, titled "Implications for the 2002 Farm Bill" will be held at the Holiday Inn Park Plaza Hotel in Lubbock. Farmers, ranchers, agribusiness representatives and community leaders are encouraged to attend.

The meeting will provide farmers and industry members the opportunity to hear directly to hear directly from the leaders involved with the development and passage of agriculture programs at the federal and state

Featured speakers for this year's summit include Secretary of Agriculture Ann Veneman, House Agriculture Committee Chairman Larry Combest of Lubbock, Ranking Minority House Ag Committee Member Charles Stenholm of Stamford, Deputy Staff Director of the House Ag Committee Tom Sell, Texas Commissioner of Agriculture Susan Combs, Texas Senator Robert Duncan of Lubbock and Texas House of Representatives member Gary Walker of Plains.

Also scheduled to speak are Mike Dwyer, USDA Foreign Agricultural Service; Dr. Ronald Knutson, Dr. Luther G. Tweeten, Dr. Abner Womack and Dr. Edward G. Smith of Texas A&M University.

Topics include USDA's role in understanding and defining policy

### 20—Help Wanted

RURAL HEALTH CLINIC OFFICE Manager: Two years experience in health care business office with supervisory experience. Associate or bachelor's degree in acct. desired. Castro County Hospital District, PO Box 278, 310 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027; Phone (806) 647-2191; fax (806) 647-2407. 20-18-2tc



ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 647-4594.

## 25—Legal Notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposal for group health, life insurance and prescription drug program will be received by the City of Dimmitt until September 10, 2001, at 2 p.m.

Bidders must provide two (2) copies of their proposals. The envelope or container in which bids are sent or hand-delivered should be clearly marked as "HEALTH & LIFE INSURANCE AND PRESCRIPTION DRUG PROGRAM BID" in lower left-hand

City of Dimmitt reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in bids received. The City of Dimmitt is not required to select the lowest bid, but shall take into consideration other factors such as ability to service the contract, past experience and financial stability. City of Dimmitt reserves the right to award the bid to serve the best interest of its employees, as judged by the City of

Attached to these specifications is an employee census showing date of birth, sex, and whether the employee has covered dependents.

Any questions regarding the specifications should be addressed to City of Dimmitt, Attn: Dolores Baldridge, PO Box 146, Dimmitt, Texas 79027; (806) 647-

25-18-2tc

#### NOTICE **EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING** AND PLACEMENT

The Castro County Comprehensive SSA provides education for children ages three, four and five, who have problems in the areas of communication skills, concept development, and gross and/or fine

Also, programming for children with vision or hearing disabilities is available

Any child from birth through age 21 suspected of having a disability should be referred to the special education office for individual assessment as soon as possible. Parents or other interested individuals are urged to contact the special education office at 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas, or phone (806) 647-3103 to schedule an appointment.

#### AVISO PRUEBA PARA COLOCAMIENTO **DE NIÑOS PRE-ESCOLARES**

El Departamento de Educación Comprensivo del Condado de Castro Ofrece Educación para niños de tres, cuatro y cinco años de edad, que tiene probelmas en las áreas de habilidades de comunicación, desarrollo conceptivo, y coordinación macromotriz o micromotriz.

También, hay programacíon para niños con probelmas de visión o oido y son disponibles desde nacimiento.

Si usted sospecha que algun niño recien nacido hasta la edad de 21 y tiene disabilidades, es muy importante que sea recomendado a la oficina de educación especial para la evaluación individual lo mas pronto posible. Se les urge a los padres de familia y demas interesados que se comuniquen con la oficina de educación especial que esta localizada por la calle, 608 West Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas, llame al numero de telefono (806) 647-3103 para hacer una cita individual.

issues, outlooks and alternatives for the current farm program, agricultural trade implications, the role of commodity group input, a discussion of the issues underlying the farm bill debate and two panel discussions centered on federal and state issues.

Another key part of the summit is the work done by work groups made up of attendees from various fields of interest. The workgroup sessions are designed to help pull together ideas about specific concerns related to agricultural policy and to forward those ideas to policy makers.

The registration fee is \$80 for those attending the conference. Advance registration is recommended due to space limitations for on-site registration of attendees.

The affirmative voice vote in the Senate Friday on the agricultural aid package brings assurance to hardpressed farmers that a little more assistance will be coming their way in September.

If the Senate had not passed the identical \$5.5 billion page to H.R. 2213, "The Crop Year 2001 Agricultural Economic Assistance Act," that passed out of the House on June 26, most folks who truly understand the Washington process are of the opinion that hurting farmers would have been left in the lurch.

The Senate Ag Committee had six weeks for debate, discussion and compromise following the House of Representative's June 26 approval of the \$5.5 billion aid package.

The Senate Ag Committee chose to delay until the 11th hour as the close of business loomed. Critics point the finger back at Harkin and the Senate Ag Committee saying they should have been working diligently on behalf of farmers weeks ago and following the strong leadership of their counterparts in the House.

The President is expected to sign the bill and get USDA rolling toward a September payment to our farmers, even though it is lower than the levels hoped for.

Now when congress reconvenes in September, the question of additional assistance for continued economic and natural disasters can be raised.

### More about

(Continued from Page 1) the sunset will find you.

The American Journalism Review magazine asked reporters at some of the nation's major dailies:

"What's the oddest place from which you had to write a story?" I hope you enjoy their answers as much as I did:

Katherine M. Skiba, Washington correspondent, Milwaukee Journal

"Grand Forks, North Dakota, during the '97 flood and fire: no working toilets, no showers, no restaurants and, after a mayoral decree, no alcohol. Good thing I brought a good

writer/Maryland state government reporter, Washington Post:

"I once had to write a story [for Knight Ridder Publications] in a Nissan Patrol speeding down a narrow mountain road in Montenegro, through rain and fog, at night. I nearly threw up.

"The story was the first report of the Serb military assault on the Kosovo city of Pec, gleaned from refugees who were just beginning to straggle into Rozaje, a mountain

town in northern Montenegro. . . . "A traveling companion and I checked into Rozaje's only hotel to write, but found ourselves in a very creepy place with no lights in the very dark hallways, no locks on the flimsy doors of the small, dirty rooms, and one ancient phone in the lobby, just outside a bleak cafe crawling with Serb soldiers.

"A computer connection was a fantasy; dictation was out of the

"So we climbed into the Nissan for the rather harrowing three-hour drive to the Montenegrin capital of Podgorica, where real phones awaited. We took turns driving."

Jack Kelley, foreign correspondent, USA Today:

"An outhouse in Nazran, Ingushetia: It had the only working outlet at the place I stayed while reporting the war in neighboring Chechnya. The stench was so bad that it caused me to gag and tear. I've never written a story so fast in my

Joan Fleischman, "Talk of Our Town" columnist, Miami Herald:

"The kitchen office of John Martin's, an Irish pub in Coral Gables. The story involved a county com-

missioner accused of pulling a gun on a hotel parking valet. I found a witness-a cop who worked off-duty at the hotel-and dictated the story to the city desk. Got a raise.

"I'm pretty fond of that pub-had a first date there with the man who is now my husband."

Neely Tucker, metro staff writer/ D.C. Superior Court, Washington Post:

"In the winter of 1994, Ushguli, Georgia (the country)....

"The only way in or out was an aging Soviet-era helicopter in the nearest military base at sea level. I hired the chopper for a cool \$1,000, then watched the pilot set up a ticket table on the tarmac, selling tickets on Lori A. Montgomery, metro staff my 'chartered' flight to locals who needed to get to the mountain vil-

> "I spent three nights in Ushguli. After nightfall, my hosts grabbed rifles and a bottle of vodka to take me for a midnight walk to a hidden well, which pulled water from a warm underground spring. It was said to be good luck to do so at that

"They were among the most hospitable people I ever met, and . . . it felt like I was filing a dispatch more from the Middle Ages than the late 20th Century."

Kristin Dodd is one of the Weather Channel's 30 OCMs (on-camera meteorologists). She bundles up and goes hither and yon to give live, onthe-spot reports of hurricanes, blizzards and floods. She has learned to employ such tricks of the trade as coating her face, hands and feet with Vaseline if she's going to be standing out in a howling 25-below wind

The OCMs are sometimes followed by devoted fans known affectionately as "weather weenies," who will figure out where their location is (or will be) and drive for hours to get there and just watch, or maybe attain a measure of immortality by walking through the background of a live

Sometimes the weather weenies can get overly frisky.

Dodd once looked up during a live shot and saw five naked teenage boys with bags over their heads running straight for her and the camera. She managed to throw it back to the studio just before they arrived.

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#### More about

# Worm is crawling in area computers

(Continued from Page 1) Espero me puedas ayudar con el

archivo que te mando. Espero te guste este archivo que te

Estes es el archivo con la

informacion que me pediste.

#### **English Version**

I send you this file in order to have your advice.

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This is the file with the information

that you ask for.

I hope you like the file that I send

If you have received an e-mail such as this, do not open it or the attachment. Delete it immediately.

The date Oct. 15, or some attached file contents, will trigger file deletion payload. If the file deletion occurrs, or after 8,000 executions, it can trigger a space filler payload.

The worm appends a random document from the infected personal computer to itself and sends this new file via e-mail.

There is a 1-in-20 chance of the worm deleting all files and directories on the infected hard drive. This only occurs on systems where the date is October 16 and which are using D/M/Y as the date format. It

always occurs if the attached file contains "FS2" not followed by "sc."

August 9, 2001

There is a 1-in-50 chance of the worm filling all remaining space on the hard drive by adding text to the

file c:\recycled\sircam.sys. It also can export a random document from the hard drive by appending it to the body of the worm.

If you believe you have been infected with the worm virus, there is a removal tool you can execute from symantec.com. web site, according to Mendoza.

The site gives a complete description of the virus and instructions for its removal.

# Hospital CEO starts calling on businesses, industries 'What do you need us to do for you?'

In an effort to "get a better feel for what services our taxpayers and businesses would like for us to provide them," the hospital district's chief executive officer is getting out of his office and visiting with local businesses and industries.

"I'm attempting to go to one industry or business a week," Joe Sloan said, "to discuss with the owner or the CEO what services we're providing that they like, what they don't like, what services they would like to see us provide that we're not providing, and what help we could give them that we may not have thought about."

If any business or industry has a need for any on-site help that the hospital district can provide, Sloan will arrange it.

"It could be that people are doing things on the job that are actually harming them, like a repetitive motion," Sloan said, "and maybe we can teach people how to perform their job tasks better. It might involve body mechanics, coordination, dexterity, body strength, and so forth, and might call for physical therapy or occupational therapy, performed in their place of business. We don't have to wait for people to come to the hospital."

The "outreach visits" grew out of a recent hospital board retreat.

"The board has asked me to get a better feel for which services our taxpayers would like for us to provide for them and the businesses they run," Sloan said.



Joe Sloan

"During the discussion, I explain the different departments and services that we have that they may not

"For example, through our Durable Medical Equipment Store, we're beginning to sell supplies to the high school athletic departments.

"And we're in the uniform business now, too. We provide uniforms for hospital employees, nursing home employees and other workers. We represent several brand names, and can get anything that any other uniform store can get, basically. Our DME Store manager, Wayne Proffitt, goes to hospitals and nursing homes all over the area, in probably a 30- to

"When other companies come in

and sell uniforms here, that money goes out of the county. But this way, that money stays in the county, plus we're able to give our own employees a good discount on their uniforms.

"We're doing a lot of things and offering a lot of services that many people don't know about, and that's what I'm trying to let the people know."

The new effort "is more than just a marketing ploy," Sloan said. "The board wants the hospital district to be a resource to the community, because they're the ones who pay our taxes. In that respect they're our bosses, and we're trying to let them know what services they can get from us."

The hospital district may have the capability to devise a custom project for a local business or industry, "We might encounter a situation

classes for free, and then they can conduct their own program," he said. He added, "We won't charge for

where we can give them one or two

these services all the time." Sloan is calling on the larger employers first, such as industries, feed-

lots and dairies. "The larger businesses and industries seem to have more problems with their billings and insurance claims," Sloan said. "Sometimes when we solve problems for these businesses, that goes ahead and solves the same problems for the

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# School registration

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Hinsley will discuss the handbook and any changes in the rules or dress code.

Sue Summers, the school counselor, will then give students information on changing class schedules.

Freshman orientation will then be given by the student council while the other grades report to their first

Breakfast, usually served from 8:15 to 8:30 a.m., will not be served on the first day.

#### Middle School

Students at Dimmitt Middle School will also register Friday, Aug.

The following schedule will be observed: fourth grade from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.; fifth grade from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; sixth grade from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.; seventh grade from 1 to 2 p.m.; and eighth grade from 2 to 3

All Dimmitt Middle School students are required to register for the 2001-2002 school year, and new students to the school must bring all pertinent information (immunization record, transcript, etc.) from their previous school.

The first bell for DMS students will also ring at 8:10 a.m. Students are to report to their first class at 8:20

An opening assembly with raising of the flag will be held at 8:30 a.m. Parents and members of the community are invited to attend.

#### Richardson Elementary

Richardson Elementary School also will register students on Aug.

New kindergarten students who did not pre-register last spring and all first-grade students are asked to report to the RES library for registration between 9 a.m. and 12 noon on

All students who will be in the second and third grades this year should plan to register on Aug. 10 between 1 and 3 p.m. in the library.

"This is something new this year," said RES Principal Clint Seward.

"We decided to have all the students register so we can update our records."

An open house will be held on

Aug. 15 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Students be taken during registration, and and parents can come meet their new teachers, look at their classrooms and drop off their school supplies.

Students should report to school by 8:00 a.m. on Aug. 16. Classes will start by 8:30 a.m.

#### Nazareth

Nazareth Independent School effect on registration day. District will hold registration on Aug. 10 for students in the sixth through 12th grades.

10 will be the senior class, expected to sign up between 8 and 9:15 a.m. The rest of the registration schedule includes juniors from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.; sophomores from 10:15 to 11 a.m.; freshmen from 11 to 11:45 a.m.; eighth graders from 1 to 1:30 p.m.; seventh graders from 1:30 to 2 p.m.; and sixth graders from 2 to

School pictures for students will the community are invited to attend.

Nazareth ISD will be mailing out pamphlets and order forms to parents prior to registration. Students are asked to return the order forms, with the appropriate money for the order, when they have their pictures made on Aug. 10.

The school's dress code will be in

Nazareth will start the 2001-2002 school year on Aug. 13. The first bell will ring at 8:05 a.m. Nazareth will The first group to register on Aug. also have an opening ceremony. Officers of the FCCLA will give introductions while officers of the FFA will raise the flag.

Supt. N. Dean Johnson will introduce the support staff. Teachers will be introduced by Principal Deborah

The new kindergarten class and the seniors of 2002 will also be acknowledged. Parents and members of

# Special import quota set for upland cotton

permits importation of a quantity of the period April through June. upland cotton equal to one week's domestic mill use.

The quota will be established today (Thursday), allowing importation of 33,238,369 kilograms (152,663 bales) of upland cotton.

under the authority of PL 106-78, enacted October 22, 1999, which requires that a special import quota be determined and announced immediately if, for any consecutive 1.25 cents per pound.

than February 4, 2002. The quota is if price conditions warrant.

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The announced quota is established under Presidential Proclamation 6301 dated June 7, and Presidential Proclamation 6948 dated This action is being carried out October 29, 1996, and will be referenced as the Secretary of Agriculture's Special Cotton Import Quota Announcement Number 1, in chapter 99, subchapter III, subheading 9903.52.01 of the HTS. four-week period, the U.S.-Northern The quota is not divided by staple Europe price, adjusted for the value length or by country of origin, and of any cotton user marketing does not apply to Extra Long Staple certificate issued, exceeds the (ELS) cotton. The quota identifies a Northern Europe price by more than quantity of imports that is not subject to the over-quota tariff rate of a Quota number 1 will be tariff-rate quota. The quota does not established as of today (Thursday), affect existing tariff rates or and will apply to upland cotton phytosanitary regulations. Future purchased not later than November 6 quotas, in addition to the quantity and entered into the U.S. not later announced today, will be established

# Obituaries

#### Velma McCormick

Velma Dean McCormick, 80, of Amarillo, mother of J.D. McCormick of Hart, died Sunday.

Graveside services were held Tuesday morning in the Dickens Cemetery with Tommy Hemphill officiating. Burial was under the direction of Adams Funeral Home of Crosbyton.

Mrs. McCormick was born May 25, 1921, in Eufala, Okla. She married Walter Hicks on May 28, 1938, in Spur. He died on Aug. 15,

She was a longtime resident of Dickens County, was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include three sons, J.D. McCormick of Hart, Norman McCormick of Dickens and Johnny McCormick of Decatur; two daughters, Joan Dickinson of Decatur, Ark., and Ellen Hrabal of Amarillo; two sisters, Violet Stewart of Bowie and Freddie Hemphill of Blossom; 12 grandchildren; and 16 greatgrandchildren.

#### **Gwyneth Wood**

Gwyneth Wood, 78, of Levelland, former Dimmitt resident, died Fri-

Services were held Monday afternoon at the First United Methodist Church in Levelland with the Rev. Weldon McCormick and the Rev. Jesse Hodge officiating. Burial will follow in the City of Levelland Cem- 31. etery under the direction of Geo. C. Price Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Wood was born Dec. 11, 1922, in Darby, England. She married John H. Wood on July 13, 1945, in Nottingham, England.

The Woods lived in Dimmitt for several years while he served as postmaster. They moved from Dimmitt to Levelland in 1968. She taught math at South Plains College for 20 years and was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Michael Wood and Stephen Wood, both of Levelland, and David Wood of Austin; and seven grandchildren.

With proper care, the human body will last a lifetime.



#### Rosabeth Vaughan

Memorial services for Rosabeth Vaughan, 82, of Dimmitt, were held Friday at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Rusty Dickerson of the First United Methodist Church, presiding. He was assisted by Mrs. Vaughan's grandson, Troy Golden.

Graveside services were held earlier that day at Plainview Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Troy Golden, Ben James, Brent Vaughan, Reggie Wilkerson, Kevin Baldridge, Mike Wilkerson, and Bob James.

Arrangements were under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Vaughan died Tuesday, July

She was born Nov. 23, 1918, in Springlake. She married Charles Vaughan February 15, 1941 in Plainview. She attended schools in Springlake and Plainview, graduating in 1937. She attended Texas Tech and graduated from Drauns Business

College. Betty, her husband, and their four children moved to Dimmitt in 1957. She was a bookkeeper at the County Tax office, and Amstar. She retired from Amstar in 1985. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and was Worthy Matron in Dimmitt. She was a member of First United Methodist Church and was active in church work.

Betty enjoyed reading, writing, and sewing. She often entertained her grandchildren by turning cart-

wheels to make them giggle. She was preceded in death by five brothers, one sister, and two granddaughters.

Survivors include her husband; a son, David of Richardson; three daughters, Sherri Wilkerson of Dimmitt, Vicki James of Dallas and Beth Charleen Vaughan-Wrobel of Fayetteville, Ark.; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to First United Methodist Church, 110 Southwest Third Street, Dimmitt, TX 79027.

#### **Charles Ray Bull**

Charles Ray Bull, son of Patsy Hudman of Dimmitt, died at 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 1.

Services were held Monday morning in San Antonio.

O Father, You enter my heart even when I am unaware of Your presence. Unbend me so that I will do Thy will with joy. Amen

Dear Lord, I know that pity will not feed the hungry, nor will prayers. Prod me to help the hungry today with food. Amen

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