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City investigating TV tower possibilities

After a favorable response at a public hearing Monday night, the Dimmitt City Council agreed to continue investigating the possibility of obtaining a television translator station for the benefit of local citizens who don't want or can't afford cable television service.

The City of Tulia had a similar project and citizens there are able to pick up Amarillo stations with the use of "rabbit ear" antennae alone.

Dimmitt Mayor Wayne Collins said that the Federal Communications Commission has put a moratorium on building new translator sta-

tions. However, he said that stations occasionally come up for sale, and one could possibly be purchased and moved here.

Tulia was fortunate enough to find one that was not being used, and they also purchased a used tower.

The council authorized City Manager Don Sheffy to continue investigating the possibilities. He said he has contacted a man who sells and services translator equipment. The man said he would "keep an eye out" for something that would meet the need for Dimmitt.

County Commissioner for Pct. 3

Bay Baldrige asked where the translator would be put, what it could cost, and if it would benefit citizens out in the county.

Collins said he would be in favor of extending the translator service to as wide an area as possible. He said that the other questions could not be answered until further investigation is completed.

People without cable service can pick up signals from area television stations (mostly Amarillo, but some from Lubbock), but an outdoor antenna is required for best reception. With a translator station, outdoor

antennae would not be required. The translator tower would pick up signals from area broadcasters and reinforce the signals, then transmit them out to local homes.

Some translator systems request that those benefiting from the service pay a regular "subscription" fee.

Sheffy said if everyone in Dimmitt paid only \$3 per year it would be sufficient to cover the upkeep of a translator system. He also said some grant money might be available for the project.

Citizens at the meeting Monday expressed interest in the project.

Collins and council members said they have received favorable comments. Council member Trish Elliott said the only comment she received that was even close to unfavorable had to do with the possible initial cost of the project.

"I'm for it," said local citizen Ralph Smith. "I got off of cable, because when you want it, it's out."

"I haven't had cable at all since I moved in from the farm. I can't afford it," said Grace Anderson, a resident of the Senior Citizens Apartments on Northwest Fifth Street.

Local citizen Nora Buchanan complained that when the channels are out on cable, the company doesn't give a discount.

"I feel we should pursue the feasibility of this," said council member Charles Richard. "I think people would be willing to support it."

In other business, the council gave approval to start the annexation process for a lot owned by Todd Miller on Butler Boulevard, which is not in the city limits.

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By Don Nelson

Remember the lyrics to the '60s song, "You can get anything you want at Alice's Restaurant"?

The Internet is the Alice's Restaurant of cyberspace. There's a world (or a World Wide Web) of information floating around out there in the public domain that is yours for the taking—wit, wisdom, humor, smut, commerce, knowledge, advice, research material, conversation.

One of my favorite things is when friends come across really good jokes or lists and forward them to me.

And I like to forward them on to you when I have the chance.

Here's one that was e-mailed to me by a fellow Net-surfer here. It has bounced around so much that by now no one knows exactly where it came from or how it originated.

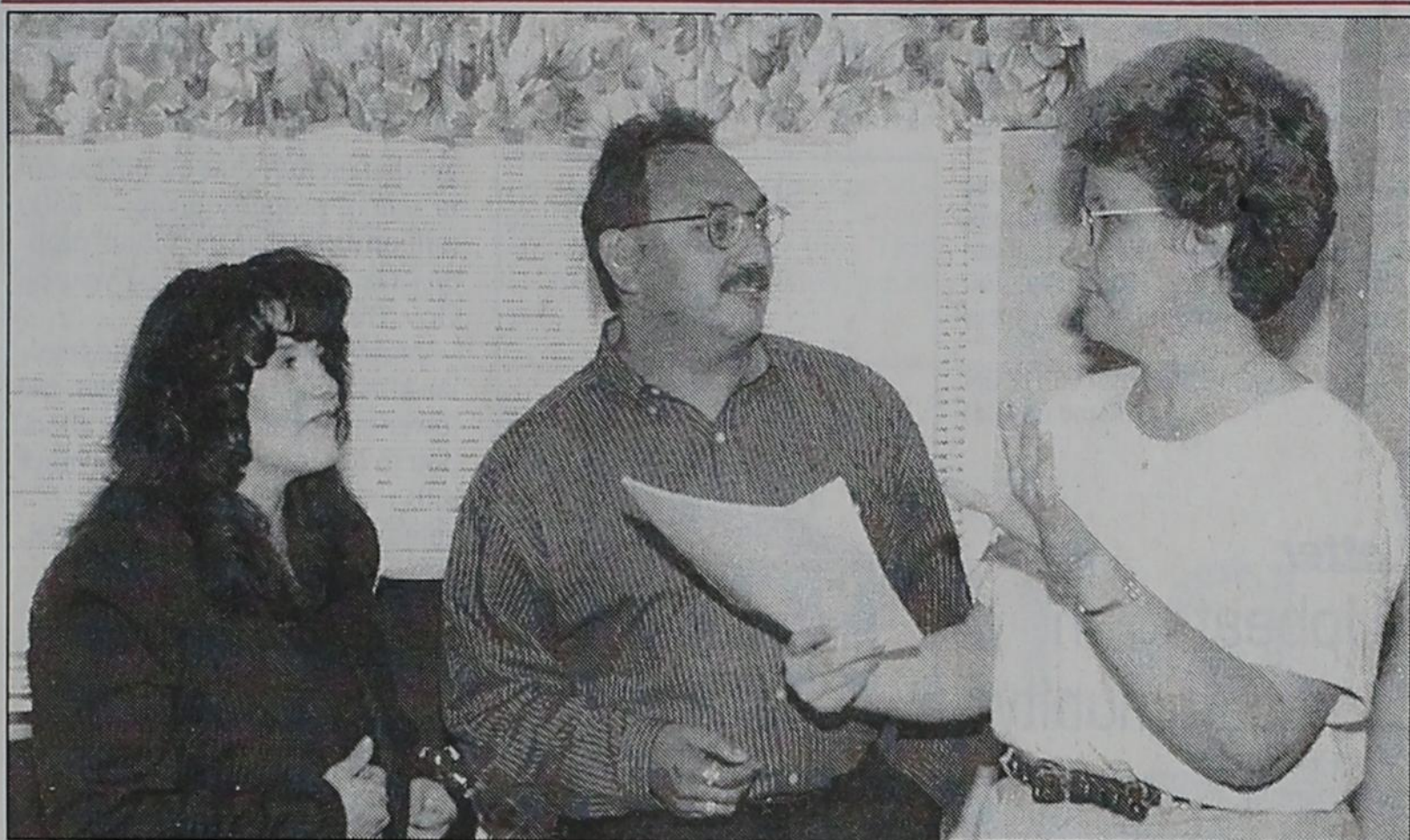
It's called a "Good Luck Tantra Totum." Supposedly, it originated in Nepal and has been around the world 10 times, bringing its receivers good luck.

Enjoy:

INSTRUCTIONS FOR LIFE

1. Give people more than they expect, and do it cheerfully.
2. Memorize your favorite poem.
3. Don't believe all you hear, spend all you have, or sleep all you want.
4. When you say, "I love you," mean it.
5. When you say, "I'm sorry," look the person in the eye.
6. Be engaged at least six months before you get married.
7. Believe in love at first sight.
8. Never laugh at anyone's dreams.
9. Love deeply and passionately.

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CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES has received grant funding for a family advocate and for "Summer Quest," a program for teens in grades 7-12. The family advocate serving Castro County is Humberto Hernandez of Plainview (center). He is discussing some of the grant provisions with Donna Montes

(left), CFS Youth Counselor for Castro County, and Edna Tucker (right), CFS area supervisor. Hernandez will be introduced to the community at an orientation session Monday night at 7 p.m. at the local CFS office.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

'Summer Quest' receives grant; CFS to start sign-ups Monday

Catholic Family Services has received \$130,000 in grant funding, with \$44,000 designated to establish a "Summer Quest" program for eligible teens in Castro County.

Pre-registration for the program will begin Monday with an orientation session for families of teens who are interested in participating. The session will start at 7 p.m. at the CFS office on Southwest Second in Dimmitt, and a light supper will be provided free of charge.

The first 50 eligible teens in grades 7-12 who sign up will be selected to participate free of charge in "Summer Quest: Stepping Stones to a Safe Future." They will learn life skills such as job search, CPR and babysitting certification, money management, choice-making, personal care, nutrition and food preparation, and education in abstinence, sexually transmitted diseases, the "secret pregnancy" issue, and HIV/AIDS prevention.

"These kids will learn some good skills and have fun," said Edna Tucker, area supervisor for Catholic Family Services. "I want these kids to have their 15 minutes of fame without being involved in destructive behavior. We want them to be in-

involved in positive activities and get some pats on the back."

The program sessions will start in June, continuing through July 30, with participants meeting Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week from 1 to 3 p.m. at the activity center in the Azteca Complex. The grant funding will cover the cost of special instructors for the sessions, as well as materials and transportation to and from the center for those who need it.

Also under the larger grant funding, provided through the Texas Dept. of Protective and Regulatory Services, three temporary family advocate positions have been provided. Humberto Hernandez of Plainview will work with low-income rural families in an eight-county area including Castro County. He will help families access already available services for which they have a need and are eligible, but of which they may have been unaware.

A goal of the family advocacy project will be to assist struggling families to resolve family conflict, unemployment problems and personal poverty issues. The program will seek to avert crisis situations by

obtaining emergency food and financial resources and put families in touch with existing programs that can assist them further.

"Often, at-risk families, particularly in rural areas, are unable to determine the presence of social services or else are unable to access the services," Tucker said. "The family advocate will identify families who require linkage to existing community supports, assist in initiating services by arranging or providing transportation, and assist families in being able to tell their story, educating them to social service agency requirements."

Hernandez will be introduced at the pre-registration session Monday night. He may be contacted at 647-0323, or 806-296-7044 or 806-296-7075. Also, a toll-free number is available, 1-800-530-4704.

"The grant funding came about because of the excellent community collaboration in 'Dimmitt,'" Tucker said. "Panhandle Community Services, the Red Cross, Youth Minister Randy Gressett and his wife Teresa, Marilyn Neal of the Extension office, and Myrum Mitchell of the Juvenile Probation office all helped in writing the grant application."

Drug testing policy will start in August

The new drug and alcohol testing policy adopted by the Dimmitt schools will require students who plan to participate in extracurricular activities to sign a consent form for random drug and alcohol testing.

The policy will cover students in grades 7-12 who will be in activities that include competitions or contests or those who are elected to student office.

The consent forms must be signed each year by participants and their parents.

"Participation is a privilege," said Dimmitt High School coach and athletic coordinator Bruce Dollar, who prepared the policy. The pro-

posed policy was approved at the last meeting of the Dimmitt School Board.

An independent company of licensed professionals will be contracted with to run the testing program. Students will be randomly selected by their Social Security number, chosen by computer from several different "pools." Pools would include students in each in-season sport for boys and girls, students in off-season programs, and students in extracurricular programs in grades 7-8 and 9-12 who are not in athletics. Ten percent of each pool would be tested at each random test

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Sunday accident claims life of Nazareth woman

A two-vehicle accident west of Hereford Sunday claimed the life of Petronilla Birkenfeld, 82, of Nazareth.

According to accident reports, the accident occurred just before 12 noon Sunday at the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 2943 and US 60.

Birkenfeld was driving north on FM 2943 when she failed to yield the right-of-way to an east-bound Chevrolet van driven by Sando Felipe

Perez, 26, of Slaton.

Birkenfeld was pronounced dead at 12:10 p.m. Sunday at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Perez and a passenger in the van, 24-year-old Susan Gonzales, also of Slaton, were admitted to Hereford Regional Medical Center. Two other passengers in the van, 5-year-old Aaron Ashley Perez and 4-year-old Toby Gonzales were treated and released from Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Nazareth exchange requesting expansion

The Nazareth telephone exchange of 945—under GTE of Texas has petitioned the Public Utility Commission of Texas to expand the toll-free local calling service for the exchange.

Petition coordinators are Jim and Elaine Kern (806-945-2258). Petitions have been completed and ballots will be sent out within 15 days for the Nazareth telephone subscribers to vote on whether they want to include Amarillo, Canyon, Hereford, Redmon and Tulia in their local calling area.

The PUC is sending out the ballots, along with a self-addressed stamped return envelope. Subscribers

are asked to sign the ballot and mark for or against each community listed.

At least 70% of the subscribers who return their ballots must vote in favor of expanded local calling on a per exchange basis for it to be provided. The expanded local calling will incur an additional fee of \$3.50 per month per residential line and \$7 per business line for all subscribers. If the ballot fails to all exchanges, the service will not change and no additional fees will apply.

The PUC has assigned this matter Project No. 20571. Interested persons may direct any comments about the petition to the PUC, P.O. Box 13326, Austin 78711-3326.

Early voting to end Tuesday

Early voting in the May 1 elections started April 14 and will continue through Tuesday. Early ballots may be cast at the business office of the governing entities (cities and school districts) that are holding elections.

Registered voters in Dimmitt may consult their voter registration cards to determine which district they should vote in for the school board election.

Elections have been canceled for the City of Dimmitt and the Castro County Hospital District since all candidates were unopposed. The City of Nazareth will not have an election, since no candidates filed.

Candidates who have filed for positions for the school boards and the City of Hart are listed below.

DISD: In Place 3, incumbent Chevo Lumbrera faces Albert Acevedo.

In Place 6, incumbent Debbie Annen is challenged by Greg Odum, and Robert Wilhite.

In Place 7, Jim Wright, Barbara Bain, and Connie Nutt have filed.

City of Hart: Mayor Tony Leibel has filed for re-election and is challenged by Marguerite McLain. Incumbent Aldermen Doyle K. Davis and Harvey Perez are unopposed.

HISD: Incumbent Coy Myrick and challengers Brian Nelson and Danny Rodriguez seek to fill two positions.

NISD: Incumbents Rex Ramaekers, Julius Birkenfeld and Danny Gerber have filed, along with challengers Don Schulte and Jeanie Birkenfeld.



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK—Eric Sawyer (left), West Texas regional assistant for US Sen. Phil Gramm, presents a certificate of appreciation to Rhoads Memorial Library in a ceremony Friday afternoon. Witnessing the presentation are: (continuing from left) Bill Sava, Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Executive Director; Bay Baldrige, Castro County Commissioner Pct. 3; Cathy Hill, member of

Castro County's Chapter of the Republican Organization of Women; Marie Howell, librarian; Jewel Connell, library employee; Kay Stevens, ROW member; and Sandra Ziegler, a staff member of Gramm's office in Lubbock. Sawyer read a letter from Gramm recognizing the library's efforts to promote literacy in the community.

Photo by Monica Ortiz

Candidate forum set Wednesday

Candidates for the Dimmitt School Board will have a chance to outline their platforms before voters and voters will have a chance to question candidates Wednesday during a special candidate forum.

The forum, sponsored by the Dimmitt Classroom Teachers Association, will be held at 4:15 p.m. Wednesday at the Dimmitt Middle School Library.

Each candidate for the Dimmitt Independent School District's board of trustees will be allowed five minutes to state their personal background and their platforms.

The public is invited to attend and will be given an opportunity to ask questions of the candidates after their opening remarks.

Refreshments will be served.

Op-Ed Opinions, Editorials, Letters, Features

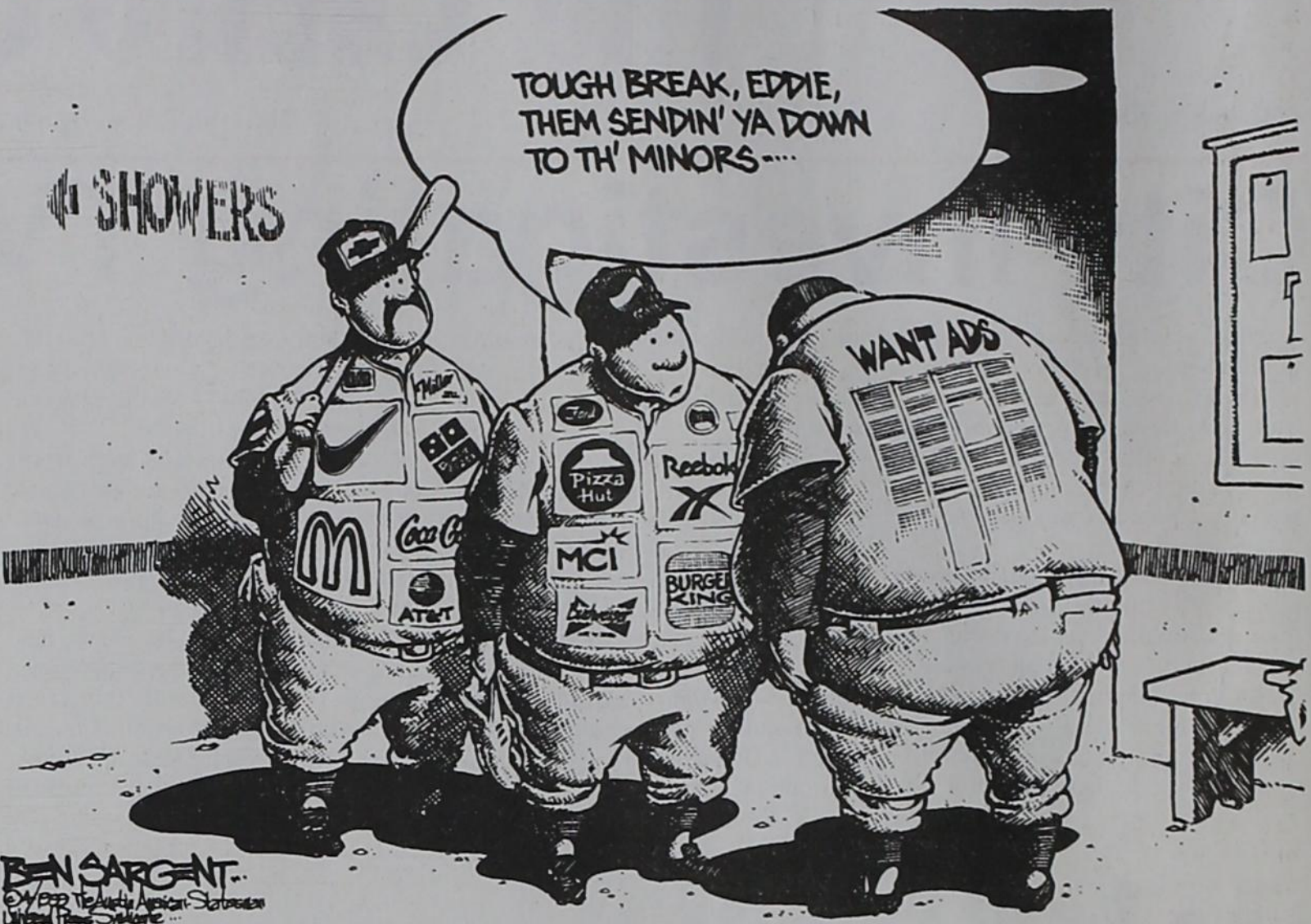


Letter 'Dimmitt, don't be stupid—get out of way of firefighters, EMS!'

Dear Editor: Please let me start off by giving the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept. and Reserves a great big "Attaboy!" for their extremely fast response to the fire last week on Northwest Fifth Street.

the fire due to the idiots blocking the streets. What does it take? LOSING A LIFE? People who send their children to watch, or those who walk two blocks to see as just as big a hazard as those half-wits that are blocking the streets.

being extremely upset, to put it mildly. If this kind of stupidity continues, we may lose the best VOLUNTEER Fire Dept. we've got, and it wouldn't be anyone's fault but our own.



Traits of a healthy family



By RON TRUSLER Executive Director Central Plains Center

- 7. Teaches a sense of right and wrong. 8. Has a strong sense of family in which rituals and traditions abound. 9. Has a balance of interaction among members. 10. Has a shared religious core.

What constitutes a healthy family depends on your definition. What is healthy to one person may not be healthy to another. I've listed some general things I've observed that have been helpful to families.

Letter 'Upbeat town and community'

Dear Editor: I'm writing to say how much I enjoyed the Ogallala Quilters Society Festival and Quilt Show. As a member and worker at the show, I was aware of how much the whole community got into the act.

Speak Out!

Here is where to contact your US Senators and Representative in Washington, D.C., and your State Senator and Representative in Austin.

US Senate

Phil Gramm: Rm. 370 Russell Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510

Kay Bailey Hutchison: Rm. 703 Hart Senate Office Bldg., Washington D.C. 20510

US House of Representatives

13th District Mac Thornberry: 131 Cannon Building, Washington, D.C. 20515

Texas Senate

The mailing address for all State Senators is: Texas Senate, P.O. Box 12068, Capitol Station, Austin 78711

30th District Tom Haywood

Austin phone: (512) 463-0130 Wichita Falls office: 2525 Kell, Ste. 305, Wichita Falls 76708

Texas House of Representatives

The mailing address for all State Representatives is: Texas House, P.O. Box 2910, Austin 78768-2910

85th District Pete Laney

Speaker of the House Austin phone: (512) 463-0604 Local office: P.O. Drawer 900, Hale Center 79041

In America another child is born into poverty every 34 seconds. Every 48 seconds in America another child is born without health insurance.

State Capital HIGHLIGHTS Compiled by Ed Sterling TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — A \$97 billion state budget proposed to cover the next two years gained approval on a voice vote in the Texas House last week. If the legislation passes in the Senate and earns the signature of Gov. George W. Bush, spending will increase nearly 10 percent over the present 1998-99 budget.

parlors and race tracks as long as no winnings are paid out. Now, the House will consider the fate of the Las Vegas-style gambling machines. During the legislative interim, the attorney general ruled that the Department of Public Safety has the authority to impound the machines.

Last Puzzle Solution crossword grid with letters filled in.

The Original TEXAS CROSSWORD by Charley & Guy Orbison. Includes crossword grid and clues for ACROSS and DOWN.

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On the Go with Martha Jo Hyman, 647-2255

Nelle DiCuffa and Edna Reinart went on a Bluebonnet tour this past week.

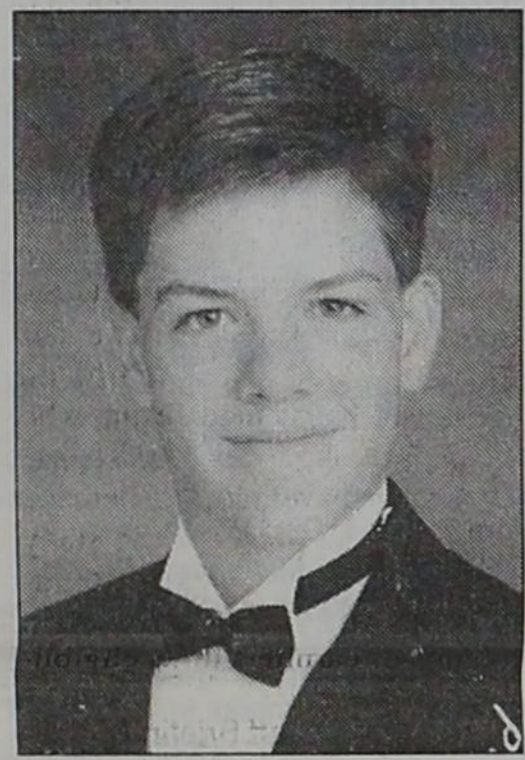
The two reported that they left Lubbock on Monday at 8 a.m., ate lunch in San Angelo and checked into the Best Western Sunday House Inn in Fredericksburg at 4 p.m. They spent the afternoon and evening shopping and sight seeing, with so many things to see and do.

The Best Western Sunday House Inn and the German American Restaurant Sunday House are in the town center. They, as well as other Sunday houses in near-by towns, were built by the German pioneers of the 19th century as a home for their families who came to town on weekends for market and Sunday worship. Constructed of native limestone, the houses still stand today.

The German pioneers reached their destination on May 8, 1846, and a small town called Fredericksburg was founded. Just as other pioneers, they traveled in two-wheeled ox carts, some on foot. The first buildings were of logs and hides. Seeing that many of their needs would be brought by freight wagons, they made the streets wide enough to allow the freight wagon and a team of oxen to make a U-turn. This makes crossing the streets today a hazardous feat, according to the travelers.

The first letters of the streets in one direction spell "Come Back," and the other direction's streets spell out "All Welcome."

On the Tuesday of their trip, the



WEST POINT APPOINTEE— Paul A. "Andy" Bubliss II, a senior at Archer City High School, has received an appointment to the US Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. He is the son of Leisa Graef Fudge of Burk Burnett and Dr. Paul Bubliss of Spearman. He is the great-grandson of Edith Graef, the late C. C. Graef, and the late E. L. and Connie Ivey, all of Dimmitt, and is the nephew of Brent and Tucker Graef of Dimmitt.

Courtesy Photo

two went sight seeing. They said the wild flowers were gorgeous and the rolling hills, live oaks and bluebonnets characterized the beautiful Texas Hill country. They also visited the LBJ Ranch.

The two rode a bus through the ranch and enjoyed Lady Bird's efforts in planting the wild flowers. They saw Lyndon's famous long horn cattle and one seemed to stand purposely for them to take a picture.

They were able to see the Enchanted Rock Natural Area, but didn't enter the park. They also saw the Wild Seed Farms Market Center, where wild flowers are grown in rows to be harvested for seed. There were 217 acres of bluebonnets, poppies and many other species in bloom or in various stages of growth. The two were sure to bring home some of those seed packets in hope of raising some of the flowers in their own locale.

Tuesday night of their trip, it rained, with thunder like they hadn't heard in a long time, the two said. That was when they realized they had left their umbrellas and an all-weather coat on the bus! But it stopped raining so that they could have a continental breakfast in a log house between the two Sunday Houses in the center of town.

At 8 a.m. on the Wednesday of their trip, the two were on their way to Waco. They visited the Dr Pepper Museum and the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame.

Thursday was the day they returned home. They ate lunch at Underwood's in Brownwood and arrived in Lubbock at 4:30 p.m. on schedule.

The two said they enjoyed seeing some friends who had been on other tours with them, as well as making new friends. The 37 people on the tour was "just the right number so we can remember the new faces," the two said.

With the quilters in town over the weekend, Dimmitt was very busy. The quilters stayed in private homes that were turned into bed and breakfast homes for this weekend only.

Doris Flynt kept five ladies in her home. They were all from the Midland/Odessa area. Lorann Hamilton also kept five. Emily Clingsmith kept two, and I kept two. There were more, but I have not gotten the names yet. Edith Graef kept some ladies also, and one of them has been working on a satin bedspread for four years. She hopes to have it finished by this time next year.

Mr. Ketchum, food service director of the Dimmitt schools, and his staff prepared the enchilada dinner on Thursday and the steak dinner on

Friday of the quilt show. Our compliments to the chef. I heard many favorable comments.

Beth and Dwight Joiner have returned from a week stay in Dallas with Dwight's sister and family. They are working on their roots, and were working in court houses.

Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary met April 14. Members present were Mattie Seale, Lucille Drerup, Claudine Langford, Betty Freeman, Florene Leinen, Lois Waggoner, Laquetta West, Gertie Waggoner, and Ethel Fry.

The group elected new officers for 1999-2000, they are Laquetta West, president; Lucille Drerup, first vice president; Irene Blanton, second vice president; Florene Leinen, secretary; Gertie Waggoner, treasurer; and Betty Freeman, historian.

Nancy Cranford of Virginia Beach, Va., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Ruby Ramsey. James and Diane Brookins and Dacy Webster of Mabank, and Dale Madison of Savoy visited with Mrs. Ramsey, Leda Hance, and Phoebe Claborn over the weekend. The deacons from First Baptist Church in Dimmitt brought the Lord's Supper to the home of Mrs. Ramsey. She and her four sisters took the Lord's Supper for the first time since they were girls. That is a special event not many get to have.

Dorothy Nutt has had visitors recently: Ruby Wilson of Ropesville, her mother; Pam of Abilene, her daughter; and Shelly and Grant Petty of Seagraves, her daughter and grandson. We always have lots of fun when they are here. We play Skip-Bo and spades. Mrs. Wilson is the queen of Skip-Bo and she has the crown to prove it.

Jo Hyman recently went to Hillsboro to visit college friends Kelli and David Holmes and Trey, a new addition to their family.

Joan Durbin, Wade and Jake Durbin, Leigh and Aubrie Durbin went to San Diego, Calif., for a week. They visited with Curtis's grandmother, Loretta Durbin, and her sister, JoAnn. They were so lucky to miss the wind we have endured this week.

Edith Graef had a visit from her daughter, Charlene Phillips of Clovis, N.M. They enjoyed the quilt show also. Edith kept four ladies—two from Oklahoma, one from Missouri and one from Amarillo.

The Thursday Bridge Club met and it was a good day for bridge. The weather was fit for nothing else. Cleo Forson was the hostess. Susie Reeves won high, and Ben Hill was second.

On Tuesday afternoon, Kay Lynn Rogers had me, Delores Heller and June Sutton over for fun and games. We played a domino game called chicken foot.

Friday evening, Jo Hyman came

down from Amarillo for an appointment, and she had dinner with me at my house, along with Leigh, Curtis and Aubrie Durbin and Ricky Baccus of Seminole, my younger brother.

Sunday was a full day. Madison McDaniel, daughter of Todd and Dawn McDaniel, had her second birthday. Dawn's mother, Mel, of Winter Park, Colo., attended the party. Also present were Janet and Donny McDaniel, Carol and Cory Hopson, Kelly and Taylor Fry, Dylon McDaniel, Leigh and Aubrie Durbin, Myrtle Lee, Cindy and Kasie Lee of Hart, Dorothy and V.C. Hopson, and I. Dawn had a great selection of pickup foods and birthday cake and ice cream. Todd works with border collie dogs and had some puppies. The little ones enjoyed playing with the puppies. There were also some goats the children enjoyed.

Visiting Don and Paula Graham at their home near Llano in the Texas Hill country were Jim and June Odom of Abernathy. Like the Grahams, the Odoms are former residents of Dimmitt. They lived here circa 1969-71 with their children, Michael, Dale and Keila.

Karen Wood, Don Graham's sister, is making her home at Llano, taking care of things and enjoying the scenery while Don and Paula finish their term in Lubbock as co-directors of the University Baptist Missions.

The meeting of the Family and Community Educators was held Friday at 10 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Dimmitt. The meeting was busy with plans for the Dimmitt meetings and projects coming up and what club members can do to help our county projects.

The group planned their county fair projects, their next meetings, and the whole county projects they will be working on for the coming year.

Dolores Griffith furnished refreshments for Mary Edna Hendrix, Claudine Langford, Irene Blanton, Mattie Seale, Sue Fischer, Betty Freeman, Oneida Hutto, Ann Henderson, Ferne Jones, Marilyn Neal, and Patsy Entekin.

It looks like they will have a really good year, a group spokesperson said.

The children and grandchildren of Dan and Oma Dee Heard honored them with a reception Saturday at Dimmitt's First Baptist Church in observance of their 50th anniversary.

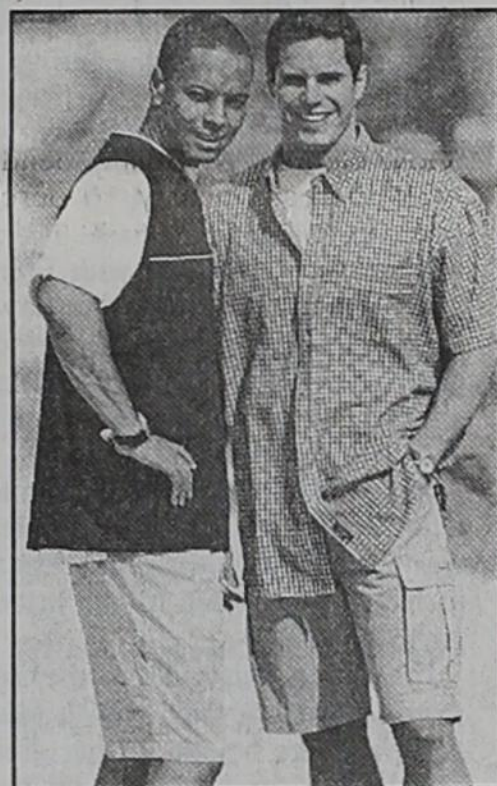
Their granddaughters served punch and coffee to the guests. Jennifer White of Rusk, a granddaughter, entertained with several flute solos.

Guests registered from Texas, New Mexico, Arkansas, Kansas, and Colorado.

The Heards married April 17, 1949; at Littlefield, and farmed in Castro County until 1997, when they moved to Graham.

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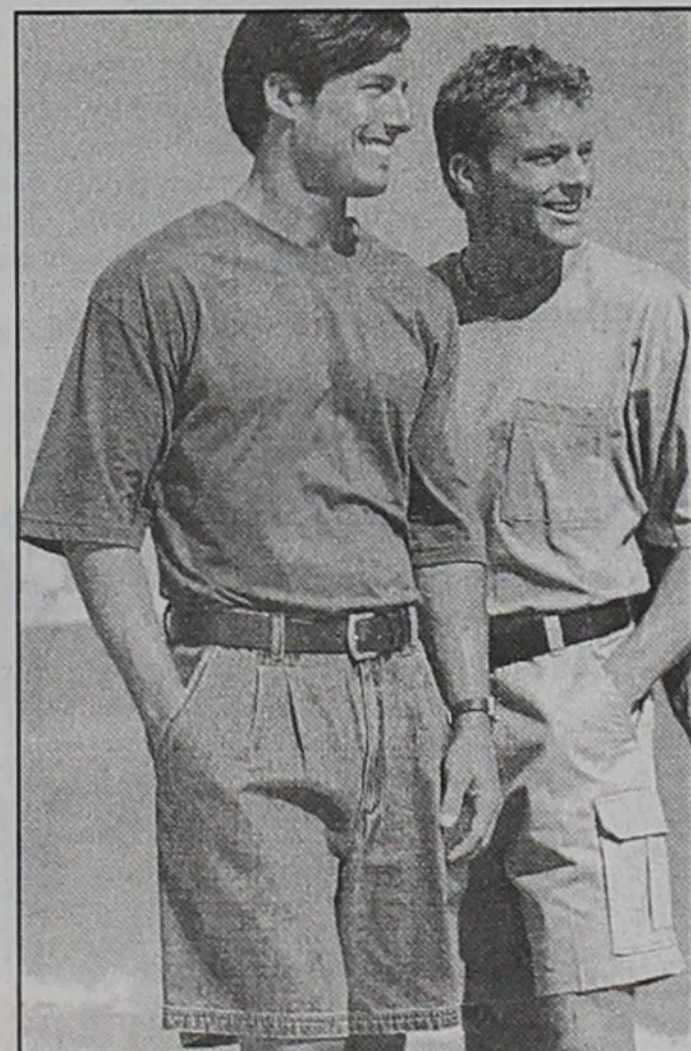
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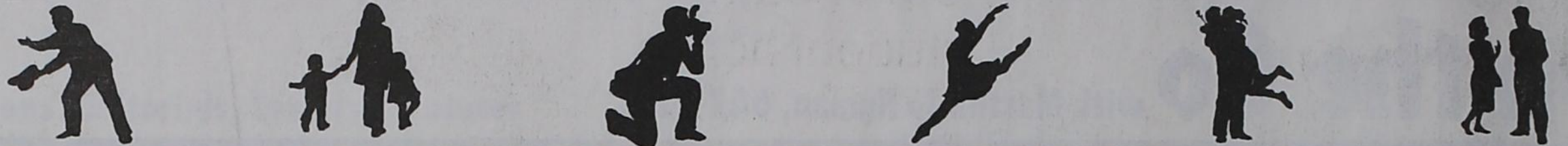
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Couple to celebrate anniversary

Garry and Yvonne Hufhines of Dimmitt will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary Saturday.

Their children are hosting a reception for them Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center in Dimmitt.

Garry Hufhines married Yvonne Hawkins on April 24, 1959, in Wichita Falls. They moved to Dimmitt in May of 1962. Garry is an employee of the Santa Fe Burlington Northern Railroad. Yvonne worked for the telephone company, has served as a substitute teacher, and is now a regular teacher in the In-School Suspension program for the Dimmitt Independent School District.

Their children are Brian Hufhines and his wife, Paula, of Amarillo; Keri Magby and her husband, Russell, of Lubbock; and Trisha Crow and her husband, Jeff, who are living in Germany. The couple also have 11 grandchildren.



Ricky Kuntz and Donna Underwood

Couple plan July wedding

Donna Underwood and Ricky Kuntz will exchange wedding vows on July 17 at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Freeman of Lubbock. She is employed by the Hereford Independent School District.

The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kuntz of the Flagg community. He is the manager of Flagg Fertilizer.

After a wedding trip to Aruba, the couple plan to reside in Dimmitt.

Turner wins talent competition

Valerie Gonzales crowned County Farm Bureau Queen

Valerie Gonzales of Dimmitt was crowned Castro County Farm Bureau Queen last Thursday during a special pageant and talent find contest at the Dimmitt High School Cafeteria.

Gonzales is the daughter of Roy and Robin Gonzales of Dimmitt. She is a senior at Dimmitt High School and she plans to attend Eastern New Mexico University this fall, and she plans to major in elementary education.

Runner-up in the queen contest was Ann Wilhelm of Nazareth, daughter of Tim and Monica Wilhelm. She is a senior at Nazareth High School and her future plans include majoring in ag communication at Texas Tech University.

Contestants were judged on appearance, poise, personality, speech and response to impromptu questions.

Winner of the talent find contest was Miranda Turner, daughter of Mike and Julia Turner of Tulia. She is a senior at Dimmitt High School. In the talent competition, Turner performed a piano solo, *Hodyn Sonata in D Major*.

Runner-up in the talent competition was Rebecca Henderson, daughter of Judy Henderson. The Dimmitt sophomore sang *Angel Eyes* for the contest.

Talent contestants were judged on audience appeal, performance, appearance and professionalism.

Judges for the queen contest and talent find were Peggy Broadstreet of Dimmitt, a former Mrs. Farm Bureau Oklahoma; Brenda Gunnels, secretary for the Swisher County Farm Bureau in Tulia; and Chuck Senter, membership committee chairman for the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, who was a field representative with Texas Farm Bureau for nine years.

Emcee for the event was Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava.

Winners in both contests will advance to the district contest in Idalou on Aug. 5, where they will be vying for \$1,000 scholarships. Those who advance to the state competition, which will be held at the Texas Farm Bureau Convention in Corpus Christi in December, will compete for \$2,500 scholarships in each category.

This is the first time that Castro County Farm Bureau has held a contest in over 25 years. Last year's queen, Teresa Robertson, was named by the board of directors to represent Castro County at the district level. She was runner-up in the district contest.

Killough and Curry wed in formal ceremony April 10

A formal, afternoon ceremony at the First Baptist Church in Levelland on April 10 joined in marriage Kamber Lee Ann Curry and Nathan Collins Killough.

The bride is the daughter of Eddy and Dee Ann Curry of Levelland and the granddaughter of Glen and Joan Adkins of Lubbock and Wes and Alice Curry Shivers of Quitaque. Parents of the groom are James and Rhonda Killough of Edna, formerly of Dimmitt.

The ceremony began with the performance of *In This Very Room*, sung by the bride's brother, Kade Curry.

Darren Tidwell, youth minister of Hobbs, N.M. and a friend of the couple's families, offered a moment of meditation and a blessing for the couple.

The couple's mothers and grandmothers were seated while pianist Bobby Wells of Levelland played *Through the Eyes of Love*.

The groomsmen and bridal attendants entered the sanctuary during the song, *Trumpet Voluntary*. Then the bride's mother dedicated to her daughter a poem titled, "How Quickly They Grow."

Alicia Curry, organist and aunt of the bride, played the traditional Wedding March as the bride was escorted down the aisle by her father. The bride's family gave her away and the groom sang *I Do* to his bride.

Craig Curry, cousin of the bride, performed the wedding ceremony and Eddy Curry, the bride's father and a minister at First Baptist Church in Levelland, pronounced them husband and wife. James Killough, the groom's father, concluded the repeating of vows by offering a prayer for the couple.

Kade Curry sang *To Make You Feel My Love* by Garth Brooks and Bobby Wells played *The Wedding March* by Mendelssohn during the recessional.

The bride wore a candlelight silk gown designed by Mon Cheri. The fitted bodice featured a sweetheart neckline with an open back. The cap sleeves were accented with French bows that matched the bustle bow at the waistline in the back. The bride's gown had a full, cathedral-length train accented with iridescent sequins and crystal beading.

Her waist-length veil was accented with seed pearls and the headpiece was beaded with pearls and crystals to match the bodice of the bride's gown.

In keeping with tradition, the bride wore "something old," which was a gold lavalier bought by her great-grandfather for his bride on their wedding day in 1920. The bride's great-grandmother, grandmother (1948) and mother (1973) each wore the necklace on their wedding days. For "something borrowed," the bride wore her maid of honor's diamond earrings. "Something blue" was her garter, which was given to her by her father. "Something new" was her wedding dress.

She carried a bouquet of candlelight roses created by Johnnie Lou Burnet, a friend of the family. The bride carried coins minted in the years of the couple's births. They were a gift from the bride's grandfather.

Maid of honor was Maggie



MRS. NATHAN KILLOUGH
... nee Kamber Lee Ann Curry

Flanigan of Post. Bridesmaids were Shelly Williams and Julie Adams, both of Hobbs, N.M., and Crystal Greene of Lewisville. Flower girl was Kelsey Vest of Levelland.

Bridal attendants wore formal-length black crepe dresses and carried single stemmed red roses. The flower girl wore an ankle-length red chiffon dress with a white bodice accented with tiny red rose buds at the neckline and sleeves. She carried a white wicker basket trimmed in rosebuds. Her halo matched the basket filled with candlelight rose petals.

Best man was Steve Wiseman of Tahoka. Groomsmen were Scott Killough of Port Lavaca and Rodney Killough of Edna, brothers of the groom; and Michael Beal of Hobbs, N.M. Ring bearer was Matthew Killough, the groom's nephew.

The groom and his attendants wore Oscar de la Renta tuxedos with candlelight shirts, red vests and matching bow ties. The groomsmen wore red boutonnieres while the groom wore a candlelight boutonniere. The ring bearer wore a black tuxedo and carried a candlelight satin pillow holding the wedding rings.

The bride's cousins, Camille and Summer Ketron Adkins, registered guests.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church's fellowship hall.

Candlelight tulle and twinkling white lights decorated the tables. The fellowship hall was decorated with four topiary trees in gold pots and white lattice work covered with greenery and tulle bows. A gift table featured pictures of the bride and groom from infancy to graduation.

The bride's table featured a three-tiered red velvet wedding cake accented with a fountain, and four floating cakes decorated with

rosebuds and greenery. A Kim

Anderson bride and groom accented the top of the cake. Amanda Curry of Memphis created the wedding cake and presented it to the couple as a wedding present.

Two white candelabra on white pillar columns accented the table.

Punch and a variety of gourmet coffees were served to guests from a gold punch bowl and gold coffee service. Cake, fruit, candlelight mints and nuts were served by Camille, Summer and Dee Dee Adkins of Lubbock and Alicia and Crystal Curry of Arlington.

The groom's cake was Italian cream with cream cheese filling. After a honeymoon in Ruidoso, N.M., the couple returned to Plainview where both are students at Wayland Baptist University.

The bride graduated from Levelland High School and provides child care at First Baptist Church in Plainview. She works in the Dean of Students Office at Wayland Baptist University.

The groom is a graduate of Edna High School. He works in security at Wayland Baptist University and is also employed at The Cotton Patch in Plainview. He is in the Army Reserves as a chaplain's assistant.

WIFE brunch set Saturday in Lubbock

The Texas WIFE (Women Involved in Farm Economics) group will host a get-acquainted brunch Saturday from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at South Plains Electric Cooperative, located at 110 North I-27 in Lubbock.

A slide presentation will begin at 11 a.m. and will be one of the highlights of the meeting.

Denia Durbin inducted into honor society

Denia Durbin of Nazareth has been inducted into the Iota Theta chapter of Kappa Delta Pi.

Durbin, a senior reading major, is the daughter of Paul and Joan Durbin of Nazareth and she is a graduate of Nazareth High School.

Kappa Delta Pi is a national scholastic honor society for education majors and inductees are required to have an overall grade-point average of 3.25 or better, a 3.0 grade-point average in education course work, three semester hours in education and a class standing of second semester sophomore or higher.

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1802 Butler Drive, Dimmitt

Selections at Tots and Teens
and The Village Shop



MRS. JASON WAYNE FLORES
... She's the former Kay Lynn Gleghorn.

Couple establish home in Bedford

Mr. and Mrs. Jason Wayne Flores are at home in Bedford, following a wedding trip to Lake Tahoe, Nev. The bride is the former Kay Lynn Gleghorn, daughter of Dwight and Jolene Gleghorn of Dimmitt. The groom is the son of Eddie and Clydie Flores of Henderson.

The couple were united in a formal, double-ring ceremony on March 27 in the First Baptist Church of Eules with Charles Thornton officiating.

The bride was attended by her sister, Kim Watson of Olathe, Kan., who served as matron of honor. Her bridesmaids were Kimberly Whitt of Bedford, Lori Anne Phelps of North Richland Hills, Donna Shult of Jonesboro, Ark., and Kara Bock of New Braunfels, all friends of the bride, and Wendy Flores of Irving, the groom's sister.

The groom's father, Eddie Flores, served his son as best man. Groomsmen included Wes Flores of Arlington, the groom's brother, Justin Gleghorn of St. George, Kan., the bride's brother, and the groom's friends, Brian Phelps of North Richland Hills, Cliff Lowe of San Antonio, and Rae Powell of Cheyenne, Wyo.

Jason Watson of Olathe, Kan., the bride's nephew, served as ring bearer, and the groom's niece, Leanne Flores of Arlington, was the flower girl. Ushers were friends Joseph Reue of Bedford and Will Allan of Lubbock.

The church was decorated with ivory pew bows, three candelabras at the front of the church were decorated with greenery and ivory tulle. Two silk flower arrangements flanked the candles, and white azaleas lined the front of the church.

Lisa Jones of Henderson was the organist, and Celia Cain of Quislan served as pianist. Keith Longbotham sang *The Parents Prayer* and *I Will Be Here*, and was joined by Jessica Jarratt in singing *Only God Could Love You More*.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of matte satin designed by Bonny out of New York. Traditionally styled with lavish details on a ballgown silhouette, the gown was encrusted with sequins and bridal pearls that enhanced the scoop neckline and short sleeves. It had an A-line bodice attached to a graceful chapel-length train. The veil, made by Kim Watson, sister of

the bride, was a satin headband adorned with bridal pearls, which anchored a double layered veil of tulle. The bride carried a nosegay of burgundy and white Nichol roses.

The feminine attendants wore floor-length navy blue dresses in a sleeveless style with a scooped neck and a three-button closure in the back. The straight skirts were fashioned with a slit in the back. They carried hand-tied bouquets of Nichol roses, adorned with burgundy ribbons.

The reception was held at the Desert Storm Banquet Hall at the naval Air Station/Joint Reserve Base. The entryway was decorated with a desk holding a portrait of the bride, along with an ivory candle in a hurricane globe, accented with ivy and ivory ribbon. The tables were decorated with ivory candles in hurricane globes, ivory ribbon and ivy.

The bride's cake was made of four square tiers, each decorated in a contrasting fashion—the bottom was striped, next was a lace pattern, next was dotted Swiss, and the top was smooth. The topper was an ivory bow. The groom's cake was a chocolate turtle single-layer cake. The top was decorated in white icing with the Texas A&M seal. Chocolate-covered strawberries and chocolate shavings surrounded the cake. The bride's table was decorated with the bridal bouquet and those of the attendants. The groom's table was decorated with the groom's A&M Corp boots and cover.

The reception included a buffet dinner and a dance, with music provided by Mixx Masters as the D.J.

For her going away ensemble, the bride selected a black floral georgette dress.

The bride is a 1990 graduate of Dimmitt High School. She graduated from Texas A&M University in 1994 and works with the Texas Dept. of Agriculture as a Marketing Specialist.

A 1990 graduate of Henderson High School, the groom also graduated from TAMU in 1994. He works with Washington & Associates as a civil engineer.

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

Smith earns student honor

Brandy Smith, daughter of Shelly and Dwayne Smith, has been named student of the week in Mrs. Damron's and Mrs. Spring's rooms at Dimmitt Middle School.

Smith was born Nov. 13, 1988, in Hereford. She lists her favorite food as pizza, her favorite book as *Shiloh* and her favorite animal as the kitten.

She says she is good at basketball and would like to be better at "waking up early."

She likes the soft drink and candy machines at Dimmitt Middle School.

When she grows up, Smith says she wants to be a soloist. She admires her cousin.

In her free time, Smith likes to listen to CDs.

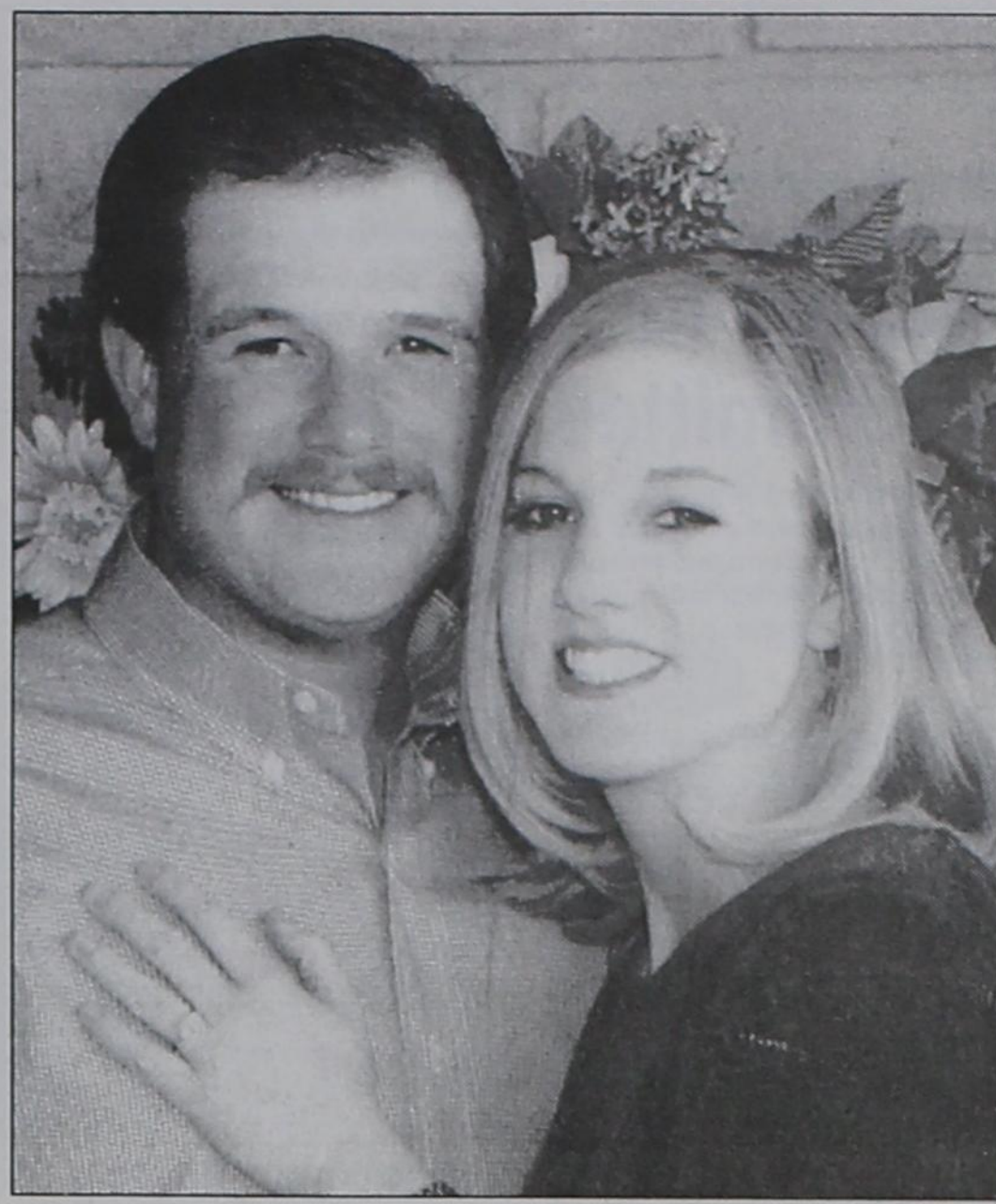
DHS Class of 1969 seeks class members

The Dimmitt High School Class of 1969 is planning a 30-year class reunion Friday and Saturday, July 23-24, at the Holiday Inn-Lubbock Plaza.

Organizers of the reunion are seeking current addresses for several class members including Jimmy Bradley, Steve Faulkner, Gloria Gonzales, Glen Hammond, Sandy Hilger, Linda (Langford) Little, Jose Lively, Sherman McDaniel and Rob Upfold.

If you have any information on how to contact these people, call Richard Jackson at (806) 647-3466 or write HC5, Box 26, Dimmitt 79027; Janice (Mooney) Davis, (806) 355-6795; Cindy Hopson Lee, (806) 938-2251; Steve Buckley, (806) 647-2472; or Diane (Webb) Townsend, (806) 647-4208, 1002 Oak Street, Dimmitt 79027.

Organizers would like to have addresses or phone numbers on all class members by May 1.



Ben Scott Jr. and Carrie Sheffy

Sheffy and Scott to wed

Don and Karen Sheffy of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Carrie Sheffy, to Ben Scott Jr., son of Ben Sr. and Molly Scott of Dimmitt.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows on July 17 in Ruidoso, N.M.

The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Dimmitt High School. She will graduate in May from West Texas A&M University in Canyon with a bachelor of arts degree in her double major of English and psychology. She plans to pursue her master's degree in educational counseling at West Texas A&M University in the fall.

The prospective groom graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1990. He attended South Plains College in Levelland, Texas Tech University in Lubbock and West Texas A&M University, majoring in agricultural science. He is presently engaged in farming and ranching in Castro County.

After the wedding, the couple will reside in Dimmitt.

County Fair Association sets events

The Castro County Fair Association has set Sept. 11 as the date for the County Fair, and the theme for the Harvest Days Parade and events will be "Be a Sport: Support Castro County."

Association members voted at their March meeting to move the pedal tractor pull back to the Saturday of Harvest Days in hopes of encouraging more participation.

Booth rentals for the fair were set at \$35 for an indoor booth and \$25 for an outdoor booth. Quonset booths also will be \$25.

The association voted to have Bill Henderson announce the events on Sept. 11 as they are starting so that everyone will know what is coming up.

The fiddlers' contest will be moved to 1:30 to 3 p.m., and fair association members agreed to contact the gymnastics group from Hart to perform again. School groups from Dimmitt also will be contacted to see if performances can be arranged.

Other entertainment details are being worked out.

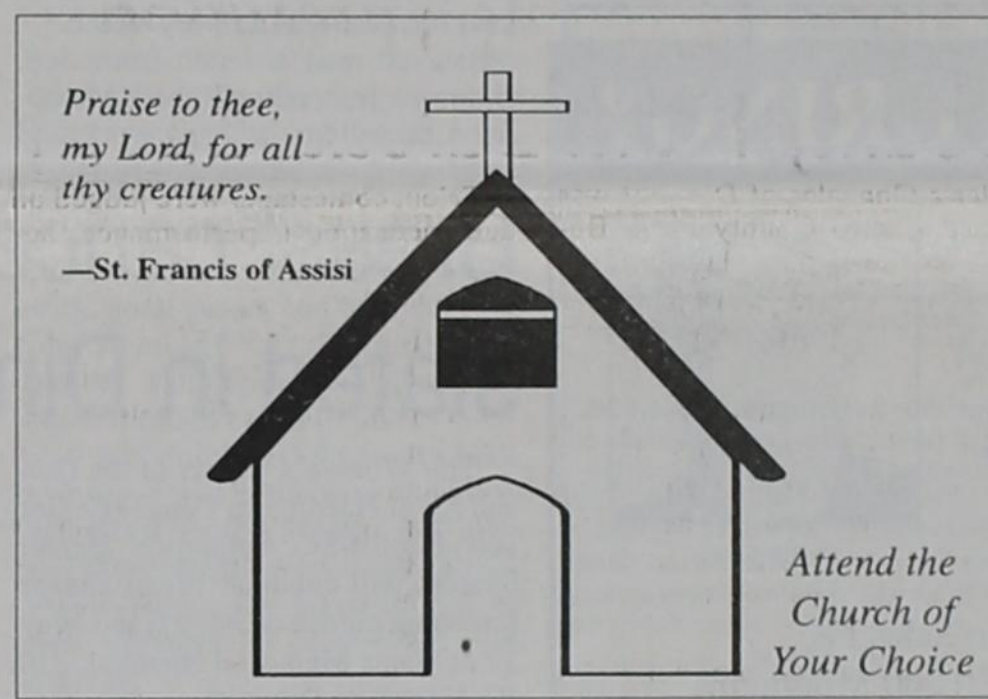
The Fair Association plans to sell ice cream at the July Jubilee on July 2 to raise money for fair activities. Anyone willing to make one or more freezers of home-made ice cream are asked to notify Polly Simpson or Cathy Hill.

Each time you wash dishes by hand, you use about 20 gallons of water.



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Kevin Riley is named to PCG executive committee

The Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. board of directors elected officers and appointed members to serve on its executive committee at a recent meeting.

Among those selected for the executive committee is Castro County resident Kevin Riley, who will represent District One.

Newly-selected members of the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., board of directors met for the first time following the organization's 42nd annual meeting and elected officers for the 1999-2000 crop year.

The board voted unanimously to re-elect current President Don Langston, Vice President Ronnie Hopper and Secretary-Treasurer Mark Williams to serve second terms in their respective positions.

PCG bylaws allow eligible candidates to serve a maximum of two one-year terms in each of the three elected officer positions within the organizations.

In addition to the officer elections, the PCG board had the opportunity to hear from US Dept. of Agriculture Risk Management Agency Administrator Ken Ackerman.

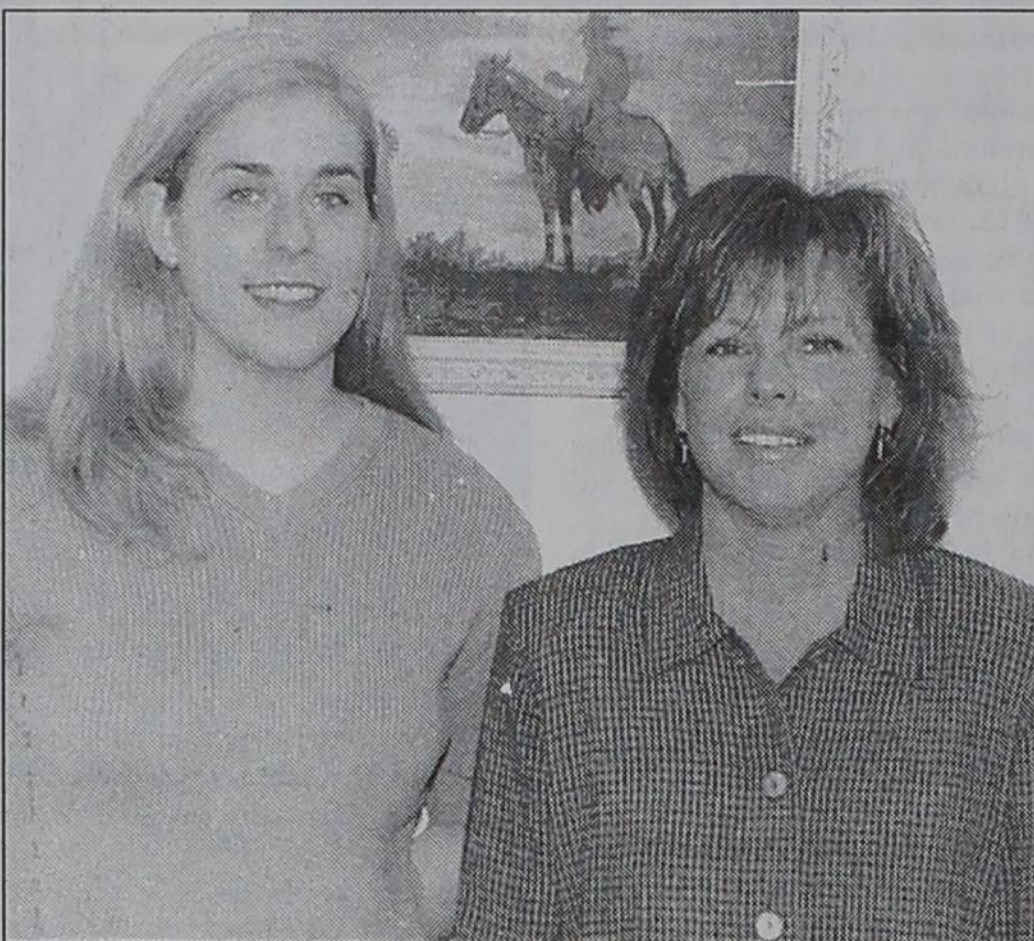
Ackerman discussed the state of the Federal Crop Insurance Program

and answered questions regarding Clinton Administration Ideas for crop insurance reform and provided feedback about current reform ideas currently being discussed across the nation.

In addition to Riley, others selected to the executive committee are James Brown, District Two; Dan B. Smith, District Three; Al Griffis Jr., District Four; Rickey Bearden, District Five; Van Gaskins, District 6. Jackie Burris is the first most recent past president and Frank B. Jones Jr. is the second most recent past president of the board and each also holds a spot on the committee, along with the three current officers.

PCG's annual meeting was well attended and featured outstanding presentations from Memphis cotton merchant Billy Dunavant Jr., Con. Charles Stenholm, Zack Brady on behalf of Sen. Robert L. Duncan, and Lindy Patton from the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

Langston and PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett detailed many of the activities the organization has been involved with over the past year.



CASTRO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT employees Angela Ingram, an Occupational Therapist Registered (OTR), and Karen Taylor, Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant (COTA), work in developmental therapy, physical medicine, mental health and orthopedics with the geriatric patients, working to help patients learn self-care, behavior modification, self-expression and self-awareness. The two help patients develop life skills and manage their emotions so they can return to a normal life. Ingram works closely with physicians to determine the right methods for helping patients.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

TxDOT names safety honorees

The Texas Dept. of Transportation will hold its annual Safety Awards Banquet next Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Littlefield Agricultural Center.

Each year, employees are recognized for their service and their years of safe driving. They also receive an award for the number of years they've gone without lost time or personal injury.

Employees of the TxDOT Dimmitt Maintenance Section who will be honored include maintenance techni-

cians Joe Porter Jr., five years no personal injury; Tommy Hickman, 20 years safe operator; and Wayne Christian, 22 years no personal injury.

Tommy Guzman, maintenance supervisor, said that Dimmitt has six years with no lost time.

"Safety is extremely important in our business," said Ken Sylvester, Lubbock District safety coordinator. "The banquet is our way of recognizing employees who put safety first on the job."

Minding Your Own Business

Protecting original property: Patents, trademarks and copyrights

By DON TAYLOR

(Part two of a two-part series)

Last week in part one I discussed utility, design and plant patents. I included some street-smart tips for protecting your ideas as you investigate the patent process.

This week we'll look at trademarks and copyrights. None of these concepts are new to the American business economy.



Don Taylor

More than two hundred years ago the framers of the Constitution of the United States of America guaranteed certain rights to owners and creators of intellectual property. In Article One, Section Eight, the writers of that great document articulated the need to "promote the progress of science and useful arts by securing for limited times to authors and inventors the exclusive right to their respective writings and discoveries..."

This grand beginning led to the patent, trademark and copyright laws we use today to protect individual effort and innovation. Truly our forefathers saw the protection of intellectual property as a part of guaranteeing the establishment of justice and promotion of the general welfare.

Trademarks

Today, US Trademark law is based on the concept of first usage. While you are not required to register a trademark or service mark in order to establish your right to use it, there are advantages in following trademark procedures.

Before registering your trademark, you should search existing files and find any conflicting marks before you spend any money developing your trademark. I know one company that developed an expensive marketing campaign only to discover that the name they picked was already in use and was protected. The company had to start over with a new name.

Remember, if you're sued for trademark infringement, the fact that your mark is registered will strengthen your case and entitle you to additional protection. Many small firms have received settlements from larger companies simply because they protected their products beyond common law usage.

With trademarks, often a little extra effort can provide strong protection. Do your homework and take the trademark procedure seriously.

Copyrights

Copyrights apply to original expression, regardless of official filing status. If you create an original work—a poem, book, essay, sculpture, song, etc.—the copyright is considered as a part of the work and therefore affords automatic protection. Your work does not require publication to be protected.

There are three criteria used in determining if your work is legal to copyright. It must be original, use a tangible medium of expression (paper, audio or video tape, fabric or computer disk, etc.) and it must have been produced by some form of creative activity such as your brain power or physical disabilities.

The easiest way to establish a copyright protection is to place the copyright symbol, the date and your name on the document. This gives you basic copyright protection, but you can strengthen your defense if you register your work with the US Copyright office.

To obtain more information about patents, trademarks or copyrights, use these resources. For information on patents, patent disclosure, depository libraries and trademarks call: (800) 786-9199 and follow the instructions given. Note: You must have a touch-tone phone to utilize this automatic service. I'd recommend these brochures: "Basic Facts About Patents," "The Disclosure Document Program" and the "Current Fee Schedule."

For trademark information, request "Basic Facts about Trademarks." It usually takes about two weeks to receive the information. There is a help line which can be reached during the normal business hours of the Patent and Trademark office.

For information on obtaining copyright protection call (202) 707-3000 and follow directions for obtaining information. "Circular Number One—Copyright Basics" is a good place to start.

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

Gramm's aids present proclamation to library

Representatives of US Sen. Phil Gramm's office in Lubbock presented an honorary proclamation to Rhoads Memorial Library Friday, commending the library for its efforts in promoting literacy in Castro County.

Eric Sawyer and Sondra Ziegler, both from Sen. Gramm's office, presented the proclamation to Marie Howell, Rhoads Memorial Librarian. The proclamation designated April 11-17 as National Library Week.

Sawyer read a letter from Sen. Gramm commending Rhoads Memorial Library for its hard work and

availability to the children of Castro County.

"Our future generations must be able to read in order for this country to go forward," Ziegler said. "We are finding out more every day how early learned reading skills benefit students as they go through school."

Also on hand for the presentation were Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava, library assistant Jewell Connell, ROW President Kay Stevens, Republican Party Chairman Cathy Hill, and library board member Bay Baldrige.

Breast cancer screenings slated in Dimmitt in May

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct breast cancer screening clinics on May 6 and May 27 at Plains Memorial Hospital, 310 W. Halsell in Dimmitt.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination.

Funding is available through the Texas Dept. of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 1-800-377-4673 or 806-356-1905.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

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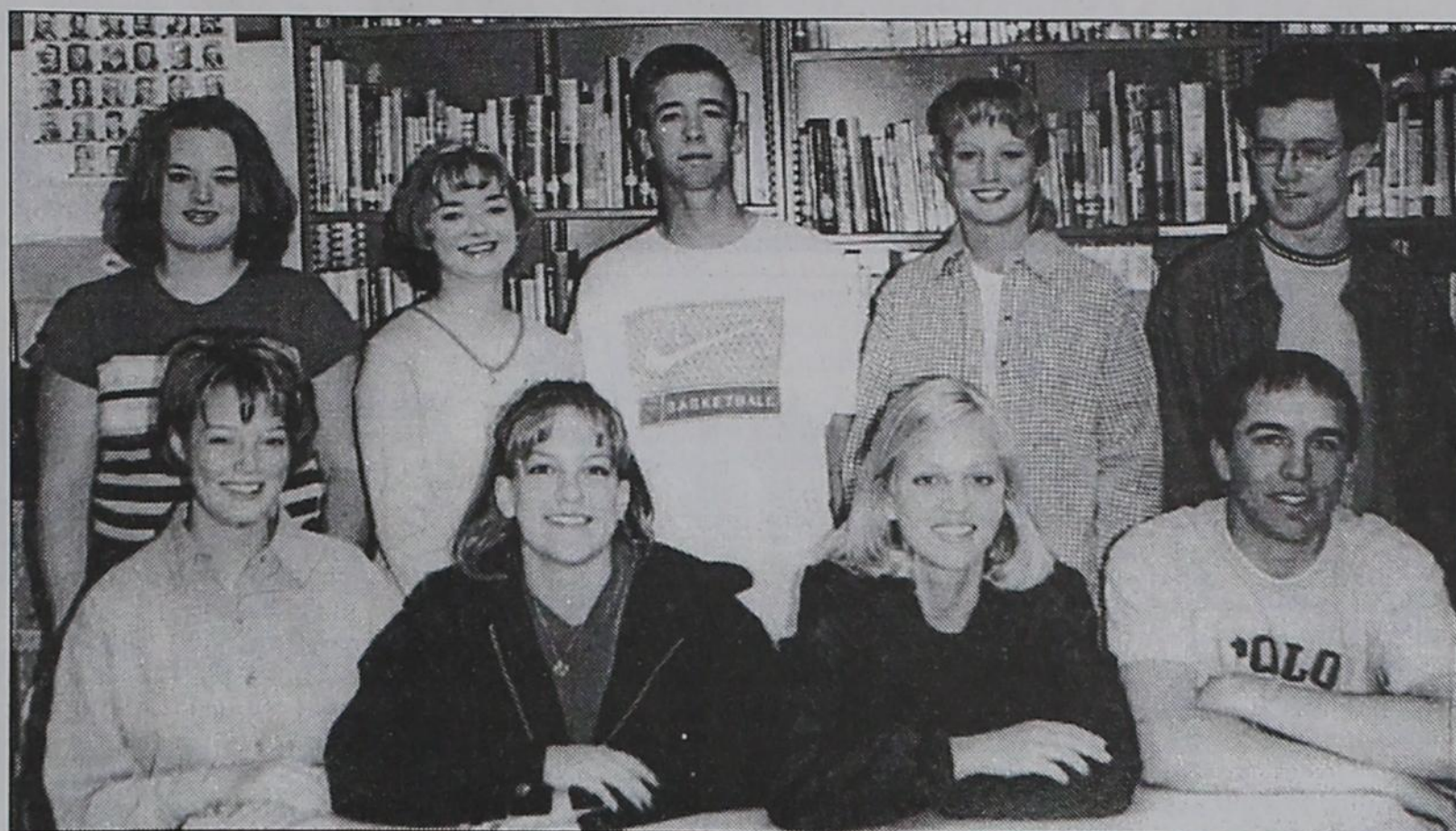
Hart plans kindergarten registration

All Hart youngsters who will be five years old before Sept. 1, 1999, must pre-register for kindergarten for the 1999-2000 school year, and Hart schools have set next Thursday, April 29, as the registration date.

Parents of the future kindergartners are asked to register their children from 1 to 2 p.m. on April 29 in Kindergarten Room 13 at Hart Elementary School.

Students who are not enrolled in Hart's pre-kindergarten this year must bring their birth certificate, Social Security card and vaccination record.

Pre-kindergarten registration will follow, beginning at 2 p.m.



REGIONAL HOPEFULS—These Nazareth High School students will be competing in the Region 1-A UIL Literary Meet in Levelland after placing in the recent District 4-A meet. Regional qualifiers include (back row, from left) Jessica Kern in Editorial Writing, Susan Book in Current Issues and Events and Literary Criticism, Blake Birkenfeld in News Writing, Computer Science and Mathematics, Karen

Wilhelm in Poetry Interpretation and Andrew Villeneuve in Computer Applications; and (seated, from left) Ann Wilhelm in Headline Writing, Stephanie Gerber in Feature Writing, Sara Schulte in Feature Writing and Mitchell Brockman in Headline Writing and Computer Applications. Nazareth qualified 11 for the regional meet after winning the district team title with 286 points.

Photo by Brenda Schulte

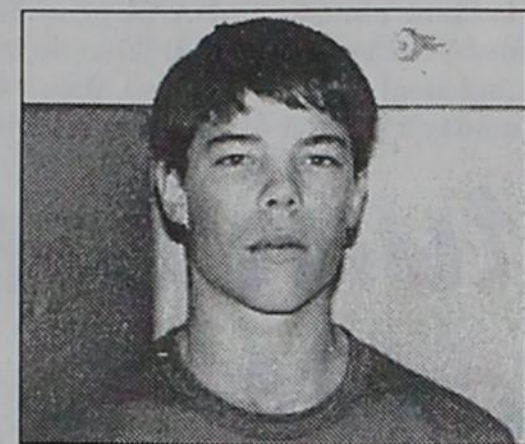
Tule Creek Bluegrass Festival set

The Panhandle Bluegrass and Old Time Music Association will debut in Tulia with the Tule Creek Bluegrass Festival May 14-16.

Music will begin the evening of May 14. Local civic groups will have food booths. The event will be held at Tule Creek Park, west of MacKenzie Park.

May 16, the Tulia Senior Citizens will serve a sunrise breakfast. Dennis Conway of the Sixth Street Church of Christ will lead a devotional, and gospel music will be played until noon.

For more information, call the Tulia Chamber of Commerce at 995-2296.



MARK BIRKENFELD hopes to earn a trip to state and he'll have several chances this week when he competes in Calculator Applications, Spelling and Vocabulary and Editorial Writing at the Region 1-A UIL Literary Meet in Levelland.

Photo by Brenda Schulte



SUSAN LANGE will be among the Nazareth High School students competing in the Region 1-A UIL Literary Meet this week in Levelland. Lange qualified in Computer Applications.

Photo by Brenda Schulte

Big Band Dance set for Saturday

A Big Band Dance and Concert, reminiscent of the 1940s and 50s swing era of big bands, is slated for Saturday at South Plains College to benefit music scholarships at the school.

The event is being presented by the SPC Fine Arts Dept. and the SPC Foundation, and will feature the SPC Dance Orchestra. The dance will start at 8 p.m. in the Sundown Room of the Student Center at the Levelland campus.

Admission will be \$6 per person. An evening buffet of snacks is also part of the package.

Sidewalk Chalk ArtFest set May 8

The second annual Sidewalk Chalk ArtFest is set for May 8 in Tulia, and \$800 in prize money will be awarded.

The competition is for high school students and older, and there is a \$15 entry fee. Entries after May 1 will be \$25.

Participants must bring their own chalk.

Younger ages also will have a chance to win prizes at their own ArtFest between Antiques & More and the Panhandle Community Services office in Tulia in the 100 block of North Maxwell.

There is no entry fee for students in junior high and under; however, they must be accompanied by an adult.

Call the Tulia Chamber of Commerce at 995-2296.

Free cataract surgery offered

A free eye screening and possible free cataract surgery is being made available to people in need throughout the Panhandle.

The doctors and staff of Panhandle Eye Group have volunteered to participate in Mission Cataract USA, with free eye screenings set for May 8 in Amarillo at 7308 Fleming.

The screenings will determine those candidates with cataracts and financial need.

Eligible candidates will be given a thorough eye examination and as many people as possible will be scheduled for cataract surgery at the Panhandle Eye Group facility on May 22, Mission Cataract Day. Due to the anticipated number of participants, the surgery is limited to cataracts only.

Anyone who is visually impaired and has financial need may call 806-354-8891 to make an appointment for the May 8 screening.

Blood drive, competition set Monday

The Dimmitt High School Student Council is sponsoring a blood drive with Coffee Memorial Blood Center on Monday from 1 to 7 p.m. in the DHS Band Hall.

Everyone age 17 and above is invited to participate. Free refreshments will be served, and the students will conduct a contest between boys and girls to see who has the most blood donors.

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Garden checklist for April

By **JOHNNA L. PATTERSON**
Castro County Extension Agent—Integrated Pest Management

The following checklist was taken from the April issue of "Lawn and Garden Update" by Dr. William C. Welch, a landscape horticulturist with Texas A&M University at College Station.

- ✓ Prune spring flowering shrubs soon after flowering. Keep the natural shape of the plant in mind as you prune, and avoid excessive cutting, except where necessary, to control size.
- ✓ Roses have high fertilizer requirements. For moist soils, use a complete fertilizer for the first application just as new growth starts; then use ammonium sulfate or other high-nitrogen source every four to six weeks, usually just as the new growth cycle starts following a flowering cycle.
- ✓ Continue to spray rose varieties susceptible to black spot, using a spray containing triforine or, as it is more commonly known, Funginex. Use every seven to 10 days.
- ✓ Climbing roses may be pruned as soon as they complete flowering.
- ✓ Removing spent flowers, trimming back excessive growth and applying fertilizer to an established annual bed can do wonders towards rejuvenating and extending the life of the planting.

- ✓ As soon as azaleas have finished flowering, apply an acid-type fertilizer at the rate recommended. Don't over fertilize, as azalea roots are near the surface and damage can occur. Water thoroughly after fertilizing.
- ✓ Seeds of amaranthus, celosia, cosmos, marigold, portulaca, zinnia and other warm-season annuals can be sown directly in the beds where they are to grow. Keep seeded areas moist until seeds germinate. Thin out as soon as they are large enough to transplant. Surplus plants can be transplanted to other areas.
- ✓ It will soon be time for bagworms to attack junipers and other narrow-leaved evergreens. Control measures, such as Sevin dust or spray, should be applied while the insects and the bags are about one-half inch in length.
- ✓ For instant color, purchase started annual plants. Select short, compact plants. Any flowers or flower buds should be pinched to give plants an opportunity to become established.
- ✓ Check new tender growth for aphids. A few can be tolerated, but large numbers should be controlled. Always follow label instructions on approved pesticides for control. Simply washing aphids off of plants is also a good control measure.

- ✓ Many flower or vegetable seeds left over after planting the garden can be saved for the next season by closing the packets with tape or paper clips and storing in a sealed glass jar in your refrigerator.
- ✓ Start weeding early in the flower garden. Early competition with small plants can delay flowering. A mulch will discourage weed growth and make weeds that do come through easier to pull.
- ✓ Soil purchased for use in beds, low areas and containers should be examined closely. Often nut grass and other weeds, nematodes and soil borne disease are brought into the yard through contaminated soil sources.
- ✓ Water foliage plants as well as other containerized plants only when needed and not by the calendar.
- ✓ Climbing roses should be trained and not pruned. Weave long canes through openings in trellises or arbors and tie them with jute twine or plastic/wire plant ties. Securing canes now prevents damage from winter winds and contributes toward a more refined look to the garden when roses are blooming. Wait until after the spring flowering period to prune climbing or once-blooming shrub roses.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Nazareth exchange has petitioned the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to expand its local calling area to the Amarillo, Canyon, Hereford, Redmon and Tulia exchanges. To learn more about this petition, you may contact the petition coordinators, Jim and Elaine Kern at (806) 945-2258. Expanded Toll-Free Local Calling (ELC) Service will allow you to call and be called by the requested exchange(s) on a local call basis (no toll charges). All exchanges that pass the ballot will be added to your local calling area for a maximum monthly per line total ELC charge of no more than \$3.50 for residence, \$7.00 for business.

GTE filed a statewide ELC surcharge application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas and has obtained final approval to charge customers a monthly surcharge of \$0.73 per line. Effective with the April 10, 1997 billing cycle, customers who do not presently pay the maximum of \$3.50 (residence) and \$7.00 (business) fees for Expanded Local Calling (ELC) will be assessed this surcharge. Customers will not be charged more than \$3.50 (residence) and \$7.00 (business) per line per month for up to five ELC exchanges. These maximum fees include the approved \$0.73 surcharge.

The fees associated with ELC are mandatory. If any exchanges pass the ballot, the fees will be paid by all subscribers in the petitioning exchange. The fees will be in addition to your local monthly telephone service charges.

Within the next 15 days GTE will mail ballots to all customers in the Nazareth exchange to determine whether support exists for expansion of the local calling area. After marking the ballot, customers should sign their name and return the ballot to the PUC. A stamped self-addressed envelope will be provided with the ballot. At least 70% of the subscribers who return their ballots must vote in favor of expanded local calling on a per exchange basis for it to be provided. If the ballot fails to all exchanges, your service will not change, and no fees will apply. No fees will be charged until they are approved and service is provided according to the PUC Rules.

The PUC has assigned this matter Project No. 20571. Interested persons should direct any comments that they may have about the petition to the PUC, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or they may call the PUC Information Office at (512) 936-7140 or (512) 936-7136, teletypewriter for the deaf.

AVISO PUBLICO

El intercambio de Nazareth ha solicitado a la Comisión de Servicio Público de Texas ("Public Utility Commission of Texas-PUC") la expansión de la área de sus llamadas locales, a los intercambios de Amarillo, Canyon, Hereford, Redmon y Tulia. Para aprender más respecto a esta solicitud, sírvase contactar con el/la coordinador/a de la solicitud, Jim and Elaine Kern a (806) 945-2258. Este servicio conocido como llamadas expandidas localmente (Expanded Local Calling-ELC), le permitirá llamar a estos intercambios y ser llamado/a como una llamada local (sin cargos adicionales). Todos los intercambios que reciban suficientes votos favorables serán añadidos a su área de llamadas locales por una tarifa mensual máxima total de ELC de no mayor de \$3.50 por cada línea para servicio residencial, \$7.00 para comercial.

GTE presentó una aplicación de recargo ELC estatal con la Comisión de Servicio Público de Tejas y ha obtenido la aprobación para cobrar a clientes un recargo mensual de \$0.73 por línea. Efectivo con el ciclo de facturación de April 10, 1997, clientes que actualmente no pagan tarifas máximas de \$3.50 (residencia) y \$7.00 (negocio) por el Servicio de Expansión de Llamadas Locales (ELC) serán cargados con este recargo, sujeto a reembolso, hasta el tiempo en que la Comisión haya ingresado una orden final. Clientes no serán cargados más de \$3.50 (residencia) y \$7.00 (negocio) por línea, por mes por hasta cinco intercambios ELC. Estas tarifas máximas incluyen cualquier recargo aprobado asociado con ELC.

Las tarifas asociadas con ELC son mandatorias. En caso de que cualquiera de los intercambios reciban suficientes votos a favor, a través de dicha boleta, las tarifas serán pagadas por todos los suscriptores en el intercambio solicitado. Las tarifas serán añadidas a los cargos de su servicio telefónico mensual local.

Dentro de los próximos quince (15) días GTE despachará por correo boletas a todos los clientes en el intercambio de Nazareth con el fin de determinar si existe justificación y respaldo para la expansión de la área de llamadas locales. Luego de marcar la boleta, los clientes deberán firmar su nombre y remitir la boleta a la PUC. Un sobre con estampilla y dirección de retorno será incluido con la misma boleta. Por lo menos 70% de los suscriptores que retornen esta boleta deben dar su voto a favor del Servicio Expandido de Llamadas en base a cada intercambio para que este servicio sea provisto. En caso de que la boleta no satisfaga a todos los intercambios, su servicio no cambiará y no se aplicará ninguna tarifa adicional. Ninguna tarifa será cobrada hasta que sean aprobadas y el servicio sea provisto de acuerdo con las regulaciones de la PUC.

La PUC ha asignado a este Proyecto el Número 20571. Aquellas personas interesadas deberán dirigir cualquier comentario al respecto a la PUC, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, o llamar a la PUC-Oficina de Información al (512) 936-7140 o (512) 936-7136, teletipo de escribir para las personas que están privadas del sentido del oído.

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Sports



Cotton Center ace holds Swifts at bay for 9-3 win

A pair of doubles to left field boosted Cotton Center to a 4-1 lead over Nazareth in the first inning Tuesday night and the Elks never looked back, adding another run in the fifth and four more in the sixth to take a 9-3 win at Nazareth.

Elk ace Z. Land struck out 14 Swift batters on his way to the win.

Blake Birkenfeld got the loss for the Swifts, but he struck out four Elk hitters in his five innings. After the initial assault, he held Cotton Center at bay, retiring nine of the next 11 hitters in the second through fourth innings. In the fifth, the Elks picked up one run on an RBI double, but one hitter popped up to short and Birkenfeld struck out two more to escape the inning, stranding Elk runners on second and third.

Nazareth dropped to 5-3 overall with the loss.

Birkenfeld threw out Cotton Center's lead-off hitter after fielding a bunt, but Z. Land gave the Elks their first base runner, tagging a shot to left field for a double. His little brother, J. Land, duplicated the effort, hitting a line shot to left, scoring Z. Land.

The next hitter grounded out to third, then the Elks' fifth batter hit a deep fly to left that was misjudged by Swift left fielder Ky Wilcox, and that allowed J. Land to score and gave the Elks a runner on second.

That run would come in after a single, error, stolen base and passed ball.

Nazareth shortstop Mitchell Brockman finally sent the Elks to the field after he caught a fly ball for the third out.

The Swifts opened with a lead-off double by Birkenfeld, who later scored on a Matt Olvera single that got past Cotton Center's second baseman.

But Nazareth would strand Olvera as Z. Land struck out Brockman and Stanton Wethington.

Birkenfeld struck out the first batter in the second, then the Elks returned to the top of the order. The next hitter flied out to left field, then Z. Land popped up to third and Nazareth retired the side.

The Swifts got another run in the second.

With one out, Aaron Kern walked, then stole second. He scored on a

single by Daryl Pohlmeier. That was all the Elks would allow, though.

Three straight pop-ups by the Elks were handled by Birkenfeld, Wethington (who moved from center field to left field in the second) and Kern (who moved from left to center in the second).

Birkenfeld walked to start the third, but Z. Land struck out Wilcox and Birkenfeld was caught stealing second, giving the Swifts their second out of the inning.

Olvera singled, then made it to second on a wild pick-off throw by Z. Land, but he would be stranded there, along with Brockman on first, who walked.

Still trailing 4-2, the Swift defense did its job in the fourth.

Nazareth sent the first two Elk hitters to the dugout before Birkenfeld walked two, but he ended any threat by striking off the next hitter to end the inning.

Land dominated the bottom of the inning, striking out two, and he got a little help from his support staff when his second baseman fielded a hit by Bo Hunter and threw the runner out at first.

The Elks added one run in the top of the fifth. Z. Land reached on a Brockman error, and he would score on a double to left field. But between those hitters, Brockman picked up the first out, handling a fly ball in shallow left field. Birkenfeld struck out two hitters to end the inning.

Z. Land faced just three batters in the bottom of the fifth. Pohlmeier grounded out to third, then Z. Land struck out Birkenfeld and Wilcox.

Nazareth made a pitching change in the sixth, moving Hunter from first to the mound.

After striking out the first batter, Hunter gave up two walks, a single, then another walk and the first run scored. Cotton Center would score a second run on a fielder's choice, then picked up two more before the Swifts escaped the inning, but the damage was done and the Elks held a 9-2 lead.

Nazareth got back one of those runs in the bottom of the sixth, starting the inning off with an Olvera double to left field.

An RBI-single by Brockman scored Olvera, then Brockman made it to third after a wild pick-off pitch by Z. Land got away from the first

baseman.

Land would hold Brockman at third, however, striking out Wethington, then forcing an infield fly by Mark Birkenfeld and striking out Kern.

Hunter struck out the side in the top of the seventh to keep it 9-3, but Nazareth couldn't come up with anything in the bottom of the inning.



THURSDAY
Bobcats 1, Tulia 14

Tulia	030	600	5	14	9	2
Dimmitt	100	000	0	1	3	10

Burrow and Criswell for Tulia, Luis Silva, Derek Buckley (4) and Bobby Hill for Dimmitt. WP: Burrow. LP: Silva. 2B: Cruz for Tulia. HR: Tucker of Tulia. Record: Dimmitt 8-5, 3-3.

SUNDAY
Bobcats 9, Perryton 20

Perryton	175	032	2	20	17	1
Dimmitt	530	100	0	9	7	5

Williams, Pinon (1), Stiles (4) and Creswell for Perryton. Tanner Griffith, Derek Buckley (2), Sammy Prieto (4) and Bobby Hill for Dimmitt. WP: Pinion. LP: Prieto. 2B: Bobby Hill, Derek Buckley and Wesley Wright for Dimmitt; Merrell (2), C. Dear, Stiles, Pinion and Creswell for Perryton. 3B: Reynolds for Perryton. Record: Dimmitt 8-6, 3-4.

TUESDAY
Bobcats 6, Sanford-Fritch 10

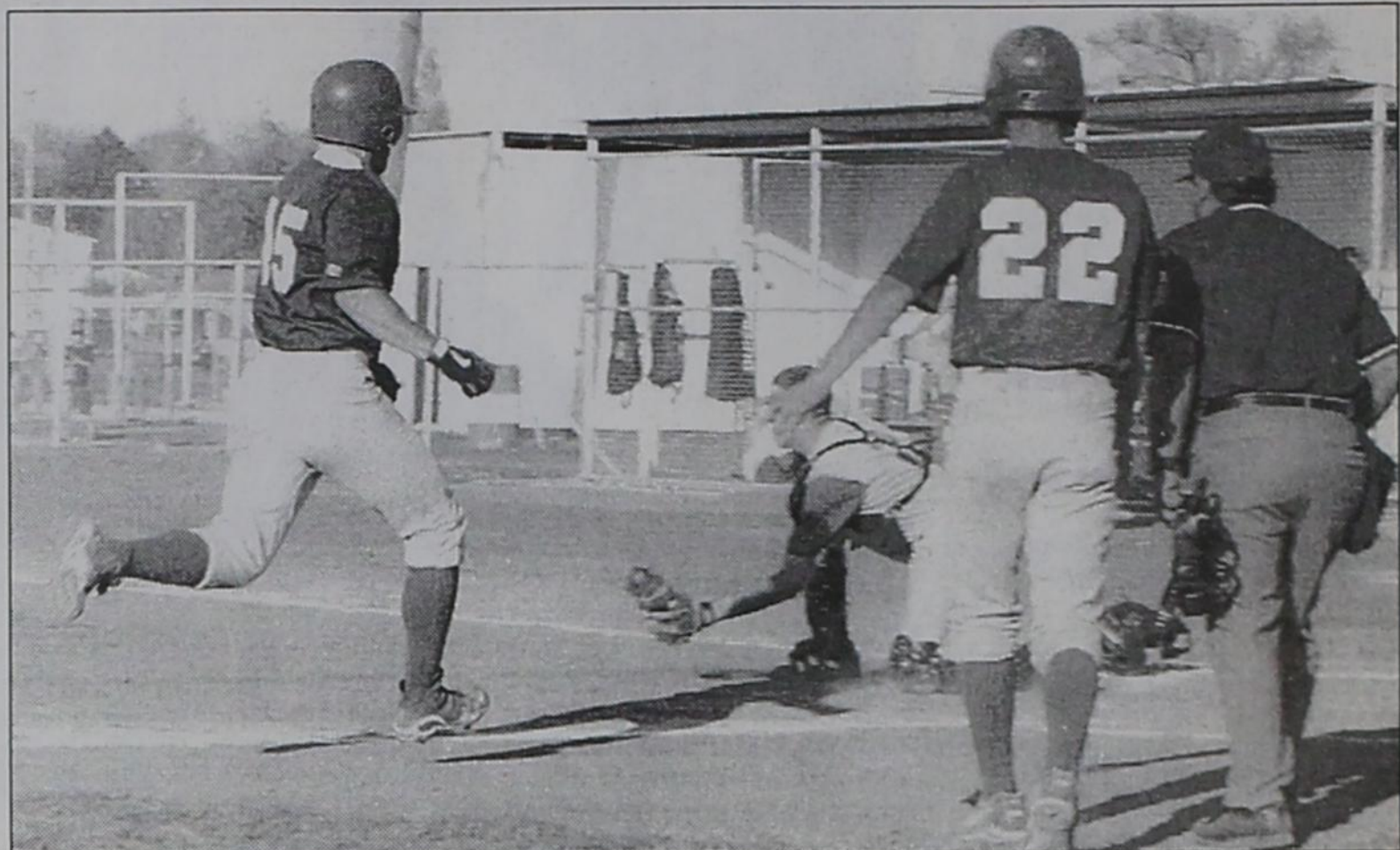
Sanford-Fritch	240	101	2	10	17	4
Dimmitt	002	031	0	6	9	2

Shapley, Henderson (6) and Skaggs for Sanford-Fritch; Tanner Griffith, Luis Silva (2), Derek Buckley (7) and Bobby Hill. WP: Shapley. LP: Griffith. 2B: Henderson, Shapley and Rice for Sanford-Fritch; Bobby Hill and Sammy Prieto for Dimmitt. HR: Shapley and Farmer for Sanford-Fritch. Record: Dimmitt 8-7, 3-5.

Swifts 3, Cotton Center 9

Cotton Center	400	014	0	9	6	3
Nazareth	110	001	0	3	6	6

Z. Land and J. Land for Cotton Center; Blake Birkenfeld, Bo Hunter (6) and Daryl Pohlmeier for Nazareth. 2B: Z. Land, J. Land and second baseman for Cotton Center; Blake Birkenfeld and Matt Olvera for Nazareth. Record: Nazareth 5-3.



ROBERT SEPEDA beats the throw to home plate to score Dimmitt's fifth run after a Sanford-Fritch error allowed him to turn a hefty single and steal into a round-tripper in the fifth inning of Tuesday's District

1-AAA game here. Sepeda's hit also scored Luis Silva (22) from second base. Sepeda stole second as Silva scored, then raced home after the S-F catcher overthrew second base. S-F won, 10-6. Photo by Don Nelson

Eagles turn the tables on Bobcats here, 10-6

The Bobcats fell behind 6-0 in the first two innings here Tuesday and were never able to close the gap as they dropped a District 1-AAA game to the Sanford-Fritch Eagles, 10-6.

It was a turn of the tables from their first game, which Dimmitt won 10-6 at Fritch two weeks ago. The outcome left both the Bobcats and the Eagles with 3-5 conference records, tied with Tulia for third place.

It was the Bobcats' third loss in a row, and with two games left to play, their chances for a playoff berth are slim. Perryton (8-0) already has wrapped up the district title, while River Road holds down second place with a 5-3 mark after losing to Tulia Tuesday.

The Bobcats will meet River Road there Saturday, then will close out their regulation season at Dalhart Tuesday. Dimmitt would have to win both remaining games and RR—which run-ruled Dimmitt 22-3 in their first meeting—would have to lose both of its remaining games to force a second-place tie and district playoff.

The Eagles scored two runs in the first inning off of Dimmitt starter Tanner Griffith, then stretched their lead to 5-0 in the second when Preston Farmer clouted a three-run homer.

With the Bobcats trailing 5-0 with no outs, Luis Silva relieved Griffith on the mound and got Shapley to hit into a double play. Kelly Henderson crossed the plate on a baseline bingle by Shiloh Reed to make it 6-0 before the final out in the S-F second.

Meanwhile, Eagle starter Tyson Shapley struck out four Dimmitt batters in the first two innings as the Bobcats went scoreless while leaving three on base.

Dimmitt rallied in the third when Sammy Prieto drove Bobby Hill in with a triple, then scored on a single by Derek Buckley to narrow S-F's lead to 6-2.

Silva fanned four batters in the fourth and fifth innings while giving up one run in the fourth.

The Bobcats added three more runs in the fifth as seven batters trooped to the plate.

Prieto and Buckley did their thing again as Prieto led off with another extra-bases hit—this time a double—and Buckley singled to bring him home.

Later, with two outs, Robert Sepeda scored Silva from second base with a hefty clout, then headed for second as the Eagles tried to throw Silva out at home. The Eagles catcher whipped the ball back to second base but overthrew it into center field and Sepeda kept running until he had turned his hit into an inside-the-park round-tripper.

The fifth-inning rally brought the Bobcats to within two at 5-7.

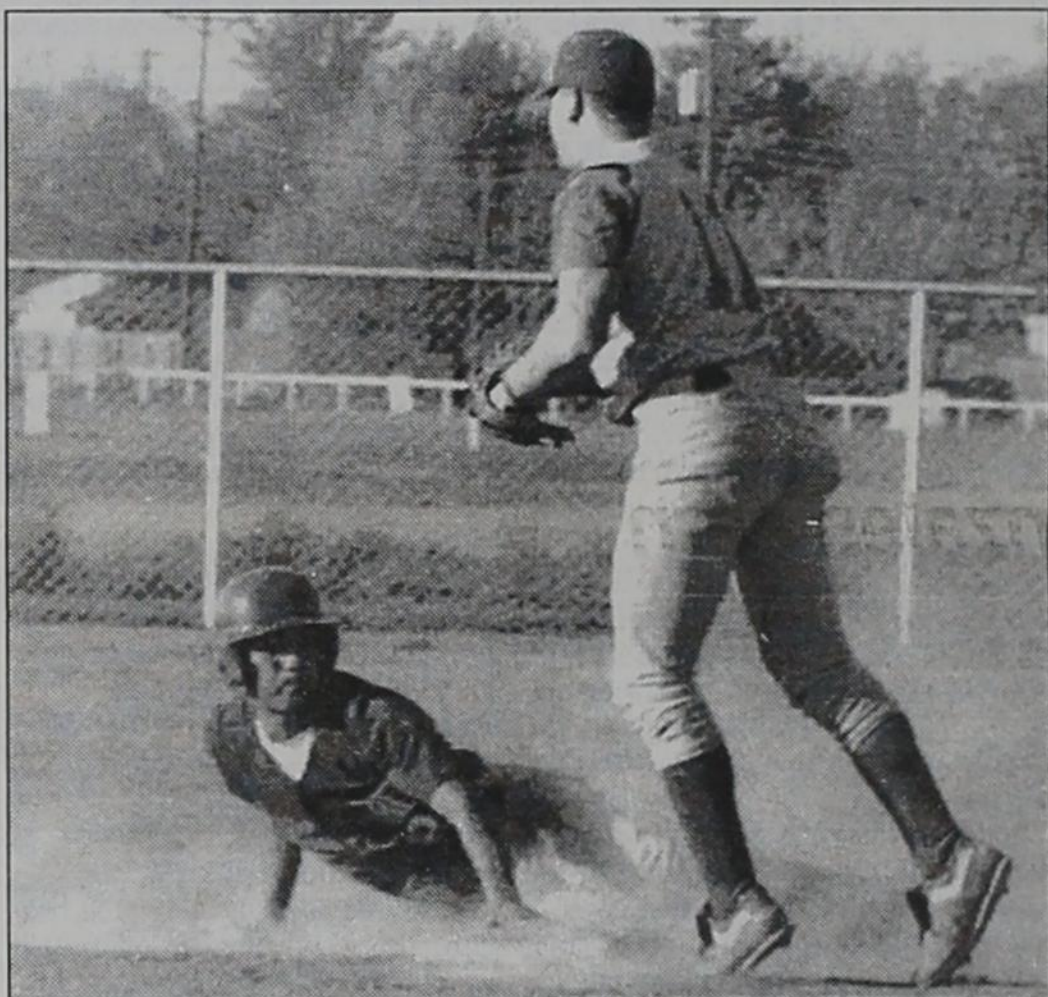
But that was as close as the Bobcats could get. Shapley led off the sixth with a one-run homer, and in the Dimmitt half of the inning Bobby Hill scored from second base on a single by Buckley to make it 6-8 going into the seventh.

Henderson relieved Shapley on the mound for S-F late in the sixth, and Buckley spelled Silva for Dimmitt early in the seventh.

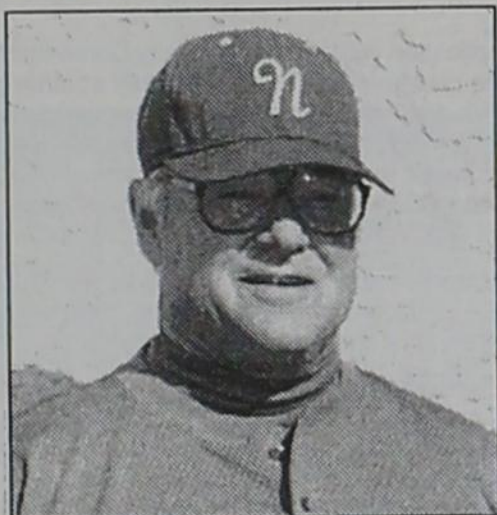
A pair of Dimmitt fielding errors turned into extra-base plays and allowed two runs in the top of the seventh to hike S-F's lead to 10-6.

In the bottom of the seventh, Eric Gamez and Sepeda got on base for the Bobcats, but the Eagles' shortstop made a force-out at second on a sharp liner by Cody Brockman, and Wesley Wright and Griffith struck out to end the game.

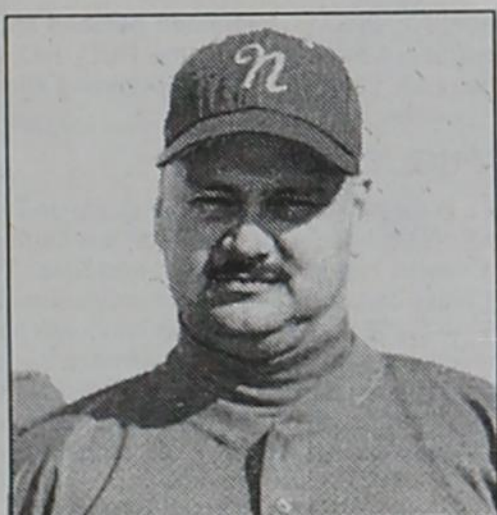
The Eagles got their 10 runs off of 17 hits while the Bobcats scored their six runs off of nine hits.



INSTANT REPLAY—Dimmitt's Luis Silva looks up after stealing second base for the second time in the fifth inning of Tuesday's game against Sanford-Fritch here. S-F's second baseman has just missed the catcher's throw. Silva stole the base once but got sent back to first on a controversial call after a protest by S-F's coach. So the speedy Silva stole second again, then scored when Robert Sepeda belted a long single and turned it into a round-tripper. Photo by Don Nelson



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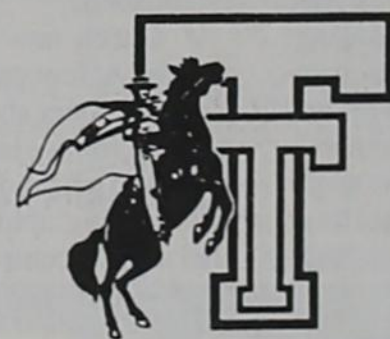
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- SIGN IN — 1 p.m.
- BEGIN PLAY — 1:30 p.m.
- SOCIAL HOUR — 5:30 p.m.
- DINNER — 6:30 p.m.

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Powers advances in singles

Doss and Ortiz win district doubles title

Kristin Doss and Monica Ortiz captured the District 1-AAA girls' doubles title last week, earning a trip to the Region 1-AAA tournament in Odessa.

Joining the pair at the regional tournament will be boys' singles player Raymond Powers of Dimmitt, who finished second in the district

tournament.

Dimmitt's other girls' doubles team, Julie Merritt and Lindsey Welch, advanced to the championship match before losing to Doss and Ortiz, but then had to play Courtney Nowlin and Tassy Ragsdale of Perryton in a playback for second. The Dimmitt duo lost that second-place match in a tough, split-set

decision, 7-5, 1-6, 5-7.

Rachel Harman of Dimmitt won her first girls' singles match before falling in second-round action. She dropped to the third-place match, but also lost that one and finished fourth.

Also finishing fourth in district was the boys' doubles team of Gabriel Garcia and Mark Casares of Dimmitt. The team won their first match before losing the second and the third-place matches.

Two other Dimmitt singles players, Valerie Gonzales and Dale West, were eliminated from the tournament

in the first round as was the other boys' doubles team of Jeremy Bishop and Jason Riggs.

Here's how Dimmitt netters fared against opponents in the District tournament.

DISTRICT 1-AAA TENNIS TOURNAMENT Boys' Singles

First Round: Raymond Powers of Dimmitt drew a bye; Dale West of Dimmitt lost to Bo Gomez of Tulia, 4-6, 6-7 (7-5).
Semifinals: Powers beat Mikey Marshall of Tulia, 7-6 (7-5), 6-4.
Championship: Powers lost to Brad Foster of Perryton, 0-6, 1-6.

Girls' Doubles

First Round: Kristin Doss and Monica Ortiz of Dimmitt drew a bye; Lindsey Welch and Julie Merritt beat Samantha Garza and Michelle Thompson of Tulia, 6-2, 6-1.

Semifinals: Doss and Ortiz beat Courtney Nowlin and Tassy Ragsdale of Perryton, 2-6, 6-3, 6-1; Merritt and Welch beat Tammy McDanel and Katy White of Dalhart, 6-0, 7-5.

Championship: Doss and Ortiz beat Welch and Merritt, 6-2, 7-6 (7-3).
Playback for Second: Welch and Merritt lost to Nowlin and Ragsdale, 7-5, 1-6, 5-7.

Girls' Singles

First Round: Rachel Harman of Dimmitt beat Brooke Miller of Tulia, 6-1,

6-0; Valerie Gonzales of Dimmitt lost to Sandra Laumann of Tulia, 0-6, 0-6.

Semifinals: Harman lost to Melanie Symons of Perryton, 1-6, 7-5, 2-6.

Third Place: Harman lost to Amy Hall of Perryton, 4-6, 1-6.

Boys' Doubles

First Round: Jeremy Bishop and Jason Riggs of Dimmitt lost to Matt Grieve and Anastacio Arellano of Tulia, 1-6, 2-6; Gabriel Garcia and Mark Casares of Dimmitt beat Shane Anderson and Jason Drake of Tulia, 6-0, 6-3.

Semifinals: Garcia and Casares lost to Jeremy Gage and Justin Joyner of Perryton.

Third Place: Garcia and Casares lost to Grieve and Arellano, 6-7 (4-6), 6-2, 3-6.

Schmucker twins, Gerber advance to regional tennis

Nazareth will send three netters to the Region 1-A tennis tournament Monday and Tuesday in Levelland after the girls' doubles team of Jayme and Tiffany Schmucker and girls' singles player Shawna Gerber captured District 4-A championships last Thursday.

The Schmucker twins posted wins over doubles teams from Kress, Gruver and Memphis to earn the tickets to regional while Gerber downed netters from Claude, Booker and Memphis.

Nazareth's other girls' doubles team of Sara Schulte and Cassie Birkenfeld just missed out on a trip to regional, finishing third in the tournament after playing four matches.

Matthew Kern finished fourth in boys' singles.

Jayme and Tiffany Schmucker opened District 4-A action with a 6-0, 6-0 decision over a team from Kress, then handled a tough Gruver duo, 6-3, 6-3, to reach the championship match. The Schmuckers claimed the district title with a 6-0, 6-3 win over a team from Memphis.

Schulte and Birkenfeld topped a team from Claude, 6-1, 6-3, in opening round action of the girls' doubles meet, then topped a team from Booker, 6-0, 6-1. They dropped the third-place match after losing to the Memphis team, 3-6, 5-7; but were able to regroup and top a team from Gruver in split sets for third-place honors.

In girls' singles, Gerber dropped

just one game in her first match, beating a player from Claude, 6-0, 6-1. Then she downed a Booker netter, 6-0, 6-4, to reach the championship. Gerber won the first set of the final match with her Memphis opponent, 6-2, but had her hands full in the second set, eventually prevailing, 7-5.

Kern ousted a Vega netter, 6-1, 6-1, in the opening round and beat a guy from Booker in the quarterfinals, 6-1, 2-6, 7-3. He ran into trouble in semifinal action, though, losing to a singles player from Wheeler, 1-6, 1-6. He fell in the third-place match to a netter from Memphis.

Nichole Huseman topped a player from Kress in her first girls' singles match, 6-1, 6-0; but fell to a player from Memphis in the next round, 3-6, 6-3, 0-6.

Trinity Robb dropped her first boys' singles match, 1-6, 2-6, to a Vega entrant.

In the junior varsity division, Mandy Hoelting and Lesley Brockman finished first in the girls' doubles tournament while Mandy Birkenfeld and Heather Schilling finished second for the Swiftettes. Whitney Hoelting and Jill Schulte finished third in girls' doubles for Nazareth.

Tara Kleman was the district champion in girls' singles while Jessica Kern finished second. Also playing in the girls' singles tournament was Susan Kern, who lost her first match.

Garcia and Gonzales earn regional tennis doubles seat

Raquel Garcia and Veronica Gonzales of Hart lost a heartbreaking tennis match to Harris and Chenault of Anton, but the pair advanced to the championship round of the District 6-A tennis tournament before that loss.

The second-place finish at the district met last Thursday in Anton propelled Garcia and Gonzales into the Region 1-A tennis tournament, slated for Monday and Tuesday at South Plains College in Levelland.

Garcia and Gonzales shut out Carr and Canalez of Petersburg in the first round, 6-0, 6-0, then eliminated Flores and Gutierrez of Anton in the semifinals, 6-2, 6-1, to advance to the championship.

The Hart pair couldn't pull off the win over Harris and Chenault, though, losing the title match, 3-6, 1-6.

Hart netters fared well throughout the tournament. Christopher George and Vanessa Carrasco each finished fourth in singles while Jeremiah Velasquez and Jeff Bennett placed fourth in doubles.

Here's how Hart netters finished in the district meet.

6-0; Jared Aven of Hart lost to Ruben Gutierrez of Anton, 4-6, 5-7.

Semifinals: George lost to Carlos Brito of Anton, 2-6, 3-6.

Third Place: George lost to Gutierrez, 3-6, 0-6.

Boys' Doubles

Quarterfinals: Timmy Barnes and Trent Barnes of Hart lost to Benitez and Garcia of Lorenzo, 3-6, 6-3, 5-7; Jeff Bennett and Jeremiah Velasquez of Hart beat Garza and Montez of Petersburg, 6-0, 6-0.

Semifinals: Bennett and Velasquez lost to Harris and Martinez of Anton, 1-6, 4-6.

Third Place: Bennett and Velasquez lost to Hégi and Leon of Petersburg, 3-6, 1-6.

Girls' Singles

First Round: Angelica Perales of Hart beat Heather Chenault of Anton, 6-3, 6-3.

Quarterfinals: Vanessa Carrasco of Hart beat Allison Huckabee of Springlake-Earth, 7-6 (7-3), 6-2; Perales lost to Tiffany Flowers of Sudan, 1-6, 0-6.

Semifinals: Carrasco lost to Corina Lopez of Petersburg, 2-6, 3-6.

Third Place: Carrasco lost to Flowers, 6-7 (7-9), 6-7 (4-7).

Girls' Doubles

Quarterfinals: Brenda Diego and Lindsey Montemayor of Hart beat Legg and Legg of Sudan, 6-4, 7-5; Raquel Garcia and Veronica Gonzales of Hart beat Carr and Canalez of Petersburg, 6-0, 6-0.

Semifinals: Diego and Montemayor lost to Harris and Chenault of Anton, 0-6, 1-6; Garcia and Gonzales beat Flores and Gutierrez of Anton, 6-2, 6-1.

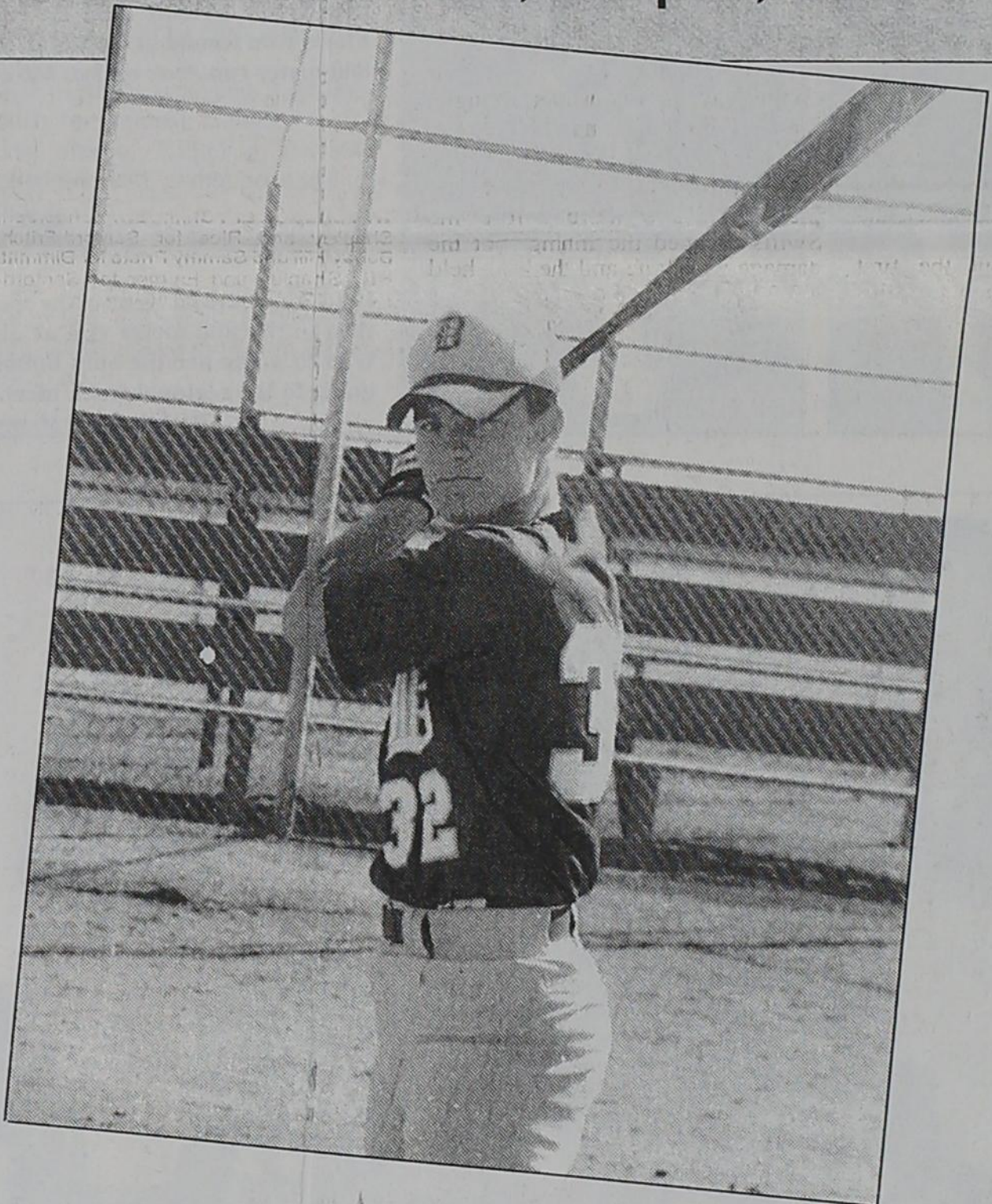
Third Place: Diego and Montemayor lost to Flores and Gutierrez, 4-6, 6-2, 3-6.
Championship: Garcia and Gonzales lost to Harris and Chenault, 3-6, 1-6.

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DISTRICT 6-A TENNIS TOURNAMENT at Anton

Boys' Singles
Quarterfinals: Christopher George of Hart beat Josh Morris of Petersburg, 6-4,

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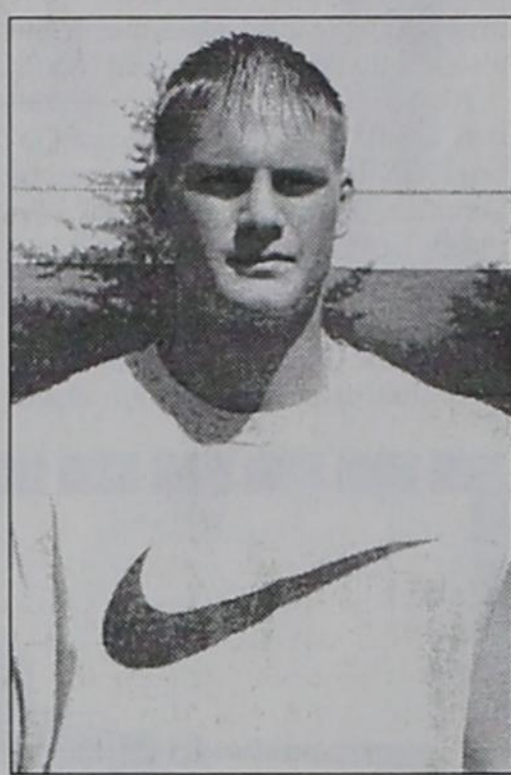
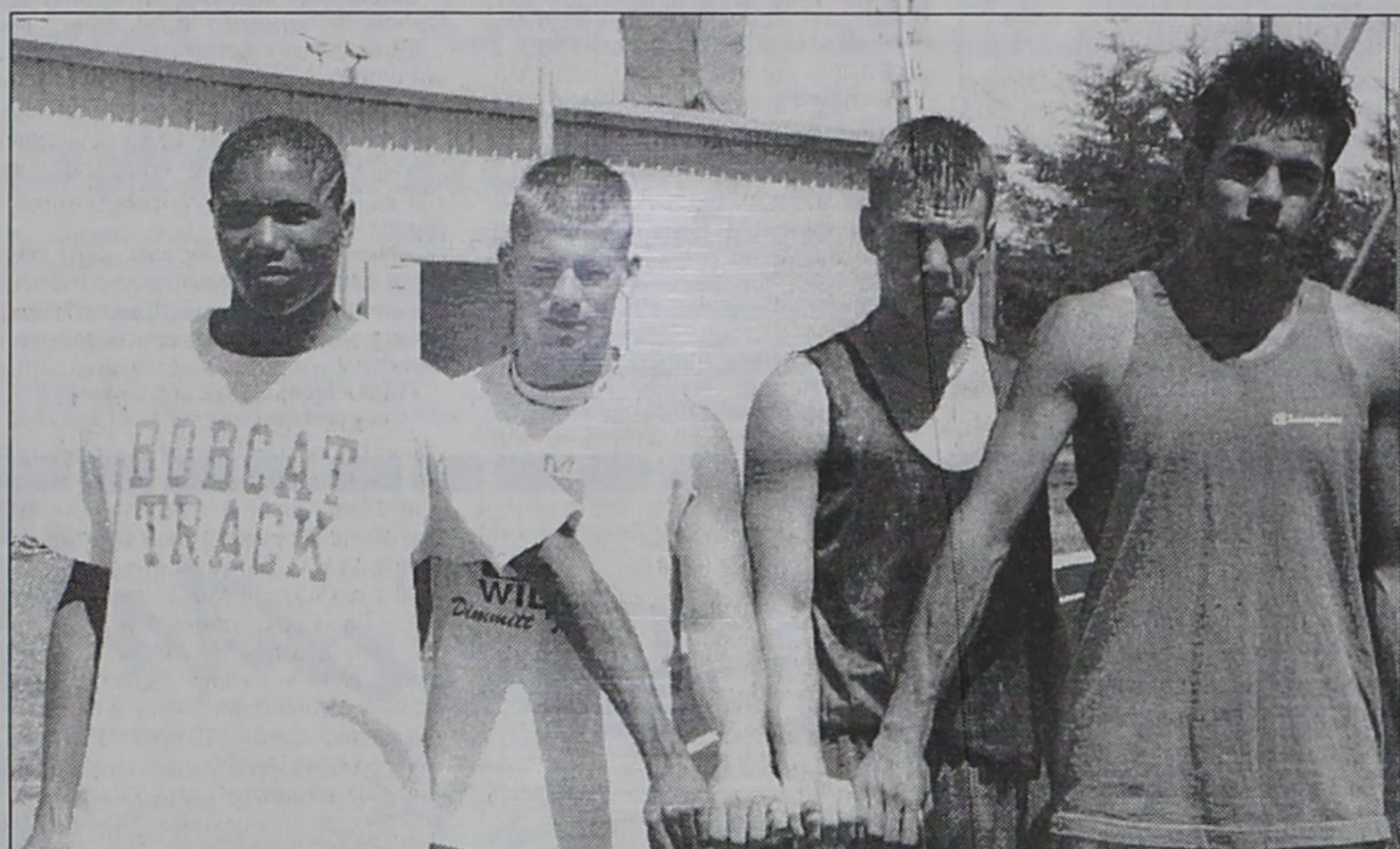
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DIMMITT TENNIS REGIONAL qualifiers include (left photo) Raymond Powers in boys singles and (right photo, from left) Kristin Doss and Monica

Ortiz in girls doubles. They will compete at the regional meet in Odessa.

Photo by Linda Maxwell



(ABOVE LEFT) Dimmitt Bobcats 1600-meter relay team of (from left) Randy Porter, Justin Sutton, Keevin Sanders and Ivan Flores won second at district to qualify for regional. Photo by Linda Maxwell

(FAR LEFT) Randy Porter will represent Dimmitt in the 400-meter dash, after winning second at district. Photo by Linda Maxwell

(SECOND FROM LEFT) Ivan Flores won second at district in the 800-meter run. Photo by Linda Maxwell

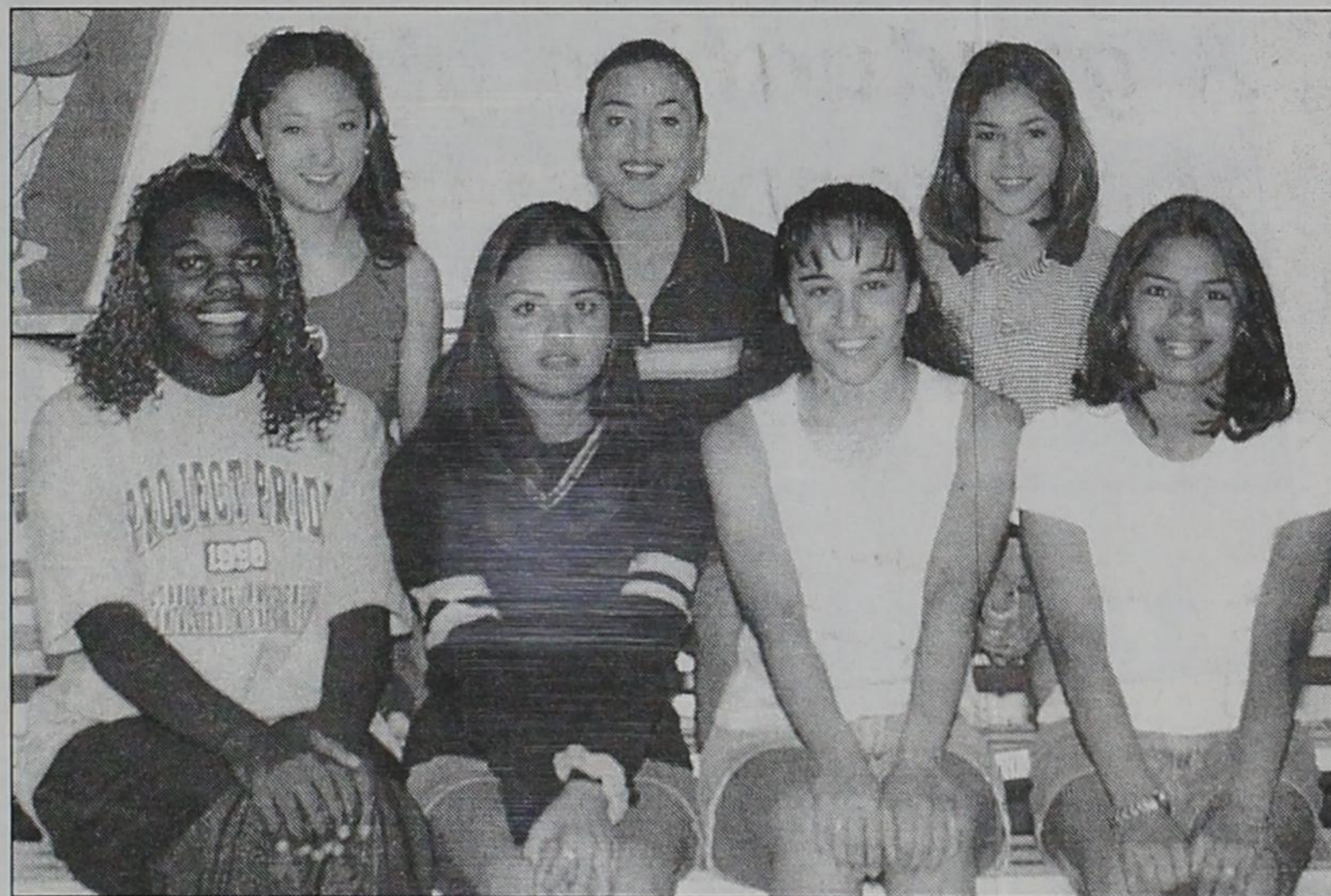
(RIGHT) Shawna Kenworthy took first in the 800-meter run at district to make her the only Bobbie going to the regional track meet. Photo by Linda Maxwell



NAZARETH NETTERS Shawna Gerber, Tiffany Schmucker and Jayme Schmucker will be among the top tennis players competing in the Region 1-A tennis tournament Monday and Tuesday in Levelland. Gerber, defending regional champion, will represent the Swiftettes in the girls' singles division again this year after winning the District 4-A championship. Tiffany Schmucker and Jayme Schmucker will be competing for the regional championship in girls' doubles. They advanced to the championship last year before losing in the finals, then dropping a playback match for second to fellow Swiftettes K'Lynn Gerber and Amy Pohlmeier.

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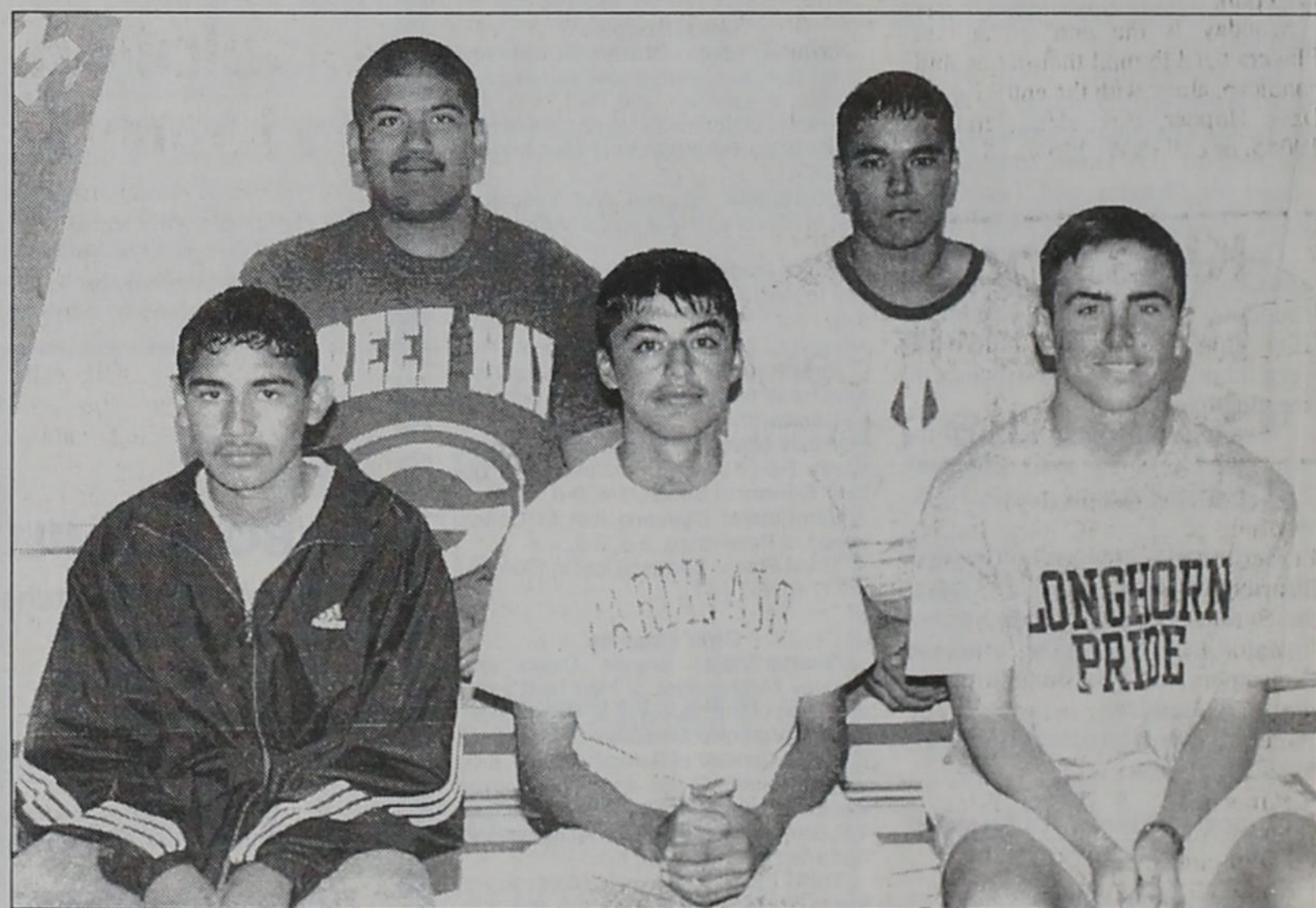
See more regional qualifiers' pictures next week



REGIONAL QUALIFIERS—The Hart Lady Horns raced into the Region 1-A track meet after placing in district and area meets, held the past two weeks. Among those who will be competing in Levelland April 30 and May 1 for the right to advance to state are (front row, from left) the 400-meter relay team including Geneva Finch, Brenda Diego, Ysa

Rodriguez and Veronica Gonzales; and (back row, from left) Vanessa Carrasco, Angelica Perales in the 100-meter hurdles and high jump, and Dahnie Castillo in the 100. Rodriguez also qualified in the 100. Hart's 800-meter relay also qualified and team members are Perales, Finch, Diego and Gonzales.

Photo by Anne Acker



THE HART LONGHORNS will send five individuals to the Region 1-A track meet, slated for April 30 and May 1 in Levelland. Among those qualifying are (back row, from left) Gerardo Dozal in the discus and shot put and Dan Eric Castillo in

the shot put; and (front row, from left) Isaias Garcia in the 3,200-meter run, Jeremiah Velasquez in the 110-meter high hurdles and 300-meter high hurdles, and Jared Aven in the 100- and 200-meter dashes, long jump and triple jump.

Photo by Anne Acker



ON TO REGIONAL!—This group of lady golfers from Hart High School will be competing in the regional golf tournament April 28 and 29 at Levelland after they finished as District 6-A runners

up. Team members include (from left) Vanessa Chia, Wyndi Law, Ashley Law, Valerie Key, Nikki Burress and Coach Phil Phyllaier.

Photo by Neoma Williams



DISTRICT CHAMPIONS—The Hart Longhorn golf team captured the District 6-A championship and will compete in the regional tournament in Levelland Wednesday and next Thursday, April 28 and 29.

Members of the team are (from left) John Mark Bennett, Shane McLain, T.R. George, Jared Aven, Christopher George and Coach Phil Phyllaier.

Photo by Neoma Williams

Swifts and Swiftettes earn tickets to regional track meet

Bo Hunter, Blake Birkenfeld, Trinity Robb, Stanton Wethington Danette Ramaekers and Lindsey K. Gerber of Nazareth, and the Swiftettes' mile relay team will be vying for coveted trips to Austin and the state cross country meet next week in Levelland when they compete in the regional track meet.

Each qualified for regional by placing among the top four individuals at the district and area meets, held over the past two weeks.

Hunter won the discus in both events, earning the regional ticket with a throw of 155-0 at area Saturday.

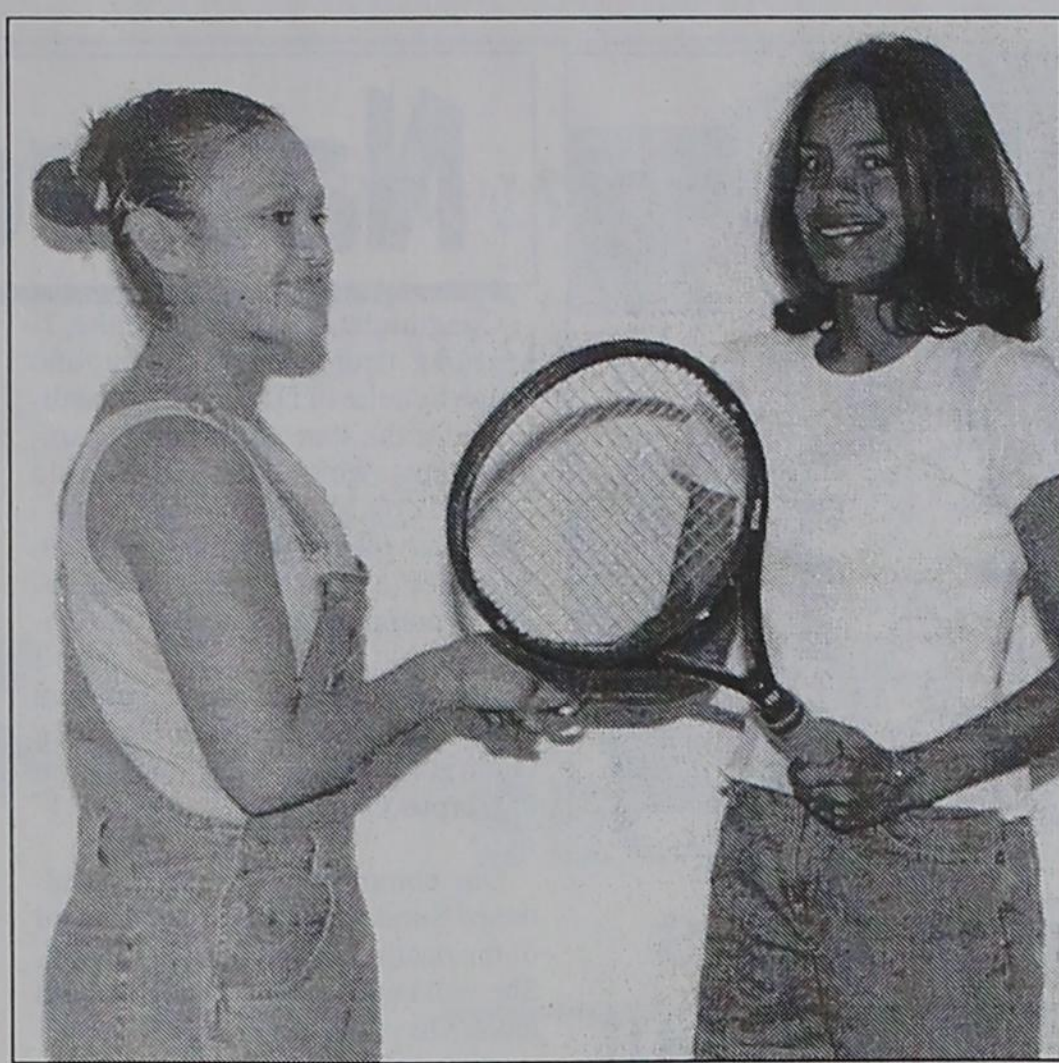
Birkenfeld and Robb both qualified in the 3,200-meter run, finishing second and third, respectively, at area. Birkenfeld's time in the race was 11:52.80 while Robb was clocked at 11:53.21.

Wethington earned a trip to regional after placing third in the 110-meter high hurdles at area. He posted a time of 16.88 in the event.

For the Swiftettes, Ramaekers qualified for regional in both distance events, the 3,200 and 1,600 meters. She won both races, breaking the tape in 12:34.72 in the 3,200 and stopping the clock after 5:54.35 in the 1,600.

Gerber also qualified for regional in both long distance races, posting a fourth-place time of 12:52.43 in the 3,200-meter run and 6:03.86 in the 1,600-meter run.

The Swiftettes' mile relay team, which includes Whitney Hoelting, Marsha Black, Lesley Brockman and Stephanie Thiel, finished third at area with a time of 4:30.16 to earn a ticket to regional.



DISTRICT 6-A RUNNERS-UP—Hart's Raquel Garcia and Veronica Gonzales earned a trip to the Region 1-A tennis tournament after finishing second at the district meet last weekend. The two will represent their school and district at the Region 1-A tennis tournament Monday and Tuesday at South Plains College in Levelland. Photo by Anne Acker

Hart qualifies several for regional track meet

Hart dominated its Class A area foes in track and field events Saturday at Abernathy, qualifying several individuals and relay teams for the Region 1-A meet in Levelland next week.

The Hart boys will send Isaias Garcia, Jeremiah Velasquez, Jared Aven, Gerardo Dozal and Dan Eric Castillo to regional in a total of nine events while the Lady Horns will be represented at regional by Angelica Perales, Ysa Rodriguez, Dahnne Castillo, the 400-meter relay team and the 800-meter relay team, both of which include Rodriguez, Brenda Diego, Geneva Finch and Veronica Gonzales.

Aven had a busy area meet, qualifying for regional in the triple jump, 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash and

long jump. Aven finished second in the 100 and 200, posting times of 11.33 and 23.32, respectively. In the long jump and triple jump he claimed bronze medals, jumping 19-2 3/4 in the long jump and 39-4 1/4 in the triple jump.

Velasquez will compete in two events at regional—the 110-meter high hurdles and the 300-meter high hurdles. His time of 16.57 in the 110-meter race was good enough for third while a time of 44.73 earned him a trip in the 300-meter event.

Dozal is the district and area champion in the discus and he will try his luck at regional. He threw the discus 131-2 in area to win the event. He also qualified in the shot put, finishing second with a throw of 46-10.

The shot put was a Hart event at area, as Dan Eric Castillo logged the winning throw with an effort of 47-9.

Garcia earned a regional spot by finishing second in the 3,200-meter run, posting a time of 11:15.62.

The Lady Horns' 400-meter relay team, including Rodriguez, Diego, Finch and Gonzales, posted a winning time of 51.87 at area.

Perales, Finch, Diego and Gonzales lined up for the 800-meter relay, and they earned a spot in the regional meet by finishing third with a time of 1:54.29.

Perales earned a trip to regional with a third-place finish in the 100-meter hurdles. Perales also qualified for regional in the high jump after clearing 4-8 for third-place honors.

Rodriguez raced to a regional berth by finishing the 100-meter dash in 13.05, good enough for second place. Teammate Dahnne Castillo was fourth in the event with a time of 13.60.

Community band to meet Tuesday

The Dimmitt community concert band will hold a practice at 7:30 p.m.

The community band will hold a benefit concert May 23 to raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation again this year. Members of the community who are interested in participating are invited to attend one of the practices, slated for each Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m.

DHS on to regional Sutton, Flores, Porter, Sanders and Kenworthy

Justin Sutton, Ivan Flores, Randy Porter, Keevin Sanders and Shawna Kenworthy will represent Dimmitt at the Region 1-AAA track meet next week.

Sutton qualified with a first-place finish in the pole vault, Flores earned his trip with a second place finish in the 800-meter run, and Porter qualified in the 400-meter dash. They also will run on the 1600-meter relay, along with Keevin Sanders. (Alternates are Mitchell Gentry and Emanuel Jaramillo.) Kenworthy picked up a ticket with a first-place finish in the 800-meter run.

The regional track meet will be held in Odessa April 30-31.

The Dimmitt boys finished fifth overall in the District 1-AAA meet, which was held at Sanford-Fritch.

Sutton's winning leap in the pole vault cleared 15-8, more than a foot higher than the second-place winner, Grant Henly of Dalhart, who only cleared 14-6.

Flores was edged by Johnathon Espinoza of Tulia in the 800. Flores' time was 2:05.31, compared with the winning time of 2:04.53.

Porter was less than a second behind the winner in the 400. His time

of 51.91 placed him right on the heels of district champion Antonio Olivarez of Tulia, who posted the top time of 50.48.

The 1600 relay team of Keevin Sanders, Flores, Sutton and Porter took second place with a time of 3:30.15, just 6.22 seconds behind Tulia's relay team.

Other Bobcats placing were Velo, fifth in the discus, 117-0, and seventh in the shot put, 42-1 3/4; Robert Sepeda, seventh in the discus, 115-0; Michael Penney, sixth in the shot, 42-8 1/2; and Aaron Saenz, sixth in the 3,200.

The Dimmitt girls accumulated 52 points and finished fifth overall in district.

Kenworthy was the lone Bobbie to qualify for regional, though. Her time of 2:33.69 in the 800 topped the field, giving her a trip to Odessa.

Just missing on trips to regional were Jade Vick, who finished third in the 300 hurdles with a time of 49.92; and the girls' 1,600-meter relay, which placed third with a time of 4:25.60.

Alzheimers Association sets tourney

The Alzheimer's Association of the Texas Panhandle will sponsor the third annual "Swing into Spring" Golf Benefit on May 8 at the Ross Rogers West Golf Course in Amarillo.

For more information or to obtain registration forms, call 806-372-8693 or 800-687-8693. Registration deadline is May 3.

The fee is \$40 per player and includes green fees, cart and sandwich buffet.

Proceeds will benefit the association, and will stay in the community to help provide educational programs, materials and support services for over 10,000 families coping with Alzheimer's Disease in the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle.

Amarillo trio wins Don Cornett Tourney

Brad Schlegel, Jeremiah Baros and Jim O'Connor of Amarillo won a playoff with Jose and Loy Triana and Hector Flores of Muleshoe to claim top honors in the Championship Flight at the Don Cornett Tournament Sunday at Country Club of Dimmitt.

The Amarillo team held a one-stroke lead over the Muleshoe trio after Saturday's first 18 holes, 58-59, but the Trianas and Flores bested the Amarillo team by a stroke over the second 18 on Sunday to tie the score at 122, forcing the playoff.

Third place in the Championship Flight also ended in a tie between the Tulia team of John David Hay, Lance Grantham and Chris Watson; and the Dimmitt team of Jerry Heller, Mickey Bishop and Stan Byrnes.

The Tulia three finished with 60 on Saturday but had problems on Sunday and finished with 127.

Bishop, Heller and Byrnes struggled on Saturday, finishing with 65 strokes, but they knocked three strokes off of that total on Sunday to finish with 127.

Here are complete results from this weekend's tournament.

DON CORNETT TOURNAMENT at Country Club of Dimmitt
Championship Flight: 1. Brad Schlegel, Jeremiah Baros and Jim O'Connor of Amarillo, 58-64—122; 2. Jose and Loy Triana and Hector Flores of Muleshoe, 59-63—122; 3. (Tie) John David Hay, Lance Grantham and Chris Watson of Tulia, 60-67—127; and Jerry Heller, Mickey Bishop and Stan Byrnes of Dimmitt, 65-62—127.

First Flight: 1. (Tie) Jim Long, Mike Zaccardo and Steve Williams of Dimmitt, 66-63—129; Ron Mann, Ryan Hitt and Dan Luther of Dimmitt, 69-67—136; 3. Mike Wardlaw, Darin Landry and James Goldston of Canyon, 70-68—138.

Second Flight: 1. (Tie) Craig Bingham, Mark Hayden and Tye Barton of Lubbock, 68-62—130; Keeley Adams, Craig Snider and Chris Kelley of Olton, 69-64—133; and David Ramirez, Carlos Mendez and James Valdez of Plainview, 68-65—133.

Third Flight: 1. Mark Brown, Stanley Maurer and John Kovacs of Dimmitt, 69-66—135; 2. John and Grant Lantz, and Dan Luther of Dimmitt, 69-67—136; 3. Mike Wardlaw, Darin Landry and James Goldston of Canyon, 70-68—138.

Fourth Flight: 1. Joe and Richard Saucedo and Marin Rivas of Hereford, 73-67—140; 2. (Tie) Dub and Greg George and Tony Burleson of Dimmitt, 72-73—145; Mel and Dorothy Charest and Doc Weaver of Hereford, 73-72—145; and Steve Nutt, Jack Bradford and Bruce Fuller of Dimmitt, 73-72—145.

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Red Raider golf tourney set Wednesday

The annual Hereford/Dimmitt Red Raider Day "Sherrrod/Legate Memorial Tournament", will be played Wednesday (April 28) at the John Pitman Golf Course in Hereford.

The fee of \$45 will cover the green fee, cart rental, social hour and dinner at the Hereford Country Club. For non-golfers, the cost of the social hour and dinner is \$15.

Sign in will start at 1 p.m., with play starting at 1:30 p.m. The social hour starts at 5:30, with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Monday is the entry deadline. Players need to mail their name and handicap, along with the entry fee, to Dave Hopper, Box 150, Hereford 79045, or call (806) 258-7255.

Kids, Inc. Basketball Schedule

Today (Thursday)

Minor Boys: 5:30 p.m. Bobcat Barber Shop vs. Castro Co. Hospital District; 7 p.m. Cerestar vs. Schaeffer, Sutton, Schaeffer, & Myatt.

Major Boys: 5:30 p.m. Dimmitt Consumers vs. Dimmitt Printing; 7 p.m. Coleman Pharmacy vs. C&S Battery

Friday

Minor Girls: 5:30 p.m. Benny's Auto vs. North Gin; 7:30 p.m. Red X vs. Dimmitt Equip.

Major Girls: 5:30 p.m. Seale Florist vs. Goodpasture; 7 p.m. Hereford FCU vs. Paxton Tire.

Monday

Minor Boys: 5:30 p.m. Roy's Plumbing vs. Lane Dirt; 6:30 p.m. ALCO vs. Schaeffer, Sutton, Schaeffer & Myatt; 7:30 p.m. Bobcat Barber Shop vs. Cerestar.

Major Boys: 5:30 p.m. Pancake House vs. First Bank Muleshoe; 6:30 p.m. Smothermon Ditching vs. C&S Battery; 7:30 p.m. Coleman Pharmacy vs. Dimmitt Consumers.

Tuesday

Minor Girls: 5:30 p.m. Benny's Auto vs. Dimmitt Equip.; 7 p.m. Wright & Sons vs. First United Bank.

Major Girls: 5:30 Paxton Tire vs. Goodpasture; 7 p.m. Hereford FCU vs. Gary's Engine.

Next Thursday

Minor Boys: 5:30 p.m. Lane Dirt vs. Schaeffer, Sutton, Schaeffer, & Myatt; 7 p.m. ALCO vs. Castro Co. Hospital District.

Major Boys: 5:30 p.m. First Bank Muleshoe vs. C&S Battery; 7 p.m. Smothermon Ditching vs. Dimmitt Printing.

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Motorcycle rally set with Friona revival

Calvary Baptist Church of Friona has planned a motorcycle rally for Sunday, which will start off a four-day revival.

The rally will begin at 9:45 a.m. with fellowship and Bible study classes, followed by a special worship service at 11 a.m. The speaker for this service and each revival service will be Dr. David Davis of Pearland.

Following the Sunday worship service, a grilled brisket lunch will be served by the church and everyone is invited. After the lunch, an afternoon of play and motorcycle games are planned on the lot west of the church. The day will conclude with a brief devotional service at 4 p.m. There will not be the usual evening services on Sunday.

Road captains from the Christian Motorcycle Association of Amarillo

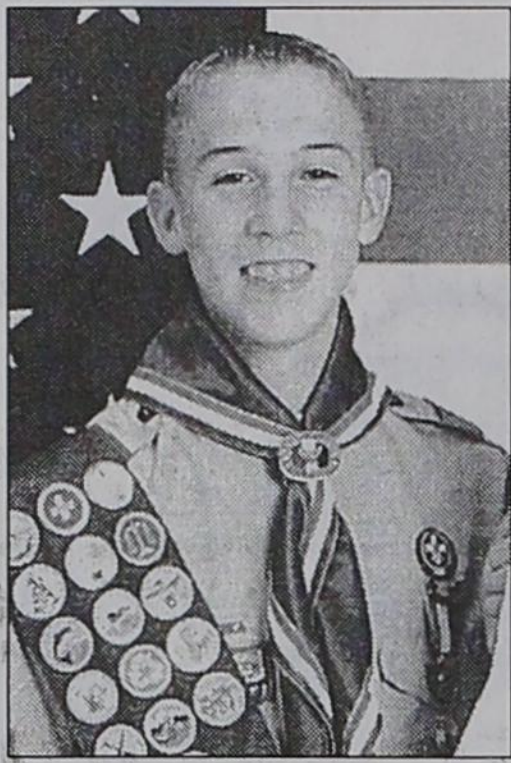
will conduct the afternoon of motorcycle games. Dirt bikes, road bikes, bicycles and tricycles are all welcome.

Also on the revival leadership team are the members of the David Turpin family of Shallowater. He is the worship leader for the First Baptist Church of Shallowater, and he and his wife and four children sing together.

Davis is a full time vocational evangelist. He is a former small college All-American quarterback.

The revival will have noon meals and Bible study Monday through Wednesday. The evening services on those days will begin at 7:30 p.m., preceded by choir practice at 7 p.m.

The public is invited to attend any and all of the meetings. Call 806-250-3000 for more information.



John Michael Fant

Fant earns Eagle Scout designation

John Michael Fant, son of John F. and Melony Dowell Fant of Dallas, has earned the rank of Eagle Scout.

He is the grandson of Bryce and Darlene Dowell of Dimmitt and the great-grandson of Mrs. Florence Carpenter of Lubbock.

A Triple Eagle ceremony for Fant and his cousins, Ryan and Jordan Fant of Garland, will be held at 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 2, at the First United Methodist Church of Garland.

Fant began scouting with Cub Scout Pack 1988, earning the Arrow of Light before crossing over into Troop 57. He is the 134th Eagle Scout from Troop 57. In the troop, he has earned 22 merit badges and has been elected to the Order of the Arrow. He has served as assistant patrol leader, patrol leader, librarian and assistant senior patrol leader for three consecutive terms. He has attended summer camps at Camp Wehinapay, Camp Constantine and Camp Alexander. He will backpack for two weeks at Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimmaron, N.M. this summer.

For his Eagle project, Fant planned, designed, constructed and installed roofs for outdoor dog cages at the Animal Adoption Center of Garland.

He is a freshman in the International Baccalaureate Program at Garland High School.

Nazareth with Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669

Congratulations to Jade Schulte, 7-year-old daughter of Calvin and Leigh Schulte of Nazareth, for qualifying for the state gymnastics championships, which will be held in Lubbock on May 15.

To earn the berth in the state meet, Jade won a bronze medal at the regional competition Saturday in Canyon.

Her grandparents are Gilbert and Dolly Schulte of Nazareth, Peg Guthrie of Happy and Dick Runyon of Corpus Christie.

Our community was deeply saddened Sunday afternoon as we heard of the death of Petronilla Birkenfeld. She will be missed by young and old alike. Our sympathy to her family.

Saturday evening mass celebrated in Holy Family Church was very special as Bishop Emeritus Leroy Matthiesen of Amarillo and Father Jerry Stein, pastor, presided at mass and the celebration of First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Children receiving both Communion and Confirmation were Amanda Acker, George Acker, Kyle Birkenfeld, Steven Birkenfeld, Alec Braddock, Allysa Braddock, Caitlin Huseman, Thomas Schacher, Steffani Steffens, Amy Thiel, Adam Thiel, Jackie Thiel and Alisha Womack. Those receiving Confirmation were Mark Villeneuve, Jennifer Cecil and Stephanie Thiel.

Ed and Leona Ramaekers, Alphonse and Viola Kleman and Carl Dean and Mary Kleman, all of Nazareth; Agnes Schilling of Dimmitt; Elmer and Anne Kleman of Canyon; and Lavern Kleman of Des Moines, Iowa, met at the home of Bernard and Irene Kleman in Burnet last weekend.

They enjoyed the Bluebonnet Festival, sightseeing, good food, card playing, lots of reminiscing about old family days and many pictures. It was a fun weekend they will always treasure.

Jim Leinen of Upland, Calif., spent several days here visiting with Don and Betty Acker. He spent many hours here with his mother, Lucy Leinen, who is a resident at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt.

He spent Wednesday in Amarillo with his brother, Jerry Leinen, and on Friday with his sister and brother-in-law, Arlene and Harold of Slaton.

Don and Betty Acker and Jim took dinner to Canterbury Villa and enjoyed eating with Lucy.

Nine teams participated in a volleyball tournament over the weekend at the Nazareth School Gym.

Members of the first-place team were Doyle and Rosie Kleman, Sheryl Kleman, Rodney Schulte, Lisa Schulte and Craig Huseman. Members of the second-place team were Virgil and Dianne Huseman, Carol Kern, Mickey Hochstein and Keith and Kim Birkenfeld.

The kids' knock-out basketball champions were Kinley Kleman, Taylor Schulte and Alan Gerber.

Barry Hoelting was the adult champion over Kimberly Hoelting. A big thanks to everyone who gave of their time to make the tournament a big success.

Gene and Susie Gerber of Odessa and Virgie Gerber spent the weekend at the home of Jerry and Tricia Rose and Andi in Amarillo.

Gene and Susie attended a wedding Saturday evening, but there was still plenty of time for visiting, card

playing, good food and even an AAU basketball game at Caprock High School.

Kevin Gerber, Miriah and Max joined them on Saturday morning and enjoyed a game of golf with Jerry and Gene.

The Schwertner relatives, 11 of them, gathered at the home of Lester and Eileen Womack on Saturday for lunch.

During the evening they all attended mass at Holy Family Church. The Womacks' daughter, Alisha, received her first Holy Communion and Confirmation. Her cousin, Monica Wilson of McKinney, was her sponsor.

Also attending were John and Margaret Womack and Claudia Koch of Vezerengen, Germany, who is a foreign exchange student living in McKinney with her host parents, Eileen's sister and brother-in-law, Connie and Jimmy Wilson, and Monica Wilson. Her parents are Franz and Gisela Koch of Vezerengen, Germany.

Alisha wore her mother's veil from the year 1966.

Family portraits of the Womack and Schwertner families were taken after the service. Everyone then returned to the Womack home for dinner.

Prayers are asked for Father Harold Heiman, Marvin Jones, Sister Jane Brockman, Regina Steffens, Florine Brockman, Deanna Huseman, Patricia Butler, Rita Book and John Steffens.

Rita's address is Rt. 1, Box 79C, Bluffton, Texas 78607.

John's address is 13817 Highway 5 North, Plano Hospital, Van Alstyne, Texas 75495.

Richardson Elementary gets excellence award

Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt has been selected as a regional winner in the Diamond Shamrock Hoorary for Excellence™ competition.

The school was named a local winner and received \$50. For the regional honor, the school will receive another \$100, and its entry will automatically advance to the state competition, where 10 winning schools will be awarded \$1,000 each. State winners will be announced Monday.

The school's entry, submitted by elementary students and teacher Elaine Steinle, was selected as a local winner by KDHN Radio in Dimmitt. Steinle and students selected an academic program and described its merits on a short audio-

tape that was submitted to the radio station.

The Hoorary for Excellence program provides public recognition for academic achievement through the support and participation of radio stations across the state. The Hoorary for Excellence regions match the boundaries for the state's education service centers.

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DMS plans May book fair

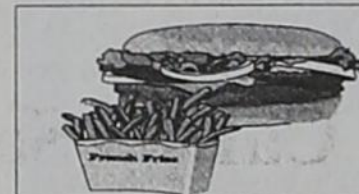
Dimmitt Middle School will host a spring book fair May 4-6 in the DMS Library, and a special buy one, get one free option will be available.

The books will be of the same quality as those offered at the fall book fair. For each purchase a student makes, he or she will receive an equal amount of merchandise for

free.

"This is an excellent time to purchase books for summer reading so students can get ahead on their fall Accelerated Reading," said a library spokesperson.

The public is welcome to visit the book fair from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 4-6.



What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth schools for April 22-30.

DIMITT Breakfast

THURSDAY: Cocoa Krispie cereal, fresh bananas and milk.

FRIDAY: Pancake on a stick with sausage, pineapple juice and milk.

MONDAY: Pancakes with syrup, apple slices and milk.

TUESDAY: Corn Pops cereal, apple juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Cinnamon rolls, orange wedges and white milk.

THURSDAY: Corn Flakes cereal, grape juice and milk.

FRIDAY: Breakfast burrito, fresh bananas and milk.

Preschool-First Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Baked chicken Italiano, Italian vegetable salad, tossed salad, angel flake biscuits and milk.

FRIDAY: Red Baron Pepperoni pizza, potato wedges, fruited gelatin, hot rolls and milk.

MONDAY: Italian spaghetti, savory green beans, tossed salad, garlic bread and milk.

TUESDAY: Chicken and rice casserole, baked potatoes, peas, hot cheese rolls and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Meat loaf with creole sauce, potatoes au gratin, orange wedges, assorted muffins and milk.

THURSDAY: Chicken strips, French fries, pineapple sunset salad, hot rolls and milk.

FRIDAY: Cheeseburger on a bun, peaches, refried beans, hamburger salad and milk.

Second-12th Grade Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of beef stir fry, baked chicken Italiano or vegetable pasta Alfredo; stir fried rice, potato wedges or Italian vegetable salad; tossed salad, broccoli and cauliflower salad or rotini salad; angel flake biscuits, French bread or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

FRIDAY: Choice of Red Baron Pepperoni Pizza, chicken and dumplings or green enchilada casserole; potato wedges, pork and beans or southern collard greens; tossed salad, cu-

cumber and tomato salad or fruited gelatin; hot rolls, cornmeal yeast rolls or tortilla chips; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

MONDAY: Choice of Italian spaghetti, chicken taco or barbecued hot link on a bun; savory green beans, Chinese-style vegetables or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or haystack finger salad; garlic bread, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano or tortilla chips; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

TUESDAY: Choice of chicken and rice casserole, creole bean soup or beef taco; peas, baked potatoes or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, macaroni salad or fresh fruit; cornbread, hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice, crackers or corn tortilla; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of honey-lemon chicken, meat loaf with creole sauce or beef and bean burrito with chili; country rice dressing, potatoes au gratin or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad, taco condiment, salad orange wedges or potato salad; assorted muffins, hot wheat roll, Fideo Mexicano or flour tortilla; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken strips, chicken pot pie or green enchilada casserole; French fries, baked sweet potato with apple or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, pineapple sunset salad or cucumber and tomato salad; cornbread, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

FRIDAY: Choice of cheese enchilada with sauce, cheeseburger on a bun or chicken stir fry; French fries, peaches or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, hamburger salad or peas; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice or flour tortilla; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

HART Breakfast

THURSDAY: Breakfast sausage pizza, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice, graham crackers and milk.

FRIDAY: Scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits, graham crackers, assorted fruit juice and milk.

MONDAY: Breakfast pizza, waffles, sau-

sage, variety of cereal, graham crackers, assorted fruit juice and milk.

TUESDAY: Breakfast burrito with salsa, cinnamon rolls, assorted fruit juice, variety of cereal and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Pancake and chicken, breakfast stick variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice, graham crackers and milk.

THURSDAY: Breakfast pizza, cinnamon rolls, assorted fruit juice, graham crackers and milk.

FRIDAY: Biscuits, ham, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice, graham crackers, raisins and milk.

Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or chicken nuggets; rolls, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, cherry cobbler, fresh fruit and milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich with chili; country rice dressing, potatoes au gratin or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad, taco condiment, salad orange wedges or potato salad; assorted muffins, hot wheat roll, Fideo Mexicano or flour tortilla; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of chicken strips, chicken pot pie or green enchilada casserole; French fries, baked sweet potato with apple or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, pineapple sunset salad or cucumber and tomato salad; cornbread, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla chips or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich, ham sandwich or chicken nuggets; gravy, mashed potato, fresh fruit, green beans, wheat rolls, cherry cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich, hot dog on a bun or chili; cornbread, pinto beans, sliced pickles, lettuce, tomato and pickle, peaches, gelatin dessert, gingerbread and milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich, ham sandwich or chicken nuggets; gravy, mashed potato, fresh fruit, green beans, wheat rolls, cherry cobbler and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich, hot dog on a bun or chili; cornbread, pinto beans, sliced pickles, lettuce, tomato and pickle, peaches, gelatin dessert, gingerbread and milk.

NAZARETH Breakfast

THURSDAY: Breakfast pockets, cereal, orange juice and milk.

FRIDAY: Canadian bacon on a roll, cereal, orange juice and milk.

MONDAY: Cinnamon roll, blueberry muffin, cereal, orange juice and milk.

TUESDAY: Sausage on a roll, cereal, orange juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY: French toast and sausage, cereal, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY: Breakfast pockets, cereal, orange juice and milk.

FRIDAY: Canadian bacon on a roll, cereal, orange juice and milk.

Lunch

THURSDAY: * Spaghetti and roll or hamburger and French fries, salad, beans, apricots, pudding and milk or juice.

FRIDAY: Enchilada or pizza, tossed salad, pinto beans, fruit and milk or juice.

MONDAY: *Burrito or baked potato, tossed salad, Spanish rice, applesauce, cherry dessert and milk or juice.

TUESDAY: * Sloppy Joe or corn dog, tossed salad, okra, peaches, pears and milk or juice.

WEDNESDAY: * Ham sandwich or hoagie, tater tots, lettuce, applesauce, gingerbread and milk or juice.

THURSDAY: * Taco or taco salad, lettuce, beans, pineapple, peanut butter cookies and milk or juice.

FRIDAY: * Chicken pot pie or pizza, tossed salad, peas; carrots, fruit salad, Rice Krispie treat and milk or juice.

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20—Help Wanted

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22—Notices

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23—Lost & Found

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23—Lost & Found

LOST: Small white female poodle. Weighs 2 lbs.; 6 inches high. Lost in the vicinity of NW 8th Street. Been missing one week. Call 647-3491 with any information. 23-3-2tc

24—Card of Thanks

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Police Calls

Deputies were called to Plains Memorial Hospital April 14 at 4 p.m. when Woody Charles Rickert of Hart sought treatment for a gunshot wound. The man reported that he had been trying to clear the chamber of a .22-caliber semi-automatic rifle and it accidentally discharged, hitting him in the foot. The incident happened at a residence at Bud Hill Feedlot.

A 40-year-old Dimmitt woman told police Saturday morning that a suspect pushed and punched her in an incident of assault/family violence.

A 12-year-old Dimmitt youth received a terroristic threat from a suspect who threatened to stab him. The incident was reported to police Monday night.

Friday night, a 45-year-old Dimmitt woman told police a suspect had threatened to beat her up.

April 14 at 11:50 a.m., a 40-year-old Dimmitt woman received a

terroristic threat from a suspect who threatened to assault her.

Michael Reyes, 21, of Dimmitt told police Monday morning that a suspect had cut up his clothes. Damaged items were valued at a total of \$164.

Police received two complaints of telephone harassment during the past week.

Friday night, a suspect was charged by police for driving with a suspended identification card.

Jailed for alcohol-related offenses during the past week:

—On Sunday: at 12:31 a.m., a 46-year-old Springlake man, DWI, first offense (breath test refused); at 1:30 a.m., a 17-year-old Hereford man, DWI, first offense; at 1:45 a.m., a Dimmitt man, 22, DWI, third or more offense; and at 2 a.m., a Hart woman, 40, DWI, first offense.

—Monday: at 6:30 p.m., a Dimmitt man, 40, DWI, third offense; and at 11:35 p.m., a 44-year-old Plainview man, DWI, second offense.

Jailed on warrants or probation matters were:

—April 13, a 27-year-old Dimmitt man on a motion to revoke probation stemming from charges of possession of marijuana.

—Sunday, a Dimmitt woman, 20, on a warrant for theft over \$500 and under \$1,500.

—Monday, a 23-year-old Dimmitt man on a bench warrant in connection with burglary of a building.

On April 13 at 8:05 a.m., a 1995 Chrysler Cirrus driven by Michael

Ray Dominguez, 16, of Dimmitt struck a 1994 Mitsubishi Eclipse driven by Shelli Renee Conkin, 24, of Dimmitt. Dominguez was heading west in the 600 block of West Lee Street and pulled into the path of Conkin's vehicle, which was heading north in the 500 block of South Front Street. Dominguez was ticketed for failure to yield right of way at a yield sign, and for violation of restriction-B. Conkin was taken by ambulance to Plains Memorial Hospital with incapacitating injury. Jessica Dominguez, 14, a passenger in the Chrysler, was reported with a non-incapacitating injury. Damage to both vehicles was rated light.

Last Thursday at 4:07 p.m. two Hereford drivers collided in the 1100 block of West Bedford in Dimmitt. Both were heading west, when Helen Rogers Williams, 55, of Hereford slowed her 1996 Ford Aerostar van due to another vehicle slowing in front of her. The van was struck in the rear by a 1979 Buick Park Avenue driven by Norman Page Gray, 86, of Hereford. Police said Gray did not notice that Williams had slowed down. Gray was ticketed for failure to control speed. Williams was taken by ambulance to Plains Memorial Hospital with an incapacitating injury. Gray and his passenger, Grace Gray, 85, were not injured. Damage to both vehicles was rated light.

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Blood drive set Monday in band hall

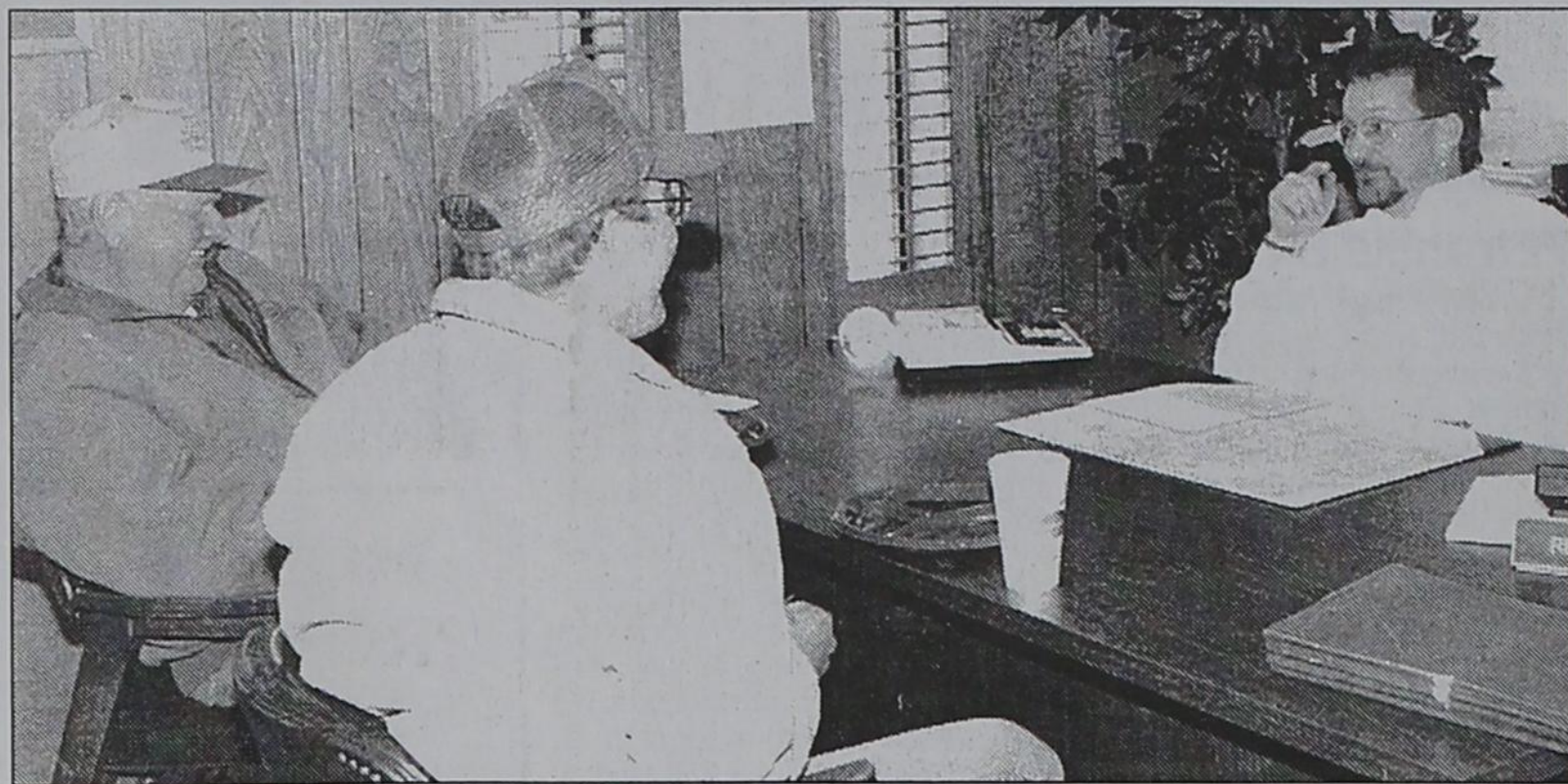
Coffee Memorial Blood Center and Dimmitt High School will host a blood drive Monday from 1 to 7 p.m. in the high school band hall.

The DHS Student Council is sponsoring the blood drive and urges people throughout the community to attend and donate blood.

"We recognize that everyone this time of year has a hectic schedule," a spokesperson for the blood center said. "Often it is hard to find time to do the little things, but this little thing could possibly save someone's life. Every unit of blood collected has the possibility of helping as many as three individuals."

Anyone with questions may call Coffee Memorial Blood Center at 1-800-658-6178.

Fabled Fenway Park in Boston, home of baseball's Red Sox since 1912, also served as home field for the NFL's Boston Redskins (1933-36) and AFL's Boston Patriots (1963-68).



OPEN HOUSE—First Texas Federal Land Bank Association in Dimmitt held open house Friday to introduce Blain Eubank, the new loan officer for Castro County, and other staff members. Here, Eubank (right) talks with customers of FTFLBA. Also on hand for the event were Ed Crawford, chief

executive officer of FTFLBA's Dimmitt, Hereford and Tulia offices; John Morris, CEO, and Randy Berit, executive vice president, both of the Lubbock office; and Sean Smith, loan officer of the Hereford office.

Photo by Monica Ortiz

Fresh produce express shipment program aids Texas Food Banks

Hunger relief agencies across Texas have received a valuable new resource with the official launching of a new *Texas Produce Initiative* to transport surplus fresh fruits and vegetables to food banks across the state.

A program of the Texas Association of Second Harvest Food Banks, the initiative is made possible by a \$40,000 grant from the *Fighting Hunger in Texas* program of the Texas Family of Philip Morris Companies, including Miller Brewing Company and Kraft Foods. The grant provides funding for the statewide timely delivery of available produce that would otherwise be wasted.

The program was formally inaugurated last week at the Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley with the simultaneous departure of twin pilgrimages of refrigerated trucks to widely dispersed destinations. The shipments containing approximately 25,000 pounds of produce were dispatched on two separate routes, one destined for food banks in Amarillo and Lubbock and the other headed for Victoria and Waco.

Texas Association of Second Harvest Food Banks Executive Director Dara Austin explained the significance of the new program.

"This has been our number one priority for several years," she said. "Fresh fruits and vegetables are some of the most nutritious foods needed by our agencies for their clients. In the past, produce has often become available on short notice, but our member food banks lacked funds to pay for the shipment," Austin said. "The produce comes from growers in the Valley and other suppliers within the state who are willing to donate fruits and vegetables, but the cost to move produce to food banks hundreds of miles away often exceeds

the value of the shipment. This generous grant enables us to coordinate shipments from the point of availability to the point of need on an equitable basis."

Current TASHFB President Terri Drefke, who also serves as executive director of the Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley, Inc., gave the two express shipments an official send-off from the Food Bank's warehouse.

"This program enables food banks across the state to share available fruits and vegetables with each other in a timely fashion," Drefke said.

The first produce drop-off point was the Community Food Bank of Victoria, which serves more than 90 community agencies in southeast Texas. From Victoria, the shipment continued on to Caritas of Waco, Inc. Food Bank.

The West Texas pilgrimage arrived in Lubbock at the South Plains Food Bank where it was dispersed to member agencies. The western portion of the launch tour was completed with the delivery of the balance to High Plains Food Bank in Amarillo.

Austin noted that surplus supplies of produce that become available from growers or retailers are supplemented by that grown and harvested by inmates of the Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice on prison farms across the state. In addition, produce confiscated by federal authorities at the border also becomes available periodically.

"This transportation fund adds a new dimension to Texas Fresh Approach, a partnership between the TDCJ and the Texas Association of Second Harvest Food Banks," said Donna Story, TDCJ spokesperson. "Second Harvest Food Banks pay seed and growing costs for produce

harvested using prison land and labor in the Texas Fresh Approach program. With the *Texas Produce Initiative*, the harvested produce is able to reach many more food banks across the state, providing a great enhancement to the program."

Austin said that in addition to the funding provided by the *Fighting Hunger in Texas* program of the Philip Morris Companies, local food banks contribute to shipping expenses.

Prior to the official launch, TASHFB had completed several pilot runs of the transportation program which have moved more than a quarter of a million pounds of cantaloupe, lettuce, tomatoes, potatoes, onions, honeydew melons, broccoli, pineapple, grapefruit and cabbage.

The Texas Association of Second Harvest Food Banks is a statewide alliance of 19 Second Harvest Food Banks, which serve a combined 3,600 community hunger relief agencies in Texas.

A good mother is worth a hundred schoolmasters.

Attributed—George Herbert

24—Card of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, calls and memorials in honor of our father, O.C. Damon.
THE FAMILY OF SHARON KINSER
24-3-1tc

CARD OF THANKS

The Dimmitt High School Junior Class would like to thank Sherr Matthews and Trudi Jackson and all the Junior moms for the wonderful food at the Junior-Senior Prom. Your efforts helped to make the prom a success.
DHS JUNIOR CLASS
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CARD OF THANKS

Thank you for your support and donations for our Spring Break Blast and the prizes that were given out for prom night.

Thanks to Headhunter for the haircut and manicure they gave away; Bobcat Barber Shop, a haircut for a male and a female; anonymous donor, free haircut; and Alicia Sanchez, free facial.

We also want to thank the presenters for the Spring Break Blast: the Dimmitt Police Dept., the EMT service, Juvenile Probation officer Myrum Mitchell, and HIV/AIDS Awareness counselor Solia Reyes.

Thank you to Pizza Hut for providing free pizza for those attending, and to Immaculate Conception Church for the use of their facility.

Also, many thanks to our volunteers: Jacob Larra, Alexis Proffitt, Lupe Flores, Chole Ortiz, Jessica Montes, Leo Olvera, and Randy Gressett.

DONNA MONTES
Catholic Family Services
24-3-1tc

25—Legal Notices

BID NOTICE

The Castro County Appraisal District is accepting bids on behalf of Castro County, Dimmitt Independent School District and the City of Dimmitt. Sealed bids must be received by April 28, 1999, 10 a.m. at the Castro County Appraisal District, 204 SE 3rd (rear), Dimmitt, Texas 79027. Each entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive formalities.

The property open for bids are Lot 2, Block 51, OTD and Lots 14-15, Coronado Acres, North of Highway.

Further information may be obtained at the Appraisal District Office.
25-2-2tc

TEXAS DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS Supply and Install Gas Line Contract Number 059XXR1012

Sealed proposals to supply and install a gas line for the Castro County Maintenance Section Office located at 1218 S. US 385, Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas, will be received by the Texas Dept. of Transportation, located at 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas.

Proposals will be received until May 6, 1999, at 3:30 p.m., then will be publicly opened and read.

Proposals, plans and specifications for this project will be furnished without charge to any Contractor desiring to submit a bid. No pre-qualification is required. Contact Kenneth Wood at 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas, telephone (806) 748-4423 for proposals or any questions.
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TEXAS DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS Construct Foundations Contract Number 059XXR1013

Sealed proposals to Construct Foundations for Asphalt Tanks for the Castro County Maintenance Section Office located at 1218 S. US 385, Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas, will be received by the Texas Dept. of Transportation, located at 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas.

Proposals will be received until May 6, 1999, at 4 p.m., then will be publicly opened and read.

Proposals, plans and specifications for this project will be furnished without charge to any contractor desiring to submit a bid. No pre-qualification is required. Contact Kenneth Wood at 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, Texas, telephone (806) 748-4423 for proposals or any questions.
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Obituaries

Petronilla Birkenfeld

Funeral mass for Petronilla Birkenfeld, 82, of Nazareth, was read Wednesday morning in Holy Family Catholic Church with Father Jerry Stein, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Holy Family Cemetery under the direction of Wallace Funeral Home of Tulsa.

A vigil service was held Tuesday evening at the CCD Building in Nazareth.

Birkenfeld died Sunday at 12:10 p.m. at Hereford Regional Medical Center from injuries she sustained in an automobile accident.

She was born April 14, 1917, in Nazareth. She was raised in Nazareth and graduated from High School there. She attended nursing school in Jonesboro, Ark. She had worked for the VA Hospital in Des Moines, Iowa, where she retired in 1972 and returned to Nazareth. She was a member of the Order of Catholic Daughters, Order of Martha (Quilters), Nazareth Senior Citizens, Holy Family Catholic Church and the Nazareth Museum.

Survivors include three sisters, Mary Hoelting of Olpe, Kan., Juliana Brockman of Plainview and Dora Pohlmeier of Nazareth; a brother, John Birkenfeld of Hereford; and a sister-in-law, Judy Birkenfeld of Marion.

The family requests memorials be to the Nazareth Museum.

Alford Campbell

Services for Alford A. Campbell, 61, of Dimmitt, were held the afternoon of April 13 at the First Assembly of God Church in Dimmitt with Rev. Wayne Mullin, pastor of Church of God of Prophecy of Amarillo, officiating. Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Campbell died at 11 a.m. April 10 at his home.

He was born Jan. 5, 1938, in Larned, Kan. He was raised in Oklahoma and Kansas. He moved to Dimmitt in 1966. He married Oreda Jo Bradshaw on May 22, 1974, in Hereford. He was a truck driver and a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose and Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, LaDawna Anglin of Aspermont and Holly Campbell of Canyon; five brothers, Elmer Love of Amarillo, Gerald Love and Eddie Campbell, both of Dimmitt, Alvie Love of Boise City, Okla., and Ronnie Campbell of Ellendale, N.D.; a sister, Janet Leingang of Dimmitt; and three grandchildren.

Dale Dudley

Services for Dale Dudley, 66, of Muleshoe, brother of Mary Wheeler of Hart, were held Monday at Trinity Baptist Church in Muleshoe with the Rev. Robert Brown, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

Mr. Dudley died Friday at Covenant Hospital.

He was born May 4, 1932, in Olton. He married Wanda Anders on Dec. 15, 1951, in Muleshoe. He had lived in Muleshoe since 1968, when

he moved to Olton. He was a member of the Trinity Baptist Church of Muleshoe.

He farmed in the Olton area and had a service station in Olton. He repaired radiators in Olton and in Muleshoe. He was employed by Poyner's White Auto Store in Muleshoe as shop foreman for 22 years.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Ronald Dudley of Plainview and Kevin Dudley of Dallas; two daughters, Kathy Bock of Earth and Jo La Dene Harvey of Springfield, Ore.; two brothers, Melson Dudley of Floydada and Denny Dudley of Seagraves; two sisters, Mary Wheeler of Hart and Linda Mainwaring of Springfield, Ore.; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to a favorite charity or to the American Lung Association of Texas, PO Box 26460, Austin 78755-0460.

Frankie M. Stanford

Frankie Marie Stanford, 81, mother of John Stanford of Dimmitt, died Monday.

Graveside services will be held at Plainview Memorial Park in Plainview today (Thursday) at 2 p.m.

Mrs. Stanford was born June 14, 1907, in Bosque County. She married Floyd Stanford in 1925 in Cranfills Gap. Together they raised four children and farmed in Hamilton County, Hale County and finally in Castro County until 1972.

She was a long time member of the Methodist Church. She was a member of St. John's Methodist Church in Austin for the last 22 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a son, Allan Stanford; and two sisters, Lavelle Scott and Maureen Lindley.

Survivors include a daughter, Nelda Lillie of Austin; two sons, Gordon Stanford of Kingsland and John Stanford of Dimmitt; a brother, Hylton McAdams of Amarillo; three daughters-in-law; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to St. John's Methodist Church in Austin.

Roxie Turner

Roxie Turner, 96, of Dimmitt, died at 2 p.m. Sunday in Dimmitt.

Services were held Tuesday morning at Lemons Memorial Chapel in Plainview with Riley Turner of Lubbock officiating. Burial followed in Flomot Cemetery under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home of Plainview.

Turner was born May 8, 1902, in Hillsboro. She grew up in Flomot and graduated from Flomot High School. She cared for her mother and father.

She moved to Plainview in 1944. She worked for Luster Laundry and sat with the elderly in Abernathy, Petersburg, Dimmitt, Earth and Plainview. She moved to Dimmitt in 1989. She was a Methodist.

Survivors include several nieces and nephews.

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IT JUST ISN'T WORKING—Panhandle Community Services personnel (from left) Maricela Flores, Stella Devers and Jerry Peña try to figure out a way to make use of computer equipment without a computer desk. PCS received a donation of two computer systems from the Castro County Extension Office, but there are no desks to house the systems. Devers

said the computers will be used by PCS clients who are attending college and need access to a computer. They also will be used for internet access for research, training, and even job hunting. "If anyone has a desk that they are not using, we will certainly put it to good use," Peña said. "Please call 647-3244."

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Drug testing policy . . .

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date, about once a month. The biological testing will be done through urine samples. Parents can volunteer their son or daughter to be tested, and they will be put in another pool (from which 10% will be tested at each random testing date).

All students will start with a clean slate in August. The only time everyone will be tested will be at the beginning of the program in August. After that, the only mass testing that will be done is for incoming seventh graders each year, any who are new to the district, and any who are participating in a covered activity for the first time. Participants may be required to submit to a drug or alcohol test at any time upon reasonable suspicion by school personnel. Requirements for establishing "reasonable suspicion" are spelled out in the policy.

Any who test positive at one of the random testing dates will then be tested again at each random testing

date for a year.

Activities to be included in the screening program are all athletics, cheerleading, student council and other student elected offices, National Honor Society, Peer Assistance Leadership (PALs), FHA Star event competitors, FFA competition participants, Technology Students Association competitors, UIL One Act Play and Literary event participants, Business Professionals Association competitors, Odyssey of the Mind, and band and choir.

Sanctions for students who have a positive test (showing drug or alcohol use) include mandatory substance abuse counseling, suspension from participation and additional required testing. An appeals process is provided, with no sanctions applied until the appeals process is completed. Offenses are cumulative for a participant's enrollment in grades 7-12 in DISD.

The first offense includes a 30 day suspension from participating in competitions or contests, but students may still practice. A second offense includes a 60-day suspension, but the student may still practice. The third offense includes suspension for one year from participation or practice. A fourth offense will result in permanent suspension from extracurricular participation.

The policy spells out that no participant shall be penalized academically for testing positive. The results of drug tests will not be documented in any student's academic records.

"The most important part of the whole program is the mandatory substance-abuse counseling for offenders at any level," Dollar said. "It is not the suspension. Trying to change behavior is the whole point."

Copies of the policy in its entirety may be viewed at the school administration building at 608 W. Halsell.

Fed cattle marketing seminar is May 10

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Castro County will be offering a one-day, Fed Cattle Marketing Simulation Seminar on May 10 in the assembly room at the Castro County Courthouse.

This national award-winning workshop involves the simulation of the fed cattle market where participants play the role of the feedlot marketing manager and meat packing plant cattle buyer. A large portion of the game involves interactions among the teams in the trading of cattle.

The program will begin at 9 a.m. and will end at 4 p.m. Registration fee for the event is \$25 per person. Couples are encouraged to attend and will be charged just one registration fee.

"The game is fairly fast-paced," said Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension economist at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo. He will be leading the seminar.

"It compresses one week's worth of real-time trading into five-to-

eight-minute trading sessions," Amosson said.

"Participants enter whatever they do, whether it is selling cattle and trading in live cattle futures contracts," he said. "The computer summarizes this information, then takes the combined actions by all players in the fed cattle arena to drive the boxed beef and feeder cattle markets. This is when things can get a little bit dicey. The actions by individual players will determine the profitability of each team, whether they represent a feedlot or packing plant."

The exercise helps participants see how their decisions can directly impact aggregate market movements. The computer program keeps track of the financial performance of all teams (or firms).

"We use the simulator to give participants a different way of observing most aspects of the fed cattle market," said Rebel Royall, Castro County Extension Agent.

Interested persons should pre-register for the conference by May 6.

For more information or to register, call Royall at 647-4115.

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You might get hurt but it's the only way to live life completely.

10. In disagreements, fight fairly.

11. Don't judge people by their relatives.

12. Talk slowly but think quickly.

13. When someone asks you a question you don't want to answer, smile and ask, "Why do you want to know?"

14. Remember that great love and great achievements involve great risk.

15. Call your mom.

16. Say "bless you" when you hear someone sneeze.

17. When you lose, don't lose the lesson.

18. Remember the three R's: Respect for self; Respect for others; Responsibility for all your actions.

19. Don't let a little dispute injure a great friendship.

20. When you realize you've made a mistake, take immediate steps to correct it.

21. Smile when picking up the phone. The caller will hear it in your voice.

22. Marry a person whom you love to talk to. As you get older, conversational skills between you will be as important as any other.

23. Spend some time alone.

24. Open your arms to change, but don't let go of your values.

25. Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.

26. Read more books and watch less TV.

27. Live a good, honorable life. Then, when you get older and think back, you'll get to enjoy it a second time.

28. Trust in God, but lock your car.

29. A loving atmosphere in your home is so important. Do all you can to create a tranquil, harmonious home.

30. In disagreements with loved ones, deal with the current situation. Don't bring up the past.

31. Read between the lines.

32. Share your knowledge. It's a way to achieve immortality.

33. Be gentle with the earth.

34. Pray. There's immeasurable power in it.

35. Never interrupt when you are being flattered.

36. Mind your own business.

37. Don't trust anyone who doesn't close his/her eyes when kissing.

38. Once a year, go somewhere you've never been before.

39. Learn the rules, then break some.

40. Remember that the best relationship is one where your love for each other is greater than your need for each other.

41. Judge your success by what you had to give up in order to get it.

42. Remember that your character is your destiny.

43. Approach love and cooking with reckless abandon.

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