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GOP candidates square off at forum

By DAVIE BROWDER

Managing Editor

It looks as though the Republican race for a position on the ballot for county judge will be an interesting one this year. On Friday, all GOP candidates attended a public luncheon where they talked about issues and the upcoming election.

But it was the race for county judge that drew most of the talk and attention.

Melinda Timms, who is entering politics for the first time was first up to speak. She said she was running for the job because "people in Dimmitt have lost their faith in the justice system in this county. People complain about the drug-infested streets."

County judge position sparks lively discussion

"I decided I wouldn't sit around and do nothing," she said. "I'm doing my part to make sure my children grow up in a safe atmosphere."

If elected county judge, she said, she would work to make sure the police, sheriff's department and district attorney work together to arrest and prosecute criminals.

Of the three agencies she named, Timms singled out the district attorney's office as the worst offender, but said she thought if elected she could discuss the problems with the D.A. and get more action out of that department.

Asked about conflict of interest when cases involving her husband, who is a state trooper, came before her, Timms said state statutes provide that those cases can be transferred to another court.

Timms said that such action would not cost the county any additional money.

Incumbent county judge Bill Sava said it would cost more money to transfer the cases to different courts. He also said that he has talked numerous times to the district attorney about prosecuting cases, but "if he wants to dismiss a case, even if I insist it go to court, the district attorney can then stand

up and say he has insufficient evidence and I still have to dismiss the case."

Sava took aim at critics who say he has caused "friction" in the courthouse.

"To a degree, turmoil is in the nature of county government," Sava said. "At times, it's the only way to get things done. Talk to county employees. Ask if they feel they're treated fairly - many don't. Ask about the pay scale. It's low. Ask if they see poor work practices - like other employees not using timecards - or some people being given extra perks. They do. Those things create

turmoil."

Sava said he intends to bring those issues to the light of day, including closing the jail or flying the flag at half-staff.

"I don't think closing the jail is an option; but you may hear me talk about it when a two-month food bill for 11 prisoners is \$6,500," he said. "It was the first two months of this fiscal year. During the same time, Swisher County spent less than \$1,800 for about the same number of meals. Of course, when I asked why we serve Mrs. Smith's cobblers - that created turmoil."

About flying the flag at half-staff, Sava had this to say: "I

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DHS students wins top award at exhibit



Dimmitt's Daniel Deleon won a Gold Key Award - the top honor a student can achieve - at the annual West Texas Regional Scholastic Art Competition and Exhibit, sponsored by Wayland Baptist University, recently. His painting, pictured above, is entitled "Perspective." More

than 2,000 entries were received and only 80 Gold Keys were awarded. Two Dimmitt students - Angelica Padilla and Jose Silva - received Silver Keys for their art work. And two more - Ross Myatt and Karmin Ruiz - received Honorable Mention for their work.

Collins: Prospects for new businesses improving here

By DAVIE BROWDER

Managing Editor

With little more than a year gone by since the closure of Cargill, Mayor Wayne Collins, who is working for the Community Development branch of the Dimmitt Chamber said he believes that a deal will soon be made to build an ethanol plant at the site.

"After we determined, through a feasibility study, that we could convert the plant to ethanol, we had to work out an agreement with Cargill that would attract investors," Collins said. "We do have an agreement with Cargill to transfer the plant to an investor group. What we're working on now is to get the financial package together in such a way that shows they are capable of investing the approximately \$50 million it will take to convert the plant. When it can be demonstrated that the investor group has the financial strength to invest that amount of money, we can move forward."

Right now, Collins said, his focus is to get the investor group package put together in such a way that it's acceptable to the community. Our complete focus is to get everything nailed down with the investor group."

Once the plan is given a green light, Collins said experts predict it would take at the maximum 16 months for the conversion.

"I personally think, if everything goes O.K., that it can be

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Hart superintendent tenders resignation

By DAVIE BROWDER

Managing Editor

HART - HISD Superintendent Digger Elam turned in his resignation, effective at the end of June, at the trustees last meeting.

"I had planned to retire in December, but decided to stay until the end of June," he said. "One reason is so the board can do a superintendent search and I would be here for the transition."

"It's been a good ride - 40 years of education and it's had its ups and downs. It'll be sad when I walk away. However, there comes a time in your life when you have to walk away and change things."



Digger Elam
HISD Superintendent

Elam said one of the most enjoyable aspects of his job was leading and have inter-

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 Handwriting: Juan Castillo, Elianna Diaz, Syrena Larra, Steven Martinez, Melanie Medrano, Baylee Mullins, Haydin Nino, Nikki Odom, Sarah Oliviero, Krystal Ramierz, Isiah Rosales.
 Homework: Kyle Anglin, Lazaro Bojorquez, Juan Castillo, Elianna Diaz, Kaci Gauna, Giselle Grado, Syrena Larra, Steven Martinez, Melanie Medrano, Baylee Mullins, Nikki Odom, Sarah Oliviero, Lorenzo Ortiz, Krystal Ramierz, Isiah Rosales, Ivana Sanchez, Lexy Sweet.
 Perfect attendance: Kaci Gauna, Giselle Grado, Syrena Larra, Haydin Nino.
 Most improved: Colin Boozer, Sarah Oliviero
Ms. Key's Class
 Handwriting: Jonathan Torres, Savannah Sanchez, Caesar Castillo.
 Citizenship: Liliana Maldonado, Diego Rodriguez.
 Most improved: Erika Cervantes, Gabriel Lugo.
 Homework: Diego Rodriguez, Caesar Castillo, Liliana Maldonado, Savannah Sanchez.
 Attendance: Caesar Castillo, Esai Gonzales, Daniel Lara, Savannah Sanchez, Catherine Stanley.
Mrs. Villarreal's Class
 Citizenship: Daniel Grado, Misael Grado, Antonio Hernandez, Lizbeth Medrano, Ricky Mendoza, Humberto Ortega, Esmeralda Ramirez, Anais Villarreal.
 Handwriting: Daniel Grado, Misael Grado, Ricky Mendoza, Humberto Ortega, Esmeralda Ramirez.
 Homework: Paola Bautista, Kevin Cadena, Fernando Gallardo, Daniel Grado, Misael Grado, Antonio Hernandez, Lizbeth Medrano, Ricky Mendoza, Humberto Ortega, Faustino Porras, Esmeralda Ramirez, Aldo Sanchez, Fernando Villalba.
 Most improved: Fernando Gallardo, Daniel Grado, Misael Grado, Fernando Villalba
Mrs. Walton's Class
 Attendance: Briana Caballero, Marcus Flores, Symonie Larra, Gabrielle Reyes.
 Handwriting: Gabrielle Reyes, Casandra Lopez, Symonie Larra, Clarissa Everett, Marco Leal, Vince Casas, Brennan Castro.

Most improved: Marissa Fernandez
 Citizenship: Marissa Fernandez, Vince Casas, Brennan Castro, Clarissa Everett, Marcus Flores, Chandra Herrera, Symonie Larra, Marco Leal, Casandra Lopez, Meleah Penney, Brianna Quiroz, Gabrielle Reyes, Jordan Gunstream.
 Homework: Briana Caballero, Vince Casas, Brennan Castro, Clarissa Everett, Marcus Flores, Jordan Gunstream, Symonie Larra, Marco Leal, Casandra Lopez, Gabrielle Reyes, Brianna Quiroz, Meleah Penney, Chandra Herrera

Second Grade
Ms. Bradley's Class
 Semester Awards
 Citizenship: Victoria Arcos, Kaymee Howell, Mark Marquez, Morgan Nelson, Lori Saenz, Gabe Walton, Abbey Gonzales, Samantha Leahy, Aylin Melendez, Joshua Ramirez, Nemecio Villanueva.
 Perfect attendance: Victoria Arcos, Leonardo Saucedo, Gabe Walton, Nathaniel Herrera, Nemecio Villanueva
 Super speller: Robert Anes, Nathaniel Herrera, Mark Marquez, Aylin Melendez, Joshua Ramirez, Emily Weaver, Victoria Arcos, Kaymee Howell, Samantha Leahy, Morgan Nelson, Lori Saenz.
 Math whiz: Jesus Agüero, Arturo Cadena, Samantha Leahy, Morgan Nelson, Nemecio Villanueva, Victoria Arcos, Kaymee Howell, Mark Marquez, Joshua Ramirez, Emily Weaver.
 Third Six Weeks
 Citizenship: Mark Marquez, Morgan Nelson, Nemecio Villanueva, Kaymee Howell, Abbey Gonzales, Aylin Melendez, Victoria Arcos, Josh Ramirez, Samantha Leahy, Lori Saenz, Gabe Walton.
 A Honor Roll: Samantha Leahy, Morgan Nelson, Joshua Ramirez
 A-B Honor Roll: Victoria Arcos, Kaymee Howell, Emily Weaver, Mark Marquez, Abbey Gonzales, Nemecio Villanueva, Aylin Melendez.

Ms. Rosales's Class
 A Honor Roll: Erika Pena, Jose Perez, Ana Salas, Andrea Teran
 Super speller: Hope Agüero, Valeria Esqueda, Abigail Lopez, Jose Perez, Ana Salas, Andrea Teran.
 Math whiz: Ana Salas, Andrea Teran, Erika Pena, Rebecca Jaramillo, Leonela Sanchez
 Citizenship: Javier Dominguez, Rebecca Jaramillo, Leonela Sanchez, Gerardo Silva, Hope Agüero, Maria Comacho, Valeria Esqueda, Abigail Lopez, Erika Pena, Jose Perez, Ana Salas, Andrea Teran

Miss Thames's Class
 Six-Weeks Honor Rolls
 A Honor Roll: Peter Arguijo, Lindsey Burris, Diamond Luna, Matthew Oliviero, Daniela Rodriguez, Amy Sanchez, Luis Zepeda.
 A-B Honor Roll: Larissa Castillo, Jayson Larra, Brittany Medrano, Gabrielle Navarro, Sage Reed, Oscar Pena, Devon Silva
 Semester Awards
 Citizenship: Peter Arguijo, Larissa Castillo, Jayson Larra, Diamond Luna, Brittany Medrano, Gabrielle Navarro, Matthew Oliviero, Sage Reed, Daniela Rodriguez, Amy Sanchez, Zachary Tackett, Luis Zepeda, Elizabeth Spencer, Oscar Pena, Devon Silva.
 Super spellers: Peter Arguijo, Diamond Luna, Matthew Oliviero, Sage Reed, Daniela Rodriguez, Amy Sanchez, Zachary Tackett, Luis Zepeda, Oscar Pena, Devon Silva
 Perfect attendance: Sage Reed
Mrs. Venhaus's Class
 Semester Awards
 Citizenship: Anyssa Enriquez, Misael Flores, Paola Garcia, Alexa Gonzales, Israel Montoya, John Justin Ramirez, Bianca Ramos, Katie Sweet, Kirsty Taylor, Whitney Thomas, Jovanny Villalba, Abigail Willian.
 Math whiz: Misael Flores, Paola Garcia, Alexa Gonzales, John Justin Ramirez, Richard Ramirez, Bianca Ramos, Marissa Rodriguez, Kirsty Taylor, Whitney Thomas, Jovanny Villalba, Abigail Willian.
 Perfect attendance: Misael Flores, Paola Garcia, Alexa Gonzales, John Justin Ramirez, Richard Ramirez, Mario Sanchez, Katie Sweet, Kirsty Taylor, Whitney Thomas, Jovanny Villalba, Abigail Willian.
 A Honor Roll: Alexa Gonzales, John Justin Ramirez, Kirsty Taylor, Whitney Thomas, Abigail Willian.
Miss Vick's Class
 Semester Awards
 Perfect attendance: Mercedes Camarillo, Monica Gonzales, Maegan Hart, Daniel Mora, Camri Waller.
 A Honor Roll: Mercedes Camarillo, Monica Gonzales, Maegan Hart, Carlos Luna, Daniel Mora, Cassie Page, Evelyn Perez, Nathan Quiroz, Camri Waller
 A-B Honor Roll: Cris Calderon, Brandon Dones, Damian Olivarez, Joshio Rodriguez, Issiah Saenz.
 Citizenship: Mercedes Camarillo,

Monica Gonzales, Maegan Hart, Carlos Luna, Daniel Mora, Cassie Page, Evelyn Perez, Nathan Quiroz, Camri Waller, Cris Calderon, Brandon Dones, Damian Olivarez, Joshio Rodriguez, Issiah Saenz, Sammy Perez, David Vargas
 Super speller: Mercedes Camarillo, Monica Gonzales, Maegan Hart, Carlos Luna, Daniel Mora, Cassie Page, Nathan Quiroz, Evelyn Perez, Joshio Rodriguez, Camri Waller
 Math whiz: Camri Waller, Nathan Quiroz, Evelyn Perez, Cassie Page, Damian Olivarez, Daniel Mora, Carlos Luna, Maegan Hart, Monica Gonzales, Cris Calderon, Mercedes Camarillo.
 Six Weeks Awards
 A Honor Roll: Mercedes Camarillo, Brandon Dones, Monica Gonzales, Maegan Hart, Carlos Luna, Daniel Mora, Cassie Page, Evelyn Perez, Nathan Quiroz, Joshio Rodriguez, Camri Waller.
 A-B Honor Roll: Cris Calderon, Damian Olivarez, Issiah Saenz, David Vargas
 Citizenship: Mercedes Camarillo, Brandon Dones, Monica Gonzales, Maegan Hart, Carlos Luna, Daniel Mora, Cassie Page, Evelyn Perez, Nathan Quiroz, Joshio Rodriguez, Camri Waller.
 A-B Honor Roll: Cris Calderon, Damian Olivarez, Issiah Saenz, Sammy Perez, David Vargas.
 Hardest worker: Brandon Dones, Monica Gonzales, Issiah Saenz

Third Grade
Mrs. Axtell's Class
 Hardest worker: Audelia Lara, Sarah Hinojosa, Taylor Bautista, Christopher Damron.
 Best citizen: Brock Boozer, Audelia Lara, Christopher Damron, Brady Luna, Suzette Fuentes, Sarah Hinojosa, Vicente Pacheco, Maricela Quiroz
 A Honor Roll: Brock Boozer, Christopher Damron, Suzette Fuentes
 A-B Honor Roll: Audelia Lara, Dontra Ewing, Vicente Pacheco, Maricela Quiroz, Brady Luna, Paul Sanchez, Abigail Gil.
 Perfect attendance: Christopher Damron, Dontra Ewing, Suzette Fuentes, Sarah Hinojosa, Brady Luna, Vicente Pacheco, Ramon Rosales, Paul Sanchez.
Mrs. Goolsby's Class
 Citizenship: Erica Gil, Kaden Hatla, Lorenzo Ontiveros.
 Hardest worker: Kaden Hatla, Sara Espinosa, Corey Everett, Lorenzo Ontiveros, Ivon Munoz, Santos Jackson.
 Perfect attendance: Olivia McDonald, Robert Woolbright
 A Honor Roll: Kaden Hatla
 A-B Honor Roll: Gavin Flores, Preston Rodriguez, Brantley Powers, Olivia McDonald, L.J. Rodriguez, Chelsey Rodriguez
Mrs. Padilla's Class
 Perfect attendance: Carlos Chavez, Rosalba Favela, Jose Lujan, Julio Quiroz.
 Citizenship: Carlos Chavez, Rosalba

Favela, Jackie Fuentes, Maria Garcia, Amanda Hernandez, Jennifer Hernandez, Luz Ramirez, Edgar Sanchez, Gabby Sanchez
 Hardest workers: Edgar Sanchez, Luz Ramirez
 A-B Honor Roll: Rosalba Favela, Amanda Hernandez, Edgar Sanchez
Mrs. Steinle's Class
 Semester Awards
 Perfect attendance: Tristan Hernandez, Antonio Jimenez, Daniel Sanchez, Jayden Venhaus
 Citizenship: Dora Gallardo, Mavrik Gfeller, Tristan Hernandez, Marco Lopez, Alondra Mendoza, Dulce Ontiveros, Evelyn Rascon, Britny Rodriguez, Ashley Sanchez, Isiah Trevizo, Jayden Venhaus, Marco Lopez
 Hardest workers: Ricardo

Forum

Letters to the Editor:

County Judge was correct in refusing to lower flag

Dear Editor:

In regard to a letter to the editor printed in the Jan. 26 edition of the Castro County News, the county judge is criticized for not flying the flag at half staff in honor of our highway patrolman last week. I wish to point out correct flag etiquette according to U.S. Flag.org: A website dedicated to the Flag of the United States of America - [Flag Etiquette](http://FlagEtiquette.com)

I quote: The Flag in Mourning

"To place the flag at half staff, hoist it to the peak for an instant and lower it to a position half way between the top and bottom of the staff. The flag is to be raised again to the peak for a moment before it is lowered. On Memorial Day the flag is displayed at half staff until noon and at full staff noon to sunset.

The flag is to be flown at half staff in mourning for designated, principal government leaders and upon presidential or gubernatorial order.

When used to cover a casket, the flag should be placed with the union at the head and over the left shoulder. It should not be lowered into the grave."

Our county judge was correct.

Sincerely,
 Ralph G. Smith
 Commander
 American Legion
 Post No. 0445

Alvidez, Christina Barrios, Charity Everett.
 A Honor Roll: Cynthia Garcia, Tristan Hernandez, Britny Rodriguez, Jayden Venhaus
 A-B Honor Roll: Ashley Busso, Dora Gallardo, Mavrik Gfeller, Dulce Ontiveros, Evelyn Rascon, Nathaniel Rivera, Ashley Sanchez, Isiah Trevizo
Fourth Grade
Miss Wootton's Class
 Semester Awards
 A Honor Roll: Christy Stephens
 A-B Honor Roll: Vanessa Flores, Cassandra Gomez, Arturo Marquez
 B Honor Roll: Joanna Montes, Janice Ramirez, Yamilet Segura
 Third Six Weeks
 A-B Honor Roll: Mayra Salas, Shawn Sanchez, Ruben Silva, Christy Stephens
 Perfect attendance: Vanessa Flores, Cassandra Gomez, Arturo Marquez, Isaac Moreno, Mayra Salas, Shawn Sanchez, Marcos Villarreal, Karissa Schacher.

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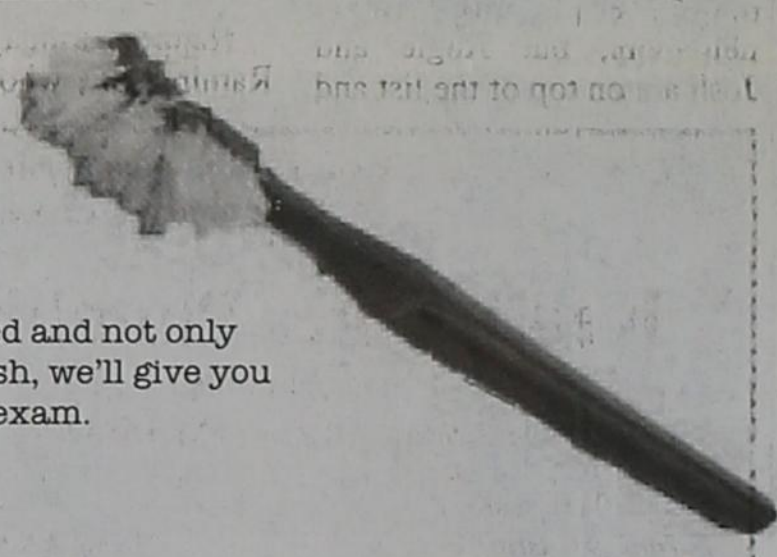


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- San _____ claims title "Pecan Capital of the World"
- TXism: "I smell _____" (suspicious)
- U.S. District Judge in Dallas: _____ foot Sanders
- TX newspaper: Huntsville _____
- TXism: "worked my fingers to the _____"
- TXism: "call _____ day" (quit)
- bird seen on a TX bayou
- TXism: "come _____ the seams"
- wife of ex-coach Tom Landry
- TX is site of oldest U.S. thoroughfare "_____ del Norte"
- a pen name used by TX Sandra Brown: _____ Ryan
- minor TX misdemeanor
- Del Rio FM radio
- TXism: "he rides rough _____ over everybody"
- first paper in TX: "_____ de Texas"
- TXism: "_____ the unvarnished truth"
- TXism: "bring home the _____" (earn)
- TXism: "happy _____"
- Houston Cougars played in this Japan arena in '90
- desert haven
- 46 honky tonk sign gas
- WFAA-TV parent co.: A. H. _____
- TXism: "as much chance as _____ in a packing plant"
- TX newsman Rather
- actor Baldwin
- social equals
- Yo Lo _____ Creek
- does sums
- "JFK" actor Ed
- TXism: "six of _____, half a dozen of the other"
- TXism: "got a hankerin' _____ it"
- this Hayden played at Baylor and coached at UNT
- scenic area in TX Hill Country (2 wds.)
- TXism: "fast as _____ rafter"
- riding saddleless
- TXism: "up and _____ juice" (coffee)
- TXism: "_____ do in a pinch"
- TXism: "she could _____ an iron stove"
- TXism: "table grazed"
- TXism: "within _____ shot" (nearby)
- CAF has a Heinkel He 111, a _____ Nazi bomber
- describing TX Perot
- sound repeat in 1-down
- TXism: "hog _____" (helpless)
- "awesome" in the 80s
- Rangers league
- panhandle rancher Goodnight (init.)
- a fetchin' hound
- TXism: "does _____ have a climbing gear?" (yes)
- TX Garner was thirty-_____ U.S. vice president
- TXism: "not enough coal to _____ furnace"
- Santa's sound
- Greg Abbott's title
- TX electronics co.
- paid-for space in the Mineola Monitor
- TXism: "want it _____ I could spit"
- airwoman Earhart wedded
- drug addicts
- TXism: "heads for the last roundup"
- TXism: "dab it _____"
- George H. Bush to George W. (abbr.)
- Port _____ TX
- average golf score (2 wds.)
- strange or scary

	High	Low	Prec.	Snow
Tuesday	61	17		
Wednesday	58	20		
Thursday	60	26		
Friday	63	28		
Saturday	63	27		
Sunday	63	16		
Monday	58	18		
Feb. Rainfall			0.00	
2006 Rainfall			0.01	
2006 Snow				

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Hispanic Voice

with Angie Arguijo, 647-0106

Hola, como estan amigos? Hello, how are you friends? It's hard to believe how fast January has gone by. I still haven't broken in some of my Christmas gifts and it's almost time for Valentine's Day. I have to admit though, Valentine's Day is one of my favorite holidays, it's always just so romantic. Don't forget to send me your Valentine's day wishes before it's too late, your sweetheart will be very surprised.

Josh and I had a great day "out" Friday in Amarillo. We don't get out much during the day since I have been working the midnight shift. I didn't realize how pale I was until I looked at my make-up in the car mirror. Anyway, we spent the day shopping and just enjoying the day. We had dinner at the new Chinese buffet and sushi grill. I can't remember what it's called, but it was delicious. Anything you want, they've got it. Later on that evening we went to the movies and watched Big Mama's House II. You've got to watch it. It's just as good, if not better than the first one. On our drive back to Dimmitt, I took a little cat nap in the car and when we got home, I got ready and went to work.

Sylvia Perez-Guerra sent me an e-mail on behalf of her mother, Santos Perez, who wishes to say the following..."Special thanks to Angie and Josh Arguijo for being so helping her out when she needed their help. She thinks a lot of Angie and Josh. She says that she has many kind and sweet neighbors, but Angie and Josh are on top of the list and

she thinks of them as two of her own children. Santos is also thankful to Olivia Ortiz for spending her special time with her. She loves you very much. Thanks also to Dr. Greg Matos and all the wonderful nurses in Dimmitt. God Bless you all." Sylvia and Dr. Cesar Guerra. also send a BIG hello to her brother Lino and his family, Jessie Silva, her sister Priscilla, her nephew Alex and niece Crystal and, of course, to her "Chuiquito Chulo" Shawn D. Escamilla. A big hug to Juanita, La Comadre Elida, La Comadre Paula and to Hortencia Garcia and her family. Hope to see you all soon.

Sally Arguijo would like to wish Prima Joanne Oltivero a very happy belated Happy Birthday. Joanne celebrated her birthday on Jan 26. She hopes you had a great day. Sally says she, her boys and Gina had a great time with Joanne and Darlene at the Palomino's/La Mafia dance in Hereford a few weekends ago. Sally would also like to congratulate her son, Gus, on a job well done during the Dimmitt vs. Abernathy game. She says that she is very proud of him and wishes him luck during the rest of the basketball season. After the game, they all hit Pizza Hut to celebrate their win over Abernathy and had a great time. Joanne and Darlene and their families also joined them at Pizza Hut to help them celebrate. Ya me imagino el ruidaso que hicieron! I can just imagine how loud it was in there!

Happy Birthday to Jessie Ramirez Sr., who celebrated

his birthday on Jan. 31. His daughter Dora Ramirez and the rest of his family would like to wish him a great day.

Sandy Pena celebrated her birthday in a very special way Saturday Jan. 21. Her loving husband, Jerry Pena and his brothers surprised her at work at His and Her's with a beautiful, and not to mention unexpected serenade. Sandy says that Jerry usually does this on her birthday, but he always does it at home. So, she when he didn't do it in the morning before she went off to work, she figured the was going to skip the detail this year. Well, Jerry and his brothers, known as Los Hermanos Pena, surprised Sandy later on that morning in front of a salon full of customers. Sandy said it was very touching, not only for her but also for her co-workers and customers. Everyone had tears in their eyes. Sandy would like to thank her husband for making her day so very special and going the extra mile to make it a surprise.

I need to make a correction. Last week I asked for prayers for Margarito Perez. It should be Margarito Sanchez. Please forgive me for the mistake and continue to pray for his family.

Bueno, esto es todo para esta semana. Well, that's all for this week. Like I said before, don't forget to send in your Valentine's day wishes before it's too late. Keep the info coming to angie79027@hotmail.com

Naz News

with Vergie Gerber, 945-2669

Our sympathy to the family of Elmer Kleman, who died Friday, Jan. 27, 2006, at his home in Amarillo. A prayer service was held Sunday evening at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Amarillo and the funeral mass was held Monday afternoon. Burial was in the Umbarger Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Annie; a daughter, Cindy of Denton of Tulia; three sons, Patrick and Chris Kleman of Amarillo and Robert Kleman of Splendora; two sisters, Leola Ramaekers and Agnes Schilling; five brothers, Bernard, Urban, LaVern, Carl and Alphonse Kleman; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren.

Many relatives and friends of Elmer's attended the Vigil service in Amarillo on Sunday evening. All enjoyed visiting after the service.

Our sympathy to Jennifer

Heiman in the death of her step-grandmother, Mattye Betzen, 82, of Hereford, who died Saturday, Jan. 28, 2006.

The annual fundraiser pool tournament for the American Legion Hall was held this weekend at the Legion Hall. Winners in the Singles, played on Saturday, were: Cory Hoelting, first; Wayne Wilhelm, second; Keith Gerber, third; and Marlon Backus. The Doubles were played on Sunday with Cory Hoelting and Kit Schulte in first place; Heath Schulte and Anthony

Johnson, second; and Clyde Schulte and Clyde Birkenfeld, third. A lot of fun for a lot of people, especially the winners!

Congratulations to Alan and Heather Birkenfeld on the birth of a girl, Chloe Elizabeth, born Jan. 28, 2006, at BSA Hospital in Amarillo. She weighed 8-pounds and 5-ounces. She has one brother, Tanner. Grandparents are Mike and Letha Wieck of Umbarger and Marilyn and the late Herman Birkenfeld. Great-
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Cases on Docket: DOWN!

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**Joby Raymond & Kimberly Shae Hanes
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Steven and Gwyn Hanes, formerly of Dimmitt and now of Quinlan, are pleased to announce their engagement of their daughter, Kimberly Shae, to Joby Raymond, son of Dean and Vicki Raymond of Lubbock. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Kenneth and Lawanda Moore of Amarillo and Lula Mae Hanes of Hart. The couple will be married on Feb. 11, 2006, at the Green Oaks Wedding Chapel in Arlington.



**Jess J. Owen & Taryn Denise Hays
Hays-Owen**

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hays of Dimmitt are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Taryn Denise Hays, to Jess J. Owen, son of Bill and Marta Owen of Corinth, Texas.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Judge and Mrs. Jack R. Miller of Horseshoe Bay, Texas and the late Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hays of Dimmitt, Texas.

The prospective groom is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Owen and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Nielson all of Preston, Idaho.

Taryn is employed at Moroch Partners in Dallas as an Art Director and Jess is employed at The Walmart Distribution Center in Sanger as a Yard Driver.

The couple will exchange vows at the home of the bride's grandparents at Lake LBJ on March 18, 2006 with her grandfather officiating the ceremony. They will make their new home in Corinth, Texas.



Key Wins Award

Albert Key, owner of Central Plains Spraying Inc. of Hart, holds an award presented to him at the 55th Annual Texas Agricultural Aviation Association State Convention award ceremony in San Antonio on Jan. 13. The plaque, presented by Patti Payne, 2005 president of TAAA, recognized Key as the Operator of the Year from nominations by the association membership for his outstanding representation of the ag aviation industry. Key has owned and operated Central Plains Spraying Inc. since 1981 and has helped promote a spirit of cooperation and support with his fellow operators throughout the state.

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Jake and Hannah Loudder, of Cordell, Okla., are the proud parents of a baby girl. Jacey Leigh Loudder was

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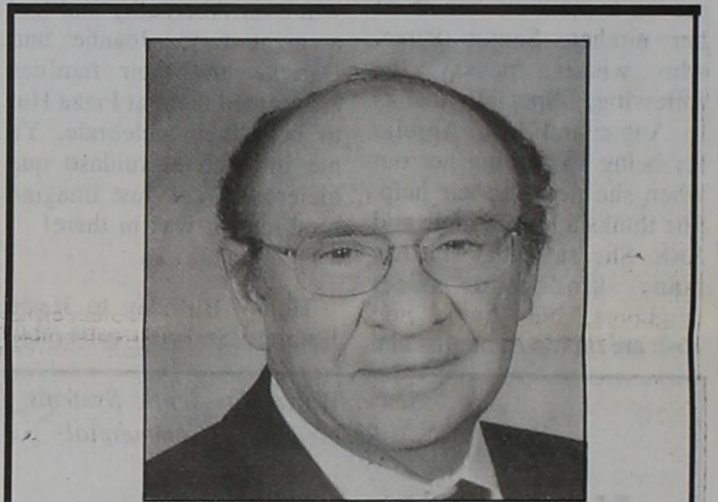
Feed Grains workshop set

Texas Cooperative Extension will sponsor a Feed Grains Workshop on Thursday Feb. 9, for producers, private consultants and all other interested parties. It will be at the Expo Building in Dimmitt. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. 3 CEU's will be available for private, commercial, and non-commercial pesticide applicators license. The program will conclude with a noon meal. Topics include fertility, weed control, silage production, insect management, and corn irrigation management. For all persons who need special accommodations please contact the Castro County Extension Office to make arrangements. Contact Person: Steve Young or Emilio Niño at 806-647-4115 or 4116

Breast Cancer Screening set for Feb. 9

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Plains Memorial Hospital, 310 W Halsell, in Dimmitt on Feb. 9. Breast cancer affects one in eight women. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents age 50 to 64 who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

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CHURCH NEWS



Where's the fruit?

Just as a good hamburger contains plenty of beef, a person acceptable to God bears much fruit. To be "fruitful" means to be productive.

A fruitful garden produces much fruit; a fruitful worker is a worker productive in his work.

To produce fruit for God means one is working and serving God in the works God would have him do. Paul wrote that we must "walk in a manner worthy of the Lord to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work..." (Colossians 1:10). The fruit that God expects of men "consists in all goodness and righteousness and truth" (Ephesians 5:9).

The New Testament uses the phrase "in Christ" to describe those who have a spiritual relationship with Christ. To get "into Christ" one must first be obedient to Christ. Those outside of Christ cannot bear fruit for Christ.

It does not matter how pious, humble or sincere one becomes there is no producing for the Lord outside of the



BRETT PAGE

Lord, Jesus said, "As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me ... for apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15:4-5).

Christians must recognize that the Christian life does not mean "being" a Christian but rather doing what a Christian does. Jesus spoke of the vine and branches in John 15 to illustrate the Christian life as a relationship to Christ (abiding in Christ) and a service to Christ (bearing fruit). Jesus warned His followers, "Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away" (John 15:2). Those branches taken away are cast "into the fire, and they are burned" (John 15:6). Jesus explained the twofold purpose of His disciples bearing fruit, "By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples" (John 15:8).

This brings up once again a question every Christian must ask and examine their lives with, "Where's the Fruit?" The Christian life is to be one of labor not loafing, fruit not foliage. Is your life producing for the Lord or are you just putting off the Lord?

Christians who would walk out of a restaurant that cheats its customers of the meat in their hamburger, will short change the Lord's service. If you set out tomato plants in the Spring, you expect tomatoes come summer. If all you received was sucker vines, its doubtful you would leave those plants taking up space in your garden for the rest of the year.

Brett Page is the preacher at Fourth and Bedford Church of Christ, Dimmitt.

Progress

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done in 10 months or so," he said. "We're hoping to have the contract signed within the next month or two."

Once converted, the plant would need 65 workers, he said.

He said there are a number of good reasons that the plant is not just a pipe dream.

"The most positive was the passage of the energy bill by Congress, which almost doubled the requirement for renewable fuels," Collins said. "Now four billion gallons per year are required, but by 2012, 7.5 billion are mandated. Right now, this country's capacity is 4.3 billion gallons, so there's no reason why this plant can't be one of those producing the increased amount required by law. Also, being in the heart of the cattle feeding and dairy business, we have an excellent market for the by-products."

Another pitfall that had to be surmounted is the railroad, but Collins said Burlington-Northern is willing to cooperate with the area to create a railroad district.

"That way we could upgrade the railroad and have good rail service for Dimmitt for the foreseeable future," he said. "We're looking at the Federal Rail Administration, which offers extremely low-interest loans for this kind of venture."

The other area of growth Collins sees is in the dairy and dairy-related industry.

"We feel like there is a good opportunity for us to get more dairies and milk processing plants here," he said. "Castro County is now the fifth biggest producer of milk in Texas. It's projected the Panhandle will have the largest growth in dairies in the next 10 years in the nation. We believe we can capitalize on that."

Castro County Devotional Page

Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

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Obituaries

ANN E. BAUMHARDT 1927-2006

Services for Ann E. Baumhardt, 78, of Amarillo were Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2006, at St. Hyacinth's Catholic Church with Msgr. Harold Waldow, Msgr. Ray Crosier and Father Jose Mangulabnan officiating.

Burial was at Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mrs. Baumhardt died Jan. 27, 2006.

Ann Elizabeth Steiert Baumhardt was born on June 30, 1927 at her family's farm in rural Castro County near Nazareth.

She was the youngest of five children in a pioneer farm family. She attended boarding school at St. Scholastica's in Ft. Smith, Ark., and later trained to become a registered nurse at St. Edward's in Ft. Smith.

She married Roland Baumhardt in 1951 in Nazareth. They lived in Big Spring before moving to Amarillo.

Mrs. Baumhardt had a nursing career that spanned 45 years.

She was involved with various organizations such as PTA and Alter Society.

Her greatest joy was her family.

Mrs. Baumhardt took pride in her family's accomplishments, education, humor and devotion to the betterment of mankind.



Ann E. Baumhardt

She loved music and sang in church choirs for many years.

She also loved to travel, especially to Creede, Colo., where she enjoyed attending plays at the Creede Repertory Theatre.

Despite numerous health problems, she maintained her grace, humor and faith in God.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 24 years, Roland; one sister, Mary F. Steuben; and two brothers, L.J. "Bud" Steiert and Anthony U. "Tony" Steiert.

Survivors include two daughters, Lou Ann and Lisa Baumhardt, both of Amarillo; a son, R. Louis Baumhardt and wife Pauline of Amarillo; a brother, Pete Steiert of Hart; a grandson, John Michael Baumhardt of Amarillo; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be made to Olivia's Angels, c/o BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX. 79176.

NINA BETH SIMPSON 1930-2006

Services for Nina Beth Simpson, 75, of Amarillo and former Dimmitt resident were Monday, Jan. 30, 2006, at Hereford Heritage Funeral Home Chapel of Memories with Dean Wiseman officiating. Burial was at Rest Lawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Simpson died Friday, Jan. 27, 2006, in Amarillo.

She was born Oct. 29, 1930, in Hereford, to parents George C. and Alma Hartman. She married W.H. "Bill" Simpson June 1, 1948, at Hereford.

They lived on a dairy farm in Castro County until they moved to Amarillo in 1976. Nina was a R.N. and worked in ICU at St. Anthony's Hospital until a car accident in November 1992.

She was a member of the Central Church of Christ, Amarillo, where she was active in the Senior Citizens Group.

She was preceded in death by her husband Bill



Nina Beth Simpson

in 1988 and one son, Mickey Simpson, in 2005.

Survivors include a one son, Benny Simpson and wife Cindy of Amarillo; a daughter, Betsy Cleaver and husband Dennis of Amarillo; two grandsons, Jeremy Cleaver and Jared Simpson both of Amarillo; two granddaughters, Rebecca Rutkowski of Canyon and Grace Rigdon of Amarillo; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggest that memorials be to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX. 79105.

FRANCISCO OLIVAREX SANCHEZ 1915-2006

BELTON - Services for Francisco Olivarez Sanchez, 90, of Belton and formerly of Dimmitt, will be held at a later date.

Mr. Sanchez died Sunday, Jan. 22, 2006, in a Temple hospital. He was born June 4, 1915, in Mercedes to Augustin Sanchez and Nicolasa Olivarez Sanchez.

He married Louisa Gonzales in 1933 in Santa Rosa. Mr. Sanchez worked as a farm hand and was a

member of the Catholic faith.

Survivors include two brothers, Jesus Sanchez of Portland, Ore., and Augustin Sanchez of Victoria; one sister, Aurora Navarro of Santa Rosa; six grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 2433 Ridgepoint Drive B, Austin, TX. 79754.

EDDIE SWAIN 1930-2006

Services for Eddie Swain, 75, of Dimmitt, will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, 2006, at Ivey Chapel of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home with the Rev. Tom Mullins of Abundant Life Family Church officiating. Burial will be at Westlawn Memorial Park.

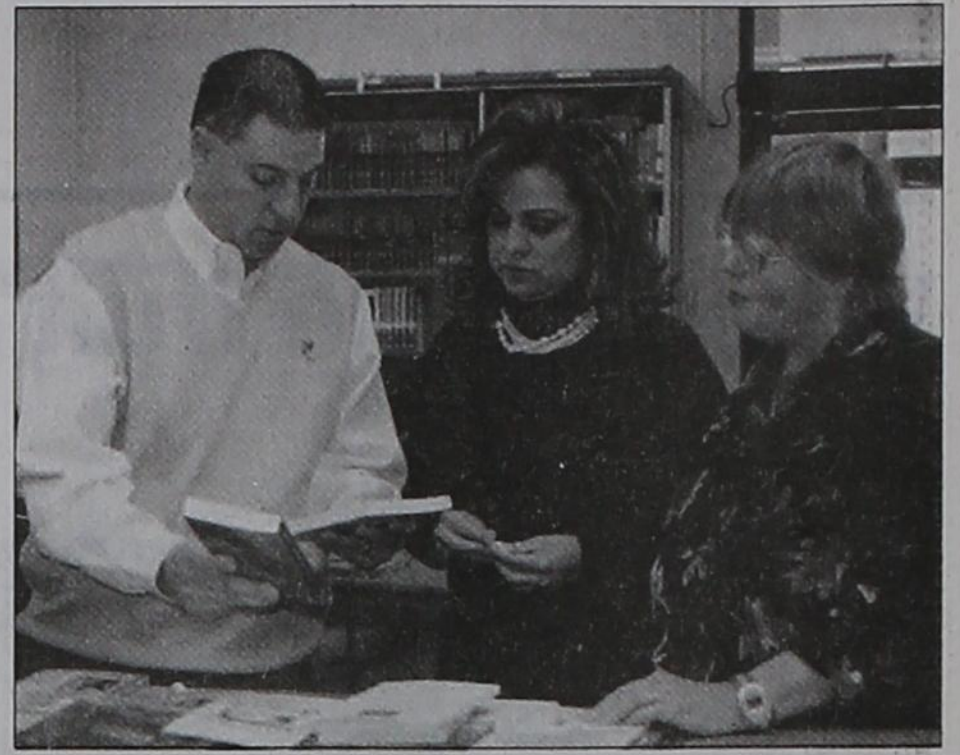
Mr. Swain died Jan. 28, 2006. He was born Jan. 30, 1930, in Cameron.

He married Wyma Jean Benton Swain on Aug. 8, 1953 in Clovis, N.M.

He moved to Dimmitt in 1996 from Fritch. He worked as a farm laborer, a preacher and was a singer with the "Holy Gospel Singers."

Survivors include two daughter, Joyce Williams of Dimmitt and Billie Starling of Hereford; four sons, Eddie Swain Jr. of Hart and Fred D. Swain, Gary Swain and Edward Swain, all of Fritch; three brothers, Buddy Swain of Houston, George Swain of Texarkana and Danny Swain of Amarillo; two sisters, Ruby Allen and Charlie Mae Graber, both of Amarillo; 16 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Wyma Jean Swain on April 19, 1999; his parents, Edward and Violet Swain; and eight brothers and sisters.



Mike and Eva Mullins, along with librarian Marie Howell, look at some of the books the Mullins have donated to Rhoads Memorial Library.

Colonial owners donate books on coping with death to Rhoads library

Colonial Funeral Home has established a collection of books that focus on death-related issues, grief and recovery for survivors at Rhoads Memorial Library. These books are designed to offer understanding and healing after a loss. The topics include coping with the loss of a spouse, helping children understand the loss of a person close to you, suicide, among others.

"Bringing closure to the grieving process is a necessary step for healing to occur," said Mike and Eva Mullins, owners of Colonial Funeral Home. "These books aid in filling the needs of individuals pursuing help with feelings after a loss. Answers to many of the common questions that accompany the loss of someone close may be found in these books."

Marie Powers, Librarian at Rhoads Memorial Library said the library can certainly use the books.

"Twenty-four years ago, I was looking for books like these," she said. "We had a few and I read them. They helped. I think these books will help others."

The books will be available for checkout, she said. The Mullins are donating the books on behalf of Colonial Funeral Home to Rhoads Memorial Library to benefit the families of Castro County and all the other surrounding communities.

DISD Calendar Thursday, Feb. 2

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FCCLA - Job Shadow Day

Friday, Feb. 3

San Antonio Stock Show
First Grade Field Trip - Fire Station
Basketball: JV & Varsity Boys & Girls @ Lockney - 4:00, 5:15, 6:30, & 8:00

Saturday, Feb. 4

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Monday, Feb. 6

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Tuesday, Feb. 7

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Wednesday, Feb. 8

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Castro County Kids Inc. will have basketball sign-ups for first through sixth-grade boys and girls. Sign-ups will start on Thursday, Feb. 9 from 5-7 p.m. and again on Thursday, Feb. 16, from 5-7 p.m. at the Richardson Elementary cafeteria. The fee is \$30 and payable at the time of the sign-up. If there are three or more children in one family, the fee is \$25 per child. Payment arrangements can be made if needed. Castro County Kids Inc. is seeking volunteers to serve on the C.C. Kids, Inc. Board. If you have ideas, suggestions or complains now is the time to step up and be heard. We need good, hard workers of all ages that are concerned and care about our kids and our community. If you are interested, please contact Nick Lara at 647-8687 or Melissa Carpenter at 647-3657.

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DIMMITT'S KENDRA SMITH dribbles past a Friona player.

Bobbies fall in district play

The Dimmitt Bobbies fell to Friona on Jan. 24, 62-30. Friona led 11-8 after the first quarter and 28-9 at the end of the half. After three quarters, Friona had a comfortable 46-26 lead. Leading scorers for the Bobbies were Kendra Smith with 12 points, followed by Chelsea Buckley with six and Clarissa Herrera with five.

Later in the week, the Bobbies fell to Olton, 73-34, in a district matchup. Olton jumped out to a 19-5 first-quarter lead that they expanded to 36-21 at the half and 58-26 after three quarters. Leading scorers for the Bobbies were Darcy Fisher with 12 and Brittany Williams with nine.

Junior Varsity

On Jan. 24, the Bobbies fell to Friona, 48-44 in a game that went into two overtime periods. Leading scorer for the Bobbies was Erin Black with 15 points.

On Friday, the Bobbies defeated Olton, 49-42. Leading scorers were Dani Neri with 13 points, followed by Lana Reinart with 12, Dana Sandoval with 10 points and seven rebounds.

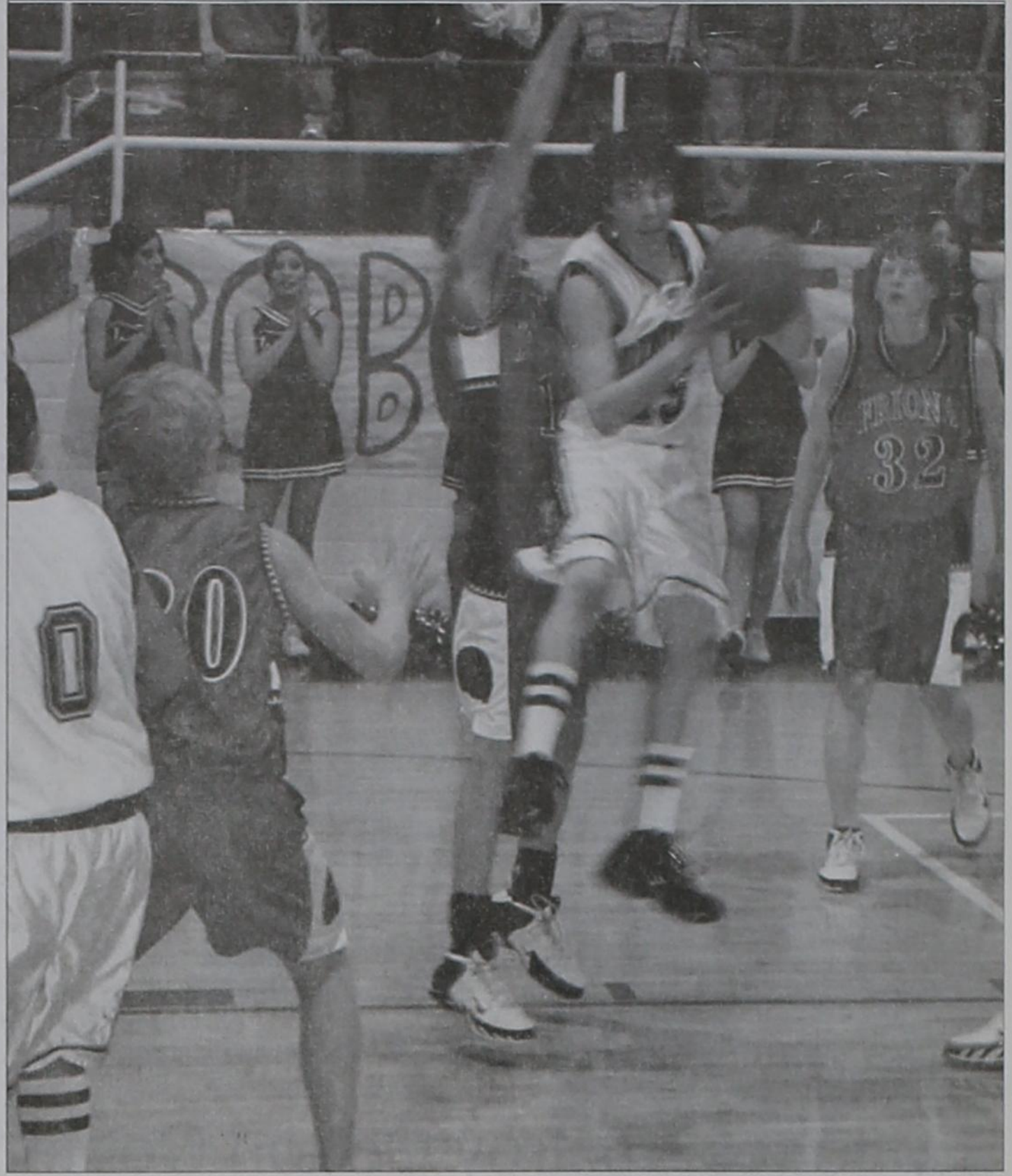


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A DIMMITT BOBCAT comes down with a rebound against Friona.

Bobcats down Friona, Olton

The Dimmitt Bobcats defeated Friona on Jan. 24, 62-57, to go 3-1 in district play.

The Bobcats got off to a 13-10 first-quarter lead and held on to that three-point lead at the half, 32-29. At the end of the third period, Friona had scored 20 points and gained the lead, 49-46, but the Bobcats came back and scored 16 points in the

final period, while holding to Friona to eight.

Leading scorers for the Bobcats were Omar Catano with 20 points, followed by Junior Limas with 15 and Nick Ortiz with 11.

Dimmitt 48, Olton 47

The Bobcats downed Olton in overtime on Friday. Olton led, 13-11 at the end of the first quarter and had

gotten out to a 24-20 first-half lead. However, the Bobcats came back in the third quarter to narrow Olton's lead to 36-34. At the end of regulation, it was 42-41, with Dimmitt outscoring Olton in overtime.

Leading scorers for the Bobcats were Junior Limas with 13 points, followed by

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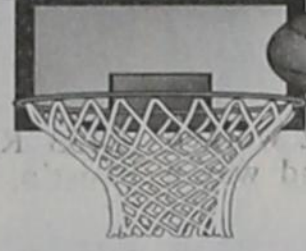
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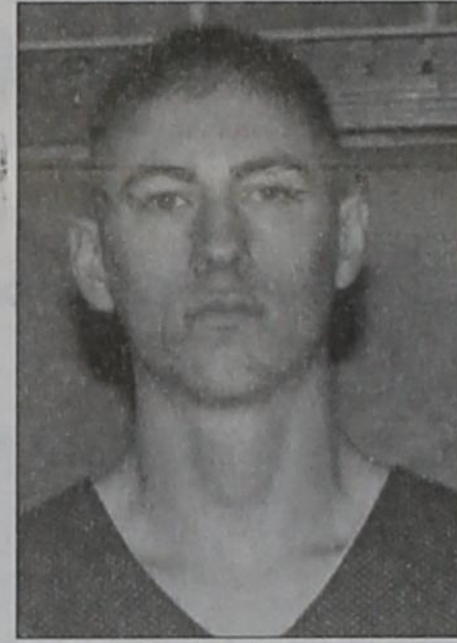


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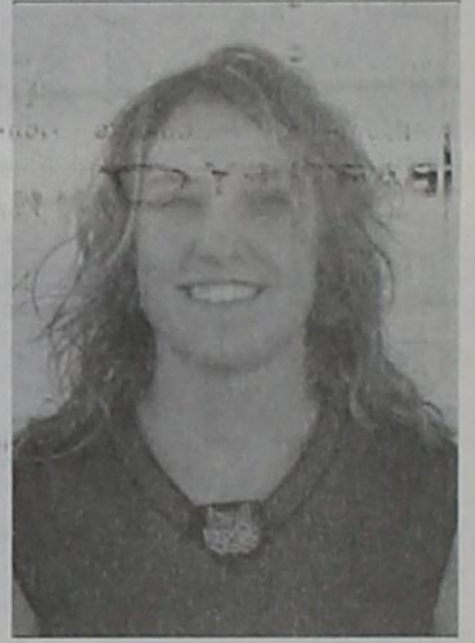


DHS Basketball Schedule

Feb. 3	*Lockney T	4 p.m.	4 teams
Feb. 7	*Floydada H	4 p.m.	4 teams
Feb. 10	*Friona T	6 p.m.	JVB/VB
Feb. 14	*Olton H	6 p.m.	JVB/VB
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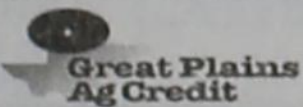


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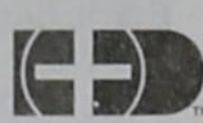
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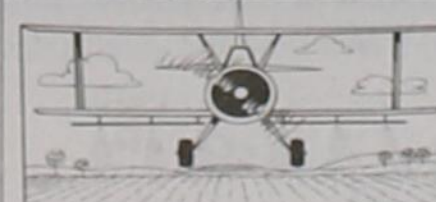


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CAITLIN HUSEMAN, NO. 3, heads for the basket for a break-away basket, trailed by a Springlake-Earth player.



JAKE HOELTING OF Nazareth shoots over a Dalhart player on Friday.

Swiftettes destroy Cotton Center

The Nazareth Swiftettes Jan. 24, overwhelmed Lazbuddie, Nazareth got off to a 15-6 first-quarter lead that ex-

panded to 26-11 at the half. By the end of the third period, the Swiftettes led 49-19. Leading scorers for the Swiftettes were Lacey Acker with 18 points and Candace Birkenfeld with 10.

The win makes Nazareth 21-5 overall and 10-0 in district. On Friday, Jan. 27, Spade cancelled its game with Nazareth, to make the Swiftettes 10-0 in district play.

Swifts continue their winning ways

The Nazareth Swifts easily handled Lazbuddie, 90-25, on Jan. 24, in a district game.

The Swifts jumped out to a 36-5 first-quarter lead that was 60-11 by the half. At the end of the third period, Nazareth led 82-16.

Leading scorers for the Swifts were Charlie Rundell with 26 points and Taylor Schulte with 10.

Nazareth is 20-4 overall

and 8-0 in district play.

Nazareth 44, Dalhart 30

The Swifts traveled to Dalhart on Friday for a non-district game. Nazareth led 14-11 at the end of the first

quarter, but were up 22-15 at the half. By the end of the third period, Nazareth had a 34-26 lead. Leading scorers for Nazareth were Charlie Rundell with 16 points and Dustin Schulte with 11.

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First annual Greater Nazareth Business Fair held recently

Nazareth - Sixty local businesses participated in the First Annual Greater Nazareth 2020 Business Fair, held Monday evening, Jan. 23, in the Nazareth Community Hall. More than 150 people were in attendance to fulfill the theme of this year's exhibition, "Let's Do Business".

The event was organized by the Business Focus Group of Greater Nazareth 2020, a volunteer initiative that also celebrated its first year anniversary of activity promoting the people, culture, businesses, and long-term priorities of the community.

A highlight of the evening was the abundant hors d'oeuvres sponsored by Peoples Bank, and prepared by local caterer Christine Acker. Organizers for the Fair were Greater Naz 2020 Steering Committee members Darryl Birkenfeld, Mayor Ralph Brockman, Ethel Schmucker, Hubert Backus and Tom Hoelting.

Special "Peoples Choice" awards were presented to six Greater Nazareth businesses, as voted on throughout the evening by Fair participants. **Hall of Fame** awards for significant contributions to community pride went to Hoelting Supply and Naz-Stop, while Kern Plumbing & Electric and People's Bank of Nazareth garnered the **Good**

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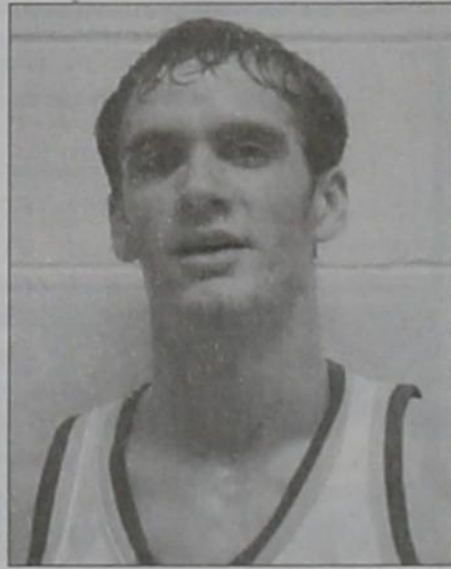
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Nazareth Basketball Schedule

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7	*S-Earth	Away	4 p.m.	JVBG-VBG
10	*Amherst	Away	5 p.m.	JVB-VB
Feb. 24-25		Regional		VG
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Vouchers aren't the answer

In an article found in the February edition of *American School Board Journal* the National Education Association called the votes by Congress to cut education, "a dark day for

education." Four days before Christmas, members of Congress hurried to wrap up their work for the year by cutting \$1.4 billion dollars from education.

Also, Congress passed a

nation wide voucher program under the disguise to help students disrupted from schools by hurricanes Katrina and Rita. I would simply say to Congress that this was a serious blow to

public schools. You can't divert money from public schools to private schools without destroying the concept of public education.

Cuts in education hit the following areas: Title I, Head Start, and Technology Centers. Even President

Bush's NCLB took a direct hit.

Education is like a battleship trying to get to port for repairs but has to dodge torpedoes from submarines trying to sink her.

Do you think our nation's elementary stu-

dents will be all reading on grade level by 2014 as predicted by NCLB? This will not happen as long as the federal government continues to cut education funding and pushes for vouchers. You can take that to the bank!

Longhorns, Ladyhorns fall in district

The Hart girls fell to Morton, 68-30, in District 3-1A play on Jan. 24.

Morton led 17-3 at the end of the first period and 40-12 at the half. By the end of the third quarter, Morton has an unassailable 58-22 lead.

Leading scorers for the Ladyhorns were Corrie Rincon with nine points and Julie Centeno with seven.

In the girls JV game, the Morton JV won, 51-13.

Bushland 60, Hart 37

On Friday, the Ladyhorns got off to a good start against Bushland, leading 11-8 at the end of the first quarter. However, by the end of the first half, Bushland had pulled ahead, 18-15. And by the end of the third period, it was Bushland, 37, Hart, 20.

Leading scorers for the Lady Horns were Amber Guzman and Corrie Rincon with nine points each.

Longhorns

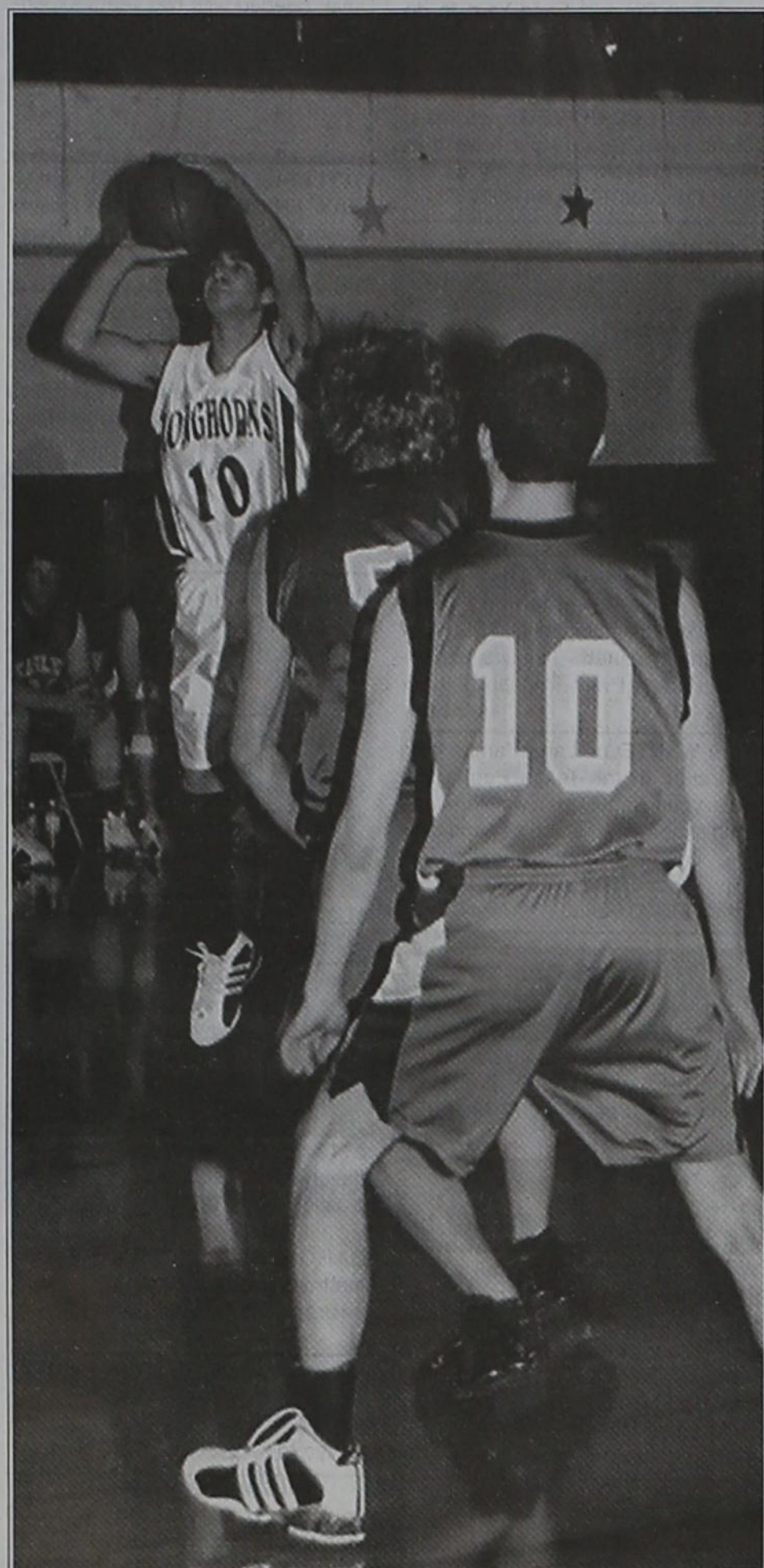
Morton 66, Longhorns 39

In boys matchup, Morton started off with a 16-7 first-quarter lead. By the end of the half, Morton led 32-20 and at the end of the third period, Morton had a good sized lead, 45-24.

Leading scorers for the Longhorns were Joey Martinez and Jesus Longoria with nine points each.

Bushland 45, Hart 31

Bushland got off to a



HART'S ERIC MENCHACA goes up for two.

quick start, grabbing a 13-7 lead and never relinquishing it. At the half, Bushland led

26-11.

Leading scorers for the Longhorns were Adam Rosas with eight points and Javier Minjarez with seven.

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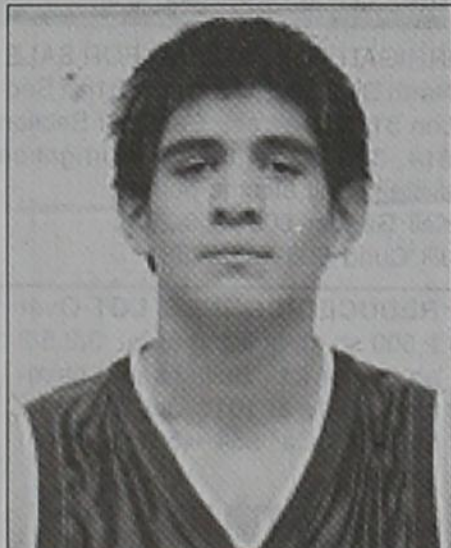
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Feb. 10	Morton	Here	5 p.m.
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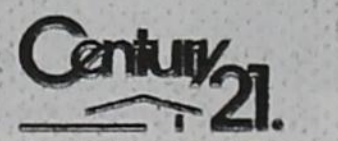
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Beef-N-Bakin'

What was once a donut shop will now be Beef-N-Bakin' at 104 NW 2nd, owned by Stacie and Kasey Whatley, starting Thursday, Feb. 2. Pictured at the ribbon cutting are: top row, left to right: Mike Mullins, Richard Jackson, Stacie and Kasey Whatley, Mary Lou Schmucker, Roger Malone, Pati Elder. Bottom row: Jamie Mendoza, Karon Smith, Stacy Thompson, Ann Widick, Eva Mullins, Frank Mendoza.



The Olde Hotel Bed and Breakfast

Antiques Plus has moved and changed its operations. Now located at 121 E. Bradford, the Olde Hotel Bed and Breakfast will offer the amenities of a B&B while still selling antiques. Pictured, left to right are Chaun Gunstream, Kelly Howell, Karon Smith, Ann Widick, Jamie Mendoza, Pati and Lee Elder, Roger Malone, Stacy Thompson and Richard Jackson. The business will open on Sunday, Feb. 5, with an Open House from 1-4 p.m. For more information, call 647-1818.

School Menus

DISD Friday: Breakfast - Pancake on a stick, cereal, apple cinnamon loaf. Lunch - Pepperoni pizza, grilled cheese sandwich with soup, french-dipped roast beef, potato wedges, corn on the cob, fresh spinach salad, broccoli/cauliflower, fresh fruit, tossed salad, applesauce, cornbread. Monday: Breakfast - Sausage and biscuit, Honey Nut Cheerios cereal bar, apples. Lunch - Hoagie submarine sandwich, chicken fillet strips, Haitian meatball stew, potato chips, mashed potatoes, Mexipinto beans, hamburger salad, orange wedges, tossed salad, taco condiment salad, fresh fruit, wheat rolls, tortilla chips. Tuesday: Breakfast - Peanut butter and strawberry sandwich, cereal, blueberry muffin. Lunch - Italian spaghetti, fajitas with onions and peppers, poor boy steak, green beans, parsley buttered potatoes, frijoles refrieto, tossed salad, jellied cranberry orange, pea salad, fresh fruit, garlic bread, flour tortilla, golden nugget rolls. Wednesday: Breakfast - Fresh donuts, peaches, cereal, Honey Bun. Lunch - Steak fingers, grilled cheese with soup, turkey tetrazzini, french fries, mixed vegetables, green beans, tossed salad, pineapple sunset salad, cucumber tomato salad, fresh fruit, fresh melon, Kaiser rolls, garlic bread, crackers. Thursday: Breakfast - Grilled cheese sandwiches, cereal, apple muffin. Lunch - Roast turkey, nachos with ground beef, pigs in a blanket, Chinese style vegetables, frijoles refrieto, Lyonnaise carrots, tossed salad, taco condiment salad, cucumber/tomato salad, apple slices with cinnamon, fresh fruit, fresh melon, homestyle rolls. Nazareth ISD Friday: Breakfast - sausage patty on roll, cereal. Lunch - Soft tacos, pizza, lettuce, pinto beans, peaches, brownies. Monday: Breakfast - Honey Bun, cereal. Lunch - Pizza, chicken stir fry, tossed salad, peas, applesauce, gingerbread. Tuesday: Breakfast - Cinnamon French Toast, sausage pattie, cereal. Lunch - Hot turkey sandwich, pizza, tossed salad, stuffing, mixed vegetables, pineapple, pudding. Wednesday: Breakfast - Breakfast Pockets, cereal. Lunch - Burritos, baked potatoes, chili, tossed salad, corn pears, Rice Krispy treats. Thursday: Breakfast - Pancake/sausage on stick, cereal. Lunch - Chicken sandwich, hamburgers, french fries, lettuce, green beans, oranges, cookies. Hart ISD Friday: Breakfast - Biscuits and sausage, scrambled eggs. Lunch - Nachos with ground beef, corn dogs, tossed salad, carrot sticks, dill pickles, peaches. Monday: Breakfast - Waffles with syrup, cereal. Lunch - Chicken nuggets, steak fingers, mashed potatoes, green beans, cream gravy, peaches. Tuesday: Breakfast - Sausage breakfast, cereal. Lunch - Cheese toast, tuna salad sandwich, peaches, tossed salad, dill pickles, carrots. Wednesday: Breakfast - Breakfast sticks, cereal. Lunch - Salisbury steak, corn dogs, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, brown gravy. Thursday: Breakfast - Honey Bun, cereal. Lunch - Chicken sandwich, sub sandwich, potato puffs, carrots, tossed salad, dill pickles, peaches.

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The Job of a Lifetime!

Taking care of your teeth is a life-long job. It takes a lifetime of good habits to keep your teeth healthy and bright. You know that you need to brush and floss, but do you know that what you eat is important too? A balanced diet will keep you healthy. That alone should give you reason to smile. It is especially important to remember that foods from the dairy group will give you calcium needed for strong bones and teeth. Junk food snacks taste good, but they do little to keep you in good health. In fact, sticky, sugary treats will cling to your teeth unless you think, stop and brush your teeth. There are also many foods with sugar "hidden" in them. The peanut butter, ketchup, canned foods, presweetened cereals, jams and ice cream you buy may have a lot more sugar in them than you think. Check the labels for these sugars: corn syrup, honey, sucrose and brown sugar. Try to brush after eating sugary foods or, even better, choose snacks from this list: Fresh fruit, Pickles, Popcorn or Rice cakes, Nuts or seeds, Juice (may have a lot of sugar, but is better for you than soda), Soup or broth, Cheese cubes, Snacks you bake, cutting out part of the sugar (corn muffins). Hooray for Healthful Snacking!

Your teeth should last you for your whole life. It is up to you to care of them. Can you use the alphabet code below to decode my dental health message? Can you find and circle five words that are spelled with "ee" like the word "teeth"? Where do the plaque pests go for vacation? Oh, De-Cayman Islands, of course! I've got lots of big, sharp teeth. I'm very careful to brush them every time I eat honey!

Calcium for Your Teeth. These foods have calcium which helps to build strong teeth. Can you unscramble the letters to name them? Forest loves berries. For more fun and puzzle answers come to our website: www.newspaperfun.com...or write to tell me your favorite snack idea at Forest@newspaperfun.com.

Connect the dots to find out: What helps you to keep your teeth clean? Plaque Pests. We love sticky, sweet treats! When you don't brush, we get to live on your teeth. What can you do to keep your smile healthy and bright? Fill in the crossword to chase the plaque pests away.

Cleaning Up! Yay! Spring will soon be here. Eeew! My "morning breath" is bad. Use the code to color in the puzzle and find out what I need to clean up: W = white, B = blue, Y = yellow, G = gray.

Community Calendar

Dimmitt Book Club sets Feb. 8 meeting

The Dimmitt Book Club will meet at Rhoads Memorial Library at 4 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 8. The reviewer is Ruth Cochran, a retiree from the Dimmitt Independent School District, who majored in Library Science. She will review the book entitled, "Standing in the Rainbow," by Fannie Flagg. Everyone is invited to come and hear Ruth and to enjoy refreshments and visit.

After-school program set for FUMC

First United Methodist Church will be starting back with its after-school program, Disciple Makers, on Tuesday, Feb. 7. Pick-up will be at the same place, west side of the Kenneth Cleveland Gym, in the parking lot immediately after school each Tuesday. Those in grades K through fifth are welcomed to joined the

Christian fellowship starting with snacks about 4 p.m. followed with stories, crafts and songs until 5 p.m. at which time the parents are to come into the church to sign their child out. (If we do not have a current home phone number and address or any important information on your child, please let us know when you pick your child up.) For more information, please call FUMC at 647-4106.

New pick up schedule at RES

Starting Jan. 16 Richardson Elementary began releasing students at staggered times in order to relieve traffic congestion. Students in Headstart will be released at 3:30 p.m. Headstart parents are Not required to come into the building to pick-up their child. Kindergarten and Grade 1 will be released at 3:30 Grades 2, 3, 4 will be released at 3:45 All bus students will stay until 3:45. All students not riding the bus will be released in

front of Richardson by the flagpole and the orange barrels. Students will not be allowed to exit from the west doors (back doors). The west doors will be locked. Parents should travel in the lane closest to the school on Stinson to pick-up students. All students are required to stay behind the orange barrels until they see their ride.

Community Prayer Gathering

There will be a community prayer gathering the first Wednesday of every month at 6 a.m. at Dimmitt Methodist Church, 110 SW 3rd St. There will be fellowship, a free meal, prayer and a devotional guest speaker. Everyone is welcome. Come and bring a friend. Help lift the whole community in prayer. The dates are Feb. 1, March 1, April 5, May 3 and June 7.

Save receipts, boxtops

The Dimmitt PTO wants the public to know that we have a chance to participate in two programs that allow the PTO to earn free educational equipment and money for our

What's the Law?

Q. A friend of mine recently went to a store and bought a new TV.

The next day I went to the store to buy the same TV and was quoted a higher price.

They refused to sell it to me for the same price. I think it is because I "looked like" I could pay more. Isn't this illegal discrimination?

A. It may be discrimination, but not all discrimination is illegal. It is perfectly legal for a store to determine to whom it will sell, and how much it will charge. If a store wants to discriminate, and charge every second buyer twice as much as the first, it may do so.

Discrimination becomes illegal only if it is done in violation of some state or federal law. For

example, the law prohibits discrimination based on race, sex, religion or age. If the reason the store charged you more was based on one of these categories, the higher price would be illegal

discrimination. There is no law prohibiting a store from charging more based on its perception of what someone could afford to pay.

It sounds to me that what has happened to

you is no different than going into a store the day after a sale. The store has no obligation to sell to you at the sale price. I suggest you shop around. My guess is that you will get as good a deal as your friend at another store.



Happy 80th Birthday!

Laverne Bernethy celebrated her 80th birthday on Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2006 at Fourth and Bedford Church of Christ in Dimmitt with friends and family and friends attending.

ELECTION

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agreed both times that the circumstances were tragic - devastating - and on both occasions I offered my sympathy and condolences, as did many of you," he said. "But lowering the flag - really isn't my decision. Our Flag Codes, both national and state, establish certain days of mourning - and they give presidents and governors the option of ordering flags to be flown at half staff. I don't have that authority and I will not just take it."

The third Republican candidate in the race, Michael Colley, was not at the luncheon due to illness.

Bobby Jack Angeley, who is running for Commissioner in Precinct 2 said roads are his main issue.

"The county roads out there are in terrible shape," he said. "Nothings been done about them for a long time. I also want to bring more money into the county - maybe more dairies." Angeley has no opponent in the primary but will face at least one - a Democratic - in the general election.

Also present was Dan Schmucker, who is running unopposed for Commissioner in Precinct 4.

NAZ

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grandparents are Edna Wieck of Umbarger and Benny and Geraldine Moore of Olton.

Please remember to pray for all of our sick people and those who are serving in our Armed Forces. An update on Janette Brockman - she and Art are still in Houston at M.D. Anderson, waiting for results from tests.

FAIR

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Neighbor Awards for outstanding service.

Many participants in the Fair learned of business adventures that were previously unknown to them and two were awarded "Newbie" distinctions: Mary Verkamp's Sewing & Alterations, and Bruce Huseman's Rustic Designs & More.

To encourage the business owners as well as participants, Gene Plughoft of Ulysses, Kan., gave a keynote address that offered several key ideas including the formation of entrepreneur clubs and a local business support network. Plughoft has helped start more than 700 businesses over the past 30 years, and is currently Director of Grant County Economic Development.

Brockman and Father Ken Keller, pastor of Holy Family Church, presented the awards and the evening ended with the announcement of a new Nazareth community slogan: "It starts at home." Father Keller said: "This sage formula focuses on the real heart of Nazareth: its families, and reminds business, school, and church to acknowledge our source of success - our home and our community."

BOBCATS

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Isaac Aguilar with 12 and Omar Catano with 10.

Junior Varsity

Bobcats 57, Friona 50

The Bobcats JV established a one-point lead at the end of the first quarter, 16-14, and by the end of the first half, the two teams were tied at 25-all.

At the end of the third quarter, Dimmitt had gotten the lead back, 38-31, which was good because both teams scored 19 points in the final period. Leading scorers for the Bobcats JV were Josh Norman with 28 points, followed by Ross Myatt,

Michael Rasor and Kalan Steinle with eight points each.

Dimmitt 39, Olton 34

The junior varsity Bobcats grabbed an early 16-12 first-quarter lead, but only led by one at the half, 25-24. However, after three periods, the Bobcats were on top 31-28.

The leading scorer for Dimmitt was Josh Norman with 18 points.

Freshmen

The Dimmitt freshmen overwhelmed Tulia's freshmen, 69-44 on Jan. 23.

Dimmitt got off to a 21-14 first-quarter lead and were ahead 42-30 at the half. By

the end of the third period, Dimmitt had a strong, 53-35 lead.

Leading scorers for Dimmitt were Damien Gauna with 21 points, followed by Jake Ebeling with 19 and Frank Castro with 12.

"Jake Ebeling played great," said coach Sissney. "He handled the ball well while getting several assists. Damien Gauna had a double-double with 21 points and more than 10 rebounds. Franky Castro and Paul Acker combined for 21 points.

"All of the others played good defense and rebounded well due to a solid team effort."



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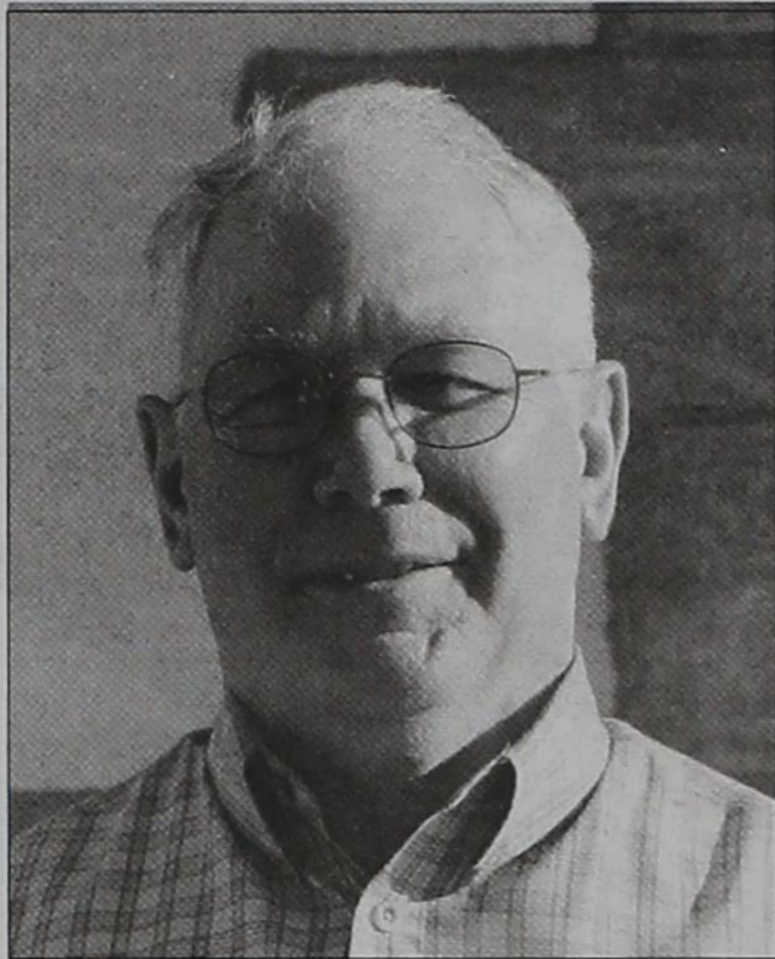
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A letter from the President

I moved to Dimmitt to start Dimmitt Printing in the spring of 1972. The Corn Plant had been open a couple of years. Very few of the businesses that I had for customers in those first years of my business are in business today or, if they are, the name has changed. Through the years, small town rural businesses have declined sharply. I like to joke that we are an endangered species.

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce was located in a small office at City Hall when I moved to town. In the early 1980s, the chamber moved to its present location. It has been rewarding to see how that decision has been such a benefit to the community. The building serves a hub for many different volunteer



**Roger Malone, President
Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce**

organizations. It took some great management and imagination coupled with loyal chamber members to finally see the building paid for. Today, we can be grateful for those dedicated individuals for what we have.

As I begin my second year as the Chamber Board President, I want to share some thoughts. The Chamber of Commerce belongs to its members. Membership dues are what sustains the Chamber. There are very few other opportunities for additional income. To me, that proves that the chamber belongs to the membership. So, when we talk about the chamber, we are not talking some building or board, we are talking about the members.

We are all important.

Every member, from the biggest to the individual, is a valuable member that has needs that are important to them.

Those needs include being informed when there are activities that will benefit the membership, especially the small business. I know that through the years the chamber has striven to bring information, including seminars to this community, so that we might be better informed.

The Chamber can help network the community and its businesses. That is important.

As we begin this new year, I look forward to what we can expect.

In the new future, Wayne Collins, our hardworking mayor and economic development executive, will be announcing plans for the closed Cargill plant.

Dairy-related businesses will be expanding or moving into the Dimmitt area. More dairies will be coming to this area.

This will produce more business opportunities and jobs.

The membership of this chamber will be ready to help these businesses and individuals as they come here.

I am looking forward to it!

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From the Chamber executive director

I have worked with the Chamber now since May. I can tell you that the No. 1 comment I get is "Why do I need to join the Chamber of Commerce; how does it benefit me?"

At first I was not quite sure how to best answer this question.

Over the last months that I have been involved, I can better answer this questions. Community community ... community.

Did you know that you, as an individual, can join the Chamber and actually make a difference?

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce is not about one person.

We are here to support the community and the businesses.

The Chamber or myself is involved with Economic Development,



Stacy Thompson,
Executive Director
Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce

Grants, Senior Citizen Center, Booster Club, Relay for Life and church.

I believe strongly in Dimmitt.

I promise you that I spend the majority of my pay check in supporting our local economy. I can tell you the good things this community can offer your child: violin lessons, karate, gymnastics, piano lessons, quilting and that is on top of what the schools offer.

Yes, my family and I recently joined the Senior Citizens Center. You only have to be willing to join - they have no age requirements.

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In our busy life, I didn't realize until my girls begged to stay and play chicken foot what they have to offer our family.

I went there hoping to help them! Now, tell me what city offers this?

This is what my family was hoping to be a part of when we decided to make Dimmitt our home.

Does this mean Dimmitt doesn't have problems? Of course not. But, if we are willing to support each other, then we can find solutions.

I thank you for the opportunity to be a part of your businesses and your lives.

I enjoy this job and I hope we can continue to work together.

I cannot wait to see what this year has in store for our community.

I have had so many of you encourage me and help me out.

I really appreciate you!

It was hard to take this position and not know everyone very well, but I have seen a love for community and God through your eyes. I am truly blessed.

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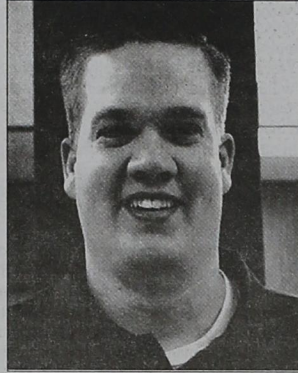
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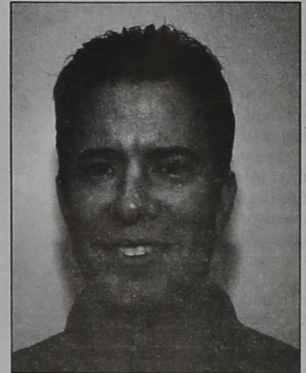
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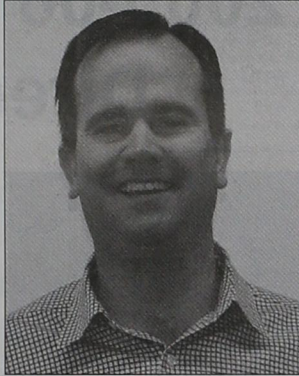
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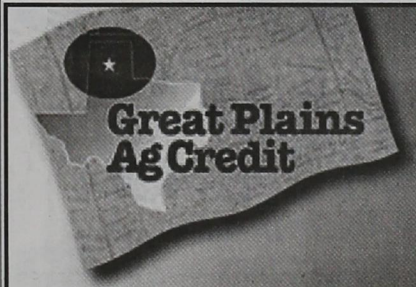
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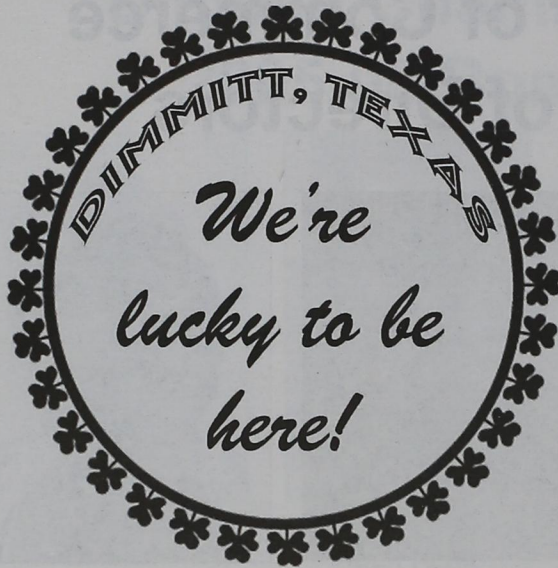
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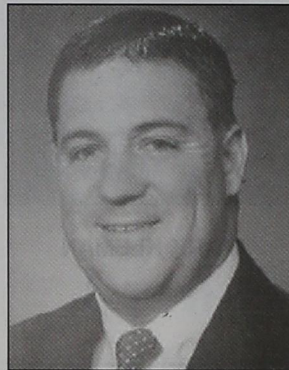
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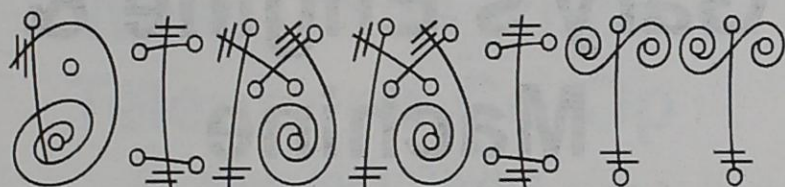
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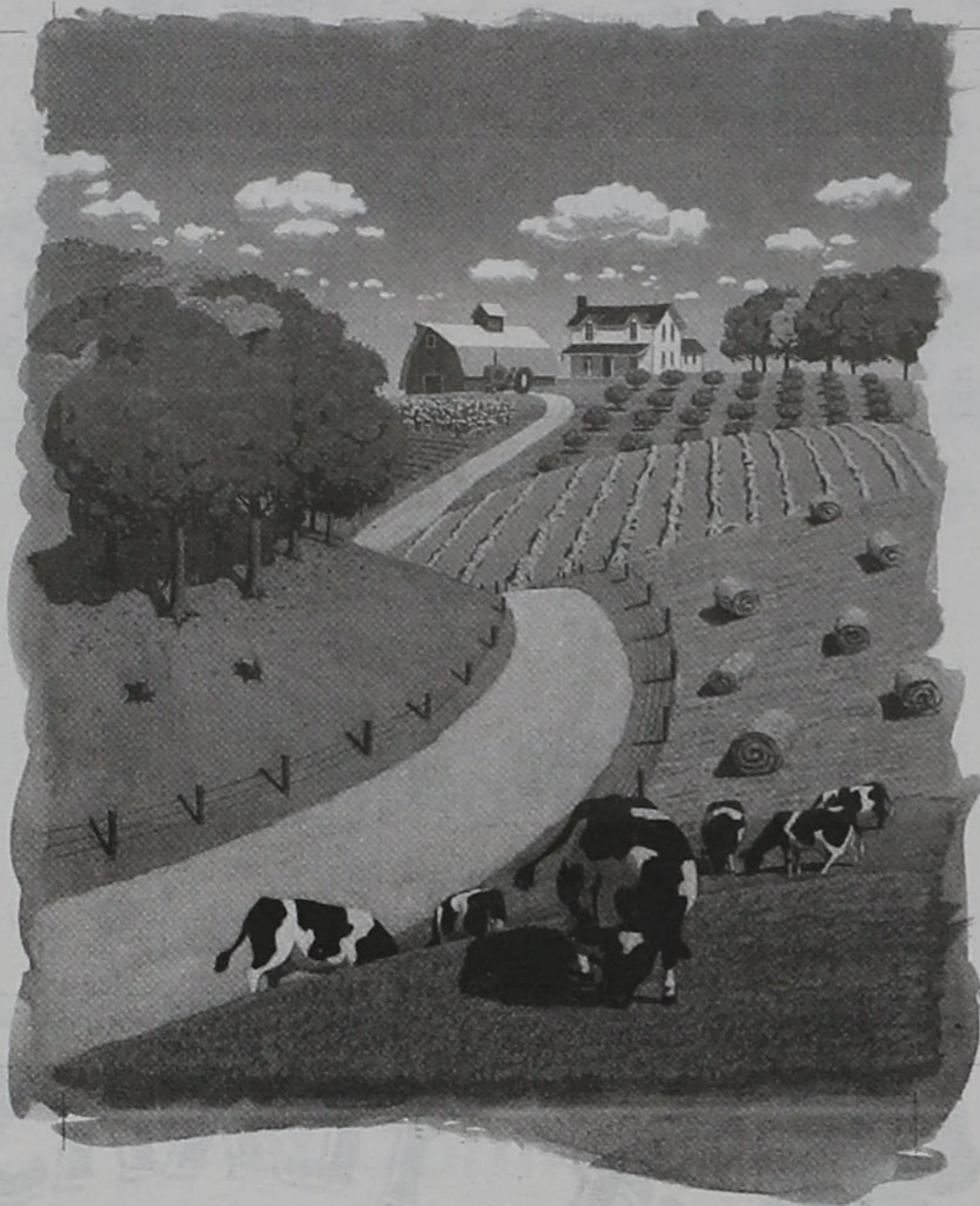
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Chamber Member of the Year Awards

Past Recipients

1998-Ray Bain
1999-Cerestar
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2001-Roger Malone

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Chamber Projects

Garage Sale - First weekend in June we had our 18th Annual Garage Sale

Dairy Days - Dairy Women of Castro County have decided since June is Dairy month they would give away ice cream and milk and do dairy tours. They have teamed up with the Chamber in coordination with some of their projects and they have been very active in supporting the Chamber.

July Jubilee - It was held on the Courthouse Square where Lt. Michael Keller was the guest speaker and talked about his experiences in Iraq.

Relay for Life - We were able to be involved with and coordinated the rain-out once again, but the Board of Directors all donated money on behalf of the Chamber Members. Marcus and Camille really worked hard along with several other community members. I could tell they truly believed in the fight against cancer and will do anything to help stop this disease.

Queens Contest - It was a great project to get our youth involved. There were almost 40 girls who participated in

this event. The girls were so elegant in their evening wear and the younger girls really performed so well it blew the judges away. It is exciting to have a new event.

Harvest Days - Was great fun and went over well. Brenda Bruton really brought it together. Ann and Brenda really helped show me the ropes. I appreciate their patience. Without their love for community and believe in the fair we might not have had a fair. Evelyn has an art to all the vendor bookings - it was an amazing thing to witness.

Dones funeral - The Chamber made ribbons and distributed them with the community all around town and we have since started sending care packages to those men and women serving in our Armed Forces and I met with several of them that were home over the Christmas holidays and gave them care packages on behalf of all our members. This is a great project if someone wants to give back to the community but does not have to commit to set dates.

Website - We should have our website online by the first of March. We are excited. I know it has been a long

awaited arrival, but I see an end in sight.

Christmas Open House - There was not quite the turnout for Santa as we hoped, but many businesses suggested having it at night. Overall most of the businesses said they did much better than last year. It was fun to see all the little children waiting to talk to Santa. The Carriage rides that Lowe's and FUB offered were great. So many people and businesses helped bring everything together.

Chamber Board Meeting - There were 49 in attendance. That is great! There have been 31 new members join the chamber since May.

Grants - We have been looking into and trying to put committees together for two different grants - one for downtown and the other for an after-school program. We welcome any help.

Chamber Banquet set for Saturday, Feb. 4. Serving starts at 6:30 p.m. Call 647-2524 for tickets.

Good Luck to all of this year's award nominees!

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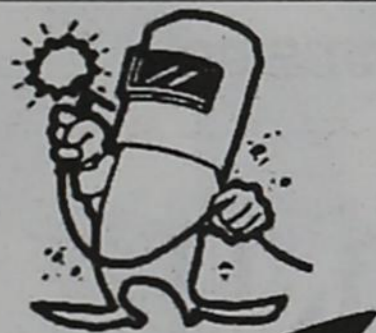
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| 1979-Ray Robertson | 1993-Madge Robb |
| 1980-Ettie McDermitt | 1994-Chet Braafladt |
| 1981-Koma Ratcliff | 1995-Jerry and Beverly Durham |
| 1982-Ralph Lambright | 1996-Bill Birdwell |
| 1983-Teeny Bowden | 1997-Cleo Forson/Jack Howell |
| 1984-Helen Richardson | 1998-Houston and Doris Lust |
| 1985-B.M. Nelson | 1999-Carole Dyer |
| 1986-Joe Cowen | 2000-Ann and Bill Henderson |
| 1987-Bill Sava | 2001-Fred and Helen Kuntz |
| 1988-Walt Hansen | 2002-Doug Pybus |
| 1989-George Bagwell | 2003-Ray and Barbara Bain |
| 1990-Kenneth Cleveland | 2004-A'llan Bradley |
| 1991-Ed and Betty Freeman | |

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United States, and has successfully assisted with over 2,600 domestic adoptions. Heidi is the Executive Vice President and General Counsel for the Gladney Center and has worked with Gladney for over 16 years.

Past Chamber Presidents

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|----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1948-A.C. Hays Jr. | 1977-Walt Hansen |
| 1949-Bob McLean | 1978-Gerald Hanners |
| 1950-Joe Cowen | 1979-Gerald Hanners |
| 1951-B.M. Nelson | 1980-Maxine Childers |
| 1952-H.H. Carlile | 1981-Joe Josselet |
| 1953-J.W. Benson | 1982-Jim Killingsworth |
| 1954-R.F. Hendrix | 1983-Jim Killingsworth |
| 1955-T.E. Harrison | 1984-George Sides |
| 1956-Earl Brock | 1985-Gene King |
| 1957-Russell Moran | 1986-Gene King |
| 1958-Dexter McGaughey | 1987-Doug Pybus |
| 1959-W.E. Kirkpatrick | 1988-Doug Pybus |
| 1960-Steve Taylor | 1989-Garland Coleman |
| 1961-J.R. Brown | 1990-Garland Coleman |
| 1962-James E. Wohlgemuth | 1991-Danny Rice |
| 1963-J.G. Davis | 1992-Danny Rice |
| 1964-Allan Webb | 1993-Rita Welch |
| 1965-Jack Miller | 1994-Rita Welch |
| 1966-C.W. Anthony | 1995-Layne Myatt |
| 1967-W.F. Bennett | 1996-Layne Myatt |
| 1968-Dr. J.D. Blackburn | 1997-Jim Wright |
| 1969-Jimmy Ross | 1998-Jim Wright |
| 1970-Bo Bryant | 1999-Mike Bain |
| 1971-Reeford Burrows | 2000-Mike Bain |
| 1972-David Bechtol | 2001-Gary Langford |
| 1973-Bill Behrends | 2002-Gary Langford |
| 1974-M.J. Reed-Bob Caddell | 2003-Jim Baker |
| 1975-Bob Caddell | 2004-Jim Baker |
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1968-Hazel Merritt
1969-Goose Ramey
1970-Jack Miller
1971-Jim Elder
1972-Edd McLeroy
1973-Myrtle Sheffy
1974-Donald
and Katy Wright
1975-Walt Hansen
1976-Bill Behrends

1977-Jack Edwards
1978-Carl King
1979-Jerry Marvin
1980-Ronnie Parker
1981-Laverne Bates
1982-Bob Murdock
1983-Dorothy Hopson
1984-Joe Higgs
1985-Stanley Schaeffer
1986-George
and Carolyn Sides
1987-Deanne Clark
1988-Vernon O'Kelly
1989-Clara Vick

1990-Wayne Collins
1991-Don Nelson
1992-Jerry and Donna Stump
1993-Cheryle Pybus
1994-Charles Axtell
1995-Delores Heller
1996-Randy Griffitt
1997-Brenda Bruton
1998-Roger Malone
1999-Jim Wright
2000-Joe Josselet
2001-Beth Buckley/Lori Wilhite
2002-Karron Smith
2003-Darlene Collins
2004 -Joyce Davis

Teacher of the Year Past Recipients

1978-Mary Jo Brown
1979-J'Lyn Ryan/Dwight Joiner
1980-Paul Fry
1981-Avis Smith
1982-Loranell Hamilton
1983-Gainell Minnick
1984-Nancy Greer
1985-Sue Broderson
1986-Charles Cotter
1987-Kay Kellar
1988-Jane O'Kelly
1989-Diane Axtell
1990-Linda Koch
1991-Barbara Bain

1992-Joanne Snider
1993-Katie Ivey
1994-Verbie Nelson
1995-Connie Merritt
1996-Karen Carter
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2004-Sara Hill

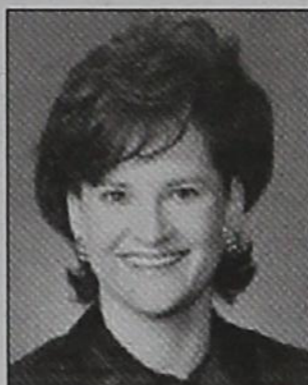
Adoption lawyer to speak at banquet

Heidi Bruegel Cox has been an adoption professional for over 15 years.

In addition to being a member of the American Academy of Adoption Attorneys, Cox is a member of the Texas Bar Association, the Tarrant County Family Bar Association, the College of the State Bar of Texas, and The Family Law Council. Heidi received a B.A. from Trinity University in San Antonio, and

a J.D. from Texas Tech University School of Law.

She has appeared on CBS' 48 Hours, and Miller's Law, with Arthur Miller. Heidi has been presenting adoption programs



Heidi Bruegel Cox

and papers to professionals and the community since 1990.

As a child advocate, Heidi is involved with legislative initiatives in Texas to protect children and to promote positive adoption practices.

She is also involved with adoption at the national level, serving as a board member for the National Council for Adoption.

Cox is experienced with International

adoptions, working on agency placements from China, Russia, Romania, Guatemala and Mexico.

Adoption today requires knowledge and expertise in working with attorneys, hospitals and government officials from multiple states.

She has worked with adoptive families and birth parents from every state in the

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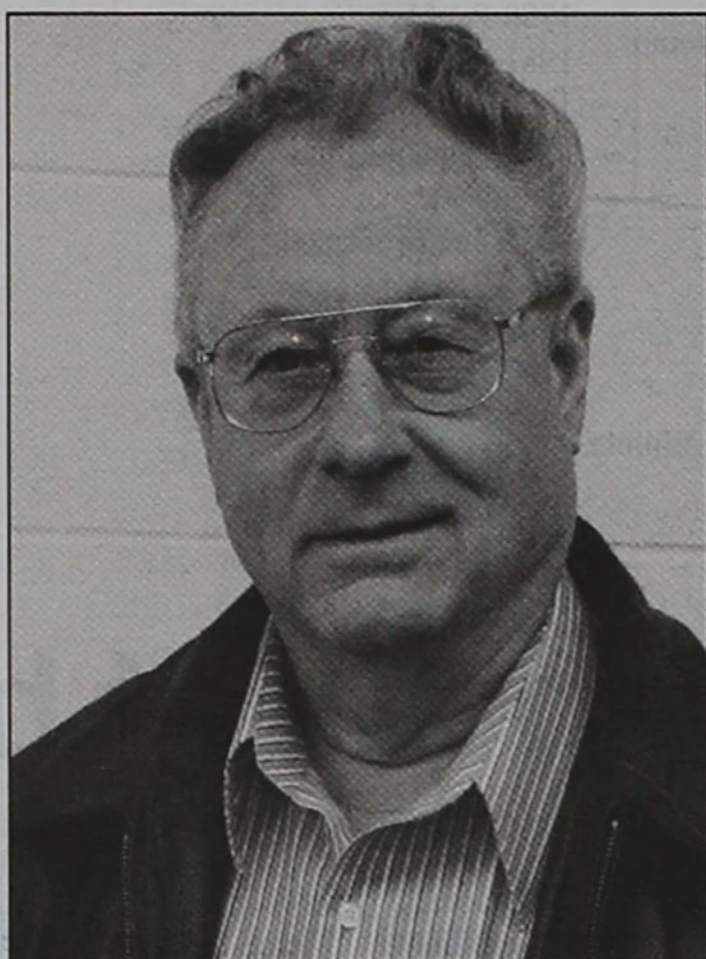
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Collins: Prospects for future look good

The primary goal of Dimmitt's economic development efforts since Jan. 12, 2005, has been to determine the best disposition of the closed Cargill plant in Dimmitt. The best use of this plant, as determined by an independent feasibility study, is to convert the plant from producing sweetener to producing ethanol. The market for ethanol is strong and growing strong and this plant is well suited for conversion to ethanol. Tentative agreements have been negotiated between Cargill and an investor group to invest approximately \$50 million to convert the plant to ethanol. Many of the plant's former employees are interested in coming back to work at the plant when it re-opens and they are a valuable asset to the plant and to the community. The prospects for re-opening the plant look good, but there are obstacles yet to be overcome.

A second goal of economic development is to establish a railroad district and have local ownership and control of the railroad from Plainview to Dimmitt. The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad Company (BNSF) has agreed to cooperate with our community in assisting to establish a rail district. BNSF is the owner of the rail line between Dimmitt and Plainview. The establishment of a rail district would provide local control and a mechanism to obtain financing to upgrade the railroad to handle the larger unit trains,



WAYNE COLLINS

larger engines and fully loaded cars. These improvements would allow shippers on this railroad to obtain the best possible freight rates and would assure Dimmitt of quality rail service for the foreseeable future.

Dimmitt is aggressively pursuing a \$30 million dairy processing business that would create from 40 to 55 permanent jobs. This is a quality project that would provide good, high-paying jobs. This project is directly tied to the growth of the dairy industry in our area. The number of jobs created during the \$30 million construction phase of the project would exceed 100.

There are many opportunities in the dairy industry for Dimmitt and the surrounding area. Dairy men and women are encouraged to locate in Castro County. Our area is projected to have the highest dairy growth in the nation for the next 10 years. This brings opportunities for many dairy service companies to serve the dairies in our area. We successfully recruited Pioneer Dairy Lab and have space available for many more businesses in our industrial park. Pioneer Dairy Lab now has 35 employees and they expect to have more than 50 within a year. The dairy service industry is welcome in Dimmitt.

Ethanol, quality rail service, dairy processing plants, dairy service businesses are a few of the growth areas for Dimmitt.

The future looks bright for Dimmitt, Texas!

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