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Cable TV reps promise improvements

By DAVIE BROWDER
Managing Editor

Cable television officials met with the public on Monday night to hear what people in Dimmitt have to say about the cable system. Although there weren't as many present at this meeting as attended a similar meeting 18 months ago, at least some of the citizens came away with a measure of hope.

Raymond Greenwood, regional vice-president for governmental relations for Cebridge Connections, said that several steps have already been taken to improve cable reception and told the audience that when the cable system

is off air, it is top priority with the company.

Several citizens mentioned the problems they had with Channel 7 during the Rose Bowl game when the picture jumped the entire last half.

Others complained that when they call and don't get the Muleshoe office, but get the call center in Dallas, they're invariably told it will be several days before anything can be done.

However, Greenwood said that Cebridge service people are in this area every day and gave the audience the number of the Tulia office (995-3098) as an alternative if they can't get through to Muleshoe.

Greenwood said that it's hard to make people in the call center in an urban area understand that just because they only get nine or 10 calls on a subject from a rural area, that's probably more widespread.

"We have to get them to understand that everyone doesn't call when the cable's out," he said. And, he said, the company does give rebates to customers when the cable system is out. "All they have to do is ask," he said.

He did leave the audience with some hope that the system may get better.

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Thursday's fire fed by dry grass, high winds

North winds blowing 30 mph and gusting much even higher whipped a grass fire that ignited Thursday afternoon off north US 385, across the road from North Gin. Estimates are that some 125 acres was burned.

Officials said had the wind been blowing in the opposite direction, the gin and all the cotton yet to be ginned might have been in jeopardy.

As it was, officials estimate some 120 acres of land, mostly CRP, was burned as the fire jumped the county road leading to the city dump and continued burning south toward town. The initial alarm was raised about 2 p.m. and by 4 p.m., officials were saying the blaze had been contained the extinguished.

"We had fire fighters from Dimmitt, Nazareth, Hart, Sunnyside, Springlake-Earth, Hereford, Tulia and the Texas Fire Service here," said Sheriff CD Fitzgerald. "As Casas welding 13 vehicles were burned, but I don't know what shape they were in before the fire. The wooden structure and two mobile homes there didn't burn thanks to fast action by people with front loaders and discs who were making fire breaks as fast as they could."

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Top, the fire Thursday had plenty of dry grass to feed it and gusting winds to spread it. Directly above, the approximate site where the fire started, looking south toward Dimmitt on US 385.

McCurry starts at Castro County Extension Service

By DAVIE BROWDER
Managing Editor

Kylinda McCurry, the new Castro County Extension Agent

for Family Consumer Sciences, has only been on the job a few weeks, but already she said she's found that Castro



Kylinda McCurry

County is the place for her.

"I like being in a smaller town where I can get to know everybody," she said. "I missed that when I was at school at Texas Tech. When they asked me which of the jobs - one in Vega and the other one here - I picked Dimmitt."

In addition to being a friendly town, McCurry said friends of her family live here and told her she would like it.

McCurry is from Jayton, where her parents, Chuck and Linda, still live. "They were very happy I picked Dimmitt," McCurry said. And, coming from a small town, she said she's grown up with 4-H. Combine that with the teaching aspects of the job which she likes and it's a perfect fit, she said.

She graduated from Tech in December with a degree in restaurant, hotel and institutional management.

Now that she's here, McCurry

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Castro County Junior Livestock Show set for the weekend

Dennis Underwood always wanted a Brahma heifer - but they're pretty expensive. So last year, when he won a heifer at the calf scramble of the Houston Livestock Show, Underwood immediately knew what kind of heifer he'd get.

The heifer, 18 months old and named Rosie, has already helped him get in the winners circle. Rosie was named Grand Champion at the Lamb County Jackpot; Reserve Breed Champion at the Caprock Classic in Lubbock; Breed Champion at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo and won third place in the

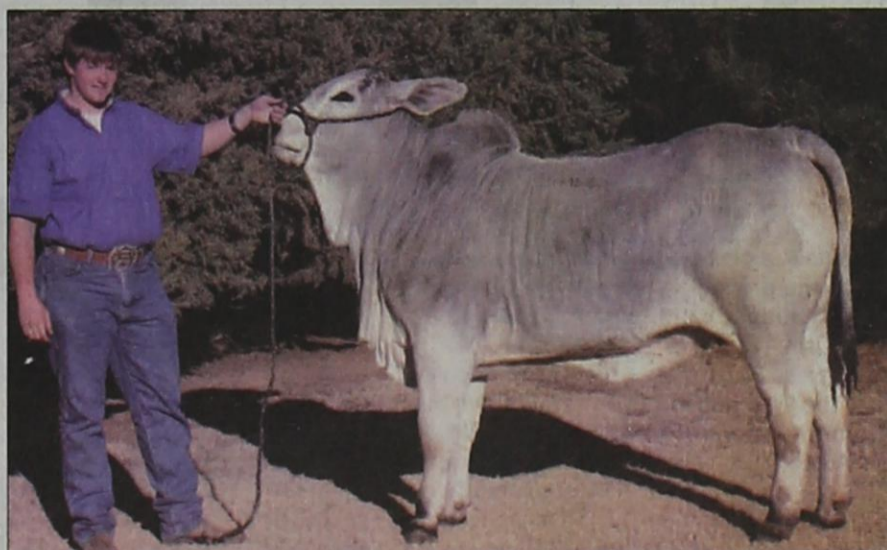
Plainview Panhandle Parade of Breeds.

"I've worked with her from the time I got her - from halter breaking her to getting her ready to show," Underwood said. "I like the showing part the best. The part I like least is breaking the animals. They're always a little more high-spirited than you want them to be."

When he won the certificate for a heifer, Underwood found out that he has a number of obligations that came with it.

"All the winners have to have a

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Dennis Underwood and his Brahma heifer, Rosie, have entered and won a number of shows this year. This weekend, he'll once again be competing - this time at the Castro County Junior Livestock Show.

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Forum

Why 'diplomacy' with Iran had to fail

European 'diplomacy with Iran - supported by the U.S. - necessarily strengthened Iran

By ELAN JOURNO

European diplomats, who courted Iran in an attempt to halt its suspected nuclear weapons program, regret that "diplomacy" did not dissuade Iran from its plans. But this failure was foreseeable.

Europe's diplomatic effort was touted as a reasonable way to settle the dispute over Iran's suspected nuclear weapons program without any losers.

By enticing Iran to the negotiating table, we were told, the West can avoid a military confrontation, while Iran gains "economic incentives" that can help build its economy.

But the negotiations--backed also by the Bush administration--only strengthened Iran and turned it into a greater menace.

The proposed deal--which was said to include the sale of civilian aircraft and membership for Iran in the World Trade Organization--rested on the notion that no one would put abstract goals or principles ahead of gaining a steady flow of economic loot.

And so, if only we could have negotiated a deal that gave Iran a sufficiently juicy carrot, it would forgo its ambitions.

But to believe that Iran really hungers for nuclear energy (as it claims) is sheer fantasy.

Possessing abundant oil and gas reserves, Iran is the second-largest oil producer in OPEC.

To believe that it values prosperity at all is equally fantastic; Iran is a theocracy

that systematically violates its citizens' right to political and economic liberty.

What Iran desires is a nuclear weapon--the better to threaten and annihilate the impious in the West and in Iran's neighborhood.

Iran declares its anti-Western ambitions stridently.

At an official parade in 2004, Iran flaunted a missile

draped with a banner declaring that: "We will crush America under our feet." Its leaders, moreover, have for years repeated the demand that "Israel must be wiped off the map."

A committed enemy of the West, Iran is the ideological wellspring of Islamic terrorism, and the "world's most active sponsor of terrorism" (according to

the U.S. government).

A totalitarian regime that viciously punishes "un-Islamic" behavior among its own citizens, Iran actively exports its contempt for freedom and human life

throughout the infidel world.

For years it has been fomenting and underwriting savage attacks on Western and American interests, using such proxies as Hezbollah.

Like several of the 9/11 hijackers before them, many senior al-Qaida leaders, fugitives of the Afghanistan war, have found refuge in Iran.

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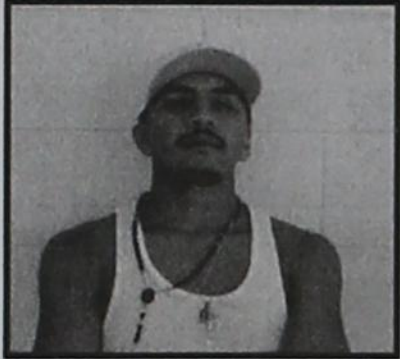
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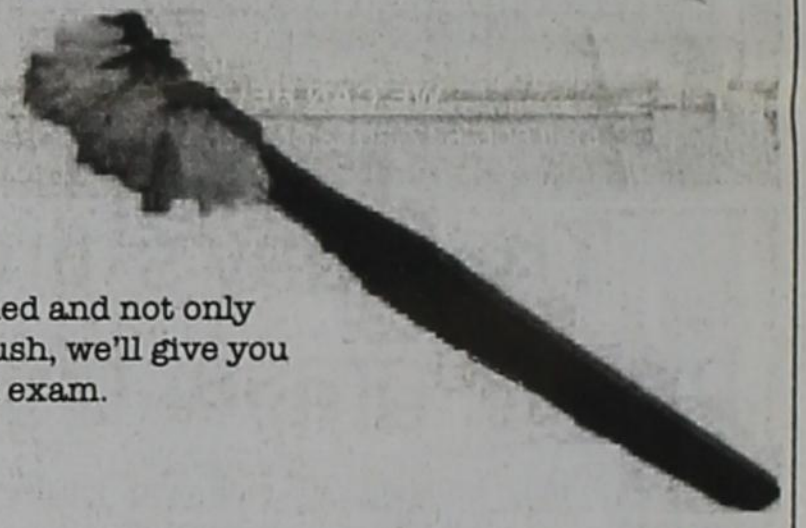
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- 1 Astro need in '05 World Series (abbr.)
 - 5 TXism: "busier than ___-armed fry cook in a truck stop"
 - 6 TXism: "hell ___ for leather"
 - 7 TC company: "Orbison ___"
 - 8 corporation abbr.
 - 9 TXism: "he two-steps to his ___" (independent)
 - 16 early Roy Orbison group: "___ Kings"
 - 18 Astroworld attraction: "Batman ___"
 - 21 TX Linda Darnell film: "___ Way Out"
 - 22 TXism: "fast as ___ up a rafter"
 - 23 pickup fuel
 - 24 TX coast mapper: Alonso Alvarez de ___
 - 30 TXism: "you can take ___ bank" (certain)
 - 34 TX Perot (init.)
 - 35 Los ____, TX
 - 36 TXism: "feel like ___ chewed up and spit out"
 - 37 ___ Gay
 - 39 Crockett's "Hay-hauling, Horse Shoe Pitching, ___ Competition"
 - 43 this TX Novarro starred in '26 "Ben Hur"
 - 44 TXism: "covered like fur ___"
 - 45 ___ Paso, TX

- 46 "scope" south of the border
 - 47 some are volunteer
 - 49 billfolds
 - 52 TX eatery: "Steak ___ Ale"
 - 53 Astro Roy Oswalt stat.
 - 54 TX duo "___ & Crofts"
 - 55 skull air pockets
 - 58 puts the plane on the ground
 - 59 OJ's judge
 - 60 TXism: "I ___ to"
 - 61 actress Sandra of "The Wild and the Innocent" with TX Audie Murphy
- DOWN**
- 1 hare
 - 2 Kendall Co. seat
 - 3 TXism: "___ as a newborn calf"
 - 4 Rockport: "Where the fun never ___"
 - 9 extra quarter in a Cowboy game (abbr.)
 - 10 TX Paula Prentiss film: "___ Pussycat?"
 - 11 a Roman emperor

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WEATHER	High	Low	Prec.	Snow
	Tuesday	37	15	.01
Wednesday	56	14		
Thursday	68	22		
Friday	64	17		
Saturday	52	20		
Sunday	64	29		
Monday	69	20		
Jan. Rainfall			0.01	
2005 Rainfall			18.83	
2005 Snow			3.92 Inches	

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

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Hispanic Voice

with Angie Arguijo, 647-0106

Hola, amigos. Hello, friends. Como estan? How is everyone. I am very happy to say that I actually got into this week. It had been a bit slow for a while. I really do hope that I get lots of news for the column this year. It's always fun to hear what everyone is up to.

My dad, Frank Mendoza Sr. and his friend Soila Reyes say they enjoyed a great New Year's Eve at La Estrellita in Dimmitt. They say that Tex-Mex Connection put on a great show and they danced all night. At midnight, they did the 12 grape tradition. Soila says that she spent her Christmas holiday with her children in Levelland. Both Frank and Soila have been feeling a little under the weather, but are "determinados" to get over it. Nothing stops those two, they are always up to something, whether it's fun or work.

George G. Perez, son of Santos G. Perez sent me the following all the way from Rio Hondo... "Rio Hondo is a great place to visit. This is where I reside. I am George G. Perez, a former Dimmitt Bobcat from the 1972 era. Recently, we had some visitors for New Years, Dr.

Cesar and Sylvia Guerra. We all had a great time and went fishing and did a little dove hunting. Now, we are all preparing the final touches for the entertainment and awaiting the arrival of the rest of the Perez family in February. Those joining us will be Lino Perez and his family, Luis Perez, Joe Perez Elias Perez, Charlie Perez and the rest of the gang. Oh, and last but not least, La Senora Santos G. Perez." George says he is excited and can't wait to see everyone. May God bless everyone on their trip to and from Rio Hondo. George G. Perez and family and Attorney Ovidio Ochoa will be waiting with open arms.

Lisa and Frank Aleman of Amarillo spent Christmas Eve with their son Richard and his family at their new home. They purchased a new house about three weeks before Christmas, so we thought it would be nice to celebrate Christmas and the new home. Christmas Day took them all to Olton to see Lisa's baby sister Lupe Perez and her family and of course, everyone ate all day long. Their son spent the day at his fiancée's parents, Rey and Belle Almandariz's home in Plainview. For New

Year's Eve, Lisa and Frank went to Olton to deliver a car they gave to their niece Selena and nephew Michael Paul Diaz. The two had been in a very bad car accident and their car was totaled. Since Lisa and Frank had an extra car, they were generous enough to pass it on (Dios pone cosas como estan en nuestros corazones! God is the one who puts things like this in our hearts!) Lisa and Frank would like to wish their granddaughter Tara Cedillo a very Happy 17th birthday. Tara celebrated her birthday on Jan. 9. Lisa would also like to wish the love of her life, Frank, a very Happy Birthday. Frank will be celebrating his big day on Jan. 15. They would also like to wish all their friends and family in Big Dimmitt a very Happy New Year.

Happy Birthday to Priscilla Rodriguez from all of her family and friends. Priscilla will be celebrating her birthday on Jan. 19. Priscilla, ya perdi la cuenta, cuantos anos tienes? Priscilla, I lost count, how old did you turn? We all hope you have a great day.

Claudia and Alejandro Houston were in town for a few days a few weeks ago. While here, they enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by Claudia's mom, Janie Cozby, and visited with her brothers in Hereford. Claudia and Alejandro's visits are always short and I always miss them. Claudia and I are good friends, but rarely see each other. Thank goodness for e-mail.

A huge "Gracias Amigos" to all of the surrounding fire departments from the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Department. Fire fighters came from Tulia, Nazareth, Hart, Hereford, Lazbuddie and Sunnyside to help battle the blaze last week. They all worked hard and helped get things under control.

Gracias a todos los que me mandaron noticias. Thanks to everyone who sent me news. As you know, I can't write the Hispanic Voice without your info. So as always, send your info to angie79027@hotmail.com, 647-0106 or 346-3882. Y como siempre, hasta la proxima semana.

BOBBIES

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this thing together."

JV

On Friday, the Dimmitt Bobbies Junior Varsity was edged by Tulia, 43-40.

Seventh-Grade

Dimmitt 29, Olton 16
The Dimmitt seventh-grade Bobbies extended their record to 8-1 on Monday, handily defeating Olton. The Bobbies started off strong to take a 15-2 first-quarter lead that they expanded to 23-8 by the half. After three periods, Dimmitt led, 25-12.

Leading scorers for the Bobbies were Shea Myatt with 14 points and Heloise Cillie with nine.

On the Go

Mrs. Hopson has decided to lay down her pen and take a well-deserved rest from her work here. So we're looking for someone who'd like to submit a weekly column on the goings-on in Dimmitt. Please call 647-3123 for more information. NOTE: You need to be able to submit your columns via e-mail.

Naz News

with Vergie Gerber, 945-2669

What a wonderful, fun evening at the Home Merc on Sunday as at least 90 people were served a delicious steak dinner following a happy hour during which Cale Wilhelm played his violin and Logan Robb the guitar and entertained the crowd.

Both boys are 11 and are doing quite well.

Jake Hoelting entertained during dinner with very enjoyable piano music.

Father Ken Keller gave the opening prayer and Rusty Gray of Tulia the closing prayer.

The meal was prepared by Jimmie Schulte and her two daughters, Lynn Cameron and Lou Wethington and served by Zack Cameron, his friend James and Kyle Birkenfeld.

People attended from Hereford, Clarendon, Hart, Dimmitt, Bushland, Nazareth and one couple from Ireland.

After the dinner, a plaque of appreciation was given to Jimmie Schulte and Bev Schulte for their untiring work and Bud and Rita Kern for the generous contributions.

Co-director, Darryl Birkenfeld, explained how and where the grant money and contributions were being used on the Home Merc Building.

Resident Allen Dobmeier commended Darryl on his "dream, vision and now a reality" helping make the Home Merc, which at one time had its windows boarded up, a lively Community Center.

The Round Town Band

then performed with really great music that enticed tables to be moved together, making room to dance.

All the band members were at one time South Plains College music students!

Those attending the ACTS Retreat this weekend in Amarillo are Irene Wilhelm, Tracy Ramsey, Tara Kleman, K'Lynn Gerber, Shawn Gerber, Brenda Conrad and Leesa Sager. It was a wonderful experience!

Our sympathy to the family of Ricky and Zenita Rowland in the loss of their 18-year-old nephew, Jacob Rogers of Kress.

Congratulations to Marty and Tisha Gerber on the birth of a girl, Kathey Ryce on Jan. 13, 2006, at BSA Hospital in Amarillo.

Kathey has two sisters, Blakely and Merry. Grandparents are Vincent and Toby Gerber of Nazareth and Danny and Shelley Rice of Dimmitt.

Great-grandparents are Mary Gerber of Nazareth and Jimmie George of Dimmitt. Great-great-grandmother is Irene Carpenter of Dimmitt.

Barry, Whitney, Monty and Nathan Hoelting and Nathan's friend, Jessica, spent a fun weekend in Ruidosa, N.M. They enjoyed skiing, shopping and all the normal fun things to do in Ruidosa.

Congratulations to Gilbert and Dolly Schulte on

their 50th wedding anniversary.

They were recognized and prayed for Sunday morning during Mass at Holy Family Church.

More residents are enjoying their noon Naz 2020 meal in the Senior Citizens Center each Wednesday. The meal was prepared by volunteers Catherine Huseman and Dorothy Kleman. "Not much fun to eat along."

A large group of relatives and friends attended the beautiful wedding of Brent Huseman and Kim Honstein of Hereford at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Hereford. Brent is the son of Bernie and Wanda Huseman and is the owner of H&R Fencing Co. in Hereford and surrounding areas.

Kim is the daughter of David and Georgia Honstein of Wyoming.

Kim works for Eye Masters in Amarillo.

The couple will live in Canyon.

Their grandparents are Catherine Huseman and the late Arnold Huseman and Eddie and Juanita Schacher of Nazareth.

Also, the late Bernice Riecke, George Riecke and Ruth and Floyd Honstein.

Please remember to pray for our sick people, our Seminarian, Nick Gerber and all who are serving in our Armed Forces.

Special prayers are asked for Elmer Kleman, Jeanette Brockman, Lillian Cameron and Allen McLain of Hart.

Texas health law Hotline up and running

Low-income Texans who need medical services suffer from more than just their health problems. They must first fight for access to doctors, hospitals and medical coverage and then face enormous bills. Even for the healthy, this constitutes either a great deterrent or an overwhelming challenge.

The American healthcare industry is one of the most highly regulated in the world. It is regulated on the federal, state and local levels. Texans with limited means, generally do not have access to such representation. No big brother is standing by to negotiate their bills, insist on charitable treatment or appeal their Medicare penalties for them. For seniors, complex issues arise when enrolling in Medicaid, and most recently Medicare Part D for prescription drug coverage. Without assistance in understanding the enrollment process, low-income seniors may be turned away by pharmacists and unable to afford to pay for necessary medicines.

To fill these voids, Texas Legal Services Center has created a Health Law Hotline. A Hotline attorney is available to answer healthcare legal questions, to correspond on behalf of callers and to make referrals to other legal service providers or healthcare agencies when necessary. Further, regarding Medicare Plan D,

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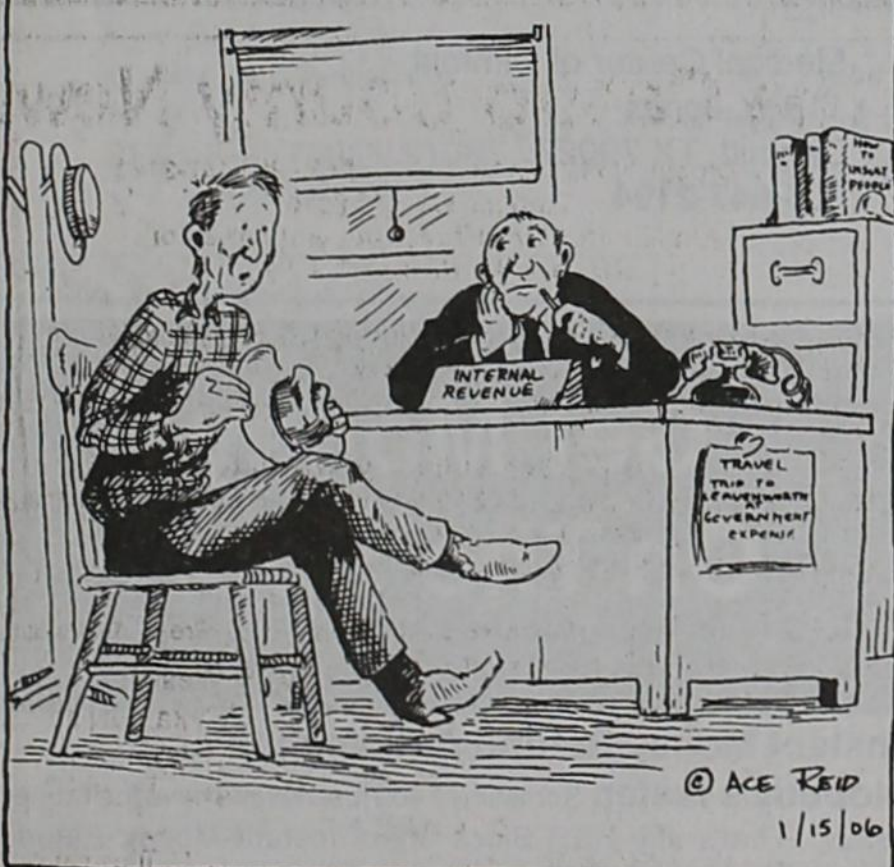
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Community Calendar

Candidate forum set for GOP hopefuls

The Castro County Republican party is holding a forum to introduce the candidates running for election on the GOP ticket in the March 7 primary. Interested voters are invited to join the candidates for lunch at noon, Friday, Jan. 27, at City Hall. Castro County Republicans are invited to hear from the candidates running on the GOP. Candidates will enumerate their reasons for running and talk about how they believe they can make a difference in Castro County.

CEU opportunities for private applicators

Each Wednesday, starting Jan. 18, through Feb. 15, private pesticide applicators can get CEUs at the Castro County Extension office. We will start at 1:30 p.m. and the meetings will last 2-3 hours. CEUs in all areas will be offered. For more information, contact the Castro County Extension Office at (806) 647-4115.

Plains Auxiliary workshops under way

The Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will begin their weekly workshops beginning Wednesday Jan. 18. The workshops will be held every Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the workshop at the Medical Center of Dimmitt, 112 W. Jones.

New pick up schedule in effect at Richardson

Starting Jan. 16 Richardson Elementary began releasing students at staggered times in order to relieve traffic congestion. Students in Headstart will be released at 3:30 p.m. Headstart parents are Not required to come into the building to pick-up their child.

Kindergarten and Grade 1 will be released at 3:30. Grades 2, 3, 4 will be released at 3:45. All bus students will stay until 3:45. All students not riding the bus will be released in front of Richardson by the flag-pole and the orange barrels. Students will not be allowed to exit from the west doors (back doors). The west doors will be locked. Parents should travel in the lane closest to the school on Stinson to pick-up students. All students are required to stay behind the orange barrels until they see their ride. Richardson Elementary is trying to make a safer environment for all students.

Singers showcase at Roxy Theater in Olton

Roxy Theater will host the Night of The Stars Singer's Showcase on Saturday, Jan. 28, at 7 p.m. The showcase is open to any singers in the area. Come and share your talent with us! Deadline to enter is Jan. 25, at noon. If you would like to perform or have any questions email us at oltonpwd@amonline.com or call us (806) 285-2611

Bobcat flags for sale

The Dimmitt Athletic Boosters are taking orders to sell additional Bobcat flags. They are \$25 for the flag only; \$35 for a flag and

pole. If interested, please call Donna Reinart at 647-2243.

Community Prayer Gathering

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

Art exhibit in Nazareth

An art exhibit by Darryl Ball, a Nazareth native, is on display at the Home Mercantile Building. The Mercantile is located at the corner of Second and Leo

Streets in Nazareth. Looking back at the beginnings of his artistic career, Ball recalls a "not so funny at the time" incident. "My mother had just wall-papered her bedroom with flowered wallpaper. I thought the flowers would be prettier if they had red centers. I took my mother's lipstick and colored the centers red. Boy, was she surprised when she saw what I had done!" She went to Warren's Grocery (now Home Merc) and bought me a drawing pad, hoping I would not color her walls again. Though having never received formal art training, Mr. Ball loves to draw pencil sketches and paint...he has even painted murals in two homes. His exhibit consists of 22 of his favorite pieces, and will continue until Jan. 20. To see the exhibit Monday-Friday, calls Tom Hoelting at 945-

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Ross Summers family 1920
(Melvin is lower left)

College News

Bailey R. Saucedo, daughter of Conrado and Olga Saucedo of Dimmitt, was named to the Dean's Honor List at Texas Tech College of Arts and Sciences.

She is a 2002 graduate of Dimmitt High School and will graduate from Tech in May with a major in education.

She wants to be a high-school Spanish teacher.

In order to be named to



BAILEY R. SAUCEDO

the Dean's Honor List, a student must have a GPA of 3.5 or better.

Castro EEA

holds January meeting

Castro EEA met with six members and two visitors. Roll call was answered with "What we did for Christmas."

In lieu of a program, we discussed program ideas for the new year and filled in our year books. There are some very interesting programs coming up this year.

Kylinda McCurry, County Agent for Family Consumer Sciences was welcomed to our organization. She was raised in Jayton. We are excited to have her lead us. Also, Joylyn Broderson was a guest.

Those members present were Sandra Bagwell, Dee Brisco, Jackie Edwards, Patsy Entrekin, Pauline Hoyer and Bessie Strickland. Sandra and Patsy furnished a nice lunch.

Our group meets each month on the second Friday and we invited anyone interested to join us. Our official meeting place is the Senior Citizens Building.

Local angus breeder Lindley recognized for owning Angus bull

Jay W Lindley, Dimmitt, Texas, owns one bull listed in the 2006 Spring *Sire Evaluation Report* published by the American Angus Association in Saint Joseph, Missouri

Issued in both the spring and fall, the new report features the latest performance information available on 4,914 sires, and is currently accessible at www.angussiresearch.com.

"The report provides both Angus breeders and commercial cattle producers using Angus genetics with accurate, predictable selection tools for improving their herd," said Bill Bowman, American Angus Association director of performance programs. Expected Progeny Differences (EPDs) are generated from the performance database of the American Angus Association, which includes information submitted by more than 9,000 Angus breeders this past year through the Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) program.

EPDs are available for 17 traits.

DISD activities calendar

Thursday, Jan. 19
8th Grade Pride Certified Day

DHS - Interact Meeting - 12:25

Friday, Jan. 20
NO SCHOOL - CASTRO COUNTY STOCK SHOW
Basketball: JV & Varsity Boys & Girls @ Floydada

Saturday, Jan. 21
Castro County Stock Show - Sale
Basketball: 9th Boys & Girls @ Lazbuddie Tournament
8th Boys & Girls @ Tulia Tournament

Monday, Jan. 23
Basketball: 7th, 8th, & 9th vs Tulia - Girls There / Boys - Here - 5:00

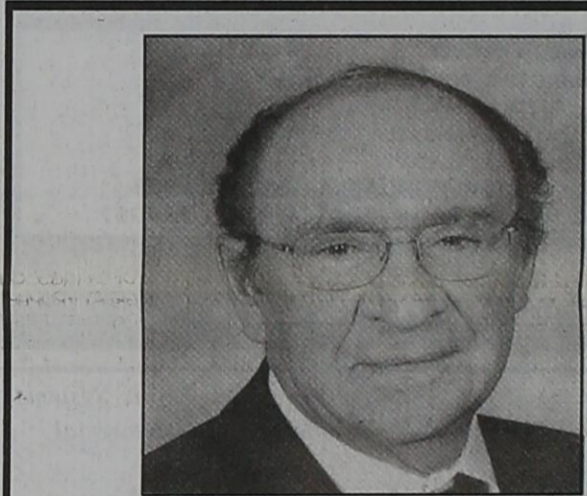
Tuesday, Jan. 24
DMS - SDAA Field Test - Writing
RES - Head Start Program
Basketball:

JV & Varsity Boys & Girls vs Friona - Here - 4:00, 5:15, 6:30, & 8:00

Wednesday, Jan. 25
DMS - TAKS
Strategies - 4:00 - 5:00

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Greg Matos, MD is certified by the American Board of Surgery and performs general and gynecological surgery, i.e. uterine prolapse, hysterectomies. He completed his training at the Puerto Rico School of Medicine and received a general surgery residency at Winthrop Hospital in New York. Dr. Matos has been an assistant professor of surgery at the University of Puerto Rico and Texas Tech Department of Surgery. His interest include family practice, abdominal surgery, gynecological surgery and cancer of the breast, head and neck. He was Chief of Surgery for the Veteran's Administration of Amarillo for 11 years. He has been with Castro County Healthcare since October 2001. Dr. Matos and his wife, Liz, have two children.

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CHURCH NEWS



Religious but not spiritual

I suspect that many people, it not most, have some difficulty in separating the two concepts into two definite understandings. Most people probably equate, to a large degree, "religious" practices as being "spiritual." Let me try to put it this way. A person can be religious without being spiritual, but a person can-

not be spiritual without being religious. A truly spiritual person will be a religious person. But, a religious person may not necessarily be a truly spiritual person.

A non-believing husband can be married to a believing wife. Out of respect for her, or maybe in keeping a promise made before they

got married, he might attend every church service with her. He may dress up in "Sunday-go-to-meetin" clothes. He may bow his head during public prayers. He may put money in the contribution. He may even pick up a song book and sing along in the song service. But, the only reason he's there is his wife. He

doesn't want to be there. If she didn't expect it of him, he wouldn't be there. He finds church services frustrating and boring. He spends every sermon wishing the preacher would hurry up and get finished, so he can leave and do something he really



Brett Page

wants to do. He goes through a lot of religious exercises, probably more frequently than many church members. But, would you say he's a truly spiritual person?

Some people believe in God but have no desire to be a part of "organized" religion. They may read the Bible regularly, occasionally or not at all. They have developed their own personal concept of being a

"believer" that allows them to do their own thing, to follow God "their own way." They insist they can be just as close to God in a bass boat on a lake as anybody can be in a church

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...SHE INSTALLED, IN THE PALACE, AND SUPPORTED, NINE HUNDRED PRIESTS OF THIS HEATHEN RELIGION AND, IN TURN, HUNTED DOWN THE PRIESTS OF ISRAEL AND SLAUGHTERED THEM WHERE EVER SHE COULD! LOUNGING IN ORIENTAL LUXURY IN THE PALACE, SHE DIRECTED THE POLICIES OF THE KINGDOM, WHILE AHAAB SAT MEEKLY BY HER SIDE, NEVER DARING TO DISPUTE HER. HER SCHEMINGS, HER CRUELITIES, AND HER PASSION FOR BLOOD-SPILLING ARE RECORDED IN THE BOOK OF I KINGS. ONLY ELIJAH, THE GREAT PROPHET, STOOD UP AGAINST THIS WICKED QUEEN AND FOUGHT HER EVIL INFLUENCE AT EVERY TURN. HER OWN DEATH AND DESTRUCTION WAS PREDICTED BY THE PROPHET AND TOOK PLACE EXACTLY AS HE PROPHESED IT WOULD! (I KINGS 9:30-37)

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Obituaries

STEPHEN 'STEVE' GALE HANKINS 1952-2006

Graveside services for Stephen (Steve) Gale Hankins 53, of Fort Worth, were Saturday, Jan. 14, 2006, at Hart Cemetery.

Mr. Hankins died Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2006. He was born Nov. 21, 1952, in Olton. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Hart and graduated from Hart High School in 1970. He farmed and operated a custom spraying service with his father Owen Hankins in Hart. He moved to Fort Worth in 1990 where he lived with his cousin Zonita and Cecil Stallings and family. He attended Tarrant County Community College, earned a certificate as an appliance technician and joined Cecil Stallings in partnership and operation of Busy Boys Appliance Service.

Mr. Hankins was preceded in death by his father Owen Hankins; and



Stephen 'Steve' Gale Hankins

two nephews Shane Kendrick and James (Jim Bob) Cates.

He is survived by his mother Jo and her husband Lee Mason of Wildorado; one sister Vicki and husband David Cates of Lubbock; a niece and nephew; and a host of aunts, uncles and cousins. The family suggests memorial donations to Hospice Care or a favorite charity.

LOWELL LEON BLUNDELL 1929-2006

Graveside services for Lowell Leon Blundell, 77, of El Dorado, Ark., were Thursday, Jan. 5, 2006, at Shiloh Cemetery in El Dorado. Mr. Blundell died Sunday, Jan. 1, 2006, at Medical Center of South Arkansas following a brief illness. He was born June 22, 1928, in Winnsboro, the son of Thomas M. and Mary Ethel Ross Blundell.

He was the owner of the Boot Barn for 15 years and was previously employed as a buyer for Worsham Wholesale. He served in the U.S. Navy.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Gary Blundell; two brothers, T.J. and Charlie Blundell; and three sisters, Pearl Dalton, Estell Robnett and Jessie Robnett.

Survivors include his wife, Erma Blundell and a son, Scott Blundell, both of El Dorado; a daughter, Kim Keller and her husband, Dr. James Keller of Oklahoma City; two sisters, Marie Kimbrell of Austin and Bess Bills of Earth; two grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN. 38105-1942 or to UCAPS, 1000 Sunset Road, El Dorado, AR 70730.

J.W. KILLINGSWORTH 1919-2006

A memorial service for J.W. (Woodrow) Killingsworth, 86, of Amarillo, was Saturday, Jan. 14, at Central Church of Christ Chapel, 14th & Monroe in Amarillo.

The burial service was at Resthaven Mausoleum, Loop 289 @ 19th St. in Lubbock, on Saturday, Jan. 14.

Mr. Killingsworth died on Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2006, following three weeks in the hospital and three days BSA Hospice care with his family.

He was born in McKnight (Donnelly County) on May 18, 1919. He has lived in Amarillo since 1993. He was a long-time resident of Dimmitt, from 1948-1993.

He married Alyce Fessler in 1942. They moved to Amarillo to live at the Continental Retirement Center in 1993. She died in 1995.

Mr. Killingsworth's business, Killingsworth Construction Co., Inc. was known for its programs of church design and construction. They were able to serve congregations in six states in the Southwest.

He also built several homes, service stations and a bank in Dimmitt. Through Killingsworth Builders Supply, he was a supplier of redi-mix concrete for many of the local grain elevators in the 1950s.

His offices were located on Hwy. 385 in Dimmitt.

He was a devout family man.

His family included many "beloved cousins."

He was preceded in death by his parents, C.E. and Mabel Killingsworth; a brother, Dr. Claude Killingsworth; and his wife of 51 years, Alyce.

Survivors include two sons, James (Jim) W.



J.W. Killingsworth

Killingsworth, Jr. and wife Becky of Amarillo; Jerry L. Killingsworth and wife Meri of Hereford; and one daughter, Kaye Stafford and husband Troy of Bartlesville, Okla.; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Killingsworth was also blessed to have a second "family" which began with his marriage to Marie Reagan Gaylor on Oct. 26, 2002. Marie's three sons, Bob, Joe, and Mike, along with daughter Celeste Saadeh and husband Dr. Constatine Saadeh and two children were especially loved by him.

He was a founder and board member of Blue Haven Youth Camp, Inc., of Las Vegas, N.M., serving continually since its origination in 1957. He served many years as a Rotarian, and was a member of Abilene Christian University's advisory board. He was an "avid" Bible reader and loved to teach God's word.

He was a former resident of the Continental Retirement Center where he taught a Wednesday night Bible class for its residents.

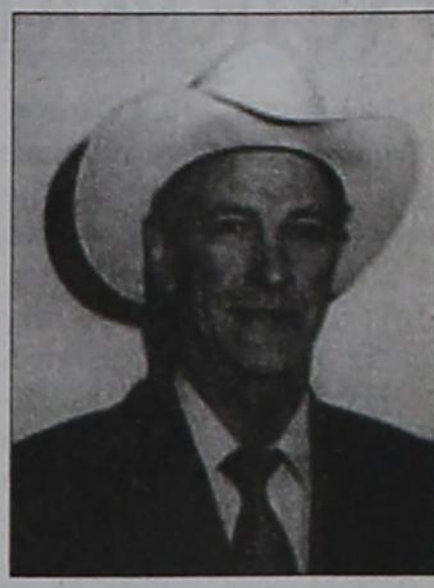
The family suggests memorials be to Blue Haven Youth Camp, Inc., 1020 Austin Ave., Brownwood, TX 76801

DON SHEFFY 1937-2006

Memorial services for Don Sheffy, 68, of Dimmitt, were Saturday, Jan. 14, 2006, at First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt with the Revs. Virgil Ichtertz and Rusty Dickerson officiating.

Mr. Sheffy died Thursday, Jan. 12, 2006, at his home. He was born Dec. 19, 1937, in Dimmitt to Sid and Myrtle Sheffy. He graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1956. He received his MBA from WTX SU in Canyon in 1962. He married Karen Bell in 1960. After living in Canyon for 20 years, he moved back to Dimmitt in 1981 and opened Sheffy's Western Wear. He was on the Dimmitt City Council and he was Dimmitt City Manager from 1996 to 2004. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club, where he served as President. He participated in the Dimmitt Follies for several years. He was a member of First United Methodist Church and was in the choir.

Survivors include his wife, Karen of Dimmitt; three daughters, Kristi Sheffy of Dallas, the Rev.



Don Sheffy

Karla Sheffy and husband, the Rev. Ron Harris, of Geneva, Neb., and Carrie Jones and husband Dustin of Amarillo; three granddaughters, Elisha, Alexandria and Micah Sheffy-Harris, all of Geneva, Neb.; and two sisters, Dorothy Bond of Kerrville and Ruth Jackson of Dimmitt.

The family suggests memorials be made to: Scholarship Fund, First United Methodist Church, 110 SW 3rd, Dimmitt, TX. 79027.



KATY COLLINS 1908-2006

Funeral services for Katy Collins, 97, of Dimmitt were Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2006, at the Primitive Baptist Church in Muleshoe with Elder Bernard Gowens officiating, assisted by Elder David Montgomery. Burial was at Earth Cemetery.

Mrs. Collins died Jan. 15, 2006, in Lubbock. She was born Oct. 27, 1908, in Mt. Pleasant, Tenn. She married Joe Collins in Olton on Oct. 8, 1936.

Mrs. Collins was a life-long resident of the Dimmitt area. She loved gardening, quilting and cooking. She was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church in Muleshoe, where she loved to sing.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe, in 1977; a grandson, John Collins, in 1979; four sisters; and two brothers.

Survivors include three sons, Wayne Collins and wife Darlene, James Collins and wife Darrene and Ted Collins and wife Zetha, all of Dimmitt; nine grandchildren; and 28 great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made to Primitive Baptist Church Memorial Fund, c/o James Collins, 2244 FM 1524, Dimmitt, TX 79027.

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Bobcats

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Dimmitt JV 58, Tulia JV 47

On Friday night, the Bobcats JV also had a big win over Tulia, 58-47.

Tulia led after the first quarter, 11-8, but Dimmitt scored 18-points in the

second period, to take the lead, 26-24. A 20-point third quarter gave the Bobcats a bigger advantage, 46-37.

Leading scorers for Dimmitt were Michael Rator with 14 points,

followed by Kalan Steinkle and Kaden Griffitt with nine each and Houston Sutton with eight.

Dimmitt Freshman Dimmitt 63, Friona 31

The freshman Bobcats defeated Friona 63-31 last week.

The Bobcats grabbed a 12-6 first-quarter lead that they expanded to 31-13 at the half. By the end of the third period, it was all Dimmitt, as the Bobcats led 54-22.

Leading scorers for Dimmitt were Damian Guana with 20 points, followed by Javier Sanchez with 13, Jacob Rodriguez with 11 and Paul Acker with 10.

"The 'Cats did a good job of pushing the tempo," said Coach Michael Sissney. "They played fundamentally sound and gave 100 percent effort. The 'Cats also did a good job on the boards."

Over the weekend, the Dimmitt Freshman beat Bushland to win the Consolation Trophy in the Bushland Tournament behind a 21-point effort by Javier Sanchez, Sissney said.

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Thank you to the many people who helped move equipment and cattle last week during the fire. Thanks to the fire department for the tremendous job you did. Thanks also to the many citizens who gave their time and equipment to protect Dimmitt. We are so blessed by God (Yes, we can still say God) to live in a town where people take care of their neighbors. We are thankful that no one was seriously hurt and that everyone is OK. We pray God's blessing on each of you. Thanks again.

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Bobbies fall to Olton, Tulia

The Dimmitt Bobbies fell to Tulia, 90-45 in district play on Friday night.

Tulia started off strong, garnering a 21-7 lead by the end of the first period and taking a 42-19 lead by the half. At the end of the third period, Tulia led 62-32.

Leading scorers for the Bobbies were Chelsea Buckley with 16 points, followed by Darcy Fisher with eight.

Nazareth is 5-18 overall and 0-3 in district play.

Olton 80, Dimmitt 61

The Dimmitt Bobbies fell to Olton on Tuesday, Jan. 10, in their second game of district play.

Olton took a 28-16 first-quarter lead that they expanded to 50-31 by the half. At the end of three periods, Olton had a lock on the game, 63-43.

Leading scorers for the Bobbies were Darcy Fisher with 17 points, followed by Chelsea Buckley with 16, Brittany Williams with 11 and Clarissa Herrera with eight.

"We had a tough time at Tulia as they exploited some



Photo by Ron Carr

DIMMITT'S CLARISSA HERRERA, No. 14, goes for the ball during the Friona game.

of our weaknesses," head coach Chris Edwards said. "At the Olton game, I was really pleased with the way everyone stepped up. Olton jumped on us early, then after the early rash of points, we stepped up and played with them. Darcy Fisher did a really good job. Our inside players - Darcy and Kendra (Smith) got some good rebounds. Olton was a pretty quick team."

On Friday, the team travels to Floydada.

"We match up with Floydada pretty well," Edwards said. "Our district is still wide open. It's just getting some scoring production out of our offense and we have to step up our defense, too."

We're doing a lot of little things right. Once we put everything together, we'll be OK. Hopefully, we can get it turned around."

Right now, there is a four-way tie for first place in district. "You get a couple of wins in there and we're all in

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2005-2006 Bobcats Varsity

Bobcats open district with win over Tulia

The Dimmitt Bobcats opened district with a convincing 73-59 win at Tulia on Friday.

The teams were tied at 15 at the end of the first period, but the Bobcats pulled out to a 6-point lead, 30-24, by the half. After three periods, the lead was still 6, 48-42.

But Dimmitt came on in the fourth period to outscore Tulia 25-18 for the win.

Leading scorers for the Bobcats were Omar Catano with 21, followed by Junior Limas with 15, Nick Ortiz with 13, Alex Chavira with eight, Isaac Aguilar with seven and Evan Page with six.

Head coach Alan Steinle said he was pleased with his team's performance.

"The whole game was pretty tight for about three quarters, then we had a good run in the fourth quarter," he said. "We didn't shoot all that well, really didn't shoot free throws all that well - 13 of 24. It was one of those games reasonably close, then in the fourth quarter we broke it open. At one time we were 17 or 18 points ahead."

However, Steinle said the team could have improved its defense.

"We were a little too generous and too kind to them," he said. "That's something you can control - how well you play defense."

"We just didn't have much intensity or determination on the defensive end. Tulia shot well, but we gave them too many easy opportunities."

On Friday, the Bobcats travel to Floydada (20-1) to take on the No. 1 ranked team in the state.

"We try to control what we do and do it well," Steinle said.

"If we do that, our chances are pretty good. We played them at Caprock and missed enough layups, only hit four of 11 from free throw line and turned the ball over."

Anyone of those three things could have made the difference

If we do what we do well, we'll be OK. We've got to play good defense, rebound, take care of the basketball and shoot well.

"We need to play an up-tempo game, get after them."

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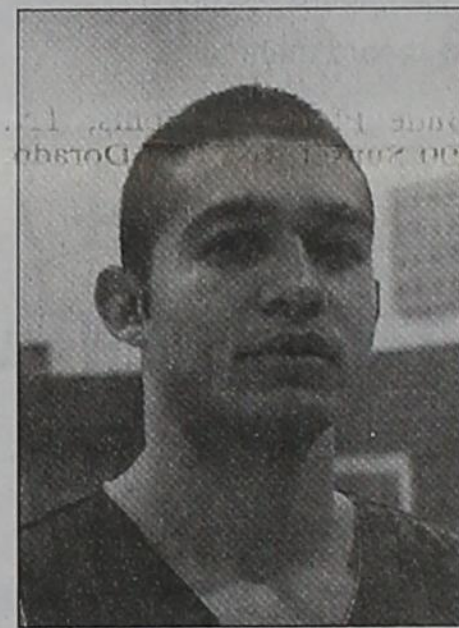
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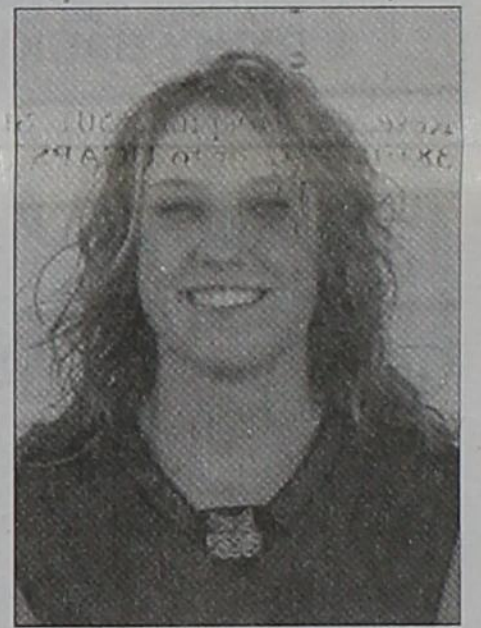


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Jan. 24	*Friona H	4 p.m.	4 teams
Jan. 27	*Olton T	4 p.m.	4 teams
Jan. 31	*Tulia H	4 p.m.	4 teams
Feb. 3	*Lockney T	4 p.m.	4 teams
Feb. 7	*Floydada H	4 p.m.	4 teams
Feb. 10	*Friona T	6 p.m.	JVB/VB
Feb. 14	*Olton H	6 p.m.	JVB/VB
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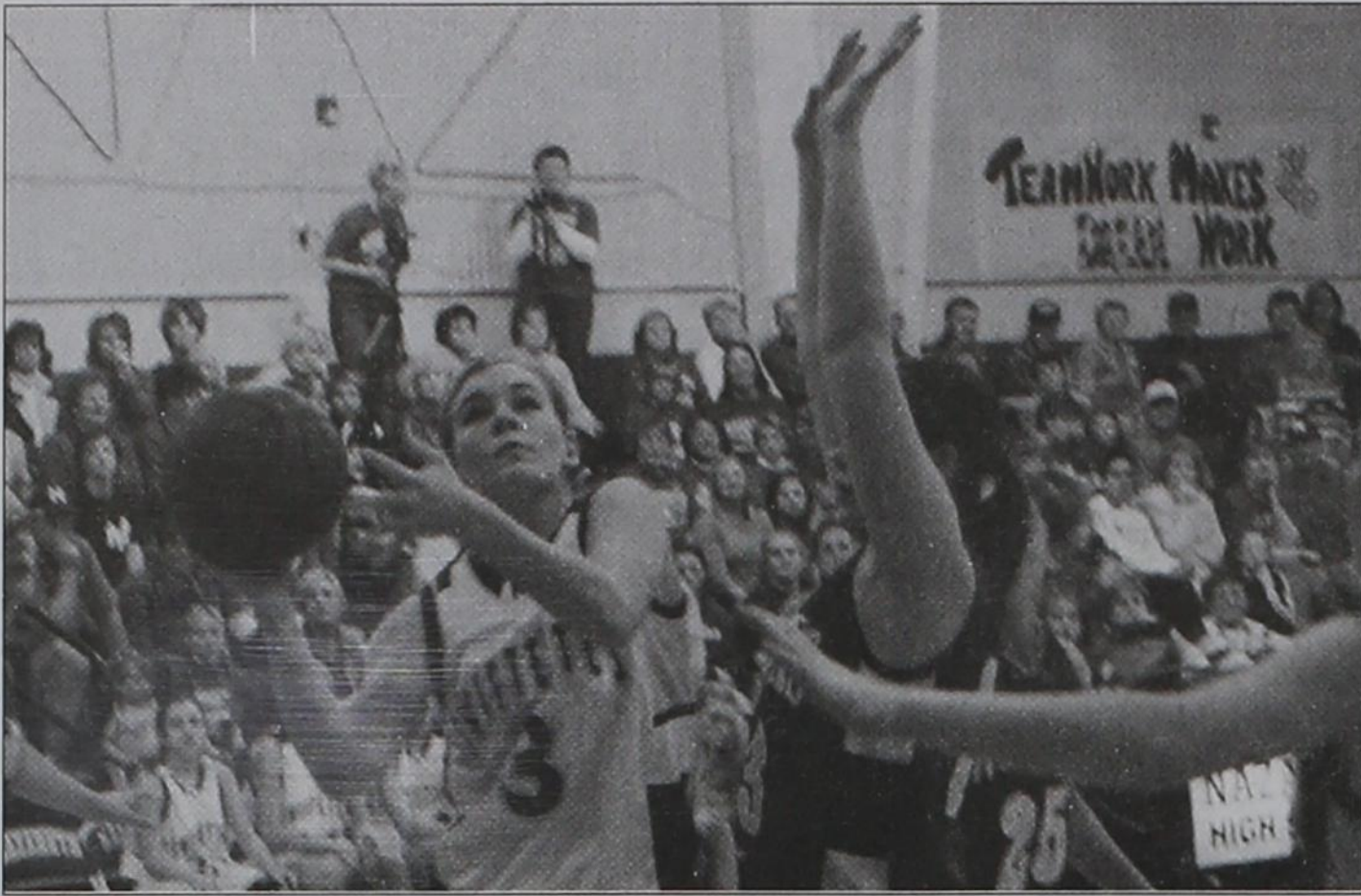
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NAZARETH'S CAITLIN HUSEMAN drives in for 2 against Springlake-Earth on Friday.

Swiftettes run district record to 7-0

The Nazareth Swiftettes played their toughest district game of the season so far on Friday night, edging Springlake-Earth 60-54. However, the game saw-

Earth roared back, scoring 19 points in the second quarter. However, the Swiftettes scored 25 points in the second period, to retain the lead 38-26. In the third quarter, Springlake-Earth outscored Nazareth 14-8, but it was not enough to take over the lead and the Swiftettes maintained a 46-40 edge going into the final period. Leading Nazareth scorers were Holly Kleman with 21 points, Kendra Huseman and Lacey Acker with 10 each.

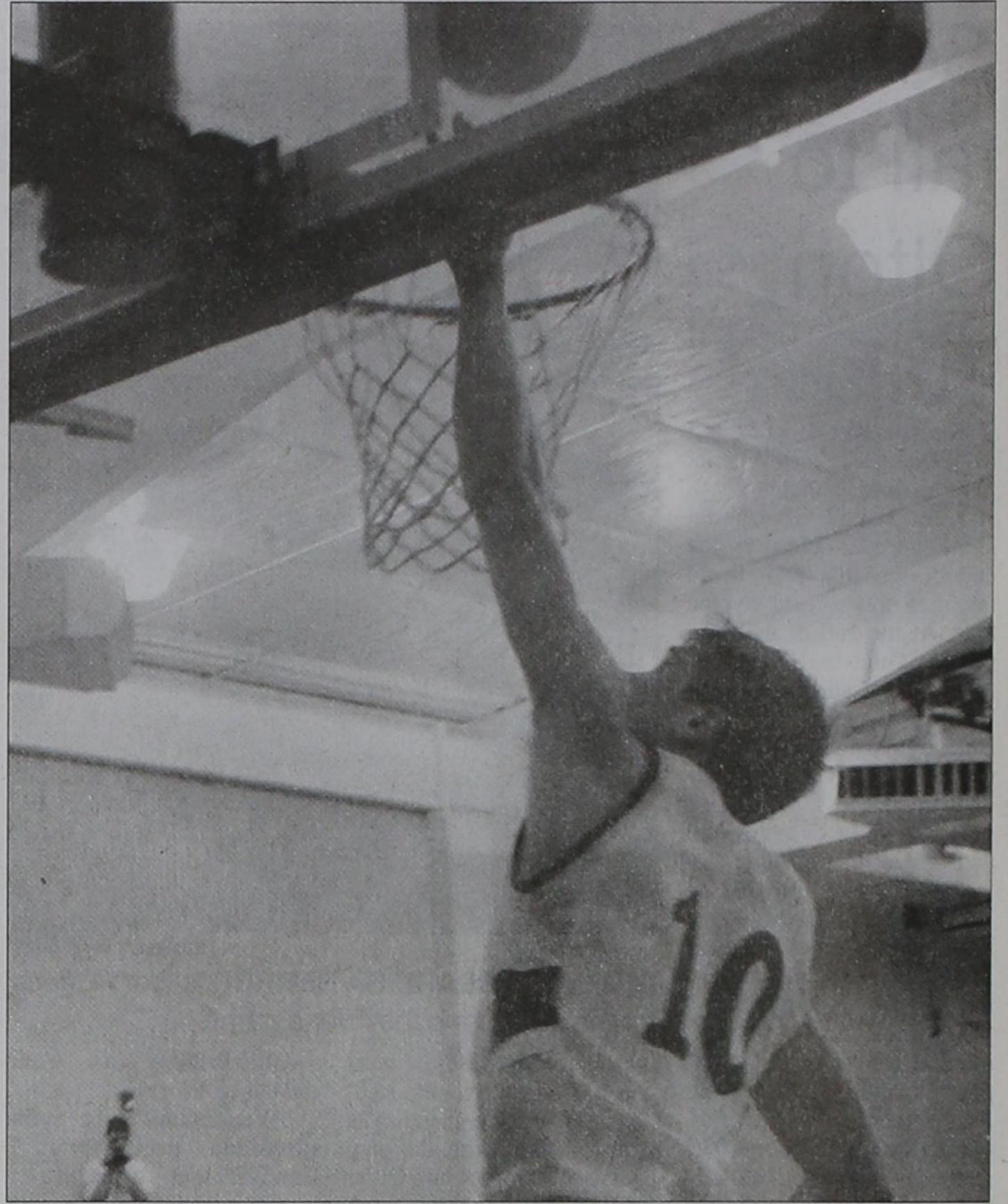
Nazareth is 18-5 overall and 7-0 in district play.

Nazareth 50, Happy 30

Earlier in the week, the Swiftettes defeated district foe Happy, 50-30.

The Swiftettes opened strong, leading 20-7 after one period and 27-15 at the half. By the end of the third period, Nazareth has a 42-24 lead.

Leading scorers for the Swiftettes were Holly Kleman with 26 points, followed by Kendra Huseman with 10.



Swifts remain perfect in district

Will travel to Cotton Center on Friday

The Nazareth Swifts remained undefeated in district play last week, defeating both Happy and Springlake-Earth by wide margins.

On Tuesday, the Swifts traveled to Happy, coming home with a 79-31 win.

Nazareth opened the game by jumping out to a 21-13 first-quarter lead and expanding it to 41-15 at the half.

At the end of the third period, Nazareth led 60-19. Leading scorers for Nazareth were Jake Hoelting with 21 points, followed by Dustin Schulte with 10.

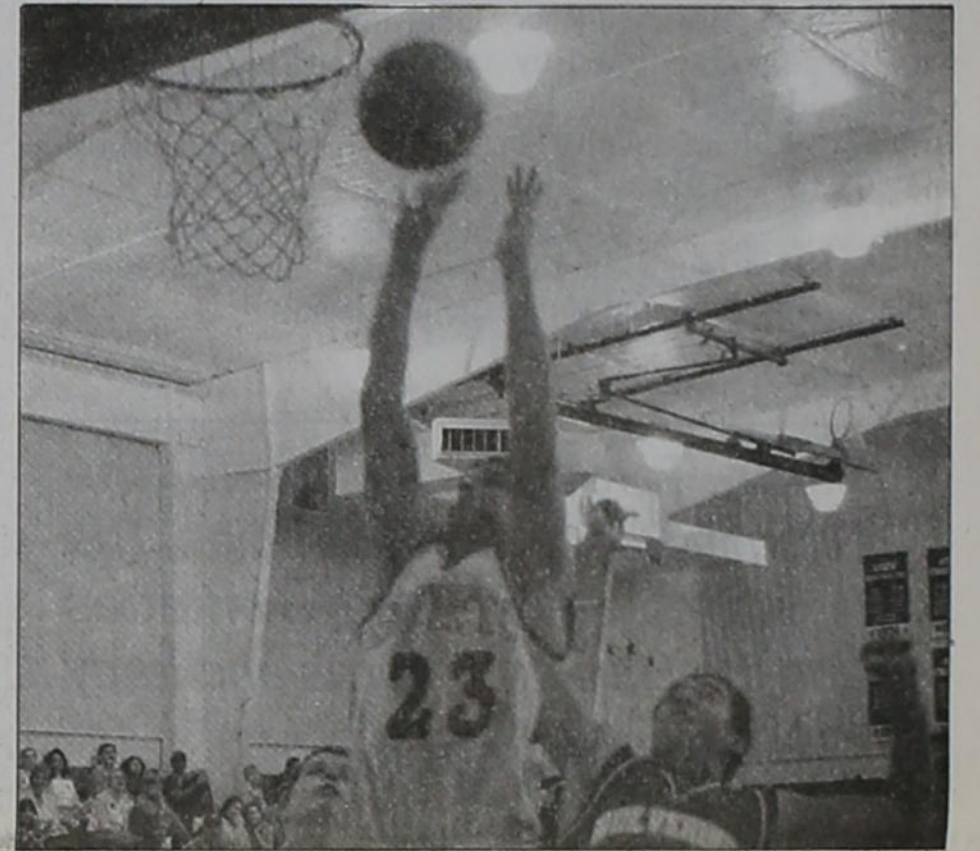
Nazareth 70-Springlake-Earth 5

On Friday, the Swifts hosted Springlake-Earth and easily won.

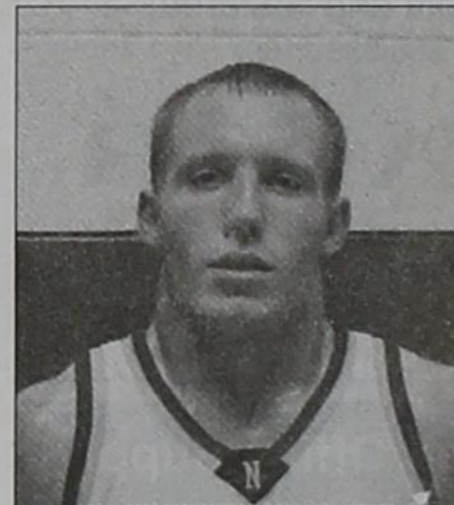
At the end of the first period, Nazareth was up 13-2 and by the half, the Swifts led 29-2. At the end of the third period, it was all Nazareth, 48-3.

Leading scorer for the Swifts was Jake Hoelting with 21 points.

Nazareth is 5-0 in district play and 18-4 overall.



TOP, ALAN GERBER, No. 10, scores two against Springlake-Earth on Friday night. Directly above, Zane Farris, No. 23, gets another two in the Swifts district matchup.



Nathan Huseman
No. 30



Kembra Albracht
No. 2

Nazareth Basketball Schedule			
Jan. 20	*Cotton Cen. Away	6:30	VBG
20	Happy Away	5 p.m.	JVB
24	*Lazbuddie Home	6:30	VBG
27	*Spade Home	6:30	VG
27	Dalhart Away	5 p.m.	JVB-VB
31	*Kress Away	4 p.m.	JVBG-VBG
Feb. 3	*Happy Home	4 p.m.	JVBG-VBG
7	*S-Earth Away	4 p.m.	JVBG-VBG
10	*AmherstAway	5 p.m.	JVB-VB

Go Swifts, & Swiftettes!!!

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Private sector can't be used as model for teacher merit pay

By **DIGGER ELAM**
HISD Superintendent

Recently, I read an article that discusses using the private sector as a model for merit pay for our teachers in Texas.

This article discussed the reasons this would not work. Merit pay should not be tied to one thing, example test scores, because there are other curricula to be taught.

Salesmen sometimes cut corners at the expense of the consumer to get merit pay added to their check. The same principle would apply to teachers; therefore, you

don't want teachers strictly teaching the test.

Merit pay must be tied to long term goals, test scores, parent satisfaction, and annual teacher evaluations. Merit pay should go to all staff members if these goals are reached and not to just one or two teachers.

Another reason merit pay won't work is because a principal has too many teachers to evaluate. In the private sector managers usually evaluate no more than 10 employees for merit pay.

I think Governor Perry



Digger Elam

needs to raise base pay to 35 thousand dollars if he is truly interested in attracting and keeping good teachers.

Also, do away with the current teacher step pay that ends with 20 years. If

he keeps the step raise plan, keep raises in effect until a teacher reaches retirement

age. If Perry will do this, he doesn't have to worry about merit pay to keep teachers.

Longhorns, Ladyhorns fall to Bovina

The Ladyhorns fell to Bovina, 75-31, on Friday, Jan. 13.

Bovina jumped out to a 15-4 first-quarter lead that they expanded to 39-15 by the half and 61-19 after three periods.

Leading scorers for the Ladyhorns were Marcella Mendoza with eight points, followed by Mayra Reyna with five and Corie Rincon and Crystal Chavez with four points each.

Boys

Bovina 59, Hart 48

The Hart Longhorns broke on top, to take an 18-11 first-quarter lead. However, by the half, Bovina was ahead, 31-26 and continued to lead 48-39 after three periods.

Leading scorers for Hart were Eric Menchaca with 12 points, followed by Adam Rosas with 10.

At right, Amber Guzman hits one of two treys she made in the Ladyhorns game against Plainview Christian.



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Jan. 27	Bushland	Here	5 p.m.
Jan. 31	Bovina	Here	4 p.m.
Feb. 3	Farwell	There	5 p.m.
Feb. 7	Sudan	Here	4 p.m.
Feb. 10	Morton	Here	5 p.m. Boys only

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Tuesday: Breakfast - Peanut butter and strawberry sandwich, blueberry muffin, cereal. Lunch - Fajitas with onions and peppers, Chinese egg roll, turkey and noodles, frijoles refrieto, country rice dressing, peas, tossed salad, taco condiment salad, watermelon, fresh fruit.
Wednesday: Breakfast - Fresh donuts, peaches, cereal, Honey Bun. Lunch - Meat loaf with Creole sauce, fried chicken, burrito with chili, butter beans, parsley buttered potatoes, broccoli/cauliflower, Mexipinto beans, taco condiment salad, tossed salad, fresh fruit.
Thursday: Breakfast - Grilled cheese sandwich, cereal, apple muffin. Lunch - Chicken fillet strips, enchilada casserole, pepperoni pizza, mashed potatoes, frijoles refrieto, green beans, tossed salad, taco condiment salad, fresh fruit, carrot celery raisin salad, arroz Mexicano.

Nazareth ISD

Friday: No school - stock show.
Monday: Breakfast - Glazed donuts, cereal. Lunch - Nachos, cheese nachos, rolls, corn dogs, gelatin, Frito salad, peaches, mixed vegetables.
Tuesday: Breakfast - Cinnamon French toast, sausage pattie, cereal. Lunch - Corn dogs, chicken strips, bread, country-style gravy, strawberry shortcake, bananas, chicken rice, broccoli and cauliflower.
Wednesday: Breakfast - Breakfast pockets, cereal. Lunch - Tator Tot casserole, sopapillas, sausage pizza, applesauce, corn, tossed salad.
Thursday: Breakfast - Pancake/sausage on stick, cereal. Lunch - Hamburger, chicken sandwich, curly fries, cookies, oranges, green peas, sliced onions, lettuce.

Hart ISD

Friday: Breakfast - Biscuits and sausage, scrambled eggs, cereal. Lunch - Corn dogs, pizza with pork topping, tossed salad, carrot sticks, corn, fresh fruit.
Monday: Breakfast - Waffles with syrup, cereal. Lunch - Steak fingers, chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, cream gravy, green beans, tossed salad, peaches.
Tuesday: Breakfast - Sausage breakfast, cereal. Lunch - Corn dogs, sloppy Joes on a bun, potato puffs, tossed salad, peaches, sugar cookies.
Wednesday: Breakfast - Cinnamon rolls, cereal. Lunch - Frito pie, bean burrito, carrot sticks, dill pickles, tossed salad, chocolate cake.
Thursday: Breakfast - Breakfast sticks, cereal. Lunch - Hamburger on a bun, bean burrito, tossed salad, fresh fruit, carrot sticks, dill pickles.

CHURCH

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building. It seems a pretty self-serving belief system. Can such a person be considered truly spiritual?
The life of a truly spiritual person is focused in a spiritual direction. The most important aspect of his life is his spiritual life. In fact, all of his life is directed and guided by his spiritual beliefs. And, he does not insist on having his own way but surrenders to God's will as revealed in scripture (Galatians 2:20; 2 Timothy 3:15-17). For a truly spiritual individual, his faith is not just a part of his life, it is his life.
True spirituality is not just an intellectual belief system. It is not just the exercising of religious practices. It is a mindset, a mindset that directs every aspect of life. Are you living a life that is truly spiritual, or is it just religious...?

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

Where's Arid? She's never seen snow! Can you find her?

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Snow! Snow! Snow!

Do you know that bears sleep during the winter? We hide away in a safe spot and go to sleep during the coldest time of the year when food is hard to find. In the fall, we eat extra food and store up fat which we live off of while sleeping. We find a cave or hollow tree or we dig out a burrow under the ground. Then we make a nest of leaves, branches and grass. Our fur keeps us warm. Although we usually sleep from October until April, we sometimes wake up. I know I should be sleeping, but I love playing in the snow too much to sleep!

Can you help me fall gently to the ground?

Draw a snowflake here:

In Winter...

- snowflakes formed in colder, drier air are usually _____ and leave a fluffy snowfall
- snow is a cold _____ on the ground
- water in the air condenses around a bit of dust to form this
- liquid turns to solid due to cold temperatures
- when crystals falling through the air group together
- cluster of crystals
- a large, dangerous mass of snow tumbling down a mountainside
- wind-blown pile of snow
- snowflakes have more of these than we can count
- this may melt quickly or stay on earth permanently in glacier form

crystal cluster snowflake patterns blanket snowfall freezes avalanche snowdrift smaller

Hey! Who is throwing that snowball? To see who it is, visit our website: www.newspaperfun.com. You will find answers to the puzzles too.

Can you find and circle words on this page that start with these consonant blends: bl, cl, fl, gl, pl, and sl?

Snow Math!

There's no math like snow math! Add the words in the snowman to the word 'snow' to make new words: (The shapes of the spaces will give you clues.)

- snow + _____ = _____
- snow + _____ = _____
- snow + _____ = _____
- snow + _____ = _____
- snow + _____ = _____

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Whoooooaaa!!! I know I wanted to see snow up close, but this is ridiculous!

Study the playing penguins. Can you find 6 differences between them?

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Next, find and circle these 12 winter weather words:

snowflake drifts icicle hail water frozen cloudy glaze ice sleet cold frost

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A. After getting a judgment, the plaintiff must file an "abstract of judgment." This creates a lien on certain property, and authorizes collection efforts.

An abstract of judgment is valid for ten years. It may be continued indefinitely, however, if the plaintiff takes steps to renew it. You will have to wait three more years to see what steps, if any, are taken by the creditor. If the creditor does nothing, the judgment will no longer be enforceable.

Q. I was asked by a friend to help him move some furniture. Unfortunately, while helping him I lost my balance and fell, breaking two bones. Can I recover my medical expenses from the person I was helping?

A. Many people believe that if you are injured while helping another, or, while

on another's property, that person is automatically responsible for your loss. That is not, however, the law.

As a general rule, a person is liable to another only if that person intentionally or

negligently causes an injury. For example, if your friend intentionally dropped something you were both carrying, or negligently left a skate-board in your path, he could be responsible for the resulting injuries.

CABLE

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"We've got a pretty good idea of what we need to do after tonight," Greenwood said. "Let us get our heads together, see what's causing these problems. I'll give David (Denman, City Manager) a call in a few days."

After the meeting, Donna Reinart, who'd been there to talk about problems with the system, had this to say: "I'm going to wait and see," she said. "I'd like to see it fixed, but it hasn't happened the other times we complained."

In other action on Monday, the City Council:

* Approved an ordinance requiring homes built in a flood plain to be elevated at least 2-feet above the flood plain or, in the case of mobile homes, 1-foot.

* Approved revision of administrative leave in the personnel handbook for city employees. Now, employees may have 48 hours sick or administrative leave and 48 hours personal time with no time accrued. Previously, the entire 96 hours had to be sick or administrative leave. In the future, the council talked about either allowing the time to accrue or paying employees for time not used.

* Approved a resolution allowing the mayor to negotiate a contract for elections with the county for voting machines.

* Approved sending a letter of thanks to the firefighters who helped fight the grass fire on Thursday.

FIRE

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At the same time on Thursday, a smaller fire broke out on US 194 between Dimmitt and Hart and one truck was dispatched to that scene, Fitzgearld said. "We got that one out pretty fast," he said.

Fitzgearld said the fire probably started in the bar ditch on the east side of North US 385, however, no cause has been determined. However, with the continued dry and windy conditions, officials are reminding the public that the county-wide burn ban is still in effect. And law enforcement officials are determined to enforce it.

McCURRY

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said her plan is to get a lot more kids in the area active in 4-H.

"Not only can participating in 4-H help them, it's so much fun," she said. "I also want to get people in the community more active. To do that, I'm going to come up with programs that are interesting. The main things to get kids interested is to have some activities that they would enjoy.

"I'd really like people to come to me and tell me about things they'd like to see done in the community."

Card of Thanks

God's grace and mercy overflowed upon us by your great outpouring of love this past week. Thanks you to all who sent flowers and cards, made phone calls, dropped by to visit, sang in the choir at the memorial service and brought the abundance of food. But thank you mostly for your many hugs and prayers at this difficult time. We are truly blessed by our small town and all the love that overflows in such a wonderful community.

Karen, Kristi, Karla, Ron & the girls, Carrie and Dustin & the whole Sheffy clan

FAIR

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scrapbook, write several essays and do a number of other things," he said.

In addition to which, Underwood spends at least two hours a day working with Rosie - feeding, grooming and getting her ready to show.

But with the wins already under his belt, it's a pretty sure bet that Underwood is pleased with his selection and that Rosie has lived up to his expectations.

This weekend, Underwood will enter Rosie in the Castro County Junior Livestock Show, which kicks off Friday.

Judging starts Friday, with the lambs at 8 a.m., steers at 10:30 a.m. and the hogs to follow.

On Saturday, the sale will start at 1 p.m.

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