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Daylight Savings time ends sunday Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour Saturday night

Early voting is underway

Early voting for the Nov. 7 general election started Monday, and will continue through Nov. 3 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each weekday that is not a state holiday.

Items on the ballot for this election include candidates for President,/Vice President, US Senator, US Rep., Dist. 13, two positions for the Railroad Commission, three places on the Supreme Court of Texas, and three places on the Court of Criminal Appeals.

The ballot also includes the jail bond issue for Castro County, giving voters an opportunity to vote for or against the issuance of \$3 million in general revenue bonds for the building of a law enforcement center, including a county jail and office space for the sheriff's department and the Dept. of Public Safety. Ballots may be cast at the county clerk's office in the courthouse. Those wanting to vote early should take their voter registration card with them.



PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE-Janie Martinez (left) speaks with eighth grade history teacher Carla Miller (right) as their sons, (from left) Rudy Salinas and Ryan Miller, listen in. The visit came

during the annual Dimmitt Middle School Open House held last week. Attendance at the event was termed "pretty good," according to DMS Principal George Rasor. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Police warn of crackdown on unrestrained children, seat belt use, unlicensed drivers

Dimmitt Police Chief Ray Aleman drive, and will continue to do so in Aleman said. "We just need to do the said Tuesday that his department is the future. stepping up enforcement of state laws regarding unrestrained children, brought it to our attention that we

"Members of the community have Statistics show that it saves lives.

same right here in our community.

"If we can save one person's life seat belt use, and unlicensed drivers, need to work on these issues, and we or keep one child from injury, then it would be worth it," he said. "It would be a double tragedy if a life would be lost because the issue (of safety) was never emphasized. "Our concern is the welfare and safety of our citizens," he said. Aleman said that citizens also can call in and report suspected violations of the laws, and the situation will be investigated. Any club or organization wanting "Nearly all of us buckle up when a presentation by the Police Dept. may call Aleman at 647-4545.

Heated debate sparked at jail bond hearing

"You can buy a lot of cars for jail could be closed down. other counties over a 20-year period and still come out a lot cheaper than \$5 million," said local farmer and businessman Jeff Robertson at Monday night's public hearing about the jail bond issue.

Robertson was including the interest payments on the proposed \$3 million bond issue that has been put before the county's voters in the Nov. 7 general election.

The Castro County Commissioners' Court ordered the bond election to gauge public support for construction of a new law enforcement center for the county that would house a 49bed jail and offices for the Sheriff's Dept. and the Dept. of Public Safety.

About 50 people attended the meeting Monday night to hear information from the commissioners, Ken Burns, chief architect for the project, and Terry Julian, executive director of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards.

Robertson, a former county

"Yes, it could," Julian answered. "It could get shut down if there is a life-safety issue raised."

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Julian said closing the jail down would not be the first thing the jail commission would want to do.

He said adequate staffing and the safety and security of the staff and inmates are the main considerations for the commission.

Julian, a former Floydada farmer and county judge, said the jail commission "is not the enemy."

He told the crowd that the commission was established in 1976 at the request of several groups to help defend jails against frivolous litigation by prisoners.

"The jail commission is not 'the bad guys.' If you are sued, the jail commission can come to your aid if you are in compliance," Julian said. However, he said he would not be able to defend a jail that did not meet the standards.

"You would have to defend yourcommissioner, cited past statements self in court (without the help and by County Judge Irene Miller that expert testimony of the jail commis-"Is this jail going to be a maxiprisoners has financed new police mum or a minimum-expense job?" asked Carl King, executive director of the Texas Corn Growers' Associa-

Applications for a ballot by mail should be sent to the county clerk's office. The last day to apply for a ballot by mail is Oct. 31.

Those who are not sure about the voting precinct in which they reside can find that information on their voter registration card or they may contact Voters' Registrar Billy Hackleman at the courthouse.

By Don Nelson

For many Texas Democrats, this is a lukewarm presidential election.

Gov. Bush is going to carry Texas just as he did in the last two gubernatorial elections. He's a nice guy and a popular governor, even though our state seems to rank lower in every civilized category than Slobbovia (which he might have trouble pronouncing).

And under the spoils system, by getting a majority of Texas' popular vote, Bush will get all 32 of the state's electoral votes.

Still, I've thought all along that Vice-President Gore would probably win the presidency because he's more experienced and knowledgeable, and because he has been part of an administration that has downsized the federal government by 300,000 bureau jobs, streamlined it in areas ranging from paperwork to warehousing, built up a budget surplus, started paying down the national debt, and fostered a healthy economy (in most segments, at least).

Those are positive points that are hard to disregard.

Also, there's the tremendous im-(Continued on Page 2)

effective immediately.

"I have obser/ed people not wearing seat belts and driving with children who are not properly restrained," Aleman said. "Also, parents are allowing their kids to drive without a license. I think they don't doing, what they can be held liable for civilly (in a civil lawsuit)."

Aleman said his department has filed charges against some parents agree," Aleman said.

Municipal Judge Garner Ball reported that the fines for each of the violations mentioned is \$100, and that the same fine schedule is used by Justice of the Peace Tana Young. Ball said that he is willing to listen

realize the severity of what they are to people when they come before him in his court, but he feels it is important, too, to get more emphasis on these laws.

for allowing an unlicensed driver to we get in our cars to go out of town,"

the county's payments to other coun- sion)," Julian said. ties for housing our "farmed out" cars for the sheriff's departments of other counties.

He also asked where the funds tion. will come from for needed wage increases for employees of the Sheriff's Dept. if so much in extra taxes has to go to make payments on the jail facility.

Don Nelson, publisher of the Castro County News, said that instead of buying the cars for other counties, we could have other counties buying them for us by housing their prisoners, "renting out" the extra jail beds that would not be used by county prisoners.

Fitzgearld said the going rate is \$35 to \$38 per day to house an inmate in area jails that have space. He said if the county could house as many as 12 a day for a year, it would bring in \$153,000 a year.

It isn't enough to pay for the jail and couldn't be counted on to make payments, but it could definitely "soften the blow" of the jail's cost, as Nelson said.

'From the beginning, we have told Ken that we wanted the cheapest (Continued on Page 2)

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Weather Service recording station for Dimmitt.

Miller asked Julian if the county

Hart man killed in one-vehicle crash

Ricardo Menchaca, 37, of Hart, twice, landing upside down, ejecting was killed on Oct. 18 when he was ejected during a one-car rollover near Edmonson, according to Dept. of Public Safety reports.

after 7 a.m. last Thursday after his 1996 Oldsmobile had rolled over on FM 788 near Edmonson sometime during the night, DPS reports stated. He had been heading east on the asphalt road east of Edmonson and approached an S-curve. He went off the south side of the road, overcorrected to the left, then overcorrected to the right and went off into the ditch, according to the DPS report. The car hit a berm and rolled

Menchaca, who had not been wearing a seat belt. The DPS report said no one else was in the car.

Factors listed as possibly contrib-Menchaca was declared dead just uting to the accident were speeding and fatigue.

> Funeral services for Menchaca were held Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon at the Sendero De La Cruz Pentecostal Church. Burial followed in the Hart Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

He is survived by his wife, three daughters, two sons, his mother, four brothers, and three sisters.

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Halloween parties promise treats, fun

Traditional carnivals, spook houses, a "Trunk or Treat" party and a "Harvest Fest" are planned over the next few days as county youngsters get ready to celebrate Halloween.

The carnival and spook house will be held in Nazareth Saturday night and the event is being sponsored by the Nazareth Band Parents.

The Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt will sponsor a carnival and spook house for kids of all ages from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday.

On Tuesday, the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt will host a "trunk or treat" party for children up to the sixth grades.

The Harvest Fest, sponsored by Lee Street Baptist Church in Dimmitt, will be held on Tuesday evening. A spook house 6-1/4 miles north of Nazareth will be open today (Thursday) through Tuesday, weather permitting. Operated by a private individual, the spook house is being billed as "The Field of Screams" because it is located in a field.

Halloween carnivals

The annual Halloween celebration in Nazareth will feature a wide variety of games for children in addition to a spook house, concessions and more.

The carnival will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Nazareth Community Hall and proceeds will go to the Nazareth Band Parents and Swift Band. The spook house will be open from 6 p.m. to midnight and has been set up in an old house in Nazareth.

Admission to the spook house will be \$1 per person. Proceeds from the spook house and other activities will benefit the ICC Catholic Youth Organization (CYO).

Trunk or Treat

The preschool and children's ministries of Dimmitt's First Baptist Church will host a "Trunk or Treat" party for all children up to the sixth grade on Tuesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the church's back parking lot. Parents that want to help hand out treats are asked to (Continued on Page 2)

There is no admission charge for the carnival, but

tickets will be required for all games and the spook

house. Those may be purchased at the door of each site.

Spook house tickets also will be available at the Com-

Games will include a fish pond, Plinko, Bingo, cake-

Those arriving in costume will automatically be en-

A concession stand will be open throughout the carni-

val and will feature stew and cornbread, homemade

The Halloween carnival and spook house at Immacu-

late Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt will be

open from 6 to 9 p.m. in the church's gym, 1001 W.

Treats will be given to children of all ages.

tered in a costume contest and the winner will be named

walk, cork gun contest, bean bag toss, hoop shoot, ring

munity Hall and will be \$3 each.

toss, jail and more.

desserts and more.

that night.

Halsell.

(Third in a four-part series of committee were appointed by the questions and answers compiled by the News staff on the county's proposed \$3 million jail bond issue, to be voted on in the Nov. 7 general election.)

Q. Who is on the jail committee?

A. The Castro County Citizens Jail Committee was formed to study the jail situation in the county and make recommendations to the Commissioners' Court. Members of the

commissioners, with representatives from each precinct.

Members are Harold Bob Bennett, Danny Rodriguez, Shirley Nelson, Loretta Aleman, Margarito Garza, James Collins, Jackie Smothermon, Garner Ball, Chaun Gunstream, Jo Parks, Floyd Schulte, Alvin Kleman, and Don Carpenter, with Kenneth Frye as an alternate.

Members of the Jail Committee do not necessarily support the bond issue.

Q. Is the cost of site preparation included in the \$3 million cost of the jail construction project? A. Yes, allowance has been made for moving gas lines, sewer lines and power lines, according to the project's chief architect, Ken Burns. Q. Wouldn't it be cheaper just to leave the law enforcement offices in the courthouse and

build a separate jail? A. Burns said that making the facility accommodate 36 beds instead of 49, would only save about \$200,000 to \$300,000, and leaving off the offices would save even less than that. He pointed out that the most expensive part of the construction is the core operations of the jail, due to the more expensive type of construction needed for the security and safety of the inmates and the jailers.

Castro County Sheriff CD Fitzgearld has said that it would improve efficiency and security to house the deputies' offices and the prisoners in the same building. Fitzgearld has pointed for many years to the crowded conditions in his department, with several deputies forced to share cramped quarters, and with vital secure storage for evidence crammed into a corner of the sheriff's office. Q. Why is it so expen-

sive to build a jail?

A. Jail construction is a very expensive type of construction. It is such a different level of construction, according to Burns. He said it has to be built with security, safety and durability in mind. Also, there is expense in dealing with life safety issues.

The cinder block and concrete walls and floors have to be reinforced with steel. The glass proposed for the cells has to be specially de-

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(Continued from Page 1) we could go with and meet the very minimum standards," Miller said.

"Our firm meets the minimum jail standards," Burns said about the jail design. "Meeting, not exceeding them."

Julian said the minimum standards include a bed with a flame retardant mattress, door locks that work, fire alarms that work, a shower that works, a toilet that works, and water for hand washing and getting a drink.

He said the standards require 40 square feet of clear floor space and 40 square feet of day room space for the first prisoner in each multi-occupancy cell, and 18 square feet additional for each additional inmate in the same cell.

The standards also require a facility temperature maintained between 65 degrees and 85 degrees.

county could house prisoners in tents as long as the tents met the jail standards for tents.

need to remember that whatever conditions the prisoners live in are also imposed on the jailers.

"We are not only trying to create inmates, but for the staff, too," Burns said. "The old facility here is not the safest around."

ditions for prisoners and what they bond issue were approved). That

manager at a local hardware store, said, "We're sitting here and we've condemned people. We have condemned a bunch of people up here. They are human beings and I think we need to realize that we have an obligation to treat human beings-I don't care what crime they've done-they still have to be treated as a human being.

"I think we need to take a stand as Christians and treat people like we'd like to be treated if we were put in the same circumstances."

King said, "I am convinced the county is 'between a rock and a hard place,' but I don't know how we will pay any more taxes."

Robertson recommended forming an association with other counties who are facing the need for jail construction to meet jail standards. He said the counties should just refuse to Julian also told the crowd that the meet the standards and lobby for changes in the laws.

Julian replied that the counties would have to defend themselves in Burns said that the county would any lawsuits that might arise from the failure to meet the standards.

"I don't care about lawsuits. To heck with those lawsuits," King said.

"The county keeps expanding a safe and secure environment for the services to meet the needs of more people," said local farmer Coby Gilbreath. "My family would be chucking out thousands and thou-Regarding comments about con- sands (if the tax increase to cover the

"deserve," Leroy Maxwell, assistant would represent a chance to buy a new tractor.

> "A jail would be pretty damn hard to pay for. We need one, but I don't know how we can pay for it," Gilbreath said.

Robertson asked if Burns would be willing to put up his house to guarantee that the project would not go over the \$3 million.

"You're asking me to put my house up," Robertson said.

Burns said that the county can make sure the project will not exceed the \$3 million or a contract will not be awarded.

"We do this for a living. I believe the figures are accurate and it can be built for that," Burns said. He said using a construction manager at-risk would guarantee the price, because the project would not be started until the costs were in line, and if the cost were exceeded once construction begian, the construction manager atrisk must cover the difference.

Robertson said that if any changes were made in the project, then the bid would become void.

Burns replied that the construction manager at-risk process does not work like that. He added that the construction manager would make estimates allowing for contingencies.

"Everyone realizes the need for a new jail, but it comes down to how to pay for it," said Dimmitt Municipal Judge Garner Ball.



COUNTY DEMOCRATIC Party headquarters opened Tuesday at 107 NE Second St. in Dimmitt. Present for the occasion were (from left) County Chairman Greg Odom, former County Chairmen Carl King and Oscar Wylie, Scott Morris, County Judge Irene Miller, County Treasurer Janice Shelton, John Nino,

County Clerk Joyce Thomas and Tax Assessor-Collector Billy Hackleman. The headquarters will be open from 9:30 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 5 p.m. weekdays. Odom said that anyone wishing service outside of those hours may call him at 647-3504 days or 647-2518 evenings. Photo by Don Nelson

Dr. Kent Bradford is featured in 'Modern Marvels' segment

Dr. Kent Bradford, a seed pathologist with the University of California-Davis, was featured in a Modern Marvels educational television segment that appeared last Wednesday evening on The History Channel.

Dr. Bradford is the son of Mildred Bradford and the brother of Jack and Jim Bradford of Dimmitt. He was the valedictorian of DHS's Class of 1971 and was an all-state post forward in basketball here.

Last week's segment of the Modern Marvels series was entitled "Farming Technology," and traced the history of farming in the US from the development of the metal horsedrawn plow to today's use of the Global Positioning System and satellite tractor-steering to plant, monitor, treat and irrigate crops.

"Of course we have to be sure they're safe; we have to test for that," he said. "But they're certainly as safe as the genetic engineering we've been doing for the last hundred years."

are more than 45 GM foods on the market today, and that 35% of the corn and 55% of the soybeans produced in the US in 1999 were genetically modified.

The series focused on the Greg Johanssen family in Kansas, following their farm operation through the Europe. production year, explaining the operations and equipment involved in growing crops, and bringing in the history of agricultural technology.

One of the most significant developments in agricultural technology, the program noted, was the invention

Alan Olmstead, director of governmental affairs at UC-Davis, commented:

"What's easy to forget is that we live in a very unusual age. Americans, for the most part, do not worry The program pointed out that there about starvation on their doorstep. You don't have to go back very far in history (to see a time) in which most people were worried about whether they were going to get enough to eat, and where famines were a regular fact of life in nowdeveloped countries like western

> "And it's also easy to forget that much of the world hasn't passed that threshold. . .

He predicted that technological innovations in farming would continue to increase, and that even fewer farmers will be needed in the future. In the program's wrap-up, the narrator commented, "The Johannsens and others like them continue to farm, racing to keep up with technology, working long hours in the dirt, caring about what they do, and feeding the world." A videotape of the segment is available from Modern Marvels, 1-800-708-1776, for \$19.95.



TODAY-TUESDAY-The Field of

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signed "detention glass" that can withstand attempts to break it. Plans also call for electronic controls that are expensive. Special doors will cost \$3,000 each. The required stainless steel toilet/lavatory combina-

Q. How many additional people will be needed to run the new jail?

A. None. It can be run with the same number of people we have

tions cost about \$1,500 each

Q. How much would the county realize out of it if we were to "rent out" extra cells that are not needed for our prisoners?

A. Fitzgearld said the going rate for area jails is \$35 to \$38 per day per inmate. He said that if 10 cells were filled each day for a year, it would bring in at least \$350 per day, or \$127,750 per year.

now, according to Fitzgearld. The staffing ratio for the new facility will be one jailer for each 48 inmates. Currently, the county has to have two jailers on duty any time there are inmates on both floors of the twostory structure.

(If you have a question, let the News know and we will seek out an answer from an authoritative source. Call us at 647-3123, write to us at P.O. Box 67, Dimmitt, or email us at ccnews@hiplains.net.)

and other fun games are planned.

Those attending are encouraged to

dress as Bible characters, animals or

in job-related costumes. Prizes will

be awarded for the best costumes.

(No witches, ghosts or monsters,

Prizes will include candy and

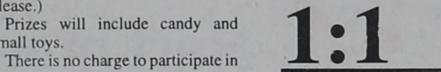
Screams, a spook house in a field located 6-1/4 miles north of Nazareth, will be open after sunset until 11 p.m. tonight (Thursday) through Tuesday, weather permitting. Admission is \$5 per person.

SATURDAY—Nazareth Band Parents will sponsor their annual Halloween Carnival from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Nazareth Community Hall. A wide variety of games have been planned in addition to a jail and spook house. There is no admission charge, but each game and activity will require tickets, which may be purchased at the door. A concession stand featuring beef stew and combread, homemade desserts and more will be open throughout the carnival. A costume contest also will be held.

TUESDAY-Lee Street Baptist Church will sponsor a Harvest Fest from 7 to 9 p.m. Children of all ages are invited to attend and compete for candy, games and prizes. A cake walk, pin-the-tail-onthe-donkey and other games are planned. Costume prizes will be awarded, but organizers ask that those attending dress as Bible characters, animals or in jobrelated costumes rather than as witches, ghosts and goblins

TUESDAY-The preschool and children's ministries from Dimmitt's First Baptist Church will sponsor a "Trunk or Treat" party for preschool children through those in the sixth grade from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the back parking lot at the church.

More about



(Continued from Page 1) pact that this election might have on the future makeup of the Supreme Court, and that factor favors Gore especially with the majority of the nation's women voters.

But now, after three debates and a couple of hundred polls, all bets are off.

This is Gore's election to lose, and he just may be losing it

He came off as something of an arrogant bully in the first and last debates, and he just won't (or can't) loosen up or lighten up.

As one wag said after noting Gore's advantages: "If he were anyone else but Gore, he'd be 20 points ahead."

Since people are funnier than anybody, they're likely to disregard the candidates' qualifications and vote on simple likeableness. And Gov. Bush is more likeable.

Both men are promising way too much. I'd love to hear either of them say, "We just mainly need to stay the course, with some fine-tuning, and keep paying down the national debt."

Well, yeah-and also revamp the

The one-hour program also featured Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman, other governmental, academic and foundation experts on agriculture and the environment, and farmers who use both traditional and organic methods.

Dr. Bradford, who is the director of the Seed Biotechnology Center at UC-Davis, appeared as a proponent of genetically modified (GM) foods.

of the self-propelled combine, which enabled one man to do the work that once required 15.

Other notable points brought out in the program:

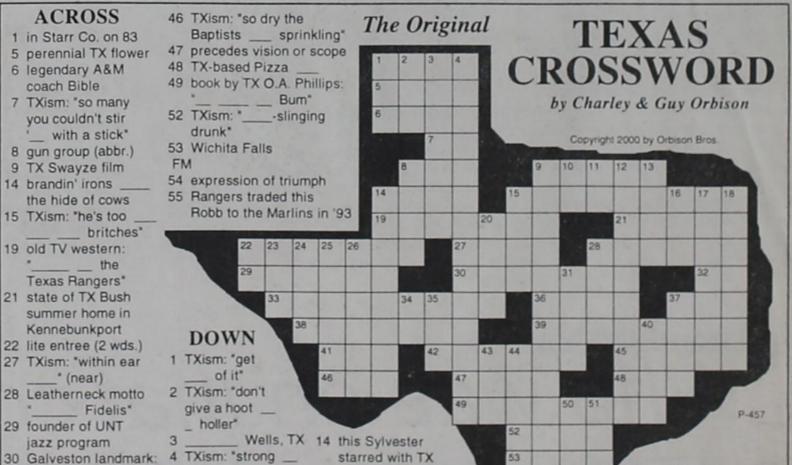
> Of every dollar spent on food in the supermarket, only 10¢ to 20¢ goes to the grower.

> In 1900, 41% of the US population were farmers. Today, only 2% farm the land.



GOBLIN GUIDANCE-Papa Pumpkin is reading "Halloween Stories" to the little sprout as Junior Frankenstein listens in, picturesquely posed in a fall

display at 500 SW Sixth in Dimmitt. Weather forecasters predict continuing rain through Friday. Photo by Linda Maxwell



More about Halloween parties

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be at the church by 5:15 p.m. and park their cars on the back lot with the trunk facing the inside of the area. Treats should be placed in the trunk and the parents should stand by their car and distribute the goodies to children as they come by.

Anyone who would like to contrib- small toys. ute candy for the event should bring it by the church office by 3 p.m. on Tuesday.

Harvest Fest

Candy, games and prizes are on tap at Lee Street Baptist Church's annual Harvest Fest, slated for Tuesday from 6 to 9 p.m. at the church, 410 Southwest Second Street in Dimmitt.

A cake walk, "Pin the Tail on day). Balaam's Donkey" (with a movable target), "Daniel in the Lions' Den" (a bean bag toss), "Fishers of Men" (a fishing game), "David and Goliath" (shooting marshmallows out of a slingshot at a cut-out of Goliath), ian.

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Field of Screams

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The spook house is located 6-1/4

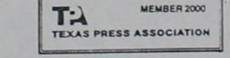
Admission is \$5 per person and no

one under 12 years of age will be

admitted without a parent or guard-

miles north of Nazareth.





DEADLINES

Display and Classified Advertising	Tuesday Noon
Agriculture, Business & Industry News	10 a.m. Monday
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On the Go with Dorothy Hopson, 647-4579

middle school building on the south

and the city swimming pool. Go

there before frost-you will be glad

architect and teacher, did this project

with her eighth grade Earth science

students. They also keep it beautiful.

The fellowship hall of the First

tifully decorated for the interfaith

program. Jody Wilson of Petersburg

spoke on "Overcoming Fear Through

Debra Ball, Elaine Hazel and

looking at a very large mulberry tree that came up voluntarily in our alley and extends over our fence and many of our flower beds and lawn. It has you did. Kathy Lust, a landscape hundreds of yellow leaves still hanging on its branches. One good puff of wind and they will all be in our yard.

I dread the thought of raking leaves, the bare trees and cold winters. Yet, most people say, "this is Baptist Church of Dimmitt was beaumy favorite time of the year!"

Carolyn Jones asked me to be sure ladies' encounter salad supper and and mention the beautiful and unusual fall decorations that Martha Jo Hyman has in her yard. She lives on the south side of Sunset Circle.

If you haven't seen it yet, drive by Tammy Griffith sang He Leadeth Me

DMS names honor students

Christ."

Dimmitt Middle School recently recognized students who made the A Honor Roll and A-B Honor Roll, and those who earned subject-area honors for the first nine-week grading period.

Honor winners are listed below by grade level.

FOURTH GRADE A Honor Roll

Abraham Aguirre, Taron Clark, Chase Hatla, Samuel Hazel, Elizabeth Hill, Kellie

Martinez, Bailey Nutt, Brooke Parker, Laura Rodriguez, Keshia Smith, Ethan Wales, Hanna Wise.

A-B Honor Roll

Paul Acker, Jeffery Addison, Mayra Aguilar, Adriana Aldaco, Robert Arguijo, Juana Arredondo, Alyssa Back, Michael Barrera, Roberto Barrios, Joel Cardona, Stephanie Castro, Jessica Dennis, Jake Ebeling, Casey Eby, Brittany Flores, Christian Fuentes, Damian Gauna, Juan Gonzales, Austin Heard, Anthony Jackson, Kimberly Martinez, Klarissa Martinez, Stephanie Mendoza, Antonio Molina, Devonee Ortiz, Noe Puente, Viviana Quiroz, Shawn Ryan, Alyssa Saenz, Cornelio Salinas, Chance Schilling, Jazzalyn Sepeda, Matthew Sheffy, Ramona Sifuentez, Nickolas Tijerina, Dustin Venhaus.

dith Meraz, Joshua Norman, Bryce Parker, Gladys Ruiz, Dana Sandoval, Caleb Snitker, Edward Wait. SEVENTH GRADE A Honor Roll

Mandi Ebeling, Darcy Fisher, Ross Hunter, Ryan Hunter, Ashlee Nino, Brittany Williams, Hayli Wise. A-B Honor Roll

Marisa Allison, Kathy Amador, Vanessa Caballero, Stephanie Enriquez, Apolonia Flores, Jonathon Flores, Jennifer Fuentes, Joshua Green, Haley Heard, Clarissa Herrera, Sean Hunter, Rodrigo Jackson, Casey Maurer, Emilio Mendoza, Pedro Mirelez, Nicholas Ortiz, Sabrena Patlan, Marcus Perez, Jacque Ramirez, Laura Rasor, Kristy Reyes, Sergio Saucedo, Tucker Self, Brenda Silva, Zjhon Smothermon, Anayeli Uribe, Shenea Wright

Subject Area Honors

Sean Hunter, English, history, science, computer; Ashlee Nino, pre-algebra, computer; Samantha Neri, math; Hayli Wise, reading, health; Tucker Self, industrial arts; Ross Hunter, mechanics, health; Darcy Fisher, computer, homemaking; Kathy Amador and Daniel Jackson, band.

As I sat down to write this, I was the lovely landscaped area behind the a capella. Walter Maynard accompanied the trio on the piano as they led the ladies in a praise and worship time.

> Two out-of-town guests for the encounter were Betty Smith of Friona and Margaret Coker of Amarillo. They were guests of their mother, Mabian Rhodes, and sisterin-law, Belinda Rhodes.

Margaret, her husband, Paul, and children, Stacy, Shayla, Mark and Michael, lived in Dimmitt in the late 70's and early 80's. Paul was probably our first TV cable man.

On Sunday the ladies of Primera Iglesia Bautista are scheduled to prepare their annual enchilada lunch at the First Baptist Church fellowship hall. The public is invited and love offerings are accepted. These donations are used to retire the debt on the

building located at Ninth and Etter. They will start serving at 11:30 a.m. This is the Sunday that we celebrate "Great Day in the Morning." Don't forget to roll your clock back.

Millicent Davis's family remembered her 87th birthday when her family of children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren gathered to celebrate this special occasion. Those present were Millicent's daughter, Mary Cluck, her son, Johnny, and daughter-in-law Doricell Davis; grandchildren, Susie Cluck of Hereford, Mark and Tammy Cluck and great-grandchildren, Austin, Cameron and Brennan; grandchildren Jad and Jeanie Gabel and greatgrandchildren Cassie and Clay Gabel. Chad and Holly Davis, grandchildren, were among loved ones who came to enjoy the festivities.

Jerry Cluck of Van Buren, Ark., was in Dimmitt recently to visit his mother, Retta, and sister, Billie Cluck. Jerry and his wife, Carol, and their four children, Renea, Gregg, Robin and Frank, moved from

ery. We had just gotten our order, when I noticed this man who walked by our table to place his order for lunch. I remarked, "Carolyn, I know that man!"

Carolyn replied that she'd never seen him before. It just happened that the very

familiar-looking man sat at the table next to ours, facing me. I just couldn't resist.

I said, "Sir, why do I think I know you?

He replied, "Well, I am Kel Seliger, Mayor of Amarillo."

We introduced ourselves, visited a minute and continued on with our meal. As we were leaving, I said, "Would you mind if I tell the people of Dimmitt that Carolyn and I had lunch with the Mayor of Amarillo?" He said, "I would be delighted!"

Loranell Hamilton met her sisterin-law from Ripley, Okla., in Amarillo to journey on to Albuquerque, N.M., to visit another sister-in-law who lives there. Their main purpose was to see the balloon festival. The inclement weather almost robbed them of this adventure, but the sun came out and the show did go on.

After relating this balloon fest churches here. story, Loranell said, "I wish I'd called you about the cruise my daughters and I took this summer. There were no husbands nor grandchildren-only my three daughters and me!"

I assured her that I was still interested in an excursion that sounded fun and heartwarming.

The Hamilton "girls" embarked on a Carribean cruise. Their first stop was Labadee, the place that Columbus ("discoverer" of America) stopped on his way over. They visited many historical sites there.

Then they went on to Haiti, cruising on the Grandeur of the Seas as they danced, played bridge and swam. They visited the beautiful Virgin Islands, snorkled off of San Juan, Puerto Rico, and finished their vacation of a lifetime at Koko Kay.

Loranell's daughters are Sheila Wolfe, Crystal Park, Ill., Jean Toulose, Fort Worth, and Mary Watson, Altus, Okla. Many of you will remember them-they were raised in Dimmitt.

Ken, Linda and Kendra Shannon took Ken's parents, Fate and Dorothy Shannon to Burkburnett to see Ken's sister, Kathy Sue Christie and her husband, Jimmy, and children, Coby and Chad. Fate and Dorothy, former Dimmitt residents, are now retired and live in Amarillo.

On their way back to Dimmitt, the group went through Munday to see Randy and Teresa Gressett and Jonathan. Randy now pastors a church in Munday. While they were in Dimmitt, he was the youth director jointly for the Methodist and Baptist

The Shannons drove on to Snyder to visit their son, Will, who attends Western Texas College there. They took him a washer for his new apartment and toured the college campus. Will's grandparents had not seen the campus before.

Approximately 53 people attended the Moore Family Reunion this year. J.B. and Thelma Moore, along with Christel Wilcox and Omega Johnson,

hosted the event. Everyone helped with the food and preparation. Janis Williams, Heath and Kara Hestand had a long trip, as they came from Phoenix, Ariz, Sammye Hughlett and Butch Scott came from Lainesa and Dawna, Marilee, Tarolyn and Emma Rose Taylor came all the way from Modesto, Calif., and they just won the distance travel prize. It's all in the family, though, because the people just listed above all belong to J.B. and Thelma Moore, and so do Larry, Rebecca, Steven, Dan, Kendra, Larry and Brandon Moore of Altus, Okla., who also attended.

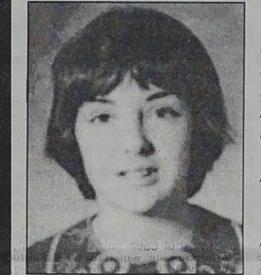
These are Christel Wilcox's family-Joe and Genetta Wilcox of Crane, Stan and Linda Wilcox, Tony Rona, Mollie, Brittney and Weston Wilcox of Crane; Joe Bob Shannon, Taylor and Ashley Wilcox, Scott, Missy, Shane and Shayla Wilcox, all of Hereford; and Dusty, Pam, J.W. Clayton and Thomas Wilcox of Miami, Okla.

The family of the late Christene Moore Wilcox included Douglas Moke of Benbrook, Sherri of Amarillo, and Don, Carolyn and Trampas Moke of Dimmitt. Omega Moore Johnson's family coming from Lawton, Okla., were Carol and Jim McCullogh and David, Jennifer, Jessica and C.J. Dennis of Dimmitt.

Emily Clingingsmith's new address is 283 Hallford Land, Fredericksburg, TX 79624.

The Presbyterians presented Emily with a picture album to honor her as a cherished member and a charter member of the First Presbyterian Church of Dimmitt, which was established in October of 1959.

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Lordy, Lordy, Guess Who Is "40"!! She was born a little spook Now she is kinda cute -

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FIFTH GRADE A Honor Roll

Michael Cline, Cameron Cluck, Tyler Cornett, Anthony Enriquez, Chauncey Gilbreath, Shaira Gonzalez, Ross Myatt, Eric Odom, Michael Rasor, Lana Reinart, Kalan Steinle, Cassidy Watts.

A-B Honor Roll Laraine Aguero, Erin Black, Molly Bradford, Haylee Evans, Ashley Fleeks, Courtney Garza, Kaden Griffitt, Mayeli Monsivais, Ana Olmos, Landon Porsch, Anna Reyes, Vanessa Reyes, Rubie Sanchez, Kamryn Steffens, Houston Sutton, Dustin Thomas, Dennis Underwood, Valerie Villarreal

SIXTH GRADE

A Honor Roll Rye Patton, Micaela Salinas, Brandy Smith, Sverre Vogt, Daniela Zepeda.

A-B Honor Roll Jerry Acevedo, Jessica Arguijo, Kim Back, Anna Brockman, Chelsea Buckley, Rafael Gonzalez, Samantha Howell, Ju-

A female mosquito can nourish 300 of her eggs with one drink of human blood.

Some people think it unlucky to see an owl or a crow.

EIGHTH GRADE A Honor Roll Shelly Burk, Nyssa Martinez, Layne Penney, Alejandra Velasquez, Salud

Zepeda. A-B Honor Roll Kayla Acker, Jared Bell, Corrie Black, Jaime Cavazos, Carlos Cruz, Jorge DeLaTorre, Marissa Demster, Norma Guzman, Stevie Hays, Daniel Hueramo, Meggie Lemons, Kristin McClure, Ryan Miller, Callen Mixson, Maribel Montiel, Viktorya Navarro, Jeremy Navarro, Jeremy Norman, Kelly Reyes, Nalfely Reyes, Charley Saenz, Felisha Starling. Subject Area Honors

Chuck Cruz and Corrie Black, English; Nayelli Reyes, Elias Zepeda and Nyssa Martinez, history; Layne Penney, Algebra I, science, Spanish; Rigo Presas, prealgebra; Stevie Hays and Nyssa Martinez, reading; Alejandra Velasquez, science, Spanish; Jaime Cavazos, Industrial Arts I; Raul Melendez, Industrial Arts II; Weldon Allison, mechanics; Albert Ruiz, homemaking, choir; Maribel Montiel, Kayla Acker, Robin Beames, band; Billy Stanley, Liliana Aguilar, and Elizabeth Hernandez, choir

Dimmitt to Arkansas when the children were still in school. Robin and Frank are school teachers at this time, and Renea was a teacher until she resigned to raise a family. Carol was a Dimmitt High School teacher from Memphis, Tex., when our local Dimmitt boy, Jerry, asked for her hand in marriage and she became a resident here for many years. Jerry said that Robin and Renea live near the Cluck ranch and he and Carol get to see their grandchildren on a regular basis. Retta Cluck said that Jerry always enjoys coming back to Dimmitt to see his kinfolk and friends. He gathers lots of hugs.

Carolyn Jones and I had lunch with the Mayor of Amarillo, Kel Seliger, this week. And now for the rest of the story . . .

Carolyn and I rode over to Amarillo to visit, do a little shopping and mostly to eat lunch. Our favorite place is the very small Village BakIn a house full of males And two kitty tails. Some say she is pretty while she just sits there (doing nothing), We just can't figure out the color of her hair. All jokes aside, while she sings "Oh bye and bye" We suggest she not worry about the color of the dye. Your coworkers want to wish you a "Happy Halloweenie" And just be thankful we did not show you in your bikini!!!!! Happy 40th Birthday

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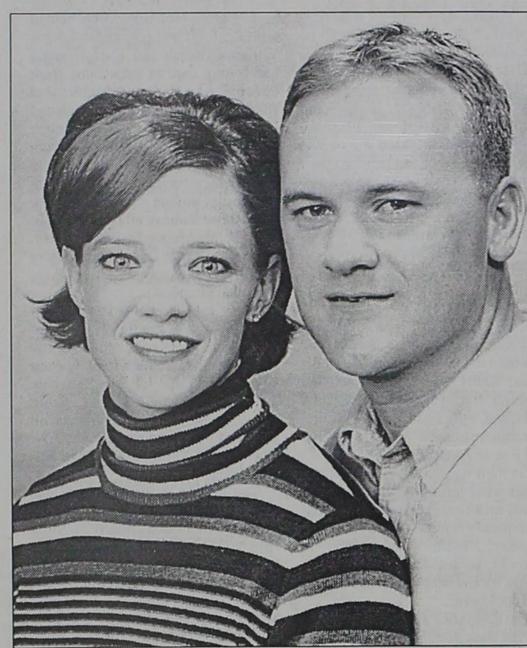
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Jan Nelson and Jon Cannon

December vows planned

Norman and Sandra Nelson of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jan Nelson, to Jon Cannon, son of Gary and Sara Cannon of Amarillo.

The couple plan to marry Dec. 16 at the First Baptist Church in Amarillo.

The bride-elect is a 1986 graduate of Dimmitt High School. She graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in 1990 with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. She earned her master of science degree in nursing from West Texas A&M University in 1992. She is currently employed as an instructor in the Division of Nursing at Amarillo College, and by Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

The prospective groom is a 1988 graduate of Caprock High School in Amarillo. He served eight years in the US Marine Corps. He is currently

Rhoads Memorial Library plans open house on Friday

Dimmitt will host an open house Friday from 4 to 5 p.m. and during the event, trainers from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will demonstrate how to use the newly-installed computers purchased with the aid of a grant from the foundation.

Thanks to proceeds from the grant, the library has been able to establish a new public access computer lab equipped with two new Gateway computers with Internet connections and one laser printer.

The new computers add to the library's infrastructure that includes a computerized card catalog and inventory system, and a full-time connection to the state's public information service.

The library staff will be glad to income regions.

Second graders are recognized

Second graders at Dimmitt's Richardson Elementary School won awards for the first nine-week grading period. Students were honored for handwriting, reading improvement, math skills, spelling, perfect attendance, hardest workers, and honor roll.

Students are listed below by classroom.

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PENMANSHIP: Albert Martinez. READING IMPROVEMENT: Gary Gil. TOP SPELLERS: Ricky Gonzales, Jessica Martinez.

MATH WHIZ: Maribel Alanis, Javier Ayala, Gonzales, Jose Hernandez, Jessica Martinez, Erasmo Meraz, Estefani Olivas, Gustavo Ruis, Javier Vargas. PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Alanis,

Jessica Martinez, Meraz, Olivas, Cesar Ontiveros, Ruiz, Vargas.

HARDEST WORKERS: Meraz, Jessica Martinez, Oliv

Rhoads Memorial Library in instruct any who wish to know how to use the computers.

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, created by Microsoft founder Bill Gates and his wife, is dedicated to improving people's lives by sharing advances in health and learning with the global community. The foundation looks for strategic opportunities to extend the benefits of modern technologies around the world, especially where poverty serves as a obstacle to participating in these benefits.

Grants are made to libraries for the purpose of providing computers and Internet access in the US, Canada and around the world so that they may act as gateways to the digital world, especially for patrons in low-

> Johnson MATH WHIZ: Karina Abrego,

Makenzie Cornett, Bethany Garza, Sam

Davis, Andrew Estrada, Garza, Devin

Hernandez, Alex Herrera, Eric Mendoza,

Danielle Sandoval, David Velez, Wales,

Cornett, Davis, Garza, Hernandez,

HARDEST WORKERS: Abrego,

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Abrego,

READING IMPROVEMENT: Mendoza.

READING IMPROVEMENT: Joe

Thames

Aguero, Jonathon Casas, Kris Cline, Tan-

ner George, Phylissa Kinser, Nikki Lara,

Johnny Lopez, Emily Rodriguez, Jerry

George, Kinser, Lopez, Jacob Rials, Ro-

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Casas,

TOP SPELLERS: Abrego, Cornett, Eric

Wales, Catlin Watts

Herrera, Wales, Watts.

HANDWRITING: Garza

Cornett, Velez, Wales, Watts,

Velasquez, Monica Paz.

Watts.

Paz.



Scott Stahl and Dawn Mayne

Stahl and Mayne to marry

Norman and Pam Mayne of Los Alamos, N.M. announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Dawn Mayne, to Scott Stahl of Carrollton, son of Richard and Sue Stahl of Dimmitt.

The couple will marry on Dec. 2 in Aubrey.

The bride-elect is a 1990 graduate of Los Alamos High School. She attended Dallas Christian College in Dallas. She is employed by Case Dunlap Enterprise in Dallas.

The prospective groom graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1990. He attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock. He works for Selectrucks in Dallas.

First graders earn awards

First-grade students at Richardson Salas, She-Kana Thomas, Mario Elementary School in Dimmitt re-Velasquez and Coby Venhaus. Perfect Attendance: Addison, Aguilar, ceived awards for citizenship, perfect Carranza, Ibarra, Johnson, Lindley, Ross attendance, improvement, writing, and Venhaus. and completing all their homework Most Improved: Thomas. during a special assembly at the end Writing: Aguilar and Velasquez. Homework: Aguilar, Johnson, Lindley, of the first nine-week grading period. Salas and Venhaus. Those recognized with awards include:

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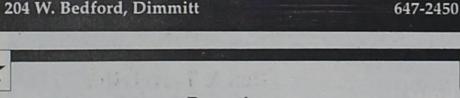
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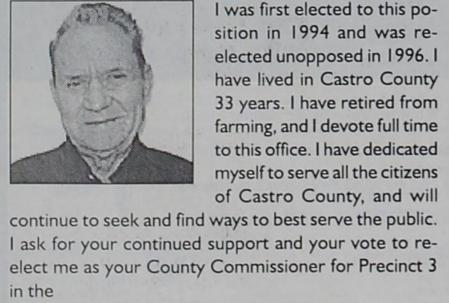


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Re-elect W. A. 'Bay' Baldridge **County Commissioner, Pct. 3**



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PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Bruce Aldridge, Kimberly Dove, John David Martinez, David Underwood, Rae Lynn Dominguez, Sergio Ibarra, Liset Soto, Mercedes Villanueva.

TOP SPELLERS: Aldridge, Karina Casas, Martinez, Underwood, Nikki Ward, Shea Myatt, Soto, Geena Steffens, Mat-

thew Vigil. MATH WHIZ: Aldridge, Steffens, Steven Sustaita, Vigil, Salvador Ramirez. HARDEST WORKERS: Aldridge, Casas, Dominguez, Ramirez, Steffens, Vigil, Myatt, Angel Ramirez, Villanueva, Soto, Underwood.

READING IMPROVEMENT: Dominguez, Desiree Ewing, Ernesto Ortiz, Villanueva, Ward, Desiree Lopez, Underwood

HANDWRITING: Aldridge, Steffens, Underwood, Myatt.

HONOR ROLL: A-Myatt, Salvador Ramirez, Soto, Steffens, Underwood, Vigil, Casas, Aldridge. A-B-Martinez, Angel Ramirez, Sustaita, Villanueva, Ward, Lopez, Ibarra, Dove.

Kimberly Martinez is student of week

Kimberly Martinez was named the student of the week at Dimmitt Middle School for the fourth grade classes of Mrs. Damron and Mrs. Spring.

Martinez was born May 20, 1991, in Charleston, S.C.

She likes pizza and kittens and in her spare time she likes to draw. Her favorite book is Wayside School is Falling Down.

Her favorite thing about DMS is her teachers. She does well at writing, but wishes she were even better at it. When she grows up she wants to be a doctor.

She is the daughter of Donna and Steve Martinez, and her dad is one of the people she admires and respects.

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driguez, Velasquez, Paz. TOP SPELLERS: Aguero, Charlene Calderon, Casas, Cline, Marissa Flores, George, Kinser, Lara, Lopez, Jonathan Garcia, Rodriguez, Velasquez, Paz.

HARDEST WORKERS: Casas, Lara, Renee Buskirk, Ruben Martinez,

Velasquez. MATH WHIZ: Aguero, Calderon, Casas, Cline, Flores, George, Kinser, Lara, Lopez, Buskirk, Martinez, Gracie Ortega, Garcia, Rials, Rodriguez, Velasquez, Caleb Williams, Paz. PENMANSHIP: Casas, Flores, George, Kinser, Lara, Ortega, Velasquez,

Venhaus

READING IMPROVEMENT: Ruben Rodriguez, Stephanie Reyes, Daniella Oltivero, Rodrigo Grado, Angel Juarez. TOP SPELLERS: Brianda Aquero,

Natasha Aguilar, Alonso Bygoytia, Jeremy Davis, Cody Collins, Alex Esquivel, Annabel Garcia, Grado, John Hazel, Tori Hinojosa, Roman Ovalle, Erik Reyna,

Rodriguez, Carle Thomas. PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Esquivel, Grado, Hazel, Hinojosa, Reyes, Reyna, Rodriguez, Thomas, Oltivero.

HANDWRITING: Bygoytia, Aguero. MATH WHIZ: Aguero, Aguilar, Bygoytia, Collins, Davis, Esquivel, Hazel, Ashley Howell, Oltivero, Reyna, Thomas. HARDEST WORKERS: Aguilar, Rodri-

guez. HONOR ROLL: A-Aguilar, Bygoytia, Hazel, Thomas. A-B-Aguero, Collins, Davis, Esquivel, Garcia, Hinojosa, Howell, Juarez, Oltivero, Ovalle, Reyna, Rodriguez.

Waggoner HARDEST WORKER: Micheal Lucas. READING IMPROVEMENT: Cody Harris, Michael Kirven.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Wendy Bradford, Lucas, Larissa Corral.

TOP SPELLER: Joseph Barrios, Bradford, Anthony Cisneros, Corral, Elida Favela, Melissa Gomez, Rudy Martinez, Corina Mendoza, Katrice Perez, Danielle Prieto, Lucas, Anthony Wall, Megan Wilkerson, M.T. Morrow.

MATH WHIZ: Barrios, Bradford, Cisneros, Corral, Favela, Eric Gil, Gomez, Juan Martinez, Rudy Martinez, Mendoza, Prieto, Lucas, Wall, Wilkerson, Morrow. HANDWRITING: Barrios, Bradford, Corral, Gomez, Rudy Martinez, Prieto, Wall, Wilkerson

LITTLEJOHN'S ROOM

Citizenship: Matthew Aguilar, Katy Aljoe, Nacho De La Cruz, Johnny Ray Dones, Brittany Enriquez, Jennifer Fernandez, Aimee George, Tanner Gilbreath, Carter Hill, Patrick McGrorey, Angel Robles, Nallely Salas, Amber Sanchez, Carsyn Steffens, Richard Torres, Mazie Triana and Bridget Ward. Perfect Attendance: De La Cruz, Hill,

Salas and Steffens. Most Improved: Torres Writing: Steffens.

Enriquez, Homework: Aljoe, Fernandez, George, Hill, McGrorey, Salas, Steffens and Ward.

VILLARREAL'S ROOM

Citizenship: Gerardo Bojorquez, Crystal Escamilla, Maribel Favela, Mauricio Garcia, Karen Guadiana, Juan Hernandez, Yvette Hernandez, Luis Martinez, Karla Munoz, Alonso Sanchez, Jose Santiesteban, Marisol Soto, Jorge Jaramillo, Veronica Porras and Uriel Rodriguez.

Perfect Attendance: Bojorquez, Guadiana, Juan Hernandez, Jaramillo, Martinez, Marco Medrano, Porras and Rodriguez.

Most Improved: Juan Hernandez, Medrano and Santiesteban.

Writing: Bojorquez, Escamillo, Favela, Garcia, Guadiana, Juan Hernandez, Yvette Hernandez, Porras and Soto.

Homework: Bojorquez, Escamilla, Favela, Garcia, Guadiana, Juan Hernandez, Jaramillo, Martinez, Munoz, Rodriguez, Sanchez, Santiesteban and Soto.

ROBERSON'S ROOM

Citizenship: Tori Addison, Gabby Aguilar, Clarissa Anes, Janet Carranza, Mayra Hernandez, Alex Ibarra, Kale Johnson, Brittany Lindley, Alberto Nicolas, Michael Reyes, Jessica Ross, Jose

No matter how old a mother is, she watches her middle-aged children for signs of improvement. -Florida Scott-Mazwell

SHANNON'S ROOM

Citizenship: Brittany Luna, Josiah Burzynski, Stephanie Bryan, Tiffany Oltivero, Tramaine Kirven, Michelle Waite, Alma Melendez, Adam Reinart, Abby Oltivero and Karina Dozal

Perfect Attendance: Burzynski, Justice Bell, Kirven, Bryan, Dozal, Luna, Melendez, Kristarae Silva, Waite and Armando Ortega.

Most Imrpoved: Bryan.

Writing: Melendez, Israel Rodriguez and Miguel Rodriguez.

Homework: Burzynski, Luna, Melendez, Waite, Abby Oltivero, Bryan, Dozal, Kirven, Michael Oltivero, Tiffany Oltivero, Ortega and Reinart.

KEITH'S ROOM

Citizenship: Katrina Barrios, Michael Freeman, Joshua Garcia, Kelsie Grantham, Tiffany Medrano, Kandace Menoz, Eric Oltivero, Briana Prieto, Prisciella Reyes, Andres Rodriguez and Lakana Thomas

Perfect Attendance: John Falcon, Medrano, Menoz, Oscar Navarro, Prieto, Reves and Rodriguez.

Most Improved: Falcon, Freeman and Garcia.

Handwriting: Barrios, Grantham, Menoz, Blake Sullivan, Ramos, Rodriguez and Stacy Uvalle

Homework: Navarro and Rodriguez.

MATTHEWS' ROOM

Citizenship: Manuel Acevedo, Monique Aleman, Jeffrey Almanza, Haley Bonilla, Gabby Cantu, Austin Cluck, C.J. Dennis, John David Flores, Jonathan Gamez, Meranda Garcia, Marissa Jackson, Noe Jackson, Codi Jenkins, Bo Puente, Cassidy Nutt, Kelsey Schilling, Amy Smith and Josslene Torres.

Perfect Attendance: Aleman, Almanza, Bonilla, Cantu, Cluck, Marissa Jackson, Noe Jackson, Puente, Nutt, Schilling, Smith and Torres.

Most Improved: Gamez and Torres. Writing: Acevedo, Aleman, Bonilla, Flores, Garcia, Puente, Nutt, Schilling and Smith.

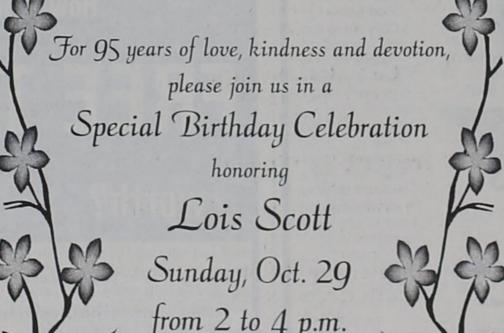
Homework: Aleman, Bonilla, Cluck, Puente, Nutt, Schilling and Torres.

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Pybus Christian School will be starting a new class-

November I on Tuesday and Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at \$55 per month.

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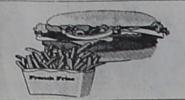
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What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth schools for Oct. 26 through Nov. 3.

DIMMITT Breakfast to go

THURSDAY: Donuts, banana and milk. FRIDAY: Assorted muffins, orange wedges and milk.

MONDAY: Blueberry cereal bar, apple juice and milk

TUESDAY: Strawberry danish, applesauce and milk

WEDNESDAY: Mini cake donuts, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY: Pancake on a stick with sausage, banana and milk.

FRIDAY: Cinnamon rolls, fruit cocktail and milk

Preschool-First Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Nachos with cheese, mixed vegetables, honeydew melon, jalapeno peppers. FRIDAY: Red Baron pepperoni pizza,

potato wedges, apple slices and milk. MONDAY: Hoagie submarine sandwich,

savory green beans, honeydew melon, relish cup and milk. TUESDAY: Italian spaghetti, tossed salad,

garlic bread and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Steak fingers, French fries, pineapple sunset salad, hot rolls and milk.

THURSDAY: Nachos with cheese, Mexipinto beans, plums, jalapeno peppers and milk.

FRIDAY: Chicken enchilada, refried beans, Fideo Mexicano, hot sauce and milk.

Second-12th Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of nachos with cheese, salmon patties or fruit and cheese plate; vegetable medley, potato salad or mixed vegetables; tossed salad, haystack finger salad or honeydew melon; hot wheat rolls, fideo mexicano or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

FRIDAY: Choice of Red Baron pepperoni pizza, red beans and rice or enchiladas; potato wedges, corn on the cob or refried beans; tossed salad, fresh spinach salad or apple slices; combread, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

MONDAY: Choice of hoagie submarine sandwich, beef and bean burrito with chili or beef taco; mashed potatoes, baked potato or savory green beans; hamburger salad, taco condiment salad or honeydew melon; hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice or corn tortilla; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

TUESDAY: Choice of Italian spaghetti, fajitas with sauteed onions or poor boy beef steak; country rice dressing, potatoes au gratin or butter beans; tossed salad, orange

WEDNESDAY: Choice of steak fingers, chicken pot pie or green chicken enchiladas: French fries, mixed vegetables or refried beans; tossed salad, pineapple sunset salad or cucumber and tomato salad; hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano or tortilla chips; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

THURSDAY: Choice of nachos with cheese, barbecued rib patty or pork tamales; Chinese-style vegetables, lyonnaise carrots or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad, cantaloupe or plums; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls or Spanish rice; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

FRIDAY: Choice of chicken enchilada, Chinese plate or fish nuggets; baked potatoes, tomato and okra gumbo or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or fruited gelatin; and hot wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano or tortilla chips; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

HART Breakfast

THURSDAY: Cowboy bread, blueberry muffin, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk.

FRIDAY: Scrambled eggs, Canadian bacon, biscuits, assorted fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers and milk.

MONDAY: Cinnamon rolls, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice, peaches, toast and milk.

TUESDAY: Breakfast pizza, variety of cereal, graham crackers, assorted fruit juice and milk WEDNESDAY: Scrambled eggs, biscuits,

hash brown potatoes, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk.

THURSDAY: Breakfast pizza, cinnamon rolls, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice, graham crackers and milk.

FRIDAY: Biscuits, Canadian bacon, scrambled eggs, assorted fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers, raisins and milk

Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of chef's salad, pizza or lasagna with ground beef; Texas toast, gelatin dessert, salad, corn, peaches, whole wheat sugar cookie and milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choice of sub sandwich, tuna salad sandwich or steak; baked potato, salad, sour cream, shredded cheese, gelatin dessert, whole wheat sugar cookie, and milk, punch or

MONDAY: Choice of pizza, chef's salad or chicken sandwich with chips; salad, pears, yogurt, gelatin dessert, potato puffs, fresh fruit and milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choice of chef's salad, burrito or sloppy Joe on a bun; sliced pickles, salad, potato wedges, whole wheat sugar cookie, and milk nunch or tea

peaches, gelatin dessert, cornbread and milk, punch or tea.

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich with chips, chef's salad or chicken nuggets; gravy, mashed potatoes, fresh fruit, green beans, wheat rolls, sweetened applesauce, cherry cobbler and milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choice of chef's salad, chicken sandwich with chips or hot dog on a bun with chili; pinto beans, lettuce, tomato, pickles, peaches, sweetened applesauce, gelatin dessert, brownie, and milk, punch or tea.

NAZARETH Breakfast

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

FRIDAY: Breakfast pockets, cereal, orange juice and milk.

MONDAY: Cinnamon rolls, cereal, orange juice and milk.

TUESDAY: Canadian bacon on a roll, cereal, orange juice and milk. WEDNESDAY: French toast and sausage,

cereal, orange juice and milk. THURSDAY: Breakfast pockets, cereal,

orange juice and milk.

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

Lunch

THURSDAY: * Chicken spaghetti or pizza, tossed salad, corn, pears, pudding and milk or juice.

FRIDAY: * Frito pie or hamburger and French fries, cornbread, tossed salad, green beans, pineapple, dessert and milk or juice.

MONDAY: * Burrito or baked potato, tossed salad, Spanish rice, applesauce, peanut butter chews and milk or juice.

TUESDAY: * Beef stew or pizza, combread, green beans, peaches, Halloween cupcakes and milk or juice.

WEDNESDAY: * Pizza or chicken stir fry, tossed salad, peas, pears, spiced cake and milk or juice.

THURSDAY: * Fajitas or chef's salad, lettuce, corn, fruit salad, dessert and milk or juice.

FRIDAY: Barbecued sandwich or hamburger, potato cubes, lettuce, black-eyed peas, apricots, dessert and milk or juice.

Items designated with an asterisk () will be served to elementary school students.

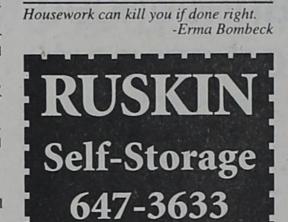




Airman Melinda Reyes Reyes finishes basic training Airman Melinda Reyes, daughter

of Leo and Maria Reyes of Dimmitt, has completed basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

Airman Reyes is now attending Tech School, studying traffic management. After graduating she will be stationed at Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo, N.M. and will work as a traffic management apprentice.



Church Directory

Third grade awards presented Awards for perfect attendance, line Ramirez, Ricardo Velasquez and honor roll, hard work and citizenship during the first nine-week grading period were presented to third graders at Richardson Elementary School.

Students receiving awards included:

Castro County News

AXTELL'S ROOM

Perfect Attendance: Sinfo Arguijo Tyler Gilliland, Miguel Zepeda, John Wait, Braden Nelson, Caleb Penny, Quincy Duran and Kimberly Ruiz.

Honor Roll: Penny, Duran, Ruiz, Eric Herrera, Gilliland, Arguijo, Miguel Zepeda, Adriana Marquez and Tito Rodriguez. Hardest Workers: The whole class. Best Citizen: Zepeda and Herrera.

KOCH'S ROOM

Perfect Attendance: Fabian Reyna, Jeffrey Bishop, Melissa Molina, Amy Torres, Virginia Reyes, Ashley Almanza, Ricky Castillo and Reagan Hunter. Honor Roll: Hunter, Dustin Gilbreath,

Eric Fuentes, Bishop and Amanda Jackson.

Hardest Workers: Ricky Castillo, Reyes, Jackson, Hunter, Gilbreath, Fuentes, Brenda Salas, Cruz Maldonado, Valerie Quiroz, Torres and Clarissa Acevedo.

Best Citizen: Hunter.

PADILLA'S ROOM

Perfect Attendance: Laura Chavez, Anna Diaz, Jose Flores, Claudia Gallardo, Elizabeth Gallardo, Rigoberto Lopez, Yannin Marquez, Jennifer Olivas, JacqueDaniel Sanchez.

Honor Roll: Marquez and Diana Arredondo.

Hardest Workers: Marquez, Arredondo and Martin Hernandez.

Citizenship: Elizabeth Gallardo, Hernandez, Velasquez, Sanchez, Ramirez, Jennifer Olivas, Marquez, Lopez, Claudia Gallardo, Melissa Escamilla, Diaz, Laura Chavez and Arredondo.

STEINLE'S ROOM

Perfect Attendance: Andre Aleman, Ricardo Barrios, Brennan Cluck, Cody Essary, Cailee Gilbreath, Briana Lopez, John Lopez, Edgar Meza, Selena Saenz and Keila Schilling.

Honor Roll: Aleman, Cluck, Essary, Gilbreath, Elizabeth Jackson, Valerie Martinez, Meza, Yareli Olmos, Saenz and Schilling.

Hardest Workers: Daniel Esquivel and Jackson

Citizenship: Terence Hernandez, Martinez and Saenz.

MERRITT'S ROOM

Perfect Attendance: Joshua Alvarez, Beau Bradley, Joshua Williams, Ruby Corrales, Marissa Martinez, Jill Miller and Sid Sheffy.

Honor Roll: Bradley, Gabriel Calderon, Cutter Johnson, Jonathan Mireles, Armando Salas, Sheffy, Corrales, Kasandra Lopez, Irashema Medrano and Miller

Hardest Workers: Martinez, Medrano and Miller.

Citizenship: Miller.

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October 26, 2000

wedges or potato salad; garlic bread, wheat rolls or flour tortillas; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of beef stew, burrito or barbecued rib sandwich with chips, macaroni and cheese, salad, sliced pickles,

Local students named to national dean's list

are among the 140,000 students included in the 23rd annual edition of The National Dean's List, 1999-2000.

lished by Educational Communications, Inc., is the largest recognition program and publication in the na-

Baby shower honors Gerber

A baby shower honoring Blakeley Danielle Gerber, infant daughter of Marty and Tisha Gerber of Nazareth, was held Saturday in the home of Andy and Camille Williams.

Guests were served hot cider, fruit and a variety of breads.

The centerpiece was a mobile which Tisha had when she was a baby. It was laced with hot pink tulle.

Honored guests included Blakeley's grandmothers, Shelly Rice and Toby Gerber; her greatgrandmothers, Mary Gerber and Floyce George; and her great-greatgrandmother, Irene Carpenter.

The hostesses presented the honoree with a jogger stroller.

Six students from Castro County tion honoring high-achieving college students.

Those recognize from Dimmitt are Jacy Buckley, Jason Hargrove and Lee Ann Wilkerson, students at The National Dean's List, pub- Texas Tech University; and Taryn Hays, who is attending the University of North Texas. Nazareth students recognized are Mitchell Brockman, a student at Texas Tech University; and Matthew Kern, who is attending Eastern New Mexico University at Portales, N.M.

> Students are selected for this honor by their college deans, registrars or honor society advisors and must be in the upper 10% of their class, on their school's dean's list or have earned a comparable honor.

> Listed students are eligible to compete for \$50,000 in scholarship awards funded by the publisher, and may also use a referral service for future employment opportunities.

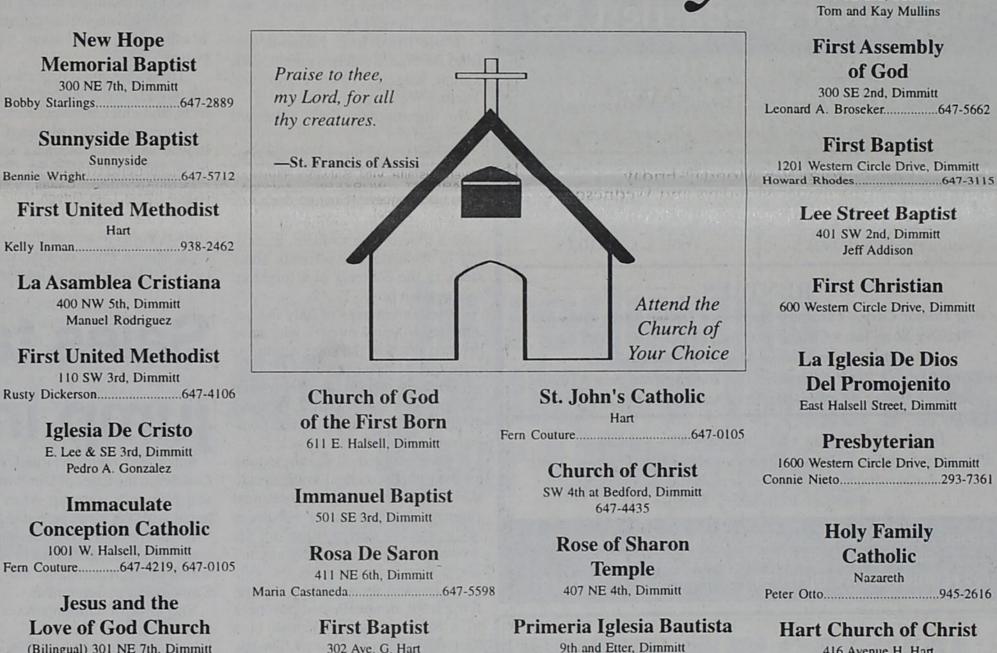
More than 2,500 colleges and universities nationwide use the publication to recognize their academically qualified students.



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AB Agriculture, Business & Industry Variable weather expected

in area for several months

with the Lower Colorado River generally show temperatures slightly Texas Panhandle-South Plains to expect "La Nada" when it comes to expected. the weather for the next few months.

Rose addressed the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association during the group's fall meeting in Lubbock Oct. 13-14.

He said "La Nada" is a term coined by a fellow meteorologist to describe the neutral period when neither El Niño nor La Niña are driving weather patterns. It may bring about highly variable weather as we head into the winter months.

"La Niña has officially ended," Rose said. "Are we going right into El Niño? Probably not. The atmospheric signs show that we are in between a period of La Niña and El Niño. Computer forecasts show we may not see El Niño again until next fall or even into the next year."

El Niño tends to bring wetter weather to this region, which would be a welcome relief to cattle raisers suffering from the second year of extremely dry and hot conditions. Rose showed producers charts associated with the Palmer Drought Index, which showed almost every county in Texas to be in moderate to severe drought and every climatic region indicating excessively dry soil moisture conditions.

Rose explained the scale on forecasting is not as good this year because there isn't an El Niño or a La Niña pattern to follow. Studies of

Bob Rose, chief meteorologist past winters following a La Niña Authority, advises residents in the above normal for most of Texas; optimistic market outlook for 2001. however, more variability is to be

> cold air masses coming down, although they won't last too long," Rose explained. "Then the average \$73 per hundred. temperature will probably turn right back around."

precipitation, Rose says these same dinner. The beef served had been studies "kind of mirror La Niña treated with a new tenderizing prowinter conditions," at or slightly below normal; however, he emphasized that "near normal precipitation through Texas T-Bone Express. won't bring the state out of the drought. That will take a prolonged period of steady rain and we are about out of the hurricane season."

Dr. Ernie Davis, professor and challenges and solutions.

Extension economist at Texas A&M University, gave cattle raisers an Davis forecasted 500- to 600-pound calves to average \$102 per We will probably see some very hundredweight next year, 700-to 800-pound calves to average \$91 per hundredweight, and fed cattle to

Texas Tech University was host to about 300 TSCRA members and As far as the outlook for guests who were treated to a steak cess developed at the university and that process will be marketed They also heard from a slate of speakers covering range and forage management following drought, and animal science and food technology

New list is announced for unclaimed property

Rylander's annual unclaimed property list was published in newspapers Ibarra, David Z. Keith, Kerry across the state Sunday, bringing thousands of hard-working families and business owners some good news: the state wants to give them R. Singer, Stanford Body Works, money.

Castro County.

Those listed from Dimmitt are: Francisca Alvarado, Diana L. Anes,

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Juan Figueroa, Dewane Fryar, Dan J. Heard, Mr. H.E. Henley, Ventura Kleman, LaMantia, Cullum & Collier, Raul Martinez, Red X, Walter R. Robertson, Manuel Sanchez, Jimmie Town & Country 142, Joan R. Several of those listed are from Trevino, and Chester Weaver.

From Hart, those listed are: Marlon Backus, Lila Janice Blackburn, William/Cheryl Bryant, Gelacio Guerrero, Carrasco Guillermo, Jessica M. Gutierrez, Teodoro P. Gutierrez, Dixie D. Peterson, and James R. Russell J. Those listed from Nazareth are: Elias Bermea, Keith Birkenfeld, Cleo Tatum Kilgore, Town Pump, and Thelma Wethington. In Summerfield, M.C. Hansard was listed. Rylander said this year's list contains a record 130,163 new names of unclaimed property owners who have more than \$68 million coming to them. Everyone on the list has at least \$100 coming to them, according to Rylander, or possibly some stock or the contents of a forgotten safe deposit box. "These are names of only the unclaimed property owners who have been reported to the state within the last year," Rylander said. "Altogether, the state is holding more than \$786 million that rightfully belongs to Texas families and business owners, and I want to give it back." Rylander urged all Texans to look for their names on the list and also to check the more extensive unclaimed property data base on her web site at www.window.state.tx.us/up to see whether the state is holding any unclaimed property for them. Unclaimed property can be anything from an uncollected paycheck to a forgotten utility deposit or a long-dormant bank account. The law requires businesses and financial over to the state after three to five years if the owners cannot be found. For more information or to make a claim, those listed may call 1-800-654-3463 or 512-463-3120; or e-mail at unclaimed.property@cpa.state.tx.

AMARILLO AREA FOUNDATION-Bob Josserand of Hereford and Stanley Schaeffer of Dimmitt, members of the board of directors of the Amarillo Area Foundation, hosted a dinner Oct. 12 at the Hereford Aquatic Center. The dinner served to host Jim Allison, foundation president and executive director, and Tammy Shaklee Board, director of donor services, and allow them to share information on the foundation with the 34 guests attending from

throughout the Deaf Smith and Castro County area. Those present heard about grants given by the foundation in the two-county area, recognized area donors to the foundation and were made aware of the many different areas in which the foundation serves as a tool to benefit charity. Shown at the Aquatic Center are (from left) Allison, Bob and Nancy Josserand and Stanley and Geneva Schaeffer.

Courtesy Photo

County approves contracts, buys cars for Sheriff's Dept.

Monday morning, the Castro County Commissioners Court approved the contracts that spell out the working relationships between the county and construction manager at-risk for the

received, at \$42,260.70 for two vehicles, including a \$1,600 trade-in allowance.

Sheriff CD Fitzgearld told the the architect and the county and the commissioners his department had budgeted \$43,000 for the purchase.

He said perhaps he could get more

In other business, the commis-

-Approved appointment of Dr.

-Renewed a contract with the

2007.

-Gave approval for employee participation in the County Choice Retirement Program, as approved by the Texas Association of Counties.

-Appointed Karen Robertson as

In unanimous votes at a meeting The company submitted the only bid in the past, extending it to Aug. 31,

the budget.

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project of building a county jail.

The contracts are contingent upon for the trade-in vehicle by selling it whether the bond issue election outright, but the commissioners felt passes. it would be best to take the trade-in

The architectural firm selected for amount to keep the purchase within the job is Burns, Fletcher Gill Architects, and chief architect Ken Burns was present for the meeting. Bison sioners: Industries, doing business as A&S Steel Buildings, Inc., is the firm Leon Joplin as the county health selected for construction manager atauthority for another year. risk.

In other business, the commis- Dept. of Human Services for \$600 sioners voted to accept the bid from per month rental of the county-Jack Morris Ford of Plainview on owned building on Southeast Third two 2001 factory police interceptors. Street, continuing the same terms as

Sales tax rebates jump in October

October to the cities of Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth were up when compared with the same period in 2000. Rebates issued in October were for local sales taxes collected in August Comptroller in September.

The City of Dimmitt received a rebate totaling \$26,149.17, 5.23% higher than the October 1999 rebate of \$24,848.61. So far this year, the institutions to turn unclaimed assets city has earned \$268,411.79, which \$1,437.71 a year ago. Hart collects a is 5.66% ahead of the \$254,013.60 collected from January through October 1999. Dimmitt collects a 1.5% sales tax.

> Nazareth saw an increase in its October. rebate from October 1999 to October 2000. This month's payment of allocation is scheduled for Nov. 10.

Sales tax rebates issued during \$1,485.15 is 55.63% higher than last year's stipend of \$954.28. This year, Nazareth is running 10.85% ahead of 1999 totals after receiving \$13,169.23, compared with the \$11,879.98 earned through October which were reported to the Texas 1999. Nazareth collects a 1.5% sales tax rate.

> Hart's rebate was up 25.57% for October. The city earned a rebate of \$1,805.37 this month, compared with 1% sales tax that has earned the city \$16,978.11 so far this year. That's 11.52% ahead of 1999 payments which totaled \$15,222.95 through

The comptroller's next sales tax

the alternate election judge for voting precinct 301, moving V.C. Hopson to the position of election judge to replace Don Newman, who resigned.

-Gave permission for JP Tana Young to use additional space in the basement of the courthouse for storage of records and authorizing her to purchase new door locks, if needed, out of her budget.

-In open forum, the commissioners expressed no objection to a request from Eloyce Smith of the Adult Probation Dept. to borrow at least seven tables and 40 chairs from the county until the office furniture ordered for the department's new facilities arrives in six to eight weeks.

Bovina church sets turkey meal

St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina will sponsor its annual turkey dinner on Sunday, Nov. 5, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church's parish hall on Third Street in Bovina.

The menu will feature turkey and dressing, creamed potatoes and gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, relish plate, homemade bread, desserts, tea and coffee.

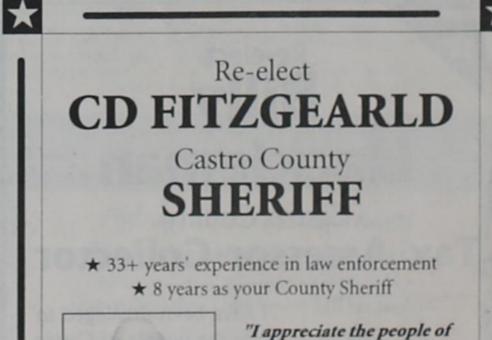
Cost for the meal is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 6. Takeout plates will be available at no additional charge.

They throw the ball I hit it. They hit the ball I catch it. Willie Mays

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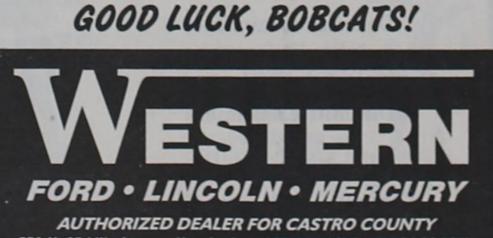




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General Election Tuesday, Nov. 7 Early Voting Begins Monday, Oct. 23

Political advertisement paid for by candidate.

Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

Congratulations to our Nazareth school. It was a very nice ceremony Fetsch. The band earned a Division I at Dallas Love Field. rating at the marching contest Saturday in Amarillo.

ers enjoyed watching them perform.

Congratulations to Max Acker, who celebrated her 94th birthday on Sunday. Her daughter and son-inlaw, Myrtle and H.D. White of Amarillo; and other family members enjoyed dinner with Max and, of course, a good solo game.

A baby shower honoring Tisha Gerber and her infant daughter, Blakely, was well attended Saturday Williams in Dimmitt.

Special guests were her celebrate with them. grandmothers, Shelly Rice and Toby Gerber; her great-grandmothers, Floyce George and Mary Gerber; and her great-great-grandmother, Irene Carpenter.

Whitney Hoelting and Shawna New York. Gerber drove to Wichita Falls this weekend for an academic visit to the Midwestern University campus. They and other recruits met with the college basketball team and Coach Amarillo on one flight. They had a Burks.

They enjoyed being with Lindy Lombard, who is on the Midwestern team and Traci Scholl, who came from Henrietta to see the girls.

Hubert and Joan Backus and Charley and Bev Hill enjoyed a couple of days in Branson, Mo. They attended several good shows and really enjoyed the beautiful fall scenery both at Branson and along the Brockman, Leonard Gerber, Edith way.

spent the weekend with LeRoy and Dorothy Pohlmeier.

Swift Band and Director Fidelis held at the Southwest Headquarters

They met many of Carie's classmates from all over the United A large group of parents and oth- States. Dallas has the only training school. They said it was great to see Carie "get her wings." Lexi loved watching the big planes take off and land.

> While there they also visited with Ralph and Beth Schulte in Kellar and with Suzanne Farris, who is just beginning her flight training with Southwest.

On Saturday they hosted a party at the Legion Hall honoring Carie on her graduation; and honoring Tonya morning at the home of Camille for her 21st birthday. Many of the girls' classmates and friends came to

> Carie left Monday morning for Baltimore, where she will be stationed for the next six months. She will share a crash pad with three or four other flight attendants. She plans to spend her free time seeing

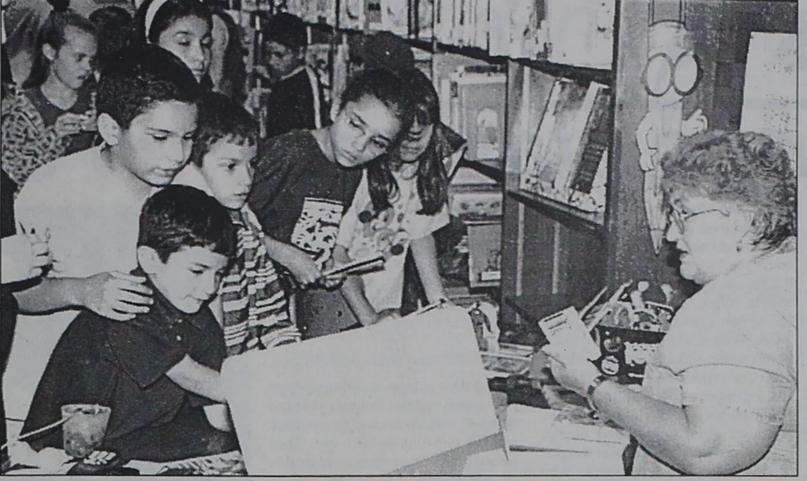
> She did her first five flights the day after graduation and she loved it. The flights were all in Texas, and she was happy to meet Jerry Rose of good visit.

> On Tuesday she will be taking her cockpit ride with the pilots. She hopes to see the changing of the fall leaves and scenery from the air.

> On her first week, she'll have flights that will be layovers, such as Los Angeles on the west coast and Miami on the east coast.

Prayers are asked for Florene Huseman, Lori Huseman, Marie Venhaus, Florene Schulte and Bob and Linda Kendrick of Desoto Margaret Brockman.

The Nazareth Swift Band will host its annual Halloween carnival Tom and Teresa Wethington and Saturday at the Nazareth Community their daughter and granddaughter, Hall from 6 to 9 p.m. A spook house,



BOOK FAIR FRENZY-Customers lined up last week at the Dimmitt Middle School Book Fair held in the DMS library. Parents were encouraged to attend and buy books for their children. Part of the proceeds from the sale will be used to buy books for the library. Among those lining up at the check-out table

are (from left) Alex, Javier and Sergio Ibarra, sons of Martha and Javier Ibarra of Dimmitt. The Book Fair was held throughout the week and during the DMS open house Oct. 17, which had "pretty good" attendance, according to Principal George Rasor.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Schaeffers will be inducted into WTAMU Old Main Society

Sherry and David Schaeffer of Dimmitt are among 11 donors that will be inducted into West Texas A&M University's premier donor recognition society during a formal ceremony Nov. 4 in "Old Main" at the school.

The Old Main Society was established in 1998 to recognize individuals, organizations and corporations who have made lifetime contributions of \$50,000 or more to the uni-



versity or the WTAMU Foundation. the foyer of Old Main provides a The ceremony will begin with an unveiling of portraits and plaques at 7 p.m. in the foyer of Old Main. Dinner will follow.

In addition to the Schaeffers, the Society donors endow scholarships following members will be inducted: The Abell-Hanger Foundation of students, enhance instructional pro-Midland; Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System of Amarillo; WTAMU's Buffalo Club; Duke Energy Corporation of Houston; the Canyon-based musical group, The Fabulous Five; M. Louise Forman of Plano; Mary Arless O'Keefe Periman and the late Judge Carl Clyde Periman of Amarillo; Mrs. Minnie K. Savage of Amarillo; Johnny Trotter of Hereford; and Myrt and David Wilder of Plainview. "The Old Main Society serves as a way for the university and the WT Foundation to recognize the generosity of this special group of donors and their continued impact on WTAMU and its students," said Pat Hill Cathcart, executive director of development at WTAMU. "The permanent display honoring them in

visible reminder of their gifts through scholarships, facilities and programs at WTAMU.

Contributions from Old Main and provide financial assistance to grams, provide faculty development opportunities and awards for outstanding teaching, and build and enhance campus facilities.

Group is trying to organize new parenting classes

Jim Ingram of Amarillo will visit in Dimmitt Monday with those who are interesting in participating in a parenting class.

Ingram will conduct training for those interested in forming parenting classes. He will train prospective "facilitators" who will conduct the 11-week course.

Training will begin Monday at the Catholic Family Services office, located at 110 Southwest Second Street in Dimmitt.

If you are interested in attending the class or have an questions, call the Catholic Family Services office at (806) 364-0323 and ask for Susana Mondragon or leave a message.

Training will begin at 5:30 p.m. and refreshments will be provided.

Chamber can get discounted tickets for ballet

The Lone Star Ballet in Amarillo will perform Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker ballet in December and the group has offered the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce \$3 to \$5 discounts on group tickets purchased in advance.

The performances are slated for 8 p.m. on Dec. 8, 3 and 8 p.m. on Dec. 9 and 2 and 6 p.m. on Dec. 10.

"I thought it would be nice if a group of Castro County people attended, maybe at the Saturday afternoon performance or at a different time," said Bill Sava, Chamber of Commerce executive director.

Ticket prices range between \$7 and \$25 if purchased in advance from the chamber.

Need a new roof?

Tonya and Alexis, traveled to Dallas cake walk, Bingo and games for all last week to attend Carie ages; a concession stand with many Wethington's graduation from supper items, snacks and desserts Southwest Airlines' flight attendant will be part of the carnival.

Breast cancer screening will be conducted Nov. 3

A breast cancer screening clinic will be held at Plains Memorial Hos- screening that includes a pital in Dimmitt on Nov. 3, and appointments are being accepted.

Those who wish to have an exam should call 1-800-377-4673 or (806) 356-1905 to schedule an appointment.

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

Participants will receive a low-cost mammogram and instruction in selfexamination by a registered nurse.

Funding is available through the Texas Dept. of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

PLAINS MEMORIAL

Bernardo and Erma Vasquez of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby girl, Ruby Alexis Vasquez, who was born at 3:27 a.m. on Oct. 21 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. Ruby Alexis weighed 7 lbs., 1.2 ozs., and was 20-1/2 inches long at birth. Paternal grandparents are Ruben and Teresa Vasquez of Friona. Maternal grandparents are Nicolas and Maria Gonzales of Dimmitt.

It's a boy for Rosamaria and Eduardo Gonzalez of Dimmitt. Their son was born at 2:07 a.m. on Oct. 21 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt and he has been named Eduardo Gonzalez Jr. He weighed 6 lbs. when he was born. His paternal grandparents are Eduardo and Francisca Gonzalez of Zaragosa, Mexico. Maternal grandparents are Rosa Emma and Ramon Gonzalez of Zaragosa. Maternal great-grandparents are Francisco and Maria Rodriguez.

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Sports

Mustangs stampede on Cats' turf, 33-8

By DON NELSON

Running backs Jonathan Marburger and Justin Stone shared the scoring as Shallowater's Mustangs stampeded to a 33-8 win over the Bobcats here Friday night.

Marburger scored three touchdowns and Stone two as the Mustangs displayed a strong running game and positioned themselves to make a run at the District 2-AAA title.

The Mustangs scored one TD in the first quarter, one in the second and three in the third to take a 33-0 lead before the Bobcats got on the board midway in the fourth to complete the scoring.

The win hiked the Mustangs' record to 6-1, 2-0. The Bobcats' season mark slipped to 0-7, 0-2.

Although they lost, the Bobcats made it interesting when they opened

neither the Mustangs nor most of the (including a six-yard run by B. J. Hill fans had ever seen.

It turned out to be a demonstration of football history

"That was the original Notre Dame Single Wing that made the Four Horsemen famous," Bobcat Coach Wade Wilson explained. "We put it in this week. I like to show a little bit different wrinkle every week if I can. It's a dangerous formation."

The tailback (B. J. Hill) would take the snap from center and charge

The formation confused the Mustangs, but at the same time the Cats drew several procedure penalties trying to run it, and let the ball get away from them on some of the

"We had some pretty good yardage with an offensive formation that off of it early," Coach Wilson said

Bobbies aiming for district cross country championship

The Dimmitt Bobbies will be one Sheena Ehly. of the favorite teams in this weekend's District 2-AAA cross country meet, and Coach Tim Gilliland hopes his crew will earn one of the coveted spots in next week's regional race.

Dimmitt will compete against Muleshoe, Littlefield, Shallowater, Lubbock Roosevelt and Lubbock Cooper in the district race Saturday morning at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock.

The two-mile race is slated for a 10:15 a.m. start.

"This should be a very, very good race. There are some incredibly strong girls teams in our district. We'll have to run really well to make it to regional," said Gilliland. Leading the Bobbies will be seniors Cherie Norman and Crystal Niño; juniors Sadra Daniels, Lyndee Behrends, Morgan Hazel, Kelsey Welch and Sally Stahl; and freshman

toward the line. He'd either keep it or hand it off to an upback, who would pitch it back to one of the wingbacks coming across.

pitches.

Aaron Saenz will be the lone

Bobcat competing in the boys' race

and Gilliland thinks he's got a shot at

"Aaron has done a great job all

"I think Cherie has a good chance

year. He stands a good chance of

finishing among the top 10, but he's

to win (the girls' race) Saturday,"

tends to run in a pack and that's very

important in cross country. We need

them all to stay together up near the

Gilliland said. "The rest of our team

qualifying for regional.

going to have to run well.

over right guard and a 16-yard scamper around end by Bobby Hill), "but we botched it a couple of times, too."

The Bobcats switched from the single wing to their wing-T offense midway in the second quarter.

B. J. Hill and Brent Josselet con-

tinued their role-switch during most of the time that the Bobcats ran their Wing-T, with Josselet at quarterback and Hill in a running back spot. They turned out to be a potent combination as Hill caught five passes for 70 yards, including a two-point conversion catch.

Josselet also passed to Jake Laurent, Matthew Wright, Daniel Proffitt and Wesley Harkins, completing 13 of 23 for 137 yards, with one interception.

"It's fun," Hill said of his new role. "I'm having a blast. We've got three games left; Brent's doing a great job at quarterback; we're just out to play hard and have fun."

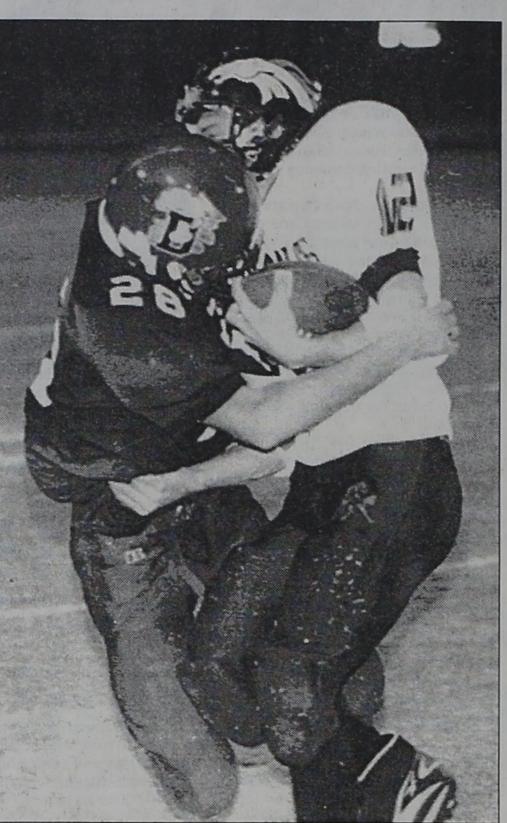
Dimmitt's touchdown came on a 13-yard pass from Josselet to Laurent on a fourth-and-11 play with 6:18 left in the game.

Josselet dropped back, stepped up to avoid a tackler, then winged the ball to Laurent, alone in the top right corner of the end zone.

"I started to run with the ball," Josselet admitted. "I had a little pressure from the outside. But then one of my linemen made a heck of a nice block for me, and I stepped up and Jake was right there in the end zone waiting."

It was Laurent's second touchdown of the year.

"It felt good, but we didn't win, so I can't be too excited about it, I guess," Laurent said.



UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL-Dimmitt defensive back Wesley Harkins (28) puts the stop on Shallowater tailback Bobby Farmer in the fourth quarter of Friday night's District 2-AAA game here. The visiting

but they finally got their third TD of the third quarter on a one-yard plunge by Marburger with 2:42 remaining in the period. Kiel Kitchens' kick was good, making it 33-0.

Coach Wilson had good words for his players after Friday's loss.

"Our kids really play hard; they never quit," he said."They're having fun, and that's a big part of it. Even though they aren't winning, it needs to be a positive experience for them, and I think it is for most of them." He added, "We got our (first six weeks) grades this week, and every-

body's eligible except for one, and that was close. That says something about our kids, too."

Here's how our opponents fared

Here's a rundown of how opponents of the Dimmitt Bobcats, Nazareth Swifts and Hart Longhorns fared during the seventh week of the season.

Dimmitt opponents

TULIA (3-4) lost to Sanford-Fritch, 0-42 RIVER ROAD (1-5) lost to Childress, 14-17 MULESHOE (7-0) beat L'FIELD (3-3), 36-26 DENVER CITY (6-1) beat Brownfield, 21-6 S'LAKE-EARTH (5-2) beat Anton, 39-0 FRIONA (6-1) was open COOPER (5-2) beat ROOSEVELT (2-5), 49-21

Nazareth opponents

S. JACINTO (1-6) lost to Mid Trinity, 13-47 LCHS (0-6) score not available HALE CENTER (3-5) lost to Lockney, 20-33 FARWELL (2-5) beat Bovina, 20-6 VEGA (4-3) beat KRESS (3-4), 32-14 STRATFORD (7-0) beat B. RANCH (2-4), 0-48 CLAUDE (2-5) beat Shamrock, 48-0

Hart opponents

"This team has really improved from the start of the season. They've worked hard."

The top three teams and the top 10 individual runners will advance to the regional meet, slated for Nov. 4 at Mae Simmons Park.

To the Bobcats and their Coaches:

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The TD capped a 71-yard drive that started with 2:42 left in the third and used 18 plays.

In addition to the TD pass to Laurent, Josselet completed passes of 18, 12 and 12 yards to B. J. Hill, a nineyarder to Daniel Proffitt, an eightyarder to Hill and a five-yarder to Matthew Wright during the scoring drive.

Cheerleading clinic planned

The Dimmitt High School cheerleaders will be conducting a clinic for young girls and those planning to attend must register by Friday.

The clinic will be held on Monday and on next Thursday, Nov. 2, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the high school gym.

To register for the clinic, contact Michelle Wilson or Sherry Clark at 647-3105.

Cost of the clinic is \$25 per person, and each girl will receive a camp t-shirt and snacks.

varsity cheerleaders during the halftime show of the Nov. 3 Dimmitt-Littlefield football game.

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Mustangs won the contest, 33-8.

The Mustangs stampeded early, taking the opening kickoff and driving 64 yards in nine plays, with Stone getting the touchdown standing up on a run up the middle from eight yards out. Kiel Kitchens' extrapoint kick was wide, leaving the score at 6-0 with 7:59 remaining in the first. With 7:18 remaining in the second

quarter, Marburger ran off of right tackle, appeared to be stopped, then spun loose and raced 30 yards for the second TD, climaxing a 66-yard drive that took only four plays. Quarterback Keenan Kitchens' conversion pass was incomplete, leaving the score at 12-0.

The Bobcats prevented another Shallowater touchdown just before halftime when Josselet intercepted a pass near the goal line.

The Mustangs had driven to the Dimmitt 4-yard line when Kitchens winged a second-down pass to a receiver in the right side of the end zone. But Josselet made a diving catch to end the threat.

"I knew they were going to pass," The girls will perform with the Josselet said. "They lined up in a formation that we had gone over in practice. I knew what the quarterback was going to do and I was able to read what he was doing. I just did what I could; I didn't want them to

The Bobcats gave the touchdown back to their visitors, though, as the second half opened. Running from the single-wing at their own 25, they fumbled a pitch-back and the Mustangs recovered the ball at the 5.

It took four plays, but Marburger got the TD on a power dive up the middle from four yards out to make it 18-0. The Mustangs tried a twopoint conversion run but the Bobcat defense wouldn't allow it.

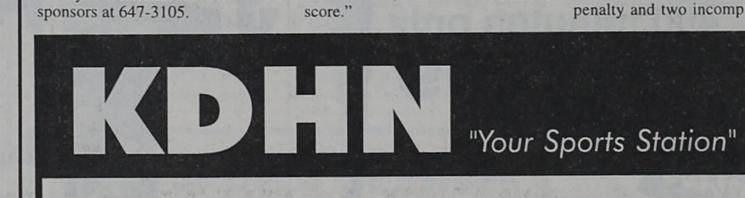
After kicking off and pushing the Bobcats from their 35 back to their 19 in four plays, the Mustangs struck again.

Anthony Oltivero punted out to the Dimmitt 46, and on first down from there, Stone broke into the clear and raced the distance for Shallowater's second TD within two minutes. Marburger tacked on two points with a conversion run to make it 26-0 at the to \$100 per month. 7:20 mark of the third quarter.

Just a minute after that TD, the Mustangs were on the way to another one.

On the Bobcats' first play after the Shallowater kickoff, B. J. Hill gained six yards but was knocked loose from the ball on the tackle, and the Mustangs fell on it at the Dimmitt 31.

It took the Mustangs 10 plays to score as they shook off a 10-yard penalty and two incomplete passes,



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Dimmitt Bobcats

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City hikes airport fees

The Dimmitt City Council voted Monday night to increase the rental fees paid by "through the fence" business operators at the city airport.

Mayor Wayne Collins said that B&W Aerial Spray and Tidwell Spraying have been paying a little over \$50 a year to make use of the airport facility for their businesses.

The council voted to raise the fee

The mayor said that people from the state have intimated that the city's grant funding for improvements to the airport will not go through if the rates charged to the companies are not raised.

City Manager Don Sheffy said what the companies are paying now doesn't even cover the cost of mowing and maintenance at the airport.

Collins said businesses using the airport have never come close to the cost of the services that are provided.

"We have to make this adjustment or forfeit the \$600,000 in grant funding," Collins said. "A city the size of Dimmitt can't keep an airport in workable condition without federal and state money. We are locked into complying with their regulations."

In other business:

-The council agreed to seek bids on the purchase of a new car for the police department. Sheffy said funds have been budgeted for the purchase.

-Voted to retain the firm of Brown, Graham & Co., to perform annual audit services for the city.

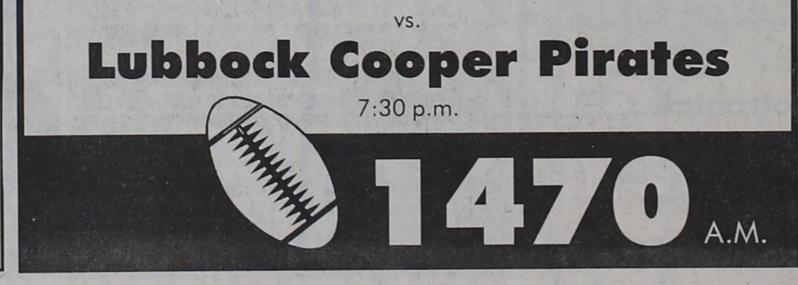
-Acknowledged Collins as the recipient of an American Hometown Leadership Award, which is accompanied by a \$1,000 award. Collins donated the check to the city to be used for a project that will help to improve the city.

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Castro County News

As the regular season reaches its final three weeks, the unbeaten Swifts and the winless Bobcats will hit the road Friday and the Longhorns will stay at home, all for district games that aren't expected to prompt any nail-biting.

Dimmitt at Lubbock Cooper

The Bobcats will be 30-point underdogs when they travel to Woodrow to play the Lubbock Cooper Pirates Friday.

The Pirates (5-2, 2-0), coached by John Windham, already are assured of topping last year's record of 3-7, 1-4, and they're in the hunt for a playoff spot.

Their only two losses have been to District 3-AAA front-runner Lamesa (38-30) and to District 2-AAA leader Muleshoe (21-14).

So they've proven that they can hang in there against the big boys this year.

The senior-laden Pirates have defeated Tulia 28-0, Brownfield 14-0, Seminole 54-10, Denver City 35-6 and Roosevelt 49-21.

Three of the Pirates' victims-Tulia, Denver City and Rooseveltown victories over Dimmitt this year.

Look for the Pirates to run mainly draws its students from the South from the wing-T formation, although Lubbock suburbs as well as the surthey'll also use some pro sets and a rounding rural area. shotgun alignment at times, Bobcat Coach Wade Wilson said.

Quarterbacking the Pirates is Stan Finch, a 6-3, 190-lb. senior all-state candidate.

Other top players to watch are wide receiver Russell Madison (5-11, 175, Sr.), and running backs Kyle Wyley (5-8, 198, Sr.) and Greg Aycock (5-9, 190, Sr.).

Dimmitt's Sammy Espinosa, offensive lineman and defensive linebacker, is nursing an injured knee and will miss this week's and next week's games, at least, Coach Wilson said.

Tanner Griffitt, senior tackle and place kicker, had to leave the Shallowater game Friday night with bruised ribs, but X-rays have since indicated no fracture, so he's expected to play, Coach Wilson said.

Kickoff time will be 7:30 p.m. Friday at Cooper High School.

For those unfamiliar with the LCHS situation. Woodrow is a small crossroads community located just a few miles south of South Loop 289 in Lubbock, on the Tahoka highway (US 87). The school, named for the man who donated the land for it,

Nazareth at Kress

The Nazareth Swifts will be looking to remain unbeaten on the season Friday night when they travel to Kress in a District 2-A showdown.

Nazareth, 7-0 overall and 2-0 in Power I and A-set. district, is coming off of a big 48-14 win over Hart Friday while Kress (3-

4, 0-2) suffered a 14-32 loss to Vega. Nazareth will be playing without starting receiver-cornerback Ky Wilcox, who suffered a dislocated elbow against Hart on Friday. Wilcox is expected to be sidelined for six weeks.

In its seven games this season, Kress has been outscored 106-134. The Kangaroos have lost to Tahoka, 0-40; Whiteface, 0-13; Stratford, 7-49; and Vega. Kress's victories have come against Lubbock Christian High School, 28-0; Meadow, 20-0; and Motley County, 37-0.

The Kangaroos' offense is directed by quarterback Jim Vineyard (5-10, 170), who has thrown for over 300 yards this season.

Gabriel Vasquez (5-9, 145) and Earl Vasquez (5-9, 170) are among the ball carriers for the Roos and

they have the advantage of having a of the defensive unit lies along the big offensive line opening up holes and that line is anchored by Montana Murrell (6-1, 225) and Julian Hinojosa (5-10, 225).

Shy Shafer 5-8, 160 lines up at flanker and he gives the Kangaroos a solid receiving threat. Tight end is Chase Street (6-2, 150).

Kress will run out of the Triple I,

"They'll line up with a full house backfield featuring three running backs," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "A lot of their plays are designed to get Gabriel Vasquez the ball. They'll run a lot of sweeps and leads. It's basically power football. Occasionally they will throw, and a lot of times they'll throw to (Gabriel) Vasquez."

Price said Gabriel Vasquez has good speed and can be hard to tackle. "We've got to try and limit his production. If we can stop him, that'll put them in a situation where they have to do things they don't want to do."

On defense, Kress will feature a Split 6 look with Shafer, Gabriel Vasquez, Vineyard and Earl Vasquez lining up in the linebacker slots.

That group is good, and has been known to send the inside backers on stunts, but Price said the real strength

massive offensive line.

"Those four down linemen are the strength of the defense. They're pretty good," Price said.

"We will have to recognize how they're using their outside linebackers. If they're covering us deep, we'll look to run. If they're playing the run, we'll try and pass."

Boys Ranch at Hart

The Hart Longhorns plan to get back on the winning track this week when they host the Boys Ranch Rough Riders in a 2-A matchup at Longhorn Stadium.

Hart, 5-2 on the season, dropped its first district contest Friday night while the Rough Riders, 2-5 overall, lost their second.

Kickoff will be 7:30 p.m.

Boys Ranch has been outscored 83-175 this season.

The Rough Riders have picked up wins against San Jacinto Christian 1,194 yards on the ground and (34-6) and Shamrock (30-6). That win over Shamrock gave Boys Ranch a 2-1 mark on the season, but the team has struggled since then, and haven't scored a point in its last three outings.

come at the hands of White Deer (6- anchoring the line.

19), Claude (13-32), Gruver (0-20), Nazareth (0-44) and Stratford (0-48).

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Boys Ranch employs a multipleset offense constructed around 5-11, 150-pound junior running back Ronnie Anderson, who has gained more than 446 yards and rushed for three touchdowns this season.

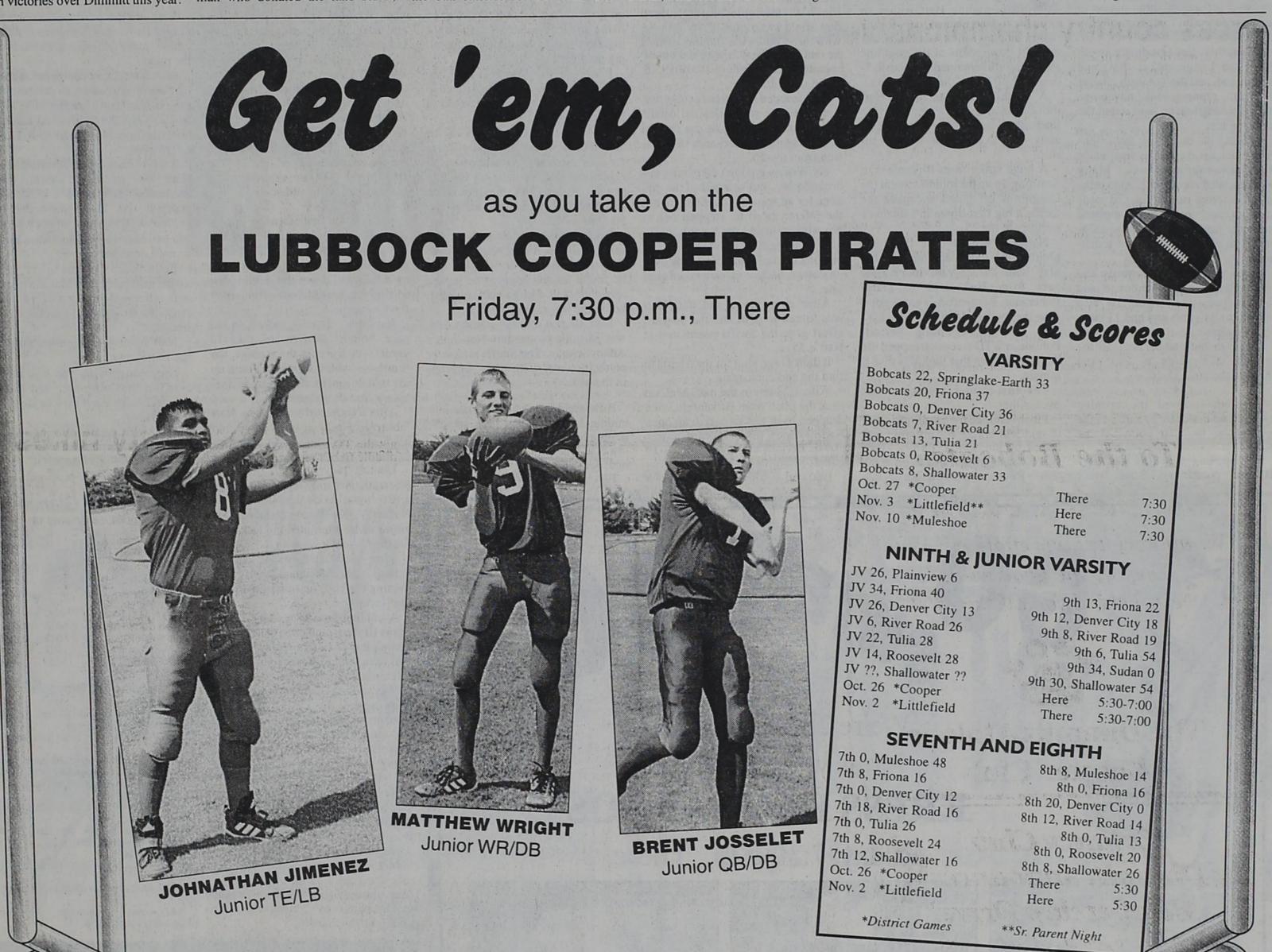
The quarterback-receiver tandem of 5-9, 135-lb. Dustin Johnson (QB) and 6-0, 180-lb. Peter Garcia (WR) has been successful so far this season as well.

Justin Carver, a 5-11, 195-lb. junior running back also has found success this season and provides defenses with another area of concern.

Opening up holes for the skill players are veteran linemen Michael Hayes (6-3, 190), Brent Bible (5-11, 230) and Greg Trent (5-6, 160).

Boys Ranch's offense has averaged 140.28 yards per outing while its defense has allowed 229.57 yards per game. The defense has given up another 413 through the air in its seven outings this season.

The Rough Riders will line up in a 4-3 set on defense with Anderson and Garcia covering in the secondary, Hays, Trent and Tyler Jackson The Rough Riders' losses have (6-1, 180) at linebacker and Bible



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Swifts pull away from Hart in second half

Big offensive plays by each team highlighted first-quarter action in the District 2-A showdown between Hart and Nazareth Friday, but the next three quarters belonged to the Swifts and their defense.

Hart's Keith Finch, Jacob Reyna and Salvador Velasquez combined for several big plays in the first quarter, but the Swifts adjusted their defense and were able to hold Hart out of the end zone for the next three quarters en route to a 48-14 win at Swift Field.

The victory kept Nazareth's unblemished record intact at 7-0 overall and 2-0 in 2-A play. Hart dropped to 5-2, 1-1.

After knotting the score at 14 in the first quarter, Hart couldn't find the end zone again and before the first half was in the books, the Swifts had jumped in front, 28-14. Nazareth added another trio of touchdowns in the final stanza to claim the big win.

The Longhorns had several chances to score in the second half, but Nazareth's defense held strong on a couple of big fourth-down plays inside the Swift 10.

Hart was plagued by turnovers and penalties, especially in the second half. Nazareth forced a pair of fumbles and picked off three passes to hold the powerful Longhorn offense in check.

Nazareth's line gradually wore down the Longhorns as the game progressed, and in the fourth quarter Nazareth runners took advantage with three big touchdowns to put the game on ice.

Leading the defensive and offensive attack for the Swifts was senior linebacker-running back Matty McLain, who recorded 22 solo tackles on defense, rushed for 170 yards and four touchdowns, and completed his only pass of the game-a 26yarder to Kade Wilcox for a touchdown.

Finch rushed for 144 yards and scored Hart's two touchdowns and then on the Swifts stuck to the ground.

Kern and McLain kept the chains moving with big runs and they chewed up the first-quarter clock. McLain capped the long drive with a 16-yard touchdown. He picked up a couple of big blocks as he started his his journey around the right end and eventually he wound up in the end zone. Philip Bergendahl's extra-point kick gave the Swifts a 7-0 lead with 7:35 left in the quarter.

Hart wasted little time in answering McLain's six.

A nine-yard gain by Velasquez kicked off Hart's first offensive series, then Reyna was able to break through the line for a big third-down run that renewed the drive.

Later in the series, Finch faked a handoff, fooling the Swifts as he raced all the way to the Nazareth 44 before he was stopped after a 17-yard gain on the play.

Reyna provided a change of pace on the next play, picking up 22 yards on the outside to move the ball to the Swift 22.

A completed pass from Finch to Velasquez gave Hart a first-and-goal at the 1-foot line. Finch pounded it in from there, pulling Hart within an extra point. Hart elected to try for the two-point conversion, but Finch was brought down short of the goal line and Nazareth remained in control, 7-6, with 2:40 left in the first quarter.

A defensive adjustment by Hart moved Finch from the secondary to linebacker, and Nazareth immediately went to the air on its next series.

A huge strike from Birkenfeld to Schilling down the middle caught the Longhorns off guard and gave the Swifts a big first-down in Longhorn territory at the 25.

Nazareth wasted little time, exploiting the secondary on the next play with the 25-yard touchdown pass from Birkenfeld to Daryl Pohlmeier. Bergendahl's extra point gave the Swifts a 14-6 lead with 1:37 left in the opening period. Pohlmeier's TD reception capped the three-play drive that took less than a minute.

Birkenfeld to Aaron Kern-but from reth defenders until he was stopped at the 17-yard line.

The first play of the drive netted just four yards, but Finch got the handoff next, racing 12 yards for the touchdown. Trailing by two, Hart once again lined up for the two-point conversion and this time Finch wasn't going to be denied, forcing his way up the middle for the bonus that tied the game with 12 seconds left in the first quarter.

Hart couldn't find a way to stop Nazareth's offense in the second quarter.

Kern found a seam and ripped it open for a 39-yard gain to Hart's 18, but at the end of the play, Pohlmeier was flagged for an illegal block in the back and the referees moved the Swifts back to Hart's 28-yard line.

A 10-yard pass from Birkenfeld to Trey Robb gained the penalty yards back, then McLain picked up 17 yards to the Hart 1. He added that extra yard to his total on the next play, regaining the lead for his team with 10:46 left in the half. The kick by Bergendahl put the Swifts on top, 21-14.

Hart was facing a third-and-12 situation on its next series, forcing the Longhorns to go to the air. Finch's attempted pass deep downfield was picked off by Wilcox, who raced down the sideline toward the end zone. He was knocked out of bounds at the Longhorn 10 with 9:18 left in the half.

Hart dropped Nazareth for a loss of 5 on the next play, then the Swifts had an incomplete pass on second down, forcing a third-and-15 situation from the 15.

Ky Wilcox got the call on an endaround play, and he reached the end zone for an apparent touchdown, but the referee ruled he stepped out of bounds just inside the 1-yard line.

That brought up fourth down. The ensuing run failed and Hart took over on downs, backed up on its own goal line.



NAZARETH'S DEFENSE swarms to the ball as Hart running back Jacob Reyna looks for running room outside and he's brought down for no gain by Swifts Aaron Kern (36), Jason Huseman (12) and an unidentified player Friday night. After a 14-14 stalemate at the end of the first quarter, Nazareth

on its next series, but Reyna was up to the challenge, and his rush up the middle kept the Longhorn's marching downfield.

Reyna moved the Longhorns into Nazareth territory when he hauled in a 13-yard pass that was marked at Nazareth's 45.

With time running down in the half, Finch attempted a pass down the sideline, and it was almost intercepted by Kade Wilcox. A holding penalty against the Longhorns on that play moved Hart back across the 50 to its on 45.

Finch had all the time in the world as he searched for an open receiver downfield on a 3rd-and-20 play, but he found no one open so he tucked away the ball and gained six yards

near the goal line sailed out of the end zone and the next pass was batted down by Nazareth's Wade Price.

A third-and-10 pass play was knocked away from the receiver by McLain, bringing up a fourth-down- 32-yard touchdown run on the first Hart went for the first down with

success as Finch gained 21 yards on a draw play, reaching the Nazareth 7 before he was stopped. He got the half before Hart could score.

and-10.

Hart had the first offensive opportunity in the second half, and the Longhorns started off in excellent shape. Finch picked up several yards on a long run down the sideline before he was knocked out of bounds at the Nazareth 46. Nazareth's defense picked up the pace, holding Hart to less than 10 yards over the next three plays. On fourth-and-short, Hart sent Finch up the middle and he delivered the necessary first-down yards. After a couple of short gains, Hart looked to Finch on third down, but his 6-yard rush was short, bringing up fourth-and-three. The next play was a costly one for Nazareth. Not only did Hart pick up a first down inside the Nazareth 10, Nazareth's Ky Wilcox dislocated his elbow as he attempted the tackle on the play. After medical crews tended to Wilcox, play resumed with Hart owning the ball, first-and-goal from the Nazareth 6. A holding penalty cost the Longhorns 10 yards, and three consecutive incomplete passes gave Nazareth the ball back with just over four minutes left in the third. Hart took the ball back with 3:28 showing on the clock when Jeff Bennett picked off Birkenfeld's pass and returned it to the Swift 14.

touchdowns in the fourth to claim a big 48-14 District 2-A win at Swift Field. Also pictured are Nazareth's Reece Hales (50) and Eric Schilling (84) and Hart's Josh Finch (25) and Marcial Mendoza (68). Photo by Anne Acker

> Kern got the next handoff and he dragged a herd of Longhorns out of bounds at the 24, gaining 13 yards on the play.

McLain capped the drive with a play of the fourth quarter. The kick was off, but the Swifts had taken a commanding 34-14 lead with 11:50 left to play.

Back-to-back penalties frustrated first down, but time expired in the Hart on its next drive, then Pohlmeier intercepted a pass near midfield. As Hart converged on Pohlmeier, he spotted an open Kern, pitched him the ball and Kern raced to the Longhorn 15.

> Kade Wilcox picked up 11 yards on the next carry then McLain rushed across the goal line for a 41-14 Swift

the two-point conversion. He also passed for 31 yards and had 11 tackles on defense.

Nazareth out-gained Hart on the ground, 271 yards to 243; and through the air, 135-10.

Nazareth received the opening kickoff and marched 70 yards on the ground for the first points of the to midfield before his progress was game.

The opening play was a pass-a

The first-quarter scoring wasn't over, either.

Finch returned the ensuing kickoff halted by the Swifts. Before Finch was tackled, he was able to pitch the 10-yard completion from Blake ball to Reyna, who streaked by Naza-

After going three and out, Hart was forced to punt and the 34-yard effort gave the Swifts possession at Hart's 35.

It didn't take long for the Swifts to find the end zone again.

With 4:28 left in the half, McLain took the pitch from Birkenfeld, then dropped back and passed to an open Kade Wilcox for a 26-yard touchdown. Bergendahl made it a 28-14 game.

Hart had to convert a fourth-down

before he was pulled down. Hart elected to punt and the kick was partially blocked by Nazareth's Adam Schulte. The Swifts took over

on their own 36 with 27 seconds left

in the half.

Birkenfeld tried to pass across the middle, but Finch was there, snatching the ball out of the air and returning it to Nazareth's 28 with 17 seconds left.

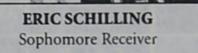
Finch's first pass to Velasquez





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A Hart holding penalty on the return moved the Horns back to the 24, but they were threatening again.

Kern and McLain had a pair of big stops on the drive, and the Swift defense held on fourth down, taking over control on the Nazareth 9 with 48 seconds left.

McLain found a huge hole and raced to Hart's 35 on the first play from scrimmage. He was caught from behind by Velasquez, who saved the touchdown.

lead after Bergendahl's kick split the uprights.

Hart's problems continued through the fourth quarter.

They coughed up the ball twice over the remaining time and Nazareth recovered each miscue deep in Hart territory.

The Swifts capped scoring with a Jason Huseman touchdown at the 6:39 mark, giving Nazareth its 48-14 win.

Game at a Glance Swifts 48, Longhorns 14

Hart	14	0	0	0-14
Nazareth	14	14	0	20-44

	NAZ	HART	
First Downs	18	14	
Yards Rushing	271	243	
Yards Passing	135	10	
Total Yards Gained	406	253	
Passes CompAttInt.	7-10-2	2-13-2	
Punts-Avg.	0-0	2-19.5	
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	3-2	
Penalties-Yards	7-55	4-30	

Scoring By Quarters First Quarter:

NAZ-Matty McLain 16 run (Philip Bergendahl kick), 7:35 HART-Keith Finch 1 run (run failed),

2:40

NAZ-Daryl Pohlmeier 29 pass from Blake Birkenfeld (Bergendahl kick), 1:23 HART-Finch 12 run (Finch run), :12

Second Quarter: NAZ-McLain 1 run (Bergendahl kick),

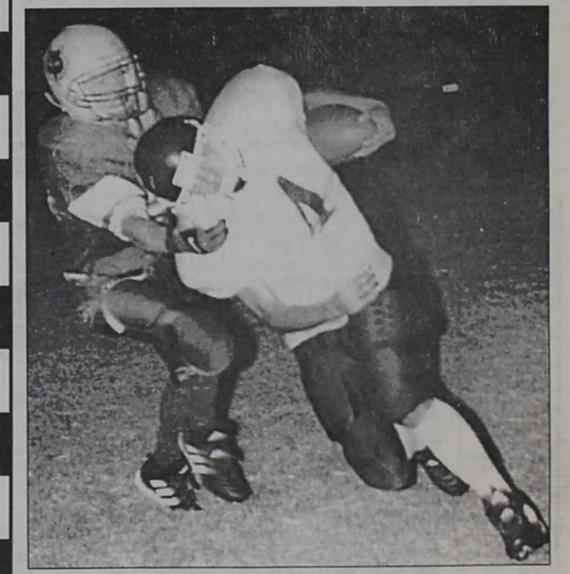
10:40 NAZ-Kade Wilcox 26 pass from

McLain (Bergendahl kick), 4:28 Fourth Quarter:

NAZ-McLain 32 run (kick failed), 11:50

NAZ-McLain 4 run (Bergendahl kick), 10:41

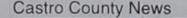
NAZ-Jason . Huseman 10 run (Bergendahl kick), 6:39



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HART'S JACOB REYNA (4) is wrapped up by Nazareth's Daryl Pohlmeier, but not before he gains 22 yards to the Swift 22-yard line in the first quarter of Friday's District 2-A game at Nazareth. Reyna's play helped set up Hart's first touchdown-a one-yard plunge by Finch. Nazareth went on to win the game, 48-14. Photo by Dwayne Acker





GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MASON—Surrounded by family and friends, Ed Bennett of Hart (second from left in foreground) receives his 50-year Masonic service award last Thursday evening at Castro Lodge 489. Presenting the award certificate is Bill Morrow of Vega, deputy of the 100th District, Grand Lodge of Texas. Witnessing the presentation are (clockwise,

from left) Bennett's wife, Sue; his three sons, Harold Bob, George Ed and Mark; Lodge Chaplain Ed Freeman; and Senior Deacon Marshall Langford. Worshipful Master Bill Stephenson conducted the meeting, which was preceded by a dinner for members, spouses and and guests. Photo by Don Nelson

District cross country Soggy Swift squads sweep team titles

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rain didn't deter the Nazareth Swifts upper level storm system moved and Swiftettes from their goal of winning the district cross country championships Monday.

The boys' and girls' distance teams not only won their respective district championships at Thompson Park in Amarillo, they captured the crowns in convincing fashion.

The Swiftettes finished first with 25 team points and earned the gold. silver and bronze individual medals as well. All Nazareth runners finished among the top 14 runners in the race.

For the boys, Nazareth claimed three of the top 10 places to claim the school's first boys' team title with 37 points.

The JV Swiftettes also won their district team title with a near-perfect score of 16.

The two varsity teams will advance to the Region 1-A race, slated for Nov. 4 at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock.

As the teams prepared for the

A soggy course and downpours of district races Monday afternoon, an across the Texas Panhandle, dumping heavy rain and sparking at least one tornado in Amarillo.

That didn't stop Nazareth, though. "It was rainy and wet. We had rain, rain and more rain," said Nazareth Coach Matt Garrett. "The grass was wet and slippery and the kids' clothes were wet. We lucked out in the girls' race and ran inbetween the heavier storms."

The 2.1-mile course was claimed by Swiftette runner Danette Ramaekers, who broke the tape with the winning time of 13 minutes and 29 seconds. She was closely followed by teammates Erica Gerber, second in 13 minutes and 43 seconds; and Stephanie Thiel, third in 13 minutes, 49 seconds. Marsha Black was seventh in 14 minutes and 19 seconds to round out Nazareth's runners among the top 10.

The Swiftettes next three runners, Susan Kern, Mandy Hoelting and Teri Ramaekers, finished 12th

through 14th, respectively, with times of 14:46, 14:52 and 14:53.

Trinity Robb led the Swifts with a silver medal finish in the boys race with a time of 18:37 over the threemile course.

Trey Robb and Quentin Jones also finished among the top 10, placing fourth and sixth, respectively. Trey Robb's time was clocked at 19:09 while Jones completed the course in 19:47.

The 12th and 13th places in the race belonged to Kade Wilcox (time of 20:37) and Craig Birkenfeld (20:41), while Shelby Wilhelm finished 23rd in 22:37.

For the JV girls, Nazareth accumulated 16 points after claiming five of the top six places in the race. Leading the pack was Wendy Black, who won the race with a time of 14:39. She was followed by Megan Schulte, second in 14:42; Kim Brockman, third in 15:37; Tanya Herring, fourth in 15:45; and Jenna Braddock, sixth in 16:06.

McLain named player of week

Matty McLain is the Amarillo Globe-News' Player of the Week for Class A after he turned in a top performance on both sides of the ball in Nazareth's 48-14 win over Hart on Friday.

McLain rushed for 170 yards on 20 carries and scored four of the Swifts' touchdowns. He also completed a halfback-option pass to Kade Wilcox for a 26-yard touchdown. On defense, he led the Swifts with 22 tackles.

Several other county players earned honorable mention honors in the weekly poll:

Hart's Keith Finch ran for 144 yards, two touchdowns and a twopoint conversion; passed for 31 yards; and had 11 tackles on defense as he earned honorable mention



H. N. DYER (left) accepts a certificate for 60 years' service as a Mason from 100th District Deputy Bill Morrow of Vega during a stated meeting

Harris Picks

Here are Jon Harris's predictions for Week 8 of the regular season, along with his latest rankings for Class A and AAA. Harris rates teams by a unique power rating system, and each team's power rating, as calculated by Harris, follows its ranking.

CLASS AAA TOP TEN

1. Diboll, 215; 2. Daingerfield, 214; 3. Gatesville, 212; 4. Lindale, 212; 5. Aledo, 210; 6. Abilene Wylie, 210; 7. Lamesa, 209; 8. Marlin, 209; 9. Crockett, 208; 10. Cameron Yoe, 208.

AREA CLASS AAA TEAMS 58. Muleshoe, 198; 64. Sanford-Fritch, 197; 70. Lubbock Cooper, 195; 87. Perryton, 192; 89. Shallowater, 192; 105. Childress, 187; 137. Denver City, 181; 141. Amarillo River Road, 180; 142. Dalhart, 180; 153. Tulia, 178; 176. Seminole, 171; 181. Slaton, 170; 194. Brownfield, 165; 196. Lubbock Roosevelt, 165; 200. Dimmitt, 164.

15, Petersburg, 185; 23. White Deer, 181; 33. Wheeler, 177; 36. Gruver, 176; 43. Vega, 173; 48. Sudan, 169; 52. Claude, 167; 56. Hart, 165; 63. Farwell, 163; 64. Crosbyton, 162; 69. Whiteface, 160; 73. Lorenzo, 159; 84. Kress, 155; 87. Boys Ranch, 154; 95. Booker, 149; 101. Bovina, 147; 104. Motley County, 146; 109. Anton, 144; 111. Meadow, 144; 113. Spur, 142; 120. Shamrock, 134; 124. Smyer, 130.

WEEK 8 PICKS

(Home teams are listed in capital letters). LUBBOCK COOPER 30 over Dimmitt HART 12 over Boys Ranch Nazareth 36 over KRESS LITTLEFIELD 20 over Lubbock Roosevelt Muleshoe 6 over SHALLOWATER Perryton 14 over TULIA DALHART pick vs. River Road

MUNDAY 19 over Knox City Lorenzo is open Seminole 7 over BROWNFIELD Denver City 11 over SLATON Lamesa 9 over GREENWOOD Amarillo 3 over LUBBOCK CORONADO Lubbock Monterey 21 over TASCOSA SAN ANGELO CENTRAL 27 over Lubbock ABILENE 9 over Odessa Abilene Cooper 10 over MIDLAND Midland Lee 16 over ODESSA PERMIAN AMARILLO CAPROCK 8 over Randall BORGER 14 over Dumas CANYON 2 over Pampa HEREFORD 38 over Palo Duro ANDREWS 14 over Plainview BIG SPRING 15 over Lubbock Estacado Frenship 28 over SAN ANGELO LAKEVIEW Snyder 15 over LEVELLAND Seagraves 5 over PLAINS Idalou no line vs. RALLS Sundown 6 over NEW DEAL POST 17 over Tahoka FRIONA 3 over Abernathy HALE CENTER 6 over Morton Lockney 12 over OLTON West Texas high 24 over HIGHLAND PARK CANADIAN 10 over Panhandle SUNRAY 15 over Clarendon SPEARMAN 20 over Wellington Floydada is open Memphis 34 over Wichita Falls City View Quanah 23 over SEYMOUR

Class A honors.

Also earning Class A honorable mention was Nazareth's Aaron Kern, who had 21 total tackles against the Longhorns.

Dimmitt's B.J. Hill copped honorable mention honors on the Class AAA list after catching five passes for 70 yards in the Bobcats' 33-8 loss to Shallowater Friday.

of Castro Lodge 879 last Thursday night. The meeting was preceded by a dinner for members, spouses and guests. Dyer's wife, Alberta, also took part in the award ceremony, attaching her husband's 60-year lapel Photo by Don Nelson pin.

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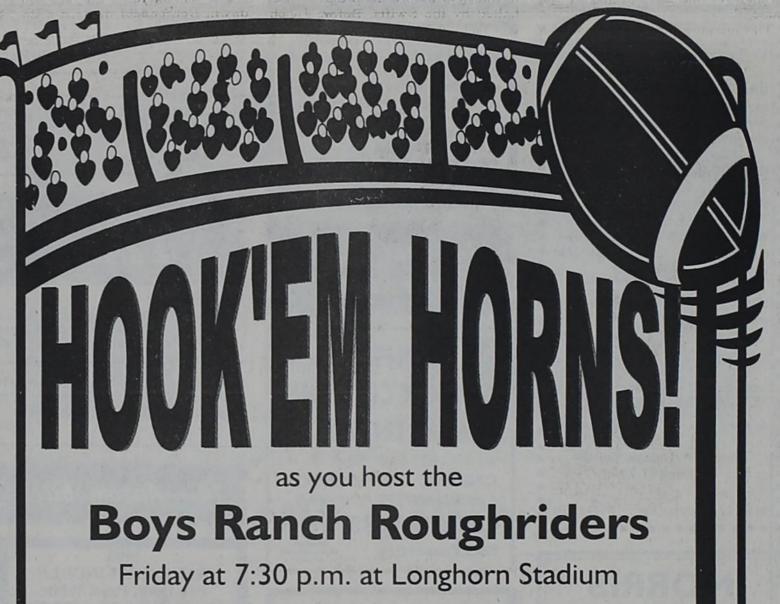
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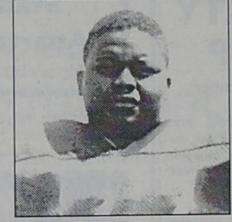
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AREA CLASS A TEAMS

Santord-Fritch 7 over CHILDRESS STRATFORD 24 over Vega Wheeler 29 over BOOKER **GRUVER 9 over Claude** White Deer 47 over SHAMROCK **BOVINA 3 over Anton** SPRINGLAKE-EARTH 17 over Sudan Farwell 3 over WHITEFACE CROSBYTON 18 over Meadow O'DONNELL 6 over Spur Petersburg no line vs. SMYER Aspermont 1 over MOTLEY COUNTY PADUCAH no line vs. Crowell







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Castro County Commissioners Court is now accepting bids for one (1) new Tandem-Powered Motor Grader for Precinct 1, with the trade-in of one (1) 140 G Motor Grader.

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IRENE MILLER, Castro County Judge 25-29-2tc

Castro County News



Carolyn Havis Lane

Funeral services for Carolyn Havis Lane, 66, of Lubbock, formerly of Dimmitt, were held Monday afternoon at Resthaven Abbey Chapel in Lubbock with Rev. Paul Mohr officiating.

Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park of Lubbock, under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home.

Mrs. Lane died Oct. 19 at Covenant Lakeside Medical Center in Lubbock.

She was born Oct. 2, 1934, in Vernon, and graduated from Roaring Springs High School and Draughan's Business College. She worked for Lubbock Auto from 1955 to 1960. She married Jesse Lee Lane on Nov. 19, 1960, in Lubbock. He died on July 14, 1989. Mrs. Lane was a homemaker in Dimmitt until 1986. when she moved back to Lubbock and became involved in property management.

She is survived by a daughter, Lana Lane of Dallas; a son, Scott Lane of Lubbock; and two sisters, Charlotte Andrews of Lubbock and Barbara Robbins of Idalou.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.



NO PR 2399 THE ESTATE OF KENNETH JACKSON, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF KENNETH JACKSON, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of KENNETH JACKSON, Deceased, were issued to RUTH J. JACKSON and RICH-ARD WAYNE JACKSON on October 16. 2000, in the proceedings indicated above, which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered in the County Court above named, are required to present the same, given before suit upon same are barred by the general statute of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law, as follows:

Pauline A. Kropff

Funeral services for Pauline A. Kropff, 83, of Hereford, mother of Betty Batterman of Dimmitt, were held Monday morning in the Rose Chapel of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home in Hereford with the Rev. Tammy Passmore, pastor of Wesley United Methodist Church in Hereford, officiating. Burial followed in Hereford's West Park Cemetery under the direction of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Kropff died at 4:45 a.m. last Thursday, Oct. 19, at Hereford Regional Medical Center after a lengthy illness.

She was born April 8, 1917. She married Carl Kropff on Nov. 20, 1937, in Hereford. He died on May 10, 1994.

She and her husband opened and operated the first airport in Hereford, Clover Airport, from 1945 to the mid 1950s. She was a member of the Good Sam Club. She was a grocery checker. She belonged to the Wesley United Methodist Church of Hereford.

Survivors include a daughter, Betty Batterman of Dimmitt; a son, Stan Kropff of Canyon; two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Wesley United Methodist Church.

Richard Menchaca

Funeral services for Richard Menchaca, 37, of Hart, were held Saturday evening at Sendero De La Cruz Pentecostal Church with the Rev. Mel Gonzales officiating. Additional services were held Sunday afternoon at the Sendero De La Cruz Pentecostal Church with the Rev. Roger Velasquez officiating. Burial followed in the Hart Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill threatened to shoot the man and his Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Menchaca died last Wednes-

Mike Odom of Dimmitt, Larry Odom of San Angelo and Bruce Odom of Eunice, N.M.; a sister, Sharon Cox of Lazbuddie; and three grandchildren.

Curtis Stevens

Funeral services for Curtis W. "Papa" Stevens, 89, of Lubbock, and a former gin manger in Hart, were held Saturday morning at White Memorial Chapel in Lubbock with Rev. Jimmy Woodworth officiating. Burial followed in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of White Funeral Home of Lub-

bock. Mr. Stevens died Oct. 19 in Lubbock.

He was born March 2, 1911, in Borden County and married Esther Bairrington on Aug. 6, 1933, in Lovington, N.M. He was a long-time resident of Tahoka, serving as a member of the Tahoka Volunteer Fire Dept. for 20 years. He had been a gin manager in Tahoka, Hart and Seminole until his retirement in 1974, when he and his wife moved to Lubbock. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by a son, Jack Stevens, in 1973.

He is survived by his wife; a son, Jerry Stevens of Lubbock; a sister, Ola Lee Gary of Ruidoso, N.M.; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.



A 35-year-old Dimmitt man told police Sunday that a suspect had made threats about having a gun and family.

Saturday that someone took a red He was born in Uvalde and grew bicycle, valued at \$94 from her home two years, with a fine of \$750, court on Northwest Sixth Street. Alicia Garcia in 1986 in Hart. He was was stopped for running a red light. the 100 block of East Bedford for a Survivors include his wife; three traffic offense and was found to have daughters, Sonya Menchaca, Sandra warrants out of Abilene for his arrest on failure to appear, expired commercial motor vehicle identification, and no fire extinguisher. Saturday at 1:38 a.m., an 18-yearfour brothers, Mike Menchaca and old Amarillo man was jailed for possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. At 2:31 a.m., another 18year-old Amarillo man was jailed for DWI, first offense. A Dimmitt man, 47, was jailed Sunday at 1:23 a.m. for DWI, first

District Court Six are sentenced

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In recent District Court decisions, seven judgments were handed down for six men.

In 64th District Court, Judge Jack Miller rendered judgments in five cases, three on Oct. 3 and two on Oct. 12.

Two judgments were entered revoking probation for Robert Lopez Jr., who had been found guilty of charges of burlary of a building in connection with two separate incidents, one on March 1, 1999, and one on Oct. 12, 1999.

Grounds for violation of his probation in both cases were listed as failure to report to the community supervision officer, failure to notify of a change of address, failure to pay restitution and supervision fees, testing positive for alcohol, failure to attend AA meetings and failure to perform community service.

His original punishment in the March case was two years in the Texas Dept.of Criminal Justice-State Jail facility, probated for two years, \$1,000 fine, court costs of \$251.25, \$250 in attorney fees, restitution of \$1,931, and a \$50 donation to Castro County Crime Line.

In the October case, he had been sentenced to two years in TDCJ-State Jail facility, probated for five years, \$1,000 fine, \$262.25 in court costs, \$250 in attorney fees, \$318 restitution, and a \$50 donation to Crime Line.

The punishment imposed in both cases include serving two years in the TDCJ-State Jail facility (with inprison therapeutic treatment), a fine of \$1,000, court costs, additional attorney fees, and the \$318 restitution.

Johnny Rodriquez entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere on Oct. 12 to charges of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram A Dimmitt woman told police on Jan. 20, 2000. He was sentenced

tenced to five years in the TDCJ- ounces and under 4 ounces on Aug. Institutional Division, fined \$1,000, court costs of \$247.25, and attorney fees of \$250.

A judgment of a plea of guilty was entered against Juan Manuel Martinez on charges of DWI, third or more offense, on May 3. He was sentenced to four years in the TDCJ-ID, probated for four years, with a fine of \$1,000, court costs of \$272.25, attorney fees of \$250, a \$50 donation to Crime Line, 400 hours of community service, completion of the repeat offender program, installation of an ignition interlock device, suspension of driver's license for one year, and attendance at AA meetings once a week.

Judge Ed Self rendered two judgments recently in 242nd District Court.

Oct. 2, a judgment was entered revoking the probation of Ricky Leavitt, who had been charged with possession of marijuana over 2 30, 1997. He had originally been sentenced to one year in the Castro County Jail, probated for two years, a \$500 fine and court costs of \$242.

He was found in violation by failure to pay supervision fees and failure to abstain from controlled substances.

The punishment imposed was to serve the original sentence of one year in the Castro County Jail, a fine of \$2,000, and court costs of \$242.

In another case on Oct. 5, an order was entered for deferring further proceedings for Eleazar Vasquez Garcia on charges of possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram on July 21. Terms of the plea bargain including serving five years of community supervision under the terms of deferred adjudication, a \$1,000 fine, \$262.25 court costs, a \$50 donation to Crime Line, 200 hours of community service, and enrollment in GED, adult basic education or English as a second language classes.



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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING **CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF** TROY JOE LANGFORD, DECEASED Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the Estate of TROY JOE LANFORD were issued on the 23rd day of October, 2000, in Cause No. PR 2402 in the proceedings of the Estate of TROY JOE LANGFORD, Deceased, pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, to ELLA CLAUDINE LANGFORD, as Independent Executor, whose mailing address is 309 NW 9th Street, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, are required to send the same to me, at the above address, within the time and within the manner prescribed by law.

ELLA CLAUDINE LANGFORD Independent Executrix of the Estate of TROY JOE LANGFORD, Deceased 25-30-1tc

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below and then publicly read.

Construction Maintenance Contract(s) District: Lubbock.

Contract: 0067-08-010 for SEAL COAT in SWISHER County, etc., will be opened on Nov. 9, 2000, at 1 p.m. at the State Office

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Pregualified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit pre-qualification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Pre-qualification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available at reproduction companies in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the contractor

NPO: 1667 State Office

Construction Division

day, Oct. 18.

up in Hart. He worked for Azteca Milling Co. in Plainview. He married a member of the Sendero De La Cruz Pentecostal Church.

Menchaca and Samantha Menchaca, all of Hart; two sons, Isaias Menchaca and Eric Menchaca, both of Hart; his mother, Dora Menchaca; Raul Menchaca, both of Plainview, Paul Menchaca of Hart and Thomas Menchaca of Georgetown; and three sisters, Mary Gonzales of Hart, Tammy Bronson of Georgetown and Trina Menchaca of Plainview.

The family requests memorials be offense. to the Alicia Menchaca Family, PO Box 155, Hart 79043.

Kenneth Dale Odom

Kenneth Dale Odom, 57, of El Paso, formerly of Dimmitt, died Oct. 14.

Graveside services were held on Oct. 18 at Fort Bliss National Cemetery.

Mr. Odom graduated from Dimmitt High School in May 1962. He served in the US Army from November 1963 to November 1966. He married Judy Matzenger on June 9, 1967, in Denton. He was an electronic technician for White Sands Missile Range. He had been a resident of El Paso for 30 years and was a member of Mountain View Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Kevin Odom of Rockmart, Ga., and Jason Odom of El Paso; a daughter, Julie Odom of Tuscaloosa, Ala.; his parents, M.B. and Lucille Odom of Dimmitt; three brothers,

MEMORIALS

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Jailed on warrants during the past week:

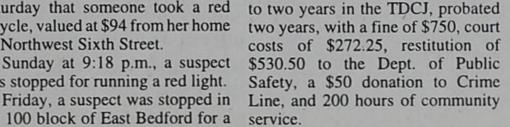
-Oct. 18, a Hereford man, 33, on speeding and failure to appear warrants out of Wichita Falls, and a warrant for defective turn signal from Hartley County; and a 44-yearold woman from Ruidoso Downs, N.M., on a warrant for possession of marijuana under 2 ounces.

-Saturday, a 29-year-old Brownfield woman, on a warrant for theft.

-Sunday, a Hart man, 20, on warrants for driving with license suspended/motion to revoke, for theft over \$20 and under \$500, and on charges of criminal mischief; and a Dimmitt man, 22, on warrants for DWI/bond surrender and failure to appear.

Jail Count

There were 14 inmates in the county jail as of Tuesday morning, with four more farmed out.

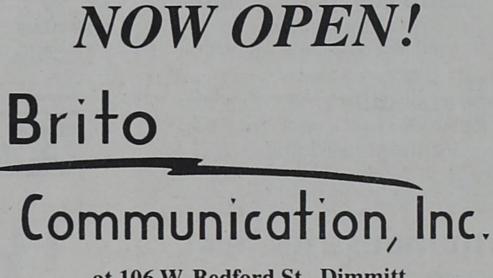


Antonio Solis III entered a plea of guilty to charges of aggravated robbery on Feb. 16, 2000. He was sen-

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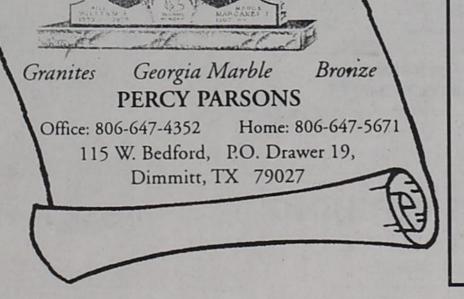
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District Office(s) Lubbock District **District Engineer** 135 Slaton Lubbock, Texas 79404 Phone: (806) 745-4411

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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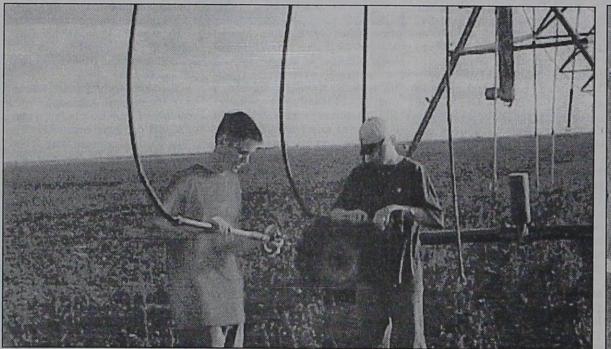
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Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District 2000 ANNUAL REPORT



or center pivot systems. Many Castro County producers are using the program to renozzle existing center pivot irrigation systems in order to increase the systems irrigation efficiency.



The Running Water SWCD cosponsored a drip irrigation plot demonstration on the Jerry Miller farm. A drip irrigation system was installed on a corner of Jerry's farm with some cost share funds from an EQIP grant program. Drip irrigation systems are becoming more popular each year and will be seen more once the cost of installation goes down.

Balance Sheet August 31, 2000

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Current Assets	
Cash in Bank	
Trust	
State	
CD	
Total Current Assets	
Property and Equipment	
Flow Meter	
CDS System	2 000 00

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The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is a federal cost share pro- The Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) employed three gram which gives irrigated farmers an opportunity to modify their irrigation system local high school students this past summer to assist NRCS with heavy work loads encountered in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), and the State 503 Water Quality Program and were also able to provide other conservation assistance to local producers. Jennifer Heck, Patrick Hunter, and Matt White learned and carried out a variety of activities for the SWCD and NRCS. Jennifer helped to carry out SWCD activities such as the annual windbreak tree sales, educational programs, the water quality program, and provided valuable conservation information to local producers. She assisted NRCS and CRP and EQIP sign ups and contract development. The Running Water SWCD has long recognized the importance of irrigation water and its efficient use. They feel that it is important to provide irrigation assistance in the field for producers in Castro County. This is the reason they hired Patrick and Matt. Their primary responsibility was irrigation well monitoring to determine gallons per minute and efficiency. They were also able to check the gallons of water going through center pivot systems. Their ability to monitor wells and pivot systems proved valuable to NRCS in carrying out a successful Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). Since Castro County is in an EQIP priority area whose major resource concern is water quantity, the service these students were able to provide made implementation of the program that much easier. Patrick and Matt also provided assistance in mapping contour lines, helping producers determine row direction for erosion purposes, assisted in completing the county irrigation survey and conservation tillage report, and helped with some additional technical assistance provided to private landowners for conservation planning purposes. Another big plus all three students brought to the District and NRCS was their computer skills and the ease with which they adapted to the computer system NRCS in using.

