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Christmas 'Night Light Parade' set tonight

The courthouse square in Dimmitt will take on an extra holiday glow today (Thursday) when the entries for the "Night Light Parade" shine forth at 6 p.m.

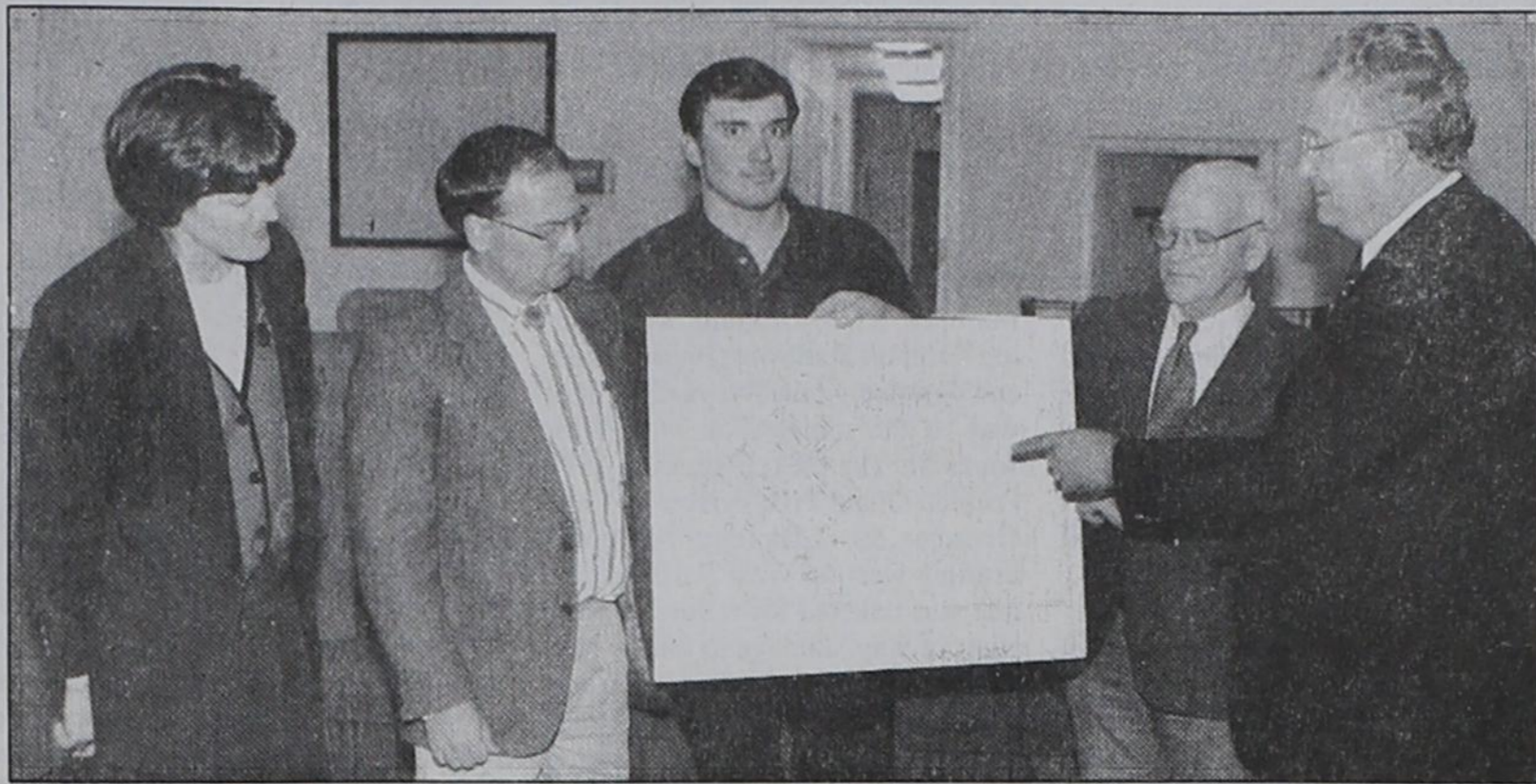
The public is invited to come out and see the colorful entries in the parade, and also to enjoy the longer shopping hours of several participating merchants. The parade is being sponsored by the Retail Merchants Committee of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

Participants in the parade do not have to sign up ahead of time. They can just come and line up at 5:45 p.m. in front of the post office building. Prizes of \$25 in Dimmitt Dollars will be awarded to the entries that are judged "Best Lights" and "Most Original."

About 15 to 20 entries are expected. They will parade north on Southeast Second, then west on Bedford for two blocks, south on Southeast Second (turning by Rhoads Memorial Library) for one block, then going east on West Jones one block, and north on Broadway to the signal light. The parade will then proceed east on Bedford and park in the east courthouse parking lot, giving everyone a chance to see the details of the entries up close. Antique vehicles, a mule-drawn wagon, a lawn mower, numerous floats and farm implements have entered so far, according to Chamber Executive Director Shelly Nutt.

"For safety reasons, we ask that absolutely NO candy or favors be thrown from any float or vehicles in the parade," Nutt said. "We don't want to wait for an accident to happen before we rule it out."

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DAIRY CATTLE OPERATION—John Link (center) left) Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Shelly Nutt, dairy consultants Ted Gribble and Joe Gribble, and Dimmitt Mayor Wayne Collins. Photo by Linda Maxwell

Link proposes dairy production project

John Link spoke to the Dimmitt City Council Monday night, and along with two consultants, gave a presentation on his economic development proposal to start a dairy cattle operation south of Dimmitt.

Link proposes to make use of the "city farm" about three miles south of Dimmitt on US 385 by installing a 1,500-head dairy that would expand to as many as 2,500 head and would eventually employ as many as 30 people.

Estimating the construction cost at \$3 million, Link said the facility will gross approximately \$6 million per year when it reaches the 2,500-head capacity if milk prices hold within the \$12 per cwt. level.

Link told the council that 75 to

80% of the jobs at the facility would be "above minimum wage" jobs. He said it would require a manager and a herdsman, both jobs that require experience in the field. Milkers and mixer drivers would require some training. He said six or seven jobs might be available for high-school age workers for after school or summer hours.

The 320-acre site would include the containment pens for the cattle, a milking parlor and a waste treatment system, including a waste water pond. Approximately half of the site would be used to grow feed crops. The crops would be watered with nutrient-rich waste water from the dairy and would be used to feed the cattle.

Link said he plans to purchase the majority of the \$241,000 to \$250,000-worth of monthly feed requirements from local sources. Also, he said he may contract for some corn and corn silage. He said in other places farmers have provided feed in exchange for fertilizer-rich waste water or compost solids from the dairy operation.

One concern that was raised about the location of the proposed facility was that it is on the site of three of the city's water wells that supply drinking water for Dimmitt.

Joe Gribble, one of the consultants Link introduced, said geological studies are needed to find out which way the underground water

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Mail fraud scam seen in Dimmitt

A facsimile letter soliciting access to a local resident's bank account has been turned over to a Task Force in Dallas that is investigating similar letters in what has been termed a "mail fraud scam."

Castro County Sheriff CD Fitzgearld has issued a warning for other local residents to watch out for the scheme.

Fitzgearld said the scheme involves a citizen of a foreign country asking permission to deposit a large amount of money in the local person's bank account and also usually offering payment of a percentage of the deposit. Of course, the recipients of the offer have to reveal their bank account numbers so that the funds can be transferred. But what actually happens is that the local person's account gets cleaned out, Fitzgearld said.

The letter received in Dimmitt offered transfer of \$27.5 million, and promised the recipient a 30% cut of the money.

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Brown Bag Sunday planned for Dec. 15

The Castro County Ministerial Alliance will be coordinating a big push for canned food again this holiday season, and one of the ways the group gathers food is through its annual Brown Bag Sunday promotion.

This year's Brown Bag Sunday food drive has been scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 15. Under the project, area churches accept canned foods that day, and the food collected will be distributed to the needy.

Hart merchants set Open House

Hart merchants will be holding their annual Christmas Open House on Wednesday (Dec. 11).

Most businesses will be offering specials from 2 to 8 p.m. that day. Some will be serving refreshments and offering an opportunity for customers to register for door prizes.

Participating merchants are The Company Store, J.J.'s Art & Gifts, Kozy Korner, Morales' Longhorn Cafe, Pay 'N' Save, and Witt's End Flowers & Gifts.

In addition to the Brown Bag Sunday promotion, other groups also plan to coordinate food drives during the holiday season.

The Dimmitt High School National Honor Society will hold a canned food drive Sunday beginning at 2 p.m. Members of the NHS will go door-to-door that day.

The food collected will be given to Panhandle Community Services, which is coordinating a new food pantry with the cooperation of the Ministerial Alliance. Through the new food pantry, food will be provided year-round to less fortunate families in Castro County.

There will be no delivery of food baskets during the holidays this year, other than to selected families, according to a spokesperson for the Ministerial Alliance.

By mid-December, PCS hopes to have a good stock of food for distribution. Those who need their food supplemented must apply to receive food by contacting PCS. Applicants must be willing to furnish proof of income and need when applying.

PCS will store food in its offices on 108 Southwest Second, and that will serve as the distribution sight.

The food supply at the local bank will be supplemented by High Plains Food Bank, which receives a large portion of its food from Affiliated Foods.

CPS seeking Christmas gifts for foster children

Most people take things like family and celebrating the holidays for granted, but for some children, family is almost nonexistent and happy holidays are just dreams.

Foster children often have little or no contact with their natural families, and often they only dream about receiving gifts that other children expect.

Individuals who would like to help make Christmas merrier for these children should contact Joe Josselet at First United Bank, any member of the Child Protective Services (CPS) Board, or Donna Stump, CPS caseworker for Castro County.

The foster children who will benefit from donations to CPS shouldn't be confused with children sponsored through the Castro County Ministerial Alliance's Project Angel Tree. Children who will benefit from donations through Project Angel Tree are children from less fortunate fami-

lies who can't afford to provide Christmas gifts for children.

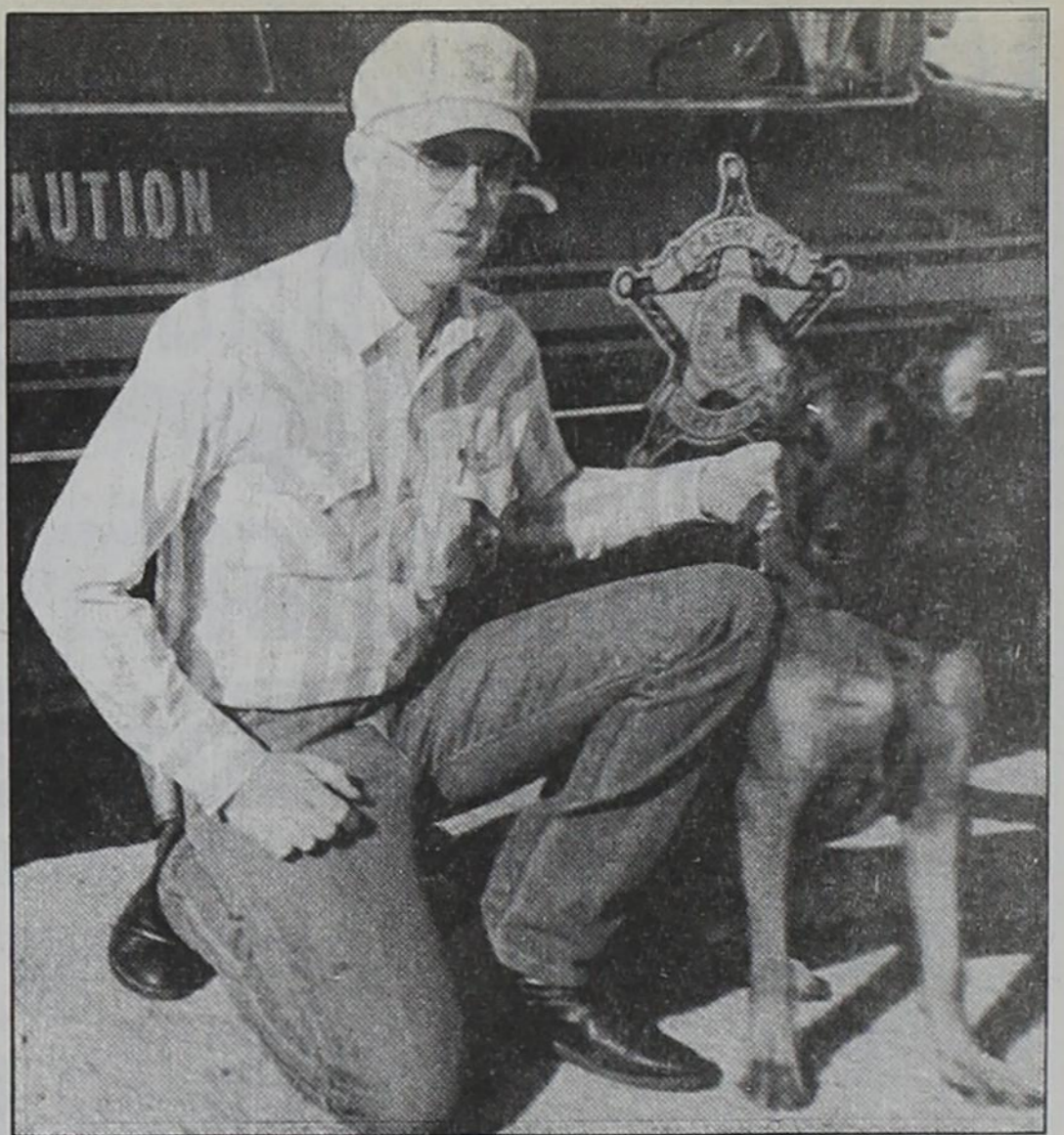
The 12 Castro County children under the state's conservatorship have been placed in foster care be-

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Weather

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Wednesday	46	14	
Thursday	44	17	
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Monday	49	19	
Tuesday	51	24	
Wednesday	51	25	

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



CASTRO COUNTY'S NEW DRUG DOG is on the job now after being certified and passing a final week of training recently. "Robbie" is a two-year-old male, a Belgian Malinois crossed with a German Shepherd. His handler is Glenn Snitker, a deputy with the Sheriff's Dept. Snitker and Robbie attended training school together in Louisiana. The Sheriff's Dept. obtained the dog and paid for its training through private donations. Robbie is classified as an "unsalaried deputy." Photo by Linda Maxwell

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By Don Nelson

The number-crunchers have delivered their verdict: Texas led the nation in retail sales during the big shopping weekend after Thanksgiving.

So how did our local stores do? Depends on whom you ask.

Some of them had a "tremendous" weekend. A few others "did zip."

That's according to the Nelson Pocket Survey that I conducted while making my ad calls this week.

Some of our retailers assume that local residents will head to Amarillo, Lubbock or Plainview to crawl the malls or hit the discount stores on that big shopping weekend.

But that wasn't necessarily so this time.

Saturday's snow, good crops, and aggressive retailing by some of our stores probably had a lot to do with it. Whatever the reasons, many locals decided to (hooray!) shop Dimmitt first.

The ALCO Discount Store and C. R. Anthony Co., which had full-color supplements in last week's

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THREE 'SNOWGIRLS'—It's a first for Emily Tsai (right), 14, a native of Taiwan, who saw her first major snow and built this snowgirl Saturday with the help of her schoolmate, Brooke Moyers (left), 13. The girls built it in the front yard of Moyers's

grandparents, Kenneth and Shirley Hollums of Dimmitt, while they were in town for the Thanksgiving holidays. The girls attend Hockaday, a private, all-girls school for academically advanced students in Dallas.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Holiday Calendar

TONIGHT: A "Night Light Parade" will be held as part of the holiday festivities in Dimmitt this year. The festive parade, held at night, will feature lighted and decorated floats entered by business and organizations, including farm machinery outlined with festive lights.

SUNDAY: The children's choirs from First United Methodist Church and First Baptist Church in Dimmitt will perform a Christmas musical, Christmas in Egypt, Sunday at 6 p.m. in the FBC auditorium. The public is invited to attend.

SUNDAY: The Nazareth FHA will sponsor a holiday home tour Sunday from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Three homes will be featured on the tour, including Rocky and Diane Wilhelm's, Keith and Karlene Hoelting's and Joe and Dana Klemm's. Tickets are \$4 per person and may be purchased at the featured homes. A bake sale also will be held.

CURRENTLY: The Castro County Ministerial Alliance and Panhandle Community Services are coordinating a new project this year designed to offer Christmas gifts to needy children. Through Project Angel Tree, generous county residents may select an "angel card" from a tree erected in one of the county's banks. Each card features the name of a needy child

along with a requested gift with a \$20 price limit. If you select a card, you are asked to purchase the requested gift, wrap it and return it, along with the card, to Panhandle Community Services by Dec. 20.

Dec. 15: Area churches will be accepting donations of canned food on Sunday, Dec. 15, and the collections will be given to Panhandle Community Services, which is coordinating a county food bank. The annual "Brown Bag Sunday" food drive is part of the Ministerial Alliance's project to help the needy during the holidays, and the new food bank will be maintained year-round, offering help to those less fortunate.

Dec. 16-20: The Dimmitt Kiwanis Club is sponsoring Santa Claus visits during the week. For a \$20 donation, Santa will make a 10- to 15-minute visit in individual homes, distributing candy and visiting with children. To "hire" Santa Claus, call 647-2524 to make an appointment. Appointments are limited between the hours of 7 and 9 p.m. Proceeds will benefit Kiwanis Club charitable projects.

Dec. 19: A "Scrooge Night", honoring all last-minute shoppers, has been planned for Dec. 19. Plans for this promotion are still in the works.

On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

The members and guests at First Baptist Church enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner on Sunday, Nov. 24, following the morning service. The long hall with tables was filled with salads and vegetables, the turkey and dressing was in the kitchen, and desserts were in the fellowship hall. The little girls had colored the place mats, and Stormy Nutt had colored my place mat.

I spent Thanksgiving Day with Rosetta Bellinghausen and her family and friends, including David and Melody Bellinghausen and children, Jordan, Canaan and baby Shiloh, of Ovilla; Dr. Seth and Margie Murphey and son, Truitt Murphey of Levelland, and son Mark Murphey of Houston; and Rev. George and Cynthia Botello and children, Jason, Amy and John, of Tucumcari, N.M. Rev. Botello is pastor of the Living Word Church.

Oleta Gollehon had a fun Thanksgiving. She went to Amarillo to visit her grandson and family, Ron and Jeana Rankin and son, Marshall. Rev. Elms's family was there, including his wife and three daughters (Jeana is one of the daughters). Mrs. Elms's father and mother were there as well, and Ron's mother of Tulia. There were three great-grandmothers there (including Oleta), so of course they took their picture with Marshall, the little 4-year-old boy.

Emily Ramey enjoyed Thanksgiving Day with the Van Earl Hughes family. Their daughter, Karen, of Dallas, also was there.

Bobby and Wanda Murdock entertained their family for Thanksgiving: Doug and Debbie Smith and Alyson of Amarillo, and Wanda's parents Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Felder of Hart.

Louise Mears and Genell Craig spent their Thanksgiving holidays with Zay and Charlotte Gilbreath in Amarillo. Their son, Mark Gilbreath, and his fiancé and her parents were there as well to enjoy all the fun and

food.

Courtney Armstrong had a wonderful Thanksgiving with some of her kids. Scott Armstrong of Akron, Colo. (He is a research professor there); Brent and Rachel Armstrong and children, Mia and Skeete, of Grady, N.M.; and Ross and Shayla Armstrong and children, Brandon and Maggie, of Amarillo. Courtney said all her children plan to be here for Christmas, so they will really have fun!

Winston and Judy Waggoner enjoyed a fun time with their family coming for Thanksgiving: Holly and Pete Stone and Zackery of Lubbock, and Molly Gay and Joe Glenn Setliff and Jackson of Lubbock. Buddy McVey and Josh of Sugarland came by for a while. They were visiting Quinten Waggoner and his family.

Ronnie and June Parker entertained their family for the Thanksgiving holidays: Dawn and Mike Sutherland and Kristen and Haley of Arlington; Cliff and Pat Parker and children, Julie, Paul, Matthew and Ellen, of Fort Worth; Annita and Todd Whitt and Curtis and Kayla of Grand Prairie; and Brenda and Jim Schradly and Joshua and Amy of Bedford. June's mother, Irene Small of Carlsbad, N.M., and her brother, Richly Hirsch, of Garibaldi, Ore., were there for all the fun and food as well.

LaVerne Bernethy enjoyed some of her family being here for Thanksgiving: Sharon and Robert Montgomery of Muleshoe and their son, Chad, who is attending college in San Angelo; Cary and Kelly Buchanan, Brittany and Brooke of Canyon; and Brad Buchanan and Bryce and Parker Buchanan, all of Canyon.

Jeff Lantz of Plano and his wife, Dr. Janet Lind, and children, Karen and Bryan, were guests in the home of Jeff's parents, John and Carol Lantz, for the Thanksgiving holidays. The kids enjoyed playing in the snow and making snowmen.

Irene Carpenter went to Rocky Ford, Colo., early and stayed with James and Joyce Autry until after Thanksgiving. The Dimmitt relatives, Floyce and Jimmy George, Danny and Shelly Rice and family, Tishia, Brandi and Ramey, went up for the Thanksgiving holidays. Other family members attending were Kelly and Debbie Autry, Trent, Kimbra and Whitney of Rocky Ford, and Debbie's parents; and Greg and Lou, Alan and Kristy Gallegos of Denver, Colo. On Thanksgiving Day there were tables with food everywhere—in the dining room, breakfast nook, family room and living room. Big families are fun!

Mozelle Lilley Hall entertained some family members for Thanksgiving: her daughter and son, Sharon and Jason Wilke of Lubbock, Nell and Bob Brooks of Amarillo, Jo Culp of Wildorado, and Vicki Cates of Lubbock.

LaWanda Williams and children, K.C., Ben and Nathan of Austin, and Charlene Murphy of Abilene were in Dimmitt recently visiting friends and relatives. They visited Van Earl and Waurayne Hughes, LaVerne Bernethy, the Wisemans and Calverts. Charlene is a former Dimmitt resident.

Don and Karen Sheffy entertained family for the Thanksgiving holidays: Kristi Sheffy of Dallas, Karla Sheffy of Lexington, Neb., and her husband, Ron Harris, and Carrie Sheffy, a student at West Texas A&M University.

Dan, Oma Dee, Alicia, Niccole, Brittany and Austin Heard spent the Thanksgiving holidays at Port Lavaca with Danny.

The Walter White family of Rusk joined them there Thanksgiving Day and they all enjoyed the traditional Thanksgiving meal.

In the afternoon, they drove over

to Lake Texanna, a very beautiful place. They saw hundreds of deer, and some were very tame. In the yards of all the campers they even saw lots of people hand-feeding them. The kids really enjoyed seeing this.

Then they drove in to Edna and visited with the James Killough families and Mrs. Rudd, all former Dimmitt residents.

Friday, Danny had to work so the Whites and Heard kids were going to go to Houston to Astro World, but the weather didn't cooperate. It was rainy, so the Whites returned home to Rusk.

Dan and Oma Dee took the kids to Magnolia Beach and they spent some time picking up all kinds of sea shells. That night they got to go to the E.M.T. station and eat supper with Danny.

Saturday, Danny was off, so once more a trip to Houston was in the plans, and once more it rained. So

the Dimmitt bunch decided they had better start home, since snow and bad weather were predicted. They didn't see any snow, though, until they got right on the edge of Dimmitt.

Ed and Betty Freeman celebrated their 57th anniversary and Thanksgiving with guests Emily Clingsmith, Maxine Myers, Judy Nix and Bernadine Bullock on Thursday; with Kevin Wood, Renise and Randy Morgan on Sunday; and Rosetta Bellinghausen and Mary Edna Hendrix on Monday.

Thanksgiving guests of Robert and Norma Smith were the Richard Polanskys and Jessica of Austin, the John R. Smiths and Kynzee and Courtney of Plainview, the Norman Grays of Hereford and Jill Smith of Fort Collins, Colo.

Charles and Diane Axtell had family home for Thanksgiving: Paul and Holly from college, and

Charles's mother, Mattie Axtell of Earth.

Four generations of B.M. Nelson's family gathered at his home for Thanksgiving. They included his children, Mary Burnham of Albuquerque, N.M., and Don and Verbie Nelson of Dimmitt; grandchildren Martha Burnham of Albuquerque, Rex Burnham and Nathan and Karen Nelson of Houston, Jay and Ann Burnham of Birmingham, Ala., and Connie Nelson of Atlanta, Ga.; and great-grandchildren Michael and Matthew Burnham of Albuquerque and Katherine and Anna Nelson-Daniel of Atlanta.

Saturday's snow was a big thrill for the little girls from Atlanta. They built a small snowman in Don's and Verbie's back yard, and learned how to make snow ice cream.

B.M. will be 91 in February. He is confined to his home most of the time now, and really enjoys visitors.

Sunnyside with Teeny Bowden

Ezell and Verba Sadler had several guests on Thanksgiving Day including Tex and Norma Conard of Dimmitt; Chad and Juanelle Winsor of Fort Worth and their children, Cory and Casey; Ruth King of Hereford; Brenda Johnson and children, Bethaney, Clayton and Jordan, all of Stratford; Larry and Sharon Sadler and Carrie Sadler of Lubbock; Stacy, Jeremy and Joshua Norman of Muleshoe; Laura and Matthew and Kristin Sadler of Muleshoe; David and Gay Sadler; Patricia Powell of Canadian and her grandchildren, Ken, Amber and Tiffany, who came Wednesday night; and her daughter, Tresa Sirmans of Amarillo, who joined them for supper on Thanksgiving.

and Willie Mae Sadler. They were honoring Bess and Frances with a belated birthday visit. While they were there, R.V.'s nephew, Carliss Bills, visited and Larry Bills came by for a visit.

On Thanksgiving morning, Robert and Frances Duke went to Canyon to have dinner with Sandra Duke. Sandra went to Amarillo and picked up Robert's aunt, Lucille Gilley, who had dinner and a visit with them.

Sandra took Lucille home after Robert and Frances returned home.

On Wednesday night before Thanksgiving, Resa Carson and Gregg George of Lubbock arrived at Lillian Carson's home to spend the holiday with her. On Thursday morning they put Lillian's Christmas lights around her house.

They all went to Lee and Louise's house for Thanksgiving dinner along with Jack and Heather, Justin and Joel, and Kelby Bradley.

It was 16 degrees on Wednesday

morning at 6 a.m. and was 32 degrees Thursday morning with .20 of an inch of rain being recorded. We had a half inch of moisture from rain and snow on Saturday. There was a little ice in the gauge, so it might not have been an accurate half inch.

Children's choirs will perform musical Sunday

The children's choirs from First United Methodist Church and First Baptist Church in Dimmitt will present a Christmas musical, *Christmas in Egypt*, Sunday at 6 p.m. in the auditorium at First Baptist Church.

The unique program will feature several children in dramatic and musical parts.

The public is invited to attend the program and reception, which will follow.

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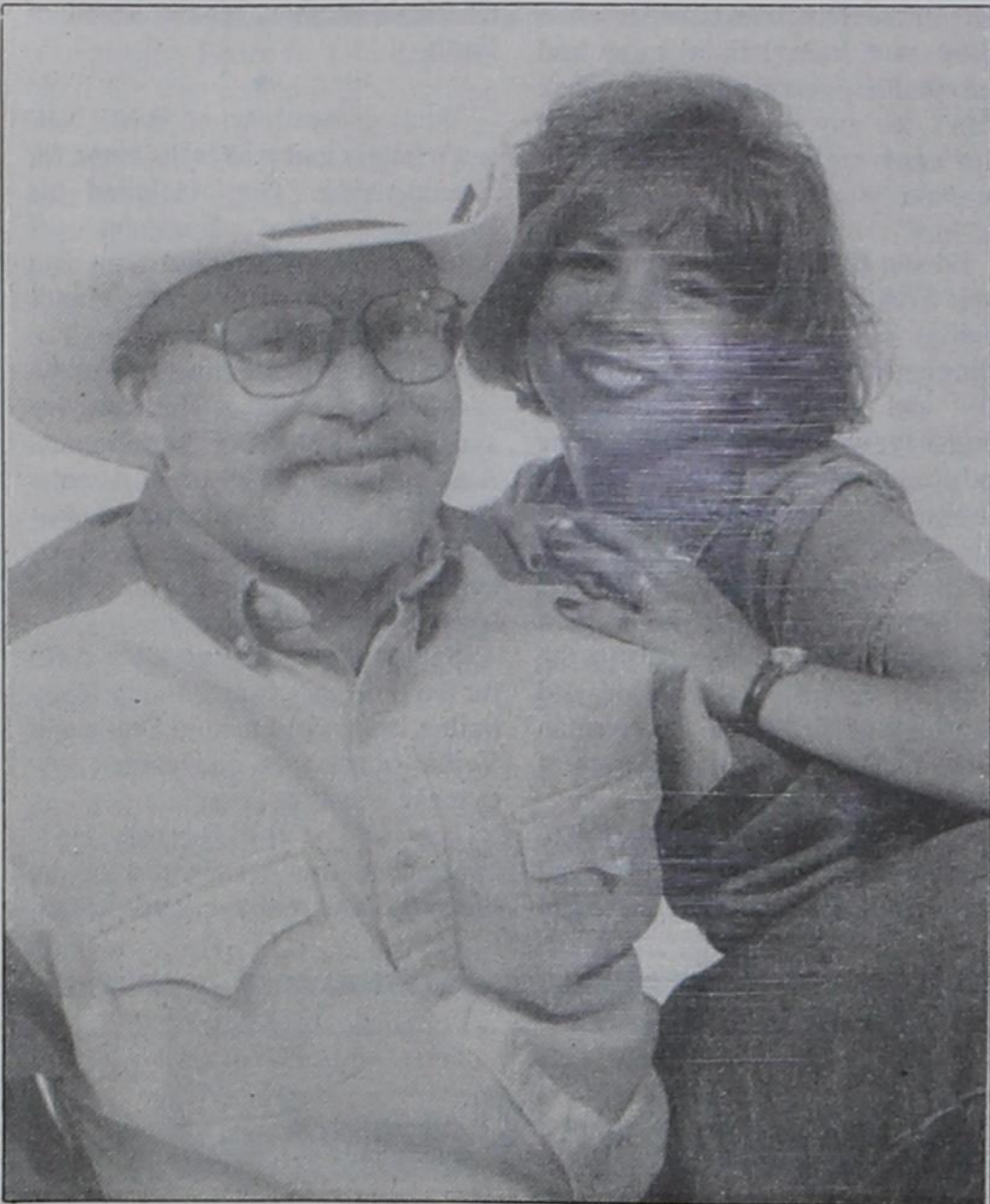
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Ryan Kirk Smith and Melissa Jyl Webb

Couple to wed Dec. 28

Mr. and Mrs. Lanny Webb of Plainview announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Melissa Jyl Webb, to Ryan Kirk Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lust and the late Darrell Smith of Dimmitt. The couple will exchange wedding vows at 7 p.m. on Dec. 28 at the First Baptist Church in Plainview.

The bride-elect is a 1994 graduate of Plainview High School and she attended Wayland Baptist University. She is employed at Haverty's in Lubbock.

The prospective groom attended school in Dimmitt and graduated from Silverton High School in 1988. He attended Texas Tech University. He works for Heartland Wireless Communications in Lubbock.

After the wedding the couple will reside in Lubbock.

Winger will sing tonight

Debra Winger, a Christian country music artist, will be featured in a concert today (Thursday) at 7 p.m. at the Carlile Theatre in Dimmitt, following the "Night Light Parade."

Admission to the concert will be by free-will offering, and everyone is invited to attend.

Winger has appeared on the Grand Ole Opry stage in Nashville and at the Branson Jam at the Palace Hotel in Branson. She has been on the "Country Boy Eddie Show" on the TNN network, the Nashville Gospel Music Show, the Carl Tipton Show, the "Good Morning, MN Show" and Branson TV channel 5, in addition to 70 TV stations and WWCR Nashville, which is aired throughout the world.

She has made 10 recordings, and has appeared in two videos for the program "You Can Be a Star."

Winger also plays guitar and does a novelty trick of playing it behind her head.

She said she was saved in 1975 while singing in nightclubs, and began her gospel singing and testimony in Christian coffeehouses and street ministry. She has turned down opportunities to be charted in country music so that she could continue her work and ministry for the Lord.

She is married and has five children.

Dec. 14 will be the monthly Carlile Country Showcase, with several performers scheduled to appear.

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Schools plan holiday events

Groups and organizations in the Dimmitt schools are planning several activities during the holiday season.

NHS Food Drive

The Dimmitt High School National Honor Society will hold a food drive Sunday, starting at 2 p.m. Club members will go from door to door soliciting donations of canned food. The food will be donated to the pantry that will be managed by Panhandle Community Services.

Any who wants to donate food and who may have been overlooked during the drive may call 647-3105 on Monday.

Choir Concerts

Dimmitt Middle School choir students from grades 4 through 8 will be presented in concert next Thursday (Dec. 12) in the middle school auditorium at 7 p.m. and the public is invited to attend.

The first portion of the program will feature fourth and fifth grade music students. There then will be an intermission, featuring a "Christmas Reception" with refreshments of cookies and punch.

The last portion of the program will include the Sixth Grade Singers and the Junior High Choir.

The Dimmitt High School Varsity Choir will give a "Christmas Jubilee" concert Dec. 14 at 6 p.m. in the high school auditorium, and the public is invited.

Choir director Ken Strange said the program will feature choral singing, with both sacred music and "Christmas fun songs."

The program will be highlighted with performances by several soloists, duets and ensembles.

There will be an intermission, during which a "Christmas Reception" of Christmas cookies and punch will be served.

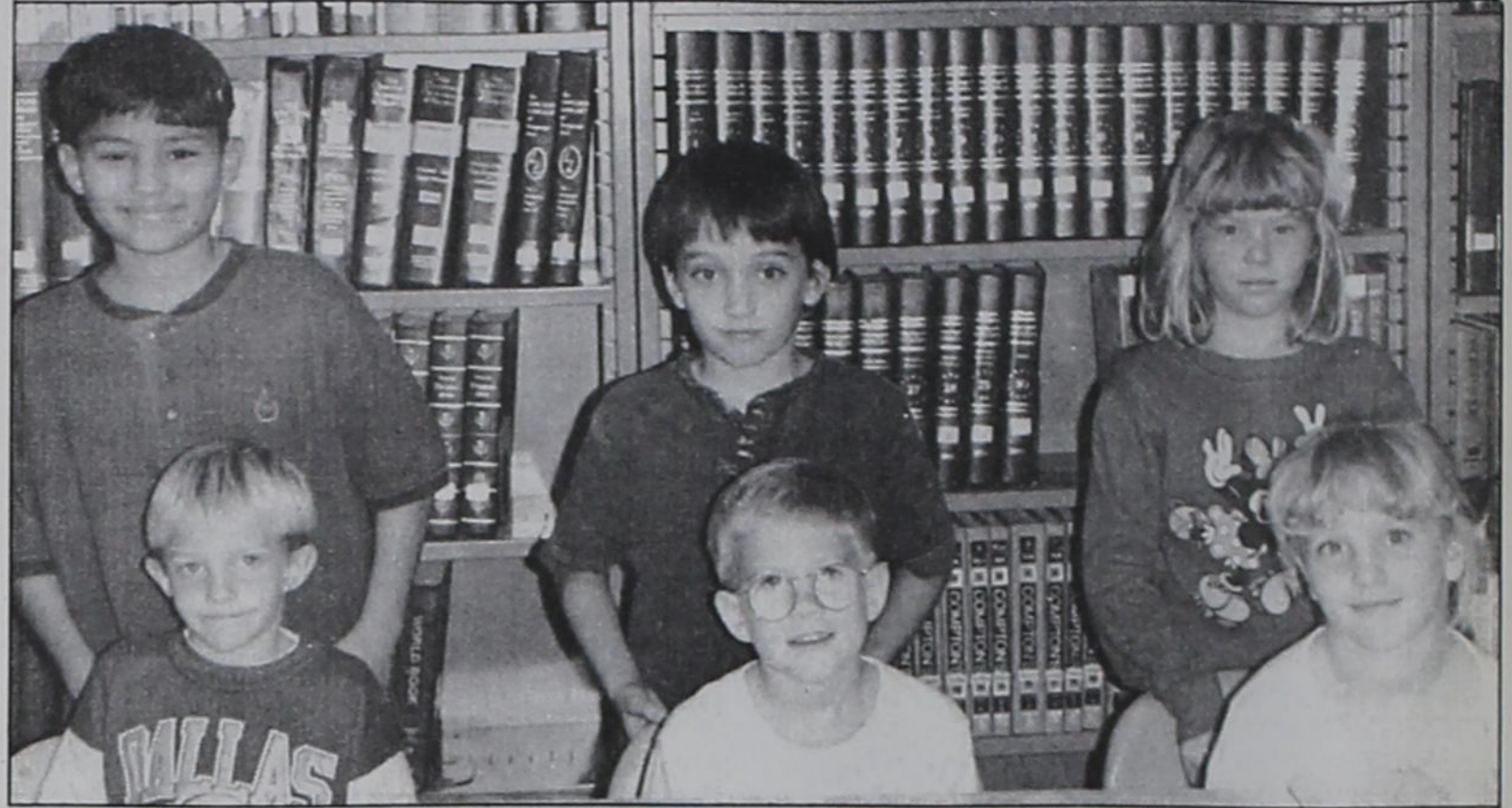
Band Concert

The Dimmitt school bands will present their annual Christmas concert Dec. 15 at 2 p.m. in the high school auditorium, and the public is invited.

Fifth grade band members must report to the auditorium by 1:30 p.m., with the sixth graders and junior high band reporting at 2 p.m. The high school band members must report by 2:30 p.m.

Attendance is required for all band members.

All progress is based upon a universal innate desire on the part of every organism to live beyond its income.
—Samuel Butler



TOP CITIZENS at Nazareth Elementary School during the second six weeks were (standing, from left) fifth grader Ricky Pena, fourth grader Orin Schulte and third grader J'Lae Merritt; and (seated,

from left) kindergarten student Matthew Ray, first grader Kyle Hoelting and second grader Holly Kleman.
Photo by Brenda Schulte

Nazareth honor students are named

Nazareth Independent School District has released its honor rolls for the second six weeks of school.

Students recognized for earning straight A's during the grading period include:

First Grade: Brittany Birkenfeld, Brittany Hampton, Allyson Hochstein, Kyle Hoelting, Brandi Kern, Karis Kleman, Darcy Schulte and Taylor Schulte.

Second Grade: Kaytlin Huseman, Holly Kleman, Corey Makeever, Val Rich and Brandon Wilhelm.

Third Grade: Alan Gerber, Jake Hoelting, Kendra Huseman, J'Lae Merritt, Charlie Rundell and Kasey Wood.

Fourth Grade: Jenna Acker, Jamie Birkenfeld and Ross Birkenfeld.

Fifth Grade: Brock Birkenfeld, Kimberly Brockman, Brett Hoelting, Kyle Ray and Lindsey Wood.

Sixth Grade: Karen Birkenfeld, Carson Gerber and Shelby Wilhelm.

Seventh Grade: Blake Birkenfeld and Trinity Robb.

Eighth Grade: Mark Birkenfeld, Lindsie Gerber and Whitney Hoelting.

Freshmen: Jill Schulte and Sara Schulte.

Sophomores: Laura Birkenfeld, Susan Book, Stephanie Gerber, Susan Jones and Jessica Kern.

Juniors: Amy Pohlmeier, Kourtney Robertson and Kaci Wethington.

Seniors: Misti Ball, Margie Durbin, Angela Fortenberry, Sarah Olvera and Jill Ramaekers.

Those qualifying for the honor roll by making either A's and B's during the period are:

First Grade: Joshua Braddock, Bryan George, Tessie Huseman, Margie Neudorf and Valeria Rodriguez.

Second Grade: Chris Acker, Jennifer Acker, Lacey Acker, Candace Birkenfeld, Matt

Birkenfeld, Chase Black, Eric Book, Stefani Diamond, Amanda George, Bradley Gerber, Chandra Jordan, Kean Lilley, Carmelinda Ortiz, Heidi Ramaekers, Brady Schulte, Dustin Schulte and Macee Schulte.

Third Grade: Skyler Birkenfeld, Nathan Huseman and Kris Ross.

Fourth Grade: Jeremy Acker, Jamie Black, Melina Braddock, Jordan Hampton, Kelsey Hochstein, Michael Horn, Garrett Kleman, Keli Schulte, Orin Schulte, Tyson Schulte and Jason Wilhelm.

Fifth Grade: Andrew Brockman, Sarah Ellison, Tanya Herring, Monty Hoelting, Cassie Price and Trey Robb.

Sixth Grade: Adam Acker, Nicole Acker, Rey Bermea, Craig Birkenfeld, Wendy Black, Tyler Ehly, Evan Huseman, Kody Huseman, Shane Kleman, Luke Price, Kristi Ramaekers, Teri Ramaekers, Eric Schilling, Megan Schulte, Ross Schulte and Rose Wilhelm.

Seventh Grade: Jason Birkenfeld, Marsha Black, Laura Gerber, Mandy Hoelting, Aaron Kern, Jase Merritt, Daryl Pohlmeier, Kyla Schacher and Ky Wilcox.

Eighth Grade: Jaci Birkenfeld, Lindsey Gerber, Jason Huseman, Tara Kleman, Matty McLain, Bryce Pohlmeier and Adam Schulte.

Freshmen: Cassie Birkenfeld, Melanie Book, Andrea Braddock, Meredith Braddock, Mindi Ethridge, Bridget Hochstein, Dawn Ramaekers, David Verkamp, Stanton Wethington and Karen Wilhelm.

Sophomores: Mandy Birkenfeld, Mitchell Brockman, Susan Lange, Lori Maurer, Jessica McGilvray, Ann Wilhelm and Vanessa Wilhelm.

Juniors: Jerad Birkenfeld, Sara Birkenfeld, Celina Braddock, Billy Don Cannon, Shane Ethridge, K'Lynn Gerber, Barry Hoelting, Lynsey Hoelting, Darren Huckert, Joy Long, Jason Maurer, Whitney

McLain, Josh Merritt, Derrick Schacher and Tanya Wethington.

Seniors: Cody Annen, Justin Bingham, Bryan Braddock, Marcus Brockman, Nick Gerber, Mindy Hoelting, Nathan Hoelting, Malcom Jones and B.J. Kern.

Darlene Collins cited for work as RES teacher

Darlene Collins, a teacher at Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt, has been cited for outstanding performance in reading education by the Institute for Academic Excellence.

Collins was awarded the Reading Renaissance Model Classroom certification by the Institute, based in Madison, Wisc. Model Classroom certification indicates that Collins's efforts to adopt Reading Renaissance methods have resulted in measurable increases in student reading performance.

"Darlene exemplifies the kind of commitment to the success of every student that is at the heart of effective teaching," said Barry Mirkin, president of the Institute.

To receive Reading Renaissance Model Classroom certification, teachers must demonstrate that their students receive a minimum of 60 minutes of reading practice time daily. In addition, teachers must be actively working with individual students to meet Institute-recommended standards for reading achievement.

In addition to national recognition, Collins will receive a grant of \$250 for this achievement. RES will receive discounts on educational software and staff development opportunities.

The Institute for Academic Excellence works with educators nationwide to disseminate classroom-proven teaching strategies and techniques. The Institute's Reading Renaissance program is a comprehensive reading improvement strategy that combines computer technology with a regimen of extensive reading practice to rapidly build student reading comprehension.

Book Club will meet

The Dimmitt Book Club will meet Wednesday (Dec. 11) at 4 p.m. at Rhoads Memorial Library, and all interested persons are invited to attend.

Darlene Collins will review Maeve Binchy's *This Year It Will Be Different* (A Christmas Treasury).

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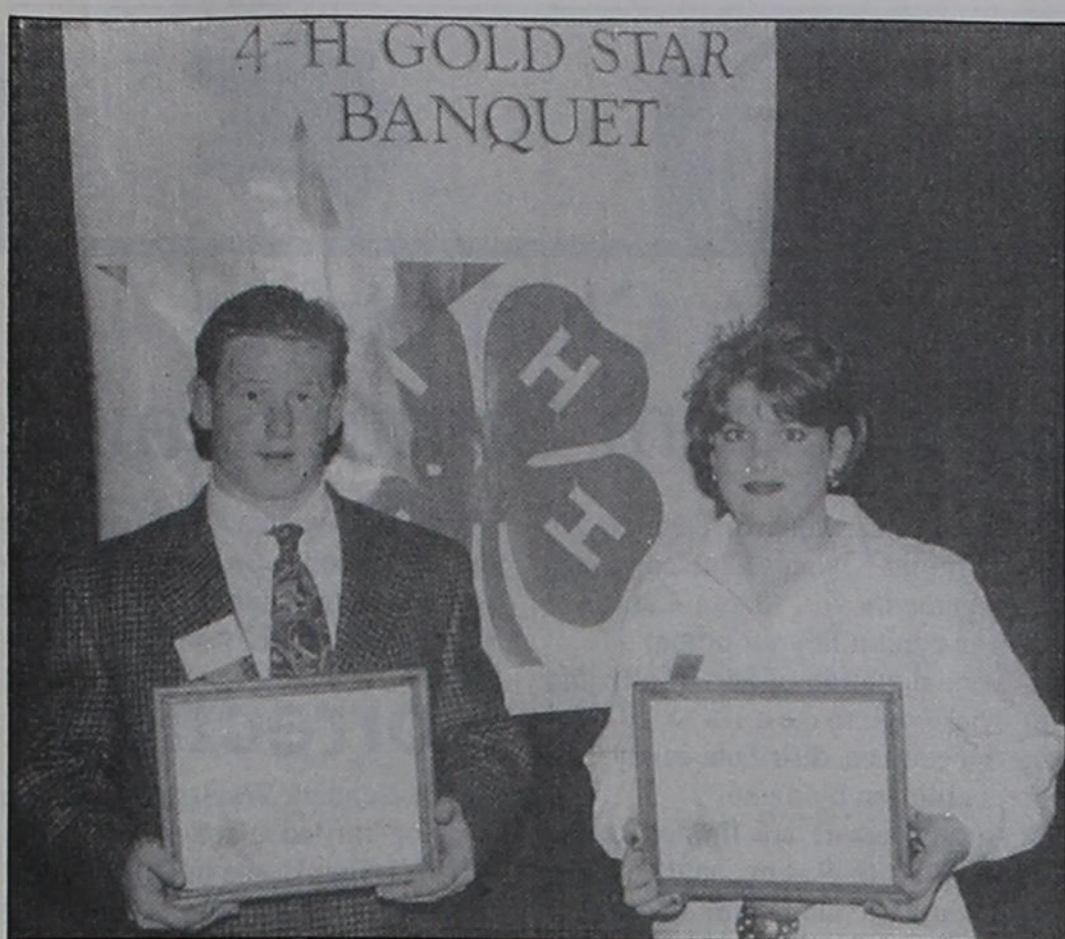
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... County 4-H'ers honored at Gold Star Banquet

McDaniel, Schulte honored at Gold Star banquet

Kaci Schulte and Colby McDaniel of Dimmitt were honored recently at the 39th annual South Plains District 4-H Gold Star Banquet. The two were among 40 outstanding youths from across the South Plains who were honored in Lubbock on November 25. Each won the Gold Star Award in his or her county. The Gold Star Award is the highest honor which can be earned by 4-H Club members at the county level. Four-H is the youth development program of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, an arm of the Texas A&M University System. Tawnee Matthews of Castro County, council first vice president, reported on the 1996 state 4-H Congress. This is a mock legislative

session at the state capitol in Austin and is held every other year. Special recognition was given to key volunteer leaders and to 4-H members whose project record books won state awards, earning them a trip November 29-December 1 to Washington, D. C. The district banquet has been sponsored each year by 11 area electric cooperatives: Bailey County, Caprock, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Lamb County, Lea County, Lighthouse, Lyntegar, Midwest, South Plains and Swisher. This year's event at the Koko Palace, brought to 1,519 the number of young leaders honored in the district. Some 14,000 guests--family members, community leaders and officials from the 20-county area--have honored the recipients at the banquet.

"We count it a privilege to have sponsored this event for 39 years," said Delbert Smith, general manager of the Lamb County Electric Cooperative, as he welcomed this year's group on behalf of the cooperatives. "It's really an opportunity to encourage the honorees and say, 'Hey, we appreciate what you're doing.'" "What you're doing is important," he told the Gold Star winners. "What you're really doing is growing up, learning skills that will help you be outstanding citizens." Smith also paid tribute to the winners' parents. "You're raising young people, giving them a focus, something they can keep the rest of their lives. Our hat's off to you," he told the adults.

Grant Key, Borden County delegate to the district 4-H council, responded to Smith's welcome. "Think how important the electric cooperatives are to our 4-H program," he urged the 4-H members and leaders. Trent DeLeon of Lamb County, council president, was master of ceremonies.

Museum group to meet today

The Castro County Museum Association will meet today (Thursday) at 5 p.m. at the Castro County Museum, on West Halsell in Dimmitt. The monthly meeting is open to all interested persons.

Nazareth with Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669

The Christian Mothers Christmas party was held Sunday evening in the Community Hall for members and their spouses. A covered dish meal was enjoyed and later everyone had fun playing Bingo. The prizes were all Christmas items. The "mite box" donations will be given to a worthy cause.

Canyon; Theresa, Gary and Sonia Rider of Claude; Frank and Sharon Pohlmeier and Shannon, Chris and David Witt of Amarillo; Robert and Donya Pohlmeier of Yukon, Okla.; Rita Pohlmeier of Denver, Colo.; and Pet Birkenfeld of Nazareth.

Kevin, Trena and Sheridan Rider of Lubbock visited their grandparents, Philip and Dora Pohlmeier, on Tuesday before Thanksgiving.

Brigitta Dobmeier has returned from Austin where she visited her daughters, Susie, Gail and Elaine; and her son, Glenn. She also visited with her daughter, Rena, in Houston.

Thanksgiving Day was spent with the family at the home of Rita (Hochstein) Edwards in Dripping Springs. The evening was spent at Elaine's home.

Janice and Joe Dee Johnson, John and Jodi were also there after visiting Janay, who teaches school in Brady. She also spent Saturday night with Geraldine Eckert in San Antonio, where they watched the beautiful lighting of St. Mary's Academy.

It was great to see so many of our younger families return to Nazareth to celebrate Thanksgiving with their families.

My house was very lively with family members from Amarillo, Colorado, Dallas, Tulia, Lubbock, Austin, Odessa, Plainview and Nazareth. Before returning home, many of them visited with their grandmother and great-grandmother, Meta Stork, at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt.

Georgie Kleman's family combined Thanksgiving and Christmas this year as they were all gathered at the Kleman home including Noreen and Alan Carson and family of Sweetwater, Kenneth Kleman and boys of Littlefield, Kelvin and Julie Kleman and family of Fort Smith, Ark., Laura and Jose Moya and family of Flower Mound (a suburb of Dallas), Gail and Kris Gagnon and son of Billings, Mont., J.C. and Jocelyn Pohlmeier and family and Nicole Kleman of Nazareth.

Georgie returned to Arkansas with the Kelvin Kleman family.

Darryl Hoelting and son, Kyle, of Amarillo, spent Thanksgiving with Darryl's parents, Ronnie and Regina Hoelting. He then finished moving to Wichita Falls, where he has been promoted to production manager of the Fox Network.

Max Acker spent Thanksgiving in Lubbock with her son and daughter-in-law, Kenneth and Barbara Acker.

John and Germaine Witt of Amarillo are the parents of a new baby, Ricky Philip, born Nov. 25. He has two brothers, Chris and David, and a sister, Shannon. His grandparents are Philip and Dora Pohlmeier of Nazareth.

Enjoying Thanksgiving dinner with Philip and Dora Pohlmeier were family members from many states including Greg, Linda and Wade Pohlmeier, and Curt and Jennifer Pohlmeier of Amarillo; Beth, Lori and Kaci Schulte of Dimmitt; Denise, Dennis and Jayden Kirby of Lubbock; Kara and Travis Bock of Austin; Royce, Cindy and Jorden Schulte of Sunray; Nadine Schulte of



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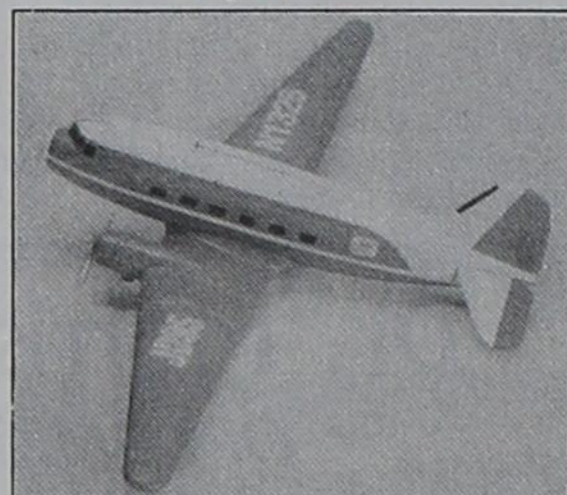
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Agricultural workshop to focus on environmental stewardship

Agricultural producers and land-owners must make key decisions each year about conservation and protection practices for their farming and ranching operations.

A conference scheduled in late fall has been planned to aid area producers in making sound choices, say organizers of the "Ag Producer's Role in Environmental Stewardship" symposium, which will be held Dec. 13 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

"Some of this country's best stewards of land and water quality are our farmers and ranchers," said Robert Buckley, executive director of the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, one of the agencies sponsoring the event.

"The conference has been designed to offer factual and up-to-date information on land and water quality issues important to today's agricultural operator," said program planner, Brent Auvermann, assistant professor of agricultural engineering and Extension Service specialist for environmental systems with the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo.

Questions most often asked by producers have formed the agenda.

Agency officials and university scientists will help address key issues, such as nonpoint source water pollution and the need for certified water quality management plans, as specified by the 73rd Texas Legislature in Senate Bill 503.

State Rep. David Swinford of Dumas will present the keynote briefing on Senate Bill 503, its history and provisions allowing producers to develop voluntary site-specific management plans to meet state water quality standards.

Presentations by TSSWCB officials, including Buckley, will cover the legal and regulatory benefits of a water quality management plan (WQMP), including management practices that will best serve the needs of the Texas High Plains producer.

Participants also will learn about alternative best management practices (BMPs) being demonstrated in the region that are funded through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under Section 319 (h) of the Clean Water Act. Funds for the projects are administered by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board, which is the lead agency for the state's agricultural/silvicultural NPS management

program.

Several Texas High Plains producers will participate as panelists for discussions on the practical issues and economic benefits associated with water quality management plans.

Producers needing Continuing Education Units (CEUs) to renew their private pesticide applicator's license will have the opportunity to earn needed credits at this conference. These credits will be earned by reviewing pesticide management strategies throughout the conference. The registration fee is \$15 and includes all sessions and a catered lunch. Registration forms are available throughout the TSSWCB Regional Office in Hale Center at (806) 839-1030 or Brent Auvermann, Texas A&M Center at (806) 359-5401. Deadline for reservations is Dec. 5. Those making late reservations will not be entitled to the lunch.

A similar conference will be held in Lubbock on Jan. 17, and it will focus on the South Plains producer and the challenges facing them in protecting the state's water quality standards without compromising the quality and quantity of their production. To obtain a registration form for the conference, contact Charley Rodgers at the TSSWCB Regional Office in Hale Center at (806) 839-1030.



Alice Galvan

Galvan honored by Food Service

Alice Galvan, bread and pastry cook at Richardson Elementary School, is employee of the month for the Dimmitt Independent School District's Food Service Department.

Galvan, an employee of the school district since 1983, was selected from a field of 35 employees for the honor. The award is presented to the employee who wears his or her uniform every day, follows prescribed recipes and helps others to achieve quality food presentations.

Charles Ketchum, director of Food Services, presented Galvan with a bouquet of roses, a rose corsage, a certificate and \$50.

Kiwanis Club plans visits from Santa Claus

During the week of Dec. 16-20, the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club can make arrangements for "Santa Claus" to visit in person in your home.

For a donation of \$20, "Jolly Old St. Nick" will make a 10- to 15-minute appearance, distribute candy, and greet children by name.

Appointments are limited to the hours of 7 to 9 p.m., and may be made through the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce at 647-2524.

Proceeds from the project will

benefit the Kiwanis Club's charitable and educational programs for children in Castro County, according to Mike Huseman, Kiwanis president.

Correction

The Kenneth Wyatt art work that is being raffled off by Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt is a print of some of his art work, rather than an original oil painting, as had been stated in last week's News.

Minding Your Own Business

By DON TAYLOR

Why Businesses Succeed

I believe there are easily identifiable reasons why some businesses prosper while others decline. I'm talking about similar businesses in similar markets.

During the past three or four years, I've been writing down some of these reasons. Recently, I reviewed the file where I keep those notes and decided to combine them into this column.

Success factors

● **Businesses succeed because someone is willing to make sacrifices that others aren't willing to make.** Hard work is one of those sacrifices. A very wise person once said that every day at 5 p.m. you have to decide whether you are exhausted or just lazy.

● **Businesses succeed because they know where they are going.** They have a plan, a sense of direction, a purpose to complete. A mountain climber heads for the peak, a quarterback aims for the end zone and a race car driver pushes toward the finish line. They become successful because they focus on the result or destination they desire. It works the same way in business. You must know where you want to go before you can get there.

● **Businesses succeed because they stay focused on satisfying the customer.** There is, of course, no good reason for any business to exist aside from satisfying customers. You need to know your competitors' strengths and weaknesses, understand your industry and watch your local business environment. However, if your main focus isn't on pleasing your customers, you make it easy for your competitors to take business from you.

● **Businesses succeed because they are never satisfied with excellence.** Some of the best-run companies of the 70s were trampled by up-and-comers in the 80s. It just proves the adage that even if you're on the right track you'll get run over if you just sit there. Successful companies raise the level of competition, create new standards and refuse to accept anything less than continuing improvement.

● **Businesses succeed because they understand that bigger is not better.** Remember, dinosaurs are gone forever. The lion is king of the jungle, not the elephant or rhino. Certainly, being big has some advantages. However, it is tough to remember what they are, when faster, tougher and smarter competitors surround you.

● **Businesses succeed because they seek success, not security.** Prisons are secure, but they do not house successful men and women. University tenure provides security, but no guarantee of success. Any company that focuses on protecting its assets is vulnerable to a competitor willing to risk its assets for gain.

● **Businesses succeed because they never stop hustling.** There are times when every successful business owner relaxes a little and decides to "let business come to me for awhile." you may be able to coast in the short term, but never in the long run. When you're coasting, you're either going down hill or slowing down.

● **Businesses succeed because the owner is careful about investing his or her spare time.** Spare time is any time not used productively in becoming successful. Now don't get me wrong here. I'm not advocating that you become a workaholic. Rest, relaxation and leisure are critical to your success. However, we should limit time spent watching TV, repeating work because it wasn't done right the first time and doing urgent, but unimportant tasks.

● **Businesses succeed because management doesn't tell employees what to do.** Instead they show the team the results they need and want, and then step aside and let their people find the best ways to accomplish those results. Management's role shifts from "managing" to "leading."

● **Businesses succeed because they never wait for their ship to come in.** Instead, they row out to meet it. They are proactive in looking for, and capitalizing on, opportunities.

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

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PRPC establishes revolving loan fund

The Panhandle Regional Planning Commission has established a regional revolving loan fund designed to stimulate economic development in the region and the fund may be used by eligible counties and communities to either encourage the location of new industry or help expand existing businesses.

The revolving loan fund is made possible through the assistance of a \$500,000 grant from the Economic Development Administration (EDA).

While the grant from EDA will comprise the largest portion of the revolving loan fund, communities wishing to utilize the fund will be required to provide a 25% match when the loan is made. For example, if an application was submitted for \$100,000, 75% of the amount requested, or \$75,000, would come from the grant. The remaining \$25,000 could come from the local chamber, economic development entity, city or county.

As the loan is repaid, both the grant funds and the local match remain in the revolving loan fund.

A key element of the program is that no more than one-third of the total project cost may be requested from the revolving loan fund. The remaining balance of the project could be a mix of equity injection and other loan sources. The use of proceeds may include working capital, consolidation of accounts payable, purchase of machinery and

equipment and purchase of building and land. Existing loans cannot be refinanced.

The term of the loan is tied to the useful life of the asset financed. Working capital loans may not be more than five years while the maximum term for building and land may not exceed 25 years. The interest rate will normally be at prime.

Businesses located in specific counties as designated by EDA may access the revolving loan fund. Those counties are Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Sherman, Swisher and Wheeler.

The revolving loan fund will be administered by a board composed of Panhandle residents with business and financial experience. Initial members of the revolving loan fund board are Pam Ashford of Groom, Juan Cantu of Booker, Nina Beth Hargrove of Perryton, F.C. "Sonny" Hilburn Jr., of Shamrock, Tommy Hudson of Wellington, Hubert Jones of Memphis, James Meekins of Borger, John Sherrod of Hereford, Charlotte Traffus of Vega and Jerry Wilson of Pampa.

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Naz FHA plans home tour Sunday

The Nazareth FHA chapter will hold a holiday tour of homes Sunday from 2 to 4:30 p.m.

Homes featured on the tour will be Rocky and Diane Wilhelm's, north of Nazareth on FM 168; Keith and Karlene Hoelting's, on St. Mary's Street in Nazareth; and Joe and Dana Kleman's, east of Nazareth on Highway 86.

Tickets for the tour are \$4 per person and may be purchased at any of the featured homes.

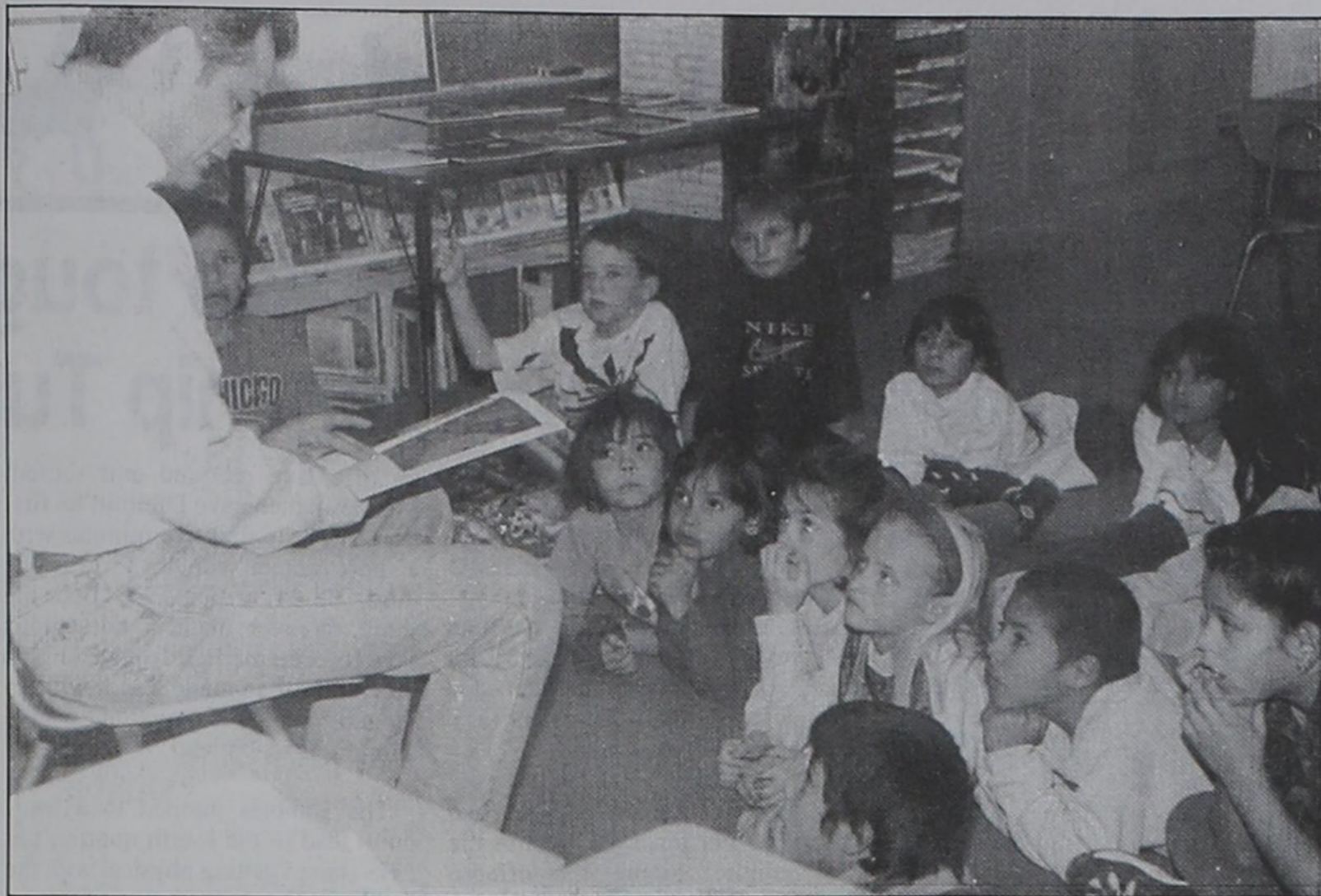
A bake sale also will be held in conjunction with the tour.

Auditions set for 'Patsy'

Area female vocalists who can sing in the "Patsy Cline style" are being sought to audition for the Amarillo Little Theatre production of *Always... Patsy Cline*, with auditions set for Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Amarillo Little Theatre, 2019 Civic Circle, Amarillo.

The production will launch the Amarillo Little Theatre 1997 North Texas tour. Written by Ted Swindley, the play is based on the true story of a woman named Louise who met Patsy back in 1957 and continued a friendship with her for many years.

Those wanting to audition should prepare a 60-second audition in the "Patsy Cline style." An accompanist and tape deck will be provided by ALT. Show numbers will include Patsy's biggest hits, including *Crazy*, *Honky-Tonk Merry-Go-Round*, *I Fall to Pieces*, *Faded Love*, *Back in Baby's Arms*, *Sweet Dreams* and many more.



READING TIME—Joe Nino reads to third graders in Connie Merritt's room as a part of a reading project at Dimmitt's Richardson Elementary School. Photo by Linda Maxwell

RIF program encourages reading

More than 80 guest readers have visited the Richardson Elementary School RIF site to participate in the "Read Me A Story" project that could earn the school an additional \$150 in funding from the Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) organization.

To qualify for the money, the school must fulfill a pledge to have at least 250 stories read to the students by Dec. 18.

The school held a "Read Me A Story" day Nov. 25, with parents, other students, community members and local "celebrities" taking time to read to the elementary students. Of the 80 guest readers that day, many read more than one story, putting the school a long way toward the goal.

Anyone who is interested in helping to meet the goal of 250 stories may call the school or Vanesa

McClure, coordinator of the Parents Involved in Education (PIE), at 647-5304. Arrangements will be made for guest readers to visit individual classrooms. Volunteers may request to visit specific teachers' classrooms.

Dimmitt Independent School District Curriculum Director Doricell Davis said that Richardson receives \$1,938 in grant money annually from the RIF program, and it is matched 2/3 to 1/3 by local money for a total of \$2,584. The money is used to buy

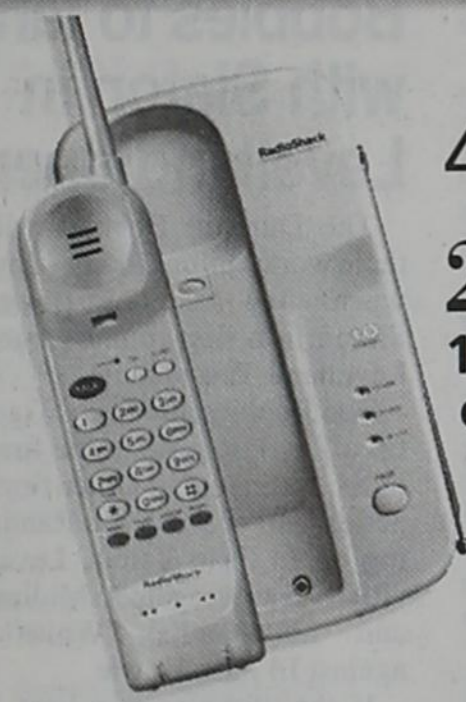
books for elementary students.

"We buy at least three books per student for them to take home and keep as their very own," Davis said. "This encourages them to read and helps them value books."

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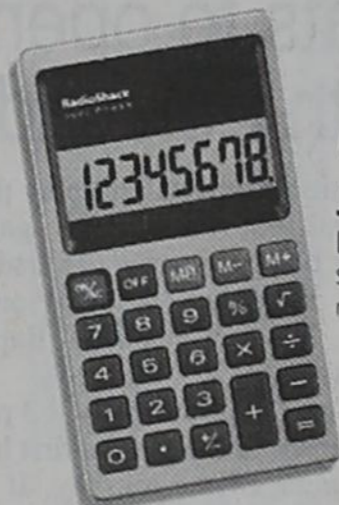
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Sports



OOPS!—Dimmitt's Carol Summers (12) and Shawna Kenworthy (23) battle Lubbock High's Christi Chavez (10) for a loose ball last Thursday in an opening game of the Frenship Turkey Classic. The Bobbies fell behind in the first half, but outscored

Lubbock 12-5 in the third to take a lead headed into the final period. Lubbock tied the game at the end of regulation, then went on to win, 56-53. The Bobbies lost their second game to Shallowater, but bounced back to beat Muleshoe Saturday, 52-48.

Photo by John Brooks

Bobbies lose two tough games, win one in Frenship Turkey Classic

Dimmitt lost two close games, then held off a late rally to best District 1-AAA rival Muleshoe 52-48 in the Frenship Turkey Classic last weekend at Wolforth.

The Bobbies dropped an overtime decision to Lubbock High, 55-51, on Thanksgiving afternoon, then saw former district foe Shallowater rally for a 60-56 win on Friday.

Dimmitt came out and hit two quick baskets for a 5-0 lead in the first minute, before the offense looked as if that sleep-inducing chemical in turkey might have hit. The Bobbies didn't score again until the second quarter as the Lady Westerners claimed a 13-5 lead by the end of the quarter.

The Bobbies bounced back to 13-9 with four points in the first minute of the second quarter, but LHS then went up 19-9. The Bobbies battled back with two more baskets, including a Shawna Kenworthy three-pointer that made it 19-14, but Lubbock High hit five straight of its own to open the game's biggest lead, 24-14.

Dimmitt then mounted a big charge in the last three minutes. Amber Matthews and Carrie Bradley hit back-to-back baskets off turnovers to make it 24-18. With 1:21 left, Heidi Weaver took a nice feed from Bradley for a three-point play to make it 24-21.

After LHS made two free throws, Kimberly Newland scored with 15 seconds to play in the half to close the Bobbies back within three, 26-23. With two seconds to play, Lubbock's Marisela Flores put back an offensive rebound for a five-point advantage at halftime.

The Bobbies finally came all the way back to tie the score with 2:17 to go in the third when Bradley grabbed

an offensive rebound and scored. Matthews then gave Dimmitt its first lead since the first two minutes with a short jumper with 1:43 left in the third, 33-31. After LHS tied the score, Weaver made a miraculous save to keep the ball from going out of bounds, then made a shot with 15 seconds left in the quarter to give Dimmitt a 35-33 lead.

The Bobbies jumped to a four-point lead in the fourth quarter, but LHS started getting physical with the Bobbies. Dimmitt players were on the floor as if they were hockey players checked off their skates, and the physical play benefitted the Lady Westerners. LHS fought back to take a three-point lead, 44-41, with 1:56 to play.

Eight seconds later, Kenworthy made two free throws to make it a one-point game, 44-43. After a LHS charity toss, Matthews outfought Flores for the rebound, and passed to Kenworthy. The sophomore guard was fouled again, and made both free throws to tie the score with 56 seconds left.

Five seconds later, Matthews stood fast against the much bigger Flores, who was called for charging. Dimmitt worked the ball for the next 45 seconds. Kenworthy was drilled by a Lubbock player; no foul was called, but the ball went out of bounds and to LHS with three seconds left. A long shot by Lubbock missed at the buzzer.

Dimmitt went up by four points in the overtime after Bradley and Matthews scored in the first minute, giving Dimmitt a 49-45 lead. Matthews answered a Lubbock basket with 2:27 to play, giving the Bobbies a 51-47 advantage.

LHS shut out the Bobbies the rest of the extra period while scoring

eight points to take the win.

Matthews led all scorers with 22 points, while Kenworthy and Bradley had 11. Dimmitt made seven of its nine free throws, while Lubbock had 28 chances at the line, but made only 10.

Friday morning, in Frenship's old gym, the Bobbies jumped to a big lead against Shallowater only to see the Fillies rally to take the win with a big fourth quarter.

The Bobbies leaped to a 20-9 lead after the first quarter, but Shallowater was back within 27-21 by intermission.

In the third quarter, the teams battled on even terms, scoring 16 points apiece as Dimmitt claimed a 43-37 lead after 24 minutes.

The fourth quarter was almost all Shallowater as the Fillies outscored the Bobbies 23-13 in the final period for the four-point win.

Weaver and Jacy Buckley led all scorers in the game with 16 points each, while Matthews chipped in 12 more. The rest of the squad scored just 12 points.

Saturday's game was the usual tight Muleshoe-Dimmitt affair.

Dimmitt held a 14-11 game after eight minutes, then went out at the break with a one-point advantage, 28-27.

Dimmitt got its winning advantage in the third quarter, charging out of the blocks to outscore the Mulettes, 16-5, in the period to claim a 44-36 lead.

Dimmitt scored just eight points in the fourth quarter, but the Bobbies allowed Muleshoe only 16 and claimed the four-point win.

Matthews again led Dimmitt with 16 points, while Bradley added 15 and Kenworthy chipped in 10.

Bobcats edge Abernathy, 57-54

There are times during the year when you have to experiment with all types of things in basketball.

On Nov. 26 at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium, the Dimmitt Bobcats worked on different defenses and coming from way behind to take a 57-54 win over Abernathy.

The game was Dimmitt's last

before a week off for Thanksgiving, and the Bobcats took advantage of the opportunity to work on things they might have to use later in the year. Those "things" included some man-to-man and 1-3-1 defenses, and Abernathy grabbed as lead during that time.

Then, midway through the third quarter, it was time to quit experimenting. The Bobcats went back to their traditional, smothering 2-3 zone defense and rallied for the win.

Dimmitt and the Antelopes battled back and forth during the first quarter, but Albert Ewing and Brandon Smith sunk baskets in the last minute to give Dimmitt a 19-15 lead.

The Bobcat bench played the first 4:53 of the second quarter and acquitted itself fairly well. The second five scored only three points, but Abernathy scored just 10 and led just 25-22. The Dimmitt starters scored just once in the second quarter, a three-pointer by Smith with two minutes left to tie the score at 25.

Playing against one of Dimmitt's "unusual" defense, the Antelopes scored six points in the last two minutes to claim a 31-25 lead at halftime.

In the third, Abernathy extended its lead to 36-25 before the Bobcats junked the junk. Smith converted a three-point play with 4:52 to go in the third to make it 36-32. Abernathy had another little run to make it 41-34, but Brad Beck made two free throws with 32 seconds left in the quarter to make it 41-36 after three.

In the fourth, Dimmitt finally tied the score, 50-50, on a Charley Sanders bucket with 3:50 to play. Beck gave Dimmitt the lead with a free throw with 1:53 left, 55-54, then Smith made two free throws with 1:14 to play to give Dimmitt the three-point win.

Smith led Dimmitt with 21 points, while Sanders scored 10.

Pioneer Classic Cats to open with Estacado

Dimmitt's Bobcats will play their traditional first-round game against Lubbock Estacado today (Thursday) at the Plainview Lions-Pioneer Classic at Wayland Baptist University.

The Cats and Mats meet at 3 p.m. at Hutcherson Center in the first high school game of the tourney. If the Bobcats win, they'll face the winner of the Sweetwater-Hereford game at 5 p.m. Friday, while the loser's round game will be Friday at 2 p.m.

Other teams in the tournament include Andrews, Canyon, Plainview and Lockney. Plainview is coached by former Dimmitt all-stater John Smith.

In the college division, Panhandle State faces Howard Payne today at noon, while Wayland hosts Southwestern Assemblies of God at 8:30 p.m. The Pioneers are guided by former Dimmitt all-stater Kevin Cleveland.

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Talent contest is scheduled

The fifth annual "Plains-of-Texas" Talent Contest will be held Dec. 21 in Plainview. There is no entry fee, and the last date to enter the contest is Dec. 14.

Competition will be divided into three age groups: ages 3 to 10; 11-18; and 19 and up. A prize of \$100 will be awarded to the winner in each age group.

Performances may be vocal and/or instrumental, but entries may be individuals only.

The contest is sponsored by the "Plains-of-Texas" Musical Jamboree. To enter or for more information call or write "Plains-of-Texas" Talent Show, 313 Irene, Plainview, 79072; phone 806-293-3180.

Swifts hand Muleshoe first loss of the season

After overcoming a slow start Tuesday night, the Nazareth Swifts dominated Muleshoe in the second half enroute to a 69-59 victory at Muleshoe.

It was the first loss for Muleshoe, which entered the game with a perfect 5-0 mark including wins over Littlefield, Denver City, Sundown, Shallowater and Morton.

The Mules were hot in the first half, leading 18-15 after the first quarter and 37-34 at halftime.

The Mules used good teamwork and balanced scoring to take the early advantage, moving the ball well offensively.

Nazareth's second-half defense damaged Muleshoe's attack, though.

The Swifts bounced back in the second half to take the lead in the third quarter, then held on down the stretch to claim the victory and improve to 4-1.

Nazareth came out in the second

half and changed the momentum on both ends of the floor, outscoring Muleshoe 20-11 to take a 54-48 lead by the end of the stanza.

The Swift defense limited Muleshoe to 11 in the fourth quarter, too, while its offense racked up another 15 points for the 10-point, 69-59 win.

"The big difference (in the first and second half) was we calmed down and played better ball," said Nazareth Assistant Coach Colby Waldrop. "We played better defense in the second half and we played more our style of game. Our offense was better—we just played better overall in the second half."

Nathan Hoelting was the top Swift scorer with 10 points while Bryan Braddock and Coby Schacher tossed in 10 apiece. Muleshoe's big 6-4 post Dustin Cleavinger was good for 14 points to lead the Mules while Matt Mason added 10.



Hoop it up!

Good Luck, Bobbies
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FIRST GAME: Bobbies vs. Slaton, Thursday, 3:30 p.m.

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FIRST GAME: Bobcats vs. Lubbock Estacado, Thursday, 3 p.m.

TUESDAY: Bobcats vs. Caprock, Here

★ Power Points Football Contest ★

DHS junior and grandmother are the latest local winners

Laverne Bates of Dimmitt had lots of lucky numbers last week. Such as 13, 1, 114 and 20.

Week 13 was the first time she entered the Power Points Football Contest and she scored 114 points to finish No. 1 here for the \$20 cash prize from the News.

"I'm surprised," she said. "I've followed football all my life, and I know the teams, but I didn't know whether I had them picked in the right order. I didn't have any idea I would actually win it."

Bates, who has six grandchildren, is retired after having taught elementary students in Dimmitt for 38 years.

The Week 13 contest results were delayed last week because of the Thanksgiving holiday. The statewide winner was 12-year-old Brett Stevens of Midland, who quarterbacked his junior-league team to the city championship this season. With a score of 121, he won the \$1,000 grand prize.

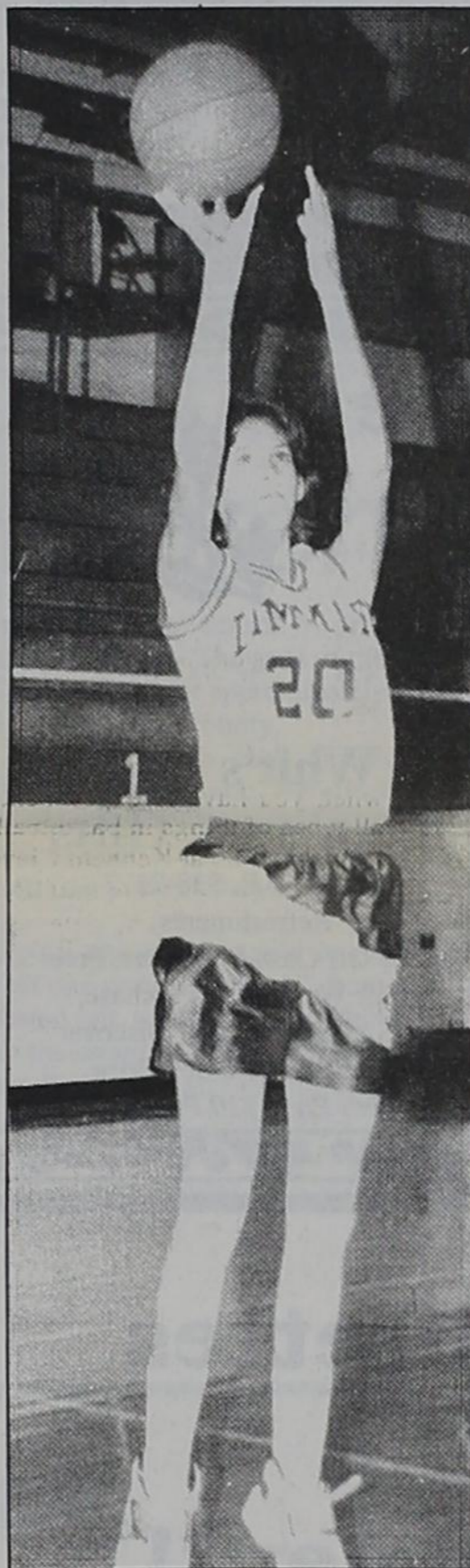
In the Week 14 contest, 16-year-old Dimmitt High School junior Juary Cavazos racked up 122 points to become the local winner of this week's \$20 cash prize.

Juary is on the DHS baseball team, but he doesn't play football. However, he loves to watch it, said his mother, Estella.

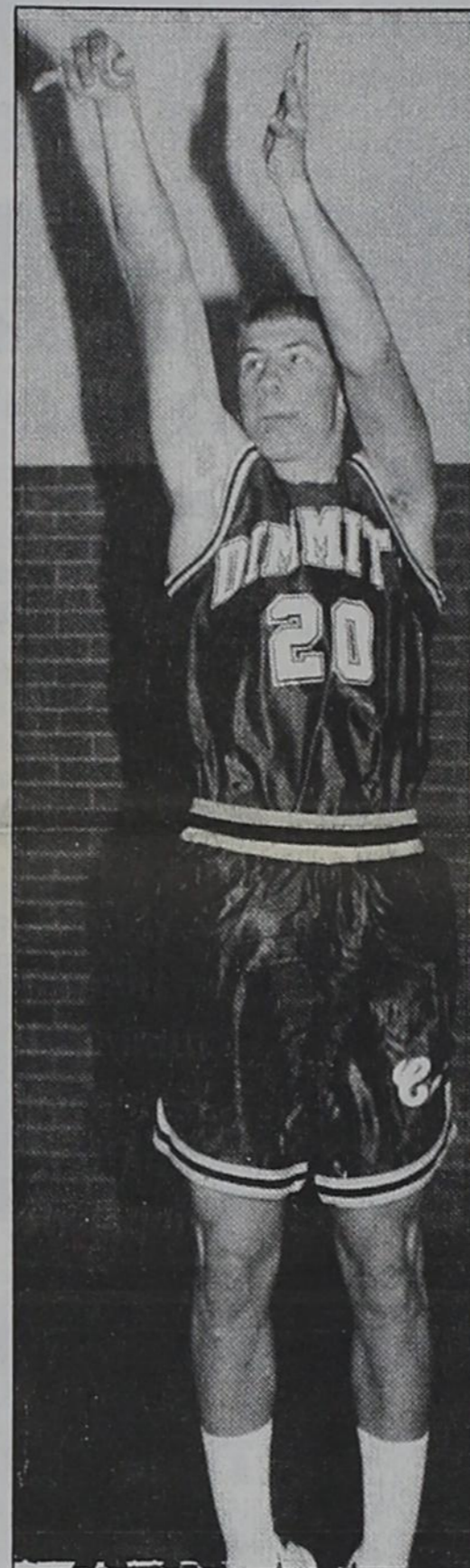
"He watches football faithfully—sports are his favorite hobbies," Mrs. Cavazos said.

The statewide winner was another teenager—14-year-old David Seelig of Harlingen, who posted a rare 136—the only perfect score in the Lone Star State.

This week's Power Points Football Contest is on Page 8. Make your picks and turn in your entry form at the News office by 2 p.m. Friday.



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- Jan. 3—Dalhart, Here
- Jan. 7—Muleshoe, There
- Jan. 10—Sanford-Fritch, Here
- Jan. 14—Friona, There
- Jan. 17—Perryton, Here
- Jan. 21—Tulia, Here
- Jan. 24—River Road, There
- Jan. 28—Muleshoe, Here
- Jan. 31—Sanford-Fritch, There
- Feb. 4—Friona, Here
- Feb. 7—Dalhart, There
- Feb. 11—Tulia (Boys), There
- Feb. 14—Perryton (Boys), There

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Swiftettes meet Clovis today in Canyon Classic

The Nazareth Swiftettes will take on Clovis at 5:30 p.m. today (Thursday) in first-round action of the Canyon Classic.

The annual tournament features many strong girls' teams from the area including the Swiftettes and Clovis, Muleshoe, Tascosa, Happy and Canyon, in addition to El Paso Riverside and Vernon.

The Nazareth girls finished second to the host Lady Eagles a year ago in the tournament.

If the Swiftettes beat Clovis today, they will take on either Muleshoe or Tascosa Friday. The winners of the two games will meet at 7 p.m. while the losers will square off in the consolation semis at 4 p.m.

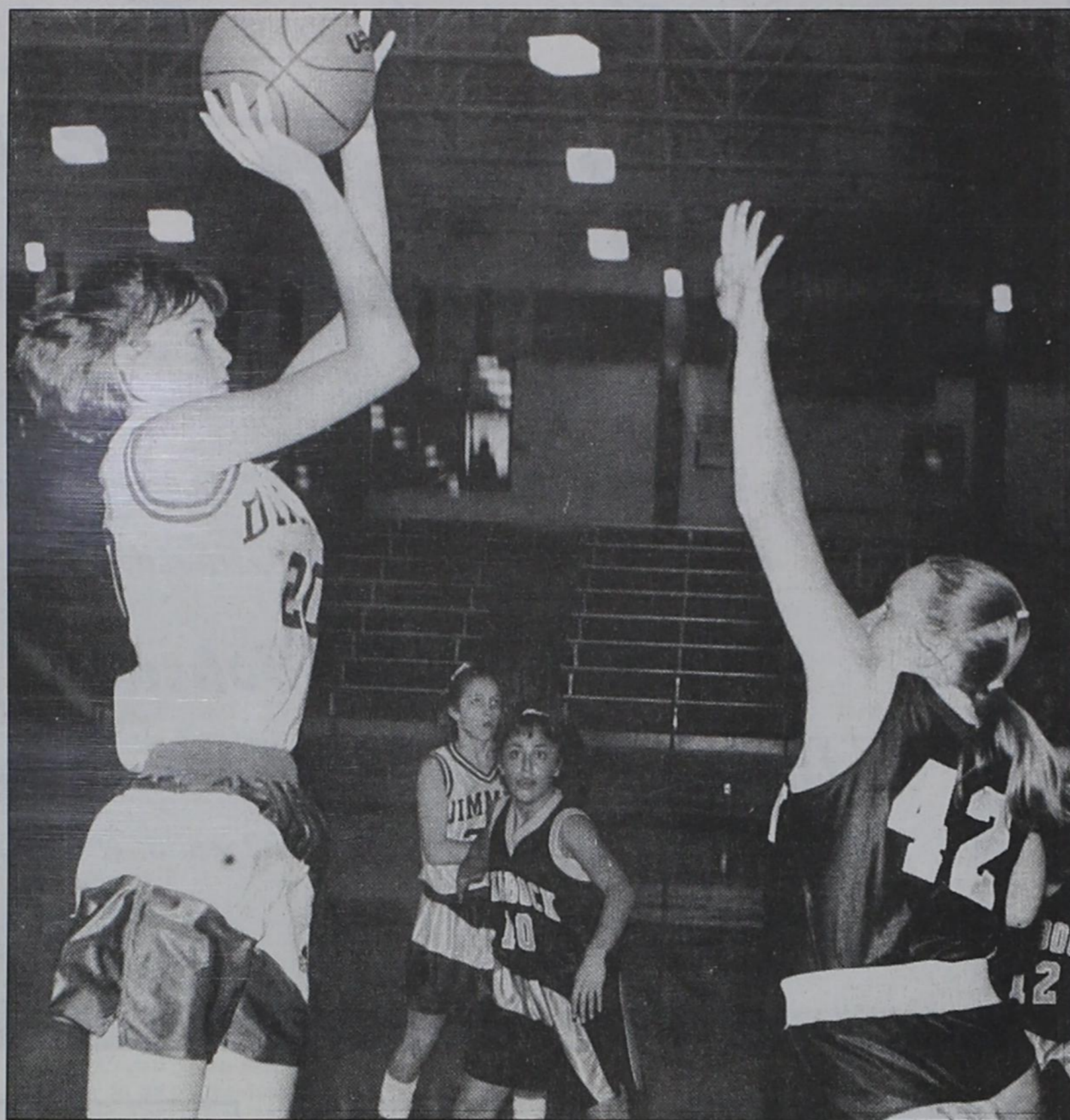
On Saturday, the seventh-place game will tip off at 1:30, followed by the consolation championship at 3 p.m., third-place game at 4:30 p.m. and championship at 6 p.m.

Computer class to be held here

Amarillo College will offer a class in computer concepts next semester in Dimmitt.

The course is open to the public and will meet one night a week. Cost for the course is \$15 for high school students and \$89 for adults. Those taking the course will earn three hours of college credit.

Those interested in taking the course or any other college-level course should contact Shelly Nutt at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, 647-2524, or Sue Summers at Dimmitt High School, 647-3105.



AMBER MATTHEWS OF Dimmitt goes up against Lubbock High's Kirsty McLaren during action in a first-round game at the Frenship Turkey Classic last Thursday. Matthews scored 22 to lead the Bobbies,

who lost to Lubbock in overtime, 56-53. Also pictured are Dimmitt's Shawna Kenworthy (23) and Lubbock's Christi Chavez (10). Photo by John Brooks

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Swiftettes handle Tulia girls second time around

What a difference a couple of weeks make.

The Nazareth Swiftettes struggled in their game against the Tulia Lady Hornets in mid-November, losing the game 50-33.

The teams met again Saturday afternoon and this time the outcome was a 360-degree turnaround.

Nazareth dominated the game from the minute the girls took the floor, posting a 56-24 victory.

K'Lynn Gerber and Jill Ramaekers each scored in double figures to lead the Swiftettes, who improved to 3-3 with the win. Gerber tossed in 16 while Ramaekers tallied 12.

For Tulia, Roni Henderson was leading scorer with nine while Zuri Bossett and Amy Culwell finished with four apiece.

The Swiftettes held a slim 12-8 lead after the first quarter, then pulled away steadily over the next three quarters.

The Nazareth defense limited Tulia to five points in the second quarter and two in the third.

By halftime the Swiftettes were in command, 29-13. After three, it was 37-15. Over the final eight minutes, Nazareth added to its advantage, outscoring the Lady Hornets 19-9 for the 56-24 victory.

Hart teams and Swifts will battle in Friona Invitational

The Hart Longhorns and Lady Horns and the Nazareth Swifts will play three games in two days as they compete in the Friona Invitational Tournament today (Thursday) and Friday.

The tournament, originally scheduled for three days, was limited to two because Friona's football team is still in the playoffs and will compete Saturday.

In first-round action today (Thursday) the Lady Horns will meet Farwell at 9 a.m.; the Longhorns will take on Farwell at 10:30 a.m. and the Swifts will meet Floyd, N.M. at 10:30 a.m.

Other first round girls' games will feature Friona vs. Logan, N.M., Lockney vs. Tulia, and Floyd vs. River Road. In the boys' division, Friona will meet Logan and Grady, N.M. will tackle River Road in the other two quarterfinal games.

If the Lady Horns beat Farwell, they will advance to the championship semifinal round against the Friona-Logan winner today (Thursday) at 3 p.m. at Friona High School.

Losers of the two games will meet at 3 p.m. today (Thursday) at Friona Junior High.

Friday's final round girls' schedule includes the seventh-place game at 9 a.m., consolation final at 12 noon, third-place game at 3 p.m. and championship round at 6 p.m.

In the boys' division, the Hart-Farwell winner will meet the Friona-Logan winner at 4:30 today (Thursday) at FHS. The two losers will play at 4:30 p.m. today (Thursday) at FJHS at 4:30 in a consolation semifinal game.

Should the Swifts win their first-round game against Floyd, they will advance to the semifinals against the winner between Grady and River Road at 7:30 p.m. today (Thursday) at FHS. The consolation game between the losers of the two games will be held at 7:30 p.m. today (Thursday) at FJHS.

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Hereford edges Bobbies, 50-45

Most of Hereford's players might have been on the volleyball court until just three days earlier, and might have been getting over bus lag after the long trip back from its state championship in Austin, but you couldn't tell it the way they played the Bobbies on Nov. 26 at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium.

Hereford, in only its second day dribbling basketballs instead of setting and spiking volleyballs, rallied in the four quarter to claim a 50-45 win over Dimmitt.

The Lady Whitefaces limited Dimmitt to just two baskets, both by Amber Matthews, in the first quarter. Julie Rampley, all-state tournament for the spikers, had three buckets for Hereford to lead them to a 10-6 lead after eight minutes.

In the second quarter, Dimmitt got its offense in gear. Heidi Weaver scored two baskets in the second stanza, each one tying the game. Shawna Kenworthy put the Bobbie: on top 25-24 at halftime with two free throws with eight seconds to play.

In the third, Dimmitt jumped to a five-point lead, 35-30, on a Jacy Buckley bucket with 1:55 to go in the quarter, but Hereford was back to two points, 38-36, at quarter's end.

Dimmitt succumbed in the second half to one of Hereford's basketball-only girls, Misti Davis, who had 14

of her game-high 21 points in the last two quarters. Davis had two treys in the fourth period to lead the Lady Whitefaces' charge. She tied it at 39 with 5:30 to play, then gave Hereford the lead for good two minutes later with another trey, 44-41.

Amber Matthews, who had nine points in the second quarter to lead the Bobbies to the lead, had 15 for the game. Carrie Bradley had an 11-point third quarter and had 13 for the game.

Shot clinic set Dec. 12

An immunization clinic offering protection against several childhood diseases will be held in Dimmitt next Thursday, Dec. 12, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Dimmitt Middle School Auditorium.

Vaccines offered will give protection against polio, diphtheria, tetanus (lock jaw), pertussis (whooping cough), measles, rubella, mumps, and Haemophilus Influenzae Type B.

The Texas Dept. of Health is currently charging money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open.

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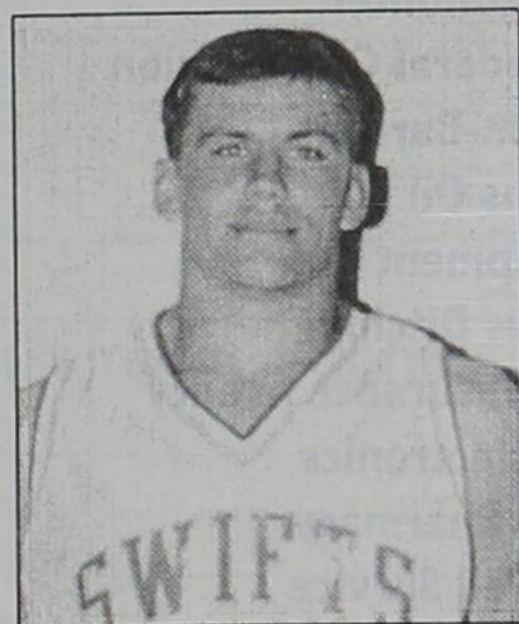
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SURROUNDED—A group of Silverton defenders surround Hart's Michael Pantoja (10), but that doesn't bother Pantoja, who scores anyway. The Longhorns played with Silverton for three quarters,

but a second-quarter slump allowed the Owls to gain an advantage that Hart couldn't overcome and Silverton won, 64-52. Photo by David Knox

Lady Horns pour on defense, scoring in fourth to top Owls

Hart's full-court press forced turnover after turnover and turned many of those errors into points in the fourth quarter against Silverton last week, and that was enough for a come-from-behind victory for the Lady Horns, 57-50.

scored many of her team-high 17 points in the fourth quarter by virtue of the press.

"We did a much better job of controlling their big girl (Bronson) in the second half," said Hart Coach Rachelle Wilcox. "She was just so big. Our biggest girl is 5-7 and we couldn't stop her. She had 21 in the first half, but in the second we sandwiched her and double teamed her and that shut them down."

Hart girls struggled to contain Silverton's Lacy Bronson in the first half, allowing the big post player 21 points in the first 16 minutes.

Bronson fouled out with three minutes left in the game, and that, coupled with the press, enabled Hart to dominate the fourth quarter for the victory.

But defensive adjustments and a little bit of help in the form of fouls by Bronson allowed Hart to control the second half, especially the fourth quarter.

Hart trailed 16-12 after the first period and was down 32-26 at intermission. The second half was all Hart, though.

The Lady Horns gained a point on Silverton in the third, winning that stanza, 8-7. Then Hart turned up the heat in the fourth, using its press for a big 23-11 advantage and victory.

Veronica Gonzales, who finished with 16 points, scored 12 of those in the fourth quarter off of the press, getting steals and turning the Silverton errors into layups for Hart.

Teammate Charbra Lee also



Silverton uses big second stanza to top Longhorns

Hart shooters hit a cold streak in the second quarter of last week's game with Silverton, and the Longhorns couldn't make up for lost ground, losing to the Owls, 64-52.

After battling Silverton to a 14-14 tie in the opening stanza, Hart's offense stalled, scoring just four points in the second period. Meanwhile, Silverton added another 14 to its total to take a 10-point lead, 28-18, at intermission.

Hart stayed with Silverton throughout the rest of the game, but the Owls still managed to hold an advantage in each of the remaining quarters. Another 14-point effort by Silverton in the third quarter allowed the Owls to extend their advantage to 11, 42-31.

Hart poured in 21 points in the fourth quarter, but Silverton added 22, staying just a step ahead of the Longhorns.

For Hart, Dusty Ortiz scored 25 points while Matt Huerta added 14.

UP FOR THE CAROM—Hart's Ysa Rodriguez battles two Silverton girls for a rebound last week during a regular season game. Rodriguez and the Lady Horns used a big fourth quarter to come from behind and beat the Lady Owls, 57-50. Photo by David Knox

Project grants Christmas wishes to needy children

This little girl wants a new coat. This young man would like a new pair of shoes. Another child would like a new football or basketball.

But those simple requests are virtually impossible for some parents to grant their children, because they are struggling just to provide shelter and food for their family.

Two Castro County groups hope to help make the holidays bright for needy families through a new project this year.

Project Angel Tree will enable less fortunate children in Castro County to have a Merry Christmas this year, complete with the gift of their choice.

Organized by the Castro County Ministerial Alliance and Panhandle Community Services, Project Angel Tree is a new holiday drive and for it to be successful, the Ministerial Alliance and PCS are counting on the generosity of county residents.

Project Angel Tree is designed to help families in fi-

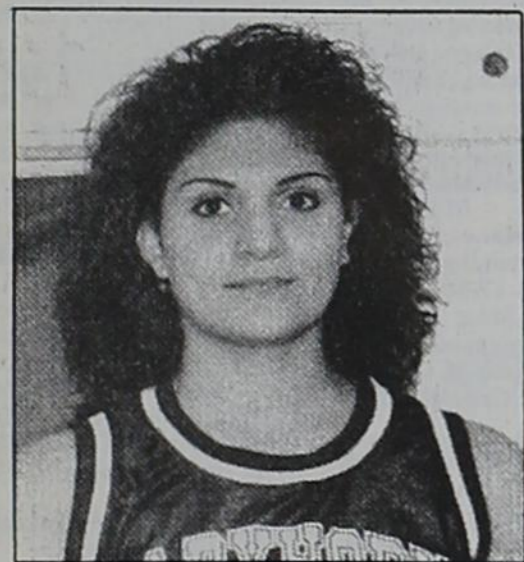
ancial need to supplement their holiday season by providing a Christmas gift for their children. The goal of the project is to provide one Christmas gift for approximately 100 less fortunate children living in the county.

Christmas trees have been erected in each of the county's banks including First United Bank, Hereford Credit Union, First Bank of Mule-shoe—Dimmitt Branch and Hale County State Bank of Hart. Each tree includes an "angel," which will include the child's first name, age and gift he or she desires.

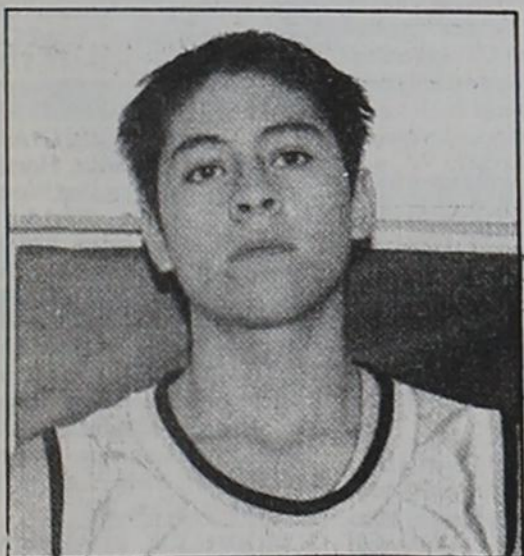
Those interested in helping ensure that child has a Merry Christmas may select one or more "angels" from the tree, purchase the requested gift, which will be within a \$20 price range, and take the wrapped gift, along with the "angel" card, to Panhandle Community Services by Dec. 20.

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20—Help Wanted

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22—Notices

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25—Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE NO. PR 2244 THE ESTATE OF DENNIS J. HUSEMAN, DECEASED IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF DENNIS J. HUSEMAN, DECEASED Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of DENNIS J. HUSEMAN, Deceased, were issued to KATHERINE HUSEMAN on the 26th day of November, 1996, in the proceedings indicated above, which proceedings are still pending, and that she now holds such letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered in the County Court above named, are required to present the same at the address below, given before suit upon same are barred by the general statute of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law, as follows: KATHERINE HUSEMAN, HCR 1, Box 37, Nazareth, Texas 79063. 25-35-1tc

25—Legal Notices

REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION Sealed proposals for 200.461 km of seal coat at various locations on SH 86, US 62, SH 349, SH 83, US 84, SH 214, FM 1072 and FM 3269 covered by CPM 302-3-29, CPM 453-1-14, CPM 380-6-8, CPM 583-1-15, CPM 380-1-66, CPM 53-18-29, CPM 53-1-92, CPM 380-2-19, CPM 131-3-25, CPM 461-3-10, CPM 461-4-19, CPM 53-4-40, CPM 1252-3-3, CPM 461-6-18, CPM 2444-4-3 and CPM 131-4-31 in Castro, Floyd, Dawson, Yoakum, Lubbock, Hockley, Crosby, Cochran, Lamb, Parmer and Bailey County, will be received at the Texas Dept. of Transportation, Austin, Texas until 1 p.m. Dec. 6, 1996, and then publicly opened and read.

Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by law, are available for inspection at the office of James M. Combes, Area Engineer, Brownfield, Texas, and at the Texas Dept. of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction and Maintenance Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas, 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

The Texas Dept. of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award. Usual rights reserved. 05-D-1950 05-76-0302-03-029, Etc. 25-33-2tc(o)

CV to raffle Wyatt print

Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt will raffle off a print of a Kenneth Wyatt painting, with the drawing to be held Dec. 17 at the residents' annual Christmas party.

Tickets for the raffle are selling for \$2 each or three for \$5, and may be purchased at Canterbury Villa or at Clip and Curl Beauty Shop.

The print will be on display at Village Shop from now until Monday, and at First United Bank from Tuesday through Dec. 16. It had been shown previously at First Bank of Muleshoe, Dimmitt branch.

Tickets for the raffle also will be available at the places the print is displayed.

Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the residents' activity fund, which is used to purchase gifts, bingo prizes and other items for the residents.

The oldest living thing on earth is believed to be a bristlecone pine tree in California named Methuselah, and estimated to be 4,700 years old.

Computer classes starting Monday

Richard Spears of Dimmitt will conduct a series of computer classes offering professional hands-on training designed for beginners. Cost will be \$20 per class.

All classes will be from 7 to 9 p.m. and will be held in the Dimmitt High School computer lab with Spears as the instructor.

The first session will be Monday, Tuesday and next Thursday. The class subject will be Introduction to Computers.

Beginning Windows will be the subject Dec. 16, 17 and 19.

Introduction to the Internet will be held Jan. 6, 7 and 9.

Jan. 13, 14 and 16 will cover Basic Word Processing.

Using Spreadsheets will be introduced Jan. 20, 21 and 23.

Feb. 3, 4 and 6 will cover Beginning Database.

Two of the courses will be repeated, with Introduction to Computers set again for Feb. 17, 18 and 20; and Introduction to the Internet scheduled for Feb. 24, 25 and 27.

Those interested in the courses are advised to pre-register by calling Spears at the Castro County Sheriff's Dept. or pick up a registration form at the Castro County News office.

Plainview group to present annual Christmas concert

The Plainview Symphony will present its annual Christmas concert today (Thursday) at 7:30 p.m. in Herral Auditorium on the campus of Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

After intermission, the Plainview High School A Cappella Choir will join the symphony in a series of Christmas selections for choir and orchestra.

The Symphony guest conductor will be Dr. Carl Moman, chairman of music at Wayland Baptist university. He will be joined by PHS choir director, Walter Wright.

Adult and student tickets will be available at the box office for \$8 and \$3, respectively. The box office will open at 7 p.m. next Thursday, Dec. 5.

The Symphony Debs will be introduced at the beginning of the choral portion of the concert. The Junior Guild will go backstage at intermission and will be introduced to several of the instruments in a close up, "Petting Zoo."

The instrumental portion of the concert will include *Christmas Song* by Mel Torme, *Toy Trumpet* by Raymond Scott, *Sorecere's Apprentice* by Paul Dukas and Leory Anderson's *Sleigh Ride*.

Portions of the *Nutcracker Suite* will feature Yi Min Cai playing the harp and the celesta by Mary Jane King. The Symphony will conclude with Irving Berlin's *White Christmas* and Chuck Sayre's *A Rockin' Christmas*.

Following intermission, the choir and symphony will perform *Gloria, Bring a Torch, Jeannette Isabella, Jesus Child* and will conclude with *Do You Hear What I Hear*.



What's cooking? In Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for Dec. 5-13.

DIMMITT

Preschool-First Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Hoagie submarine sandwich, potato chips, fresh watermelon and milk.

FRIDAY: Corn dogs, pork and beans, fruit fantasy and milk.

MONDAY: Hot dog on a bun with cheese, garden relish, fruited gelatin and milk.

TUESDAY: Monterey casserole, refried beans, fruit fantasy and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Chicken and dumplings, scalloped corn, fresh bananas and milk.

THURSDAY: Pepperoni pizza, vegetable medley, cantaloupe and milk.

FRIDAY: Macaroni and cheese, Swedish brown beans, tossed salad with dressing and milk.

Grades 2-12 Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken fried steak, hoagie submarine sandwich or nachos with cheese and peppers; mashed potatoes with gravy, potato chips or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, cucumber and tomato salad or carrot-raisin salad; assorted muffins, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of baked cajun fish, corn dogs or enchiladas; potato wedges, pork and beans or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, fruit fantasy or coleslaw; cornbread, cheese rolls, Spanish rice, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

MONDAY: Choice of beef stroganoff, hot dog on a bun with cheese or taco pie; whole new potatoes, broccoli with cheese sauce or potato salad; tossed salad with dressing, garden relish, taco condiment salad or apple slices; assorted muffins, hot wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

TUESDAY: Choice of oven fried chicken, pork stir fry or Monterey casserole; mashed potatoes, Chinese style vegetables or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, fruit fantasy or gelatin; assorted muffins, white rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of chicken and dumplings, salad plate or chicken taco with hot sauce; seasoned black-eyed peas, scalloped

corn or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, fresh bananas or peaches; cornbread, cheese rolls, Spanish rice, flour tortillas or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of pepperoni pizza, barbecued hot links or beef enchiladas; vegetable medley, Mexicali corn or refried beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, haystack finger salad or broccoli and cauliflower salad; garlic bread, wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of macaroni and cheese, baked fish scandia or fajitas with sauted onions; Swedish brown beans, rice pilaf or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad with dressing, taco condiment salad, raw spinach salad or guacamole salad; cornbread, white hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, flour tortillas or crackers; and chocolate, lowfat or skim milk.

HART

Elementary School

THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or chicken fajita; gelatin dessert, salad, pineapple, sliced cheese, fresh fruit and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or burrito; salad, corn on the cob, gelatin dessert, whole wheat sugar cookie and milk.

MONDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or corn dog; gelatin dessert, salad, pinto beans, peaches, fresh fruit and milk.

TUESDAY: Turkey and bread stuffing, turkey gravy, rolls, Italian green beans, sweet potatoes, fruit cocktail, pumpkin pie, cranberry sauce and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or stromboli; dill pickles, salad, gelatin dessert, fresh fruit, quick baked potatoes, sliced cheese and milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or steak finger basket; salad, gelatin dessert, peaches, corn on the cob and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or Frito pie; salad, gelatin dessert, pears, pinto beans, sliced cheese and milk.

NAZARETH

THURSDAY: *Lasagna with roll or corn dog, salad, beans, orange, pineapple and milk.

FRIDAY: *Turkey and dressing with a roll or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, corn, cranberry sauce, peaches and milk.

MONDAY: *Nachos with roll or corn dogs, tossed salad, beans, pears, applesauce and milk.

TUESDAY: *Baked chicken with roll or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, corn, pineapple, Jell-O and milk.

WEDNESDAY: *Pizza or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, broccoli, peaches, brownies and milk.

THURSDAY: *Beef stew with cornbread or pizza, salad, corn, fruit and milk.

FRIDAY: *Corn dog or chicken strips, salad, rice, fruit and milk.

beans, peaches, fresh fruit and milk, punch or tea.

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FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, hamburger basket or Frito pie; crackers, salad, gelatin dessert, pears, pinto beans, sliced cheese and milk, punch or tea.

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TUESDAY: *Baked chicken with roll or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, corn, pineapple, Jell-O and milk.

WEDNESDAY: *Pizza or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, broccoli, peaches, brownies and milk.

THURSDAY: *Beef stew with cornbread or pizza, salad, corn, fruit and milk.

FRIDAY: *Corn dog or chicken strips, salad, rice, fruit and milk.

(*Entrees designated with an asterisk will be served to elementary school students while secondary students will be allowed to choose between the two entrees.)



The first Christmas card was designed in 1843 at the suggestion of Sir Henry Cole by John Calcott Horsley.

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'Shop-at-Home' Christmas Loan

To encourage you to do your Christmas shopping at home, we're offering loans up to \$1,000 at this low rate* through Tuesday, Dec. 24.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

Come to the First United Bank. Receive \$1,000 in First United Bank Special Money.* Redeem this money with any merchant in Dimmitt, Hart or Nazareth.

See Joe Josselet at our bank for details.

* To qualified borrowers



"When you trade at home, you help to keep a place at home to trade"

More about Link proposes . . .

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moves in the area. He said it needs further research.

Gribble, an agricultural engineer with Five G Consulting of Molalla, Ore., and his son, Ted, a design specialist, provide professional design and consulting services for dairies, beef feedlots and all types of agricultural waste management systems.

"Our design philosophy is to try to understand what the requirements are," Joe Gribble told the council. "We read the regulations—we're dealing with federal requirements and each state has additional requirements and some counties and cities have additional ones—and we try to come up with a system that meets the requirements. We don't want to fight with regulatory agencies."

He presented a letter that said his company believes the regulatory guidelines are sound and should be followed by the agricultural community. "John's intent is to meet the requirements and we're convinced he will operate it that way," he added.

Ted Gribble said the design plans include large corrals for the cattle that can later be converted for a total confinement operation. He said the jobs at a dairy facility are not typical agriculture jobs.

"It can be a pleasant experience working in such a modern facility," Ted Gribble said. Link said he wants to milk three times every 24 hours, which would provide for three eight-hour shifts. He noted that the work is steady, not seasonal.

Ted Gribble said that due to the detailed plans their firm develops, they are able to use local contractors for most of the construction work rather than having to use specialized contractors at a higher cost. He said the facility will require 160,000 to 200,000 cubic yards of dirt work to obtain the proper slope for drainage, electrical work, concrete work and construction of the milking parlor and corrals, in addition to drainage ditches, waste treatment facilities and the waste pond.

"Using local contractors makes it easier to get maintenance work done and it keeps the money local," he said.

Link said he is preparing information to apply for a Texas Agricultural Financing Authority (TAFA) loan guarantee and is working with Hale County State Bank through its Hart

branch to see if financing can be arranged.

TAFA focuses on "value-added" agricultural projects, which this would definitely be, Link said. He explained that local commodities become "processed" through the dairy cows and produce another agricultural commodity—milk.

Crop diversification is an important side benefit of this project, according to Link. He said especially forage crops can be made use of and they don't require costly crop insurance and don't require as much water. Also, he said the availability of the manure from the operation will benefit farmers as a cheap source of fertilizer.

The operation will require use of 120,000 to 150,000 gallons of water per day, but about one-third of that can be recirculated. Fresh water is used for "flush cleaning" of the milking parlor. The water is filtered and part of it is recirculated for use in cleaning the containment area.

Link showed a letter of intent from the Associated Milk Producers, Inc. (AMPI), Southern Region, agreeing to buy milk from the operation once it is in production. He told the council that \$12 per cwt. would be the "break-even" point for the operation. He said he expects to get an average of 60 pounds of milk per cow per day.

Link said the money for the milk will come from outside the community (AMPI), but the majority of it will stay here, for wages (40%) and feed (50%).

"I think it's a win-win situation for this area," Link said.

Dimmitt Mayor Wayne Collins said the project will be considered by the council, as well as the Economic Development Committee before any agreement is entered into with Link.

"We will try to look at it fairly quickly, to help Link avoid additional consulting costs if it looks like the project won't work," Collins said.

The council would have to approve of use of the city farm land, and possible help with dirt work, and tax abatement through the enterprise zone.

Link is a resident of Castro County, living southwest of Dimmitt. He moved here from Wisconsin.

Obituary

Matilda Olsen

Matilda Olsen, 100, of Dimmitt, formerly of Chickasha, Okla., died Friday in Dimmitt.

Graveside services were held Monday afternoon at Rose Hill Cemetery in Chickasha, Okla. Burial followed in Chickasha's Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of Sevier Funeral Home of Chickasha.

Mrs. Olsen was born April 24, 1896, in Rush Springs, Indian Territory. She married Garland Stansbury, who preceded her in death. She later married Lawrence Olson in 1947 in Englewood, Calif., and he also preceded her in death.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Chickasha and was a member of the Eastern Star. She had been a resident at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt for a year.

She also was preceded in death by four brothers, Shafter Bailey, Joe Bailey Howard Bailey; a sister, Lottie Mae Bailey; and a daughter, Floreine M. Harris.

Survivors include a daughter, Christine J. Black of Fresno, Calif.; three grandsons, Ron Black of Fresno, Lyndol Harris Jr., of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Mike Harris of Chickasha; several great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews, including Betty Jones of Dimmitt.

More about Fraud . . .

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"It could certainly sound tempting, but people should remember that anything that sounds too good to be true, usually is," Fitzgearld said.

He said that anyone who has received a similar offer should report it to his office and bring in all materials received so that he can forward it to the Task Force in Dallas.

"These people will take all of your money without the least remorse," Fitzgearld said. "Use extreme caution in giving out any personal or financial information, and especially your bank account number."

Fitzgearld said nothing is illegal about the letter, unless funds are actually transferred—one way or the other. He said that in most cases the large transfer, if it is ever made, is based on a bogus bank account to start with.

More about Foster children . . .

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cause of abuse or neglect caused by very serious conditions in their homes, according to Stump.

The 12 children range in age from 3 to 17 and most will remain in foster care until they reach the age of 18. Four of the children are eligible for adoption, but no permanent home has been found for them.

A sibling group of four resides at an area children's group home in Lubbock. The three girls are ages 8, 11 and 14, and their brother is 9. Among these children's Christmas wishes are sports equipment, a remote-control car, baseball glove, Barbie dolls, a Game Boy, Walkman and any type of indoor board games.

Another 17-year-old boy would like computer games and sports equipment.

Three teenage girls under the county's care request jewelry, hair bows, clothing and posters for their rooms.

One 14-year-old boy requests a wallet, watch and roller blades.

Each of the children has limited contact with his or her natural family, and special needs like birthday and Christmas gifts would be nonex-

istent without donations from the public. Through monetary donations, the CPS board subsidizes the children's clothing needs throughout the year and purchases birthday and Christmas gifts for the children.

Area banks have included return envelopes in their monthly bank statements as part of a CPS fundraising project. Anyone wishing to contribute toward the foster children's needs can do so through the special

enclosed envelope, at First United Bank, or by contacting any board member.

Board members include Joan Aalbers and Vivian Finch, Pct. 1; Gloria Hernandez and Francis Smith, Pct. 2; Bobbie Bruegel, Paula Graham, Jackie Smothermon, Darlene Wooten and Josselet, Pct. 3; and Connie Wilhelm, Pct. 4.

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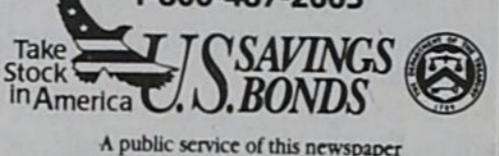
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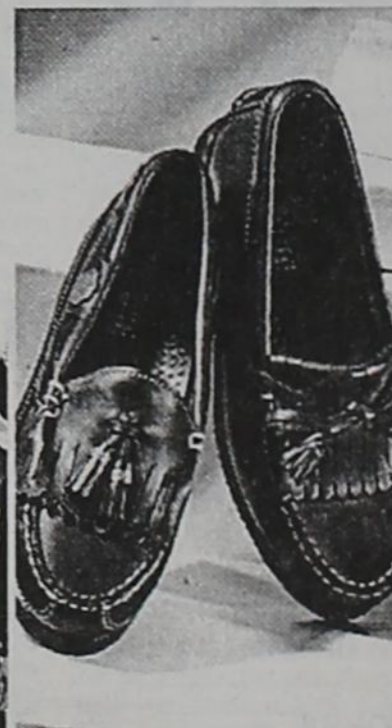
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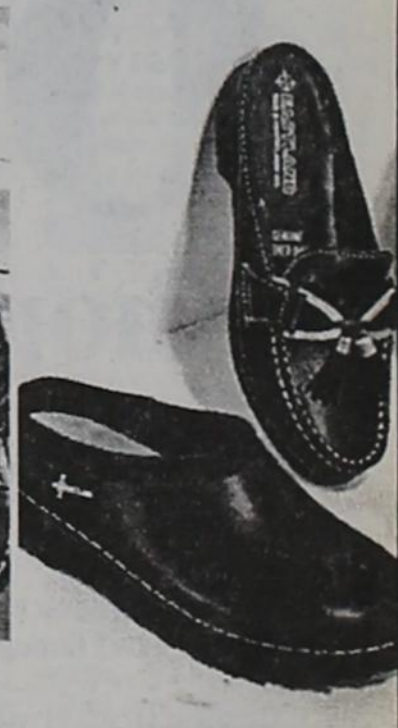
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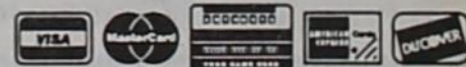
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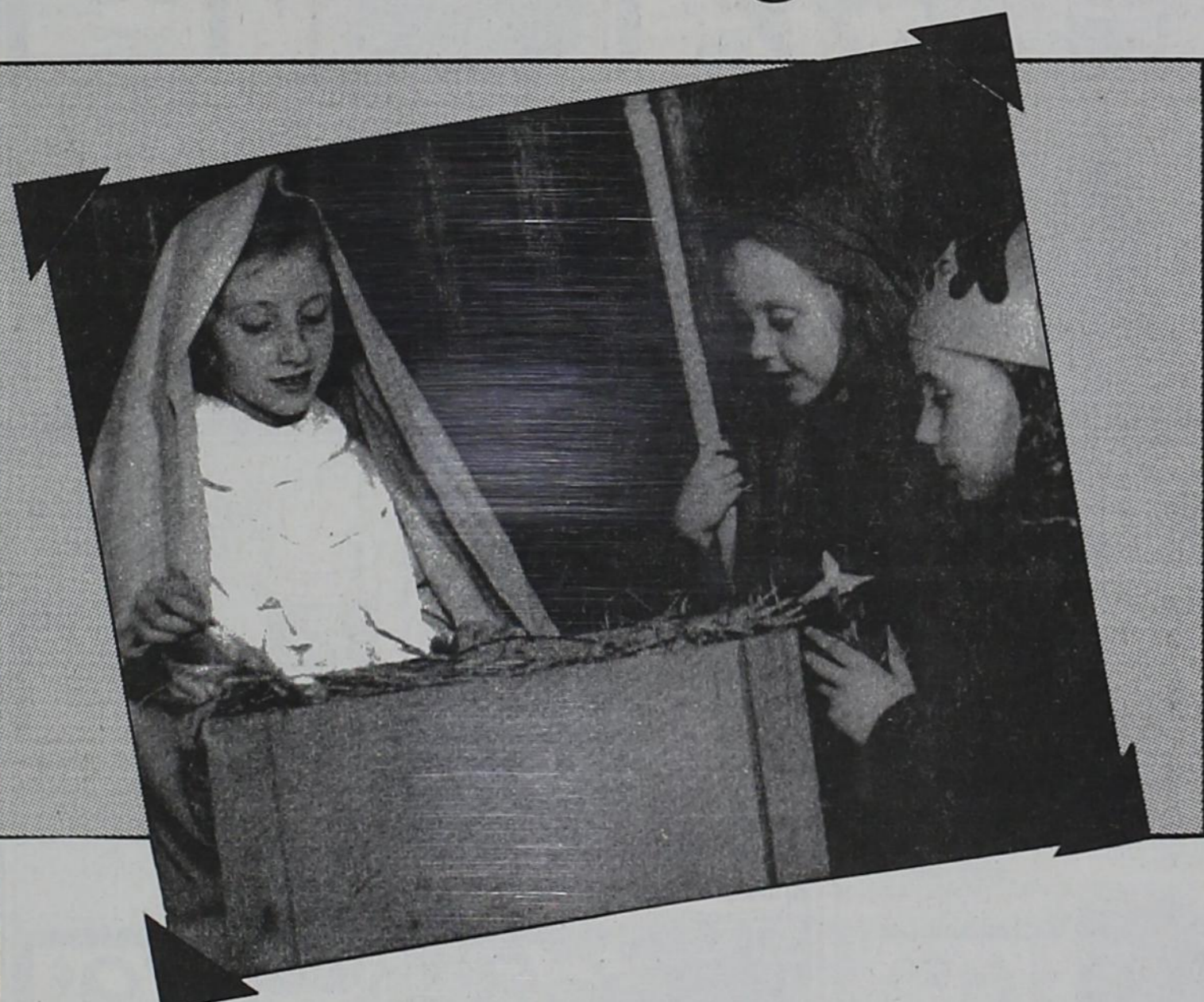
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