

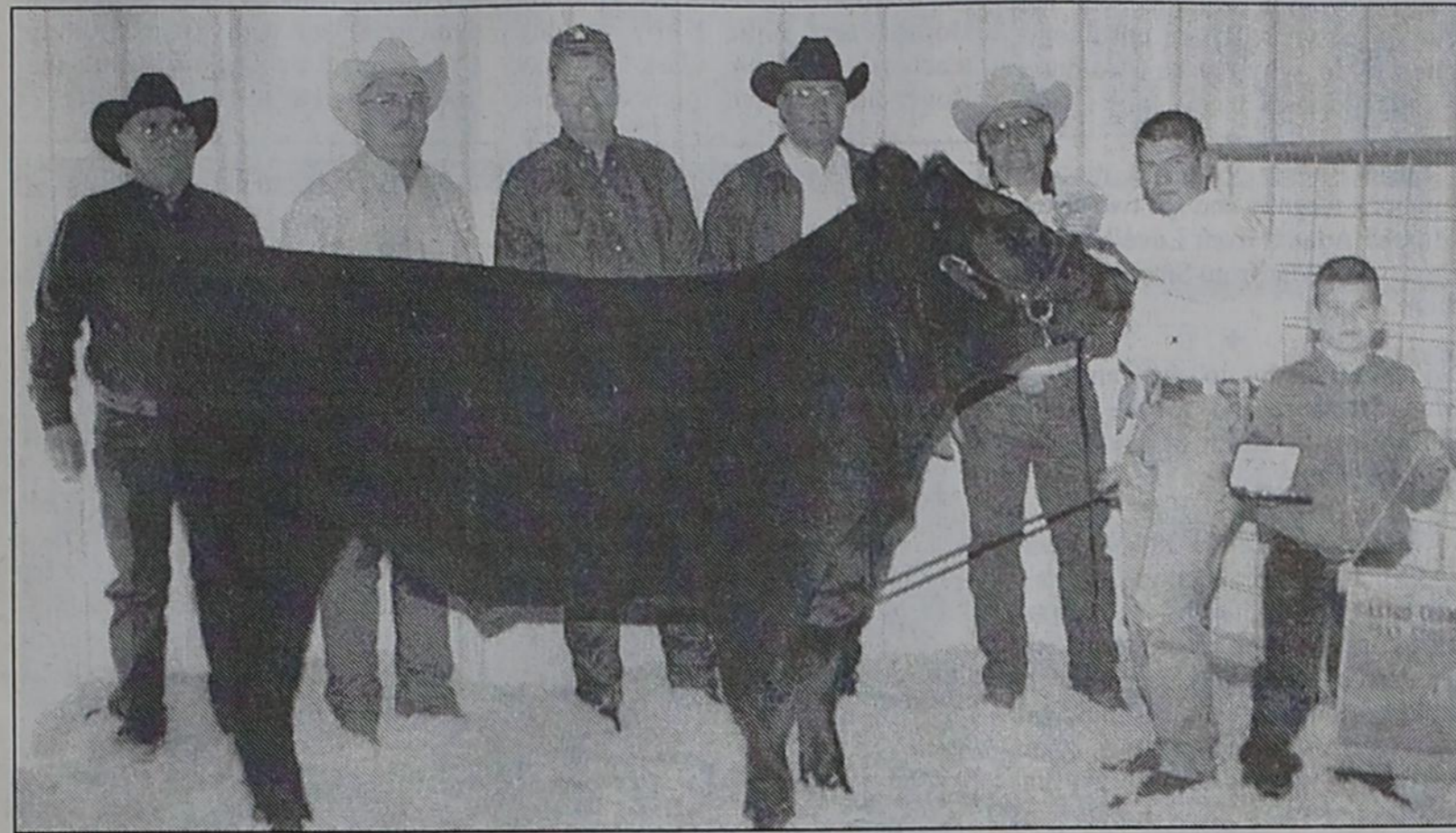
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THIS 1,250-POUND HEAVYWEIGHT CROSS steer shown by Justin Sutton of Dimmitt, was named grand champion of this year's Castro County Junior Livestock Show Friday morning. Sutton's steer earned a bid of \$3 per pound from North Gin, Dimmitt Motor Co., Summers Seed Company, Texas Equipment Company and Andy Rogers. Represent-

ing the buyers are (from left) Gerald Summers with Texas Equipment, Charles Summers with Summers Seed Co., Jim Bradford with North Gin, Andy Rogers and Stan McDaniel with Dimmitt Motor Co. Holding Sutton's buckle and banner is Houston Sutton.

Photo by Anne Acker

Premium livestock sale raises \$190,389 for county youths

The number of animals may have been down at this year's Castro County Junior Livestock Show, and the floor prices may have been low, but the amount of money paid to youngsters for animals making Saturday's sale kept alive the Castro County tradition of having one of the best junior livestock sales in the state.

Only 300 animals were exhibited in Friday's show, down 30 head from the 1996 show.

But when the sale rolled around Saturday, buyers opened their wallets in support of the 4-H and FFA members who have spent countless hours working with animals during the past year.

Buyers shelled out approximately \$190,389 in premium bids and donations, and Chaun Gunstream of the Dimmitt Young Farmers, who organize the annual livestock show and sale, said he is expecting another \$2,000 to \$3,000 to trickle in over the next week or so.

Included in that total was \$2,350 donated toward expansion of the 4-H Project Center and \$600 for the Aaron Wilcox Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The grand champion lamb, a 141-pound heavyweight medium wool shown by Travis Crow, brought a bid of \$13 a pound from Gene Bradley. Crow, who was named the senior sheep showman, also exhibited the reserve grand champion lamb, and that animal earned him a bid of \$8.50 per pound from Dimmitt Consumers and Castro Co-op Gin.

Keli Schulte drove her 260-pound heavyweight cross to the grand championship in the barrow show, then she went on to win junior showmanship honors in the barrow division. Her champion cross was purchased for \$10 a pound by Marvin Schulte and Tulia Livestock Auction.

Justin Sutton's grand champion steer, a 1,250-pound cross, brought a bid of \$3 a pound from North Gin, Dimmitt Motor Company, Summers



THE GRAND CHAMPION BARROW at this year's Castro County Junior Livestock Show was driven by Keli Schulte of Nazareth (left). The grand champion barrow, a 260-pound heavyweight Cross, earned Schulte a bid of \$10 per pound from her uncle, Marvin Schulte (center) and Tulia Livestock Auction at Saturday's premium sale. Also pictured is Keli's little brother, Landon.

Photo by Anne Acker

Seed, Texas Equipment Company and Andy Rogers. Sutton also captured senior showmanship honors in the steer division.

The reserve champion barrow, a 220-pound lightweight Hampshire owned by China Foster, received a guaranteed bid of \$8 a pound from Westway Trading Corp., DeBruce Grain and the Nazareth Buyers' Club.

The Nazareth Buyers' Club provided a bid of \$1.50 a pound for the reserve grand champion steer, a 1,220-pound cross exhibited by Reece Hales.

Other showmanship winners Friday were Meggie Lemons, junior steer showman; Jinna Wright, junior lamb showman; and Stacey Schulte,

senior barrow showman.

Auctioneer Jack Howell sold the floor on steers first Saturday afternoon, and the winning bid went to Rafter 3 Feed Yard, which offered \$63.25 per hundredweight.

Dan Cure of Olton, a farmer-stockman who buys, sells and ships livestock, won the floor on pigs and sheep, providing a floor price of 31¢ for hogs and 66.5¢ for lambs.

Those prices were down significantly from last year's floor, which featured a 99¢-per-pound price for lambs and \$52 per hundred price for barrows. This year's floor on steers was close to last year's price of \$65.25 per hundred.

Teen Court may start sessions on Monday

If all goes according to plan, Monday will be the first session of Teen Court in Dimmitt.

Two youths who want to face the mistakes they've made will have a chance to start fresh, with a clean record, by completing the sentence they will be assigned by a jury of their peers.

Teens who have committed traffic offenses or Class C misdemeanors can choose to go the route of Teen Court and have the offense removed from their record, unless the offense involves misdemeanor alcohol or drug offenses.

Parents may want to encourage teens to go through Teen Court so that teens will not have to face higher insurance rates or a clouded future, due to a mark on their legal record.

Teen Court coordinator Debbie Annen said that teens who want to participate in the program may be referred to the program by a variety of sources and have to be approved for participation.

She said a youth who is charged with a misdemeanor offense would go before the judge who has jurisdiction in the case, such as a municipal

judge, justice of the peace, county judge, or a probation officer. The offender must enter a plea of guilty and request that the case be handled through Teen Court.

Participation in the program is voluntary. To enter the Teen Court program, the offender will have an interview scheduled with Annen, and parents are required to attend. If approved, the offender's case will be scheduled for a hearing.

Annen said participants in Teen Court must pay a fee of \$10 to help cover the costs of the program, although most of the people involved are volunteers.

In the Teen Court session, the case will be heard and the offender will testify and may call witnesses in an attempt to "tell his or her side of the story." A jury of seven fellow-teens will decide on the sentence the offender must serve, including a set amount of hours of community service and a designated number of turns at jury duty for future sessions of the Teen Court.

The jury must follow sentencing guidelines, with the lightest sentence possible being six hours of community service and one term of jury

duty. Offenders may go through the Teen Court program only once every two years.

"That is one reason the sentences are fairly stiff," Annen said. "We don't want to see the offender back again."

Teens who face a traffic offense usually would have to pay a fine and risk a possible hike in their auto insurance rate. Completion of the Teen Court sentence would remove the offense from their record and relieve them from payment of the fine. However, if the Teen Court sentence is not completed, the offender would be returned to the referring court to face the fine and having the offense remain on their record.

Some offenses, particularly drug and alcohol offenses, are required to include community service as a part of the sentence wherever the case is heard. Also, drug and alcohol offenses cannot be expunged from a teen's legal record, even if they do complete the Teen Court program. But it would still be an advantage to go through Teen Court to avoid any possible fines.

Annen said she hopes parents will encourage teens to take the Teen Court route, and will be supportive of the program.

"It can be a great benefit to teens," Annen said.

She noted that Tammy Hawkins, coordinator of the Teen Court program in Odessa, is planning to attend the first session here "to help us iron out any last minute problems." Hawkins spoke to local groups last fall about starting the Teen Court program here.

Hoops! County girls ready for playoff challenges

Look out Region 1 girls' teams. Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth are ready, willing and able to accept all challenges in their quest to advance through the playoffs.

Nazareth, District 3-A champion, has already captured the Class A bi-district championship with a big 75-18 win over Texline Monday, and now the Swiftettes are hoping to add another piece of hardware to their case with an area win over Allison Friday at 7 p.m. at Highland Park High School in Amarillo.

The Dimmitt Bobbies beat Perryton in a playoff Monday to earn

the No. 1 seed from District 1-AAA and they will meet Seminole in a Class AAA bi-district tilt Saturday at 7 p.m. at Lubbock Coronado.

The Hart girls have already been through a mini-playoff round of their own after finishing in a three-way tie for first in District 3-AA. The Lady Horns had to beat Lockney Monday to earn a playoff berth, but then suffered a heart-breaking one-point loss to Hale Center Tuesday in a game to decide seeding.

Hart will represent the district as the No. 2 seed and will take on Idalou in bi-district. Game time is slated for 8 p.m. Friday at Floydada High School.

Bobbies

The Dimmitt Bobbies, 20-11, will have to be ready to control Seminole's speed and will have to have good ball control to combat a tough defense in the bi-district showdown Saturday.

Seminole, runner-up from District 2-AAA, has a 24-6 record. The Maidens feature the 5-6 sophomore guards Wicksons, Michelle and Amanda; and Trish Ratliff, a 5-4 senior guard.

Seminole doesn't have a lot of height on its roster, but could use 5-



TRAVIS CROW OF DIMMITT (left) exhibited the top lamb at this year's Castro County Junior Livestock Show. His 141-pound heavyweight medium wool lamb brought a bid of \$13 per pound from Gene Bradley (back row). Pictured with Crow and Bradley are Houston Sutton (center front) and Raynee Bradley. Crow also exhibited the reserve grand lamb and was named the top senior showman in the lamb division.

Photo by Anne Acker

Early Primary voting starts Monday

Early voting starts Monday in the March 10 Primary election for the Democrat and Republican parties.

Voters may present their voter's certificate at the county clerk's office in order to vote early. Early voting will continue through March 6.

Six candidates have filed for the office of Justice of the Peace of Castro County, on the Democratic ballot, making that the most hotly contested local race.

The six are Garner Ball, Paul (Buddy) Durbin, Gloria G. Hernandez, Leon B. Sandoval Jr., Avery Thrasher, and Tana M. Young.

The only other contested race is that of County Judge on the Democratic Primary ballot, with incumbent

Irene Miller being challenged by Norman Hays.

All other local candidates are unopposed in their individual party primaries.

The winners of the Democratic Primary will face the winners from the Republican Primary in the general election in November.

Those filing for local office on the Republican Primary ballot are Wayne Collins for County Judge, Clyde Damron for Precinct 2 Commissioner, incumbent Dan Schmucker for Precinct 4 Commissioner, and Carolyn Watts for County Treasurer.

Democratic Party candidates who are unopposed include incumbent Joyce M. Thomas for County Clerk; incumbent Janice Shelton for County Treasurer; incumbent Larry S. Gonzales for Precinct 2 Commissioner; and Richard Hunter for Precinct 4 Commissioner.

Don Newman is listed as a candidate for Democratic Party County Chairman. Party Voting Precinct Chairmen listed include Glyn Reed for Pct. 101, John Nino for Pct. 201, Darrene Collins for Pct. 206, Greg Odom for Pct. 301, Carleta Harkins for Pct. 307, Oscar Wylie for Pct. 401, and Dorothy Klemm for Pct.

408. Newman said the precinct chairmen will be declared elected since they have no opposition. No one filed for the position in Pct. 105.

County Republican Party Chairman Deanne Clark said that no candidate is listed for Republican Party County Chairman, and she does not plan to serve again, since she will be moving away. However, she said she will continue her duties through the March 10 primary.

Voting precinct chairman candidates are Patsy Franks in Pct. 101, Emma Jean King in Pct. 105, B.D. Murphy in Pct. 201, Lynn Sides in Pct. 206, Marguerite Cole in Pct. 307, Bill Dannevik in Pct. 401, and Irene Wilhelm in Pct. 408. No one is listed for Pct. 301.

If no one files for a voting precinct chairman or county chairman position, then write-ins will be allowed, Clark said.

Any voters who signed a candidate petition for a Republican candidate may not vote in the Democratic Primary. Also, voters who signed a candidate petition for a Democratic candidate may not vote in the Republican Primary.

Ed Self appointed as 242nd District Judge Marvin Marshall retires from bench

Marvin Marshall, longtime 242nd District Court Judge, has retired from his post due to health reasons, and Gov. George W. Bush has named Plainview attorney Ed Self to fill the vacancy until the November general election.

Marshall had announced in December that he would not be seeking re-election to the bench, and recently decided to retire.

Self is one of two candidates run-

ning for the 242nd District Court Judge's seat in the March primary election.

Self is the Republican candidate, running unopposed on the primary ticket.

Plainview attorney Bill LaFont is seeking the Democratic nomination for the office.

Castro County Attorney Jerry Matthews said he expected Self to be sworn into office on Friday.

Weather

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

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On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

The Fellowship Hall at First United Methodist Church was a beautiful setting for the sweetheart banquet held Monday evening, Feb. 9.

The men honored the widows with a pretty pink corsage and served them a delicious steak dinner with baked potatoes, tossed salad, garlic bread and ice cream.

The tables were so colorful with red and white checked tablecloths and centerpieces of red candles, red hearts and greenery. Tiny red hearts and candy kisses were scattered all along the tables. After the meal, everyone went to the sanctuary for a prayer, led by Ricky Kuntz, and entertainment by Kara Scroggins, who sang several selections.

Some of her songs were *I Fall to Pieces, Since Calvary, A Rose is a Rose, Crazy* and her last song, *Daddy's Hands*, she sang to her father, Randy Scroggins, who was there for all the fun.

The Hospital Auxiliary met on Wednesday morning with Mattie Seale presiding over the business meeting and leading in the Auxiliary Prayer. Florene Leinen read the minutes and the members brought cakes and pies to be sold in the hospital lobby. Members present were Mattie Seale, Florene Leinen,

Lucille Drerup, Edna Reinart, Irene Blanton, Claudine Langford, Irene Carpenter, Gertie Waggoner, Betty Freeman and Mary Edna Hendrix.

The Dimmitt Book Club met at the Chamber of Commerce meeting room on Wednesday afternoon with Ina Cleavinger guiding over the business meeting. Doris Flynt read the minutes and called the roll. Maxine Tidwell gave a delightful and interesting review of the autobiography of James A. Michener's novel, *The World is My Home: A Memoir*. He wrote 40 books and his first book was *Tales of the South Pacific*.

Maxine had several of Michener's books on display including *Alaska, Texas, Mexico, The Source, and Miracle in Seville*. Kim Hays and Oleta Gollehon were hostesses for the social hour and they served sandwiches, pretty Valentine cookies, and a delicious Schaumtorte with coffee. The serving table was colorful with two little white cuddly bears and several old-fashioned Valentines that belonged to Jennie Miller, Kim's grandmother.

Jennie taught school before she married and her students gave these Valentines to her.

Susie Reeves was hostess to the

Thursday Bridge Club, and she served a delicious German chocolate cake. Carol Lantz won high score and Susie was second. Others playing were Bill Thornton, Cleo Forson, Opha Burks, Retta Cluck, Bernice Hill, Edith Graef, Lorann Hamilton, Virginia Crider, Emily Clingsmith and Betty Durham.

The Town and Country Extension Club met at the Chamber of Commerce meeting room for their monthly meeting on Friday morning. Ann Henderson presided over the business meeting and led the group in a prayer and reciting the creed.

Betty Freeman read the minutes and called the roll. Each member answered with the amount of water they drank the day before—no one reported drinking the required amount of eight glasses a day.

Ann showed a film, *Women—Heart and Health, Telling Our Stories, Saving our Lives*.

Edith Graef served a delicious blackberry wine cake and coffee to members Ann, Betty, Mattie Seale, Mary Cox, Oneida Hutto, Ferne Jones, Irene Blanton, Claudine Langford, Mary Edna Hendrix and Extension Agent Marilyn Neal.

Out-of-town visitors at the museum last week were Dan and Oma Dee Heard from Graham. They just can't stay away from Dimmitt!

Other out-of-town visitors were Donna Brockman, curator at the Hereford Museum, and Teresa Artho, who is a volunteer at the Hereford

Museum. We need some women to volunteer for the Castro County Museum. We have several men who work with Dale Winders, president of the board, but no women volunteer to help during the year. If you need something to do, why not be a volunteer for the museum.

Susie Reeves visited a niece in Lubbock recently and her two sisters, Maxine Adams from Levelland and Laverne Fowler from Smyer, met her there.

Our sympathy to the family of Mac Strother, and to the Kelley Family in the death of my cousin, Johnnie Kelley Nix.

George and Linda Rasor, Laura and Michael, welcomed the guests at First Baptist Church on Sunday morning. Shelley Nutt gave the children's message. She told the children that the kids get their animals ready for the stock show, so our church is getting ready for the prospect of a new choir director and minister of senior adults.

Special music was by the Ladies' Ensemble who sang *Stand Up and Be Strong—The Lord is On Our Side*.

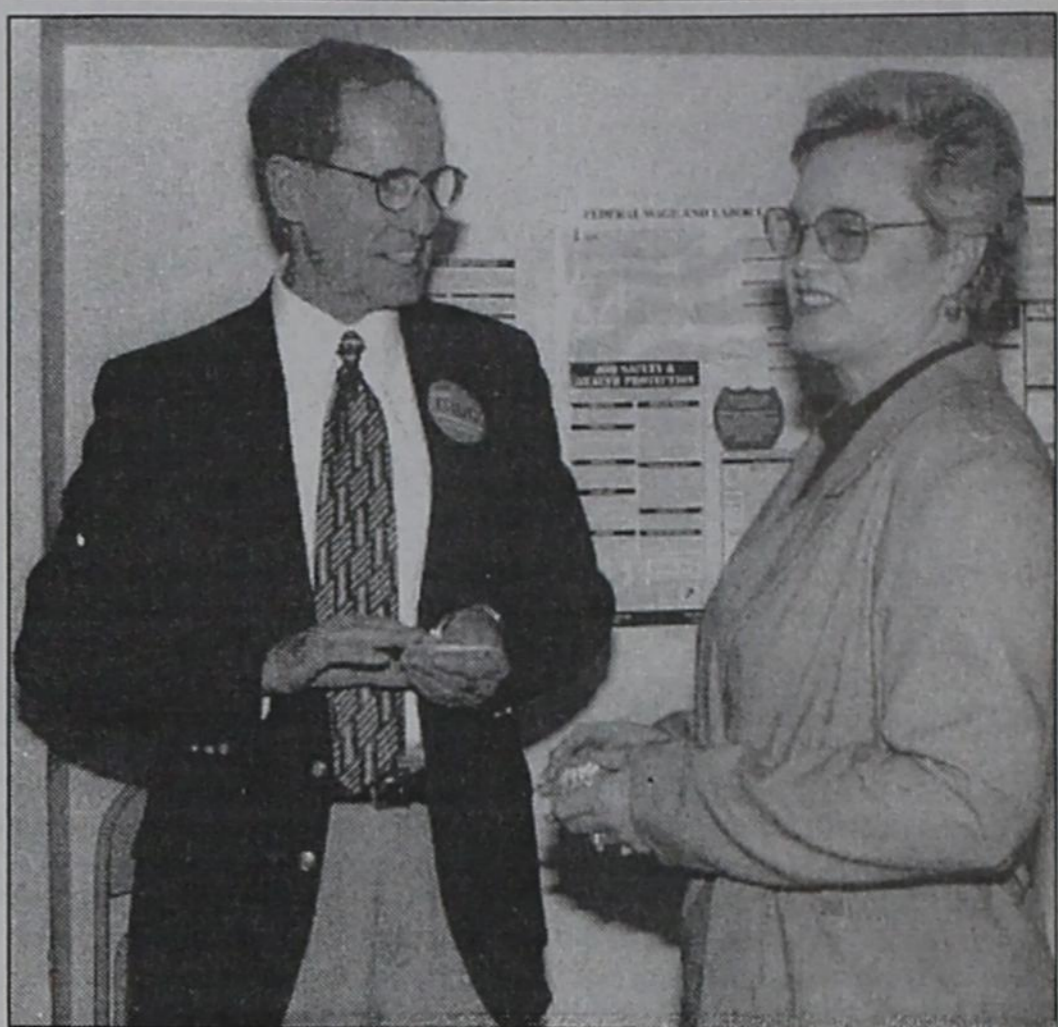
Members of the ensemble are Robin Gonzales, Elaine Steinle, Kyla Lynch, Shelley Smith, Tami Griffith, Paula Proffitt, Debra Ball and Alicia Bradley.

Following the morning service at First Baptist Church, Roger and

Geneva Malone prepared spaghetti and garlic bread for the Adult 5 Sunday School Class. Members of the class brought salads, green beans and desserts. The tables were pretty, decorated in pink and white. Dorothy Hopson and Billie Kirby are the teachers for their class. Thanks Roger and Geneva for a delicious

meal. Wayne Proffitt sang several selections accompanied by Walter Maynard.

Howard Rhodes said he was old enough to eat with us and Randy Gressett said he could eat with the youth as well as the senior adults.



CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATE Ed True of Wichita Falls (left) discusses issues with Castro County Judge Irene Miller at a meeting last week in the courthouse meeting room. True is seeking the democratic nomination for the 13th Congressional District. Photo by Linda Maxwell

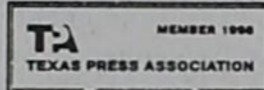
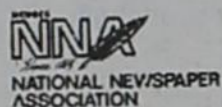
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Letter

'If I am elected . . .'

Dear Editor:

I am interested in running for the school board. I have had previous experience and I am convinced that I am the person for the job. I have a dream for your children, and as a member of the school board, I promise to fulfill that dream.

Among other dreams I have, I would like to see more satisfying meals as a regular part of the school breakfast, lunch and dinner program.

I will work to have all lockers installed with remote control. Every student will have a personal tutor and at the age of 16 they will receive the car of their choice in order to travel to school.

Of course, there will be a 10% increase in your property taxes, but certainly you can see the needs our children have for these things.

One of my first acts on the board

will be to install a personal friend in the position of school nurse. She will be able to take over my agenda of providing every student with a free condom for each weekend.

You will be relieved to know that she is anti-tobacco, but her work toward the legalization of drugs proves that she is not too narrow-minded. You can trust her to encourage your daughter to abort if and when they find themselves pregnant, and she will be sure that you are never bothered with knowing about it.

I am completely against the drug-testing policy. Our children have the right to privacy. If amphetamines help our students play better, who are we to interfere? I used drugs as a teen and it hasn't affected me in any way.

My opponent will bring to light the recent scandals regarding my problems of adultery and dishonesty. He will make the point that if I can consciously cheat on my spouse, why wouldn't I cheat on you in regard to my school policies. He doesn't take into consideration the fact that these things merely represent my wily skills and my passion for getting the job done.

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Demo candidate True visits voters in Dimmitt

Ed True of Wichita Falls, Democratic candidate for the US 13th Congressional District, visited with voters in Dimmitt Feb. 11 at noon.

True summarized his campaign platform in the letters of his name: **Two** healthy political parties; **R**esponsible, responsive government; **U**niversal access to health care; and **E**lection finance reform.

True said the recent attacks in Washington, D.C., on the Democratic Party look like attempts at establishing a one-party system. He likened that possibility to Nazi Germany or the USSR. He said it is crucial to maintain two political voices.

He said the Democrats are the ones who do the wrong things to fix the problems that the Republicans don't acknowledge exist.

True, a retired US Air Force veteran, is an attorney, and deals with advising people who have had claims rejected by the Social Security Administration, as well as other government agencies. He said he has seen first hand the need for making government more responsible and responsive to citizens.

"In the last 10 years, there has been a change in how government treats people," True said. He said government should be truthful, and give consideration to fairness, rather than just the bottom line.

"If we only watch the dollars, things will eventually come down around our heads," True said.

Although he favors a more responsive government, he does not necessarily approve cutting down the size of government.

"We have a large country, and a small government may not be able to do the job," True said. "The bureaucracy is the arms and legs of the government. If you cut them off, it

would be a do-nothing government." He favors establishing a commission to respond to citizen complaints about government agencies.

True said he has seen people who have become ill, and then lost their jobs, who then lose all access to health care. He said it makes more sense to give these people access to early treatment of health conditions, rather than letting them worsen to the point of needing acute—and more expensive—care. True said he would like to see a reversal in the trend to disallow home health care costs on insurance or Medicare programs, pointing out that it would be much cheaper to continue with home health care, rather than placing people in nursing homes.

He doesn't advise "dismantling" the current Social Security system, but said he would like to see a program that would provide a "safety net for those who fall through the cracks of the system."

As far as campaign finance reform, True said that too many dollars come from too few people.

"We need more people to get involved, not just in voting, but in contributions, too," True said. "If we're going to have a truly responsive government, we need to get involved."

He said that 80% of the people are not being represented, because only 20% get out and vote.

"Twenty percent of the population owns 85% of the wealth," True said. "I don't know if that is the same 20%, but I'm sure there is some overlap."

"We need to get the 'invisible people' back to the polls," True said.

True's opponent in the Democratic Primary in March is Mark Harmon of Lubbock. The incumbent is Republican Mac Thornberry.

Early voting for the March 10 Primary starts February 23.

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Shani Shofner

Shofner joins Girl Scout crew

Shani Shofner of Plainview has been hired as the membership specialist for the Plainview area and the adult development director for the Caprock Girl Scout Council.

Shofner will also serve the communities of Friona, Bovina, Floydada, Olton, Dimmitt, Hale Center, Silvertown, Quitaque, Lockney, Springlake, Earth, Hart and Kress.

She will work out of the office at the Girl Scout Hut in Plainview and her primary duty will be to work with adult volunteers and the community to provide the Girl Scout program to all girls in these areas.

Shofner was born and raised in Lamesa and she has been a Plainview resident for 11 years. She attended Angelo State University and Bauder College. She holds an associate degree in interior design and she enjoys swimming, fishing, camping, hunting and collecting antique kitchen utensils.

Richard Entrekim is appointed to Hart City Council

The Hart City Council has appointed Richard Entrekim to fill the unexpired term of Councilman Todd Pebsworth, who resigned last week.

Pebsworth was up for election this year and his term of office will expire in May.

According to reports published in last week's *Hart Beat*, Pebsworth told the City Council he doesn't have the time to devote to his duties as city councilman since he sold his insurance agency to Insurance Solutions. After selling the agency, Pebsworth became vice president of the firm and is office manager for the Hart and Dimmitt offices of Insurance Solutions.

Four earn degrees from Texas Tech

Four county residents earned degrees from Texas Tech University during 1997 fall commencement exercises.

Donna Ann Underwood of Dimmitt received her master of education degree in special education.

Those earning bachelor's degrees were Amy Brooke Byers of Dimmitt, who graduated Suma Cum Laude with a bachelor of science degree in human development and family studies; Kris Zachry Keith of Dimmitt, who earned a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering; and Mary Jane Lumberra, who received a bachelor of arts degree in social work.

Texas Tech honor lists include locals

One Nazareth student has been named to the president's list while two Nazareth students and one from Dimmitt earned mention to the dean's list for the fall 1997 semester at Texas Tech University.

Robin D'Lynn Schulte of Nazareth, a sophomore majoring in multidisciplinary studies, made the president's list.

Dean's list honorees included Sara Jean Olvera of Nazareth, a freshman majoring in multidisciplinary studies; Jaret Roy Schulte, a junior majoring in agrusiness; and Andrew Paul Teaschner, a freshman majoring in wildlife and fisheries management.

Carrasco named to president's list

Normalicia Carrasco of Dimmitt, daughter of Guadalupe and Juanita Velasquez of Hart, has been named to the president's list at Wayland Baptist University for the fall 1997 semester.

Students who qualified for the list maintained top grades while handling a class load of at least 12 semester hours.

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'Make-a-Wish' Band rehearsals start tonight

Between 90 and 100 former band members have expressed interest in participating in the benefit band concert set for April 18, with proceeds designated for the area chapter of the "Make A Wish" foundation. Rehearsals are slated to begin today (Thursday), and will be held each Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the DHS band hall. Dimmitt High School Band Director Robin Stephens said the band is pretty well balanced, "but we could use a few more French horns." He said they will still gladly welcome anyone who comes along and wants to participate. All former band members in Dimmitt have been invited to play. Stephens said that selected members of the high school, junior high, and

sixth grade bands, along with two fifth graders, also will participate in the concert. "We think this will be a lot of fun, both for those playing, and for those listening," Stephens said. There will be no admission charge for the concert, but donations will be solicited. In addition, local businesses are being contacted for donations. Stephens has set a goal of raising \$5,000 for the foundation, which grants wishes for terminally or chronically ill children and their families. Stephens said any who are interested or who want more information may call him at 647-3105 (school) or 647-3659 (home).



THESE SOLOISTS from Dimmitt Middle School competed at the UIL solo and ensemble contest recently and each achieved success. They are (from left) Cesar Ruiz, Division II rating on Class II baritone solo; Stacey Casas, Division I on Class III flute solo;

Tasha Green, Division I on Class III clarinet solo; Erika Mendoza, Division I on Class III flute solo; Chris Back, Division II on Class II clarinet solo; and Dana Gonzales, Division I on Class II flute solo. Photo by Anne Acker

'Bed and breakfast' sites are sought by Chamber

Dimmitt will be the site for the first Ogallala Quilters Festival on April 3-4, and more than 500 people are expected to attend the event. The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce is currently searching for Dimmitt residents who would be willing to rent out spare bedrooms in their homes to visitors attending the festival. "Residents are being invited to share their spare bedrooms with visitors to the festival for one to three nights, and to provide breakfast each morning," said Bill Sava, chamber

executive director. "Each resident who furnishes a room will be paid, and the Chamber will handle arrangements. Forms or additional information may be obtained from Sava at 647-2524, or from any member of the Ogallala Quilters Society. The Ogallala Quilters Society is an organization of more than 185 members from the tri-state area. The Dimmitt convention will feature quilting classes, lectures, demonstrations, entertainment, appraisals and a quilt show.



MAY WE HAVE A DRUM ROLL, PLEASE!—Two snare drum trios from Dimmitt Middle School earned Division I ratings at the recent UIL Solo and Ensemble contest. Pictured are (from left) Ruben Leal, Robert Casas, Coby Martinez, Raul Casas,

Harold Casas and Freddy Flores. Flores, Leal and Martinez made up one trio and they performed a Class III piece. The three Casases made up the second trio and they also performed a Class III piece. Photo by Anne Acker

Plainview Symphony Orchestra sets concert

The Plainview Symphony Orchestra will conclude its 19th season next Thursday, Feb. 26, with a patriotic concert at the Harral Auditorium in Plainview. The concert will begin at 7:30 and will be highlighted by a performance of the Panhandle-West Texas Singing Men. Guest conductors will be Boyce Wyrick and Dr. Scott Herrington. More than 100 men from all over West Texas are expected to perform, according to artistic directors, Mary Jane King and Dr. Nancy King Sanders. A few individual tickets will be available at the box office beginning at 7 p.m. Ticket prices will be \$8 for adults and \$3 for students. Among the selections the orchestra will play are Aaron Copeland's *Appalachian Spring* and Morton Gould's *American Salute*. The highlight number will be Verdi's *La Forza Del Destino*. The Singing Men will perform six pieces with the orchestra. In another portion they will be accompanied by a brass quartet. Some of their selections include *Great is the Lord Almighty*, *My Heart's Desire*, *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*, *The Love of God*, *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* and *Worthy is the Lamb*.

The screening costs \$75. The Texas Dept. of Health will help pay for the exam for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-377-4673 or 806-356-1905. A minimum of 15 women need to register in order for the mobile mammography clinic to come to area towns. Each participant at the screening will receive a breast exam and one-on-one instruction in breast self-examination by a registered nurse specially trained in breast cancer detection. They also will receive a mammogram by a mammography technician. Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Screening set today

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic today (Thursday) at Plains Memorial Hospital, 310 W. Halsell in Dimmitt.

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Food vendors sought during quilters' festival

Organizations, groups or individuals interested in sponsoring a food booth at the Ogallala Quilters' Festival, slated to be held in Dimmitt April 3 and 4, should contact organizers of the event as soon as possible. Those who wish to have a booth should contact Bill Sava at the Chamber of Commerce, 647-2524; or members of the Ogallala Quilters including Joyce Davis at 647-5362 or Doris Lust at 647-5637 for forms and more information.

Rivera named to dean's roll

Jerry Rivera has been named to the dean's honor roll for the fall 1997 semester at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. Rivera's honor came from the WTAMU College of Agriculture, Nursing and Natural Sciences.

Correction

Incomplete information was included with these "Grandparents' Valentines" in last week's issue of the *News*. The *News* regrets the errors.



William Kaden Stuart
Grandson of Danny Newton and Donna Newton
Great-grandson of Buford & Dorothy Newton
and Barbara Hudson



Reagan Mendoza
Granddaughter of James & Sandy Baker
and Frank Mendoza

Matthews to lodge complaint about adult probation department

County Attorney Jerry Matthews has requested a meeting with 64th District Judge Jack Miller and newly-appointed 242nd District Judge Ed Self to complain about the adult probation department that serves Castro, Swisher and Hale Counties. Matthews said he feels that Castro County "has been mistreated by Hale County Probation for years," and he wants to see some changes made.

"We're subsidizing the probation department in Hale County," said Matthews. "Castro County sent \$80,000-plus to Hale County last year in probation fees. We get nothing in return. Hale County Probation Department is taking advantage of us and it's time we get back." "Donna Barton, the head of the probation department, doesn't care about Castro County and I'm sure she doesn't care about Swisher County, either. She hasn't been to Castro County but maybe twice in the last year," Matthews said.

"The GED program has been pulled out of the county probation department. All of the equipment, the teachers and everything else has been siphoned to Hale County," Matthews said. "They've got rows of computers in Hale County—they have so many they don't even use them. Our probation officer's computer doesn't even work." Barton said a new computer system was installed in the Castro County Probation Office last August and it features three computers. She also said the GED program was pulled from Castro County because of a lack of space in the court-

house and added that the public schools are providing GED classes two evenings a week.

Barton said the probation department's budget is not divided by county, but by the different departments. Then the ratio of probationers in each county is used to determine the funding for each.

According to Matthews, Castro County has 111 misdemeanor probationers and 110 felony probationers who report.

The county adult probation staff includes two full-timers, Probation Officer Hank Warren, his secretary Cleo Seeley and another probation officer, Gennie Benavidez, who splits time between Castro and Swisher Counties.

He said each of the probationers has to do community service work, and when those probationers are doing so they have to be supervised.

Matthews said Barton has refused to allow Castro County to hire a supervisor, so Warren has to fulfill the role after hours and on weekends. "This has been an ongoing battle," said Matthews. "I have requested that Barton put the GED program and other programs offered in Plainview, back in Castro County."

Matthews said among those programs are alcohol counseling, a class for sex offenders, and others.

"We do offer programs in Castro County," said Barton. "We have anger and hostility control classes and substance abuse counseling offered once each quarter. And any program offered to probationers in Hale County is open to all probation-

ers in Castro and Swisher Counties as well."

But Matthews said a lot of the probationers would have a hard time traveling to Plainview to take advantage of the programs.

"This department looks good to the state because when they turn in reports they can list all these programs. But we don't have those here, and it's hard for most of these people to travel to Plainview to take advantage of what is available there. We're sending money to Hale County to pay for these programs," said Matthews.

According to Matthews, Barton recently hired two people for the probation department in Hale County. Matthews said one of those new employees was supposed to help lighten the workload in Castro and Swisher Counties, but so far no relief has appeared.

Barton said she is working on lowering the caseload for probation officers in Castro and Swisher Counties.

"I've talked with the probation officers and they think we have an adequate program for probationers in Castro and Swisher Counties," Barton said.

Matthews said he is seeking relief. "If we can't get some help and programs over here, I'll approach Speaker Pete Laney and ask that our adult probation be split away from Hale County like the juvenile probation is," said Matthews.

"We may not get it done, but we will be heard in Austin," said Matthews.

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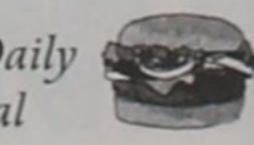
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THESE TALENTED MUSICIANS from Dimmitt High School garnered Division I or Division II ratings at a recent UIL solo and ensemble contest. They include the flute trio of (from left) Kristin Doss, Lindsey Welch and Miranda Turner, who earned a

Division II rating; Rachel Harman, who earned a Division I rating on a clarinet solo; and Dale West, who received a Division II rating on his snare drum solo. Photo by Anne Acker

Band students win at UIL contest

Dimmitt High School and Junior High band students won placings at the Regional Solo and Ensemble Contest held Feb. 7 at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

Music is classified from Class 1 (most difficult) to Class 3 (easiest);

and placings are ranked with Division I being the top rating, followed by Division II.

Dimmitt High School
A flute trio of Kristin Doss, Lindsey Welch and Miranda Turner

played a Class 1 piece and earned a Division II rating.

Rachel Harman received a Division I on her Class 2 clarinet solo; and Dale West got a Division II rating on his snare drum solo.

Dimmitt Junior High

Dana Gonzalez got a Division I rating on a Class 2 flute solo; and Chris Back got a Division II on a Class 2 clarinet solo.

In Class 3, Erica Mendoza received a Division I rating on a flute solo; Stacy Casas, Division I, flute solo; Natasha Green, Division I, clarinet solo; Freddy Flores, Ruben Leal, and Coby Martinez, Division I, snare drum trio; Harold Casas, Raul Casas, and Robert Casas, Division I, snare drum trio; and Cesar Ruiz, Division II, baritone solo.

Ray and Mary Lou Schmucker, Doyle, LaDawn, Taylor and Chelsea Schulte recently spent the weekend in Plano with Natalie and Chris Kleman. They drove to Waco where they watched the Texas Tech-Baylor basketball game.

Joining them for the game were Bill and Debbie Russell and children, Melanie and Tommy of La Grange. Melanie returned home with Ray and Mary Lou to spend some time with her grandparents.

The UIL solo and ensemble contest was held recently at West Texas A&M University. The performing students were Craig Birkenfeld, Class III tuba solo, and he earned a Division I rating; Jason Birkenfeld, Class III baritone solo, Division I rating; Quentin Jones, Class III trombone solo, Division II rating; Kristi Ramakers, Division III cornet solo, Division I rating; Mark Birkenfeld, Class II cornet solo, Division II rating; and Susan Lange, Class II flute solo, Division II rating.

Our sympathy to the family of Lynn Ehly, 74, who died Feb. 11 at St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo after a lengthy illness.

Mass of Christian burial was held Saturday morning at Holy Family Church with Msgr. Harold Waldow of Amarillo and Rev. Darryl Birkenfeld presiding. Burial followed in Holy Family Cemetery beside her husband, Leo, who died in June 1980.

Survivors are a son, David Ehly; two grandchildren, Brent Ehly and Krista Ehly Mays; and a sister, Minnie Pearl "Babe" Ballard.

Pam and Lyn Bogle of Center, Colo., spent several days here with LeRoy and Dorothy Pohlmeier.

Annie Scholl of Henrietta spent a couple of days here with her grandparents, Charley and Beverly Hill.

Father Darryl Birkenfeld will give a presentation on rural ministry in the Promised Land Network as a model for other dioceses at the National Catholic Rural Life Conference meeting Feb. 21 in Washington, D.C.

Good luck to the Nazareth Swiftettes as they enter the playoffs.

Thanks to the Nazareth Swifts and their coaches for many good basketball games this season.

Prayers are asked for Martha Schulte, Easy Schulte and Liz Hoelting, who are patients at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt; for Janice Fisher, Rosemary Wilhelm and Lucy Leinen.

Congratulations to Joe and Amy Schmucker, who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a family dinner at the Community Hall. Their children, 24 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren enjoyed the celebration. Father Jerry Stein also enjoyed the dinner.

Nazareth with Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669

The Home and School Association sponsored a volleyball tournament at the Nazareth gym Friday and Saturday evenings beginning at 5.

There were 12 teams playing in the tournament. Winners were the team of Mark and Missy Kleman, Max and Marcus Brockman and Derwin and Vera Huseman. Second place went to the team of Norman and Stacey Gerber, Travis and Karen Schulte, Marlin Durbin and Tammy McLain.

Winners in the "Pot Luck" drawing were Steven Birkenfeld, who won the first-place Sony Play Station, Chris Book, who won \$100; and Spencer Waldo, who won \$50. All proceeds from the tournament concession stand and the drawing went toward Project Playground.

A good number of senior citizens enjoyed dinner at the Center Sunday evening.

The tables were very pretty as they were decorated for Valentine's Day with several Valentine heart boxes of candy given for prizes. Max Acker won the big prize, a sundae glass all dressed up.

We had two guests, Father Jerry's uncle, Joe Stein, of Denison, and Lawrence Schmucker. Everyone enjoyed a progressive Crazy Bridge game with Catherine Huseman winning a box of candy for high score and Jerry Wilhelm winning a Valentine sucker for the low score. Later, two tables of solo and one featuring a game of chicken foot kept everyone busy.

Evelyn Backus and Virgie Gerber attended the 50th wedding celebration for Lester and Viola Wagner at the Senior Citizens Center in Hereford. A reception was held for several hundred well wishers and a family dinner catered by Sirloin Stockade followed. The event was hosted by their four children.

The annual free throw contest, sponsored by Knights of Columbus, was held Feb. 8 at the school gym. Winners in the boys' division were Jake Hoelting, 10-year-old; Tyson Schulte, 11-year-old; Craig Birkenfeld, 12-year-old; Justin Kleman, 13-year-old; and Timothy Braddock, 14-year-old.

Winners in the girls' division were Melina Braddock, 10-year-old; Rebecca Olvera, 11-year-old; Terry Ramaekers, 12-year-old; Elizabeth Olvera, 13-year-old; and Leslie Brockman, 14-year-old.

They will all go on to the state contest in Austin sometime in March.

Pamela Van Delden, Nazareth's foreign exchange student, gave a very interesting program Feb. 9 at the Christian Mothers' meeting. She showed slides of her home and town in Holland, had several different types of their money and answered questions. She is a very friendly, neat person.

Family visitors in the home of Darrell and Jodie Huseman recently were Jodie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Leer of Sturgis, S.D., and her brother, Todd Leer and his wife of Buffalo, Mo. From here they planned to visit several places of interest in New Mexico.

Joe and Elaine Barnes hosted a



What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for Feb. 19-27.

DIMMITT

Pre-School-1st Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Nachos with cheese and peppers, Mexipinto beans, cantaloupe and milk.
FRIDAY: Fish nuggets, baked potatoes, fruit fantasy and milk.

MONDAY: Barbecued beef on a bun, potato salad, watermelon and milk.

TUESDAY: Poor boy steak, parsley green rice, cantaloupe, hot cheese rolls and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Cheeseburger on a roll, potato rounds, tossed salad with dressing and milk.

THURSDAY: Beef enchiladas, refried beans, Arroz Mexicano and milk.

FRIDAY: Fish burger, onion rings, gelatin with fruit and milk.

2nd-12th Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of shepherd's pie, chicken tomato bake or beef enchiladas; southern collard greens, escalloped tomatoes or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, macaroni salad or pears; cornbread, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of turkey and dressing surprise, fish burger or fajitas with sauted onions; candied sweet potatoes, onion rings or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, fruit fantasy or carrot-raisin salad; cornbread, cheese rolls, Spanish rice, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

MONDAY: Choice of barbecued beef on a bun, lasagna with ground beef or taco pie; potato salad, creole green beans or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, coleslaw or orange wedges; garlic bread, white hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

TUESDAY: Choice of poor boy steak, chef's salad or Monterrey casserole; parsley green rice, cantaloupe or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, watermelon or cucumber and tomato salad; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of salmon patties, cheeseburger on a roll or chicken taco with hot sauce; savory peas, potato rounds or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, Waldorf fruit salad, taco condiment salad or pea salad; as-

sorted muffins, hot wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of shepherd's pie, chicken and tomato bake or beef enchiladas; southern collard greens, escalloped tomatoes or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, macaroni salad or pears; cornbread, white hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of turkey and dressing surprise, fish burger or fajitas with sauted onions; candied sweet potatoes, onion rings or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, fruit fantasy or carrot and raisin salad; cornbread, hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

HART

Elementary School

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

FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or hoagie sandwich; corn, salad, pears, gelatin dessert, fresh fruit and milk.

MONDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or chicken nuggets with gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, gelatin dessert, peaches, carrot sticks, wheat rolls and milk.

TUESDAY: Choice of corn dog, spaghetti and meat sauce or chicken sandwich, salad, green beans, wheat rolls, gelatin dessert, whole wheat sugar cookie and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or fish strips, cornbread, tartar sauce, gelatin dessert, macaroni and cheese, salad, fresh fruit, carrot sticks, peaches and milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or barbecued ribs on a bun, salad, sliced pickles, pinto beans, sugar cookie, gelatin dessert and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of tuna salad sandwich, chicken sandwich or bean and cheese burrito, potato chips, salad, corn on the cob, gelatin dessert, peaches and milk.

Junior High and High School

THURSDAY: Choice of burrito, pizza or spaghetti with meat sauce, wheat rolls, salad, peaches, green beans, gelatin dessert and milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or hoagie sandwich, potato chips, salad, pears, gelatin dessert, fresh fruit and milk, punch or tea.

MONDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or chicken nuggets with gravy, green

beans, mashed potatoes, gelatin dessert, carrot sticks, wheat rolls, cherry cobbler and milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choice of burrito, hamburger basket or lasagna with ground beef, salad, green beans, wheat rolls, gelatin dessert, fresh fruit, cake with cherry topping, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or fish strips, cornbread, tartar sauce, gelatin dessert, macaroni and cheese, salad, fresh fruit, carrot sticks, peaches, Rice Krispie Treat and milk, punch or tea.

THURSDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or barbecued ribs on a bun, salad, sliced pickles, pinto beans, sugar cookie, gelatin dessert, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choice of tuna salad sandwich, chicken sandwich or bean and cheese burrito, potato chips, salad, corn on the cob, gelatin dessert, peaches and milk, punch or tea.

NAZARETH

THURSDAY: * Nacho or corn dog, salad, pinto beans, fruit salad, pears and milk or juice.

FRIDAY: * Tacos or pizza, lettuce, green beans, peaches, brownies and milk or juice.

MONDAY: * Chili dog or baked potato, salad, beans, applesauce, pineapple and milk or juice.

TUESDAY: * Chicken spaghetti with roll or hamburger and French fries, salad, corn, pears, pudding and milk or juice.

WEDNESDAY: * Fish and cornbread or cheese pizza, coleslaw, macaroni and cheese, peaches, cherry cobbler and milk or juice.

THURSDAY: * Chicken fried steak with roll or pizza, salad, potatoes and gravy, fruit Jell-O and milk or juice.

FRIDAY: * Tuna sandwich or cheese sandwich or corn dog, lettuce, green beans, orange, cookies and milk or juice.

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MET hopes to offer training sessions at Pct. 2 barn soon

A special group wants to offer pesticide safety instruction to Castro County residents, and Pct. 2 Commissioner Larry Gonzales will offer his precinct barn as the site for the training session.

MET, which stands for Manpower, Education and Training, offers the pesticide safety instruction as a free service to the public and schedules sessions at the convenience of those requesting the service.

"We are here to provide this service to farmers, farmworkers and others interested in obtaining the training, a spokesperson for MET told county commissioners at their Feb. 9 meeting.

The MET programs last 45 minutes to an hour and instructors use an interactive methods to teach the safety lessons.

After completing a training session, an individual will be issued a blue card from the Environmental Protection Agency and will be certified for five years.

"I think a lot of people will see the benefits of having a program like this offered here," said Gonzales. "We'll be holding training sessions at the precinct barn to allow individuals in the area to receive education."

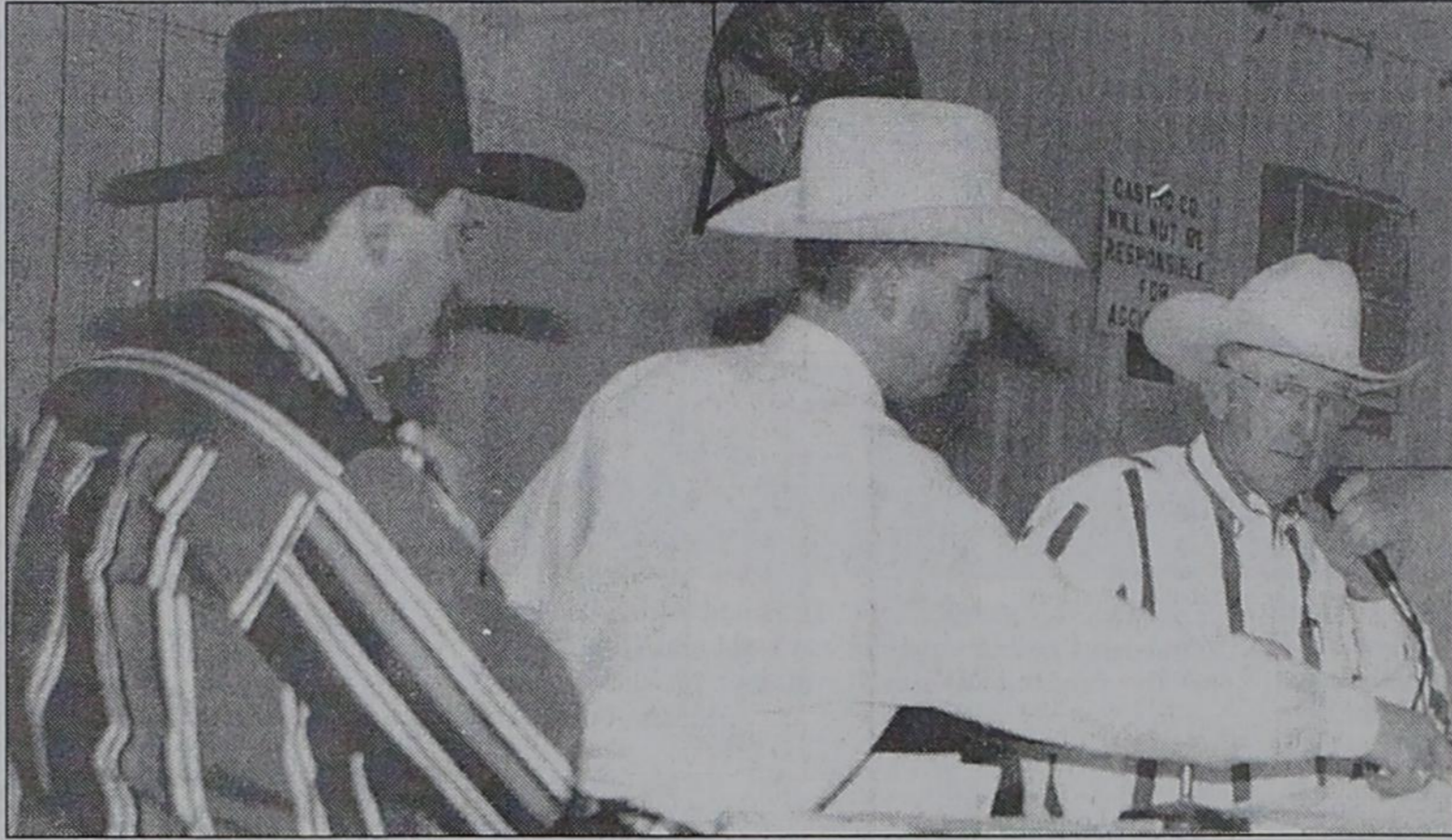
MET operates through the National Farmworker Environmental

Education Program and funding is made available from the Corporation for National Service, with additional support provided by the Environmental Protection Agency and farmworker service organizations across the country. The group uses a corps of AmeriCorps members to provide free, bilingual pesticide safety training for farmworkers.

With the implementation of the EPA's Worker Protection Standard in 1995, growers are required to provide their field workers with pesticide safety training.

The training offered by MET covers all the information required by the WPS. This includes how farmworkers can prevent exposure to pesticides through proper dress and washing, how pesticides can enter the body, signs of possible short-term and long-term pesticide poisoning, emergency first aid procedures, the danger of taking pesticide containers home, and the rights and responsibilities of growers and workers.

Trainers use only EPA-approved educational materials and provide live, interactive sessions to best meet the needs of farmworkers and growers.



SELLING THE FLOOR— Auctioneer Jack Howell (right) works for a top bid on the floor price for steers, barrows and lambs Saturday afternoon, kicking off the annual Castro County Junior Livestock

Sale. Howell was one of four auctioneers who sold youngsters animals Saturday. Others were Leslie Davis (left) and Greg Odom. Not pictured is auctioneer Coby Schacher.

Photo by Anne Acker

County to get crime victim coordinator

Castro County will soon have a crime victim coordinator thanks to a grant obtained by the district attorney's office through Panhandle Regional Planning Commission.

The state grant will pay for the coordinator's salary, benefits, equipment and anything else needed, according to County Attorney Jerry Matthews.

Matthews said that in every criminal court case, money is collected for crime victims and that money goes back to the state. This grant comes from that money, Matthews said.

The grant is good for two years, and at the end of two years, the county will be able to reapply for the grant.

Matthews said the crime victim coordinator will be responsible for counseling crime victims and will offer them aid in obtaining restitution and other things.

Matthews' secretary, Angie Gomez, put together an application for the grant and submitted it to PRPC about two weeks ago, and the grant was approved last week.

4-H fund-raising project continuing

The "4-H'ers For Hire" project is continuing, with local citizens welcome to hire 4-H members to perform chores and then pay their wages to the 4-H building fund.

A local farmer-businessman has offered \$20,000 in matching funds if local 4-H members are able to raise an additional \$20,000 for construction of a meeting/educational building at the 4-H Center north of Dimmitt.

To schedule a time for work to be done by a 4-H member, call the Extension Office at 647-4115; or Earl

Behrends at 647-4324 (work) or 276-5872 (home).

In addition, the 4-H has set up a trailer on the parking lot near Dimmitt Thriftway to collect aluminum cans; Dimmitt Feed Yard is donating a beef to be raffled off; and other fund-raising activities will be scheduled at later dates.

Some animals were donated back at the Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale, and raised an estimated \$2,350 for the 4-H building fund.

High Plains cotton producers must purchase their 1998 crop insurance coverage by the March 15 sales closing date.

This sales closing date applies to most spring seeded crops including cotton, grain sorghum and corn. In addition to the normal availability of hail and multi-peril policies, producers in some counties will also be able to take advantage of several Federal Crop Insurance Corp. (FCIC) pilot programs.

Crop Revenue Coverage and Income Protection policies are available for designated crops in some High Plains counties. Producers can get additional information from their crop insurance provider.

Several groups across the High Plains are edging toward action against the cotton boll weevil.

The Southern High Plains Task Force is adopting an eradication plan and budget from the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

Cotton growers in the five-county zone will vote in a referendum in May. The Permian Basin Task Force is considering a similar plan, but will likely delay a vote in that zone until later in the year.

Concerned producers in the northwest corner of the Plains are submitting a petition to the ag commission, asking that Deaf Smith, Parmer, Castro, Bailey and Lamb Counties be declared a separate boll weevil eradication zone under the name Northwestern Plains.

A task force including two producer members from each of the 33 gins in the five counties is developing plans for a diapause program and an assessment to fund it.

A meeting was held Monday at Plains Cotton Cooperation Association in Lubbock, allowing producers in the Caprock Boll Weevil Eradication Zone an opportunity to learn about the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation and to let the foundation hear producers' concerns.

Another task force representing producers from Floyd and Crosby counties is considering whether to

join forces with the Caprock Zone or pursue a diapause program of its own. The task force consists of grower representatives from the 17 gins in the two counties.

The ag commissioner has appointed Vicki Davis Patschke of Acuff, a Lubbock County cotton producer, as director on the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board and she will represent the Caprock Eradication Zone. She, along with Don Parrish and Jim Brown, recent director appointees for the Southern High Plains and Permian Basin Zones, respectively, will be sworn in at the next board meeting, slated for today (Thursday).

Swisher Electric sponsors youth contest for Washington, D.C. tour

An all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., will be awarded to two area youths by Swisher Electric Cooperative, Inc.

For 32 years, Swisher Electric has sponsored students on the "Government in Action" youth tour to Washington, D.C.

The winners will be selected on the basis of a speech contest to be held March 31 at Swisher Electric's office in Tulia.

Any 14- to 19-year-old attending school in Nazareth, Hart, Happy, Canyon, Kress, Tulia, Silvertown or Olton, or students home-schooled in Swisher Electric's service area, is eligible to enter the contest.

Swisher Electric will have a representative visiting area high schools Feb. 16-27 to present a program about the trip, hand out entry forms and answer questions about the contest. Those interested should contact

Cotton yields top 70,000 bales here

Castro County gins turned out 71,350 bales during 1997, according to the latest US Dept. of Agriculture Cotton Ginnings report.

The report also lists the county's 1997 production at 73,491, when converted to 480-pound bales.

That total is lower than the 1996 production total of 100,500 480-pound bales, according to the report.

Kacy Bivens at Swisher Electric Cooperative in Tulia at (806) 995-3567 or 1-800-530-4344.

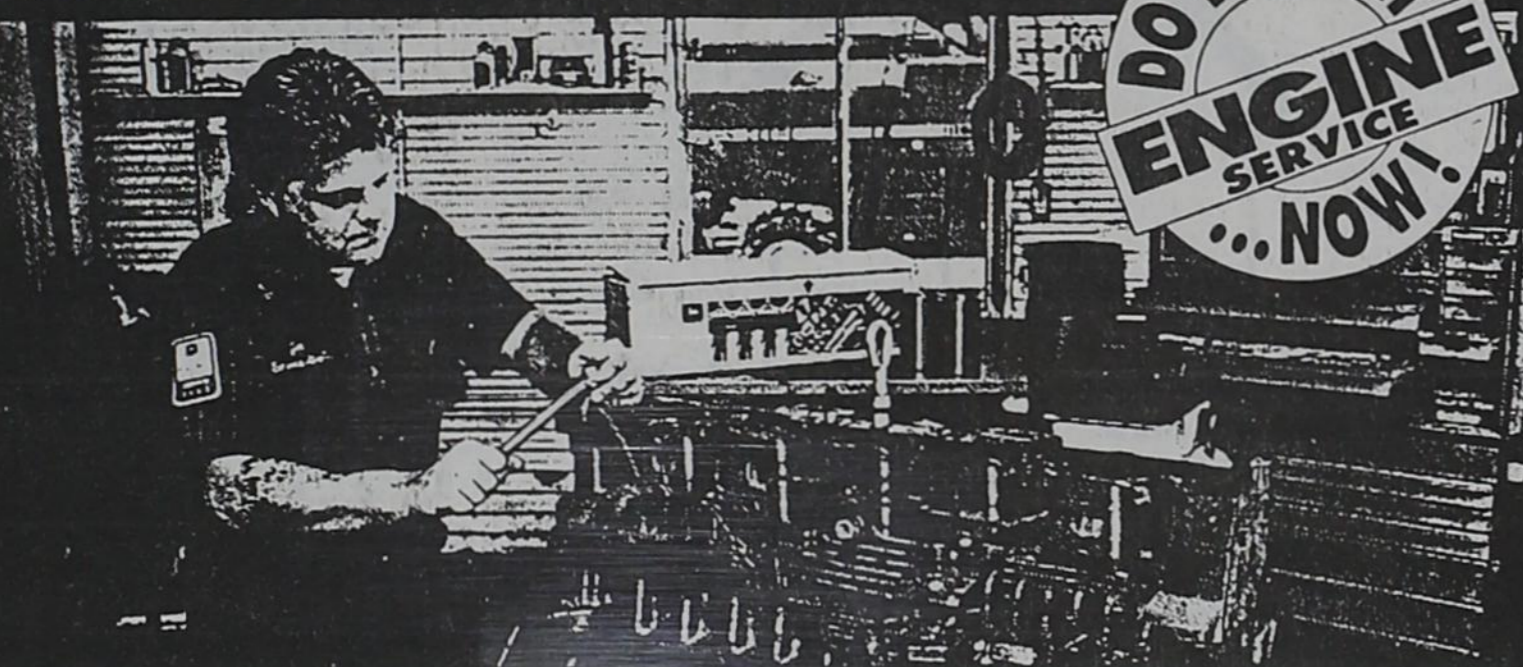
The deadline for entries is March 24.

The 1998 youth tour will be held June 4-16. The winners of Swisher Electric's speech contest will travel to Dallas where they will join other young people from Texas for the trip to Washington.

In Washington, the students will visit their US Congressmen, watch the House and Senate in action, tour the Supreme Court Building and visit the White House.

The students also will get to tour the more memorable Washington sights including the Smithsonian Institute, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery, Ford's Theater, the FBI Headquarters, the Jefferson, Lincoln and Vietnam Memorials and more.

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Hamilton is honored

Dimmitt native Wesley H. Hamilton received academic recognition for the fall semester at Howard Payne University.

Hamilton, a sophomore music major, was named to the Dean's List, which includes those with a grade point average of 3.65 to 3.99.

He is the son of Evan and Kathleen Hamilton.

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Crow, Schulte and Sutton show grand animals

Travis Crow, Keli Schulte and Justin Sutton showed the grand champion lamb, barrow and steer, respectively, at this weekend's Castro County Junior Livestock Show.

Crow won the lamb show with a 177-pound heavyweight medium wool, then captured the reserve grand trophy in the lamb show with a 126-pound light-heavyweight medium wool. He also won the senior lamb showmanship drive.

In the barrow show, Schulte drove her 260-pound heavyweight cross to the grand championship while China Foster's 220-pound lightweight Hampshire earned reserve grand honors.

The grand champion steer, a 1,250-pound cross, was shown by Justin Sutton and Reece Hales had the reserve grand steer, a 1,220-pound cross.

Here are complete results from the show:

STEER SHOW
GRAND CHAMPION: Justin Sutton of Dimmitt FFA.
RESERVE GRAND: Reece Hales of Flagg 4-H.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP: Meggie Lemons of Flagg 4-H.
SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP: Justin Sutton.

CROSS: 1. Justin Sutton, 2. Reece Hales, 3. Shawn Nelson of Nazareth FFA, 4. Zachary Farris of Hart FFA, 5. Taylor Matthews of Dimmitt FFA, 6. Amber Matthews of Dimmitt FFA.

ENGLISH: 1. Russell Rickert of Dimmitt FFA (Breed Champion), 2. Meggie Lemons of Flagg 4-H (Reserve Breed Champion), 3. Zane Farris of Hart FFA, 4. Maegan Farris of Hart FFA.

SWINE SHOW
GRAND CHAMPION: Keli Schulte of Nazareth 4-H.
RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION: China Foster of Flagg 4-H.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP: Keli Schulte
SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP: Stacey Schulte of Nazareth FFA.

BERKSHIRE
BREED CHAMP: Tucker Self of Dimmitt FFA.
RESERVE BREED CHAMP: James Lindsey of Dimmitt FFA.

Lightweight: 1. T.R. George of Hart FFA, 2. Chris George of Hart FFA, 3. Trent Barnes of Hart FFA, 4. Jared Aven of Hart FFA, 5. Wade Price of Nazareth FFA.
Heavyweight: 1. Tucker Self, 2. James Lindsey, 3. Adrienne Hart of Hart FFA, 4. Evan Huseman of Nazareth 4-H, 5. Megan

Hoelting of Nazareth FFA, 6. Heather Lindsey of Dimmitt FFA.

CHESTER WHITE
BREED CHAMP: Clifford Gerber of Nazareth FFA.
RESERVE BREED CHAMP: Timmy Barnes of Hart FFA.

Lightweight: 1. Timmy Barnes, 2. Kit Schulte of Nazareth FFA, 3. Matt Olvera of Nazareth FFA, 4. Kendra Huseman of Nazareth FFA, 5. James Jackson of Dimmitt FFA.

Heavyweight: 1. Clifford Gerber of Nazareth FFA, 2. Tanner Self of Dimmitt FFA, 3. Tiffany Sanders of Hart FFA, 4. Dawn Ramaekers of Nazareth FFA, 5. Aaron Kern of Nazareth FFA.

DUROC
BREED CHAMP: Brady Schulte of Nazareth 4-H.
RESERVE BREED CHAMP: Macee Schulte of Nazareth 4-H.

Lightweight: 1. Brady Schulte, 2. Matthew Wright of Flagg 4-H, 3. Clay Hoelting of Nazareth FFA, 4. Shantell Self of Dimmitt FFA, 5. Leon Birkenfeld of Nazareth FFA, 6. Blake Jones of Hart FFA, 7. Tucker Self, 8. Bridget Hochstein of Nazareth 4-H, 9. Jonathon Flores of Dimmitt 4-H, 10. Jessica Kern of Nazareth 4-H, 11. Zachary Smith of Hart FFA, 12. Matt Olvera of Nazareth FFA, 13. Meggie Lemons, 14. Justin Hawkins of Hart FFA.

Heavyweight: 1. Macee Schulte, 2. Van Lindsey of Dimmitt FFA, 3. Dustin Ramaekers of Nazareth FFA, 4. Jill Schulte of Nazareth 4-H, 5. Lindsey Martinez of Hart FFA, 6. Jared Aven of Hart FFA, 7. Jordy Rowland of Hart FFA, 8. Zachary Jones of Hart FFA, 9. Jorge Rey of Hart FFA, 10. Timmy Barnes of Hart FFA, 11. John Mark Bennett of Hart FFA, 12. Dustin Dyer of Hart FFA, 13. Matthew Kropp of Dimmitt FFA, 14. Adam Schulte of Nazareth FFA, 15. Jayson Burnam of Nazareth FFA.

HAMPSHIRE
BREED CHAMP: China Foster.
RESERVE BREED CHAMP: Wesley Wright of Dimmitt FFA.

Lightweight: 1. China Foster, 2. Trevor Barnes of Hart FFA, 3. Travis Crow of Dimmitt FFA, 4. Raynee Bradley of Flagg 4-H, 5. Trinity Robb of Nazareth FFA, 6. Stacy Bull of Dimmitt FFA, 7. Kirsti Edwards of Dimmitt FFA, 8. Holly Lane of Dimmitt 4-H, 9. Brandy Smith of Dimmitt 4-H, 10. Clint Swain of Dimmitt FFA, 11. Jeff Bennett of Hart FFA, 12. Ryan Johnson of Hart FFA, 13. Amber Matthews of Dimmitt FFA, 14. Kyle Whatley of Dimmitt 4-H, 15. Jody Stovall of Dimmitt 4-H.

Mediumweight: 1. Wesley Wright, 2. Garrett Kleman of Nazareth 4-H, 3. Ashley Martinez of Hart FFA, 4. Ross Schulte of Nazareth FFA, 5. Brittany Nelson of Hart FFA, 6. Tiffany Sanders of Hart FFA, 7. Blake Jones of Hart FFA, 8. Jinna Wright of Dimmitt FFA, 9. Jacy Buckley of Dimmitt FFA, 10. Zane Farris of Hart FFA, 11. Macee Schulte of Nazareth 4-H, 12. Chase Foster of Flagg 4-H, 13. Meggie Lemons, 14. Kyle Whatley.

Lightweight: 1. Mary Bradley of Dimmitt 4-H, 2. Jana Nelson of Dimmitt FFA, 3. Brady Schulte, 4. Jana Nelson, 5. Dawn Ramaekers, 6. Mandy Birkenfeld of Nazareth 4-H, 7. Adam Wright of Flagg 4-H, 8. Ysela Gonzales of Dimmitt FFA, 9. Matthew Kern of Nazareth 4-H, 10. Andy Hill of Dimmitt FFA, 11. Jessica Kern, 12. Zachary Farris, 13. Jake Porsh of Dimmitt FFA, 14. Haley Lunsford of Flagg 4-H.

Heavyweight: 1. Mary Bradley of Dimmitt 4-H, 2. Jana Nelson of Dimmitt FFA, 3. Brady Schulte, 4. Jana Nelson, 5. Dawn Ramaekers, 6. Mandy Birkenfeld of Nazareth 4-H, 7. Adam Wright of Flagg 4-H, 8. Ysela Gonzales of Dimmitt FFA, 9. Matthew Kern of Nazareth 4-H, 10. Andy Hill of Dimmitt FFA, 11. Jessica Kern, 12. Zachary Farris, 13. Jake Porsh of Dimmitt FFA, 14. Haley Lunsford of Flagg 4-H.

CROSS
BREED CHAMPION: Keli Schulte.
RESERVE BREED CHAMPION: Andy Hill.

Lightweight: 1. Andy Hill, 2. Dustin Ramaekers, 3. Corey Lane, 4. Heath Lunsford of Dimmitt 4-H, 5. Whitney Mitchell, 6. Ashley Martinez, 7. Miguel Garcia of Dimmitt FFA, 8. China Foster, 9. Charley Nutt of Dimmitt 4-H, 10. Brandy Smith of Dimmitt 4-H, 11. Stacey Bennett, 12. Rebecca Olvera, 13. Susan Kern of Nazareth 4-H.

Mediumweight: 1. James Jackson, 2. Stacey Schulte, 3. Kit Schulte, 4. Evan Huseman of Nazareth 4-H, 5. Holly Lane, 6. Aaron Hart of Hart FFA, 7. Chase Foster of Flagg 4-H, 8. Casey Tubbe of Dimmitt FFA, 9. Trevor Barnes, 10. Raynee Bradley, 11. Cliff Wright of Dimmitt FFA, 12. Lyndsey Heard of Dimmitt FFA.

Light Heavyweight: 1. Jeremy Simpson of Dimmitt FFA, 2. Mary Bradley, 3. Justin Hawkins, 4. Matthew Wright, 5. Jill Schulte, 6. Zachary Jones, 7. Jeff Stovall, 8. Ysela Gonzales, 9. Jorge Rey, 10. Clint Swain of Dimmitt FFA, 11. Tanner Griffith, 12. Trent Barnes, 13. Zane Farris.

Heavyweight: 1. Keli Schulte, 2. Jayson Burnam, 3. Jeremy Simpson, 4. Leon Birkenfeld, 5. Wesley Wright, 6. Cliff Wright, 7. Lindsey Martinez, 8. Brittany Nelson, 9. John Mark Bennett of Hart FFA, 10. Kirsti Edwards, 11. Shae Odom, 12. Jake Porsh, 13. Maegan Farris.

SPOTS
BREED CHAMPION: Danette Ramaekers of Nazareth FFA.
RESERVE BREED CHAMP: Jinna Wright.

Lightweight: 1. Danette Ramaekers, 2. Garrett Kleman, 3. Jeff Bennett, 4. Corey Lane of Dimmitt 4-H, 5. Ly' Shelle Johnson of Hart FFA, 6. Jody Stovall of Dimmitt 4-H.

Heavyweight: 1. Jinna Wright, 2. Stacey Bennett of Hart FFA, 3. Tanner Self, 4. Clifford Gerber of Nazareth FFA, 5. Van Lindsey of Dimmitt FFA, 6. Bridget Hochstein, 7. T.R. George, 8. Chris George.

YORKSHIRE
BREED CHAMPION: Jordy Rowland.
RESERVE BREED CHAMP: Stacey Schulte of Nazareth FFA.

Lightweight: 1. Jordy Rowland, 2. Stacey Schulte, 3. Zachary Smith, 4. Clay Hoelting of Nazareth FFA, 5. Kelsey Hochstein, 6. Mandy Birkenfeld, 7. Matthew Kropp, 8. Matthew Kern, 9. Jared Griffith, 10. Aaron Kern, 11. Tanner Griffith of Dimmitt 4-H, 12. Elizabeth



CHINA FOSTER OF NAZARETH (center) drove her 220-pound lightweight Hampshire hog to the reserve grand championship at the Castro County Junior Livestock Show Friday. Foster's pig earned her a guaranteed bid of \$8 per pound from Westway Trading Company, DeBruce Grain and the Nazareth Buyers' Club, represented by Dennis Kern (left) and Virgil Huseman. Photo by Anne Acker

FINEWOOL
BREED CHAMP: Jinna Wright.
RESERVE BREED CHAMP: Ryan Hunter of Dimmitt 4-H.

Lightweight: 1. Ryan Hunter, 2. Ross Hunter of Dimmitt 4-H, 3. Kristin Hales of Flagg 4-H, 4. Jeremy Furr of Dimmitt 4-H, 5. Brandon Wilhelm of Dimmitt 4-H.

Heavyweight: 1. Jinna Wright, 2. Kellie George of Hart FFA, 3. Tanner Self, 4. Jason Wilhelm of Nazareth FFA, 5. Lacey Acker of Nazareth FFA.

FINEWOOL CROSS
BREED CHAMP: Stuart Sutton of Dimmitt FFA.

RESERVE BREED CHAMP: Kristin Hales.

Lightweight: 1. Raynee Bradley, 2. Jennifer Wilhelm of Dimmitt 4-H, 3. Meggie Lemons, 4. Mark Lange of Nazareth FFA, 5. Tyler Waggoner of Dimmitt 4-H, 6. Tucker Waggoner of Dimmitt 4-H, 7. Adam Acker of Nazareth FFA.


Heavyweight: 1. Stuart Sutton, 2. Kristin Hales, 3. Holly Lane, 4. Bryce Pohlmeier of Nazareth FFA, 5. Ann Wilhelm of Nazareth FFA, 6. Carol Summers of Flagg 4-H, 7. Haley Lunsford, 8. Ann Wilhelm of Nazareth FFA, 9. Chandra Jordan of Nazareth FFA, 10.

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THE RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION LAMB at this year's Castro County Junior Livestock Show was shown by Travis Crow of Dimmitt (left). The 126-pound medium wool lamb was purchased by Castro Co-op Gin, represented by Randy Small, and Dimmitt Consumers, represented by Danny Rice, for \$8.50 per pound. Holding Crow's banner and buckle is Raynee Bradley. Photo by Anne Acker

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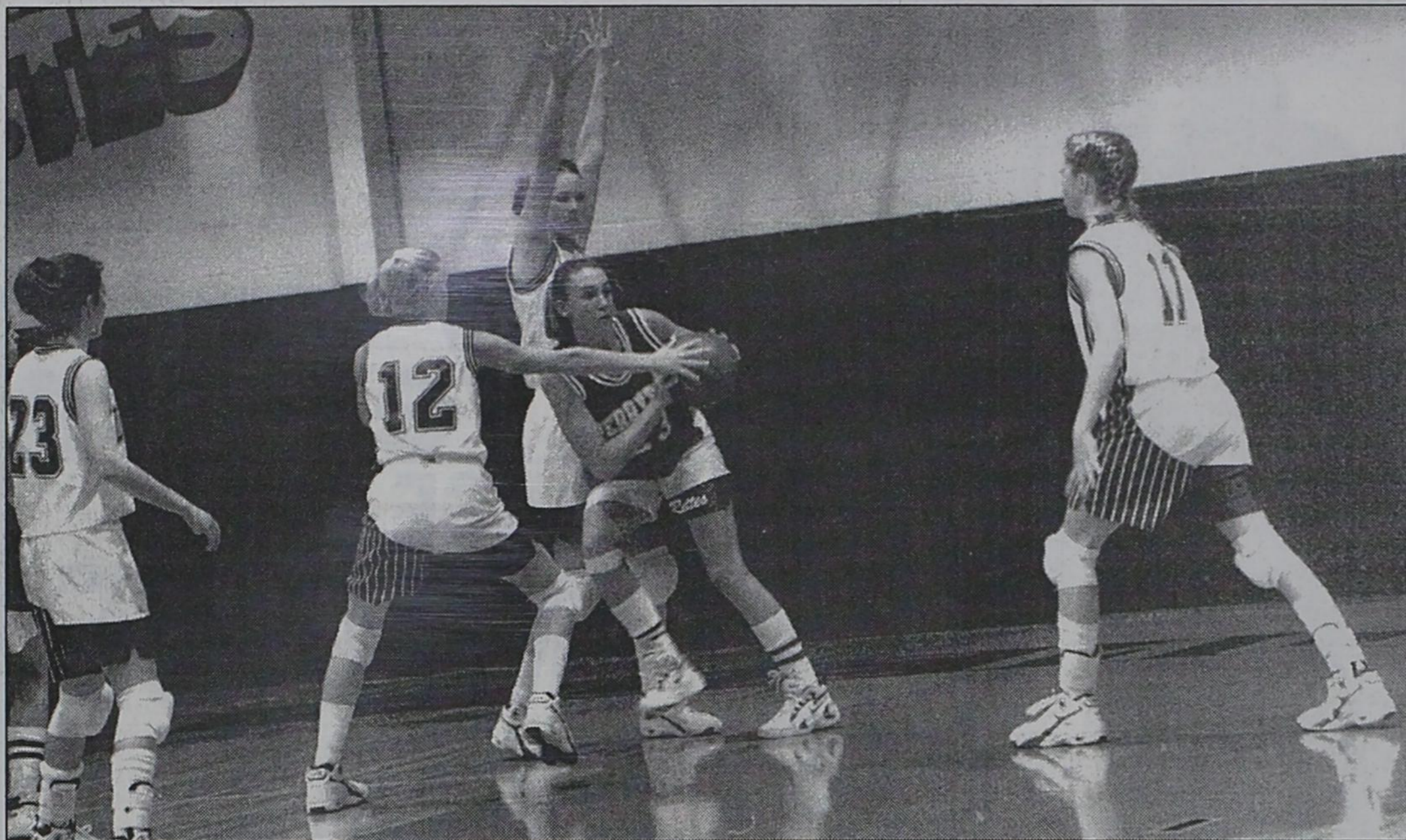
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Sports



THE BOBBIES' DEFENSE is about to force Perryton's Leigh Ann Ogden into a turnover in the third quarter of Monday night's "seeding game" between the district co-champions at Dumas. Amber Matthews (background, with arms extended) and Carol Summers (12) shut off

Ogden's hopes for a shot while Shawna Kenworthy (23) and Jacy Buckley (11) block her passing lanes. Ogden finally got off a pass, but it went out of bounds and the Bobbies took over. Dimmitt won the game, 66-57, to gain the district's top-seed rights in the playoffs. *Photo by Don Nelson*

Hornets pull out impossible win to stay unbeaten

Tulia's amazing Hornets proved Tuesday night why they're the state's top-ranked team—and why they deserve to be.

After taking a whipping from Dimmitt's Bobcats for three quarters in Kenneth Cleveland Gym here, the Hornets trailed by 37-20 going into the fourth, and it appeared certain that they were going to absorb their first loss of the year.

But then in a wild, long-bombing, ball-stealing fourth quarter, they exploded for 31 points—21 of them on seven treys—to tie the score at 51-51 with 19 ticks left on the clock.

Then they destroyed the Bobcats' hopes, 62-57, in overtime.

The painful loss leaves the Bobcats (21-9, 10-3) tied with Friona (23-5, 10-3) for second place in the super-tough District 1-AAA.

Dimmitt and Friona appear headed for a second-seed playoff after Friday night's games—Dimmitt vs. Perryton (5-20, 2-11) and Friona vs. Dalhart (14-14, 5-8).

ley Sanders sank a basket underneath on a feed by Jacob Larra with five seconds left to hike Dimmitt's lead to 27-11 at halftime.

The Bobcats had held the heralded Marshall brothers, senior Philip and super-soph Mikey, to just a basket apiece in the first half. Underwood got seven points on three field goals, and that was all of Tulia's first-half scoring as Dimmitt shut down the explosive Hornet attack.

For Dimmitt, Thomas had 8, Buckley 7, Smith 6, Sanders 4 and Jared Townsend 2 in the first half.

The Bobcats kept the Hornets off balance in the third, outscoring them 10-9, with Thomas and Smith getting all of Dimmitt's points and the Marshall brothers getting all of Tulia's.

With his team trailing by almost as many as they had already scored in three quarters, Tulia Coach Tommy Miller went for broke when the fourth quarter opened.

Around the perimeter, he rotated all his long-shot specialists — Underwood, Charles Sims, Mikey Marshall and Mark Dyer (the hero of Tulia's earlier victory over the Bobcats), with orders to whip the ball around Dimmitt's half-court 2-3 zone and go for 3's. Philip Marshall stayed under to collect garbage, with Sims helping crash the boards.

And on defense, the Hornets went into a full-court press and took chances such as they hadn't taken all year.

Dyer and M. Marshall opened the quarter with treys, and they nailed two more while Sims and P. Marshall were collecting clean-up points to cut Dimmitt's lead to 43-38.

Smith and Thomas opened Dimmitt's lead back to eight with three free throws, but then Sims sank a trey to make it 46-41 with 2:20 remaining.

After Sims' trey, the Bobcats went into their delay game, which led to a basket by Thomas and a free throw by Stuart Sutton to keep the Hornets at bay, 49-41.

The Hornets continued their charge with a tip-in by M. Marshall and a steal-and-layup by Sims, closing the gap to 49-45 with 49 seconds left.

Then, after two free throws by Thomas, Dyer nailed a trey with 39 seconds left, the Hornets stole another Dimmitt pass and Sims drained Tulia's seventh three-pointer of the quarter to tie it at 51 and send the game into overtime.

Sutton and Buckley opened the overtime by teaming on a nifty tip-steal and fast-break layup, but the Marshall brothers scored the next six points—four of them after steals, including a pro-type slam by Mikey Marshall—to key an 11-6 overtime surge.

With a four-point lead, the Hornets went into their four-corner offense after a Dimmitt turnover at 1:53, and sank five free throws down the stretch. Dimmitt's final points came on two putbacks by Thomas, the last one with 25 seconds left.

Bobbies earn top playoff seed

There was no celebrating by the Bobbies after they defeated district co-champion Perryton 66-57 Monday night for the top playoff seed.

There was no jumping, squealing or high-fiving. Instead, this team that has shown such a marked improvement in the last month huddled at midcourt, then did the brief post-game promenade with the Lady Rangers and filed quickly and quietly to their dressing room.

They had done what they went to Dumas to do. They had taken care of business.

The next order of business is the bi-district championship Saturday night at Lubbock. Then the area and regional and state championships.

That's their agenda.

Amber Matthews poured in 30 points as the Bobbies used their powerful inside game to notch their second win in three meetings with the Lady Rangers.

Dimmitt's 6-1 senior post sank 11 field goals from all angles, added eight free throws and grabbed 15 rebounds to neutralize Perryton's scor-

ing tandem of Leigh Ann Ogden and Jaclyn Nowlin, who combined for 31 points.

Matthews connected on 52% of her field-goal attempts and 73% of her free throws. As a team, the Bobbies were 35% on field goals (22 of 63) and 63% on free throws (19 of 30).

The much-improved Lady Rangers were hard to put away. They cut a 14-point fourth-quarter Dimmitt lead to three within two minutes before Heidi Weaver, Carol Summers and Jacy Buckley scored the final five points from the free-throw line in the last 48

seconds.

"I think this game was just as tough as the last one against them—more physical," Matthews said.

Buckley contributed 15 points, Summers 9, Shawna Kenworthy and Kimberly Newland 5 each and Weaver 2 in the Dimmitt win.

In addition, Buckley snared nine rebounds, Summers seven and Newland five to bolster Matthews' inside dominance on defense.

The first quarter was a 9-9 standoff. Buckley got Dimmitt's first five points, a trey three minutes into the game and a layup 45 seconds later, then Amber Matthews added two field goals two minutes apart as the Bobbies searched for the right formula.

The formula turned out to be defense and inside feeds.

The Bobbies started the second quarter with a pair of steals and opened a seven-point lead, with Matthews netting 11 points in less than four minutes. Five of those points were on free throws as the Lady Rangers fouled her while trying to stop her inside shots.

But the Lady Rangers closed the Dimmitt lead back to two as Ogden and Cortney Nowlin led a 12-7 run and Jaclyn Nowlin closed out the half with a trey to make it 28-26.

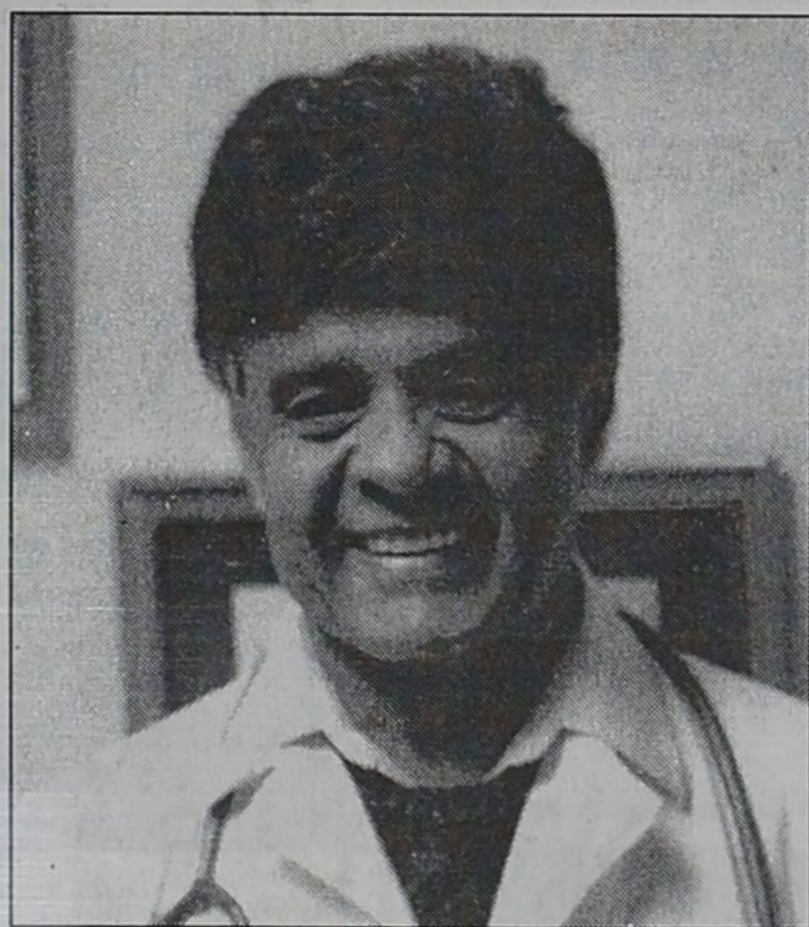
The Bobbies took command in the third, scoring eight field goals while giving up only four. Amber Matthews scored 6, Buckley 5, Summers 4 and Newland 2 to give Dimmitt a 45-34 edge.

They kept the attack going in the fourth, building their lead to 54-38 in the first three minutes.

But the Lady Rangers made another determined run, outscoring the Bobbies 19-7 over a 4½-minute span before Weaver, Summers and Buckley sealed the Dimmitt victory from the free-throw line in the final 30 seconds.

"We've all stepped up, and the team has improved," Amber Matthews said after Monday night's playoff win. "We work more as a team now. I think we're ready."

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Dr. Patel is one of five physicians on the staff at the Medical Center of Dimmitt and Plains Memorial Hospital. The others are Dr. Gary R. Hardee, Dr. Leon Joplin, Dr. Bill D. Murphy and Dr. Thomas McGrorey.

As a staff member at the Medical Center of Dimmitt, Dr. Patel practices family medicine, providing area residents with day-to-day medical care. He is available by appointment at the Medical Center of Dimmitt from 8:30 to 4:30 Mondays through Fridays.

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Of course, Dr. Patel also performs general surgery.

Dr. Patel has been practicing here 13 years, and enjoys working in a small town because

he grew up in a small town, in India. (His younger brother, Vinod, is an internist in Amarillo.)

Dr. Patel received his M.D. degree from Gujarat University, a state university in Ahmedabad. He and his wife, Indi, came to the US in 1970, and he served five years' surgical residency in Cleveland, Ohio. He was certified by the American College of Surgeons in 1980.

Dr. Patel studied laparoscopic procedures at the University of California-San Francisco, the University of Virginia, and Twelve Oaks Hospital in Houston. He practiced at Guthrie, Okla., and at Hereford before coming to Dimmitt, first with the South Plains Health Provider in 1985.

Dr. and Mrs. Patel both are naturalized citizens of the US. They have two sons, Satyen and Preetesh, both of whom are attend Texas A&M.

Tennis is a big deal with the entire Patel family. Dr. and Mrs. Patel both are avid players, and both boys competed at the national level on the junior circuit. Satyen is a member of the A&M tennis team.

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JERRY THOMAS (22) sinks an overtime putback shot after rebounding to bring the Bobcats within two points of Tulia, 55-57, during Tuesday night's District 1-AAA shootout here. Other Bobcats in photo are Derek Buckley (10), Charley Sanders (center) and Jared Townsend (24). After striking for 31 points in the fourth quarter to tie the game, the No. 1-ranked Hornets won it in overtime, 62-57. Thomas led all scorers with 23 points. *Photo by Carter Townsend*

More about

County girls ready for playoffs . . .

(Continued from Page 1)
11 junior post Kelee Hall and 5-9 senior post Beajae McMahan to combat Dimmitt's significant size advantage.

Seminole likes to pressure the ball and relies on its defense.

Lady Horns

The Hart Lady Horns will meet Idalou in a rematch of last year's Class AA bi-district showdown, and game time will be Friday at 8 p.m. at Floydada High School.

Idalou captured the District 4-AA title and holds a 24-6 mark. Hart currently sports a 21-11 mark.

Idalou beat Hart in bi-district a year ago and advanced to region before losing to state runner-up Shallowater.

Idalou has everybody back from that team, according to Hart Coach Rachele Wilcox.

"They're big, good, quick and strong," said Wilcox. "They're a solid team."

Idalou's lineup includes 5-10 junior post Karen Smith, 5-8 senior forward Kendra Foster, 5-6 senior

guard Kara Heinrich, 5-5 senior guard Jennifer Stegemoeller and 5-9 sophomore forward Auburn Hammond, all starters from a year ago. The Lady Cats also rely on Amber Godinez, a 5-7 senior guard, and April Turner, a 5-9 sophomore post.

Swiftettes

Nazareth will take on Allison in a Class A area playoff Friday at 7 p.m. at Highland Park High School in Amarillo.

The Allison Lady Lopes are 26-3

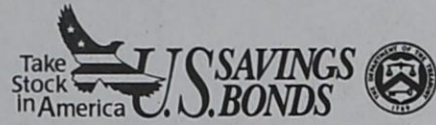
overall and won the District 1-A title with a perfect 6-0 mark. Then the Lady Lopes handled Gruver in bi-district Tuesday, 54-46.

Allison has a balanced offensive attack featuring 5-10 forward Amber Dyer, who had 13 against Gruver; 5-10 post Amy Boydston, who had 11, and guard Keri Grayson and 5-6 sophomore post Glenda Dukes, who had 10 apiece. Jaicee Herren added eight for the Lady Lopes.

Grayson is Allison's leading scorer, averaging 15 points while Herren is averaging 10.

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- 11:15 a.m. Sports Texas Midday Report
- 12:40 p.m. Dallas Cowboy Update
- 3:45 p.m. Sports Texas Afternoon Report

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- 7:00 p.m. **Bobcats vs. Perryton**

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- 7:00 p.m. **Bobbies vs. Seminole**



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Feb. 20—*Perryton (Boys), Here
Feb. 21—Seminole (Girls) at Lubbock Coronado

Bobbies

- 49, Randall 78
- 21, Levelland 34
- 55, Borger 42

Turkey Classic

- 56, Odessa 42
- 45, Hereford 49
- 48, Sudan 35
- 42, Hereford 60

Levelland Tournament

- 59, Levelland Red 22
- 41, Randall 60
- 57, Slaton 32
- 48, Amarillo High 61
- 42, Levelland 46
- 61, Perryton 44

Caprock Tournament

- 65, Claude 52
- 42, Randall 39
- 48, Lubbock Coronado 64
- 55, Odessa 57

River Road 59

- 61, Tulia 34
- 64, Dalhart 53
- 52, Muleshoe 49
- 53, Sanford-Fritch 35
- 50, Friona 43
- 46, Perryton 47
- 50, Tulia 40
- 64, River Road 57
- 40, Muleshoe 23
- 60, Sanford-Fritch 30
- 50, Friona 44
- 83, Dalhart 41
- 66, Perryton 57

Season Record: 20-11

District Record: 11-2

Bobcats

- 47, Randall 71
- 65, Levelland 29
- 62, Borger 57
- 89, Abernathy 34
- 64, Hereford 56

Lions Pioneer Classic

- 62, Canyon 50
- 62, Lubbock Estacado 51
- 57, Hereford 49

Seminole Tournament

- 52, Lamesa 73
- 48, Pampa 43
- 57, Snyder 50
- 63, Coronado 58

Caprock Tournament

- 43, Snyder 47
- 66, Abernathy 41
- 41, Lubbock Coronado 66
- 66, River Road 42
- 47, Estacado 61
- 56, Dalhart 40
- 60, Muleshoe 58
- 62, Sanford-Fritch 43
- 57, Friona 53
- 72, Perryton 38
- 48, Tulia 54
- 97, River Road 40
- 53, Muleshoe 47
- 88, Sanford-Fritch 40
- 54, Friona 64
- 68, Dalhart 54
- 57, Tulia 62

Season Record: 21-9

District Record: 10-3

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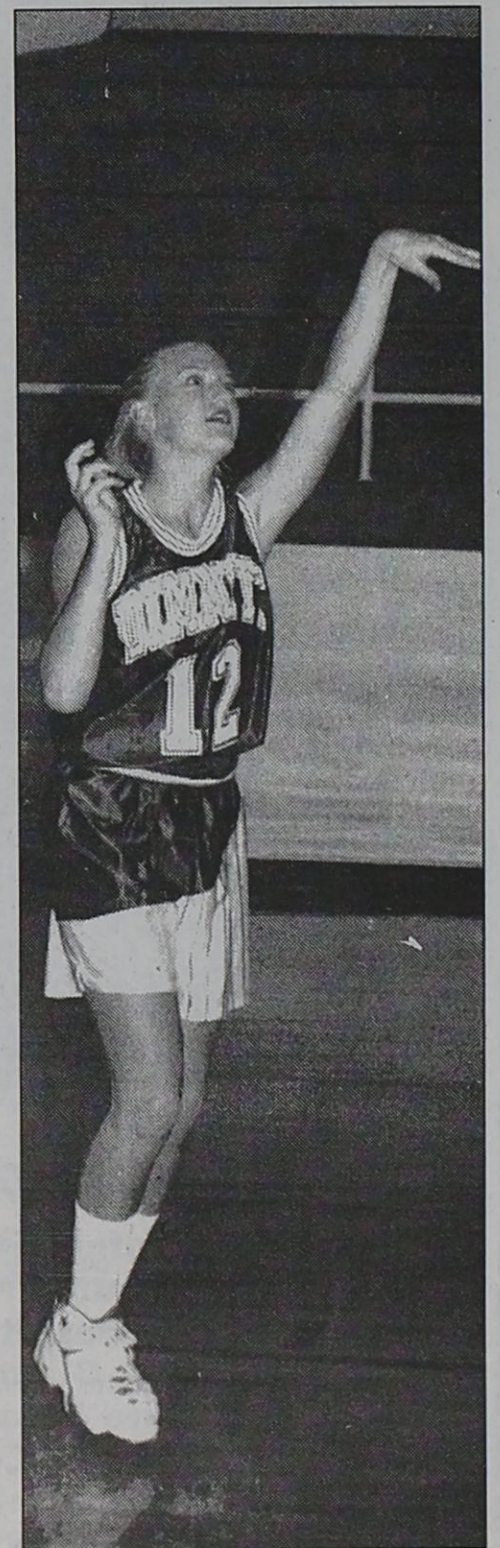
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Happy sharpshooters sink Swifts in bid for playoffs

A couple of sharp shooting Cowboys nailed basket after basket at Tulia Saturday night, winning a playoff berth for their Happy team for the first time in several years.

John Mark Moudy and Happy were nearly perfect in the first quarter of Saturday's game with the Nazareth Swifts which decided the No. 2 seed from District 3-A.

Happy missed just one of 12 shots from the field—a three-point attempt by Moudy on the Cowboys' first shot opportunity of the game—and they buried both free throw attempts to take a 14-point lead over the Swifts in the first quarter.

Nazareth battled back, but was never able to completely recover from the early deficit, and Happy claimed the win, 63-55, and advanced to the playoffs for the first time in several years.

The Swifts, who finished the season with an 11-16 record, finished in a tie with Happy for second place in district, but their season ended with Saturday's playoff.

Moudy was the spark Happy needed in the early going. After missing his first shot, he started off a string of 10 made shots by the Cowboys, scoring the game's first points

with 6:59 left. He would follow that up with two more buckets and two three-pointers to finish with 12 in the quarter.

But over the next three quarters, Nazareth held Moudy to five points and he finished with 17.

Unfortunately for the Swifts, Sonny Calhoun picked up the slack for Happy. Calhoun, who was a big part of the first-quarter run with two threes and a pair of free throws, added just two to his total in the second, but exploded with 11 second-half points to finish with 21 Friday.

Nazareth shooters nailed eight threes in the game, including three by Darren Huckert, who finished with 21 to lead Nazareth. Jerad Birkenfeld added 10 and Shane Ethridge finished with eight.

Baskets by Moudy and McCauley early in the game gave Happy a 4-0 lead, but Josh Merritt sank a three to narrow the lead to a point with 6:06 left.

Happy regained the lead on a shot by McCaig, then the Swifts took their first and only lead of the game, 9-8, when Birkenfeld converted a three-point play after he was fouled by McCaig on a made shot.

Happy ignited after that, getting

three straight threes from Calhoun, Moudy and Calhoun again to take a seven-point lead, 17-10, with 3:07 left.

Nazareth pulled within five on a shot by Huckert, but Happy outscored Nazareth 11-2 over the last three minutes to take a 28-14 lead at the end of the quarter.

Nazareth was able to pull within 10 a couple of times in the second stanza, but didn't get any closer until the final seconds of the half, when Huckert hit a three with six seconds left to make it 38-29.

Nazareth worked at the Happy lead in the third, using back-to-back threes by Billy Don Cannon a free throw by Birkenfeld to pull within six, 44-38, with 4:01 left. Huckert cut it to five with a three at the 2:31 mark, but Happy got five points from Calhoun over the last two minutes to up its lead to 51-43 at the end of the third.

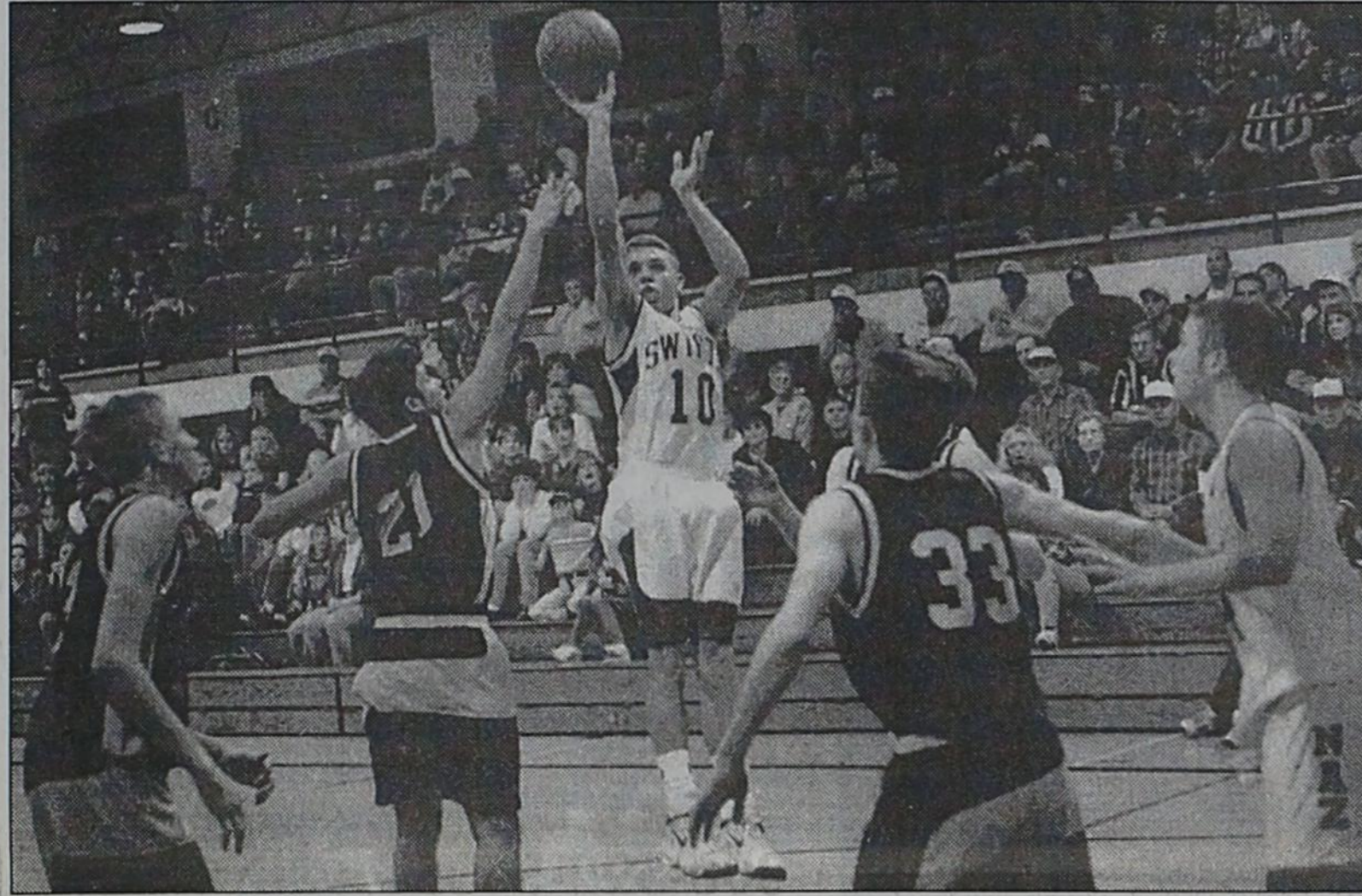
Nazareth made one final run at the Cowboys in the fourth quarter. The Cowboys had regained an 11-point advantage with 2:56 left on a free throw by Calhoun, but Nazareth responded with a three by Ethridge and a steal and layup by Huckert to bring the Swifts within six, 58-52.



OFFENSIVE CAROM—Sara Schulte (20) of Nazareth nabs an offensive rebound—twice—and manages to score on her second shot Monday in a Class A bi-district game against Texline at Tascosa Activity

Center in Amarillo. Also working for the rebound is teammate K'Lynn Gerber and Texline's Hollye Callis (23) and Tamara McAdams (13). Nazareth had no problems in the game, winning easily, 75-18.

Photo by Dwayne Acker



DARREN HUCKERT penetrates and sinks a jumper from just outside the lane Saturday in a playoff between Nazareth and Happy to decide the No. 2 seed from District 3-A. The two teams were tied for sec-

ond at the end of district play and Saturday's game decided who would advance to bi-district. Happy won the game and playoff berth, 63-55. Huckert led Nazareth with 21 points in the game.

Photo by Dwayne Acker

Swiftettes breeze by Texline Tornadoes, 75-18, in bi-district

The Texline Tornadoes were swept away by a punishing Swiftette defense and balanced offensive attack in a Class A bi-district playoff Monday night at Tascosa Activity Center in Amarillo.

Nazareth won the game with ease, blowing past the Tornadoes, 75-18. Texline couldn't redirect the Swiftettes potent offense Monday, and struggled against a pressure man-to-man defense.

The Tornadoes committed 19 turnovers and were limited to five and under points in each of the four quarters.

The Swiftettes sank 10 three-pointers in the game, and that's what started off the game Monday.

Amy Pohlmeier brought the ball downcourt after a Texline turnover, calmly dribbled to the top of the key and drained a long trey to open scoring.

After a K'Lynn Gerber steal and layup, Pohlmeier duplicated her earlier effort and Nazareth up her 8-0 and Texline Coach Ron Van Vranken asked for a 20-second time out.

The Tornadoes managed to get on the board after that on a shot by Hollye Callis, but Nazareth reeled off the next six points, breezing through the rest of the quarter and led 17-5 at the buzzer.

Andra French picked up a bucket for Texline to open second-quarter scoring, then teammate Rebecca Taylor added another with four and a half minutes left in the half, but that was all the Swiftette defense allowed. Nazareth exploded with a series of threes and added a layup or jumper here and there to take a commanding 36-9 lead at intermission.

Texline didn't score its first point of the second half until Tosha Rice hit a three with 58 seconds left in the

third. By that time the game was on ice.

Nazareth had scored 23 unanswered points in the stanza and led 59-9 before Rice's three. By the end of the quarter, the Swiftettes led, 61-14.

Texline's woes continued over the final eight minutes, as they managed just four points—one shot by Rice and a pair of free throws by French—while Nazareth added 14 to their total for the big win.

Nazareth shot 62% from the field (28-of-45) and hit 9-of-11 of its free throw attempts. Texline managed just 7-of-33 shooting and only made 3-of-8 attempts from the line.

Nazareth was led by Pohlmeier and Shawna Gerber, who had 14 apiece. K'Lynn Gerber and Whitney Hoelting chipped in 12 each and Sara Schulte added 9. Texline's top scorer was French, who had seven.



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TABC Top 10

Here are the latest Top 10 rankings for Class A, AA and AAA as released by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches.

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| <p>CLASS AA GIRLS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ozona (32-1), 2. Shallowater (27-5), 3. Hughes Springs (27-0), 4. Winnie East Chambers (26-3), 5. Hamilton (22-6), 6. Van Alstyne (25-1), 7. Panhandle (26-5), 8. Poth (24-5), 9. Crawford (26-3), 10. Holliday (23-5). | <p>CLASS AA BOYS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Krum (28-1), 2. Little River Academy (29-1), 3. Leonard (24-5), 4. Beckville (27-4), 5. Harleton (22-5), 6. Stanton (15-1), 7. Hale Center (25-3), 8. Buffalo (24-3), 9. Howe (25-4), 10. Lexington (24-5). |
| <p>CLASS AAA GIRLS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dripping Springs (28-2), 2. Mont Belvieu Barbers Hill (29-4), 3. Winnsboro (29-3), 4. Comanche (27-4), 5. Rusk (24- | <p>CLASS AAA BOYS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tulia (29-0), 2. Clarksville (25-4), 3. Kennedale (27-1), 4. Clyde (28-2), 5. Seminole (25-5), 6. Kountze (25-5), 7. Rusk (27-2), 8. Trinity (28-6), 9. Childress (24-6), 10. Gainesville (19-8). |

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For 242nd District Court Judge: Edward L. Self

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For County Judge: Wayne Collins

For County Treasurer: Carolyn Watts

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Last Puzzle Solution: A crossword puzzle grid with the words 'FACT', 'CURE', 'KRIS', 'INS', 'TOHIS', 'MART', 'NATIONALHOCKEY', 'GC', 'NEEDED', 'IMP', 'INTERCEPT', 'OLDIE', 'STEREO', 'LOOP', 'ZERO', 'NR', 'CUPIT', 'A', 'RA', 'IN', 'NODS', 'PATRIOTS', 'METERS', 'TIO', 'DIAS', 'BROOM', 'RN', 'LINDA', 'GRAY', 'SNOWBANK', 'PAWS', 'LYE', 'ANA', 'YIEN'.

LEGAL NOTICE

TEXAS CORN PRODUCERS BOARD VOTING REGION ONE The Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB) will conduct elections in four of its eight voting regions for the purpose of electing five new TCPB board members whose current members' seats have expired. There are a total of fifteen TCPB voting board members. These elections, to be conducted in 149 Texas counties, are being held pursuant to the Texas Commodity Referendum Law, Texas Agriculture Code, Title 3, Chapter 41, Subchapter A, Section 41.032. Voting Region One consists of the counties of Castro and Lamb, and there are Two Seats open for election of TCPB board members in Voting Region One.

In 1990, Texas Corn Producers voted to expand the research and promotion program for corn, funded by a uniform corn checkoff, to every county in the State of Texas. This election is the biennial election required by the Texas Commodity Referendum Law.

A person is eligible to vote in the board election if he or she is, or for at least one production period during the three years preceding the date of the board election has been, a producer of or caused to be produced, corn for commercial purposes. This includes owners of farms and their tenants or sharecroppers, if the person would be required to pay the assessment. For a producer to vote in this voting region and for this TCPB seat, such producer must reside within the counties stated above. Only voters residing within the above counties may vote for candidates representing this voting region.

Any eligible voter-producer as defined above may place his or her name in nomination to serve as a director on the TCPB. Nomination applications must be submitted to the TCPB signed by the applicant and ten other eligible voters. Nomination forms will be available in all 149 counties where elections are to be held this year, including the specific counties within this voting region, as listed above.

Nomination forms can also be obtained by writing the TCPB, 218 E. Bedford, Dimmitt, Texas 79027. Please state your county of residence if you request nomination forms in writing from the TCPB office. All nominations must be filed with the TCPB not later than 30 days before the date set for the elections, and the date for the deadline for receipt of valid nomination forms by TCPB is therefore a postmark date of March 20, 1998. Nomination forms will be available after Feb. 18, 1998.

The election in each of the four voting regions where elections are called for will be held by mail ballot. Ballots containing the nominations of all persons who have validly filed petitions under Section 41.025 of the above stated code will be available after April 1, 1998, at grain elevators or other points of check-off collection in each of the appropriate voting regions, at county agent offices in each of the 149 counties where elections are to occur, or by writing the TCPB at the address stated above. For a ballot to be counted, such ballot must be postmarked no later than May 1, 1998. There are four voting regions conducting elections in 1998. A voter must reside within a county contained within the voting region that the voter is casting his or her vote, and a voter must meet the definition set forth above as to a qualified voter. Voters may also vote for board members by "writing in" the name of any eligible persons.

Pursuant to Section 41.023 of the Texas Commodity Referendum Law, this notice for a TCPB election within this voting region is being published in all appropriate newspapers within the voting region, such notice being published at least once a week for three consecutive weeks beginning at least 60 days before the date of the election.

The Texas Corn Producers Board is certified under Section 41.011 and Section 41.012 of the Texas Commodity Referendum Law to conduct this election, and has obtained all approvals and determinations required by law from the Commissioner of Agriculture, Texas Dept. of Agriculture. 25-44-3tc



REECE HALES of Nazareth shows off his 1,220-pound cross steer that was named reserve grand champion of the Castro County Junior Livestock Show Friday. Hales' steer was purchased by the Naz-

areth Buyers' Club for \$1.50 per pound. Representing the Nazareth Buyers' Club are Virgil Huseman and Dennis Kern. Photo by Anne Acker

Police Calls

A 54-year-old Dimmitt man told police that a suspect entered his apartment Saturday night without his consent and pushed him.

Class C misdemeanor assault charges were listed against a suspect after a Dimmitt woman, 26, told police that the suspect hit and kicked her. The incident happened the afternoon of Feb. 10.

A 25-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed Friday morning after he was stopped in the 500 block of East Belsher on an arrest warrant and was found to be in possession of marijuana under two ounces.

Unlawfully carrying a weapon (a handgun) was the charge listed against a Lubbock man, 22, who was jailed the night of Feb. 10.

A Dimmitt woman, 20, was jailed Friday afternoon for making a terroristic threat, for possession of marijuana, and on a theft warrant out of Potter County.

James Lloyd Vaughan told deputies last Thursday that someone had broken into his barn 3-1/2 miles west of FM 1524. Entry was gained by prying the door open with a sharp object, possibly a flat screwdriver. Taken were an estimated \$3,500-worth of tools and equipment.

An estimated \$1,500-worth of farm equipment was taken from a vacant residence on the southwest county line sometime within the last two weeks. Bill Bourland reported the burglary to deputies. The residence is three miles south of FM 145 on CR 303, then one-half mile east.

Donald Templeton of HCR 1, Earth, told deputies that someone took a flat bed trailer from the Dodd Community sometime on Feb. 10 or 11.

A 33-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed Feb. 11 for driving with license suspended.

The same day a 24-year-old Dimmitt man was jailed to serve time after facing charges in court of driving with license suspended.

Friday, a Dimmitt man, 48, was jailed for violation of probation stemming from charges of driving with license suspended.

DWI charges were listed against a

Hereford man ,46, jailed early Sunday on his first offense; and against a 26-year-old man from Wichita, Kan., Sunday afternoon, on a felony level.

Picked up on warrants were: A Levelland man, 39, on Friday evening, on two warrants for DWI, one for issuance of a bad check, one for theft by check, and on DPS warrants.

An 18-year-old Hart man Saturday night for criminal mischief.

A Dimmitt man, 21, Friday night, for theft of livestock, assault with bodily injury, and aggravated assault.

A 35-year-old Dallas man early Sunday for violation of felony probation stemming from charges of injury to an elderly person.

More about Stock show . . .

(Continued from Page 7) Amanda Annen of Dimmitt FFA.

MEDIUM WOOL BREED CHAMPION: Travis Crow. RESERVE BREED CHAMP: Travis Crow.

Lightweight: 1. Mary Bradley, 2. Holly Lane, 3. Mary Bradley, 4. Jinna Wright, 5. Kaci Schulte of Flagg 4-H, 6. Brandon Furr of Dimmitt 4-H, 7. Trinity Robb, 8. Shae Odom, 9. Corey Lane, 10. Carol Summers, 11. Ross Hunter, 12. Andrew Brockman, 13. Adrienne Hart, 14. Trinity Robb, 15. Jenna Acker, 16. Michael Horn of Nazareth FFA, 17. Ryan Hunter, 18. Michael Horn, 19. Tucker Waggoner, 20. Kellie George.

Mediumweight: 1. Brandon Furr, 2. Justin Sutton, 3. Sage Annen of Nazareth FFA, 4. Charley Nutt, 5. Shane Furr of Dimmitt 4-H, 6. Sage Annen, 7. Lacey Acker, 8. Jeremy Furr, 9. Heath Lunstford, 10. Andrew Brockman, 11. Jennifer Wilhelm, 12. Tanner Griffith, 13. Tyler Waggoner, 14. Jared Griffith, 15. Lauren Waggoner of Dimmitt 4-H, 16. Meggie Lemons.

Light Heavyweight: 1. Travis Crow, 2. Stanton Wethington of Nazareth FFA, 3. Corey Lane, 4. Lauren Waggoner, 5. Amanda Annen, 6. Raynee Bradley, 7. Adam Acker, 8. Lyndee Behrends of Dimmitt 4-H, 9. Cody Brockman of Dimmitt 4-H, 10. Mark Lange, 11. Jenna Acker, 12. Thomas Brockman, 13. Trina Johnson of Nazareth FFA, 14. Garrett Behrends of Dimmitt 4-H, 15. Lyndee Behrends, 16. Aaron Hart.

Heavyweight: 1. Travis Crow, 2. Cliff Wright, 3. Stuart Sutton, 4. Cliff Wright, 5. Shane Furr, 6. Charley Nutt, 7. Stanton Wethington, 8. Cody Brockman, 9. Trina Johnson, 10. Aaron Hart, 11. Bryce Pohlmeier, 12. Chandra Jordan, 13. Adrienne Hart, 14. Garrett Behrends.

Justin Gleghorn earns BS degree

Justin Finis Gleghorn of Dimmitt earned a bachelor of science degree in animal science from Texas A&M University.

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PLAINS MEMORIAL

Sam and Tammy Jackson of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby boy, Treyr Clint, born Feb. 4 at 8:32 a.m. The infant weighed 6 pounds and 11 ounces, and was 21 inches long. Big sister is Rexee Jo, 2. Paternal grandmother is Leonor Rogers of Hamilton, Mo. Maternal grandmother is Velma Nixon of Inola, Okla. Great-grandmother is Edna Cook Adrian of Phoenix, Ariz.

The Original TEXAS CROSSWORD by Charley & Guy Orbison

A crossword puzzle grid with the words 'The Original TEXAS CROSSWORD by Charley & Guy Orbison Copyright 1998 by Orbison Bros.' and a grid of numbers 1-60.

- ACROSS 1 cowboy hat material 5 this continent gets half of TX mohair 6 TXism: "___ all come out in the wash" 7 UT-San Antonio Conference (abbr.) 8 Houston golfer Blancas (init.) 9 Cowboy Erik is in '98 ___ Bowl 12 TXism: "___ in a skillet would have more fun" (bored) 17 TXism: "if it ___ a snake it would have bit you" 20 TXism: "useless as panty hose ___" 22 to sign as payee 23 TXism: "laid ___" (buried) 24 Susan Sarandon wanted to avoid TX in "___ & Louise" 29 lopsided victory 30 lodging at a TX campsite 31 El Paso's Ranger Peak has an ___ tramway 32 identifying tag 36 TX Ivory Joe sang "___ I Met You Baby" 37 TXism: "safe as ___ in a haystack" 43 attenders of Kerrville Folk Festival 45 Travis asked Alamo defenders to ___ the line
- DOWN 1 TXism: "it'll take a fix it" (badly broken) 2 first known black person in TX 3 San Antonio mayor in '91, Cockrell 4 TX's softest mineral 9 a UT alumnum was this country's pres. 10 TXism: "___ in church" 11 Dublin is no. ___ milk producing co. 12 TX-sized phone co. 13 Whitman toted rifles up UT's tower in one
- 14 TXism: "___ as hens' teeth" 15 TXism: "your barn door is ___" 16 meat of the matter 18 this Dolores starred with TX Ginger in "Flying Down to Rio" (init.) 19 Halloween word 21 TX Tierney (init.) 24 ___ ta (goodbye) 25 TXism: "if ___ a rooster, he'll crow" 26 Cowboy in 9-across 27 ___ scrimmage 28 this TX Meredith was Billie Joe in "Petticoat Junction" 33 Rangers baseball league (abbr.) 34 Darin of TX-filmed "State Fair" (init.) 35 "Gig ___ Aggies!" 37 this Albert was smart enough to be a Texan (init.) 38 TXism: "___ married" (newlywed) 39 TXism: "taint" 40 drug testing sample 41 TX George "___" McFarland was "Our Gang" Spanky 42 TXism: "___ bien" 46 Bush, Jr. to Bush, Sr. describing Nieman-Marcus store 49 Swiss mountains 50 coral snake: "red and yellow, ___ a feller"

Obituaries

Amma "Lynn" Ehly

Amma "Lynn" Ehly, 74, of Amarillo, former Nazareth resident, died last Wednesday, Feb. 11, in Amarillo after a lengthy illness.

A vigil service was held Friday evening at the CCD Building in Nazareth.

Mass of Christian burial was read Saturday morning at Holy Family Church in Nazareth with Msgr. Harold Waldow of Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System and Rev. Darryl Birkenfeld and Rev. John Hickey, both of Holy Family Church, officiating. Burial followed in Holy Family Cemetery under the direction of Schooler Funeral Home, Inc., of Amarillo.

Mrs. Ehly was born in Tulia and she moved to Nazareth in 1946. She moved to Amarillo five years ago. She married Leo Ehly on Oct. 8, 1946, in Nazareth.

She was a past-regent and past-district deputy of Catholic Daughters, was past-president of the American Legion Auxiliary. She was a member of the Nazareth Senior Citizens and Holy Family Catholic Church. She was a retired bookkeeper and tax accountant. She was a member of the Christian Mothers.

Survivors include a son, David Ehly of Amarillo; a sister, Minnie Pearl "Babe" Ballard of Brownfield; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Catholic Daughter Scholarship Fund in Nazareth or to the Nazareth Volunteer Fire Dept.

Richard Gonzales

Funeral services for Richard R. Gonzales, 36, of Hart, were held Friday afternoon in St. John's Catholic Church in Hart, with Rev. John Hickey, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Hart Cemetery under direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Olton.

Mr. Gonzales died Feb. 11 in university Medical Center in Lubbock.

He was born May 20, 1961, in Dimmitt. He married Eloisa Guzman on Aug. 30, 1980, in Hart. He graduated from Hart High School. He was a member of the Hart Volunteer Fire Dept. He was a volunteer for the Hart High School football games. He had worked for Hart Auto Parts for more than 13 years.

He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Cynthia and Chelsey, both of Hart; a son, Richard Jr. of Hart; his parents, Rodolfo and Maria Gonzales of Hart; a sister, Rosa Linda Ramirez of Hart; three brothers, Rodolfo Gonzales and Rene Gonzales, both of Hart, and Robert of Amarillo; and his grandfather, Donaciano Gonzales of Monterrey, Mexico.

The family suggests memorials to the Hart Fire Dept., P.O. Box 329, Hart 79043.

Paul Pohlmeier

Paul Pohlmeier, 83, of Knox City, former longtime Nazareth resident, died at 6:25 p.m. Monday at Knox Co. Hospital in Knox City.

A vigil service was held Wednesday evening at the CCD Building in Nazareth.

Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated today (Thursday) at 11 a.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth with Father Jerry Stein and Father John Hickey, pastors of Holy Family Catholic Church, officiating. Burial will follow in Holy Family Cemetery under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home of Tulia.

Mr. Pohlmeier was born March 21, 1914, in Nazareth, and he was raised and attended schools there. He joined the US Air Force in 1942 and was discharged in 1945. He returned to Nazareth and farmed. He was a member of the Nazareth American Legion and the Senior Citizens. He had lived in Knox City for the past three years.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Jacob Acker of Nazareth; five brothers, Harold Pohlmeier of Corpus Christi, Virgil Pohlmeier of Tulia, Alfred Pohlmeier of California, and Philip Pohlmeier and Leroy Pohlmeier, both of Nazareth.

Pallbearers will be Kenneth Acker, Walt Pohlmeier, Frank Pohlmeier, J.C. Pohlmeier, Brian Pohlmeier and Alan Pohlmeier.

The family requests memorials be to Holy Family Cemetery, PO Box 100, Nazareth 79063.

J.R. Stork

Services for J.R. Stork, 72, of Dumas, former Nazareth resident, were held Wednesday morning at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church with Rev. Richard Scully officiating. Burial followed in Northlawn Memorial Gardens.

A rosary was recited Tuesday evening at Morrison Funeral Directors Memorial Chapel.

Mr. Stork died Monday in Amarillo.

He was born in Nazareth and had lived in Gruver for 28 years before moving to Dumas in November.

He served in the US Navy from 1944 to 1946. He was a seaman first class and served on the USS New Orleans. He was stationed at the Naval Training Center in Great Lakes, Ill. He received the Victory Medal and the Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal.

He married Clara Frische in 1947 at Umbarger. He was a farmer and a member of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church. He served on the school board in Texhoma for seven years. He was a member of the Farm Bureau and the Knights of Columbus in Dumas.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Gregory P. Stork of Sunray and Arnold Eugene Stork of Gruver; five daughters, Janet Harbour of San Angelo, Marie Mahannah of Tulia, Judy Gilbert of Clovis, N.M., and Cindy Johnson and Connie Evans, both of Texhoma; a sister, Francis Gerber of Umbarger; 17 grandchildren; two stepgrandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Knights of Columbus in Dumas or to Caring Hearts of Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Box 503, Dumas 79029.

Mac Strother

Funeral services for Mac Bentley Strother, 54, of Dimmitt, were held Saturday afternoon in First Baptist Church with Rev. Howard Rhodes, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Castro Memorial Gardens under direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mr. Strother died Feb. 11.

He was born Nov. 28, 1943, in McKinney. He graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1962, and from West Texas State University in 1974 with a bachelor of arts degree. He was a member of Park-Cities Baptist Church in Dallas. He had been a computer programmer in Dallas until retiring in 1987 for health reasons.

He is survived by his parents, Raleigh B. and Grace Strother of Dimmitt; and two sisters, Phoebe Strother of Amarillo and Leigh Strother-Vien of Sherman Oaks, Calif.

Myril White

Myril White, 82, of Coolidge, Ariz., mother of Leeida Stephens of Dimmitt, died Sunday.

Services were held Wednesday at First Christian Church in Coolidge. Burial followed in Valley Memorial Park.

Mrs. White was born July 6, 1915, in Miami and was a longtime resident of Miami, Pampa and Mobeetie before moving to Arizona in the early 1950s. She was a proficient and prolific cook, seamstress, painter and caretaker. She worked for many years as an election judge in Pinal County and was a member of First Christian Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Alvis T. White, in 1965.

Survivors include three daughters, Leeida Stephens of Dimmitt, Tommie Ware of Phoenix, Ariz., and Hazel Jay of Bigfork, Mont.; two sons, Jack White of Coolidge, Ariz., and Bob White of Hood River, Ore.; a sister, Bee Herring of Abilene; two half-sisters, Betty Lou Hagan of Springfield, Ore., and Mary Jane Pfeffer of Seattle, Wash.; 17 grandchildren, including John Brooks of Seattle, Patty Chester of Shallowater and David and Randy Stephens of Dimmitt; 13 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.



VALENTINE QUEEN AND KING of Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt are Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Horton, the parents of James Horton of Dimmitt. The two were crowned at the home's annual Valentine celebration, held Friday afternoon.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Local candidate filing is underway

Monday was the first day that candidates could file for a position on the various city, school and hospital governing boards, subject to the May 2 elections.

Candidates may apply for places on ballots through March 18. April 1 is the last day unregistered voters may register to vote in the May 2 election. Early voting will be held April 13-28.

Positions expiring and candidates who had filed as of Tuesday afternoon are listed below:

Dimmitt

On the Dimmitt City Council, terms are expiring for Roy Garza, District 1; Gloria Hernandez, District 2; Charles Richard, District 3; and Roger Malone, District 4.

Garza has filed.

Holly lays off 85-90 in Hereford

Holly Sugar Corp. announced Tuesday that it is discontinuing sugar beet processing at its Hereford facility, and will lay off 85 to 90 people.

Holly Sugar, a subsidiary of Imperial Holly Corp., Sugar Land, has operated the Hereford facility since 1964.

The downsizing was triggered by declining sugar beet acreage in the area during the last five years. Processing at the facility accounted for less than 2% of Imperial Holly's pro forma annual production, and had not been profitable for the past three years, according to a Holly news release.

The company will continue to package and distribute refined sugar products from the facility to its current customer base.

"The decision to downsize our Hereford factory was a difficult step. We carefully considered what effect it would have on our employees, growers, customers, vendors and the community, and on balance, we believe this was the best course available," said Roger Hill, president and chief executive officer of Holly. "By maintaining the packaging and distribution facilities we are maintaining a presence in the community and taking steps that will allow us to compete more effectively."

Information taken from a story by Rick Storm in the Feb. 18 issue of the Amarillo Daily News.

For the Dimmitt school board, terms are expiring for Earl Behrends in Place 2 and Paul Garcia in Place 4.

No one has filed.

Hart

For the Hart Board of Aldermen, terms are expiring for L.C. McLain; Stanley Dyer, who is filling the unexpired term of Vicky Ethridge, who resigned; and Richard Entekin, who is filling the unexpired term of Todd Pepsworth, who resigned.

Entekin is the only one who has filed so far.

For the Hart school board, terms are expiring for Mark Bennett, current board president, and Sandy Farris, current board secretary.

No one has filed yet.

Nazareth

On the Nazareth City Commission, the term of Virgil Huseman is expiring. Also, Mayor Ralph Brockman's term is expiring. No one has filed so far.

Nazareth school board members whose terms are ending are J.C. Pohlmeier, Kent Birkenfeld, and Keith Hoelting.

No one has filed so far.

Hospital

On the Castro County Hospital District board, terms are expiring for Bill Clark and Teresa Lindsey.

No one has filed.

Crime Line offers \$200 reward in burglary case

James Lloyd Vaughan of Dimmitt told deputies last Thursday that someone had broken into his barn and taken an estimated \$3,500-worth of tools and equipment.

The barn is located 3-1/2 miles west of FM 1524. The door was pried open with a sharp object, possibly a flat screwdriver.

Anyone having any information

that leads to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons involved in the burglary may be eligible for a \$200 reward from the Castro County Crime Line. Informants may remain anonymous, and rewards are paid through a drop system.

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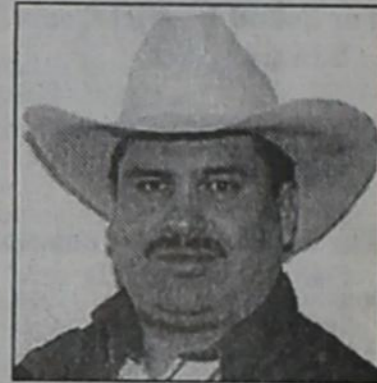
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