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## WORK IT OFF

### Inmate volunteers get 'good time' while saving county money, space

At the suggestion of the Castro County Commissioners' Court, the Castro County Sheriff's Office is putting volunteer labor to work at the Expo Building on a refurbishing project.

The volunteers are being recruited from among the prisoners in the county jail.

Sheriff CD Fitzgearld said that the arrangement will help both the county and the prisoners.

"Besides getting a break in their usual routine, the prisoners also will earn 'good time,' which hastens their release date," Fitzgearld said. "And that helps us when they get out sooner, because of the overcrowding situation."

Fitzgearld said the county has had as many as 34 inmates recently, and the jail only has 18 beds. The excess has to be farmed out to other area jails that have space available, and that can cost the county from \$20 to \$50 per day per prisoner.

Fitzgearld said he has a reciprocal arrangement with Bailey County Sheriff Jerry Hicks in Muleshoe, in which they will house excess prisoners for one another at the rate of \$20 per day—if space is available. He said most other area jails charge \$40 to \$50 per day.

The project at the Expo Building will include stripping, sanding and

refinishing the wooden bleachers; stripping and repainting the red metal railing in front of the bleachers; removing, cleaning and replacing the rubber mats on the stairs in the bleachers, along with putting new metal edging on them; and scraping gum off of everything in the place.

Fitzgearld said that he cannot force any prisoners to work, but he can ask for volunteers. He said the county will furnish the supplies. The work

may be interrupted if the deputies guarding the prisoners are needed for any emergencies, Fitzgearld said.

He said from one to two guards would be needed, depending on how many prisoners volunteer for the project.

Fitzgearld said the prisoners also may work on the welcome signs on the roads leading into Dimmitt, repainting and repainting them, as another project later on.

### Huggins resident asks city about annexation

Doug Setliff, a resident of the Huggins Addition east of Dimmitt on SH 86, asked the city council Monday night what would be required to annex the addition into the city.

Mayor Wayne Collins asked Setliff to survey the residents of the addition to see how many favor annexation, and asked City Attorney Jack Edwards to look into the legal requirements for the annexation process.

City Manager Don Sheffy said he thought approval would be needed from 90% of the residents before annexation could be started. Edwards said a 500'-wide corridor would need to be annexed between the city and the Huggins Addition for it to be included in the city limits. Some of the property in question is farm land.

Setliff said the main reason for his request is so that the residents of the addition could have access to the city water and sewer services.

Collins said it would require the installation of a sewer lift station, which would be of considerable cost. He said the council would have to see if the city could afford it. Also, the property owners would have to pay part of the cost.

No action was taken, but the council said the matter would be placed on the agenda for the Oct. 20 meeting.

In another matter, the council voted to authorize Sheffy to seek bids on a new backhoe for the city Works Dept. He said the city has two backhoes, but one is in poor condition and needs frequent repairs. He said two are needed, and frequently both are in operation at the same time on different jobs.

Line-item transfers were approved for purchase of a new garbage truck.

In another matter, the council gave approval for establishment of a random drug testing policy for city employees who drive trucks or operate heavy machinery, in accordance with state and federal mandates.

The council approved removal of a stop sign on Northwest 12th Street, after they had earlier authorized its placement. Sheffy told the council he had received numerous complaints about the sign. He said it is placed at an intersection with a severe dip, where drivers must slow considerably anyway, and he felt that was adequate, along with the posted speed limit signs, to cut down the

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### CRP information to be offered at meeting Tuesday

Producers interested in learning more about the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) or those who have questions about the program can learn more by attending an informational meeting in Dimmitt on Tuesday.

The Castro County FSA will sponsor the meeting at the City Hall Meeting Room in Dimmitt at 9 a.m.

The 16th annual CRP sign-up will be conducted from Tuesday through Nov. 14.

Producers with contracts that expired on Sept. 30 and those with contracts due to expire on Sept. 30, 1998, will be eligible to offer land for enrollment, and those with any new land may offer it for the program.



**FIRST BALE REPORTED**—North Gin of Dimmitt processed its first bale Friday afternoon. Posing with it are (from left) Jim Bradford, gin manager; Clay Davis, office manager; Jacinto Quiroz, gin superintendent; and Truman Touchstone, grower. Touch-

stone said he planted the Alltex Vantage variety crop May 12 and stripped it Friday. He said he expects 1½ bales to the acre, at a 25% turnout. Bradford said the bale weighed 496 pounds and yielded 900 pounds of seed.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

## 1:1

By Don Nelson

Life is unfair, yes. But sometimes things balance out.

You could ask Charlie Sanders.

With the ball on Sanford-Fritch's 24-yard line Friday night, Dimmitt's big senior tight end caught a pass from quarterback Derek Buckley and headed goalward.

(What goes through a player's mind as he's finishing a touchdown run? I never got to experience the feeling—I was always back at the line with my nose in the mud.)

Just before he stepped into the end zone, Charlie was confronted by the Eagles' safety.

No problem. At 220 pounds, and with a full head of steam, Charlie could just knock him over and score.

But the S-F defender didn't try to tackle him. Instead, he made a swipe at the ball.

The strip attempt worked. The ball went rolling across the end zone, and the S-F player recovered it.

No TD. Sanford-Fritch's ball out at the 20.

"I thought I was already in the end zone," Charlie said.

So did Jim Bob Ellis and Derrell Matthews, who were watching from the fence nearby.

But the ref saw it differently, and

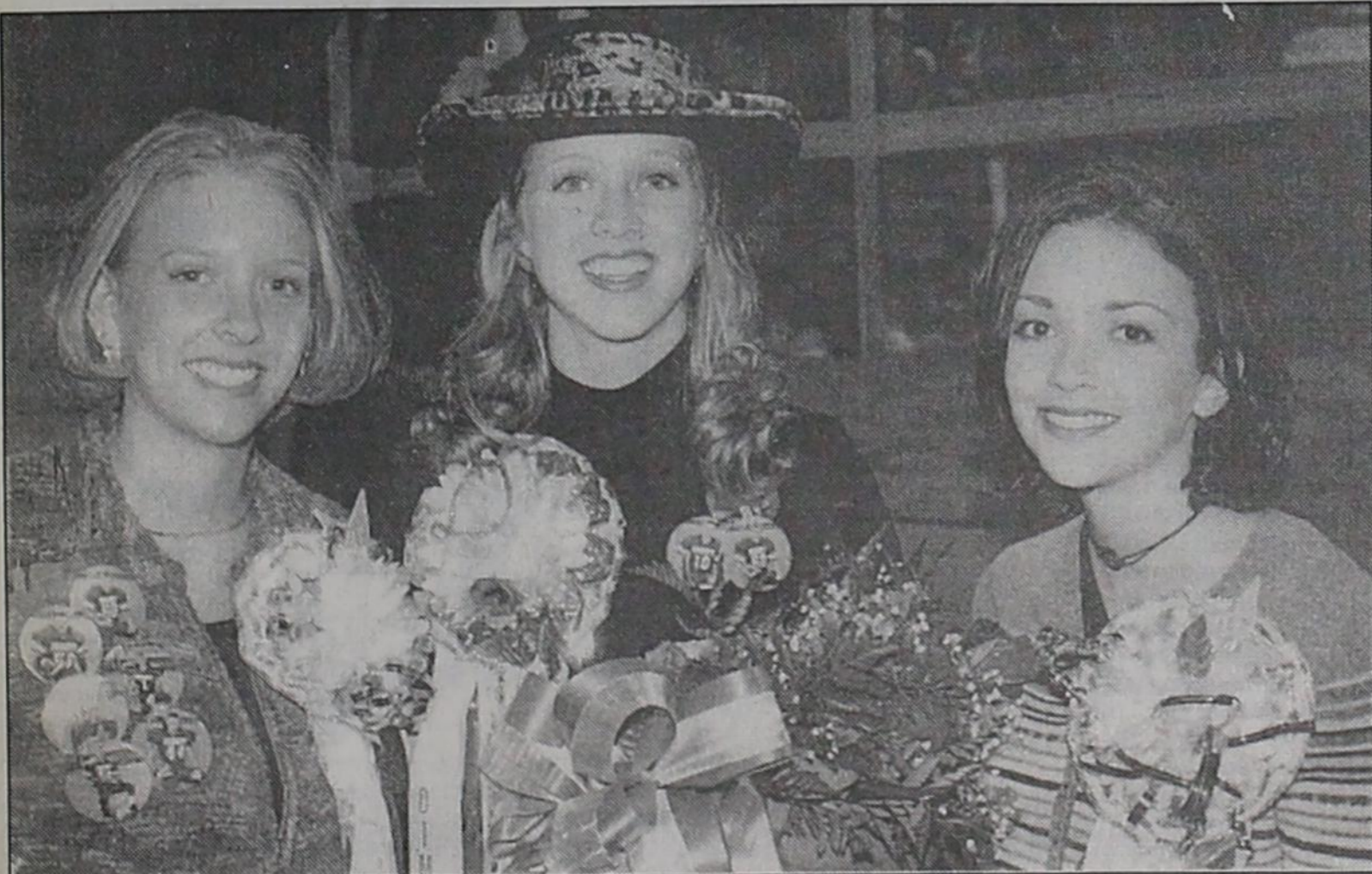
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### Weather

	High	Low	Pr.
Thursday	92	56	
Friday	87	55	
Saturday	90	52	
Sunday	86	52	
Monday	84	58	
Tuesday	77	58	
Wednesday	80	58	.88

October Moisture ..... 0.88  
1997 Moisture ..... 22.95

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



**HOMECOMING ROYALTY**—Jaci Buckley (center) was announced as Dimmitt High School's 1997-98 Homecoming Queen during halftime of Friday night's football game. Runners-up for the title were

Heidi Weaver (left) and Jill Davis. During the presentation ceremony, each girl was escorted onto the field by her dad.

Photo by Carter Townsend

### Screenings, blood tests and more offered during health fair Wednesday

Flu vaccinations, screening for cholesterol and blood sugar, Chem 22, PSA tests and blood pressure checks will be offered during a Castro County Community Health Fair in Dimmitt on Wednesday.

The fair will be held at the Plains Memorial Hospital's ambulance barn on Oct. 15 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., and it is being sponsored by the Castro County Hospital District.

Flu shots will be offered for \$5.

Cost for cholesterol and blood screening will be \$7. Two new blood screening tests have been added to the health fair this year at a reduced cost to the public. The first is a PSA test that can be done on males age 50 and over to detect prostate cancer. Cost of this test is \$20.

Also added is the Chem 22 test, which involves 22 different tests that analyze a person's electrolyte balance, kidney function, blood sugar, liver function, nutritional and cardiac

status. Cost of this test will be \$15. Blood pressure checks will be conducted by Home Health nurses for free.

Information booths will be provided on the Harrington Cancer Center, Home Health, Castro County Extension Service, American Heart Association, American Diabetes Association, Kidney Foundation, Child Protective Services, Depression Screening, Nutritional Counseling, Hospice Services, Amarillo College, DARE, Castro County Emergency Medical Services, Texas Dept. of Health and Aero Care—Air Transport Services.

Others participating in the health fair will be Connie Nutt, representing

Hospice Care; Mitzie Brockman, representing Amarillo College; and Steve Barchenger, representing the Welch Home Place.

Dr. Morris Webb, local optometrist, will offer coupons for a free glaucoma screening.

Castro County EMS will have an ambulance and Aero-Care will have an air transport helicopter on site for the public to view.

Physical Therapist Traci Robb will give back safety demonstrations throughout the day and Carole Dyer will offer nutritional counseling.

A quilt will be raffled by the Hospital Auxiliary during its annual holiday bazaar, and chances on the quilt will be available during the fair.

### Ontiveros enters plea

Andres Ontiveros, 23, of Dimmitt, entered a plea of guilty in 242nd District Court last week to charges of aggravated assault/bodily injury in connection with an Aug. 23 incident in which he hit Benito Aguilar on the head with a shovel.

He was sentenced to one year's confinement in the county jail, two years of community supervision, a \$1,000 fine, \$242 in court costs, a \$50 contribution to the Castro County Crime Line, and \$40 in community supervision reporting fees.

YOU CAN  
BE A STAR  
IN 4-H



Check out our  
special section  
highlighting the  
county's 4-H'ers

In this issue



**IT'S A SNAPPER**—It may not be an actual "snapping turtle" but it was certainly snapping at whatever came within reach Friday. Margarita Hernandez of 600 SW Fourth brought the turtle to the police station Friday morning after it had crawled into her yard Thursday evening. She said her son, Jesus, 11, had discovered the creature. Animal Control Officer Chris Fuentes said he was going to release the turtle at the pond near the landfill.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

# Op-Ed

Opinions, Editorials, Letters, Features



## Letter

# Promise Keepers rally wasn't a political gathering

**Dear Editor:**  
I have never written to a newspaper before, but I felt compelled to write about the Promise Keepers event this weekend in Washington, D.C.

I am not a member of Promise Keepers (PK), but I have heard a lot of good things about them. You know, our country has worked very hard in turning away from the Bible. It has been outlawed in our schools, public places and we are trying to ban it from the public in general. This will result in this becoming a terrible place to live.

I could go back and recount all of the histories of Egypt, Babylon, Rome and of course Israel to make my point, but there are many modern examples.

Joseph Stalin, Adolph Hitler, Fidel Castro, etc. These leaders did their best to wipe out Christianity, Christian morals, etc.

Look at the result of that type of leadership. Would anyone care to move to Russia?

Contrast that with our history. This country and our constitution, despite what the Historical Revisionists say, was built on Biblical principles and a trust and belief in God.

If you would like more detailed proof of this I would be glad to sit down and go through them with anyone. In fact, in the 1880s, the Supreme Court ruled that this was a Christian nation and cited over 200 precedents of law to back up its ruling.

When the Supreme Court in the 1940s "created" the concept of Separation of Church and State (a phrase never used in the constitution), it did not have one precedent to back up its ruling.

Back to the point...while we acted like and professed a desire as a nation to seek God's way in the way we ran our lives and the way we ran our nation, it grew and became the greatest nation on earth.

Ever since we began to turn our face away from God, we have been slipping.

It has been documented that you can chart the greatest increase in the rate of drug abuse, teenage pregnancy, murder, rape, etc., beginning at a point in 1964—the year we banned prayer in schools.

Is this Right Wing, conservative hogwash that they are trying to cram down everyone's throats? No. It's fact. And that brings me to the point of my letter.

I am not a member of the Promise Keepers but I have heard a lot about them and really like what I have heard.

When Aaron Lee suggested that a bunch of us ought to go, I was all for it. So Aaron, Bryan Irons and I went to

the Promise Keepers event this weekend in Washington, D.C.

What I saw, heard and read there backed up what I had always been told about them. It's not what you hear on the radio or hear on the news. They are not a political movement that promotes men domineering over women. What they are is a group (a very large group) of men who are calling other men to be the fathers, husbands and citizens that God calls them to be.

The event was called a "Sacred Assembly." For the first 30 minutes of this assembly they repeated over and over so that all the men there understood that this was NOT a political rally.

They even said that we have been far too critical of our governmental officials and we spent quite a few minutes in prayer asking for forgiveness for that and praying for our governmental officials like Paul instructed Timothy and us in II Timothy.

From there on out it was an exercise in confessing our failures as fathers, husbands and Christians, as God would have us be, and asking for forgiveness in prayer.

There was also a call for unity among churches and an end to racism—if not practiced outwardly, then practiced in our hearts.

From the talks, prayers and literature I picked up there, there were absolutely no political statements made. They were, however, calling men to be the heads of their homes like God wants us to be.

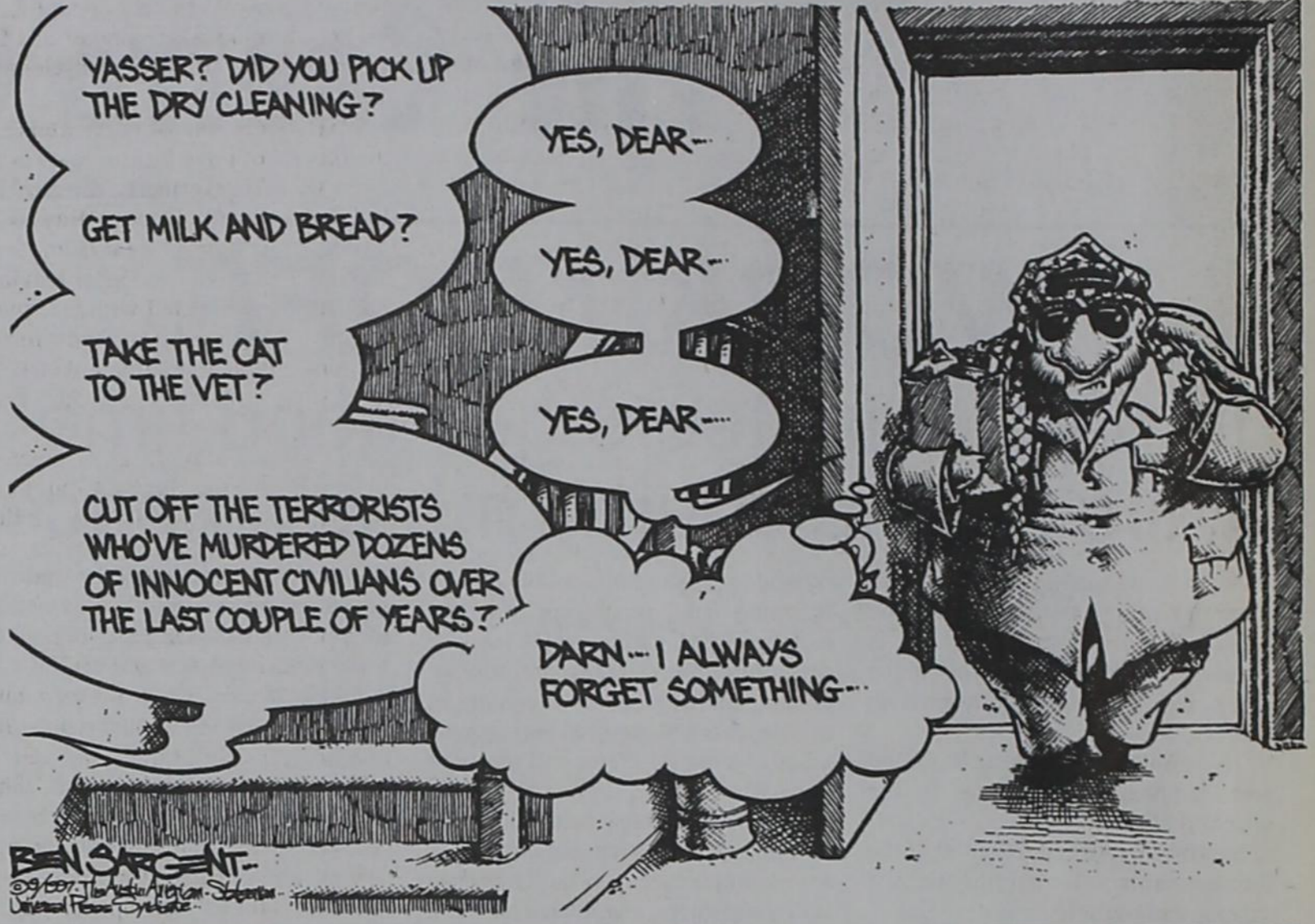
God wants us to be the head of the house, but he also instructs us to love our wives like Christ loved the church. Christ was not domineering. Christ was not abusive. Christ was never dictatorial. Christ was not self-centered. Christ was a servant. Christ did wash his disciples' feet. Christ did put the church and other people in front of his own needs. Christ was and is the head of the church.

This is the type of father, husband and citizen that the Promise Keepers are calling for from men. This should not scare us.

Rather, if we are going to put an end to drug abuse, AIDS, teenage drinking, teenage pregnancies, etc., we should all gladly join in supporting all men to return to the Bible like Promise Keepers does.

No government social program or education program, except God's, ever has or ever will solve these or any other problems that we as individuals or our nation as a whole may have.

DAVID HORN



## State Capital



## HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling  
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

**AUSTIN** — After he was formally sentenced last week, State Sen. Drew Nixon, R-Carthage, said he will complete the remainder of his second term in office after he serves his 180-day jail sentence.

Nixon, 37, pleaded guilty in September to misdemeanor charges of solicitation of a prostitute and illegal possession of a weapon. He was arrested in downtown Austin on Feb. 18 after offering an undercover Austin policewoman posing as a prostitute \$35 for

sexual acts. A loaded handgun was found under the seat of his car. Nixon does not have a permit to carry.

Travis County Court-at-Law Judge David Puryear sentenced Nixon to 180 days in the Travis County Jail beginning Oct. 17. But Nixon's lawyer said the senator will ask to serve his sentence in East Texas, "where this man lives and has his family and his work." Nixon is an accountant.

When the senator appeared before the court for sentencing, Judge Puryear admonished him for engaging in behavior that "not only violates the laws of the state of Texas, it violates the trust of the people of Texas, perhaps your constituents. It discredits you and the public office you hold."

Nixon agreed, saying, "My actions were inexcusable, and I did let down every constituent in my district." But despite Democrats' call for his resignation, Nixon said he saw no reason to resign from public office. "I intend to serve out my time as a Texas state senator. My decision in that regard is final."

Nixon said he had no plans to seek re-election in 2000, when his term expires.

When asked if his legal problems hurt the Republican party, he said, "I think the voters judge each one of us independently, and I don't think that one Republican having a problem would affect other Republicans."

### Pay Phone Rate Cap Lifted

The Public Utility Commission last week changed pay telephone rules in Texas to conform with requirements of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Starting Oct. 8, the PUC will allow pay phone owners to charge pay phone users more than 25 cents per local call.

Texas has more than 150,000 pay phones, including 86,000 owned by Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. Kate Lowery, a spokeswoman for

Southwestern Bell, said a raise in the charge for a local call is in the works, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported.

However, Scott Pospisil, executive director of the Texas Payphone Association, said a dispute between the private pay phone industry and the long distance companies at the Federal Communications Commission probably will delay increases in local call charges.

### Lotto Case Will Be Heard

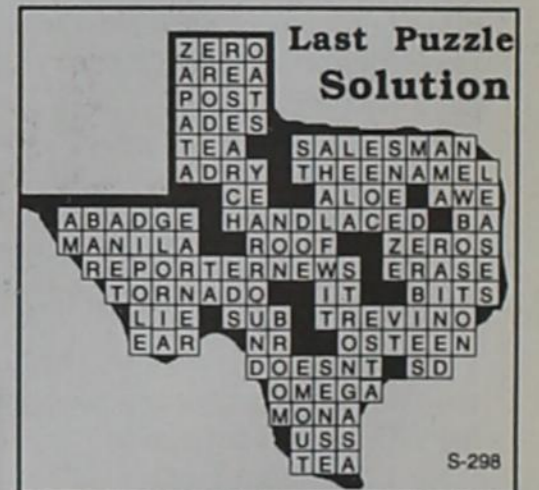
A New Jersey policeman who has been unable to collect a \$10.4 million Texas Lotto jackpot may get to turn in his winning ticket after all.

The Texas Lottery Commission refused to pay Scott Wenner, contending that the ticket was illegally sold by a now-defunct company that sold tickets from other state lotteries. Wenner thought he had won the jackpot in November 1994.

Wenner sought relief in federal court, but a Houston federal district judge dismissed the case. Wenner appealed, and the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans overturned the dismissal in an opinion released last week.

The case has been sent back to Houston for a full trial.

*The Hawaiian alphabet has only 12 letters: A E H I K L M N O P U W. Every Hawaiian word and syllable ends with a vowel.*



## Voters to decide future of Texas water supplies

**By Lt. Gov. BOB BULLOCK**  
Texans soon will have a chance to vote on our state's future.

Two amendments on the Nov. 4 ballot will change the state's constitution and play a critical role in making sure Texas has enough water for the next century.

One amendment will allow property tax relief on land using water conservation measures. The other will give the Texas Water Development Board greater flexibility in financing a wide variety of critically-needed water projects without increasing the state's bond debt limit.

The two votes cap a 40-year span of false starts in developing a long-range, comprehensive state water plan. Lawmakers last spring approved a master plan to conserve, develop and manage the state's valuable water resources.

Now it's up to Texas voters.

Failure to get behind the effort could produce disastrous results in the future. Texas grew from 11.2 million people in 1970 to more than 19 million in 1997. And the state's population is expected to reach more than 33.8 million in 2030—a 99% increase since 1990.

Although the numbers underscore the challenges facing the state, they don't reflect the water shortages Texans have lived with on a regular basis. The state has suffered through five major droughts since the 1930s, including a catastrophic seven-year drought in the 1950s.

The most recent drought in 1995-96 cost Texas farmers, ranchers and

businesses an estimated \$5 billion in damages. Federal disaster relief blamed on water shortages went to 242 of the state's 254 counties.

But historically, widespread concern about water supplies has washed away when the first drenching rains fill our lakes, rivers and streams.

Texans soon forget the water restrictions that scorched their lawns, and the billions of dollars of crops and parched cattle devastated under the glare of the summer sun.

But the threat never goes away. Despite rapid urbanization, farms and ranches remain a vital and important part of the Texas economy. Other businesses and industries need adequate water, too, and Texas needs them to keep the state's economy in high gear.

The Legislature gave top priority to a water bill this year. The law mixes a variety of strategies to meet future demands.

It deals with drought management response, water management, marketing and transfers, surface and groundwater supplies, financial assistance to local governments and small communities, and data collection.

The law tackles just about every single facet of water resource policy and management with one exception—public apathy.

Like most Americans, Texans take a lot for granted. They expect to have water when they turn on the faucet to wash their hands, scrub their dishes or brush their teeth.

Unfortunately, taking it for granted that the amendments to the state's water plan will pass is gambling with Texas' future.

A better bet would be to vote yes for the water proposals in November.

## Letter

# Stop Medicare abuses

**Dear Editor:**  
I am very concerned about Medicare and Social Security. It seems that Congress is determined to do away with both.

During the 1996 fiscal year, Medicare fraud, waste and abuse robbed the Medicare system of an estimated \$23 billion, according to Martha A. McSteen, president of the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare.

McSteen referred to an audit by the inspector general of the Dept. of Health and Human Services that found that the Medicare program had made an estimated \$23 billion in improper payments to providers in 1996. That's 14 cents of every Medicare dollar.

It is as if taxpayers have been overcharged about \$605 for each of the 38 million Medicare beneficiaries in one year alone.

Congress passed a new federal budget that reduces Medicare spending by \$115 billion over the next five years—an average of \$23 billion per year.

Compare the numbers and draw your own conclusions.

The New York Times noted that the amount of improper payments detected by the inspector general is, by coincidence, the same as the amount of savings to be extracted from Medicare under the budget bill.

If the Federal Government enforces efficient accounting practices, and reduces fraud, it can go a long way toward protecting Medicare from constant budget-cutting.

To find how common the misuse of Medicare was, the same auditors visited doctors, hospitals, laboratories, home health agencies, durable medical equipment companies and other health care providers, to check whether medical records corroborated claims filed with the Medicare system.

They found problems with three of every 10 claims—30%. Skilled nursing facilities and home health services were especially pervasive. The books and records of the Medicare

program and its private contractors were so poorly kept that the inspector general said there was no way to tell how much of the overpayments was a result of outright fraud.

Congress has not allocated sufficient money to make major inroads on fraud and waste. They need to enact tougher standards and penalties for waste, fraud and other abuses.

TEENY BOWDEN

*I don't even butter my bread. I consider it cooking.*

—Katherine Cebrian

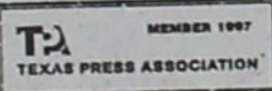
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- 1 TXism: "blind as"
- 5 TXism: "sleeping dog lie"
- 6 TXism: "neon light" (inspiration)
- 7 TX's ZZ Top album: "Hombres"
- 8 "Gone with Texas"
- 9 vehicle for Dallas-based Greyhound
- 12 language of UT's rare Gutenberg Bible
- 17 TXism: "hungry calf"
- 20 TXism: "jumpy as ice"
- 22 UT yell: "Hook"
- 23 TXism: "tater"
- 24 "roughing it" in Highland Park or River Oaks (2 wds.)
- 29 Dallas-based oil co.
- 30 this Guerrero was 1st woman on TX Railroad Comm.
- 31 TX Meredith who played Billie Joe
- 32 no \_\_\_ will was ever found for TX Howard Hughes
- 36 TX Hyer film: "The Sons of \_\_\_ Elder"
- 37 a "nice" town incorporated into Colleyville in '56
- 43 "sweet" company in Sugar Land, TX
- 45 TXism: "show 'em the \_\_\_" (instruct)
- 47 deceased TX blues guitarist Vaughan

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- 2 where LBJ died
- 3 implement for TX Lee Trevino (2 wds.)
- 4 TX skills exam (abbr.)
- 9 TXism: "a real \_\_\_ burner" (exciting)
- 10 Roger Staubach's alma mater
- 11 San Antonio shoes
- 12 TXism: "tame as a \_\_\_ dog"
- 13 TXism: "following \_\_\_" (hopeless)
- 14 TX actress Sharon who was a victim of "Manson family"
- 15 TXism: "give \_\_\_ even chance" (be open-minded)
- 16 TXism: "lick" (none)
- 18 Dallas' channel 33 is this type of "Ultra" TV station (abbr.)
- 19 TX Charley's "Where \_\_\_ Put Her Memory?"
- 21 TXism: "\_\_\_ hill for a stepper"
- 24 western bordering state (abbr.)
- 25 state seal features live \_\_\_ branches
- 26 C&W recording label
- 27 Joe Ruiz Grandee was the 1st official state \_\_\_ ('71)
- 38 told a "windy"
- 39 lop-\_\_\_ mule
- 40 mechanical man
- 41 TXism: "my stomach is balled \_\_\_ knot" (nervous)
- 42 ex-Rangers pitcher Robb
- 44 New Year's \_\_\_
- 46 TX singer Stills (init.)
- 48 what TX Gene Autry did very well
- 49 Lone Star Park is a \_\_\_ one track
- 56 TXism: "scared half out of my \_\_\_"

*The Original*

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# On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Elizabeth Huckabay was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center. She served a Bundt cake with ice cream, for dessert to go along with everyone's sack lunch. Ina Rae Cates won high score, with Helen Braafladt second. Others playing were Susie Reeves, Emily Clingsmith, Louise Mears, Bernice Hill, Neva Hickey and Edith Graef.

The Castro County Museum Board members held their monthly meeting last Thursday with Dale Winders presiding over the business meeting and Clara Vick reading the minutes. Clara reported about her recent trip

to Italy. This is always a fun trip for her each year. Sandwiches, chips and applesauce cake were served to Dale, Clara, Madge Robb, Rosetta Bellinghausen, Joy Nolan and Mary Edna Hendrix.

Our sympathy to the family of Faye Kenmore whose service was held on Saturday afternoon in the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt. It was a lovely service for a sweet, sweet lady. George Ray officiated, assisted by Howard Rhodes. For those who would like to send a card to George and Monette Ray, their address is 2825 18th Avenue NW, Rochester, Minn. 55901.

Our sympathy to others who have lost loved ones, including the families of Ruby Webb, mother of Lee Webb; Martha Parker, mother of J.D. Parker; Lester Schulte; and Gennie Bruton.

Several from out of town attended the funeral of Faye Kenmore—some from the Trinity Baptist Church in Lubbock, where George Ray was pastor at one time, several from Amarillo where Faye lived after leaving Dimmitt, and I visited with Decimae Dennis of Midland, Jack and Murna Miller of Plainview, Joyce Autry of Rocky Ford, Colo., and O.C. and Betty Renfro of Amarillo.

Cary and Cathy Jackson greeted the guests at First Baptist Church on Sunday morning, and Jerry Heller and his brother, Gary Heller of Plainview, were the pianist and organist for the morning service. They also played the piano and organ of fertility, which was wonderful!

Did you ever sleep so long and hard in the afternoon that when you awoke you didn't know what day it was? One woman did just that! She was very tired, and slept a few hours and got up, thinking it was morning. She cooked breakfast and ate, then went outside to pick up her paper. When she didn't find it, she called her neighbor and finally discovered it was late evening instead of early morning!

The evening service at First Baptist Church was "God's Call—Tell Texas—Texas 2000," Sharing Christ With Our Community on State Missions Emphasis. Mrs. Campos prepared 150 burritos and the kitchen committee made the tossed salad and peach cobbler to serve to a large crowd. Dorothy Hopson decorated the tables with green tablecloths, garlands of green leaves with pink potpourri, tiny acorns and large pumpkins. The "Garden Kids" donated the pumpkins. Last summer they raised a garden, planted the seeds, watered, hoed the weeds and then harvested, all this directed by Sherry Schaeffer. The kids learned to work together, prayed together, and gave their vegetables to those who needed food.

Howard Rhodes opened the program with prayer and Lyndsey Heard sang *On My Knees*. Dorothy Hopson

welcomed the guests and Billie Kirby gave a report on the WMU, who helped make the packets for the babies who are born at the hospital. They contain a blanket, thermometer, bib, lotion, and a religious tract. Belinda Crow gave a report concerning the babies that are born at the hospital and she thanked the women for the packets that were given and she read a poem, "Life's Window."

Wayne Proffitt led in the song *We've a Story to Tell*, accompanied by Walter Maynard.

Roger Malone gave a report on the jail ministry by the Baptist Men. Every Wednesday night they conduct a worship service at the local jail, and on Tuesdays they go to Tulia for services at the prison there. Roger said, "If you don't care for your fellow man, don't do jail ministry."

Special music was by Tami Griffitt and Wayne Proffitt singing *People Need the Lord*. An old fashioned pounding for Howard and Belinda Rhodes ended this special evening.

The Birthday Club met at the Sir-loin Stockade in Hereford for dinner and to celebrate Rena Richard's birthday. Others enjoying the food, fun and fellowship were Charles Richard, Lawrence and Vernice Green and June Koelzer of Amarillo, Donald and Agnes Schilling, Leander and Clara Reinart, Clyde and Bobbie Damron, Andy and Oleda Schumacher, Florene Leinen, Edna Reinart, Rosetta Bellinghausen and Urban Bellinghausen of Munday.

The Wesleyan Sunday School class of the First United Methodist Church enjoyed a covered dish supper and a fun evening recently. About 25 enjoyed the food and the game of "Chicken Foot," which is popular now for everyone to play.

The First Christian Church Ladies Council was very graciously hosted Sept. 22 by Rosalie Hawkins in her home in Hereford. Special guest was Nonah Barringer of Hereford. The ladies were treated to a wonderful meal and recipes were exchanged. The program was given by Ethel Fry. It was a time of fun and fellowship.

## October is Lupus Awareness Month

You've probably experienced a few aches and pains at one time or another. Maybe you have noticed a little stiffness after a workout or some soreness you attributed to the weather. For millions of people those little aches and pains could be the early signs of a life-threatening disease called lupus.

Lupus is a chronic autoimmune disease that can affect virtually any organ in the body. The immune system of a person with lupus produces antibodies that attack healthy tissue instead of protecting it against foreign invaders such as infections and viruses. More people have lupus than leukemia, multiple sclerosis, sickle-cell anemia or cystic fibrosis and can be every bit as horrible.

Lupus afflicts between 1.4 and 2 million people in the US. The majority of those affected by lupus are adult women. Current statistics indicate that lupus affects adult women 10 to 15 times more frequently than men. Lupus is more prevalent among African-Americans, Native Americans, Asians and Latinos.

It is believed that many more people have lupus without knowing it. The symptoms mimic other diseases and may not be diagnosed as lupus. The most common symptoms include achy and/or swollen joints, fever, prolonged fatigue, skin rashes and anemia. Although lupus affects every individual differently, its ef-

fects range from mild to life-threatening and thousands of Americans die from lupus complications each year.

While medical science has not discovered the cause nor developed a method for curing lupus, continued research brings new hope each year. Increased professional awareness, improved diagnostic techniques and evaluation methods are contributing to the improved survival of people with lupus. The key to controlling the disease is early detection and education.

The Lupus Foundation of America is the largest voluntary organization in the world dedicated to providing patient services and support, education and research to find the cause and cure for lupus. Nearly 100 local chapters throughout the US provide their local communities with a range of patient services, including monthly support group meetings, community outreach and public education programs, patient referral services, and free up-to-date medical information. The LFA and its chapters also raise money for lupus research.

Education is the key. For more information about lupus, contact the Lupus Foundation of America, West Texas Chapter at 1717 Avenue K, Suite 127, Lubbock 79401; or call 806-744-6666 or 800-580-5878.



FLAME KING AND QUEEN for Dimmitt High School were crowned Oct. 1 at the pinning ceremony at Bobcat Stadium. Winners of the honor are senior candidates Christina Longoria and Charley Sanders. Longoria is the daughter of Teresa and Bert Longoria, and Sanders is the son of Diane and Joe Bob Sanders. Other candidates included juniors Eric Soldevilla and Daphanie Rivera, sophomores Justin Sutton and Maria Garcia, and freshmen Emmanuel Armijo and Kassandra Casas.

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# People



## Chorale to sponsor dinner, music show

The Texas Plains Chorale is sponsoring a barbecue dinner and country music show beginning at 6 p.m. on Oct. 25 at the Hereford Bull Barn.

The Chorale includes several Dimmitt residents including Charles Axtell, Jerry Heller, Dwight Joiner, Avie Lewis and Wayne Proffitt.

Entertainment will be provided by three cowboy musicians, story tellers and singers. The Chorale is sponsoring this event to raise funds for a planned tour of England in June 1998.

Tickets are available at the Hereford Chamber of Commerce office, KPAN Radio in Hereford, or from any member of the Texas Plains Chorale.

The Chorale will sing some western-style music after the barbecue dinner and before turning the rest of the evening over to the guest musicians.

Headlining the performance will be David Ligon of Nickel Creek Ranch in the Guadalupe Mountains of Texas. Ligon is well known for furnishing music and being the "cookie" for trail rides all over the world.

He was born and raised in Fort Stockton and is a rancher and wind miller by profession. He has played the guitar and sung with many bands and groups since he started out in 1947.

Ligon plays traditional cowboy style, bluegrass, Appalachian style and country-western music. He holds an annual music festival on his ranch that draws people from Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and Colorado.

Other musicians expected to join the show are Vance Sorrells, who has performed with Roberta Flack, Emmy Lou Harris, Gordon Lightfoot, Ian Tyson and Kris Kristofferson. He is a composer and theatrical musical director and his own music has been incorporated

into various theatrical productions in St. Louis and Washington, D.C. he is currently staff musician at Camp Stewart for Boys in Hunt.

Stewart Crawford and his wife will complete the group. Crawford plays guitar, banjo, dobro and sings. He has performed with Sorrells for a long time and with Ligon for several years.

Crawford's wife plays the bass fiddle.

He has been performing for 40 years, first on the East Coast and then on the West Coast.

## Verkamp, Laws are wed

Paul Verkamp and DruAnn Dockery Laws exchanged wedding vows Sept. 20 in the home of Walter and Jenny Verkamp of Idalou.

Maid of honor was Melisa Elliott of Austin, and best man was Walter Verkamp.

Officiating at the ceremony was Mike Hill of Lubbock, friend of the couple.

The bride was given in marriage by her two sons, Rodney Meeks of Lubbock and Evan Laws of Slaton.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony.

Attending the wedding were the bride's brother, Britt Dockery, and

family of Plano; her aunt, Nancy Caswell of Lubbock; the groom's parents, Robert and Mary Verkamp of Nazareth; his brothers, Gery Verkamp and family and Leon Verkamp, all of Lubbock, Harold Verkamp and family of San Antonio, and David Verkamp of Nazareth; his sister, Elaine Irion and her husband from Ailene; his grandmother, Ella Verkamp; and Marvin Verkamp of Idalou, Lucille Verkamp of Lubbock and Norma Jean Schwertner and Christina of Clarendon, along with numerous other friends.

The groom's sister, Theresa Montes and her husband of Deltona, Fla., were unable to attend.

## Quilters display work at Farmboy Jamboree

Several members of the Friendship Quilters Guild had quilts on display at the Roughneck Rodeo and Farmboy Jamboree Saturday.

The quilt show was held at the Yoakum County Park near Denver City.

Yvonna Hays and Joyce Davis won second- and third-place honors, respectively, in the overall competition.

Other local winners were:

**Machine Applique:** 1. Joyce Davis, Birdhouses (also third place overall); 3. Doris Lust, '95 Piecemaker; and honorable mention, Ina Cleavinger, '96 Piecemaker.

**Machine Pieced:** 1. Yvonna Hays, Amish (second place overall); 3. Twila West, Sampler; and honorable mention, Doris Lust, Lone Star.

**Wall Quilts:** 1. Twila West, Feathered Star; 2. Karen Alair, Union; 3. Joyce Davis, Angels; and honorable mention, Karen Alair, Drunkard's Path.

Hays was awarded a cash prize presented by Thriftway Foods of Denver City. Davis's prize was given by Texas Equipment of Plains.



MISTI DAWN HOWELL of Blanchard, Okla., daughter of former Dimmitt residents Gaines and Crystal Howell, was chosen as the new 1997 Pre-Teen Oklahoma in the senior division. She was one of 168 contestants from across Oklahoma. *Courtesy Photo*

## Misti Howell named Pre-Teen Oklahoma

Misti Dawn Howell, daughter of Gaines and Crystal Howell of Blanchard, Okla., former Dimmitt residents, was recently crowned as the new 1997 Pre-Teen Oklahoma.

She is the granddaughter of Jack and Charlene Howell and CD and Linda Fitzgearld, all of Dimmitt.

Howell was one of 168 contestants from across Oklahoma who entered the pageant. She received a \$1,000 educational bond, titleholder's trophy, personal banner, medal, top 25 finalist's trophy and the trophy for having the top interview among all contestants.

She also entered the talent competition and she performed a flute solo of the "Feather Theme" from the movie *Forrest Gump*. She finished as third runner-up in the talent competition among 98 contestants.

As Pre-Teen Oklahoma, Howell qualified to compete in the 1998 Pre-Teen America national competition, which will be held in Baton Rouge, La.

The event was held at the Southern Hills Marriott Hotel in Tulsa, Okla. Students competing were between the ages of 7 and 12. Contestants

were evaluated in seven areas including academic achievement, volunteer service to church and community, school honors and activities, development of personal skills and abilities, general knowledge, communicative ability, on-stage expressiveness and overall pre-teen image.

**Share the Fun 4-H workshop is scheduled**

Texas's first "Share the Fun" workshop will be held Oct. 31-Nov. 2 at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood.

The weekend workshop will focus on helping youth and adult volunteers develop quality "share the fun" programs and will offer information on the state contest rules.

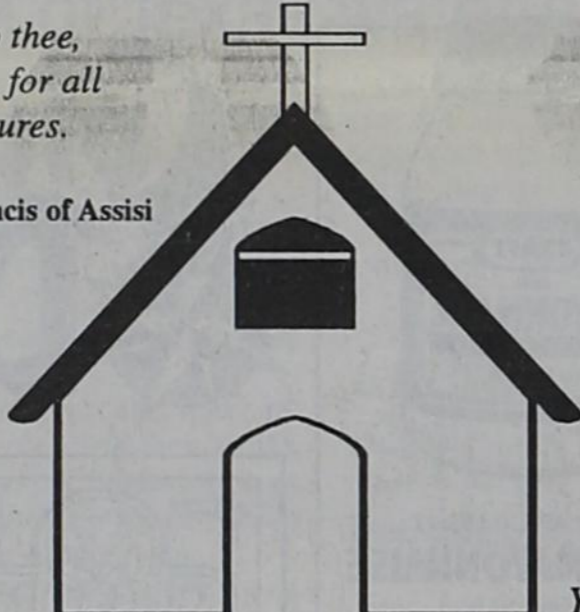
Members attending the workshop must be 14 years old as of Jan. 1, 1998.

Anyone interested in attending should contact the Extension office at 647-4115 as soon as possible.

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# Kleman and Schmucker wed in formal, double-ring ceremony

Natalie Schmucker and Chris Kleman exchanged wedding vows in a formal, double-ring ceremony Sept. 27 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth with Father John Hickey officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Ray and Mary Lou Schmucker of Nazareth. Parents of the groom are Alvin and Dorothy Kleman of Nazareth.

Prelude music consisted of *That's How You Know It's Love* and *Standing Right Next to Me*, sung by Cori Willivard; and *Save the Best for Me*, sung by the bride's sister, Melinda Schmucker. Melinda Schmucker, along with the groom's brother, Dwayne Kleman, sang *Love Grows Here* during the lighting of the candles.

*Long Line of Love* was performed as parents and grandparents of the couple were seated.

The bride was escorted down the aisle to the song, *Look At You Girl*. As the couple lit the unity candle, Dwayne Kleman sang *One Friend*. He performed *Send Your Holy Spirit* during the offertory.

Willivard sang *I Will Be There* during Communion and *Love Is All Around* for the recessional.

Marcia and Courtney Hoelting were pianists and they played *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*, during communion.

Pews in church were decorated with seafoam green satin and ivory tulle bows, greenery and candle globes.

The altar area was decorated with brass candelabras holding floral bouquets of magnolia and tulle. Large multi-colored arrangements in seafoam green vases adorned the side altars. There were also two crystal vases with magnolia arrangements.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a candlelight gown of regal satin from the Ginza Collection. It featured a scalloped vee neckline, Edwardian sleeves, an empire waistline and a full and flowing skirt. The bodice was encrusted with pearls and jewels and the low-cut back showed a runner of pearl buttons. The chapel-length train was decorated at the hemline with double-edged borders of European lace.

To complete her attire, the bride wore a crown of satin rosettes, seed pearls and jewels finished with pencil-edged fingertip tulle.

She carried a bouquet of white roses accented with lily, stargazer, larkspur and bear grass.

For "something old" the bride carried a handkerchief crocheted by her maternal great-grandmother and a gold rosary belonging to her paternal grandmother. "Something new" was her wedding dress. For "something borrowed" she wore a pearl bracelet from her sister-in-law. "Something blue" was a garter made by her mother.

Maid of honor was Melinda Schmucker of Lubbock, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Peggy Ramaekers of Nazareth, friend of the couple; LaDawn Schulte of Nazareth and Debbie Russell of LaGrange, sisters of the bride; Lynette Kleman of Lubbock, sister of the groom; Jennifer Heiman of Canyon and Jill Pohlmeier of Lubbock, friends of the bride.

Bridal attendants wore formal, fitted two-piece gowns of seafoam green shantung with sweetheart necklines and dyed-to-match shoes. The bride's gift of pearl drop earrings and necklace completed their ensemble.

Each attendant carried an arm bouquet featuring flowers in the colors of the bride's bouquet.

Best man was Lee Kleman of Nazareth, brother of the groom.

Groomsmen were Brian Ramaekers and Alan Birkenfeld, both of Nazareth, friends of the



MRS. CHRIS KLEMAN  
... nee Natalie Schmucker

couple; Clint Hoelting of Amarillo, Dave Sperry of Rowlett, Shawn Wilhelm of Houston and Wade Drerup of Plainview, all friends of the groom.

Flower girls were Chelsea Schulte of Nazareth, goddaughter of the bride; and Kenley Kleman of Nazareth, niece of the groom.

Candlelighters were Kim Dobmeier, Tracy Ramsey and Nicole Schulte, all friends of the bride.

Ushers were John Kleman, Joe Kleman and Mark Kleman, brothers of the groom; and Dale Albracht and Marty Gerber, friends of the groom.

Readers were Johnny Schmucker and Chris Schmucker, brothers of the bride.

Guests were registered by Jill Carpenter and Dana Johnston.

After the wedding a reception and dance were held in the Nazareth Community Hall.

The hall was decorated with multi-colored floral arrangements, tulle, lighted greenery, ivy and magnolia bouquets. A fence adorned with greenery served as a backdrop for the bride's table, which held the wedding cake. The five-tiered cake was decorated with fresh flowers and greenery. Punch was served from an angel-topped fountain by Carie Wethington and Kristen Brockman.

The groom's table featured a chocolate cake depicting a computer chip. There were various pictures of the bride and groom on the table and it was covered with a lace cloth.

Music at the dance was provided by Southern Sky.

The couple have established their new home in Plano after enjoying a wedding trip to Hawaii.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of Nazareth High School and she graduated from the South Plains School of Cosmetology. She has been employed at La Coiffures in Dimmitt.

The groom is a 1987 graduate of Nazareth High School. He graduated from DeVry with a degree in computer engineering and he is employed by Applied Materials in Dallas.



A slice of kiwi fruit rubbed on tough meat tenderizes it.

# Sunnyside with Teeny Bowden

Sunnyside Grain and Supply had their last load of corn Monday. It was brought in by Ardis Conner of Olton. The same day, Gary Squires brought in the first load of milo. It has been a real good year for the farmers and also for Sunnyside Grain.

No cotton has been brought to Sunnyside Gin Co. yet. James Norrell said it would be a week or so.

Kim Riley of Marbridge spent the week with Ray Joe and Jo Eddie Riley and Kevin Riley and his family and Jodie Riley and his family. They finished their corn harvest last Sunday, so Ray Joe, Kevin and Jodie left Monday to take him back to Marbridge, planning to take him fishing along the way.

Rev. and Mrs. Riley Hendricks, their son, Kaven, and daughter, Sharon, spent Thursday night with the Bennie Wrights. Rev. Riley Hendricks is the pastor of First Southern Baptist at Bakersfield, Calif.

Alton and Betty Louderer went to Stamford Lake last week to fish a few days and they went on to Bridgeport to visit with their younger daughter, Yvonne Messer, and her husband, Tom, and their family. They caught good fish at both places, but came home Thursday with colds or whatever is making the rounds. I think mine is allergies and sinus, but

a lot have it here, including the pastor, Bennie Wright, who stayed in bed Saturday in order to be able to preach on Sunday. By Sunday night, Joyce had it and the called off the "Experiencing God" study. I was glad, because I had spent all afternoon in bed.

Dorothy Mayberry of Levelland, Billie King's cousin, and some of here children visited with Billie and Emma Jean on Sunday.

Billie and Emma Jean attended the funeral services for the granddaughter of Dorothy in Levelland Monday.

Correction: I got Hershel and Retha's news mixed up, so I need to correct it. Carey Collins, who was and still is in Methodist Hospital with cancer and taking chemotherapy, is Retha's nephew, not Hershel's, as reported last week. It was Hershel's sister, Lillian Hill, who lost her grandson, Steve Joiner of Levelland. Hershel and Retha attended his funeral in Levelland last Saturday.

The Loudders lost another cousin, B. Louderer of Breckenridge, Sept. 30 he was with his daughter at Bedford.

He was born in the Gunsight Community in Stephens County, as were all the Louderer kids. We have no details and no one got to go to the funeral, since we didn't hear about it in time. Verba and Ezell Sadler went to the CAPPS Reunion near Abilene

last weekend. They went down on Thursday and stayed with Ezell's cousins, Hollis and Arcia Lee Buchanan, Thursday night, then went to Hubbard Creek Lake to work some there, when they got the message of the death of B. Louderer. They came home Saturday.

Hershel Wilson attended the Baptist Men's prayer breakfast at the First Baptist Church of Springlake in preparation for their revival, which began Sunday morning. Retha and the other women had a prayer luncheon at noon Saturday. Hershel went to Muleshoe Saturday noon to have dinner with Ron Morgan and his family and with David Hutson of Dimmitt who has been helping Ron with some work on the house.

## Dobmeier earns degree from WT

Kimberly Dobmeier of Nazareth has earned a bachelor of science degree in agribusiness from West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

Dobmeier was one of 239 WTAMU graduates who received their degrees during Aug. 21 commencement exercises.

Dobmeier is the daughter of Allen and Stephanie Dobmeier of Nazareth and she is a graduate of Nazareth High School.

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# ABI Agriculture, Business & Industry



## Precision ag practices topic of field day

Farmers who want to target their crop inputs more precisely to reduce costs and maximize effectiveness can get a first-hand look at the potential benefits of "precision agriculture" concepts and equipment at a field

day Monday at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Halfway.

The program will begin with a lunch at 12 noon, sponsored by the High Plains Research Foundation.

Speaking at the lunch will be Texas House Speaker James E. "Pete" Laney of Hale Center and State Rep. David Swinford of Dumas. After lunch, participants will view demonstrations and exhibits of precision agriculture equipment and educational displays explaining terms and concepts.

Among the technology to be demonstrated will be spray rigs operating in the field, global position satellite (GPS) navigating systems, a John Deere combine using their "Green Star" GPS yield mapping system, devices to measure soil characteristics and computer software for yield and farm mapping, according to Doug Nesmith, Experiment Station senior research associate and field day chairman.

"Precision agriculture is designed to maximize the efficiency of crop inputs," said Dr. Art Onken, interim resident director of research with the Experiment Station at Lubbock-Halfway. "Traditionally, farmers have treated their entire field with uniform applications of fertilizers, herbicides, insecticides and other inputs. With new technologies we are now able to look at all the variables in a field, see how they affect crop yield, and do only what is needed for each portion of a field."

By placing crop inputs exactly where they are needed, producers can reduce costs and maximize efficiency, Onken said.

"We can now pinpoint different

soil fertility rates, different soil water-holding capacities and other factors regulating crop yield as well as variations in crop yield," said Onken. "This data is processed by computer and is used to generate maps depicting the information for the individual field. Using these maps, producers can adjust their farm management accordingly."

Co-sponsors for the field day are the A&M Research and Extension Centers at Lubbock and Amarillo, High Plains Research Foundation, High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute and USDA-Agricultural Research Service.

## Minding Your Own Business

By DON TAYLOR

### Where would we Wander without our W's?



The letter W may have begun life as an M that got turned over on its back. Rumor has it that it actually started as two U's. I can't confirm either of these statements as fact. We do know that W ranks so low in the alphabet that only X, Y and Z come after it. Yes, the letter W is a lowly one at first glance.

However, it's a pretty important little letter if you look more closely. Think of all the good questions we would lose without where, why, when and what. We'd have no weather, wind or world. How would we survive without water, walls or wages?

While we wouldn't be hungry, I'd sure miss my waffles, wieners and watermelon. Nothing would be wonderful without old W.

### Wonderful W Words

• **Words.** Where would a writer be without words to express the thoughts that burn within? Words are the medium we use to exchange ideas, express ourselves and convey clearly the pictures we form in our minds. Henry Ward Beecher said, "All words are pegs to hang ideas on."

Words are the currency of an educated society. However, like money, words are of little value if not used in a way beneficial to mankind.

• **Wisdom.** My dictionary defines wisdom as "the power of judging rightly and following the soundest course of action based on knowledge, experience, understanding, etc." With this one powerful word we may obtain much.

The Bible says that wisdom is of more value than rubies. King Solomon said, "Wisdom is the principle thing; therefore, get wisdom, and with all thy getting, get understanding."

• **Work.** The poet, Robert Frost, said, "The world is filled with willing people; some willing to work, the rest willing to let them."

I find it ironic that one of our hardest working presidents and one of America's great writers both had negative things to say about work. Abraham Lincoln said, "My father taught me to work, but not to live it. I never did like work and don't deny it. I'd rather read, tell stories, crack jokes, talk, laugh—anything but work."

Mark Twain said, "I don't like work even when someone else does it." Personally, I enjoy working. I've been fortunate to find work that is rewarding, meaningful and fun. I cannot imagine a life of doing something I hated.

• **Wit.** William Hazlitt said, "Wit is the salt of conversation, not the food."

I agree and would say that nothing spices up a good speech or the written word like a little wit.

To me, wit is the ability to see the funny side of even serious events, and then to enjoy the humor therein. Will Rogers was one of America's greatest wits. He once said of his wit, "There's no trick to being a humorist when you have the whole government working for you."

• **Women.** I owe a lot to two women who love me—my mother, who launched me on the sea of life and my wife, who serves both as my rudder and anchor.

No man on this earth would exist without the sacrifice of a woman. Thank you ladies for your love and caring ways.

• **Wealth.** Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "Without a rich heart wealth is an ugly beggar." I guess you might paraphrase that by saying that to enjoy wealth completely you must be willing to give it away.

I believe the true joy of acquiring wealth is the ability to use it for good. This I know for certain: you won't carry your wealth with you when you die.

Don Taylor is the co-author of "Up Against the Wal-Marts." You may write to him in care of "Minding Your Own Business," P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

## Search service helps veterans

The Registry of American Veterans (ROAV) is encouraging all American veterans to register in a program that will make it easier for former comrades in arms to locate one another.

The ROAV gathers information from veterans and computerizes their name, current residence, military units they served in and the time periods served in each outfit.

Persons who join ROAV will receive an initial and annual printout of all veterans in the organization's database who served in the same unit during the same time frame as the joining member.

The membership fee is \$15 per member for five years. There is no charge for any who just want to submit their name and information for the registry so that others may locate them. However, for search services and initial and annual reports, an individual must pay the fee.

Those interested may write to: Registry of American Veterans, P.O. Box 51148, Riverside, Calif. 92517.

"The Registry has received thousands of requests from veterans since

it was started in May 1993. The majority of letters come from World War II veterans who are searching for old war buddies," said Jack Knight, executive director of ROAV.

## Lee Schilling named Energas' Dimmitt operator

Lee Schilling has been named Energas' town operator for Dimmitt.

Schilling, formerly a senior service technician with Energas, began his employment with the company in 1982.

A native of Dimmitt, Schilling is a graduate of Dimmitt High School and he attended Amarillo College.

Schilling served as president of the Kiwanis Club in 1994.

Schilling will be responsible for administrative, diagnostic, mechanical and emergency service activities for residential, irrigation and commercial customers for Dimmitt and surrounding communities.

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## Show lamb validation is planned

Castro County 4-H'ers and other youngsters who have lambs that will be shown in livestock shows this year must have those lambs validated by Oct. 31, and Castro County 4-H has scheduled validation clinics Oct. 21-23.

Lambs will be validated at 4 p.m. on Oct. 21 and Oct. 23 at the 4-H Livestock Center in Dimmitt. Another validation will be conducted on Oct. 22 at the Nazareth Ag Shop at 4 p.m.

"If you are not able to attend any of the clinics, notify us as soon as possible so we can make special arrangements to validate your lambs," said Rebel Royall, Castro County Extension Agent.

## Marilyn Higgins is named state 2nd VP of WIFE

Marilyn Higgins of Hart was inducted as second vice president of the state chapter of Women Involved in Farm Economics (WIFE) during the group's 21st annual convention in Tulia.

State President Joann Stroope presided over all sessions.

Following open exercises and immediate business, the group toured the Kenneth Wyatt home and art gallery in Tulia.

A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by all members.

The afternoon session was devoted to making plans for the 1998 national convention that will be co-hosted by the Texas and New Mexico WIFE chapters.

Officers for 1998 were elected, and were then installed by Mary Emma Matthews of Dimmitt. New officers include Jeanine Brooks of Silverton, president; Doris Howell of Cotton Center, first vice president; Higgins, second vice president; Remona Miller of Tulia, secretary; Inette Johnson of Tulia, treasurer; and Wanda Horsford of Hale Center, publicity chairman.

## Revised county hydrologic atlas available from HPUWCD

In order to keep Castro County residents informed of the availability of their groundwater, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 in Lubbock has just published a revised Castro County Hydrologic Atlas, which depicts groundwater conditions as of 1995.

"The Castro County Hydrologic Atlas has been updated every five years since its original publication in 1981. We have revised the 1990 atlas to include new water table elevation and saturated thickness maps depicting groundwater conditions as of 1995.

This revision helps enhance the estimation of groundwater availability in the portion of Castro County

within the Water District," said Don McReynolds, technical division director.

The Castro County Hydrologic Atlas contains maps depicting the elevation of the land surface, the elevation of the base of the Ogallala Formation, the elevation of the water table and the saturated thickness of the Ogallala Formation with the portion of Castro County within the High Plains Water District. The atlas packet also contains an informative booklet discussing the Ogallala Formation and use of the maps contained in the atlas.

By reviewing the information contained in the maps, irrigators can determine how deep they need to drill to reach water and how far they would have to go to complete a well into red bed.

In order to update the original maps, technical division personnel used water-level measurement data taken in the Water District's network of 1,209 privately-owned water wells as well as supplemental measurements in other wells. For the updated 1995 maps, wells are measured at a density of one well per one square mile whenever possible.

Copies of the revised 1995 Castro County Hydrologic Atlas are available from the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock 79405-1499 or by calling (806) 762-0181.

## 4-H plans bike-a-thon

The Castro County 4-H will sponsor the St. Jude Children's Hospital Bike-A-Thon on Saturday, Oct. 25, on the parking lot at First United Bank in Dimmitt.

The event will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon. At 9 a.m. a bicycle care workshop will be held.

Melanie Book is chairman for this year's event and she will be assisted by co-chairs, Jeremy Bishop and Thomas Brockman.

For more information, contact the Extension office at 647-4115.

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**BOB CROZIER** (center) retired from the Farm Service Agency last week after logging 24 years of government service. Crozier, who has served as ag credit officer, visits with Glenna Reynolds (left) and

**Sue Fields** during his retirement reception at the FSA office last Thursday. Crozier's last official day with FSA was Oct. 1.

*Photo by Joyce Birkenfeld*

## CRP sign-up period will begin Tuesday

The 16th annual Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) sign-up will begin Tuesday and will continue through Nov. 14.

Producers with contracts that expired on Sept. 30 and those with contracts due to expire on Sept. 30, 1998, will be eligible to offer land for enrollment, and those with any new land may offer it for the program.

Producers who have questions about how to make their bid more competitive should contact the NRCS office at 647-4324.

Those planning to offer acreage that is presently enrolled in CRP and is planted to grass should also contact the NRCS office.

"NRCS staff will be conducting farm visits on all farms where acreage will be offered to determine what grasses are growing on the farm," said Trish Elliott, county executive director of the Farm Service Agency. "If they can do this prior to sign-up, it will help everyone."

The Farm Service Agency office will be using the appointment system to accept CRP-16 offers. The FSA and NRCS will be working jointly to assist you in making your offer and those interested should call 647-2153 for an appointment to offer CRP acreage during the sign-up period.

Producers who hold CRP contracts that expired on Sept. 30 can begin destroying the grass cover and begin land preparation.

Producers who plan to make an offer for CRP-16 next month may want to review the bid process before they begin to destroy the grass cover.

Producers will be notified of the opportunity to sign up the acreage

coming out of CRP into the AMTA program.

This sign-up period will continue through Nov. 30.

The AMTA program will have a contract for payments through Fiscal 2002.

"Even if producers intend to offer the land for CRP-16, it would be to their best advantage to enroll the acres into the AMTA program since we do not know if or when the CRP offer will be accepted," said Elliott.

### Correction

In an advertisement in last week's issue announcing the 45th annual meeting of the Castro Co-op Gin, it was stated incorrectly that "1986 stock retirement checks will be issued."

The retirement checks will be for stock issued in 1988 rather than 1986, according to Manager Randall Small.

The News regrets the error. The cooperative's annual meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Richardson Elementary cafeteria, with a fish and chicken dinner catered by Hens & Fins.

Items on the agenda include distribution of dividend checks, seed rebates on the 1996 crop, a short business meeting, door prizes, and issuance of 1988 stock retirement checks.

*A=r+p (or Adventure equals risk plus purpose). —Robert McClure*

## Adult education classes planned

Adults who want to learn to read, write and speak English, improve mathematics and reading skills or prepare for the high school equivalency or citizenship tests may attend special evening classes at

Dimmitt High School.

Enrollment for these free classes is tonight (Thursday) from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in Rooms 16 and 18 at Dimmitt High School.

The GED classes will meet on

Monday nights and the English as a Second Language (ESL) classes will meet on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

The classes are sponsored by Dimmitt Independent School District and the Region 16 Education Service Center.

For more information, call Sue Summers at 647-3105.

## Screening set Nov. 6

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic Nov. 6 at Medical Center of Dimmitt, 112 W. Jones.

The screening costs \$75. The Texas Dept. of Health will help pay for the exam for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-377-4673 or 806-359-4673.

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



A minimum of 15 women need to register in order for the mobile mammography clinic to come to area towns.

Each participant at the screening will receive a breast exam and one-on-one instruction in breast self-examination by a registered nurse specially trained in breast cancer detection. They also will receive a mammogram by a mammography technician.

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# New director is named for South Plains TAES

A veteran county agent who has served agricultural producers on the High Plains for two decades has been named South Plains District Director for Agriculture by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Jett V. Major, currently extension agent for agriculture in Hockley County, will begin his new duties Sept. 15.

"We are extremely pleased to have Jett assume the position of district Extension director for agriculture for the South Plains region," said Dr. Zerle L. Carpenter, state Extension director, in announcing the appointment.

"Jett has a solid record of performance as a county agent, including seven outstanding years in Hockley County where he gave leadership to a diversified agriculture program," Carpenter said. "His leadership and partnering skills will be keys to a

continued strong Extension program in the South Plains as he teams with Dr. Kathy Volanty, district Extension director for family and consumer sciences."

Major succeeds Dr. Bob Robinson, South Plains District director for the past 12 years, who has transferred to the Panhandle District at Amarillo. Castro County is in the South Plains District.

"Jett is an excellent choice," Robinson said. "He has been an outstanding agent and will provide strong support and guidance for the agents and educational programs in this district."

As district director, Major will supervise the agricultural agents in 20 counties surrounding Lubbock. The Extension Service is an off-campus educational arm of the Texas A&M University System.

Major, 43, was born in Amarillo and grew up on a grain and livestock farm near Groom. He holds an associate of science degree in agriculture business from Clarendon College, graduated cum laude from A&M with a bachelor's degree in animal science, and holds a master of education degree from Texas Tech.

He joined the Extension Service in 1977 as an assistant agent and 4-H coordinator in Lubbock County. In 1979 he was named Extension program leader and trainer agent in Floyd County. In 1982, Major moved to Lamb County as ag program leader and trainer agent. He has served in Hockley County since 1990.

"I have always enjoyed working

with people on a county level and keeping them current with changes in agricultural technology and policy," Major said. "It will be even more challenging to coordinate this effort on a district basis."

"These 20 counties are consistently among the top agricultural producers in Texas, with some of the nation's most progressive farmers and ranchers. We have an outstanding Extension faculty of county agricultural agents, integrated pest management agents, and subject matter specialists. My goal is to continue to strengthen the district's reputation

for service to the producers and the families of this area."

Major has been active in community affairs in each of the counties he has served, and in numerous regional, state and national groups. He is active in the Texas County Agricultural Agents association, National Association of County Agricultural Agents, Epsilon Sigma Phi national honorary Extension fraternity, Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association, Levelland Area Chamber of Commerce and Hockley County Farm Bureau.

Among his awards as an agent are

the A&M Vice Chancellor's Award in Excellence, Distinguished Service Award of the Hockley County Soil and Water Conservation District, Community Service Award of the Levelland Chamber of Commerce, two Superior Service Awards from Extension, two Outstanding Young Men of America awards, Outstanding County Extension Agent Award of the Texas Plant Food Industry and Distinguished Service Awards of both TCAAA and NACAA.

Major is married to the former Lynette Bichsel. They have two daughters, Carey, 17, and Casey, 13.

## Dr. Zerle Carpenter announces retirement as TAES director

Dr. Zerle L. Carpenter, who has provided leadership for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service for the last 15 years, has decided to retire as its director, effective Dec. 31.

The announcement was made last Thursday by Dr. Barry Thompson, chancellor of the Texas A&M University System, to the Board of Regents meeting on the university's campus.

"I have never met a professional in the A&M System for whom I have more respect," Thompson said. "Dr. Carpenter's unselfish devotion and commitment to the people of Texas will long be remembered into the 21st Century. I will miss his wise counsel and sense of humor."

Dr. Ed Hiler, vice chancellor and dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Station, praised Carpenter's achievements throughout a 35-year association with the A&M System.

"Zerle Carpenter has made a tremendous contribution to agriculture in this state, first as an exemplary faculty member in animal and meat science, second as head of the animal science department, and third as director of the Extension Service over the last 15 years. He's also done an outstanding job handling additional duties as associate vice chancellor for agriculture in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences since 1988."

"It has been a privilege for me to serve the people of Texas and to provide leadership for our Extension educational programs across the state," Carpenter said. "During my tenure as director I have visited every county in Texas and have seen the many outstanding programs our county faculty are conducting to meet the needs of local citizens. The Extension organization has been truly blessed with dedicated and committed people who are working hard to serve the people of Texas, and it has been my privilege to work with them."

Carpenter, 62, heads the largest state Extension Service in the country. It has long been the A&M System's key means for serving the educational needs of all Texans throughout the state. The agency's programs, delivered primarily through county Extension agents, serve all 254 counties, providing research-based, practical information and education for agricultural producers, agribusinesses, consumers, families and youth.

Carpenter gained national attention for innovative leadership in 1985

when he launched issue-based Extension programming in Texas. This new approach sought greater involvement by local citizens in planning and developing local Extension education programs.

As a result, more than 12,000 citizens took part in county-level study groups to identify critical needs. Focusing Extension programs to meet the most relevant needs at the grassroots level has broadened Extension's support base in Texas and has helped the agency enhance its effectiveness and forge new partnerships in program delivery.

During the past year, for example, Extension has reached new audiences with educational programs by establishing partnerships with such diverse entities as the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission, the Texas Restaurant Association and the US Army.

Carpenter's issues approach became a model for redirecting Extension programming efforts for other states and at the national level.

In 1991, Carpenter led an urban initiative that sought to broaden Extension's outreach in the state's six most populous counties. These program changes helped Extension target more diverse, hard to reach audiences in urban centers.

The initiative also made it possible for Extension to provide an array of self-help programs used extensively by urban residents. One of the most popular has been "Don't Bag It," which has prolonged the useful life of landfills in hundreds of Texas cities by encouraging citizens to leave their grass clippings on their lawns instead of bagging them up for disposal. This program, as well as Carpenter's urban initiative, have served as models for similar efforts in many other states.

The agency's widely known 4-H program now reaches approximately 578,000 youth, and more than half of them live in major urban areas.

Carpenter has served Extension nationally in numerous capacities. Most recently, he completed a term as chair of the Extension Committee on Organization and Policy (ECOP), which has provided national guidance and direction for Cooperative Extension Programs across the country. He was influential in the recent reorganization of the US Dept. of Agriculture, which continued to give Cooperative Extension a prominent role in the federal agency. He still serves in a key advisory capacity to the US Secretary of Agriculture as a member of the executive committee of the National Agricultural Re-

search, Extension, Education and Economics Advisory Board.

"I know of few individuals in the Extension System who have given as much to Cooperative Extension at the national level over the past 10 years as Zerle Carpenter," said Dr. Myron Johnsrud, former administrator of the USDA Extension Service. "He is constantly giving himself beyond his Texas commitments, and most importantly, he leads by example. Without question, his leadership, commitment and dedication have made a positive difference in the Cooperative Extension System."

Carpenter has won numerous awards that recognize his many contributions in research, teaching and extension. These include the 1996 Distinguished Public Service Award, Prairie View Cooperative Extension Program; 1995 Vice Chancellor's Award for Excellence in administration, Texas A&M University System; 1995 National Distinguished Service Ruby Award, Epsilon Sigma Phi; 1991 Distinguished Service Award, Environmental Protection Agency; and 1983 R.C. Pollock Distinguished Service Award, American Meat Science Association and National Livestock Meat Board.

A native of Greer County, Okla., Carpenter earned his bachelor's degree in animal science at Oklahoma State University in 1957. He received a master's degree in meat and animal science and biochemistry from the University of Wisconsin in 1960, and two years later earned his doctoral degree in meat and animal science and food science from the same school.

Carpenter began his career within the Texas A&M University System as an assistant professor of animal science at Texas A&M University in 1962. He rose to become a full professor of animal science in 1971, head of the department of animal science in 1978, and director of the Extension Service in 1982. He was named associate vice chancellor for agriculture for the Texas A&M University System in 1988.

## 4-H Ambassador Workshop slated

The 1997 4-H Ambassador Workshop will be held Nov. 14-16 at the Texas 4-H Center in Brownwood and any Senior 4-H'er planning to attend should contact the Extension office at 647-4115.

The workshop is designed to utilize older 4-H members (those 14 years old by Jan. 1, 1998, to project a clear and accurate image of the Texas 4-H program.

Youths will tell and show audiences how 4-H has influenced them and others, and how the 4-H program is addressing key youth issues in the community and state.

Cost for the workshop will be \$65 for those arriving Friday evening, Nov. 14. No dinner will be served. For those arriving on Saturday morning, Nov. 15, cost will be \$49.25. Breakfast that day is included in the cost.

## Input sought for proposed resource guide

Organizers of a resource guide for Castro County will hold a meeting next Thursday, Oct. 16, at 2 p.m. in the solarium at Plains Memorial Hospital, and the public is invited to attend.

The group is trying to compile information for a book which will list all of the resources in the community such as Home Health Agency, Catholic Family Services, WIC, Panhandle Community Services, Plains Memorial Hospital and more.

Any input from the community will be appreciated.

For more information contact Kristi Batenhorst at Home Health Agency, 647-2848.

## 4-H Family Day is Nov. 22 at Texas Tech

All 4-H members between the ages of 11 and 19, their parents and adult leaders are invited to attend the 1997 4-H Family Day at Texas Tech University on Nov. 22.

The purpose of 4-H Family Day is to help promote careers in agriculture and human sciences and to help increase the public awareness of 4-H.

4-H Family Day will begin at 9:30 a.m. with registration. Several booths will be open and other activities will be going on throughout the day. Lunch will be served at 11 a.m.

The Texas Tech vs. Oklahoma University game is scheduled for 1 p.m. and cost is \$12 per person and that includes a game ticket and lunch.

Anyone planning to attend should contact the Extension office by Oct. 27 to purchase tickets.

For more information contact the Extension Office at 647-4115.

## FFA selling turkeys, hams

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THE CLASS OF 1947 of Dimmitt High School held its 50th-year get-together during the "1940s Reunion" Friday and Saturday at Amarillo's Ramada Inn West. Seated, from left, are James Autry of Rocky Ford, Colo., John Cryer of Miller, Mo., Glenna Morgan Cooper of Bella Vista, Ark., Clara Dowty Harp of Abernathy, Melba Cone Aldridge Morales of Gordonville, and Virgie Eva Cooper Gibson of Amarillo. Standing, from left, are Harold Johnston of Grandview, Glenn Godfrey of Dumas,

Elbert Smith of Dimmitt, Joe Harrison of Lahaina, Hawaii, Earl Greathouse of Honolulu, Hawaii, Jimmy Sparkman of Schertz, Wayne Gibson of Roswell, N.M., Lloyd Lust of Littlefield and Bill Stephenson of Dimmitt. Also attending but not pictured were Hoyt Kenmore of Payson, Ariz., Bobbie Birdwell Dodd and Billie Cluck of Dimmitt, Tom Barron of Seminole, and Royce Dowell of Dallas. Photo by Don Nelson

# Precipitation enhancement program comes to a close

The last day of operation for the 1997 precipitation enhancement program sponsored by High Plains Undergrround Water Dsistrict No. 1 and the Llano Estacado Weather Modification Association of eastern New Mexico was Sept. 30.

"Our contract with Weather Modification, Inc., of Fargo, N.D., to conduct a precipitation enhancement program in the Texas High Plains and eastern New Mexico has expired," said A. Wayne Wyatt, High Plains Water District manager. "No further cloud seeding operations will take place within the target area until the program resumes in May 1998." Weather Modification, Inc. (WMI) personnel are preparing to move the mobile C-Band radar unit from its current location at the Littlefield airport to Boise, Idaho, for use in a snow enhancement project. WMI pilots will fly three specially equipped Cessna 340 aircraft back to Fargo for reassignment to other weather modification projects.

Since May 30, 86 cloud seeding missions have been flown within the 15-county High Plains Water District Service area as well as in Curry, Roosevelt and southwestern Quay Counties of New Mexico.

A total of 1,514 silver iodide flares were fired into developing rain clouds during the four-month program. The silver iodide particles released from these flares served as additional condensation nuclei that allowed more cloud moisture to be converted into large raindrops that fall through the dry subcloud layer and reach the ground as meaningful precipitation.

"Even though we have officially ended the cloud seeding operations, we still have quite a bit of work to do prior to the start of the 1998 program. Much of this will be an evaluation of the program," said Wyatt.

High Plains Water District field personnel are now reading the 300 rain gauges installed at each of the soil moisture monitoring sites within the Water District.

From this information, three sets of regional maps will be constructed. One set will illustrate the amount and location of rainfall within the target area for the first six months of the year (January 1 to June 1). A second set of maps will illustrate the amount and location of precipitation within the target area during each of the four months the program was in operation. The third set will illustrate long-term precipitation averages for all of the National Weather Service reporting stations in the area to compare to the monthly rainfall maps.

This information will be published in a future issue of the Water District's monthly newsletter, *The Cross Section*.

"The 1997 precipitation enhancement program has been a learning experience for all involved," said Wyatt. "I believe that we had a successful program. We will do an even better job next year as we have learned much from the 1997 program."

WMI personnel and equipment are scheduled to return next spring for the start of the 1998 precipitation enhancement program.

## Williams is honored

Brittany Williams, daughter of Teresa and Gary Williams, has been honored as student of the week in Mrs. Damron's and Mrs. Spring's rooms at Dimmitt Middle School.

Williams was born Jan. 15, 1988, in Hereford.

Her favorite food is mashed potatoes and her favorite animal is the monkey. She likes the book, *Where the Red Fern Grows*.

Williams says she does well in gymnastics and she wishes she was better at social studies.

"I have the best teachers a kid could ever get," said Williams about Dimmitt Middle School. She admires Barbara Bain.

When she grows up, Williams wants to be a doctor. In her free time she enjoys playing basketball.



THE CLASSES OF '48 AND '49 were well represented at "1940s Reunion" of Dimmitt High School graduates Friday and Saturday at the Ramada Inn West in Amarillo. Seated, from left, are members of the Class of 1948: Bob Mooney and Phyllis Youts Mooney of Dimmitt, Junior Fulfer of Kingston, Okla., Jack Ziegler of Canyon, Joyce Carpenter Autry of Rocky Ford, Colo., Zelma Hershey Sargentrei of Conroe and Thelma Hershey Alexander of Hereford. Standing, from left, are members of the Class of '49: Lewis Martin of Amarillo, Rayphard Smithson of Dimmitt, Tiny

Hunter Rice of Nevada, Mo., Carl Jowell of Arlington, Harold Brannan of San Antonio, Wade Thompson of Lubbock, Carroll Gregory of Nacogdoches, Wayne DeLozier of Lubbock and Jack Miller of Plainview. 1948 grads attending but not pictured were Leon Taylor of Fort Worth, Nell McMahon Kenmore of Lubbock and Betty Sherrill Helwig of Amarillo. 1949 grads attending but not pictured were Charlotte Cowan Lippard Lea of Lincoln, N.M., Marlin Word of Alpine and Marilee Cooper Elledge of White Deer. Photo by Don Nelson

## Wesley UMC to sponsor arts and crafts show

Wesley United Methodist Church in Hereford will host its 17th annual arts and crafts festival on Dec. 6 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Hereford Community Center.

Only a limited number of booth spaces are available, and applications are being screened. Booth rent will be \$10 and applications should be sent to Ellen Collins, 801 Miles Street, Hereford 79045. Collins also can be reached at (806) 364-0774.

## Canyon group plans bazaar

Heritage Women's Club of Canyon is planning its annual Christmas Delights Bazaar, which will be held Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Rex Reeves Elementary School in Canyon.

Booth space is available and anyone interested should contact Maggie Henry at (806) 655-4414 or Shirley Leach at (806) 655-0847.

Exhibitors from across the Panhandle display their wares each year. The club also operates a snack bar and conducts a bake sale during the show.

## Sandhill arts, crafts show set

The annual Sandhill Arts and Crafts Show in Olton will be held Saturday, Nov. 29.

The event is sponsored by the Olton Young Homemakers and all crafters are invited to participate. For more information contact DeAnn McGill, 2604 Kermit, Plainview, Texas 79072; or call her at (806) 296-0736.



'45 AND '46 GRADS—Attending the "1940s Reunion" of Dimmitt High School graduates at the Ramada Inn West in Amarillo over the weekend were these members of the 1945 and 1946 classes. Seated, from left, are members of the '45 class: Frank "Rowdy" Martin of Holly, Colo., J. E. Harman of Arlington, Marilyn Gollehon Warren of Orlando,

Fla., Robert Duke of Springlake, Dorothy Clingsmith Van Buskirk of San Carlos, Calif., and Odell Arnold of Stratford. Members of the '46 class (standing) are Clydene English Damron of Lubbock and Thomas Harrison of Odessa. Also attending but not pictured were Montez Hudson Smith of Plainview ('45) and Carolyn Rawlings Jones of Dimmitt ('46). Photo by Don Nelson

# Police Calls

A 19-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed Saturday morning for criminal trespass.

Alcohol was involved in the arrest of five people during the past week: An underage suspect was in possession of an alcoholic beverage on Western Circle Drive Friday night; a 53-year-old Dimmitt man was held early Sunday on DWI, first offense; a 48-year-old Hart man, on the same charge, early Monday; a 17-year-old Dimmitt man early Monday for public intoxication; and a Dimmitt man, 42, for the same charge, Monday afternoon.

Three incidents of criminal mischief were reported during the past week: On Sept. 30, someone kicked the passenger side door of a 1968 Camaro belonging to Larry Don Allison of Dimmitt, causing a dent in the door, with repair cost estimated at \$1,000; Hector Gonzales told police Oct. 1 that someone shot a window in the 400 block of Northwest Seventh with a B-B gun; Conrado Cruz told police that someone kicked the mirror off of a vehicle in the 400 block of West Jones Sunday night, causing \$100 in damage.

Picked up on warrants were: a Dimmitt woman, 23, on Sept. 30, on warrants from Castro, Deaf Smith, Randall and Potter counties; a 45-year-old Dimmitt woman on Saturday evening for criminal mischief; a 16-year-old Hart man on Monday evening for delivery of a controlled substance.

Also, jailed for violation of probation were a 22-year-old Dimmitt man on Oct. 1, and an 18-year-old

Dimmitt man Friday evening. Friday afternoon, sheriff's deputies received a report about a 4-year-old child being bitten on the face by a dog. The animal is being held for observation.

Friday at 1:10 p.m., an accident was reported 3.7 miles north of Dimmitt on US 385. A 1996 Ford Windstar van driven by Katherine Kirby of Dimmitt was heading north, and was signalling to make a left

## Producers will elect delegate to FSA Committee in December

Eligible voters in Community LAA-3 will elect a representative to the Castro County FSA Committee in December.

Weldon Davis is currently the county committeeman for this LAA. All eligible voters in LAA-3 have the right to nominate the candidate of their choice by petition. Eligible nominees must be able to vote in LAA-3. A list of eligible voters is available in the FSA office.

Petitions will not be mailed. If you wish to nominate a candidate, stop by the FSA office and pick up a petition. If the form is completed by someone other than the nominee, the prepare must sign the form. The last date to return nominating petitions is Oct. 27.

The election of responsible agricultural producers is important to all farmers and ranchers. The County

turn. However, Kirby then decided to make a right turn to check her mailbox. A 1988 Ford pickup driven by Becky Maxwell of Dimmitt had attempted to pass the van on the right and struck the van and the mailboxes. Kirby was taken to Plains Memorial Hospital, where she was treated and released. Damage to the van was rated moderate, while the pickup had light damage. Kirby was ticketed for making an improper lane change.

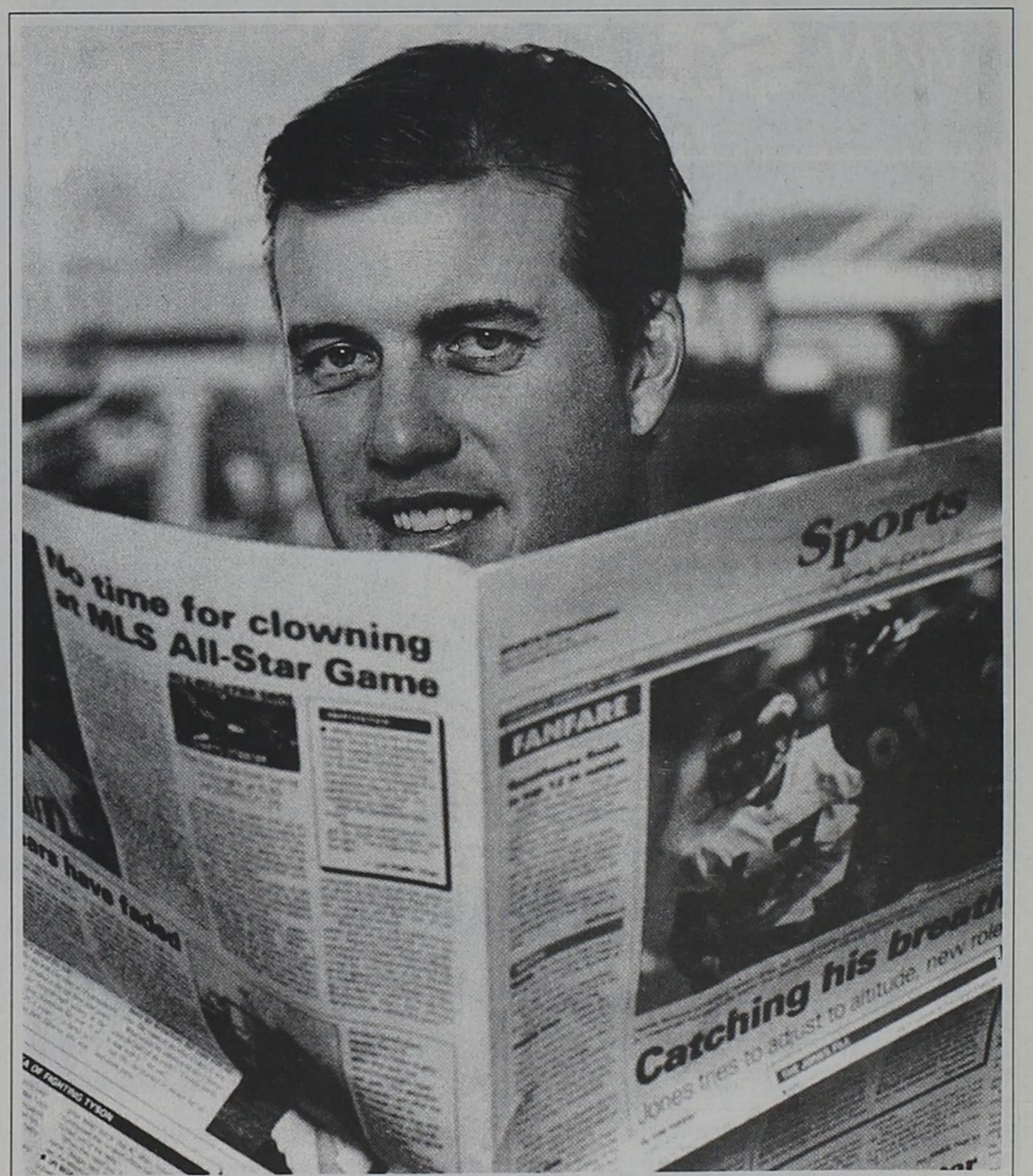
FSA Committee has the responsibility to administer all FSA farm programs.

Farm owners, operators, tenants and sharecroppers of legal voting age can vote if they are eligible to take part in any FSA program and are qualified to vote in LAA-3.

Ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by Nov. 21, and must be returned to the FSA office or be post-marked by Dec. 1.



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# Sports



## JV Cats blast Sanford-Fritch

The junior varsity Bobcats racked up 24 points in the fourth quarter in a come-from-behind win over Sanford-Fritch, 47-13, last Thursday at Sanford Fritch.

Dimmitt trailed the Eagles 7-0 after the first quarter, but held an 8-7 edge at intermission. The Bobcats found themselves down 13-8 headed into the final quarter, but rallied to take the victory. The JV Cats improved to 4-1 on the season.

The Eagles scored on a 45-yard drive in the open quarter for a 7-0 lead.

In the second quarter Sanford-Fritch was forced to punt into a strong wind and the Bobcats were able to take the short kick and start their first scoring drive in excellent field position at the Eagle 35.

The Bobcats struggled to pick up the first down, and were faced with a fourth-and-1 situation. Dimmitt not only gained the first down, but scored their first touchdown of the game on a 25-yard pass play from Daniel Flores to Shane Furr. Keevin Sanders completed a pass to Taylor Matthews in the end zone for the two-point conversion and an 8-7 Dimmitt lead.

Sanford-Fritch regained the lead in the third quarter on a 20-yard touchdown pass and Dimmitt trailed 13-8.

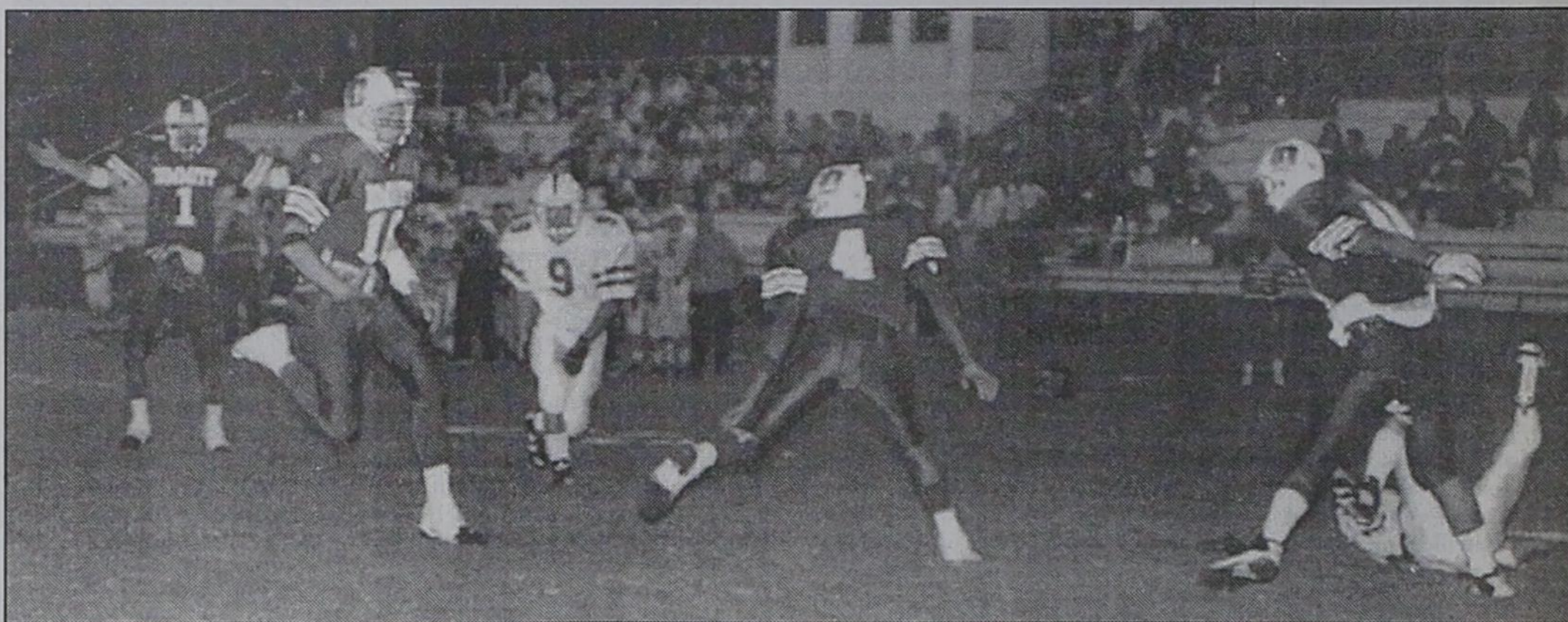
Dimmitt came up with a safety early in the fourth quarter to narrow the Eagles' lead to a field goal, 13-10.

Then on the ensuing drive, Justin Sutton broke free and ran 45 yards for a touchdown to give Dimmitt the lead for good. Sanders completed a pass to Furr for the two-point conversion, giving Dimmitt an 18-13 lead.

Later in the stanza Fredrick Traylor ran over several Eagle defenders enroute to a 25-yard touchdown run. Traylor also ran in the two-point conversion for a 26-13 Bobcat lead.

Daniel Flores rounded out the scoring, outrunning the pack for a 50-yard TD and 32-13 win.

The Bobcats will face Dalhart, there, tonight (Thursday) at 7 p.m.



**CONVERTING FOR TWO**—Dimmitt quarterback Derek Buckley (10) keeps on an option-right play for a two-point conversion after the Bobcats' second touchdown against the Sanford-Fritch Eagles here Friday night. Tight end Charlie Sanders (44, right) has just taken out his man, split end Casey Smith (4) prepares to lay the wood to S-F's Preston

Farmer (9) and running back Stuart Sutton (1) is already signaling the score. The conversion followed a 77-yard touchdown run by Beau Hill in the first quarter, and gave Dimmitt a 14-0 lead. The Bobcats went on to win, 47-0, hiking their District 1-AAA record to 2-0 and their season record to 4-1.

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## Cats annihilate Eagles, 47-0

By ED HENLEY

Beau Hill and Zack Matthews combined for 300 yards on the ground as the Bobcats rolled up 532 yards of offense, whipping the Sanford-Fritch Eagles 47-0 Friday at Bobcat Stadium.

Dimmitt's attack was spearheaded by Hill's 171 yards rushing, with an individual 77-yard touchdown run, and Matthews' 130 yards on the ground and three touchdowns, with a long of 64 yards.

The Bobcat defense held the Eagles to 191 yards of offense and didn't allow a first down until the 9:22 mark of the second quarter.

Dimmitt drove 72 yards on 11 plays on its first possession before Matthews got into the end zone from the 7-yard line. Luis Silva's extra-point kick was blocked as the Bobcats took an early 6-0 lead with 7:34 to go in the first quarter.

On the first play of the Bobcats' third possession, Hill raced around end for 77 yards to give Dimmitt a 12-point lead with 1:20 left in the first. Derek Buckley's keeper on the two-point-conversion put Dimmitt up 14-0.

The next time Dimmitt got the football, on the first play Matthews ran off of left tackle Andy Hill and raced 64 yards for a touchdown. Silva added the kick and the Bobcats were out in front 21-0 before the half.

"Coach Gothard has got our offensive line playing well together as a unit and we had them on their heels most of the night", Andy Hill said.

"This is the kind of effort that we've been looking for out of our line and I believe we have really improved."

The assault continued in the third quarter when Matthews' two-yard touchdown run culminated a nine-play, 63-yard drive that increased the Bobcats' lead to 27-0 with 5:04 to go in the quarter.

Early in the fourth, Stuart Sutton went into the end zone from five yards out and Dimmitt led, 33-0.

With 7:05 to play, Charley Sanders finished a nine-play Dimmitt drive with a 14-yard touchdown catch from Buckley. Silva added the kick and the lead was 40.

The Eagles attempted a fake punt on fourth down at the Dimmitt 20-yard line, but the punter fumbled when he was chased down at the 15. Sanders scooped the ball off the turf and scooted down the sideline for another touchdown with 5:05 left to play. Silva's extra-point kick completed the rout, 47-0.

The Bobcat defense shut down the Eagles and never let them sustain any drive for a threat. And the offensive line controlled the whole game, creating huge holes for the backs to run through.

Jason Hargrove had a big game for the Bobcats at right offensive tackle.

"I think our offense is getting it in gear and our line is starting to click well together," said Hargrove. "Next week we look to improve even more against Dalhart."

Left guard Rusty Wooten said,

"We worked really hard getting low and holding our blocks in practice this week."

"With the kind of talent we have in the backfield, when we sustain our blocks we're going to get this kind of yardage every game."

### Game at a Glance

Sanford-Fritch	0	0	0	0	—0
Dimmitt	14	7	6	20	—47

	DMT	S-F
First Downs	23	9
Rushing Yards	415	151
Passing Yards	152	39
Total Yards	567	190
Passes Comp./Att.	8-13	3-14
Interceptions By	2	0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Punts-Avg.	1-36	8-35.2
Penalties-Yards	8-50	10-80

### Scoring Summary

**First Quarter:**  
DIMMITT—Zack Matthews 7 run (kick failed).  
DIMMITT—Beau Hill 78 run (Derek Buckley run).  
**Second Quarter:**  
DIMMITT—Matthews 64 run (Matthews kick).  
**Third Quarter:**  
DIMMITT—Matthews 1 run (kick failed).  
**Fourth Quarter:**  
DIMMITT—Stuart Sutton 6 run (kick failed).  
DIMMITT—Charley Sanders 14 pass from Derek Buckley (Silva kick).  
DIMMITT—Sanders 15 fumble return (Silva kick).

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- Contestants must have reached the age of eight (8) years by the Sunday of any week's play.

## Freshmen fall to Fritch, 30-6

Sanford-Fritch exploded for 22 first-quarter points as they downed the Dimmitt freshmen, 30-6, last Thursday.

The Eagles added another touchdown and two-point conversion in the third quarter to go up 30-0 before the Bobcats were able to score.

Dimmitt finally crossed the goal

line in the fourth quarter when Ben Ruiz scored from 20 yards out. The two-point conversion run failed.

"Ben Ruiz had a good night at running back," said Coaches Cory Lynch. "He ran harder than I have ever seen him run before."

Lynch said Emanuel Jaramillo played well at linebacker and Daniel

Lopez had a good game at defensive tackle.

"We just fell behind early and really never recovered. We had some injuries that limited what we were trying to do on offense. We must get better at the fundamentals of blocking and tackling."

Dimmitt fell to 2-3 with the loss.

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## LIVE SPORTSCASTS!

**Daily, M-F:**

- 7:00 a.m. .... Sports Texas (Pros)
- 7:05 a.m. .... Texas State Network Sports Report
- 7:15 a.m. .... Sports Texas (High School/College)
- 7:20 a.m. .... Dallas Cowboy Report
- 11:15 a.m. .... Sports Texas Midday Report
- 12:40 p.m. .... Dallas Cowboy Update
- 3:45 p.m. .... Sports Texas Afternoon Report

**Friday:**

- 7:30 p.m. .... Statewide Pre-Game Show
- 7:30 p.m. .... **BOBCATS vs. DALHART GOLDEN WOLVES**
- 10 p.m. .... Area/State High School Scoreboard

**Saturday:**

- 7:05 a.m. .... Texas State Network Sports Report

**KDHN 1470 A.M.**

**Cross Country**

# Swiftettes finish second to Clint in Lubbock race

The Nazareth Swiftettes snatched second-place honors in the big Lubbock Invitational Cross Country meet Saturday at Mae Simmons Park, finishing only behind Class AAA power Clint.

Clint captured the Division I title in the meet with 45 team points while the Swiftettes accumulated 150 team points.

The Dimmitt Bobbies and Hart Lady Horns turned in impressive performances, too. Dimmitt finished sixth with 273 points while Hart was 13th with 459 points.

The meet featured 52 teams and 526 runners.

In the boys' meet, Dimmitt finished 15th as a team with 442 points while Hart was 23rd with 562 points.

Becky Perez of Clint took the individual gold medal with a time of

12:10.1.

Top local runner was Nazareth's Lindsey Gerber, who finished fifth with a time of 12:35.7.

Dimmitt's Shawna Kenworthy posted a time of 12:45.2 for 10th place overall.

The only other county runner to place among the top 20 was Nazareth's Tanya Wethington, who was 16th in 12:59.8.

Hart's top runner was Valerie Key, who finished 37th in 13:20. Other Lady Horn runners competing were Lisa Rincon, 50th, 13:31; Isela Minjarez, 75th, 13:51; Christy Guzman, 134th, 14:20; Vanessa Carrasco, 234th, 15:08; Ysa Rodriguez, 314th, 15:41; and Angelica Peralez, 327th, 15:53.

Dimmitt runners, in addition to Kenworthy, were Cherie Norman, 47th, 13:36; Lindsey Welch, 48th,

13:37; Carol Summers, 74th, 13:60; Stephanie Hinojosa, 96th, 14:10; Taryn Hays, 14:11; and Amy Matthews, 109th, 14:16.

Rounding out Nazareth's team were Trina Johnson, 35th, 13:17;

Tara Kleman, 42nd, 13:22; Tiffany Schmucker, 84th, 13:56; Sara Schulte, 89th, 14:02; and Amy Pohlmeier, 100th, 14:05.

## WITH Association plans T-shirt party

The W.I.T.H. Association is sponsoring a T-shirt party Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. for a fund-raising event.

The party will be held at the Panhandle Community Services building in Dimmitt at 108 SW Second.

Famous brand T-shirts will be offered for sale, along with sunglasses, perfume, cologne and various holiday items.

A percentage of the proceeds from the event will go to the projects of the W.I.T.H. Association.

## DMS plans Open House

Dimmitt Middle School will have an open house Monday from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. and the public is invited to attend.

Parents are encouraged to take this opportunity to visit with their child's teachers, as well.

In addition, orders may be placed for the DMS yearbook. Cost will be \$14 each.

The Dimmitt boys were paced by Jacob Lara and Ivan Flores, who finished 73rd and 74th, respectively, with times of 18:40. Marcus Larra was 109th in 19:26, Ralph Enriquez finished 118th in 19:43 and Eric Gomez placed 158th in 20:34.

For the Hart Longhorns, Eric Montemayor finished the race in

17:51, good enough for 41st place. Others competing were Jeremiah Velasquez, 133rd, 20:01; Angel Pantoja, 160th, 20:36; Roberto Yebra, 178th, 20:53; and Adrian Rios, 217th, 22:22.

Nazareth's Mark Birkenfeld also competed in the boys' race, finishing the three-mile run in 20:23.

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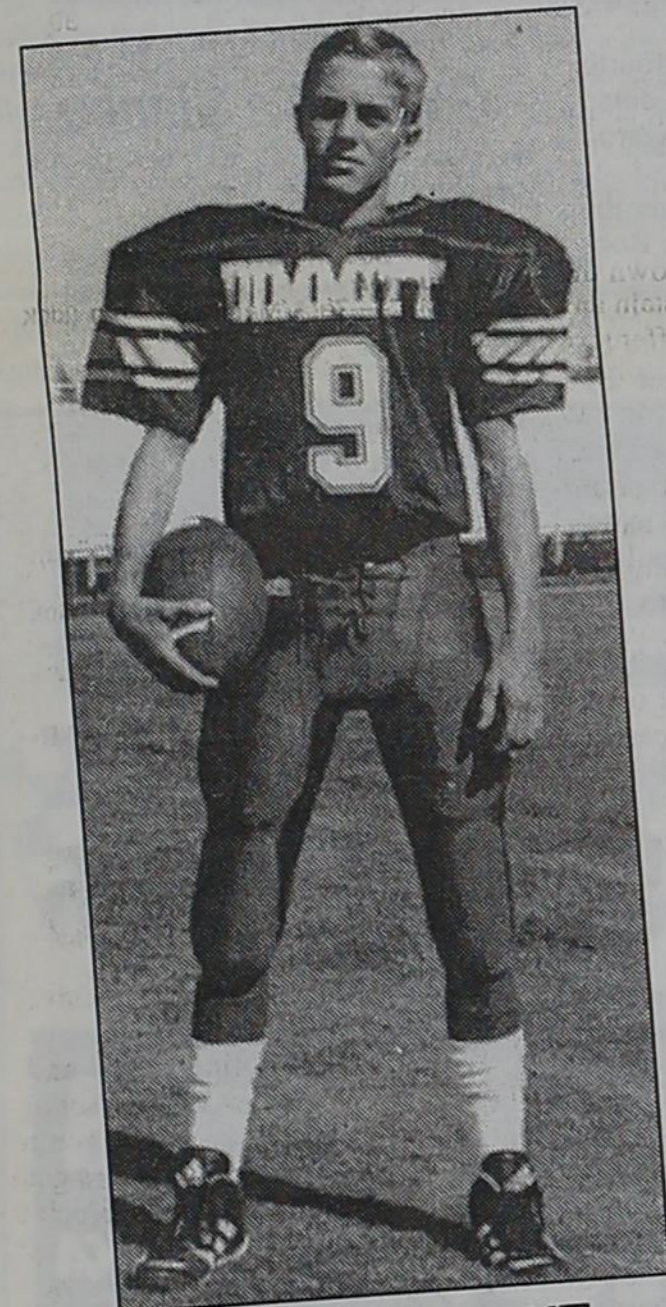
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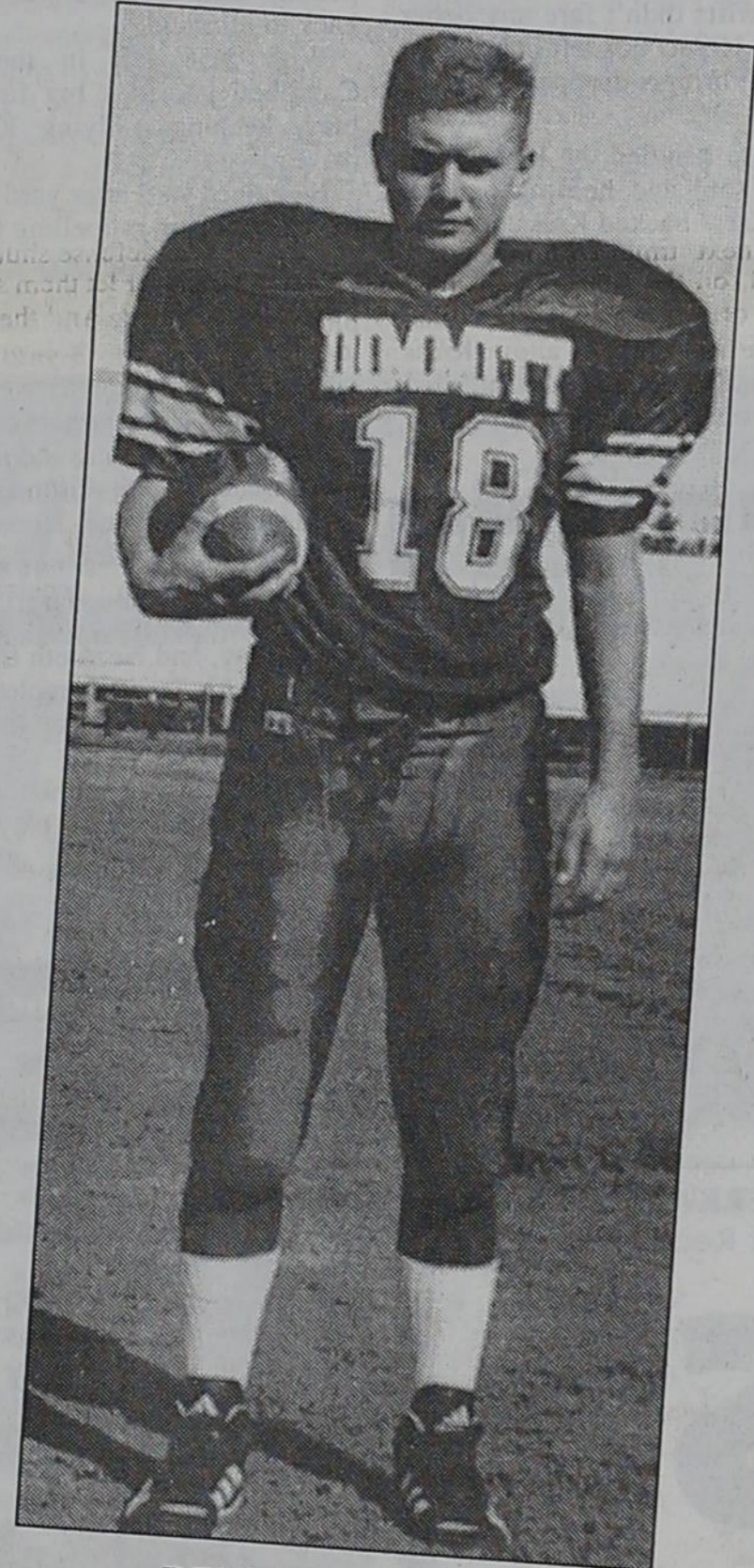
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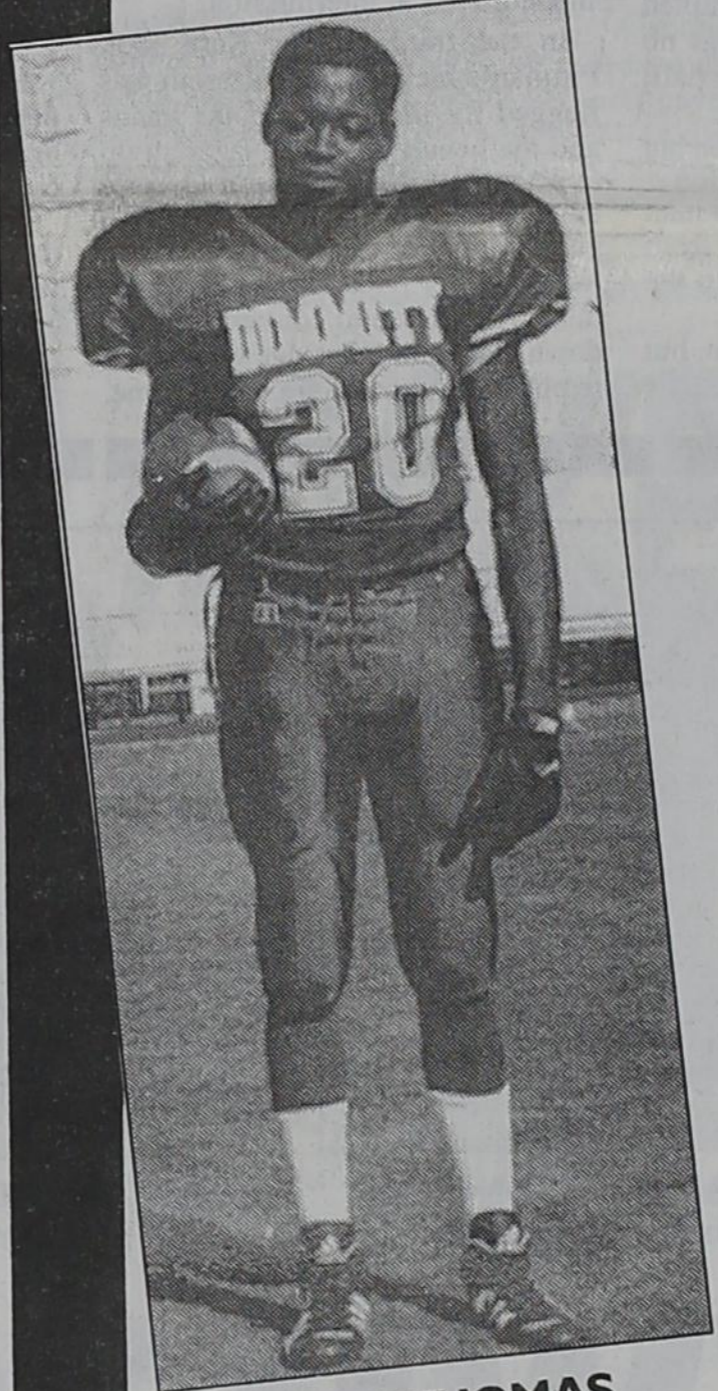
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**Schedule & Scores**

VARSITY		
Bobcats 28, Lockney 13		
Bobcats 35, Sundow 14		
Bobcats 24, Canadian 31		
Bobcats 28, Muleshoe 6		
Oct. 3	*Sanford-Fritch (Homecoming), Here	7:30
Oct. 10	*Dalhart, Here	7:30
Oct. 17	*Tulia, There	7:30
Oct. 24	*Friona, Here	7:30
Oct. 31	*River Road, There	7:30
Nov. 8	*Perryton (Parents), Here	2:00

FRESHMEN AND JUNIOR VARSITY		
Freshmen 0, Lockney 12; JV 14, Lockney 0		
Freshmen 18, Friona 26; JV 10, Friona 28		
Freshmen 28, Olton 6; JV 46, Hereford 12		
Freshmen 22, Muleshoe 14; JV 18, Muleshoe 6		
Freshmen 6, Sanford Fritch 30; JV 32, Sanford Fritch 13		
Oct. 9	*Dalhart, There	5:00-6:30
Oct. 16	*Tulia, Here	5:00-6:30
Oct. 23	*Muleshoe, There	5:00-6:30
Oct. 30	*River Road, Here	5:00-6:30
Nov. 6	*Friona, There	5:00-6:30

SEVENTH AND EIGHTH		
7th Grade 6, Sundown 8; 8th Grade 14, Sundown 0		
7th Grade 18, Olton 22; 8th Grade 8, Olton 6		
7th Grade 26, Muleshoe 20; 8th Grade 6, Muleshoe 33		
Oct. 7	*Tulia, Here	5:00-6:30
Oct. 14	*Friona, Here	5:00-6:30
Oct. 21	*Muleshoe, Here	5:00-6:30
Nov. 28	*Tulia, There	5:00-6:30
Nov. 4	*Friona, There	5:00-6:30

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# 'Roos edge Swifts, 14-13, in fourth-quarter comeback

By SARA BIRKENFELD  
 Monty Durham's 1-yard run with 2:50 left in the fourth quarter lifted Kress to a come-from-behind victory over the previously unbeaten Nazareth Swifts Friday night, 14-13, in Kress.

Durham's touchdown tied the game at 13, and an extra point by Travis Pittman gave the Kangaroos the edge they needed for the win.

The Swifts fell to 4-1 overall and 1-1 in district while Kress improved to 4-1 overall and 2-0 in District 2-A play.

Nazareth scored the game's first 13 points and held a 13-7 lead at the break, but couldn't hold on in the waning minutes.

"We came out with a lot of fire and emotion, but they were able to slowly work themselves back into the game and overcome us," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price.

The Swifts jumped out to an early lead with a 12-yard touchdown pass from Mitchell Brockman to Jerad Birkenfeld midway through the first quarter. A Barry Hoelting kick made it 7-0. Then in the second quarter Cameron McLain extended the Swift lead with a 1-yard touchdown hurdle, but Hoelting's kick was wide, leaving the score 13-0.

An interception by Jerry Hinojosa resulted in a touchdown by Durham late in the second quarter, triggering Kress's comeback.

Nazareth made a valiant comeback attempt after Durham's second touchdown, but a Nazareth fumble recovered by the Kangaroos ended the Swifts' drive.

"Our guys gave it all they had," said Price. "You have to give a lot of credit to Kress. They came back and earned it."

Kress took the opening kickoff and Hinojosa returned it to the Kress 40. Kress gained only seven yards on their first possession and Pittman was forced to punt for the Roos.

But Birkenfeld was able to break through the line and block the punt, and Nazareth took over with good field position at the Kangaroo 36.

On the first play from scrimmage Matthew Kern gained a first down for the Swifts on a 12-yard run to the Kress 24. A three-yard run by McLain three plays later was two yards shy of a first down and brought up a fourth down situation.

Nazareth elected to go for the first and Kern scraped up the two yards needed, giving the Swifts a first down at the Kangaroo 14.

Two plays later Brockman connected with a diving Birkenfeld in the end zone for a 12-yard touchdown with 6:58 left in the

quarter. Hoelting's extra point made it 7-0.

Sammy Rojas accepted the ensuing kickoff for the Kangaroos and returned it to his own 32, but Kress could go nowhere thanks to a stingy Swift defense, and Pittman was forced to punt again.

Hoelting returned the kick to the Swift 33, and Nazareth went to work from there.

McLain picked up a first down on the third play of the drive, then three plays later Brockman rifled a long pass to Darren Huckert who was dragged down from behind at the Kress 14.

Nazareth worked its way toward the end zone, but couldn't break through Kress's defense before time expired in the first quarter and the ball rested on the 1-yard line.

On the first play of the second quarter, McLain leaped over the line of defenders for the touchdown. Hoelting's extra point kick was wide, leaving the score 13-0.

The Kangaroos took over as Hinojosa returned Stanton Wethington's kick to the Kress 32.

A Kress fumble two plays later was recovered by Matty McLain and the Swifts regained possession on the Kangaroo 37.

The Swifts were unable to take advantage of the Kress miscue, when they failed to convert a fourth-down play when a pass to Hoelting fell incomplete.

Kress took over on its own 28, and the Swifts managed to keep Kress from gaining any ground, but a roughing the passer penalty on a third-down play that would have failed, gave Kress a big break and an automatic first down, keeping the drive alive.

On the following play Richard Campbell picked up another first down for Kress off of an 11-yard run that moved the Kangaroos across midfield and into Swift territory. Three plays later Durham opted to keep the ball and ran it down to the Nazareth 23 for another first down.

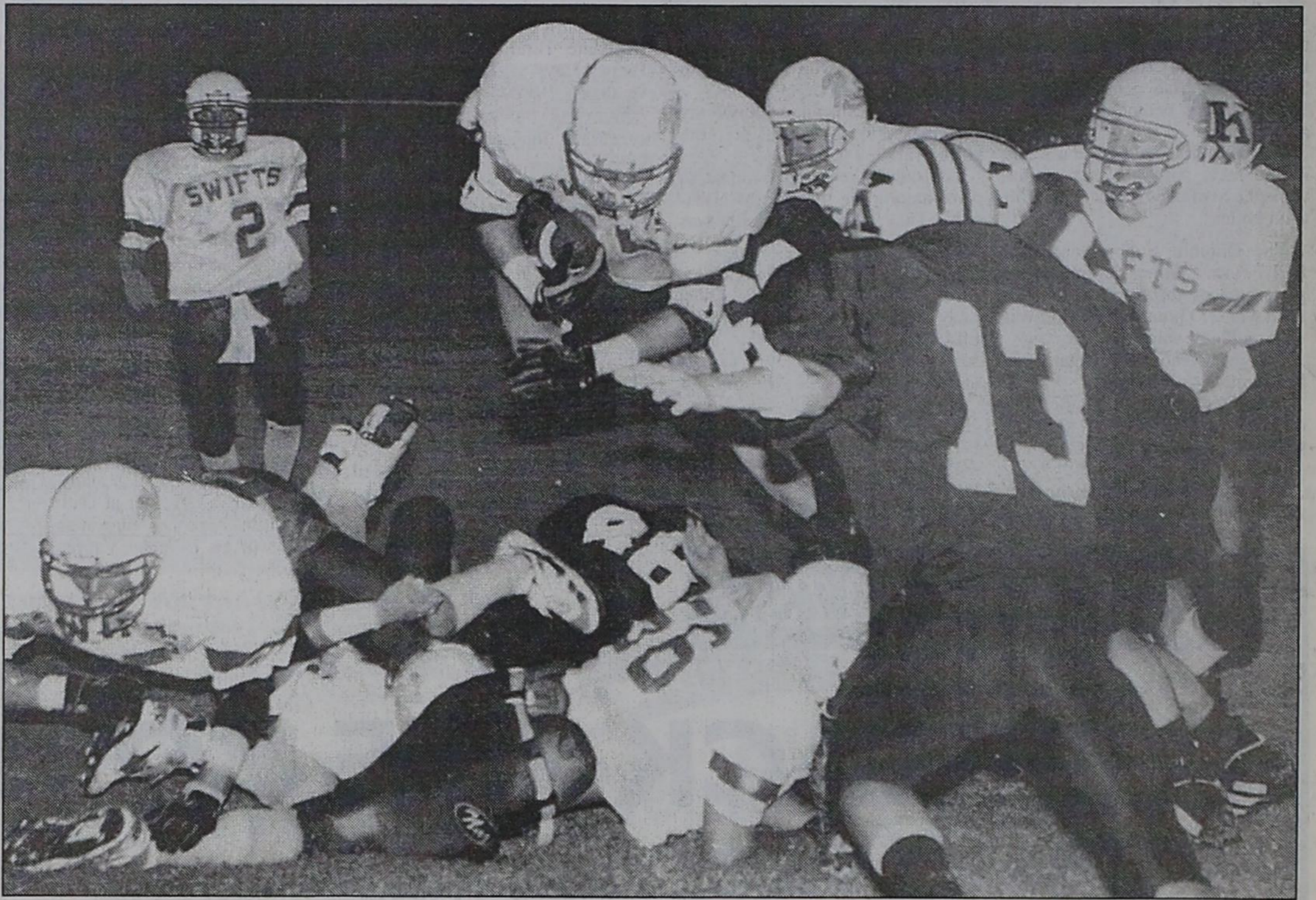
Kress suffered a five-yard false start penalty, bringing up first-and-15.

Kress gained two yards, but couldn't gain any more against the Swift defense and Pittman attempted a 35-yard field goal, but it was no good, and with 4:42 left in the half, Nazareth was still up 13-0.

The Swifts regained possession but couldn't hold onto the ball for long.

Hinojosa picked off a Brockman pass at the Nazareth 38 and from there Kress worked its way into the end zone for the first time.

Campbell gained a first down, but a 10-yard holding penalty moved the



**TAKE THE TOUCHDOWN PLUNGE!**—Nazareth's Cameron McLain dives over the top of the line and scores the Swifts' second touchdown Friday night in a District 2-A showdown at Kress. Paving the way for McLain was Nazareth's offensive line, including Derrick Schacher (56). McLain's touchdown dive, on a second-and-goal play from the 1-yard line

to open the second quarter, gave the Swifts a 13-0 lead over the Kangaroos. The extra point kick was wide. Nazareth held Kress scoreless until late in the second quarter, and held the lead until the final three minutes of the game. The Kangaroos bounced back to claim a 14-13 victory.  
 Photo by Anne Acker

Roos back 10 yards on the next play and Kress was facing a first-and-20. Two plays later Greg Gardea gained seven yards, but was short of the first down marker. A Nazareth facemask penalty tacked on to the end of the play was enough for the first down and gave Kress new life.

Two plays later Durham reached paydirt on a three-yard run to put Kress on the board. Pittman's kick made it 13-7 at intermission.

In the third quarter Kern took Pittman's kickoff, but Nazareth was flagged for illegal use of the hands and the penalty backed Nazareth up to its own 14. Kern gained four yards on the next play, but then a false start penalty against the Swifts moved it back another five. Three plays later the Swifts failed to convert on third down and Shane Ethridge was forced to punt for the first time in the game.

With 9:24 left in the third quarter Kress took over on their 41. Kress controlled the ball for most of the third quarter, but was unable to score on the long drive.

When faced with a fourth-and-14 situation at the Nazareth 35, Pittman delivered a punt into the end zone for a touchback.

The Swifts didn't fare any better and with 15 seconds left in the third quarter Ethridge dropped back to punt.

Hinojosa handled the kick, but a personal foul and holding penalty against Kress backed Kress up to its own 15.

Campbell gained a first down at the Kress 26 two plays later, but that was all the Swifts would allow. Kress couldn't muster the 12 yards needed for the first down and Pittman had to punt.

Nazareth couldn't move either, and went three and out.

Chris Murray fielded Ethridge's punt and dodged Swift after Swift, racing into the end zone for an apparent touchdown, but a yellow flag nullified the play.

Kress was whistled for a clipping penalty and the ball was brought back to midfield.

With 5:58 left in the fourth Campbell gained a big first down play, keeping a dying Kangaroo drive alive.

He gained yard after yard over the next three plays, propelling the Roos deep into Swift territory.

Durham kept the ball on the next play and raced downfield before he was stopped at the 3-yard line by Stacey Schulte.

Two plays later Durham forced his way into the end zone and the score was knotted at 13. Pittman's extra point was good and Kress pulled ahead for the first time, 14-13.

Matty McLain received the ensuing kick for the Swifts with 2:40 left to play, and Nazareth took over at its own 31. Two incomplete passes by Brockman brought up third-and-10 for the Swifts.

New life was breathed into the drive on the next play when

Brockman connected with Birkenfeld on a short pass. Birkenfeld broke loose up the middle to pick up a first down at the Nazareth 45. Nazareth's hopes for a comeback were diminished when a Brockman fumble on the following play was recovered by the Kangaroos, who then proceeded to run out the clock.

### Game at a Glance

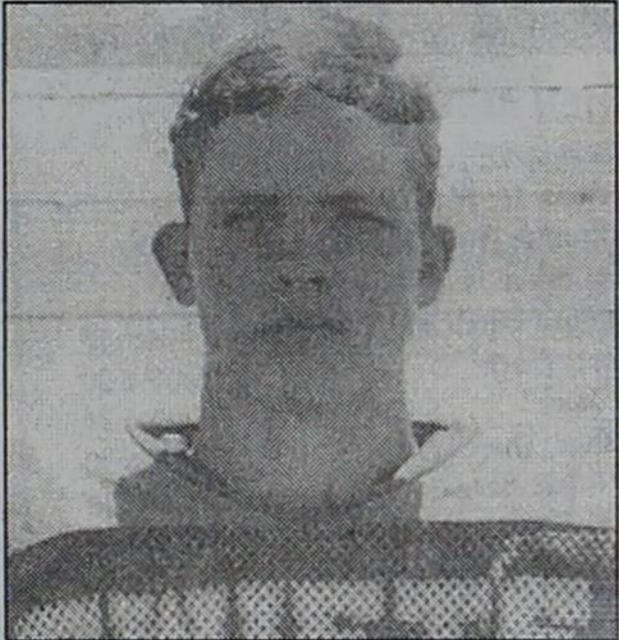
Nazareth	7	6	0	0-13
Kress	0	7	0	7-14

	NAZ	KRESS
First Downs	6	12
Rushing Yards	68	204
Passing Yards	107	8
Total Yards	175	212
Passes Comp./Att.	6-13	1-4
Interceptions By	0	1
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-1
Punts-Avg. Yards	3-30	3-46
Penalties-Yards	3-30	5-45

### Scoring Summary

**First Quarter:**  
 NAZ—Jerad Birkenfeld 12 pass from Mitchell Brockman (Barry Hoelting kick).  
**Second Quarter:**  
 NAZ—Cameron McLain 1 run (kick failed).  
 KRESS—Monty Durham 3 run (Travis Pittman kick).  
**Fourth Quarter:**  
 KRESS—Durham 1 run (Pittman kick).



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**HART TAILBACK J.J. FINCH (6)**, who is still recovering from an injury to his toe, eyes Sundown defenders and races ahead for good yardage Friday when the Horns and Roughnecks tangled in a non-

conference game at Sundown. Finch gained 56 yards on 15 totes to lead the Horns. Sundown scored 28 points in the fourth quarter to down Hart, 35-6.

Photo by David Knox

# Horns lose to Sundown, 35-7, in fourth-quarter scoring spree

Sundown racked up 28 points in the fourth quarter against Hart Friday night to break open a close game and claim a 35-7 victory over the visiting Longhorns.

Hart's lone touchdown came in the fourth quarter Friday.

First downs were even, 11-11, but Sundown almost doubled Hart's total offensive output. The Roughnecks gained 335 yards while Hart could muster only 173.

The Roughnecks logged 272 of those yards on the ground. Hart's offensive output was about even, with the Longhorns gaining 98 yards rushing and another 75 passing.

Hart dropped to 1-4 with the loss while Sundown improved to 4-1.

"Our kids played very well and we're proud of their effort," said Hart Coach Chad Watson. "They just got us at the end. Our defense played well all night long, they just wore us down at the end. Through the first three quarters only one score was allowed."

Hart's J.J. Finch, who is still recovering from an injury to his toe, gained 56 yards on 15 totes to lead the Horns.

Neither team could find the end zone in the first quarter, but Sudan

broke the stalemate in the second stanza on a 42-yard touchdown run by leading rusher Nick Olivias. Darren Edgett added the extra point for a 7-0 Sundown lead and that's how the score stayed until things exploded in the fourth quarter.

Olivias, who rushed for 162 yards on nine carries, added his second touchdown run to light the fireworks in the final stanza. He scored from 30 yards out and Edgett booted the PAT for a 14-0 Sundown lead.

Then Roughneck quarterback Clay Edwards found Dustin Perez for a 55-yard scoring strike and another Edgett kick put the Roughnecks in control, 21-0.

The Roughnecks' defense got in on the scoring action, too. Jimmy Gonzalez intercepted a Hart pass and returned it 27 yards for the third touchdown of the stanza. Edgett nailed the PAT again and Sundown held a 28-0 advantage.

The Roughnecks capped off their scoring with a 20-yard touchdown run by Dustin Carpenter and another Edgett kick for a 35-0 lead before Hart could get started.

The Longhorns' offense finally struck paydirt near the end of the game when quarterback Jared Aven completed a 25-yard touchdown pass

to Lupe DeLaFuente. Lucas Anzuldua's extra point attempt split the uprights for the final score, 35-7.

### Game at a Glance

Hart	0	0	0	7	-7
Sundown	0	7	0	28	-35

	HART	SUN
First Downs	11	11
Rushing Yards	98	272
Passing Yards	75	63
Total Yards	173	335
Passes Comp./Att.	6-22	3-13
Interceptions By	1	1
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-1
Punt Avg. Yards	8-30	1-34
Penalties-Yards	9-55	7-60

### Scoring Summary

**Second Quarter:**  
SUNDOWN—Nick Olivias 42 run (Darren Edgett kick).  
**Fourth Quarter:**  
SUNDOWN—Olivias 30 run (Edgett kick).  
SUNDOWN—Dustin Perez 55 pass from Clay Edwards (Edgett kick).  
SUNDOWN—Jimmy Gonzales 27 interception return (Edgett kick).  
SUNDOWN—Dustin Carpenter 20 run (Edgett kick).  
HART—Lupe DeLaFuente 25 pass from Jared Aven (Lucas Anzuldua kick).

Together We Can

# Big district games on tap

Dimmitt is looking to add another district victory to its collection this week while the Swifts attempt to rebound from a heartbreaking one-point loss to Kress, and Hart hopes to start district play off with a victory.

Dimmitt will take on Dalhart at home, Nazareth will host Sudan in a big District 2-A showdown and Hart opens 3-AA play on the road at Lockney.

All games are slated to begin at 7:30 p.m.

### Dalhart at Dimmitt

The Dalhart Golden Wolves come calling on the 4-1 Bobcats Friday as Dimmitt looks to go 3-0 in District 1-AAA.

Kickoff time is 7:30 at Bobcat Stadium.

The Wolves defeated Dimmitt 31-28 last year in a thriller at Dalhart. The Bobcats hope their edge in experience will be enough to turn the tables this year.

Coming off a loss to Muleshoe, the Golden Wolves—0-2 in district play—will look to atone against the Bobcats and get back in the hunt for a playoff spot.

According to Coach Woody Martin, the Wolves have quite a bit of inexperience and had to fill a lot of holes after last year's graduation.

Senior Mike Montoya, a first-year starter at quarterback, will hand the ball off to senior tailback Joe Harless and running back Chad Hodo.

Eric Gomez will be Montoya's primary receiver, having caught 20 passes for 250 yards and two touchdowns last season.

Dalhart has an all-new offensive line this year which includes junior guard John Paul Barker (5-10, 230).

The Wolves do have experience on defense with four starting linebackers returning this season, including Tate Fuller, Matt Sculer, Jeff Artho and Jose Borron. The secondary has two returning starters at cornerback, Ben Speer and Terry Turner.

The game should come down to who has the best offense, since the Wolves' defense is their strong point. How they will be able to handle the Bobcats' potent ground attack is the main question.

Dimmitt's backs could have another big night if they can get off to an early start and the offensive line starts to wear down Dalhart's defense.

The kicking game will also be a big

factor, and in that category Dimmitt has an advantage with Zack Matthews doing the kickoffs. Matthews' kicks usually go into or through the end zone, and rarely do opponents get a chance to return one.

Look for the Bobcats' defense to pick Dalhart apart, causing critical turnovers. If the Bobcats can shorten the field a few times, then they should have no trouble getting out to a comfortable lead.

Dimmitt should be able to put pressure on the Wolves' inexperienced offense and keep them from making big plays for touchdowns. And the Golden Wolves will have to have several touchdowns to stay in the game. In any case, the Bobcats should be able to avenge last year's loss if they can maintain the level of play they've shown all season, barring a few penalties.

### Sudan at Nazareth

Nazareth hopes to rebound from last week's disappointing 14-13 loss to Kress with a big win over Sudan this week.

Kickoff between the Swifts and Hornets will be at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Swift Field.

The Swifts and Hornets both need a win Friday to stay alive in the playoff chase in District 2-A. The Swifts are 1-1 in district play while the Hornets are 0-2.

Both of Sudan's district losses have been hard-fought battles. Kress upended the Hornets in the first district game of the season, 10-7. Then the Hornets lost to state-ranked Springlake-Earth, 13-10, in overtime on Friday.

Meanwhile, the Swifts destroyed Valley for their district opener, but lost to Kress by a point Friday.

"Sudan's lost a couple of real close district games and I don't know what mood that's going to put them in, but I know they're going to come here ready to play," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price.

Nazareth could be playing without starting tailback and linebacker Matthew Kern, who suffered a torn muscle in his back against Kress on Friday. Price says Kern is questionable for this week.

Overall, the Swifts are 4-1 on the season and Sudan is 2-3. The Hornets have outscored their opponents 74-44 overall, but have been topped in district 17-23. The Swifts have racked up 132 points on offense this season and have allowed 23 points.

Sudan relies on a strong running attack out of the I formation behind a huge offensive line anchored by guards Taylor Whitley (6-5, 315) and Garrett Flowers (5-8, 165), tackles Bryan Conn (5-10, 180) and Anthony Lopez (6-0, 250), center Dustin Collins (5-9, 185) and tight end Jay Carr (6-2, 190).

The Hornets have a couple of outstanding running backs, including Chris Weaver (5-8, 175) and Donyale Weaver (5-10, 170), who scored on a two-yard run against Springlake-Earth Friday. Donyale Weaver rushed 18 times for 61 yards to lead the Hornets on the ground against S-E.

Price said the Hornets also feature a "real quick fullback" in Richard Medellin (5-9, 200).

"They like to run the sweep quite a bit, but they'll also go inside. They'll go wherever they need to to hurt you."

Price said the Hornets are throwing the ball more than he expected them to this year.

Handling quarterback duties is Rocky McAdams (6-0, 180) and his receivers are Carr, Russ King (6-1, 160) and Jonathan Martin (6-0, 150).

Defensively, Sudan lines up in a 5-2 with Whitley and Juan Guiron (5-7, 240) anchoring the line at the tackle spots. Carr is starting end and John Chris Monreal (5-7, 155) is nose tackle. Linebackers include Flowers and Richard Medellin (5-9, 200).

"Their defense is one of their strengths," said Price. "They don't give up many yards and they've played some really good teams. They're so big up front...we'll have to deal with that. Whitley's able to cover two gaps. And their noseguard (Monreal) is a quick noseguard. He'll make you miserable if you don't slow him down. He's tough."

### Hart at Lockney

The Hart Longhorns are ready for the second half of the season. Hart, 1-4 overall, has struggled through its last four games, but the Horns are determined to put those games out of their minds and focus on what really counts—chasing the District 3-AA championship.

The Longhorns open district play this week and they get a tough test right away when they travel to Lockney to take on one of the top Class AA teams in the area.

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# Nazareth schools release honor rolls

Nazareth schools have released honor rolls for the first six weeks of the 1997-98 school year.

Students qualifying for the "A" honor roll were:

**FIRST GRADE:** Kyle Birkenfeld, Steven Birkenfeld, Caitlin Huseman, Matthew Ray, Kami Rundell and Lane Wood.

**SECOND GRADE:** Brittany Birkenfeld, Brittany Hampton, Allyson Hochstein, Kyle Hoelting and Taylor Schulte.

**THIRD GRADE:** Chris Acker, Jennifer Acker, Candace Birkenfeld, Matthew Birkenfeld, Kaytlin Huseman, Chandra Jordan, Holly Kleman, Troy Ramaekers, Brady Schulte, Dustin Schulte and Macee Schulte.

**FOURTH GRADE:** Alan Gerber, Kendra Huseman, J'Lae Merritt, Charlie Rundell and Kasey Wood.

**FIFTH GRADE:** Jamie Birkenfeld, Ross Birkenfeld and Garrett Kleman.

**SIXTH GRADE:** Brock Birkenfeld, Kimberly Brockman, Tanya Herring, Brett Hoelting, Kyle Ray and Trey Robb.

**SEVENTH GRADE:** Craig Birkenfeld and Carson Gerber.

**EIGHTH GRADE:** Blake Birkenfeld, Jason Birkenfeld, Mandy Hoelting, Jase Merritt, Trinity Robb and Ky Wilcox.

**FRESHMAN:** Mark Birkenfeld, Lindsey Gerber, Lindsie Gerber.

**SOPHOMORE:** Jill Schulte and Sara Schulte.

**JUNIOR:** Mandy Birkenfeld, Laura Birkenfeld, Susan Book, Mitchell Brockman, Stephanie Gerber, Susan Jones, Jessica Kern, Vanessa Wilhelm and Ann Wilhelm.

**SENIOR:** Sara Birkenfeld, Lynsey Hoelting, Joy Long, Amy Pohlmeier and Kaci Wethington.

Students qualifying for the "A-B" honor roll are:

**FIRST GRADE:** Alec Braddock, George Acker, Jenny Merritt, Abril Pena, Thomas Schacher, Steffani Steffens.

**SECOND GRADE:** Joshua Braddock, Bryan George, Tessie Huseman, Brandi Kern, Karis Kleman, Valeria Rodriguez and Darcy Schulte.

**THIRD GRADE:** Lacey Acker, Chase Black, Eric Book, Jacob Braddock, Amanda George, Bradley Gerber, Taylor Johnson, Kean Lilley, Heidi Ramaekers and

Brandon Wilhelm.

**FOURTH GRADE:** Skyler Birkenfeld, Clifford Gerber and Jake Hoelting.

**FIFTH GRADE:** Jenna Acker, Jamie Black, Melina Braddock, Jordan Hampton, Kelsey Hochstein, Kelcee Kleman, Keli Schulte, Orin Schulte, Tyson Schulte and Sierra Wilcox.

**SIXTH GRADE:** Andrew Brockman, Sarah Ellison and Lindsey Wood.

**SEVENTH GRADE:** Adam Acker, Karen Birkenfeld, Erica Gerber, Koty Huseman, Kristi Ramaekers, Teri Ramaekers, Eric Schilling, Megan Schulte and Ross Schulte.

**EIGHTH GRADE:** Marsha Black, Timothy Braddock, Lesley Brockman, Laura Gerber, Megan Hoelting, Quentin Jones, Aaron Kern, Elizabeth Olvera, Daryl Pohlmeier, Danette Ramaekers, Kyla Schacher and Jennifer Wilhelm.

**FRESHMAN:** Sage Annen, Jaci Birkenfeld, Shawna Gerber, Whitney Hoelting, Jason Huseman, Tara Kleman, Matthew McLain, Bryce Pohlmeier and Adam Schulte.

**SOPHOMORE:** Melanie Book, Mindi Ethridge, Pattie George, Bridget Hochstein, Cameron McLain, Dawn Ramaekers and Karen Wilhelm.

**JUNIOR:** Kira Ball, Kristin Hales, Matthew Kern, Lori Maurer, Jessica McGilvray, Heather Schilling, Jayme Schmucker, Tiffany Schmucker, Pamela Vandelden, and Nancy Wilhite.

**SENIOR:** Jerad Birkenfeld, Leon Birkenfeld, Celina Braddock, Billy Cannon, Shane Ethridge, Barry Hoelting, Darren Huckert, Trina Johnson, Whitney McLain, Josh Merritt, Dustin Ramaekers, Kourtney Robertson, Derrick Schacher, Kit Schulte and Tanya Wethington.



**HOT, HOT, REALLY HOT, RED HOT PEPPERS**—That's what the Choral speakers, Deyanira Chappa, Rosa Quintana, Maria Rodriguez, Adriana Zarazua, and Patty Zarazua, (left) are chanting while they are waving red pompons in the air. They are members of the ESL class of Betha Lee Roberts at Dimmitt Middle School and they performed a Korean fable for members of ESL classes from Richardson Elementary Sept. 25. Kneeling at center is Ruben

Rodriguez, who played The Tiger, and standing at center is Elizabeth Maruffo, who played The Old Woman. On the platform are (from left) Sergio Ontiveros, The Mat, Marisol Arellano, The Egg, and Alma Reyes, The Banana. Not shown are Lupe Castenada and Norma Moran, Red Rope, and narrators Maria Quintana, Cindy Velasquez and Adriana Zarazua. Photo by Linda Maxwell

## DISD health services will hold workshop

The Dimmitt Independent School District's Health Services Department will present a workshop tonight (Thursday) at 7 at the Dimmitt High School Auditorium.

The workshop will feature Ed Ainsworth of Whiteheart Communications, who will present a program on "Abstinence Only."

All parents and others interested in the moral integrity, sexual purity and lifelong happiness of high school and middle school students should attend the program.

Ainsworth will present the workshop outlining his assembly presentation for the students on Friday during a morning assembly at DHS and at an afternoon assembly at Dimmitt Middle School. Parents also are invited to attend these assemblies.

For more information call 647-3108 or 647-4131.

## What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools



Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for Oct. 9-17.

**DIMMITT**  
**Pre-School-1st Grade Lunch**  
**THURSDAY:** Beef enchiladas, refried beans, cantaloupe and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Fajitas with sauteed onions, Mexipinto beans, tossed salad with dressing and milk.  
**MONDAY:** Chicken taco with hot sauce, refried beans, Arroz Mexicano, fresh honeydew melon and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Honey-lemon chicken, potatoes au gratin, orange wedges and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Steak fingers with gravy, French fries, cucumber and tomato salad and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Nachos with cheese and peppers, Mexipinto beans, cantaloupe and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Fish nuggets, baked potatoes, fruit fantasy and milk.

**2nd-12th Grade Lunch**  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of barbecued hot links, beef enchiladas or vegetable medley; Mexicali corn or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, haystack

finger salad or broccoli and cauliflower salad; garlic bread, wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of baked fish Scandia or fajitas with sauteed onions; Swedish brown beans, rice pilaf or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, raw spinach salad or guacamole salad; hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.  
**MONDAY:** Choice of chicken tetrazzini, Creole bean soup or chicken taco with hot sauce; mashed potatoes, baked potatoes or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, macaroni salad or fresh honeydew melon; old fashioned cornbread, hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice, corn tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Choice of honey-lemon chicken, meat loaf with Creole sauce or beef and bean burrito with chili; country rice dressing, potatoes au gratin or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, orange wedges or potato salad; assorted muffins, hot wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Choice of steak fingers with gravy, chicken pot pie or green enchilada casserole; French fries, sweet potatoes and apple or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, pineapple sunset salad or cucumber and tomato salad; old fashioned cornbread, white hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of Beef stir fry; grilled chopped steak or nachos with cheese and peppers; Chinese style vegetables, Lyonaise carrots or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, cantaloupe or plums; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of fish nuggets, Chinese plate or new Mexican enchiladas; baked potatoes, tomato and okra gumbo or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, fruited gelatin or broccoli and cauliflower salad; assorted muffins, who wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

**HART**  
**Elementary School**  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of burrito, pizza or enchilada casserole, tortilla pieces, salad, gelatin dessert, corn, fresh fruit and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of hot dog on a bun, burrito, corn dog or chili, potato chips, gelatin dessert, dill pickles, peaches and milk.  
**MONDAY:** No school.  
**TUESDAY:** Choice of pizza, hamburger

basket or stromboli, salad, gelatin dessert, corn, apricots, fresh fruit, potato chips and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or chicken nuggets, gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, gelatin dessert, peaches, carrot sticks, raw broccoli, wheat rolls and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or chulapas, salad, gelatin dessert, dill pickles, corn, pears, fresh fruit and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of corn dog, hamburger basket or fish strips, coleslaw, gelatin dessert, salad, dill pickles, quick-baked potatoes, peanut butter bars and milk.

**Junior High and High School**  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of hamburger basket, pizza or enchilada, tortilla pieces, salad, gelatin dessert, lettuce, tomato and pickles, corn, fresh fruit and milk, punch or tea.  
**FRIDAY:** Steak, toast, salad, baked potato, rice krispie and milk, punch or tea.  
**MONDAY:** No school.  
**TUESDAY:** Choice of pizza, stromboli or hamburger basket, lettuce, tomato and pickles, potato chips, gelatin dessert, corn, apricots, fresh fruit, ice cream, and milk, punch or tea.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or chicken nuggets, gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, plums, apricots, carrot sticks, wheat rolls, chocolate pudding and milk, punch or tea.  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or chulapas, salad, Spanish rice, gelatin dessert, apricots, pears, fresh fruit and milk, punch or tea.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of spaghetti and meat sauce or hamburger basket, white toast, fruit cocktail, gelatin dessert, salad, dill pickles, sugar cookie and milk, punch or tea.

**NAZARETH**  
**THURSDAY:** \* Pizza or hamburger and French Fries, salad, corn, pineapple, dessert and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** \* Spaghetti with roll or pizza, salad, green beans, peaches, pears and milk.  
**MONDAY:** \* No school.  
**TUESDAY:** \* Lasagna with rolls or pizza, salad, pineapple beans, peaches and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** \* Barbecue on a bun or hamburgers, lettuce, corn, fruit cocktail, cherry cobbler and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** \* Hot turkey sandwiches or pizza, salad, carrots, applesauce, peaches and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** \* Corn dogs or chicken strips, salad, rice, pears, rice krispie bar and milk.

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

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# Guess who's 30?

From the guys in your life!

## Dimmitt artist's work to be shown at Barnes & Noble

Computer Realism by Dimmitt artist Joan A. Craig will be featured at Barnes & Noble Book Sellers in Amarillo during October. The store is located at 2415 Soncy Road and there is no admission charge to view the work.

Some things have to be believed to be seen.

—Ralph Hodgson

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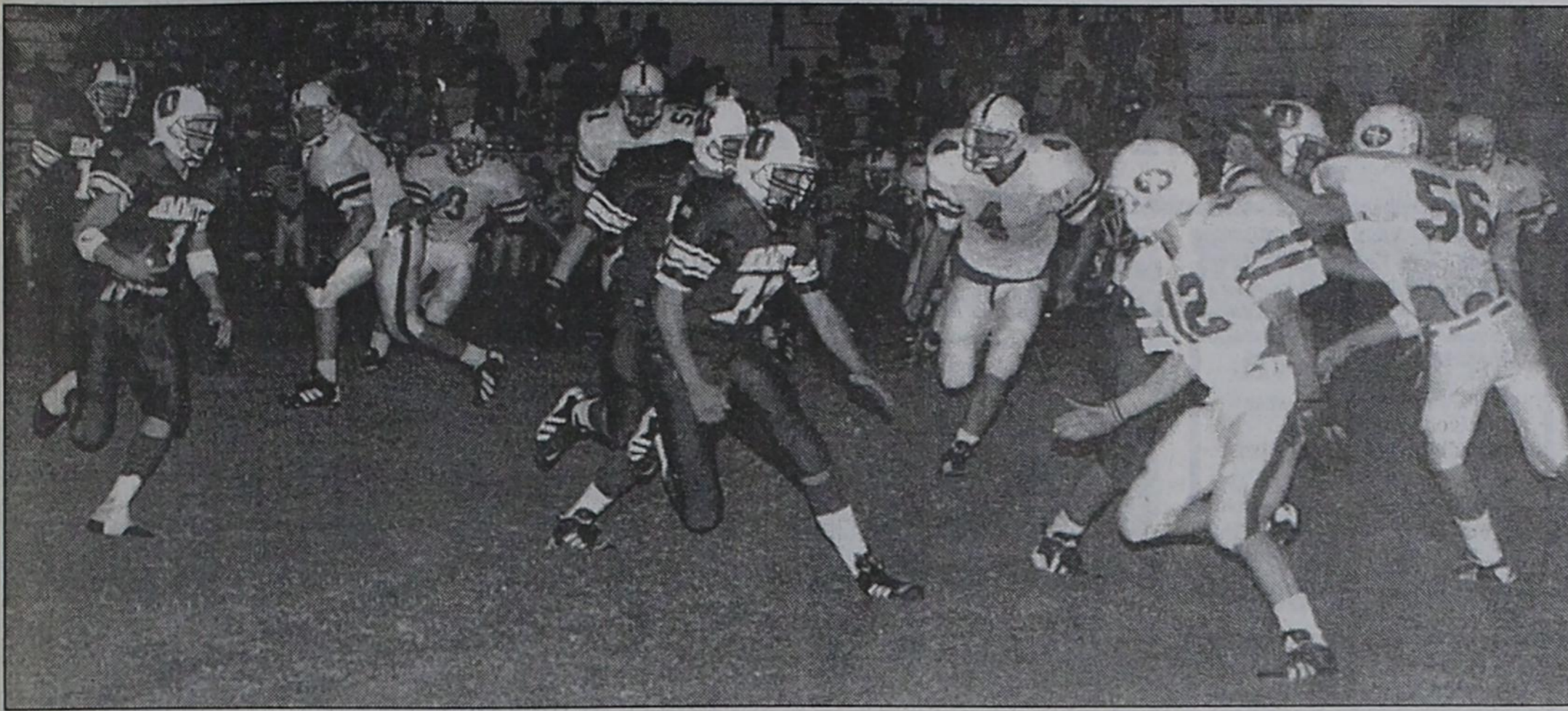
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## TOGETHER WE CAN

**Farm Bureau Members:**  
 Don't forget to mark **SATURDAY, OCT. 18** on your calendar!

That's the date of our 1997 Castro County Farm Bureau Convention, to be held in the DHS Cafeteria, starting at 6:30 p.m. We'll have **BARBECUED BRISKET, HOMEMADE ICE CREAM, DOOR PRIZES**, a short business meeting, and talks by **STATE PRESIDENT BOB STALLMAN** and your Citizenship Seminar students.

If you have not mailed your postcard in, please call Karen at 647-5106.



**SETTING UP A SCORE**—Dimmitt blockers clear the way for running back Stuart Sutton (1) to reel off a 24-yard gain early in the fourth quarter of the Bobcats' district game against Sanford-Fritch here Friday

night. This play carried to the S-F 11-yard line, and two plays later Sutton ran the final four yards for the TD, giving the Bobcats a 33-0 lead with 11:08 left in the game. The Bobcats went on to post a 47-0 shutout.

Photo by Carter Townsend

★ **POWER POINTS FOOTBALL CONTEST** ★

**Kelley gives in to wife, wins Week 6 contest**

His wife made him do it, Ewell Kelley said. Good thing. He won the Week 6 POWER POINTS Football Contest and this week's \$20 cash prize from the News.

"Nell makes me enter the contest," Kelley said. "She gets an idea on some of the games and gets me to pick some long shots. I guess you could call it a combined effort. I put my name on the entry form, but this week I'd have to say she won it."

Kelley, a big sports fan who is retired and whose main job is "checking on my grandsons," topped almost 50 other local pickers with 115 points of a possible 136.

It was a dreary week for most Texas pickers, thanks to the Cowboys' upset by the Giants, Green Bay's upset by Tampa Bay and the Texas Longhorns' loss to Oklahoma State.

Bold strokes were called for in the statewide contest, and Bettie M. DuBose, a disabled, 50-year-old widowed grandma from Cuero, proved she had the right stuff.

Rather than pick the 'Boyz for big points, DuBose went the other way and nailed the NY Giants' upset for 14 big ones. That stroke and a few more like it left her with 125 points, the \$1,000 grand prize and state braggin' rights.

Asked how she achieved the bold feat, DuBose replied, "I just kinda guessed, I guess."

DuBose entered the contest through the Cuero Record.

This week's POWER POINTS Football Contest is on Page 10. To enter, just make your picks according to the rules, clip out the form and turn it in at the News office, 108 W. Bedford St., before 2 p.m. Friday. Good luck!

**Technology grants to aid NISD, HISD**

Nazareth and Hart Independent School Districts are among school districts across the state that have been awarded technology grants.

Members of the Panhandle Information Network (PIN) have been awarded \$10.6 million in two technology grants.

A \$6.1 million grant from the Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board (TFIB) was awarded to the PIN Internet Collaborative (PIC) to provide direct Internet connectivity to 46 of the smallest school districts in the Panhandle.

A \$4.5 million grant from the Texas Education Agency Texas Technology Literacy Challenge Fund Initiative has been awarded to the Region 16 Education Service Center on behalf of the PIN Video Collaborative (PVC) to install a two-way interactive video conferencing network in the Panhandle.

The PIC grant project includes Nazareth and Hart schools as well as Adrian, Allison, Booker, Bovina, Canadian, Channing, Claude, Darrouzett, Follett, Fort Elliott, Grandview-Hopkins, Groom, Gruver, Happy, Hartley, Hedley, Higgins, Highland Park, Kelton, Kress, Lakeview, Lazbuddie, Lefors, McLean, Memphis, Miami, Panhandle, Pringle-Morse, Samnorwood, Sanford, Shamrock, Silverton, Spearman, Spring Creek, Stratford, Sunray, Texhoma, Texline, Vega, Walcott, Wellington, Wheeler, White Deer and Wildorado.

This \$6.1 million grant will provide direct Internet access, computers, printers and training. The grant also provides for the creation of centrally-managed services such as e-mail, web page and telecommunications support.

The PIN Video Collaborative includes schools in Hart, Adrian, Allison, Amarillo, Borger, Bovina, Channing, Canadian, Canyon, Childress, Clarendon, Dalhart, Darrouzett, Farwell, Follett, Friona, Groom, Highland Park, Kress, Lazbuddie, McLean, Panhandle, Pringle-Morse, Plemmons-Stinnet-Phillips, Pampa, Stratford, Sunray, Texhoma, Texline, Tulia and Wheeler.

This \$4.5 million grant will provide training to core teams from these 34 Panhandle schools in order to integrate technology into the curriculum.

Training will be delivered via 15 two-way interactive video-conferencing sites located at Canadian, Childress, Clarendon, Dalhart, Hart, Spearman, Stratford, Sunray, Tulia and McLean schools, Amarillo High School, Caprock High School, Amarillo-area Center for Advanced Learning, Region 16 Education Service Center and West Texas A&M University.

Each participating campus will also receive laptop computers which will serve as educator workstations throughout the professional development program.

The Panhandle Information Network is a consortium of governmental and public nonprofit institutions, entities and organizations formed to plan, coordinate and facilitate the cooperative development and operation of a regional integrated

telecommunications network.

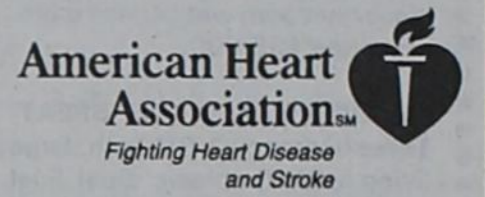
PIN's network includes 63 independent school districts, Region 16 Education Service Center, West Texas A&M University, Amarillo College, Clarendon College, Frank Phillips College, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at Amarillo, 13 public libraries, Harrington Library Consortium, six county and/or city governments, and Panhandle Regional Planning

Commission.

By working together in a true partnership, member organizations have provided innumerable volunteer hours in support of the technical design and grant writing efforts.

The two grants to the Panhandle region will establish infrastructure for the support of telecommunications to provide future opportunities for the citizens in the Texas Panhandle.

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**More about**

**Big games . . .**

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Lockney has a 4-1 non-conference record, with its only loss coming to Dimmitt in the season opener, 28-13. But since then, Lockney has been on a roll, knocking off Floydada, Post, Abernathy and Petersburg.

Lockney has outscored opponents by a combined 158-67 this season.

Lockney's offense is ranked among the best on the South Plains among Class AA teams. Through its multi-I formation, Lockney has racked up 1,595 yards rushing and 372 yards passing so far this year for an average of 393.4 yards per game.

Adam Cummings (6-1, 175) is Lockney's quarterback and he's a threat to run with the ball. He scored on a 54-yard race to the end zone against Petersburg Friday.

He can throw too, and when he does, he'll look for wide receivers Charles Van Zandt (5-10, 190) and J.R. Walker (6-1, 185).

Devon Phillips is the Longhorns' leading ground gainer. The 6-0, 180-lb. running back has already gained more than 500 yards this season and he's scored 49 points. Joining him in the backfield is Miguel Guerrero (5-10, 170), who is also a threat to burn defenses. Guerrero scored on a 42-yard run against Petersburg that secured Lockney's win Friday.

The line features Josh Lambert (5-10, 170), Tyson McDonald (a5-10, 175), Bradley Veal (6-0, 205) and Jeff Archer (5-11, 165).

Lockney's 4-3 defense has allowed an average of 218.8 yards per outing. Linebacker Van Zandt is one of the key cogs in the lineup along with David Hernandez (5-10, 195), Lambert and Ryon Smith (5-10, 150) on the defensive line; and Walker, Willie Luna (5-7, 140) and Phillips in the secondary. Joining Van Zandt at linebacker is Anthony Poole (5-10, 170).

**More about City . . .**

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traffic speed in that neighborhood.

The council gave approval for Deanne Clark to serve as the election judge for the special election set Nov. 4 to fill the vacancy in District 3, left when Henry Acevedo moved away.

Collins reported that the city's proposal for the Juvenile Corrections Facility was one among 40 submitted, and that it did arrive in Austin in a timely manner. He said word should be received by December if the proposal makes the "short list," from which a final selection would be made.

# Classified Advertising Buy, Sell or Trade



### 1—Real Estate Homes & Land

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### 20—Help Wanted

**TEXAS REFINERY CORP.** needs mature person now in DIMMITT area. Regardless of training, write W. B. Hopkins, Dept. W-79027, Box 711, Ft. Worth, TX 76101-0711. 20-30-2tc

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**HELP WANTED:** Clerk III: Salary \$1,361 per month. Texas Department of Human Services, 204 Southeast 3rd, Dimmitt, Texas. Qualifications: Graduation from an accredited high school, plus one year of full-time experience in a clerical or administrative capacity (See General Job Announcement Rx-010-97-005 for other qualifications). Duties include: performing a variety of clerical tasks including filing, typing and answering phones. Some positions require use of a computer. Applications available at the address of vacancy. Submit to: Regional HRS office, Texas Department of Human Services, PO Box 10528, Lubbock, Texas 79408; (806) 472-2500. Applications accepted through Oct. 15, 1997. Texas Department of Human Services is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 20-26-2tc

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### 22—Notices

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS**, 945-2553, 22-26-5tc

### 24—Card of Thanks

**CARD OF THANKS**  
The Dimmitt Bobbies would like to thank everyone who donated to our car wash. We appreciate your support. 24-27-1tx

**DRIVERS: OWNER OPERATOR** & company driver, Dalworth/ARNOLD is offering w/Class A/CDL. Call 1-800-454-2887.

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24—Card of Thanks

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Thanks to all my friends and neighbors for the kind words, cards, phone calls, and memorials in the loss of my only sister, Nellie Capley. God bless each one.

CLEO FORSON  
24-27-1tc

CARD OF THANKS

God has not promised skies always blue, Flower-strewn pathways all our lives through;

God has not promised seen without rain. Joy without sorrow, peace without pain.

But God has promised strength for the day,

Rest for the weary, light for the way, Grace for the trials, help from above, Unfailing sympathy, undying love.

Annie Johnson Flint

You have been our strength for the day with your expressions of love and concern in the loss of our loved one. Our hearts have been touched in a very special way. May God's blessings be yours!

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& FAMILY  
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25—Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE  
NO. 2273

THE ESTATE OF  
LESTER SCHULTE, DECEASED  
IN THE COUNTY COURT  
OF CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING  
CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF  
LESTER SCHULTE, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of LESTER SCHULTE were issued on October 6, 1997 in Cause No. 2273 pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas to ELIZABETH SCHULTE, whose address is as follows:  
ELIZABETH SCHULTE, 7723 Pine Street, Dimmitt, TX 79027.

All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law to ELIZABETH SCHULTE at the above address.

DATED this 6th day of October, 1997.  
ELIZABETH SCHULTE,  
Independent Executrix of the Estate  
of LESTER SCHULTE, Deceased  
25-27-1tc

LEGAL NOTICE

The City of Dimmitt is accepting sealed bids for:  
(1) Case backhoe, 580 C, 1981 model.  
(1) 1980 Dodge 4-wheel drive pickup. Has a good motor but rear end needs some work.  
(1) 1990 International, flatbed, diesel engine.

Please send bids to the City of Dimmitt, P.O. Box 146, Dimmitt, TX 79027, in care of Don Sheffy, by 12:00 (noon), Monday, October 20, 1997. Bids will be opened at the regular City Council Meeting on October 20, 1997 at 6:30 p.m.  
25-27-2tc

More about

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ruled a touchback.

Yes, life sometimes is unfair.

But wait.

Fast-forward to the fourth quarter. 5:45 left in the game. Sanford-Fritch is behind, 40-0, and faces fourth-and-10 at their own 20. The Eagles have nothing else to lose. They decide to try a fake punt.

Bad decision. The punter runs left with the ball but is bulldogged at the 15. The ball squirts loose.

And guess who's there to scoop it up and trot into the end zone with a freebie TD?

Our man Charlie.

In between his non-touchdown and his freebie, Charlie sandwiched another TD on a 15-yard pass play; dragging five Sanford-Fritch players into the end zone with him.

I'll bet they weren't hanging onto him nearly as hard as he was hanging onto the ball.

I don't know where Roger Enlow, editor and columnist at Granbury's *Hood County News*, found these gems, but they're too good not to pass on:

KIDS' THOUGHTS  
CONCERNING LOVE

Concerning the origin of love:

"Cupid kissed God and that got the ball rolling."  
—Julio, age 9

Concerning why love happens between two particular people:

"No one is sure why it happens, but I heard it has something to do with how you smell—that's why perfume and deodorant are so popular."  
—Mae, age 9

"I think you're suppose to get shot with an arrow, but the rest of it isn't so painful."  
—Manuel, age 8

On the role of beauty and handsomeness in love:

"It isn't always just how you look. Look at me. I'm handsome like anything but I haven't got anybody to marry me yet."  
—Brian, age 7

"Beauty is skin deep, but how rich you are can last a long time."  
—Joel, age 8

How do people in love typically behave?

"Mooshy . . . like puppy dogs . . . except puppy dogs don't wag their tails nearly so much."  
—Arnold, age 10

"When a person gets kissed for the first time, they fall down and they

don't get up for at least an hour."

—Wendy, age 8

Confidential opinions about love:

"Love will find you, even if you are trying to hide from it. I have been trying to hide from it since I was five, but the girls keep finding me."  
—Dave, age 8

"I'm not rushing into being in love. I'm finding fourth grade hard enough."  
—Regina, age 10

"Yesterday I kissed a girl in a private place. We were behind a tree."  
—Carey, age 7

Some sure-fire ways to make a person fall in love with you:

"Tell them that you own a whole bunch of candy stores."  
—Del, age 6

"Shake your hips and hope for the best."  
—Camille, age 9

How can you tell if two adults eating dinner at a restaurant are in love?

"Lovers will just be staring at each other and their food will get cold. Other people care more about their food."  
—Bart, age 9

How to make love endure:

"Be a good kisser. It might make your wife forget that you never take out the trash."  
—Dave, age 8



4-H Prayer

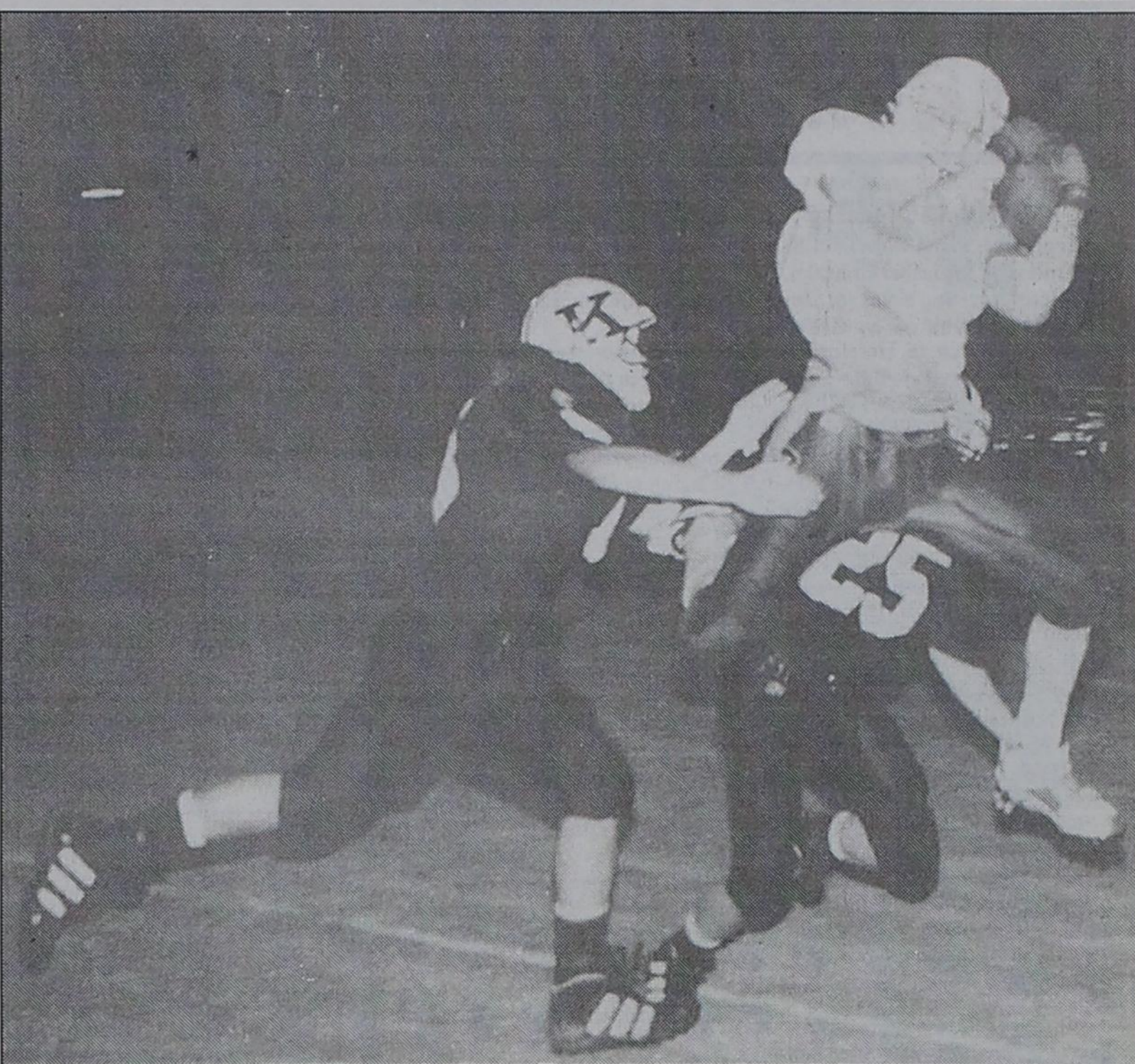
"Help me, O Lord,  
to live so that the  
world may be  
a little better be-  
cause Thou didst  
make me."

4-H Motto  
& Pledge

In support of the 4-H Club Motto,  
To Make the Best Better, I pledge:

My Head to clearer thinking,  
My Heart to greater loyalty,  
My Hands to larger service,  
and My Health to better living.

For my club, my community, my  
country and my world.



ON TARGET—Nazareth's Barry Hoelting leaps high in the air and snags a pass from quarterback Mitchell Brockman with 1:05 left in first half action of a District 2-A matchup between the Swifts and Kress Friday at Kress. Hoelting was knocked out-of-bounds

by Kress defenders at the Kangaroo 45-yard line. The Swifts jumped out to a 13-0 lead early in the second, but Kress came back to cut the lead to 13-7 at intermission, then scored again with just over three minutes left in the game to take a 14-13 win.

Photo by Anne Acker

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- Naz Stop, Nazareth
- The Pancake House
- Pay & Save Food, Hart
- Red X Travel Center
- Richard's Town Pump
- Town & Country Food Store



# Obituaries

## Isabel Gonzales

Funeral services were held Saturday morning for Isabel Gonzales, 72, of Hereford, the sister of Joseph Ortega of Dimmitt, at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Hereford, with Monsignor Orville Blum, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in St. Anthony's Catholic Cemetery under direction of Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Gonzales died Oct. 1 in Hereford Care Center.

She was born April 27, 1925, in Clovis, N.M. She married Delfino Gonzales on May 27, 1946, in Clovis. She was a member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church, St. Anthony's Prayer Group and the Christian Mothers. She had worked at Fred Harvey's Restaurant in Clovis and Baker's Grocery in Hereford. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Richard of Uvalde; three sisters, Edna Le Claire of Hereford, and Delores Arnejo and Juanita Ortega, both of Clovis; a brother, Joseph Ortega of Dimmitt; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.



## Gennie Bruton

Gennie Bruton, 82, of Dimmitt, died at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt after a lengthy illness.

Services were held Tuesday morning in the Ivey Chapel at Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home in Dimmitt with Rev. Jim Hardwick, Hospice Chaplin; and Rev. Howard Rhodes, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. The eulogy was given by Paul Talley, her grandson.

Burial followed at Castro Memorial Gardens in Dimmitt under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bruton was born Jan. 10, 1915, in DeKalb County, Tennessee. She lived in Lazbuddie before moving to Dimmitt in 1958.

She married Forrest Lee "Jack" Bruton on Dec. 29, 1945, in Pratt, Kan. He died in 1960.

She was a member of the Rebekah Lodge and was employed by the Dimmitt Independent School District as a cafeteria worker for 20 years.

Survivors include two sons, Chuck Bruton of Amarillo and Glenn Bruton of Atlanta, Ga.; a daughter, Linda Talley of Waco; and three grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Plains Memorial Hospice Care, 112 West Jones Street, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

## George Brockman

George Brockman, 93, of Canyon, former Nazareth resident, died Friday at Golden Plains Care Center in Canyon.

Vigil services were held Sunday evening in the Holley Funeral Home Chapel in Canyon.

Funeral mass was read Monday morning at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Umbarger with Father Pat Carathers of St. Hyacinth's Catholic Church in Amarillo, and Father Jim Hutzler of St. Mary's Catholic Church, officiating. Burial followed in Umbarger Cemetery under the direction of Holley Funeral Home.

Mr. Brockman was born Aug. 17, 1904, in St. Stephens, Neb. He moved to Nazareth in 1907, and later moved to Umbarger in 1941.

He married Mary Albracht on Sept. 4, 1928. He was a farmer and was elevator manager for Bunge and Farmer's Elevator in Umbarger.

He was a pianist and was choir director for St. Mary's Catholic Church. He was a community volunteer.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Bob Brockman of Amarillo; a daughter, Ormalene Artho of Wildorado; two brothers, Ernest Brockman of Nazareth and Victor Brockman of Midland; three sisters, Sister Jane Frances Brockman of Fort Smith, Ark., Martha Woods of Easton, Md., and Mattie Swirczynski of Muenster; 19 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

## Rudy Medrano

Funeral Mass for Rudy R. Medrano, 37, of Floydada, the brother of Yolanda Medrano of Hart, was said Friday morning in St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church of Floydada, with Rev. John Ohlig officiating.

Rosary was held last Thursday evening in Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home Memorial Chapel.

Burial was in Floyd County Memorial Park.

Mr. Medrano died Oct. 1 in St. Mary Hospital in Lubbock.

He was born June 11, 1960, in Pecos. He graduated from Floydada High School and attended St. Edwards University in Austin. He was a member of St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church. He was an employment interviewer for the Texas Workforce Commission in Floydada.

Survivors include his parents, Alfredo and Elvira Medrano of Floydada; four brothers, Henry of Floydada, Alfredo of Plainview, and David and Daniel, both of Lubbock; seven sisters, Sylvia Medrano of Lubbock, Yolanda Medrano of Hart, Christina Medrano of Sweetwater, Amelia Gonzales of Plainview, Blanca Castillo of Amarillo, and Margaret Medrano and Elsa Medrano, both of Floydada; and his maternal grandmother, Ramona Silvas of Twin Falls, Idaho.



The Arctic tern spends three months of each year in the arctic regions, three months in the Antarctic and almost six months in the air.

# Farm Credit sees first half growth

The Farm Credit Bank of Texas and its affiliated lending associations reported loan volume growth of \$88.4 million for the first six months of the year, according to Tenth Farm Credit District financial results released this week.

Total volume at mid-year was \$3.97 billion, an increase of 2.3% from year-end 1996 loan volume. During the six-month period, the mortgage lending portfolio posted a 3.1% increase, driven largely by growth in the timber industry. Production lending volume held by Production Credit Association (PCAs) grew by \$4.8 million during the first six months of 1997.

District net income totaled \$36.4 million for the six-month period, a decrease of \$11.1 million for the first six months of 1996. Net income was impacted by both a decrease in net

interest income and by an increase in loan loss provisions.

"We are extremely pleased with the financial performance of the district thus far this year," said Farm Credit Bank of Texas CEO Arnold R. Henson. "We are beginning to see some deterioration in the repayment abilities of some borrowers as they begin to experience the residual effects of last year's drought. We expect that trend to continue over the short term as those producers complete their 1997 growing season and bring their debt current."

"Nonetheless, district associations are in sound financial health and the districts continues to be on target with its goals for the year," Henson said.

Member equity in the district continues to grow and at mid-year totaled \$898 million, up from \$879 million at year-end 1996. Total assets were \$4.5 billion, compared to \$4.4 billion at December 31, 1996.

The Farm Credit Bank of Texas and its affiliated Production Credit Associations and Federal Land Bank Associations are member-owned lending cooperatives serving producers in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico and Texas.

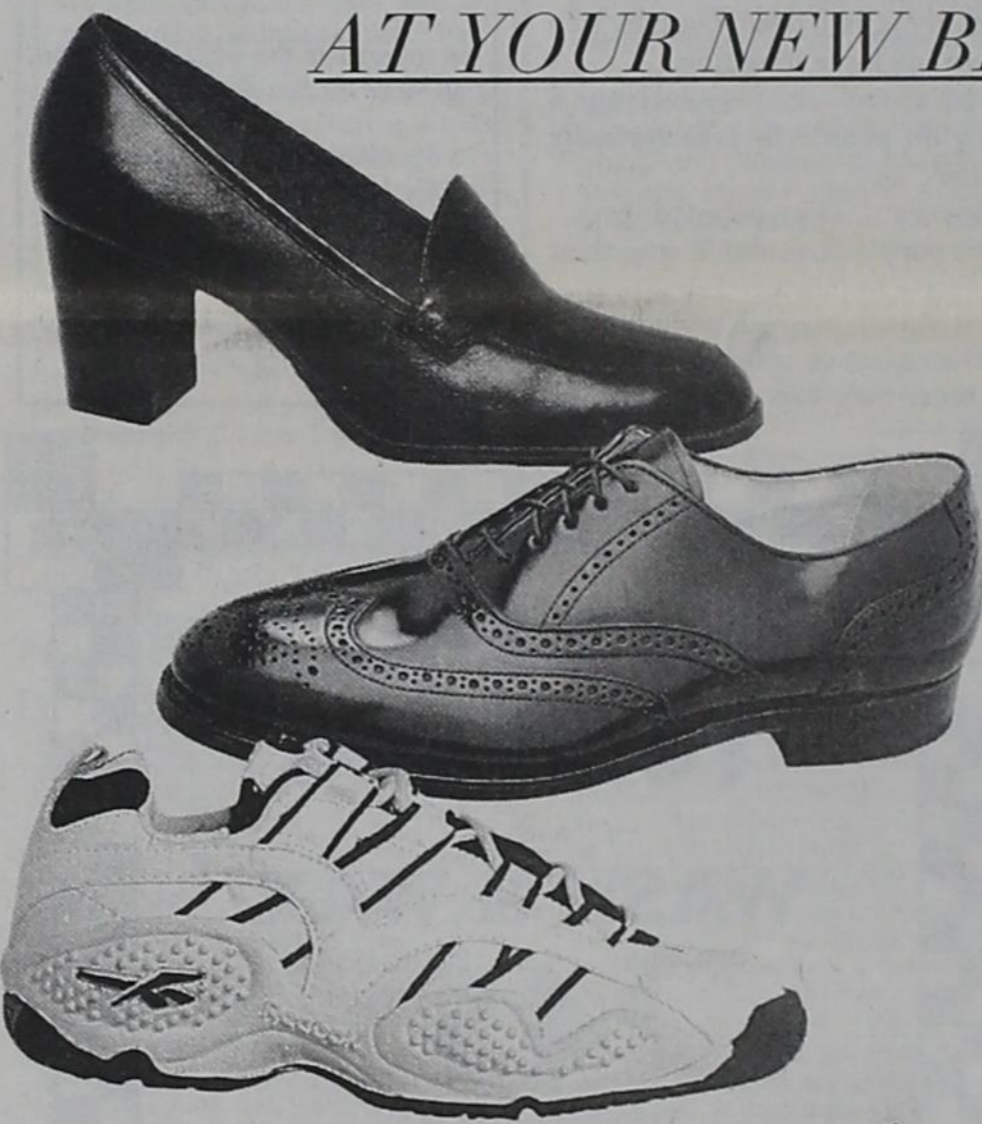


**PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECT**—These 4-H members are cleaning windshields for free as a special observance Saturday afternoon to kick off National 4-H Week Oct. 5-11. Nineteen youth and their sponsors set up the washing service on the northeast corner of the courthouse square in Dimmitt. Here, they are washing Angel Garibaldi's windshield. 4-H'ers and

sponsors shown are (from left) Holly Lane, Jeffrey Stovall, Jaci Bishop, Mary Alice Lane and Jeremy Furr. In the background, Stanley Maurer is holding up a sign to get drivers to stop. Nazareth 4-H members performed a similar project Saturday evening, washing the windshields of cars parked at the church in Nazareth. Photo by Linda Maxwell

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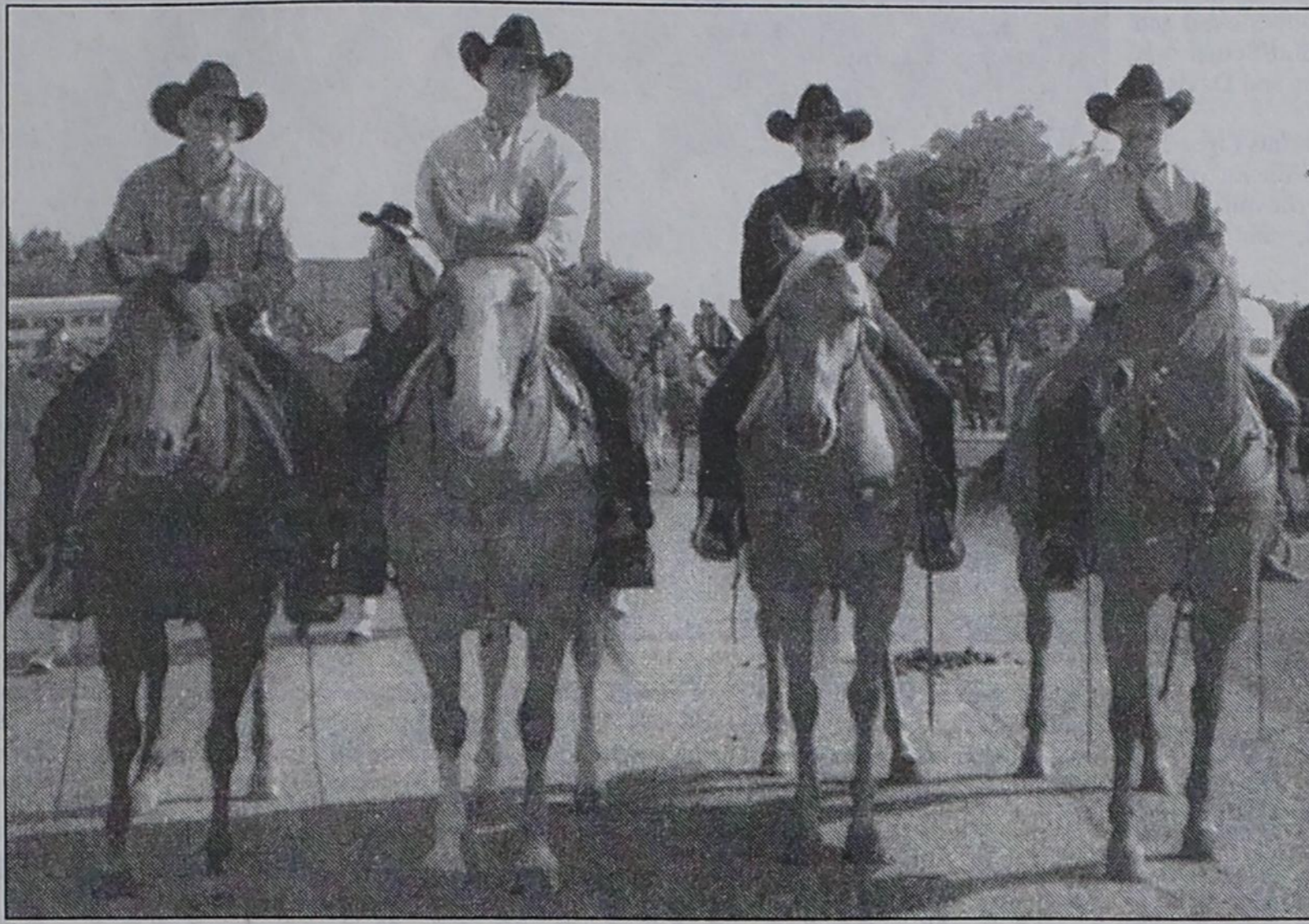


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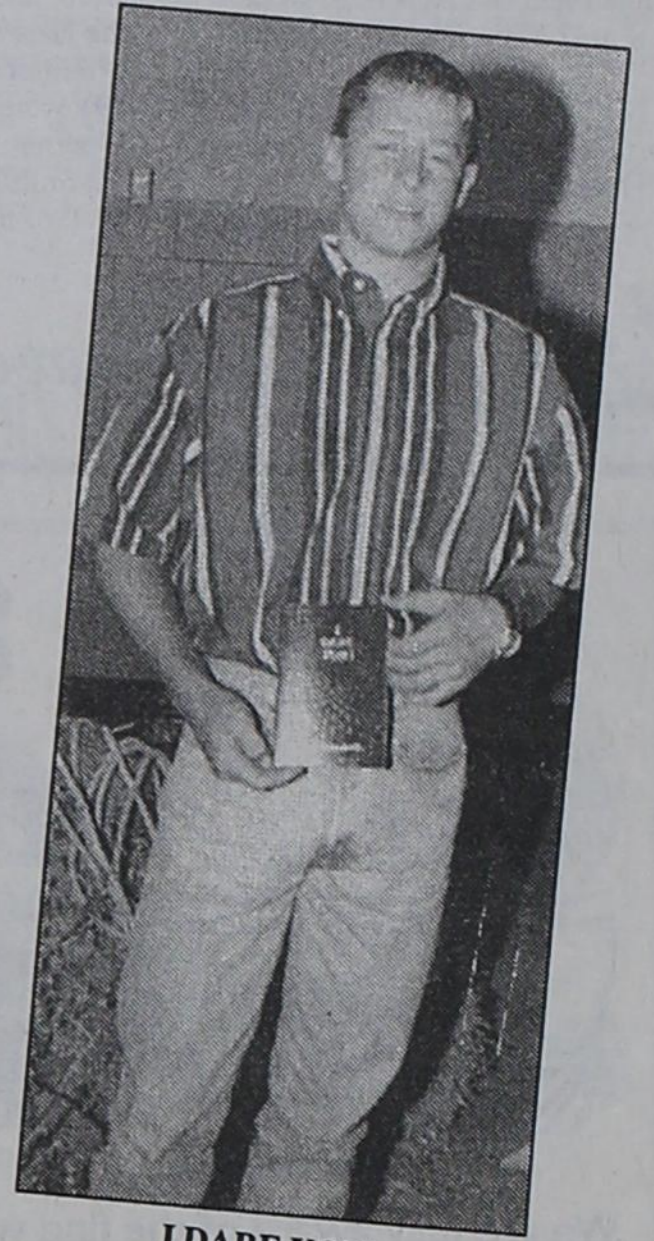
**SILVER STAR WINNER**  
... Melanie Book  
Photo by Anne Acker



**STATE STARS**—The Castro County 4-H Horse Judging Team captured the state championship this year and continues to pile up awards as they compete in national competitions. The group is planning to compete in the American Quarter Horse Association

World Congress competition in Ohio this month. Pictured are (from left) Rusty McDaniel, Cody Annen, Kristin Hales and their advisor, Scott Bagley. Not pictured is team member Rusty Wooten.

Courtesy Photo



**I DARE YOU!**  
... Wesley Mays wins award  
Photo by Anne Acker



**1997 GOLD STAR GUY**  
... Rusty McDaniel (left) introduced by 1947 winner, Emma Jean King  
Photo by Anne Acker



**1997 GOLD STAR GIRL**  
... Awarded to Susan Book (right) by Extension Agent Marilyn Neal  
Photo by Anne Acker



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- Treasurer ..... Rusty Wooten
- Reporter ..... Kristin Hales
- District Delegates ..... Rusty McDaniel & Susan Book



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- Council Delegate ..... Rachel Wall

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- 2nd Vice President ..... Jeremy Furr
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- Reporter ..... Holly Lane
- Council Delegate ..... Shane Furr



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- Council Delegate ..... Kaci Schulte

# Hart 4-H'ers placed at district food show

Two Junior 4-H'ers from Hart placed at the District 2 4-H Food Show in Levelland last November. Adrienne Hart finished third in the Junior I Bread and Cereals category while Melanie Davis finished third in Junior II Main Dish competition.

Nine 4-H'ers from Castro County participated in the district food show. Participating in the Junior I division (ages 9-11) were Hart, and

Kimberly Brockman of the Nazareth 4-H Club. Entries in the Junior II division (ages 11-13) were Jody Stovall and Holly Lane of Dimmitt/Bethel 4-H Club, and Aaron Hart and Davis of the Hart 4-H Club. Senior division entrants (ages 14-19) were Vanessa Wilhelm of the Nazareth 4-H, Jeff Stovall of the Dimmitt/Bethel 4-H, and Rachel Wall of the Hart 4-H.



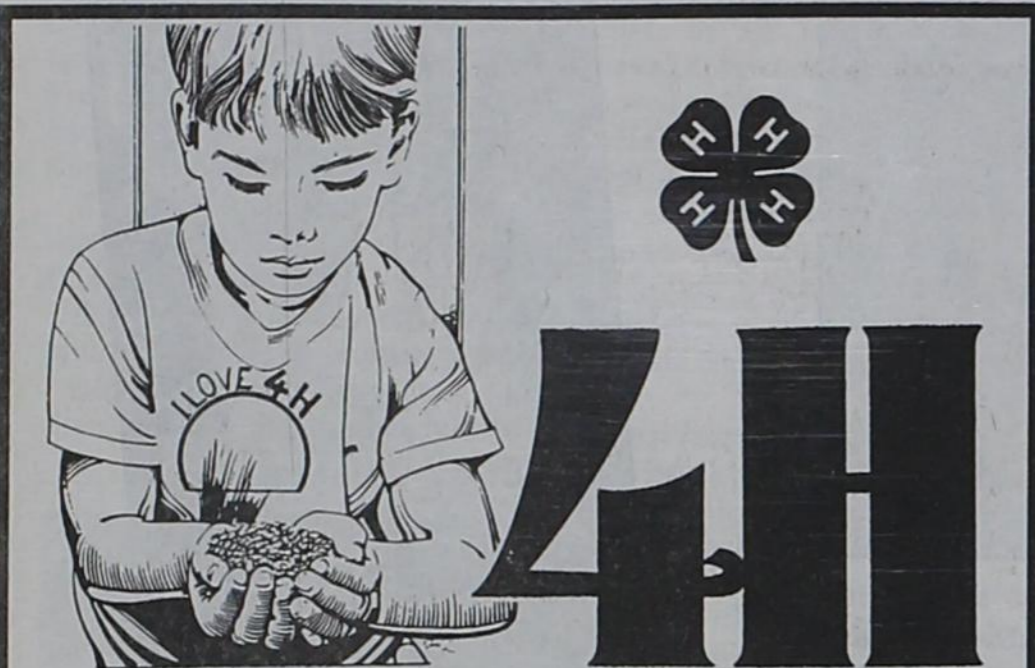
FIRST PLACE WINNERS at the Castro County 4-H Food Show last October included (back row, from left) Susan Book, Holly Lane, Jeffrey Stovall, Rachel Wall and Melanie Davis; and (front row, from left) Aaron Hart,

Kimberly Brockman, Jody Stovall and Adrienne Hart. Not pictured is Vanessa Wilhelm. First-place winners advanced to the District Food Show in Levelland in November 1996. Photo by Neoma Williams

# Wesley Mays gets I Dare You award

Wesley Mays was presented the 1997 "I Dare You" award at the 4-H Achievement Banquet in August. Mays, a 1997 graduate of Dimmitt High School, has been an active member of the Dimmitt-Bethel 4-H Club for 10 years. He is the son of Anthony and Mary Mays of Dimmitt. Mays demonstrated leadership in a variety of ways during his 4-H career. He worked with many projects including sheep, steer and swine, and was a member of the trap and skeet team. The Danforth "I Dare You" award is presented to 4-H'ers in recognition of excellence in character and well-balanced personal development as well as leadership potential. In addition to the national recognition received, the award provides the recipient with a copy of William H. Danforth's book, *I Dare You*, and a personalized certificate.

## 4-H For The Future of Our Youth



We are fully aware of the fine work being done by the Castro County 4-H Clubs, and it is a privilege and pleasure to extend congratulations.

### Cargill Grain Division

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Hart

# Brockman serves up best dish at county food show

Kimberly Brockman prepared a dish in the nutritious snacks and desserts category that earned her overall best of show honors in the 1996 Castro County Food Show, which was held Oct. 26, 1996, at Hart High School. Brockman competed in the Junior I competition, and her entry was judged best among entries in Junior I, Junior II and Senior categories. She also earned high-point individual honors in Junior I. Other high-point winners were Melanie Davis in Junior II and Rachel Wall in Senior.

Michael Horn won this year's Rookie Award, presented to a first-time food show participant with the highest score. There were 23 county 4-H'ers participating in the show. Many parents, siblings and others attended the "tasting tea," held in conjunction with the show. The guests were able to sample each 4-H'er's dish. Winners in the Junior I competition were: **Breads and Cereals:** 1. Adrienne Hart, 2. Michael Horn, 3. Meggie Lemons, 4. Cinnamon Trotter. **Nutritious Snacks and Desserts:** 1. Kimberly Brockman. Junior II winners included:

**Main Dish:** 1. Melanie Davis, 2. Jeremy Bishop, 3. Thomas Brockman, 4. Corey Lane. **Breads and Cereals:** 1. Aaron Hart, 2. Jennifer Wilhelm, 3. Jaci Bishop. **Fruits and Vegetables:** 1. Holly Lane. **Nutritious Snacks and Desserts:** 1. Jody Stovall. Seniors placing at Saturday's show were: **Main Dish:** 1. Vanessa Wilhelm. **Fruits and Vegetables:** 1. Rachel Wall. **Nutritious Snacks and Desserts:** 1. Susan Book. **Breads and Cereals:** 1. Jeffrey Stovall, 2. Melanie Book.

# Silver Star is presented to Melanie Book

Melanie Book of Nazareth was recognized at this year's 4-H Achievement Banquet for her work in several projects and she was presented with the Silver Star Award. The Silver Star Award was first presented to a county 4-H'er in 1993, and it is awarded to a Junior 4-H'er under the age of 15 for outstanding achievement in project areas and for leadership and community service. Book has been a member of the Dimmitt-Bethel 4-H Club for seven years. Her projects are Clothing and Textiles, Food and Nutrition, Dog, Family Life Education, Consumer Education and Leadership. During the past two years she has been active in Consumer Decision Making and she has done Method Demonstrations for several years. Book has attended state clothing camp two years and this year she attended Entrepreneurship Camp. She is the daughter of Chris and Becky Book.

# Record book winners are recognized

4-H'ers who completed project record books over the past year were recognized at the annual 4-H Achievement Banquet in August, and several were honored as having submitted the best book in their age group. Rusty McDaniel won the Best Senior Record Book award for his submission on his horse project. McDaniel's record book qualified for state and finished second. Other winners included Corey Lane, Best Junior II Record Book; and Adrienne Hart, Best Junior I Record Book. Awards were also presented to the top rookie 4-H record books in each division. Junior I Rookie winner was Ross Hunter. Thomas Brockman earned the Junior II Rookie award and Jeffrey Stovall won the Senior Rookie Award.



HIGH POINT OVERALL winners at last year's Castro County 4-H Food Show were (from left) Michael Horn, Rookie Award; Kimberly Brockman, Junior I and overall winner; Rachel Wall, Senior winner; and Melanie Davis, top Junior II competitor. Photo by Neoma Williams

We stand behind our 4-H program!

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## West Texas Rural Telephone Co-op

## They're 4-Hers

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# DIMMITT CONSUMERS

# Brockman seeks to 'make the best better'

**By KIMBERLY BROCKMAN**  
 Watch out, 4-H, here I come! I'm all set to make the best better. This is Kimberly Brockman speaking and I plan on getting to the top. So far I have accomplished quite a lot and this is only my third year. I am a member of the Nazareth 4-H Club. My mother belonged to the same club when she was in 4-H. My parents are Ralph and Sharon Brockman. I am the youngest in a family of five girls and one boy. My oldest sister, Missy, was my fourth-grade teacher. Jennifer is a librarian and Kristin is a student at West Texas A&M University. Mitchell attends Nazareth High School and is a 4-H member. Lesley is in junior high.

I live in Nazareth, a small farming community with a population of 315. My dad is an insurance adjustor/supervisor and my mother does day care in our home.

I joined the Nazareth 4-H Club when I was in the first grade. I was a Clover Kid for two years. The other members of my family have been 4-H members and I wanted to do the things they did.

I entered the food show as a Clover Kid two times and got blue ribbons.

My first year to enter as a real 4-H'er I made a main dish. It was called "Skillet Supper" and it was very easy to make. I studied my basic food groups and my main nutrients. I learned how important these nutrients are for my body. I learned the importance of proper measuring. I also learned how much fat, sugar and salt are in some snack foods.

All that studying helped me win first place in Junior I Main Dish competition and I won high-point overall, beating 22 other contestants.

Boy, did I feel proud! This was just my first year!

I went to the district food show and received a blue ribbon.

Last year I again received first place in Junior I Main Dish and went to the district food show. But I guess I didn't study enough.

## Club focuses on consumer decision making

The Consumer Decision Making 4-H Club is advised by Marilyn Neal. It meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the courthouse basement meeting room.

Officers are Susan Book, president; Bryce Pohlmeier, vice president; Holly Lane, secretary; Thomas Brockman, treasurer; Jeremy Bishop, reporter; Jaci Bishop, historian; and Melanie Book, council delegate.

Club members include: Robin Beames, Jaci Bishop, Jeremy Bishop, Melanie Book, Susan Book, Anna Brockman, Thomas Brockman, Gabriel Garcia, Brittany Heard, Niccole Heard, Holly Lane and Bryce Pohlmeier.

There's always next year! Well, next year is here. I got high-point overall again with my "Oatmeal Crunch Cookies."

I also took the clothing project as a Clover Kid for two years. I made a pair of shorts and put appliques on a t-shirt for my first project, and I modeled them in the county style show.

I made another pair of shorts and participated in the South Plains Fashion Follies.

Last year I made a pair of skirts and entered them in the Castro County Fair, where I received a blue ribbon; and in the South Plains Fair, where I got a third-place ribbon and some money.

I was too busy to enter this year, though.

Besides my 4-H projects I do a lot of other things. I like softball and basketball.

My Little Dribblers team won more games than we lost.

I enjoy helping my mother take care of the babies she keeps and I play games with the older children. My mother says she would like for me to stay home from school to help her!

But then I couldn't get a Perfect Attendance Award like I did last year.

4-H is fun. I get to meet new people and do new things and go to new places. I hope to learn a lot of new things in the future.

## Hart has 4-H Club

The Hart 4-H Club meets the second Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. at the community room of the Hale County State Bank in Hart. Club advisor is Marilyn Neal.

Officers are Stacy Finch as president, John Emery as vice president, Ashley Johnson as secretary, Kellie George as treasurer, Melanie Davis as reporter, and Rachel Wall as council delegate.

Club members include: Breann Brantley, Colt Brantley, Melanie Davis, Austin Dudley, John P. Emery, Stacy Finch, Kellie George, Aaron Hart, Adam Hart, Adrienne Hart, Ashley Johnson, Aubra McReynolds, Kimberley McReynolds, Whitney Mitchell, D'Neise Smith, and Rachel Wall.

## Council leads 4-H

The 4-H County Council is led by Rusty McDaniel as president, Kaci Schulte as vice president, Shane Furr as secretary, Rusty Wooten as treasurer, Kristin Hales as reporter, and Rusty McDaniel and Susan Book as district delegates. Other council members include Corey Lane, Stacey Finch, Rachel Wall, Jessica Kern, Mitchell Brockman, and Melanie Book.



**OUTSTANDING 4-H ADULT LEADER** for 1997 is Nacola Furr (right). Furr accepts a plaque from 4-H'er Mitchell Brockman during the 4-H Achievement Banquet, which was held in Austin. Furr has been an adult leader for nine years.

Photo by Anne Acker

## Furr receives 4-H adult leader award

4-H adult leaders have a vital role in the success of the county 4-H program, and several individuals have gone the extra mile in working with club members.

Each year the Castro County 4-H Council honors one individual as Outstanding Adult Leader and this year's award winner is Nacola Furr.

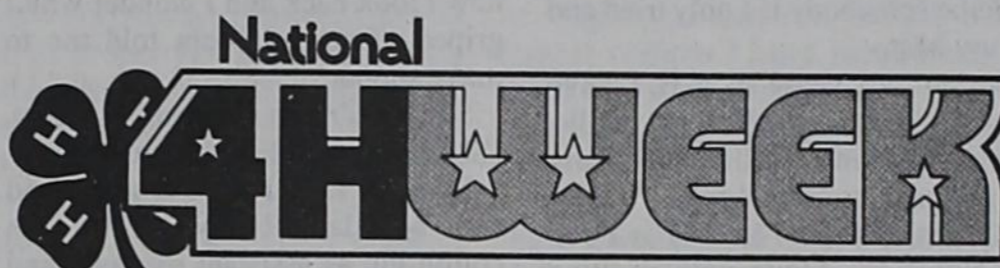
Furr has been a 4-H adult leader for more than nine years.

"Nacola has been dedicated to serving the Castro County 4-H in a

number of roles. Time, money and lots of care and concern are among the ways in which she has contributed to the program," said a spokesperson for the 4-H Council.

Furr's history of service includes serving as club manager, chairman of many committees and holding offices of treasurer, vice president and president for the Parent-Leader Council.

Furr was presented with a plaque at this year's 4-H Achievement Banquet, which was held in August.



## 4-H Nutrition and Fitness Programs

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# Nazareth 4-H Club varies meeting dates

With Rebel Royall as its advisor, the Nazareth 4-H Club specifies in its by-laws that meeting dates may vary each month. It generally meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Nazareth City Hall.

Officers are Jessica Kern as president, Matthew Kern as first vice president, Aaron Kern as second vice president, Bridget Hochstein as third vice president, Vanessa Wilhelm as secretary, Mitchell Brockman as treasurer, Jessica McGilvray as reporter, and Mitchell Brockman as

council delegate. Members include Leon Birkenfeld, Mandy Birkenfeld, Kimberly Brockman, Lesley Brockman, Mitchell Brockman, Bridget Hochstein, Kelsey Hochstein, Clay Hoelting, David Horn, Evan Huseman, Kendra Huseman, Kaytlin Huseman, Chandra Jordan, Aaron Kern, Jessica Kern, Matthew Kern, Susan Kern, Mark Lange, Jessica McGilvray, Brady Schulte, Jill Schulte, Keli Schulte, Macee Schulte, Stacey Schulte, and Vanessa Wilhelm.

## 4H Leads The Way To Achievement



### Building On Experience

Through the valuable training you receive in 4-H, you'll be more knowledgeable in your future business, profession or hobbies ... you'll be better able to know yourself and your capabilities ... and you'll be better equipped to expand the horizons of America.

We at Castro County Farm Bureau know the value of sound training and high ideals such as you receive in your 4-H work.

We commend all our 4-H'ers. May you continue to expand your personal horizons through your work in 4-H!

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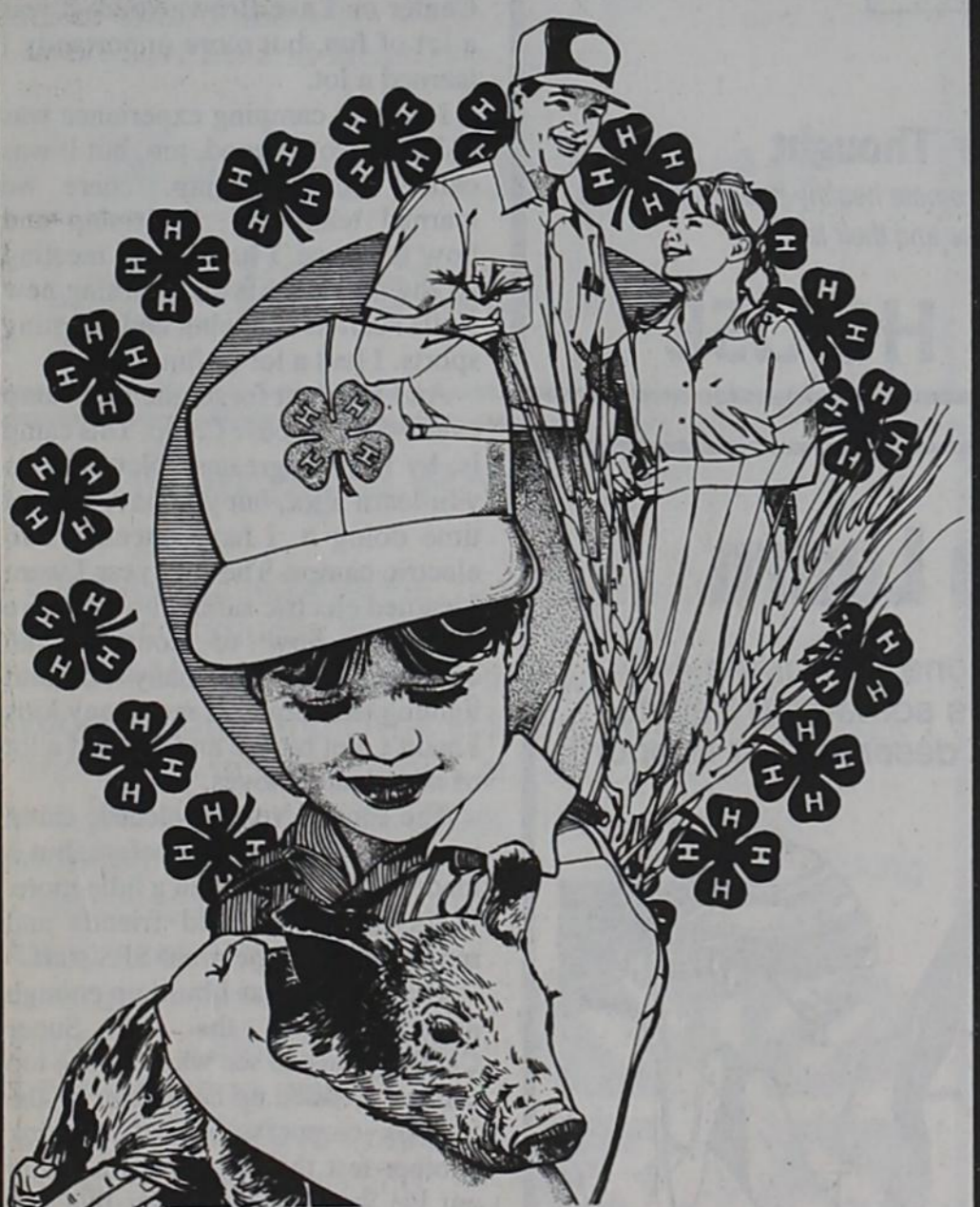
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## What's cooking with 4-H?

All those good things at the county food show are just the beginning of the fun and learning our Castro County 4-H'ers participate in. We hope this great program keeps right on growing!



## El Sombrero



When we invest in our 4-H programs, we're insuring the future of our community and our nation.

LET'S ALL SUPPORT OUR 4-H'ERS!

## Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative

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## Here's To You, 4-H

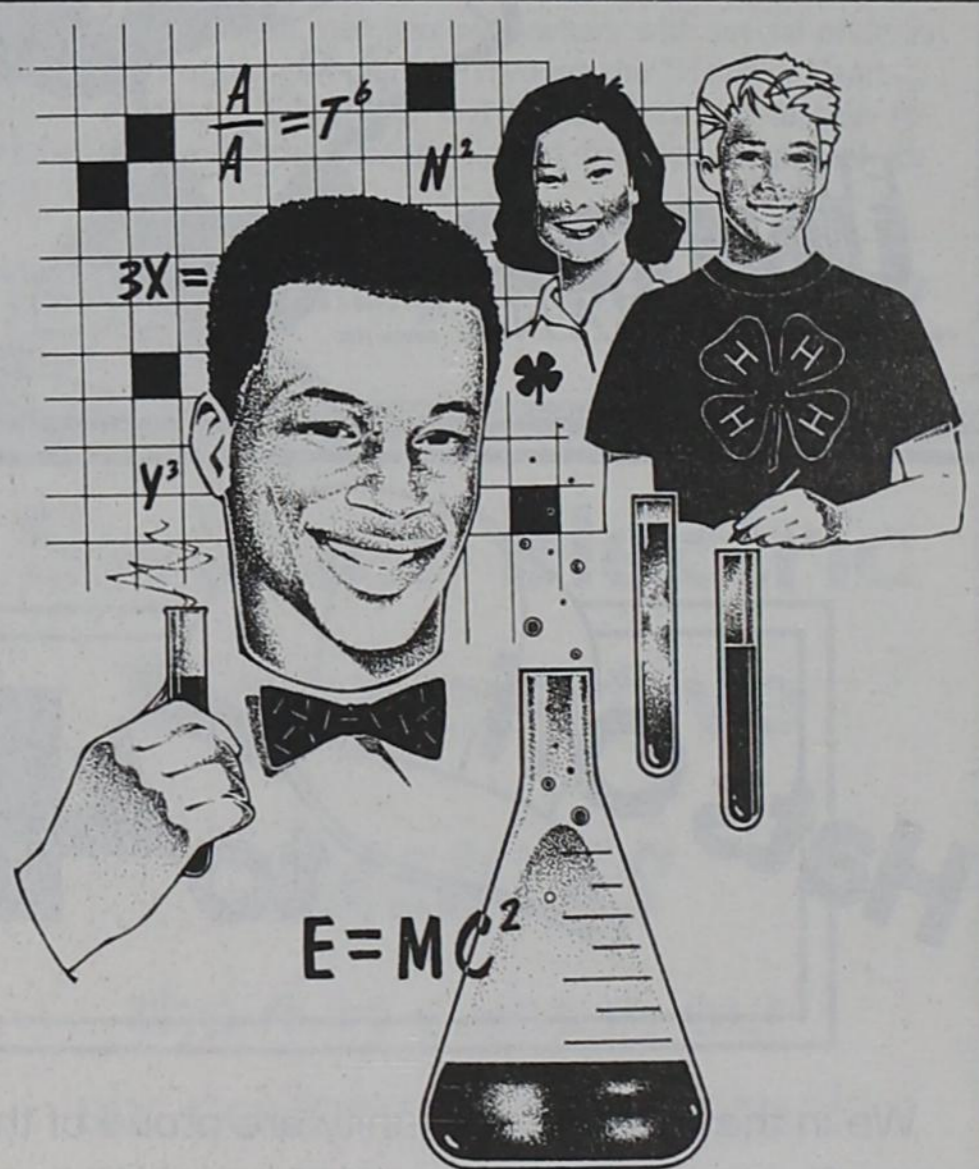


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## 4-H: The Formula For Success

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We salute our 4-H clubs and leaders for the fine work they do.

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**SUPER SEAMSTRESSES**—Castro County 4-H'ers (from left) Adrienne Hart, Susan Book and Melanie Book model outfits they made themselves during a 4-H fashion show held in conjunction with Castro County Harvest Days in August. The three were among several 4-H'ers participating in the show. *Photo by Anne Acker*

# 4-H teaches Wilhelm self-confidence

By VANESSA WILHELM  
The thrill of being the best, the disappointment of being defeated and great times all come along with being in 4-H.  
Hi! I'm Vanessa Wilhelm of the Nazareth 4-H Club in Castro County. As an active 4-H member I have felt many things when at contests or hanging out with 4-H friends.  
This year I experienced going to state roundup and competing in Method Demonstrations.  
Finding out that I had earned the trip to College Station gave me a feeling of triumph and self confidence. Before my contest at roundup I was very nervous. While I was giving my presentation I would scan over the audience and see all of those eyes watching me and counting on me to do my best.  
Once the contest was over I walked out of that room with a terrible feeling. I felt like I had done my worst and I felt like I didn't want to have anything to do with 4-H ever again in my life.  
But after it was all said and done and the results were posted I had learned to overcome my fears and the troubles that I meet up with in contests or in everyday life.  
When I joined 4-H five years ago I never thought it would teach me as much as it has. I joined because I liked being involved in everything and I was interested in meeting new people.  
The first year of 4-H I wasn't very involved. Then I realized that I had to be involved to be recognized, so I started getting more involved and I started getting recognized more. Getting recognized told me that I could be somebody if I only tried and did my best.  
During my years in 4-H I have learned many leadership skills, public speaking skills and many things about homemaking.  
My main interest in 4-H is Food and Nutrition. Along with cooking for food shows, I have learned about calcium and other vitamins and how big of a role each plays in everyone's diet. Cooking meals for my family and the community had led me to learn many lessons.  
I have learned that some meals can turn out delicious and others can turn out to be not so tasty.  
My first food and nutrition experience was when I helped my

mother can green beans and black-eyed peas. It was a lot of work but when all of the jars were sealed I decided to enter a pint of black-eyed peas and quart of green beans in the county fair. Both products earned first place and the green beans earned Best of Show. When I carried those blue ribbons and the Best of Show ribbon home I knew I had skill and I needed to use it.  
The next chance I got I participated in the county food show. The first food show I attended I served as a hostess. I listened as my fellow 4-H members were judged to see what I would be experiencing the next year.  
At the next year's county food show I entered a main dish and received first place. I moved on to district competition. I didn't place at district but I was satisfied with being able to compete.  
My next food and nutrition experience was a Method Demonstration. The topic for my demonstration was "Osteoporosis Prevention at My Age." I told of how calcium can help teens my age to prevent osteoporosis in the future. I discovered that getting your calcium and eating your vegetables can really help you.  
I know sometimes veggies can be pretty nasty, but hey, they're good for you.  
I received second place at district with my Method Demonstration and 11th place at state roundup.  
During my 4-H years and prior to that I had cooked many family meals. Both of my parents work outside of the home, so I've had to learn a lot of stuff on my own. But now I look back and I wonder why I griped when my Mom told me to make supper.  
Since we're on the family subject, I'll tell you a little bit about mine.  
Like all kids I have a mom and dad. My dad, Rocky, works at a cotton gin as assistant manager and plans on becoming manager within the next year. During his after hours he helps my granddad and my uncle with their farming and ranching needs.  
Having him as a farmer on the side, I have learned how a tractor works and how to chop weeds out of the cotton fields.  
Everyone says that fun always comes out of work, but the more cotton fields I walk up and down, the

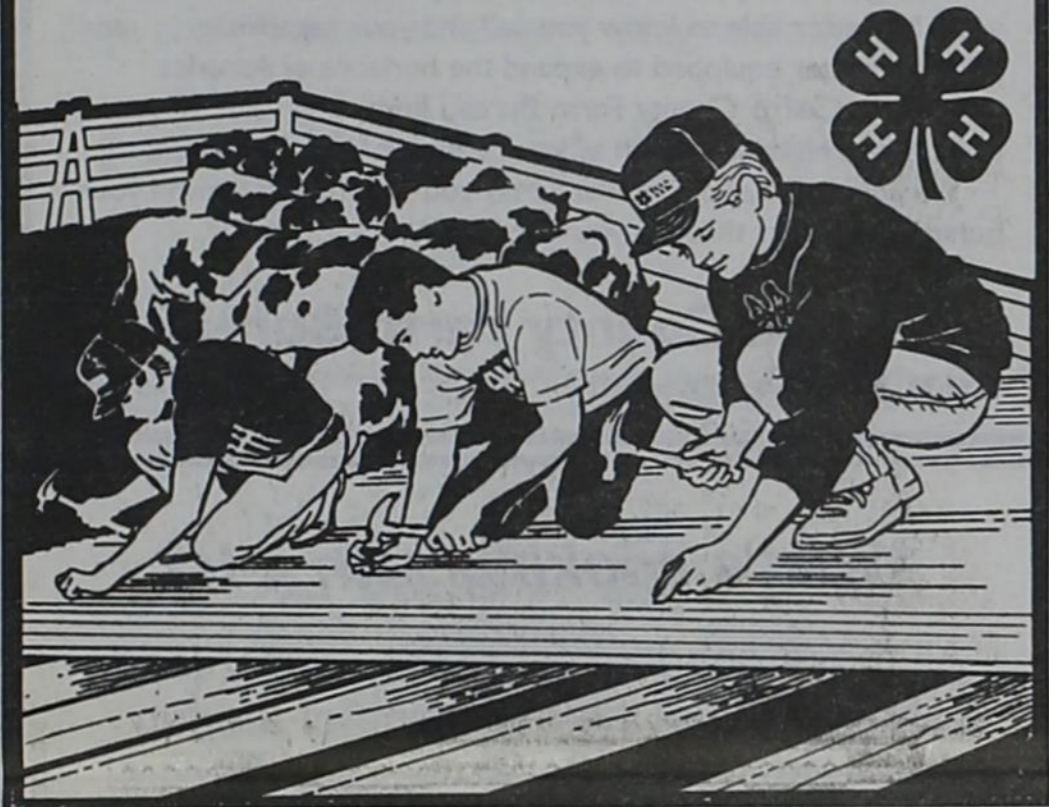
more I'm beginning to doubt that.  
My mother, Dianne, serves as our only city secretary. Since our town is exceptionally small, she has to tackle the job alone. She enjoys the time away from us kids and she enjoys the work.  
I have three little brothers. The oldest one is four years younger than me. I'm 16, so that would make him 12. Even though he's only 12, he's going through that stage where he thinks he's 30. He's a handful, but he does help out a lot.  
I also have a 9-year-old brother who is very ornery, but a very hard worker. He tries to get more credit than he deserves, but other than that, he's great.  
My youngest brother is 14 years younger than me. He's wonderful, but now he's going through the "Terrible Two" stage. He's darling and I'm sure that I spoil him too much, but it's worth it.  
Now that you know about my family, I can tell you about the rest of my 4-H career.  
My mother has always been interested in sewing and painting designs on clothing, and I believe some of her interest has rubbed off on me.  
It all started when I wanted to make a bed pillow when I was 8 years old. Who would have thought that a pillow could lead to skirts, dresses and blankets. Since I sewed that one pillow, I have made a skirt and taught two of my cousins how to sew. They both sewed a skirt just like mine so it was a good teaching project because I knew what I was doing.  
Baby blankets are another thing I enjoy sewing. When I sew a blanket I know that it will get some use and won't be thrown in the back of a closet somewhere.  
My first 4-H project was pajamas. I sewed some flannel winter Pjs. I received first place at county and third place at district with the nightshirt.  
Even though I was embarrassed about modeling them in the mall, I was very pleased with the placing.  
Our county once hosted a clothing lock-in for 4-H'ers from three other counties. At the lock-in we sewed wrap-around shower towels and plastic bag holders. I enjoyed helping the younger kids sew and learned a few things myself.  
My next clothing project was when

a group of girls sewed short sets with appliques on the shirts for a clothing class we were attending. I entered my short set in the county fair that year and received a blue ribbon that I was very proud of.  
My next 4-H clothing project was sewing a dress for competition.  
After a few hours of ripping seams I got the dress to fit exactly like I wanted. I got first place at county with it and received third at district. When I got to Lubbock for district competition my mind was full of doubt that I even had a chance. So getting third place was a great feeling for me.  
Before and since then I've had to repair many shirts, jeans and buttons, and many other things for me and my family. Even though it was a pain sometimes, I've had a blast through it all.  
My next interest in 4-H is Consumer Education. I just started studying this last year. I attended eight Consumer Decision Making classes, but was not able to compete at contest due to prior arrangements. During those eight sessions I learned of the things to look for in products and how to notice the best bargains in stores. I also learned which products would be best for people with different needs.  
This past year I was a part of a Consumer Decision Making team. I only attended three sessions but I did compete at district. Even though we didn't advance to state, I had fun. I enjoyed the classes and I loved seeing all my long-lost 4-H buddies at district roundup.  
Like I said earlier, 4-H has taught me many public speaking skills. Since I joined 4-H I have started reading in church ceremonies. I really enjoy doing this because I love spreading the Word of God and also being a leader.  
A Method Demonstration has let me practice my public speaking abilities. I've had to give my Method Demonstration before Extension agents, parents, leaders and a bunch of people that I'd never even seen before in my life.  
Aside from church and method demonstrations, I had to speak at the Junior Catholic Daughters' state convention. There were many faces there that I'd never seen before, too.  
Being on council at Electric Camp also gave me the job of handing out camp awards. I had an enjoyable time making people feel good and yes, maybe even poking fun at some people.

But no matter how many different faces I see and how many different people I meet, I realize that they are people just like me and they know that sometimes I'll make mistakes. So I must say that my loud voice has led and taught many people many different things.  
My parents tell me that being involved in all these contests and classes is enough, but I can't seem to get it in my head. So to make my life a little busier, I try to attend as many camps as possible.  
Aside from basketball and tennis camps I enjoy going to many 4-H camps.  
My first 4-H camp was State Clothing Camp '95 at the Texas 4-H Center on Lake Brownwood. It was a lot of fun, but more importantly I learned a lot.  
My next camping experience was at Lake Brownwood, too, but it was called County Camp. There we learned teamwork, leadership and how to dance. I had a blast meeting all the new people and learning new skills such as canoeing and shooting sports. I had a lot of fun.  
And let's not forget the best camp ever—SPS Electric Camp. This camp is, by far, the greatest. Not only do you learn a lot, but you have a great time doing it. I have attended two electric camps. The first year I went I learned electric safety, how to wire a home, how to construct an extension cord and many different lighting techniques. I met many kids I hadn't met before and learned a lot of new dance moves.  
The second year of electric camp was a repeat of the year before, but it made everything sink in a little more. I got to see my old friends and reunite with all the great SPS staff.  
The second year I built up enough nerve to take the WT Super Challenge test to see who was the top camper. I ended up being among the top six campers. Six of us took another test the day after we found out we were on top. After that test was over, I ended up getting sixth place in the super camper group. I was overwhelmed.  
As I said before, 4-H puts many different feelings through my body every time something happens. But I must say that through all the nervousness and feats, 4-H has taught me a lot and is probably the best thing that has ever happened to me.

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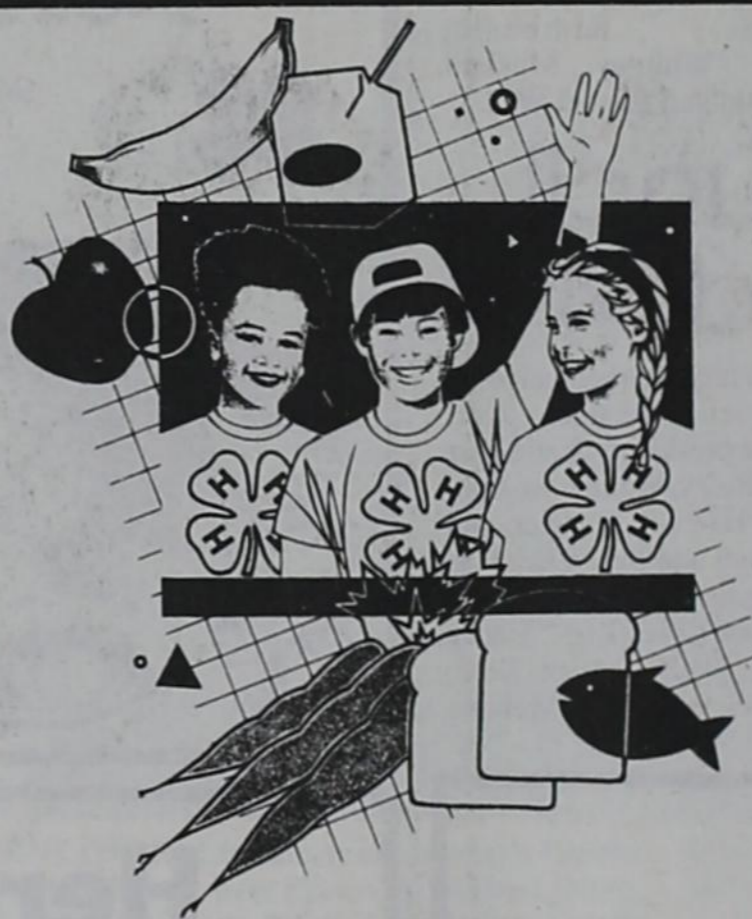
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We in the Easter community are proud of the accomplishments of our Easter 4-H Club—and ALL of our 4-H'ers in the county. 4-H is a positive, all-inclusive program that lets our youth learn by doing, and helps them develop knowledge that will benefit them the rest of their lives. We're proud to tip our hats to our 4-H'ers and all the adult leaders who work with them!

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# Davis learns important skills in 4-H

By MELANIE DAVIS

My name is Melanie Davis. My parents are Doyle and Darla Davis. I also have a little brother named Chris, who is five years old. We live in Hart. It is a small, but friendly community. I think Hart is a great place to live.

I joined 4-H when I was nine years old. I wanted to be a member because I had heard all about the fun things you could learn and do in 4-H.

I also had an older cousin who was in 4-H. She was always talking about the fun projects she was involved in and it really sounded great.

I was also interested in the community service projects. I like helping others so this part of the 4-H program really caught my attention. I am really proud to be an active 4-H member.

My main project for the year was in Food and Nutrition. I really enjoy the cooking and the food shows.

This year I learned a great deal. I think that some day when I am on my own or a mother I will be able to buy and prepare delicious and nutritious meals.

I have learned to read food labels this year, and I have learned how to properly prepare chicken.

I had never realized how important these skills can be in your every day

Another favorite activity I enjoyed was the community service I prepared for.

Reading labels on the food you purchase can help you save money and help you prepare healthier dishes. If you are living on a budget, you have to know how many servings you can prepare for certain from cans or boxes of food.

I have learned to do just that in my Food and Nutrition classes.

I also learned to cook and properly handle raw chicken. Be very careful when you are handling chicken. If you under cook it or contaminate your work area the results can sometimes be deadly.

I had never realized how cooking and handling the food you cook can have such an impact on maybe saving a life.

I have also learned how the principles of nutrition can relate to your health, physical fitness and appearance.

Another project I enjoy each year is doing the Method Demonstrations. I am no longer as timid about getting up in front of a crowd and speaking.

During my research I learned about the many diseases you can develop because of a lack of vitamins. I also learned that in order to be physically fit you must exercise daily.

formed this year. We cleaned the bank parking lot up for our annual Hart Days dance.

We also cleaned the grounds of the museum that is located in Dimmitt.

The 4-H'ers also delivered fruit to the elderly around Hart last Christmas. The smiles on their faces and the words "thank you" were the greatest gifts I have ever received.

Everything I have done in 4-H has made me a better person in some way. 4-H teaches you to be a giver and a helper. I am a better person because of the 4-H program.

The 4-H experience has helped me to become a better leader. I am also a better citizen. 4-H has given me opportunities to lead and to be involved in leadership labs.

Sometimes living in a small town limits the number of things a young adult can do, but being a 4-H'er gives you that added benefit. There is more a group can accomplish in one day than an individual can accomplish in a week.

That is why working together is so important.

When I get put in charge of a project I work really hard to be a good leader. I try to be firm, yet friendly. I work with the group. I don't stand around being bossy.

I have found out that you can do anything you want to do, just do your best and work hard at it. It just takes that special dedication.

4-H has helped me become a better citizen also. I get out and do more for my community.

It takes more to be a good citizen than just living in town. Being a good citizen takes dedication and a love for your community and its people.

You need to work and help out in your town. Always respect its people and its property. 4-H has taught me to think about others first and to help whenever I can.

My future goals include doing more 4-H projects. I would like to raise a pig for the stock show. I would also like to sew my brother a pair of "John Deere" overalls. He just loves tractors.

When I get a little older I hope to be elected as a council delegate. I would work really hard and I would be very proud to represent the Hart 4-H Club.

I hope that all the 4-H projects that I pursue will be ones that I can excel in. I hope to apply for and maybe receive a scholarship through 4-H. I hope to further my education and a

4-H scholarship would really help me out.

My interests include sewing, cooking and drawing. I would like to be a good homemaker in the future. I also like to draw and design my own fashions.

I have learned to sew a little and I really have enjoyed it. In fact, I sew outfits for my Barbie dolls. This is the best way to start.

Start on a small scale and work your way up to the big stuff.

I also enjoy the Method Demonstrations. I have really gotten better at presenting myself in front of a crowd.

Since I joined 4-H my leisure time has taken on a new meaning. I am not lazy anymore. Now, when I have leisure time, I do something constructive and meaningful. I sew, cook, draw and help my neighbors.

Every opportunity I get I do something for the community. I really enjoy helping out. 4-H has been the best learning experience of my life. I am learning and maturing each time I do something in 4-H.

My parents had always taught me to work hard and respect others. 4-H just helps reinforce these priorities.

I hope that some day my experiences in 4-H will benefit me and my future family. Maybe some day I will be a famous designer and I can tell everyone, "I owe it all to 4-H."

My future plans have changed a little since I joined 4-H. I still want to go to college, but now instead of just being an artist I would like to be a fashion designer.

I would also like to maybe become a vet and work with animals. I think it would be great to help a sick animal get better.

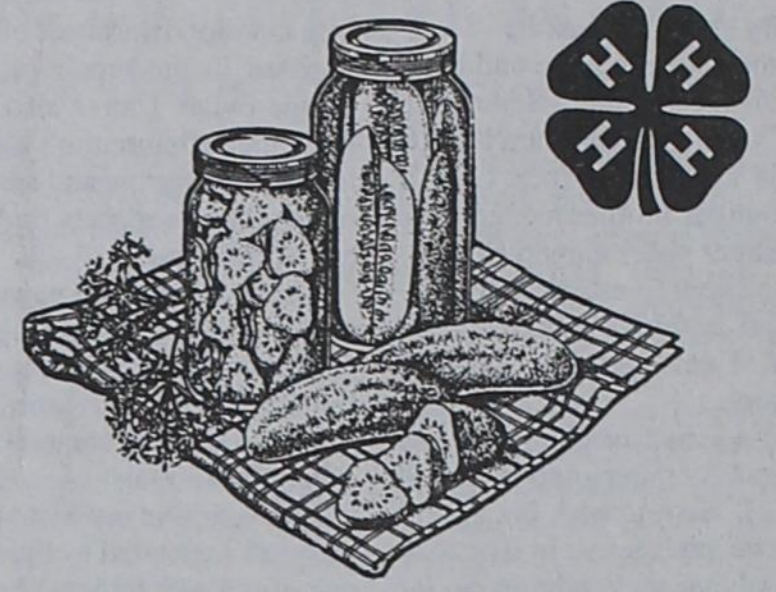
4-H has given me an opportunity to experience some of the job and career choices I have mentioned. I have really been surprised by all the projects you can participate in and be a part of.

Since I joined 4-H four years ago I have learned and accomplished a lot. I know that the future only holds more fun and learning.

I have even gotten several of my friends to join and they enjoy it, too. Some day I hope to be our club's president.

I would like to say also that we have had and still have the best Extension agents in the country. They love the job they do and they do it well. In order for a 4-H club to exist you have to have good leaders and agents as well as members.

## A Model For Youth Experience



### Castro County 4-H'ers CAN!

In food projects, they learn food preservation, and from dedicated leaders, they learn to show a "can do" attitude, even under pressure!

We stand behind our 4-H program.

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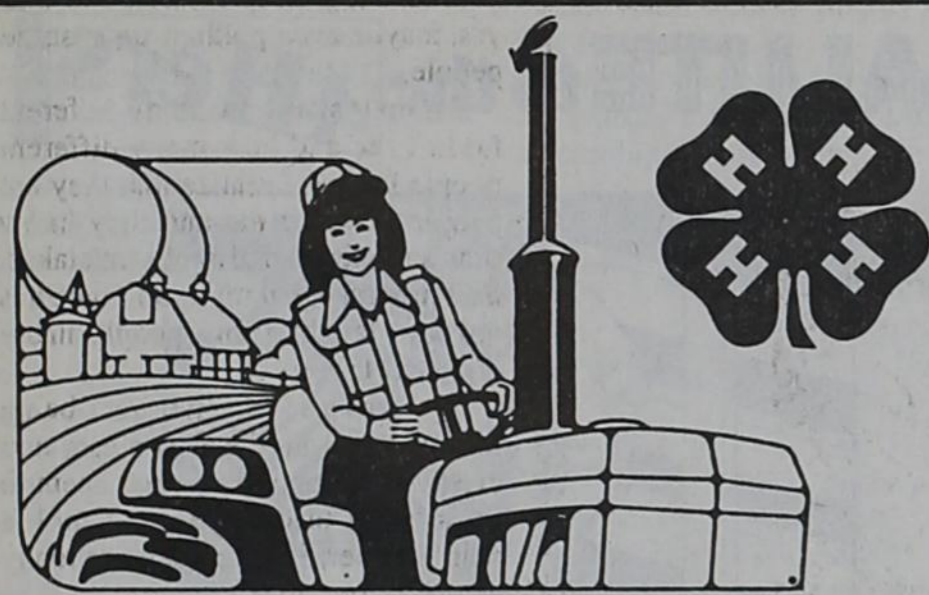
### 4-H Kids Are Winners!

They prize their experiences with our livestock and agriculture programs. 4-H has won our admiration for their dedication to the youth of America!

### Pro-Ag, Inc.

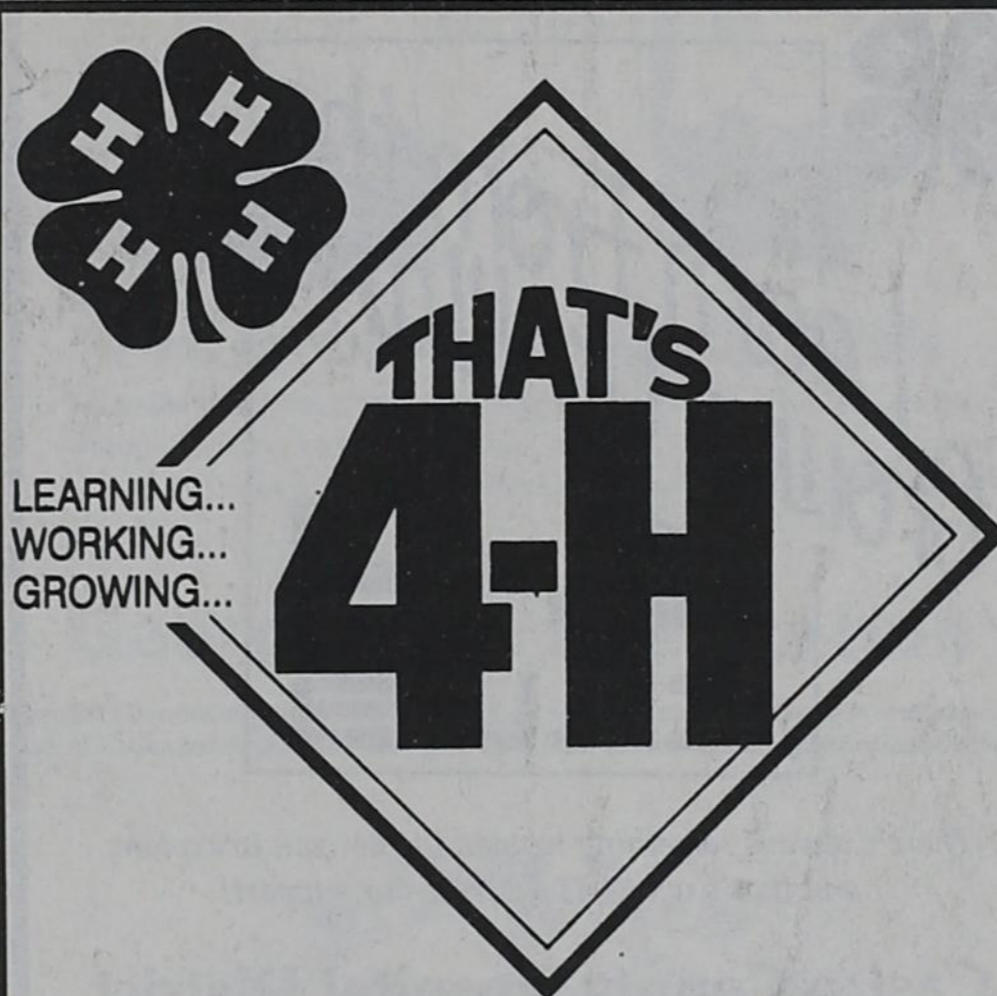


CASTRO COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT Rebel Royall (right) presents awards to 4-H County Council members at this year's 4-H Achievement Banquet, held in August. Among those receiving awards was Rusty McDaniel (left), president of the Council. Photo by Annie Ackel



As we extend congratulations to 4-H Club members, we look to the future . . . for the 4-H'ers of today are the leaders of tomorrow. Since today they do so much toward building a better community and country, we can be sure that tomorrow, our future is in good hands. Let's "Expand 4-H" . . . and may 4-H activities and ideals ever flourish.

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We salute 4-H Club members everywhere with special pride in the 4-H'ers of our community. Through the "Head ... Heart ... Hands ... Health" program, 4-H molds character, teaches responsibility, encourages leadership and develops compassion for fellow men.

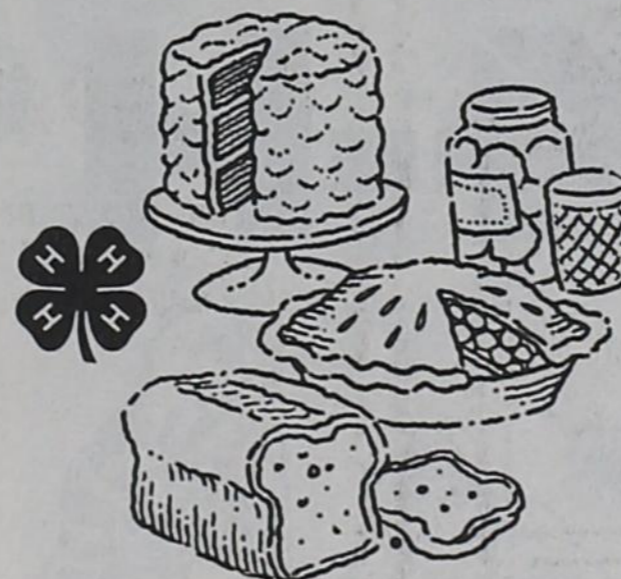
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### Building A Brighter Future

The future, the potential, the hopes and aspirations of any community lie with its youth. We are lucky to have 4-H, an organization that works with our young people and gives them many valuable ideas and ideals to go by. Their projects in agriculture are just a part of it all. What they learn about working with others; striving to reach a goal, making decisions and caring about things not only builds character in them, it provides a strong foundation upon which to build a community. We're proud to honor 4-H, and the fine work they do.



**Baker Electric Services**  
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**How Sweet It Is**  
to see our Castro County 4-H'ers learning and doing so much—from baking for food projects to raising cattle for animal science projects. We're proud of you for rising to the top!

## Terry Hill

## Swisher Electric Cooperative

### SALUTES

the 4-H clubs in our six county service area!



4-H: Cultivating Tomorrow's Leaders

# Lane enjoys livestock projects

By COREY LANE

My name is Corey Lane and I'm a member of the Dimmitt-Bethel 4-H Club in Castro County. I am the son of Charlie and Mary Alice Lane. I have a younger brother named Brad and a younger sister named Holly.

I like to show livestock, play basketball and baseball, and I love to water ski. I am attending Dimmitt High School.

I joined 4-H because many of my friends were members and it looked like fun. I also joined because I wanted to become active in livestock projects and livestock judging. So far it has been very fun and rewarding.

Unknowingly I have been involved in vet science since I started with my livestock projects. With my animals I have learned how to take care of them and how to medicate them.

Every year since I started with my animal I have helped my Extension agent validate animals. I help with out 20 to 30 animals a show year.

Through the years I have also helped my agent castrate hogs, doing about 10 to 12 a show season. I have also helped the local vet perform surgeries on my animals. I've helped

him cut bloodwarts off of a hog, and assisted in the repair of a ruptured hernia twice. I have also helped relieve the inflammation after the castration of a barrow and assisted in the removal of an abscess on the neck of my agent's hog.

I have helped the newcomers out at the 4-H Center, giving their animals the necessary shots. In the past I have helped put lime out at the Center to kill any bacteria that might infect the animals.

This year was my first year to raise sheep so I attended a clinic put on by one of the 4-H fathers. At this clinic they taught us how to treat ringworms, which one of my sheep happened to get.

This past year I had a good crossbred hog that cut his pad all the way to the bone. Since this was such a good hog, I doctored him every day using anything anybody recommended. But it just didn't seem to get any better.

After the county show we had the hog's foot operated on, hoping he could get well in time for the Houston show.

When the time came to send the

pigs off to Brenham, he still hadn't gotten any better. It was about time for him to heal, so against my agent's recommendation, I went on and sent him, walking worse than he had in a couple of weeks. I figured that he wouldn't even make it through the first sift.

Then one night my agent called and told me that I needed to get down to Houston because my hog had made the show. While I was there my hog didn't limp at all. He went on to get 10th in his class.

I enjoy showing livestock. Before we got our county livestock center it was almost impossible to live in town and have show animals. Now we have many more kids involved in this project because of our facilities.

I learned how to feed and to take care of them my first year and then I started showing summer pigs, which was the most educational experience of all.

I also play basketball during the time we raise our winter pigs and I play baseball during the time of our summer pigs. This makes it hard on me because I had practiced in the morning at 7:15 for basketball and games in the afternoon for baseball. That meant that I had to get up early to feed.

It was worth it, though, because I've done well at the county show and placed in the top 10 at Houston for the last two years with my hogs.

This summer I'm raising summer pigs again and I was playing baseball until I broke my arm.

I've been involved in the Public Speaking project for the last three years.

For these years I have competed in the Clarendon and Levelland Livestock Judging meets as well as in the district contest. I started Public Speaking with livestock judging.

Although juniors don't give reasons, our Extension agents had us give them at our weekly practices and at the Clarendon meet.

I did my first Method Demonstration last year. At first I was afraid to do it, but after I said it a few times my confidence began to build.

Right before I went to give my demonstration at roundup I was really nervous, but I said it perfect for the first time. I got second place that year.

When I first started this project I was very quiet and shy, but now I am

very good at speaking to crowds and can give reasons for livestock judging pretty well.

At first all I did was livestock judging and then I moved on to doing Method Demonstrations. Every once in a while I give a presentation to the Lions Club. To learn my speeches I like to stand in front of a mirror and give the speech to myself.

A couple of summers ago I started to shoot trap, but at the same time I was getting certified in scuba diving.

The day of the district trap contest was the day we were going on our certification dive, so I had to miss the trap meet. Every summer since then I have had either a broken thumb or a broken arm.

Maybe next year.

I was also in Food and Nutrition, which taught me many things that I didn't even know existed. I learned all the food groups and the importance of proper nutrition. The last two years I have gotten a second and a fourth at the county show. Unfortunately I haven't gotten to go to district with that project, but I plan to.

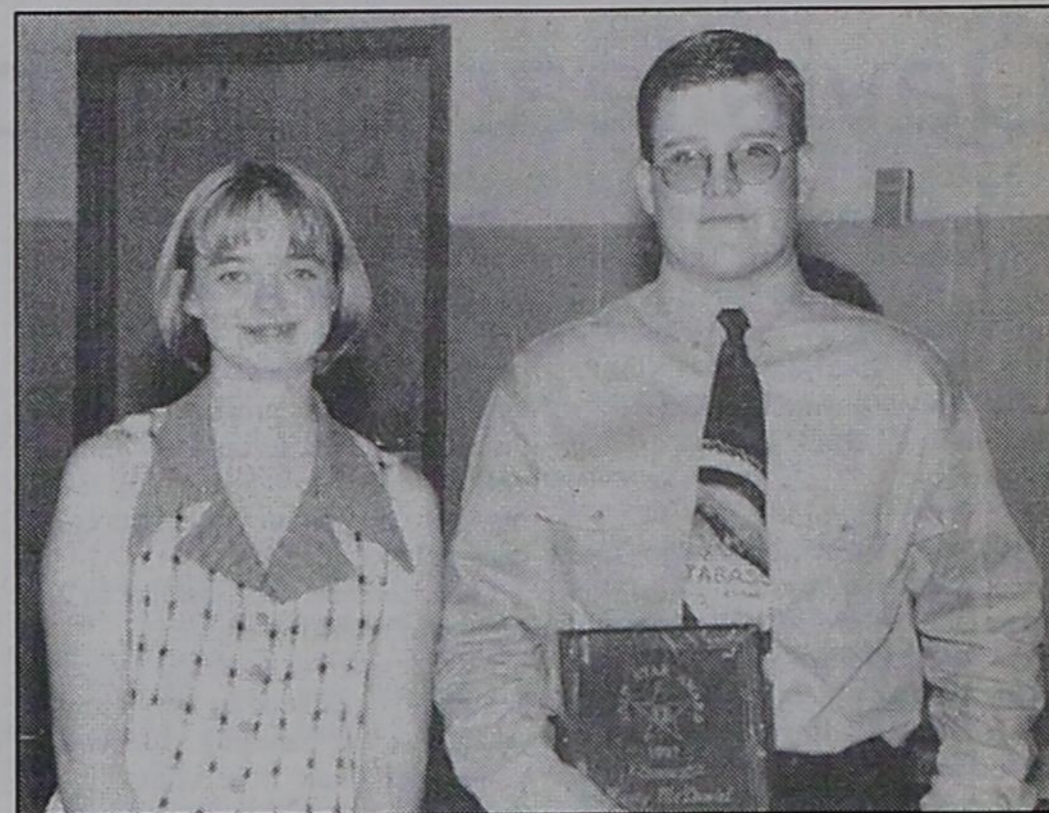
4-H has helped me become a better leader by teaching me how to become a leader and by giving me the opportunity to become one. The week of June 16-20 I went to Electric Camp, and that taught me many useful things and gave me information on how to become more involved in my community.

4-H has gotten me interested in many new things. Before I joined 4-H I didn't do that much and I wasn't involved in any community services. Now I can hardly find time to do anything but 4-H.

Our club is involved in many community services such as cleaning the museum and helping put on the city-wide garage sale. 4-H has helped me so much that in the upcoming year my club has elected me to be its president.

My 4-H participation has helped me learn new things and that has made me feel better about myself. It also has taught me to become a leader in school and in sports. Due to this I plan to go to school at Texas A&M University and get my degree in animal science.

4-H has influenced me to try my hardest in whatever I do and has taught me to always reach for higher goals.



1997 COUNTY GOLD STAR WINNERS  
... Susan Book (left) and Rusty McDaniel

Photo by Anne Acker

## Susan Book, Rusty McDaniel earn 4-H Gold Star awards

Susan Book and Rusty McDaniel received the highest honor a 4-H'er can receive at the county level in August when they were named the Castro County 4-H Gold Star winners.

As Gold Star winners, Book and McDaniel also will receive college scholarships from K-Bob's Steakhouse in Dimmitt.

Book, daughter of Chris and Becky Book of Nazareth, is 16. She has been an active member of the Dimmitt-Bethel 4-H Club for eight years.

Book has been active in Family Life, Clothing and Textiles, Food and Nutrition, Consumer Decision, Public Speaking and Health projects. She has participated in county, district and state roundups, Leader Lab, Electric Camp and State Clothing Camp.

She has represented the county at the District Fashion Show and District Food Show. She has served as narrator at the county fashion show and at Fashion Follies during the South Plains Fair in Lubbock.

Book has served as president and second vice president of her 4-H Club and is currently a County Council delegate.

McDaniel, son of Donny and Janet McDaniel, is also 16 and he serves as president of the 4-H County Council. He also has been on the telephone,

refreshment and fundraiser committees.

McDaniel has been a member of Flagg 4-H for nine years. His 4-H projects include Horse, Sheep, Veterinary Medicine, Range Management, Beef, Agricultural Achievement, Food and Nutrition and Public Speaking.

McDaniel is a member of the Horse Club and has been active in riding, placing at state this year. He and other members of the county horse judging team captured the state championship at the 4-H Horse Show this year and finished fourth at the Junior World Quarter Horse Show in Fort Worth this summer. He was seventh overall in the individual competition.

He submitted a Record Book on his involvement with horse projects and it was selected best in district and second in the state.

McDaniel serves as president of the Horse Club and the Flagg 4-H Club.

### Mission of 4-H

The mission of 4-H is to offer participants the opportunity to acquire knowledge, develop life skills and form attitudes which will enable them to become self-directing, productive and contributing members of society.



All across the nation, the dedicated young members of 4-H are making a difference. Through group projects and 'hands on' experience, they're shown how to get things done for the betterment of the community, and the nation, and we're proud to offer our support and appreciation. To 4-H members and leaders, we say, "You're tops!"

**Morris Real Estate**



They're an organization dedicated to creating a better future by guiding today's youth in the right direction.

4-H introduces young people to the business of agriculture and the pleasure of accomplishment, the joys of working together as a team and the satisfaction of seeing that work benefit their community.

We're especially proud of them and the fine work they do!

**Dimmitt Equipment Company**



Learn From the Ground Up With the 4-H CLUB

There's always something new on the horizon to explore, and that's why 4-H deserves our support!

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"LOCAL PEOPLE CARING FOR LOCAL PEOPLE"

**SALUTE to the 4H'ers**



We're proud of our young people and the fine work they do in our area 4-H clubs!

**Dimmitt Ready Mix**

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There's always something new on the horizon to explore. 4-H shows them the way to understand our world, and that's only natural!

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SIX COUNTY 4-H'ERS attended the 1997 South Plains 4-H Leadership Camp, held June 10-12 at South Plains College in Levelland. They were (from

left) Kristin Hales, staff member; Reece Hales, Jody Stovall, Holly Lane, Jaci Bishop; and Kaci Schulte, staff member.

Courtesy Photo

# 4-H'er joined to learn wise money handling

By THOMAS BROCKMAN  
Hi, my name is Thomas Brockman. I live in Dimmitt. My parents are Virgil and Shirley Brockman.  
I am 12 years old and I've been in 4-H for two years. My interests other than 4-H are playing basketball, baseball, riding bikes and rollerblading.  
I have an older brother and a younger sister. My brother's name is Cody and he is 16 years old. My sister, who is excited about becoming a 4-H'er, is Anna, and she is 8 years old.  
I joined 4-H because I wanted to learn how to use my money wisely. I am entering my record book in the Consumer Decision Making category. In Consumer Decision Making we learned how to use our money wisely and how to make good decisions with our money.  
We started meeting in August. Since then we've been meeting every month. We've gone on may trips to learn how to make decisions.  
On one trip we went to H&R Manufacturing in Hereford. There we learned how to look for well-sewn clothes.  
Last December we got an angel from the Angel Tree, which had names of kids that wanted something special for Christmas but their parents didn't have the money to get it. The Angel we picked was a boy that about 10 years old and he wanted a pair of walkie-talkies.  
Our group went to three different stores to find the best and least expensive pair of walkie-talkies.  
In May we decided to form a Consumer Decision Making Club here. I am the treasurer of the club.  
Besides Consumer Decision Making, I also participated in Food and Nutrition.  
During Food and Nutrition we learned how to make good low-fat dishes. We also learned a lot about

vitamins and how they help our body.  
My first year in Food and Nutrition I won first at the county show and earned the Rookie Award and Best of Show honors.  
Although I did go to the District Food Show in Levelland, all I got was a participation award.  
The following year I got third in the county food show.  
Besides competing in food shows, I also went to a bread-making class, and SPS cooking schools. I helped with our food drive for Thanksgiving in 1996.  
Another thing I like about 4-H is that we do community service. I enjoyed assisting with the county fair concession stand and helping at the 4-H stock show concession stand the past two years.  
Besides helping with the concession stands, I also helped sell burritos at our city-wide garage sale.  
Doing things for others gives me a feeling of well-being.  
As I become an older 4-H'er I'm developing my leadership skills. I have helped younger 4-H'ers in food safety through the skit that I participated in. I enjoy wearing my 4-H t-shirt to school to promote National 4-H Week.  
By developing my leadership in 4-H I can take my knowledge that I've learned into everyday life.  
I like to have fun and I like competition. That's why I like my recreation project. I like the fun I had with others in Little Dribblers basketball, all DMS sports and the Odyssey of the Mind competitions.  
I have had another great year in 4-H. Each year that I'm in 4-H I experience new things and make new friends.  
Next year looks to be as rewarding as past years because I'm going to work on a public speaking project.

# Holly Lane follows mom as 4-H member

By HOLLY LANE  
Hi! My name is Holly Lane. I am from Dimmitt-Bethel 4-H Club.  
When I was 8 I was introduced to 4-H by my mom. When my mom was growing up she was in 4-H and she wanted us to have the same experience she had.  
I am the daughter of Charlie and Mary Alice Lane. I have a 14-year-old brother named Corey. I also have a younger brother, Brad, who is 7 years old. I am 12 years old.  
I started my public speaking project with livestock judging. I then began the consumer education program.  
In consumer education we learned about smart shopping. Since I enjoy shopping, I like consumer judging.  
Our Extension agent made us give reasons on why we placed the class like we did.  
In livestock judging we got to go to a few judging meets. I love animals and really enjoy trying to decide which animal is the best. We were also required to give oral reasons for how we placed animals in the class.  
Reasons were hard because I am a little shy, but I am doing better.  
This year I did a Method Demonstration on our County 4-H Livestock Center.  
It was very educational getting the information to complete this project. I placed first with this demonstration.  
I have had pigs for three years now. I really enjoy them. I also have lambs. This was my first year for them. At first they were hard and confusing, but they got easier. We keep both the pigs and sheep at the 4-H Center and sometimes it is hard to get out and check on them and feed them.  
We go out in the mornings and in the evenings. I have to walk them for a month or so before the show, but it

is fun. I always cry, though, when we sell them.  
This year it was a little easier, though. We took one pig to the packing plant last year.  
My livestock judging team went to watch them kill it and skin it so we could see what it looked like hanging up. I couldn't bear to watch. I can't eat any of the meat, either.  
I also do clothing projects.  
I made and modeled my denim skirt in the fashion show at the county fair. I also modeled in the "Make It With Denim" contest. I had to get up in front of a lot of people. It was a little scary.  
Since I started my Food and Nutrition project I have learned to eat better. I watch what I eat and try not to eat too much candy or fatty foods. I have learned enough that I can help my mom cook sometimes.  
4-H has helped me meet new friends. I have gone to many camps. Clothing camp is the camp I went to most recently. It was fun! It was for kids between the ages of 12 and 17.  
This year I went to Leader Lab. It is for ages 10 to 12.  
Last year I went to County Camp. It is for all ages.  
Two summers ago we had a lock-in. I made a towel wrap and went swimming. Some girls from other

counties came. I met a girl at the lock-in and got reacquainted with her again at Leader Lab. It has been fun meeting new people.  
I have enjoyed going to the 4-H Horse Show and hope to have a horse project before long. I went to a show with a friend of mine last year and helped her take care of her horse. It was a lot of fun. Now I really want my very own horse.  
I have enjoyed 4-H a lot. I have achieved a bunch in the past year. If you are not in 4-H, I very strongly advise you to join. You don't know what you are missing! Trust me!

# Dimmitt-Bethel 4-H Club has 47 members

The Dimmitt-Bethel 4-H Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the courthouse basement meeting room at 7 p.m.  
President of the club is Corey Lane, with Tanner Griffitt as first vice president, Jeremy Furr as second vice president, and Susan Book as third. Secretary is Jeff Stovall, Brandon Furr is treasurer, Jennifer Wilhelm is historian, Holly Lane is reporter and Shane Furr is council representative.  
Members are: Sage Annen, Robin Beames, Garret Behrends, Lyndee Behrends, Jaci Bishop, Jeffrey Bishop, Jeremy Bishop, Eric Book, Melanie Book, Susan Book, Anna Brockman, Thomas Brockman, Brandon Furr, Jeremy Furr, Shane Furr, Gabriel Garcia, Lori Garza, Jared Griffitt, Kaden Griffitt, Tanner Griffitt, Bryan Hall, Brittany Heard, Haley Heard, Lyndsey Heard, Niccole Heard, Ross Hunter, Ryan Hunter, Bradley Lane, Corey Lane, Holly Lane, Casey Maurer, Wesley Mays, Kristin McClure, Zachary McClure, Charley Nutt, Bryce Pohlmeier, Raymond Powers, Tonya Powers, Chris Reynolds, Ramey Rice, Jeffrey Stovall, Jody Stovall, Lauren Waggoner, Tyler Waggoner, Brandon Wilhelm, Heath Wilhelm, and Jennifer Wilhelm.  
They are advised by Benny Martinez.

**4-H: Embracing Healthy Ideals**  
Leadership comes from learning to stand on one's own two feet without buckling to peer pressure.  
We are proud of our 4-H clubs and leaders and the fine work they do.

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4-H reaches young people across the nation, offering them an opportunity to contribute to their community as they develop independence, awareness and responsibility. With subjects like livestock, plants and soil, energy, ecology and jobs and careers, boys and girls between the ages of 9 to 19 partake in activities and projects aimed at promoting creativity and personal growth. Their 4-H experience provides a foundation of strong ideals to live by as they become our next generation of adults. It's an important organization ... one that we heartily support and proudly salute.

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**WE'RE PROUD OF OUR 4-H MEMBERS AND THEIR LEADERS!**

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It's great to see our 4-H'ers at work. They learn through doing many important things in their community. From raising livestock and canning preserves on the farm . . . to cleaning up parks and planting trees in the city. Through their 4-H Club experience, these boys and girls, young men and women learn to take pride in their work, and in themselves. They become skilled farmers and homemakers, self-assured individuals, compassionate friends and responsible citizens . . . in short . . . better people. With pride and respect, we salute these 4-H members for the valuable job they do.

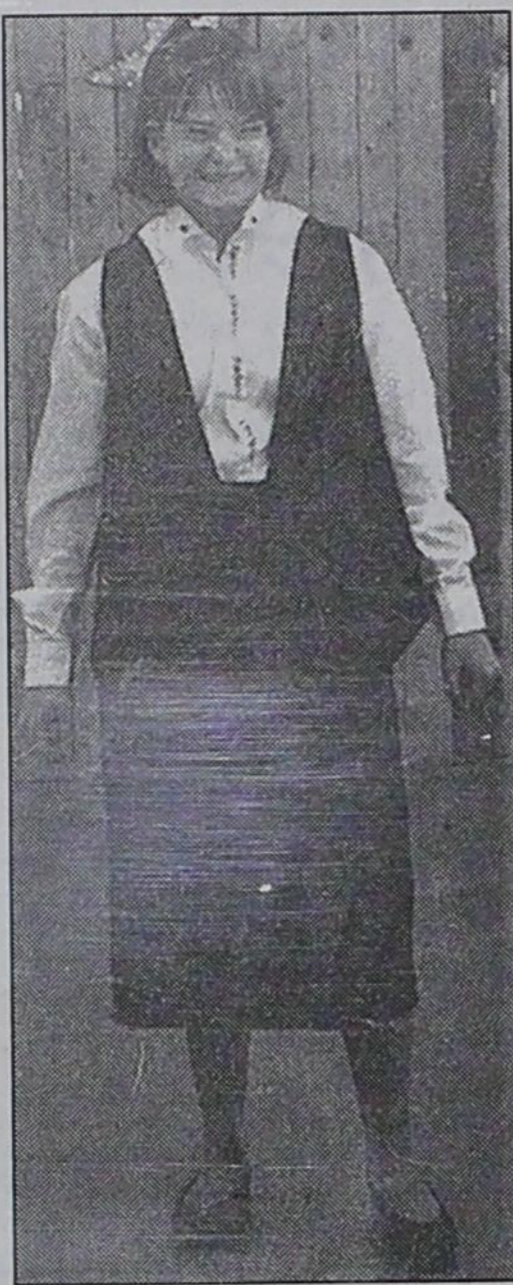
**Dimmitt Feed Yards**

# Flagg 4-H Club meets on Mondays

The Flagg 4-H Club meets the second Monday night of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the courthouse basement meeting room.

President is Rusty McDaniel, with Rusty Wooten as vice president, Lori Schulte as secretary/treasurer, Kaci Schulte as council delegate, and Meggie Lemons as reporter/historian. Their advisor is Benny Martinez.

Members include: Mary Bradley, Raynee Bradley, Travis Crow, Kristin Hales, Reece Hales, Beau Hill, B.J. Hill, Meggie Lemons, Amber Matthews, Taylor Matthews, Rusty McDaniel, Chris Reynolds, Kami Sanders, Kaci Schulte, Lori Schulte, Carol Summers, Justin Sutton, Stuart Sutton, Rusty Wooten, Adam Wright, Matthew Wright, and Wesley Wright.



4-H FASHION SHOW MODEL  
... Jennifer Wilhelm models creation  
Photo by Anne Acker

# Annen learns new techniques

By SAGE ANNEN

My name is Sage Rhea Annen. I am 14 and I am in the ninth grade this year. My parents are Claude and Brenda Annen.

I have three brothers. Howie, 26, lives in Arlington with his wife, Cindy. He is employed in computer design graphics and she is a civil engineer.

Mac, 23, graduated from Texas Tech University in December with a degree in agronomy. In March he married Lesly Bosh. She has a degree in veterinary science and a masters in agriculture public relations. He is employed with Farmland Industries and she teaches and is director of public relations at Frank Phillips College.

Cody, 18, will attend college in the fall.

My dad has always farmed and ranched, but he has a job in town now, too. He walks a mail delivery route for the post office in Dimmitt. I like living in the country, but wish dad did not work in town.

My mom works in the office at Tulia Livestock Auction and holds the fort down at home the rest of the time.

I have learned to help process cattle. Cody had a magazine article that he made me read about the best ways to work with cattle. It explained how the best way to move them is slow and easy, clapping your hands instead of screaming and yelling.

The cattle that we have now are easy to move because they know us. The ones that have been bottle fed

still remember us and follow us around.

One of the heifers had a calf this summer, but she would still suck on a bottle if we'd let her.

I have learned more about doctoring calves this year. Dad lets me give shots. One of the most important things to remember is to thump the syringe and make sure there are no air bubbles in it.

In my veterinary science lab at camp one summer we learned sterile techniques that I passed on to my mom and dad when I returned home.

We almost ran out of pasture last year. Dad thought we might have to sell some of the cattle. It worked out that we kept them all but we had to buy feed. The drought was really hard on the cattle. The rains this year have provided pasture.

My sheep project was in better shape this year than it has been in previous years. I had not had the best of luck with some of my sheep.

If it were not for Mac, Cody and I might not even be showing sheep. Mac was the one who encouraged us to start. I wish he was here during shows. He was always such a big help to both of us. Especially when dad could not get off of work to help.

Cody and I practiced with our horses at home a lot this year. One Easter vacation we went on a three-day trail ride camping trip. It was wonderful!

It didn't rain and we rode every day. My horse, L.S., is a real canyon horse. He will go straight up the canyon walls. That is why we have to put a breast collar on the saddle, otherwise the saddle slides back.

I love our trail rides. It is about the only time we can get dad to have a good time and rest.

Last year the lake on our west place filled up and we took the horses swimming. It was a blast!

Dad kept yelling at Cody to tie off his reins and slide down Capitan's back so he could hold onto the tail while Capitan swam. By the time Cody understood what dad was saying and had a good hold on the tail, Capitan got a foot hold and dragged Cody to shore. We had a great time.

With all of the doctoring we had to do on the bottle calves.

My veterinary science project really is getting big. The horses are also giving me veterinary knowledge. When the mare came back from the breeder she looked pitiful. She had a hole in the side of her head where her sinus was draining out. This was caused from a tooth that had abscessed and fallen down. She had not been able to eat and had almost starved to death. I helped spray yucca in the pasture.

The test plot that Frank Cadenhead (Texas Agricultural Extension Range Specialist) tried broadcast spraying did not die. As a matter of fact, it was doing better than all of the rest of the yucca in the whole pasture.

Cody and I made a video and sent to him. I really like the range management project. We were hoping to see some great results in our yucca-free pasture by last summer.

But with no moisture to speak of for a couple of years, the grass was looking pretty bad.

But after the spring and summer rains, we can really see some results. The pasture looks better than it has ever looked. It is so clean and nice that we made a few holes of golf for practicing.

All we had to do was select a few different locations, place empty vegetable cans in the ground for holes, use electric fence posts for the flag poles and plastic from irrigate poly pipe for the flags.

The flag poles are shorter than on a regular golf course, but they sure serve our purpose. We've had a lot of fun hitting balls and trying to putt on the rough places we call greens.

We have been trying to kill prairie dogs in some new pasture, but without moisture the Phostoxin pills that go down in the holes will not fumigate. You are supposed to cover the holes up with dirt from the outside of the hole after you put the pills in the ground, but it was so hard that no one could dig it up. When it started raining this spring we were able to exterminate again. The results have been good so far.

I visited the Farm Service Agency office and borrowed some books on plant identification. I had no idea that there were so many different kinds of grasses and weeds in our pasture. I would like to do some sort of a Method Demonstration with the samples from the pasture.

I guess that I had a better time doing the collecting and labeling than any one would have thought. I invited a friend to help and we spent the best part of two days gathering samples.

I think the demonstration would be good to add to my public speaking project. I gave reasons for horse judging last year and that really helped my self confidence. I did not participate in horse judging this year, but plan to continue competing next year.

I have a Method Demonstration this year on water.

We planted a big garden this year. Last year my mama cat and her kittens played in the corn where it was cool and they knocked a lot of it

down. I enjoy entering foods I've raised in our garden in our county fair.

For the past two years Tulia Livestock Auction has given me the opportunity to spend auction day with the state health inspector and the state brand inspector, who, by the way, is a woman. They have told me all about their jobs and how they "run the place."

I spent most of the day out on the yard and in the tag house. I met many different people and had a pretty good time. Most of the people have a great sense of humor. They kept me very entertained and I learned a lot.

I helped both inspectors with some of their paperwork—they have a ton of it to do during the day. I found out why they have so much paper work.

The brand inspector had to trace some stolen cattle on one particular day. Good records made it easy to locate the person who brought the stolen cattle to the sale barn. I also helped check brands on pens of cattle.

I really liked the veterinarian who does all of the pregnancy testing and draws blood. He was a real blast. He has an assistant who helps him check the blood for bangs, a disease that will cause a cow to abort. I would not mind working with people like them. I discovered many more careers in this area that I didn't know existed.

I have been looking into the National Beef Ambassador Competition. My birthday falls in January, so I won't be able to compete until next year. This is really on my list of goals. I am pretty excited about participating.

My whole life pretty much depends on 4-H. Everything I do revolves around it. The only things I can think of that do not are some of the things that I do at school. The camps that I go to in the summer are always connected with 4-H. I think it is the most fun part of the summer.

Electric Camp was as much fun this year as it was last summer. I was so relieved when I was chosen to attend. I enjoyed the camp and really learned a lot. I also made some great friends.

There really isn't much that my family does that is not involved with 4-H in some way.

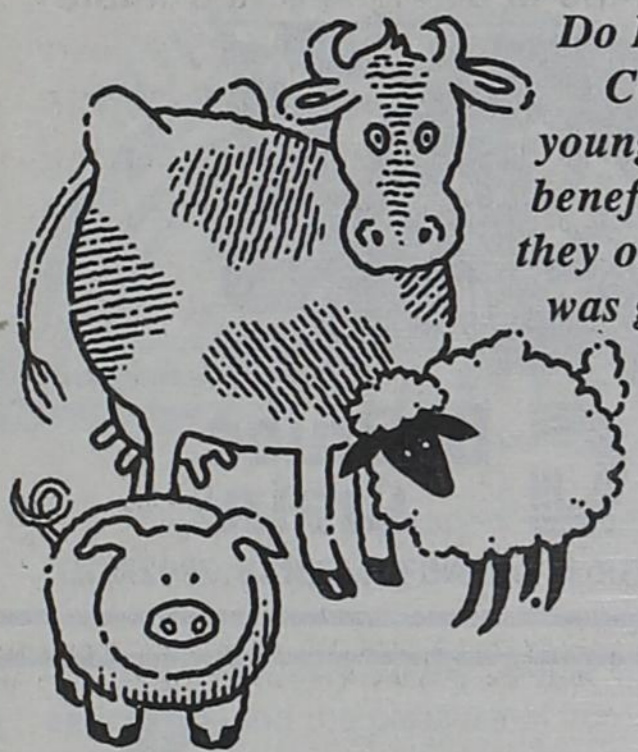
I kind of like it that way. 4-H has taught me to set goals and then work toward those goals. I applied for the Silver Star award this year. This has been one of my goals and I hope to further my 4-H career by achieving this goal some day. I have my fingers crossed!



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Officers are Kristin Hales as president, Rusty McDaniel as vice president, Reece Hales as secretary/treasurer/reporter, and Rusty Wooten as council delegate.

Club members include Sage Annen, Mary Bradley, Raynee Bradley, Beau Bradley, Breann Brantley, Colt Brantley, Jake Ebeling, Kristin Hales, Reece Hales, Chandra Jordan, Kean Lilley, Rusty McDaniel, Jana Nelson, Chris Reynolds, Trinity Robb, Benjamin Sides, Kathleen Sides, Dennis Underwood, Jennifer Wilhelm, and Rusty Wooten.



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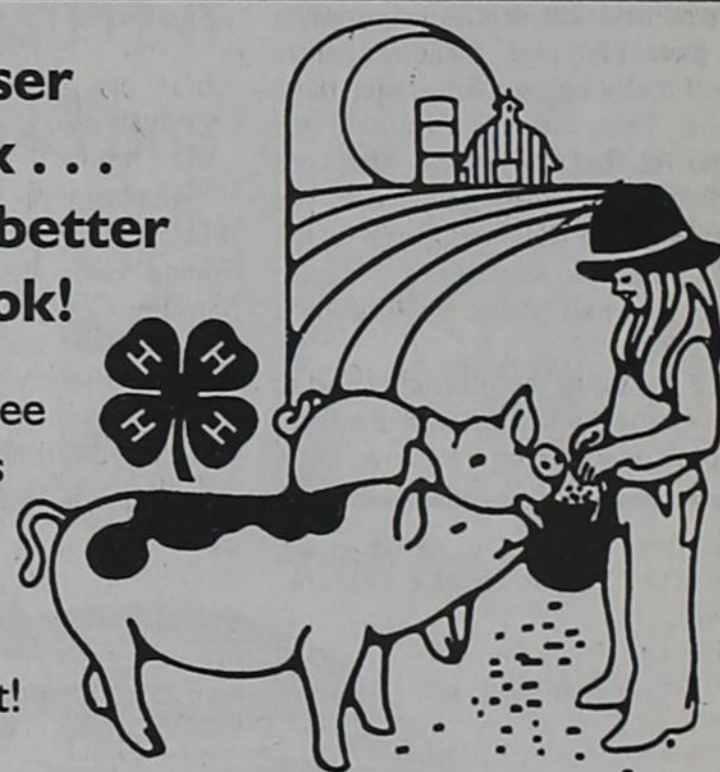
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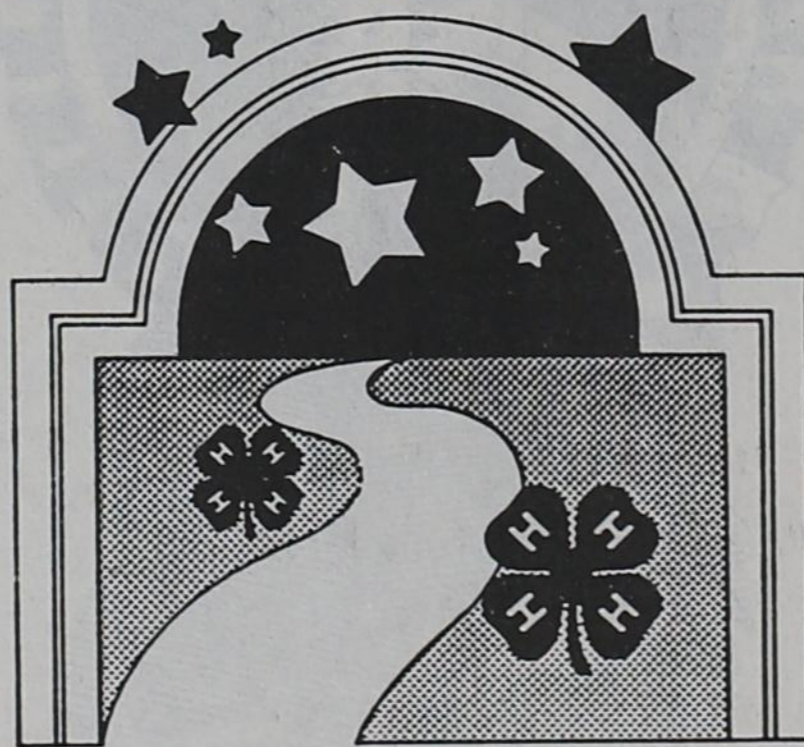
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# McDaniel fulfills prediction of success in 4-H

By RUSTY McDANIEL

I always said that I was going to win the state 4-H horse judging competition as a member of a team and as an individual. This year the team and I finally accomplished this goal with the help of our coach, Scott Bagley.

My name is Rusty McDaniel. I'm 16 years old and I'm a junior at Dimmitt High School. Donny and Janet McDaniel are my parents and they encourage and haul me all the time. My family is involved with horses and mules on our 166 acres in Castro County. I have two brothers, Todd, 24, and Rodney, 22, who are also involved with horses in their work.

I have been judging horses since I was 8 years old. As a member of the Castro County Horse Judging Team I started giving oral reasons when I was 11. I have developed my public speaking skills and have learned to relate what I see.

Our team is very proud of the fact that we usually are the first-place team in oral reasons.

We traveled many miles this past year, competing in various contests all over Texas, and representing the state at the National Western Livestock Show in Denver, Colo.

We became a real team in February. We started judging as a team, like a team and with team spirit.

It all peaked when we won the 1997 State 4-H Horse Judging Contest.

We were excited and honored to represent Texas at the Junior World Quarter Horse Show in Fort Worth and plan to do the same at the Quarter Horse Congress in Columbus, Ohio, this month.

We made a choice to let another team have the opportunity to represent Texas during the Southern Regional in Georgia. This will enable us to give our best at the Junior World. These two contests are only two days apart.

I accomplished a personal goal of winning high-point individual honors at the State 4-H Roundup. More importantly, the team went to State 4-H Roundup as a team and we left as a team. That is very important to us all.

My first experience with a horse was not a good one. When I was 1½ years old my cousin and I were riding double when the old gentle horse was on shuck right out from under us both and naturally my cousin pounded me into the ground.

With two black eyes and big, puffy lips, all I wanted to do was forget about horses.

It took Mom another year to get me back on a horse and naturally, she put me back on the same one. You guessed it! Off I came again! However, I kept on riding after that fall.

Tagging along with my brothers to horse shows is how I became involved in 4-H. I began by showing in peewee classes.

My first horse was a 3-year gelding, Joker, from whom I learned basic horsemanship skills. He taught me a lot about myself. Finally I sold Joker, for my Dad always told me I would never have a better horse as long as Joker was around. I didn't think they came any better than Joker, but I soon learned what Dad meant.

Blue Otee was my next big project. I received Blue as a day's wage for working for Steve Walters. He was about 3 months old when I received him. You couldn't touch him and he was an ugly doggie and a snakey colt.

I was determined to establish a bond between us. As I worked with

him each day I got to know him from the inside and I liked what I found.

Blue was my first futurity horse, so I got a really good taste of breaking a colt myself. I gained a lot of experience with Blue.

Blue is now 7 years old and has become a very well-trained calf roping horse. My Dad cuts cattle on him anytime he can catch me gone long enough, for he thinks Blue should be doing nothing but cutting cattle.

Most of my early days my Dad had me mounted on young colts. I guess that is the reason I have always enjoyed having futurity horses. It's always a challenge for me to make another good horse.

Since 1991 I have had a futurity project. For a couple of years I had two, but it's hard. You just almost don't have enough time to give each your best training and personal time.

Two years ago I showed a colt we raised in the futurity class. Her name was Watcha That Lynx. Last year I showed her during the District 2 4-H Horse Show and almost qualified her as a 2-year-old. She performed very well for being just two, especially considering I was having to ride her one-handed.

This year I qualified on her by winning my halter class and finishing fourth in western horsemanship. I am planning to show her at the State 4-H Horse Show in the 3-year-old stock horse futurity lass as well as the working cow horse class. She is really making a nice horse. I even rope cattle on her when I doctor wheat pasture cattle. I guess you can say she can do it all for a 3-year-old.

I have a new colt this year and I did the "Imprint" on him. This helps to make colts gentle and break out a lot nicer. You take away all the fears when they are first born, plus you teach them how to do maneuvers when they are very young. They don't forget all this, even if you turn them out for a year or two.

I have bred five mares this year so I will have a full season next spring to work with colts and to see the importance of all this imprinting.

A saying I like to live by is "the best minute I spend is the one I invest in others." By this, I have developed the confidence and rules I need to teach riding lessons and to train horses for others. I enjoy working with young people that have a desire to become exposed to horses in any form.

I have given riding lessons to more than 16 youths and most of these do not own a horse.

My greatest 4-H achievement is giving a handicapped girl, Leslie, the chance to be exposed to, ride and learn about horses. She wants to be able to show horses next year at the county level.

She taught me more than I taught her. You could just feel the energy coming out of her. We both received good results.

My family always taught me to help others with their horses. They may need to be hauled, or need helping preparing for a show or event, but whatever they need, I try to help as a payback to those who helped me in my early years.

My family and I have come up with a really neat way to get young people involved with horses, even if they don't own one themselves. Each year we started holding a "Kids' Day" at our house. Every youngster gets to ride and participate in each event.

We had events like barrels, poles, rescue race, balloon race, barrel crawl, flags, stakes, calf riding and more. We always clean out the garden and put it on the grill along with hamburgers, chicken and hot dogs.

We started the first year with about 10 kids and last year we had almost

50. Unfortunately, it just got too big and we didn't have enough help to be able to continue with the project.

I do miss the action from it all, but youngsters are still welcome to come ride with me at my house.

Training horses for others takes a lot of responsibility. By attending clinics I have learned about new reining maneuvers and natural horsemanship training skills. I have also toured many different horse training facilities in Texas, Colorado, Oklahoma and New Mexico. I always come home with new ideas on training, barns, corrals and pasture setups.

My family just bought a new place and we are having to build fences, barns and make several other general improvements. These ideas are really helping.

I am also getting a chance to improve my welding skills, dig post holes, finish concrete and practice weed control measures.

We had just about gotten the old place in good shape when we moved. Oh well, one always needs to stay active in all areas.

These are just a few areas that my horse project carries over into. Another is veterinary science.

You not only have to train your horses, you must groom, feed and tend to their medical needs. Keeping accurate records and scheduling monthly worming, vaccination and other medical care for my horses, lambs, calves, chickens and dogs have helped develop my preventive care program. This has kept my veterinarian expenses for my animal care down in the last few years.

I have shown 4-H'ers how to properly clean cuts, give muscular and intravenous injections and even castrate my bull calves. Getting them involved in the actual care process is what I like to do. Then they will know how to handle minor needs.

The major problems I still let the veterinarian handle, but I always try to get them to let me help. This way I can see if being a veterinarian is

what I want to do as a career.

I started purchasing day-old calves to raise on bottles so I would have calves to rope. I thought, "no problem. Give them milk twice a day and rope, right?"

Wrong!  
It has turned out to be a little different from that. I learned very quickly how fast you can lose a calf and money. This taught me how to spot illness and to take immediate action.

Helping one of the local feedyards is where my experience in beef feeding, veterinary science and agriculture has helped. Understanding the different feed rations and pulling and doctoring sick cattle has been to my advantage.

The owner has given me a lot of responsibility. Most days I single-handedly take care of 4,000 head of cattle in the yard and another 3,500 head on wheat pasture. I even have to make the decision on changes to their feed rations—whether to increase or decrease the amount. I have learned how to make judgment calls and I can explain why I made a decision when I am asked.

This was my first year with lambs. I showed two lambs at the county stock show. I placed third with both lambs and made the sale. It was quite an experience.

It was the first time I had to feed sheep and learn how to shear, along with learning all their habits. I plan to have more lambs next year and do more with them. A herd? I don't know yet!

Exotic animals are becoming very popular and my mules fit right in. For 13 years I have ridden and trained mules. I have given talks to many people who are curious about the long-eared animal.

I have shown the mules in various events and contests, including the State 4-H Horse Show. Copper Penny was sold last year for what most people wish they could sell

their horses.

Yes, the year is almost over and my horse project has been rewarding again. I have learned more patience and taken on more responsibility, but most of all I have helped others by sharing by abilities and knowledge with them. By teaching others how to ride or just giving them opportunity, I have earned more rewards than any ribbon can give. Getting a horse to perform at its best always encourages me to go further.

After I graduate from high school I plan to attend Texas A&M and major in veterinary science. I want to become a veterinarian. However, I am also looking into sports medicine.

No matter which way I go, horse training will be a source of income to help pay for my education.

My 4-H experience has prepared me to be able to speak publicly and to meet people with ease. It has taught me to be responsible for different types of animals and duties. 4-H has been a very big part of my life and I owe a lot to the organization for teaching me life skills. I have learned to win and lose graciously and to cheer on my fellow 4-H'ers, whether from county, district or state.

I have made many friends statewide through 4-H and each one is a very special person who has contributed to my success.



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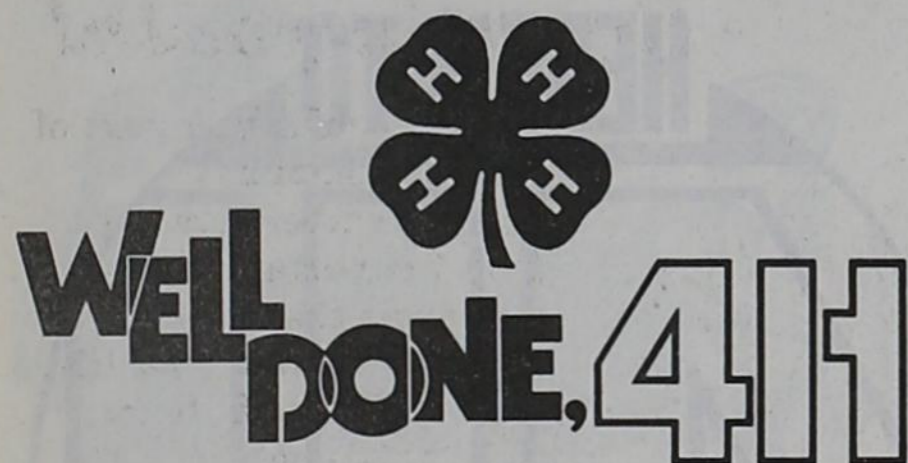
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**WORKING ON REASONS**—Members of the 4-H Horse Judging Team concentrate on a horse as they practice writing reasons why it should be judged in a certain way. The team participates in contests that

score them individually, in addition to scoring the team as a whole. Team members and their coach are (from left) Cody Annen, Rusty Wooten, Rusty McDaniel, coach Scott Bagley, and Kristin Hales.

*Courtesy Photo*

# 4-H Horse Judging Team ready for World Congress

The Castro County 4-H Horse Judging Team will be leaving Oct. 19 to attend the American Quarter Horse Association World Congress in Columbus, Ohio Oct. 21.

The team will represent the state of Texas in the competition, along with teams from the other 49 states. Team members are Cody Annen, Kristin Hales, Rusty McDaniel and Rusty Wooten.

"This is the highest level these kids can attain in this competition," said team sponsor Suanne Bagley. She added that Castro County has had three teams go to the World Congress in the past 13 years, and is the only county in Texas that has had three winning teams coached by the same coach. Scott Bagley is the coach for the team.

The team placed fourth at the 1997 American Quarter Horse Youth Association's World Championship show and convention Aug. 7 in Fort Worth.

Competing against about 19 other teams from 4-H and FFA and 20 teams from AQHYA ranks, the team as a whole took fourth in Halter, second in Performance, third in Oral

Reasons, and fourth in overall High Teams.

In individual placings, McDaniel was ninth in Halter and reasons, and sixth in performance and reasons. He also took fifth in overall oral reasons and seventh among all individuals participating.

Winning first at state at the Texas 4-H Roundup in College Station June 4 is what qualified the team for these national contests.

The team placed first in halter classes and third in performance, topping their nearest competitor by 37 points.

In individual honors, McDaniel was named first place high individual in halter classes and reasons, with Wooten second, Hales fourth and Annen eighth. McDaniel was first in scoring in performance classes and reasons.

Overall he was first high individual with 529 points, while Wooten was sixth with 506 and Annen was tied for 10th.

The team swept the District Horse Judging contest, taking first overall and first in team halter, performance and reasons.

Again, McDaniel took top individual honors, finishing first in performance and reasons and second in halter.

Annen was second high individual, with Wooten fourth overall.

The team also won placings in other judging competitions throughout the year.

Team members have been holding various fund raising events to earn money for the two trips to the national competitions. They are nearing their goal of \$10,000.

Their most recent activity of selling sandwiches and soft drinks to drivers waiting to deliver crops to elevators was a big success, according to Bagley. She said the team is still taking orders for baked goods, and has placed a trailer for recycling aluminum cans on the parking lot across from the Pizza Hut.

For more information or to make a donation, contact any team member: Annen, 945-2558; Hales, 945-2202; McDaniel, 647-3764; Wooten, 647-2224; or coaches Scott and Suanne Bagley, 647-4780; or the Extension office at 647-4115.

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# Rachel Wall gains leadership skills from 4-H

By RACHEL WALL

Leader n. 1. One that leads or guides.

One of the most important things 4-H has taught me is how to be a leader. Each project in 4-H, from public speaking to food and nutrition, teaches you how to be a leader. A positive leader is someone who can take charge without seeming bossy, but can also be your friend whenever you are in need, and stands up for what he/she believes in, no matter what other people think.

I am Rachel Wall, the 15-year-old daughter of Don and Neoma Williams, and the late Mike Wall. I am a sophomore at Hart High School.

In 4-H I am involved in many projects, but the one I consider the most important is leadership. I was the president of our local club this past year, and am the council delegate for the current year. I also served as the treasurer on the county council this past year. I have led workshops and assisted adult leaders at project meetings and other classes. I think it's important to use my role as a leader in a positive way so that younger members of my 4-H Club have someone positive to look up to. The greatest things that you learn about being a leader in 4-H will help

you in other areas of your life as well.

Citizenship is also an important project in which I am involved. You should help others in your community instead of doing everything to benefit yourself. This is the area our club gives the most attention to. I have participated in canned food drives through our local club.

For the past two years, our 4-H Club has given "goodie bags" to senior citizens in Hart during the Christmas holidays. This past year we gave fruit bags instead, and then donated the leftover fruit not used in the "goodie bags" to our county jail.

I have also participated in many functions in our town's annual celebration called Hart Days. Last year I helped coordinate Hart Days.

Our club has done many things to help beautify our town, such as having a bench put downtown, planting trees in downtown Hart, and putting up fall decorations one year.

On "Make A Difference Day" this year, our club donated a set of books to our elementary library that speak out against gangs. The books were written by Stanley Williams, the co-founder of the notorious street gang, the Crips. We hope that some of the kids who read these books will not

turn to gangs for help.

I think that leadership and citizenship go hand in hand. If you are a good leader you will do things to help others, and if you help others, you will develop good leadership skills.

Other projects I am involved in are photography, clothing, public speaking, and foods and nutrition.

I like photography because it allows you to capture things forever.

My mom owns and operates the local weekly newspaper, . . . (and) I also do some darkroom work for the newspaper.

I enjoy working in the darkroom because you have so much control over how the pictures turn out. I also like experimenting with the filters and trying different techniques.

As far as taking pictures, I like taking pictures of "unusual" things. For example, two years ago in June, there was a tornado about two miles from our house, which is located in the country. It was in an open field and it wasn't moving toward our house, so I took a picture of it.

Every year, I enter pictures in our county fair. The past three years, I won Best of Show in my age division—one was a picture of a sunset and a old, gnarled tree; and a picture

of my dad shining his boots the next year; then, with a picture of my cousins playing this past year. I also entered the picture of my dad shining his boots in the South Plains Fair and won first place with it. I also assisted the photography director at our county fair one year.

During the fall of 1994, I attended a seminar at WTAMU on photography and darkroom work. I saw a lot of things that would improve my picture taking, such as what speeds of film to select for the different kind of photographs I would likely be taking. I also learned some hints that would improve my darkroom work, such as using different kinds of filters for contrast.

I think public speaking is one of the most beneficial 4-H projects. You learn research skills that can be used later in school. You also learn how to give an effective speech to audiences, and it's important to be able to stand up and talk to other age groups.

In public speaking I have given four demonstrations while in 4-H. I received a first at county for five years and second at the district level my first year of doing method demonstrations with a demonstration on car detailing. The next year, I also got a second with a demonstration on

recycling plastics. The third year I earned a first place with a demonstration on coin collecting. Two years ago at District Roundup I received first place with a demonstration entitled "A Uniformly Good Idea?", a demonstration about school uniforms. I also gave my method demonstration, "A Uniformly Good Idea?", at County Roundup this year, and to a civic club in Dimmitt for their monthly meeting.

I have participated in food and nutrition for six years, receiving second at the county level for three years and first for three years. At district I received a blue ribbon one year, and came in second place the next year. Last year, I received third place at District in the Junior II snacks and desserts. I received a blue ribbon at District this year.

I have participated in clothing for five years. The first year I made a shorts set and got second place at county. The next two years, I participated in buying and received first at county both years; I got a blue ribbon at district one of those years. The next year, in the Harvest Days style show, I modeled a jumper and hat that I had made. I have made a pair of palazzo pants, a jumper and a dress/blouse outfit. After school last

year, I conducted a hat decorating workshop.

I entered the buying casual category this year. I bought a purple polyester pant suit with a vest and jacket. I learned a lot about fabrics and quality of garments this year.

I did my record book in public speaking for one year and then did my record book in photography for four years. I earned first place in county and district four years.

In my local 4-H Club, I served as reporter for one year, president for four years and as council delegate one year. I helped organize all the local 4-H fund-raisers, as well as our 4-H mini-fair in past years' Hart Days celebrations.

I was secretary/treasurer for a year on the County Council and then was elected as third vice-president, and another year as secretary/treasurer. I helped work at the concession stands and helped with the annual achievement banquet.

4-H is a great organization because it teaches you skills you need to know to get through life, such as responsibility and self-confidence. I think the most important thing 4-H teaches young people is how to be a productive citizen—one who gives more than he/she receives.

**WELL DONE,  
4-H!**

Keep up the good work and enjoy your time in the spotlight—you've earned it!

**DR. & MRS. ROB LINDSEY  
AND STAFF**



We salute our 4-H Club members and leaders and wish them the bet of success.

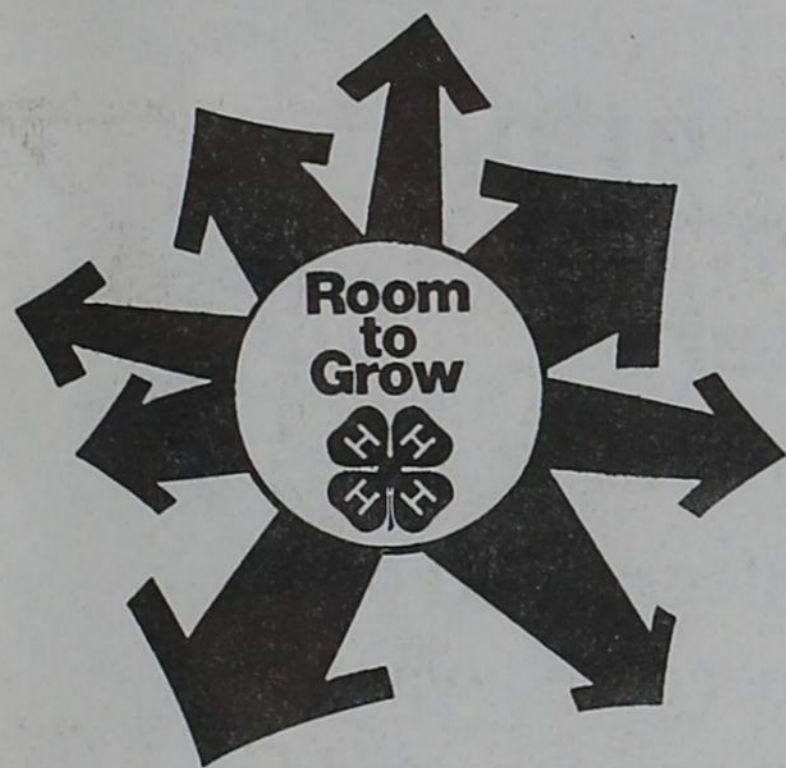
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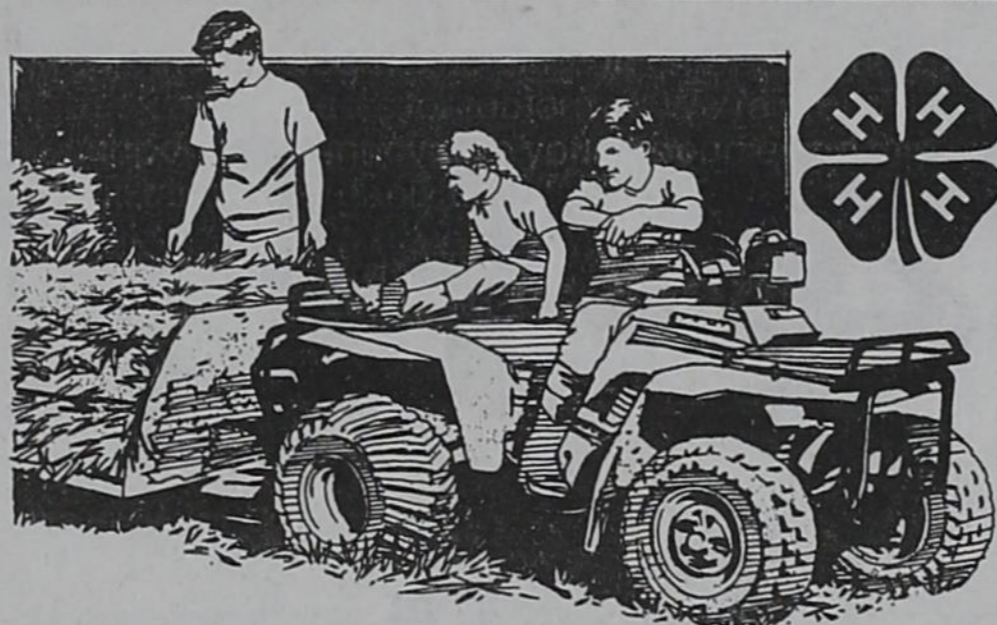
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4-H has served and continues to be a pathway to achievement for many individuals, not only in their careers but in their overall pursuit of more productive, meaningful lives.

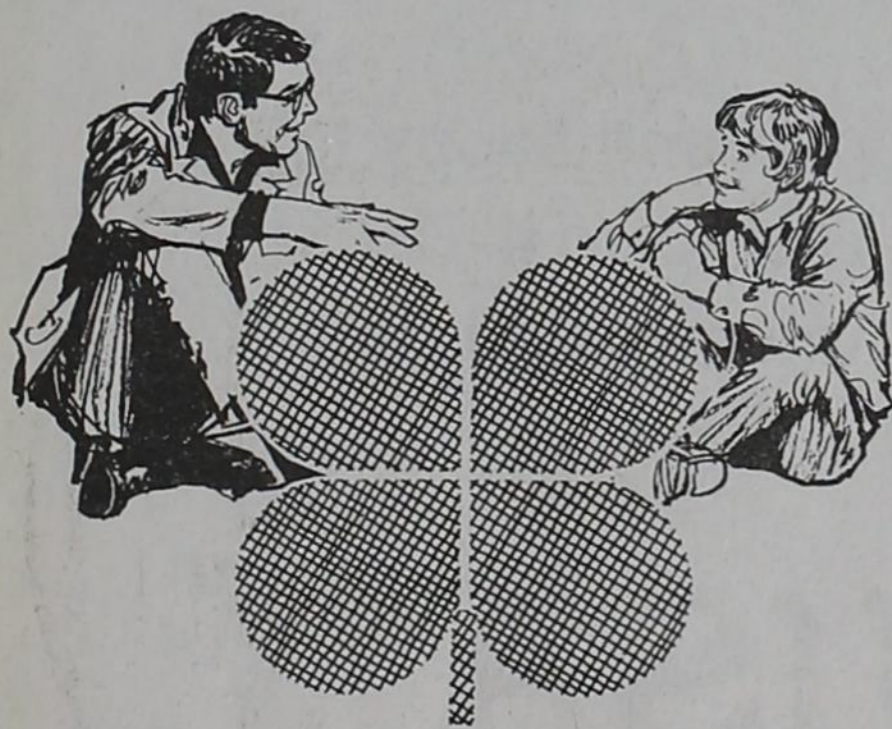
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**We're proud of our 4-H'ers!**

We appreciate the parents and adult leaders who work with these young people to make 4-H one of the finest programs in the country for young people.

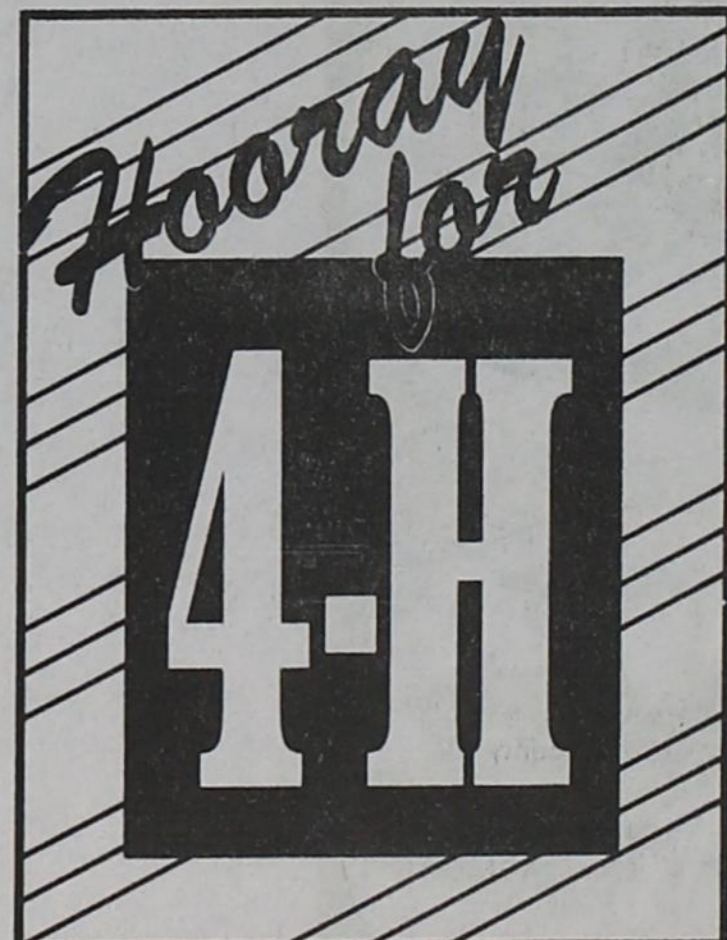
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**4-H For Youth...  
For America**

4-H puts our youth to work in constructive and responsible ways...contributing to a growing community today...helping to shape strong, dedicated leaders for tomorrow. We're proud to support these innovative young people and this outstanding organization.

**Dr. Morris Webb**  
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MODELING AT THE FAIR  
... 4-H'er Jaci Bishop.

***Is something missing in your life?***

**Then Castro County 4-H is for you**

**By REBEL ROYALL  
County Extension Agent**

Did you know that 4-H is the youth phase of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and that approximately 6,000,000 youth are involved in the 4-H program across the United States?

Well, it's true, and Castro County, with approximately 200 youths enrolled in 4-H, is one of many counties in the United States that is striving to improve the quality of life for our young people.

4-H is a program that offers boys and girls between the ages of nine (or in the third grade) and 19 the opportunity to learn new things by taking an active part in one of several project areas and activities.

The projects that have been

established to teach youth in Castro County are Beef, Clothing and Textiles, Entomology, Food and Nutrition, Shooting Sports, Horses, Consumer Decision Making, Sheep and Swine. Other projects which may be started in the near future are Meat Science, Crop Science and Wool and Mohair Science.

There are other projects, such as Aerospace, Gardening and Horticulture, Dog Care and Training, Photography and Electric Energy which are available as "self determined" projects for youth who are interested.

In addition to projects, youths also have the opportunity to participate in 4-H camps, leadership labs, fellowship lock-ins and several other activities, exclusive to 4-H'ers.

The 4-H'ers also are given an opportunity to display what they have learned in the various project areas through "recognition events" such as 4-H Food Shows; 4-H Fashion Shows; Livestock, Horse, Entomology, Wool, Meats, and Consumer Judging Contests; 4-H Roundup (demonstrations and talks); 4-H Horse Shows; Livestock Shows; and many other events.

The county, district and state competitions and events are divided into four age divisions:

- Clover Kids—Ages 8 and under or those in second grade and

younger. (These children aren't eligible for district and state competition).

- Junior 1—Ages 9-11 (Eligible for district competition).
- Junior 2—Ages 11-13 (Eligible for district competition).
- Senior—Ages 14-19 (Eligible for state competition).

Four organized traditional clubs and two project clubs meet monthly in Castro County. The club you join will depend on what area of Castro County you reside in and what interests you might have. Each club has a club manger and club volunteer

leaders to assist and guide 4-H youth in club meetings, activities and projects.

If you and your family are interested in joining 4-H and becoming a "4-H Family," call the Castro County Extension Office at 647-4115 and ask for Benny Martinez, Rebel Royall or Marilyn Neal. If you choose to come by our office, it is located in the basement of the courthouse in Dimmitt.

"We want all of the youth in Castro County to profit from the various opportunities that 4-H has to offer, and to share in the fun of 4-H," said Royall.

**The Four H's**

The four H's in 4-H represent the four-square development of:

**Head**

To help you learn new and better ways of doing things.

**Heart**

To help you develop ideals and standards for living in society.

**Hands**

To give you the opportunity to develop useful skills and to apply them.

**Health**

To help you develop habits of good health.

*Are you bored, lonely or looking for excitement?*

**Join 4-H**

Call the Castro County Extension Office at 647-4115 to join today!

**THANKS, 4-H!**

Through the years, our Castro County 4-H'ers have won top awards at the district, state and national levels. In doing so, they have expanded their horizons toward greater accomplishments in the future.

We are proud to help our 4-H clubs and leaders throughout the year, and we salute you on your special week.

**KDHN 1470**

**KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK, 4-H!**

*We can't thank you enough for all the contributions you make to our community.*

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**4-H: Cultivating Tomorrow's Leaders...**

All across the nation, 4-H is becoming an integral part of our communities, helping young people to become aware, active and concerned with their environment and the world.

The skills and knowledge they learn as 4-H members will go a long way in helping them to develop into self-assured and responsible adults.

It's an organization that we're proud to support and happy to applaud for their continual achievements. Thanks to 4-H, and the work they do, we feel that this community's a little richer ... a little brighter.

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