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Under proposed 2001 Farm Bill

Grain, cotton acres increase; conservation boosted

The House Agriculture Committee on Friday completed the next farm bill designed to bring predictability back to the federal government's farm support programs while enlarging participation in soil and water conservation.

By allowing producers the voluntary choice to update their base acres, and adding counter-cyclical support based on target prices to the already-established 2002 level of transition payments, the Agricultural Act of 2001 (H.R. 2646) provides both the flexibility and predictability that most producers, commodity and farm groups have called for in the next farm bill.

Enlarging participation for soil and water conservation programs by 80 percent above current budget trends, the House Agriculture Committee 2001 Farm Bill provides producers with more options to implement progressive conserving practices on their land, with the backing of increased technical assistance to producers using any government or private contractors.

"House Ag Committee Members made good use of their farming and ranching experience to deliver flexibility and predictability for producers and budget responsibility for taxpayers, as a departure from the uncertainty of the recent year-to-year patchwork of additional financial assistance," said House Agriculture Chairman Larry Combest (R-Texas).

"The bill reported today is a good deal for agriculture and a good deal for taxpayers. Emergency spending by Congress to respond to agriculture's income crisis was proof that our programs need reworking. Today, the Committee took a bold first step toward meeting that need," said Ranking Minority Member Charlie Stenholm (D-Texas).

"This legislation brings together a coalition of interests that will be needed to pass it in the full House and see it signed into law by the end of the year," Stenholm said.

Here are some of the finer points of the House bill.

Commodity Programs

- ◆ Maintains maximum planting flexibility while providing counter-cyclical protection to help farmers weather adverse market conditions.

- ◆ Retains fixed-decoupled payments, as well as the marketing loan program. Marketing loan rates are maintained for all commodities except oilseeds, which are reduced to a level equivalent to other commodities, and grain sorghum which is raised to a level equivalent to corn.

- ◆ Provides producers with the option to update base acreage. Current base yields are maintained. Both fixed-decoupled, and counter-cyclical payments are made on the producer's base.

- ◆ For oilseeds and farms without current AMTA payment base and yields, the Secretary is directed to develop payment yields that are comparable to current AMTA yields in the area.

- ◆ Counter-cyclical payments are triggered when a crop's price, adjusted for the fixed decoupled payment, is below the target price. The payment rate for a crop would be calculated as the difference between its target price and the sum of the following components:

- (a) The higher of the national 12-month season average price received by producers, or the national average loan.

- (b) The fixed decoupled payment rate.

- ◆ Payment limits are set at \$50,000 for fixed decoupled payments, \$75,000 for counter-cyclical payments and \$150,000 for marketing loan gains and loan deficiency payments.

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CRYSTAL DIEGO beams after being named Miss Hart Friday night at the city's Centennial Plaza. She also was chosen Miss Congeniality by her fellow contestants. Directly behind the new Miss Hart are the other four finalists, (from left) Marsela Morales, first runner-up and winner of the Judges' Award; Valerie Ellis,

fourth runner-up; Ashley Martinez, third runner-up; and Kathleen Diaz, second runner-up. Crowned by Miss Hart 2000, Kellie George, the new Miss Hart is the daughter of Andy and Senobia Diego and was sponsored in the pageant by the Hart branch of Hale County State Bank. Photo by Carter Townsend

Clothing and shoes will be exempt from sales tax this weekend

Texans will get a break from paying sales tax on many back-to-school clothing items next weekend during the state's third annual sales tax holiday, which has been slated for Friday through Sunday.

"On the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August, no state or local sales tax will be charged on most clothing and footwear priced under \$100," said Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander.

"The sales tax holiday provides much-needed tax relief for hard-working Texas families and lets them stretch their budgets a little farther as they shop for school clothes for the kids and work clothes for mom and dad," Rylander said.

Several local stores are featuring "sales tax holiday specials" to help the people of Castro County even more this year.

This year the sales tax holiday is expected to save Texans \$31.2 million in state sales taxes and \$8.4 million in local sales taxes. Cities have the option to not waive local sales tax during the tax holiday, but no community has opted out of the event this year.

The rules for the 2001 sales tax holiday are the same as in previous years.

During the three-day period,

most children's and adult's clothing and footwear priced under \$100 will be exempt from sales taxes. Customers may purchase as many tax-exempt items as they wish.

Clothing and footwear used primarily for athletics or protective wear, such as golf cleats or football pads, are not tax exempt; however, tennis shoes, baseball caps, jogging suits and other athletic clothes that are commonly worn on the street are eligible for the tax exemption.

Accessories, jewelry, watches, handbags, wallets and briefcases are not tax exempt.

Items previously placed on layaway may be redeemed tax-free during the sales tax holiday, and items placed on layaway during the sales tax holiday may be redeemed tax-free later.

School supplies and backpacks will not be tax exempt.

During the first two sales tax holidays in 1999 and 2000, Texans saved an estimated \$69.6 million, including \$54.8 million in state sales tax and \$14.8 million in local sales taxes.

For more information about the sales tax holiday and a list of tax-exempt and non-exempt items, see the comptroller's web site at www.window.state.tx.us or call the tax assistance hotline at 1-800-252-5555.

Fire danger is extreme

The combination of extremely high temperatures, minimal moisture, and sections of parched grassland have resulted in potentially dangerous situations across the area.

Fire fighters in Castro County have been battling grass fire after grass fire over the past month.

Lightning strikes, sparks from trash, and fallen power lines have resulted in a combined seven fires this week. Once a spark connects with grassland, it's not long before a

full fledged fire rages across the dehydrated pasture.

The situation doesn't look to improve without significant rainfall, but the forecast is not promising.

Last year's dry spell totaled 0.43 inches of rain. This year, for the month of July, we have received a mere 0.12 inches of rain.

The temperature has risen to near record breaking highs daily. For the month of July, Castro County recorded seven days reaching the triple digits.

Monday night north of Dimmitt, a bolt of lightning sent the CRP up in flames. The fire burned many sections but did no structural damage.

Dimmitt Fire Chief Randy Griffitt said it is critical to avoid all burning right now. "This includes burning inside of town," he added.

A fire in Nazareth Tuesday afternoon left many residence without electricity for hours.

"It is a good idea to keep everything shredded down right now," said Nazareth fireman Virgil Wilhelm. "Even if we receive rain the grass underneath is still dry and potentially dangerous," he added.

Hopefully, the month of August will bring some relief to the heat and drought. As one local farmer recently said, all we can do is pray for rain.

Registration schedules announced by schools

School teachers and administrators across Castro County are preparing lesson plans and getting ready for the 2001-2002 school year, and one of the first things on the agenda is registering students.

The schools in Castro County have scheduled their registration times. Dimmitt students will register on Friday, Aug. 10 as will Nazareth students. Hart students will register throughout the week of Aug. 13-17. Students in Nazareth will report for classes on Monday, Aug. 13. Dimmitt students will start school three days later on Aug. 16. Hart students will report for school the next week on Monday, Aug. 20.

Registration will conclude on Friday, Aug. 17 with eighth graders registering at 8 a.m. and seventh graders registering at 10 a.m.

Hart's first day of school is Aug. 20.

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Pray for rain

	High	Low	Prec.
Thursday	99	64	
Friday	96	64	
Saturday	96	65	.03
Sunday	96	64	
Monday	100	67	
Tuesday	97	68	.07
Wednesday	96	61	

July Moisture	0.12
August Moisture	0.00
2001 Moisture	13.81

Readings taken every day at 7 a.m. at KDHN, official National Weather Service recording station for Dimmitt.

Hart

On Monday, Aug. 13, high school seniors will register at 10 a.m. and juniors will register at 1 p.m. On Aug. 14, sophomores are expected to sign up at 1 p.m. On Aug. 15, freshman will register at 10 a.m.



DELIGHTFUL DILEMMA—While getting a haircut in Lynn West's barber shop, Ewell Kelley scans the newspaper for ideas on how to use his income-tax rebate. He can make his rebate check from the US Treasury stretch even farther by taking advantage of the state's "Sales Tax Holiday" specials this weekend. Photo by Don Nelson

Sales Tax Holiday Tax-Free Items

Baby clothes	Jogging apparel (bras, suits, shorts)
Bathing suits	Neckwear and ties
Belts with attached buckles	Pajamas
Caps/hats (baseball, fishing, golf, knitted)	Pants and trousers
Choir robes	Raincoats and ponchos
Coats and wraps	Robes
Costumes	Shirts
Diapers (adult and baby)	Shoes (sandals, slippers, sneakers, tennis, walking)
Dresses	Socks (including athletics)
Gloves (generally)	Shorts
Gym suits and uniforms	Suits, slacks and jackets
Hooded shirts and sweatshirts	Sweatshirts
Hosiery	Sweat suits
Jackets	Sweaters
Jeans	Swim suits and trunks
Jerseys (football and baseball)	Underwear
	Work clothes and uniforms

Ranchers must renew brands with county clerk

Livestock producers are required to renew their brands with the county clerk's office, and they must do so by Feb. 28, 2002.

Castro County Clerk Joyce Thomas said she will begin processing requests for brand registration renewals on Thursday, Aug. 30.

Producers have until Feb. 28, 2002, to renew their brand registration.

Brands that are not renewed by March 1, 2001, becomes void and will become "open brands," available for registration by the general public.

Producers who have brands registered in more than one county in Texas must contact the county clerk's office to renew their brand in each location.

The recording fee will be \$11 per brand, per location, according to Thomas.

More about

Farm Bill . . .

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Loan rates, fixed decoupled payment rates and target prices

Crop	\$/Unit	Loan Rates	Fixed Rate	Target Prices
Wheat	Bu.	\$2.58	\$0.53	\$4.04
Corn	Bu.	\$1.89	\$0.30	\$2.78
Sorghum	Bu.	\$1.89	\$0.36	\$2.64
Barley	Bu.	\$1.65 #	\$0.25	\$2.39
Oats	Bu.	\$1.21 #	\$0.025	\$1.47
Upland Cotton	Lb.	\$0.5192	\$0.667	\$7.36
Rice	Cwt. \$6.50	\$2.35	\$10.82	
Soybeans	Bu.	\$4.92	\$0.42	\$5.86
Minor Oilseeds	Lb.	\$0.087	\$0.0074	\$0.1036

#—Set by formula taking into account the feed value relative to corn.

Other Crops

Sugar—Eliminate marketing assessment on sugar, reduce the CCC interest rate on price support loans, authorize a payment-in-kind program, reestablishes the no-net-cost concept feature of the program and provides the Secretary authority to implement allotments for sugar producers.

Dairy—Extends the milk price support program at \$9.90 per cwt. through 2011.

Wool and Mohair—Creates a marketing assistance loan program similar to other program commodities. Provides producers price support loans or loan deficiency payments. Loan rates would be \$1 per pound for graded wool, \$0.40 per pound for nongraded wool and \$4.20 per pound for mohair.

Honey—Creates a marketing assistance loan program similar to other program commodities. Provides producers with price support loans or loan deficiency payments. The loan rate would be \$0.60 per pound.

Peanuts—Makes historic reform to peanut program to make peanuts similar to other traditional program crops. Provides a fixed decoupled payment at \$0.018 per pound, counter cyclical program with a target price of \$480 per ton and marketing loan at \$350 per ton. It terminates the marketing quota program and compensates the quota holders for the loss of the quota asset value at \$0.10 per pound per year for five years.

Fruits and Vegetables—Gives the Secretary sole authority to combat outbreaks of plant and animal diseases with emergency funds, retains planting restriction of fruits and vegetables on base acres, provides additional \$200 million in spending authority for surplus commodity purchases under Section 32, increases the Market Access Program (MAP) by \$110 million per year, creates a Technical Assistance Specialty Crop (TASC) fund to assist with trade barriers, provides \$15 million per year through 2011 for the Senior's Farmers Market Program—a program administered through States that provides vouchers, or coupons to seniors to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables at farmers markets, and significantly increases EQIP funding with targeted spending for water conservation assistance.

Conservation

The conservation section devotes over \$16 billion over 10 years to soil, water and wildlife programs. This represents over a 75% increase in baseline spending. Program changes include:

◆ Reauthorizes the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) through 2011 with a 39.5 million-acre enrollment cap. Secretary may permit harvesting of biomass for energy on CRP acreage with a reduction in rental rate.

◆ Reauthorizes the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) through 2011 at \$1.2 billion annual program level, with livestock producers receiving 50% of annual funding. In addition, a \$675 million fund is created in EQIP to address ground water conservation issues, including cost share for more efficient irrigation systems. In addition, there is explicit authority for the Secretary to implement an incentives payment program for producers of annual and perennial crops, such as tree nuts or fruits. This program places a high priority on residue, nutrient, pest, invasive species, and air quality management.

◆ Reauthorizes the Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP) through 2011 and provide for an additional 150,000 acres to be enrolled per year.

◆ Reauthorizes the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP) to provide cost share for landowners to enhance wildlife habitat at a program level of \$25 million annually.

◆ Reauthorizes the Farmland Protection Program (FPP) at a program level of \$50 million annually. Makes agricultural land that contains historic or archeological resources eligible.

◆ Authorizes two million acres in a Grassland Reserve Program to be enrolled in 10, 15 and 20 year contracts. One million acres will be devoted to native grass and a million acres will be devoted to restored grasslands.

◆ Provides up to \$100 million per year (not more than \$850 million may be spent in the 10-year period) to provide conservation technical assistance to producers using any governmental, or private contractors.

◆ \$150 million to fund the Small Watershed Dam Restoration.

◆ Provides producers participating in conservation programs with protection against the release of confidential information by the agency.

◆ Creates an advisory council for the Upper Mississippi River Stewardship Initiative. Also creates a federal interagency working group to coordinate nutrient and sediment reduction efforts in the Upper Mississippi River Basin under the Initiative.

Trade

◆ Reauthorizes the Market Access Program (MAP) through 2011. Increases funding by \$110 million per year (from \$90 million to \$200 million). Allows tobacco to be eligible for MAP funds.

◆ Reauthorizes Food for Progress (FFP) through 2011. Increases transportation and administrative funds to allow additional food aid.

◆ Reauthorizes foreign market development and increases funding to \$35 million a year through 2011.

◆ Reauthorizes Export Enhancement Program (EEP) through 2011.

◆ Reauthorizes Dairy Export Incentive Program (DEIP) through 2011.

◆ Reauthorizes the Food for Peace program through 2011.

Education is the process of moving from cooksure to thoughtful uncertainty.

If it smells bad and is sticky, it will eventually find its way onto your shoes or your child's shoes.

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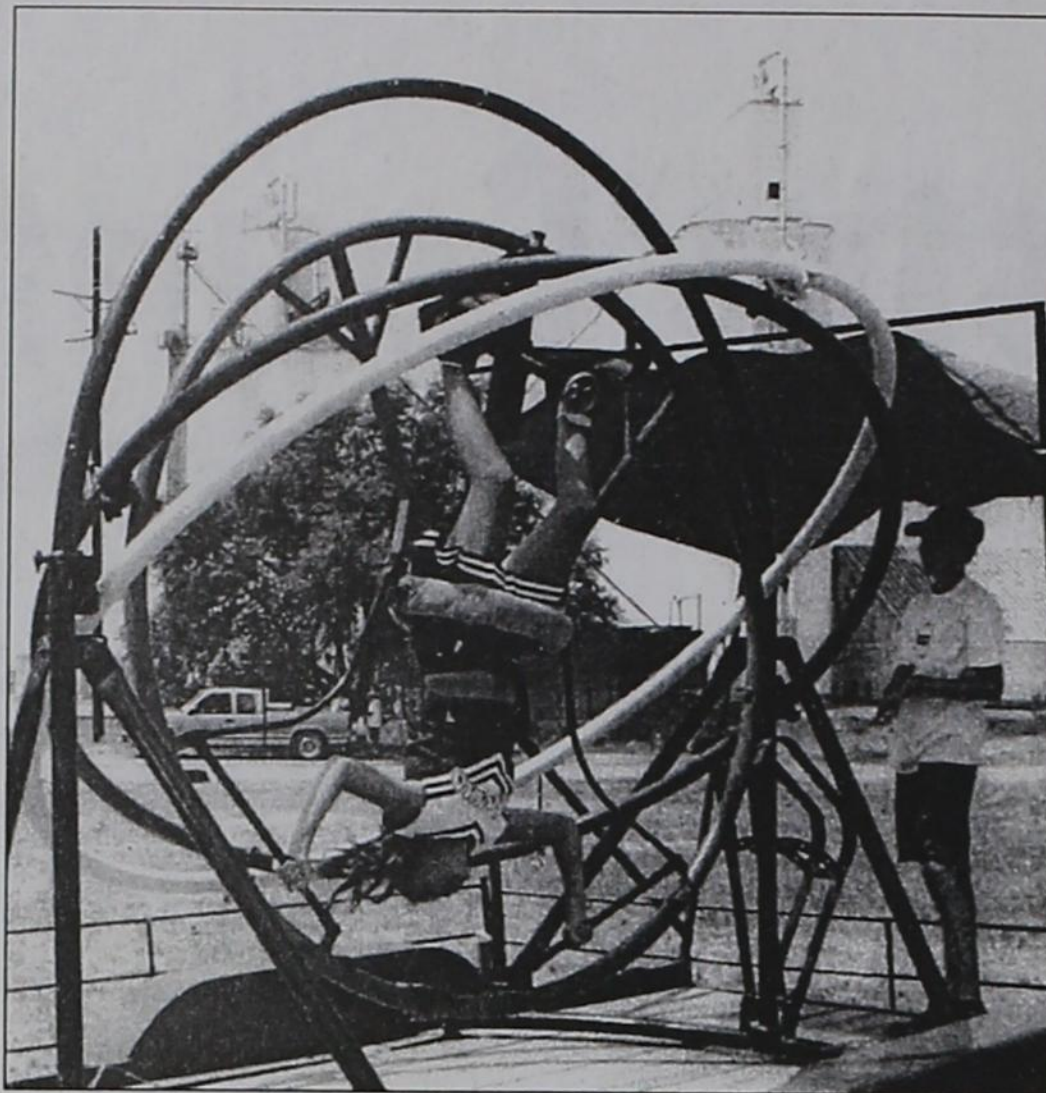
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LINDSAY GEORGE TAKES A SPIN ON THE 'GYRO' . . . One of the rides at the Hart Days carnival Saturday

Funds are started for murder victim's children

Funds to benefit the children of Frances Dominguez have been started at the Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union and the First United Bank of Dimmitt. The fund at the First United Bank is the Frances Dominguez Memorial Fund, and that's how checks should be designated. Donations by either cash or check may be delivered personally to Jan Glenn or mailed to:

Frances Dominguez Memorial Fund
 First United Bank
 PO Box 929
 Dimmitt TX 79027

At the Credit Union, checks should be made out to the Frances Dominguez Fund. Donations by either cash or check may be given personally to any teller or mailed to:

Frances Dominguez Fund
 Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union
 212 W. Bedford St.
 Dimmitt TX 79027

Mrs. Dominguez, 53, was murdered July 19 near Dimmitt. Her estranged husband, Cecil Ward, has been charged and is being held in the Castro County Jail.

Mrs. Dominguez had four children: Larry Alcantar, 30, Ramona Guzman, 18, Adam Guzman, 17, and Michael Guzman, 16.

More about

Registration

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Dimmitt

High School

Dimmitt High School students will register on Aug. 10.

The seniors will register from 9 to 9:45 a.m. The juniors will follow from 10 to 11 a.m. The sophomores will report from 11 to 12 a.m. and the freshmen will register from 1 to 2 p.m.

On Friday, individual school pictures will be taken during registration. School officials say the dress code will be enforced during registration.

Students will report for the first day of class on Aug. 16.

Middle School

Students at Dimmitt Middle School will also register Friday, Aug. 10.

The following schedule will be observed: fourth grade from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.; fifth grade from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; sixth grade from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.; seventh grade from 1 to 2 p.m.; and eighth grade from 2 to 3 p.m.

All Dimmitt Middle School students are required to register for the 2001-2002 school year, and new students to the school must bring all pertinent information (immunization record, transcript, etc.) from their previous school.

Richardson Elementary

Richardson Elementary School also will register students on Aug. 10.

New kindergarten students who did not pre-register last spring and all first-grade students are asked to report to the RES library for registration between 9 a.m. and 12 noon on Aug. 10.

All students who will be in the second and third grades this year should plan to register on Aug. 10 between 1 and 3 p.m. in the library. "This is something new this year," said RES Principal Clint Seward. "We decided to have all the students register so we can update our records."

Last Puzzle Solution

ANSWERS:
 1. CARS
 2. ASIAN
 3. DAVE
 4. IDEA
 5. LONDON SCHOOL
 6. LOS NEED IT TMORE
 7. AR WHEW THESAN
 8. TITALLIC TOED AMEN OD
 9. TOMORROWOR ROAR WAW
 10. LOADED PINN PARRA
 11. TINNER SPAGE TANGY
 12. TIC BORCH BRUTUS
 13. AISH
 14. NOTASOULIN
 15. ODES
 16. USA
 17. SOD
 18. NIT

Nazareth

Nazareth Independent School District will hold registration on Aug. 10 for students in the sixth through 12th grades.

The first group to register on Aug. 10 will be the senior class, expected to sign up between 8 and 9:15 a.m. The rest of the registration schedule includes juniors from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.; sophomores from 10:15 to 11 a.m.; freshmen from 11 to 11:45 a.m.; eighth graders from 1 to 1:30 p.m.; seventh graders from 1:30 to 2 p.m.; and sixth graders from 2 to 2:30 p.m.

School pictures for students will be taken during registration, and Nazareth ISD will be mailing out pamphlets and order forms to parents prior to registration. Students are asked to return the order forms, with the appropriate money for the order, when they have their pictures made on Aug. 10.

The school's dress code will be in effect on registration day.

Nazareth will start the 2001-2002 school year on Aug. 13.

Reluctant hospital board okays First Care contract

Hospital board members wrestled with some tricky policy questions at their July meeting last Thursday night:

> Should they continue to tolerate First Care's deep discounts on its reimbursements for Dimmitt school employees' hospital and clinic bills, or cut ties with the HMO and risk losing many customers who might not come back after the DISD goes to a statewide insurance program next year?

> Should they continue to contract out the operation of the geriatric psychiatric unit (Welch Home Place), or put geri/psych staffers on the hospital payroll and pay an individual consultant to oversee the operation and provide the marketing, at a promised saving of \$56,000 per year?

After an agonizing discussion of the DISD-First Care issue, the board voted to accept a new contract to provide health care to DISD employees through August 2002.

In authorizing the new contract, the board reluctantly agreed to accept First Care's "usual and customary" level of reimbursement, which last year saw the HMO pay as little as 43% on some of the hospital district's billings.

The usual contract discount for HMOs is in the 20% range.

"We've lived with this for six or eight years now," Board Chairman Henry Ramaekers said. "I think we need to get another year down the road . . . and then see what provider the state decides to go with."

"What if we forced teachers to go out of town? Would we get them back?"

Trustee Mark Welch commented, "When it comes to serving as large a group as our school district, I think we ought to deliver the service."

Referring to First Care's proposed new contract, Trustee Layne Myatt asked CEO Joe Sloan, "Has their discount changed?"

"Last year they were discounting as much as 57% at the clinic; now it's 35%," Sloan said.

Chief Financial Officer Mark Wishard reported that First Care discounted its hospital billings by 35% and its clinic billings by 57% during the last fiscal year.

Those arbitrary write-offs cost the district more than \$200,000 during fiscal 2001.

As to changing the way the geriatric psychiatric unit is run, the board decided to take a cautious approach.

The Welch Home Place is operated on contract by a professional management firm that specializes in running such services. The contractor hires and pays the unit's staffers.

An individual in the same field,

PCS offers help with utility bills

Panhandle Community Services has funds available to assist less fortunate families with meeting their electric utility costs.

Income guidelines are used to determine eligibility.

For more information, call the PCS office at 647-3244.

who previously worked with the hospital district, has offered to serve as a consultant in the management and marketing of the Welch Home Place if the hospital district would put the geri/psych staff on its payroll.

The individual has promised to save the hospital district \$24,000 in first-year costs and \$56,000 per year in future years by restructuring the geri/psych operation.

Sloan told the board that the district's financial consultant, Bill Parrish, C.P.A., had recommended accepting the lower bid.

But the board expressed reservations.

"I feel we should show some loyalty to whoever has been with us all along," Ramaekers said.

"Consider the marketing aspect," he added. "Horizon (the current contractor) has the marketing people on staff already. (The individual consultant) would have to go out and hire somebody. What if he hired some young kid just out of college who doesn't know what's going on?"

"If we were to lose two patients a month, we'd never make up the difference" between the bids, Ramaekers added.

He said he wanted a complete accounting of what the additional costs would be on insurance, benefits, etc., if the CCHD took on the geri/psych unit's staffers as full-time employees.

"I think it would be better to get the employees on our payroll," Sloan said.

Trustee W. J. Hill commented, "If we don't know for certain what some of these hidden costs might be, if Horizon has been doing a good job, we should keep them."

"I think we've really got to look at these things and see what's really going to be best for the hospital district," Ramaekers said.

Sloan offered to compile a complete set of comparative figures and call a luncheon meeting later to take action on the issue. The board took him up on it.

The board reappointed Dr. B. D. Murphy to the hospital's medical staff, and instructed Sloan to set up contract negotiations with Dr. D. S. Patel, whose current contract with the district expires in November.

Class of '51 sets reunion

Dimmitt High School's 1951 grads will hold their 50th-year reunion during the Harvest Days celebration Sept. 8.

Class members will gather that morning at the Senior Citizens Center, where their reunion will be held in conjunction with the Early Settlers Reunion.

Plans are for the class to ride in the Harvest Days Parade at 10 a.m., then return to the Senior Citizens Center for a covered-dish lunch and visiting.

Provisions are being made for those who are on hand Friday to attend the Bobcats' season-opening football game together in Bobcat Stadium.

Anyone needing more information on the reunion may contact Dr. Bill Murphy at 647-5256, Don Nelson at 647-2400, David Behrends at 647-4323 or Mauriene Smithson Matthews at 296-7373.

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ACROSS

- TX creek: Digo
- TXism: "got the hang of"
- TX Fulghum's "Some Observations from Both Sides of the Refrigerator Door"
- Star State
- TXism: "it's root hog die"
- corn on the cob
- "like a dog"
- this Paul was 70's "Bozo" ringmaster in Dallas
- TXism: "driller" (dentist)
- TX Ann gave this address at '88 Dem. convention
- this Davy Crockett saying, e.g.: "Be sure you're right, then go ahead"
- Big D
- "to his own"
- animal fur
- parent co. of Dallas Morning News
- in Fannin Co. on 82
- Newton (cookie)
- Waxahachie event: Faire
- TX wildflower ("flaming sword")
- TXism: "greasy" (cafe)
- TX saying: "one long one Ranger"
- TXism: "blind as"
- "of war"

DOWN

- TXism: "In Love"
- TXism: "a good judge"
- TXism: "thick as ticks"
- TXism: "hound dog"
- TX Elder: 1st black to play in Masters (init.)
- Henry Wade was who prosecuted Jack Ruby
- TX Bob Willis line: "ha, take it away Leon"
- former senator Bentsen (init.)
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- '83 TX hurricane
- Cameron AM radio
- TXism: "stuffed the gills"
- Travis' Alamo letter: "I shall never surrender"
- TX cactus: "cat"
- rare buffalo shot in TX in 1878
- TXism: "has to sneak mirror to fix her hair" (homely)
- TX song: "Back to Houston"
- Palestine: TX's city
- TX Tanya (init.)
- TX Bush's "Stormin' Norman" gen. (init.)
- watching the sheep
- TXism: "worn to a frazzle"
- Exxon predecessor

On the Go with Dorothy Hopson, 647-4579

John Hazel, son of Wayland and Elaine Hazel gave this account of a recent trip that the Royal Ambassadors of the First Baptist Church took to Plains Baptist Assembly near Floydada.

George Razor was the adult sponsor for seven Dimmitt boys. They left Dimmitt on a Wednesday and returned on Saturday.

The first thing on their agenda was Bible study and worship in the auditorium with a large group of boys, ages eight to 12, from all over the area.

The boys were then involved in camp crafts where they learned how to build a fire and some first aid techniques. They also learned how to shoot with a sling, practiced hitting a target with B.B. guns and created rope crafts.

John liked the daily swim in the newly renovated swimming pool. This was his favorite activity. Talking after the lights were out and pillow fighting made memorable experiences for the boys.

The Royal Ambassador boys who went were Kaden Griffith, Michael Razor, Sid Sheffy, Michael and Kris Cline, and Sam and John Hazel.

The Hazel family, including John, his parents Wayland and Elaine, his sisters Morgan and Stephanie, and his brother Sam went camping in the mountains near Glorieta, N.M. They slept in a tent, rode horses and hiked.

The only wild animals they saw were squirrels, but they saw a bear's "bed" and fresh tracks that indicated there were bears nearby.

When I inquired about a campfire and perhaps singing around one, Stephanie said that because of the fire danger, camp fires were prohibited.

She related that on a tour through the large cathedral-like auditorium in Glorieta Encampment, her family gathered in the empty building and sung a few hymns of praise just to see how it would be to sing there.

Beth Joiner was hostess for the adults seniors' bridge on Thursday. Aleda Schumacher was high and Martha Dannevic was second high.

Jerry and Delores Heller have been busy this summer entertaining grandchildren. Early this summer, Stormy, 8, was here visiting the Hellers and grandparents, Guy and Diane Leatherwood. Stormy attended vacation Bible school.

In recent days, Brooke, 6, and Hayden, 2, children of Coby and Amy Heller of Denison have been here.

For one day's entertainment, Jerry, Delores and Aunt Mitzie Alexander of Levelland took Brooke and Hayden to Fire Water Water Park in Amarillo. They tried all of the slides, including the Thrill Ride that we have seen on television.

All of the adults, Jerry, Delores and Mitzie joined in to enjoy a wet and wild time.

Donna and Ricky Kuntz joined Steve Roger, a Methodist evangelist and 10 other people for a trip to the Holy Land.

They spent five days at Tiberia on the Sea of Galilee and four days in Jerusalem, where they toured the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, the

Wailing Wall, the Mount of Olives and the Dead Sea.

They were most impressed with the modern state of the country and the productivity and beauty of the land. The crops were beautiful, and they grow almost every crop known to man.

The people were very friendly and peaceful. The touring group felt safe and secure. Donna and Rick would recommend this trip to anyone.

Jerry Heller and Mickey Bishop won the annual V.F.W. golf tournament in Hereford this past weekend. They were the defending champions of 2000 and came through in the winner's circle in 2001.

While the men were golfing, Delores Heller, Diane Bishop and Carolyn Thompson went to Ogallala Water Gardeners tour in Amarillo.

They visited 10 of 21 beautiful water gardens there.

They returned to Dimmitt and visited several local water ponds and falls. They were in agreement that Dimmitt's were even prettier.

Tex and Norma Conard, their daughters Juanelle Winsor of Fort Worth and Sharon Sadler of Sunny-side and all her family went to Colorado Springs to visit a niece, Donna McCoy and her husband Robert and their children.

Norma's sister, Wanda Gehring and husband Warren came from Indiana. White water rafting, rappelling, sight-seeing and visiting were enjoyed by all.

A total of 23 family members gathered and enjoyed the trip.

Tommy and Paula Portwood are home after a two week vacation to Washington, D.C., New York City and Niagara Falls.

After having to catch the tour bus at 5:40 a.m., they were lucky enough to get a White House tour. The tour director jokingly told them that they would show them the green room, the blue room, the red room and then show them the door and that is basically what happened. Some of the other stops were the Capital, Smithsonian, Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam War Memorial, and the grave site of President John F. Kennedy at the Arlington National Cemetery. They also enjoyed a cruise on the Potomac River. Washington, D.C. is such a beautiful, historical area.

New York City turned out to be Tommy and Paula's favorite stop. They cruised around Manhattan Island, saw the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island and viewed New York City from the top of the Empire State Building. Times Square was a colorful and exciting and they enjoyed seeing the Broadway musical Les Misérables.

Niagara Falls was spectacular and very crowded with tourists. Tommy and Paula stayed on the Canadian side in Niagara Falls, Ontario. They saw, heard, and felt the Falls close-up by cruising to the base of the American and Horseshoe Falls, and walking through tunnels behind the Horseshoe Falls. They also observed whirlpools, toured a Butterfly Conservatory and viewed the Falls at night from the top of the Skylon Tower.

On their final day, they drove the shoreline of Lake Ontario from the

Buffalo area to Greece, NY. Lake Ontario looked more like an ocean than a lake with homes on the shorelines and farmers markets along the way selling delicious cherries, peaches, blueberries, etc.

Tommy and Paula had a great time and can't wait for the chance to visit New York City again!

From Dimmitt to Boston to Virginia is a long way, except when you are with family or will see family.

Wayne and Darlene Collins were fortunate recently to see the families of their son, Joe, and their daughter, Suzan.

Suzan and her husband, Jeff Headrick, have been in Boston during the past year as he worked and studied as a Fellow at Harvard Medical School.

They were being transferred to Chesapeake, Va. Suzan and Jeff are expecting their fourth child and grandparents were needed to play with Katy, John David and Tess while the movers brought in hoards of boxes and packing paper. Jeff will be working in the hospital at Portsmouth.

Wayne and Darlene didn't just play with the grandchildren, they also traveled to Plymouth Rock and enjoyed imagining the Pilgrims voyage. The Massachusetts area is beautiful, green and rainy at this time of the year.

When the packers left, they traveled through New York City (at midnight, to miss a little traffic, but we didn't think the New Yorkers knew that it was midnight) and on to the Washington, D.C., area to see Joe's family.

Joe and his wife, Laura, already live in Stafford, Va. Joe is a major in the Marine Corps and he is studying Turkish in the Dept. of Defense's language school. Laura works for American Airlines. He is being assigned to the Turkish Embassy in Ankara as a naval attaché officer.

They have recently returned from Germany where the kids, amber, John Joseph and Chase, learned to snow ski and practice more soccer skills.

Joe had completed some Russian language studies and traveled on the Siberian Railroad and through some of the major Russian cities. It was interesting to see some of the items he and Laura brought back, as well as things he brought back from his stay in Moldova.

After the movers unloaded the household goods, they headed back to Boston. A detour was conveniently made in Baltimore, Maryland, where they enjoyed a quilt show.

As they hunted for the museum, they ran into a fire detour, and there were policemen on every corner. (You know those things don't deter quilters.) We later found out that the fire was in the tunnels under the ground where we were. Temperatures were 1,500 degrees at one point and smoke had been coming out of the potholes the day before. They were told that the fire had been so hot that the boxcars glowed!

The Marylanders were very friendly and helped us find our way. The Maryland Historical Society has assembled 40 pre-Civil War Baltimore Album quilts and they were magnificent.

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Training set for shooting sport coaches

Several county 4-H'ers have expressed interest in competing in shooting sports, and an instructor in Levelland has planned a special class for those who would like to volunteer as coaches for the youths.

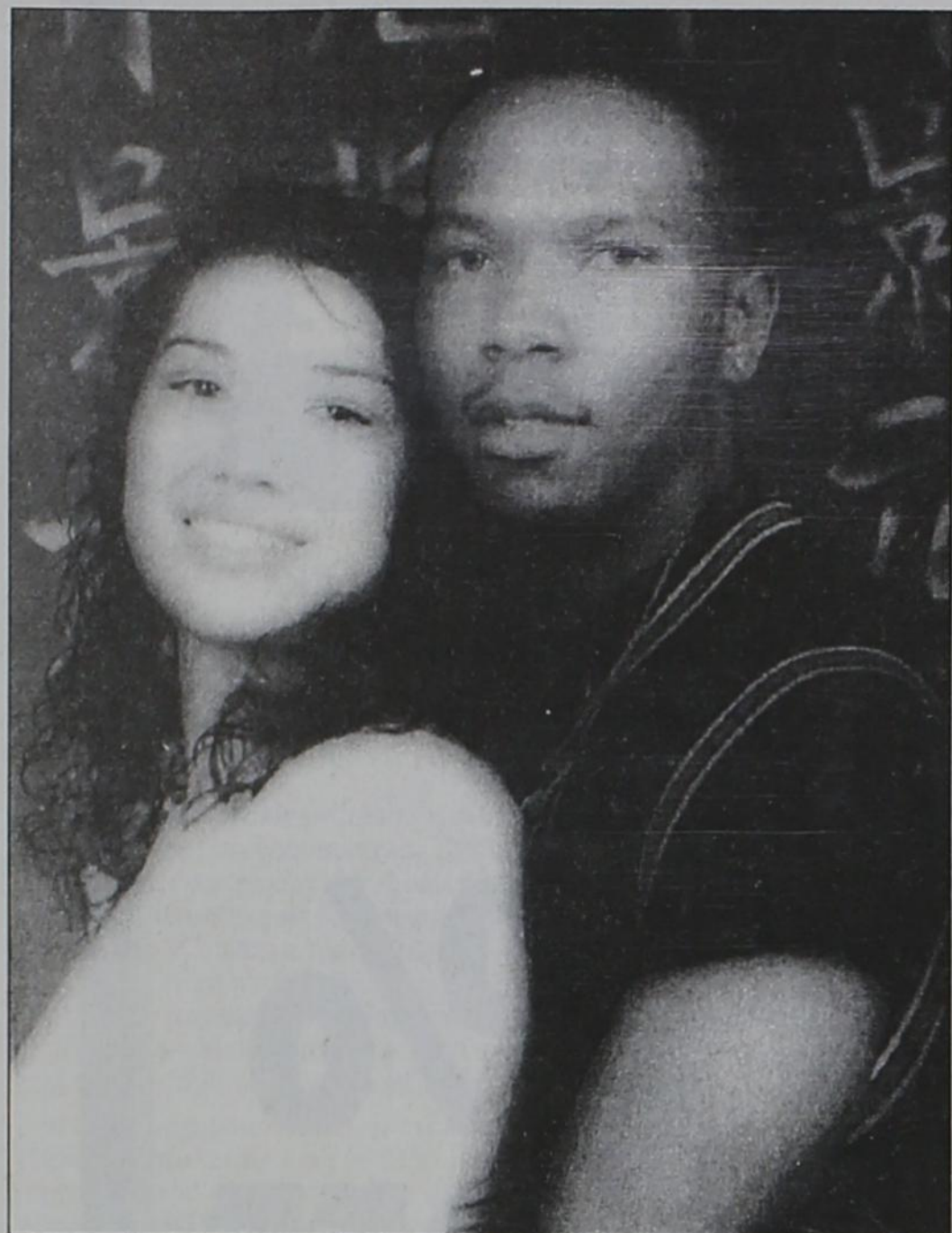
Rick monger, a shooting instructor in Levelland, will offer a certification for coaches on Aug. 24 and 25. Registration fee is \$75 per person.

"This is as close and as cheap as it gets," said Rick Auckerman, Castro County Extension Agent. "I reserved space for three people, but I can reserve more, if needed. Please call the Extension office at 647-4115 if you want the program started in the county and are willing to lead."

Auckerman said only six area counties in this district have 4-H'ers competing in shooting sports, so there is room for county youths.

"This is an expensive program to run and we will need a lot of help when it comes time to purchase guns, ammunition and targets," Auckerman said. "If you know of anyone interested in helping to sponsor the project, let us know. We will have fundraisers if we get certified instructors and enough youngsters willing to participate."

People



Melinda Reyes and Mark Phillips

Reyes, Phillips to wed

Leo and Maria Reyes of Dimmitt announce the engagement of their daughter, Melinda Reyes, to Mark Phillips, son of Mark and Shirley Phillips of Alamogordo, N.M.

The couple plans to marry on Aug. 4 at 1 p.m. at the Holy Temple Church of God in Christ. The reception will be held at the Community Center at Holloman Air Force Base immediately following the ceremony.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Dimmitt High School and is currently a stationed at Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico. She is the granddaughter of Vicente and Hester Reyes, and Andres and Sofia Navarro.

The prospective groom is a 2000 graduate of Alamogordo High School and is a sophomore attending New Mexico State University at Alamogordo. He is the grandson of George and Catherine Jackson, and Archie and Mary Phillips.

Wilhelm will sign copies of new book on Saturday

Former Nazareth resident Stacy Wilhelm will sign copies of her first published novel, *The Long Way Home*, on Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. at The Home Mercantile in Nazareth.

Writing under the pen name of Staci Stallings, Wilhelm has completed 11 novels to date, but *The Long Way Home* is the first to be published.

Copies of the book will be available at the book signing, or may be ordered from American-Book's Publisher Direct Bookstore. A link to the book store can be found on her web site at www.stacistallings.com.

Wilhelm is the daughter of Ralph and Evelyn Albracht of Nazareth and she graduated from Nazareth High School in 1988. After graduating from Texas Tech University with a bachelor's degree in journalism, she went to work at Alamo Catholic High School in Amarillo, teaching English, journalism and business. In the past, she has written news, feature and sports stories for several newspapers, including *The Castro County News*.

She is married to Damian Wilhelm and the couple have two children—6-year-old Stefanie and 2-year-old Kayla. She's now a stay-at-home mom living in Amarillo.

She put the finishing touches on *The Long Way Home* in February of 2000 and a month later American Book Publishing agreed to publish the book. The first release became available in June.

The Long Way Home is an adventure of love and reconciliation, as its three central characters, Ami, Jaxton and Jaxton's grandfather, must make difficult decisions in order to realize their dreams. There are episodes of humor, danger, conflict and crisis and, finally, moments of hope. The book is set in Kansas' Flint Hills and it is an inspirational story of love and hope.

It is a story of hurt, hope, trust and love as an embittered son reluctantly leaves the familiar surroundings of the big city for rural Kansas. What awaits him is beyond anything he imagines—forgiveness, patience, a family, and true love.



Rayphard and Mary Lu Smithson

... On their wedding day in 1951 (top) and today (bottom)

4-H'ers asked to volunteer for gleaning

Castro County 4-H'ers are encouraged to volunteer their time and help pick up produce under the gleaning ministry organized by Frances Duke.

Those interested in helping with the gleaning project on Friday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. should call the Extension Office at 647-4115.

"Under this project, volunteers pick up excess produce and sack it for the community food pantries and other organizations that serve the needy," said Marilyn Neal and Suzanne Gibbs, Castro County Extension agents.

"We have all been blessed with so much. Isn't it time we taught our children about giving back? All we need is a few willing helpers, and we can make a difference in the dinners and lives of those who have so little."

4-H'ers are asked to wear work clothes and bring a small bucket and some gloves. After meeting at the Extension Office in Dimmitt, they will travel to Smith Produce in Hart where they will sack potatoes.

For more information, call the Extension Office.

4-H officers plan party

The new slate of Castro County 4-H officers will enjoy banana splits as they gather for their first meeting of the 2001-2002 school year on Tuesday.

The officers will meet from 6 to 8 p.m. at Suzanne Gibbs' home, 10 miles north of Dimmitt on US 385. Those planning to attend should call the Extension office at 647-4115.

All club officers, and the County Council officers are urged to attend the meeting to "polish up their skills before they begin the new year," Gibbs said.

All attending will be treated to banana splits.

Smithsons will celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

Rayphard and Mary Lu Smithson of Dimmitt will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on with a reception from 3 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 4.

The reception will be hosted by the couple's children and grandchildren, and will be held at the Dimmitt Senior Citizens Center. Family and friends are invited to attend.

Rayphard Smithson and the former Mary Lu Hofmann were married on Aug. 13, 1951 in Shamrock.

The couple has four children. Teddy Smithson and his wife Vicki live in Klondike. Janet and her husband, Odell Tuggle, live in Meridian. Dean Smithson and his wife Benita live in Lubbock, and Randy Smithson and his wife Vicki live in Dimmitt.

The couple has eight grandchildren.

Booths available during Harvest Days celebration

Castro County's annual Harvest Days celebration is being planned for Sept. 4-8, and the event will include a parade, barbecue dinner, fiddlers' contest, early settlers reunion, games, a county fair, an arts and crafts bazaar and more.

The Castro County Fair Association, through the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, is currently offering booths for rent at the show, and those interested should contact Bill Sava at the Chamber office, 647-2524.

Booths inside the Expo Building will rent for \$35 while those outside will rent for \$25 to \$35, depending on the amount of space a vendor requires. Those requiring electricity will be charged an additional \$5 fee.

"Right now there are plenty of spaces available, but don't wait too long if you'd like a good, inside space," Sava said. "We do restrict the number of food items which may be offered at any booth, and we do not permit the duplication of food items already being offered by another vendor, so those planning on having a food booth should check with us early."

Activities are planned for Sept. 4-7, including the kids' pedal tractor pull. The Chamber and Fair Association are still organizing activities, and a complete listing will be available sometime in August.

The main event will be on Saturday, with the parade, early settlers' reunion, fair, bazaar and more.

For more information or to reserve a booth, contact Sava at 647-2524.



Who's New

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Richard and Melissa Morales of Hereford are the parents of a baby boy, Rey Christian, who was born at 9:10 a.m. on July 18. Joshua weighed 8 pounds, 14.2 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches long. He has a big brother, Richard R. Morales III. Grandparents are Ramon and Olga Alverado of San Antonio, and Roberto and Lupe Castillo of Hereford. Great-grandparents are Eduardo and Concepcion Castillo, Beto and Mauela Ozura, Martha Martinez, and Martha Morales.

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Jonathan Ivy and Kristin Doss

Doss, Ivy to wed

Kenny and Renee Doss of Dimmitt announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristin Doss, to Jonathan Ivy, son of Ronald and Janice Ivy of Dimmitt.

The couple plan to marry on Dec. 15 at the Lee Street Baptist Church in Dimmitt.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Dimmitt High School and is currently a junior attending West Texas A&M University as a special education major. She is currently employed as a receptionist by Sidwell Oil and Gas of Amarillo.

The prospective groom is a 1995 graduate of Dimmitt High School and is a corporal in the U.S. Marines stationed at Camp Pendleton in California. He has been in the Marines since graduation.

After the wedding, the couple plans to reside in San Diego, Calif.

Cross, Barham marshal parade

Nora Cross and Joy Barham were the marshals of this year's Hart days parade. The two women have been residence of Hart for a combined 66 years.

Nora moved to Hart in February 1970, to be closer to one of her daughters, Mamie Rich. Mamie and her husband Bill bought Hollywood's dry good store, and Nora managed it. They named the store Nora Lee's. The mother and daughter team ran the store for six years until eventually selling out to Wanda Marble.

Nora's second marriage came in 1977. She met and married Luie Cross. Luie past away in 1986, but Nora lives in the house they lived in when they were first married.

Nora has worked most of her life. When her children were young, she helped out on the family farm ran by her first husband, George Zybur. After managing Nora Lee's, she also worked at Kosy Korner, the school lunch room, and now is in charge of the covered dish luncheon at the Hart Golden Group each month.

Nora is a member of the Methodist Church, and is an active member of the Friendship Sunday School Class.

Nora has two daughters, Mamie and Shirley Evers. She has four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Joy and Perry Barham moved to Hart in 1966. Joy has held many jobs. Joy worked for Smith Potato a few years, and then went to work for Smith's Feedlot in 1970. In 1974, she began working at B&B Farm Supply. In 1981, she took a job at Jim Black Oil, a job she continues to hold today.

Perry worked for Harold Smith and Castro County. He past away in 1992.

Joy serves on the board of directors for the Hart Golden Group, and is a member of the Hospitality Committee. She is a faithful member of First Baptist Church. She sings in the choir and teaches the Ester Sunday School Class.

Joy has a daughter and two sons. She has many grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Years make us old, people make us wise.

Rocha receives conduct medal

Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Tammy Rocha recently received the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal. Tammy's husband, Felix, is the son of Felix and Maria Rocha of Hart.

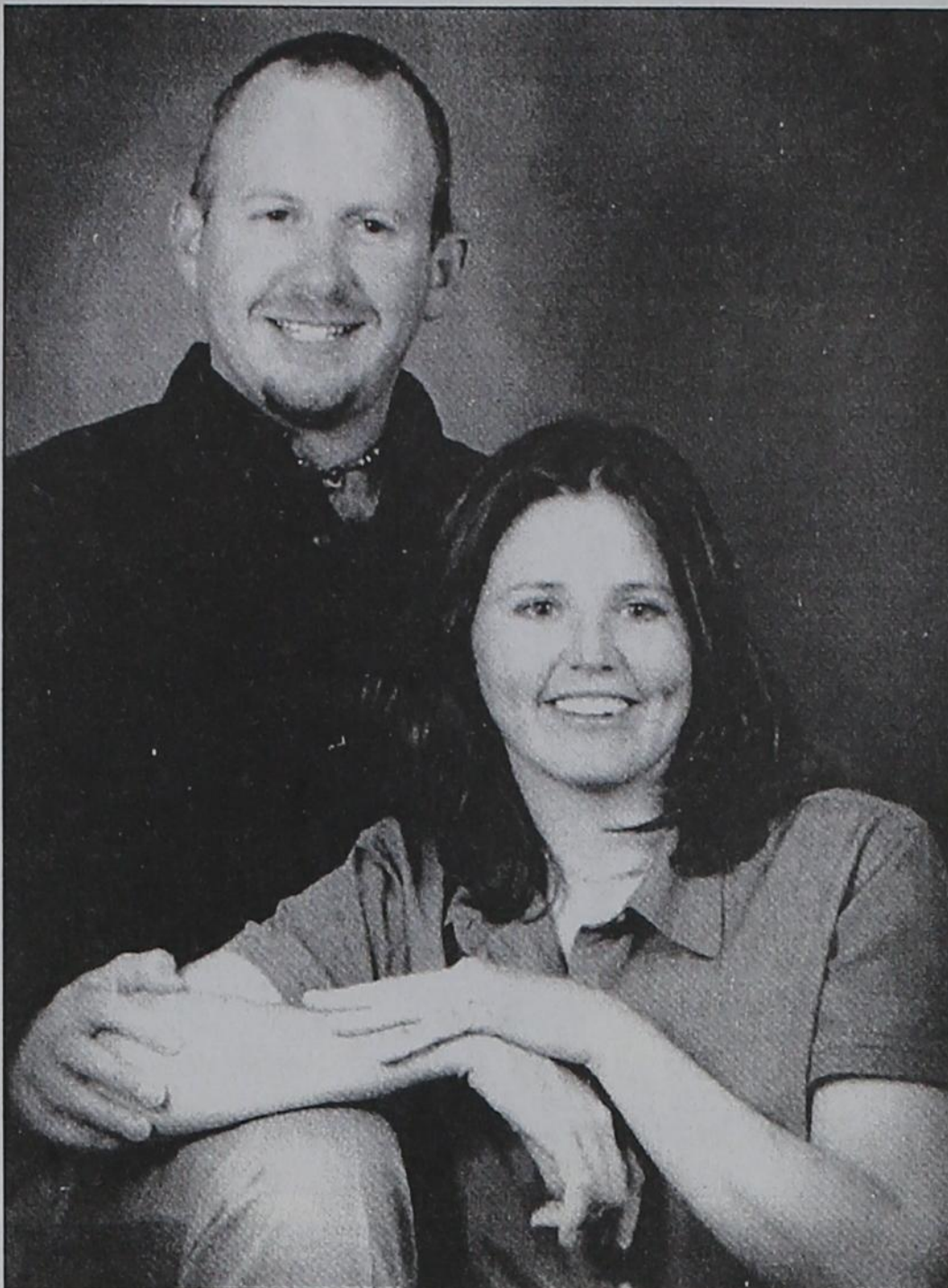
The medal was given to recognize her honest and faithful service during a three-year period. To earn it, Rocha achieved and maintained a satisfactory level of performance and an unblemished conduct record for the entire length of time.

Rocha is currently assigned with Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 39, Marine Aircraft Group 39, Camp Pendleton, California.

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Gregory James Gentry and Meghan Anne Conover

Couple to wed in September

Maribel and Keith Conover of Mississauga, Ontario, Canada, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Meghan Anne Conover, to Gregory James Gentry, son of Bob and Kylene Anthony of Dimmitt and James and Dee Gentry of Richardson.

The couple are planning to exchange wedding vows on Sunday, Sept. 2, at 5:30 p.m., at Eight mile Ranch in Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada.

The bride-to-be is employed as a communicative disorders assistant for Kelowna General Hospital in British Columbia.

The prospective groom graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1988. He holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at Arlington. He is currently employed as a software developer for Hummingbird, LTD in Dallas.

Following the wedding, the couple will make their home in Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada.



Russell Allen Hill and Kalina Marie Pohlmeier

Pohlmeier and Hill to marry

Walt and Lucy Pohlmeier of Tulia announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kalina Marie Pohlmeier, to Russell Allen Hill, son of Myrna Hill of Bryan and Joe E. Hill of Cleburne.

The couple are planning to marry at 4 p.m. on Sept. 1 at the Church of the Holy Spirit in Tulia.

The bride-elect is a 1992 graduate of Nazareth High School. She graduated from Texas A&M University in 1996 with a bachelor's degree in ag development. In 1999, she graduated from the University of North Texas with a master's degree in counseling. She is currently employed by the University of North Texas at Denton as a senior academic counselor.

The prospective groom graduated from Franklin High School in 1992. He attended Texas A&M University, graduating in 1996 with a bachelor's degree in agriculture engineering. He is employed as an environmental engineer at Ultramar Diamond Shamrock.

Following the wedding, the couple will reside in Dumas.

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Laney elected vice chairman

Texas House Speaker Pete Laney has been elected vice chairman of the Southern Legislative Conference (SLC), a regional legislative group operating under the Council of State Governments (CSG).

Laney was elected to the post at the SLC's 55th Annual Meeting held July 14-18 in Savannah, Ga. He replaces Speaker Seth Hammett of Alabama, who was elected chairman of the organization.

Laney is a long-time active member of the SLC. His term as vice chairman runs through Aug. 6, 2002.

"The Southern Legislative Conference provides an important forum for state legislators to discuss issues of mutual concern," Laney said. "It's a way for regional neighbors to share ideas and solutions. I am honored that my colleagues chose me for this leadership position."

The SLC, founded in 1947, is the largest of four regional legislative groups operating under the Council of State Governments.

Texas is in a regional group with Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

The SLC's mission is to foster and encourage intergovernmental cooperation among its 16 member states.

Its annual meeting has grown to become the largest regional gathering of state legislators in the country and remains the best-attended meeting held under the umbrella of the CSG.



WE CAN HOPE—There was actually a reason for this fluorescent-orange warning sign on State 194 midway between Dimmitt and Hart Saturday. Believe

it or not, a brief-but-heavy rain Friday evening left water standing on the highway half a mile from the sign—for a while, at least. *Photo by Don Nelson*

Sign-up begins Aug. 13 for FSA Quality Loss Program

Farmers who have suffered at least a 20% loss in 2000-year crop quality due to weather-related disasters may qualify for compensation under the Farm Service Agency's Quality Loss Program, and sign-up for this program will begin Aug. 13.

Those who think they may qualify for the program should contact the Castro County Farm Service Agency Office to schedule an appointment.

The Quality Loss Program was authorized by the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2001.

Eligible crops are those produced and harvested in the 2000-crop year which suffered a minimum of 20% quality reduction. Unharvested production is not eligible for the Quality Loss Program. All crops are eligible except certain specialty crops such as ornamental nursery, Christmas trees, aquaculture, honey, turf grass sod, maple sap and ginseng. Quality losses for apples and potatoes are covered under a separate \$38 million program.

Producers whose gross revenue exceeded \$2.5 million for the 1999

tax year are ineligible for the Quality Loss Program. Losses on more than one 2000 crop on the same acreage are not eligible unless there is an established practice on the farm of planting and harvesting two or more crops in the same crop year on the same acreage.

Quality Loss Program applicants must provide the Farm Service Agency with written documentation of the quality of their harvested crop.

Examples of acceptable documentation include:

- ★ Grading receipts from a warehouse or licensed grader.

- ★ Sales receipts providing the grade of the crop;

- ★ University recognized test results.

- ★ Sales receipts showing disposition to a secondary market due to poor quality, such as malting barley sold for feed.

Quality loss payments are calculated by multiplying 65% of the affected production by 65% of the loss in value to due to quality.

Quality loss payments to farmers will begin soon after they sign up.

Testing begins to reveal Karnal bunt in wheat seed

The Texas Department of Agriculture has initiated a voluntary program for producers and storage facility managers to have their wheat seed tested for Karnal bunt.

The program applies only to wheat seed produced and stored in non-regulated Texas counties.

"Testing seed now, before plant-

ing begins, is a measure wheat farmers and seed owners need to take to help prevent the spread of this disease," Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs said. "It is important for producers to know they have Karnal bunt-free seed before planting next season's wheat crop."

"In addition, wheat seed sold to farmers in other states may be required to have a phytosanitary certificate declaring the seed free of Karnal bunt," Combs said.

On July 17, Kansas placed a restriction on wheat, durum wheat and triticale seed from all states including Texas.

Kansas now requires a phytosanitary certificate declaring the seed free of Karnal bunt spores.

There are two options available for testing both treated and untreated wheat seed.

Owners of the seed may collect a 4-pound representative "service sample" from a seed lot and send it in a secure container by overnight mail to Dr. David Marshall, Texas A&M University Research and Education Center, 17360 Coit Road, Dallas, TX 75252.

The "service sample" must be double bagged in clean 1-gallon plastic zipper bags. A tag giving seed lot number and description, physical address of the lot and name and telephone number of the sender must accompany the sample.

The cost is \$50 per sample payable to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. A phytosanitary certificate cannot be issued for "service samples."

Seed owners needing a phytosanitary certificate should contact Kelly Book, TDA's Seed Quality branch chief. TDA inspectors will collect official samples for analysis. If the sample is negative, TDA will issue the certificate.

A fee of \$25 payable to the Texas Department of Agriculture is required when the certificate is issued. A laboratory analysis fee of \$50 per sample, payable to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, must also be sent to the Texas A&M University Research and Education Center in Dallas.

Any seed testing positive for Karnal bunt spores cannot be planted and must be used for grain. The samples will be further examined for bunted kernels. If bunted kernels are found, the U.S. Department of Agriculture may quarantine the facility and a portion of the county.

There is mandatory testing by USDA for wheat seed produced in regulated counties - Archer, Baylor, Throckmorton, Young and portions of San Saba and McCulloch.

Seed testing free of Karnal bunt spores and treated as prescribed by USDA can be planted within these counties. If spores are present, the seed must be used as grain, and movement of the grain is restricted if bunted kernels are present.

For more information, seed owners can contact Kelly Book, TDA's branch chief for Seed Quality at (512) 463-7136. There is also additional information available on TDA's web site at www.agr.state.tx.us.

McLean named to president's list

Summer McLean has been named to the president's list for the spring 2001 semester at West Texas A&M University.

McLean is a graduate of Dimmitt High School. She is a junior general studies major at WTAMU.

To be eligible for the president's list, students must have earned a grade-point average of 3.85 or higher while taking 12 semester credit hours or more.

Tom many folks go through life running from something that isn't after them.

Extension Service changes its name

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is changing its name, but not its commitment to serve all Texans, said Marilyn Neal, Castro County Extension agent.

The new name for the agency is Texas Cooperative Extension. The change was approved by the board of regents of the Texas A&M University System in July.

"The fact that agriculture is no longer in the name simply acknowledges the fact that Extension for many years has been providing educational programs for all segments of the population on a wide variety of topics," Neal said.

Most of the million-plus children in Texas 4-H, for example, come from the state's urban centers, not its rural areas.

"Extension's mission always has been to help farmers and ranchers be more productive, encourage families to grow stronger, empower young people to become good citizens, and help communities develop economically," Neal said.

"Some folks never realized we offered all these opportunities because our name seemed to emphasize only one area."

Despite the name change, Extension leaders affirmed that the agency's commitment to Texas' \$15 billion agriculture industry will remain as strong as ever.

"Throughout our history, agriculture has been an integral part of what we do, one of the primary reasons for our work—and that won't change," said Extension Deputy Director Chester Fehlis. "However, our mission has always been broader than just agriculture, and we want all Texans to feel comfortable requesting assistance for the wide array of Extension educational programs designed to serve their needs."

Texas Cooperative Extension is an agency founded on the cooperation

and funding of the commissioners courts in every county, The Texas A&M University System and the US Dept. of Agriculture, Fehlis said.

"We are also part of the national Cooperative Extension System found in every state and US territory. We're pleased that our new name also emphasizes our close relationship with our sister program, the Cooperative Extension Program at Prairie View A&M University," Fehlis said. "We work together in so many ways' its good to share the 'family name.'"

With more than 1,500 employees statewide and 250 offices serving Texas' 254 counties, Texas Cooperative Extension has provided informal education to Texans for 86 years. Established by Congress in 1914, the national Cooperative Extension program was designed to extend to the people the educational opportunities and the scientific research of the nation's land-grant universities. Texas Cooperative Extension is a member of the Texas A&M University System.

To find out about Extension education opportunities, contact the Castro County Extension office at 647-4115.

Clothing class is Wednesday

4-H'ers will soon begin working on clothing projects, and County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal has scheduled a series of classes to help them with their projects.

The first of two clothing classes she has planned will be held Wednesday from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the Extension Office.

A second clothing class has been planned for Sept. 13 from 3:30 to 5 p.m., also at the Extension Office.

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LIONBURGERS, COMING UP!—Members of the Hart Lions Club grill beef patties for "Lionburgers" during the Hart Days celebration Saturday. As usual, the Lions prepared and sold hundreds of burgers

during the day. Other food booths offered hot dogs, Mexican-food specialties, homemade ice cream, homemade pie, snow cones, cotton candy and other treats. No one went home hungry. Photo by Don Nelson

Cotton talks

By SHAWN WADE

The USDA Farm Service Agency has announced that sign-up for the 2000-crop quality loss program will begin Aug. 13. No ending date for the program has been announced.

Producers can apply for quality loss payments for any crop eligible for crop disaster assistance.

The quality loss program will provide assistance to producers of eligible crops that can demonstrate a minimum 20% decline in the quality/price of their 2000 crop commodity compared with a long-term average quality/price produced in the county.

Producers will be able to apply for the program based on the smallest unit of the commodity for which they can produce records.

Cotton producers will be able to

apply for quality loss program assistance on a bale-by-bale basis by providing production evidence showing the average loan value for each bale. Each bale's loan value would then be compared with the county average loan value used to compute quality adjustments for the 2000-crop disaster program.

This comparison will then determine whether or not a qualifying 20% quality reduction has occurred. If the 20% threshold is met, then the bale would be assigned to one of five quality loss levels based on the actual loss in value relative to the county average.

Payment rates for each level of loss will then be calculated as the difference between 100% of the crop disaster program payment rate (59¢

per pound for cotton) and a percent of the affected crop disaster program payment rate based on the assigned quality loss level for each level.

The final quality loss program payment rate equals 65% of the difference between the full crop disaster program price and the applicable percentage of the crop disaster program payment rate.

A combined \$80,000 per person payment limitation is applicable for all benefits provided through the crop disaster program and the quality loss program.

Producers should check with their county Farm Service Agency office to determine the correct average loan value to use for calculating the quality loss program loss percentage.

Africanized bees spotted in South Plains counties

LUBBOCK—South Plains counties are now on alert for the presence of Africanized bees, following the positive identification of these bees in two Lubbock County "bee events."

As of July 19, the Texas Apiary Inspection Service (TAIS) added Lubbock County to the list of 134 other Texas counties quarantined for Africanized bees.

The quarantine seeks to prevent the movement of Africanized bees out of those counties through inspection and certification of beekeepers' hives. The TAIS is a unit of Texas A&M's Agricultural Experiment Station.

The two Lubbock County "bee events" included both human and

imal (dogs) contact with Africanized bees. No serious human injuries resulted, but one dog was fatally affected and others required intensive veterinary care.

A July 9 bee event in Cochran County involving humans, dogs and poultry may soon place that county under quarantine, too, if positive results of the Africanized bee identification tests conducted at Texas Tech are accepted by the TAIS.

"We want people on the South Plains to be aware of the presence of these bees, and learn how to recognize them and take preventative action against further stinging incidents," said Dr. Pat Porter, Texas A&M entomologist based at Lubbock.

Dr. Marilyn Houck, Texas Tech

professor of biological sciences, called a news conference July 19 at Texas Tech to alert South Plains residents to the presence of Africanized bees.

Porter and Houck have created an Internet website:

<http://lubbock.tamu.edu/ahb> that outlines the history and spread of Africanized honey bees in the Western Hemisphere. The site also provides advice on how to avoid

contact, how to safely react once contact occurs, how residents can be proof their property, and who to contact when a bee incident occurs.

Africanized honey bees are visually indistinguishable from common European honey bees, but their aggressive, "mob" stinging behavior and prolonged response (24 to 48 hours) to intentional or unintentional threats poses a real danger to humans, animals or livestock that encounter them.

Persons allergic to bee stings and pets and livestock that are tethered or otherwise confined are most vulnerable to their stings.

TDH plans shot clinics

The Texas Dept. of Health (TDH) will conduct an immunization clinic in August.

The clinic will be held Thursday, Aug. 9, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Dimmitt City Hall.

The immunization clinic will offer protection against several childhood diseases.

Vaccines offered will give protection against polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, mumps, rubella, HIB (haemophilus influenza type B) and varicella (chicken pox).

The Texas Dept. of Health is charging money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size and the ability to pay. Also, the varicella

vaccine is covered by Medicaid. Those who qualify should bring their card to the clinic.

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Corn symposium scheduled in Lubbock

A corn field day and symposium will be held on Aug. 21-22 in Lubbock. The symposium is sponsored by Texas A&M's Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Lubbock and the Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB).

It will provide new perspectives on present and future opportunities for all segments of the state's corn industry.

The "Sharing the Success" field day and symposium will kick off Aug. 21 with registration at 1 p.m. at the USDA-ARS Ginning Lab just east of the Lubbock Center on Farm Market Road 1294.

The center is three miles north of Lubbock International Airport on Interstate 27 and half a mile east of Exit 11 on Farm Market Road 1294.

"We are hosting this symposium to present TAMU and Texas Tech corn research projects supported by the TCPB, and to enhance the interaction between TAMU and Texas Tech research scientists, industry representatives and corn producers," said Jaroy Moore, resident director of research at the Lubbock center.

"It will be an excellent opportunity to see first-hand about the latest

university corn research projects in Texas, some of which are right here on the High Plains," said Moore.

"We also hope to open new dialogue between researchers and industry on how we can hasten and improve the commercialization of new corn lines resulting from these projects. Everyone with a stake in the Texas corn industry is welcome to attend."

The symposium will begin at 1:50 p.m., with an overview of statewide breeding programs provided by Dr. Wenwei Xu of Lubbock and Dr. Javier Bertran of College Station.

Field tours of High Plains corn research projects conducted by TAMU and Texas Tech scientists will follow from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Initiated in 1980 by Dr. Tom Archer, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station entomologist, the High Plains projects initially focused on identifying and breeding corn resistant to mites and earworms.

From 1995 to 1998, Archer and Dr. Henry Nguyen, Texas Tech molecular geneticist, focused on selecting and breeding for drought resistance and crossing these with insect-

resistant lines.

Xu and Bertran joined the team in 1998. In the three years hence, the researchers have made substantial progress breeding drought- and insect-resistant corn lines designed to survive and thrive in West Texas and other climates.

An evening reception at the Holiday Inn Suites and Towers (801 Avenue Q) will cap off the first day's activities.

The keynote reception speaker is Mark Hussey, professor of agronomy and head of Texas A&M's Department of Soil and Crop Sciences. He will address the role of public crop breeding in modern agriculture.

Activities begin on Aug. 22 with registration from 7:45 to 8:15 a.m. at the Holiday Inn and Suites Towers.

Gary Donaldson, TCPB research committee chairman, will open the day's sessions with an overview of the history and future goals of Texas corn breeding.

A representative of the Texas

Legislature will then discuss the role of Texas universities conducting crops research and support mechanisms for these projects.

A round table panel discussion from 8:50 to 11:30 a.m. will feature producer, industry, seed and research perspectives on insects and disease, germplasm exchange, biotechnology, release of parental lines and hybrids, commercialization of research products, and Quality Protein Maize (QPM).

The two-day symposium should conclude around 12:15 p.m., and is the first in a series of planned annual conferences. In 2002, the event will move to College Station and focus on corn milling qualities and aflatoxin in white and yellow corns.

Texans can get more information on the Aug. 21-22 corn field day and symposium by contacting the Texas Corn Producers Board at (806) 763-2676, or from the Lubbock center at (806) 746-6101.

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Sports



Dates set for athletic physicals

Students who are required to obtain a physical before they can compete in athletics will have a chance to do so in Dimmitt during August. The staff at Medical Center of Dimmitt will conduct physicals for boys today (Thursday) and Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Girls' physicals will be offered on Tuesday from 1 to 3 p.m.

Cost for each physical examination will be \$10.

All Dimmitt High School football players should report to the DHS field house at 7 a.m. on Monday for the first day of workouts for the fall 2001 season.



GREAT TOUCH—Greg Waddell of Lubbock, a former Hart resident, tries his hand at horseshoes during the Hart Days celebration Saturday. The day's activities included a horseshoes tournament during the afternoon, with shoe-tossers of all ages taking part.

Photo by Don Nelson

Area teams take to the gridiron for two-a-day workouts Monday

Three new area football coaches are eagerly anticipating Monday morning. This will be the first day for the head coaches of Hart, Dimmitt, and Nazareth to meet their teams, and begin two-a-day workouts.

Due to the severe heat of the summer Dimmitt and Nazareth will conduct both practices back to back. They will begin at 7:00am and continue until 12:30pm. The practices will have a short break between them, and will be open to the public.

The Dimmitt Bobcats are returning 16 lettermen and hope that this will help improve last year's record.

Dimmitt's coach, Glenn Dunnam, said it will be a challenge to implement his entire football program by the start of the season.

"Not being here for spring workouts and trying to get the kids familiar with our system will be our biggest obstacle," he said.

The Bobcats might lack size but look to capitalize on their speed this year.

"My goal is to see hard work and improvement each week we take the field," Dunnam added.

Dimmitt's boys can be viewed during their first scrimmage on August 18th.

The 11 lettermen returning will be one of new Nazareth head coach Ricky Peacock's greatest assets in the upcoming football season.

In a district full of competition, the Swifts will need to capitalize on the strengths from their skill positions to improve upon their 9-2 record from

last year.

"The key for the Swifts this season will be to add depth on both the defensive and offensive lines," said assistant coach Colby Pohlmeier. The public will get their first look at the new Swift squad at their first scrimmage on August 24th.

The Hart Longhorns return 16 lettermen and look to improve the 6-4 record of last season.

New coach Jay McCook will turn to key players, Keith Finch and Albert Velasquez, to lead his team into this year's season.

Just missing the playoffs last year, the Longhorns look to be at the top of the pack in this year's district race.

The Longhorns will take the gridiron for their first scrimmage on August 24th.

Together We Can

DISD changes dress code

Dimmitt Independent School District has changed its dress code for grades 4-12 for the 2001-2001 school year.

The length of shorts for boys and girls, and the lengths of skirts and dresses for girls have been changed to fingertip length.

Also beginning this year, girls are no longer allowed to wear tube tops, shirts with spaghetti straps or halter tops.

Beginning entomology classes scheduled

A beginning entomology classes for Junior I and II 4-Hers will be held Monday.

The classes will take place from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Castro County Extension Office.

Participants will learn new and interesting things about insects.

At the first class, 4-H'ers tried to "outperform" the bugs. They learned that a grasshopper can jump 20 times its body length and a beetle can drag 60 times its body weight. Participants attempted to do the same.

They also learned the body structure of insects and arachnids. For refreshments at the previous meeting, the 4-Hers made insect models using marshmallows and pretzel sticks.



4-H FAMILY FUN NIGHT - Bailey and Ashton Bradley pick out their bowling balls with the help of Suzanne Gibbs, 4-H Extension Agent. 4-H members and their families enjoyed a night of bowling and eating pizza in Hereford last Thursday night. The parent leaders also had a meeting and discussed enrollment for the coming year. Around 30 people attended the evening.

Photo by Susan Book

Scrapbook workshop to be held

A scrapbook workshop will be held Tuesday from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Castro County Extension Office.

Participants need to bring 15 to 20 pictures and \$5.00 to cover the cost of supplies.

Space is limited, so call the Extension Office at 647-4115 to register.

Connie Burt, a scrapbook expert, will join LaNell Whitaker of Hart in teaching the workshop.

"Those of you who plan to start a record book project for next year should plan to attend. You can learn a lot about how to make use of great photos," said Castro County Extension Agent Suzanne Gibbs.

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Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

The "Heiman Kids" gathered for a family reunion hosted by Etta Mae and Bill Sellers at War Eagle Resort in Tahlequah, Okla., where they live and help out.

All five children of Shorty and Easy (Schulte) Heiman were there including Etta Mae, Jo Anne, Julene, Denny and Iona. Also most of their children and grandchildren were there. A total of 85 people attended.

They spent most of the time on the Illinois River, which runs right east of the resort. They enjoyed rafting, canoeing and just being in the river. They also enjoyed a huge water slide and pool were near by.

They enjoyed plenty of good food and drinks.

Father Harold Heiman, their uncle from Subiaco, Ark., came to the reunion to be with them. He offered the Sunday mass for the group at Etta Mae's home. He then came home with Fritz and Julene Gerber and spent the week in Nazareth visiting relatives and friends.

The family of Art and Loretta Kleman held their annual "Christmas in July" reunion on Sunday, and 140 family members attending. They came from Burnet, Amarillo, Canyon, Dripping Springs, Abernathy, Tulia, Dimmitt, Groom, Kress, Pampa, Valley, Clovis, N.M., Norwalk, Iowa, Sandy, Utah and Nazareth.

The day began with a mass offered in Holy Family Church for the living and deceased members of the Art Kleman family. It was followed by a Kleman Golf Scramble in Tulia with 29 golfers participating. Lunch was served at noon at the Nazareth Community Hall, then everyone enjoyed a craft auction, card playing and visiting during the afternoon.

A large portion of the Virgie Gerber family gathered at Lake Kemp last weekend for their annual reunion. It was hosted by Kevin and Malinda Gerber of Plainview.

Water was low at the dock, but the

lake was great. Our young fishermen were very excited to show off all the biggest fish they have ever caught at Lake Kemp. The food, as always, was great and someone always seems to come up with something new and special for the event. It was a very good weekend.

Chandler JoAnn, infant daughter of Leroy and Jenny Schulte, was baptized Sunday morning at Holy Family Church with Deacon Al Maurer officiating. Sponsors were Anthony and Dana Johnston of Lubbock.

Brunch was later enjoyed at the home of Floyd and Dorothy Schulte by the families attending the baptism.

A baby shower was recently held for Chandler JoAnn and her mother at the home of LaDawn Schulte.

Nazareth native Stacy Wilhelm, who is now writing as author Staci Stallings, will have her first book signing at The Home Mercantile in Nazareth on Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m.

Her first novel, *The Long Way Home*, will be available at the book signing.

Dwayne and Anne Acker, Adam, Jenna and Lacey escaped the soaring temperatures in the Texas Panhandle by traveling to Ruidoso, N.M. over the weekend.

They enjoyed the cool, mountain weather while spending a relaxing weekend at the horse races, Casino Apache and other points of interest.

Carol and Marvin Hoelting hosted the Nazareth Class of 1966 for a 35-year reunion recently.

On Friday night, July 20, activities included visiting and reminiscing at the Hoelting home in Westminster, Colo.

On Saturday, July 21, the group met for 18 holes of golf at the Adventure Golf course. The team of Danny Schilling, Tony Birkenfeld,

Liza Schulte and Beth Schulte-Harder were declared the winners. Lyn Bogle was low point.

That evening the group boarded a charter bus and went to Black Hawk/Central City for an evening of supper, visiting, music, dancing and entertainment. A few special awards were given on the bus trip.

On Sunday morning, July 22, the group met at Holy Trinity Church, then returned to the Hoelting house for brunch and more visiting.

Those in attendance were Viola (Schacher) Melcher and Calvin of Holly, Colo.; Joan (Acker) Melcher and Doug of Holly, Colo.; Pam (Pohlmeier) Bogle and Lyn of Center, Colo.; Janice (Stiert) McAdams and Omar Dalton of Ropesville; Yvonne (Huseman) and David Ehly of Amarillo; Connie (Gerber) Backus and Francis and Eileen (Lupton) Alley and Larry Backus of Hereford; Beth (Pohlmeier) Schulte-Harder and Gerald of Dimmitt; Clyde and Lisa Schulte and Gerald Braddock of Nazareth; Rick Gerber of Austin; Tony and Pat Birkenfeld of Amarillo; Danny Schilling of Dimmitt; and the hosts, Carol (Schulte) and Marvin Hoelting.

Just a quick update from the travels to wherever:

The class reunion was a great success.

Only five class members weren't able to attend—Monica (Brockman) Mote and Larren Jones of Nazareth; Susie (Dobmeier) Schulte of Austin; Donald Braddock of Alvin; and Sandra (Huseman) Smith of Plainview.

Donald's wife has cancer and just completed chemotherapy treatments, so they were unable to join the classmates.

They also learned that Gary Huseman, one of Yvonne's brothers, works in the off-shore oil business and his company wants him to go to Nigeria.



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Breast cancer screenings set

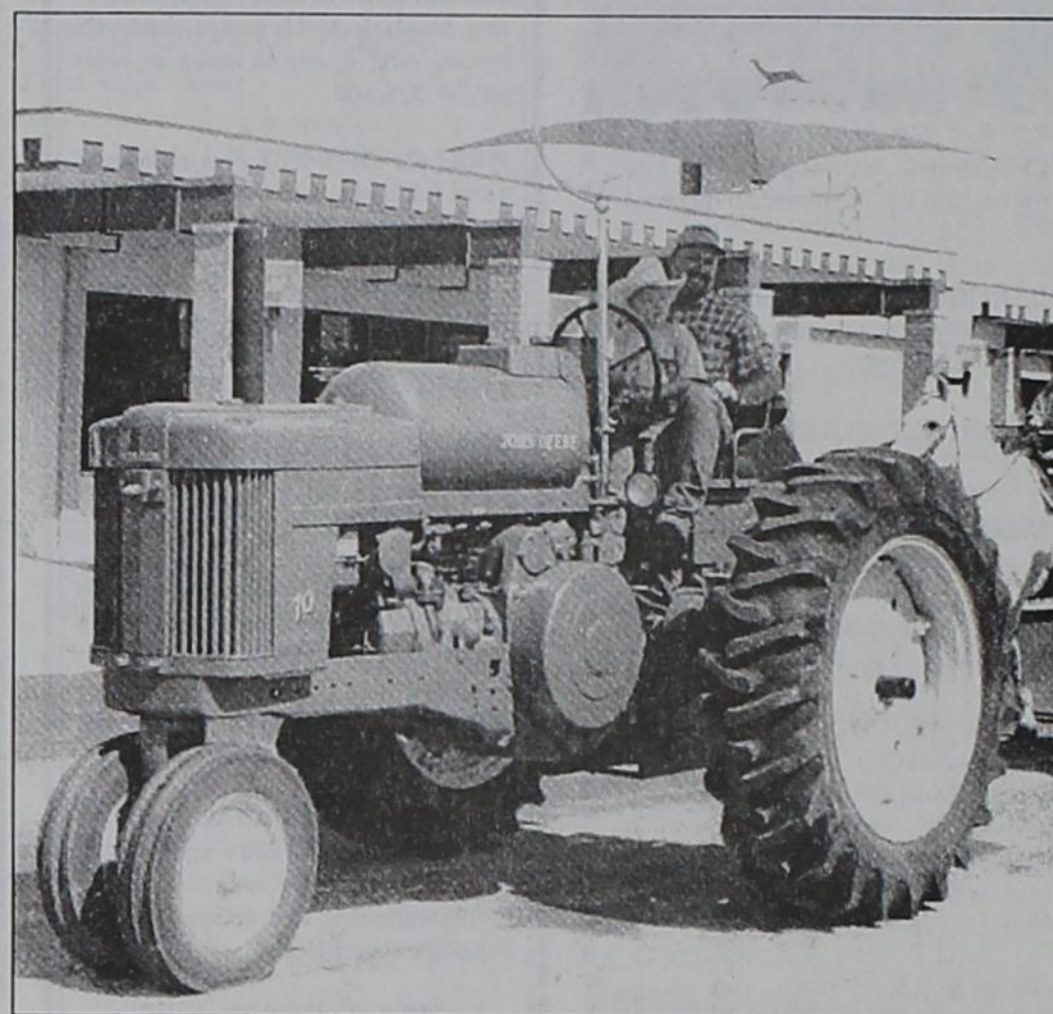
The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Plains Memorial Hospital, 310 West Halsell, in Dimmitt today (Thursday) and Friday.

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.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance.

All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.



FIRST PLACE ANTIQUE TRACTOR AT HART DAYS ... Stanley Dyer's 1953 John Deere, driven by Cody Walters

Police Calls

Two cases of criminal misdemeanors were reported to police this week.

On July 24, Dorothy Wilson Nutt reported that someone had torn down her fence and gone into her backyard in the 1000 block of Maple Street.

Edd Carson Nelson reported Wednesday that someone had vandalized a semi trailer with graffiti on the 900 block of Bedford Street. The semi trailer was valued at \$75.

Those arrested in Castro County this week were:

- 49-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested July 24 on a warrant for assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

- 23-year-old Lockney man, arrested July 26 on three counts of theft by check greater than \$20, but less than \$500, resisting arrest, driving while license suspended, and failure to appear.

Substitute teacher sign-up to be held

Substitute teacher sign-up for the 2001-2002 school year will be Aug. 8 at the Dimmitt Independent School District Administration Office at 608 West Halsell at 9:00 a.m.

Substitute teachers are asked to bring their social security cards and driver's licenses.

Three NHS students attend debate camp

Three Nazareth High School students attended the 2001 Cameron University Speech-Debate-Broadcast Camp on July 15-20.

Craig Birkenfeld, son of Clyde and Jeanie Birkenfeld; Andrew Brockman, son of Dale and Mona Brockman; and Carson Gerber, son of Carroll and Denice Gerber participated in the beginning team cross-examination debate portion of the camp.

The camp drew 700 participants from eight different states. Students from Arkansas, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma and Texas converged on the campus of Cameron University in Lawton, Okla.

Cross-examination team debaters worked on next year's national high school debate topic, "Resolved: That the United States federal government should establish a foreign policy significantly limiting the use of weapons of mass destruction.

- 34-year-old Plainview man, arrested July 27 for assault causing bodily injury.

- 43-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested Friday for assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

- 37-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested Friday for theft by check greater than \$20, but less than \$500.

- 38-year-old Dimmitt woman, arrested Friday for theft by check greater than \$20, but less than \$500.

- 22-year-old Dimmitt man, arrested Friday for failure to appear and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- 41-year-old Dimmitt woman, arrested Friday for assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

- 37-year-old Amarillo man, arrested July 28 for driving while intoxicated, first offense.

- 27-year-old Dimmitt woman, arrested Saturday on six warrants for theft by check greater than \$20, but less than \$500, a warrant for having brakes out of adjustment, and a warrant for failure to appear.

- 27-year-old Morton man, arrested Saturday for driving while intoxicated, first offense and on a warrant for a broken leafspring assembly.

- 21-year-old Dimmitt woman, arrested Saturday for no seatbelt, unrestrained child under four years of age and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- 45-year-old Hereford woman, arrested July 30 on warrants for theft by check greater than \$20, but less than \$500, no seatbelt, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and expired driver's license.

- 23-year-old Tulia man, arrested Monday for failure to maintain financial responsibility, no driver's license, exhibition of acceleration, failure to register vehicle and display of expired license plates.

Benefit to be held for Brockman

The Nazareth Knights of Columbus and family members are sponsoring a benefit dinner for Virgil Brockman.

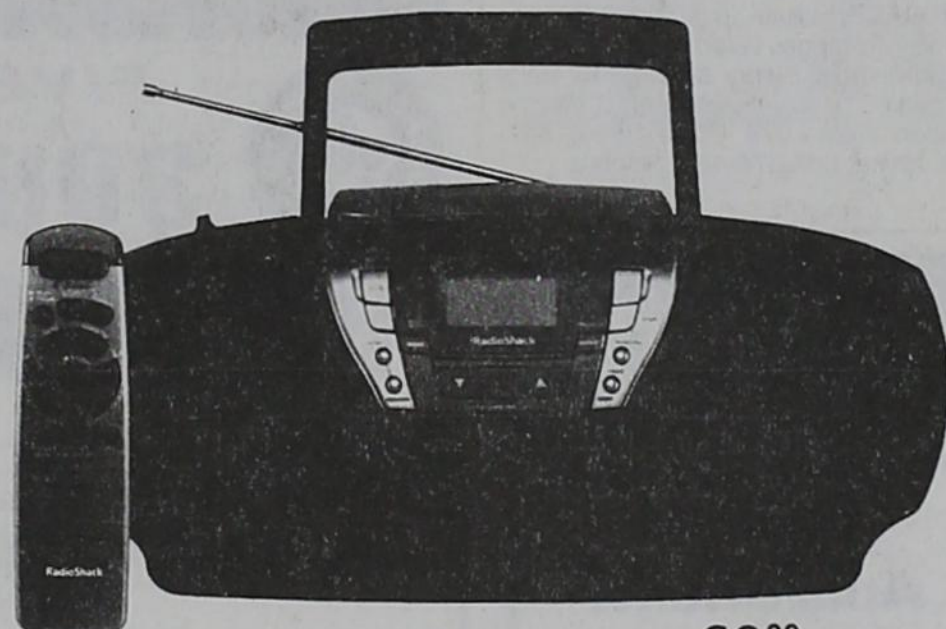
The benefit will be held Sunday, Aug. 12 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Nazareth Community Hall.

The dinner menu will be Mexican stack-up, assorted desserts and drinks. The cost of the meal is \$5 per plate.

Brockman is currently living at Twice Blessed House in Dallas while recuperating from the double lung transplant he had in April.

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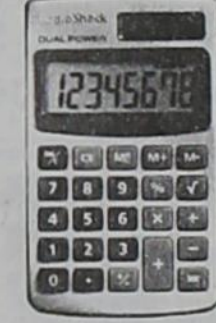
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Voice-activated micro recorder. Voice zoom cuts background noise. #14-1185 Reg. 59.99. Add 2 "AA" batteries or adapter. AC #273-1756H, DC #273-1810H. 33% Off



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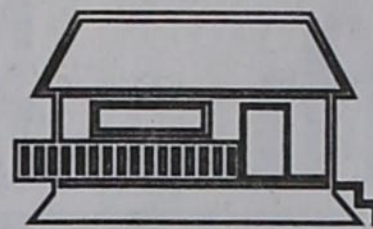
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1—Real Estate Homes & Land

MORRIS PROPERTY GROUP

Scott Morris, Broker

1008 W. GRANT—Three bedrooms, one bath, central heat/air, four-car carport, storage building, fenced yard. \$40,000.

SUNSET CIRCLE—Extra nice, three bedrooms, two baths, den, kitchen, dining, fireplace, double garage, patio with fenced yard. Ready to move in. Near school. \$76,500.

WEST OF DIMMITT. Five bedrooms, three full baths, basement, extra large two-car garage, large kitchen with lots of storage, brick. \$120,000.

NEWLY REMODELED, three bedrooms, one bath, one-car garage. \$39,950.

THREE BEDROOMS, two baths, double garage, patio, fenced yard, corner lot. \$58,000.

THREE BEDROOMS, one bath, single garage, brick, fenced backyard, central heat and air. 12th Street. \$49,500.

160 ACRES IRRIGATED LAND with Center Pivot, south of Dimmitt.

COMMERCIAL OFFICE SPACE—1200+ sq. ft., three offices, receptionist area, two bathrooms, coffee bar, easy access to a bank, lots of parking. \$45,000.

218 E. Bedford, Dimmitt 647-3734, Office

Don and Shirley Cornett, Agents 647-5642, Home 647-6517 or 647-8155, Mobiles

HORSE PROPERTY: 10 miles southwest of Dimmitt. Seven-plus acres. Four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath house, sprinkler system, well, landscaped, hay barn, pens. Horse barn with stalls, breeding stock, tack room with kitchenette, 1/2 bath, gas fireplace. Small hand house also. 647-2867. 1-17-tfc

FOR SALE: 215 N. 3rd in Nazareth. Three bedrooms, two baths, stucco house, carport, large fenced yard. Call Mike, 995-4151 days; 995-2587, nights. 1-09-tfc

The only thing wrong with doing nothing is that you never know when you're finished.

1—Real Estate Homes & Land

\$115,000 - COUNTRY HOME - approx. 1900+ sq. ft., 3 bedroom, 1 & 3/4 bath, large living area. Newly remodeled. Well & septic system. 40 x 60 shop & 24 x 60 horse shed with runs. Sits on 2 acres. This one won't last, call today.

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\$66,000 - 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, fireplace, large den, corner lot. 2 car garage.

\$65,000 - Owner said sell! Make offer. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, central heat & air, built-in microwave, new dishwasher, new tile & nice shop.

\$62,500 - PRICE REDUCED - Energy saving heat pump, 1700 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, new carpet, fireplace, large den, large backyard, single garage.

\$55,000 - NEW LISTING - Loan Company Repossession All offers will be presented. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage, fenced yard with large storage building. Located on Pine Street.

\$54,000 - On Ruskin Circle, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, double garage, isolated master bedroom, covered patio, storage building.

\$46,000 - 2 homes on large corner lot. A 3 & a 2 bedroom. Great rental property.

\$42,500 - NEW LISTING, Home with lots of character. 2 bedroom with loft. Wood burning fireplace. This is a must see!! You will love it!

\$28,000 - NEW LISTING, corner lot, three bedrooms, 1 bath, fenced yard.

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY - on Broadway, large building with new air & roof. Currently leased to 3 established businesses. Great investment.

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2—Farms For Sale

DAIRY LOCATIONS NEEDED 1/4's, 1/2's, sections on or near pavement in strong water area preferred.

CASTRO CO. 300 ACRES—on pavement, with 3 sprinklers, and 800 acres on pavement with 5 sprinklers.

CASTRO CO. 640 ACRES—with pivot for 1/2 mile sprinkler—4 wells, nice barn, on pavement.

CASTRO CO. 989 ACRES—on pavement, 4 1/4 miles from town (815 acres C.R.P., 1st year in @ \$41.41/acre) 7 irr. wells u.g. pipe, pivot point for 1/2 mile 1/4 mile sprinkler.

CASTRO CO. 4755 ACRES—sprinkler irrigated, divided into several tracts, two pre-con. yards (one on 800 acres with nice yard and 1/2 mile sprinkler), 2 1/2 mi. hwy. frontage.

FOR SALE: Land in Castro County. Highway frontage. Good slope for dairy, good drainage. Plenty of water for dairy and cattle. 12-tower sprinkler. 8 electric irrigation wells. 679 acres. (806) 647-4602, home; 806-676-4602, mobile. 2-18-1tp

3—Real Estate For Rent

Stafford Apartments Call for availability, 647-2631.

DIMMITT SENIOR CITIZENS APARTMENTS 622 N.W. 5th ONE AND TWO BEDROOM APARTMENTS FOR RENT Call 647-2638

FOR RENT: TWO BEDROOM TRAILER, 619 NW 6th, \$250. 647-7000 or 647-3638. 3-17-2tp

TRAILER LOTS FOR RENT, \$125, includes water. 647-7000 or 647-3638. 3-17-4tp

5—For Rent, Misc.

RENT TO OWN NEW TYS, VCR'S & APPLIANCES No credit checks. **KITRELL ELECTRONICS** 647-2197 Dimmitt

RENTAL EQUIPMENT now available at Unique Too. Tables, chairs, tablecloths, coffee pots, punch bowls, glassware, china and silverware, wedding and Quinceañera equipment. Call 293-8265 or stop by 724 Ash, Plainview. 5-18-3tc

6—For Sale, Misc.

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10—Agricultural Services

CUSTOM SWATHING AND BALING. Matt Gfeller, 647-4551, home; 647-6754, mobile. 10-49-tfc

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CUSTOM SWATHING AND BALING. Call Leslie Birkenfeld, 647-3320. 10-5-tfc

CUSTOM FARMING: No-till, drill, mini-till, tillage equipment. Kenneth or Ashley Heard. (806) 945-2270 or (806) 627-4623. Mobile, 657-7980 or 647-7981. 10-8-tfc

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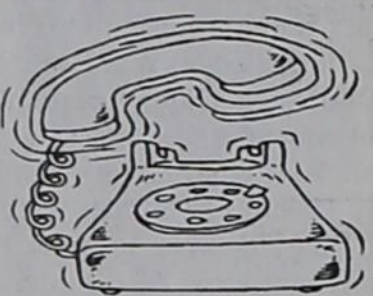
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- ✓ The first time your ad runs it will cost at least \$5 (25 cents per word with a \$5 minimum).
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1. Homes and land for sale
2. Farms for sale
3. Homes and apartments for rent
4. Things people want to rent
5. Miscellaneous items for sale
6. Garage sales
7. Household goods for sale
8. Farm equipment and supplies
9. Agricultural services
10. Feed, seed and grain for sale
11. Farm produce for sale
12. Livestock and pets
13. Automobiles for sale
14. Recreational vehicles
15. Auto parts and supplies
16. Business opportunities
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THREE BEDROOMS, 1 1/2 baths, with adjoining efficiency apartment. Good rental. \$24,600.

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18—Services

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19—Students Wanting Work

EIGHTH GRADE GIRL will do babysitting for you this summer. Call 647-3503. 19-9-tfc

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20—Help Wanted

OPERATOR NEEDED for manure spreader truck. CDL required. Call Kreig at 344-7272 (mobile) or (806) 276-5321. 20-13-tfc

EXPERIENCED WELDERS needed. Benefits include health insurance, uniforms. Call 647-3128 or apply in person at Dimmitt Welding & Electric, E. Hwy. 86. 20-8-tfc

ATTENTION: Can you qualify for a bonus? Knight's Nursing and Rehab Center is looking for LVNs and nurse's aides who can qualify for a bonus. If you are interested, call 385-6600 or come by 1241 W. Marshall Howard Blvd., in Littlefield, Texas. Ask for Fayedell Arend or James Jones. 20-10-tfc

IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR BUSINESS OFFICE COLLECTOR. Performs collection job duties administering self-pay accounts and collecting payments for delinquent accounts. Send resume to 801 E 3rd St., Hereford, TX 79045. 20-17-2tc

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Or Mail Your Equipment List To Five Star Auctioneers: P.O. Box 1030, Plainview, Texas 79073-1030

FIVE BIG DAYS

Tuesday, August 21, 2001 – Sale Time 10:00 a.m.
Combines, Cornheads, Headers, Attachments, Grain Carts, Augers, Combine Trailers

Wednesday, August 22, 2001 – Sale Time 10:00 a.m.
Grain Trucks, Truck Tractors, Implement Trucks, Trailers, Cars, Pickups, Buses, Hopper Bottom Grain Trailers, Livestock Pot & Straight Trailers, Float Trailers, Motor Homes & Travel Trailers

Thursday, August 23, 2001 – Sale Time 10:00 a.m.
Cotton Strippers, Module Builders, Boll Buggies, Cotton Trailers, Livestock Equipment, Stock Trailers, Irrigation, Hay Equipment, Ensilage & Peanut Equipment

Friday, August 24, 2001 – Sale Time 10:00 a.m.
Tractors, Backhoes, Loaders, Front End Loaders, Construction Equipment, Motor Graders, Forklifts, Crawlers, Tractor Makeups

Saturday, August 25, 2001 – Sale Time 9:00 a.m.
Selling All Farm Implements, Fertilizer Equipment, Utility Trailers, Tanks, Toolbar Makeups, Shop Equipment, Grain Drills

Deadline For Getting Equipment In Place: Monday, August 20, 2001 At 6:00 p.m.

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20—Help Wanted

HELP WANTED: Doctors and pen riders. Apply in person at Dimmitt Feed Yard, six miles west of Dimmitt on Hwy. 86. 20-17-2tc

DRIVERS NEEDED for transport or bob-tail. Must have Class A CDL Driver's License with HAZMAT endorsement. 647-5166 or pick up application at West Texas Gas, East Highway 86, Dimmitt. 20-18-1tc

RURAL HEALTH CLINIC OFFICE Manager: Two years experience in health care business office with supervisory experience. Associate or bachelor's degree in acct. desired. Castro County Hospital District, PO Box 278, 310 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas 79027; Phone (806) 647-2191; fax (806) 647-2407. 20-18-2tc

22—Notices

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 945-2553. 22-14-4tc

23—Lost & Found

LOST: LIVER AND WHITE MALE POINTER. Answers to Guy. Call 647-2858 and leave a message. 23-17-2tp

LOST DOG—Black and white border collie puppy (fell out of truck while in crate) lost south of Dimmitt on US 385. Call 938-2028. Reward! 23-18-1tp

24—Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS
The family of Deroy Cates would like to thank everyone for their love, prayers, food, cards, flowers, memorials, visits and help in any way during his sickness and his death.

It has all been appreciated so very much and will hold a special place in our hearts forever.

Thanks to Dr. Joplin, Bro. Rhodes, Wayland, Hospice and Canterbury Villa for helping and caring for daddy.

Special thanks to Jim Jowell for your call and to Mitzie (Wilson) Jordan for your card. Daddy thought a lot of the classes of early "50" and all basketball teams.

If we have missed anyone in expressing our thanks, please accept this as one! Thanks again.

DARLENE & BOB WALTERS
DUD WOOTEN & FAMILY
JOYCE BILLS & FAMILY
AMY WOOTEN
JAN (CATES) METCALF & FAMILIES
24-18-1tp

CARD OF THANKS
Thank you all so much for your prayers, phone calls, flowers, cards and food. We truly appreciated all that you did for us and thank you for your memorials to the Dimmitt Fire Department.

KAY & BRIAN CONYERS
24-18-1tc

25—Legal Notices

NOTICE TO RECEIVE BIDS ON CITY OF DIMMITT DEPOSITORY

Notice is hereby given as provided in Section 105.102 "Local Government Code" (V.T.S.) That the City of Dimmitt at its regular meeting on Aug. 6, 2001, will receive bids from banking institutions in the City of Dimmitt that may desire to be selected as the depository of the City of Dimmitt funds.

Bids will be received until 10 a.m. on Aug. 3, 2001. Bidders should indicate specifically the method and frequency of calculation of interest rates payable on accounts and investments during the term of the contract. The bid must detail all proposed costs for printed checks and deposit slips, service charges, stop payment charges and any other contemplated charges.

Bidders are notified that most city funds are in the form of trust accounts with service charges prohibited. Successful bidder will be required to enter into a written contract with the City of Dimmitt and approved by the City Council within 15 days of the date of the award of the contract.

All bids must state the amount of the bank's paid-up capital stock and permanent surplus and must include a statement of financial condition of the bank on the date of application, together with a certified check for \$10,000, to guarantee that if accepted as city depository, it will excuse the required bond. The City of Dimmitt reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

MAYOR WAYNE COLLINS
City of Dimmitt
25-17-2tc

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposal for group health, life insurance and prescription drug program will be received by the City of Dimmitt until September 10, 2001, at 2 p.m.

Bidders must provide two (2) copies of their proposals. The envelope or container in which bids are sent or hand-delivered should be clearly marked as "HEALTH & LIFE INSURANCE AND PRESCRIPTION DRUG PROGRAM BID" in lower-left-hand corner.

City of Dimmitt reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities in bids received. The City of Dimmitt is not required to select the lowest bid, but shall take into consideration other factors such as ability to service the contract, past experience and financial stability. City of Dimmitt reserves the right to award the bid to serve the best interest of its employees, as judged by the City of Dimmitt.

Attached to these specifications is an employee census showing date of birth, sex, and whether the employee has covered dependents.

Any questions regarding the specifications should be addressed to City of Dimmitt, Attn: Dolores Baldrige, PO Box 146, Dimmitt, Texas 79027; (806) 647-2155.

25—Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE TO PROPOSERS

Castro County Hospital District will receive proposals for the purpose of the insurance coverages listed below. The deadline to submit your proposals is August 17, 2001 at 5:00 p.m. Those wishing to submit a response may deliver or mail their response to: Castro County Hospital District, Attention Mark Wishard, 310 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, TX 79027.

1. Business/Auto
2. General Liability
3. Commercial Property
4. Professional Liability

Additional information may be obtained from Mark Wishard, CFO at 310 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, TX 79027, telephone number (806) 647-2191. Castro County Hospital District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted and to waive formalities and technicalities. 25-17-2tc

LEGAL NOTICE

The undersigned hereby gives notice of application to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Austin, Texas, for a Private Club Permit Renewal to be located at 208 SE 4th, Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas. Said business to be operated under the name of Gerry's First Place.

DOUGLAS HERMAN SCHILLING,
President
WAYNE NIEL CHRISTIAN,
Vice President
KELLIE JO BRADLEY,
Secretary
25-17-2tc

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF NONDISCRIMINATION IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

1. Nazareth Independent School District offers career and technology education programs in Family Science, Consumer Science, Agricultural Science and Agricultural Business. Admission to these programs is based on interest and aptitude.

2. It is the policy of Nazareth Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

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The recording fee will be \$11 per brand, per location.

If you also have brands registered in other counties in the State of Texas, it will be necessary for you to contact the office of the County Clerk of that county and renew your registration there, also.

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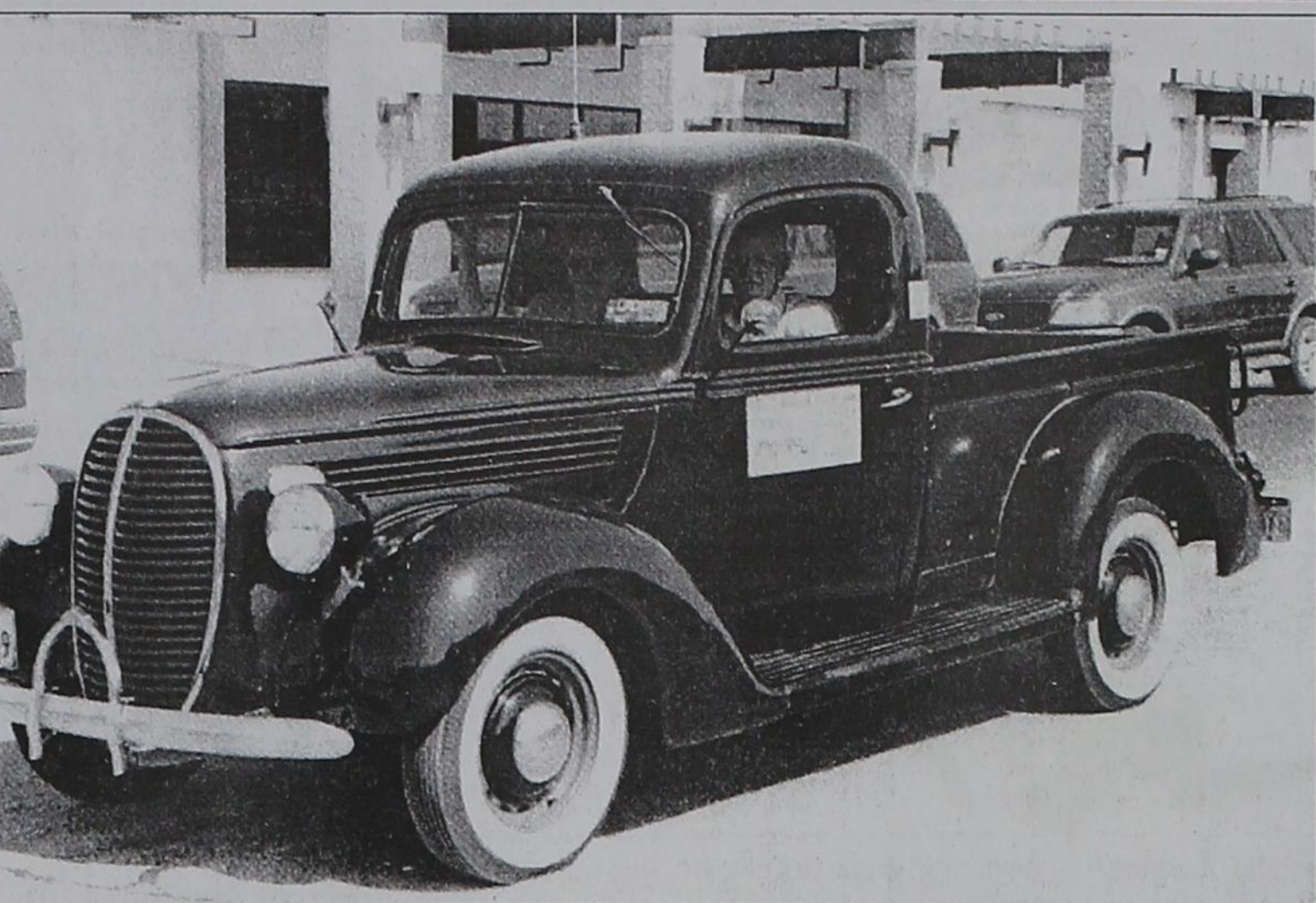
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Increase in rail crossing collisions prompts warnings

Final 2000 statistics from the US Federal Railroad Administration reveal that 388 collisions occurred at highway-rail crossings in Texas last year, compared with 365 in 1999.

Texas led the nation in the number of collisions last year, and that prompted Railroad Commissioner Chairman Michael Williams, Commissioner Charles R. Matthews and Commissioner Tony Garza to urge motorists to be cautious when approaching any highway-rail intersection.

The safety reminder came following release of the figures showing

Nazareth ISD looking for alumni

The Alumni Committee of Nazareth Independent School District is compiling a list of all graduates of NISD.

They are asking people to send their addresses, those of their children, siblings, classmates, and anyone else they know that graduated from Nazareth.

Please send them to Vera Ramaekers, P.O. Box 196, Nazareth, TX 79063; Vera Huseman, P.O. Box 72, Nazareth, TX 79063; Tonya Schulte, P.O. Box 213, Nazareth, TX 79063; Mary Beth Gerber, P.O. Box 232, Nazareth, TX 79063; or Sandee Hoelting, P.O. Box 122, Nazareth, TX 79063.

One can also call them at these numbers: Vera Ramaekers, (806) 945-2598; Vera Huseman, (806) 945-2264; Tonya Schulte, (806) 945-2234; Mary Beth Gerber, (806) 945-2297; or Sandee Hoelting, (806) 945-2548.

Also available is the e-mail address: (nazexstu@hotmail.com).

Harvest Days will include barbecue and chili cook-off

A barbecue and chili cook-off will be held at the Castro County Fair this year on Sept. 8.

It will be held on the Castro County Expo grounds. There are four categories for contestants to enter.

The pinto beans category has an entry fee of \$5 and its turn-in time is 11 a.m. The pork spare ribs category has an entry fee of \$10 and its turn-in time is 11:30 a.m.

The brisket category also has an entry fee of \$10 and its turn-in time is 12 p.m. The final category, chili, has an entry fee of \$10 and its turn-in time is 12:30.

The contest is restricted to residents of Castro County.

highway-rail crossing collisions in Texas. It was the second straight year in which the number of collisions increased.

"We are starting this new century on a discouraging note," Williams said. "Ironically, in our fast-paced, high-tech world, when it comes to crossing any train track we must recall the old-fashioned advice that our grandmothers gave us—stop, look and listen."

"Texas has almost 12,000 miles of mainline track and 18,000 highway-rail crossings—the most of any state in the nation," said Matthews. "That's why when crossing a train track it's important to remember that anytime is train time."

"Even if you see a train miles down the track, it's closer than you think," said Garza. "A freight train moving at 55 miles per hour can take a mile or more to stop once the emergency brakes are applied—that's the length of at least 18 football fields. It's a deadly game that the train will always win."

Williams, Matthews and Garza noted the 52 highway-rail fatalities recorded in 2000 represented an increase from 41 fatalities the previous year. The state also recorded 164 injuries in 2000, down

from 175 injuries in 1999.

Texas counties recording the most highway-rail crossing collisions in 2000 included Harris with 43, Dallas with 22, Wise with 14, Bexar with 13, Montgomery with 12, Jefferson with 11, Webb with 9 and Collin with 7.

Statistics reveal that crossing gates were present in 24% of highway-rail crossing collisions recorded last year. More than half (55%) of the motorists involved never stopped at the intersection before being hit.

Thirty-four trespasser fatalities were reported in 2000, compared with 42 in 1999. This represents the first decrease of trespasser deaths since 1991.

According to preliminary data compiled by the Railroad Commission of Texas, 113 highway-rail grade crossing collisions have already occurred in the state through the first four months of 2001.

Through a joint effort with the "Operation Lifesaver" program, the Railroad Commission works year round to educate drivers about rail crossing safety with classes held in schools and other venues statewide. Operation Lifesaver classes emphasize the safety message of "Look, Listen and Live."

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Tri-State Fair seeks entries for its parade

The Tri-State Fair in Amarillo is seeking entries for its parade.

"People and Pride, Going For the Gold" is the theme for the 2001 Tri-State Fair Parade, which will be held in downtown Amarillo on Saturday, Sept. 15, at 10 a.m.

Organizations that wish to participate in the parade are encouraged to enter early for the best position on the parade route, according to Tri-State Fair parade chairman Walt Kelley.

"This theme was selected to honor the way people in our region always strive to be the best, and to recognize their accomplishments," Kelley said. "Over the years, the Tri-State Area has had many champions in various sports, and we are all proud of their efforts. Our goal is to capture that championship spirit in our parade."

Kelley said he expects about 150 units to participate in the categories of Military (Motorized and Marching), Equestrian, JROTC Unit, Youth, Open, Floats and Bands (Junior High/1A-5A).

Trophies will be awarded and the winning float will also win a cash prize of \$400.

This year's Tri-State Fair will take place Sept. 14-22. The fair will feature the Murphy Bros. Exposition midway, livestock and home arts competitions and shows, and food and game booths sponsored by many community organizations that use the fair as a major fund-raiser.

The entry deadline for the Tri-State Fair Parade is Aug. 31. For a parade entry form or information about this year's Tri-State Fair, call (806) 376-7767.

Friena schedules cancer walk Aug. 25

Friena's Second Annual Cancer Walk will be held at the Friena High School football stadium on Saturday, Aug. 25.

The two-mile event will begin at 9 a.m. Early registration will begin at 8:30 a.m.

Money raised from this walk will be given to the American Cancer Society.

The cost is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 12 years of age and younger. The registration deadline is Aug. 10.

Entry forms can be found at Ingrams, Ivy Cottage, An Added Touch and other businesses in Friena.

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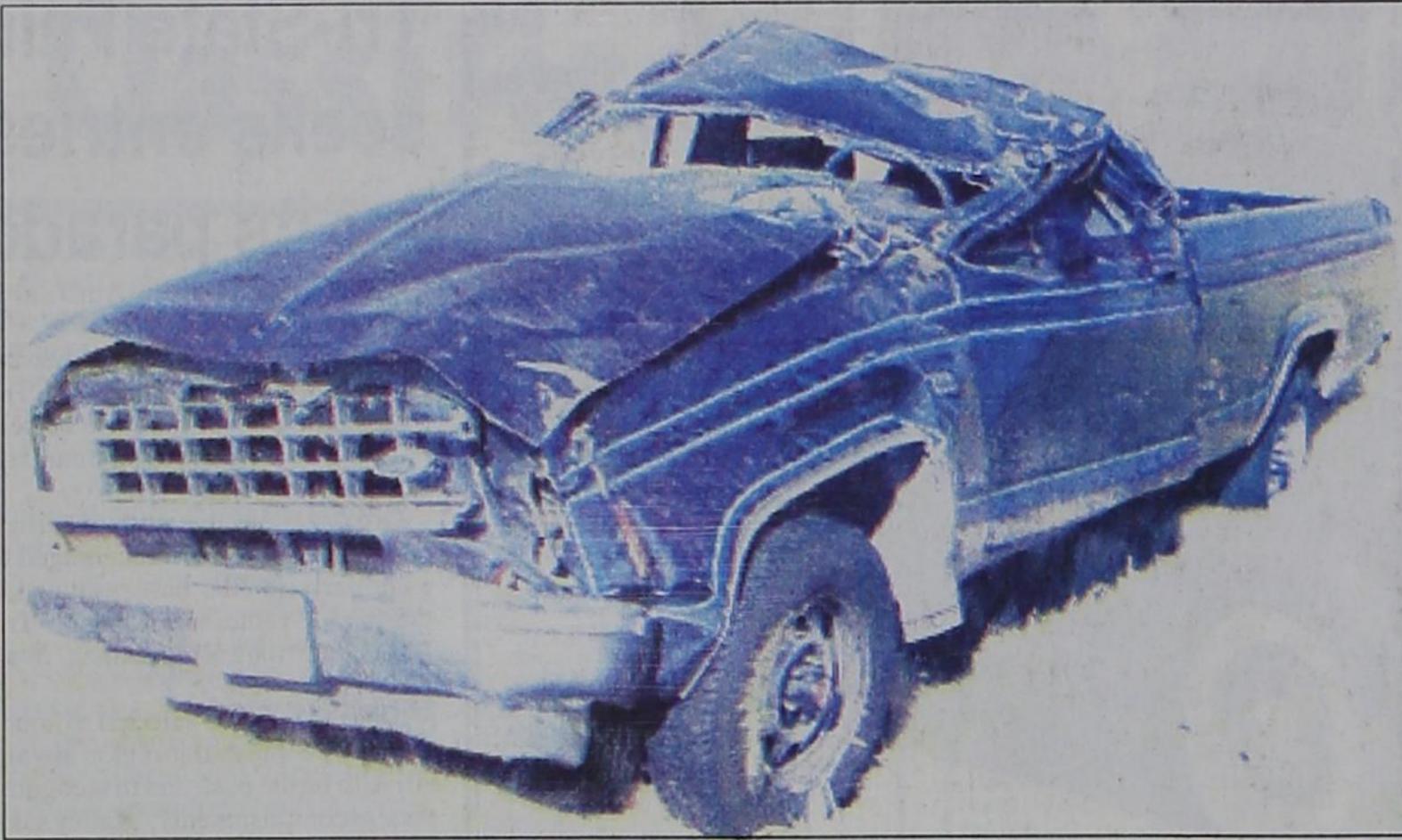
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THIS PICKUP WAS TOTALED Sunday morning when it rolled several times on FM 1057 south of Summerfield. Of the three people in the vehicle, two were wearing their seat belts and were treated for

"moderate" injuries. The third, who was riding in the middle, was not wearing his seat belt and is listed in critical condition at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. *DPS Photo*

Hereford man still critical after Sunday morning wreck

Three men were injured, one critically, in a one-vehicle rollover early Sunday morning south of Summerfield.

A passenger in the vehicle, Juan Carlos Carranza, 18, of Hereford, was critically injured when he was ejected from the vehicle during the accident. He was riding in the middle, and was not wearing his seat belt.

Carranza remains on a ventilator and is listed in critical condition at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, according to reports from the Dept. of Public Safety.

The driver, 17-year-old Johnny Baca of Friona; and another passenger, 18-year-old David Orozco of Friona both suffered moderate injuries, but have been treated and released. Baca and Orozco were wearing their seat belts.

According to Dept. of Public Safety Trooper Brian Burzinski, the accident occurred at 2:30 a.m. Sunday about four miles south of US 60 on FM 1057. The accident was discovered by a passerby at 4:50 a.m. Castro County sheriff's deputies, EMS personnel and members of the Castro and Deaf Smith County Fire

Departments responded to the scene.

Burzinski said the vehicle was traveling south in the northbound lane when Baca jerked it to the right, losing control and causing it to roll several times.

Investigation into the accident is continuing, and Burzinski said charges will likely be filed against the driver.

"The Texas Dept. of Public Safety reminds everyone that the safest place in a crash is in your vehicle and the only way to stay in your vehicle is to buckle your safety belt," Burzinski said.



ROUND AND ROUND SHE GOES!—Shane Hanes can't wait to see what prize he's going to win from the St. John's Catholic Church's Spinning Wheel during

Hart Days Saturday. Cheering him on is volunteer hostess Aurelia Perez. St. John's Church also had a big Mexican-food booth. *Photo by Don Nelson*

Rehabilitation Center here offers all types of therapy

Castro County has something that few rural counties have — a fully staffed, fully equipped rehabilitation center.

People who live in most rural counties have to travel to larger cities for professional rehabilitation therapy when they need it. And the trip itself can sometimes defeat the purpose of the treatment.

The Castro County Hospital District's Rehabilitation Center is located at the west end of the Medical Center of Dimmitt.

The center offers physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech therapy. It serves patients who have orthopedic conditions; who have had a stroke; who have musculoskeletal problems; who have hand/carpal tunnel problems; who suffer from arthritis; who have sustained a sports or industrial injury; who require some type of wound care; or who need any kind of rehab therapy.

A physician's prescription is the "admission ticket" for a patient to receive treatment at the center.

Director of the center is Nimfa Martin, a fulltime physical therapist who has been here 1½ years. Two

part-time physical therapists, Crystal Backus and Traci Robb, work with Nimfa when needed.

Also, there are two licensed physical therapy assistants at the center—Marie Rivera and Analicia Castelnueva—and physical therapy aides, Rachel Herrera and Jane Eby.

The licensed occupational therapist is Renée Marie. She works with people of all ages, from infant to elderly, to help them develop or regain motor skills. She is assisted by Maggie Dozal.

Holly Davis is the licensed speech pathologist. She, too, works with people of all ages, ranging from children with speech problems to stroke victims who need speech therapy.

In addition to these "regular" therapy specialists, the center also can call in other specialty therapists from area cities when they're needed.

"We have a nice facility, with state-of-the-art equipment," Nimfa said. "Our staff, of course, are competent and qualified. They continue their education regularly to advance in knowledge. And our hospital

administration is very supportive."

The center's staff doesn't just "sit and wait" for patients to come in. They also work through the Home Health program to provide therapy for homebound patients, and they go to Plains Memorial Hospital when needed to serve the inpatients there.

"We have several contracts, too, that not too many people here know about," Nimfa said. "We do therapy in the Dimmitt schools, at the local nursing home, at Prairie Acres and the Hereford regional care center. We have a contract with the Parmer County Community Hospital to do their inpatient, outpatient and home health therapy services. We see patients as far away as the Farwell Convalescent Center.

"Yes, we're all over the place!" she said.

And the center here has had walk-in patients from other parts of the state, who may be here on business, visiting relatives or passing through.

"As long as they have a prescription order signed by a doctor, physician's assistant or a certified nurse that calls for therapy or treatment, we can treat them," Nimfa said.

Obituaries

Wanda Henderson

Funeral services for Wanda Henderson, 69, of Dimmitt, will be held Friday at 10 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Hart with the Rev. Aaron Reed officiating. Burial will follow in Hart Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Henderson died at 10:43 a.m. Monday at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

She was born Oct. 28, 1931, in Castro County. She married Clifford Henderson on Jan. 15, 1949, in Dimmitt. He died on Jan. 8, 2001. She attended school at Hart. She was a farmer.

She was preceded in death by her husband, and by a brother, J.C. Jackson.

Survivors include a son, Larry Henderson of Hart; a brother, Ray Jackson of Tucson, Ariz.; one grandchild; and one great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

Evelyn Marble

Services for Evelyn Marble, 60, of Plainview, were held Monday at First Baptist Church in Kress with Jay Simpson officiating.

Burial will be in Kress Cemetery under the direction of Wood-Dunning Funeral Home of Plainview.

She died Friday, July 27.

She was born Dec. 17, 1940, in Tulia. She married Max Marble in 1980. He died Aug. 31, 1994. She worked for several years at Tulia Feedlot before moving to the Edmonson area in 1980. She moved to Plainview in 1986 and was a member of First Baptist Church in Plainview.

Survivors include a daughter, Zenita Rowland of Hart; a son, Jeff Rogers of Kress; a brother, Larry Lindeman of Oklahoma City, Okla.; and five grandchildren.

Bicycle safety seminar slated

Plains Memorial Hospital will be hosting a bicycle safety day August 11th from 10 to 12:00pm. Dimmitt, Nazareth, and Hart school kids age 5 to 10 years old are invited to attend. The event will take place in the west parking lot between the hospital and the museum. This event is to educate children on the proper safety precautions to take when riding a bike. Prizes and cookies will be awarded following the event.

Mildred Sanders

Services for Mildred Sanders, 80, of Plainview, were held Tuesday at Parkview Baptist Church with the Rev. Don Noble officiating.

Burial will be in Center Plains Cemetery under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home.

She died Sunday, July 29.

She was born Nov. 3, 1920, in Kingston, Ark. She married Joe Sanders on July 28, 1945 in Cotton Center. She graduated from Cotton

Center High School in 1936 and from West Texas State University in 1942.

She taught school for 25 years, 14 of which were in Kress. She also worked in Hart, Panhandle and Plainview before working in Kress. She was a member of the Texas State Teachers Association and Parkview Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband; and two sisters, Wanda Lee McFerrin Hunt of Shallowater and Wynne McFerrin Lewis of Seminole.

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