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## Two charged in cemetery vandalism



**VOLUNTEERS PUT THE HEADSTONE OF RUFUS AND NELLIE WAGGONER BACK IN PLACE**  
... During work party Saturday at the vandalized Castro Memorial Gardens

Mark David Lumbra, 20, and Daniel Ray Salinas, 18, both of Dimmitt, were arraigned during the past week on charges of criminal mischief in connection with the vandalism that was done at Castro Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Castro County Sheriff CD Fitzgeard said that Lumbra remained in jail under \$10,000 bond as of Tuesday afternoon, and that Salinas was released on \$3,500 bond last Thursday.

Thirty-three graves were damaged the night of Aug. 10, with markers overturned and some broken. The damage was estimated at over \$6,000.

The two men were arrested last Thursday after information was given by a confidential informant who contacted Santos Perez of the

Dimmitt Police Dept. on Aug. 12. Fitzgeard said that the case would not have been so quickly solved without the help of the city police. Police also helped in the apprehension of the two.

A group of local citizens turned out Saturday to work on setting the grave markers back in place, and all were replaced except one statue that was broken beyond repair.

The damage had been done in a swath through the middle of the cemetery.

"This case had wide ramifications, affecting so many here and throughout the Panhandle who have loved ones buried here," Fitzgeard said. "Everyone was concerned and upset."

He said he was glad to have the case solved so quickly.

## Grand jury hands down 10 indictments

The 242nd District Court Grand Jury handed down 10 indictments in a session last Thursday.

Reynaldo Medellin, 39, of Tulia, was indicted for aggravated assault with serious bodily injury, and bond was set at \$7,500. He was charged in connection with a June 29 incident in which a woman was pulled to the ground and kicked in the ribs, cracking one of her ribs.

Bond also was set at \$7,500 for Macario M. Hernandez, 62, of Coronado Acres, after he was indicted for injury to an elderly. He was charged in connection with a July 1, 1991, incident in which he allegedly dragged the victim around the house, throwing several items at her, and hitting her all over her body.

Three Dallas men were indicted for possession of a controlled sub-

stance under 1 gram, and bond was set at \$5,000 for each of them. Eugenio Cerda Medina, Juan Muro

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## Bethel sets chicken fry

The annual chicken fry will be held tonight (Thursday) at the Bethel Community Building, and the public is invited to attend.

Each family attending is asked to bring their chicken to the Bethel Community Building between 4 and 5 p.m.

The meal will begin around 7 p.m. and will feature fried chicken, salads, vegetables, desserts and more.

## NISD proposes 4.1% tax increase

The Nazareth Independent School District is looking at a 4.1% tax hike over this year's effective rate of \$1.21, and a public hearing on the proposal will be held next Thursday, Aug. 27, at 8 p.m. in the school's homemaking room.

If the tax increase is adopted, the tax rate would increase to \$1.25 per \$100 of value. Last year's tax rate was \$1.23.

This year's effective rate is lower than last year's actual tax rate because the tax base is slightly higher than last year's. A year ago, the tax base was \$21,378,380 in the district. It was upped to \$21,582,340 this year.

The proposed tax increase would raise an additional \$431,647 in revenues for the district this year.

Taxes on the average home in the district would increase by \$4.85 or 1.6% when compared with last year's taxes, according to figures released by the district. That's based on the average home value of \$39,240.

"We can live without the \$4,316 raise, but it will bring us approximately \$16,000 in state

money which would give us \$20,000," said Nazareth Superintendent N. Dean Johnson. "For every penny we raise in taxes, the state gives us four. What we're trying to do is maximize state funding. What we do now will impact the funding we'll receive next year."

Johnson said the school will be operating on a budget deficit between \$150,000 and \$175,000 this year.

"What has impacted us so much is the fact that we're losing students," Johnson said. "We have nine fewer students this year than last because we graduated 24 and this year's kindergarten class only has 15."

Johnson said the board was faced with raising taxes and getting the increased state funding, or cutting programs.

"Robin Hood has been good for us until now, but it's catching up," Johnson said. "We realize it's a bad time for us to be going up on taxes, and we sympathize with that. But we have to decide if we want a school and what kind of school we want to have."

## Hart school is looking at tax hike

The Hart Independent School District will hold a public hearing Monday on a proposal to increase the district's tax rate by 4¢ to \$1.201 per \$100 of assessed value.

The public hearing will be held at 7 p.m. in the Hart ISD Administration Building and those residing in the district are invited to attend.

HISD's tax rate a year ago was \$1.161, making the proposed increase 3% over last year's rate. The hike would be 5% over this year's effective tax rate.

The \$1.201 tax rate would raise \$3,443,946 for the district based on a tax base of \$56,036,560. The increase would account for \$60,000 more revenue than last year's tax

rate. The proposed increase would make the taxes on an average home in the district \$130.55, up \$4.35 from a year ago.

The HISD board cut its budget, but will still be operating with a \$40,000 deficit budget if the tax increase is approved.

The board trimmed \$7,000 from the school's athletic budget, electing not to feed players on road trips as the school has in the past. The board also cut funding for road-trip meals for junior varsity football and basketball teams.

Ethridge told the board that a 15% across-the-board budget cut would save the district about \$20,000.

## Volunteers reset grave markers

Twenty volunteers put the headstones and grave markers back in place Saturday morning at Castro Memorial Gardens.

Wielding chisels, cleaning brushes and cement guns, they went from grave to grave resetting the markers and monuments which vandals had knocked over the previous Monday night.

They reset the headstones, including the biggest ones, the old-fashioned way—gripping, lifting and grunting until the heavy stone memorials were back in place.

"I think some of these are harder to lift than they were to knock over," one volunteer commented.

"It's a good thing I didn't drive up on them while they were doing it," another volunteer said. "They'd probably have had to arrest me for murder."

The only marker they weren't able to do anything about was the biggest one that was vandalized—a hand-

painted, 5-ft.-high statue of the Virgin Mary at the grave of Yolanda Hernandez (Mrs. Manuel) Sanchez, who died in 1995.

The concrete molded Madonna statue—part of a monument reportedly made in Mexico and valued at about \$5,000—was knocked over, broken into three pieces and badly chipped.

Most of the damage was in the south and west-central parts of the cemetery.

"Their pattern didn't make sense," Donald Wright said. "They knocked over a lot of big ones and left some easy ones right next to them standing."

The volunteer workers included Joe and T. J. Reyna, Raul and Leo Olvera, Rudy Martinez, Miguel, Armando and Gilbert Cervantes, Eddie Campbell, Donald Wright, Jim and Cliff Wright, and Rick, Wesley, Matthew and Adam Wright.

Also pitching in were William and

Glenda Yates of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Campbell of Canyon. Mr. and Mrs. Yates were here for a family reunion, and the Campbells joined the work party when they went to the cemetery to check on their family plot.

"We had been wanting to get out here and do this all week," Rick Wright said, "but it seemed like we couldn't get everything and everybody together until today."

As the volunteers were finishing up about 1 p.m. Saturday, Donald Wright commented, "Boy, I'm glad we were able to get this done without it costing the cemetery association any money. They need all the money they've got to keep up with the maintenance."

The volunteers reset the markers, headstones and vases of:

John William Hendrix  
James Powell  
Janie Powell

Isaac Grant  
Linda Grant  
William Boyd  
Roxie Boyd  
G. A. James  
Lucinda James  
Pearl Hamm  
Mulkey Hamm  
James Hamm  
Lucia Barron  
Herrera Family  
Yates Family  
Florence English  
Robert English  
Jess English

Florentino Quinonez Sr.  
Niva Markley  
Harold Markley  
Yolanda Hernandez  
McCunnie Washington  
J. M. Frans  
Ethyl Boyd  
Maud Rippey  
Rufus and Nellie Waggoner  
Neppie and Ruth Mayfield

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By Don Nelson

In case you were wondering, last year at this time we were starting the Harvest Days celebration.

This year, Harvest Days will be Sept. 10-12.

The new rule of thumb, as I understand it, is that from now on the county fair will be held the Saturday after Labor Day.

It's the Fair Association that actually sets the date for Harvest Days. Everything else is built around the fair.

Dimmitt will have the Follies this year, but not as part of Harvest Days. They'll be staged Aug. 29-30, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and directed by Bill Sava.

As the Chamber's executive director, Bill has some other exciting show-biz things in the works for us, too.

John and Sue Merritt saw "Saving" (Continued on Page 6)



**WORKING TOGETHER**—Six Dimmitt women were among those who completed a career seminar sponsored by Panhandle Community Services. Shown are (from left) Estella Salinas, Brenda Garza, Rita Barrera, Esther Espinosa and Gwen Pevehouse. Not

shown is KaTonya Allison. Five of them are entering classes at Amarillo College on Aug. 31. Barrera has been delayed by family circumstances, but hopes to join the others later. Photo by Linda Maxwell

## Back to school a reality for five Dimmitt women

By LINDA MAXWELL

Five Dimmitt women have made the move toward higher education through the help of programs of Panhandle Community Services.

Stella Devers, center coordinator for the Dimmitt PCS office, set up a career seminar several months ago that set the women on a path of self-improvement, and the five decided that their paths should include higher

education.

Several of the women enrolled in Adult Basic Education classes at Hereford to brush up on their academics before signing up for college classes.

The five are all beginning the fall semester at Amarillo College Aug. 31. Estella Salinas and Esther Espinosa are interested in becoming medical data specialists, Brenda

Garza hopes to become a registered nurse, Gwen Pevehouse wants to go into a computer-related field, and KaTonya Allison wants to learn early childhood development. Allison and Garza have qualified for the Families In Training (FIT) program.

A sixth member of the career seminar group, Rita Barrera, was all set (Continued on Page 2)

## Weather

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Thursday	86	63	.16
Friday	88	57	
Saturday	90	57	
Sunday	91	60	
Monday	94	61	
Tuesday	92	61	
Wednesday	89	64	

August Moisture ..... 77  
1998 Moisture ..... 8.15  
Temperatures and moisture are recorded each day at 7 a.m. at KDHN Radio, official National Weather Service reporting station.





# What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth schools for Aug. 20-28.

### DIMMITT Breakfast

**THURSDAY:** Cocoa Krispie cereal, fresh banana and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Pancake on a stick with sausage, pineapple juice and milk.  
**MONDAY:** Pancakes with syrup, apple slices and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Corn Pops cereal, apple juice and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Cinnamon rolls, orange wedges and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Corn Flakes cereal, grape juice and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Breakfast burrito, fresh bananas and milk.

### Preschool-First Grade Lunch

**THURSDAY:** Bean chalupas, Spanish rice, gelatin and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Red Baron Pepperoni Pizza, savory green beans, cantaloupe and milk.  
**MONDAY:** Fish nuggets, French fries, fruited gelatin, hot cheese rolls and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Hamburger on a bun with Frito corn chips, hamburger salad, fresh watermelon and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Country fried steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, seasoned blackeyed peas, orange wedges, hot rolls and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Beef enchiladas, refried beans, guacamole salad and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Turkey and dressing surprise, whole new potatoes, mixed vegetables, wheat rolls and milk.

### Second-12th Grade Lunch

**THURSDAY:** Choice of beef taco, bean chalupa or chicken tetrazzini; Mexipinto beans, Spanish rice or southern collard greens; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or gelatin; corn tortilla, crackers or hot rolls; and chocolate or lowfat milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of Red Baron Pepperoni Pizza, chicken pot pie or Chili Fritos; savory green beans, baked potatoes or tomato and okra gumbo; tossed salad, cantaloupe or pineapple sunset salad; tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk.  
**MONDAY:** Choice of barbecued hot links on a bun, beef enchiladas with sauce or fish nuggets; vegetable medley, French fries or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or fruited gelatin; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Choice of hamburger on a bun, lasagna with ground beef or beef stew; Frito corn chips, broccoli with cheese sauce or baked beans; tossed salad, hamburger salad, Fresh watermelon or cauliflower salad; garlic bread, hot wheat rolls, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Choice of country fried steak, beef tamale pie or chicken taco; mashed potatoes with gravy, seasoned blackeyed peas or lima beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, cucumber and tomato salad or orange wedges; assorted muffins, white hot rolls, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk.

**THURSDAY:** Choice of chicken and noodles, ham and cheese or cheese enchilada with sauce; potatoes au gratin, potato chips or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, guacamole salad or peaches; banana bread squares, hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of turkey and dressing supreme, nachos with cheese or fajitas with sauteed onions; whole new potatoes, candied sweet potatoes or mixed vegetables; tossed salad, fruit fantasy, coleslaw or pears; cornbread, hot wheat rolls, flour tortilla, Fideo Mexicano or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk.

### HART Breakfast

**THURSDAY:** Waffles, sausage, variety of cereal, fruit juice and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Scrambled eggs, Canadian bacon, wiener wrap in a biscuit, variety of cereal, graham crackers and fruit juice.  
**MONDAY:** Waffles, sausage, fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Breakfast pizza, variety of cereal, fruit juice, graham crackers and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Blueberry muffin, peanut butter bar, variety of cereal, fruit juice and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** French toast sticks, Canadian bacon, variety of cereal, graham crackers, fruit juice and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Scrambled eggs, Canadian bacon, biscuits, fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers and milk.

### Elementary Lunch

**THURSDAY:** Choice of pizza, burrito and spaghetti and meat sauce; Texas toast, corn, salad, ginger cookies, gelatin dessert and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of pizza, burrito or hot dog on bun; chili, pinto beans, fresh fruit, corn chips, gelatin dessert and milk.  
**MONDAY:** Choice of pizza, burrito or barbecued ribs on a bun; sliced cheese, pinto beans, peaches, fruit juice, salad, dill pickles, whole wheat sugar cookie and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich or steak finger basket; green beans, salad, sliced pickles, cherry cobbler, ice cream and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Choice of chicken sandwich, burrito with sliced cheese or sloppy Joe on a bun; French fries, lettuce, tomato and pickles, fresh fruit, pears and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of corn dog, burrito or fish strips; cornbread, macaroni and cheese, salad, fresh fruit, carrot sticks, peaches and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or nachos with ground beef; sliced pickles, pinto beans, fresh fruit, salad, gelatin dessert and milk.

### High School Lunch

**THURSDAY:** Choice of pizza, burrito and spaghetti and meat sauce; Texas toast, corn, salad, ginger cookies, gelatin dessert and milk, punch or tea.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of pizza, burrito or hot dog on bun; chili, pinto beans, fresh fruit, corn chips, gelatin dessert and milk, punch or tea.  
**MONDAY:** Choice of pizza, burrito or barbecued ribs on a bun; pinto beans, sliced pickles, sliced cheese, peaches, fruit juice, salad, whole wheat sugar cookie and milk.

**THURSDAY:** Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich or steak finger basket; green beans, salad, sliced pickles, cherry cobbler, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Choice of chicken sandwich, burrito with sliced cheese or sloppy Joe on a bun; French fries, lettuce, tomato and pickles, fresh fruit, pears and milk, punch or tea.  
**THURSDAY:** Choice of corn dog, burrito or fish strips; cornbread, macaroni and cheese, salad, fresh fruit, carrot sticks, peaches and milk, punch or tea.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or nachos with ground beef; sliced pickles, pinto beans, fresh fruit, salad, gelatin dessert, ice cream, banana pudding and milk, punch or tea.

### NAZARETH Breakfast

**THURSDAY:** Breakfast tacos, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Cinnamon rolls, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**MONDAY:** Cinnamon rolls, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Sausage and biscuits, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Waffles and sausage, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Canadian bacon and biscuit, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Cinnamon rolls, cereal, orange juice and milk.

### Lunch

**THURSDAY:** \*Corn dog or chicken strips with bread, salad, rice, applesauce, dessert and milk or juice.  
**FRIDAY:** \*Chicken fried steak with roll or pizza, salad, potatoes and gravy, pineapple, Jell-O and milk or juice.  
**MONDAY:** \*Frito pie or pizza, salad, cornbread, green beans, fruit cocktail, pudding and milk or juice.  
**TUESDAY:** \*Chicken spaghetti and roll or hamburger and French fries, tossed salad, corn, peaches, pears and milk or juice.  
**WEDNESDAY:** \*Sandwich or corn dog, lettuce, tater tots, beans, pineapple, cookies and milk or juice.  
**THURSDAY:** \*Pigs in a blanket or baked potato with chili, salad, peas, applesauce, apricot and milk or juice.  
**FRIDAY:** \*Tater tot casserole or pizza, sopapillas, salad, beans, fruit cocktail, peaches and milk or juice.

\* Items designated with an asterisk will be served to elementary school students.



**THE DIMMITT HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1988** held its 10-year reunion July 17 and 18. Class members attending included (front row, from left) Marie Ramey Powers, Paula Sanchez Jackson, Pam Anthony Honea, Stacy Wilson Davis, Carla Summers Schilling, Carla Pybus Humphrey, Ja Cameron Birdwell and Mecca Wilkerson; (middle row, from left) Martha Martinez, Lannette Flores Nino, Melissa

Morales Wilson, Annette Flores, Kristi Petty Sadler, Jerry McMillon, Kristi Kelley, Cary Buchanan and Jon Bruegel; and (back row, from left) Melissa Polivoda, Paul Dannevik, Dondi Hays, Johnny Flores, Beth Miller, Greg Gentry, Reagan Frye, Brad Buchanan and Stacy Gonzales. Class members not pictured are Debbie Stanton Carducci and Dennis Kirby and Denise Schulte Kirby. *Courtesy Photo*

## More about Back to school a reality . . .

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to attend along with the other five, but family circumstances are preventing her from doing so—for this semester, at least. She feels she just isn't ready for all of the challenges that going back to college would bring to her and her three sons.

A big problem all of the women face is finding adequate child care in Dimmitt.

"We need affordable, dependable child care here," said Esther Espinosa. "We don't always want to impose on our families or be a burden, and sometimes that isn't the best situation."

Transportation can be a big challenge for the women, as well. A break-down or bad weather could keep them from classes. Yet, they are reluctant to move away from Dimmitt.

They said they want to stay where they have family support and good schools for their children.

Garza said she is moving to Amarillo, anyway, because she will be on a work-study program and needs to be there. Her 3-year-old son will be in day care.

"I won't get to spend as much time with him as I did," Garza said sadly. "My kid says, 'Mama, no homework!' It's going to be tough for me, because I will have a lot of homework."

"I won't be able to skip or 'play hookey' with my parents," Espinosa said. "They'll make sure I stick with it. We have to go for it, but we will miss a lot (of family activities). It's going to be hard, real hard. The hard part will be following through and getting over the fear of failing."

"I'm stuck (where I am). I want to do better for my kid; but I want to be there for them, too," Espinosa said.

"These are tough decisions, but that's how you meet goals—by making choices," Devers said.

"We're just learning as we go," Devers said of the group. She said they are finding out which programs cover what types of expenses and which degree programs. She said they are learning how to:

—Ask questions (what's next, where do we go, what do we do, and what do you do if your PELL grant doesn't come until Sept. 1 but you need registration fees by Aug. 20).

—Fill out paperwork (applications,

asking for letters of reference).

—Write an essay about themselves, telling what their goals are, and explaining what kind of assistance is needed and why.

"We have found that all kinds of assistance is needed," Devers said. "They have to dig for information, and for help, and they have to write and write and write."

"We get together and do that. It makes it easier," the women said.

"It's a good thing we have one another, especially when we're at our lowest. We're in it together," Espinosa said.

That is why it has been so difficult for the group to face having to go without Barrera.

"We feel we have left her behind. It's kind of depressing. We had it all planned out, pushing each other and supporting each other," Espinosa said.

"You can do it," Barrera said to the other five. "I can do it. I'm just stuck right now. It's just a delay for now. I will get my education. I'm really hurt that I can't go with my friends, but I will go when I can. If I am meant to wait, I can do that."

"I've gotten a lot further than I was before. I was just sitting at home," Barrera said.

"PCS helped us have this opportunity. It won't always be there," Barrera said.

Devers said that welfare reform is cutting back on the availability of programs and funding all across the state.

"Kids need to stay in school," Espinosa said. "The opportunities won't always be there."

The group said their main advice to young girls today would be "don't get pregnant."

"There's nothing wrong with abstinence," Espinosa said. "I wish future mothers would think about these things—the obstacles they will face."

"Do it right the first time (getting an education)," Pevehouse said.

The group said they would encourage girls to finish school, making it their main priority. They said they would tell them, "There will be time for boys and other stuff later."

"Tell them to look at their friends who have children," Pevehouse said. "I wish I had listened (when people gave that same advice)," Barrera

said. "We were 'too cool' to listen to our parents," Espinosa said. "But now I realize life is not always fun and games. I am aiming for something better."

"I got a high school diploma—so what? That's nothing nowadays. You have to go for more. It's a good beginning, but I am encouraging my kids to go to college."

"I used to think it would be 'cool' to go to college," Espinosa said. "I just feel I should have done it years ago and I would already be where I should be now."

"What you do is what you choose to do and what you become is what you choose to be," Garza said. "If you choose to wait (for having a family), it will be a better life. You need to pursue college and a higher education. You need a good education to maintain a good job."

"My sisters, ages 12 and 15, thought it would be great to come live with me," Barrera said. "With my dad and his wife, they have it made."

"I told them if they live with me a priority would be their education. After that, THEN we would talk about boyfriends, etc. I told them, 'You can't talk about boys and having a baby all the time.'"

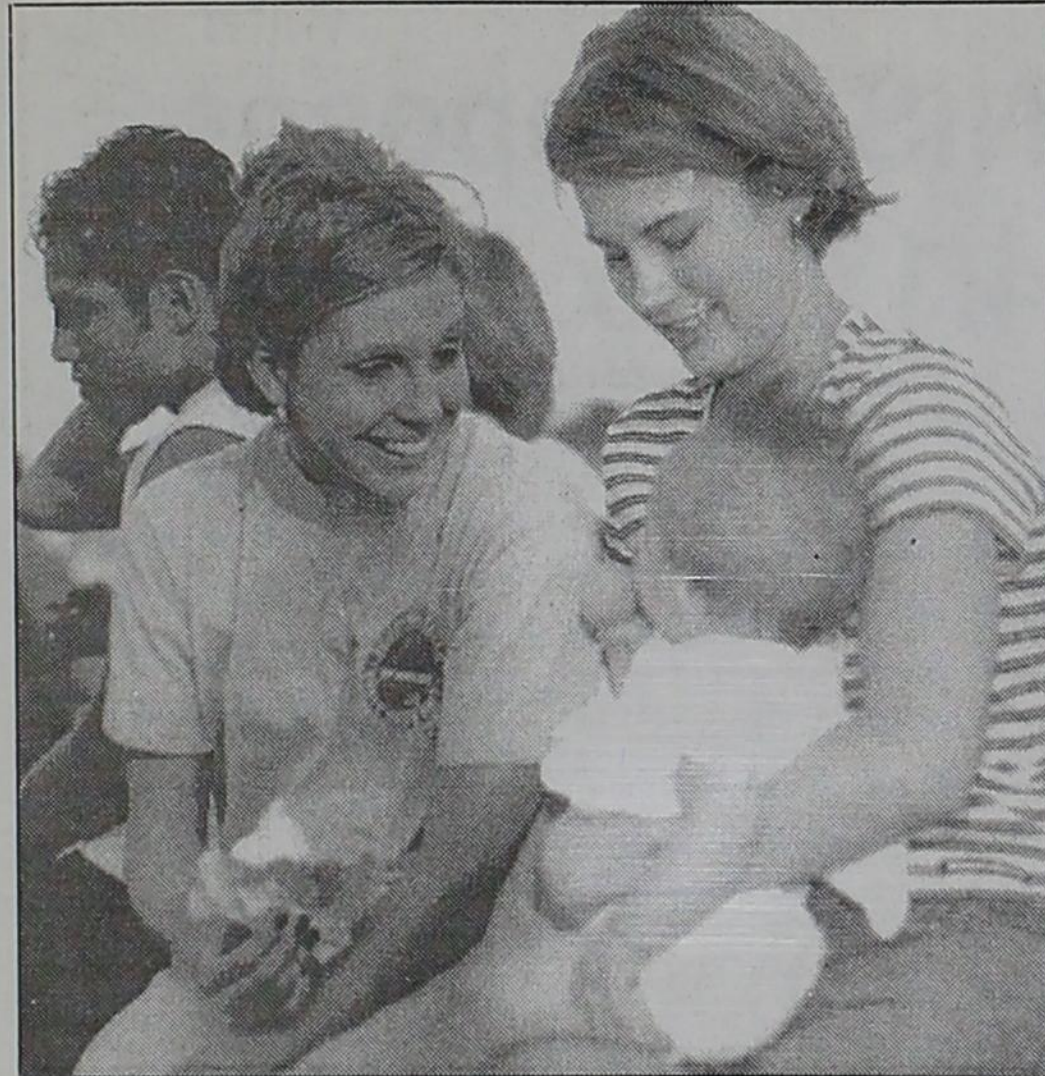
"I did it, but I don't want it to happen to them," Barrera said, adding wryly, "They decided to stay with dad."

"Our kids will learn a lot from seeing the importance we put on it," Devers said. "That is a better example than all the words you speak."

"In God We Trust" became the official motto of the United States in 1956. It had appeared on coins since 1864.

**Last Puzzle Solution**

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**BACK TO SCHOOL CELEBRATION**—Ashlee Ward (left) and Allison Roberson, Dimmitt High School students, enjoy the watermelon feed sponsored by the DHS Student Council last Thursday evening. Roberson is holding Keelie Stevens, daughter of Tiffany Stevens. In the background (far left) is Ralph Enriquez. *Photo by Monica Ortiz*

## County will hold tax rate hearing today

Castro County Commissioners will hold a public hearing today (Thursday) on a proposed tax increase of 10% over this year's effective rate.

The hearing on the proposed tax rate will be held today (Thursday) at 5 p.m. at the courthouse and the public is invited to attend.

Commissioners have proposed a tax rate of \$.519 for this year, which is 6% higher than last year's tax rate of \$.489.

The proposed rate is 10% higher than this year's effective tax rate of \$.478, according to County Auditor Maretta Smithson, but is just under the rollback rate.

This year's effective tax rate is lower than the 1997 rate of \$.489. The effective rate is lower because property values increased this year. Last year, an average home was valued at \$30,800. This year, the average home is valued at \$31,900.

If the proposed increase is approved, county taxes on the average home would increase by \$14.05.

## DISD board to set tax rate for '98-99

The Dimmitt school board will meet Tuesday at noon to set the 1998-99 tax rate and vote on final approval of the budget.

No one appeared at the public hearing on the tax rate held Monday at the administration building.

At an Aug. 10 meeting, the board announced its intention to keep the tax rate at the same \$1.21 level as last year, even though that rate will be higher than the effective tax rate of \$1.165.

The effective tax rate is the rate that would be needed to raise the same amount of tax revenue as last year.

In other business, after an executive session Monday, the board voted to accept the resignation of Dimmitt High School English teacher Donna Kerr. DISD Supt. Les Miller said that he hopes to have a replacement hired by next week. He said the board also may look at hiring an additional kindergarten teacher, due to the large enrollment in that grade level.

Board members also voted to add two names to the substitute teacher roster.

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**ACROSS**

- 1 Lake Amistad is a good place to scuba \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 Oklahoma town \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 TX-based Alan Ladd film: The Big \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 architect of Dallas City Hall: I.M. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 TXism: "busier than \_\_\_\_\_"
- 17 TX singer Orbison (init.) \_\_\_\_\_
- 18 cowhand pay on early TX trail drives (3 wds.) \_\_\_\_\_
- 21 this Eastwood was Rowdy Yates on "Rawhide" (init.) \_\_\_\_\_
- 22 highest point in TX: Guadalupe \_\_\_\_\_
- 23 this Sharp coached Tech BB women to NCAA title in '93 \_\_\_\_\_
- 24 TXism: "tater" \_\_\_\_\_
- 29 Cowboy coach Galley \_\_\_\_\_
- 30 many TX grocers sell beer & \_\_\_\_\_
- 31 TXism: "raised \_\_\_\_\_ concrete" (city boy) \_\_\_\_\_
- 32 Travis \_\_\_\_\_ line in the dirt at Alamo \_\_\_\_\_
- 33 SMU's Doak Walker was a Detroit \_\_\_\_\_
- 34 TXism: "wet a \_\_\_\_\_" (drink) \_\_\_\_\_
- 35 stir fry pan \_\_\_\_\_
- 36 TX Strait's "All My \_\_\_\_\_ in Texas" \_\_\_\_\_
- 38 TXism: "rough as a \_\_\_\_\_ cob" \_\_\_\_\_
- 39 Cowboy Newton \_\_\_\_\_
- 40 TXism: "he shoots \_\_\_\_\_ bullets" (good aim) \_\_\_\_\_

**DOWN**

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Rio, TX \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 TXism: "bought a pig \_\_\_\_\_"
- 3 TXism: "all \_\_\_\_\_ watermelon" \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 this Rabbitt played at TX Willie's Farm Aid V \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 TX chemical co. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 UT VIP (2 wds.) \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 horse color \_\_\_\_\_
- 11 this black leader's birthday is a TX holiday (init.) \_\_\_\_\_
- 12 \_\_\_\_\_ Campo, TX \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 founder of 1st TX Span. mission: Fray \_\_\_\_\_ Massanet \_\_\_\_\_
- 14 Sinatra in film "Four for Texas" \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ as hen's teeth" \_\_\_\_\_
- 16 what Emmitt Smith tries to gain (abbr.) \_\_\_\_\_
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# Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

The Nazareth Independent School District held its opening ceremonies last Thursday morning on the lawn in front of the school.

It was a very well organized event. The FHA officers invited everyone to sing the Star Spangled Banner and recite the Pledge of Allegiance as Ann Wilhelm and Susan Jones raised the flag. The opening prayer was given by Mitchell Brockman.

Supt. N. Dean Johnson extended a welcome to everyone present, especially the parents and school board. He was happy to tell us that our school district was rated as an "exemplary" district by the Texas Education Agency.

He also gave special recognition to the new kindergarten class, the first grade and our many new students. He also recognized the senior class, which will be the last graduating class of this century. He also recognized the school staff and maintenance personnel.

Don Wood, high school principal, introduced the high school and elementary teachers with six new ones. He also introduced our new elementary school principal, Mrs. Debra Clinton.

The Nazareth Swift Band then played the school song and Cassie Birkenfeld gave the closing prayer.

Also on display was a beautiful, seven-foot tall "N" painted blue with a gold "SWIFT" across. It is mounted on a cement foundation. It was given to the school by the 1998 senior class.

The Leroy Pohlmeier families and others flew to Arkansas recently for the wedding celebration of their grandson, Robert Kendrick, and Rebekah Harrison. He is the son of Linda and Bob Kendrick of Desoto.

The wedding took place in Faith Outreach Church in West Helena, Ark., on Aug. 1. Bob and Linda were very pleased to have so many of their family members attend the celebration in Arkansas.

The Heiman sisters, Etta Mae Sellers of Tahlequah, Okla., Jo Anne Bowen of Plainview, Julene Gerber of Nazareth and Iona Taylor of Lubbock spent a few days in Santa

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The next meeting of the band boosters will be held Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the DHS Band Hall.

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Anyone who would like to join the group but can't attend the meeting should call 647-2421.

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If you have a question concerning the upcoming season, call the Hereford Recreational Center at (806) 363-6899.

Fe, N.M. They toured the Old Santa Fe Trail and town square with the many windows and art galleries. They ate delicious Mexican food at the Guadalupe Cafe at the end of the Santa Fe Trail. They also visited the oldest church in San Miguel, Our Lady of Lourdes, and the Spiral Staircase. They attended mass in the beautiful old cathedral. It is still in its original state with high ceilings and statues.

They toured the Factory Outlet, shopping mall and Jacklope Pottery Factory with so many things to see. Oh yes, they did find the casino with blackjack tables and slot machines. Most had good luck.

Charley and Beverly Hill enjoyed a few days in Ruidoso, N.M., and celebrated their 30th anniversary.

Carol Kern celebrated her 40th

birthday with a party hosted by her family.

C.B. Wilhelm was honored with a party on his 88th birthday. Mass was offered for him at Plains Memorial Hospital where he resides. The party followed with family, friends and nurses attending.

Prayers are asked for Matilda Anderle, Rosemary Wilhelm, Meredith Braddock, Joe Venhaus and Virgil Brockman.

Holy Family Church invites everyone to celebrate the first Life Teen Mass on Sunday, Aug. 23, at 5 p.m. After mass, high school students are invited to a cookout and pool party at the home of Clyde and Jeanie Birkenfeld. Mary Beth Gerber and Darlene Fetsch are youth coordinators.

## On the Go

The Town and Country Extension Club met on Friday morning at the Senior Citizens Center.

Ann Henderson presided over the business meeting and led in the prayer and creed. Betty Freeman called the roll and each member answered with how they look each morning when they get up!

Marilyn Neal showed a film, "Chinese Cooking in a Nutshell." She cooked Chinese food—broccoli and beef and chicken with vegetables including squash, onions, garlic, celery, carrots, peppers and walnuts. She served it all over rice.

During the social hour Irene Blanton served sandwiches and chocolate cake to Ann, Betty, Marilyn, Edith Graef, Claudine Langford, Oneida Hutto, Dolores Griffith, Ferne Jones, Mattie Seale and Mary Edna Hendrix.

The First Christian Church Ladies' Council was graciously hosted by Glenna Fry in her home. Recipes and menus were exchanged.

The program was given by Ruby Teaschner and her topic was "God's Anointing."

Sympathy, get well and birthday cards were selected and mailed.

Fun and fellowship were enjoyed by those attending.

The Plains Memorial Hospital staff and their families and the board members and their families hosted a hamburger cookout in the hospital courtyard. They invited members of the Hospital Auxiliary, too.

Hamburgers, chips, cookies and homemade ice cream were served to a large crowd on a beautiful evening.



GETTING IT ALL TOGETHER—Dimmitt High School Cheerleaders and Student Council members performed a skit last Thursday morning at an assembly on the first day of school. Participants included

(from left) Brittany Porter, Brenda Flores, Kassandra Casas and Maria Garcia. Other unidentified students provided the "uncooperative" feet and legs for the humorous presentation. Photo by Monica Ortiz

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# People



## Booth spaces are available for craft show

Reservations are being accepted from exhibitors who wish to display arts, crafts, commercial items or educational exhibits at the Harvest Days Arts and Crafts Show to be held Sept. 12 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The arts and crafts show will be a part of the annual celebration that includes a parade, a fiddler's contest, rodeo, street dance and more.

Each booth is 10 ft. wide and 12 ft. deep. The cost is \$30 for a space within the Expo building and \$25 for spaces outside or in the quonset barn.

Spaces within the Expo are very limited and are offered on a first-come, first-served basis, according to the show's planners.

One table and two chairs will be furnished to each exhibitor. All display equipment must be brought by the exhibitor.

Those who wish to reserve booths should contact the Dimmitt Chamber Commerce at 806-647-2524.

## Cannon Fest set Aug. 29 at Clovis, N.M.

Cannon Air Force Base's services squadron will hold a giant festival Saturday, Aug. 29, on the base six miles west of Clovis, N.M.

There is no admission charge to the event, which is open to the public.

The festival will be highlighted by music by one of Lubbock's greatest rock-and-roll bands, Plaid Joe. Other groups performing will be Itch and Riverwind. The Chicago Honeybear Dancers will perform.

There also will be food, entertainment, a flea market, and a car and motorcycle show.

Hear **The First United Methodist Church** Morning Worship Service Sundays - 10:45 a.m. On KDHN 1470 AM



**JOSHUA FLORES**, son of Johnny and Rosie Flores of Dimmitt, recently participated in an American Modeling and Talent Convention in Orlando, Fla. Flores was one of 20 chosen to represent Models West of Amarillo. While at the convention, Flores participated in various activities including modeling, runway and photo, sit-com and commercials. *Courtesy Photo*

## Divorce seminar slated this weekend

Dr. Glen Schmucker, pastor of Cliff Temple Baptist Church in Dallas, will lead a divorce recovery seminar in Dimmitt this weekend.

The seminar, "New Beginnings," will be held Friday and Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt. There is no admission charge and the seminar is open to the public.

The session on Friday will be from 7 to 9:30 p.m. and the topic will be "I Wish I Could Rewind." Supper will be provided to those attending.

There will be three sessions on Saturday and they are "How Do You Get a Divorce?", "When Are You Moving Home?", and "Who Will She Be To You?"

Saturday's sessions will be from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon and a continental breakfast will be served.

Dr. Schmucker is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has pastored churches in Siloam Springs, Ark., Abilene and Sunray.

## Birkenfeld and Nelson wed Aug. 9 in Canyon

Joyce Lynn Birkenfeld and Lynn Damon Nelson exchanged wedding vows Aug. 9 in a semi-formal, double-ring ceremony at Country Home Bed and Breakfast in Canyon.

The bride is the daughter of Joe Lynn and Mary Lou Birkenfeld of Nazareth. Parents of the groom are George and Vicky Nelson of Dimmitt and Sue Bates of Bryson.

The couple recited their vows before a gazebo in the backyard of the home. Silk floral arrangements rested on white pillars in front of the gazebo. Green and blooming hanging plants added to the scenery.

The couple's unity candle rested on a white wrought-iron table that also held a dozen red roses in a crystal vase.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a formal-length gown of satin featuring lace accents. The fitted bodice featured a high neckline and dipped to her waist in the back. The back waistline was accented with a bustle and bow. The bodice was accented with lace, seed pearls and sequins. Her long, puffed sleeves of satin and lace formed points over wrists. The front skirt of the gown and the cathedral-length train featured insets of lace accented with pearls and sequins. The train was edged with lace.

She carried a multi-colored bouquet of fresh flowers and greenery.

She "borrowed" her ring bearer's pillow from her sister. "Something blue" was a tiny pouch that held a sixpence. Her wedding dress was new.

Matron of honor was Anne Acker of Nazareth, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids included Kendra Chism and Christy Christian, both of Amarillo, cousins of the bride; and Kelly Jones of Nazareth, friend of the bride. Junior bridesmaid was Jenna Acker of Nazareth, niece of the bride.

Flower girl was Lacey Acker of Nazareth, niece of the bride.

The bridal attendants wore floor-length hunter green gowns designed



**MRS. LYNN DAMON NELSON** ... nee Joyce Lynn Birkenfeld

with pleated short sleeves. Each bridesmaid carried a single red rose tied with hunter green and white ribbons. The flower girl carried a white basket filled with multi-colored rose petals. The basket was accented with hunter green and burgundy ribbons.

The flower girl and junior bridesmaid wore halos of fresh flowers accented with hunter green, burgundy and white ribbons in their hair. Best man was Shawn Nelson of Dimmitt, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Brandon Schilling of Nazareth, friend of the groom; Adrian Farris of Amarillo, friend of the groom; and Scott Hunter of Lubbock, uncle of the groom.

Ring bearer was the couple's infant son, Dyllyn Gage Nelson of Dimmitt, who was carried by Jenna Acker.

The two candles flanking the couple's unity candle were lit by Dennis Birkenfeld of Nazareth, brother of the bride, and Adam Acker of Nazareth, nephew of the bride.

The groomsmen and candle lighters served as ushers.

A reception followed the ceremony.

The bride's table featured a silk floral arrangement and silver serving

pieces. The three-tiered wedding cake, made by the bride's aunt, Mildred Birkenfeld of Nazareth, was decorated with burgundy roses and white wedding bells. Nuts, mints and punch were served along with the cake by Kaci Wethington, friend of the couple, and Zena Martin and Sandi Martin of Bryson, sisters of the groom.

The groom's table held a silk floral topiary accented with ivy and ribbons. Crystal appointments completed the decor. The groom's chocolate cake was decorated with an 18-wheeler with "George Nelson Trucking, Inc." on the side.

The couple enjoyed a wedding trip to points of interest in New Mexico and are now home in Dimmitt.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Nazareth High School. She majored in criminal justice at South Plains College. She is employed by *The Castro County News*.

The groom graduated from Nazareth High School in 1992. He attended South Plains College, Texas Tech University and West Texas A&M University. He holds an associate degree in business management. He is employed at George Nelson Trucking, Inc., in Dimmitt.



## May We Introduce ...

We want to introduce you to some new faces you'll be seeing around the hospital district's facilities ... along with some "old" faces that you'll see now in new places.

In the foreground, from left, are:

**Corina G. Montalvo** (in suit), a new receptionist at the Medical Center of Dimmitt, who works with Kathy Webb and Molly Moya.

**Olivia Ortiz**, a longtime member of the dietary staff who is now the assistant director of dietary services at Plains Memorial Hospital.

**Margaret Burrows**, the new director of pharmacy services at the hospital.

**Anna Lynn Espiritu-Santo**, a native of the Philippines, who is a new lab technician at the hospital.

**Romy Ferguson**, who is in charge of coding in the bookkeeping department of the Medical Center of Dimmitt.

In background, from left, are:

**Crystal Backus**, new director of physical therapy at the Hospital. She succeeds Traci Robb, who has opted to change to part-time duty.

**Billy Terry**, another longtime member of the dietary staff, who is the new director of dietary services at the hospital. Billie succeeded Carole Dyer, who has retired.

**Melvin Walker III**, who is the district's new director of materials management.

**Roy Orr**, a new lab technician at the hospital.

**Michael Ellison**, new director of Emergency Medical Services.

**Noah Everett**, the customer service man for the new Medical Equipment Store located in the clinic building.

**Simon Camarillo**, social worker with the hospital, Home Health Agency and Hospice Services. His office is in the Home Health Agency building.

Other new employees, not pictured, are Joe Villeneuve and Dana Cecil, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists; Barbara Finley, the new billing clerk at the Medical Center of Dimmitt; and three nurses—Chrissy Gomez Milloy, R.N., Terry Flores, G.V.N., and Laura Wright, former L.V.N. who now has a new position as a Registered Nurse.

We hope you'll welcome these new employees when you see them. They're some of the "Local Professionals Caring for Local People."

## Castro County Hospital District

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## May and Baker to wed

Russell and Connie May of Springdale, Ark., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amy May, to Andrew Baker, son of Benny and Donna Baker of Bono, Ark., formerly of Dimmitt.

The couple plan to exchange wedding vows Saturday, Sept. 5, at 2 p.m. at the Westside Church of Christ in Russellville, Ark. Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend.

The bride-elect is a 1994 graduate of Russellville High School and a 1998 graduate of Harding University in Searcy, Ark. She will attend the University of Central Arkansas to pursue a master's degree in speech language pathology.

The prospective groom is a 1998 graduate of Harding University. He will attend Harding Graduate School, pursuing a master's degree in youth ministry and marriage and family therapy.

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MRS. JAMES WESLEY COPE II  
... nee Kristi Ka Sims

## Newlyweds make home in Midland

Kristi Ka Sims became the bride of James Wesley Cope II in a double-ring ceremony July 30 at the First Baptist Church in Midland.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James Sims of Dimmitt. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Darryl Cope of Webster.

Ed Morgan, grandfather of the bride, and George Khole, associate pastor and minister of music at the First Baptist Church of Midland, officiated at the nuptial service.

The front of the church was decorated with a 21-votive fan-shaped candelabra, screened with a white fresh flower arrangement of gladiolus, stephanotis, Casablanca lilies, delphinium, English ivy and Asprenger fern tied with ivory tulle. The tulle was draped from the center candelabra to a pillar garnished with flowers and ivy, to a 14-votive candelabra screened with jade on each side of the altar.

The pews were adorned with floor-length sashes of ivory tulle, greenery and baby's breath accented with a satin bow.

Wedding music was presented by organist Doris McSparran of Midland and Zeldia Ellison of Lockney. Solists were Ellison, who sang *A Household of Faith*, and Rev. Khole, who sang *The Lord's Prayer*.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a candlelight embroidered floor-length sleeveless sheath dress of Duchess Satin designed by Macis. The embroidery covered the full length of the gown. A detachable chapel train of Duchess Satin connected at the back waist and was adorned with a small bow.

She wore bridal matte satin upper-length gloves and a shoulder tip-length veil of candlelight illusion trimmed with satin ribbon that was attached to a two-inch satin headband. Pearl earrings and necklace completed the bride's attire.

She carried a cascade arrangement of fresh gardenias, red roses, babies' breath, stephanotis, English ivy and ivory tulle. The bouquet was attached to her mother's white bridal Bible.

Sharon Floyd of Midland was maid of honor. Tacy Hicks of Midland was bridesmaid. Each

attendant wore a floor-length sheath dress of champagne satin and carried a cascade bouquet of fresh gardenia, stephanotis and English ivy tied with satin ribbon.

The groom's brother, Dstry Cope of Houston, was best man. Brian Bray of Houston was the groomsman.

Guests were ushered by Matt Sims of Los Angeles, Calif., brother of the bride, and Howard McPherson of Midland.

Groomsmen and ushers wore black Perry Ellis Southbridge tuxedos with champagne-colored vests. The groom's black tuxedo was complemented with a light ivory vest.

Guests were registered by Lisa Gaskins of Lubbock, cousin of the bride.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Ranchland Country Club. Music for the reception and dance was provided by One Night Stand.

The bride's table was covered with a floor-length satin cloth accented with a gathered skirt of tulle. Four individual crystal pedestals displayed in a spiraling design held the bride's cake, which was decorated in a basket weave pattern. The cake was adorned with fresh gardenias and draping English ivy. Crystal tea lights and the bride's bouquet completed the decor.

A two-tiered chocolate cake decorated with chocolate-dipped strawberries, and greenery and crystal appointments holding mints and nuts completed the groom's table.

A buffet of pick-up foods and beverages was served to guests by Marsha Morgan, the bride's aunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Cope are home in Midland, where both are employed by the Midland Independent School District. She is also currently enrolled at the University of Texas-Permian Basin, pursuing a master's degree in counseling.

A barbecue hosted by the groom's parents and Decimae Dennis of Midland was held at the Midland Polo Club on the July 29.

## Breast cancer screening set

A breast cancer screening clinic will be held Sept. 3 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt.

The clinic will be conducted by the Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening that includes a mammogram and instruction in self examination by a registered nurse.

Total cost for the screening is \$75, and funding is available through the Texas Dept. of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance.

All exams are performed by appointment.

For more information or to schedule an appointment call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

## Lions will sell brooms Tuesday

The Dimmitt Lions will hold their annual Broom Sale Tuesday on the courthouse square.

From 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., the Lions will sell a wide array of brooms, mops, housekeeping aids and household items from their display on the northwest corner of the square. Other Lions will call on local businesses and industries during the day for commercial sales.

Most of the brooms and many of the other items are manufactured by blind workers at the Lighthouse for the Blind. The Lions get a share of the proceeds to help with their local service projects.

Joe Josselet is chairman of the Lions Broom Sale.

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**CAR WASH**—The Dimmitt High School Student Council sponsored a car wash Saturday in the parking lot of the First United Methodist Church. Those helping included (from left) Wesley Wright, Brit-tany Porter, Derek Buckley, Valerie Gonzales, Brenda Flores, Lindsey Welch, and Cherie Norman. Photo by Linda Maxwell



**PLAINS MEMORIAL**  
Daniel Mora and Alicia Saucedo of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby boy, Daniel Xavier Mora, born July 29 at 1:48 p.m. in Plains Memorial Hospital. The infant weighed in at 8 pounds and 15.2 ounces and was 22-1/4 inches long. Paternal grandparents are Enrique and Esperanza Ogas of Dimmitt and maternal grandparents are Domingo Saucedo Jr. and Victoria Saucedo.

**PLAINS MEMORIAL**  
It's a girl for Sylvia Lucia Resendez of Dimmitt. Her daughter, Esmeralda Renee, was born at 3:34 a.m. on Aug. 8 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed in at 6 lbs., 6 ozs. Maternal grandparents are Magdalena Resendez of Dimmitt. Great-grandfather is Pedro Escalana.

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# ABI Agriculture, Business & Industry



## Gleaning yields bountiful harvest

The Castro County Potato Bounty, held Aug. 7-8, yielded an estimated 20,000 lbs. of potatoes for the hungry of the Panhandle.

The Society of St. Andrew sponsored the event, with Northwest Texas Area Gleaning Coordinators Robert and Frances Duke of Dimmitt overseeing it.

Frances said that 65 volunteers and sponsors participated in a campout Aug. 7 at the Duke farm south of Dimmitt. Dimmitt Methodist Men sponsored a hamburger cookout for the campers that evening, and after the meal the group sang songs around a campfire.

On Aug. 8, gleaning began at 9 a.m. and was finished up at about 1 p.m. Dimmitt Methodist Women sponsored a luncheon for the workers at the Hart Golden Group Building after the harvest and the Hart FFA Chapter supplied cold drinks.

The 100 gleaners worked in a field near Hart, belonging to Smith Potato Co. of Hart. Those helping came from several United Methodist youth groups, the Dimmitt PALs group and the Hart FFA Chapter. Sandy Baker volunteered as "nurse-on-hand" in case of any emergencies. Merrick's Petfood Distributors of Hereford also helped sponsor the event.

Youth groups represented were from Dimmitt's FUMC, Hereford FUMC, Lake Ridge UMC of Lubbock, Northridge UMC of Lamesa, Abernathy FUMC, and Clyde FUMC.

Potatoes were donated to the High Plains Food Bank of Amarillo, the South Plains Food Bank of Lubbock, and outreach and senior citizens' centers in the Dimmitt, Hereford, Abernathy, Farwell and Lamesa areas.

*If man had the eyesight of a hawk, he could read a newspaper headline a quarter of a mile away.*

Awards were given for those who traveled the farthest—the youth group from Clyde; and the one who filled the most 40-lb. bags—John Barber of Lubbock, with 22 bags.

Betty Cordell, program director for the Society of St. Andrew Dallas office, attended the event. "We had a goal of 200 gleaners

and 25,000 lbs. of potatoes," Frances said. "With only half the gleaners we still nearly met the goal. We appreciate everyone who came out and helped."

She added that the Society hopes to repeat the event next year and possibly make it an annual event.

She said that other gleaning opportunities will be coming up from now until frost, and those interested in helping may contact her at 647-5517.

## Workshop to focus on options for drought-stricken farmers

The disaster loan application process, resuming production following the drought and working with local banks for new agricultural loans will be topics of a workshop Tuesday in Plainview.

The workshop is designed to provide valuable information to drought-stricken farmers, and it will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the Ollie Liner Center, 200 S. Columbia. The seminar is free and open to the all agricultural producers in the area.

"Reliable information is a critical tool for farmers to ensure they make it through this drought and remain a part of Texas agriculture," said Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry. "I encourage every producer in the area to attend this workshop so they can be better prepared for the coming months."

Perry said the Texas A&M University System, Texas Tech University and the US Dept. of Agriculture Farm Service Agency will be working with the Texas Dept. of Agriculture to assist producers at these workshops.

All 254 counties in Texas have been declared an agricultural disaster

Lamesa, Stanford, Navasota, Weslaco, Victoria, Uvalde, Tyler, San Angelo and Waco.

For more information on the workshops, contact Katie Dickie Stavinocha, TDA special assistant for producer relations, at (512) 463-7593.

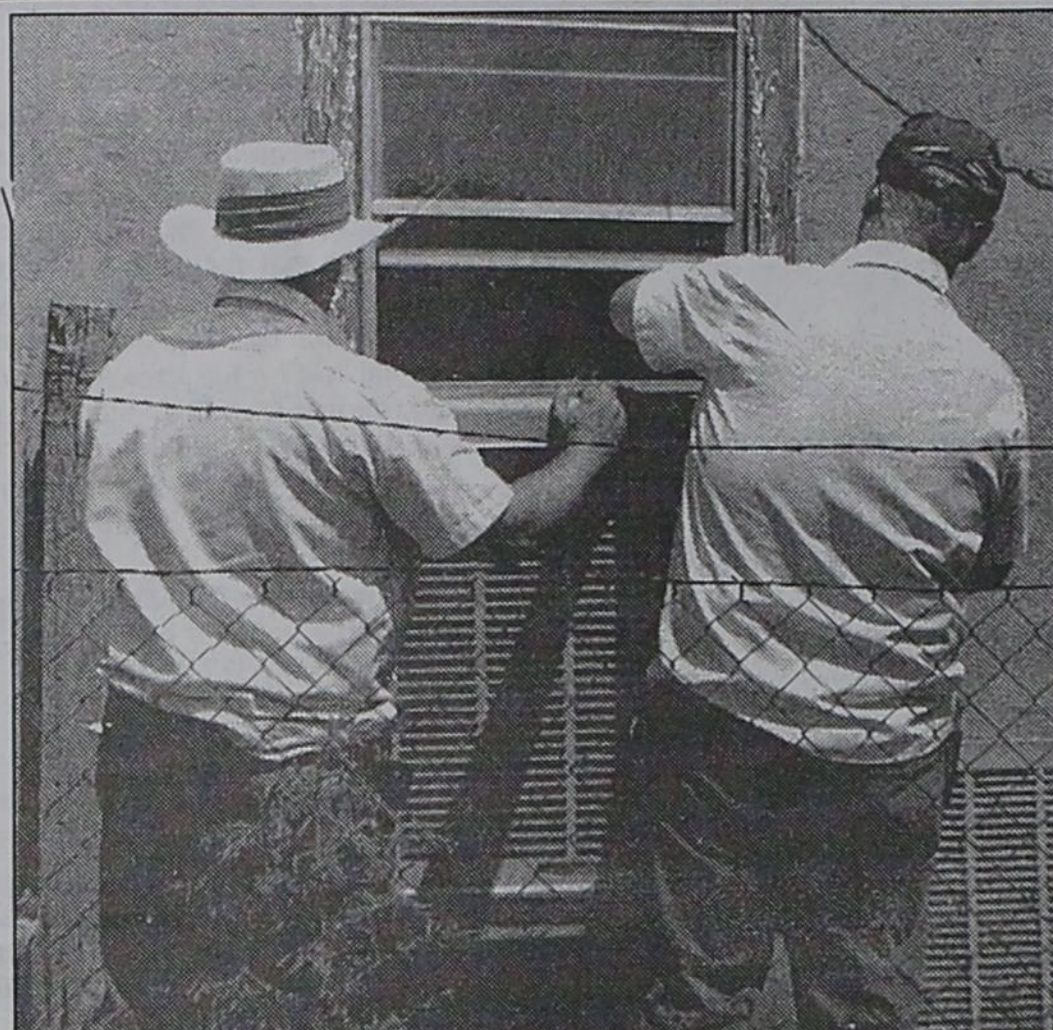
because of drought. The designation allows farmers in each county to apply for low-interest loans from the Farm Service Agency.

In addition to providing background on the disaster assistance process, the workshop will offer essential information on resuming production following a drought. Ideas on managing farmland, pastures and water resources will be shared by leading specialists.

Area banking representatives will also be on hand to assess the drought's impact on lending practices as well as the effects on agricultural loans for the 1999 crop year.

The Plainview workshop is one of 10 being held statewide throughout the month of August.

Texas Dept. of Agriculture workshops also are being held in



**INSTALLING RELIEF**—(From left) Dwayne Acker and Leroy Maxwell of Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. in Dimmitt are installing an air conditioner at the home of Concepcion Lopez of Dimmitt, who qualified for help under the Weatherization Assistance Program of the Texas Dept. of Housing and Community Affairs, with funds administered locally by Panhandle Community Services.

*Photo by Linda Maxwell*

## Funds still available for 'heat relief' project

Panhandle Community Services of Dimmitt still has money available to help local citizens with home energy expenses, including purchase of air conditioners and payment of utility bills.

"We can possibly help with payment of utility bills that may be in arrears, as well as helping with the payments for August and September," said Stella Devers, center coordinator of the Dimmitt PCS office.

She said that those needing help or more information may call 647-3244.

Due to the extreme heat wave being suffered in portions of the country, the Clinton Administration authorized the release of \$100 million in funding to help low-income families pay for soaring home energy bills.

The funds were released in Texas

through the Weatherization Assistance Program of the Texas Dept. of Housing and Community Affairs. PCS will administer the funds for TDHCA in the Panhandle.

Eligible low-income citizens may include the elderly, disabled, families with very young children, and households with the lowest incomes and highest energy costs. The target population is households with incomes at or below 125% of the federal poverty guidelines. A family of four, for example, must have a family income not exceeding \$20,563 to be eligible for payment assistance. An individual must have an income not exceeding \$10,063 to be eligible.

The federal funds will be available only through September, Devers said, and she urges those who may be eligible to contact PCS as soon as possible.

## More about 1:1

(Continued from Page 1)

Private Ryan" in Amarillo the other night with their son and daughter-in-law, Johnny and Denise.

As they were leaving the theater after the movie, a young man came up to John, patted him on the back, and said, "Thanks, Buddy."

Maybe it was John's age; maybe it was his facial expression. Somehow, that young man knew John was a veteran of World War II, and wanted to say that to him.

(John served in Australia, the Philippines and New Guinea).

The movie has that effect on people.

Sue Merritt will never forget the last scene of "Saving Private Ryan."

The final headstone shown in the military cemetery at Normandy was that of John Miller.

"My grandmother had a sister who lost a son in France," Sue said. "His name was John Miller, and he's buried in that cemetery."

"Whether that was actually his grave or not, I'll never know."

After looking at the scales Saturday morning, I decided to use my bike instead of the pickup.

I put on my backpack and pedaled to the hospital, the coffee shop, the video store and the post office. Then I settled in at the newspaper office.

About 11:45, the phone rang. "There's a bunch of people at the cemetery putting the headstones back in place," I was told. "You might want to get a picture."

Uh-oh. I hadn't figured on any breaking stories. And I couldn't get hold of another staffer right then.

After considering all the options, I tossed a camera and an extra roll of film into my backpack, jumped on my bike and pedaled off to Castro Memorial Gardens.

I don't know how far it was, exactly. It only took 10 or 15 minutes. It's a pretty good upgrade from the Front-and-Pine intersection out to the Bradleys' home.

When I got to the cemetery, I found, among others, three generations of Wrights in the work party. I should have known.

It was the first story I ever covered on a bicycle.

They can't do that at the Globe-News or the Avalanche-Journal!

Only in America would a person order a double cheeseburger, large fries and a Diet Coke.

## Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Nazareth Independent School District will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll by 4.1 percent. Your individual taxes may increase or decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The public hearing will be held on August 27, 1998 at 8:00 p.m. at the Home-Ec Room, Nazareth School.

**FOR** the proposal: David Olvera, Keith Hoelting, Patti Kern, Peggy Birkenfeld, Julius Birkenfeld, Danny Gerber, Rex Ramaekers

**AGAINST** the proposal: none

**PRESENT** and not voting: none

**ABSENT:** none

The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average Home value	\$39,240	\$39,240
General exemptions available (amount available on the average homestead, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$15,000	\$15,000
Average taxable value	\$24,240	\$24,240
Tax rate	1.23	1.25
Tax	\$298.15	\$303.00

Under this proposal taxes on the average homestead would increase by \$4.85 or 1.6 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$.02 per \$100 of taxable value or 1.6 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

## Farmers Union pushing for removal of loan cap

Farmers Union has announced the launch of a marketing flexibility campaign aimed at removing the caps placed on loan rates under the 1996 farm bill.

The purpose of the campaign is to educate producers on the impact of removing the caps to urge them to call their members of congress.

"Much of rural Texas is currently experiencing an economic crisis directly related to low farm prices and weather disasters," said Texas Farmers Union President Wes Sims. "Producers need greater marketing flexibility, which would be achieved by lifting the caps on loan rates and increasing the length of the loan periods on commodity loans."

Removing the caps placed on loan rates under the 1996 farm bill would raise the rates by approximately 60¢ per bushel for wheat, 32¢ per bushel for corn, 30¢ per bushel for soybeans and 7.79¢ per pound for cotton.

Given that loan rate levels serve as a floor on commodity prices, raising the rates also will likely result in pushing up commodity prices.

Agriculture officials in states such as North Dakota, Indiana, Texas and Oklahoma have already predicted that upwards of 25% of their farmers and ranchers will go out of business during the coming 12 months if assistance is not forthcoming. The most economically devastated areas are those suffering drought and/or disease, but depressed commodity prices have dealt these producers a double whammy, according to Texas Farmers Union.

"The price of wheat today is very similar to what it was in 1948, yet input costs have more than tripled over the past 50 years," Sims said. "Producers cannot stay in business if they continue to get prices for their crops and livestock that are less than it costs to produce them."

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# Happenings in agriculture

By JOHNNA PATTERSON  
County Extension Agent-IPM

A few more showers streaked across the county last week and temperatures were, for the most part, below 90, which was a welcome addition to the scattered moisture.

Sorghum fields continue to progress well where moisture is adequate. Growth stage ranges from hard dough to dent. Southwestern corn borer egg counts were up considerably this week, but mortality seems to be high. Mites continue to be high and beneficial insects remain high as well.

The cotton looks great. The crop continues to bloom and bolls are really being set. Worms and egg counts are up considerably this week. The showers received last week will be helpful in bringing about high yields if wells can hold up and the good Lord sends some more rain.

## Insects and diseases

### Corn

Southwestern corn borer moth numbers have soared west of Dimmitt and remain steady across most of the county. Egg lay declined somewhat or remained steady in most program fields.

The percent of eggs hatched were well over 50% to 75% by Friday. Small larvae and egg infestations are as follows: 11.7% to 20% west of

Dimmitt, 11.3% to 16.7% south of Dimmitt, 7.5% to 20% in the Hart area, 5% to 11.7% in the Springlake area and 23.3% to 76.7% around Flagg and Earth.

Some fields were just below threshold this week and last week.

Past experience of each individual field must seriously be considered when making spraying decisions.

Considerable damage can occur when close to threshold levels remain week after week. European corn borer egg masses and small larvae were reported in program fields this week.

Spider mites have held relatively steady this week, but numbers in some fields have declined. Minute pirate bugs and lady beetle adults and larvae remain high in most fields.

Corn smut continues to increase in most fields across the county. The dry weather this summer has been very conducive to smut development. I have heard of reports of 45% to as 65% of ears being infested with smut.

### Cotton

Integrated Pest Management program fields continue to progress according to water availability. Some heavily watered fields are still at four to six nodes above white flower and others are nearing "cut-out." Cotton aphids and fleahoppers remain very low.

Boll worm egg counts started increasing towards the end of the week. Egg counts range from 2,000 to 18,000 per acre. Larvae counts range up to 7,000 per acre.

A few one-half inch and larger beet armyworms have been reported this week, but threshold levels have not been reached.

Boll weevil feeding and egg laying punctures found in Lamb County fields this week ranged from 0% to 8% and seven adult weevils were found. Grubs continue to be found in squares, but mortality has been evident. No feeding or egg laying punctures were reported in Castro County.

The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station grid trap catches show one and two weevils were caught in Castro County traps #2 and #6, respectively, and three weevils being caught in Lamb County trap #9.

The majority of southwestern corn borer moths trapped this week were west of Dimmitt, where 2,006 were found. Moth numbers have been increasing steadily over the past four weeks. Although moth numbers continue to increase, egg lay and larvae being reported are now showing similar increases in most fields.

The trap north of Sunnyside caught the majority of corn earworm moths this week with 1,027. A trap in the Hart area caught the next highest number of moths with 412. Earworms are really starting to move out of the maturing corn into the tender cotton.

# Drip irrigation field demo to be held in Hereford

Efficient water management is a necessity for the operation of a profitable irrigated farm in today's agricultural economy, and area producers interested in using drip irrigation to improve irrigation application efficiencies should plan to attend a field demonstration day next Thursday, Aug. 27.

The field day, sponsored by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, will be from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Ronnie Owens farm, located six miles east of Hereford on Highway 60 and one mile north on County Road E.

Producers are invited to stop by the farm any time during the field day for a one-on-one discussion of drip irrigation and other water conservation techniques.

The field demonstration day will focus on the installation and management of drip irrigation systems, according to High Plains Water District Assistant Manager Ken Carver.

"Drip irrigation is the slow, frequent application of small amounts of water to the soil area directly surrounding plant roots. Water losses caused by evaporation, deep percolation and runoff are virtually eliminated," said Carver. "Using drip irrigation can improve water use efficiency by 30 to 40% when compared with conventional furrow irrigation."

The drip tape is installed on 20 acres at this site and has been in operation since February 1997. Owens' system operates in a series of three stations.

High Plains Water District personnel will be on hand to answer producers' questions and demonstrate various water conservation techniques, including soil moisture monitoring with gypsum blocks and resistance meters, use of Potential Evapotranspiration (PET) data to schedule irrigation, and design and installation of a drip irrigation system, as well as pump plant energy

use efficiency testing.

A dealer display area will be set up at the site to show various drip irrigation products. A Netafirm Irrigation representative will discuss the drip tape, emitters and other hardware installed at the site.

A noon lunch will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Carver encourages local producers to stop by.

## TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Barrett Farms, Inc., Slash-O Cattle Feeders has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for amendment of Water Quality Permit No. 02673 and issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 38519 in Castro County. These permits will authorize the expansion and operation is located on the north side of Castro County Road 604, approximately on mile east of its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 1055. The intersection of Castro County Road 604 and Farm-to-Market Road 1055 is located approximately 10 miles south of the City of Hereford in Castro County, Texas. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper. This notice is to be published on August 20, 1998 and August 27, 1998.

## Minding Your Own Business

# I dare you to get motivated



By DON TAYLOR

It was one of those exciting, life-changing seminars. The speaker was fluent, vibrant and alive. I hung onto every word.

The speaker defined motivation as a "motive for action." He stressed that no person can motivate another toward success. "Only you can motivate yourself," he said. As he spoke those words, he looked right at me.

As I left the auditorium that night, I felt my life would never be the same. The speaker had given me a motive for action. Though I had no clear picture of success, that night I saw myself on that platform. I envisioned the crowd applauding me. I chose to become a professional speaker.

The perfect ending to this story would be that I immediately went out and started a speaking career and became wildly successful; however, we don't live in a perfect world. It actually took more than 20 years to turn my dream into reality.

Here is a synopsis of what I learned about self-motivation. I hope it challenges you.

### What I learned

◆ **The power of self-discipline.** Discipline is to your mind and soul what exercise is to your physical body. Discipline is training that helps you develop self-control, character and orderly conduct in your life.

Many people view discipline in a negative sense. To them, discipline means punishment. Self-discipline is positive control. It is not self-punishment.

Discipline lets you overcome apathy and laziness by keeping you focused on what you want to achieve. Recently I visited with a nationally known business author who told me he had given up television to devote time to writing. His self-discipline allowed him to produce two new books in three years.

◆ **The power of action.** If you are patiently waiting for success, you're in for a long wait. Success won't come to you. You must go to it.

It is important to view success from the right perspective. Success is not a reward you get or a destination at which you arrive one day. It is who you are and what you do every day. Success begins with taking the steps that will carry you toward your dreams.

John Locke said, "The actions of men are the best interpreters of their thoughts." Over the years I've visited with folks who excelled in talking about what they were going to do. The problem is they "talk" but never "do." They hadn't learned that no action means no reward.

◆ **The power of rewards.** When you've done your best, you receive the most satisfying reward: a deep sense of accomplishment. Calvin Coolidge said, "No person was ever honored for what he received. Honor has been the reward for what he gave." Part of the reward for giving your best is knowing you did well.

Another value of rewards is in using them as personal motivators. In early 1997, as I was battling cancer, I promised myself two rewards if I survived. The first was to take my wife to Hawaii. The second was the buy the Corvette I've always wanted. By God's grace I survived, took the trip and bought the car. The rewards were important because they allowed me to focus on the future and endure the chemotherapy treatments.

◆ **The power of enthusiasm.** Enthusiasm has a switch and I'd like to make a little pitch. When you find your motivation gone, turn your enthusiasm on. You must act with enthusiasm if you wish to be filled with enthusiasm. If you want to increase your income, build your business and enjoy life to the fullest, develop enthusiasm.

We live in a great country with wonderful opportunities for growth, happiness and success. I dare you to get motivated.

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

## Conference to showcase cattle

An educational conference designed to showcase the beef cattle industry and provide opportunities will be held Aug. 27-28 at West Texas A&M University in the Agriculture and Natural Sciences Building in Canyon.

Opening registration will be Thursday at 10 a.m. Sessions begin Friday at 8 a.m. and will adjourn at noon.

The cost is \$40 per person due by Aug. 24. Send it to Texas Cattle Feeders Association, 5501 West-40, Amarillo, TX., 79106. Call toll free at 1-800-299-8232.

Grapefruit got its name because it grows in bunches like grapes.

In some parts of Mexico, soap was once used as money.

# FSA launches hay network to aid distressed producers

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) is attempting to match farmers and ranchers suffering from hay shortages with producers having hay surpluses.

Hay Net is a national clearinghouse for producers with shortages or surpluses of hay, according to Patricia Elliott, Castro County Farm Service Agency Executive Director.

"Some areas have surpluses and some have severe shortages," Elliott said. "This is a new and exciting way to get producers in both situations in touch with each other."

Farmers and ranchers are encouraged to sign up and register their hay situation at the FSA office. FSA will use its nationwide computer network to share the information.

Producers in need of hay will be

## 'Jamaica' draws crowd Sunday

The "Jamaica" celebration to benefit the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church drew a huge crowd to Dimmitt's City Park Sunday afternoon.

The annual fund-raiser featured musical groups, food booths, games, fellowship, and a remote broadcast by Radio Station KMUL of Muleshoe.

Helping sponsor the Jamaica (pronounced Ha-mike-a) were George's Service Station, Thriftway Supermarket, Dimmitt Market, His & Hers beauty shop (Sandy Pena), the Headhunter beauty shop (Ortencia Garcia), Benny's Auto Sales, Lumbra Barber Shop, Red X Travel Store, Ernie's Bar-B-Q, El Sombrero Restaurant, Jennifer's Boutique & Music, La Estrellita Dance Hall, Jose Garcia Trucking, Mr. Burger, El Viejo Package Store and the Pancake House.

provided with lists of the closest producers with hay to spar, and vice versa, allowing them to contact each other and make arrangements.

"We're very pleased to a part of this effort," said Elliott. "It's a great tool for getting badly needed hay to people who need it as quickly and efficiently as possible. We encourage everybody who can to participate and to come in as soon as possible. The more people sign up, the better the system will work."

Hay Net will remain in operation for six months.

For more information about Hay Net, call Elliott at the FSA office in Dimmitt, 647-2153.

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# Sports



**DONATING SCHOOL SUPPLIES**—Edna Tucker (left) of the Catholic Family Services office in Dimmitt will be delivering school supplies to over 100 students in Dimmitt schools after a family member of the student completed a workshop. Receiving some of

the supplies are Richardson Elementary School employees (continuing from left) Renee Doss, Vicki Baldrige and Jennifer Howell. Contributions from local businesses helped make the distribution possible, Tucker said.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Because of the rotation of the earth, an object can be thrown farther if it is thrown west.

## Grid teams to scrimmage this week

Are you ready for some football? County high school athletes are, and they'll get their first test this week when each of the county's three schools play their initial scrimmages of the 1998-99 season.

Dimmitt will scrimmage Lockney, there, tonight (Thursday) at 6, Hart will try and tackle Lubbock Christian High School Friday in Lubbock and Nazareth will test its team against Anton Friday at 6.

The Bobcats, Longhorns and Swifts each will open regular season play on Sept. 4.

### Bobcats

Dimmitt Coach Bruce Dollar is enjoying working with the largest squad he's seen in the three years he's been the Bobcats' coach, and he's excited and optimistic about this season.

"We've got 91 out this year. My first year we had 55 and last year we had 75. The numbers are up," said Dollar. "I think that's good. It gives the kids an opportunity to be involved. We have pretty high expectations for this year."

Among those 91 who reported for workouts, 16 are returning lettermen. Of those lettermen, six started on offense and six on defense, according to Dollar.

Workouts have been "great" so far, Dollar said, but he added that the team is ready to go up against other teams.

In tonight's (Thursday) scrimmage against Lockney, the freshmen and junior varsity teams will begin running plays at 6 p.m. The varsity scrimmage will follow.

"We want to give everybody a chance to play against other schools and we'll go from there. We want to work on improving our defense, but there's really no specific area we're going to be targeting tonight. We just want to see what everyone can do."

### Longhorns

Hart will be learning a new system this year, but directing the lessons

will be a familiar face—former Hart standout Bryan Welps.

Welps is a graduate of Hart High School and he was assistant coach at the school before accepting the interim head coach's job this season.

Welps welcomed 40 players to workouts this year, including seven starters on both sides of the ball.

"Workouts are going really good. We've got a lot of kids out and there's a lot of excitement in the air," said Welps.

Hart's junior varsity will open Friday's scrimmage by facing Shallowater's freshman at 5:30 p.m. at Lubbock Christian High School. The Longhorn varsity will take on LCHS's varsity beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Welps said he hopes the varsity will run two 20-play series on offense and defense, then 15 both ways and wrap up the workout with a series of 10 plays on offense and defense.

"We want to see how the kids are going to react to a different defense and how we control the ball on offense," Welps said. "I want to see how well we're going to be able to run the option."

"Defensively, we're going to work on attacking the gaps and reacting to adversity."

Welps said he and his staff will be looking at players to step up and fill the right offensive tackle and tailback positions.

"We just need some competition to see how we're doing," Welps said.

### Swifts

Nazareth graduated a big senior class in May, and that claimed a big chunk of the Swifts' football team.

"We lost eight starters off of our defense, so we're not where we were last year at this time," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price. "We're not as experienced and we're having to cover more basic stuff. We're trying to keep it simple right now."

Nazareth does have a lot of its skill players back this year, and Price hopes to fine tune some of its offensive plays in this week's scrimmage.

Price said 23 guys have been working out and while the team is young (only three seniors are on the team), they've got a great attitude.

The young Swifts will get their first chance to show what they can do Friday when they scrimmage Anton at 6 p.m., there.

Price said he hopes to have the varsity run 35 plays on offense and another 35 on defense. He plans on running 25 plays both ways with the junior varsity squad.

"We want to work on our basic run packages and have a little bit of our short passing game," Price said. "We're just going to work on our simple, basic defense."

"Anton has a true option-wishbone team, so it'll be a good test for us defensively," Price said.

## County teams ranked in TABC preseason poll

The Dimmitt Bobcats and Bobbies and Nazareth Swiftettes are ranked among the top 25 teams in their respective classifications by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches (TABC).

TABC released its annual preseason poll earlier this month and

Region 1 teams are prominent again this year.

The Swiftettes, who advanced to the state finals a year ago, are ranked second behind longtime nemesis, Sudan, on the Class A girls' list.

The Bobcats are currently rated sixth along with Kountze in the Class AAA boys' poll. District rival Tulia is listed third while regional favorite Seminole is second.

The Bobbies also hold down the No. 6 spot, and are one of several Class AAA girls' teams listed among the top 10. Shallowater, which moved up from Class AA this year, is ranked second, while Comanche is fourth, Slaton is fifth, Bowie is seventh and Seminole is ninth.

Here's how TABC rates the preseason top 25 teams in Class A, AA and AAA:

#### CLASS A

Girls: 1. Sudan, 2. Nazareth, 3. Borden County, 4. Celeste, 5. Cross Plains, 6. Brooksmith, 7. Moulton, 8. Ponder, 9. Whiteface, 10. Dime Box, 11. Zephyr, 12. Valley View, 13. Axtell, 14. Chilton, 15. Springlake-Earth, 16. Karnack, 17. Douglass, 18. Huckabay, 19. Booker, 20. Windthorst, 21. Slidell, 22. La Poyner, 23. North Hopkins, 24. Roscoe, 25. Ivanhoe Rayburn.

Boys: 1. Moulton, 2. Goodrich, 3. Brookeland, 4. Lipan, 5. Paducah, 6. Tenaha, 7. Evadale, 8. Whiteface, 9. Borden County, 10. Laneville, 11. Karnack, 12. Fayetteville, 13. Eden/Huckabay, 14. Roxton, 15. Aspermont, 16. Milano, 17. Gruver, 18. Oakwood, 19. La Poyner, 20. Avery, 21. Bartlett, 22. Calvert, 23. Detroit, 24. Ponder, 25. Snook.

#### CLASS AA

Girls: 1. Cooper, 2. Crawford, 3. Krum, 3. Hughes Springs, 5. Celina, 6. Abernathy, 7. Panhandle, 8. Grandview, 9. Spearman, 10. Godley, 11. Poth/Edgewood, 12. Port Aransas, 13. Thordale, 14. Albany, 15. Gunter/Hawkins, 16. Cisco/Lovely, 17. East Chambers, 18. New Waverly, 19. Grapeland, 20. Van Alstyne, 21. West Rusk, 22. Holliday, 23. Ozona, 24. Stratford, 25. Hamilton.

Boys: 1. Krum, 2. Buffalo, 3. Stanton, 4. Farmersville, 5. Hubbard, 6. Paris Chisum, 7. Eula, 8. West Rusk, 9. Italy, 10. Poth, 11. UC Randolph, 12. Grapeland, 13. Sonora, 14. Abernathy, 16. Leonard, 16. Edgewood, 17. Mart, 18. East Chambers, 19. Woden/Brock, 20. Lexington, 21. Reagan County, 22. Warren, 23. Brookshire Royal, 24. Beckville, 25. Troy.

#### CLASS AAA

Girls: 1. Winnsboro, 2. Shallowater, 3. Lufkin Hudson, 4. Comanche, 5. Slaton/Barbers Hill, 6. Dimmitt, 7. Bowie, 8. Smithville, 9. Seminole, 10. Crandall, 11. Ingleside, 12. Perryton, 13. Rusk/Madisonville, 14. Liberty Hill, 15. Gladewater, 16. Lindale/Rockdale, 17. Decatur, 18. Hidalgo, 19. La Vernia/West Oso, 20. Gatesville, 21. Atlanta, 22. Wimberley, 23. Muleshoe, 24. Brownsboro, 25. New Boston.

Boys: 1. Clarksville, 2. Seminole, 3. Tulia, 4. Cleveland, 5. Gainesville, 6. Dimmitt/Kountze, 7. Mexia, 8. Crockett, 9. West Oso, 10. Taylor, 11. Marlin, 12. Glen Rose, 13. South San West, 14. Ingleside, 15. Madisonville, 16. Rusk/Lufkin Hudson, 17. Stafford, 18. North Crowley, 19. Hardin-Jefferson, 20. Atlanta, 21. Childress, 22. Daingerfield, 23. Sinton, 24. Burnet, 25. Gonzales.

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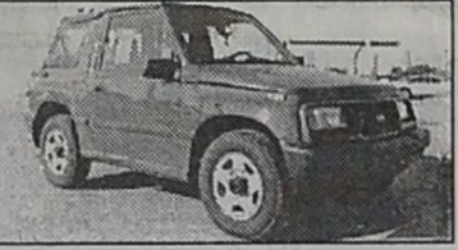
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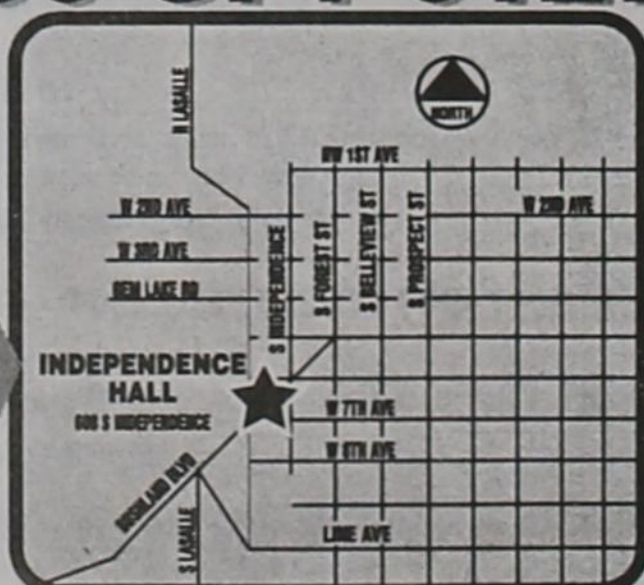
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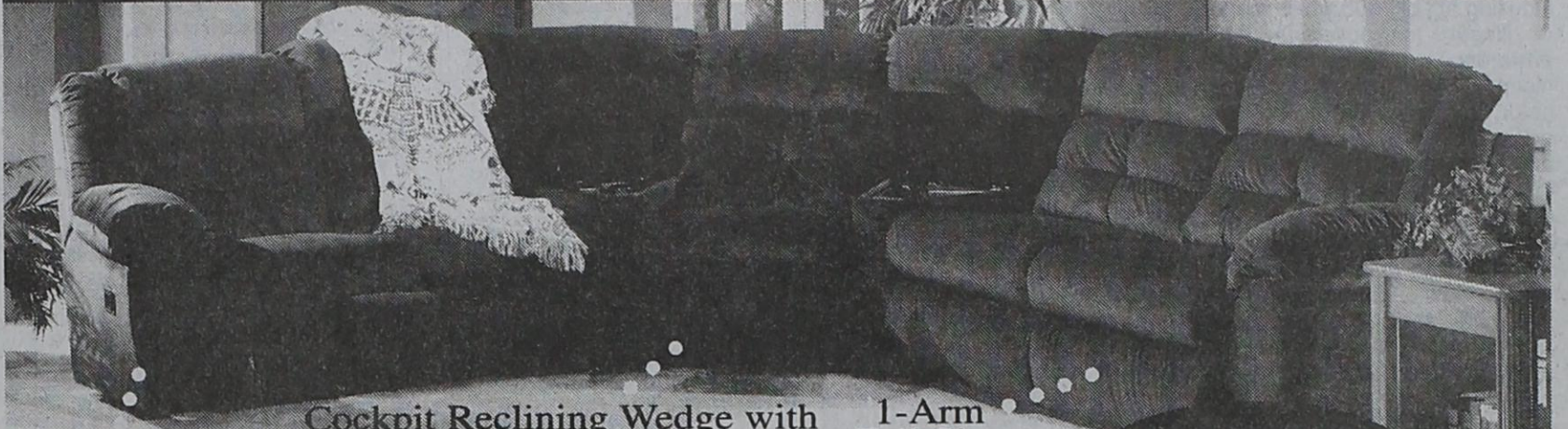
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**25—Legal Notices**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION**  
**BARRETT FARMS, INC.** (Slash-O Cattle Feeders), P.O. Box 670, Hereford, Texas 79045, has applied to the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for amendment of Water Quality Permit No. 02673 and issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 38519 in Castro County, Texas.

These permits will authorize the expansion and operation of an existing beef cattle feeding operation from a maximum capacity of 15,000 to 50,000 head. This facility is located on the north side of Castro County Road 604, approximately one mile east of its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 1055. The intersection of Castro County road 604 and Farm-to-Market Road 1055 is located approximately 10 miles south of the City of Hereford in Castro County, Texas.

No discharge of pollutants into or adjacent to the waters of the State is authorized by these permits. The facility is in the drainage area of the Upper Prairie Dog Town Fork Red River in Segment No. 0229 of the Red River Basin. The proposed facility will also emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter, unburned hydrocarbons, sulfur dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides and odors. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land. A person who may be affected may request a hearing.

If the applicant demonstrates that the proposed facility will comply with all applicable air quality requirements, the applicant will qualify for the issuance of the air quality permit. A draft permit for the water quality application has been prepared by the Executive Director. The Executive Director may issue final approval of these applications unless there is a request for hearing filed with the Chief Clerk.

The subject of a hearing would be limited to applicable air and water quality requirements, which do not include issues such as noise, traffic safety, zoning or property values. If a hearing request is filed, the Executive Director will not issue the permit and will forward the application and hearing request to the TNRCC Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. If a hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to civil trials in state district court.

To request a hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if available; (2) the name of the applicant and the appropriate permit number(s); (3) the statement "I/we request a public hearing;" (4) a brief description of how and why you would be adversely affected by the granting of the application in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location of your property relative to the applicant's operations; and (6) your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns and cause you to withdraw your request for a hearing.

Hearing requests or comments on the application must be received in writing at the Chief Clerk's Office, MC-105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, within 30 days after the second publication of this notice. This notice is to be published on Aug. 20, 1998, and Aug. 27, 1998.

For information concerning technical aspects of these permits, contact Catherine M. Nash, Agriculture Section, Mail Code 158, the same address. For information concerning hearing procedures or citizen participation, contact Blas Coy, Public Interest Council, Mail Code 103, the same address. The applications and the TNRCC's preliminary analyses are available for review and reproduction at the TNRCC, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Building F, Austin, Texas 78753. The application documents, compliance file if any exists, and further information may be obtained from the TNRCC Amarillo Regional Office, located at 3918 Canyon Drive, telephone (806) 353-9251. Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting processes, should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, Toll-Free, at 1-800-687-4040.

Issued Aug. 5, 1998.  
 EUGENIA K. BRUMM, Ph.D.  
 Chief Clerk, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission  
 25-20-21c

**LEGAL NOTICE**

The Dimmitt Board of Adjustment is scheduled to conduct a public hearing on Aug. 25, 1998, at 6 p.m. in the Alderman's Chambers at the City Hall, to discuss and consider a variance of Section 14-21 of the City Code for Armando Velasquez, 810 W. Eitter, who plans to construct a carport which will be located within the 5 ft. side lot line property and the 25 ft. front property line "No Construction Zone" as established by Section 14-21 of the City Code.

Persons wishing to make comment both for and against this request for a variance may attend the public hearing or they may review the request for a hearing at the office of the Department of Public Works, 217 E. Jones, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Dimmitt Board of Adjustment does exercise all rights and privileges as established by Article 1011g of the Vernons Civil Statutes.

VICTOR BURROWS  
 Building Inspector, City of Dimmitt  
 25-20-11c

**25—Legal Notices**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR WASTE DISPOSAL PERMIT**  
**LINK FARMS, INC.**, d.b.a. Alpenrose Dairy, Inc., HCR 4, Box 93, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, has applied to the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for proposed Permit No. 04006 to authorize the applicant to operate a new dairy operation at a maximum capacity of 4,000 head in Castro County, Texas.

No discharge of pollutants into or adjacent to the waters of the State is authorized by this permit. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

This facility is located approximately four miles south of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1055 and State Highway 86 and two miles west of Farm-to-Market Road 1055 on an unpaved county road. The dairy is approximately eight miles southwest of Dimmitt in Castro County, Texas. The facility is located in the drainage area of the White River Lake in Segment No. 1240 of the Brazos River Basin.

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

The Executive Director will issue the permit unless a written hearing request is filed within 30 days after newspaper publication of this notice. To request a hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if available; (2) the name of the applicant and the permit number; (3) the statement "I/we request a public hearing;" (4) a brief description of how you would be adversely affected by the granting of the application in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location of your property relative to the applicant's operations; and (6) your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns and cause you to withdraw your request for a hearing.

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

Requests for hearing on this application must be submitted in writing during the 30-day notice period to the Chief Clerk's Office, Mail Code 105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. Written public comments may also be submitted to the Chief Clerk's Office during the notice period. For information concerning technical aspects of the permit, contact Catherine M. Nash, Agricultural Section, Mail Code 158, the same address. For information concerning hearing procedures or citizens participation, contact Blas Coy, Public Interest Council, Mail Code 103, the same address. Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting processes should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, Toll-Free, at 1-800-687-4040.

Issued Aug. 10, 1998.  
 EUGENIA K. BRUMM, Ph.D.  
 Chief Clerk, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission  
 25-20-11c

**LEGAL NOTICE**

The Nazareth Independent School District Board of Education will conduct a 1998-1999 Budget Hearing August, 27, 1998 at 8:30 p.m. in the Home Economics Room of Nazareth School at 101 S. First Ave, Nazareth, Texas.

DAVID OLVERA, Board President  
 Nazareth Independent School District  
 25-20-11c

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**25—Legal Notices**

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR WASTE DISPOSAL PERMIT AMENDMENT**  
**CATTLAC FEEDERS, INC.**, Route 2, Box 48, Hart, Texas, 79043, has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for an amendment to Permit No. 01631 to authorize the applicant to expand an existing beef cattle feedlot from 7,500 to a maximum capacity of 30,000 head in Castro County, Texas.

No discharge of pollutants into or adjacent to the waters of the State is authorized by this permit. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

This facility is located on an unnamed County Road approximately two miles west of the intersection of the unnamed County Road and Farm-to-Market Road 1055, this intersection being approximately four miles south of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1055 and State Highway 86, and approximately eight miles southwest of the City of Dimmitt in Castro County, Texas. The facility is located in the drainage area of Running Water Creek in Segment number 1240 of the Brazos River Basin.

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

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Issued Aug. 7, 1998.  
 EUGENIA K. BRUMM, Ph.D.  
 Chief Clerk, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission  
 25-20-11c

**LEGAL NOTICE**

The undersigned hereby gives notice of application to Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Austin, Texas, for a Private Club Permit Renewal to be located at FM 2392 So. Side .9 mile W. Hwy. 385, Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas. Said business to be operated under the name of Country Club of Dimmitt/Private Club, Inc.

PATTY SUMMERS, President  
 JOHN KOVACS, Vice President  
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 25-20-21c

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# Obituaries

## Layton Covington

Funeral services for Dimmitt native Layton Covington, 55, of Olton were held Monday afternoon in the 11th and Amarillo Street Church of Christ in Olton with J. Henderson officiating.

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

Mr. Covington died Aug. 14 in Amarillo.

He was born Oct. 17, 1942, in Dimmitt, and graduated from Olton High School in 1961. He married Linda Eastwick on July 9, 1985 in Bonham. He owned OSP Construction Inc. in Greenville from 1985 to 1989, and worked for GTE for 17 years. He had worked at Hanlin Auto Parts in Littlefield, and served in the US Army and the Army Reserves for two years. He served as the first city manager for Olton and was a member of the Olton Main Street board. He was a member of the Olton Lions Club and the Antique Telephone Collectors Association.

Survivors include his wife; his mother, Wilma Covington of Olton; four daughters, Carrie Hayes of Plainview, Kristi Downey of Lubbock, Kori Hendricks of Bishop and Alexis Barina of Olton; a son, Eric Fitzgerald of Fort Sill, Okla.; a sister, Tomi Struve of Olton; and three grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Roxy Theater Renovation Fund, P.O. Drawer Q, Olton 79064, or to the Olton Lions Club.

## Maxine Erdman

Maxine Skipworth Erdman, 78, of Sunnyside, Wash., former Dimmitt resident, died June 21 in Burnsville, Minn.

She was buried in Mott, N.D., on June 29.

Mrs. Erdman was born July 21, 1919, in Plainview to Jim and Mabel Skipworth of Dimmitt. Her father was the city secretary here in the late 1940s and early 1950s. She grew up in Kress and Dimmitt, and she graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1937. She attended beauty school in Lubbock.

She married Robert Erdman on March 7, 1943, in Lubbock. The couple moved to Golden Valley, N.D., in 1946, where they operated the Erdman Funeral Service. In 1961 they purchased the funeral home in Mott, N.D., and operated it until Bob's death in 1976. She moved to Sunnyside, Wash., in 1978.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. David (Zan) Severson of Burnsville, Minn.; three sons, Donald Erdman of Darby, Mont., Karan (Skip) Erdman of Ashland, Ore., and Daryl Erdman of Goldendale, Wash.; nine grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

## More about

### Indictments . . .

(Continued from Page 1)

Medrano and Raul Muro Medrano were all charged in connection with a July 6 incident and were said to "intentionally and knowingly possess a controlled substance, namely, cocaine, of less than 1 gram, including adulterants or diluents."

A Dimmitt man and woman were indicted in connection with the Jan. 1 theft of furniture belonging to Nancy Laurent. Bond was set at \$5,000 each for Rick Callaway, 45, and Renda Gay Bailey, 43, on charges of theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000.

Two Dimmitt men were indicted in connection with a June 10 incident in which they reportedly intentionally operated a motor propelled vehicle (dirt bikes) knowing that they did not have the consent of the owner, Kelly Lee Birdwell, and with the intent to establish, maintain or participate in a combination. The two, David Ramos Jr., 18, and Jose Barrios, 18, were indicted for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and organized crime.

Lanita Kay Mulanax, 36, of Lubbock, was indicted for forgery/passing. Bond was set at \$5,000. She was charged in connection with a May 22 incident in which a forged check was passed for \$288.

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## Manuel Martinez

Funeral services for Manuel Martinez, 80, of Dimmitt, were held Tuesday morning in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church of Dimmitt with Fr. Guillermo Morales, pastor, officiating.

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

Mr. Martinez died Aug. 16 in Canterbury Villa.

He was born May 18, 1918, in Monterrey, Mexico. He married Aurua Abrego in 1950, and they moved to Dimmitt in 1956 from Olmito. He was a farmer.

Survivors include two step-sons, Alex Trigo and Raul Trigo, both of Dimmitt; a step-daughter, Dora Trigo of McAllen; a sister, Josefina Chapa of Monterrey, Mexico; a brother, Martin Martinez of Dimmitt; 11 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

## Jimmy Nance

Services for Jimmy "Jim" Nance, 44, of Kress, son of Marcellus and Lillie Nance of Hart, were held last Thursday, Aug. 13, at Lemons Memorial Chapel in Plainview with Jim Lindstrom of the Jehovah's Witnesses officiating. Burial followed in the Kress Cemetery under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home of Plainview.

Mr. Nance died Aug. 7 at Castle Rock, Colo.

He was born May 14, 1954, in Clovis, N.M. He married Juanita Rodriguez in 1990.

He grew up in Dimmitt and Springlake-Earth and graduated from Springlake-Earth High School in 1974. He had lived in Kermit and Amarillo before moving to Kress.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Cathy Gonzales of Amarillo, Lisa Gonzales of South Plains and Sylvia Gonzales of Kress; three sons, David Gonzales Jr., of Amarillo, and Robert Gonzales and Marcos Gonzales, both of Amarillo; two brothers, Marcellus Nance Jr., of Los Angeles, Calif., and George Nance of Houston; four sisters, Lillie Molden of Plainview, Barbara Watson of Pueblo, Colo., Helen Nance of Sacramento, Calif., and Ida Mae Randon of Mesa, Ariz.; his parents, Marcellus and Lillie Nance of Hart; and 10 grandchildren.

## Mildred Thompson

Graveside services for Mildred Thompson, 79, of Dimmitt, were held Sunday afternoon in Silverton Cemetery with Ted Kingery, minister of Silverton Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial was under the direction of Myers-Long Funeral Directors of Silverton.

Mrs. Thompson died Aug. 14 in Dimmitt.

She was born Dec. 19, 1918, in Lockney. She married Ray R. Thompson in Phoenix. He died in 1967. She was a member of the Church of Christ, and a homemaker.

Survivors include two daughters, Glenna Cornett of Dimmitt and Helen Strange of Corsicana; seven grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to a favorite charity.

## Matt Houseal, M.D.

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# Police Calls

Martin Martinez of Dimmitt told deputies Monday that a suspect had assaulted him Sunday night at Roadside. He said the suspect grabbed him by the throat and arm.

Christopher Ben Barrera of Dimmitt reported Sunday that a suspect had assaulted him Saturday night at Roadside, using hands and feet to cause numerous cuts and bruises around the victim's right eye, which required treatment at Plains Memorial Hospital's emergency room.

Tommy Hall of Lowe's in Hart told deputies Tuesday that someone broke into a children's ride vending machine in front of the store during the previous night. The amount of money taken was unknown, but the machine had estimated damages of \$200.

Sunday afternoon, Jerry Walker of Dimmitt told police that tools valued at \$420 were taken from a 1995 Mack semi-truck in the 500 block of Southwest Second without his consent.

An estimated \$200 in damage was done to the window of a Ford pickup belonging to Eduardo Peralta of Dimmitt. The criminal mischief was done in the vicinity of the Expo building late Sunday or early Monday.

Don Vaughn of Hart of the Plains Pump, Inc., in Hart told deputies Aug. 12 that someone had thrown rocks at the windows of two pickups parked in the yard area of the business. The front windshield of one pickup was damaged and the back window of another was broken. Damages were estimated at \$550.

Jerry Jeffries of Hart told deputies last Thursday that the garage of his residence had been burglarized around July 28 or 29. Items taken included a tool kit and a small file cabinet safe containing records.

Randy Johnson of Dimmitt Feed Yard told deputies Monday that someone had stolen some animal medicine over the weekend. Upon investigation, a suspect was located and part of the missing medication was located and returned to the feedyard.

Jim Wright of Dimmitt reported to deputies last Thursday that someone had been giving unauthorized feedings to some sheep at the FFA pens and caused illness to some of the animals. Deputies located two juvenile males who had been feeding the sheep and determined that it was not done maliciously. The two were advised to stay away from the pens unless accompanied by an authorized adult.

Carmen Oltivero of Dimmitt told police that someone stole a mountain bike valued at \$70 from a building in the 200 block of Northwest Sixth last Thursday afternoon. The bike was recovered.

Two forged checks were passed Aug. 11 at Dimmitt Market. Investigation is continuing.

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Thursday morning that someone drove off without paying for \$11.24-worth of gasoline.

Alcohol-related offenses included: —A 20-year-old Hereford man jailed Sunday afternoon for DWI, first offense.

On violation of probation or warrants:

—Aug. 12, a Clovis woman, 23, violation of probation for driving with license suspended; a Fabens man, 19, on bond surrender for criminal mischief; a Dimmitt man, 29, on a DPS warrant for speeding; and a Hereford woman, 37, for a warrant on assault/bodily injury.

—Last Thursday, a Dimmitt man, 18, for violation of probation, possession of marijuana.

—Friday, a 23-year-old Hereford man, DPS warrants for no insurance and no driver's license.

—Saturday, a Dimmitt man, 24, on Deaf Smith County for violation of probation stemming from forgery and burglary, and a US Marshal's warrant on charges of possession of marijuana; and a Dimmitt woman, 22, on violation of probation stemming from theft charges on a Deaf Smith warrant.

—Monday, a 19-year-old woman from north of Nazareth, on DPS warrants; and a Dimmitt man, 22, on a warrant for driving with license suspended.

An accident Aug. 11 at 1:03 p.m. in the 200 block of South Broadway resulted in injury to two drivers. Sharla Renea Kenworthy, 14, of Dimmitt, was driving a 1990 Oldsmobile Cutlass south in the 200 block of South Broadway in Dimmitt, when her vehicle rear-ended a 1979 Ford pickup, driven by Librado Alvarez, 45, of Dimmitt, who was attempting to make a left turn into a private drive.

Kenworthy was given a ticket for driving without a license and failure to control speed. The car sustained moderate to heavy damage to the front, while the pickup had light damage to the back. Both drivers were taken to Plains Memorial Hospital.

On Aug. 12 at 8:49 p.m. just south of Dimmitt near "Roadside" park, a 1976 Chevy pickup driven by Jason Kyle Smotherman, 28, of Rt. 2 Hereford, was north bound on South SH 194 and lost control, crossing a me-

dian into the path of a south bound 1990 Plymouth Acclaim driven by Michael Craig Summers, 34, of Plainview. Bill Sears of Dimmitt, who was a passenger in the pickup, and Summers both had possible injuries and were taken to Plains Memorial Hospital by private vehicles. Smotherman was ticketed for failure to control speed. The car had heavy damage and the pickup had moderate damage.

A witness to the incident, Ashlee Ward, who called 911, said the pickup came out of Roadside, spinning its tires the whole time. She said it jumped the median after losing control.

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