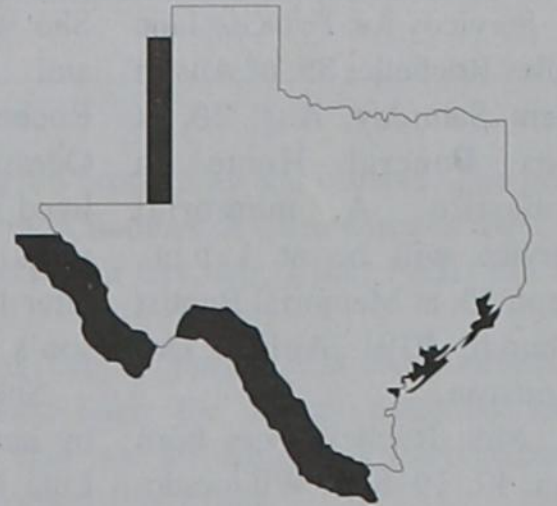


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Highway official tells Court of littering problem

By **DAVIE A. BROWDER**
Managing Editor

The County Commissioners Court has served notice to the public that dumping dead animals by the side of the road will not be tolerated.

At a recent meeting, Todd Thompson of the Texas Department of Transportation said that dead animals on the roadside have become a significant problem.

Sava: Offenders will be prosecuted

"We just seem to have an excess amount," Thompson said. "We've got to remove them from the right-of-way because they're a nuisance, but it's not a new problem."

County Judge Bill Sava said that the county "is attempting to discover what penalties can be assessed if a determination of the origin of the dead animal can be

determined." "Anyone caught dumping dead animals on the side of the road will be prosecuted to the extent the law will allow."

Sava said the court is contacting surrounding counties that have concentrations of livestock. "We are talking with various law enforcement agencies

and see how that's being handled in other counties," Sava said.

"We've asked our deputies and local highway patrol to be on the lookout for people moving dead animals to the side of the road.

"People who come pick dead animals charge for that service. As they've begun charging, we're seeing an

increase in the number of animals dragged to the side of the road and left there.

"It's a health problem. It can be considered a littering problem."

In other action, the commissioners also agreed to accept a building at 114 S. Broadway as a gift from attorney Jimmy Ross and his wife Nancy. Ross, who was

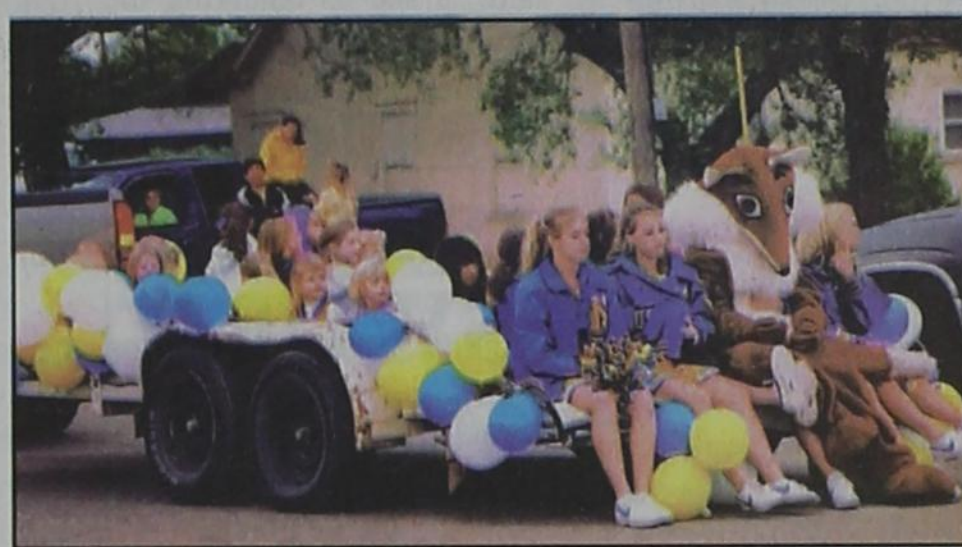
an attorney in Dimmitt for 40 years recently retired to Kerrville.

"The town doesn't need an extra empty office buildings and I think the county can utilize this space better than anyone else," Ross said.

"My workroom was the courthouse for more than 40 years. The people of Castro County have been good to us and we want to give back."

Nazareth celebrates Labor Day

THE NAZARETH BAND follows the color guard composed of, left to right: Dale Brockman, Art Brockman, Julius Birkenfeld and Danny Schilling during Sunday's parade. Below, left, the FFA float, left to right: Jason Wilhelm, Raynee Bradley, Trey Smallwood, Becca Olvera and Keli Schulte. Below, right, Swifty and the senior cheerleaders ride with a group of younger cheerleaders.



DISD adopts tax increase

No one appeared to oppose or defend the DISD's tax rate, which was adopted at its meeting Wednesday, Aug. 27.

The tax rate of \$1.45 per \$100 valuation was set on a 5-2 vote. Rick Wright made the motion to approve and it was seconded by Greg Odom.

Earlier, Paul Garcia had moved that the rate be \$1.43 per \$100 valuation; his move was seconded by Emilio Nino. That motion was defeated on a 2-5 vote.

The approved tax increase of 5.4 cents will cost the average homeowner \$17.13 more a year.

In other action, the board approved the substitute teacher roster, longevity pay scales for professionals and support staff and the bus driver pay scale.

The board also hired an assistant high school and middle school principal. Seventh-grade coach Thel Shelby was already employed as the girls coach, according to Superintendent Les Miller.

"Thel Shelby will continue with that coaching job as well as be assistant principal (middle school in morning) and beginning at 11 a.m. at the high school," Miller said.

NISD OKs budget

NAZARETH - The budget for the 2003-2004 year passed unanimously at a recent meeting of trustees. At the same meeting, a tax rate of \$1.46 per \$100 valuation was unanimously approved.

Supt. Marshall Harrison told the board that the district has received the bond money on Aug. 13, 2003. And he estimated that the NISD will finish this budget year with an estimated \$11,680. Harrison presented the second set of drawings of the Ag Building and gave an update on the time

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CCHD board hears audit

By **DAVIE A. BROWDER**
Managing Editor

The board of the Castro County Hospital District voted unanimously to increase the tax rate by 7.9 percent or about \$12.23 per household.

In other action, the board heard an audit report that gave both the good points and potential problems that will be inherent with changing over to the Critical Access status here.

William M. Parrish Jr., president of Parrish, Moody and Fikes, PC, of Waco, told the board that expenses had held steady while net revenues have increased.

"I think we're seeing some progress," Parrish said. "Our goal is to turn that bottom line into a plus. I feel like the administration

is really beginning to take some actions to do that."

Parrish said some changes need to be made and that he is certain they are being made.

"I'm very convinced the current administration will take heed and do something about gross revenues," he said. "Closing our geri-psych was really a necessity under the current environment. And Critical Access designation is a priority."

He said that the Critical Access designation could mean as much as \$400,000 to \$450,000 in its first year.

"There will have to be some tough decisions made, too," he said, noting that the

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TRUMAN TOUCHSTONE (RIGHT) is congratulated by DeBruce Grain's manager Rodney Hunter (center) for having the first load of Castro County corn to be delivered to his facility. Touchstone reports getting about 10,000 pounds per acre with 21.3 percent moisture and a test weight of 55.3. At left is truck driver, Felipe Flores.

Castro County

	Hi	Lo	Precip
Wednesday	91	62	
Thursday	94	62	
Friday	96	65	.30
Saturday	85	64	.89
Sunday	65	57	.05
Monday	66	56	.01
Tuesday	77	50	

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August moisture 1.5
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Obituaries

FRANCES JANE GILES ROCHELLE

Services for Frances Jane Giles Rochelle, 85, of Austin were Saturday, Aug. 30, at Cox Funeral Home in Amarillo. A memorial service will be at 1 p.m., Sept. 13, at Memorial Baptist Church, 9191 Airline Dr., Houston.

Mrs. Rochelle was born Jan. 17, 1918, in Wildorado.

She was raised in Amarillo and married to Winton Rochelle. They lived in Odessa for 21 years, then lived in Houston another 24 years. She died Aug. 26, after living for a year at her son's home in Austin.

She preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Lula Fay Stringfellow Giles

and her husband, Winton Rochelle.

Survivors include her daughter, Joyce Bolton of Dimmitt; a son, Gary Rochelle of Austin; and three sisters, Elizabeth Gahn, Martha B. Stulce and Lutie Hume (Cindy) Kennedy, all of Amarillo.

For many years, she was the church librarian at First Baptist Church of Odessa and the Hidden Valley Baptist Church of Houston. She as most recently an active member and church librarian at Memorial Baptist Church of Houston.

Mrs. Rochelle was recognized for 55 years of volunteer service to the Girl Scouts in Odessa and Houston.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Girl Scouts of San Jacinto Council, 3110 Southwest Freeway, Houston, TX 77098 or to the local Girl Scouts or church library of choice.

NISD

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line of construction.

The board also approved the school's Student Code of Conduct for this school year.

The board also approved the hiring of teacher/coach Robert Shae Sanford.

In other action, the board approved, 5-2, the purchase of a house from the estate of Lucille Drewup, located at 104 St. Mary's for \$45,000.

TRELLIS CLINT SUMMERS



Trellis C. Summers

Services for Trellis Clint Summers, 81, of Dimmitt were at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 1, at Fourth and Bedford Church of Christ in Dimmitt with Ronnie Parker officiating. Burial was at Westlawn Cemetery. Mr. Summers died Aug. 29.

He was born Nov. 6, 1921, in Lake Arthur, N.M. He married Dorothy Whitcomb on Sept. 5, 1945, in Pawtucket, R.I.

Mr. Summers came to Castro County in 1925 with his parents, Jack and Ethel Summers. He graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1940 and joined the U.S. Navy in August, 1942. He served his country during World War II, serving in the Africa area. Upon leaving the service in 1945, he and

Mr. Summers was a Christian first and a member of the Church of Christ, where he served as elder for 35 years.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Summers of Dimmitt; a son, Lee Summers of Abilene; a daughter, Laurel Haire and husband Randy of San Angelo; and a sister, Ola Gladman of Colorado Springs, Colo.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Elouise Dodd; and a brother, Elbert Summers.

The family suggests memorials be made to Crown of Texas Hospice of Amarillo; Portales Children's Home in New Mexico; or the Edna Gladney Fund, 6300 John Ryan Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76132.

Grow your own Health Care Professional

Castro County Hospital District has developed a "Grow Your Own Health Care Professional Program" to help replenish and continue supplying the growing need for healthcare professionals for CCHD. The District will subsidize interested and qualified persons with their educational needs. Areas of health care will include nursing service, radiology, laboratory, medical records, physical and occupational therapy along with respiratory therapy and emergency medical services. Individuals receiving subsidized assistance will be required to work for CCHD for a certain period of time. Individuals interested in this program need to contact Trudy Jackson, Director of Nursing Services or Linda Raser, Chief Executive Officer at 647-2191.



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- * Use a screen that can be tilted and has adjustable brightness and contrast controls.
- * Set the screen brightness at the same intensity as other objects in the room.
- * Use a screen with black characters on a white background.
- * Sit in an ergonomically correct seat at the right distance from the keypad.

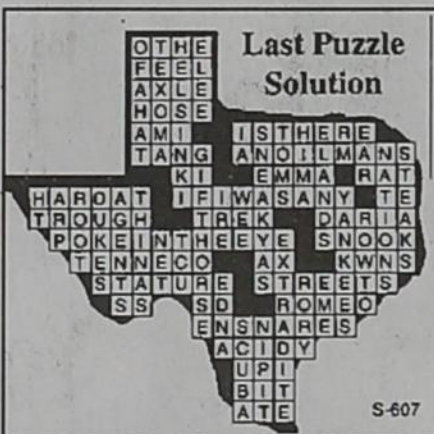
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DIMMITT'S JARED GRIFFITT makes a crucial interception before being downed Friday in the game at Friona. The Bobcats lost 40-21. They'll host Denver City here Friday night with a 7:30 p.m. kickoff time.

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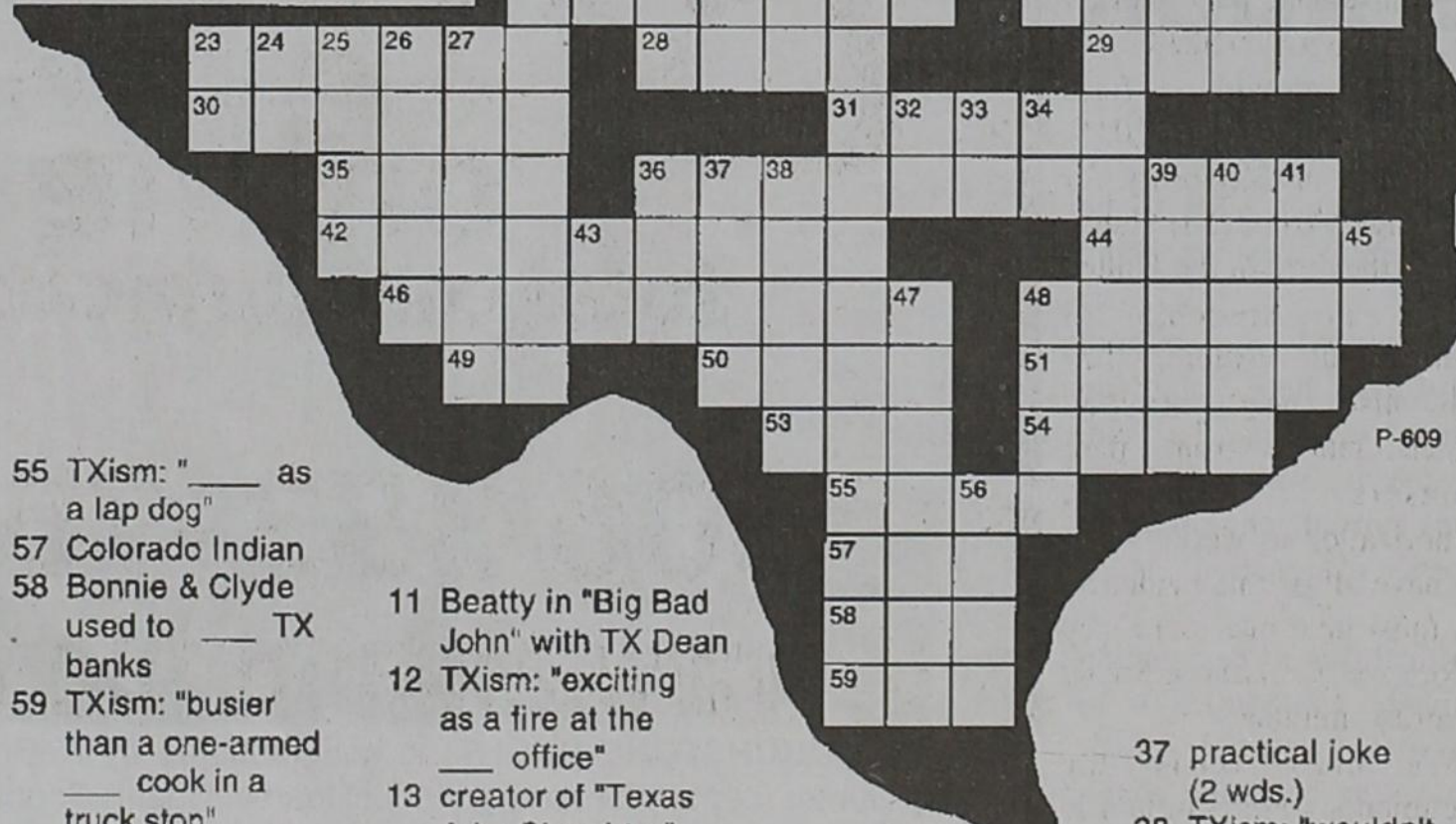
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ACROSS

- 1 Ottine, TX named from combining names of this man and his wife Christine
- 5 Odessa AM radio
- 6 ___ stone Co.
- 7 TXism: "small fish in ___ pond"
- 8 '63 TX-based film with Paul Newman
- 9 ___ Angelo, TX
- 12 Cash tune: "___ the Line"
- 17 TXism: "loud as boot heels ___ floor"
- 19 "Old Yeller's" disease in TX Fess Parker film a partnership of TX wheeler-dealer T. Boone Pickens
- 22 these TXns didn't hear about emancipation until "Juneteenth"
- 23 nonTX oil producer Saudi ___
- 28 opposed
- 29 TXism: "you're barking up the wrong ___"
- 30 historical records
- 31 deliberate deception for gain
- 35 TX Janis Joplin group: "Full-___ Boogie Band"
- 36 abodes
- 42 Abilene's Dyess AFB was once part of ___ Air Command
- 44 TXism: "wipe the ___ clean"
- 46 not a stick shift

- 48 TXism: "critter" dir. to Abilene from San Angelo
- 50 TXism: "does a cat have a climbing ___?" (yes)
- 51 TXism: "beats anything ___ saw"
- 53 TX eatery "Steak & ___"
- 54 TXism: "___ in the wool"



DOWN

- 1 Jimmy Johnson's 1st head coach job
- 2 Morton newspaper
- 3 TXism: "___ a whipped pup"
- 4 TX Gene Tierney was married to this Cassini
- 9 TXism: "___ some away" (save)
- 10 Texas Stadium surface (2 wds.)

- 11 Beatty in "Big Bad John" with TX Dean
- 12 TXism: "exciting as a fire at the ___ office"
- 13 creator of "Texas John Slaughter"
- 14 TXism: "busy as ___ tender on pay day"
- 15 ___ Oak, TX
- 16 Nacogdoches AM
- 18 TX O'Hair caused the ___ of prayer in ___
- 20 "A-Rod's" pos. on TX Rangers (abbr.)
- 23 Quannah h.s. class
- 24 this Richard carried TX in '72 (init.)

TEXAS CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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- 25 TXism: "short as an ___ eyebrow"
- 26 TXism: "___ line" (fish)
- 27 TX feud book: "I'll Die Before ___"
- 32 TX actor Rip (init.)
- 33 Dublin h.s. class
- 34 Longhorn univ.
- 36 TXism: "___ and haw"
- 37 practical joke (2 wds.)
- 38 TXism: "wouldn't ___ biscuit" (tame dog)
- 39 TX Duvall's "Oyi" titled
- 41 Lone ___ State
- 43 TXism: "I aim ___"
- 45 ___ Paso, TX
- 47 TX Howard was ___ of "Conan the Barbarian"
- 48 asst. to TX Gen. Tommy Franks
- 55 TX Rodriguez's "Pass ___"

On the Go

with Dorothy Hopson 647-4579

I would like to commend Peggy and Gerald Broadstreet for their tenacity in instigating a clean-up effort in Dimmitt. Also, many of us have been pleased that Mayor Wayne Collins, City Manager Don Sheffy and the present council have put some "teeth" into ordinances that have been on the books for several years, but were seldom enforced.

Karen Hutson, who has worked as secretary at the city barn for 21 years has been named Code Enforcement Officer for the City of Dimmitt.

The new secretary is Bea Acker. We are already seeing results of their actions. Karen said, "Dimmitt is about to be clean again."

I'm going to jog some of you "old timers" memories and up date some new comers about previous clean-up efforts that have been made.

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce directors and the Executive Director Delores Heller (1979-1995) started a clean-up campaign in 1981. Garner Holland was city manager; R.L. Fleming was mayor.

Early one Saturday morning in March we arose to see the worst wind storm I could ever remember. Many brave souls showed up for the Cufupu breakfast at the First Methodist Church.

People brought their trucks, rakes, shovels, etc. The city had their big equipment parked outside. With a few words of encouragement from our superiors, everyone headed out to work.

This was after everyone on trucks, road graders, bull dozers, or whatever made one drag around the square and out to work at their assigned spots.

Remember the wind was blowing about 100 miles an hour.

It didn't hamper our spirits too much. V.C. and I were the last to leave the church building and in walked a man I recognized immediately as a young man, Walt Howard, from Channel 10 television in Amarillo.

His first words were, "I thought you were having a clean-up day in Dimmitt!"

I assured him that we were and gave him directions to some of the places where people were working.

That night on Channel 10, we saw pictures of the tail end of "the parade," Ray Robertson and probably Jeff out on 8th Street bulldozing the remains of an old house and its foundation among some other good shots.

My spirits were a little low - the weather was not cooperating at all, but when we got our truck full of junk and drove out to the city dump, there was a line of trucks lined up for two city blocks! I still get teary-eyed just thinking about it.

On the way to the dumpsite, we saw one little elderly couple raking and planting grass seed.

I believe everyone in Dimmitt was Cufupuing, and everyone in Dimmitt knew that that Cufupu meant "Clean Up Fix Up and Pride Up!"

For this effort, Dimmitt won the Texas State Beautification Council award for the best effort for a town in our population category.

The town received a plaque from the Gov. Mark White's wife at a luncheon in Waco where Delores and I were given a chance to tell about our experiences.

We told about the second year's Cufupu campaign, which was even more fun and more successful than the first.

The second year, Chuck Braafladt co-chaired the effort. We set the date for April and the weather was lovely. We focused on junk cars and old appliances. Paul Catoe was our city manager.

He was threatened by one man who wanted to keep his junk cars, but other people agreed to sell their junk for \$7 a vehicle. Chuck had an old, almost broken down wrecker and went all over town gathering junk cars. He brought them to a vacant lot on Northeast 2nd street for a Crushing

Party. Mr. Kiker from Amarillo brought his car crusher. The price of metal was good and the Chamber of Commerce or the City of Dimmitt made a profit that day. Mr. Kiker PAID US for doing this for us.

Polly Simpson, our county judge, had the courthouse landscaped. A few years later, the county commissioners agreed to the gazebo that we all enjoy so much. Robert Hawkins of Hart supervised this effort.

Castro County residents bought the bricks that have their names and year they came to the county inscribed on them.

Woodsey the Owl, the mascot for the Texas Beautification Council came to Dimmitt (in a box). Delores wore him for a picture in the Castro County News. Someone else donned Woodsey for trips to the Dimmitt schools. If you are the one who wore him, we'd like to know who you are.

The city ordered the rock trash receptacles around the square that are still doing the job if you'll just use them. The Cufupu committee planted the rain tree near the entry of City Hall. It was in honor of Mayor Fleming, who was finishing his stint as mayor.

He had appointed a Mayor's Council for City Beautification in the late 1980s: Don Shipley, Deanne Clark, Avery Thrasher, Van Earl Hughes, Sara Hill, Pam Josselet, Delores Heller and Ray Bain (who served as chairman for a few years). I'm sure I've forgotten some.

Jog my memory. It was Avery's job to visit the owners of homes who were, and some still are, surrounded by trash and junk. We could never get these people to care. So first, they need to pride up. Then maybe they will clean up and fix up!

I need to make an apology and a correction. My report that Abundant Life Church is moving into the Assembly of God Church building was very premature or, according to some people, is not happening at all.

Hispanic Voice

with Mary Lou Lumbrera 647-4266

Aaron Arguijo has been shipped to Saudi Arabia for the next eight months. This will be his last trip overseas and he will be getting out in May. He has been in the service for three years and in time he has spent most of that time out at sea. His family has asked to keep him in our prayers.

Well folks, we have survived Memorial Day cookouts, Fourth of July cookouts, birthdays, anniversaries, quinceaneras, sunburns, mosquito bites,

baseball and lots of other things and it's time to start cooling off.

Now that summer is almost over, do we really want it to end?

As for me - yes. I feel parched. I looked up the word parched in the dictionary and it says: hot, very dry, feverish, thirsty, roasted, scorched and that's how I feel, but that cool blast of air on Sunday makes me feel a little better. I'm in a better mood.

Labor Day is a national legal holiday that is more

than 100 years old. Some people un-officially call it the last fling of summer.

A resolution was passed to hold a celebration to honor the working class, now designated as Labor Day.

In the past, many colleges, second and elementary schools began classes immediately after Labor Day. I'm sure there are lots of us that remember that. Boy, how things have changed.

The Hispanic Voice would

like to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith on their Musical Tribute (Opus) this coming weekend. They have accomplished much.

I didn't get any phone

calls this week and I didn't have much to say. If you have something for me, call and I will come get it or e-mail me, phone me.

Middleace@yahoo.com

Prayers are asked for Ralph Ramos, Ricarda Acevedo, Marcelina Acevedo, Maria Aleman, Rita Aleman, Marcelo Aguilar, Julia Aguilar, Joaquin DeLaCruz.

Foreign workers in the United States

BY MARY JANE SHANES
Social Security Manager ,
Plainview

A colleague of mine recently returned from a trip to an amusement park in Southern California. He said that while there, he struck up a conversation with a young food service worker from Denmark. She told my colleague that she was visiting the United States for the summer and that she had gotten the job at the amusement park through an English-language school that was sponsoring her trip. My colleague asked me if this young Danish visitor was issued a Social Security number and if taxes were being deducted from her paycheck. Although I obviously do not know the facts of this particular case, the answers are probably "yes" and "yes." Many people often wonder if non-U.S. citizens can get Social Security numbers. Although there are exceptions, the general rule is that only noncitizens who are legally authorized to work in this country can get Social Security numbers. And once they work, they generally pay income taxes and sometimes all of the other taxes that other workers pay.

Before people come to the United States to work, they have to get documents from the Department of Homeland

Security - formerly the Immigration and Naturalization Service - showing their immigration status and eligibility to work while in the United States. Once they have a U.S. visa and other DHS documentation showing their eligibility to work, and after they arrive in this country, they can apply for a Social Security number and card from the Social Security Administration. Social Security takes great care to pay attention to legal requirements and rules of evidence. For example, to get a Social Security number, foreign workers usually will need to show us documents which prove the following:

Age - Birth certificates are generally the best evidence of age and must be presented, if they are available or can be obtained easily. If not, we can consider other documents, such as passports or documents issued by DHS.

Identity - We must see a document other than a birth certificate that shows the name the visitors want on their Social Security card. We prefer a recently issued document with a photograph, such as a document issued by DHS.

Immigration status - We need to see the DHS

document I-94, Arrival/Departure Record, issued when the visitors arrived in the United States, showing lawful immigration status. **Eligibility to work** - For most foreign workers, the I-94, Arrival/Departure Record usually proves eligibility to work. But if workers are exchange visitors (such as the amusement park worker my colleague talked to), they must provide a form called the DS-2019, Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor (J-1) Status. And if they are in the United States as students or international visitors, they will also need original, signed letters from their sponsors showing authorization to work. After we have all of this evidence, we must take one more step before we can issue a Social Security number.

We must verify the documents are authentic with DHS. Sometimes that can be done online in a matter of days. But other times, we have to do the verification by mail, and that can take several weeks or months.

I hope that helps everyone understand that we take many steps to ensure that only foreign visitors who are authorized to have a Social Security number get a Social Security number.

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PEOPLE

DHS students attend workshop at Angelo State

In July, six members of the Dimmitt High School Student Council joined 200 other student leaders from across the state at a week long leadership workshop at Angelo State University.

This unique and life-changing experience allowed students and sponsors the opportunity to learn strategies and increase skills needed to effectively operate their high school student councils.

Students met in workshop councils to establish a mock high school, elect officers, select a mascot, create a school song and select school colors. Each council completed a service project by the end of the week.

Those attending from Dimmitt included Caleb Dickerson, Sheena Ehly, Jeremy Norman, Kami Sanders, Ryan Miller, Heidi Villalba and Krisse Bruton, sponsor.



Wesley V. Mays and Meagan Elise Fregia
Mays - Fregia

Robert Dugot Fregia of Flower Mound has announced the engagement and approaching marriage of his daughter, Meagan Elise Fregia, to Wesley V. Mays, son of Anthony and Mary Mays of Dimmitt.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Edward S. Marcus High School in Flower Mound.

The prospective groom is a 1997 graduate of Dimmitt High School.

The wedding is set for Sept. 27, 2003, in Flower Mound.



Mr. and Mrs. Dagon Boyd Newton

Roberson-Newton

Allison Deanna Roberson and Dagon Boyd Newton, both of Amarillo, were married at Las Tiendas in Amarillo on Aug. 16, 2003, with Virgil Feinsod officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Bill and Karen Roberson of Dimmitt.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Luig of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Danny Newton of Lubbock.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

She wore a formal length white, spaghetti-strap dress, with the bodice heavily adorned with silver embroidery attached to a gently flowing, sparsely embroidered skirt.

She wore a pearl necklace belonging to her grandmother, Jane McKeever.

The necklace was a gift to her grandmother from her grandfather, Stanley McKeever, more than 50 years ago.

The bride's mother was also married in the pearl necklace. She carried a bouquet of fresh yellow, white and lilac daisies, accented with pink carnations.

Maid of honor was Emily Roberson of Amarillo, sister of the bride.

Bridesmaids were Kacie Bell of Amarillo and Larissa Fuentes of Lubbock, friends of the bride.

Best man was Jim Don Laurent of Dimmitt, a friend of the groom. Groomsmen were Justin Newman of Lubbock and Ben Pattison of Amarillo.

Ring bearer was Kaden Stuart, nephew of the groom; flower girl was Kenzie Stuart, niece of the groom, both of Keller.

Ushers were Jim Dickens, a friend of the groom and Clint Birdwell, a cousin of the groom, both of Lubbock; Jerry Thomas of Dimmitt, a friend of the bride; and Todd Beckum of Amarillo, a friend of the bride.

For the outdoor courtyard wedding, a garden arch was decorated with ivy and white daisy mums interlaced with purple grapes.

Bridesmaids wore lilac satin dresses made in a style chosen by each bridesmaid. The dresses were complimented by a seafoam and lilac shawl.

Each bridesmaid carried a long-stemmed bouquet composed of a variety of lilac, white and seafoam flowers, tied with an iridescent bow.

The reception was held at the Las Tiendas courtyard.

The bride is a 1999 graduate of Dimmitt High School.

She is a senior at WTAMU and is employed by Dr. Charles Osborn.

The groom is a 1996 graduate of Dimmitt High School.

The couple will live in Amarillo.

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Clerk	\$27,600	\$27,600	\$4,800-Juvenile Board salary
Justice of Peace	\$25,560	\$25,560	
Treasurer	\$27,600	\$27,600	
Constable	\$18,912	\$18,912	
Tax Assesor/Collector	\$27,600	\$27,600	
Sheriff	\$29,436	\$28,236	\$1,200-Uniform
Commissioners	\$21,864	\$21,864	

Officials are reimbursed for official travel by personal transportation at \$.28 per mile.

The proposed budget is on file in the County Clerks' Office for public inspection.

An open meeting will be conducted on September 10, 2003 at 2:00 P.M. in the Commissioners' Court shall take action on the proposed budget and the proposed tax rate for fiscal year 2003.

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CHURCH NEWS



God's will be done

Whose will do you want to be done in your life?

Too many times we make our own plans for our life and we spend much time and hard work making sure those plans see fulfillment. The fact of the matter is if those plans aren't God's will, you and I can't work hard enough to accomplish them. We must understand that God is in total control of our lives and therefore we should desire that His will be done. We have to set aside our selfish motivations and mindset and pray that God's will be done in our lives.

While Jesus walked on this earth his concern was that God's will be done in his physical life. "Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, 'My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.'" (Mt. 26:39) Jesus prayed this same prayer two more times in reference to the cross that he would endure on the very next morning. Notice that Jesus prayed "not as I will, but as you will," in other words, it was his desire that the Father's will be done.

As difficult as it may be, I'm persuaded that we must have the same mindset as



Chuck Ball

Jesus.

James wrote to Christians who busied themselves making plans for the future and not ever considering God's will. "Now, listen, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.' Instead you ought to say, 'If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that.'" (James 4:13,15).

If we would have this attitude that James is referring to, then we wouldn't find ourselves getting near as upset and stressed out when things don't go our way.

My life is about the Lord's will being done.

All I desire is to do the will of the Father in heaven while I travel through this life. Whose will do you want to be done - yours or God's?

A maintenance program for hope

BY JIM DAVIDSON

When it comes to the important subject of "hope", the noted American Psychiatrist Dr. Karl Menninger once said, "Hope is an adventure, a going forward, a confident search for a rewarding life." Have you ever thought about the importance of "hope" and what it means in your life? It has been said that a human being can live for three months without food, for three days without water, for three minutes without air, but he can't live for three seconds without hope. While this may stretch your imagination a bit, it nevertheless makes a very important point. Hope...we can't live without it.

As you ponder this a moment, I want to tell you about getting to know a wonderful lady by the name of Susie Vanderlip. Our chance meeting by e-mail and over the phone came about when an editor of a newspaper that runs this column asked me if I would be willing to visit with her about getting her column syndicated. I've had many requests like this over the years and I am willing to try to help anyone if I can. As I've said before, it's the only way I can ever repay the hundreds of people who have helped me.

Susie Vanderlip lives with her clinical psychologist husband, Dr. Ken Vanderlip in Orange County, California. She is a graduate of UCLA where she minored in modern dance and now is an Associate Professor in Dance at Coastline Community College where she taught for 12 years. Susie is also a professional speaker and author and is one of less than 500 people in the world to earn the "Certified Speaking Professional", the highest earned designation from the National Speakers Association.

Her life, however, has not been without tragedy. In August of 1984 her first husband died of an unintentional drug overdose of alcohol, cocaine and the pain killer Percodan. Eight years after his death, Susie went into the dance studio to choreograph a piece about relationships. Over the next six months, writing, choreographing, rehearsing and Beta testing the material on a wide variety of audiences, something happened that would forever change her life. As she responded to audience questions, she felt as though God put a "burning bush" on her doorstep.

This led to the development of a program

that she named "Legacy Of Hope." Her focus today is speaking to young people and adults and guiding teens successfully through the landmines of adolescence, including alcohol and drugs, teen violence, sexuality, gangs, suicide and emotional distress. This is what her column is about and while at this point she only has one paper, she has a message that people need to hear. She is not only committed but she has been there and done that.

From my heart I wish Susie well and will help her any way I can, but as I thought about her program "Legacy of Hope" and exposing teens and parents to really good concepts and insights, I also thought about what would happen in their lives as they moved on and later came into contact with many negative and evil influences.

This reminded me of the

overweight person who loses 30 to 50 pounds only to gain it back when they get off the diet. What they need is a great maintenance program, one they can stay on for life.

You have the right to disagree, but at this point I'm going to be bold enough to say that what we all need is "A MAINTENANCE PROGRAM FOR HOPE." The only lasting and eternal hope that I know about is to have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. When Jesus comes into our life, He changes us forever and our lives will never be the same again. It's the only way to successfully deal with all those negative and evil influences that I talked about earlier.

(Jim Davidson is a motivational speaker and syndicated columnist. You may contact him at 2 Bentley Drive, Conway, AR 72034.)

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Correction

In last week's edition of the Castro County News, a pre-mature statement was made concerning Abundant Life Family Church moving into the Assembly of God building.

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The Idle American

We have been "proverbed" by the Chinese to light candles instead of curse the darkness. Alas, the world seems to be too often at midnight, and where are the candles when we need them?.....

One person, though, still buys them in bulk. He is Dr. Bill Cosby, a man known for going millions of extra miles, lightening loads and lighting the way.....

The heavy-duty load of being president of Baylor University in these days was lightened a few days back when the BU prexy received a phone call from Dr. Cosby in New York. Dr. Robert Sloan, quick to sense it was the "real Bill Cosby," asked three times if he understood the offer—the one Dr. Cosby was making to lead a rally in Waco—at no charge.

What a deal! The event was set for Sept. 4 at Floyd Casey Stadium. The facility will seat 50,000 fans, and the biggest crowd since the golden days of Coach Grant Teaff seems certain.

At a hastily-arranged news conference about Dr. Cosby's appearance, a call was made to New York. Dr. Cosby answered. "This is Robert Sloan at Baylor," the president said, and the benefactor, always "on stage," retorted, "Robert who?" That, of course, was Bill Cosby being Bill Cosby. He's the real deal.

"I want to let the world know what a great place Baylor is," Dr. Cosby said.

There's a certain irony that a world-renowned entertainer well known for his "dental chair bit" will appear on the same field where 25 years ago, Teaff inspired his team with a graphic illustration of preparedness. He told of two Eskimo fishermen, one of whom caught many fish and the other caught none. Asked how he caught so many, the fisherman mumbled.

"You have to keep the bait warm," he said. "I'll do my part, fellas," Teaff said, placing a four-inch night crawler into his mouth. Walter Abercrombie, a star player just a few feet away, says he remembers seeing the worm's tail wiggling outside coach's mouth, or was it the head?*

Whatever, the Bears proceeded to beat the University of Texas, 38-14, costing the "Horns a Cotton Bowl berth. At about the same time, Cosby was perfecting his "visit to the dentist" routine—one reprised thousands of times in the past quarter-century.... Both men are proven candle lighters, and both can mumble effectively....

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The Nazareth Independent School District Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and waive all formalities.

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Dimmitt falls to Friona

The Dimmitt Bobcats came out flat and worked themselves into a hole that they never got out of Friday in Friona, losing 40-21.

"There's a lot of things we need to work on," Coach Glen Dunnam said. "We need to improve on the running game."

Quarterback Nicky Gauna, who was injured in the first scrimmage of the year, played and threw the ball well, passing for 281 yards.

"We've got to have more of a running game," Dunnam said. "We have to be more balanced overall. We have to have a better game running the football. Otherwise the defense can key in on the receivers and our quarterback."

He said his offensive line did well pass blocking, "but



DIMMITT'S MATTHEW SANDERS (44) is downed by Friona as three Bobcats react from mid-field: Omar Pena, Aaron Herrera and Jared Bell.

we need to do a better job run blocking.

"But most of the night, we had enough time to throw the football."

"We missed a few

assignments here and there that we can correct. Four of the five linemen, it's there first time to start. Now they've got a game under their belt and they got better

the second half."

On defense, he said, the team has got to tackle better.

"We need more intensity from the entire unit," Dunnam said.

"We just weren't getting them down. They were able to run through too many arm

tackles.

"We gave up way too many big plays."

Dunnam said he saw bright spots on both sides of the ball, but "we can't have one or two people do well; we have to have more people step up and do a good job.

"We've got to make some corrections and do a better job on special teams. Special teams hurt us.

"But it's nothing we can't

straighten out. The first time in a game situation is always a question mark."

The Bobcats host Denver City at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

"We're going to have to cut out a lot of mistakes and play sound, solid football to beat Denver City," Dunnam said.

"They have good teams year in, year out. We're going to have to play a solid game in all three phases."

2003 Bobcat Football Schedule

VARSITY

Date	Team	Place	Time
Sept. 5	Denver City	Here	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 12	Floydada	There	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 19	Abernathy**	Here	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 26	River Road	There	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 3	OPEN		
Oct. 10	* Slaton	There	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 17	* Littlefield	Here	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 24	* Muleshoe	There	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 31	* Brownfield	There	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 7	* Lub. Cooper #	Here	7:30 p.m.

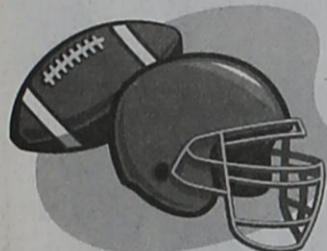
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Sept. 11	Floydada	Here	5/6:30 p.m.
Sept. 18	Abernathy	There	5/6:30 p.m.
Sept. 25	River Road	Here	5/6:30 p.m.
Oct. 2	OPEN		
Oct. 9	* Slaton	Here	5/6:30 p.m.
Oct. 16	* Littlefield	There	5/6:30 p.m.
Oct. 23	* Muleshoe	Here	5/6:30 p.m.
Oct. 30	* Brownfield	Here	5/6:30 p.m.
Nov. 6	* Lub. Cooper	There	5/6:30 p.m.

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Sept. 11	Floydada	There	5/6:30 p.m.
Sept. 18	Abernathy	Here	5/6:30 p.m.
Sept. 25	River Road	There	5/6:30 p.m.
Oct. 2	Friona	Here	5/6:30 p.m.
Oct. 9	* Slaton	There	5/6:30 p.m.
Oct. 16	* Littlefield	Here	5/6:30 p.m.
Oct. 23	* Muleshoe	There	5/6:30 p.m.
Oct. 30	* Brownfield	There	5/6:30 p.m.
Nov. 6	* Lub. Cooper	Here	5/6:30 p.m.

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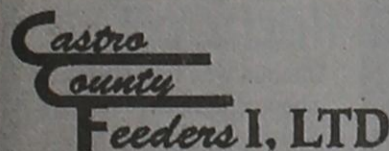
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Errors overpower Swifts as they fall to HP, 35-13

By DAVIE A. BROWDER
Managing Editor

AMARILLO - The Nazareth Swifts got off to a rocky start, falling to Highland Park, 35-13 here Saturday.

Nazareth showed a lot of positive signs, including the team's first score when Jordy Rowland picked off a Highland Park pass and returned it 37 yards for a score. The kick by Trey Robb was good and at that point, the Swifts led 7-6. But that was the first quarter. In the next two quarters, the teams traded scores, with Nazareth's second touchdown coming

on a 30-yard Rowland pass to Stuart Sheffy. But in the fourth quarter, the wheels came off the Nazareth team, as errors led Highland Park to three quick scores.

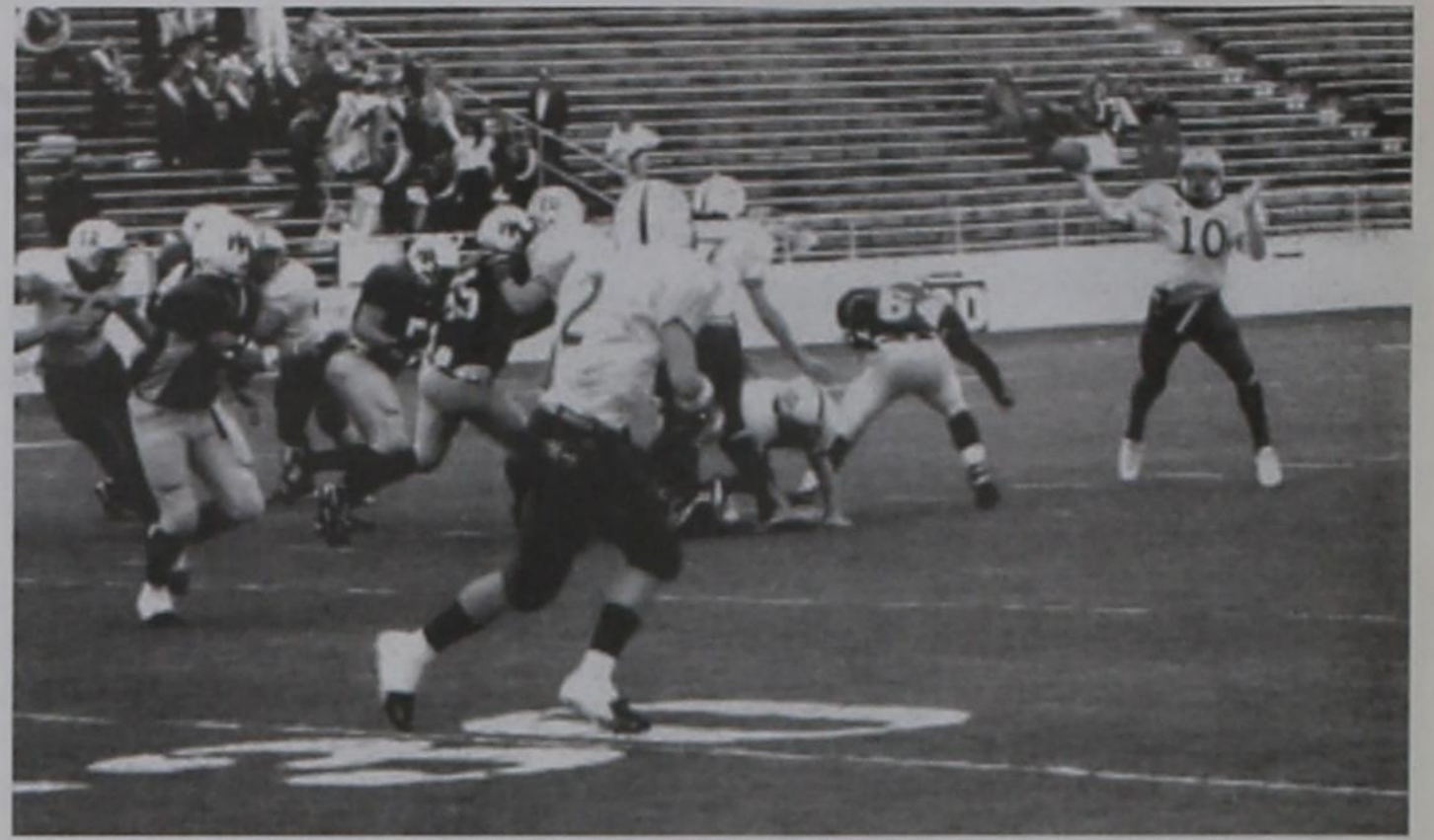
"We didn't play all that bad, just had some mental breakdowns at crucial points of the game and then three big turnovers in the fourth quarter that put us out of the game," said Coach Ricky Peacock. "But that's part of being a young team - making mistakes. We've got to learn to overcome those."

Stat wise, the teams were closely matched - Nazareth had 11 first downs and

Highland Park had 13. Total offense for Nazareth was 220 yards, while it was 310 for the Amarillo team. However, most of the Nazareth offense came on passing with quarterback Rowland completing 14 of 39 for 197 yards, one touchdown and three interceptions.

On defense, Garrett Kleman had a standout game with 17 tackles, followed by Robb with 10, Nathan Huseman with seven, Michael Acker with six, Tyson Schulte with four and Rowland, Monty Hoelting, Andrew Brockman, Edward Wilhelm and Ricky Pena with three each. Sheffy had two tackles and Alan Gerber, Zane Farris, Skyler Birkenfeld and Dusty Tomblin had one tackle each.

"Garrett had a great game," Peacock said. "Part of our defensive scheme is to keep him free to run to



QUARTERBACK JORDY ROWLAND (10) steps back to pick up a receiver as Trey Robb (2) gets in position to catch a pass.

the football to make tackles. We had some solid play up front to help him out. We pretty well controlled them defensively.

"But turnovers hurt us; we gave them short fields. We've got a tough schedule for a reason and that's to help us get better.

There's a lot of things we can do to correct our mistakes of last week."

On offense, Peacock said, "we've still got some work to do on our offensive line on picking up stunt linebackers and blitzes. You can show them just so much in practice.

"We've also got some work to do with our receivers; we had some broken routes. It's nothing we can't fix. It'll just take some work on our part to get it done."

This week the Swifts host Anton for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff Friday.

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Nazareth Swifts 2003 Football Schedule

VARSITY			
Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Sept. 5	Anton	Home	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 12	Sunray	Home	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 19	White Deer	Away	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 26	Clarendon (homecoming)	Home	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 2	Lubbock Monterey Sophs.	Away (Lowrey)	7 p.m.
Oct. 10	Farwell*	Home	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 17			Open
Oct. 24	Bovina*	Away	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 31	Hart*	Home	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 7	Springlake-Earth*	Away	7:30 p.m.
* denote district games			
JUNIOR VARSITY			
Sept. 4	Anton	Home	6 p.m.
JUNIOR HIGH			
Sept. 11	Bushland	Away	5 p.m.
Sept. 18	Plainview	Away	5 p.m.
Sept. 25	Plainview	Home	5 p.m.
Oct. 3	Bushland	Home	5 p.m.
Oct. 9	FARWELL	Away	5 p.m.
Oct. 16			Open
Oct. 23	BOVINA	Home	5 p.m.
Oct. 30	HART	Away	5 p.m.
Nov. 6	SPRINGLAKE-EARTH	Home	5 p.m.

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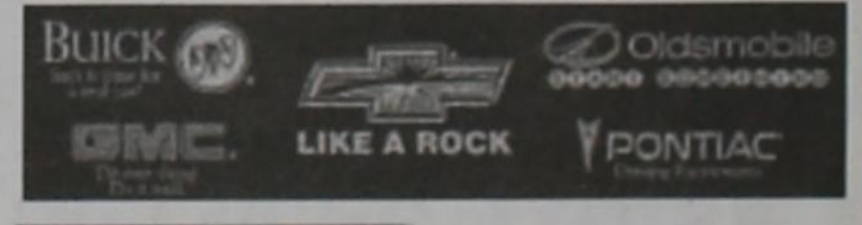
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Eagles topple Longhorns

By BOB LIBBY

LUBBOCK - The Lubbock Roosevelt Eagles toppled the visiting Longhorns 28-0 in a weather shortened game Friday night. Things looked good early on for Hart after stopping a Roosevelt drive with Sergio Dominguez recovering a fumble after an A.J. Carrasco hit. On the ensuing play, Roosevelt

returned the favor with a 25-yard touchdown interception by Nathan Stone. Hart was unable to muster up any offense and Roosevelt scored once again in the first quarter on an eight-yard pass from quarterback Roosevelt Tennison to Terrell Green making the first-quarter score 14-0. The Longhorns offense was

unable to get on track in the second quarter against the much larger and very aggressive Eagle defense.

After recovering a Longhorn fumble, Tennison scored once again on an improvised play from 21 yards out to make the score 21-0.

There was then a 30-minute lightning delay before play resumed. Roosevelt was able to

score on an 18-yard touchdown run by Nathan Stone to make the final score 28-0. The game was called at the half due to lightning.

The Longhorn defense had a pretty good night. With the exception of several big plays, they played pretty consistent.

The punting game showed a lot of improvement from last year. Matt Gonzales punted the ball consistently as the Longhorns were able to contain the Eagle returns. Individually Carrasco at linebacker and Eran Castillo at safety had good games. The Longhorns will play a

tough New Deal team at 7:30 p.m. on Friday in Hart. New Deal runs the Wing T and creates a lot of motion to give opposing defenses different looks. Their quarterback is probably the player that can do the most damage. He is a good runner and a passer.



THE HART BOYS cross country team placed second at Brownfield in the A, 2A, and 3A class meet. All of the boys medaled. Left to right with their times are: Benjamin Montemayor 19:27, 21st.; Marcus Reyna 18:57, 16th; Roy Robledo 17:54, fourth; David Diaz 19:09, 18th; David Cisneros 18:45; and Eric Menchaca 20:09.

Panhandle Community Services named No. 1 for 12th year

Panhandle Community Services was recently awarded the honor of being named No. 1 in the state of Texas for assisting people achieve self-sufficiency. The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs bestows monetary awards to top community action agencies that have transitioned people out of poverty. This is the 12th year in a row that Panhandle Community Services has won this coveted award.

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Hart Longhorn 2003 Football Schedule

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Sept. 12	Morton	Here	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 19	Boys Town	There	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 26			OPEN
Oct. 3	Petersburg- Homecoming		7:30 p.m.
Oct. 10	* Bovina	There	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 17	* Farwell	There	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 24	* Springlake-Earth	Here	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 31	* Nazareth	There	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 7	Amar. Christian Fellow.	Here	7:30 p.m.

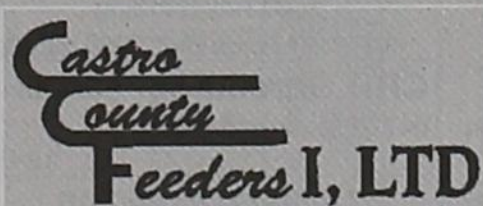
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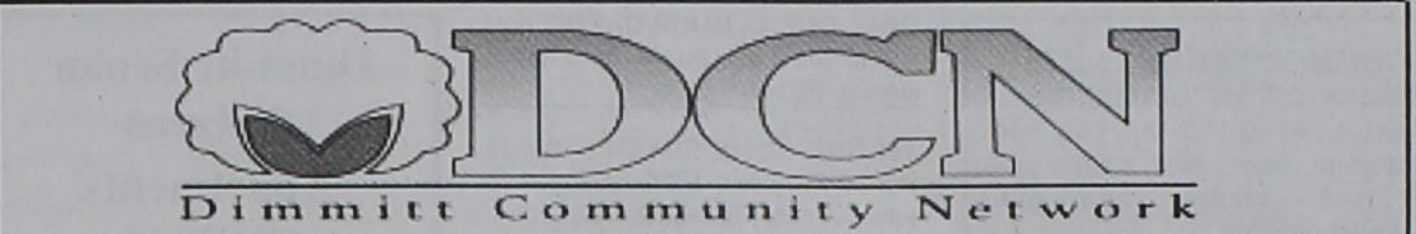
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Reminder: You must complete the application forms & receive a password BEFORE you can take a class or use the Network computers.

Dimmitt Community Network Class Schedule

- Computer Animation** - September 2, 9, 16, 23 (four Tuesdays), Newman, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Learning Lab
- Digital Editing** - September 2, 9 (two Tuesdays), Ketchum, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., City Hall, Technology Center
- Laptop Computers** - September 3 (one Wednesday only), Ketchum, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Dimmitt Middle School Distance Learning Lab
- Forensic Science** - September 3, 10, 17, 24 (four Wednesdays), Snitker & Snitker, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., City Hall, Technology Center
- Robotics** - September 4, 11, 18, 25 (four Thursdays), Mendez, Collins & Collins 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Learning Lab
- Beginning Computers** - September 20, 27 (two Saturdays) Steffens 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., City Hall, Technology Center
- Make It & Take It** - September 8 & 15, (two Mondays) Newman & Snitker 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Senior Citizens Center, Learning Lab
- Quilt Design** - September 11, 18, 25, (three Thursdays) Hays, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Learning Lab
- Computer Trouble Shooting** - September 17, 24, (two Wednesdays), Winkle, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Learning Lab
- Microsoft Excel** - September 18, 25, (two Thursdays), McLain, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., City Hall, Technology Center
- Make a Movie** - September 22, 29, (two Mondays), Newman, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Senior Citizens Center, Learning Lab
- GED** - (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday of each week in September), Devers, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Panhandle Community Services Lab
- English as a Second Language** - (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday - Each week in September), Devers, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Panhandle Community Services Lab

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Quilt Design - Must be able to use the mouse, keyboard and windows.

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Laptop Computers - Interested in buying one? Want to learn to use one? Learn all the parts and what you can do!

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Microsoft Excel - Must be able to use mouse, keyboard, windows and various programs. Create workbooks/spreadsheets.

Rosetta Stone - Must be able to use the mouse, keyboard and windows. Learn to use the Rosetta Stone language program. This program allows you to learn either Spanish or English. This particular class will be taught in Spanish.

Troubleshooting - Must be able to use a mouse, keyboard, windows and various programs. Learn why your computer is acting the way it is and what to do about it. Take apart and put together a computer.

Make-It & Take-It - Must be able to use a mouse, keyboard and windows. Utilizing digital cameras, scanners and Word Art to embellish a T-shirt, mouse pad, coaster and tote bag. Students must bring their own T-Shirt.

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Separate bids will be received for each bid package or a combination of bid packages.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at 3:00 P.M. local time, 11 Sept. 2003. All interested parties should meet at the Superintendent's Office, Nazareth, Texas.

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The Dimmitt Board of Adjustment is scheduled to conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, September 9, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. in the Public Works Office 905 W. Bedford, to discuss and consider a variance of section 14-21 of the City code for Joe Weatherford who is planning to construct a carport located at 622 N.W. 7th which will be located within the 5ft. interior property line and the front property line "No Construction Zone" as established by 14-21 of the City Code. Persons wishing to make comments both for and against this request for a variance may attend the public hearing or they may review the request for a hearing at the office of the Department of Public Works, 905 E. Bedford between the hours 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The Dimmitt Board of Adjustment does exercise all rights and privileges as established by article 1011g of the Vernon's Civil Statutes.

Karen Hutson
Code Enforcement Officer
City of Dimmitt 23-1tc-162

The Dimmitt Board of Adjustment is scheduled to conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, September 9, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. in the Public Works Office 905 W. Bedford, to discuss and consider a variance of section 14-21 of the City code for Juan and Irene Granado who are planning to construct a carport located at 712 S.W. 4th which will be located within the 5ft. interior property line and the front property line

Community Calendar

DMS 6th grade parent-teacher meeting set

Parents of sixth graders at Dimmitt Middle School are invited to a Parent-Teacher meeting set for 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 9, in the Middle School Library.

First Fruits potluck supper at Home Merc

County fairs and local fall festivals have their roots in an ancient tradition of people giving thanks for the late summer harvest. In earlier times, people in cultures the world over held ceremonies where the first and best fruits from their harvest were offered to the Creator.

In thanksgiving for the harvest, on Sunday evening, Sept. 14, the Home Mercantile will host a "First Fruits" potluck supper and ceremony. Anyone interested is invited to bring a dish featuring some fresh or canned vegetable or fruit from this summer's garden, field or orchard. The supper will begin at 5pm. After the supper, there will be an ecumenical prayer service of thanksgiving, commemorating the Feast of the Holy Cross, celebrated on Sept. 14.

As part of the evening observance, people are invited to bring surplus foods that they have preserved, and to participate in a "Food Swap." For example, anyone with an abundance of green beans, canned or fresh, can swap them for some other vegetable that someone else has in abundance. It should all make for an entertaining evening, to which all are heartily invited, whether you can bring provisions or not.

FFA to sell Krispy Kremes

The Dimmitt FFA will be selling Krispy Kreme donuts at the Expo Building at 8 a.m., Sept. 6, before the Harvest Days Parade.

For early orders, please call 647-3105 and ask for the Ag Shop.

Adult basic education offered

Region 16 Education Service Center is offering Adult Basic Education from 6 to 8 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday. The classes will be taught at 115 E. Bedford in Dimmitt. For more information, call 945-2602.

Classes begin Tuesday, Sept. 2. Future orientation/enrollment dates are set for the week of Oct. 6-8, Nov. 3-5, Jan. 5-7, Feb. 2-4, March 1-3 and April 5-7.

DHS Class of 1953 reunion

The Dimmitt High School Class of 1953 will have a 50-year reunion this year during the annual homecoming of the school, Sept. 19-20.

The reunion will begin by meeting for the pep rally at the high school gym at 3 p.m., Friday. Those wishing to attend the football game with Abernathy at 7:30 p.m. that evening can purchase tickets at the gate at Bobcat Stadium.

The festivities will continue Saturday, Sept. 20, at 10 a.m., at the Senior Citizens Building at 218 W. Jones St.

Lunch will be served at noon and the visiting will continue until that afternoon, dismissing in time for those who desire to attend the multi-class reunion at the Fifth Seasons Hotel in Amarillo. The barbecue meal will be served there at 7 p.m.

We would invite any other DHS graduates, parents or others who would like to come by the Senior Citizens to visit and renew old acquaintances to fell welcome.

For questions or suggestions, call Katy (Coke) Wright at (806) 47-4361 or Elmo Blackwell at (806) 647-5299.

Adventure Club to meet at 1st United Methodist

The First United Methodist Church of Dimmitt will be sponsoring the Adventure Club, every Tuesday, from 3:30 to 5 p.m., starting Sept. 9. It is for kids in kindergarten through fifth-grade.

The children will be picked up after school in front of the flag pole at Richardson Elementary and in front of the Cleveland Gym at the Middle School. For more information, contact the church office at 647-4106 or Kim Hatla at 647-3153.

Dimmitt Band reunion 1956-83 set

"Mr. Ralph Smith's Opus," is the theme for the Band Reunion for DHS exes for the years 1956 through 1983 and their parents.

The reunion will be Sept. 6, Saturday, during Harvest Days. Members will participate in the Harvest Days Parade at 10 a.m. and there will be a barbecue, visiting and films at the Expo Center at 5:30 p.m. that same day.

For more information, contact, Teresa Underwood Lindsey at teslindsey@hotmail.com; Delores Wilke Heller at 647-2655 or hellerdelores@hotmail.com; Sharon Lilley Steffey, 938-

2693; Sue Bagwell Boozer, 647-5632; Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce at 647-2524; or look at the website: geocities.com/teslinsey706/bobcatbandreunion2003.html

Multi-class DHS reunion set for Sept. 19-20

A multi-class reunion has been scheduled for Sept. 19-20, 2003, at the Fifth Season Inn West in Amarillo. The members of all classes of 1944 through 1960 and any others who would like to attend will be welcomed.

There will be special rates

for those who call and make reservations and identify themselves with the Dimmitt HS reunion. It will begin with snacks brought by the exes on Friday afternoon and evening. There will be a catered barbecue on Saturday night, Sept. 20. Price will be \$10 per plate and reservations may be made at the time of registration. The meetings will be held in The Amarillo Room. A brief business meeting will be held after the meal on Saturday night.

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Calendar Events

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High School Student Council Meeting -noon
Football: JV vs Denver City - There - 6 p.m.

Friday, September 5

DMS - G/T Trip to Lubbock - Cowboy Symposium
High School Pep Rally - 3:30 p.m.
Football: Varsity vs Denver City - Here - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 6

Harvest Days Parade - 10 a.m.
High School Band Reunion - "Mr. Smith's Opus"

Monday, September 8

Failure Reports & Grades Due
Federal Programs Meeting - 10:00am
DISD Board of Trustees Meeting - 7:00pm

Tuesday, September 9

INTEL Training for Teachers

Wednesday, September 10

High School - Art Club Meeting - 12:00
High School - Vote for Homecoming Queen & Flame King & Queen

Thursday, Sept. 11

Senior parent meeting at 7 p.m., library, Dimmitt High School

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Tiger League to play

The Tiger League Kansas State Wildcats (5th grade) will play Plainview at Bobcat Stadium at 11:00 a.m. The Wildcats are coached by Jon Riddle.

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Cotton Report

After an early downturn in prices Thursday, cotton futures on the New York Cotton Exchange rebounded to close at a three-week high.

The domestic mill consumption figure for July, released by the National Cotton Council (NCC) on Thursday morning, was said to have initially offered some underlying support to the market. Based on the analysis of government figures, NCC reported U.S. textile mills used cotton at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 7.05 million bales in July.

Although the monthly figure was slightly above market expectations, traders said it suggested domestic mill use for the 2002-03 season probably will be closer to 7.4 million bales rather than USDA's August supply/demand report estimate of 7.3 million bales.

Also released Thursday was USDA's weekly export report, which met the expectations of most industry observers. For the week ended Aug. 21, net upland sales of U.S. cotton totaled 99,600 bales, 29 percent lower than the previous week. The figure also is lower than the 114,500 bales sold at the same time last year. Export shipments of 128,400 bales for the same week were 47 percent lower than the week earlier and a 57 percent decline from the four-week average.

In other news, activity increased considerably on the spot cotton scene. Online sales by Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas producers in the five trading days ending Aug. 28 totaled 27,504 bales, compared to 15,218 bales the previous week. Prices received by producers selling their cotton online ranged from 47.54 to 49.28

cents per pound versus the previous week's 45.12 to 48.50 cents per pound range.

Meanwhile, the National Agricultural Statistics Service reported the condition of the U.S. cotton crop deteriorated in the week ended Aug. 24 when 51 percent of the nation's cotton was rated good to excellent condition, compared with 55 percent one week earlier.

Cotton conditions worsened in six of the 14 primary cotton growing states and remained unchanged in five. The sharpest downturn was registered in Texas, where only 25 percent of the crop was ranked good to excellent, compared with 30 percent the previous week. In the meantime, boll opening was witnessed on 16 percent of the U.S. cotton crop, 11 percentage points lower than the same time last year

and the five-year average.

Weather is expected to become a major factor in the market in the next few weeks as the U.S. cotton crop nears harvest. Attention primarily will be focused on crops in the Delta, Southeast and Texas.

Rain is forecast for cotton growing areas of West Texas over the coming weekend, however, traders believe the moisture will be too little or too late for a crop that has been stressed by hot, dry conditions. Therefore, the forecast has had little affect on the market.

The long awaited precipitation in West Texas will improve soil moisture levels in the region, but much more rain will be needed before drought conditions are alleviated. Analysts in the area say some younger stands will benefit from the precipitation.

Deaf Smith crop day set for Friday

The Deaf Smith County Agriculture Day and Crops Tour is set for Friday, Sept. 5. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the Hereford Community Center, located on Park Avenue in Hereford. The event will feature programs on the market outlook for small grains, small grain production, forage production, late season cotton management, cotton pest management and managing late season pest in corn and grain sorghum.

The afternoon will also feature tours of result demonstration plots and field trials showcasing grain sorghum and cotton production. Registration fee for the event will be \$5 per person, which will include the noon meal and refreshments.

The program begins at 9 a.m. with Dr. Steve Amosson, Agriculture Economist for Texas Cooperative Extension, giving a market outlook for small grains and possible markets alternatives.

Tour stops in the afternoon will include cotton variety test, irrigation studies in corn, cotton and sorghum and grain sorghum variety testing. Stops will be made on the farms of Charles Schlabs, Greg Urbanczyk and Gary Schumacher. Directions will be provided at the morning session.


Producers attending will be given three hours of CEU credit for both private and commercial pesticide applicators. CEU credit for Certified Crop Advisors will also be given. Dennis Newton, Deaf Smith County Extension Agent, states that the program and luncheon are open to all interested producers and agribusinesses and he encouraged all to attend. Persons needing more information should call the Deaf Smith County Office of Texas Cooperative Extension at (806) 364-3573.

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