

Sunnyside

By Teeny Bowden,

Beck Bridges, a longtime resident of Sunnyside community, died April 18 after spending 14 years in Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt.

She was active in the Sunnyside church and community. She never lost her Pendergrass, Ga. brogue. Many of us remember how she entertained us with slumber parties, served us meals and let us practice music at her house when we were children.

She is survived by two grandchildren, Bruce Bridges of Sunnyside and Brad Bridges of Earth. Pallbearers of Sunnyside were Eddie Haydon and Ray Joe Riley. Several from the community attended funeral services and graveside rites on April 20.

Gale and Verna Sadler, who have been serving as missionaries in Tanzania, arrived Monday after spending a week with Cindy and family in Dallas. They were in charge of the Sunday morning services this week and covered many subjects and gave insight into the growth of the gospel.

A thousand or more people in a remote village had not let anyone bring the Gospel to them though many had tried. But a veterinarian came offering to help with their cattle. When the cattle started to get well, they let others in and they were saved.

The Sadlers told many such stories, talked about their new building and more.

Gale and Verna were honored with a Mexican dinner after church on Sunday. They say they really miss Mexican food.

Approximately 31 attended church.

Professor Earl W. Miller of Wayland and his Hand Bell Choir

were in charge of the Sunday night service. The eight ringers, all Wayland students, used 26 bells and gave a well-disciplined and impressive program. It looked like hard work to me. Professor Miller played three tunes on the piano. He usually plays the organ. This group was honored with a supper, too.

We received a trace of rain Thursday, .20 of an inch Saturday afternoon and one-half of an inch of rain on Saturday night.

John and Ruth Graham of Frazeyburg, Ohio, visited with several members of the community this week. They are former residents of the community.

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Patricia Powell of Canadian; her daughter, Tresa and Tresa's children, Ken, Amber and Tiffany, spent Saturday with Verba and Ezell Sadler. Tresa has finished her training to be a registered nurse. Her capping service and pinning ceremony will be May 13 in the Civic Center in Amarillo. She will have to take her state exam, yet.

Dr. Dorothy McCoy of Plainview, a former math teacher at Wayland Baptist University, spent Thursday with Verna and Gale Sadler and Willie Mae and Embree Roy Sadler. She and Verna are cousins.

Prenatal classes to begin Wednesday

Mothers-to-be can get helpful advice about pregnancy, conception, fetal development and more at "Special Delivery" classes, which will begin Wednesday at Plains Memorial Hospital.

The prenatal class will begin at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Etie McDermitt Conference Room at the hospital and it is open to anyone interested.

The classes are designed to prepare women in early pregnancy or women planning a pregnancy for the changes their body will undergo and guiding them in the choices they can make for a healthy pregnancy.

There is no charge for the classes, which will be taught by Cindy Ellis, R.N.

Topics will include conception, fetal development and nutrition,

physical and emotional changes and common discomforts during pregnancy, breast feeding and signs and symptoms of labor.

A schedule of classes will be available at each of the physicians' clinics in the county, the Texas Dept. of Health office and Plains Memorial Hospital.

Anyone interested in attending should call Plains Memorial Hospital for more information.

Museum group plans meeting

The Castro County Museum Association will hold its regular monthly meeting tonight (Thursday) at 7 at the museum.

All members are urged to attend.

Second graders honored

Honor students have been named for the second grade at Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt for the fifth six weeks.

Students honored included: Mrs. Lynn's Room Honor roll: Lizbeth Gonzalez and Nancy Paz. Spelling: Paz, Gonzalez, Angel Melendez and Della

Arredondo. Perfect attendance: Delliha Barrios, Alex Hernandez, Melendez, Rosina Ornelas, Paz and Victor Porras. Hardest worker: Gonzalez.

Mrs. Smithson's Room Hardest worker: Rey Medrano. Honor roll: Shayla Kenworthy, Katy Loudder, Lisa Sears, Cinnamon Trotter, Medrano, Joel Puente and

Matthew Sanders. Top spellers: Daniel Corrales, Medrano, Sanders and Kenworthy. Perfect attendance: Cynthia Barrera, Valentina Lugo, Kendra Martinez, Erik Mendoza, Sears, Trotter, Loudder, John Lucio, Martin Perez, Michael Ward, Medrano, Sanders and Erika Perez.

Mrs. Evan's Room Perfect attendance: Alex Castillo, Samuel Cavazos, Todd Jansa, Sharette Johnson, Tabitha Laurent, Brandon Martinez, Mindy Maxwell, Justina Navarra, Whitney Nutt and Ben Ojeda. Spelling: Jansa, Laurent, Diana Martinez, Roxanne Oltivero and Denise Perez. Honor roll: Jansa and Laurent. Hardest worker: Diana Martinez.

Miss Thames' Class Perfect attendance: James Armstrong, Luis Cruz, Sheena Ehly, Ismael Rodriguez, Osiel Rodriguez, Lind Saucedo, Jake Wright and Chelsia Young. Top spellers: Erica Abrego, Armstrong, Ehly, Kimberly Paz, Saucedo, Wright. Honor roll: Abrego, Armstrong, Ehly, Paz. Hardest worker: Lori Sifuentez.

Mrs. Brown's Class Perfect attendance: Adriana Arcos, Michelle Barrera, Sal Chavarria, Nicky Gauna, Tyler Myatt, Matthew Ruiz, Marcela Salinas, Manuel Sanchez, Sarah Silva, Adam Wright and Joe Lule. Spelling: Gauna, Amy Laurent, Myatt, Salinas and Kari Sanders. Honor roll: Gauna, Laurent, Myatt and Silva. Hardest worker: Wright.

Mrs. Collins' Class Honor roll: Amy McGowne, Angelica Lara, Christina Campos, Shantell Self and Christy Morgan. Perfect attendance: Amanda Acevedo, Campos, Chris Enriquez, Alicia Heard, McGowne, Johnny Mireles, Jhirvon Starling, Reggie Wilkerson, Vennessa Gonzales and Jared Griffith. Top spellers: Campos, Suzanne Bentura, Heard, Lara, McGowne, Morgan, Self, Starling, Wilkerson and Martin Ramirez. Hardest worker: Morgan.



ON TO STATE—The Nazareth Dairy Judging team including (from left) Shawn Pohlmeier, Cassidy Wilhelm, Scott Braddock and Lynette Kleman advanced to the state judging contest by placing

fifth among area teams and 11th out of 80 at a contest at Texas Tech University. The Nazareth team is one of only seven from this area which will advance to state.

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People

Rodriguez is honored with shower

Amy Glidewell Rodriguez was honored with a wedding shower Saturday in the home of Suzan Sanders in Dimmitt.

Guests were greeted by Mrs. Sanders, the honoree and her mother, Cheryl Glidewell of Dimmitt; and were registered by Kami Sanders.

Fresh fruit and dip, quiche, mints, nuts, tea and coffee were served to guests by Lori Allen, sister of the bride.

The table was covered with a pink linen cloth tied with blue bows on the corners. It held an arrangement of pink candles, daisies and grapes accented with a ceramic rabbit. Crystal appointments completed the table decor.

The hostesses presented the bride with silver flatware.

Special guests attending were Allen; JoAnn Newman of Denton, the bride's grandmother; Elaine Spong of Sacramento, Calif.; Merle Sherrill of Dalhart, Loyce Newman of Levelland and Colleen Newman of Dimmitt, aunts of the bride; and Lisa Adams of Dumas and Emily and Vicky Clary of Amarillo, all friends of the bride.



ELEMENTARY CITIZENSHIP winners at Nazareth Elementary School for the fifth six weeks are (back row, from left) third grader Craig Birkenfeld, second grader Sarah Ellison, fifth grader Jason Huseman, fourth grader Laura Gerber and third grader Eric Schilling; and (front, from left), kindergarten student Kasey Wood and first grader Shay Wilhelm.
Courtesy Photo

MS conference planned May 7

A video teleconference on multiple sclerosis, "Taking Control: Options to Maximize Your Health," will be held May 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt.

Persons with MS and their families, health professionals and others interested are invited to participate in the event. Fred Bolton is the local coordinator, and he can be reached at 647-3730.

Participants will first watch a

video of people with MS who use Tai Chi, nutrition, exercise and physical therapy to maximize their health. Then, participants will be able to ask questions of Dr. George Kraft, a specialist in rehabilitative medicine, and Dr. Marci Catanzaro, who specializes in the management of MS symptoms.

Wedding shower honors Heard

A wedding shower was held Saturday in the home of Kay Rogers honoring Jaime (Hatla) and Ashley Heard.

Guests were greeted by Doris Hatla, mother of the bride; and Nona Heard, mother of the groom. Fruit, coffee cake, cookies, coffee and cider were served to guests.

Out-of-town guests were Delinda Flake of Amarillo, Beth Hatla of Amarillo, Paige Hochstein of Amarillo and Dina Heard and Zackery of Enfelt, Okla.

"We are proud to bring this teleconference to the public," said Fredricka Gens, director of chapter services of the Panhandle Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. "MS is such an unpredictable disease, you never know when an attack will come nor how it will affect you. This is one reason we are committed to bringing the latest information to people with MS and the general public."

There are almost 500 men and women in the Panhandle who have MS.

Garage Sale day is June 4

It's time to get those closets cleaned and plans made for the seventh annual Garage Sale Day, June 4 throughout Dimmitt.

Persons registering at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce and paying a \$10 fee will be listed on the city sale map. The fee helps with advertising, allows persons to have a yard sign and to become part of a community effort.

Booths will be reserved on the square for \$25 and must be paid in advance. Size of the booth is negotiable, and arrangements may be made by calling the chamber at 647-2524.

The sale attracts thousands of persons from the region to Dimmitt for the day.



Plains Memorial Hospital
Javier and Martha Ibarra of Dimmitt are the parents of a son, Alejandro, born April 19 at 9:27 a.m. He weighed 6 lbs., 3 ozs., and was 19 inches long.

He has two siblings: Javier Jr., 3, and Sergio, 1. Paternal grandparents are Ventura and Francisca Ibarra of Dimmitt. Maternal grandparents are Martin and Janie Castillo of Dimmitt. Paternal great-grandmother is Isabel Ibarra. Maternal great-grandparents are Celestino and Maria Castillo and Trinidad Castillo.

Breast exam unit planned here Monday

A mobile mammography unit will be in Dimmitt Monday to conduct breast cancer screenings at Plains Memorial Hospital.

Reservations may be made by calling, toll-free, 1-800-377-4673. The total cost of the screening is \$70; however, funding has been provided by the Texas Dept. of Health to women who qualify for free screenings.

The cost includes the x-ray, physical breast exam and radiology fee. The clinic is sponsored by the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and High Plains Baptist Hospital. Exams are done by

appointment only.

The clinic's goal is early detection of breast cancer. Currently, early detection is the most effective method known to win the battle against breast cancer. Women are encouraged to learn and perform a

breast self-exam once a month; have a physical exam every year; and have a baseline mammogram at age 40, a mammogram every one to two years from ages 40 to 49; and an annual mammogram for all women over 50.

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Book Club sets luncheon

The annual spring luncheon of the Dimmitt Book Club has been scheduled for May 14 at 11:30 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Dimmitt.

The meal will be catered by the Senior Citizens. Cost of the meal is \$7, and reservations must be made by May 1. Reservations will be taken by Debbie Matthews at 647-3201.

Jan Bryan will be the reviewer at the luncheon.

DKG accepting applications for '94 scholarship

Delta Kappa Gamma in Dimmitt is accepting applications for a \$500 scholarship for an area student majoring in education.

County students who will be juniors are eligible to apply. Applications should include a letter of acceptance from the school's dean of the College of Education.

Applicants should submit either a transcript or other verification of acceptable grade point average and coursework leading to a degree in education. The applicant should include a one-page, handwritten letter explaining educational and career goals.

Applications must be postmarked by May 1 and should be sent to Glenda Sims, Delta Kappa Gamma, West Halsell, Dimmitt 79027, or call 647-3108.

Harrell is feted

A bridal shower honoring Amy Harrell, bride-elect of Coby Heller of Dimmitt, was held Saturday in the home of Kay Rogers in Dimmitt.

The serving table held a large spring floral arrangement accented with ribbons and gold trim.

Guests were served thumbprint cookies, fruit bars, red grapes and strawberries from a carved inlaid wood serving table.

Special guests were Sharon Harrell of Halfway, mother of the bride-elect; Adeela, Kate and Payton Harrell, all of Halfway; the honoree's grandmother, Quida Harrell of Halfway; Tammy Heller and Stormy of Lubbock; Peggy McNeely of Irving; Kim Perkins of Amarillo; and Vickie and Emily Clary of Amarillo.

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Sports

Hopeful netters head to regional

Nazareth's Scott Brockman and Alston Farris hope to defend their Region 1-A boys' doubles championship while 10 other Nazareth netters, eight Dimmitt tennis players and two Hart singles players have dreams of earning trips to Austin as they compete in Region 1 tennis tournaments this week.

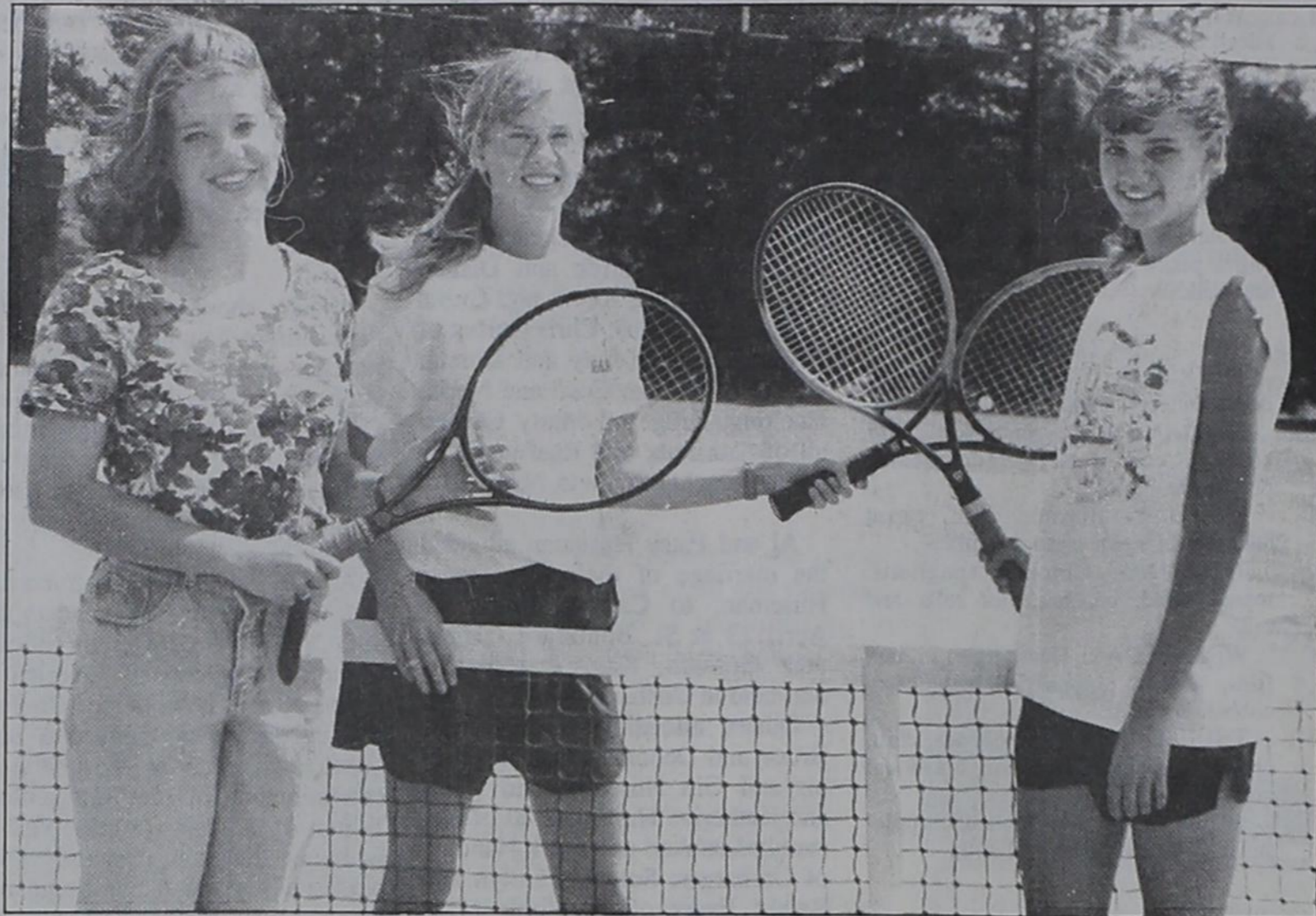
Hart and Nazareth will play in the Region 1-A tournament at South Plains College in Levelland, and the meet will feature the first through quarterfinal rounds today (Thursday) while the semifinals and finals will be played Friday.

Dimmitt is competing in the Region 1-AAA meet in Odessa, and players qualifying are Art Ortega in boys' singles; Amber Langford in girls' singles; the boys' doubles teams of Ty Annen-Brad Beck and Jimmy Bryan-Robert Moss; and the girls' doubles team of Amy Wooten and Carrie Bradley.

Hart's Shea Bennett, who will be competing in the regional girls' singles meet, captured a Region 1-A girls' doubles title last year with her sister Shea, then went on to win the state championship. She won her district's singles title this year. She will be joined at the regional tournament by Jason Aven, who is a boys' singles qualifier.

Nazareth swept its district tournament, claiming every regional berth from District 7-A, and 10 of those 12 players will be making a return appearance in the regional tourney.

Farris and Brockman lead the team and they will be joined in the regional doubles meet by teammates Jaret Schulte and Bryan Charanza. Other qualifiers are girls' singles players Melinda Schmucker and Karmen Pohlmeier; boys' singles players Nathan Hoelting and Ryan Hoelting; and girls' doubles teams of Kristin Brockman-Lena Durbin and Carie Wethington-Robin Schulte.



GIRLS TENNIS HOPEFULS—Dimmitt will have three girls competing in the Region 1-3A tennis meet, which began Wednesday in Odessa. Amber Langford, left, was the district runner-up in girls singles. Amy Wooten (center) teamed with Carrie Bradley (right) to win second in district in doubles. Photo by Linda Maxwell



SINGLES CHAMPION ... Melinda Schmucker
Photo by Brenda Schulte

Dimmitt's runners ready for regional

Dimmitt will unleash one of the region's top mile relay teams and one of the state's best quartermilers at the Region 1-3A track meet this weekend at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa.

The Dimmitt girls have seven girls participating in nine events this weekend at the regional meet, with berths at the state meet going to the top two finishers in each event.

Dimmitt's boys' hopes rest on Joey Flores in the 800 and Jerome Larra in the 1,600 and 3,200.

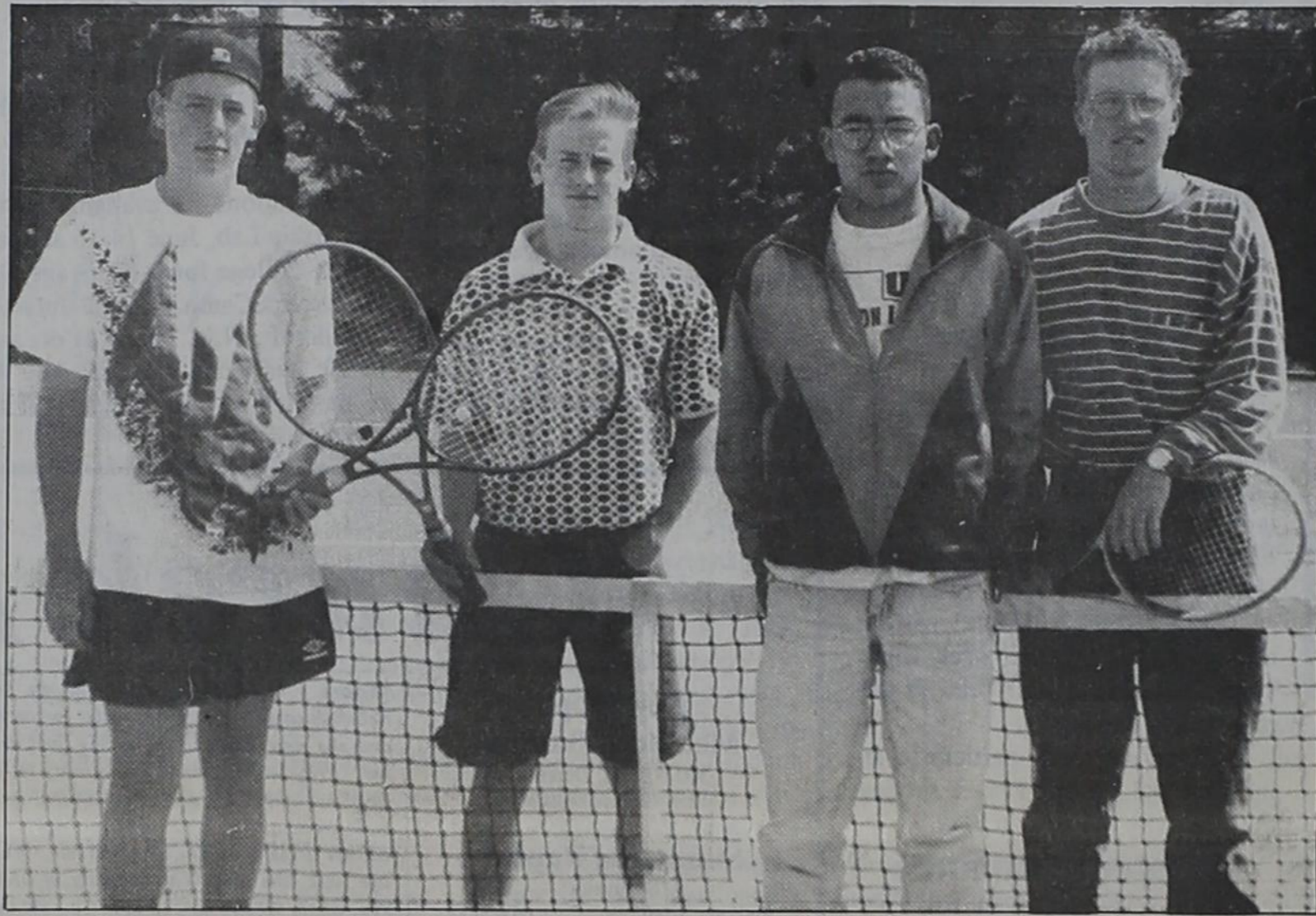
Kim Thomas leads the Panhandle and South Plains in the girls' quarter-mile with a season best 57.6 at the District 2-3A meet two weekends ago in Muleshoe. Her time is the seventh-best in the state, according to figures turned in to the Associated Press. In both cases, that's among students from all classifications.

Thomas is second-best against all comers in the triple jump, with a qualifying mark of 36-4 at the district meet.

Thomas also qualified in the long jump and on the 400 and 1600 meter relay teams. The sprint relay team was second at district and will be pressed to medal, but the mile relay team may have a shot at qualifying for state. The team has a season-best time of 4:07.80, third-best in the area and just outside the state Top 10.

Also leading Dimmitt will be Rochelle Harman, who qualified in both the 1,600 and 3,200. Harman, a junior, was first in the two-mile at district in 12:38, finishing 11 seconds ahead of the second-best runner. In the 1,600, she was second in 5:46.

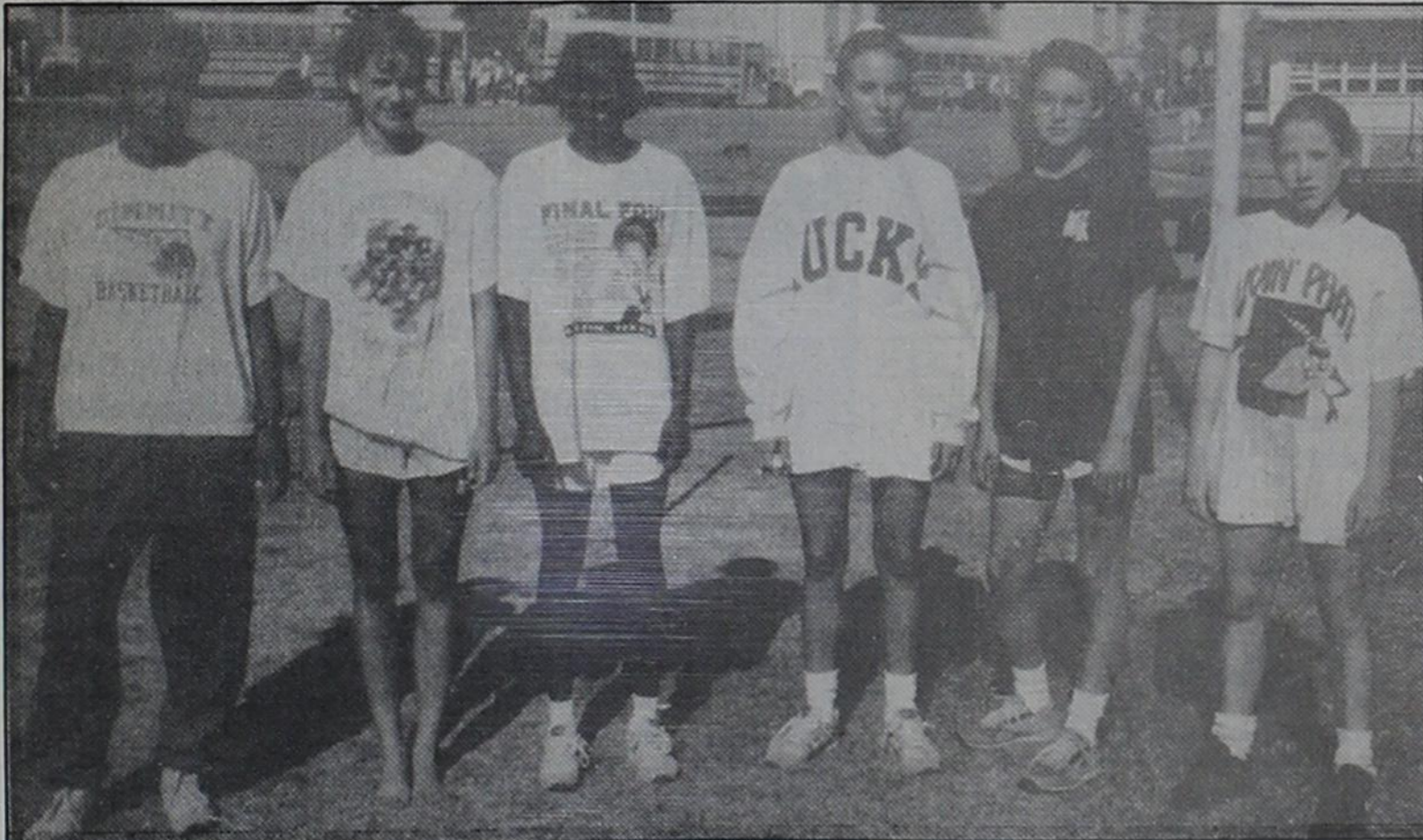
Amy Ethridge could also earn a (Continued on Page 11)



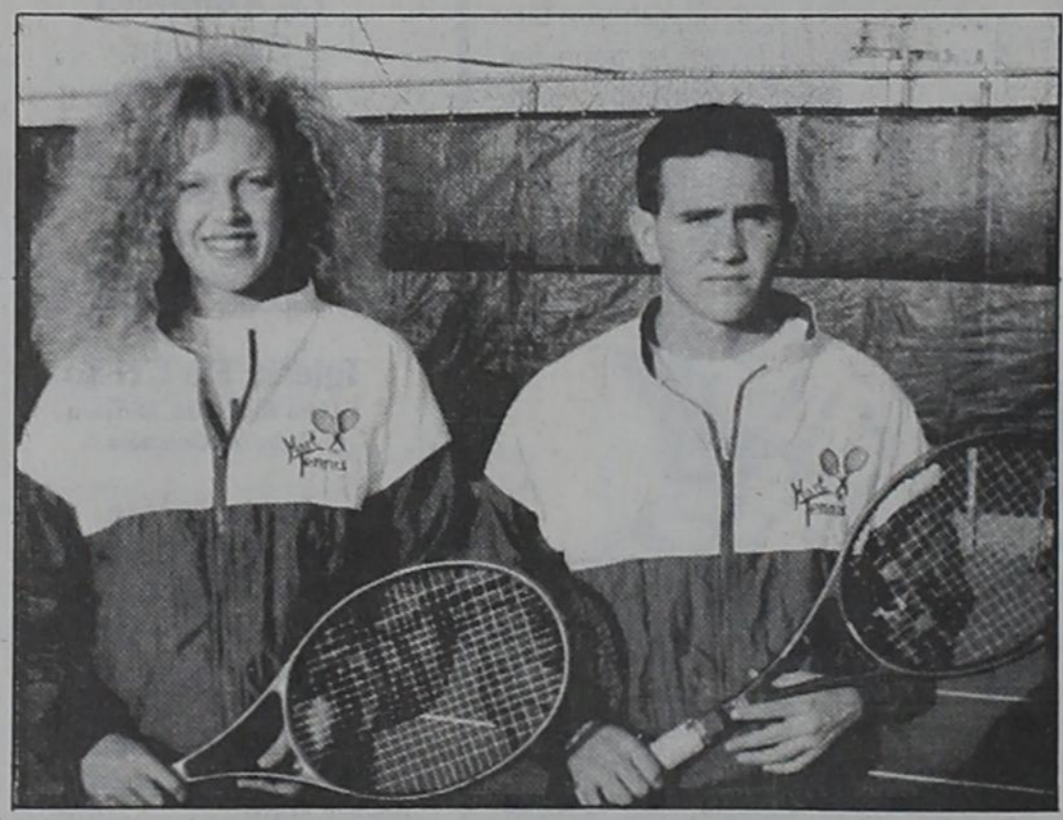
BOYS TENNIS SENDS FIVE TO REGION—Dimmitt High School has five athletes participating in the Region 1-3A tennis meet which began Wednesday in Odessa. Brad Beck and Ty Annen (from left) are the District 2-3A boys doubles champion, while Art Ortega (center) is the district singles champion. Robert Moss (right) teamed with Jimmy Bryan (not pictured) to take second in boys doubles at district. Photo by Linda Maxwell



DISTRICT RUNNER-UP ... Karmen Pohlmeier
Photo by Brenda Schulte



1600 RELAY CHAMPIONS—Dimmitt's 1600 relay team won first place April 16 at the District 2-3A Meet at Muleshoe and will represent DHS at the regional meet in Odessa Friday and Saturday. Team members, from left, are Dolores Dimas, Carrie Bradley, Kim Thomas, Amy Ethridge, Jessica Vasquez and Jennifer Vick. Photo by John Brooks



LONE REGIONAL TENNIS QUALIFIERS from Hart are singles players (from left) Shea Bennett and Jason Aven. The duo will play this week in Levelland. Photo by Hart Annual Staff



SPRINT RELAY TEAM GOING TO REGIONAL—Dimmitt's girls sprint relay team finished second at the District 2-3A track meet April 16 at Muleshoe and will compete at the Region 1-3A Meet at Odessa this weekend. Team members, from left, are Kim Thomas, Amy Ethridge, Kara Josselet and Jennifer Vick. Thomas also qualified in the long jump, triple jump, 400 and mile relay; Ethridge will be going as district champion in the 800. Photo by John Brooks

SCOREBOARD

District Junior High Meet Saturday at Muleshoe Seventh grade boys

Team totals: 1. Dimmitt 171; 2. Muleshoe 102 1/2; 3. Friona 75; 4. Tulla 72 1/2; 5. Floydada 30; 6. Littlefield 25.
High Jump: 1. Stacey Villanueva, 5-2; 4. (tie) Derek Buckley, 5-0.
Shot put: 2. Villanueva, 34 feet; 5. Jerry Thomas, 34 feet.
Long Jump: 1. Eric Soldevilla, 16-0; 3. Thomas.
Pole vault: 1. Beau Hill, 9-6 (new school record); 3. Buckley, 8-0; 4. Wesley Wright, 7-6.
Discus: 5. Hill, 89-1.
Triple Jump: 1. Soldevilla, 34-7 (new school record); 6. Dirkston Sherman, 31-9 1/2.
100: 2. Hill, 12:29.
400: 1. Soldevilla, 58.74; 3. Jaime Lafuente, 61.50.
110 hurdles: 7. Brandon Allison, 21.59.
800: 1. Rafael Enriquez, 2:27.29; 5. Jacob Larra, 2:34.45; 6. Sherman, 2:36.77.
1600: 1. Villanueva, 5:28.56; 5. Larra, 5:56.34.

2400: 1. Villanueva 8:35.09 (new school record); 5. Wright, 9:28.11.
200: 1. Thomas, 26.30; 2. Hill, 26.65.
400 relay: 1. Dimmitt (Lafuente, Hill, Soldevilla, Thomas) 49.58 (new school record).

Eighth grade boys

Team totals: 1. Friona 165; 2. Tulla 116; 3. Muleshoe 99; 4. Dimmitt 62; 5. Floydada 28; 6. Littlefield 26.
High Jump: 5. Luc West, 5-6.
Shot: 6. Jason Hargrove, 39-7 1/2.
Long Jump: 1. Zack Matthews, 18-2 3/4.
Discus: 3. Conrad Cruz, 124-3.
400: 5. John Paul Ramos, 58.61.
110 hurdles: 2. Michael Keith, 16.41 (new school record).
800: 1. D.J. Fleeks, 2:14.64.
1600: 5. Rudy Alaniz.
2400: 5. Ramos, 8:43.71.
200: 3. Matthews, 25.06; 5. Cruz, 25.91.
400 relay: 4. Dimmitt (Terrance Sherman, Richard Martinez, Fleeks, Matthews) 48.89.
300 hurdles: 4. Keith, 45.91.

Track Regional Qualifiers Meet South Plains College, Levelland Girls

100 hurdles: 1. Shea Bennett, Hart, 16.59.
Boys
800: 6. Brad Keel, Nazareth, 2:10.04.
1600 relay: 5. Nazareth, 3:42.05.

Clovis Wildcat Relays Boys

Discus: 3. Tait Crow, Dimmitt, 148-5.
800: 1. Joey Flores, Dimmitt, 1:59.87.

Girls

Long Jump: 2. Kim Thomas, Dimmitt, 16-2 3/4.
3200: 3. Rochelle Harman, Dimmitt, 12:41.68.
800: 2. Misti Ball, Nazareth, 2:26.45.
400: 1. Thomas, 57.87; 2. Melinda Schmucker, Nazareth, 60.26.
1600: 3. Harman, 5:47.07.
1600 relay: 2. Dimmitt, 4:12.52.

Baseball

Good Luck, Bobcats

JV Bobcats vs. Plainview Freshmen

Friday, There, 5 p.m.

Varsity Bobcats vs. Friona

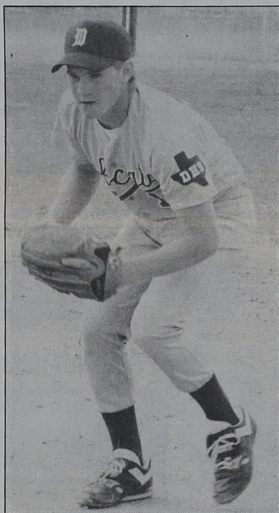
Saturday, There, 1 p.m.

JV Bobcats vs. Lockney JV

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Tuesday, Here, 5 p.m.



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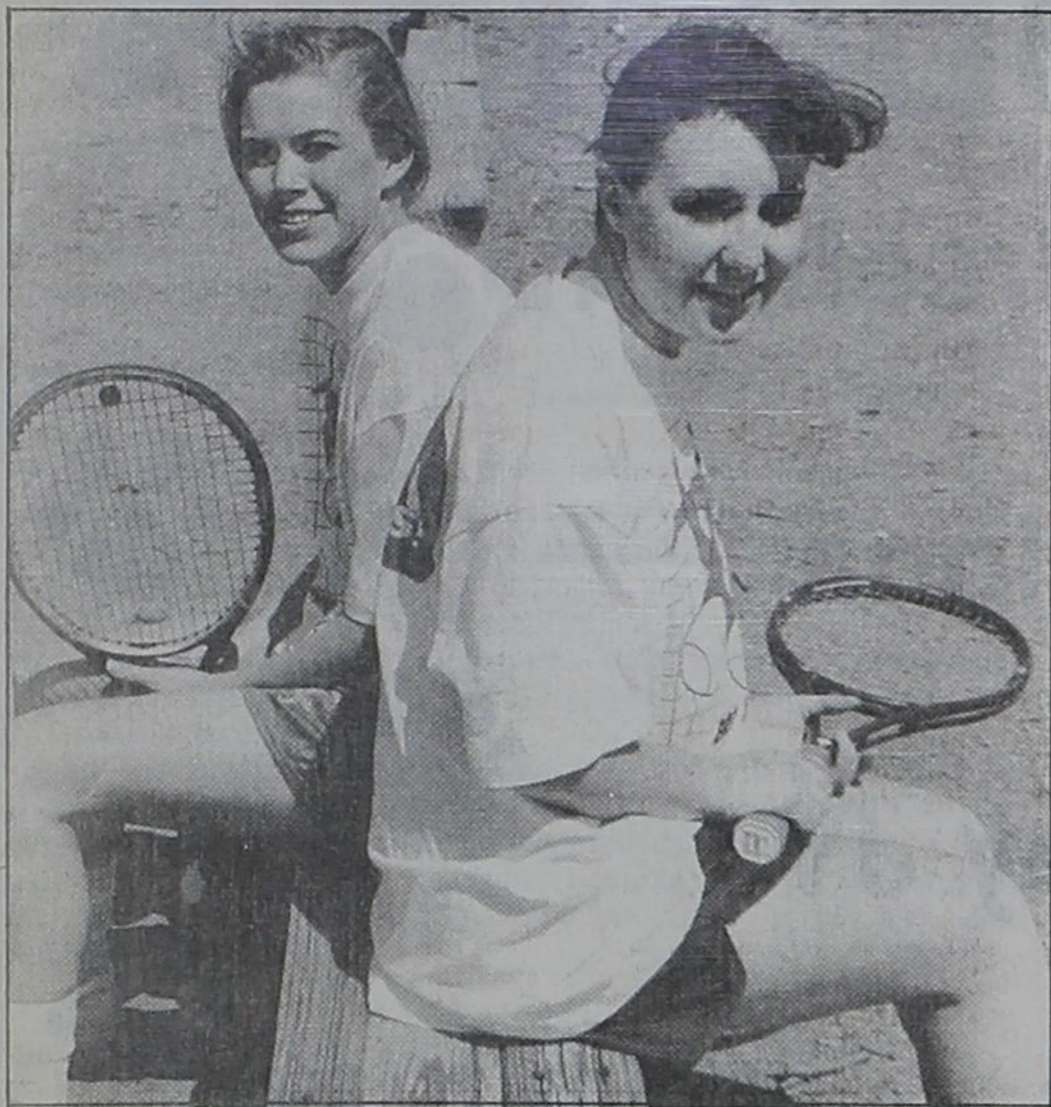
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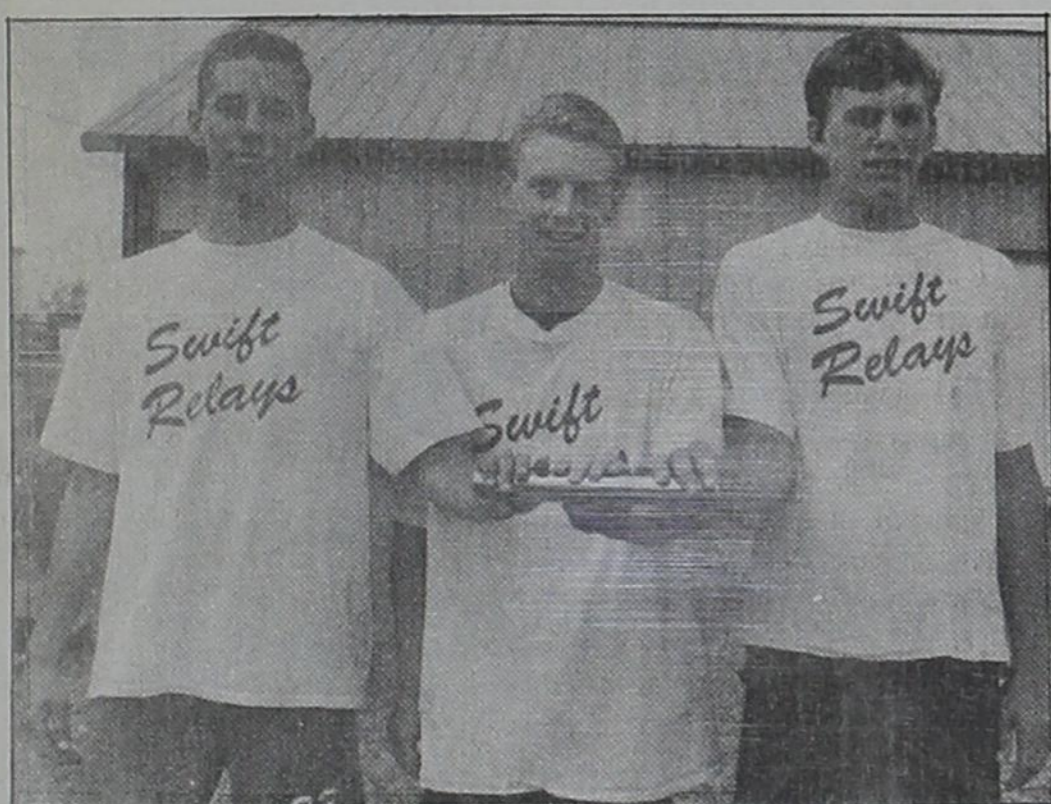
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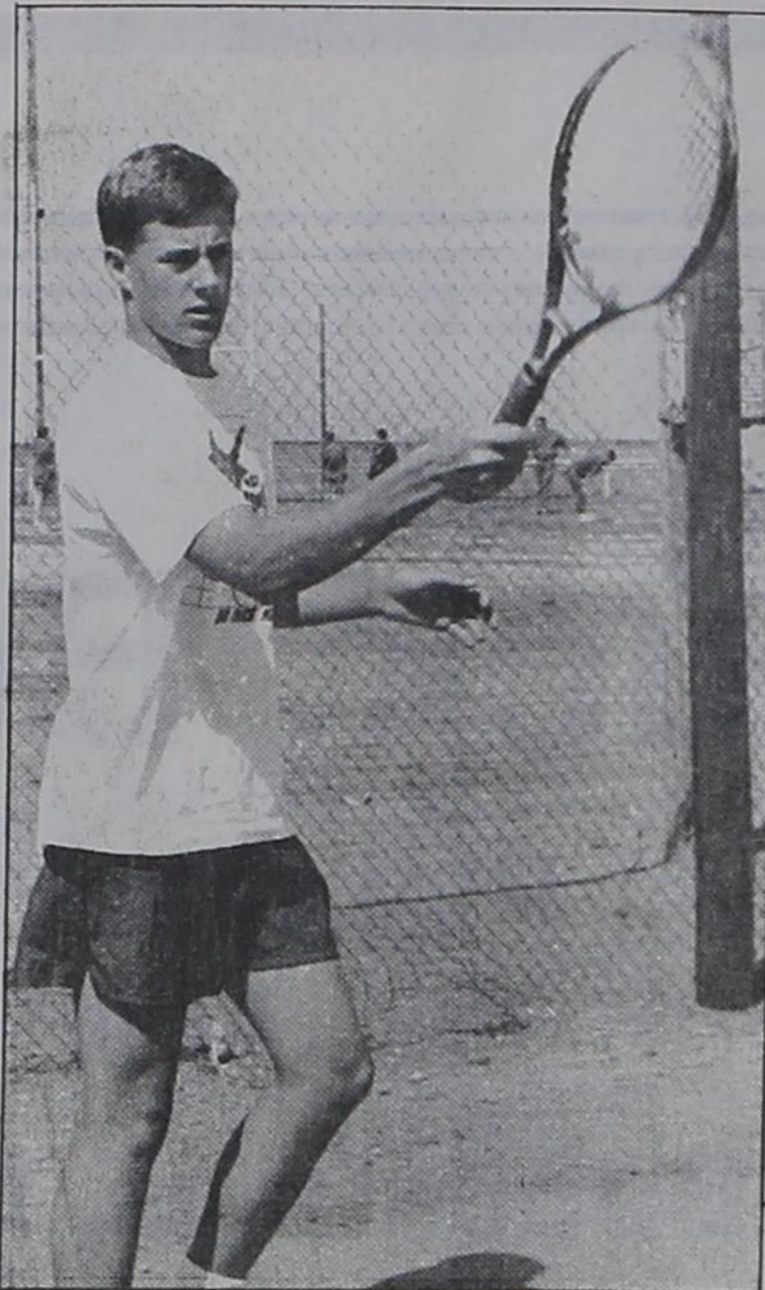
DISTRICT 7-A SECOND SEED
... Carie Wethington (left) and Robin Schulte of Nazareth
Photo by Brenda Schulte



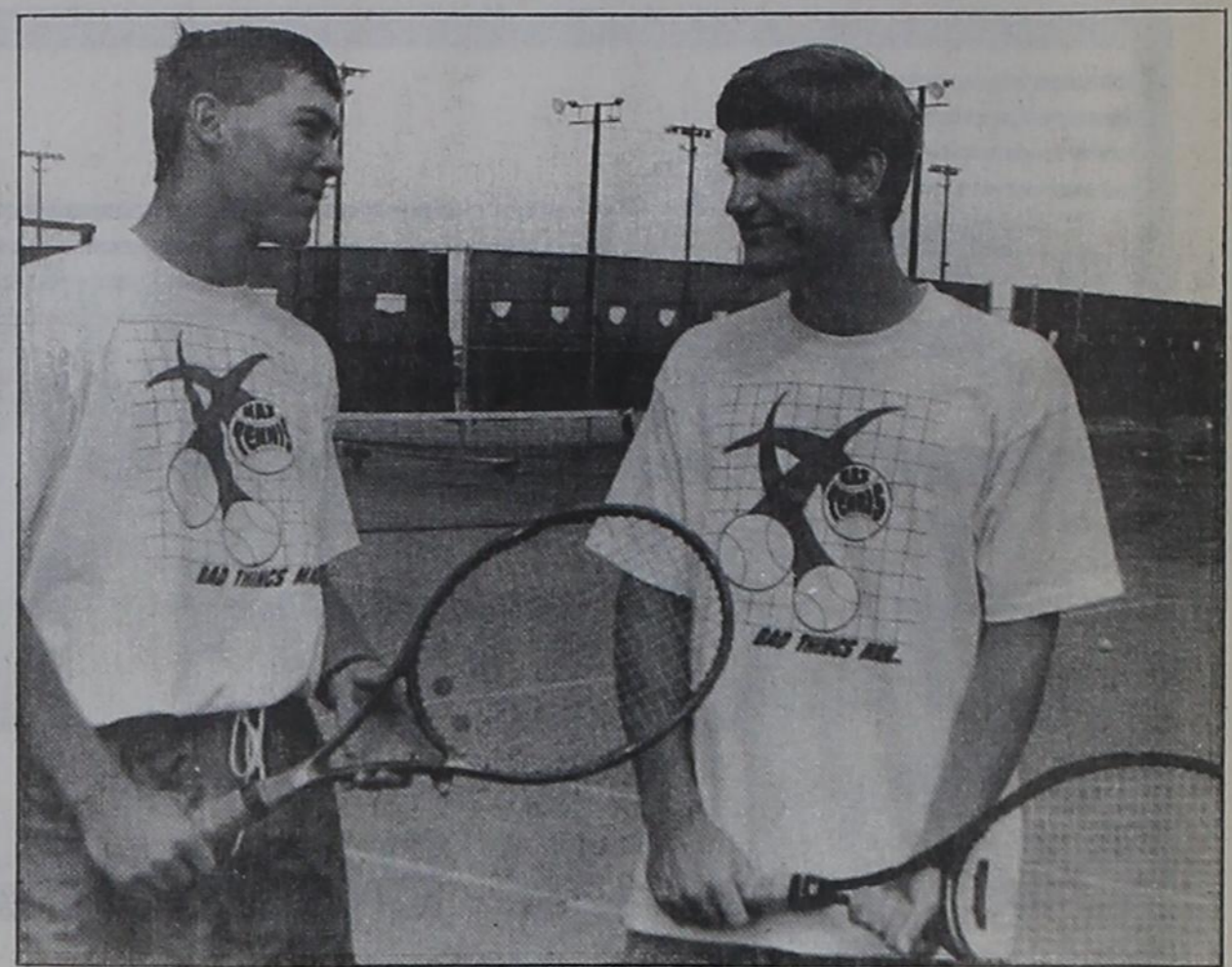
PLANNING A STRATEGY FOR REGIONAL
... Nazareth's Lena Durbin (left) and Kristin Brockman
Photo by Brenda Schulte



NAZARETH'S MILE RELAY which includes (from left) Brad Keel, Billy Scroggins, Coby Schacher and Gaylon Schilling (not pictured) qualified for the Region 1-A track and field meet and will compete in Levelland this week.
Photo by Anne Acker



DISTRICT 7-A CHAMP
... NHS' Nathan Hoelting
Photo by Brenda Schulte



REGION 1-A BOYS' DOUBLES QUALIFIERS
... Jaret Schulte (left) and Bryan Charanza of Nazareth
Photo by Brenda Schulte



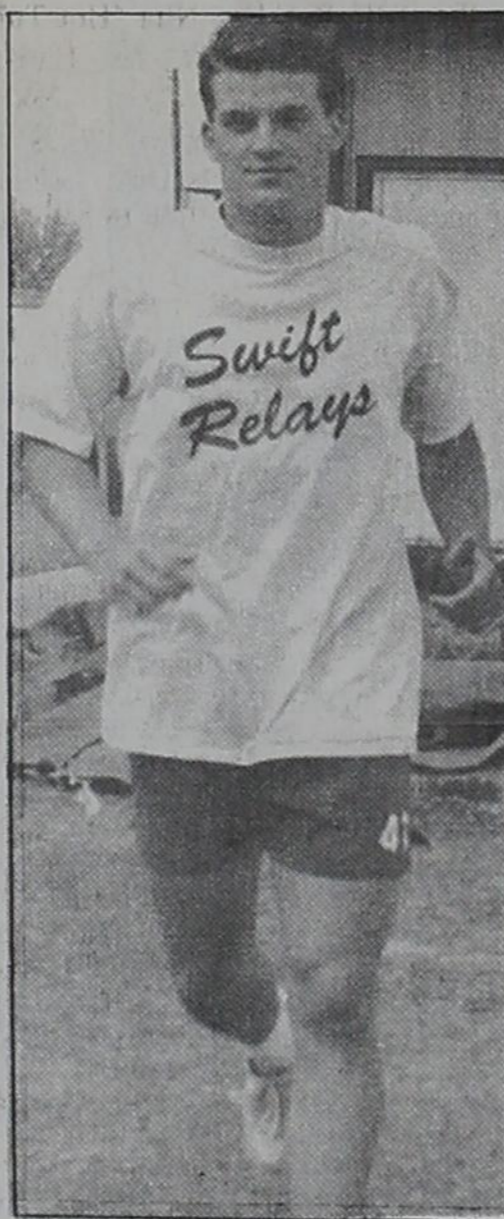
J.R. LEE
... Regional qualifier in hurdles
Photo by D'Lynn Hankins



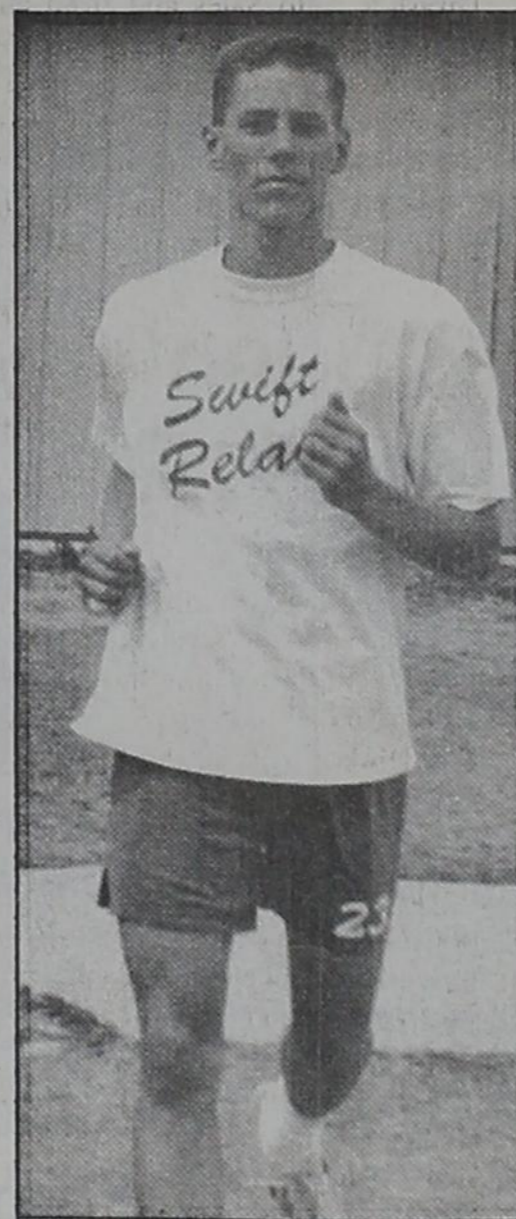
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... Will run 100 hurdles
Photo by D'Lynn Hankins



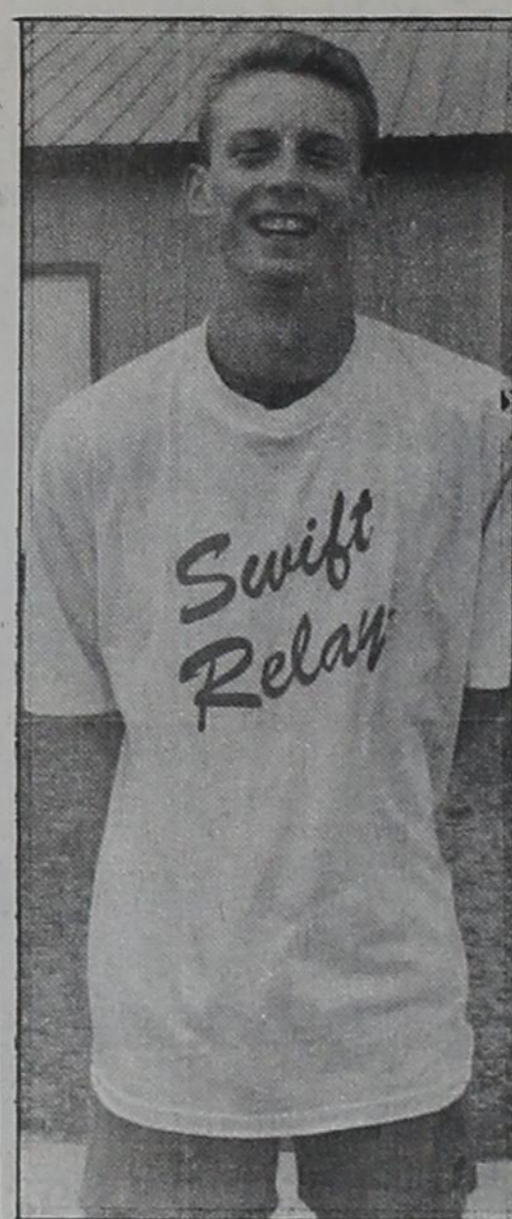
JASON AVEN
... 100-yard dash hopeful
Photo by D'Lynn Hankins



NICK JOHNSON
... Long jump qualifier
Photo by Anne Acker



BRAD KEEL
... Qualified in 800
Photo by Anne Acker



BILLY SCROGGINS
... High jumper
Photo by Anne Acker



ON TO REGIONAL
... Ryan Hoelting of Nazareth
Photo by Brenda Schulte



ON TO REGIONAL—The Nazareth Swiftettes will send a mile relay, 800 relay and three individuals to the Region 1-A track meet in Levelland this week. Those qualifying are Tracy Maurer in the 800 relay; Melinda Schmucker on the mile relay and in the 400-meter dash; Misty Ball in the 800-meter

run and on the mile relay; Denia Durbin, a member of both relays; and Allyn Garza, a member of the 800 relay. Not pictured is Rhonda Maurer, who runs on the relay teams.
Photo by Anne Acker



SPRINT RELAY — Hart's 400-meter relay including (from left) Jason Aven, Jeremy Card, Harvey Robledo and Clint Emery, qualified for regional with a second place finish at district. The team clocked a 45.06 in district.
Photo by D'Lynn Hankins

'Cats edge Tulia, wallop Littlefield

Sometimes in baseball, the ump giveth, and the ump taketh away.

For the Dimmitt Bobcats, the ump taketh away early, then giveth on a bang-bang play in the bottom of the seventh as the Bobcats escaped from Tulia with a 4-3 win Saturday.

The Bobcats had a call go against them at home plate in the first inning, ending what could have been a big inning.

On the last play of the game, after Tulia had loaded the bases with two outs, third baseman Freddy Ruiz barehanded a grounder and, instead of throwing home for an easy force out to end the game, threw the ball across his body to first.

"It was bang-bang, that's for sure," Dimmitt coach Bobby Feaster said. "The ump called him out and I told the kids we probably needed to get on the bus real quick before anybody changed their mind."

The only thing that changed was the complexion of the District 2-3A race. Dimmitt is now in second place, after Tuesday's win over Littlefield. If the Bobcats win out, they're assured of no worse than second place and the playoffs for the first time since the baseball program resumed here three years ago.

Joe Juarez opened the game with a home run on the first pitch.

"That kind of set the tone for us," Feaster said. "We wanted to get off to a lead against them, because it's tough to win over there."

Dimmitt had a chance to score at least one more run, but a baserunning mistake cost Dimmitt one baserunner, and a second was called out on a controversial call at the plate. The runner appeared to have safely slid across the plate before the tag was applied. The throw was wide, and the Tulia catcher had to lunge across the plate to try to tag the runner.

Dimmitt scored three times in the third to mount up a 4-0 lead before Tulia scratched out single runs in each of the next three innings to close to 4-3 after five innings.

Tulia loaded the bases against Dimmitt pitcher Jason Nino in the seventh, but Nino pitched out of the jam with the help of plays like Ruiz's.

Tuesday, Juarez started where he left off, sending the first pitch by Littlefield's pitcher over the fence in left as the Bobcats hammered the Wildcats, 12-2, at George Howell Park.

The win kept the Bobcats in second place with four games left in the regular season. Dimmitt can take a big stride toward the playoffs with a win Saturday at Friona. Game time is 1 p.m.

Juarez jumped on the first pitch by Chuck Brown, a fastball high in the strike zone, for his back-to-back opening jack.

In the second, Dimmitt added

three runs when Dewayne Espinosa doubled to right and Jason Wooten drew a one-out walk. Zeke Nino then singled, driving home Espinosa and sending Wooten to third. Wooten scored when Phil Thrasher was hit with a pickoff throw; Thrasher slumped to the ground, and the ball went bounding away.

Littlefield scored twice off Dimmitt pitcher Dan Matthews in the top of the third, when two errors and a wild pitch moved a man to third. Cody Ensor then homered to left center to cut the lead in half, 4-2.

Dimmitt came back with four runs in the bottom of the third as the Bobcats sent eight men to the plate. Freddy Ruiz walked, then scored when Gerald Barrios doubled to center. Barrios advanced to third when Littlefield missed the cutoff man on the throw back to the infield. Espinosa walked, and Matthews reached when the Wildcat catcher dropped a third strike and opted not to make a play.

Wooten followed with a bases-clearing double to give Dimmitt an 8-2 lead.

Ruiz scored a lone run in the fourth on an Espinosa single.

In the fifth, Zeke Nino drew a one-out walk and went to second on an errant pickoff throw. He scored on a single to left by Juarez.

Thrasher walked, and the wild pitch on ball four allowed Juarez to score. Thrasher hustled around to second, and a wild throw there moved him to third. He scored on Emilio Nino's sharp single to center, giving Dimmitt the win in five innings by the 10-run rule.

Baseball Bobcats 4, Tulia 3 at Tulia

Dimmitt	1	0	3	0	0	0	-	4	9	2
Tulia	0	0	1	1	1	0	-	3	11	0
Jason Nino and Gerald Barrios. Cody Culwell and Wright. WP-Nino (4-3). LP-Culwell (6-3). HR: Joe Juarez (1). Records: Dimmitt 12-11, 3-2; Tulia 11-11, 3-2.										

Tuesday Bobcats 12, Littlefield 2 at George Howell Park

Littlefield	0	0	2	0	-	2	3	7
Dimmitt	1	3	4	1	3	-	12	9
Brown and Ensor, Dan Matthews and Gerald Barrios. WP-Matthews (5-6). LP-Brown. 2B-Dimmitt: Dewayne Espinosa, Jason Wooten, Gerald Barrios. HR-Littlefield: Ensor. Dimmitt: Joe Juarez (2).								

Booster Club meeting set

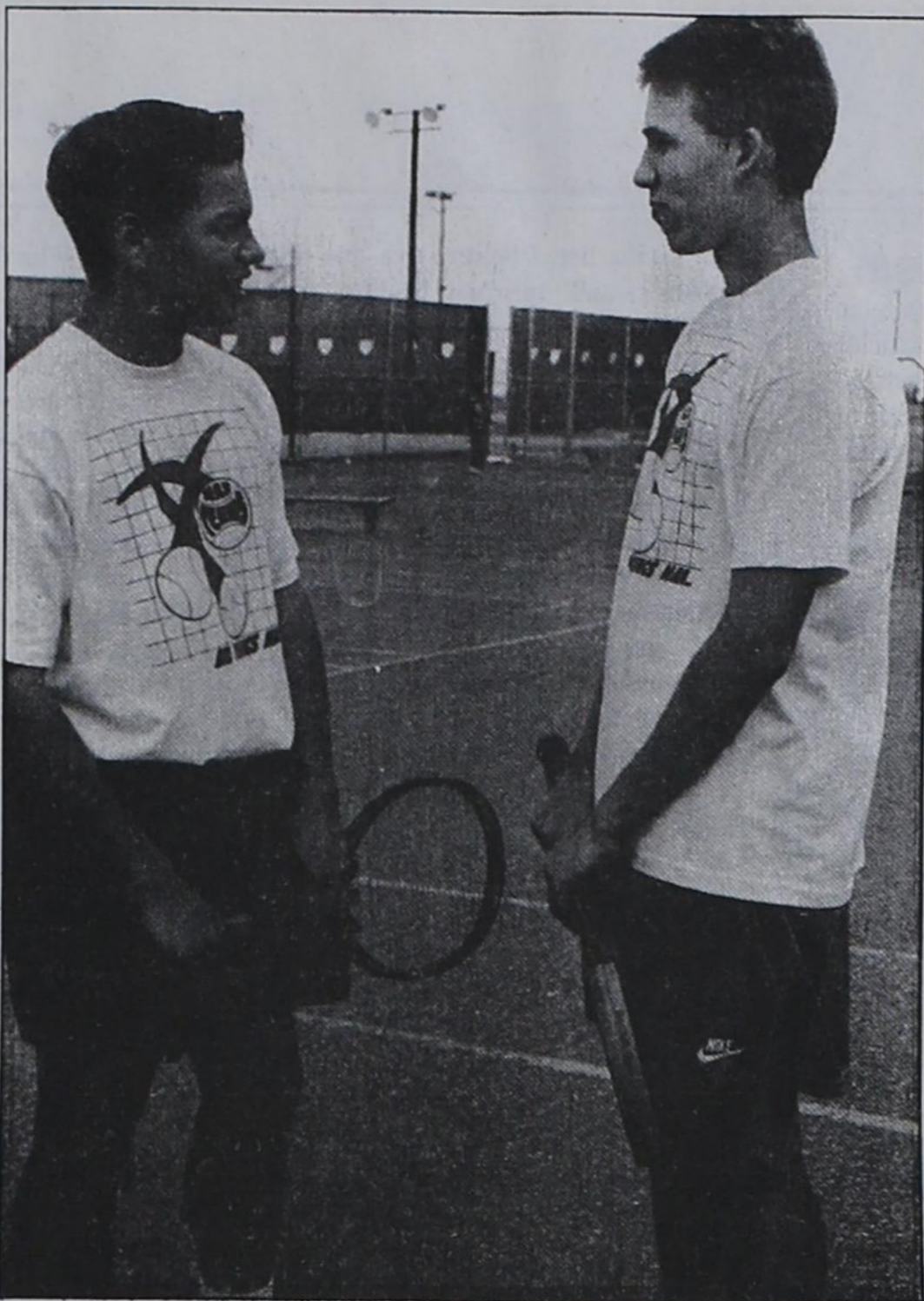
The Dimmitt Athletic Booster Club will hold a meeting Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School cafeteria.

The group will discuss and finalize plans for the athletic banquet and will elect officers for the 1994-95 school year.



RACING TO REGIONAL are Hart's Tylene Garcia (left) and Christina Robledo, who earned trips to the Region 1-A meet by placing second in the 200 and first in the 800, respectively, at district.

Photo by D'Lynn Hankins



DEFENDING REGION 1-A DOUBLES CHAMPS ... Swifts Alston Farris (left) and Scott Brockman hope to repeat Photo by Brenda Schulte

Dream Team game tonight

Some of the area's greatest names in girls basketball will take on some of Dimmitt's finest in a benefit game today (Thursday) at 7 p.m. at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium.

The "Dream Team" will face a team of local players as part of a night of basketball at Dimmitt Middle School. Proceeds will benefit the Dimmitt Booster Club.

The evening starts at 7 p.m. when the first- and second-place teams from the Dimmitt Kids Inc. basketball leagues meet. After those games, the local players will face the "Dream Team."

Advance tickets, available at Thrasher Auto Sales and from any booster club officer, are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children. At the gate tonight, tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2 for children.

Besides basketball, there will be program giveaways and half-court,

three-point and free-throw shooting contests.

"Dream Team" members are former high school and college stars from the area and include former Nazareth stars Leona Gerber Wilhelm and Gail Birkenfeld Hooks.

Avery "Get Your Own Booster Cables" Thrasher and Roy "Toy" Thomas will coach the local stars. The team includes Jerry "Bet I Can Make It From Back Here" Matthews, Darrell "Birdlegs" Buckley, Kendra "Don't Bother Me I'm Shooting" Chisum, Morris "Mr. Quiet" Wilcox, Charles "Pinerider" McLean, Becky "That's Your Man" Schroeder, John David "White Men Can't Jump" King, Beth "Pass Me the Ball" Buckley, Nita "Hot Tub" Krob, Todd "Look, No Hands" Braafladt, Chaun "Mr. Mule" Gunstream, Jim "Windex" Bradford, Phil "Which Way Is Up?" Lemons and Neila "Quit Yelling In My Ear, Richard" Malcom.

Students win at South Plains Show

Dimmitt High School won five individual best in division awards and won the best overall award for the club's restoration project at the South Plains Regional Technology Education/Industrial Arts project competition Saturday at Lubbock.

The club won first place, best in division and best overall in the miscellaneous category for the club project. Students restored a 1949 Chevrolet half-ton pickup.

Also winning best in division (BID) honors were Joe Garcia with a bar; Brian Conyers with a gun cabinet; Petra Vidal with a pair of lamp tables; Sam Moctezuma with a grill; and the architectural models team of Juan Hernandez, Alma Moctezuma and Crystal Rodriguez.

Projects were displayed at South Plains Mall in Lubbock.

Here are the placings for DHS students in various categories:

Woodworking I
Joe Garcia, bar, first and BID; David Rodriguez, china hutch, first; John Sweet, dresser, first; Omar Rascon, night stand, first; Erika Flores, curio cabinet, second; Zak Felts, coffee table, second; Jeremy Hall, table, second; Geraldo Barrios, table, second; Troy Odom, end table, second; Meredith Morgan, cedar chest, third; Steven Hoggard, dresser, third; Naomi Torres, speaker's podium, fourth; Rachel Perez, curio cabinet, fifth.

Advanced woodworking
Chris Paxton, cross bow, first; Brian Conyers, gun cabinet, first and BID; Amy Chambliss, curio cabinet, first; Marta Arredondo, dresser, second; Petra Vidal, lamp tables, second and BID; Claudia Dominguez, day bed, second; John Fuller, cedar chest, second; Ruth Torres, wall unit (three piece), second; Eric Kinser, entertainment center, second; Timothy Anes, entertainment center, third; Pete Patterson, entertainment center, third; Susie Ramirez, corner curio cabinet, fourth; Tyson Adams, entertainment center, fourth; Jason Jackson, gun

cabinet, fourth; Ubaldo Rodriguez, curio cabinet, fifth; Juan Hernandez, bathroom cabinet, sixth.

Metalworking
Sam Moctezuma, grill, first and BID; Ruben Saucedo, walker, first; Matias Hernandez, weight bench, first; Elias Corrales, tripa cooker, first; Michael Medrano, picnic table, second; Raul Holguin, grill, second; Kevin Baldrige, grill, third; Joaquin Dominguez, picnic table, third; Greg Martinez, grill, fourth; Jim Don Laurent, grill, fifth; Chris Davis, weight bench, sixth.

Electricity/electronics
Brian Conyers and Scott Heck (team), electric motor, first.

Architectural models
Juan Hernandez, Alma Moctezuma and Crystal Rodriguez (team), first and BID.

Dream houses
Steven Hoggard, second; Scott Heck and Jeremy Hall (team), third.

Safety posters
Santiago Gonzales, third; Paul Martinez, fourth.

Restoration
Club project, 1949 Chevrolet half-ton pickup, first place, best in division and best overall in miscellaneous category.

Program planned

The public is invited to attend the "Pioneer May Days History Walk" Wednesday, May 4, at 9 a.m. at the Richardson Elementary School P.E. barn.

A repeat performance is set for 10 a.m. The program will be presented by the second grade classes of Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Evan and Mrs. Smithson. The event will also include booths demonstrating old-time skills and games.

Screening today

A cholesterol screening will be today (Thursday) from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Dimmitt.

Appointments may be made by calling 647-2404.

More about Track...

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berth at state in the 800. Ethridge has a season best 2:25.29, among the best in the region.

In the boys, Larra was unpushed as he led the 3,200 from start to finish in 10:31.27. He could medal in the two-mile. He will face a tough field in the mile, where he qualified in 4:48.58.

Flores has one of the region's top times in the half-mile, with a 2:00.78 qualifying finish at the district meet. Flores was three seconds ahead of his nearest competitor at the district meet, and should get his first tough test of the year at the regional meet.

Field events, running preliminaries and the 3,200 final will be held Friday at Ratliff, on the northeast side of Odessa. The finals will be held Saturday.



HARMAN'S READY ...DHS runner in two races Photo by John Brooks

Kids Inc. releases standings

Kids Inc.'s basketball program has announced its final standings for the season and held its banquet recently.

Winners of the drawings were Brittany Porter, \$100 Dimmitt Dollars; Dolores Baldrige, \$100 gas from Dimmitt Consumers; Dee Brisco, \$100 gass from Castro Oil and Gas; Sue Springs, boom box; and Nicky Gauna, '57 Chevy Radio.

The top ticket sellers were Thomas Brockman and Sandie Jones.

Here are season results from the basketball program.

MINOR BOYS: 1. Hays Company; 2. Wright and Sons Produce; 3. Castro Oil & Gas; 4. First State Bank; 5. Headhunter; 6. Dimmitt Consumers; 7. Farm Bureau.

MINOR GIRLS: 1. First Bank - Dimmitt Branch; 2. Buckley Farms; 3. Lane Dirt Service; 4. Pancake House; 5. B&W Aerial Spray; 6. Mr. Burger.

MAJOR BOYS: 1. Lindsey's Property Shoppe; 2. Lane Dirt Service; 3. Thrasher's Auto Sales; 4. Dimmitt Ready Mix; and 5. American Maize.

MAJOR GIRLS: 1. Karryalls by Karen; 2. NAPA Auto Parts; 3. Dimmitt Agri Industries; 4. Seale Florist; 5. Big M's & One Bullet; and 6. Flag Fertilizer.



HALF-MILE HOPES ...Dimmitt's Joey Flores in 800 Photo by John Brooks

More about Surgery...

(Continued from Page 1)

removal, hernia repair, removal of ovaries or other reproductive parts, repairs and exploratory surgery.

Through one of three tubes (called trocars) is a small camera with a light. That's the laparoscope. Thanks to fiber optics, it lights up things inside and allows them to be shown on television monitors. For hysterectomies, Dr. Patel and staff use one monitor; for most other procedures, they use two monitors but still one camera.

Through another tube (and it's no bigger than quarter-inch pipe) go the tools the surgeon needs for the operation. He put one tool through that trocar that had what looked like small needle-nosed pliers on the end. Once through the tube and under the magnification of the television camera, it looked like a huge claw. That was used for a while, along with a cauterization tool. Through the third hole, a nurse can help with irrigation and suction as needed.

Bailey was a recent patient who needed a laparoscopic procedure. With her malady, she might have expected to have been off work for several weeks.

"I think she had her surgery on a Thursday, and she was back down here to check on things Monday and back at work by the middle of the week," said Mitzie Brockman, RN. She told about other folks who have had laparoscopic procedures of one sort or another; there was a basketball player who had an operation during basketball season and missed one game.

"These are marvelous tools and they're just so much better on the patient. We're really lucky to have Dr. Patel here and we're very fortunate to have this laparoscope available to us."



HE BROKE THE DISTRICT RECORD in the shot put with a winning throw of 54-5, now Hart's Israel Garcia hopes to win a trip to the state track meet. He will compete in the Region 1-A meet this weekend in Levelland.

Photo by D'Lynn Hankins

Kids Inc. sets board meeting

Kids Inc. will hold a board meeting Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce office in Dimmitt.

The board will discuss starting dates for the baseball season.

The public is invited to attend.

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MINDING YOUR OWN BUSINESS



By DON TAYLOR

General business

"Business is war" is a theme woven into several business books and articles I've read recently. The authors then go on to compare managing a business to running a successful military campaign. Many of the comparisons are valid and all are interesting.

This week I worked to find the top of my desk. As I sifted the piles, I ran across some excerpts of a speech Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf made after returning from the Persian Gulf. In this speech, Schwarzkopf outlined the philosophy and principles he used to guide American troops to quick success.

As I read these military guidelines, I began to see how you could apply them to business problems. We've written about most of these topics before in this column, but coming from a general, well, they have a different ring.

Schwarzkopf's suggestions
--You must have clear goals and you must be able to present them plainly. I'm glad Schwarzkopf put this

high on the list. I believe that one of the reasons small business owners don't succeed is because they don't set goals to guide them toward the desired outcome.

--Give yourself a clear agenda: Every morning write down the five most important things you want to accomplish that day. Whatever else you do, get those five things done and insist that people who report to you operate the same way. As we've said before, don't get tangled in the urgent but unimportant. Decide what is critical to your business success and concentrate on getting those tasks done.

--Let people know where they stand: The grades you give the people who report to you must reflect reality. I believe the military may be ahead of most businesses in this area. I know many business owners and managers who avoid having heart-to-heart talks with employees. They fear that they may hurt someone's feelings and end up making the situation worse. However, I've yet to see a problem solve itself. Instead, they usually worsen.

--What's broken now, fix now: Don't put it off. Problems that aren't dealt with lead to other problems. I've also found problems tend to grow when left unattended. Problems are like weeds, they get bigger without cultivation.

--Set high standards. Too often we don't ask enough of our people. People generally won't perform above your expectations so it's important to expect a lot. Though the general didn't say it, he sets the standard by example. Most leaders do. You can't really expect the troops to outperform their leader.

--Lay the concept out, but let your people execute it: Step back and allow your people to own their work. This concept is becoming more popular in business today. It's popular because employees who feel that they have ownership are more productive.

--People come to work to succeed. Schwarzkopf doesn't feel that you need to watch people closely. Train them, let them know what you expect, and then let them succeed on their own.

--Never lie, ever. All it serves to do is undermine your credibility with your people.

--When in charge, take command: Leaders are often called to make decisions without adequate information. Many postpone doing anything at all. Instead, they should make a decision, monitor the results and change course if necessary. We call this the Ready, Fire, Aim philosophy. You'll never get all the information on any business situation. So get what you can, make the decision and see what happens. In business, these decisions are seldom a matter of life or death. You usually get another chance to adjust or make it better.

--Do what's right: Schwarzkopf said, "The truth of the matter is that you always know the right thing to do. The hard part is doing it." I agree.

You may write to Don Taylor in care of "Minding Your Own Business," PO Box 67, Amarillo 79105.

County livestock owners may qualify for feed assistance

Castro County has been approved for the US Dept. of Agriculture's livestock feed program, which provides emergency feed assistance for the preservation and maintenance of eligible livestock to eligible livestock owners where an emergency exists because of prolonged drought conditions.

Scotty Abbott, Castro County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) executive director, said prolonged drought conditions have affected the production of livestock feed in Castro County.

The livestock feed program provides monetary assistance under a contract with eligible livestock owners to purchase necessary feed for livestock during the duration of a "livestock emergency."

Applications are now being accepted for livestock feed assistance at the local ASCS office, according to Abbott.

The beginning date of the feeding period is the later of the date the application is filed or the date the program was authorized for the county, which was last Thursday, April 21.

To be eligible for the program, a person must be an eligible livestock owner and must be actively engaged in farming or ranching and receive a substantial amount of total gross annual receipts from the production of grain or livestock (10% or more of their total gross

annual receipts from the production of grain and livestock). Producers may not have a qualifying gross revenue of more than \$2.5 million.

Abbott said to be eligible, a producer must have suffered a loss of 40% or more in the value of livestock feed produced in the crop year from the value of normal feed

PMH begins new services

A new service will make cardiovascular ultrasound available one afternoon per week at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt.

PMH has contracted with Advanced Cardiovascular Technology for services. The service was recommended by Cardiology Associates of Lubbock, which has visiting clinic hours at the hospital. The clinics use three rooms in the hospital's east wing; the rooms have been set aside for "itinerant" services and visiting clinics.

Cardiovascular ultrasound uses sound echoes to make color pictures of the heart and carotid arteries and veins in the arms and legs showing the blood flow.

The diagnostic tools and tests can be ordered by Cardiology Associates or by any member of the medical staff at PMH.

production. The producer must not have sufficient feed that has adequate nutritive value and is suitable for any of the owner's particular types of eligible livestock for the feeding period.

Livestock eligible for the program are beef and dairy cattle, buffalo and beefalo maintained on the same basis as beef cattle and equine animals.

Also eligible are sheep, goats and swine that are part of a foundation herd and have been owned or leased at least six months unless they are offspring of eligible stock, purchased by the owner as replacement breeding stock or purchased by the owner if the County Committee, with concurrence of a State Committee representative, determines and documents that the feeding of livestock owned less than six months is a normal practice of the owner and the livestock were not acquired primarily to increase program benefits.

Extension agent gives tips on home gardening

By ANDY WILLIAMS
 CEA--Pest Management

Home gardens provide high quality vegetables for fresh use, canning and freezing if the crops are supplied with adequate nutrients and water. The control of insects, weeds and diseases are also important management practices.

All vegetables require relatively large amounts of plant nutrients. Most home gardeners will have to provide additional plant nutrients by applying fertilizers and/or compost. If your soil is naturally rich in nutrients, you are lucky; however, you may find it necessary to give your garden a nutritional boost with fertilizers.

The soils of this region generally contain an adequate supply of the essential plant nutrients, with the exception of nitrogen and phosphorous. In some soils and situations, iron or zinc are needed in small quantities.

Over-fertilizing can cause gardening problems, especially with any of the "complete fertilizers." On many older gardening sites we find that excessive fertilization with phosphorous has induced zinc and iron deficiency.

Additional organic matter (compost, peat moss and manure) can have beneficial effects on the home garden. Organic matter serves to "open up" a clay soil, thus improving drainage and aeration. In sandy soils, organic matter increases the water holding capacity. In any soil, the general soil fertility status will likely be improved. Do not exceed a rate of 10 lbs. of dried manure or 50 lbs. of feedlot or stable manure per 100 square feet.

The objective of composting is to convert refuse into a "synthetic manure." Leaves, grass clippings, weeds and vegetable matter from the kitchen can all be used.

Depending on your lawn fertilization practices, compost from

'Co-existing with Wal-Mart'

Tips on how businesses can improve profits and better compete against giant retailers will be featured at a seminar today (Thursday) at 1 p.m. at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

The four-hour seminar is co-sponsored by the local chamber and the Panhandle Small Business Development Center. Don Taylor, executive director of the Small Business Development Center at West Texas A&M University, will lead the seminar.

Taylor is a successful small business owner and writes a nationally syndicated business column, Minding Your Own Business, which is published each week in the Castro County News and 55 other newspapers.

The first half of the seminar is "Inward Focus," with the second half, "Outward Focus," following a 15-minute break.

Topics will include dealing with Wal-Mart and other giant retailers;

refocusing businesses for more customers coming back; ways to grow customer base; promotion strategies; and tips on using different media effectively.

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The Job Market—1

Appearance important in your job interview

Editor's note: As we approach the end of the school year and summer begins, many youth and unskilled workers throughout Castro County will be seeking jobs.

For the next six weeks, the Castro County Extension Service will be providing a series of articles titled "Approaching the Job Market." The series is designed to assist anyone currently seeking employment. We hope you find these articles to be helpful. Fact sheets about each story are available at the Extension Office in the courthouse basement in Dimmitt.

Your appearance is important, whether you are being interviewed or working at your job. This includes the way you dress, and the way you walk and stand. Your appearance at the interview tells the employer how neat and professional you would be on the job.

Most employers will look you over and in a couple of minutes will have formed an opinion of you based on what they see. This is why it is important to be aware of how you look to others. In fact, how much a person is paid depends a lot on how they look when they interview for a job.

Here are some basic rules for dressing properly:

DOs

- Wear clean, wrinkle-free clothes.
- Make sure that the buttons are sewn on.
- Wear appropriate shoes in good condition (no tennis shoes).
- Your hair should be cut, washed and styled neatly.
- Men should be neatly shaved.
- Have clean and trimmed nails.
- Use deodorant.

DON'Ts

- Do not wear heavy perfume or aftershave.
- Women should not use heavy make-up.
- Do not dress flashy, wear extreme hair-dos or sexy clothes to get attention.
- Avoid wearing jeans and t-shirts.
- Do not smoke, chew gum or use tobacco.

Another part of your appearance is the way you carry yourself. This includes the way you stand, speak and make eye contact. When you are asking for an application for employment, make sure you look the employer in the eyes and speak clearly. This shows the employer that you have pride in yourself.

Here are some ways you can show confidence:

- Know when to go to different job sites.
- Never go job hunting between the hours of noon and 1:30 p.m. This is usually lunchtime.
- Never interrupt someone to ask for an application.
- Start every day with a positive feeling, such as, "I do have a chance of getting this job."
- Never go to a company feeling down on yourself or discouraged.
- Speak with confidence and talk directly to the manager; don't look up at the ceiling or down at the floor.

Always believe in yourself. Dress so you feel and look good. Even though many other people are looking for the same job, figure out how you can look like the right person for the job. You can be the best you can possibly be. Show the employer that you are confident and really want the job.



UIL WINNERS AT DIMMITT MIDDLE SCHOOL
...Students won ribbons at district contest

Photo by John Brooks

Dimmitt pupils earn UIL ribbons

Dimmitt won three blue ribbons at the District 2-3A Elementary-Junior High UIL Literary Meet held April 5 and April 9 in Muleshoe.

Dimmitt sent 86 students to the competition in various subject areas. Dimmitt placed fourth in the school totals behind Muleshoe, Tulia and Friona.

Two Richardson Elementary students also won ribbons at the meet. Jill Merritt was fifth in third grade ready writing, and Chance Cox was third in third grade story telling.

Here are the placings in the District 2-3A Elementary-Junior High UIL Literary Meet for Dimmitt Middle

School students:

Michael Bell, eighth grade ready writing, first; eighth grade calculator, sixth; Kylie Webb, fifth grade spelling, first; Thomas Brockman, Sally Stahl, Charley Nutt, Sandra Jaramillo, Dana Gonzales and Sarah Bradford, fourth grade picture memory team, first; Jacy Buckley, eighth number sense, tied for fifth; Derek Buckley, junior high boys oral reading, third; Miranda Turner, junior high girls oral reading, second; Kami Hand, junior high girls oral reading, fourth; Amber Matthews, eighth grade ready writing, fifth;

Also, Jessica Flores, seventh grade science, fourth; Jeff Riggs, eighth grade science, second; Rusty McDaniel, seventh grade number

sense, third; Wesley Wright, seventh grade calculator, third; Michael Penney, sixth grade number sense, second; Kyle Wood, sixth grade number sense, tied for sixth; Larissa Fuentes, sixth grade ready writing, fourth;

Also, Debbie Peralez, Olga Gonzales, Tyrell Bebout, Lillian Stewart and Jason Reyes, fifth grade

picture memory team, fourth; Amanda Rodriguez, fifth grade ready writing, sixth; Cherie Norman, fifth grade spelling, fourth; Kelsey Welch, fourth grade ready writing, fifth; Cliff Wright, fourth grade ready writing, sixth; Lyndee Behrends, fourth grade spelling, second; and Jeremy Bishop, fourth grade spelling, fifth.

Field day slated for beef producers

A special "Ranch to Rail-North Field Day" will be held May 10 at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center in Amarillo.

The program was begun to allow producers to learn more about their calf crop and the factors that influence value beyond the weaned calf phase of beef production.

It is not an effort to promote retained ownership, nor a contest to compare breeds or breeders. It is a forum for cow-calf, feeder and packer segments of the industry. Producers enroll weaned calves into the program and are provided with detailed performance, carcass and financial summary reports.

Many producers have found that calf health prior to shipping from the ranch is more important than genetics. The system is in its third year, with over 2,100 steers completing their finishing phase in the feedlot during April.

The field day will begin at 8 a.m. with a breakfast. Programs will include an overview of the beef

industry, program updates, vaccination problems and solutions, carcass defects, beef quality and marketing.

Persons wishing to register should contact Allyson Butler by May 1 at (409) 845-3579.

Livestock judges place

Castro County resident Moriah Olson was a member of a livestock judging team which placed third overall in a recent contest at South Plains College in Levelland.

Olson and her teammates, Trey Skiles and Michael Carlson of the Deaf Smith County 4-H Club recorded a score of 1306, third behind teams from Springlake (1348) and Happy (1330) in the contest.

Her brother, Sy, finished 23rd in the sheep division.

Dimmitt FFA member Chad Jennings placed seventh in the swine division with a score of 142.



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A copy of all materials in the public file is available for inspection and reproduction at the TNRCC Amarillo Regional Office, Air Program, located at 3918 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79109-4996, telephone (806) 353-9251, and at the TNRCC Central Office, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, telephone (512) 239-1000. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the regional office of the TNRCC. Inquiries about the permit application and any information concerning any technical aspect of this application can be obtained by writing Mr. Richard Wheeler, TNRCC Office of Air Quality New Source Review Program, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 or the TNRCC Amarillo Regional Office.

You may submit written comments concerning the permit application to the Office of Air Quality, New Source Review Program in Austin. All written comments received within 30 days after the second publication of this notice shall be considered by the Executive Director in determining whether to issue or not to issue the permit. All written comments will be made available for public inspection at the TNRCC Central Office in Austin. This notice is to be published on April 28 and May 5.

Any person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the proposed facility may request the commission to hold an informal public meeting and/or contested case hearing on the permit application pursuant to Section 382.056(d) of the Texas Health and Safety Code. The Commission is not required to hold a contested case hearing if the basis of a request is determined to be unreasonable. All requests for a contested case hearing must be received in writing, within the 30-day comment period regardless of whether an informal public meeting has been held or scheduled on this matter. If you wish to request a public hearing, you must submit your request in writing. You must state: 1. your name, address and telephone number; 2. the permit number or other recognizable reference to this application; 3. the statement "I/we request a public hearing;" 4. a brief description of how you or the persons you represent would be adversely affected by the granting of the application; 5. a description of the location of your property relative to the applicant's operations; and 6. your proposed adjustment to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns and cause you to withdraw your request for hearing. Requests for a public hearing on this application should be submitted in writing to Bill Ehret, assistant chief hearings examiner, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, telephone (512) 305-9087.

Before a permit can be issued for this facility the applicant must demonstrate that all emission sources are in compliance with all TNRCC air quality Rules and Regulations and all applicable Federal Regulations. This includes the application of "best available control technology" to each new or modified emission source and compliance with all ambient air quality standards.

22-3-2tc

22—Notices

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WEIGHT WATCHERS is now meeting every Monday in Dimmitt. For more information, please call 1-800-359-3131. 22-40-tfc

24—Card Of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

To our family, friends and neighbors, we want to thank you so much for your many prayers, cards, calls and visits during J.B.'s stay in the hospital. Knowing that you care has certainly helped us through this difficult time. May God bless you all.

J.B., THELMA, SAMMYE
JANIS, LARRY & FAMILIES
24-3-1tp

CARD OF THANKS

A big thank you to everyone who called, sent cards, flowers, donations, visits, food and all the kind words during Mother's hospitalization and subsequent death. It was a very hard three weeks. To Clara Patton, a big thank you. Also to E.M.—you're one in a million. Brenda Bruton—a special thanks. Also thanks to Linda Fitzgerald, Brenda Seely and all of the "Golden Acres Senior Citizens" for looking after our grandmother while we spent so much time at the hospital. We appreciate you so very much.

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We wish to take this means to thank each one in this great community who visited, sent cards, made phone calls and brought food, during my hospital stay and recovery at home. We thank you most of all for your prayers and concern. It's great to be a part of a loving and caring community such as ours.

CHARLES & WILMA DOSS
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25—Legal Notices

ORDER OF ELECTION

An election is hereby ordered to be held on Saturday, May 7, 1994, for the purpose of electing four (4) councilmembers, by districts.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the City of Dimmitt Administrative Office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on Monday, April 18, 1994, and ending on Tuesday, May 3, 1994.

Additional early voting will be held as follows: N/A.

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to Dolores Baldrige or Betty McClure, 200 East Jones or P.O. Box 146, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on Friday, April 15, 1994.

Issued this the 21st day of March, 1994.

MAYOR WAYNE COLLINS
Presiding Officer
25-3-2tc

25—Legal Notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION TO THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF NAZARETH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, NAZARETH, TEXAS:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on May 7, 1994, for voting in a school trustee election to elect two trustees to full three-year terms.

LOCATION OF POLLING PLACES: Nazareth School Home Economics Room, 101 S. First Street, Nazareth, Texas 79063-0189.

Absentee voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Nazareth ISD Superintendent's Office, 101 S. First Street, Nazareth, Texas 79063 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. beginning on April 18, 1994, and ending on May 3, 1994.

Additional absentee voting will be held at the same location as follows: None.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to Barbara Schulte, P.O. Box 189, Nazareth, Texas 79063-0189.

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on April 29, 1994.

Issued this the 10th day of February, 1994.

HENRY RAMAEKERS,
Presiding Officer
25-3-1tc

LEGAL NOTICE

On Monday night, April 18, 1994, the City Council voted that the City is only responsible for the main sewer lines and main water lines. Property owners are responsible from the main to their houses. The City will only clean the main lines on the sewer. The city will still make taps on sewer and water mains at homeowners' expense, then the repairs and cleaning of the property owners' lines will be their responsibility—not the city's responsibility.

THE MAYOR
CITY COUNCIL
25-3-2tc

ORDEN DE ELECCION

Por la presente se ordena que se llevara a cabo una eleccion el Saturday 7 de mayo 1994 con el proposito de: Electing four (4) councilmembers by districts.

La votacion en adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en City of Dimmitt Administrative Office, entre las 8 de la manana y las 5 de la tarde empezando el Monday, 18 de abril 1994, y terminando el Tuesday, 3 de mayo 1994.

La votacion en adelantada ademas se llevara a cabo de tal manera: N/A.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausencia por correo deberan enviarse a: Dolores Baldrige or Betty McClure, 200 East Jones or P.O. Box 146, Dimmitt, Texas 79027.

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en adelantada por correo deberan recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el Friday, 15 de abril 1994.

Emitada esta dia 21 de march 1994.

MAYOR WAYNE COLLINS
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TO ROBERT SAUCEDO, RESPONDENT:

GREETINGS:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable JACK MILLER, 64th District Court, Castro County, Texas at the Courthouse of said county in Dimmitt, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of Martha Rose, Special Prosecuting Attorney for the Texas Dept. of Regulatory and Protective Services, filed in said Court on the 24th day of September, 1993, against ROBERT SAUCEDO, Respondent, and said suit being numbered 92-01-A-6424-FL on the docket of said Court and entitled "In the Interest of ELEANOR SAUCEDO, ESTELLA SAUCEDO, SARA SAUCEDO, LEONELA SAUCEDO, ROJELIO SAUCEDO and RACHEL SAUCEDO, Children, the nature of which suit is a request to terminate parent-child relationship. Said children were born on June 17, 1978, Sept. 1, 1979, Nov. 5, 1982, Jan. 30, 1985, Jan. 29, 1986, and May 7, 1987.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the child's interest which will be binding upon you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the children's adoption.

If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned, unserved. The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court at Dimmitt, Texas, this the 19th day of April, 1994.

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Candidates . . .

(Continued from Page 1)

Malone said, "I think it should be a joint (public-private) effort. If anyone has any good ideas that might involve the city, let us know."

"We haven't supported some things that have been done for our youth," Proffitt said. "You need to do your best to support whatever they need. Be supportive of them, whatever it takes."

In the school board race, Avery Thrasher didn't show for the forum. Thrasher will face District 5 incumbent Frank Welch. District 1 incumbent John Nino is unopposed for re-election.

"Five of the seven school board members were new last year," Welch said. "We knocked heads a little but we're trying to do our best for the kids. My dad told me that we owe kids one thing, and that's an education. These kids will be running the community some day."

Nino told the crowd of the six children he has had in the Dimmitt schools, and how he has the best interest of all children at heart.

"We are really working on the

betterment of our community and our schools," Nino said. "The board is working on one thing: what is best for the kids and the least cost for taxpayers."

Nino and Welch explained the board is trying to address dropout problems through use of a GED program. The program could turn into a cooperative effort among several area districts, and that cooperative could lead to more programs for youngsters.

CCHD board candidates talked about the past and the future in opening remarks at the forum.

Schaeffer: "I believe in contributing time, effort and money to the community. I want to try to serve because this community has been good to me. It is awful hard to build, but it is easy to complain and tear down. I have served three terms and would like an opportunity to serve again. We have come a long way since my first hospital board meeting, we have come a very long way."

King: "I have served on may state and national groups and boards and

I've been involved in politics and agriculture. . . . A lot of things I've done don't mean squat to most of you. I had people ask me to run for this board, they got the signatures on the petitions, so here I am. I have nothing against anyone personally; I think we are all builders. I feel a need to satisfy the community, the county as a whole, and I won't be reluctant to speak up.

"We need to save the hospital, have adequate doctors, staff and nurses, have an outside, personal audit so well know who's getting what. I just want to see who's getting their money's worth. I'm worried about our tax rate, and if we're paying the bucks out I want to make sure we're getting our money's worth."

Clark: "I have 37 years of management experience (he has been in Dimmitt 23 years, and is chief

executive officer of Dimmitt Agri Industries). The hospital is like a cooperative, and I have experience working with boards. I want to work for the benefit of the taxpayers. I have a degree from Texas A&M in agricultural economics, and I have experience in all things I might run into on the hospital board.

"I haven't had time to do community work here. I'm now semi-retired and I would like to serve on the board and feel that I would do a good job. I feel I can represent the needs of the board, the taxpayers and the personnel at the hospital. Health care has changed a lot in the past few years, and in the next few years we might not be able to recognize health care. Rural health care has had to struggle through the years, and I am dedicated to preserving a good health care system in the future."

Lindsey: "Seven years ago I made many phone calls about the tax increase, saying save it, save it. I stood up against one of my role models, a farm wife, and told her we have got to have our hospital, and we chose to save our hospital. I was willing to help with the understanding that when the hospital was solvent the tax rate would level off and we would get some of that tax rate back. I'm responsible for doing some of that, saying we need to take that lick and pay those taxes.

"I am against doing all of the rural health clinics at once. I think we should do one rural health clinic, see if it works, then do the second, see if it works, then do the third.

"You need to know where your taxes are going. The taxes don't stop if the thing shuts down. I am here because I am for the taxpayers. Farmers can't afford the tax rate as it is. Even if you don't vote for me,

continue to ask questions about the tax rate, about how things are done. I am willing to ask questions, and I am willing to be unpopular. I want to be part of fixing it."

Schaeffer, during question time, said the hospital district has an audit each year by a Lubbock firm.

"The first two years they gave a qualified opinion," Schaeffer said. "Now, they are giving unqualified opinions (about the soundness of the hospital's operations). They go through every phase of hospital operations."

After the meeting, King said he wanted an audit "naming names, saying who gets what, what money goes where, so that we get everything and every one out in the open."

"I'm not trying to tear down, I just want to know where the money is and who is getting it," King said.

Obituaries

Kay Bradley

Kay Bradley, 48, died Saturday. Services were Tuesday in Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon-Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors, 5400 Bell in Amarillo, with Paul Sneed, minister of Central Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

She was born in Clovis, N.M., graduated from Dimmitt High School and attended Texas Tech University. She moved in 1964 from Dimmitt to Happy. She was owner of the Happy Hair Beauty Shop and was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard Dallage, in 1992.

Survivors include two daughters, J'Tawn Kinkade and M'Shaun Burks, both of Amarillo; her parents, Ethel and Forrest Ray of Goldthwaite; a sister, Linda Catoe of Hamilton; and three brothers, Jim Bradley of Weatherford, Bob Bradley of Clovis and Jack Bradley of El Paso.

The family requests memorials be to the Kay Bradley Memorial Fund, in care of Happy Bank, 100 E. Main, Happy 79042, or 1901 Fourth Ave., Canyon 79015.

Diana Dowty

Diana Fowler Dowty, 55, of Vernon, died Friday in Wichita Falls.

Her survivors include two sisters-in-law, Ann Heck of Nazareth and Delle Moore of Dimmitt, and her mother-in-law, Martha Dowty of Dimmitt.

Services were Monday in First Baptist Church in Vernon with Dr. Charles Becton officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery in Memphis by Community Funeral Home of Vernon.

Mrs. Dowty was born in Memphis and had been a Vernon resident for 13 years. She was a teacher since 1981 at Vernon High School. She graduated from West Texas A&M University and attended Texas Tech University. She was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha, president of Alpha Tau Zeta chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, a sponsor of Vernon High School's Peer Assistance Leader program and was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Ed Dowty of Vernon; two sons, John Ed Dowty and Tracy Lee Dowty, both of Lubbock; a daughter, Lori Jane Dowty of Lubbock; her parents, John and Sue Fowler of Memphis; a sister, Jane Young of Colleyville; and a grandson.

Troy Fulton

Troy Fulton, 66, died Thursday. Services were Saturday at Ivey Chapel at Foskey Funeral Home with Wayne Mullin, pastor of Church of God of Prophecy in Pampa and the Rev. Edward Freeman, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Dimmitt, officiating. Burial was in Castro Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Fulton was born Aug. 31, 1927 in Ballinger. He moved to Dimmitt in 1970 and had also lived in Hereford. He married Rosie Jouett in 1983 in Dimmitt. He operated Edwards Laundry and formerly worked for Castro County Precinct No. 2 and at Goodpasture.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Troy Dale Fulton of White Deer; three daughters, Sharon Joplin of Pampa, Paula Hill of Glendale, Ariz., and Taleta Fulton of Wichita, Kan.; two brothers, Don Fulton of Weatherford and Ellis Fulton of Midland; two sisters, Frances Stephens of Fort Worth and Ava McWilliams of Big Lake; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Keith W. Howard

Keith W. Howard, 78, of Amarillo, died Saturday.

There were no services. Cremation was by Memory Gardens Crematory.

Mr. Howard was born in Aledo and graduated from Plainview High School. He married Lily Marie Howard in 1943 at Hollywood, Calif. He lived in Dimmitt for several years and farmed in Castro and Swisher counties, and operated a custom combine business. After retiring from farming, he and his wife were involved in the music business. He was a US Army Air Corps veteran and served in World War II.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Linda Allen of Amarillo, Jeanette Browning of Dawn and Keith Ann Gearn of Hereford; a brother, E.L. Howard of Plainview; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Crown of Texas Hospice.

Donald James

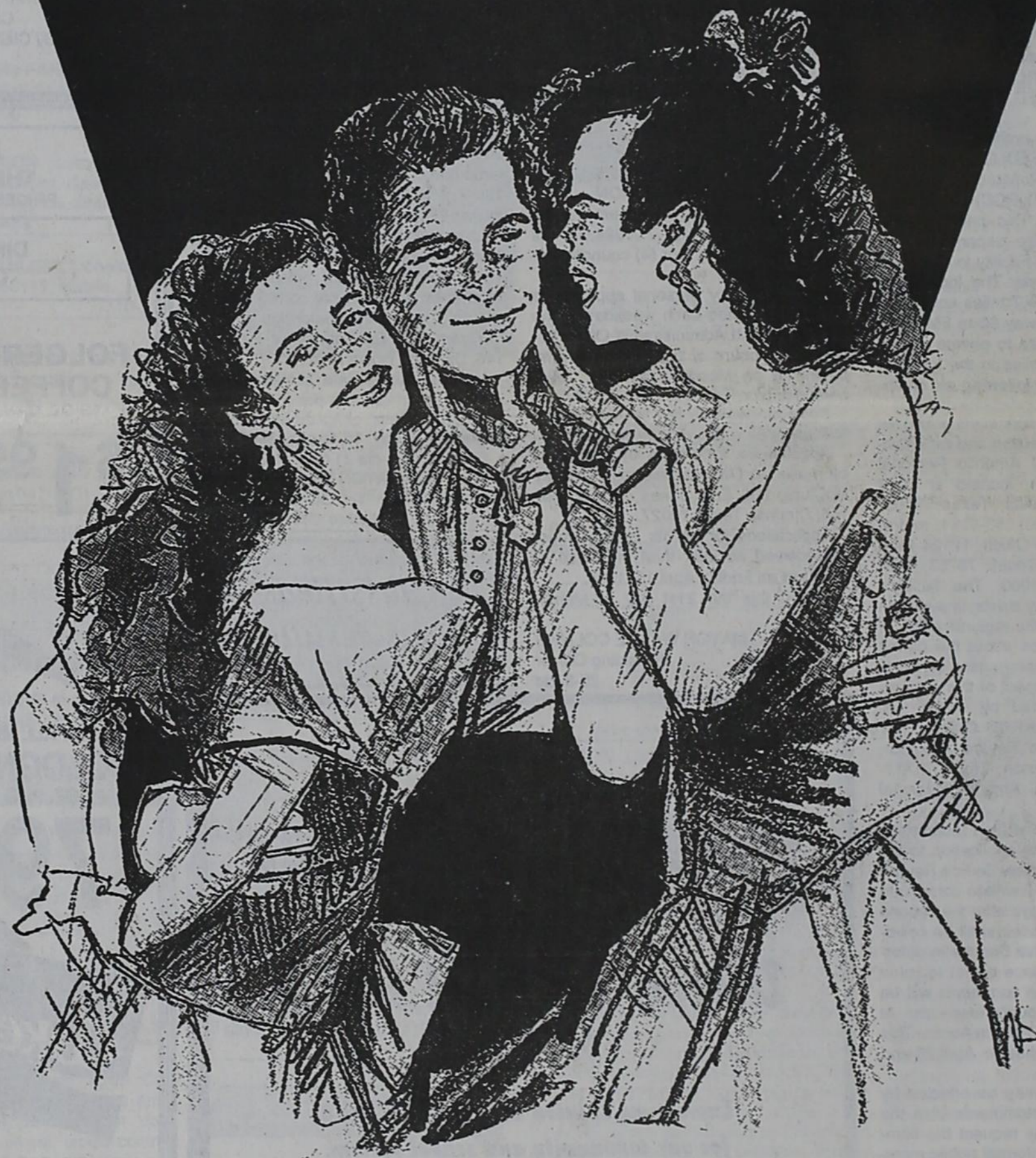
Donald James, 21, of Dalhart, died Saturday.

Services were Tuesday in First Presbyterian Church in Dalhart with the Rev. Steve Kinsey officiating. Burial was in Stratford Cemetery by Hass-Ferguson Funeral Directors.

Mr. James was born in Raton, N.M., and was raised in Boise City, Okla., and Stratford. He graduated from Stratford High School in 1992. He married Ginger Cullers in 1992 at Dalhart, and the couple moved to Dalhart in 1993. He enjoyed showing cattle and received a number of honors, including Grand Champion at the Panhandle Exposition in Guyton, Okla. He received the Lone Star Farmer Award from FFA while in high school, and was a member of the American Hereford Association.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Stetson James of the home; his parents, Richard and Sue James of Dalhart; a brother, Charlie Roundtree of Springer, N.M.; and two stepsisters, Paula Ivey Beck of Canyon and Karen Ivey of Dimmitt.

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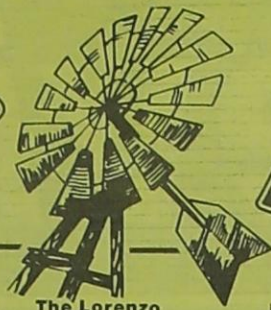


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Friona Ind.

An Agribusiness Profile:

By **WENDY WALTON**
AgReview Writer/Intern

AMARILLO — A new program offered by Friona Industries aimed at increasing the marketing choices of the cattleman has sparked interest among producers.

James Herring, the company's president and CEO, explained in a recent interview how each year the cattle industry wastes millions of dollars because of high medicine costs and death loss associated with weaning a calf in a commercial feed-yard setting.

Herring said now Friona Industries seeks the rancher's cooperation to eliminate those losses. The company decided to give ranchers who produce a quality product a series of quality marketing options.

Friona Industries introduced a program called Hi-Pro

CEO James Herring says new marketing plan allows cattle clients a wide range of marketing choices ...

See Friona, Page 3



Gordon Zeigler/AgReview

Cottonseed ready to plant

As the nation's largest cotton patch is poised to put its seed in the ground in a big way over the next three weeks, Plainview's Kevin McLain of Plainview Acid Delinting and among the many dealers supplying cottonseed this month, examines the characteristically purple-colored seed kernels. The colorful dye signifies pre-plant treatment to withstand disease.

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AgReview



Dry situation examined as planting looms

By JOE BRYANT

A&M Extension Journalist

LUBBOCK—Teasing, tantalizing rainclouds have Texas High Plains cotton farmers desperately scanning the skies, hoping against hope for enough precipitation to let them plant. The 25-county area around Lubbock, which annually plants some three million acres of cotton to produce almost 25 percent of the nation's crop, is reeling under a prolonged drought with planting time at hand.

Widely scattered showers, ranging from a trace to two inches in various parts of the counties Thursday (April 21) and scattered thunderstorms Friday (April 22) brought a flicker of hope to the farmers.

"It did a lot for the attitude even if it didn't do that much for the soil," said one. Since last August, most of the area had less than four inches of rain.

"The next couple of weeks will be critical for dryland producers," said Kater Hake cotton agronomist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "Most fields don't have planting moisture. Even the limited number with deep moisture, 36 inches deep, may be of little benefit, because any dry zone in the soil will prohibit deeper root development."

"Right now it would take four or five inches (of rain) to get enough plants to support zero yield" in dryland fields, said Dr. Dan Krieg, agronomist at Texas

Tech University. But Krieg expressed hope that the recent showers and predictions that more might occur in the next few days would mean an end to the pattern of drought.

Extension Service economist Dr. Jackie Smith said weather analysts in the cotton marketplace see an increasing prospect of precipitation to relieve the critical situation on the High Plains.

Crop watchers in the "nation's biggest cotton patch" agree that without good and timely rains, even producers who irrigate their crop are in for trouble. Ken Carver, assistant manager of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1,

said an informal survey by his agency indicates that 75 percent of the preplant water applied by sprinklers has been lost to evaporation; only about 25 percent remains in the soil.

Unless there is a substantial rainfall during the growing season, Hake said, the lack of deep moisture and declining well capacities will mean extra irrigation expense and make the crop highly vulnerable during the traditionally hot, dry days of July and August.

Given the current circumstances, Hake recommended that dryland producers in the area wait to plant until soil moisture is 12 inches deep. Then, he said, they should plant with the least amount of soil dis-

turbance to reduce evaporation losses.

"Make one pass, if possible, chopping existing stalks, seeding at a low rate, banding and scratching in a yellow herbicide, and furrow diking to hold any precipitation we may receive," Hake said.

In irrigated fields, the Extension Service agronomist recommended, "take advantage of timely rains that increase the soil moisture enough to plant, and check your soil moisture prior to planting and frequently afterwards. Use the potential evapotranspiration network to keep track of your soil moisture and to guide you to when to start watering after planting."

Partridge-like prairie chicken facing extinction in near future

HOUSTON (AP) — The Attwater's prairie chicken is hovering closer to extinction, but a captive breeding program is trying to turn the corner on the decline.

A 1994 survey shows there are just 158 of the partridge-looking birds living today. That's a 65 percent drop in the prairie chicken population just one year after a similar study was

done. At the turn of the century, there were an estimated 1 million Attwater's prairie chickens on the coastal prairies of Texas and Louisiana.

Officials blamed the drastic decline mainly on wet weather during the species' prime hatching and brooding period in April and May of 1993. Heavy rains last spring flooded the

prairie chickens' ground-level nests and killed newly hatched chicks. "That problem was coupled with the fact of a nose-diving population," said Terry

Rossignol, assistant manager of the Attwater Prairie Chicken National Wildlife Refuge near Eagle Lake, about 40 miles west of Houston.

South Plains

Ag News

May 28

FLOYD COUNTY OLD SETTLERS — Day of celebrating and fun, plus a parade including antique tractors.

June 11

ARMSTRONG FARM TRACTOR PLAYDAY — Paul and Jackie Armstrong of Hart will host their annual tractor show on their farm 3 1/2 miles west of Hart on FM 145, then three miles south. A slow race, parade and plowing contest will be held.

July 9

LEVELLAND CELEBRATION AND TRACTOR PARADE — Parade and celebration including old tractors. For information contact Preston Reeves.

Latest reports friendly to market

The latest supply/demand reports were friendly to the market. Estimated U. S. exports for the 1993/94 crop were increased 200,000 bales, carryover stocks decreased a like amount, and the estimated world crop decreased 950,000 bales to 76.75 million. With world use at 84.81 million, the drawdown in ending stocks is 8.0 million.

That places world stocks/use (s/u) at 36%, a sharp drop from 48% two years ago. The market focus is on weekly export shipments that would confirm increased exports and weather conditions affecting new crop prospects. The weekly export report on Thursdays indicates net new sales commitments and export shipments.

It is shipments that need to be stronger from now to August to reach the 6.7 million bale export target. The market is also concerned about the yield and subsequent size of the 1994/95 crop. Planting intentions of 13.8 million acres would be more than adequate to produce enough cotton to meet potential usage of around 17 million bales.

However, dry weather across 2 to 3 million acres of West Texas dryland production is of growing importance to a possible setback in the 1994 Texas crop and decreased U.S. production. In other words, the market is sensitive to weather conditions because of tight foreign stocks and expectations for increases exports from both the 1993/94 and 1994/95 crops.

Also, in addition to the dry weather threat, a stormy and wet weather threat near harvest, especially in the Delta, could cause considerable bullish market excitement in August and September. Thus, a pricing strategy that minimizes risk and allows benefits from higher prices later should be considered. A minimum price contract and put options are two of the common strategies that are usable to manage price risk.

Weather and export driven markets are very uncertain



COTTON MARKET UPDATE

Dr. Carl Anderson

and may make major moves in either direction, depending on bearish or bullish construed news.

Protect your business against lower prices but be ready to take advantage of possible price rallies. Pricing strategies are extremely flexible and workable to fit your plans and cash flow needs. Forward contracting of the 1994/95 crop totaled 13% of prospective acreage by April 1. This is the largest acreage contracted since 8% at the same time in 1991. Contracted acreage was 31% in the Southeast, 14% in the Delta, 9% in the Southwest, and only 2% in the West. Important dates to remember are the May 10 supply/demand report when USDA first makes projections for the 1994/95 marketing season. The following supply/demand report will be June 12 and planted acreage on June 30. Because of dry weather the planted acreage report and expected harvested acreage will be greatly anticipated by the market in June.

(Dr. Carl Anderson, A&M Cotton Extension Marketing Specialist, is a noted authority on the cotton markets.)

Surprises abound as planting nears

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — The spring planting season always offers some surprises in Texas. But this year's surprises aren't all nature's doing, some are because of manmade chemicals, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reports.

While some crops like peaches and spring vegetables were harmed by the recent freeze, cotton producers in Central Texas have had to worry

about both Mother Nature and chemicals.

Extension agronomist James Supak of College Station said the freeze experienced by Central Texas and the lack of moisture is the reason the herbicides from other crops are haunting cotton.

Supak said since most producers rotate their crops, some of the cotton plants have been damaged because of

the chemicals used on the corn crop last year.

"With the cool weather and dry conditions, herbicides like atrazine from the corn crop are likely hurting the cotton," he said.

Supak said the cotton is not growing out of the damage and the closer seedlings are to the ground the greater the risk of losing the plant.

FRIONA, from page 1

Producer's Edge to pay ranchers a premium for preconditioning their calves. Hi-Pro Producer's application and information packet outlines the following requirements to be a part of the program. A rancher must have a load of a calves, all of which must come from the producer's own cow herd:

- must follow the recommended weaning program as outlined by Texas A&M, or a comparable program as outlined by a local veterinarian and approved by Producer's Edge officials

- must castrate (knife cut) prior to weaning

- must treat the calves for both internal and external parasites at the initiation of the preconditioning period

- must follow good animal husbandry practices

- must ear tag calves with the Producer's Edge tag provided by Hi-Pro

- must purchase animal health the precondition program from Hi-Pro, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Friona Industries.

The calves have to be weaned for a minimum of 45 days, according to the program requirements.

Hi-Pro Producer's Edge program includes several marketing options offered by Friona:

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Friona industries began in 1962 when Friona Feedyard was first opened. Company literature reports Friona Industries as the sixth largest cattle feeding operation in the United States. It has 380 employees and reached \$200 million in sales last year.

Friona now owns and operates five feedyards with the total capacity of 189,250 head of cattle. Other divisions in Friona include a livestock feed manufacturing company, an animal health products distribution division, a 130,000-acre ranching operation and an agricultural credit corporation. Various literature distributed by the company states the main objective of each area is to service the needs of every customer in every division of the company.

The feedyard division is located in the following areas: Friona, Earth, Tulia, Littlefield and Canyon. Brochures from Friona explain how every feedyard offers all cattle feeding

services from preconditioning of calves through final finishing for slaughter. Feed financing and assistance is also available. Friona feedyards have considerable experience in feeding all classes of cattle.

Company brochures describe Friona's other three divisions: Hi-Pro Feeds and Hi-Pro Animal Health, and Friona Agricultural Credit Corporation.

Hi-Pro Feeds provides customers with products as well as a complete nutritional advisory service. The service is provided by a staff of animal nutritionist.

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In the Friona Industries main office and throughout the company literature a printed mission statement defines the importance of customers and the quality of work in all their employees.

Friona Industries' mission statement is printed inside a company brochure: "Training and empow-

ering knowledgeable, capable, motivated employees to provide a

competitively priced product of exceptional quality together with efficient and responsive service in order to assist our customers in the development and growth of their business."

Friona Industries consists of officers and division managers throughout the company in cattle inventory, feedyard operations, Hi-Pro Feeds and Hi-Pro Animal Health. Friona also has a treasurer and chief financial officer.

James Herring was named President and CEO of Friona industries, L.P. in May 1989. Herring was formerly president and chairman of the Board of LFS Capital Corp., the third largest stocker cattle

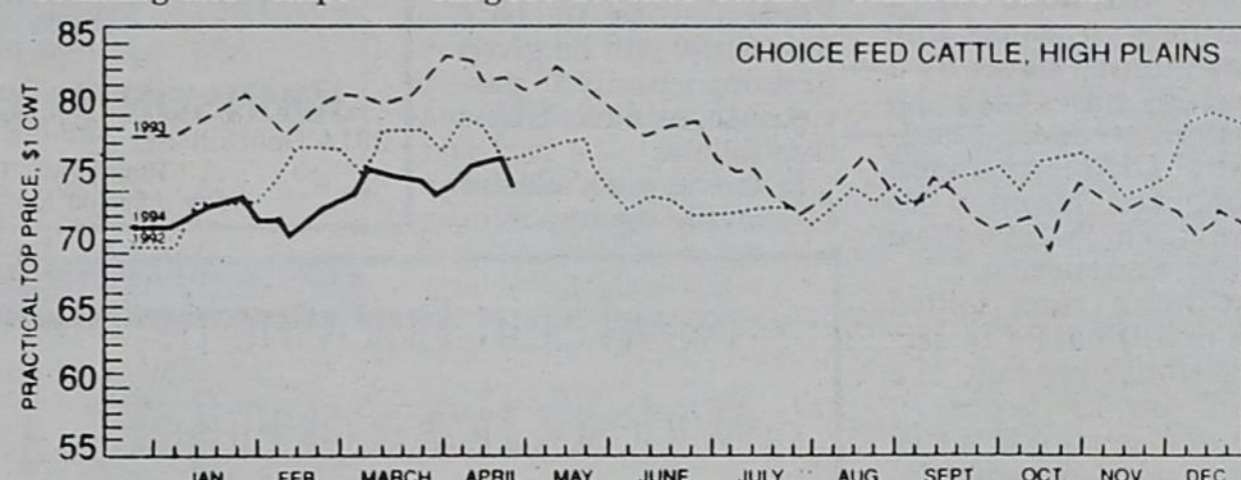
operation in the United States during the late 1980s.

From 1979 to 1984 he was president and chairman of the Board of

Marcore International, Inc., a conglomerate which included a commodity brokerage company, an agricultural finance company and subsidiaries with various interests in oil and gas, cattle and real estate. Herring currently serves as Chairman of the Agriculture

Council of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce.

Herring received a bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Texas at Austin and an MBA from the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.



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The Palo Duro Canyon State Park Art Show will be 8am to 5 pm June 11-12.

Clinton pleads for assault weapons ban

WASHINGTON — In a poignant ceremony attended by a Californian whose wife was gunned down by a crazed man with an assault weapon, President Clinton urged Congress Monday to ban such "weapons of mass destruction."

Clinton thus joined an uphill battle to secure House passage of a ban on 19 types of semi-automatic assault weapons, including those with clips holding more than 10 rounds of ammunition. The bill's sponsor, Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., said he is 15 to 20 votes short of victory.

The Senate passed the ban last November as part of its anti-crime bill.

Clinton called the pending House vote "a pivotal point" in the White House campaign against crime. "This is a real test for us," he told a White House Rose Garden audience of about 200 people that included crime victims and law enforcement personnel.

"These weapons were designed for the battlefield, not the streets of America," Clinton urged Congress to "end this proliferation of weapons of mass destruction."

doors, below the scenic overlook, and adjacent to the Interpretative Center. A fee of \$25.00 will provide approximately a 10'x10' space for both days.

All other park fees, and reservation procedures are applicable. All art forms will be considered for the event. Artists are encouraged to display, sell, and create your art form during the show. However, it is a Craft Show, and crafts will not be permitted.

This Show coincides with the opening weekend of the outdoor drama "Texas". This Art Show is dou success and grow in expected to gain in popularity each year. Participants in this first Show will be given first opportunity to participate in each Show that follows.

It is the park's desire to provide an opportunity for the park visitor to view and/or purchase quality art forms, and visit with its creator. Space is limited, so artists are being asked to contact the park personnel as quickly as possible to register.

Potential entrants may call Palo Duro Canyon at 488-2556.

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There's no official proclamation, but it seems to be National Buy-A-New-Country-Album Day. Hitting record stores Tuesday are new releases from everyone from Johnny Cash (on new label American) to Marty Brown, Randy Travis to Reba McEntire.

The profusion of women's records is particularly astounding for a single day of commerce. Pam Tillis and Linda Davis join Reba on the shelves, and Lorrie Morgan isn't far behind, with a new one coming up in early May.

Here are reviews of several of Tuesday's new country albums. Ratings are out of five possible stars:

Marty Brown
"Cryin', Lovin', Leavin'," MCA Records
4 1/2 stars

Here it is, all you country fans who liked country music when most people were busy dismissing it as "too twangy." Marty Brown's the real thing, an unrepentant hayseed with a nasal delivery.

If you think he strayed too far afield with his slightly slick sophomore album last year, Wild Kentucky Skies, this album is much closer to the earlier, primitive High and Dry.

Revel in the misery of Summer's Goneor Shameful Lies. And how much more country can you get, with a song title like "Too Blue to Crow?" One cut, "Watch It Burn," is almost eerily Hank Williams-esque.

Reba McEntire
"Read My Mind," MCA Records
4 stars

The horn solo at the very beginning of this album made us think we'd slipped a New Age jazz tape into the deck by mistake, but then there was Reba's confident voice, warming up the cool Everything That You Want into a country smoothie.

Wild turkeys at their peak in Palo Duro

PALO DURO CANYON — The wild turkey population is at its peak in the Palo Duro Canyon.

Turkey sightings have been especially plentiful over the past few weeks, according to personnel at Palo Duro Canyon State Park.

It is the time of year that most area residents plan outings to watch the birds.

There is not one spot that is better than others, officials say, although picnic grounds and camping areas have traditionally been among the best places to sit and watch the birds.

The turkeys usually make their appearance for a few weeks, then subside until this time next year, according to spokesmen.

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By **BILL ROGERS**

Canyon News

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It includes wild cow milking, team branding and penning and more.

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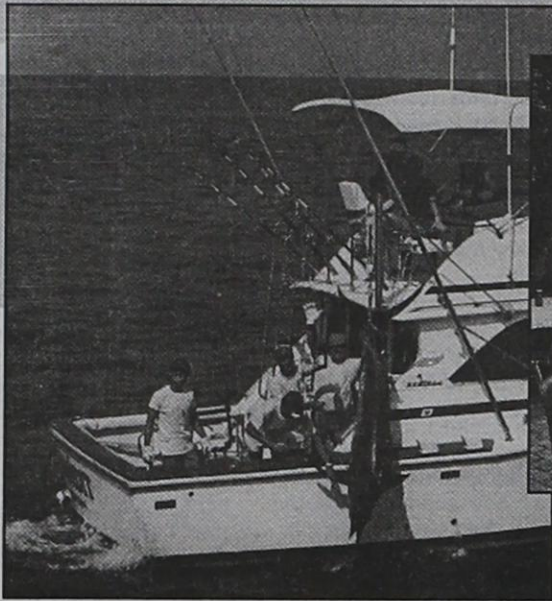


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Satellites 'beam in' on entertainment business

By JIM ERICKSON

Seattle PI

SEATTLE — Cable TV and video rental executives call them "death stars" — satellites capable of beaming hundreds of channels of television programs and movies directly to homes equipped with small, relatively inexpensive receiving dishes.

But though the competitive threat posed by satellite entertainment services (or "DBS" for direct broadcast satellite) has been remote in the past, skepticism over their viability is fading fast.

Mass-market DBS services are here, offer-

ing greater programming choices at prices that could persuade a substantial number of previously captive cable customers to defect. The satellite providers also plan to offer pay-per-view movies at prices and on time schedules that could dent video store rentals, experts say.

"We bring a lot of things to the party," says Robert Hubbard, executive vice president of United States Satellite Broadcasting Co. "Better picture and sound quality, on-screen program guides, more channels, value. And you can take your television viewing with you to

your vacation home." Beginning next month, the first of two Hughes Galaxy 601 satellites will begin operating the nation's first high-powered DBS service. Another satellite is scheduled for launch this summer, doubling channel capacity.

Together, the satellites are part of a \$1 billion effort to deliver more than 150 channels — more than three times the number of local cable systems — to subscribers anywhere in the continental United States. An estimated 40 percent of households do not receive cable TV.

Principal investors

include Hughes Communications, which has spent \$600 million on the project and formed DirecTV, a unit of GM Hughes Electronics, to provide programming. Other partners include United States Satellite Broadcasting, a subsidiary of Hubbard Broadcasting Inc. of Minneapolis, and Thomson Consumer Electronics of Indianapolis, which will make 18-inch-diameter receiving dishes and VCR-sized home digital decoders consumers need to receive transmissions. The hardware will sell under Thomson's RCA brand.

DiracTv and USSB will be independent

programmers sharing the first satellite. In addition to movies, DirecTv will offer 23 popular network cable services — among them CNN, ESPN and the Disney Channel. Ultimately, DirecTv will also sell 30 to 40 classic and new-release movies, with many titles running every half hour, as well as music channels.

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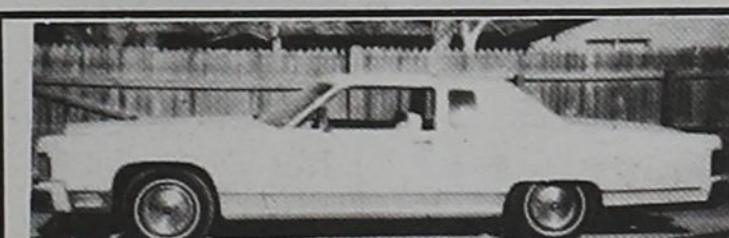


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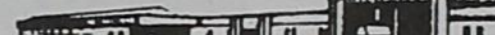
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Columnist does comparison of the leading desktop PCs

By **STEPHEN MANES**

NY Times

Subtle differences between one desktop computer and another keep computer magazines busy running benchmark tests, but the results are clear. These boxes on our desks are becoming commodities.

Computers are not yet as fungible as pork bellies, but they are getting closer. Again and again, benchmark tests reveal that machines with similar specifications perform in remarkably similar ways. Faster models typically have fast microprocessors, swift disk drives, special video cards and lots of fast cache memory to support them. Slower models get by with less, but do not cost as much. The mandatory automotive analogy? Two Maseratis will perform more comparably than a Maserati and a Yugo. Both, however, are likely to get you where you are going.

Emulating the auto industry, computer marketers have created separate "lines" aimed at particular market segments. The IBM Personal Computer Company sells PS/1, PS/2, and Valuepoint models; a separate division of the International Business Machines Corp. offers computers under the Ambra label. AST Research Inc. produces units under the Advantage, Bravo and Premia marks. Distinctions are about as easy to explain as the subtle differences between an Oldsmobile Achieva and a Buick Skylark.

Last week the Compaq Computer Corp., whose lines include Presario, Prolinea and Deskpro XE, introduced its new top-shelf Deskpro XL models, destined to be sold primarily to corporations via "resellers" of the sort that typically do not invite the general public in to tickle the keyboards.

Just as it may be useful to test-drive a Lexus to learn what you will be giving up in a Festiva, it can be instructive to take a high-end computer for a spin to see what might be missing in "value priced" showrooms.

The Deskpro XL units have at least eight megabytes of random access memory, the sensible minimum for relatively painless Windows performance, plus a generous 256 kilobytes of fast cache memory.

One EISA/PCI expansion slot and three EISA slots (two ways to plug into the computer's nervous system) are available, with video occupying a PCI-only slot. In an arrangement apparently unique to this line, 32-bit Ethernet networking and Fast SCSI-2 peripheral support are built into the motherboard and

connected via the PCI bus. Compaq "expects" a Deskpro XL with 486DX2-50 processor, CD-ROM player and 535-megabyte hard drive to cost about \$3,200. A 60-megahertz Pentium unit with zipper video should sell for \$700 more. Neither price includes a monitor.

Cheap these are not, but detail has been attended to. The machine is finished on the bottom to take visual advantage of an included stand that turns it into a "tower" model.

Verticality does not faze the caddyless CD-ROM drawer, which cleverly includes two retractable clips that keep disks from falling out. Software can enable energy-saving "sleep" modes to minimize power use and heat output.

The unusual "Vocalyst" keyboard includes a built-in microphone and speaker that deliver all the tonal quality of a fine speakerphone; mercifully, headphone and mike jacks are nearby.

With the help of the included Microsoft Windows Sound System hardware and software, you can easily record "business audio" sound clips that tell the boss what a great leader she is, play the company anthem every time you boot your machine or blackmail the gossip at the next desk.

Swiping a trick from Apple, the talking keyboard includes a connector for the mouse, plus cable stowage that accommodates lefties as well as righties. Unfortunately, the key legends (Page Up, Page Down, etc.) are rendered in a font striking in its ugliness.

Deskpro XL models claim compliance with the new Plug and Play standard, which offers easier hardware instal-

lation, which should be helpful once cards that support it become common and the next version of Microsoft Windows arrives.

Since the microprocessor unit, cache and main memory are installed on a "daughtercard," and two internal fans dissipate heat, it should be easy to upgrade to toasty higher-performance processors, including Intel's forthcoming P6. It probably will not be cheap, though: A Pentium upgrade card would go for around \$1,799 today.

Given the built-in network hardware, it is odd that the machines ship with Windows 3.1 rather than Windows for Workgroups. A Compaq spokesman explained that corporate customers requested the non-network edition for fear that renegade work groups might start their own pirate networks without proper managerial oversight.

DOS, some system essentials, an on-line manual and a resource-hogging Windows shell called Tabworks come with the machine, but in keeping with the corporate and network focus, application software is singularly absent.

Similar systems, remember, perform similarly. Since machines with roughly comparable specifications sell for hundreds of dollars less and throw monitors, applications and sometimes modems into the bargain, what do the extra dollars get you here?

As with luxury cars, the answer seems to lie in speed and refinements beyond what many users care about. Built-in high-speed networking may be important in a huge corporate situation, but a small business can cope along with slower commodity-priced connections.

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