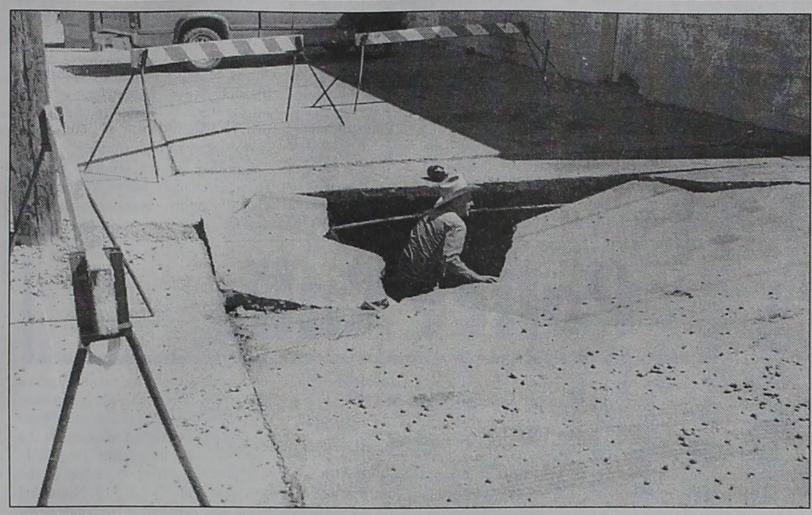
# The Castro County News

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OPENING THAT TRIED TO SWALLOW A VAN-On Saturday a van belonging to Vicki Aljoe of Dimmitt was parked behind Jack Edwards's law office in the 100 block of East Bedford. People out in the alley heard a noise and saw a hole open beneath the vehicle and the back axle of the van disappeared into the hole. Aljoe was not in the van at the time. Don Elliott brought a tow truck and pulled the vehi-

cle away from the crater in the concrete. Aljoe's husband, Kyle, said the vehicle suffered an estimated \$250 in damage. Further excavation of the hole revealed an opening over 10 feet deep and 15-20 feet across that City Manager Don Sheffy surmised had been a "community cesspool." Here, Sheffy is examining the initial opening in the ground. (See additional photo, Page 9.) Photo by Don Nelson

# County asked to close dirt road at railroad crossing near Summerfield

railroad track and bisects Highway listed as a federal crossing. Ideally, harvest season." 60 in the northwestern part of Castro County may soon be closed.

Jerry Rector with Burlington country, but we can't conceivably do Northern-Santa Fe Railroad asked county commissioners Monday if road, which is in the Summerfield

The proposed closing is part of the of Transportation. railroad's Operation Lifesaver pro-

"Our goal is to remove crossings trying to close some of the crossings that are no longer needed or those

By Don Nelson

Uh-oh.

Have you ever compiled a list of people you wanted to recognize, and had the list printed in the paper, and,

(You're running ahead of me on this, aren't you?)

Sure enough, in my list last week of basketball coaches who grew up in Dimmitt, I left out at least four-Larry Birdwell of Lorenzo, Johnny Hampton of Nazareth, Justin Shultz of Vega; and Arnold Peralez of Lake Arthur, N.M.

Of course, there's no particular reason for me to remember these former Bobcats. Johnny has only won state championships in both boys' and girls' basketball; Justin only coached the Vega Lady Longhorns to the Class A state title this year (in fact, I mentioned him and his team in this corner just three weeks ago); Larry is only a living (Continued on Page 13)

He said if the county does elect to

we'd like to see overpasses and un-

derpasses at all crossings in the

they would consider closing the dirt close the road, it would receive \$7,500 from the railroad and another \$7,500 from the Texas Department

The \$7,500 from the railroad can be used for anything the county wants, but the \$7,500 from the Texas that are a danger to the public. We're Dept. of Transportation would be earmarked for improving other railroad crossings in the county.

> The road in question is in Precinct 3, and Pct. 3 Commissioner Bay Baldridge told other commissioners that it is not a designated county

> "There's really no road there," Baldridge said. "It's really just an old cattle train-a shortcut trail from an elevator across to Highway 60. Personally, I'd like to see it closed. The way it is now, somebody's going to get killed. It is a danger."

Rector said the road isn't used that

# Weather

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March Moisture .....

corded each day at 7 a.m. at KDHN Radio, official National Weather Service reporting station.

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1999 Moisture ......

Temperatures and moisture are re-

**HEADING TO STATE—Two power lifters from Dimmitt High School** have qualified to participate in the State Power Lifting Competition at Fort Hood at Killeen on Saturday. Beau Hill (left) won first at regional in the 198-lb. class and Gary Jouett took first in his weight class of 148 lbs. They are coached by Monty Gothard. Photo by Linda Maxwell

A little-used trail that crosses a that are unsafe," Rector said. "This is often, "mainly by grain trucks during

If the road is closed, traffic to and from the elevator would be directed down a road three-tenths of a mile away, so Rector said he doesn't feel like it will create much of a problem.

"Our train traffic is going to increase," Rector told commissioners. "We're in the process of putting in new tracks there and the rail traffic will be going both ways."

Baldridge says he's used the shortcut himself, but admits that "it's scary to cross the railroad tracks

Commissioners decided not to take any action on the matter until their next meeting to give Baldridge time to check on who owns the elevator and other matters.

Precinct 4 will buy a new 1999 Caterpillar motor grader from West Texas Equipment for a trade differ-

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## Eradication program to be established

# Boll weevil program earns support from 75% of voters

Cotton producers in the Northwest issued 3,395 ballots to cotton producing in the Northwest issued 3,395 ballots to cotton pro-Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone have voted to establish a boll weevil eradication program in the fivecounty zone which includes Castro County.

Final results were 1,441 voting for the program and only 476 casting dissenting ballots.

In addition, producers in the zone voted to set a maximum annual assessment for the program not to exceed \$12 per land acre for irrigated cotton and \$5 per land acre for dryland cotton. Of the ballots tallied, 1,280 were in favor of the proposed costs while 596 were against.

To officially establish a boll weevil eradication program in the Northwest Plains Zone and set an assessment, the propositions had to be approved by a two-thirds vote, or those voting in favor needed to farm more than 50% of the zone's acre-

"Producers in the Northwest Plains have shown they want an eradication program," said Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs. "We look forward to working with them and the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foun- at Childress. dation in eliminating this costly pest in Texas."

# Eight are indicted

Eleven indictments were issued against eight men in the Tuesday session of the 64th District Court Grand Jury that met in Dimmitt, with Judge Jack Miller presiding.

Jose Angel Gonzales, 42, of Hart, received three indictments, with bond set at \$25,000 on each charge. He is accused of retaliation and two counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. The charges stated that on Saturday he threatened imminent bodily injury to Freddie and Steve Tenorio and used or exhibited a deadly weapon during the commission of the assault, which deadly

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# Candidate lists are finalized

wishing to serve on governing boards for local cities, school districts, and the hospital district. Elections are scheduled for May 1.

Early voting will be held on April

Persons who are not registered voters may register to vote by April 1 and still qualify to vote in the May 1 election.

Terms that are expiring for the various governmental bodies and candidates who have filed are listed below.

## Dimmitt

City: Terms are expiring for Mayor Wayne Collins, and at-large council members Trish Elliott, Lyman Schroeder, and Clint Seward. All incumbents have filed for reelection, with no opponents.

DISD: Terms are expiring for Place 3 representative Chevo Lumbrera; Place 6, Debbie Annen; and Place 7, Steve Buckley.

In Place 3, Albert Acevedo and incumbent Lumbrera have filed. In Place 6, Greg Odom, incumbent

Annen, and Robert Wilhite have

In Place 7, Jim Wright, Barbara Bain, and Connie Nutt have filed. Hart

City: Mayor Tony Leibel's term is expiring, as well as the terms for Aldermen Doyle K. Davis and Harvey Perez. All incumbents have filed for re-election, along with challenging mayoral candidate Marguerite McLain.

HISD: Those whose terms are expiring are Coy Myrick and Roy Gonzales. Incumbent Myrick has filed, along with challengers Brian

Filing ended March 17 for those Nelson and Danny Rodriguez. Nazareth

City: City Commissioner Glen Ehly's term is expiring. No one filed before the filing deadline.

NISD: Terms are up for Rex Ramaekers, who had been filling one year of an unexpired term; and Julius Birkenfeld and Danny Gerber. All incumbents have filed, along with challengers Don Schulte and Jeanie Birkenfeld.

## **Hospital District**

Terms are expiring for Jerry Annen, Henry Ramaekers and Carolyn Sides. All incumbents have filed, with no opponents.

ducers in the zone who were eligible ducer who farms in the zone. Saylor to vote in the referendum.

Some 1,928 valid ballots were

postmarked by the March 12 deadline and were counted.

Cotton producers also elected John Saylor of Bailey County to represent the Northwest Plains Zone on the statewide board of directors for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foun-

has been serving as the commissioner-appointed director for the Northwest Plains Zone.

Saylor was elected by a 1,326-79

The Northwest Plains Zone consists of approximately 500,000 acres in five counties: Bailey, Castro, Deaf Smith, Lamb and Parmer.

## Newland killed in crash near Wheeler on Friday

and formerly of Dimmitt, died Friday at 8:40 p.m. at Parkview Hospital in Wheeler from injuries sustained in a two-vehicle crash.

The daughter of Jan Newland, the girls' basketball coach at Plains High School, Newland was a passenger in a 1998 Chevrolet Camaro driven by 18-year-old Andrew Hillhouse of Wheeler, according to a spokeswoman for the Dept. of Public Safety

Four other people were injured in the crash, including Newland's The Texas Dept. of Agriculture younger brother, Jarod, 14, who also was a passenger in the Camaro. He was taken to Northwest Texas Hospital and released. Hillhouse was taken to NWTH for facial injuries and a possible broken neck. He was released Saturday, according to a news report in the Sunday Lubbock Avalanche-Journal.

The crash occurred around 8:15

Kimberly Newland, 16, of Plains, p.m. at the intersection of US Highway 83 and Farm-to-Market Road 2473 inside the Wheeler city limits,

according to the DPS spokeswoman. She said Hillhouse was traveling south on US 83 and attempted to make a left turn onto FM 2473 when the crash occurred.

The other vehicle involved was a 1985 Ford Bronco driven by David Immel, 30, of Wheeler. He and his passenger, Barbara Himenkamp, 41, of Wheeler, both suffered facial injuries and were taken to Parkview Hospital for treatment, according to the spokeswoman.

Funeral services for Newland were held Monday morning at the Plains High School Auditorium. Newland was a junior at Plains High School and had been a member of the girls' basketball team. She had been active in basketball and the Student Council during the two years she lived in

## DISD

# Meeting set today on drug test policy

today (Thursday) at 7 p.m. at the at each random test date, about once Dimmitt High School auditorium to explain to local citizens a proposed policy for deterring drug and alcohol use among students. The policy would require all stu-

dents involved in extra-curricular activities with competitive performances and contests to sign a consent form for random drug and alcohol testing, according to Bruce Dollar, athletic coordinator for the Dimmitt schools.

"I don't want to implement this without community support," Dollar said. The testing policy would cover students in grades 7-12.

"The purpose of the program is not to 'catch' someone (in violation)," Dollar said. He said the purpose is to give students a tool to hang on to, to help them in saying no to tempta-

Dollar said an independent company of licensed professionals would be contracted with to run the testing program. Students would be randomly selected by their Social Security number, chosen by computer from several different "pools." Ten tion office, 608 W. Halsell.

A public meeting will be held percent of each pool would be tested a month.

> Dollar said that all participants would be tested when the program is first implemented. Then in subsequent years, all extracurricular participants entering the seventh and ninth grades would be tested, in addition to the random tests. Also, participating students new to the school system would be tested at the first possible random testing date.

> Sanctions for students who have a positive test ( showing drug or alcohol use) include mandatory substance abuse counseling, suspension from participation and additional required testing. Offenses are cumulative for a participant's enrollment in grades 7-12 in DISD. A fourth offense will result in permanent suspension from extracurricular partici-

> Dollar said that the results of drug tests will not be documented in any student's academic records.

Copies of the proposed policy may be viewed at the school administra-



INJURED IN ONE-VEHICLE ROLL-OVER -Victor Hernandez, 16, is loaded into an ambulance after he was injured in a crash Monday at 2 p.m. 10 miles north of Dimmitt just off of US 385. He was a passen-

ger in a 1994 Nissan pickup driven by his mother, Lily Nieto, 36, of Amarillo. She also was injured, and was transferred to an Amarillo hospital.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

# Walk Across Texas program slated here

zation is inviting individuals and miles. At the end of each week, organizations to join a county-wide miles will be reported to the Extenfitness program which has been developed by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and Texas A&M School of Rural Public Health.

eight-week program is intended to It could be the beginning of a healthy spark some friendly competition in habit that will last a lifetime—a lon-Castro County, as well as all across ger lifetime. the state.

can log the most miles walking, jog- sion Office at 647-4115. ging, or even biking.

The kick-off gathering for Castro County will be Wednesday(March 31), when teams are invited to meet at the gazebo for a pig-out brown bag lunch. The team walking will begin April 1. Teams will keep track of their miles, which will be posted in the Castro County Extension Office and at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

Texas, get together a team. Walking while jogging and biking teams only need four members. Then register walk together or individually, and healthy habit."

Castro County's H.O.P.E. organi- each will keep track of their own sion Office or the Chamber so that charts may be updated.

Each team's mission is to try to walk 800 miles-a walk across Called "Walk Across Texas," the Texas-during an eight-week period.

For more information, contact the Teams will compete to see who Chamber at 647-2524 or the Exten-

Most people are unaware of the positive benefits of exercise. According to the American Heart Association, heart disease is the No. 1 health problem in the US. The risk of heart disease could be significantly reduced by regular exercise.

According to the Texas Dept. of Health, the positive effects of physical activity are not limited to lowering the risk of heart disease.

To participate in Walk Across "Not only does regular exercise help relieve stress and anxiety, physically teams must have eight members, active people outlive inactive people," said H.O.P.E. co-chair Marilyn Neal. "Participating in Walk Across your team at the Extension Office or Texas is not only a great way to get at the Chamber. Team members can involved with our community, it's a

# Shropshire reassigned from girls' coaching duties at Hart

NISD rehires Johnny Hampton,

but not as girls' basketball coach

The Nazareth School Board, in a senting votes. Board member Julius

season.

ticipation."

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**DEADLINES** 

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The Hart School Board voted to as an assistant coach. reassign Coach Lucresia Shropshire at a recent meeting, pulling her from her duties as girls' basketball, track and cross country coach.

Shropshire is still employed by HISD in a teaching capacity, according to Dr. Martin Early, HISD Superintendent. Shropshire teaches computer literacy, world geography, health and life skills.

track coach duties.

Early said several factors contributed to the board's decision to reassign Shropshire.

"The board felt like the level of play and intensity in the girls' basketball program had dropped considerably from the year before," Early said. "They felt the program had fallen down and they didn't want it to get completely away from us. We want to look for someone with more coaching experience.

Early said there is always a chance that Shropshire could be reassigned back into the girls' athletic program

split vote recently, voted to rehire

Johnny Hampton, but agreed to re-

lieve him of his girls' basketball

Four board members including

Keith Hoelting, Dan Gerber, Rex

Ramaekers and David Olvera voted

in favor of the action with Patti Kern

and Peggy Birkenfeld casting dis-

quarterly dividend

NCE), the holding company for Pub-

lic Service Co. of Colorado and

Southwestern Public Service Co., on

March 17 declared quarterly divi-

dends on all outstanding common

The board of directors of NCE

declared a 58¢-per-share dividend on

common stock payable May 15 to

shareholders of record April 23,

ciation and National Newspaper Association.

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Sports, Social and Church News.

General News, City and County...

Page Composition and Photo Lab.

Community Correspondence.

Personal Items....

Editor and Publisher.

News Department.

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Bookkeeping....

Advertising Composition...

Agriculture, Business & Industry News...

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"This was strictly a professional assessment. It was nothing Lucresia had done personally," Early added. "The board just felt that it was a necessity that we have a very qualified person as girls' coach based on the strength of our district. They were disappointed in the team's showing this year. We were one of the dominant teams in a Class AA Amanda Kirkpatrick, assistant district, then dropped to Class A and girls' coach, has taken over the girls' really struggled. The board does realize, however, that we are in the toughest Class A district in the state-the district that produced the state champion.'

Early said the school board has started advertising for a new girls' coach, placing ads with the Texas High School Girls Coaches Association, Region 16, on the Internet and in several other media. The school hopes to begin interviewing prospective candidates in late April and hopes to have a new coach hired sometime in May.

"We've already had several inquiries," Early said.

Birkenfeld abstained from the vote.

and teacher, but his coaching duties

for the next school year have not

been determined yet, according to N.

Dean Johnson, Nazareth superinten-

dent. Hampton teaches math, physi-

cal education and athletics. He is

currently serving as girls' track

Hampton came under fire this year

"This was a culmination of discus-

after several varsity players quit mid-

sion at three different board meet-

ings," Johnson said. "At one of those

meetings we had a lot of public par-

a personnel matter that I don't feel

comfortable discussing in a public

Nazareth has not opened the girls'

basketball coach's position to pro-

spective applicants yet, but will be

looking at options soon, according to

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Johnson added that "this is more of

Hampton was rehired as a coach



Rachal Harman

## Harman named award winner

The US Achievement Academy announced that Rachal Harman has been named a US National Award Winner in English.

Harman, a sophomore at Dimmitt High School, was nominated for the honor by Cynthia Byers, an English teacher at the school.

Selected students will appear in the USAA official yearbook, which is published nationally.

Harman is the daughter of Billy and Carolyn Harman of Dimmitt, and the granddaughter of Bill and Paula Harman of Dimmitt and Bea Cole of Hart.

The academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors and upon the standards of selection set forth by the academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

# wins award

Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt has been named a winner in the state-wide Hooray for ExcellenceTM program sponsored by Ultramar Diamond Shamrock Corp.

The school will receive \$50 and a dertificate of recognition. Also, its entry will advance to regional competition, and if successful, will proceed to the state level. Ultramar Diamond Shamrock (UDS) will award \$1,000 each to the 10 Texas schools selected as state winners.

Teachers and students who entered the competition select an academic program and describe its merits on a short audiotape that is submitted to the Hooray for Excellence radio partner in their area. Richardson Elementary's winning entry was selected by KDHN in Dimmitt.

Under the guidance of teacher Elaine Steinle, the elementary students described how they worked with teachers to set reading goals. Reading became a school priority, and the student body surpassed the principal's challenge to read 20,000 books in one school year.

"We applaud the efforts of Ms. Steinle and the students," said Gene Smith, manager of signs and images for UDS.

## RadioShack/Tandy Scholars are named

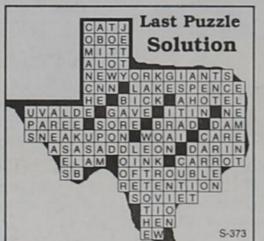
Two local students have received recognition through the Radio

Shack/Tandy Scholars program. Susan Rebecca Book of Nazareth High School and Efrain Salazar of Hart High School have been named as certificate recipients for being in the top 2% of their graduating classes. The award recognizes the

students' academic achievements. In addition, Book also was nomian Outstanding Math/Science/Computer Science student. She will receive a certificate recognizing her as a RadioShack/ Tandy Scholar. In addition, she was eligible to compete for a \$1,000 scholarship, with 100 of them

The program is funded by Tandy Corporation/RadioShack, administered by Texas Christian University, and endorsed by the National Association of Secondary School Princi-

awarded annually.



# DISD gets E-Rate funds

notified that they will be receiving about \$17,000 in rebates through the federal E-Rate program, according to DISD curriculum director Doricell

Davis told the Dimmitt school board at their last meeting that the rebate program was established by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to provide discounts to eligible schools on certain telecommunications services.

Davis said the E-Rate program was established to encourage schools and libraries to make use of Internet services. She said it may also be available to hospitals.

The amount of the "rebate" a school is eligible for is based on the qualifies for free or reduced price lunches. Davis said that DISD qualified for an 83% rebate for 1998, and may qualify for an 84% rebate for

Davis told the school board that the Schools and Libraries Division, which is administering the program, has informed her that "the check is in the mail" on the rebate payments for 1998. The payments will be sent by the FCC to the telecommunications service providers, such as GTE Telephone, NTS, General Services Communications, and Hi Plains Internet.

Davis said the program also may cover "hardware" expenses, such as wiring and connections. DISD is in the process of installing Local Area Networks and a Wide Area Network.

The Dimmitt schools have been percentage of student population that She said some of those expenses may be covered. However, any hardware expenses applied for must be paid for whether it is approved for inclusion or not.

Davis told the school board that Dimmitt may qualify for as much as \$60,000 for 1999, with the district only paying about \$10,000. She said the district hopes to have Internet access in every classroom soon.

She said that the FCC encourages districts to spend the rebate savings on additional telecommunications program items, such as computers, software, or teacher training.

Funding for the program comes from surcharges added to consumers' phone bills, as provided by fed-

# Police Calls

with a deadly weapon were reported during the past week.

On March 16 at 6:46 p.m., a 56year-old Dimmitt man was jailed for third degree aggravated assault. Police said Ricardo Bermea, 41, of Friona, told them the suspect walked over to the construction site at the new Fast Stop convenience store and pointed and discharged a handgun at him. Police said the suspect apparently had been drinking, and there was a dispute concerning a tree

Saturday afternoon at 4:45 two brothers in Hart reported to Hart Police Chief Jay Livingston that a 43-year-old Hart man tried to run over them with his vehicle while they were standing in the yard of a residence. About 30 minutes later, the suspect entered the apartment of one of the brothers and threatened him with a knife for having reported the earlier incident. The suspect was jailed at 6:18 p.m. for retaliation and public intoxication. Livingston said the incident was being investigated as aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, namely a vehicle.

Jay Baze of Rt. 4, Dimmitt, told deputies March 15 that five calves are missing from a pen on FM 1524 about 2-1/2 miles west of Flagg. The animals include four white Charolais heifers and one Simmental bull, ranging in weights from 250 to 400 pounds. There were no brands or marks on the animals and the incident is being investigated as a possi-

A 21-year-old Amarillo woman was jailed Sunday afternoon on charges of theft under \$50. Police reported she took \$6.97-worth of items from the ALCO store in Dimmitt without paying for them.

The traffic offense of driving without a license resulted in the jailing of a Dimmitt man, 22, on Saturday at 12:15 a.m.

A 22-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed last Thursday on charges of exhibition of acceleration, driving not secured by a safety belt, displaying an expired vehicle registration, and displaying an expired inspection sticker. On Saturday, he was jailed

again for public intoxication. Those jailed in other alcohol-related offenses during the past week

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Two cases of aggravated assault man, 20, for DWI, first offense and no driver's license; at 8:25 p.m., a 33-year-old Dimmitt man for public intoxication.

-Saturday: at 10:15 p.m. a 17year-old Dimmitt man for driving under the influence, fourth offense, and driving with license suspended; at 10:59 p.m., a Dimmitt man, 19, for consumption of alcohol by a minor; and at 11:14 p.m., a Hereford woman, 33, for DWI, first offense (breath test refused).

-Sunday at 11:30 a.m., a Dimmitt man, 17, for public intoxication; and at 11:40 p.m. a 25-year-old Dimmitt man for DWI, first offense.

-Monday at 12:07 a.m., a 24year-old Dimmitt man for DWI, first offense.

Jailed for warrants or for violations of probation during the past week were:

-Last Thursday, a Dimmitt man, 19, for violation of probation stemming from charges of DWI, first offense.

-Friday, a Dimmitt woman, 23, on warrants for operating an unregistered vehicle and driving without a license; a Dimmitt man, 19, on warrants for driving without a license and driving unrestrained by a safety belt; and a Hart man, 39, for violation of probation stemming from DWI, first offense.

-Sunday, a Fort Worth man, 43, on a warrant for unauthorized use of force; and a 43-year-old man, no known address, on a warrant for bond surrender on charges of DWI, third or more.

March 15 at 7:50 p.m., a 1996 Mitsubishi Galant driven by Jere-

miah Castillo, 17, of Hereford, struck a 1991 Chevrolet pickup driven by Danny Lewis, 56, of Dimmitt, in the 500 block of North Broadway in Dimmitt. No injuries were reported. Damage to the car was moderate, while the pickup had light damage. Police said Lewis was heading south on Broadway and Castillo was heading west in the 100 block of East Halsell, attempting to cross Broadway. Castillo was ticketed for driving without a license and failure to yield right of way.

Monday at 2 p.m. a one-vehicle roll-over was reported 10 miles north of Dimmitt just off of US 385. Lily Nieto, 36, of Amarillo, had been -Friday: at 4:15 a.m., a Dimmitt driving a 1994 Nissan pickup north and left the roadway, turning onto a dirt road, CR 513. Investigating DPS Trooper Brian Smith said Nieto lost control once the vehicle left the highway, and the pickup flipped 1-1/2 times, landing on its top in the west bar ditch of CR 513. Nieto and her passenger, Victor Hernandez, 16, her son, both were wearing their seat belts, which probably kept them from being ejected from the vehicle, Smith said. The two were able to get out of the vehicle on their own, but both were taken to Plains Memorial Hospital by ambulance, and Nieto was transferred to an Amarillo hospital. Smith said Nieto had an apparent head injury and later began to complain of abdominal pain. Damage to the vehicle was rated moderate. Nieto was cited for failure to control

# More about (Continued from Page 1)

ence of \$85,315.

The county is trading in the precinct's 1988 Caterpillar 140H for the new model and delivery will be within the week.

West Texas Equipment was the only company to bid on the sale, and part of its bid included a guaranteed 5-year buy-back of \$111,000 on the new machine.

Precinct 2 Commissioner Clyde Damron asked commissioners for permission to name a foreman for his road crew and to give the foreman the appropriate salary to go along with the title.

"I'd like to be able to have one person in charge when I have to be away for some reason," Damron

Commissioners agreed with Damron's proposal and the changes

will go into effect April 1.

In other action, commissioners adopted to resolutions Monday. The first resolution approved will

give the county's support for continued federal and state funding for the Texas Soil and Water Conservation District.

Under the second resolution, the county officially opposed passage of bills that would authorize the transfer of water from this area to other parts of the state when water needs are not being met here.

### The Original **ACROSS** 50 TXism: "content with **TEXAS** TXism: "\_ \_\_ of all creation" (overcome) bones" (skinny) 53 Waco native comedian **CROSSWORD** 5 TX Wiley Post was & actor Martin (init.) 54 TXism: "\_\_ humid my around the world upper lip is mildewing\* by Charley & Guy Orbison 6 TX Audie film: "To 55 TWU's 1st woman pres .: Mary Evelyn Blagg and Back\* Copyright 1999 by Orbison Bros. 7 West TX climate 56 university that beat A&M 8 TXism: "bought a in '93 Cotton Bowl (abbr.) pig \_ \_ poke\* 57 Tex-Mex restaurant chain 9 Switzer coached 60 TXism: "it'll take a faith at this university 17 monthly expense 19 "Fugitive" TX actor 20 Astros' Drabek won Young award in '90 21 TXism: "beats anyagency sold TX property 22 Cowboys league after S & L 24 ladened with salsa scandal (abbr.) 62 Rangers Aaron Culberson Co. Sele stat Digo Creek 63 "King's Salt" lake: El \_\_ del Rey white flag" (give up) 14 TXism: \*happy as a DOWN TXism: "I'm all kid \_\_ Santa's lap 38 TX singer "Loaf" \_\* (attentive) 1 TXism: "thick 15 film of 53-across: 40 TXism: "beer shed" 62 37 TX Kristofferson's on a dog's back" "Dead \_\_\_ Don't 41 TX high school "Sunday Mornin' Wear Plaid\* 2 Cascade Caverns sports assoc. (abbr.) ' Down\* are near this town 16 TXism: "thick 42 Texas State 39 "mop lady" actress 3 airport between \_ a garbage dump\* Institute from San Antonio Denton & Ft. Worth 18 nickname of TX Earl 47 Ft. Worth defendant 43 Texans don't duel

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# On the Go with Martha Jo Hyman, 647-2255

mother, Doris Flynt. Also visiting with Doris this week are Sharon Acker of Argyle and son, Andrew. Another visitor for Doris was Steve and Karon Smith of Bakersfield, Calif., and their son, Taron, a student at Texas Tech University at Lubbock, who was having Spring break. The Smiths also visited the Ralph Smiths while they were in town.

Merle Arthur, Gwen Bryant's mom, was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club. She served the best fudge brownie with ice cream. There were 12 players, and Helen Braafladt won high, with Virginia Crider sec-

Jeff and Susan Lindsey of Dallas at 7 a.m., went to Seminole, picked I saw her husband, Shawn Thomas, spent last weekend with Jeff's up my dad, Roy Baccus, and drove to Lubbock. He got new glasses and ordered a new hearing aid. We drove him back to Seminole and came back to Dimmitt. That was a fast journey, but it was easier than I had thought it would be.

> Martha Dannevik and Olivia Herrera took me to Tulia for speech therapy. I surely do appreciate all the help everyone has been. Friday was the last day for the therapy.

Kendra Nicks came over to Dimmitt to visit her grandmother, Allie Tisdale. Kendra is the cute little blonde who has worked with me in therapy.

Tara Thomas, the girl doing her clinical practice in Tulia, finished up Connie Aguilar and I left Dimmitt her work as I finished my treatments.

as they were eating lunch at the El Camino.

Curtis, Leigh and Aubric Durbin went to Pampa to help Doug and Dorothy Ware, Curtis's brother-inlaw and sister, move into their new house. Jack Ware, Curtis's nephew, stayed several days with Curtis and Leigh.

Myrtle Lee, Cindy and Kasie Lee of Hart drove to San Angelo for a bridal luncheon for Tanya Lee, the daughter of the late Larry Lee. The luncheon was hosted by life-long friends, Cara De Wolfe and Julie Biggs. The luncheon was held at the City Cafe and Bakery. The 30 guests were served quiche, a fruit plate, and Italian cream cake.

I saw Bob and Kylene Anthony at

the Hereford Country Club Sunday. They were having lunch with Kylene's parents. She is busy planning a wedding. Casey Gentry of Waxahachie is planning to marry in

Jo Hyman, Alma Parrot, and Janet Tarr, employees of McAfee Mortgage, attended a meeting of the National Association of Professional Mortgage Women in San Antonio.

There were high school students working with some patients at the nursing home in Dimmitt recently. After questioning their good actions, we were told they were members of the Y.E.S. program (Youth Exchanging with Seniors). These students work with senior adults in the community for nine weeks. They visit them twice a week and help them with chores and all their needs. It is a part of their Family Health class. The students involved include Rafael Enriquez, Brenda Flores, Stephanie Hinojosa, Jamie Fuentes, Cassie McLean, Leo Olvera, Daphanie Rivera, Allison Roberson, Tonva Robertson, Olivia Rodriguez, Robert Sepeda, Eric Soldevilla, Tiffany Stevens, Jerry Thomas, Tyson Traylor, and Heather Wise. The classroom teacher for this program is Amy Garcia.

Alex Lynsky drove to Childress to meet and bring home Serge, who had been to Padre Island for spring break. Alex took him back to his college, McPherson University in Kansas. Serge will be there two more months and he will have finished his first year of college. Time certainly goes by quickly.

Tonya and Alex ate dinner with me Monday night. We played cards for a while.

Jeff and Christina Addison, the new minister at Lee Street Baptist Church and his wife, hosted an open house at the parsonage Sunday night

Praise to thee.

after church. They served sweets and punch and coffee to about 30 or 40 guests. They wanted everyone to see the parsonage after the improvements were made, including new carpet and some new doors.

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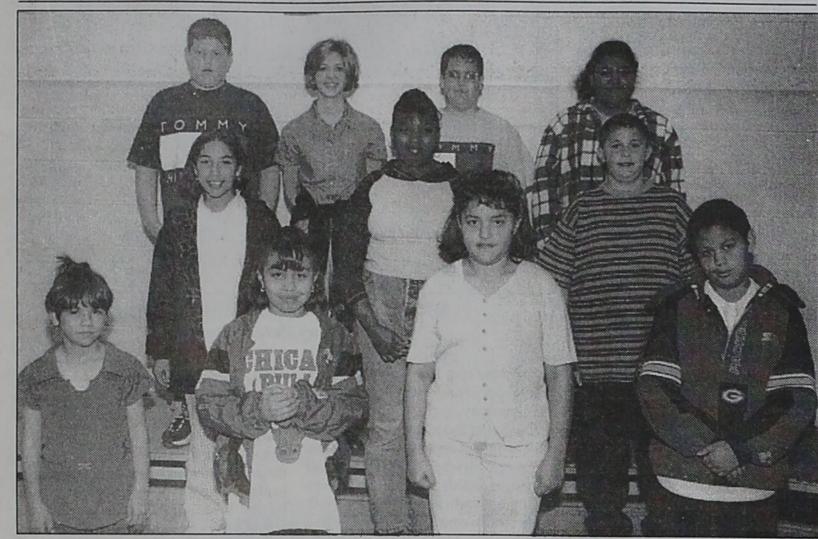
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there this spring. He will attend

Texas A&M University, where he

has been accepted in the Corps and

Attending the party were Mike and

Shelly Huseman, Greg and Sherita

Huseman, Louis and Gin Huseman,

all of Nazareth; Becky and Jesse

Ramos of Tulia; Jenny and Kerry

Teafatiller of Littlefield; David and

Dorothy Huseman, Stephen and

Mary Jean Wilhelm and Bart and

Colleen Huseman, all of Amarillo;

and Lori and Allen Freeman of Big

The families all enjoyed the day at

Right-handed people live, on

average, nine years longer than left-

jumps over the lazy dog" uses every

We will not be

showing a movie

this week.

See you next week!

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letter in the English language.

Paul and Edith's home.

handed people do.

home at Lake Ivie to spend the night. The sentence "the quick brown fox

will play in the A&M Band.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH for Dimmitt Middle School include (front, from left) Gladys Ruiz, Kristy Reyes, Sarah Lopez, and Rigo Presas; (middle, from left) Liliana Aguilar, Felisha Starling, and Ryan Miller; and (back, from left) Caleb Dickerson, Caitlin Buckley, Ramey Rice, and Sarah Silva. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Nazareth with Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669

The Knights of Columbus free Boy Scouts. Jared is the son of Lori

throw competition was held over the and Allen Freeman of Big Spring.

weekend in Austin at St. Edwards He will graduate from high school

University.

registration.

Brockman.

Four thousand kids began several

months ago with district and regional

tryouts, and only 135 contestants

between the ages of 10 and 14

gathered Saturday morning at 9 for

Participating from Nazareth were

Dustin Schulte, Kendra Huseman,

Jamie Birkenfeld, Jake Hoelting,

Tyson Schulte and Kimberly

Dustin, Jamie and Kimberly each

won third place in their division.

Kendra finished fourth. They were

told at the closing ceremony that

After lunch and visiting with

Wade Hoelting and Rick Gerber's

family, Jim and Sandee, Monty and

Jake Hoelting, Glenda, Jamie and

Matt Birkenfeld, Jerry, Tricia and

Andi Rose, Virgie Gerber and Tyson

Schulte drove to Harold Gerber's

Evelyn Backus recently spent several days in Wheeler with her family, Dan, and Gail Sams and

children. She attended the farewell

party for their pastor, Father McGee,

Paul and Edith Huseman and Mike

and Shelly Huseman hosted a dinner

on Sunday honoring Jared Huseman,

who earned the Eagle Scout Award,

which is the highest achievement in

who is going to Dalhart.

they were all winners to be there.

# Church Directory

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Rosa De Saron 411 NE 6th, Dimmitt Maria Castaneda... ..647-5598

First Baptist 302 Ave. G, Hart ...938-2316 ......647-3668 Jeff Box.....

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Guillermo Morales..... **Church of Christ** 

> 647-4435 Rose of Sharon

SW 4th at Bedford, Dimmitt

**Temple** 407 NE 4th, Dimmitt

Primeria Iglesia Bautista 9th and Etter, Dimmitt Antonio Rocha

**Abundant Life Family Church** 113 SE 2nd, Dimmitt Tom and Kay Mullins

First Assembly of God

300 SE 2nd, Dimmitt Larry Gilliam ...

First Baptist 1201 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt

Howard Rhodes......647-3115

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First Christian 600 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt

La Iglesia De Dios

Del Promojenito East Halsell Street, Dimmitt

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last December united Sabrina Ann

Whaley and Jeffrey Paul Riggs in

Dec. 29 at Memorial Road Church of

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The couple exchanged vows on

The bride is the daughter of Karen

and Wayne Whaley of Enid, Okla.

Parents of the groom are Sharon and

Harry Riggs of Muleshoe, formerly

the church's altar and several

under the large heart were the

Given in marriage by her father,

neckline was accented with a

scalloped short sleeves featured re-

embroidered lace on net. The full

skirt flowed from a Basque waist line

and the organza skirt was edged with

multitude of cut-out applique details.

The back of the gown was treated

with a long streamer bow that rested

She carried a heart-shaped bouquet

Maids of honor were Morian

Whaley of Edmond, Okla., sister of

the bride; and Rachel Maple of

Edmond, the bride's friend.

Bridesmaids were Jennifer Morrisett

of Childress, sister of the groom; and

Stephanie Edwards of Edmond,

Flower girls were Janae Robinson

of Canyon, cousin of the bride; and

featuring two dozen roses in three

different shades. Lemon leaves

on the long chapel-length train.

completed the look.

friend of the bride.

candle and parent candles.

and Follow Me.

marriage.

of Dimmitt.

# People









# Hart names delegates to state camps

Four Hart youths will get a lesson in how the government works this summer when they attend Texas Boys' State and Girls' State.

Chris George and Marcos Flores will represent Hart at Boys' State in June on the University of Texas Campus in Austin.

Hart girls who will attend Girls' State in June on the campus of Texas Luthern University in Seguin are Lindsey Montemayor and Rachel Wall.

The Hart Lions Club is sponsoring one boy and one girl on the trips while the Hart American Legion picks up the tab for the other boy and the WITH Association and Hart Golden Group sponsor the second

Students attending the camps will participate in model city, county and state governments, drafting bills, voting on laws and legislation and running for offices at each level. Youths are responsible for "running" their respective cities, counties and states at the camps.



# Who's New

PLAINS MEMORIAL Ricky Alarcon and Anita Perez of Muleshoe are the parents of a baby girl, Priscilla Rae Alarcon, who was born at 3:15 p.m. on March 9 at Plains Memorial

Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed 7 lbs., 14.2 ozs., and was 21 inches long. She has a big sister, Phelicia Renee Alarcon, who is 11. Paternal grandparents are Julia Alarcon of Clovis. N.M. Maternal grandparents are Margarito and Jose Garza of Dimmitt and Frank Perez of

## Bed and breakfast providers needed for quilt festival

Local residents are being invited to share their spare bedrooms with visitors to the second annual Ogallala Quilters Festival, set for April 8-10 in Dimmitt.

Over 1,000 people are expected to attend the festival, and places will be needed for some of them to stay.

"We would like for residents to allow a guest or guests to stay for one to three nights and to provide breakfast each morning," a festival organizer said. "Each resident who furnishes a room will be paid, and the Chamber of Commerce will handle arrangements."

Forms or additional information may be obtained from Chamber Executive Director Bill Sava at 647-2524 or from Joyce Davis at 647-

The festival will include quilting classes, lectures, demonstrations, entertainment, appraisals and a quilt

The Ogallala Quilter's Society is an organization with over 200 members from the tri-state area.



A formal, double-ring ceremony Kimberly Riggs of Tulsa, Okla.,

niece of the groom. The bridal attendants wore floorlength a-line gowns of eggplantcolored satin fashioned with a sweetheart neckline and scooped back neckline trimmed in roses and streamers. Each attendant carried a bouquet of silk roses that matched the bride's bouquet.

Best man was Jeremie Beller of Newalla, Okla., friend of the groom. Over a hundred candles decorated Groomsmen were Jason Riggs of Muleshoe and Mike Riggs of Tulsa, candelabra of varying sizes were brothers of the groom; and Lance combined to make one very large Morrisett of Childress, the groom's heart and this heart was flanked by brother-in-law. The groomsmen double-heart candelabra. Centered doubled as ushers.

Ring bearer was Josiah Robinson couple's silver and white unity of Canyon, cousin of the bride.

Candlelighters were Laura Pews were marked with swags of Leonard of Edmond and Matthew ivory fabric trimmed with ivy and Meredith of Houston, friends of the silk roses like those in the bride's bride; and Christopher Shock of bouquet, along with eggplant and Guymon, Okla., cousin of the bride.

Programs and bubbles were Music for the ceremony was distributed by Jesse Robinson of provided by the Memorial Road Canyon, cousin of the bride; and D.J. Wedding Singers and selections were Reeves of Edmond, friend of the More; Longer; Sunrise, Sunet; bride. Guests were registered by Wedding Song; Faithful and True; Kathy Shock of Guymon, Okla., Let It Be Me; I Prayed a Prayer; cousin of the bride; and Deanna From this Moment; Joyful, Joyful; Meredith of Houston, friend of the

Following the wedding, a the bride wore a floor-length Mori reception was held in the main lee gown of satin, organza and re- fellowship area of the Memorial embroidered lace. The wide scoop Road Church of Christ.

White pedestals topped with scalloped edging of lace, and the bouquets of flowers matching the bride's bouquet lined the walls. Twinkle lights wrapped in creamcolored tulle lined the walls and accented the lattice work behind the a wide band of satin and featured a serving table and the receiving area. Background music was provided by a string quartet.

The couple took a wedding trip to

For her traveling attire, the bride wore an eggplant and black blazer with a matching black skirt and eggplant-colored blouse. Accenting her outfit was a corsage created from roses like those in her bridal bouquet.

The bride is a sales associate at Boulevard Gifts and a customer service manager at Walmart in Edmond, Okla. She is a pre-law student at Oklahoma Christian University in Oklahoma City.

The groom is an engineering intern at Oklahoma County Engineers' Office in Oklahoma City. He is employed as a sales associate at Walmart in Edmond. He is a mechanical engineering student at Oklahoma Christian University in Oklahoma City.

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# Newlyweds make home in Matador

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Scott Washington are home in Matador after enjoying a honeymoon cruise to the Caribbean, including stops at Montego Bay, Grand Cayman and Cozumel.

The couple exchanged wedding vows on Feb. 27 in a formal, doublering ceremony at the Baker Building in Lubbock. Rev. Rickey Lawrence of Matador officiated at the nuptial service.

The bride is the former Ashley Reagan Morrison, daughter of Tommy and Kerry Morrison of Lorenzo. She is the granddaughter of Emmett and Sue Broderson of Dimmitt. Parents of the groom are Tim and Deana Washington of Roaring Springs.

Pachabel's Canon in D was played as the couple's mothers, grandmothers and the bridesmaids entered the church. Soloist was Sharon Van Hoose of Floydada, who sang Have I Told You Lately That I Love You and The Lord's Prayer.

The bride, given in marriage by her parents, was escorted down the aisle by her father to the music of the traditional Wedding March. Recessional music was Trumpet Voluntary.

The bride wore a gown of white Italian satin featuring a scooped neckline and short sleeves that had a floral Venice overlay accented with crystal beads. It formed an empire line finished with French tucks at the natural waistline. The detachable train flowed from satin rosettes at the back waist and flowed into a chapellength train.

Her headpiece was a pearl loop halo finished with layers of fingertip illusion tulle accented with small clusters of pearls.

Following wedding tradition, the bride had in her shoes pennies which had been minted in the years of her and the groom's births.

For "something old," she wore her paternal grandmother, the late Helen Pitts Morrison's wedding ring. She also wore her grandmother's class pin from Matador High School, Class of 1931, pinned to her blue garter. The garter was hand-made by longtime family friend, Vida Woodard of Ralls. "Something new" was her gown and for "something borrowed" she carried a handkerchief that belonged to the maid of honor's great-grandmother.

The bride carried a nosegay bouquet of Raphaela roses, white tulips and lemon leaf.

Maid of honor was Sorrel Schmidt of Lubbock, childhood friend of the bride. Wendi Taylor of Matador, who introduced the couple, served as a bridesmaid along with Loren Schmidt of Lubbock, childhood friend of the bride.

The bridal attendants wore floorlength gowns of taupe chantung silk. Each carried a nosegay bouquet of tulips and lemon leaf.

Flower girl was Kaci Metsgar of Lubbock, cousin of the bride. She wore a white mid-length dress of satin and tulle. She carried a basket covered in white satin decorated with Raphaela roses and white stephano-

Best man was Tim Washington of Roaring Springs, father of the groom. Cary Franks of Amarillo and Cory Franks of Lubbock, cousins of the groom, served as groomsmen. All wore traditional black tuxedos with white brocade vests.

Caleb Clay, nephew of the groom, served as ring bearer.

Guests were seated by Charlie Broderson of Lubbock, cousin of the bride; Tate Henderson of Birmingham, Ala., brother of the bride; Gilbert Guererro of Matador, friend of the groom; and Chase Maynard of Quitaque, cousin of the groom. Tate



Henderson also did a reading of a special poem and Bible verse during the ceremony.

The Baker Building was decorated with twin ivy topiaries flanking the entrance doorway. The balusters and stairwells inside the building were decorated with cascading Plumosa ferns, mini white lights and white tulle bows.

Five six-foot high white columns adorned the altar. Each column supported a Boston fern and was decorated with cascading Plumosa fern and draped white tulle connecting the

Round guest tables covered with white cloths were positioned throughout the building and each included brandy snifters holding white column candles nestled in beds of white tulle and Plumosa fern.

The registry table held a taupe damask tablecloth and supported a white arrangement of fresh white gladioli, snapdragons, lilies and Plumosa ferns. Silver trays holding white and Raphaela rose petals were positioned on the registry table amid white votive candles.

Cara Franks of Flomot, cousin of the groom, registered guests and dispersed wedding programs.

A portrait of the bride was displayed on a white easel which sat on the fireplace hearth surrounded by pink tulip plants, peace lilies and Pothos ivy. The mantle was decorated with the couple's engagement photo and individual pictures of each during different stages of their lives, all framed in an array of silver frames. The pictures were nestled in white tulle and Plumosa fern and were surrounded by white votive candles.

A reception and dance followed the ceremony.

The bride's table was covered with a white Battenburg tablecloth and the table held the wedding cake, a threetiered square creation with layers of sour cream white and chocolate kahlua fudge cake. It had white butter cream icing with dots and was adorned with fresh Raphaela roses, white tulips and Plumosa fern.

Fruit slush punch was served from a silver punch bowl decorated with sugared fruit.

A silver candelabra with white tapers was decorated with an arrangement of Raphaela roses and

white tulips and served as a backdrop for silver-framed baby portaits of the bride and groom.. Pastel petite mints were served in a silver heartshaped dish that has held mints at three generations of weddings in the bride's family. Nuts were also served on the bride's table in a heirloom silver tray belonging to the bride's grandmother.

Presiding over the bride's table were Jennifer Brady of Dumont, Lindsay Parker of Dallas and Laura Parker of Lubbock.

The groom's table was covered with a white Battenburg lace cloth accented with a diamond-shaped piece of taupe chantung silk. It held the groom's cake, a square basketweave made of chocolate Kahlua velvet offset with the Washington monogram in chocolate icing. The cake was decorated with green grapes, kiwi fruit, limes, strawberries and stephanotis.

Pastel peanut M&Ms were served in a silver tray and a silver coffee service completed the groom's table decor.

Serving guests from the groom's table were Amy Franks of Lubbock and Christy Maynard of Quitaque. cousins of the groom; and Lacy Washington Clary of Roaring Springs, his sister.

Two other tables held wine and chocolate-covered strawberries, and a buffet of shaved ham, roast beef and turkey tucked in sourdough rolls. Vegetable, fruit and cheese trays also were served. Assorted condiments and dips were served in fresh cabbage bowls decorated with fresh fruit and Plumosa fern. White column candle clusters nestled in Plumosa fern accented each of the tables.

Members of the house party were Jan Parker of Dallas, Butch and Mel Schmidt of Florence, Pam and Paul Titzell of Lubbock, Leslie and Scott Sosebee of Lubbock and Brenda and Philip Estep of Ralls.

Music for the dance was provided by a disc jockey. The first honorary dance was by the couple to the song, Love Lift Us Up Where We Belong by Joe Cocker and Jennifer Warren. The bride danced the second dance with her father to Unforgettable by Nat King Cole and Natalie Cole.

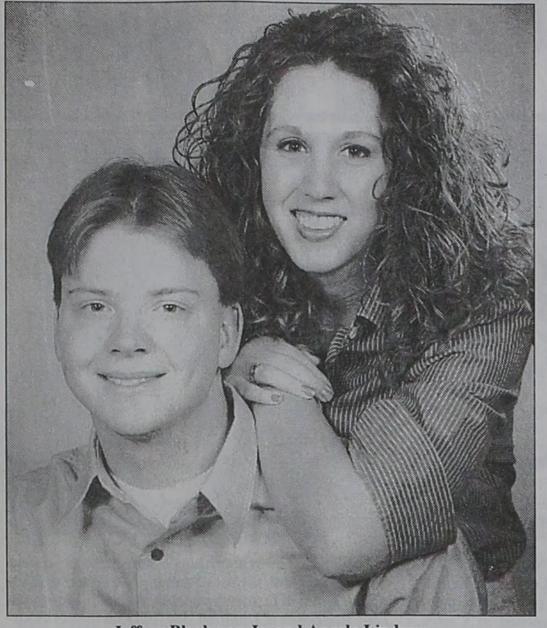
Special guests attending were Emmett and Sue Broderson of Dimmitt, Barbara Scott of Euless, Ruth Oliver of Lubbock, Radine and Edell Henderson of Denison, Bobby and Virginia McWilliams of Flomot, Bill and Erma Washington of Flomot, Carrie Broderson of San Manuel, Ariz., and Edith Washington of Flomot.

The bride is a graduate of Briarwood Christian High School and Texas Tech University. She holds a degree and marketing and is currently employed at First State Bank of Matador.

The groom graduated from Motley County High School and he attended Texas Tech University and West Texas A&M University. He owns and operates Caprock Windmill Service.

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Jeffrey Blackmon Jr. and Angela Lindsey

Jennifer Jenkins and Todd Braafladt

Jennifer Jenkins and Todd Braafladt will exchange wedding vows on June

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Jenkins of Dallas.

Miss Jenkins graduated from Nimitz High School in Dallas in 1991. She

attends the University of North Texas and expects to graduate in May with a

degree in elementary education. She is currently doing her student teaching

Braafladt graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1986. He studied

business at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. He is currently employed

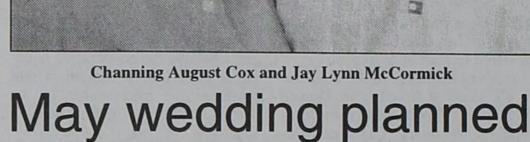
After the wedding, the couple plan to live in Coppell.

Parents of the prospective groom are Chuck and Patricia Braafladt of Dimmitt.

26 in Coppell.

in the Coppell schools.

as a store manager at Office Max.



Channing August Cox and Jay Lynn McCormick are planning to exchange wedding vows at 8 p.m. on May 1 at Country Home Bed and Breakfast in Canyon.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Larry Dean and Judy Cox. She graduated from Amarillo High School in 1996. She is a junior majoring in elementary education at West Texas A&M University. She is employed by Trinity Day

The prospective groom is the son of Dr. R. Dean and Cassa Beddow and the late David McCormick. He is a 1998 graduate of Dimmitt High School and he is currently attending West Texas A&M University, where he is a sophomore

agri-business major. He is self-employed by McCormick Livestock.

Following their wedding, the couple will live in Canyon.

# Couple plan May wedding June vows planned

Dr. Robert and Evelyn Lindsey of Plainview announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Angela Lindsey, to Jeffrey Blackmon Jr., son of Jeff and Becky Blackmon of Fayetteville, Ga.

The pair will exchange wedding vows May 22 at the First Christian Church in Plainview.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Euless and Hazel Waggoner and Doris Flynt, all of Dimmitt, and the late Bob Lindsey. She is a graduate of Plainview High School and attended Abilene Christian University. She was a member of National Honors, Big Purple Band and GATA Social Club. In high school she was a member of the Plainview High School Band.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Fowler of Newnan, Ga., June Blackmon of Greensboro, N.C., and the late Will Blackmon. He graduated from Fayette County High School in Georgia and attended Abilene Christian University where he obtained a bachelor of science degree in broadcast journalism. He was a member of the Big Purple Band. He is currently employed as a graphic designer at KRBC-TV in Abilene.



Nathan Killough and Kamber Curry

Curry and Killough to wed

The couple will exchange wedding vows on April 10 at the First Baptist

James and Rhonda Killough of Edna, formerly of Dimmitt.

Church in Levelland

office.

in the US Army National Guard.

# Beck and Bell to wed in June

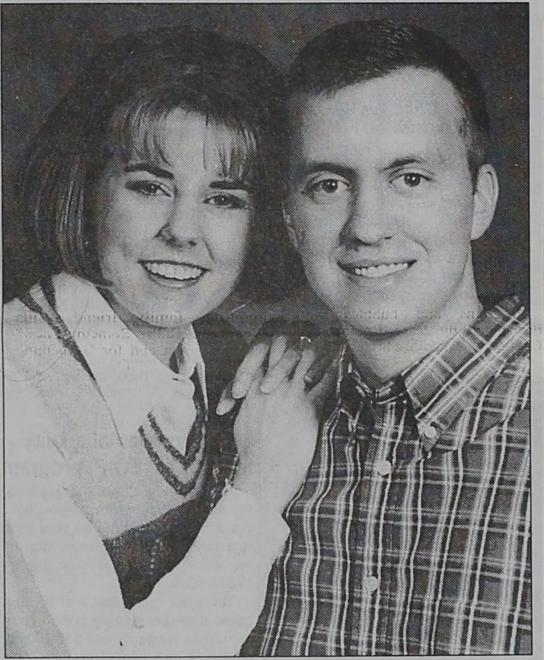
Danna Beck announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Amy Beck, to Zachary Bell, son of Mike Bell of Hereford and

The couple plan to exchange wedding vows at 6 p.m. on June 5 at the First

The bride-elect is a 1993 graduate of Dimmitt High School. She graduated Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Curry of Levelland announce the engagement and from West Texas A&M University in 1997 with a degree in elementary approaching marriage of their daughter, Kamber, to Nathan Killough, son of education. She is employed as a fourth-grade teacher at Highland Park Elementary.

The prospective groom is a 1995 graduate of Dimmitt High School. He graduated from West Texas A&M University in 1998 with a degree in accounting. He is employed by the Randall County Tax Office.

After the wedding, the couple will reside in Canyon.



Amy Beck and Zachary Bell

Michele Torres of Dimmitt.

Baptist Church of Dimmitt.

Both are students at Wayland Baptist University. He is a chaplain's assistant

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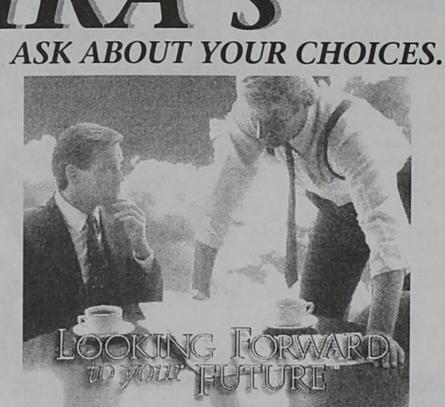
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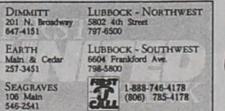
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# Deaf Smith REC plans annual membership meeting Tuesday

erative, Inc. will pay \$1,000,000 in Board for the past 15 years. capital credits from 1986, 1987, members Tuesday night during its annual membership meeting.

The meeting will be held at 5 p.m. at the Hereford Bull Barn and will include a meal of beef, fish and chicken; entertainment by the Palmetto State Quartet; a short business meeting; and presentation of door prizes valued at more than \$1,000. Grand prize will be a color televi-

Registration will begin at 5 p.m. at the Hereford Bull Barn, followed by the dinner. The business meeting is slated to start at 6:30 p.m.

Current members of the cooperative's board of directors are Donald Wright of Dimmitt, chairman; Jerry Roberts, secretary; Clarence Martin, vice chairman; and members Clark Andrews of Easter, Anthony Acker of Nazareth, Vick Christian and Gilbert (Nick) Yosten.

During the business meeting, the cooperative members will elect two directors to serve on its board.

Candidates for Position 1 are incumbent Gilbert (Nick) Yosten of Hereford and challenger Dwight Jesko of Hereford. Those vying for the Position 2 post are incumbent Anthony Acker of Nazareth and challenger Vincent Gerber of Nazareth.

Acker lives on and operates a family farm four miles west of Nazareth, where he was born.

Catholic Church where he served on the Parish Council for over 14 of my ability. years. He is also a financial secretary for the Catholic Order of Foresters, a post he has held for more than 40 years. He is active in civic and county affairs and has served on the following boards: Plains Memorial Hospital, Dimmitt Agri Industries, High Plains Underground Water Conservation District, Farmers Home Administration and Nazareth Community Hall. He has served on

Acker says if he is re-elected to 1988 and a portion of 1989 to its his post, he will continue to do his best to keep electric prices as low as possible and keep service at a high

> Gerber is a lifelong resident of Nazareth and Castro County, and he has been a member of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative since 1956. He is an active member of the American Legion and is currently serving on the board of directors of Castro Co-op Gin.

> "I've been on Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative's lines all of my life, and I believe the cooperative is doing a good job. If elected, I will represent the membership to the best of my ability," Gerber said.

Yosten and his wife, Marian, moved to Deaf Smith County 40 years ago. He lives six miles west and a mile north of Hereford. He farms, raises cattle and is part owner/operator of a trucking business. He is a veteran of the US Army, having served during the Korean Conflict. He is currently serving his 14th year as a director on the Hereford Federal Credit Union Board. He is completing his second term as a director of the Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative.

"I have been a member of the cooperative for 40 years, and I believe that we should maintain the cooperative principle of the best possible service at the least possible He is a member of Holy Family cost. If I am re-elected to the board, I will continue to serve to the best

> Jeskco is a farmer in the Westway Community, and he is a lifelong resident of Deaf Smith County. He Harrison Highway.

lor of the group. He is currently serving as president of the St. Anthony Cemetery Committee and is a also open on Mondays.

Deaf Smith Rural Electric Coop- the Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative member of the Parish Council of St. Anthony's Church of Hereford.

"If elected, I will work with the board and help make sure all members are treated fairly," Jesko said.

## Clover Kids to enjoy food class Wednesday

The Castro County 4-H Clover Extension office in Dimmitt.

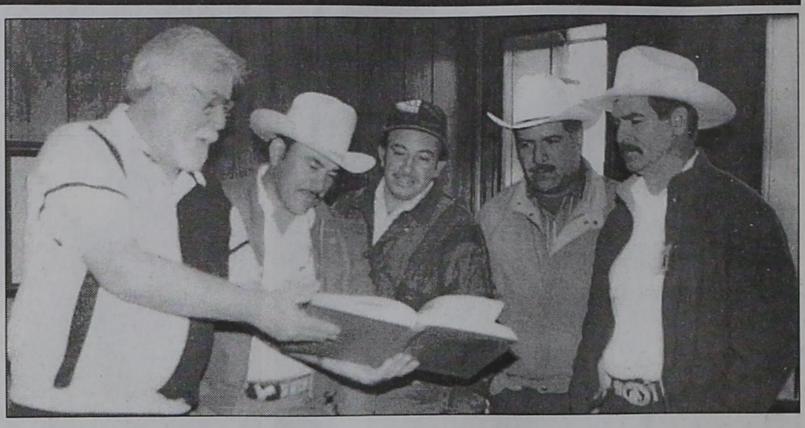
Those planning to attend should call Castro County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal at 647-4115.

# Wildflower Hotline open through May

bluebonnets . . . Where to go? Where to look? Just call the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center's Texas Wildflower Hotline at (512) 832-4037.

The Wildflower Hotline is a 24hour service that details the locations of the most spectacular roadside displays of wildflowers throughout Texas. The Hotline runs March 5 through May 21 and is updated every Friday by Wildflower Center botanists.

Wildflowers are blooming all over Central Texas, but the best place to see them is still the Lady Bird Johnlives 11 miles west of Hereford on son Wildflower Center. Named one of "America's Best Public Gardens" Jesko is a member of the Knights by Garden Design magazine, the of Columbus and is a past chancel- center is open from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. During the month of April, the center is



Kids will participate in a food class "HERE'S WHAT CASTRO COUNTY USED TO on Wednesday at 4 p.m. at the LOOK LIKE-Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava (left) shows a group of farmers from Chihuahua, Mexico, what happened in Castro County during the dust bowl years—before modern farming practices helped diminish the problem of blinding blowing dirt during strong West Texas winds. The farmers were visiting Castro County last week, hoping to gain

knowledge and learn about how county farmers are conserving water with the use of center pivot systems. Hosting the group of farmers was international businessman Tony Rodriguez of Dimmitt. The Mexican farmers touring county farms and feedlots include (from second left) Socorra Vega, Miguel Angel Gonzales, Carlos Rios Taria Photo by Anne Acker and Julian Rios Taria.

# Mexican farmers tour county farms

A group of farmers from Chihuahua, Mexico, were in Castro County last week, touring area farms and So you've got friends and family feedlots, and getting information who want to see those famous Texas about center pivot systems and how the sprinklers can help conserve water.

> The four visiting farmers were Socorro Vega, Miguel Angel Gonzalez, Carlos Rios Tapia and Julian

The four were guided on their tour

by international businessman Tony Rodriguez of Dimmitt.

"I've told them about the problems we have in the Panhandle with out depleting water supply and how the center pivots can help," said Rodriguez. "They could use this type of equipment to help alleviate the

drought situation in their country They are to do business with a local company. They are also looking at other farm equipment."

Rodriguez said the farmers raise mainly vegetables, with peppers being one of the primary crops.

The entourage arrived in Dimmitt March 15 and returned to Mexico Sunday, Rodriguez said.

# Farm Service Agency Update

### By TRISH ELLIOTT

FSA County Executive Director Beginning April 12, our office will be open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and starting April 14 our office will be closed each Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

This is a new policy that all FSA offices plan to adhere to in order to have some time to work uninterrupted. Your cooperation in planning your time to conduct business in our office during these hours will be appreciated.

## **Environmental quality** incentives (EQIP) program

This is the program that replaced the old ACP program. If you have conservation practices on your farm that need to be completed, stop by the FSA office and sign up by Wednesday.

There are funds that will be allocated after this sign-up period ends. Producers can choose 5 to 10 year contracts and can elect their own

level of cost-share assistance up to 75% of the expense. Producers will be competing with producers in other counties for available funds. Environmental benefits

Livestock assistance program (LAP)

scoring is similar to that of scoring

for CRP.

The deadline for applying for the Livestock Assistance Program is today (Thursday).

Those intending to apply should contact the FSA office as soon as possible. All applications will have to be uploaded for consideration by Friday. To schedule an appointment, call the FSA office at (806) 647-

The FSA office has been notified that the payment limitation for the program has been changed to \$40,000.

If you have filed an application for the Livestock Assistance Program, check with the FSA office to make sure you have filed Form CCC-502 (payment limitation form) and Form AD-1026 (Highly Erodible and Wetland Conservation Certification).

## 1999 AMTA program payments

Producers have until Aug. 2 to request their 1999 AMTA program payments. Producers who haven't received a payment yet who think they should have, should call or stop by the FSA office.

We still have several producers that have not designated shares or requested 1999 payments.

Producers have the option of requesting the 1999 PFC payments in two 50% payments or one 100% payment anytime before Aug. 2.

## Price support loan & loan deficiency (LDP) availability dates

Wednesday is the final day for requesting a 1998 loan or loan deficiency payment for wheat, oats, barley, corn, grain sorghum, soybeans place Cross red in Cross notton ban

Since loan deficiency payments could be applicable for 1999 crops also, producers are reminded to watch the markets and not sell crops until after they have applied for a loan deficiency payment or POP in the FSA office.

## Dairy relief

All dairy farmers who produced milk during the last quarter of calendar year 1998 are eligible for the new dairy income loss assistance pro-

Under this plan, USDA will make payments based upon a dairy operation's first 26,000 hundredweight of milk produced in 1998 or 1997, whichever is the highest.

The final payment rate per hundredweight will be calculated after sign-up ends, but USDA is estimating that it will be between 18 and 20 cents per hundred, with maximum benefits being around \$5,000 per

Producers may apply for the program at the FSA office from April 12

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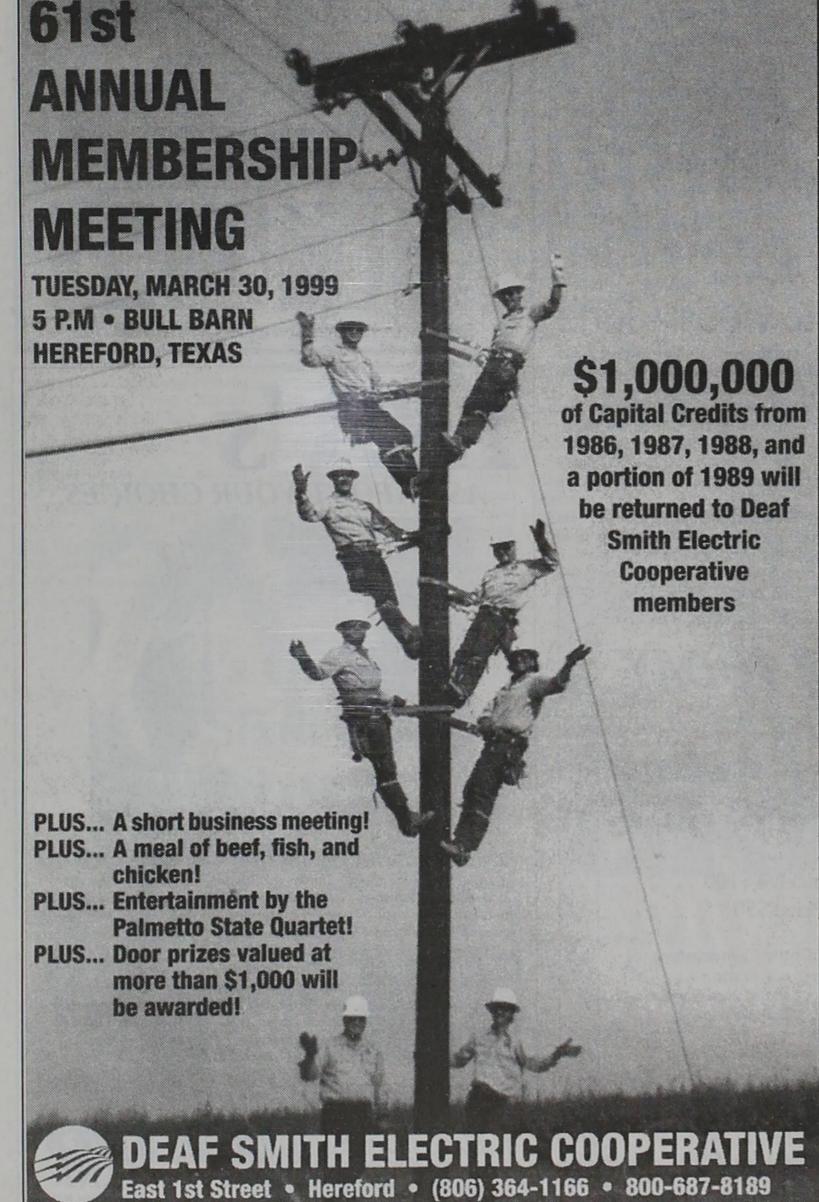
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# SPS offers April SHOW bill reductions

customers in Texas will see an ongoing price reduction of about 8%, beginning with April electric bills.

The Texas customers also will see a one-time credit to April bills, reducing the bill for an average home by about one third.

The changes were approved Friday by the Public Utility Commission of

They reflect a \$44 million annual reduction in the fuel-cost portion of future bills from SPS.

SPS residential customers in Texas using 1,000 kilowatt-hours of service monthly will see a drop in their bills of \$3.74, or 6%. The one-time credit for a home typically using 1,000

## 4-H'ers enter stock shows

Castro County 4-H members entered three other stock shows across the state after doing well at the Castro County Livestock Show.

San Antonio

Evan Huseman showed a Crossbred barrow in the Fifth Class and won fourth place.

Raynee Bradley exhibited a medium wool lamb, "which made the first cut in this very tough lamb show," said Rebel Royall, county agent. "However, she failed to make the sale in the judge's final placing."

Sixteen other 4-H members also showed barrows at the show.

Houston

"Houston found us with a little better luck than we had at San Antonio," said Royall. "We took 23 swine projects to the sift at Brenham and nine of those made it on to Houston."

Brady Schulte's Berkshire made it to the top of the list by winning the lightweight drive. Cliff Gerber's Duroc placed eighth in the heavyweights. Meggie Lemons exhibited a Mexico, the Oklahoma Panhandle, 12th place middleweight Spot. Brad Lane's Crossbred stood 15th in the fifth class of Durocs. Charlie Nutt showed the 16th place Crossbred in Class 1. Keli Schulte's Crossbred stood 20th in Class 4. Chandra Jordan's heavyweight Yorkshire stood 21st. Garrett Kleman had a 22nd place Crossbred in Class 3. Matthew Kern's middleweight York was 28th.

Three 4-H'er elected to take steer projects to Houston. Meggie Lemons showed a lightweight Shorthorn calf which placed second in its class. This enabled her to attend the Houston livestock Show's premium auction for the first time in her showing career, according to Royall.

San Angelo

Out of the four pigs local 4-H'ers took to this show, Keli Schulte's middleweight Hampshire was the only one to place. It took third in its class and was awarded a position in the premium auction.

Southwestern Public Service Co. kilowatt-hours will reduce the April bill by \$19.32.

> Commercial and industrial customers of SPS in Texas will see reductions of up to 11%, because fuel accounts for a greater portion of their overall bills.

> SPS customers in New Mexico, Oklahoma and Kansas already are enjoying similar reductions in their electric bills. Regulations in those states differ from regulations in Texas, but the price changes are equivalent.

SPS also is providing lower prices to its regional wholesale customers. The one-time credit and the ongo-

ing reductions in customers' future bills reflect savings SPS has achieved in costs for fuels that fire the boilers at its power generating

The reductions reflect, especially, lowered costs of transporting coal by rail from mines in Wyoming to the coal-fueled SPS plants near Amarillo and Muleshoe. SPS announced the reductions in November, noting that a dispute with the rail carrier—ongoing since 1990—had been settled, allowing significant savings. Also, costs of natural gas and coal generally are down, allowing additional reductions.

SPS's electric rates in 1999 will be 25% lower than they were 16 years ago. By contrast, overall consumer prices have increased 67% during the past 16 years.

The inflation-adjusted price of electricity from SPS has declined 55% since 1983, which means the "real" cost of electricity from SPS today is less than half of what it was in 1983.

SPS, a New Century Energies company, is a regional, investorowned electric utility providing service to a population of about 1 million in a 52,000-square-mile area comprised of the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, eastern New and southwestern Kansas.

# Fish fry is Friday

The Immaculate Conception Catholic Church will hold a fish fry every Friday night through March 26.

The weekly fish fries will be each Friday from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the church's cafeteria.

The menu will include fried fish, red beans, potato salad, rolls, cornbread, homemade dessert, tea and coffee. Cost will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. Takeout plates will be available.

Proceeds from the meals will help fund ongoing projects at the church.



RESERVE BREED CHAMPION YORKSHIRE AT HOUSTON ... Owned by Justin Hawkins of Hart

# **Hawkins drives York** to reserve breed title

Justin Hawkins of Hart drove his breed championship recently at the Dimmitt. Houston Livestock Show.

Hawkins, son of Quincy and Sue Barnes of Hart Hawkins of Hart, captured firstplace honors in his class, the second of three for Yorkshires. That earned him the right to compete for breed champion, then reserve breed champion honors after the top prize went to Tate Newsome of

Brownfield. Hawkins sold his barrow for \$14,000, but he will only receive \$10,000 because of the cap on prize money paid at the show. The rest of the money will go into the Houston Livestock Show Scholarship Fund.

Hawkins, a senior at Hart High School, has exhibited barrows in the Houston show for nine years, and this was his best finish.

Several other Castro County exhibitors fared well in this year's Houston Show. Here's how they placed.

**BARROW SHOW** Class 1 Cross: 15. Charley Nutt of Dimmitt.

Class 2 Cross: 2. Adam Wright of Dimmitt.

Class 3 Cross: 15. Mary Bradley of Dimmitt, 21. Garrett Kleman of Nazareth.

Class 4 Cross: 16. Trinity Robb of Nazareth, 20. Keli Schulte of Nazareth.

Class 5 Cross: 7. Elizabeth Olvera Yorkshire barrow to the reserve of Nazareth, 14. Brad Lane of

Class 1 Chester White: 3. Trevor

Class 2 Chester White: 4. Jeremy Simpson of Dimmitt. Class 2 Spotted: 12. Meggie

Lemons of Dimmitt. Class 1 Hampshire: 12. Lindsey

Martinez of Hart. Class 1 Duroc: 3. Matthew Wright of Dimmitt.

Class 2 Duroc: 16. Jake Porsch of Dimmitt.

Class 5 Duroc: 8. Clifford Gerber of Nazareth, 18. Tyler Cornett of Dimmitt.

Class 1 Berkshire: 1. Brady Schulte of Nazareth.

Class 2 Yorkshire: 1. Justin Hawkins of Hart (Reserve Breed Champion), 28. Matthew Kern of Nazareth.

Class 3 Yorkshire: 20. Chandra Jordan of Nazareth.

STEER SHOW

Class 1 Shorthorn: 2. Meggie Lemons of Dimmitt.

LAMB SHOW

Class 2 Finewool Cross: 10. Jinna Wright of Dimmitt.

No president of the United States was an only child.

# Swisher Electric plans annual meeting tonight

hold its annual membership meeting tonight (Thursday) at the Ezra Jones School Cafeteria, located at 501 Northeast Fourth Street in Tulia.

Swisher Electric Cooperative is looking into the past, at its very origins 60 years ago, for direction as it enters a rapidly changing era in electric utility regulation. Incorporated on Sept. 30, 1939, the cooperative's 59th annual meeting on March 25 will recognize those who helped build the cooperative over the past 60 years. The new era for Swisher Electric will highlight the official introduction of the cooperative as a Touchstone Energy partner.

Registration and a buffet supper for members and guests is slated to begin at 6:30 p.m. at the cafeteria.

The business meeting will begin at 7:15 p.m. and will be highlighted by election of three directors.

Incumbent directors seeking reelection are Eddie Bryan, president; Richard Tye, vice president; and Dee Inglis, secretary-treasurer. Members nominated by the nominating committee to oppose them are Larry Stevens, Tim Wilhelm and Tom Garrison, respectively. The sevenmember nominating committee met on Jan. 21.

Voting in the director election is reserved for current members who registered in person or by proxy representative.

will include recognition of some

Swisher Electric Cooperative will built lines an substations for Swisher Electric in 1948, brief management and audit reports, attendance packets and door prizes. Members must be present to win door prizes and must have registered prior to the start of the business meeting.

# 4-H County Roundup is slated April 5

The annual Castro County 4-H Roundup will be held April 5 at the Extension office in Dimmitt, and a Mexican stack-up pot-luck meal is being planned.

The Parent/Leader Association will furnish the meat and 4-H'ers are asked to bring something else to add to the Mexican stack-up.

The first Method Demonstration will begin at 5:30 p.m. and presentations will follow until the dinner break at approximately 7 p.m. Method Demonstrations will continue after the meal.

"It is extremely important that you call in and reserve your time for your Method Demonstration," said Castro County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal. "We will reserve 15 minutes per Method Demonstration. Other highlights of the meeting Please call the office and let us know what time you would like to former contractor employees who do your Method Demonstration."

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# 59th Annual Membership Meeting

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## Welcome moisture recorded by Water District so far in 1999

fell across most of the 15-county High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 service area over the first two months of 1999, according to rain gauge readings taken at more than 350 soil moisture sites maintained by the area. district.

"Total precipitation recorded in the rain gauge network for January and February ranged from less than a half inch in Bailey, Cochran, Deaf Smith and Parmer counties to 2.5 inches in portions of Crosby and Floyd counties," said Becky Britten, Water District agriculturist.

Precipitation totals in Castro County during that period ranged from 1.5 inches to a half- inch. The greater amount of precipitation was recorded in a small area near the center of the county, with the smaller amounts being recorded across the

Most of the moisture content occurred in January when National Weather Service forecast offices in Amarillo and Lubbock officially recorded 2.67 and 1.35 inches of precipitation, respectively. Both stations received on trace precipitation in February.

District personnel read rain gauges to obtain data for the annual pre-

Some much needed precipitation plant soil moisture survey and the precipitation enhancement program. The rain gauge network provides important information to help district personnel determine how much precipitation actually reaches the ground as storm systems move across the

Although people are tired of hearing about it, local National Weather Service officials say the El Niño weather phenomenon (now La Niña) is still an important weather event impacting the Texas High Plains

"The waters of the Pacific Coast that were once warm with the El Niño phenomenon have now cooled as a result of La Niña. This affects weather patterns and is causing the mild winter that we are currently experiencing," said Walter R. "Andy" Anderson of the Lubbock National Weather Service office.

Anderson told attendees at the March 11 Southwest Crops Conference and Exposition that a strong La Niña pattern usually means limited spring precipitation.

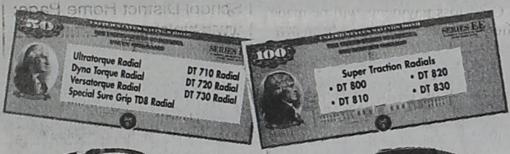
"We are looking at above-normal temperatures and below-average precipitation through the spring with a chance to return to normal conditions later in the summer as the La Niña phenomenon decreases," he

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Joy H. Long

# ong wins scholarship

Joy H. Long, daughter of Jim and Carlene Long of Dimmitt, will receive special recognition at Amarillo College's annual honors convocation after winning the Leon L. Hoyt Jr. Scholarship for 1998-99.

The award is presented to outstanding students at the school.

The Honors Convocation is a very special Amarillo College event which recognizes AC's outstanding students in the presence of family and friends. The event will be held at the Amarillo Civic Center in April.

Long is maintaining a 3.5 gradepoint average at Amarillo College. She is a graduate of Nazareth High School.

Hospice Care plans

candle lighting ritual

Castro County Hospital District, will pice Care.

of Life" memorial service Monday

night at 7 at the First United Method-

Traditionally, this service has been

used to honor the memory of persons

"This year we would like to in-

clude anyone in the community or-

surrounding areas that would like to

honor the memory of a loved one,"

who were on hospice service.

ist Church of Dimmitt.

service.

Hospice Care, a division of the said Connie Nutt, director of Hos-

hold a candle lighting "Celebration Jim Hardwick, hospice pastor, will

The public is invited to attend the service, a celebration of the life of

on God."

# Ground water contamination can be reduced with proper care

By JOHNNA PATTERSON .. Integrated Pest Management **Extension Agent** 

Fertilizers and pesticides play a vital role in agriculture and also are commonly used in urban areas.

crop production and improve lawns and gardens dramatically. They have increased farm production and enabled farmers to manage more acres with less labor. Taking voluntary action to prevent fertilizer and pesticide contamination of ground water will help ensure that they remain available for responsible use.

source of nitrate, which can contaminate ground water. The nitrate-nitrogen maximum contaminant level (MCL-or the level beyond which human health problems can occur) in federal and state drinking water standards is 10 milligrams per liter (mg/l; equivalent to 10 parts per million). Nitrogen levels above the MCL have been found in many water wells in

Other major components of commercial fertilizer such as phosphorous and potassium are not generally a ground water contamination con-

Elevated nitrate levels in drinking water can pose serious risk to infants. Infants under 6 months of age are particularly susceptible to health problems, including the condition known as methemoglobinemia (blue

share a short lesson on "Depending

your loved one," Hardwick said.

"We want this to be an uplifting

Candles will be lit in the memory

of persons who were on hospice

during the last year. If anyone would

like to have a candle lit for a special

person who was not on hospice

should call 647-3785 to notify the

hospice office of your wishes.

baby syndrome), which is caused by spread it on fields, garden or lawn. drinking water with elevated nitrate content. Nitrates also can affect adults, but the evidence is less cer-

Young livestock also are suscepti-Fertilizers and pesticides increase ble to health problems from high nitrate-nitrogen levels. While livestock may be able to tolerate several times the 10 mg/l nitrate-nitrogen level, 20 to 40 mg/l may prove harmful, especially in combination with high levels (1,000 mg/l) of nitratenitrogen from feed sources.

Improper handling of fertilizers can affect ground water by allowing Commercial fertilizer is a major nitrogen to seep through the soil and down into the water. Other potential sources of nitrate are septic system, livestock yards, livestock waste storage facilities and silage storage.

> Pesticides work by interfering with the life processes of plants and insects. Some pesticides also are toxic to humans. If a pesticide enters a water supply in large quantities, which could happen with spills or back-siphonage accidents, acute health effects (toxic effects apparent only after a short period of exposure) could occur, depending on the toxicity of the pesticide.

> Contaminated ground water used for drinking water supplies may cause chronic exposure (prolonged or repeated exposure to low doses of toxic substances). Chronic exposure may be hazardous to humans and livestock.

Normally, pesticides are not found in water supplies in high enough concentrations to cause acute health effects which can include chemical burns, nausea and convulsions. Instead, pesticides usually occur in trace amounts, and the concern is for the chronic health problems that may result from prolonged exposure.

Proper pesticide and fertilizer management on your property is an important step toward preventing ground water contamination.

Promptly sweep up dry spills and reuse the fertilizer or pesticide as it was intended. Dry spills are usually easier to clean up. Dry pesticide impregnated fertilizer is considered pesticide and, if spilled, should be recovered and applied to the target crop as it was intended.

For liquid spills, recover as much of the spill as possible and reuse it as it was intended. It may be necessary to remove contaminated soil and

Have an emergency response plan ready for action. Know where runoff water will flow, how to handle your particular fertilizers or pesticides and whom to call for help.

Reducing fertilizer and pesticide waste makes financial and well as environmental sense, but it means more than just reducing spills. It also means not buying more than you need and keeping records of what you have on hand, and using older products first. Buying only what you need makes long-term storage unnecessary. Storing pesticides during cold weather can make some of them

Record keeping may seem unrelated to ground water contamination. but knowing what you have used in the past and what you currently have on hand allows you to make better purchasing decisions.

Keep records of past applications, rates and effectiveness of each prod-

Along with field records, add information such as the manufacturer's name and address, chemical types and handling precautions for pesticides. This information can be important if you must respond quickly to an accident.

Purchase fertilizers only after careful and complete soil testing to determine your exact needs. Using older products first keeps an inventory current and effective.

Unwashed and improperly stored containers can lead to ground water contamination if chemical residues leak onto the ground. Pressure-rinse or triple-rinse pesticide containers immediately after use since residue can be difficult to remove after it dries. Pour the rinse water into the spray tank. Puncture containers and store them in a covered area until you take them to a permitted landfill. Do not simply empty and throw containers into the garbage.

Recycle plastic and metal containers at approved pesticide waste disposal sites whenever possible. Shake out bags, bind or wrap them to minimize dust, and take them to a permitted landfill. Do not bury or burn pesticide containers or bags on privat e property.

Ground water protection is OUR responsibility. If you purchase or use fertilizers or pesticides, make sure to use, store and dispose of them properly to ensure safe drinking water for

# Class of '89 sets reunion

The Dimmitt High School Class of 1989 is planning a 10-year reunion for Saturday, July 24, at Country Club of Dimmitt, and organizers of the event are seeking addresses for several class members. Those planning the event need

help in locating the following class members: Robert Anes, Oscar Balderas, Juan Casas, Lisa Dominguez, Rene Enriquez, Paul Espinosa, Alicia Garza, Becky Hernandez, Noemi Ibarra, Jo Ann Juarez (Pena), Victor Medelline, Alma Murillo, Paula Roberson, Elsa Rodriguez, Roger Rodriguez, Becky Rutkowski, Adolph Salazar, Betty Sanchez, Josie Villareal and Curtis Ward.

If you have any information on how to contact these people, contact Chad Davis at (806) 647-2265 (work) or (806) 647-0502 (home); Alicia Bradley at Dimmitt High School, (806) 647-3105; or Mat Bradley at (806) 647-3223

They would like to have addresses or phone numbers on all class members by April 15.

## Pancake supper planned in Hart

The Hart American Legion will sponsor a pancake supper tonight (Thursday) from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Hart School Cafeteria.

Tickets for the meal are \$3 per person and can be bought from any Legionnaire or at the door.

The all-you-can-eat meal will include pancakes, sausage, bacon, coffee and juice.

## 4-H leaders plan meeting

The Castro County 4-H club managers and parent-leaders will hold a training session and meeting on Monday at the courthouse.

The club managers training will start at 6:30 p.m., followed by the Parent/Leader Association meeting at 7 p.m.



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# DMS earns \$2,445 award for achievement on TAAS

Dimmitt Middle School will re- school. ceive \$2,445 in cash awards for significant improvement on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test.

presented to schools across the state, Texas public schools achieved that is being made under the Texas Successful Schools Award System (TSSAS), which rewards individual school campuses for high levels of student achievement or increases in student performance, as measured by the TAAS test.

Dimmitt Middle School earned an "acceptable" rating under the state's school accountability system and had gains on the TAAS reading and math tests that were in the top 25% of their unique comparison group.

"We congratulate these schools for funds to reward them for these improvements," said Mike Moses, com-

The awards range between \$500 and \$5,000 and are presented to schools that earned ratings of "exemplary," "recognized" or "accept-The award, which is one of several able." A total of 823 out of 6,079

In addition, 392 out of 1,061 Texas school districts had at least one TSSAS-winning school. Another bright spot is that 13 of the schools winning a TSSAS award were rated low-performing a year ago and have improved their performance to a level where they were eligible for the

Under the accountability system, schools are rated exemplary if they have at least 90% of all students and That's why the school received the 90% of students in each student group (African-American, Hispanic, White and economically disadvanimproving their performance on the taged) passing each section of the TAAS test and are grateful to the TAAS, an annual dropout rate of 1% Texas Legislature for providing the or less for all student groups and a 94% attendance rate.

To achieve recognized status, a missioner of education. "These school must have a TAAS passing awards should help them do even rate of 80% for all students and stumore to help our children do well in dent groups, a dropout rate of 3.5%

or less and a 94% attendance rate.

Schools that do not meet the recognized standard, but had at least 40% of all student groups passing each TAAS section, a dropout rate of no more than 6% for all students and student groups and a 94% attendance rate, were rated as acceptable.

Of the 823 schools receiving awards, 208 are rated "exemplary," 252 are rated "recognized" and 363 are "acceptable."

Under state law, schools must give priority to enhancing their academic programs when deciding how to spend TSSAS awards. The awards cannot be used for any athletic-related purposes, nor can the funds be used to substitute for or replace funds that are already in a school's or school district's regular budget.

The 823 schools also become eligible for a total of \$500,000 set aside by lawmakers to recognize effective and innovative approaches to increasing the number of parents or guardians who attend parent-teacher conferences. Those awards will be made later this year.

WEDNESDAY: Breakfast pocket, cereal,

Lunch

tossed salad, corn, peaches, oranges and milk

tossed salad, beans, applesauce, dessert and

MONDAY: \* Burrito or baked potato,

TUESDAY: \*Chicken fried steak or pizza,

WEDNESDAY: \* Ham sandwich, ham and

\* Items designated with an asterisk will be

turkey hoagie or corn dog; tater tots, lettuce,

THURSDAY: \* Chili dog or baked potato,

FRIDAY: \* Cheese pizza or fish nuggets,

orange juice and milk.

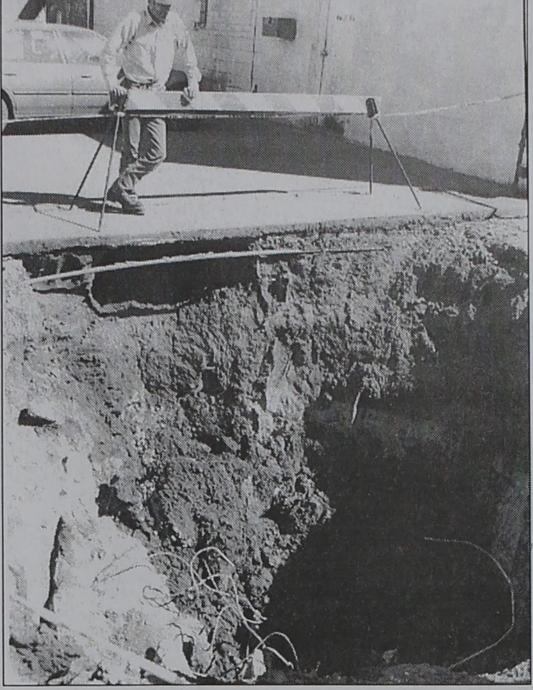
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chews and milk or juice.

THURSDAY: No school.

FRIDAY: No school.



'A SURPRISE TO ME' is what attorney Jack Edwards had to say about the hole that opened up on Saturday behind his business in the 100 block of East Bedford. It also was a surprise to Kyle (shown) and Vicki Aljoe, whose van slipped into the hole when the concrete covering over it gave way. Edwards said the hole is going to be filled in as soon as possible. City Manager Don Sheffy said the excavation had been a community

cesspool, which caved in, undermining the concrete paving in the alley.

Disaster aid sign-up

# What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth schools for March 29 to April 2.

**Breakfast** 

THURSDAY: Cocoa Krispie Cereal, fresh banana and milk

FRIDAY: Pancake on a stick, sausage, pineapple juice and milk.

MONDAY: Pancakes with syrup, apple

TUESDAY: Corn Pops cereal, apple juice

WEDNESDAY: Cinnamon rolls, orange wedges and milk.

THURSDAY: No school. FRIDAY: No school.

Preschool-First Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Nachos with cheese, Mexipinto beans, fresh fruit, Fideo Mexicano, jalapeno peppers and milk. FRIDAY: Fish nuggets, potato wedges,

corn on the cob, combread and milk. MONDAY: Beef taco, taco condiment

salad, fruit cocktail. Spanish rice and milk. TUESDAY: Chicken pot pie, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, hot rolls and milk. WEDNESDAY: Southern fried chicken, poatoes au gratin, orange wedges, hot rolls and milk.

THURSDAY: No school. FRIDAY: No school

Second-12th Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of fruit and cheese plate, barbecued chicken or nachos with cheese; vegetable medley, potato salad or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, haystack finger salad or fresh fruit; cornbread, wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

FRIDAY: Choice of fish nuggets, red beans and rice or enchiladas; potato wedges, corn on the cob or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, fresh spinach salad or apple slices; combread, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate milk, whit e milk or punch.

MONDAY: Choice of hamburger on a bun, creole bean soup or beef taco; mashed potatoes, baked potato or savory green beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, fruit cocktail or hamburger salad; combread, cheese rolls, Spanish rice, corn tortilla or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or

TUESDAY: Choice of chicken fillet strips, chicken pot pie or green enchilada casserole; French fries, mixed vegetables or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, pineapple sunset salad or cucumber and tomato salad; combread, hot rolls, arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of southern fried chicken, fajitas with sauteed onions or Italian spaghetti; country rice dressing, potatoes au gratin or butter beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, orange wedges or potato salad; garlic bread, wheat rolls, flour tortilla or Fideo Mexicano; and chocolate milk, white milk of punch.

THURSDAY: No school. FRIDAY: No school.

### HART **Breakfast**

THURSDAY: Waffles, assorted fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers and milk. FRIDAY: Scrambled eggs, biscuits, hash brown potatoes, variety of cereal, assorted fruit MONDAY: Breakfast pizza, waffle, sau-

sage, variety of cereal, graham crackers, assorted fruit juice and milk. TUESDAY: Breakfast burrito with salsa,

cinnamon roll, assorted fruit juice, variety of cereal and milk. WEDNESDAY: French toast sticks, sau-

sage, biscuits, variety of cereal, assorted fruit THURSDAY: Scrambled eggs, sausage,

biscuits, graham crackers, assorted fruit juice FRIDAY: No school.

## **Elementary Lunch**

THURSDAY: Choice of burrito, pizza or spaghetti and meat sauce; toast, salad, peaches, green beans, gelatin dessert and milk

FRIDAY: Choice of tuna salad sandwich, hot dog on a bun with chili and shredded cheese; sliced pickles, salad, potato chips, gelatin dessert, fresh fruit and milk.

MONDAY: Choice of corn dog, chicken tetrazzini or stromboli; bread, salad, lettuce, tomato and pickle, carrot sticks, corn on the

cob, peaches, peanut butter bars and milk. TUESDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken strips or chicken nuggets; marhed

potatoes and gravy, broccoli and cheese, cherry orange juice and milk. cobbler, pears, fresh fruit, and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, sub sandwich or beef taco; gelatin dessert, peaches, salad, potato puffs, and milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, pork tamales or enchilada casserole; tortilla pieces, corn, gelatin dessert, salad, fresh fruit, pineapple, ice cream and milk. FRIDAY: No school.

**High School Lunch** 

THURSDAY: Choice of burrito, pizza or milk or juice. lasagna with ground beef; wheat rolls, salad, peaches, green beans, gelatin dessert, and milk, salad, Spanish rice, pineapple, peanut butter FRIDAY: Choice of submarine sandwich,

tuna salad sandwich or hot dog on a bun with tossed salad, potatoes and gravy, fruit chili and shredded cheese; salad, potato chips, cocktail, pears and milk or juice. gelatin dessert, fresh fruit, peaches, and milk, MONDAY: Choice of corn dog, chicken pears, dessert and milk or juice.

tetrazzini or stromboli; bread, salad, tomato, lettuce, pickle, carrot stick, corn on the cob, peaches, peanut butter bars and milk, punch or TUESDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken strip or chicken nuggets; mashed po-

tatoes, broccoli and cheese, cherry cobbler, pears, fresh fruit and milk, punch or tea. WEDNESDAY: Choice of hamburger bas-

peaches, salad, potato puffs, and milk, punch THURSDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, pork tamales or enchilada casserole with torti lla pieces; corn, salad, fresh fruit, pineapple

pudding, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: No school. **NAZARETH** Breakfast

THURSDAY: Canadian bacon on a roll, cereal, orange juice and milk FRIDAY: Cinnamon roll, blueberry muf-

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

Kelly Adams

AgriFarm Industries, LLC

fin, cereal, orange juice and milk. MONDAY: Cinnamon roll or blueberry

ket, sub sandwich or beef taco; gelatin dessert,

## Hart FUMC plans Easter sunrise service

in Hart will hold an Easter sunrise

The sunrise service will be held in the sanctuary of the church, according to Pastor Kelly Inman.

The public is invited to attend.

milk and juice will be served.

After the service, donuts, coffee,

served to elementary school students.

The First United Methodist Church service at 7:30 a.m. on April 4.

deadline is extended The deadline for signing up for

Loss Disaster Assistance Program els has been extended to April 9. The original sign-up deadline was

March 12, but that date was extended to April 9 by Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman. "This money is badly needed by

farmers who suffered losses due to natural disasters, the effects of which are made worse by the current slump in farm prices," Glickman said. "We want to make sure that everyone who's eligible has a chance to participate.'

More than \$2 billion has been authorized by the Congress to reimburse farmers hit by natural disasters and who suffered losses greater than 35% of their historic yields.

Farmers are eligible for compensation either for qualifying losses on 1998 crops, or losses in any three or more crop years between 1994 and 1998 where a crop insurance indemnity or assistance under the non-insured crop disaster assistance program was received. Farmers can receive payments under either single-year or multi-year provisions, but not both.

The US Dept. of Agriculture will assistance provided by the 1999 make payment to each eligible ap-Budget Bill under the new Crop plicant at the higher of the two lev-

Payment to farmers will be prorated after all applications are reviewed in order to stay within the program's budget requirements.

Farmers can contact their local USDA Service Center or Farm Service Agency office at 647-2153 for more information or to sign up for

Crop loss payments will be made after all applications have been pro-

## More about

(Continuted from page 6)

through May 21. USDA soon will publish more program details in the federal register.

## **CRP** contracts

We have been authorized to accept all CRP offers submitted in the recent sign-up period by Castro County produers.

There were 138 offers accepted for a total of 22,002.7 acres.

These contracts will become effective on Oct. 1, 1999. All applicable producers have been notified of the approval of the acceptable offers.

## Small grain certifications

May 15 is the final date to report your planted 1999 small grain crop acreage. We will be mailing appointment cards beginning April 5 so producers can certify fall seeded crops like wheat, oats, barley and

If your appointment does not work for you, call the office and resched-

To be eligible for price support loans or loan deficiency payments (POP payments), an acreage report is required.

This could be very important again if the market prices remain low. Reports filed after the deadline may not be accepted and late filing fees may be assessed.

Measurement service is available for a nominal fee.

### Farm record changes Please notify us if you have sold,

purchased, leased or rented land, or made any other changes in your farming operation.

Also, if you have moved or changed addresses, please contact us so we can update our records. Timely reporting these changes will enable us to better serve you.

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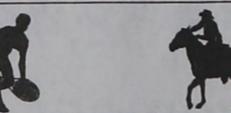
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SAFE!—Dimmitt's Eric Gamez slides into third after a single by Derek Buckley in the second inning of the Bobcats' game against Friona here Tuesday. Gamez

later was forced out at home on a bases-loaded hit. He scored two runs and had three RBIs on three hits as Photo by Don Nelson the Bobcats won, 8-4.

# Sepeda's homer highlights 8-4 Bobcat win over Friona

an 8-4 win over Friona here Tuesday and extend their season record to 5-2.

Putting the exclamation point on the Bobcats' third-inning statement was a two-run homer by first baseman Robert Sepeda. It was his fifth round-tripper of the season.

After three scoreless innings, the home plate. Bobcats trailed 1-0 when catcher Bobby Hill led off the bottom of the pitcher T. Juarez.

stranded on base—as three Dimmitt runners had been in the secondwhen the Bobcats recorded two outs.

But outfielder Eric Gamez connected with a 2-2 pitch for a single to the top of the fourth, but the Bobcats

The Bobcats used a four-run rally Buckley rapped a double to center the bottom of the inning. in the third inning to pave the way to field, scoring Gamez and hiking the Dimmitt lead to 2-1.

> That's when Sepeda did his hero thing. After running up two strikes, he looked a pitch in, made a clean hit, and the ball didn't touch ground until it had cleared the center field fence. By then, Buckley was crossing

The Bobcats still weren't through aggravating the Chieftains. Before third with a hefty triple off of Friona the visitors could get the third out, Wesley Wright singled and advanced It appeared that Hill might get to third on a single by Cody Brockman, who stole second before Tanner Griffitt grounded out to end the fateful third inning.

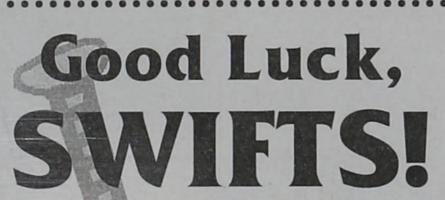
Friona responded with two runs in bring Hill home, then pitcher Derek came back with another big rally in

Sammy Prieto singled and Luis Silva walked, then Gamez scored both of them with a triple and later stole home on a pass ball to hike the

Shane Furr scored Dimmitt's final run in the fifth. After reaching base on a walk, Furr scored on a double by Bobby Hill.

Buckley went the distance on the mound for the Bobcats to record his first win of the season against one

Bobcats 8, Friona 4 100 200 1 4 6 4 004 310 x 8 13 2 Juarez, Daniel (4) and Grajeda, Juarez (4) for Friona; Derek Buckley and Bobby Hill for Dimmitt. WP: Buckley (1-1). LP: Juarez. 2B: Buckley and Hill of Dimmitt. HR: Sepeda of Dimmitt (5).



**NICK BERMEA** Soph. First Base/Outfielder



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# Hart to host Longhorn Relays

Athletes from across the area, including those from Hart and Nazareth, will be competing in field and running events Friday and Saturday at the Hart Longhorn Invitational Re-

The annual track meet will feature junior high, junior varsity and high school divisions, and is slated to start Friday afternoon with high school field events and junior high running preliminaries. The meet resumes Saturday morning with junior high field events and high school running preliminaries, and concludes Saturday afternoon with the high school running finals.

Here's a complete schedule of events for this weekend's track meet.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON HIGH SCHOOL FIELD EVENTS

**Varsity Boys** 2:30 p.m.: Shot put (ring 1), high jump and pole vault. 3:30 p.m.: Discus (ring 2) and triple

4:30 p.m.: Long jump (A).

Varsity Girls 2:30 p.m.: Shot put (ring 3) and triple jump (B) 3:30 p.m.: Discus (ring 4) and high

4:30 p.m.: Long jump (B) **Junior Varsity Boys** 

2:30 p.m.: Discus (ring 2). 3:30 p.m.: Pole vault and shot put (ring

4:30 p.m.: High jump, triple jump (A) and long jump (B).

JUNIOR HIGH PRELIMINARIES 2:30-2:45 p.m.: 7th girls, 8th girls, 7th boys and 8th boys 400-meter relay. 2:45 to 3 p.m.: 7th girls, 8th girls 100-

3-3:15 p.m.: 7th boys, 8th boys 110meter intermediate hurdles. 3:15-3:30 p.m.: 7th girls, 8th girls, 7th

boys, 8th boys 100-meter dash. 3:30-3:45 p.m.: 7" girls, 8" girls 800-

3:45-4 p.m.: 7th girls, 8th girls, 7th boys, 8th boys 400-meter dash. 4-4:15 p.m.: 7th girls, 8th girls 300-meter

4:15-4:30 p.m.: 7th boys, 8th boys, 300-

4:30-4:45 p.m.: 7th girls, 8th girls, 7th boys, 8th boys, 200-meter dash. 4:45-5:15 p.m.: Finals in the 7th girls, 8th girls, 7th boys and 8th boys 1,600-meter

5:15-5:20 p.m.: Boys Fat Man's Relay.

### SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE JUNIOR HIGH FIELD EVENTS

8:30 a.m.: 7th girls long jump (C) and shot put (ring 3); 8th girls triple jump (B) and discus (ring 4); 7th boys long jump (A) and shot put (ring 1); and 8th boys high jump and discus (ring 2)

9:30 a.m.: 7th girls triple jump (B) and discus (ring 4); 8th girls' high jump and shot put (ring 3); 7th boys discus (ring 2); and 8th boys pole vault and shot put (ring

10:30 a.m.: 7th girls high jump; 8th girls long jump (C); 7th boys pole vault; 8th boys' long jump (B). 11:30 a.m.: 7<sup>th</sup> boys high jump and

triple jump (A); and 8th boys triple jump

HIGH SCHOOL PRELIMINARIES 9-9:15 a.m.: All divisions 400-meter

relay. 9:15-9:30 a.m.: Girls 100-meter low

9:30-9:45 a.m.: JV and varsity boys 110-meter high hurdles.

9:45-10 a.m.: All divisions 100-meter sity girls 100-meter low hurdles.

10-10:15 a.m.: Girls 800-meter relay. 10:15-10:30 a.m.: All divisions 400-

10:30-10:45 a.m.: Girls 300-meter low

10:45-11 a.m.: JV and varsity boys 300-meter intermediate hurdles. 11-11:15 a.m.: All divisions 200-meter

11:15 a.m.: All divisions 3,200-meter

### RUNNING FINALS

2-2:20 p.m.: All divisions (7th girls, 8th girls, 7th boys, 8th boys, JV boys, varsity girls and varsity boys) 400-meter relay. 2:20-2:40 p.m.: All divisions 800-meter

2:40-3 p.m.: 7th girls, 8th girls and var-

3-3:15 p.m.: 7th boys, 8th boys, JV boys and varsity boys 110-meter intermediate and high hurdles. 3:15-3:30 p.m.: All divisions 100-meter

3:30-3:45 p.m.: 7th girls, 8th girls and

varsity girls 800-meter relay. 3:45-4:05 p.m.: All divisions 400-meter

4:05-4:20 p.m.: 7th girls, 8th girls, 7th boys, 8th boys and varsity girls, 300-meter 4:20-4:35 p.m.: JV boys and varsity

boys 300-meter intermediate hurdles. 4:35-4:50 p.m.: All divisions 200-meter

4:50-5:20 p.m.: Varsity girls, JV boys and varsity boys 1,600-meter run.

5:20-5:45 p.m.: All divisions 1,600-

# Swifts pick up win over Cotton Center

Nazareth lead-off hitter Aaron Kern took a 2-2 pitch from Cotton Center pitcher V. Octavia over the fence in center field Tuesday night, and that hit sparked the Swifts in what would become a 13-10 win over the Elks.

The win at Cotton Center was Nazareth's first of the season and improved the Swifts' record to 1-1.

Kern was the first batter up in the game and he started it off with a bang. The next time he stepped to the plate in the second inning, he was intentionally walked by the Elks.

The Swifts rode a 1-0 lead through the first inning after Nazareth held the Elks scoreless.

Nazareth used three singles and took advantage of walks and Elk errors to go up 4-0 in the second.

Matt Olvera started things off with a single, then Stanton Wethington walked and Matt Birkenfeld singled. That trio would score before Cotton Center finally got three Swifts out.

Nazareth's starting pitcher Ky Wilcox faced just four batters in the second, allowing just one single. The other three hitters grounded out and the Swifts maintained the 4-0

advantage. That lead grew to 7-0 in the top of the third as Elk ace pitcher Z. Land took over on the mound. He gave up singles to Blake Birkenfeld and Olvera before walking Wethington. Another single, this time by Mark Birkenfeld, coupled with several Elk errors, allowed the Swifts' first three hitters in the inning to score. Land then struck out three of the next four Nazareth batters, but the damage was

The Elks closed the gap in the bottom of the third, scoring five runs on three hits and two Swift errors, but Nazareth was able to hold onto hits lead after Wilcox and the Swifts sent the Elks' No. 7, 8 and 9 hitters to the dugout, in order.

Land faced Brockman, Blake Birkenfeld and Stanton Wethington

in the top of the fourth, striking out the side, but the Elks couldn't gain any ground on offense in the bottom of the inning.

After giving up a lead-off single, Wilcox struck out the next Elk hitter, then two out of the next three batters were thrown out on infield grounders.

J. Land relieved his brother in the fifth and promptly gave up a triple to Wethington. But Wethington was stranded on third after the next three Swifts struck out.

Cotton Center picked up two runs in the fifth and another in the sixth to take an 8-7 lead, but Nazareth took control in the seventh, exploding with six runs on our hits.

The Elks' fourth pitcher of the game, V. Saenz, came in and gave up singles to Blake Birkenfeld, Wilcox and Bo Hunter, and Brockman tatooed him for a double that boosted the Swifts in the inning as Nazareth batted around.

Trailing 13-8 in the bottom of the seventh, Cotton Center made one last attempt at a rally, getting singles from T. Cline and M. Rodriguez, who both scored, but Swift reliever Blake Birkenfeld struck out one hitter, then got some help from shortstop Brockman, who caught two fly balls to end the game.

Swifts 13, Cotton Center 10 133 000 6 13 11 005 021 2 10 10 15 Ky Wilcox, Blake Birkenfeld (5) and Matt Olvera for Nazareth; V. Octavia, Z. Land (3), J. Land (5), V. Saenz (7) and J. Land and Z. Land (5). WP: Birkenfeld. LP: J. Land. 2B: Mitchell Brockman of Nazareth and J. Land of Cotton Center. 3B: Stanton Wethington of

Nazareth. HR: Aaron Kern of Nazareth.

## Kids, Inc. Basketball Schedule

Today (Thursday)

Minor Boys: 5:30 p.m. Bobcat Barber Shop vs. Castro Co. Hospital District; 7 p.m. Cerestar vs. Schaeffer, Sutton, Schaeffer & Myatt.

Major Boys: 5:30 p.m. Dimmitt Consumers vs. Dimmitt Printing; 7 p.m. Coleman Pharmacy vs. C&S Battery.

Friday

Minor Girls: 5:30 p.m. Red X vs. Dimmitt Equipment; 7 p.m. Benny's Auto vs. North Gin.

Major Girls: 5:30 p.m. Paxton Tire vs. Gary's Engine; 7 p.m. Seale Florist vs. Hereford FCU

Monday

Minor Boys: 5:30 p.m. Roy's Plumbing vs. Lane Dirt; 6:30 p.m. ALCO vs. Schaeffer, Sutton, Schaeffer & Myatt; 7:30 p.m. Bobcat Barber Shop vs. Cerestar.

Major Boys: 5:30 p.m. Pancake House vs. First Bank Muleshoe; 6:30 p.m. Smothermon Ditching vs. C&S Battery; 7:30 p.m. Coleman Pharmacy vs. Dimmitt Consumers.

Tuesday Minor Girls: 5:30 p.m. Benny's Auto vs. Dimmitt Equipment; 7 p.m. Wright & Sons vs. First United

Bank. Major Girls: 5:30 Seale Florist vs. Paxton Tire; 7 p.m. Goodpasture vs. Gary's Engine.

**Next Thursday** 

Minor Boys: 5:30 p.m. Lane Dirt vs. Schaeffer, Sutton, Schaeffer & Myatt; 7 p.m. ALCO vs. Castro Co. Hospital District.

Major Boys: 5:30 p.m. First Bank Muleshoe vs. C&S Battery; 7 p.m. Smothermon Ditching vs. Dimmitt Printing.

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# Kids Inc. basketball starts play in Dimmitt

program in Dimmitt started game George Dones. action Monday night.

Boys' teams have games scheduled on Monday and Thursday nights, and girls' teams play on Tuesday and Friday nights. Minor leagues play in Cleveland Memorial Gymnasium and major leagues play at the gym at the high school.

Teams, coaches and players are listed below by league.

## Minor League Boys

The Schaeffer, Sutton, Schaeffer & Myatt Justin Lively. team is coached by Layne Myatt. Team members are Ross Myatt, Robby Lopez, Eric Odom, Kalan Steinle, Max Sandoval, Isidro Ortiz and Scott Sheffy. Team members are Stu Villalba, Rudy Corrales and Wesley Nutt.

Rasor and Eddie Sutton. Team members are Smothermon. Michael Rasor, Houston Sutton, Marcus Caleb Snitker, and Diego Salinas.

ALCO is coached by Albert Acevedo. Team members are Chris Gilliam, Jerry Pedroza, Christopher Gregory, Cameron Cluck, Sterling Brock, Julian Eric Saenz, and Zane Matthews. Lane Dirt Co. is coached by Robert Nelson. Team members are Klay Clearman, Jorge

The Kids Inc. Little Dribblers Waggoner, Bryce Parker, Scott Martinez, and

Bobcat Barber Shop is coached by Ruben Martinez. Team members are Curtis Thomas, Dustin Thomas, Jerry Martinez, Gabriel Todd Martinez, Fabian Lopez, Matthew Ryan Almanza, and Eric Mirelez.

Castro County Hospital District is coached by Willie and Brenda Porsch. Team members are Landon Porsch, Michael Cline, Luis Angel Luna, Joshua Gamez, Zach Starling, Joshua Norman, Jesus Ortiz, and Victor Ortiz.

Cerestar is coached by Randy Griffitt and Tad Cornett. Team members are Kaden Griffitt, Toby Ward, Dennis Underwood, Tyler Cornett, Chris Pompa, George Olmos, and

### Major League Boys

The C&S Battery team is coached by Sal Sheffy, Nicholas Ortiz, Matthew Calderon, Roy's Plumbing is coached by George Omar Pena, Bo Sifuentez, and Zihon

Pancake House is coached by Stanley Herrera, Rocky Navarro, Beau Gonzales, Maurer and Donavan Ferguson. Team members are Casey Maurer, Steven Caballero, Matthew Larra, Javier Rodriguez, Billy Dollar, Garrett Behrends, and Taylor Ferguson.

Smothermon Ditching is coached by Brent Self and Don Bell. Team members are Tucker Self, Jared Bell, Jordon Bell, Ben Birdwell, Jerrot Ferguson, Omar Catano, Fabian Diaz, Robles, Cody Eby, Brad Lane, Tucker and Isaac Aguilar.

First Bank Muleshoe is coached by Gary Hunter and Sara Hunter. Team members are Sean Hunter, Ross Hunter, Ryan Hunter, Darrell Reyes, Charley Saenz, Gerald Thomas, Carlos Escamilla, and Mario James Sepeda.

Coleman Pharmacy is coached by Noemi Ponce and Susan Coleman. Team members are Daniel Coleman, Matthew Ruiz, Jacob Ruiz, Mark Anthony Dones, Jason Todd Corlis, Christopher Lee Saenz, Raul Dones, and Adrian Trevino.

Dimmitt Printing is coached by Ignacio Sifuentez and Ricky Reyes. Team members are Ignacio Sifuentez Jr., Jacob Mirelez, Ricky Reyes Jr., Rudy Salinas, Aaron Herrera, Sergio Saucedo, Christopher Velasquez, and Michael

Dimmitt Consumers is coached by Gene Penney and Les Miller. Team members are Layne Penney, Ryan Miller, Jeremy Norman, Jeffery Williams, Weldon Allison, Jose Ramirez, Cesar Mejia, and Jeremy Gamez.

Minor League Girls

The Red X team is coached by Chris and Jennifer Edwards. Team members are Kirsti Edwards, Natashia Jordan, Brittany Heard, Randi Cates Shaw, Cassidy Watts, Ashley Cotter, and Courtney Jo Garza.

Wright & Sons is coached by Shawna Kenworthy, Carol Summers, and Bobbi Morton. Team members are Kimberly Buffham, Lana Reinart, Amanda Castaneda, Lorena Mendoza, Marisela Saucedo, Roxann Martinez, Carmen Pena, and Ninfa Isela Velo.

Dimmitt Equipment Co. is coached by Glen and Heather Black. Team members are Erin Black, Brandi Alexsandra Olvera, Kim Back, Kayla Saenz, Timberly Jenkins, Chauncey Gilbreath, Natacia Sullivan Ramos, and Brittany Allen.

First United Bank is coached by Rita Ramos. Team members are Anna Brockman, Brandy Smith, Jessie Arguijo, Tabatha McAllister, Ashley Fleeks, Haylee Evans,

Loraine Aguero, and Amber Weaver.

Benny's Auto is coached by Val and Yvette Barrera. Team members are KaShondra Sherman, Monica Mirelez, C.J. Gregory, Samantha Howell, Kamryn Steffens, Casey Enriquez, Makenzie Sims, and Heather

North Gin is coached by Steve Buckley and Jim Bradford. Team members are Molly Bradford, Ahsley Patlan, Valerie Villarreal, Chelsea Buckley, Dana Sandoval, Joslyn Harmonson, Yvette Arce, and Renee Ross.

Major League Girls The team for Gary's Engine is coached by Ronda Wise and Tina Maurer. Team members are Hayli Wise, Brittany Williams, Sarah E. Lopez, Clarissa Herrera, Roxanne Martinez, Corrie Black, Viktorya Navarro, Kelly Reyes, and Mackenzi Pigg.

Seale Florist is coached by Max McClure and Larry Gilliam. Team members are Kristin McClure, Holly Gilliam, Shauna Nutt, Kristy

Reves, Sabrena Patlan, Vanessa Caballero, Tabitha Sullivan Ramos, Laura Rasor, and Nikita Ross.

Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union is coached by Tod Bradley and Lori Wilhite. Team members are Raynee Bradley, Megan Lemons, Marisa Allison, Haley Heard, Bridgette Velasquez, Esther Velasquez, Shenea Wright, Krystal Mae Martinez, and Ruby Espinoza.

Goodpasture is coached by Darla and Tony Fisher. Team members are Darcy Fisher, Victoria Tarango, Jessica Ortega, Hayddee Villalba, Kathy Amador, Melissa Campos, Jessica Navarro, Marissa Demster, and Dakota

Paxton Tire & Service is coached by Joe Nino and Raymond Fuentes. Team members are Jennifer Fuentes, Jennifer Montes, Mandi Ebeling, Sharette Johnson, Ashlee Renee Nino, Kendra Puente, Angelica Quiroz, and Shelley

# 5K run, mile walk to benefit athletes

A five-kilometer run and one-mile walk and fun run will be held in Dimmitt April 10 and proceeds from the events will help send three local athletes to the North Carolina

World Games this year. The county athletes who will be competing at the world games include B.J. Klein and Joey and Dene Schacher.

The races will be held at the Dimmitt VFW Post Home, located east of Dimmitt, and entry fee is \$10 per person. Entry fee should be sent to Klein at PO Box 77, Nazareth 79063. Registration will be from 7 to 8:30 a.m. the day of the race.

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**Boys' Division** 

Team Totals: 1. Floydada 105, 2. Aber-

nathy 87, 3. Sundown 79, 4. Springlake-

Earth 68, 5. (Tie) Hart and Lockney 55, 7. Crosbyton 32, 8. Vega 17, 9. Ralls 16, 10. Valley 10, 11. Trinity Christian 2.

Discus: 1. GerardoDozal, Hart, 120-0.

Long Jump: 2. Jared Aven, Hart, 19-7.

Triple Jump: 3. Jeremiah Velasquez,

Girls' Division Team Totals: 1. Lockney 150, 2. Hart 66, 3. Sundown 63, 4. Ralls 60, 5. Vega

57, 6. Floydada 50, 7. Crosbyton 44, 8. Abernathy 37, 9. Olton 23, 10. Lazbuddie

High Jump: 2. Angelica Perales, Hart,

100 Hurdles: 1. Angelica Perales,

MUSTANG RELAYS

at Andrews

**Boys' Division** Team Totals: 1. Andrews 131, 2. Big

17, 11. Happy 14, 12. Valley 8.

400 Relay: 3. Hart, 53:30.

The one-mile walk and fun run will start at 9 a.m. and the 5K race is slated to start around 10 a.m.

There will be men's and women's division in each race The mile walk and fun run will be split into five age categories: 20 and under, 21-30, 31-40, 41-50 and 51 and over.

The 5K run will include the following age divisions: 15 and under, 16-23, 24-30, 31-40, 41-50 and 51 and over.

Medals will be presented to first-, second- and third-place winners in each group.

For more information about the race, call Klein at 945-2237.

## **Crime Line** offers rewards for crime info

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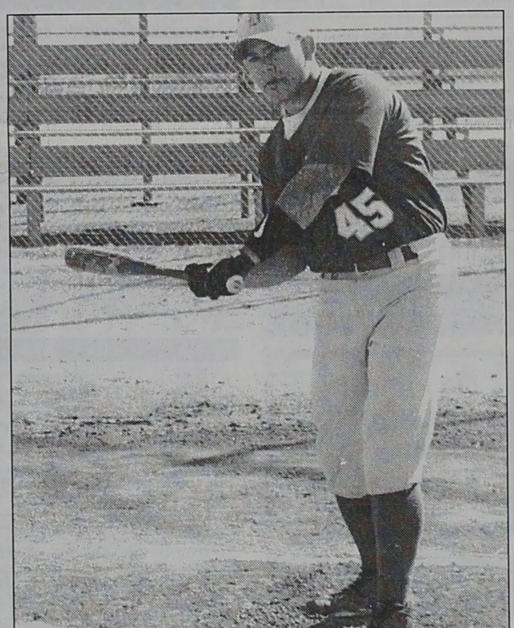
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Castro County Sheriff CD Fitzgearld said that anyone with information about any crimes that may have been committed in the county are urged to call the Crime Line number at 647-4711. Law enforcement personnel will consider paying rewards for information that leads to the arrest and conviction of a perpetrator.

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# Quilt festival classes

have preregistration Classes for the second annual Ogallala Quilters Festival, which will be held in Dimmitt April 8-10, will have limited enrollments, so advance registration is advisable. Those interested may call Yvonna Hays at 647-5214.

All classes will be three hours long and the charge is \$15, plus any kit or supplies that may be needed.

Classes will include "Bindings" and "Judge Looking" by Nell Smith, "Borders" and "Dear Jane" by Laura Riggs, "Crazy for You" by Vicky Tracy, "Chapelhouse Lanes" by Sharon Newman, "Celtic" by Ina Cleavinger, "Drunkard's Path" by Nancy Richburg, "Hand Applique" by June Long, "Machine Quilting" by Emily Nipp, "Minis" by Yvonna Hays, "Mystery" by Jean Gilles Dean, "Paper Piecing" by Janet Harter, "Pineapple" by Joyce Davis, and "Quilt Tray" by Molly Yarger.

Today(Thursday) is the deadline for ordering tickets for the meals that will be included in the special activities of the festival—"Nostalgia Night Thursday," with an enchilada supper for \$9 per person; and "Fantastic Friday," with a steak dinner for \$12.50 per person (fish available on

Payment and orders for the meal tickets may be given to Joyce Davis of Dimmitt (647-5362), a member of the Ogallala Quilters Society, or to Darlene Collins (647-5585).

Davis said that this year's festival also will include three special dis-A traveling exhibit of "Hoffman

Challenge Quilts" will visit Dimmitt during the festival. The Hoffman fabric company issues a challenge to quilters to make quilts from a spe-H. Syler, "Bursting Star" by Millie cific fabric. Last year's 50 wall hangings will stop here on their way from Alabama to Oregon.

Also on display will be the "Kansas City Star" exhibit. From 1928 to 1961, the Kansas City Star newspaper published different quilting patterns for its readers, according to Davis. She said a quilting club from Oklahoma has made some panels that feature each one of these patterns. Ten of the panels will be dis-

Another display will be the collection of antique sewing machines belonging to Lester Battease of Sweetwater.

Quilts entered for the festival competition will be eligible for ribbons, cash prizes, and "Silver Dollar" and "Fat Quarter" awards.

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## **Dimmitt Fun Day Golf Tournament**

# **Bobcats and Lady Horns** claim titles in Dimmitt meet

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The Bobcats won the tournament with 347 strokes while the Lady Horns captured the gold medal with 481 points.

Hart's boys finished third with 374 while the Bobcats' No. 2 team placed fourth with 413. The Bobbies were third in the girls' division, recording a team score of 543.

In the boys' tournament, Dimmitt and Hart golfers claimed the top five individual medals.

Hart's Jared Aven had the best 18round score with 79. Dimmitt golfers claimed the next three spots, with Alan Lewter coming in second with a round of 83, Brandon Allison finishing with 84 and Brent Josselet firing an 85. Hart's T.R. George and Chris George tied for fifth-place honors after each shot an 87 over the 18 holes.

For the girls, Hart's Nikki Burress paced all golfers with a gold medal score of 107. Kress's Sarah Ashley was second with a 111 and Anton's Liz Madison was third with 115. Hart golfers Valerie Key and Wyndi Law claimed spots 4 and 5, posting final scores of 118 and 119, respec-

Here are complete results from the tournament:

DIMMITT FUN DAY TOURNAMENT at Country Club of Dimmitt

**BOYS' TOURNAMENT** Team Totals: 1. Dimmitt A, 347; 2.

# 25—Legal Notices

NOTICE OF CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION **APPLICATION** 

TPDES Permit No. 04046 APPLICATION: MICHAEL QUINT WAGGONER, HCR 1, Box 47, Dimmitt Texas 79027, has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a new TPDES Permit No. 04046 to authorize the applicant to operate a new beef cattle facility at a maximum capacity of 8,000 head in Castro County, Texas. No discharge of pollutants into the waters of the state is authorized by this permit. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural

The proposed facility is located on the north side of County Road 628 and US Highway 385, this intersection being approximately 13 miles south of the City of Dimmitt in Castro County, Texas. The facility will be located in the drainage area of the White River Lake in Segment No. 1240 of the Brazos River Basin.

The Executive Director of the TNRCC has prepared a draft permit which, if approved, would establish the parameters and limitations within which the facility

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEET-ING. Written public comments and requests for public meeting may be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. A public meeting is intended for the taking of public comment, and is not a contested case hearing. A public meeting will be held if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application

CONTESTED CASE HEARING. The TNRCC may grant a contested case hearing on this application if a written hearing request is filed within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice. The Executive Director may approve the application unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 30 days after newspaper publication of this

To request a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: 1. Your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; 2. Applicant's name and permit number; 3. The statement, "I/We request a contested case hearing;" 4. A brief and specific description of how you would be affected by the application in a way not common to the general public; and 5. The location and distance of your property relative to the proposed activity. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application or permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests or a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address provided in the information

If a hearing request is filed, the Executive Director will not issue the permit and will forward the application and hearing request to the TNRCC Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a contested case hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district

INFORMATION: Written hearing requests, public comments or requests for a public meeting should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For information concerning the hearing process, contact the Public. Interest Counsel, MC 103, the same address. For additional information, please contact the Office of Public Assistance at 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TNRCC can be found at our web site at www.tnrcc.state.tx.us. Issued: March 17, 1999

LaDONNA CASTANUELA, Chief Clerk Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission 25-51-1tc

The Dimmitt Bobcats' A team and Kress, 372; 3. Hart, 374; 4. Dimmitt B,

Medalists: 1. Jared Aven of Hart, 79; 2. Alan Lewter of Dimmitt, 83; 3. Brandon Allison of Dimmitt, 84; 4. Brent Josselet of Dimmitt, 85; 5. (Tie) T.R. George and Chris George, both of Hart, 87.

Dimmitt A: Van Jeter 90, Alan Lewter 83. Brandon Allison 84, James Jackson 97, Jeff Stovall 90.

Dimmitt B: Brent Josselet 85, Matthew Wright 118, Jason Harris 115, Matthew Sandoval 104, Jeremy Bishop 109. Hart: Jared Aven 79, T.R. George 87,

Chris George 87, Shane McLain 121. Kress: Dusty Street 90, Dane Morphis 90, Chris Murray 95, Colton Street 113,

Individuals: Andy Willingham of Anton 101, Wayne Knight of Anton 145, Chase Street of Kress 100.

Hart: Nikki Burress 107, Valerie Key 118, Wyndi Law 119, Ashley Law 137, Vanessa Chia 155.

138, Jessica Salinas 154

518, 3. Dimmitt 543.

Anton: Tamequah Jezisek 136, Steph Madison 135, Liz Madison 115, Heather Chenault 132, Leigh Wilson 152. Individuals: Jamie Durham of Kress 126, Sarah Ashley of Kress 111.

**GIRLS' TOURNAMENT** Team Totals: 1. Hart 481, 2. Anton

Medalists: 1. Nikki Burress of Hart,

Dimmitt: Morgan Hazel 127, Kelsey

Welch 157, Rae Odom 124, Charlie Nutt

107; 2. Sarah Ashley of Kress, 111; 3. Liz

Madison of Anton, 115; 4. Valerie Key of

Hart, 118; Wyndi Law of Hart, 119.

HOME RUN!—Dimmitt's Robert Sepeda gets a highfive from Coach Jesus Quiroz as he rounds third after blasting a two-run homer over the center-field fence in the third inning against Friona here Tuesday.

Sepeda's home run increased the Bobcats' lead to 4-1, and they went on to win, 8-4. It was Sepeda's fifth home run of the season. Photo by Don Nelson

## More about

Congress adds \$450 million

The emergency measure had swift depleted by March 15 due to a rate

practice.

Congress, Sims said.

passage through Congress, according of demand of \$10 million per day.

to USDA guaranteed loans

(Continued from Page 1)

legend at Lorenzo, with a state-class program; and I only helped raise Arnold from the time he was a knee-

guaranteed subsidized loans were

expected to be exhausted by March

5. USDA's guaranteed unsubsidized

loan program was forecast to be

The \$450 million was to be imme-

diately available to all qualified

ranchers and farmers, rather than

reserved for beginning farmers and

ranchers until April 1, as is normal

is included in a supplemental appro-

priations bill now pending before

A request for additional loan funds

So here's a revised list of young basketball coaches who grew up in Dimmitt, in alphabetical order: Jeff Bell, Larry Birdwell, Blake

Brown, Bruce Bryant, Kevin Cleve-

high Boy Scout.

land, Johnny Hampton, Steve Myatt, Arnold Peralez, Rocky Rawls, Jerry Schaeffer, Justin Shultz, John Smith. I think I can count five state championships among that bunch-

(John Smith, by the way, was named the Class 4A-5A Coach of the Year this week in the Lubbock All-South Avalanche-Journal's Plains picks. His Plainview Bulldogs

going to the state tournament.) Do you suppose that's all of 'em? Well, despite my elephantine memory, for which I am widely reputed, don't bet the farm on it.

came within two or three baskets of

Also, I intended to mention, but forgot to, that Dimmitt High School still holds the record among Class AAA teams for most appearances in

a state tournament with 15.

The Bobcats advanced to state in 1944, '48, '52, '60, '61, '67, '71, '75, '78, '82, '83, '84, '86, '87 and '88. Dimmitt won state championships in 1952, '67, '82 and '83. Two of those teams compiled perfect seasons—the teams of 1952 (36-0) and 1983 (38-0).

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## More about Indictments

(Continued from Page 1) weapon was a motor vehicle. Also on Saturday he threatened to harm Steve Tenorio, a person who had reported the occurrence of a crime.

Ramiro Martinez Esquivel, 56, of Dimmitt, was indicted for deadly conduct on March 16. His bond was set at \$2,500. The charge stated that he did knowingly discharge a firearm at or in the direction of Ricardo Castillo Bermea.

Gilberto Cano, 23, of Hereford, received two indictments, one for criminal mischief over \$1,500 and under \$20,000 and one for burglary of a building. The charges state that on Nov. 22, 1998, he destroyed tangible property by vandalizing it, including damage to vehicles of a broken steering column and windows broken out, in addition to a window broken in a building, without the consent of the owner, Avery Thrasher. It also stated that he entered a building not then and there to Texas Farmers Union President open to the public with the intent to

John Richard Simons, 19, and USDA funds to the department's David Leroy Parker, 22, both of Comanche, Okla., were indicted for possession of marijuana over 5 lbs. and under 50 lbs. in connection with a Feb. 24 incident. Bond was set at \$2,500 for each.

Susan Calderon, 33, of Hart, was indicted for theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000. Her bond was set at \$2,500. The charge stated that she took currency with the intent to deprive the owner, Hart Little Drib-

William Lee Durham, 55, of Dimmitt was indicted for DWI, third or more offense. Bond was set at \$3,000. The charge stated he was arrested on Feb. 25, with prior convictions in 1997 and 1998.

Ignacio Hernandez, 59, of Dimmitt, also was placed under \$3,000 bond on an indictment for DWI, third or more offense. The charge stated he was arrested on Jan. 26, with prior convictions in 1993

March 15 President Bill Clinton

signed a bill making \$450 million in

federally guaranteed loans available

Wes Sims, who applauded the effort.

The legislation reallocates unused

loan programs, which have been

drained by strong demand due to

several months of depressed com-

Texas producers in particular are

Many producers who have quali-

fied for USDA operating loans have

not received them because of insuffi-

cient program funding. With the rate

hard-pressed for the funds because

the planting season is already under-

for farmers and ranchers.

modity prices.

# of demand at \$3 million per day, Spring could bring screw worm scare

April showers bring May flowers, uted to practitioners, feed stores and warm weather could mean screw worm infestations.

mission and the US Dept. of Agriculture are alerting producers and practitioners to be vigilant for the flesheating maggots as spring rolls in.

Unlike typical fly larvae, or maggots, screw worm fly larvae gouge into fresh flesh damaging livestock and leaving the animals susceptible to secondary infections.

Screw worms have been officially eradicated, but one larvae was detected in Edwards County in the fall, causing animal health officials to be on the alert for other possible cases.

More than 2,500 screw worm submission kits have been distrib-

but there's also the possibility that county Extension agents and additional kits are available by calling the Texas Animal Health Commission The Texas Animal Health Com- area office in Amarillo at 1-800-658-6526, the Austin headquarters at 1-800-550-8242 or the US Dept. of Agriculture at 512-916-5555.

> Kits consist of a cardboard tube containing a test tube filled with a holding solution and small plastic bags for maggot collection. If a collection kit is not available, the maggots or larvae can be placed in alcohol in a glass jar, medicine bottle or film canister. Mail the container to USDA-APHIS-VS, Screw Worm Lab, Moore Air Base, Building 6401, Box 970, Mission, TX 78573-0970; phone 956-580-7360.



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# Obituaries

## Wanda Brown

Funeral services for Wanda F. Brown, 66, of Amarillo, the sister of a Nazareth man, were held Tuesday morning in Kingswood United Methodist Church of Amarillo, with Rev. Terry Tamplen, pastor, and Don Novak, pastor of Harvest Christian Fellowship of Amarillo, officiating.

Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery of Amarillo under direction of Rector Funeral Home of Amarillo.

Mrs. Brown died March 20. She was born in Wellington and moved to Amarillo in 1960. She married Leroy Brown in 1952. She retired from Homeland Stores in 1994, and was a member of Kingswood United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Theresa Brown in 1973.

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Tammy Novak and Tanya Joyce Fahnert, both of Amarillo; three brothers, Dale Johnson of Amarillo, Don Johnson of Channing and Dean Johnson of Nazareth; four sisters, Belva Terry and Robena Duncan, both of Artesia, N.M., Evelyn Callaghan of Clearwater, Fla., and Martha Morris of Wellington; and four grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity.

## Florence M. Foskey

Services for Florence M. Foskey, 72, of Laurel, Dela., mother of Mike Foskey, former Dimmitt resident, will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at Short Funeral Home in Laurel with the Rev. Kevin English officiating.

Burial followed in Blades Cemetery in Blades, Dela., under the direction of Short Funeral Home..

Mrs. Foskey died Sunday at Nanticoke Memorial Hospital in Seaford, Dela., from injuries she Irby of Clovis, N.M. suffered in an auto accident.

She was born in Seaford. She was a member of the Seaford Chapter of the Women of the Moose. She was a Plains High School, Plains 79355. homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John F. Foskey, in 1980.

Survivors include three sons, Jerry F. Foskey of Wilmington, Dela., Wayne G. Foskey of Virginia and Michael A. Foskey of Flagler Beach, Fla.; six daughters, Sandra S. Willin, Sharon L. Marine, Phyllis A. McGee and Kimberly S. Hastings, all of Laurel; Jackie Belson of Milford, Dela.; and Kathy S. Givens; a brother, Jennings O'Neal of Florida; a sister, Dorothy Riggin of Laurel; 22 grandchildren; and 17 greatgrandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Roxy Theater Project, PO Box 665, Olton, Texas 79064.

## Jim McKay

Funeral services for Jim McKay, 67, of Follett, and formerly of Dimmitt, were held Saturday in Gililland-Watson Funeral Home Rose Chapel with Randy Byrd, pastor of Barn Church, officiating.

Burial was in West Park Cemetery. Mr. McKay died March 17.

He was born in Turkey, Texas, and moved to Deaf Smith County in 1974 from Dimmitt. He moved to Follett in 1993 from Hereford. He married Veda Golden in 1951 at

Clovis, N.M. He was a truck driver. He is survived by two sons, Ronnie McKay of Hereford and David McKay of Perryton; a daughter, Donna Cornett of Follett; three sisters, Janice Stewart of Turkey, Joyce Reed of Amarillo and Judy Mulnick of Clarendon; 13 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

## Kimberly Newland

Funeral services for Kimberly Dawn Newland, 16, of Plains, and formerly of Dimmitt, were held Monday morning in Plains High School Auditorium with Rev. Bill Wright, pastor of First Baptist Church of Plains, officiating.

Graveside services and burial were held Monday evening in Wheeler Cemetery under direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Miss Newland was born May 28, 1982, in Pampa. She lived in Wheeler until she was 12, then moved to Dimmitt. In 1998, she moved to Plains where she was a junior at Plains High School, and played on the basketball team. She was TGCA All-State Class 2A, and had made All-District in 1998. She went to the Amateur Athletic Union national tournament in basketball with the Texas Tar Heels team for the past two years. She played volleyball, was an officer in the Future Homemakers of America, was on the Student Council for two years in Dimmitt, and was a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

She was preceded in death by her father, Michael Lee Newland, in

She is survived by her mother, Jan Newland of Plains; a brother, Jarod Newland of Plains; and grandparents David and Louise Newland of Downing, Mo., and Dale and Lorene

The family suggests memorials to the Mike and Kimberly Newland Scholarship Fund, c/o Jan Newland,

## Jose Sifuentez

Dimmitt, were held Tuesday morn- legumes and that entry into this new ing at the Immaculate Conception program shall not be limited by the Catholic Church in Dimmitt with the Rev. Guillermo Morales, pastor, officiating. A vigil service was held Monday at the church.

rial Gardens under the direction of appropriations to replenish Farm Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home Service Agency (FSA) loan proof Dimmitt.

tal in Dimmitt.

He was born Aug. 3, 1948, in liver programs to producers. Waco. He moved to Dimmitt in 1958. He attended schools in Naza- nize a rally to address the crisis in reth. He worked for AgriFarm Industries in Dimmitt for six years. He was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt. He married Israela Casaneda on Jan.

31, 1997. Survivors include his wife; a stepdaughter, Tina L. Gentry of Dimmitt; three stepsons, Cornelino Gentry, Mitchell Gentry and Matthew Gentry, all of Dimmitt; three brothers, Juan Sifuentez of Brownfield, George Sifuentez Jr. of Earth and Pedro Sifuentez of Dimmitt; five sisters, Dionicia Torres of Lubbock, Mary Gonzales of Hart and Selia Sifuentez, Rosa Lucio and Cresencia



A SERIOUS ROCK GARDEN—Wayne Proffitt (left) plants and Gregg Nelson waters while Corky Nelson (right) supervises the further growth of the "rock garden" on the Nelsons' large front lawn at 907 W. Bedford St. Monday. Gregg found these granite boulders in central Nevada after he delivered a Raincat pivot sprinkler system there. Most of the boulders weighed about 1,500 lbs. apiece, although one on the truck trailer in left

background was about three times that heavy, Gregg said. These granite boulders joined a collection of Jacksboro, Texas, sandstone boulders and Nevada "rainbow rock" on the Nelson lawn, and won't show their true color until the limestone powder is washed off of them. "They cut down on the mowing, and they keep people from parking in our yard," Corky quipped. Photo by Don Nelson

# ACGA discusses current price crisis

annual convention of the American Corn Growers Association (ACGA) passed a series of important and farreaching resolutions and special orders of business.

As part of the resolutions session, the delegates reiterated the ACGA's long standing support for an immediate removal of the loan rate cap followed by a cost of production loan rate and an extension of the loan from 9 to 15 months for greater market flexibility. They also reaffirmed their support for ethanol blends, ETBE and the continuation of the federal reformulated (RFG) program.

adopted:

gress should enact a new three-year Conservation Reserve Program us-Services for Jose Sifuentez, 50, of ing short-term cover crops such as current arbitrary and restrictive EBI scoring system.

• Immediate action should be taken by Congress to fund and au-Burial followed in Castro Memo- thorize an emergency supplemental grams and that an additional \$100 Mr. Sifuentez died at 3:28 a.m. million be included for FSA salaries Saturday at Plains Memorial Hospi- and expenses to provide support for additional employees to timely de-

· Every farm state should orga-

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Over 125 delegates to the seventh agriculture and that all groups and all commodities should be included.

 Crop insurance coverage should be made available on crops at up to 100% of production costs, with a portion of the premium being subsidized by the federal government.

 Currency fluctuations should be a part of all future trade negotiations and fast track negotiating authority.

 To overcome the opposition by some buyers of US feed grains, the US Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) should assist producers wishing to export commodities that are nongenetically modified.

 American farmers and farm organizations should be present at The following resolutions were the next round of the World Trade Organization meeting, which will be •The Administration and Con- held in the United States this fall, and that those farmers express their opposition to the WTO and GATT agendas.

> Producers should give their support to the expansion of the Minnesota model that requires 2.7% oxygen for all gasoline for all major corn producing states.

· States in which bailment contracts are offered should pass legislation that gives first lien priority to contract growers and that farmers should seriously consider whether a bailment contract is in their economic or social interest.

• The Federal Government should enact a minimum 10% setaside tied to usage and ending stock projections.

Special orders of business addressed and approved by the delegates included:

• The ACGA opposes the merger of Cargill and Continental and feels that the US Justice Dept. should strictly and aggressively enforce antitrust laws and investigate the monopoly control in all other sectors of agriculture and specifically genetic engineering and biotechnology in the grain and livestock sec-

Members are encouraged to call on Congress and appropriate state legislatures to enact legislation that will appoint a national Independent Study Commission to report on the ability of USDA to promote the economic well being of family farmers and ranchers. This commission should report on the potential conflicts of interest with family farmers embedded within USDA's career employee staff.

This legislation would also include the following measures:

• The appointment of a similar state study commission to examine respective State Departments of Agriculture.

 The legislation would prohibit any top career employee or political appointee from gaining employment within the industries they regulate for a period of five years after leaving the USDA or State Department of Agriculture.

Another order of business approved included the examination of the effects of electric deregulation legislation on farmers and rural Americans, and members feel that legislation should be enacted that would:

 Benefit farmers and rural Americans by lowering electricity prices.

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