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## City closer to curfew decision

Dimmitt city councilmen are one step closer to a decision on a new curfew law after a public hearing on a proposed ordinance at the council's meeting Monday.

Councilmen reached a consensus that they want the hours children under 17 must be home to be a little later during the summer than during the school year.

Councilman Don Sheffy, who presided over the meeting in the absence of Mayor Wayne Collins, said he felt the hours included in the sample ordinance presented Monday were too liberal. They called for a midnight curfew Sunday through Thursday nights, with a 1 a.m. limit on Friday and Saturday nights.

"I think they should be 11 p.m. on weeknights," Sheffy said.

Councilman Johnny Ethridge demurred, saying the 11 p.m. curfew would be too limiting.

"I have problems with 11 p.m., especially during the summer," Ethridge said. "There are too many activities during the summer. There are also dances and some other things that aren't over until 11:30 p.m. or midnight."

Sheffy pointed out that the proposed rule includes several "excuses" for youngsters under 17 to be out, including school-sponsored activities, organized sports, and other legitimate reasons.

Councilman Roger Malone said an 11 p.m. curfew "seems like social engineering, and that's not the role of the city."

"Personally, I think 11 p.m. is fine, especially for the little kids," said Councilman Larry Gonzales. "A lot of times after 11 p.m. kids are just out there drinking and fighting. I would like to see it at 11 p.m....especially during the school year. During the summer I can see it being a little later, but during the school year they don't need to be out after 11 p.m."

That became the consensus of the board, and City Attorney Jack Edwards was instructed to draw up an ordinance calling for youngsters to be off the streets (except for valid reasons) by 11 p.m. on weeknights and midnight on weekends during the school year, and by midnight on weeknights and 1 a.m. on weekends between school terms.

The ordinance is based on the Dallas law that was recently upheld as constitutional by the US Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans. Other city curfew ordinances had been thrown out by various courts; in most cases, courts ruled the laws were too vague.

Youngsters under 17 would be excused from the ordinance if:

--They are accompanied by a parent or guardian.

--They are on an errand at the direction of the minor's parent or guardian, without any detour or stop.

--They are in a vehicle involved in interstate travel.

--They are traveling as part of their work, or they are going to or from work without any detour or stop.

--They are involved in an emergency.

--They are on the sidewalk abutting their residence or the residence of a next-door neighbor if the neighbor complained to the police about the minor's presence.

--They are attending, going to or returning from an official school, religious or other organized activity sponsored by adults.

--They are married.

Children who violate the curfew may cause themselves, or their parents, to be fined up to \$500 for each time they break the curfew.

The ordinance also calls for review of the rule after six months. The law requires the city manager to report the impact of the ordinance on the police department, the impact of the law on crime statistics, and the city's net cost of enforcing the ordinance.

The city also directed Edwards to draw up a new lease between the city, Dimmitt schools and Dimmitt Kids Inc. for the ballparks at George Howell Park. The city retained ownership of the parks; they were part of the golf course property the city bought last year. The golf course and other improvements were sold to the new Country Club of Dimmitt.

The school system needed the lease so high school baseball players can be covered by school insurance. Baseball workouts are underway.

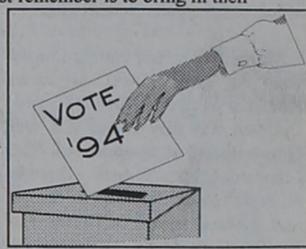
The board also approved a resolution accepting the findings of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, which ordered a 2.9% rate reduction by Southwestern Public Service.

## Early voting starts Wednesday

Early voting for the March 8 primary elections will begin Wednesday at the county clerk's office.

"The important thing people must remember is to bring in their voter registration card," said County-District Clerk Joy Jones. "Since it is a party primary, the party in which they vote will be stamped on the cards."

Local contested races for county judge, county-district clerk, county treasurer and district judge are expected to bring out most voters. Native son Wayne Collins is also running for the Republican nomination for US Congress from the 13th District.



## At DYF Stock Show

# County youth will show 410 animals Friday

Hopeful youngsters will parade a total of 410 steers, barrows and lambs before judges Friday during the Castro County Junior Livestock Show.

County youths will exhibit 265 barrows (down from 276 last year), 118 lambs (up one from 1993) and 27 steers (up from 21) Friday, according to Kent Kirby, president of the Dimmitt Young Farmers, which organizes and runs the annual show.

"Everything has gone pretty smooth up to now," Kirby said, adding that he encourages everyone to come out and support the county's youth during the show Friday and at Saturday's premium sale.

On Wednesday afternoon students brought their animals to the show barn for weighing and classification and Nazareth held its own show that evening.

Hart youths will hold their school's show tonight (Thursday).

The county-wide show begins Friday morning at 8 with the lamb judging and Storm Gerhart of Broadview, N.M., a livestock breeder, will be the judge. The steer show will begin at 11 a.m. with Billy Rash, an ag teacher from Willis High School, serving as judge. The barrows will be judged by Carl Kent, an ag teacher from Pottsborow High School, beginning at 1 p.m.

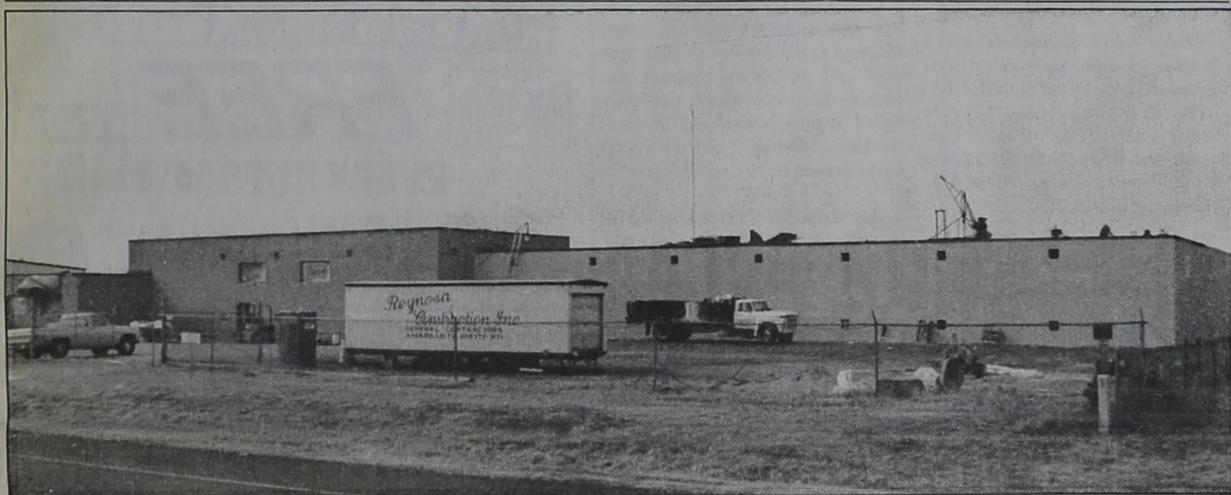
Animals will compete first by weight class within breeds or types, then the top two animals in each breed will advance to the competition for Grand Champion and Reserve Champion honors.

Tommy Kenworthy will serve as the show's general superintendent and he will be assisted by Stanley McDaniel. Division superintendents are Rodney Hunter, steers; Dudley Wooten, lambs; and Dwayne Smith, barrows.

Saturday's auction sale is slated to begin at 1 p.m. with Johnny Davis, Greg Odom, Jack Howell and Kenneth Gregg serving as auctioneers.

The auction opens with the sale of the grand champion steer, barrow and lamb, followed by sale of the Reserve Grand trio. Then breed champions will be sold, followed by reserve breed champs, then one-third of the steers, barrows and lambs. The process will be repeated until all eligible animals are sold.

**Special Stock Show section included in today's News!**



NEW TXDOT HEADQUARTERS—Workers from Reynosa Construction Co. of Amarillo are about half finished with work on the new quarters for the Texas Dept. of Transportation on South U.S.

Highway 385 in Dimmitt. The new quarters should be through later this spring.

Photo by Don Nelson

## '93 permits near \$1 million

City officials issued almost \$1 million in building permits in 1993, led by permits for new commercial construction and several remodeling projects.

The city issued \$660,700 in commercial permits; \$228,750 in residential permits; and \$47,056 for carports, garages, storages and miscellaneous projects.

The largest permit was for \$195,000 for the new Hays Company building at

301 N. Broadway. First Bank of Muleshoe-Dimmitt Branch received a permit for \$175,000 for remodeling of the building it now occupies at 221 W. Bedford.

Duckwall-Alco received two permits, for \$75,000 each. One permit was for remodeling of the building at 801 N. Broadway from the car dealership setting of before to the retail store. Alco used the other permit for a

40 ft x 123 ft. new building at the store.

A permit for \$130,000 was issued to the Azteca Housing Development Corp. for remodeling the former Western Vegetables pickle processing plant into a community center.

Other commercial permits were issued to Frito-Lay, \$8,400 for a portable warehouse building; Ernie's Barbecue, 510 South US Highway

385, for \$1,500; and First State Bank, \$800 for its mini-park at 221 N. Broadway.

The only new residential permit was at 1620 Butler Blvd. The new home for the Jack Bradford family received a permit for \$103,000.

Two new apartment buildings were constructed by S&S Properties on NW Fifth. The company was issued two permits, each for \$40,000. Other residential permits were for add-ons.

## Weather

Temperatures and precipitation are recorded each day at 7 a.m. by KDHN Radio, official NWS observer.

Thursday	51	18
Friday	63	20
Saturday	58	26
Sunday	54	22
Monday	65	27
Tuesday	67	32
Wednesday	67	7

February precipitation: none  
1994 precipitation: .15

## Game officially is postponed

The good news: no officials showed up Tuesday in Dimmitt.

The bad news: no officials showed up Tuesday in Dimmitt.

A snafu over officials forced the postponement of the Tulia-Dimmitt games until Thursday at 7 p.m. Dimmitt athletic director and girls' basketball coach Richard Wood said one of the officials that was to call the game here was at Amarillo Tascosa, the other went to Pampa. The result was no play in Dimmitt.

The teams and fans were ready to go at 6:30 p.m. for a pair of crucial games, but no officials were there. The teams waited about 45 minutes, then were sent home.

Fans were offered tickets, but many demanded to have their money refunded.

## 1:1

By Don Nelson

Next time you get to thinking, "Well, it's just another basketball game; I'm not sure I'll go"—go anyway. You never know what you may be missing.

For instance:

When the Bobbies and Bobcats played at Littlefield last week, there was plenty of action on the floor, but even more in the stands.

John Brooks thought he was fully equipped to broadcast the play-by-play over KDHN. But as it turned out, he wasn't. Because of a Littlefield fan who was, shall we say, *overzealous*, John could have used a hard hat and a bodyguard.

How would you like to try broadcasting from a seat in the bleachers with a guy in your face shouting "Shut up! Shut up!" all the while?

And it was the guy, Lord help us, who was videotaping the game for the home teams. I guess he livened up the videotape as much as he did the radio broadcast.

During the Bobbies' game, Coach Richard Wood noticed what was going on behind him (how could he not?) and had the game stopped temporarily when it appeared the guy was about to drop his camcorder on John's head. But

## Hart schools hope to remodel gym

Hart Independent School District may soon have a more comfortable facility in which to hold its basketball games and other sports-related activities.

The school is advertising bids for renovation of its existing gymnasium, dressing rooms and its administration building. The proposed renovations were drawn up by James Robison, an architect from Plainview. Copies of the plans and bid specifications can be obtained from him.

Bids will be opened in the superintendent's office on Feb. 22 and the board will review those bids at its March 7 meeting.

Mike Smith, Hart superintendent, said he hopes bids for the project will come in somewhere around \$500,000. He said funds for the project will come out of the school's reserve money.

The current facility is outmoded and the gym floor is "worn out."

"We've got to replace the floor, and if we were planning to redo anything else within the next 30 years, it would be better to do it now. We plan to do it all at one time."

The main problems with the current facility, besides the worn out

floor, are a lack of seating (the current gym only has seating on one side), almost dilapidated dressing rooms and other inconveniences.

"We are planning to completely redo the dressing rooms. Two of them now are virtually useless," Smith said. "The plumbing is bad and there's very little water flow. The building is 30 years old and these things just happen. We will make the four current rooms into three new ones and we'll add a new one."

The southwest corner of the high school building which houses the school's administration offices will be remodeled into a new entrance to the gym, and the area will include a foyer, concession area and include public restrooms. The new entrance, dressing rooms and restrooms will be more accessible to athletes working out on the track field and tennis courts as well as to basketball players, Smith added.

The administration staff will be relocated, either in a new wing or separate building, Smith said.

"If we get bids within the range we're hoping for, we plan to start construction after spring break and it will be completed prior to the start of the 1994-95 school year."

# On the Go

With Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Tuey and Jennifer Rankin of Amarillo visited Jennifer's grandmother, Geneva Justice, in Dimmitt last weekend. They are both teachers in the Amarillo public schools. Jennifer teaches at Will Rogers Elementary School and Tuey is a football and baseball coach at Tascosa High School. Tuey is the son of hall of fame golfer Judy Rankin.

Sharon Sadler and Norma Conard went to Rogers, Ark., to attend memorial services for Donna Conard. On their way they visited C.B. and Jean Lunsford at Waldron, Ark. The Lunsfords are former Dimmitt residents. In Russellville, Ark., Sharon and Norma visited a cousin and nephew, Gary Davis.

Dorothy Hopson gave the devotional at Canterbury Villa on Thursday morning. Her subject was a "Merry Heart," meaning a cheerful heart. The Good News is that Jesus loves us even with all of our faults. She quoted the scripture, "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it." Bill Newland sang a special, *No One Ever Cared For Me Like Jesus*. Others singing were Ysleta Ball, Mauzee Youts and Mary Edna Hendrix.

The Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary will have a bake sale Friday from 9:30 a.m. until all the goodies are sold. The sale will be held in the conference room (Ettie McDermitt Room) at the hospital. Everyone is invited to buy something.

Susie Reeves was hostess to the Thursday Bridge club that met at the Senior Citizens Center for a brown bag lunch and a day of bridge. Susie served cookies for snacks and banana pudding for dessert. Bernice Hill won high score and Neva Hickey won second high score. Others playing were Dugan Butler, Virginia Crider, Emily Clingingsmith, Ina Rae Cates, Edith Graef, Fern Dickey, Johnnie Vannoy, Helen Braafladt, Louise Mears, Elizabeth Huckabay, Cleo Forson, Lorann Hamilton and Dude McLauren.

A birthday luncheon was held at the Country Club honoring Deanne Clark, Valeria Davis and Polly Simpson for their birthday. A delicious meal of

pork chops, English peas, creamed potatoes and pears was served to the honored guests and Rose Acker, Janice Shelton, Doris Flynt and Gwen Bryant. Gifts were presented to the honored guests.

Members of the Hereford Community Concert Association are reminded to attend the Hungarian Virtuosi Orchestra concert to be held Monday at the Hereford High School auditorium, or Tuesday at Harrell Memorial Auditorium in Plainview. The concert begins both nights at 8 p.m.

Dr. Charles and Esta Vandiver had as their guests in their home over the weekend, Jim and Marie McKinnon from Albuquerque, N.M.

The last two Sundays have been exciting times at First Baptist Church in Dimmitt. On Super Sunday, a cold and snowy day, a huge crowd gathered for Sunday School and worship services and then enjoyed a hamburger meal for lunch. The hamburgers were cooked by the men out in the snow! The ladies helped in the kitchen. More worship services followed. The trio of Tami Griffith, Debra Ball and Wayne Proffitt sang *When He Was On the Cross*. The youth went to the home of

Charles and Sue Summers in the afternoon to watch the Super Bowl. John Shultz, the youth minister, showed a video at halftime that was an inspirational witness to young people.

Last Sunday, during the morning worship service, it was "Accompanists Appreciation Day." Walter Maynard is the pianist and Ronda Wise is the organist. They thrilled the audience with their music. Ronda played *Whiter Than Snow* and Walter played *Wondrous Love*. Together they played *Holy, Holy, Holy* and *Bless Be the Tie*. They were presented beautiful gold clocks and corsages. Altar flowers were given in honor of Walter and Ronda for their music throughout the service. The flower arrangement was magnolia blossoms surrounded by sheet music and gold instruments.

Maxine Tidwell's Sunday School class held a Valentine steak dinner for members of her class following the morning service. The tables were colorful with all the red valentines, hearts and cupid.

During Sunday evening's service, Dale Pfrimmer played the guitar with the praise medley of *Alleluia, Thank You Lord* and *Jesus Is the Sweetest Name I Know*. Dr. Charles Vandiver sang *Jesus Paid A Debt He Didn't Owe*.

The church will be involved in home Bible studies each Wednesday in March from 7 to 8 p.m. Topics of discussion will include "Are You Satisfied With Your Life?" "Does Your Life Have Meaning?" "Can You Be Forgiven?" and "How Can You Be Forgiven?" Please call the church at 647-3115 for more information.

Trent and Cindy Armstrong and children Caity and Torin from Lewisville, were in Dimmitt visiting his parents, Ann and Sonny Armstrong, and brother Bryan and Tonya Armstrong and children, Jimmy, Cassie, Jordan and Caitlin.

Alan and Elaine Steinle entertained Alan's mother, Sharon Steinle, from Lucas, Kan., over the weekend.

New residents in Dimmitt are Kenny and Sheryl Shaw. Kenny's grandfather was pastor of the Baptist church here many years ago.

Don and Colleen Newman have moved from Maryland. They were residents of Dimmitt several years ago and are the parents of Max Newman.

The G.A. girls organization meets on Monday afternoon after school. Last week they visited in the homes of Geneva Dennis and Kathryn Vardell. Debbie Underwood and Debbie Annen are the leaders of these groups.

Carla Bradley was honored on her 31st birthday with a luncheon at the Country Club. Others enjoying the meal and all the fun were Todd Bradley, Beau and Raynee; Gene and Sherri Bradley; Steve and Chelsea Buckley; Donny and Melissa Carpenter and Betty Carpenter.

Ann Carpenter is home after a stay in Lubbock Methodist Hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

## Sunnyside

By Teeny Bowden

Last week, Corine Easley underwent replacement surgery for her aorta. Her husband, Joe, is manager of the Sunnyside Cattle Company. She had been having a lot of numbness in her legs and had been in the hospital earlier to check this out. Her aorta was blocked, causing the numbness. She came through the surgery really well and was dismissed Friday.

She has been driving to Levelland each day to teach high school science. She is expected to return to teaching in about two weeks.

Jack Foraker of Hale Center, Lori Sisemore's grandfather, died Jan. 31. Services were held Monday in Hale Center with burial in Plainview. He was a native of Hale Center. Ezell and Verba Sadler attended the funeral.

Roxie Jean Loudder was visiting her son, Lane, in Dallas when she received word from Lance that her sister, Wayne Mae Wilson, had died.

Wayna had gone to work and died soon after she got to work from an aneurysm. She was brought back to Earth for the funeral and burial as a native of Earth. She had three sons. Verba Sadler and Teeny Bowden went to the funeral home Thursday afternoon and saw some of the family, but Roxie was not back from Dallas. The funeral was Saturday afternoon. Alton Loudder, Doug and Judy Loudder, Sherry Haydon and others also attended. Judy visited with the family Friday night.

Anthony and Lori Sisemore treated the youth of the church and their guests to a party Saturday. They played games, ate hamburgers and had a good time. They asked for another party next month. Those present were Justin Damron, Tracy Damron, Tracy Hightower, LaTisha Reyes, and guests from Dimmitt, Amy Matthews, LeAnn Wilkerson and Kami Hand. LaTisha had two guests but I failed to get their names.

Verba Sadler was honored with a birthday luncheon party in her home Friday afternoon by the Birthday Club. Those visiting and playing "42" were Mattie Axtell and Beatrice Shirey from Earth, and Nelda Curtis, Emma Jean King, Frances Duke, Willie Mae Sadler and Bess Bills.

Teeny Bowden received a belated Christmas newsletter from Richard and Joyce Clymer. They are still at Jemez. Bro. Clymer was in the hospital Nov. 7 through Dec. 23. His gall bladder was removed and an earlier stomach surgery was corrected. The family has been very busy. Tom and his wife have another little girl, making two.

Daniel graduated Dec. 18 from Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth. John stayed at the hospital with his dad while Joyce flew to see Daniel graduate.

When Joyce returned she received word from her sister saying her son had passed away Dec. 19. Daniel stayed with his dad and John flew to Alexandria, Va., to be with them.

John is working on his master's degree in social work in Colorado. Tom and family still live in Montana.

Bro. Richard is a former pastor at Sunnyside.

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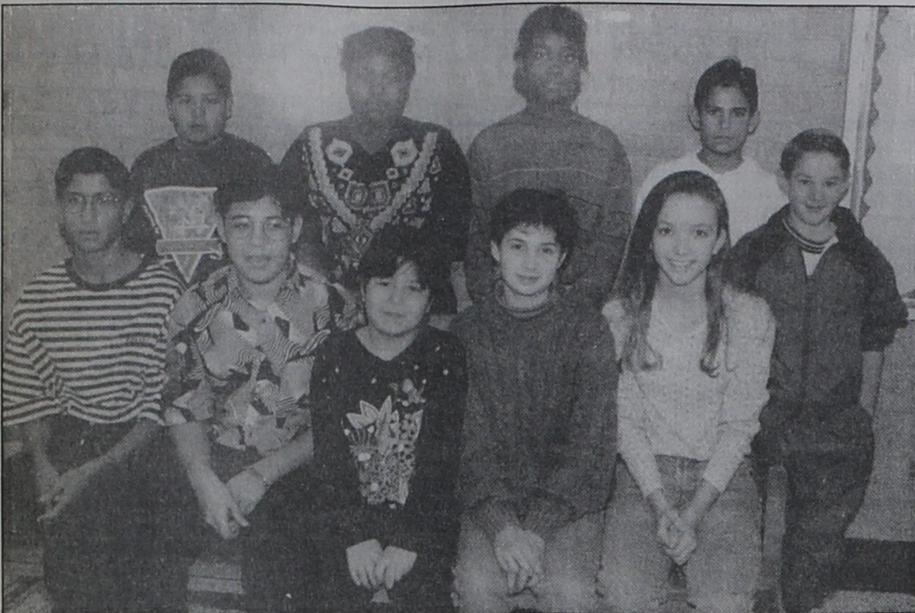
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**DMS HONORS STUDENTS FOR JANUARY**—Students of the Month for January have been named at Dimmitt Middle School. Honored were (seated, from left) Jacob Larra, David Medrano, April Tijerina,

Lindsey Welch and Jill Davis; (standing, from left) Oscar Corrales, Crystal Woolbright, Brittany Porter, Samuel Prieto and Thomas Brockman.

Photo by John Brooks

**Letters**

**Thanks to doctors, CCHD board**

Dear Editor:  
After reading this week's edition of the *Castro County News* and following as closely as possible over the last few years the profession of the improvement in our medical community, I feel that it is time to speak up and say thank you to those who have provided us with quality medical care.

I want a hospital, I want quality doctors willing to serve the public, I want great nurses who care about their patients, I want a support staff receptive to those they serve and I want administrators and board members committed to the best quality medical service that can be provided.

My family has needed and used the hospital several times and I thank God for its existence. I can't imagine having my daughter break her arm and having to travel 70 or even 20 miles just to obtain the emergency care needed. I can't imagine having another daughter have a fever seizure and stop breathing and not having a doctor or nurse to save that life. I certainly can't fathom not having doctors or a hospital accessible when tragedy strikes a loved one such as my son. Yes, my family does need a strong medical community in Dimmitt, Texas. No, I can't put a price on that medical service, nor will I try. I voted for every member of the hospital board and I trust each of them to do what is best for sustained

medical care, not what is best for me as a taxpayer. As a taxpayer, a community member and a citizen, I know that sacrifices must be made for the betterment of our community.

I want to again say thanks to all the Castro County Hospital District board members for a great, but thankless, job well done but not finished.

I want to say thanks to the doctors who continue despite the odds, Dr. Hardee, Dr. Panel and Dr. Murphy.

I want to say thanks to the medical administrators in Castro County, Steve Goode and especially Cenci Hardee, whose paltry salary doesn't cover a fraction of the quality work she is doing.

And, here's a belated thanks to B.H. Lee, M.D., the backbone of our medical community and care for so many years.

Finally, a challenge to the citizens of Dimmitt and Castro County: we must all rally behind the medical community and maintain quality medical care in Castro County. Just because one mistake was made is no reason to abandon the course the medical community has charted. If every soul was searched, none of us could put a price on local medical care, as we have all had someone in our family who desperately needed that care. I am glad we have it at the reasonable price we do.

DAVID SCHAEFFER

**Vernon advances to state**

Katrina Vernon, a junior at Dimmitt High School, has qualified for the state solo and ensemble contest, which will be held in May.

Vernon performed a Class I clarinet solo this weekend at a solo and ensemble contest at West Texas A&M University in Canyon and she earned a Division I rating.

Several other Dimmitt High

School musicians also received Division I ratings, including Eric Kinser, junior, baritone solo; and the clarinet quartet of freshman Michelle Leinen, sophomores Alisha Sanchez and Yvonne Ellis, and junior Wendy Finke.

Junior high band members earning Division I ratings were seventh grader Miranda Turner, flute solo;

eighth grader Brad Kinser, tuba solo; and seventh graders Lindsey Welch, Kristen Doss and Turner, flute trio.

Other DMS students participating were Jeremy Matthews, Erin Kropp, Priscilla Tavarez, Melissa Martinez, Rosinda Amador and Jeff Riggs.

Among the other DHS students performing were Carrie Matthews, J.D. Gonzales, Jimmy Ivey, Robert Moss, Kyle Joiner, Carlo Ontiveros, Wanda Finke, Sammy Everett, Marcella Flores, Angie Acevedo, Chris Perez and Adriana Lopez.

**Retreat set**

A weekend retreat for separated, divorced and widowed persons will be held Feb. 18-20.

The "Beginning Experience" retreat offers participants an opportunity to "gently close the door on the past and begin to build a new life for themselves," according to Maureen Foskey, local contact person.

To make a reservation for the weekend retreat you must contact a team member, Foskey said.

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**Nazareth**

By Uirgle Gerber, 945-2669

Edwin and Juanita Schacher, Margie Albracht, Junior and Catherine Hochstein, Georgianne Klemman and Gene and Vern Schacher of Lazbuddie flew to Los Altos, Calif. recently to visit their sister, Rosalie, and her husband, Virgil Davis.

They all enjoyed a party at the Chef Chu's Restaurant in honor of Virgil and Rosalie's 25th wedding anniversary. They also enjoyed sightseeing in beautiful San Francisco.

In conjunction with its national office, the local court of the Catholic Daughters of America will sponsor a "TV Shut-off Time" on Friday to protest the crime and violence you see and the obscenities you hear.

Gregory Schacher has completed his first series of five chemotherapy treatments at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo. He is home and is doing well. He would enjoy short visits with family and friends.

Anyone wishing to send a card to Hilda Heiman may do so at St. Ann's Nursing Home, Panhandle, 79068.

Werner and Kay Halfman, Craig and Denice Halfman and children, Mike and Sandy Halfman and children, all of Lowake; and Barry and Rhonda Legg of San Angelo spent a fun weekend here with friends. All enjoyed dinner at the Community Hall on Sunday.

Congratulations to Teresa Wethington on her 40th birthday. If anyone wanted to wish her a Happy Birthday Saturday they couldn't have reached her at home—she was up and around most of the night!

Congratulations to Joe and

Elaine Barnes, who have adopted a son, Ethan Joe Wesley. He was born Feb. 3 at 10:41 p.m. at North-west Texas Hospital in Amarillo. He weighed 5 lbs., 13-1/4 oz. and was 18 inches long. He has a big sister, Saylay, who is 2-1/2. Grandparents are Gilbert and Dolly Schulte of Nazareth and Wesley and Martha Barnes of Plainview. Great-grandmother is Mrs. H.P. Clements of Plainview.

Prayers are asked for Leonard Dempsey, father of Shirley Schacher. He is a patient at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt.

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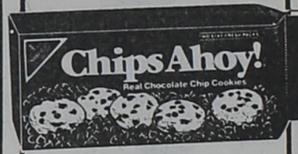
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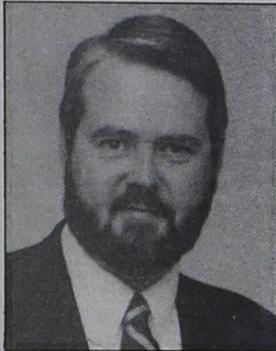
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## MINDING YOUR OWN BUSINESS



By DON TAYLOR

### Not my game

(First of two parts)

Several months ago, I discovered that our newest car has more than 140,000 miles on its speedometer. The oldest has nearly 170,000 miles logged.

Our cars are American made, and both have served us faithfully. However, we have had to spend several hundred dollars on them in the past few months to keep them running well. We called a family meeting and decided to start the dreaded process of updating at least one of our vehicles. We dreaded the process because we don't like the car buying game. I should point out that we've been through this process a few times. In the last 31 years we've purchased four new cars and 12 used cars. We've learned a little about how this process works.

### A reluctant player

This time we decided we weren't going to play the game. We would not allow

anyone to humiliate us by treating us like naive country hicks who had never seen a car before.

We already know our trade-in has little value. We know the cars the dealers have are "cream-puffs." We know about payments, dealer financing and after-the-sale add-ons which contribute to dealer profits. We decided to pass on all of that, and offer to pay cash for a nearly-new used car.

Then we discovered there are no "used" cars. Instead, there are executive cars—these are cars that companies provide for their executives to use. There are dealer demo cars—these are cars driven by the dealership staff but never licensed. There are program cars—these are cars purchased from rental agencies. There are pre-owned cars—these are cars used by other folks. And, there are financially repositioned cars—these are repossessed from folks who played the game and ended up with huge monthly payments. All of these babies are "just like new."

With this in mind, we crept onto several lots after closing time to check inventory without being attacked by an overzealous sales person. (This will generate a few letters.) We found several selections that were about what we were looking for. Then the games began. Reluctantly, we became players.

The game begins like this. Every salesperson tells you they want your business and need this sale to make quota, bonus or whatever. All promise to work hard to get you the absolute rock bottom price—the lowest that this dealership has ever sold a car for. Of course, the sales manager will have to bless this "dirt cheap" price.

### Good cop, bad cop

The sales manager is the bad cop in this "good cop, bad cop" routine. Unless you offer the full sticker price the bad cop is going to bounce you off. The pitch goes that they have to make a little profit and there isn't much margin and they can

show you the invoice, etc. The same company must train all car sales people with the same exact system because the pitch doesn't vary by more than a few words from dealer to dealer.

When you balk at a high ball price, some may suggest that if you can't afford this model they can show you something less expensive. They design this ploy to embarrass you into accepting their price. By adding a few more dollars per month to the payments you can prove your ability to buy the car. It's clever, but potentially hazardous to your budget.

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Next week we'll share the rest of the story. Don't miss "Not My Game" part two.

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

## Center pivots show increase in county

Castro County farmers have been commended by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District for installing 230 new pivot

systems in the past three years.

About 1,507 center pivot irrigation systems have been put into use in the last three years in the 15 counties of the HPUWCD. That brings the total number of center pivots in use in the district to 6,433.

The current tally shows Parmer County with 1,258 center pivots; Lamb County, 1,250; Castro County, 786; Bailey County, 671; and Hale County, 604.

Hale County followed Castro with 216 new pivots; Parmer, 197; Lamb County, 185; Lubbock County, 135; Deaf Smith, 109; Cochran County, 104; and Lynn County, 60.

"Given an average price of \$30,000 per sprinkler system, the additional 1,507 sprinkler systems represent a \$45 million water conservation investment by irrigators within the water district service area during the past three years," said A. Wayne Wyatt, HPUWCD manager.

Many producers have upgraded their irrigation systems to Low Energy Precision Application (LEPA) center pivot systems, which can achieve an irrigation application efficiency of up to 95%. Since the water is applied at low pressure directly into the furrow, water losses associated with wind drift and evaporation are virtually eliminated.

In addition, use of a LEPA system can reduce labor costs, reduce fuel costs from 35% to 50%, and save from 20% to 40% of the water previously pumped for irrigation, when compared to conventional furrow irrigation.

HPUWCD Engineer Technicians Glenn Blackmon and Arnold Husky used country aerial photographs to locate systems for the 1993 update.

## Birkenfeld graduates from TAMU

Shana Birkenfeld, daughter of Herman and Marilyn Birkenfeld of Nazareth, graduated from Texas A&M University with a bachelor of arts degree in journalism.

Birkenfeld was among 3,300 A&M graduates awarded diplomas during the school's December commencement ceremonies.

She is a graduate of Nazareth High School.

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## PCG Cotton Talks

The final 1993 Upland Cotton Deficiency Payment rate will be 18.6 cents per pound, according to Plains Cotton Growers of Lubbock, who made that announcement after the final marketing figures for 1993 were released.

The US Dept. of Agriculture has not officially announced the final payment rate; however, county ASCS offices have received the information and are in the process of printing checks which will be mailed this week. It is expected that official word of the payment rate will come in the next few days.

"Based on an 18.6-cent final payment rate, producers who asked for and received the 10.275-cent advance payment will receive a final payment of 8.3 cents per pound," said Donald Johnson, executive vice president of PCG. "Coming on the heels of an excellent 1993 crop, the final payment should really help producers establish a firm financial basis for the 1994 crop."

Upland cotton deficiency payments are calculated as the lesser of the difference between either the 52.35-cent 1993 cotton loan rate or

the weighted average price received by producers from January through December and the 72.9-cent target price set by the Secretary of Agriculture. The maximum possible deficiency payment rate for 1993 is 20.55 cents per pound.

PCG's calculations are based on final upland cotton marketing statistics released Jan. 31 by the National Agricultural Statistics Service.

The figures showed December marketings totaled 3.063 million bales. The weighted average price received by farmers in December totaled 57.1 cents.

Final marketings for 1993 totaled 14,509 million bales. The weighted average price received by farmers settled at 54.3 cents per pound for the year.

PCG officials also note that USDA has not announced all of the provisions that will make up the 1994 cotton program. Final word is expected in the next week to 10 days.

Revised marketings and the cents per pound farm prices for January through December 1993 are included in the table below.

### Final Marketings and Prices Received January Through December 1993

	Marketings (1000 Bales)		Price (¢ per lb.)	
	Monthly	Cumulative	Monthly	Weighted
January	2,681	2,681	53.0	53.0
February	1,009	3,690	53.8	53.2
March	823	4,513	56.3	53.8
April	338	4,851	55.1	53.9
May	327	5,178	54.4	53.9
June	269	5,447	53.6	53.9
July	246	5,693	53.7	53.9
August	336	6,029	53.1	53.8
September	825	6,854	51.9	53.6
October	1,440	8,294	52.8	53.5
November	3,152	11,446	53.9	53.6
December	3,063	14,509	57.1	54.3

\* Final 1993 figures as announced by the NASS.

## Sorghum growers meet in Tennessee

Grain sorghum producers from around the nation will meet in Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 19-21, for the National Grain Sorghum Producers annual convention.

be held Monday evening. Winners of the 1993 Grain Sorghum Yield and Management Contest will be recognized.

The General Session begins on Monday, with the keynote address by US Rep. Bill Sarpalius. Sarpalius was recently elected to serve as chairman of the House Agriculture Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, which deal with crops like grain sorghum. Sarpalius will speak on the changes he sees coming for the farm program.

Roger Pilon of the Cato Institute in Washington, D.C., returns this year to give his viewpoint on how political actions in our nation's capital affect the rest of the nation, including US farmers.

Other speakers at the general session include Sam White of the National Agricultural Chemical Association and Harold Hodgkinson, director of the Center for Demographic Policy. White will give an update on the future of farm pesticide use, while Hodgkinson will explain the impact that the rapidly-changing makeup of the US population may have on agriculture.

NGSP President Gary Bright will give an update on NGSP activities.

Orion Samuelson, host of the US Farm Report, will be the Master of Ceremonies for the awards banquet to

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# New fiber optic cable linking WTRT customers

When an ongoing project to install 40 miles of underground cable is wrapped up soon, West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative will have completed an ambitious project linking its central offices in Castro, Deaf Smith and Parmer counties via fiber-optic cable.

The latest round of fiber installation projects for the cooperative began in Castro County and followed a route from the Frio central office, adjacent to the Frio Draw, to the Summerfield central office in the northwest corner of Castro County. The route passed

near the old prisoner of war camp and its historic chapel site in the northwest portion of Castro County, along a short section of US Highway 60, and across that highway to the Summerfield central office. WTRT crews spliced the cable at various sites along that route.

Laying of cable along routes from the Oklahoma Lane central office to the Tharp central office, and the Parmer central office to the Tharp central office in Parmer County is currently in progress.

Brooks Construction Co. of Shawnee, Okla., a firm which

specializes in cable installation for utilities and which has performed extensive work for WTRT, is the contractor burying the 40 miles of eight-fiber cable to a depth of five feet.

The Brooks Construction crew will face the daunting task of installing cable along a route passing through Bovina. That portion of the project is expected to be slow work. The contractor has extensive experience in laying cable in urban surroundings, having done work in downtown Lubbock and El Paso.

WTRT began installing fiber-optic cable in 1987-88, when several of its central offices were converted to digital switching. Central offices at Westway, Dawn and Milo Center, in Deaf Smith County, and the Summerfield, Hub and Tharp offices have been connected by the new cabling for several years. WTRT management planned from the start to complete a total fiber link of central offices as resources allowed.

Tom Hyer, WTRT general manager, said that completing the fiber-optic link will mean greatly expanded carrying capacity for the

telephone network serving WTRT customer/members.

Fiber optic technology sends signals streaking at the speed of light via glass filaments that are the size of a human hair. One pair of fibers can carry 32,256 messages simultaneously, without overloading the system. Traditional copper telephone wire, carrying digital signals in radio waves, handles a maximum of only 24 conversations on a pair of copper lines.

Signals carried via fiber have greatly reduced interference from outside noise and static, providing much clearer sound and expanded ability for sending information.

The technology allows making use of two-way interactive video for education and medical applications, and could also open the way for delivery of cable television programming to rural residents via telephone cables. The technology works with data, alarm and monitoring systems.

"Completing this fiber link will mean more and better service to our customers," said Hyer. "Improved service could even include video, if the time comes."



**WORK NEARLY FINISHED ON PHONE CABLES**—Workers from Brooks Construction Co. are burying new fiber optic telephone cable near the old Prisoner of War Camp site in northwest Castro County. The work being done for West Texas Rural Telephone will bring the latest in communications technology to most rural residents in the region. *Courtesy photo*



**DRAGGIN' THE LINE**—Workers for Brooks Construction Co. dig a new trench and lay new fiber optic cable for West Texas Rural Telephone customers in part of Castro County. *Courtesy photo*

## Deadline nears for disaster applications

Corn and sorghum producers with 1993 disaster losses must request disaster assistance by March 4 to be eligible for possible forgiveness.

"Even if the disaster was not large enough to qualify for disaster payment, it may mean eligibility for some advance deficiency overpayment forgiveness," said Grant Buntrock, administrator of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service. "Final deficiency payments will not be calculated until early March, but it is almost certain, given current prices, that the final payment less than the advance payment. To be eligible for forgiveness of any overpayment, the producer must request disaster aid at the local ASCS office."

The applications (CCC-441) must be filed by March 4, said Scotty Abbott, county ASCS executive director. Forms are available at the local office at SW Second and Belsher.

## Loans available from HPUWCD

Low-interest water conservation equipment loans are available for a limited time from the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District.

"The Texas Water Development Board (who administers the state ag loan program) is now able to use some of the Governor's Energy Overcharge program funds to buy down the interest rate," said Becca Williams, HPUWCD director of administration. "As a result, underground water conservation districts can borrow this money from the TWDB to make loans at a significantly lower rate."

About \$4 million has been received by HPUWCD from TWDB. The loan interest rate will be about 4.5% until the funds are depleted. The district has already begun accepting applications for the loans.

Loans may be made for up to 75% of the cost of the equipment, plus installation, and will exclude any

portion of the cost of the equipment cost-shared under a federal program.

Loans are secured by a first lien on the equipment. Additional security equal to the loan amount must be provided by a deed of trust giving the district a lien on loan, an irrevocable letter of credit from a bank, a certificate of deposit or other assignment of liquid assets.

"Our general loan guidelines will remain the same. The only difference producers should notice is the lower interest rate and a broader range of equipment that is eligible for purchase with the loan funds," Williams said.

Irrigation water delivery equipment eligible for loans under the program include underground pipeline, above-ground transport pipeline, gated pipe and in-line flow meters or other devices to measure well output.

The irrigation application systems approved for loans under the program are Low Energy Precision Application

(LEPA) center pivot sprinklers, low pressure sprinkler with drop lines no more than four feet from the ground, low pressure drip irrigation systems, surge valves, soil moisture monitoring devices to analyze soil moisture and schedule irrigation applications; computer software to better schedule irrigation applications; and furrow dikers to hold precipitations or irrigation water on irrigated acreage.

Applicants must submit a non-refundable loan initiation fee of \$250 at the time the loan application is filed at the district's Lubbock office.

## Three graduate from WTAMU

Three Castro County students received degrees during commencement exercises Dec. 17 for West Texas A&M University.

Earning degrees were Trent Johnson, a bachelor of science in general agriculture; and Nikki Schulte and Stacy Wilson, each earning bachelor of science degrees in interdisciplinary studies. Schulte graduated cum laude.

## Kenley makes President's List

Nikki Kenley of Dimmitt was named to the President's List for the fall semester at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

Kenley, the daughter of the Rev. Paul and Barbara Kenley of Dimmitt, was honored for carrying 12 or more semester hours with a grade point average of 4.0.

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**ACROSS**

- Littlefield is its seat
- TXism: "Jump \_\_\_" (escape)
- nacho pepper: \_\_\_ peno
- Alamo Crockett (init.)
- Abilene's Jack Grimm searched for Noah's \_\_\_
- TXism: "I can \_\_\_ that tune" (agree)
- Dallas mayor bet 10 pecan \_\_\_ on '93 Super Bowl
- TXism: "a fine \_\_\_ fish" (mess)
- Ft. Worth has "Donkey \_\_\_ Show"
- TX is an \_\_\_ state in the U.S.
- Sept. celebration in Corpus Christi
- TXism: "the jig \_\_\_"
- TX Cathryn Crier is news \_\_\_ on ABC
- "do it \_\_\_"
- early TX settler
- Mavericks general mgr. Sonju (init.)
- length of Houston's 1st marriage (2 wds.)
- TXism: "not a lick"
- TXism: "more than one way to skin a \_\_\_"
- film: "\_\_\_ of the Rio Grande" ('43)
- NAFTA belief: free \_\_\_ good
- TXism: "table grazed"
- a music style of Denton's "Brave Combo"
- Luby's was called "The Best Little \_\_\_ house in Texas"
- billionaire \_\_\_ Hunt
- Lake \_\_\_ Pines
- San Jose is a Gulf \_\_\_
- stable rate base (2 wds.)
- Christmas carols
- TXism: "two bit \_\_\_" (bad horse)
- TX Ginger had lead in \_\_\_ Gershwin's "Girl Crazy"
- TX Bush's Supreme Ct. appointee Thomas (init.)
- Comanche has "Old \_\_\_" courthouse (oldest in TX)
- direction to Austin from San Antonio
- state racing agency
- league of Dallas Sidekicks (abbr.)
- TXism: "cut me some slack" (\_\_\_ up)
- \_\_\_ gallon hat
- Jim Bowie had \_\_\_ typhoid-pneumonia
- San Antonio born pianist Samaroff
- Cowboys "Roger the Dodger" (init.)
- slogan: "Foat Wurt, Ah luv \_\_\_"
- the bluebonnet is Texas \_\_\_
- Alfred \_\_\_ was nominated for pres. in Houston ('28)
- TXism: "\_\_\_ donkey fly?" (no)

**DOWN**

- U.S. president from Texas
- Columbus made playoffs in this class
- TX Joan Crawford won '77 Oscar for "\_\_\_ Pierce"
- horse shoe store in early TX (2 wds.)
- TXism: "\_\_\_ got a clue" (baffled)
- \_\_\_ of Texas' ('41 song)
- TXism: "chompin' \_\_\_ the bit" (eager)
- follows OT in Bible
- TXism: "\_\_\_ plow" (beat him up)
- slippery inhabitants of Dallas aquarium
- TXism: "don't cotton \_\_\_" (dislike)
- TXism: "changes his mind as \_\_\_ does his socks"
- San Antonio River Walk: \_\_\_ Rio
- TX Ginger Rogers battled Ku \_\_\_ Klan in "Storm Warning"
- TXism: "he \_\_\_ barbed wire for dental floss" (tough)
- poetic "formerly"
- Auburn's \_\_\_ Jackson was in Cotton Bowl in his Heisman yr.
- Linkletter was at opening of SMU Garson Theatre

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# People



Christy Killough and Arthur Velasquez

## March vows planned

Christy Killough and Arthur Velasquez will exchange wedding vows Saturday, March 19, at 4 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Grace Killough of Dimmitt and the late Sam Killough. The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Velasquez of Dimmitt.

Killough and Velasquez graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1992 and both attend West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She is a junior majoring in social work and he is a sophomore studying kinesiology.

She is employed as a jewelry sales associate with Best Products and he works for Baldwin Trucking.

After the wedding the couple plans to live in Amarillo.



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## Nikki Kenley to perform with HSU choir

Nikki Kenley of Dimmitt will perform with Hardin-Simmons University's concert choir today (Thursday) before the annual Texas Music Educators Association Convention in San Antonio.

Kenley is an alto.

The choir will be directed by Dr. Loyd Hawthorn and will be assisted by a special TMEA orchestra.

The program begins at 6:45 p.m. in the Beethoven Hall at Hemisfair Park in San Antonio.

## Campos honored as top student

Albert Campos has been named the Student of the Week for Mrs. Damron's fourth grade at Dimmitt Middle School.

Albert, the son of Elena and Jesse Campos, was born in Hereford; his birthday is March 8. His favorite sport is football, and he wants to be a good football player. His favorite book is *Journey*, and he enjoys pizza, the computer lab at school and writing. He admires his dad.

## State commander to speak at VFW convention Sunday

F.E. "Gene" Warden, state commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) will be the featured speaker at the District 13 convention of VFW, which will be held at Post 8056 in Dimmitt Saturday and Sunday.

The convention opens Saturday with registration at 2 p.m. Registration for both days is \$10 per person or \$20 per couple. Those registering Sunday morning will be charged \$7.50 per person or \$15 per couple.

On Saturday, a social get-together will be held from 6 to 7 p.m., and it will be followed by a Valentine dance from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Music will be provided by Travis Williams of Lubbock and members and guests are welcome.

On Sunday a memorial service will begin at 9:15 a.m., followed by a joint meeting of the VFW and Auxiliary at 9:30.

County Judge Polly Simpson will offer the welcoming address, then the VFW and Auxiliary will adjourn into their individual meetings.

Warden is scheduled to speak during the men's meeting.

A lunch will be served at 12 noon to conclude the weekend's convention.

Warden, a life member of Del Rio Post 8552, was elected state commander at the 73rd state convention in Corpus Christi last June. He has been a member of VFW since 1970 and has served in many capacities for his post, district and state. He was an All-American District II Commander during 1984-85, an All-State Post Commander during 1981-82 and 1982-83, an All-State Post Quartermaster during 1984-85 and 1985-86, Department Inspector during 1985-86, Department Judge Advocate during



F.E. "Gene" Warden

1986-87 and 1987-88, Department Junior Vice Commander during 1990-91 and Department Senior Vice Commander during 1992-93. He also received the J.T. Rutherford Award in 1984-85 as the Most Outstanding VFW member.

He served in the US Navy and US Air Force from November 1957 to January 1980. During his more than 23 years of military duty, he saw several years of foreign service including Vietnam. His impressive military decorations include the Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross, American Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal and Navy Flying Wings. His major assignments were as an aviation electronics technician and air traffic controller.

District 13 includes VFW and Auxiliary members from posts in Friona, Tulia, Childress, Olton, Hereford, Littlefield, Plainview,

Floydada, Canyon, Wellington, Paducah, Clarendon, Silverton, Lockney, Dimmitt, Muleshoe and Memphis.

District VFW officers are John Duke of Friona, commander; Ted Stubblefield of Dimmitt, senior vice commander; Robert Clark of Muleshoe, junior vice commander; Joe Bob Mann of Friona, quartermaster; Roy Bussey of Littlefield, judge advocate; Felix Mote of Tulia, chaplain; and Ron Wilfong of Tulia, adjutant.

District Auxiliary officers are Betty Dykes of Plainview, president; Linda Dutton of Plainview, senior vice president; Deanna Duke of Friona, junior vice president; Florene Leinen of Dimmitt, chaplain; Dorothy Smith of Plainview, secretary-treasurer; Carol Bundige of Canyon, conductress; and Joy Zamora of Littlefield, guard.

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## The Book Shelf

By CINDY POTTORFF

Rhoads Memorial Library

Are you looking forward to spring?

You can fight the mid-winter blahs with some how-to books from the library.

Give the place a new look for spring with ideas from the *Laura Ashley Guide to Country Decorating* by Lorrie Mack. Beautifully illustrated, this book includes sections on introducing the country look, designing the country look, creating the country look, and accessorizing the country look. Broad in approach, various room and furniture treatments are shown, but specifics are not neglected. Finish techniques, stenciling and making a rag rug are only a few of the methods demonstrated in this book.

If you are already into redecorating and you're feeling creative, try *Better Homes and Gardens Painted Crafts*, edited by Gerald M. Knox. With illustrations to knock your eyes out, it also has the patterns and detailed instructions to be followed easily by novice or "expert" alike. Sections include painters at work, decorative painting at home, start to finish, cottage charm, signs and sayings, gifts and toys, elegant old-world designs, and Christmas treasures. Even if you don't feel like doing any projects, this is a fun book to look at, given its innovative use of color and design.

So, if being inside is a drag and

you want to do some landscaping, *The Home Landscaper: 55 Professional Landscapes You Can Do* by Ann Reilly and Susan A. Roth is a good place to start. Photographs, illustrations and landscape plans enhance chapters on front yard landscape designs and back yard landscape designs.

The first chapter discusses principles and techniques used by professional landscapers in their work. The final chapter describes ways to adapt landscape designs in the book to your property.

## Buckley honored

Deacon Buckley has been recognized as the "Student of the Week" in Mrs. Damron's fourth-grade class at Dimmitt Middle School.

Buckley is the son of Vicki and Steve Buckley and he was born Aug. 5, 1983, in Dimmitt. He likes to play hockey and says he's good at hockey and baseball. He hopes to be a hockey player and wants to have "all the animals in the world."

His favorite book is *Dear Mr. Henshaw*. He likes pizza, salad, dogs and Mrs. Stewart. He wants to be a hockey player.

The thing he would like to do better is "make all A's"

He admires his father because "he helps me do things."



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# What's Cooking?

Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart, and Nazareth from Feb. 10 to 18.

### DIMMITT

**THURSDAY:** Fried chicken with gravy, creamed potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, butter, honey and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** No school!  
**MONDAY:** Mexican fiesta, buttered rice, tortilla chips, lettuce and tomato salad, Valentine cake and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Chicken fried steak, gravy, creamed potatoes, mixed vegetables, roll, butter, fruit and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Vegetable soup, cheese sandwiches, fruit, cookies and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Chicken strips, creamed potatoes and gravy, green beans, rolls, fruit and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Ham, pinto beans, cheese cubes, fried okra, buttered potatoes, cornbread, cherry cobbler and milk.

### HART

**THURSDAY:** Barbecued chicken, potato salad, baked beans, carrot sticks and broccoli, hot rolls, apple cobbler and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** No school!  
**MONDAY:** Steak fingers or chicken fried steak, green beans, whipped potatoes, hot rolls, Valentine cupcakes and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Pizza, salad, corn, pears and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Chalupas, Spanish rice, salad, cheese, apple cobbler and milk.



## Who's New?

**PLAINS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**  
 Roy and Carla Schilling of Dimmitt are the parents of a daughter, Kelsey Kay Schilling, born Feb. 1 at 10:30 p.m. She weighed 6 lbs., 14 oz., and was 20 1/2 inches long.  
 She has two siblings, Chance Ray, 3 1/2, and Keila Lenea, 22 months. Paternal grandparents are Donald and Agnes Schilling of Dimmitt. Maternal grandparents are Gerald and Patty Summers of Dimmitt. Great-grandparents are Melvin and Juanita Summers and Bobby George, all of Dimmitt. Great-great-grandmothers are Cletha George and Lillian Hollister, both of Dimmitt.

It's a girl for Alfredo and Lilly Garcia of Dimmitt. Their daughter was born at 5:55 a.m. on Feb. 2 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. She weighed 8 lbs., 11 oz. and has been named Meranda Laura. The baby has two older siblings, Rafael Navarro and Cynthia Navarro. Maternal grandparent is Hester Reyes of Dimmitt. Paternal grandparents are Rafaela and Pedro Garcia of Dimmitt.

**THURSDAY:** Sloppy Joes on a bun, lettuce, pickles, French fries, fresh fruit and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Tuna sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, pickle spears, potato chips, fresh fruit and milk.

### NAZARETH

**THURSDAY:** Pizza, tossed salad, fruit cocktail and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** No school!  
**MONDAY:** Enchiladas, tossed salad, applesauce, hot rolls and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Chili dogs, pork and beans, apple crisp and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Tuna salad, baked potatoes, pears, hot rolls and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Nachos, corn, tossed salad, peanut butter cup and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Fish, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw, cornbread, syrup, peaches and milk.

## Hungarian Orchestra to perform

The Hungarian Virtuosi Orchestra will perform Monday night at 8 at the Hereford High School Auditorium as one of the scheduled shows sponsored by the Community Concerts Association.

Admission to the show is by membership in the Community Concert Association.

The group will be collecting new memberships between April 19 and May 1 at the Chamber of Commerce office in Hereford and season memberships are \$15 for adults, \$7.50 for students and \$40 per family.

The Hungarian Virtuosi Orchestra is from Budapest, Hungary and the group is making its North American debut concert tour this spring.

Comprised of 23 string players, the Hungarian Virtuosi orchestra has emerged as one of the most distinctive European ensembles since it was founded in 1988 by graduates of the world-famous Franz Liszt Academy of Music.

## Church Happenings

### Presbyterian Church

Sunday is the "Transfiguration of the Lord."

Sunday school classes will meet Sunday morning at 10.

"The Transfigured Christ" will be the subject of Pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the Sunday morning worship service, which will begin at 11.

Ash Wednesday is Feb. 16 and it signals the beginning of the Season of Lent.

"Rend Your Heart" will be the subject of Pastor Freeman's sermon for the Ash Wednesday Communion Service at 7 p.m.

### Ministerial Alliance

Gerald Aalbers will lead the Castro County Ministerial Alliance in a study of Revelation 2:12-17 on Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Hart.

## Janice Shelton for Castro County TREASURER



The Castro County Treasurer is responsible for receiving and disbursing money belonging to the County from whatever source it may be derived. I have proven my abilities to keep accurate and detailed accounts of all monthly transactions while working with our County Judge. If elected, I am committed to fulfilling the terms of the Castro County Treasurer's Office.

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# Third graders are recognized

Richardson Elementary School's third graders were recognized for making the honor roll and for achievements in spelling, work habits and citizenship during the third six weeks of school.

Winners in the big spelling bee were Jenna Steinle, Elizabeth Cartwright and Freddy Flores.

### Students recognized were:

**AXTELL'S ROOM**  
**HONOR ROLL:** Ashley Irons, Jaci Bishop, Natalie Jimenez.  
**SPELLING:** Raul Ontiveros, Jimenez, Maribel Garcia, Ezekiel Sanchez and Bishop.  
**HARDEST WORKER:** Rita Lopez.  
**CITIZENSHIP:** Kristi Saenz, Rita Lopez, Maggie Lopez, Natalie Lopez and Irons.

**MERRITT'S ROOM**  
**HONOR ROLL:** Casey Jones, Valerie Martinez, Jennica Olvera, Ricky Ramirez, Norma Romero and Heather Snitker.  
**SPELLING:** Martinez, Emilio Porras and Nancy Quiroz.  
**HARDEST WORKER:** Colby Williams and Sally Galan.

**CITIZENSHIP:** Keenon Doss.

**NUTT'S ROOM**  
**HONOR ROLL:** Juan Delgado, Daniel Prieto, Cesar Ruiz and Abraham Salinas.  
**SPELLING:** Ruiz, Prieto, Mario Diaz and Priscilla Rodriguez.  
**HARDEST WORKERS:** Juan Alvarez, Hector Velasquez and Amelia Esqueda.  
**CITIZENSHIP:** Esqueda.

**KOCH'S ROOM**  
**HONOR ROLL:** Elizabeth Cartwright, Christina Garcia, Courtney Bell and Dalton Fisher.

**CITIZENSHIP:** Garcia, Fisher, Bell, Matthew Gauna, Holly Lane, Ruben Espinoza and Cartwright.  
**SPELLING:** Garcia, Cartwright, Miranda Mireles, Harold Casas, L.J. Soler and Freddy Flores.  
**HARDEST WORKER:** Alex Wilkerson.

**BAIN'S ROOM**  
**HONOR ROLL:** Caitlin Buckley, Jody Stovall, Jenna Steinle and Jill Merritt.

**SPELLING:** Merritt, Sarah Sanchez, Steven Paz, Stovall, April Torres, Robert Casas, Caitlin Buckley, A.J. Fuller, Reyna Agüero and Steinle.

**CITIZENSHIP:** Sanchez, Merritt, Steinle, Casas and Lee Brown.  
**HARDEST WORKERS:** Sanchez and Brown.

**GLIDEWELL'S ROOM**  
**HONOR ROLL:** Ruben Casas,

Jessica Chavarria, Zac Morris, Ramsey Rice, Chance Cox, Brandon Webb and Melissa Rueda.

**SPELLING:** Cox, Casas, Crystal Lopez and Rueda.

**CITIZENSHIP:** Sammy Arellano, Stephanie Burrows, Casas, Tracy Garcia, Lopez and Rueda.  
**HARDEST WORKER:** Joshua Williams.

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 Lillith Ardhuerumly.....938-2462

**La Asamblea Cristiana**  
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 110 SW 3rd, Dimmitt  
 Johnny Robertson.....647-4106

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 Pedro A. Gonzalez

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 1001 W. Halsell, Dimmitt  
 Guillermo Morales.....647-4219

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 301 NE 7th, Dimmitt  
 Antonio Rocha.....647-4373

*Then Abraham bowed down before the people of the land. And he said to Ephron in the hearing of the people of the land, "But if you will, hear me; I will give the price of the field; accept it from me that I may bury my dead there." Ephron answered Abraham, "My lord, listen to me; a piece of land worth four hundred shekels of silver, what is that between you and me? Bury your dead."*  
 Genesis 23:12-15



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**Church of Christ**  
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 508 S. Broadway, Dimmitt  
 Curtis Wood.....647-2801

**First Assembly of God**  
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 Claude Hendricks.....647-5662

**First Baptist**  
 1201 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt  
 Paul Kenley.....647-3115

**Lee Street Baptist**  
 401 SW 2nd, Dimmitt  
 Ronald Redding.....647-5474

**First Christian**  
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 East Halsell Street, Dimmitt

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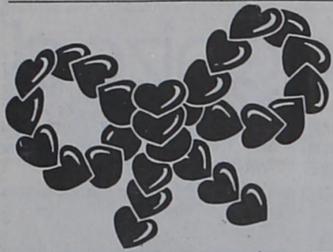
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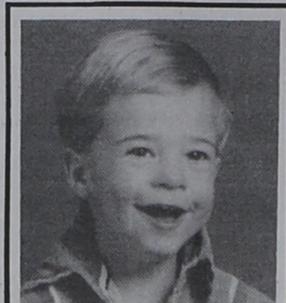
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Great-granddaughter of  
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**Heather Dianne Black**  
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and Jim & Elsie Black  
Great-granddaughter of  
Polly Manning, Katy Collins  
and Alfred & Lorena Harrison



**Erin Elyse Black**  
Granddaughter of Ted & Cherre Collins  
and Jim & Elsie Black  
Great-granddaughter of  
Polly Manning, Katy Collins  
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**Cody Collins**  
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and Jody & Gainell Minnick  
Great-grandson of Polly Manning  
Katy Collins and Dixie Belk



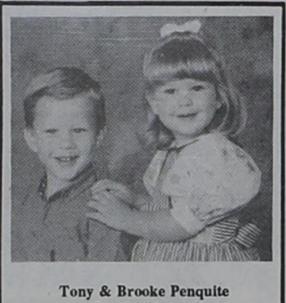
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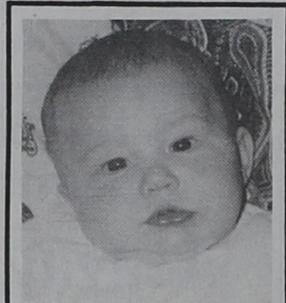
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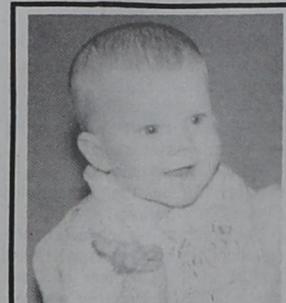
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Great-grandchildren of  
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**Carle & Dustin Thomas**  
Grandchildren of  
Sonny & Alene Thomas



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Granddaughter of Randy & Lue Griffith  
Great-granddaughter of  
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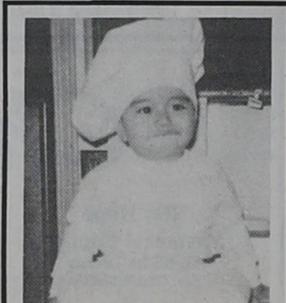
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Grandson of Floyd Lopez  
and Antonio & Rufina Rodriguez



**Ryan and Perry Mixson**  
Grandsons of Gene & Charlene Heath  
and J.R. & Rickie Mixson



**Kelcy and Kembra Albracht**  
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**Eric Odom**  
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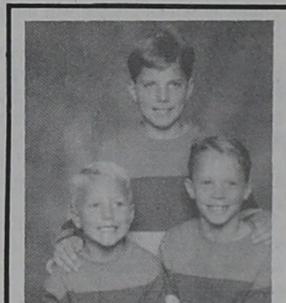
**Rodd Thomas Warren**  
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Great-grandson of Paul Venhaus



**Curtis Thomas**  
Grandson of  
Sonny & Alene Thomas



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Granddaughters of  
Alex & Linda Catoe  
Great-granddaughters of  
Rae Catoe and Ethel Bradley



**Dallas, Chace and Brady DuLaney**  
Grandsons of  
Sue Phillips



**Kelton Flowers**  
Grandson of  
Sue Phillips



**Jessica Caitlin Polansky**  
Granddaughter of  
Robert W. & Norma Smith  
Daughter of  
Richard & Judith Polansky



**Sean Bradley & Linzy Michele Yates**  
Grandchildren of  
Bill & Dee Brisco



**Lindsey & Kelsey Welch**  
Zoe & Hannah Matthews-Welch  
Granddaughters of James & Reta  
Welch, Al & Donna Barr  
and Bea Matthews



**Ryan, Regan & Ross Hunter**  
Grandsons of Mr. & Mrs. Richard  
Hunter, Mrs. Rachel Hunter,  
Mr. & Mrs. C.C. "Jack" Sutton,  
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Richardson  
and Mr. & Mrs. R.L. McClung



**Jordan Bellinghausen**  
Granddaughter of  
Willie & Rosetta Bellinghausen  
and Dr. & Mrs. Seth Murphey



**Canaan Bellinghausen**  
Grandson of  
Willie & Rosetta Bellinghausen  
and Dr. & Mrs. Seth Murphey



**Katherine Nelson-Daniel**  
Granddaughter of  
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Great-granddaughter of  
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Great-granddaughter of  
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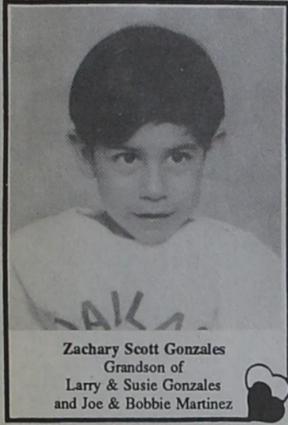


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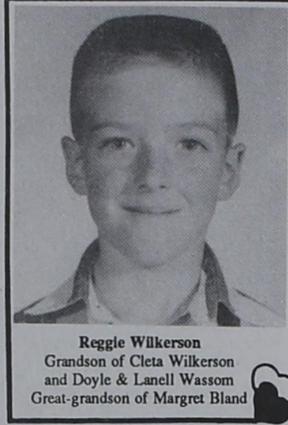
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and Joe & Bobbie Martinez



Alyson Brooke Smith  
Granddaughter of  
Bobby & Wanda Murdock  
Great-granddaughter of  
Herschel & Nellie Felder



Reggie Wilkerson  
Grandson of Cleta Wilkerson  
and Doyle & Lanell Wassom  
Great-grandson of Margret Bland



Brittany N. Lindley  
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Wassom and Harold & Wilma  
Lindley; Great-granddaughter of  
Margret Bland



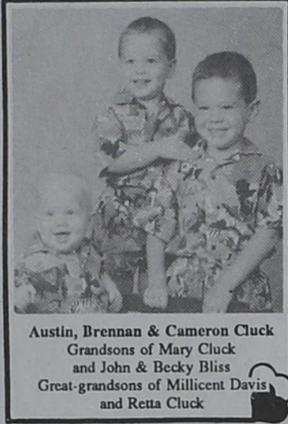
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Grandchildren of  
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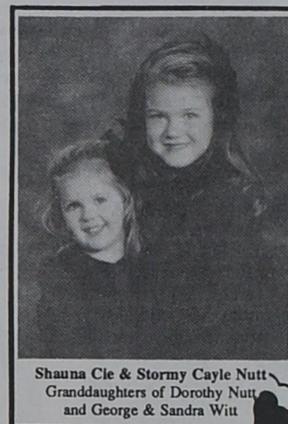
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and John & Becky Bliss  
Great-grandsons of Millicent Davis  
and Retta Cluck



Samantha Guarjado  
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and Maria Guarjado



Charley J'Nea & Bailey Paige Nutt  
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and Marjorie Calvert



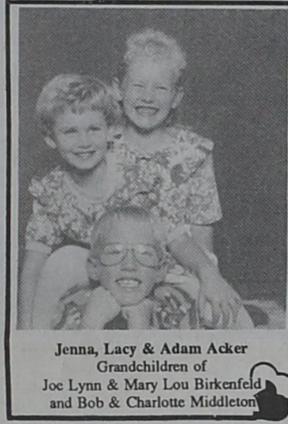
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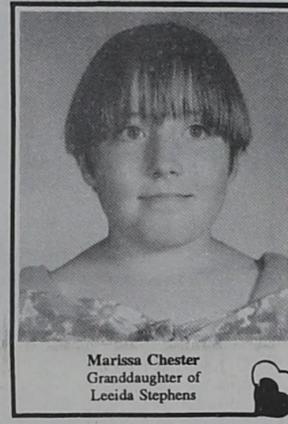
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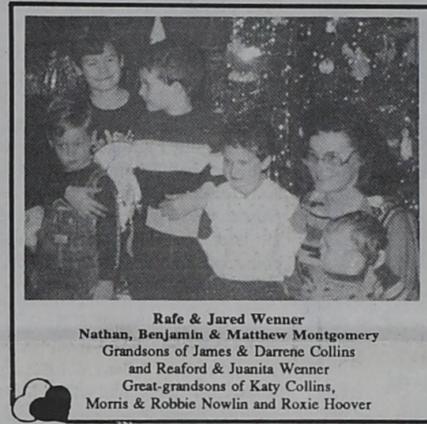
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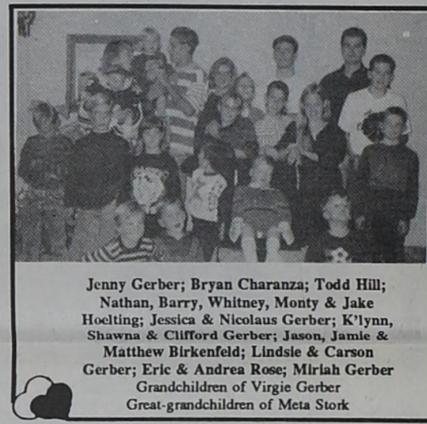
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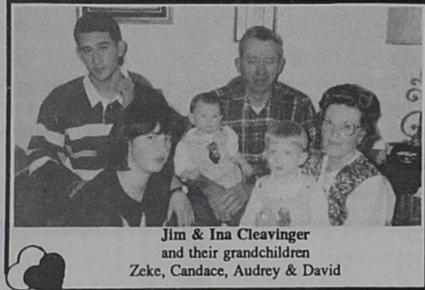
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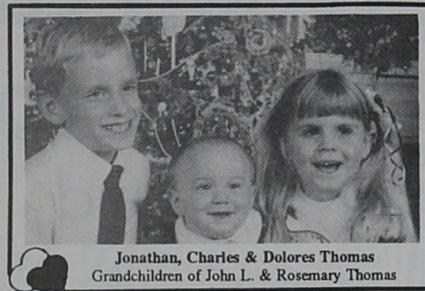
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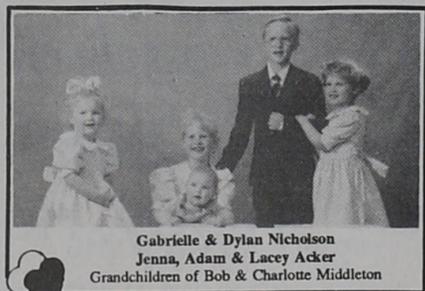
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## More about 1:1

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the guy only got an admonishment to "settle down," and it had little or no effect.

Some fans seem to lose all rationale when they see a striped shirt. But this guy apparently has a thing for visiting radio announcers.

John has vast and varied experience at play-by-play, but he was still a little square-eyed the morning after that episode!

Friday night, fans in Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium saw Dimmitt's Derrick Thomas redefine the term, "hot hand."

In the varsity boys' game against Friona, Derrick tried a couple from three-point range early, and missed. But then he hit one. Then another. And then another. By halftime, he had scored 12 points, all on 3's.

He hit 10 three-pointers in a row before he finally missed one, then sank another one late in the game before he left the court to a standing ovation with two minutes to go.

I don't think any of his baskets from beyond the 19-ft. line even touched the rim. There was nothing but *swish!*

Derrick finished with 35 points on 11 of 14 treys and two of two free throws.

"I didn't say anything to the kids at halftime about it—to feed him the ball or anything," Coach Alan Steinle said. "Sometimes when you call attention to something like that, it'll mess it up. But I did leave him in longer than the other starters because of the game he was having."

Anyone who has ever played the game or parented a kid through a high-school basketball career knows that no matter how many games Derrick plays, at whatever level, he'll always remember that one.

And so will a lot of us.

And how 'bout them Longhorns?

After a great football season, Hart's boys have had a tough time on the basketball court. A very tough time. As in goose-egg tough.

But the Longhorns are no longer "ofers."

By gosh, they won a game Friday night.

Hart 65, Bovina 63!

The 'Horns are now 1-23. But that 1 makes the 23 a lot easier to bear.

Regarding the flap over the hospital district's establishment of rural health clinics here: This newspaper owes you an apology.

The new system of medical clinics operated under the hospital district umbrella was developed over the past year and discussed openly at the monthly hospital board meetings. But the general public didn't know about it, partly because no local news media were at the meetings.

We have lots of excuses:

—The hospital board meets on the fourth Wednesday night.

—Wednesday night is a church night.

—Wednesday is press day and we don't usually have much energy or enthusiasm left for another night meeting.

—The meetings often run late (sometimes very late) and usually, not a lot of hard news comes out of them.

—Our small news staff can be stretched only so far.

But excuses don't get the job done or pay the rent.

As much as we hate to admit it, we didn't keep the public adequately informed of what was going on in our hospital district.

Yes, we had stories and photos of the hospital remodeling project, the opening of the new clinic at Hart, staff hirings, etc. We told the "who, what, when and where" but not the "why" or "how." The "why" and "how," which are important to taxpayers, have to come from the

decision-making process — the board meetings.

We'll try to make up for it with a series of articles on the rural health clinic concept and its establishment here. We'll try to get all the pros and cons of the situation from those involved — and from those who have chosen not to be involved.

From a personal viewpoint, I will say that I think most of the current controversy goes back to a communications problem. Personally, I doubt that the hospital board did any back-room dealing or impulsive money-throwing to establish the rural health clinics. That's not the style of our hospital trustees.

Through the years, I've worked with all the people on the board—with Stanley Schaeffer on the airport bond election and other projects, with Mildred Bradford on church committees and the American Field Service board, with Garland Coleman in the Chamber of Commerce and on church committees, with Lucille Derrup on the Nazareth German Folk Festival and the Holy Family Parish history book, with James Welch on past hospital projects—and I trust each of them. They're good people whom we elected to do the job for us, and I'm sure they have been—as Stanley Schaeffer said, "very conscientious about this."

Still, there are some questions that need answering.

We'll try to get the answers for you.

Will your grandchild  
be featured here next  
Valentine's Day?

Thank you  
for reading  
The Castro  
County News!

# Sports

## Thomas nails 11 three-pointers to lead Bobcats

**The arc.**  
It's a mark on the court that sweeps from baseline to baseline, 19 feet and nine inches from the basket. It hits the circle at the top of the key just a smidge as it rainbows from one side of the court around to the other.  
Make a shot inside the arc, or while you stand on the arc, and it's two points. Make a shot from outside the arc, and it's three.

**The zone.**  
The zone is a place you won't find in a dictionary. You won't find it in most games. Oh, maybe there are players in every game who get into the zone, but not all are capable. All players want to be in the zone, every night. A chosen few, maybe Michael Jordan and (a long time ago) Bob Cousy were always in the zone. For most who get a visit, it's just once or twice in a lifetime.

The zone is when everything you put up goes in. You're almost unconscious. You are simply the

intercessor between the basketball and the basket. Everything you do is right.  
Derrick Thomas visited the zone Friday at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium when the Dimmitt Bobcats wore out archrival Friona, 95-54. Derrick didn't start out the game in the zone. He missed his first two shots, both three-point attempts, as the Bobcats got off to a slow start against the Chieftains. He ended the first quarter with just one three-pointer.

Derrick and the Bobcats started to warm up in the second quarter, stretching a 12-8 lead to 41-22 at halftime. Derrick threw up three three-pointers in the period. Swish, swish, swish.

He was just warming up.  
Derrick came out and hit two three-pointers, then tried to drive the lane for a layup. He was fouled going to the hole, and, of course, made the two free throws. That meant six field goals and two free throws in a row. Twenty points.

But we're just getting started. And so was Derrick.

As the packed Dimmitt stands yelled for him to shoot, Thomas knocked down the seventh trey to help Dimmitt to a 61-36 lead at the end of the third quarter.

Thomas came out early in the fourth quarter and got his eighth. Two trips down the floor later, Thomas canned the ninth in a row. Next time down, Derrick passed to a teammate who was fouled. At the whistle, the teammate threw the ball to Derrick, who threw it toward the basket from about 30 feet out.

Nothing but the bottom of the net.  
Derrick got his 10th straight next time down. The streak ended there, as Thomas just missed his next shot. With Joey Martinez waiting to come into the game on the next dead ball, Derrick had one last chance.

*Good!*  
Thirty-five big ones on a big night for the Bobcats.

Derrick wasn't the only Bobcat with a good night. Tait Crow had his second big game in 10 days, finishing with 15 points. Guy Lewis added 10 as the Bobcats shot 55% from the field.



**REEB BOUND BY BOBBIES**—Friona's Keri Reeb (20) is double-teamed by Dimmitt's Kim Thomas (right) and Kara Josselet during action Friday at Kenneth Cleveland Gym. Reeb didn't succeed against the halfcourt trap, but the Squaws came back late in the game to take a 59-52 win. *Photo by Don Nelson*

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In the girls game, Dimmitt had one of its biggest quarters ever with 26 points in the second period, but the Bobbies were outscored 43-26 in the other three quarters as Friona came back to take a 59-52 win.

The loss virtually eliminated the defending state champion Bobbies from playoff contention as Dimmitt fell to 3-5 in District 2-3A.

Dimmitt had been down by eight points in the first half and trailed 15-9 at the end of the first quarter. The Bobbies took the lead at 22-21 on a basket by Amy Ethridge with 4:25 left in the first half. Dimmitt extended the lead to seven points late in the half and finished the second quarter with a 35-29 lead. Katrina Acker had eight points and Kara Josselet added seven in the second period.

The Bobbies played much of the first half without Tiffany Wilcox, who picked up her fourth foul with 2:34 left in the first period. Kim Thomas got her fourth with 6:24 left in the third period, and the loss of the two players left Dimmitt a little too short in the stretch. The Bobbies managed just four points as the Squaws came back to lead, 41-39, with 1:20 to play in the third quarter.

Friona maintained the lead throughout the fourth quarter and ended up with the seven point win.



**HE SHOOTS, HE SCORES**—Dimmitt's Derrick Thomas unleashes one of his three-point attempts over the hands of Friona's Chris Hanna during second half action Friday at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium. Thomas hit 11 of 14 shots—all for three points—as the Bobcats cruised to a 95-54 win. Thomas had 35 points. *Photo by Don Nelson*

### Together We Can



**Ivonne Sandoval**

*Once a pretty little girl, now a pretty young lady of 15.*

**Happy Birthday!**

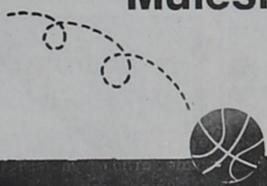
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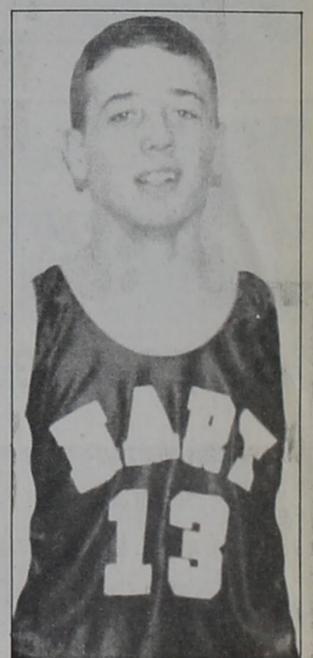


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# Good Luck, Bobbies and Bobcats

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**TULIA—Thursday, Here**

7 and 8:30 p.m.

**MULESHOE—Friday, There**



AMY ETHRIDGE (31) drives toward the lane during the Bobbies' game against Friona here Friday night. Ethridge finished with 10 points.

Photo by Don Nelson



### Schedules and scores:

Bobcats 55, River Road 78 (OT)  
Bobbies 47, River Road 33  
Bobbies 38, Levelland 51  
Bobcats 42, Levelland 61  
Bobbies 28, Berger 60  
Bobcats 55, Berger 77

Queen Classic:  
Bobbies 51, Amarillo High 84  
Bobbies 62, Plainview 61  
Bobcats 36, Levelland 56  
(Sixth Place)

Bobcats 62, Randall 68  
Bobbies 47, Petersburg 33  
Bobcats 73, Petersburg 44

Levelland Tournament:  
Bobbies 33, Denver City 48  
Bobbies 49, EP Montwood 46  
Bobbies 44, Abernathy 38  
(Bobbies win consolation)

Pioneer Classic:  
Bobcats 71, Andrews 32  
Bobcats 48, Plainview 77  
Bobcats 61, Estacado 73  
(Bobcats place fourth)

Bobbies 43, Monterey 69  
Bobcats 51, Hereford 48  
Bobbies 78, Estacado 28  
Bobcats 56, Slaton 55

Bobbies 55, Petersburg 37  
Bobcats 65, Petersburg 56  
Brownfield Tournament  
Bobcats 34, Snyder 46  
Bobcats 57, Slaton 61

Bobcats 49, Ralls 45  
Bobbies 46, Sudan 54  
Caprock Tournament  
Bobbies 47, Lubbock Christian 51  
Bobbies 79, Midland Lee 63  
Bobbies 58, Caronsa 59  
Bobcats 73, Lamesa 61  
Bobcats 53, Lubbock High 65  
Bobcats 64, Caprock 66

Bobbies 40, Clovis 33  
Bobcats 55, Caprock 57  
Bobbies 49, Brownfield 39  
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\*Bobbies 56, Littlefield 48  
\*Bobcats 52, Littlefield 58

\*Bobbies 43, Friona 65  
\*Bobcats 79, Friona 52  
\*Bobbies 49, Tulla 54  
\*Bobcats 63, Tulla 48

\*Bobbies 45, Muleshoe 57  
\*Bobcats 72, Muleshoe 29  
\*Bobbies 31, Floydada 29  
\*Bobcats 81, Floydada 57

\*Bobbies 40, Littlefield 46  
\*Bobcats 65, Littlefield 66  
\*Bobbies 52, Friona 59  
\*Bobcats 95, Friona 54

\*Thursday Tulia . . . . . Here  
\*Friday Muleshoe . . . . . There  
\*District 2-3A games



KATRINA ACKER gets off a baseline shot against Friona in the first quarter of Friday night's district game here. The visiting Squaws won, 59-52.

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**Lazbuddie teams fall to Naz**

# Swifts, Swiftettes earn playoff berths with win

The Nazareth Swifts and Swiftettes clinched playoff berths Friday night when they traveled to Lazbuddie and returned home with a pair of District 7-A wins.

The Swiftettes topped the Lady Horns 49-31 while the boys beat Lazbuddie 73-59.

Both Nazareth squads were 4-0 in district play after the wins, while Lazbuddie teams dropped to 2-2—tied with Happy's boys and girls.

The Swiftettes were paced by Melinda Schmucker, who finished with 18 points; and Kristin Brockman, who scored 16. For the Swifts, Colby Pohlmeier tossed in 20 points while Gaylon Schilling and Justin Wethington added 16 apiece.

Lazbuddie's girls turned the ball over three times in the first two minutes of the game, but before the first period was over, they had tied the Swiftettes at 5, 9, 11 and were up 13-11 headed into the second quarter.

Nazareth was held scoreless for more than three minutes—from the 2:03 mark in the first quarter until 6:46 in the second. Lazbuddie couldn't buy a bucket, either.

Schmucker nailed a three-pointer, her third of four in the game, to put Nazareth up 14-13 with 6:46 left and the Swiftettes never trailed again.

In fact, they limited Lazbuddie to two points in the second quarter, and that came on a basket by Jarah Redwine with 3:34 left in the quarter.

Nazareth capitalized on its 23-15 halftime edge and extended it to a 12-point edge mid-way through the third stanza, but Lazbuddie fought back, thanks to Jarman, who scored twice in the last three minutes to cut Nazareth's lead to 33-27.

The Swiftettes were cold from

the field again, and didn't hit a field goal in the last 6:25 of the third. They did hit four straight free throws, but were shut out in the last 4:38.

Nazareth put the game away early in the final quarter, though.

Schmucker scored on a fast-break play, then Brockman nailed a three-pointer to put Nazareth up 38-27. Another three-pointer, this one by Lena Durbin at the 5:15 mark, gave Nazareth a comfortable 41-29 lead.

Lazbuddie scored just two more points in the game while the Swiftettes finally found the key to the basket. Courtney Hoelting scored with 1:01 left and was fouled by Burch on the play. She converted the foul into another point to put her team up 45-29.

The Swiftettes, who had been working in their spread offense since mid-quarter, started getting several opportunities at the charity stripe and they made those count.

Durbin hit four straight free throws in the last minute to ensure her team's victory.

Nazareth jumped out to a quick 9-3 lead in the boys game aided by a two-point basket and trey by Wethington in the first three minutes. Lazbuddie called a time out with 4:34 left and after that the Longhorns were a different team.

Lazbuddie scored four straight points, then limited the Swifts to a basket by Pohlmeier over the next three minutes.

The Longhorns took a one-point lead, 12-11, when Brett Thomas hit two of three free throws with 53 seconds left.

Nazareth got the lead back with three seconds left on a fast-break basket by Schilling.

The Swifts saw their lead evaporate just one other time and that

was at the start of the second quarter. After that Pohlmeier took over.

The junior post scored half of his points in the second quarter, and was responsible for Nazareth's first eight points in the first three and a half minutes in the stanza. A three-pointer by Scott Brockman forced Lazbuddie to call a time out after the Swifts pulled ahead 24-18.

Lazbuddie was able to cut the lead to four points, 29-25 at the end of the quarter, but the Swifts came out in the second half and put the game away early.

Seven Swifts earned marks in the scoring book in the third and by the end of the quarter the team had outscored Lazbuddie 23-13 and was in control of the game by a 52-38 count.

Nazareth gave up 21 points in the fourth quarter, but scored 21 of its own for the final 73-59 margin.

## Texas A&M lists honor students

Six Castro County students have been listed on honor rolls at Texas A&M University for the fall semester.

Three students earned mention to the Dean's Honor Roll for maintaining at least a 3.75 grade point average and they are Kalina Marie Pohlmeier of Nazareth and Michelle Leigh Hardee and Shad Wyatt McDaniel, both of Dimmitt.

The Distinguished Students List recognizes those who earned a 3.25 to 3.74 grade point average and Dimmitt students including Kay Lynn Gleghorn, Kara Dawn Schulte and Matt Allen Sims are named on the fall list.

*SHIVERING is muscle activity that generates heat and warms the body. Some insects vibrate their wings for a while before flight, heating the muscles to the temperature at which they work best.*  
—New Britannica



**FAST-BREAK**—Lena Durbin puts up a short jumper after catching a pass from a teammate on a fast-break play late in the game Friday night at Lazbuddie. The Swiftettes had a tough time with Lazbuddie early in the game, but held the home team to two points in the second quarter and four in the final quarter enroute to a 49-31 win.

Photo by Anne Acker

## Hodnett, Howell win Eskimo '94

Todd Hodnett and Royce Howell teamed to claim first-place honors in the Championship Flight of the Eskimo '94 golf meet at the Dimmitt Country Club this weekend.

The duo finished with a 64 after the first round, then fired a 66 in the final round to finish with 130, just a shot ahead of the second- and third-place teams.

Other winners were Jim Long and Mike Zaccardo, First Flight; Carlos Mendez and Gerald Gamboa, Second Flight; and David Darnell and Sheryl Clayton, Third Flight.

Here are final results from the meet:

**CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT:** 1. Hodnett and Howell 64-66—130; 2. Jerry Heller and Stan Byrnes 68-63—131; 3. Lynn Morrow and Clay Hodges 65-66—131.

**FIRST FLIGHT:** 1. Jim Long and Mike Zaccardo 66-71—137; 2. Steve Williams and Ray McAraney 71-69—140; 3. Fred Lookingbill and Doug Catron 74-69—143.

**SECOND FLIGHT:** 1. Mendez and Gamboa 71-73 — 144; 2. Donny and Melissa Carpenter 75-71 — 146; 3. Don and Shirley Cornett 74-74—148.

**THIRD FLIGHT:** 1. Darnell and Clayton 71-77—148; 2. John Kovacs and Niel Christian 79-85—164; 3. David Allison and Jeff Pigg 89-76—165.

## WT names Dean's List

Sixteen Castro County students have been named to the President's and Dean's List for the fall semester at West Texas A&M University.

Tony Fisher of Dimmitt, a senior chemistry major, was the only county student named to the President's List. Students must achieve a semester grade point average of 3.85 or better for the President's List.

Named to the Dean's List were Heath Acker, Cynthia Albracht, Amy Beck, Sharon Bradley, Bessie Casas, Leslie Cates, Brent Durbin, Hugh Durbin, Tara Grand, Tami Griffith, Tammy Heard, Gwen Hoelting, Christy Killough, Kristi Sims and Stacy Stahl.



**SLICK STEAL**—Nazareth's Brad Keel steps in front of a Lazbuddie guard, steals the inbound pass under his own basket and picks up a quick two points Friday night during the Swifts' District 7-A game at Lazbuddie. The Longhorns stayed close to the Swifts in the first half, but Nazareth blew open the game in the third quarter and coasted to a 73-59 win, clinching a playoff berth.

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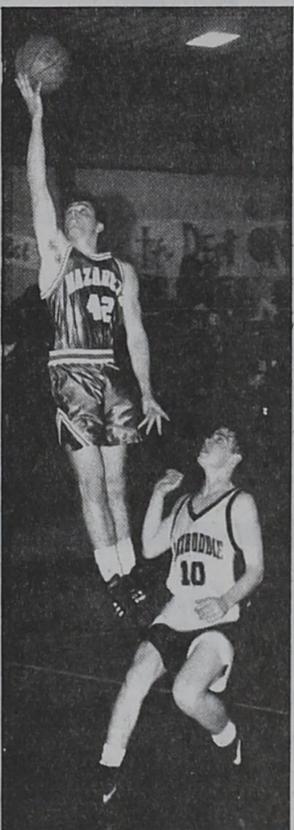


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Together We Can

# Swiftettes un-Happy after loss

A cold front which was predicted to settle across the Texas Panhandle Wednesday arrived in a somewhat limited form Tuesday night in Happy.

It settled over the goal at which Nazareth's Swiftettes were shooting and it didn't let up for more than an hour.

Nazareth's girls suffered through frigid shooting, poor rebounding, turnovers and defensive breakdowns from the opening tip-off in their District 7-A rematch with Happy's Cowgirls in Happy.

They were ice cold. But Happy was sunbathing in warmer climates--their shots swished the net time and time again.

The Cowgirls kept getting warmer and warmer as the game progressed, enjoying a spectacular shooting performance and freezing the Swiftettes' offensive attack the whole game en route to a 62-30 win Tuesday.

The game was a must-win for Happy, which sports two district losses already with just one game left in regular season play.

The Cowgirls had lost to Nazareth in the teams' first meeting, then lost their next game to Lazbuddie. Happy had to beat Nazareth to remain alive in the playoff chase. The Swiftettes had clinched a playoff berth prior to Tuesday's game.

Happy's 32-point win over Nazareth Tuesday was the Swiftettes' worst district defeat in more than 20 years.

Nazareth must beat Cotton Center Friday to claim the district championship and Happy must beat Lazbuddie to claim second place. If the Cowgirls lose to Lazbuddie again, the two will be tied for second place.

The Swiftettes turned over the ball the first time they touched it--right after gaining control of the opening tip.

Happy made that mistake and every other mistake the Swiftettes made in the game, count with a basket.

The Cowgirls kept a hand in the face of Swiftette shooters all night long. They swarmed to the ball and never allowed the Swiftettes to put together a run of any kind.

Happy scored the game's first four points before Nazareth got on the board at the 6:05 mark. The Cowgirls allowed Nazareth just two first-quarter baskets--an offensive rebound put-back by Melinda Schmucker, Nazareth's leading scorer who was virtually shut down; and a three-pointer by Kandal Derick, who finished with 7 points.

Meanwhile Happy was enjoying a 6-of-9 first-quarter shooting spree from the field and a 5-of-6 performance from the charity stripe.

The Swiftettes' leading scorer Tuesday was Carrie Wethington, who finished with 9. Happy received double-digit scoring from two girls, Rachel King and Leah Lair, both finishing with 15.

The majority of Happy's points came from inside the paint, on back-door plays, lobs and offensive rebounds.

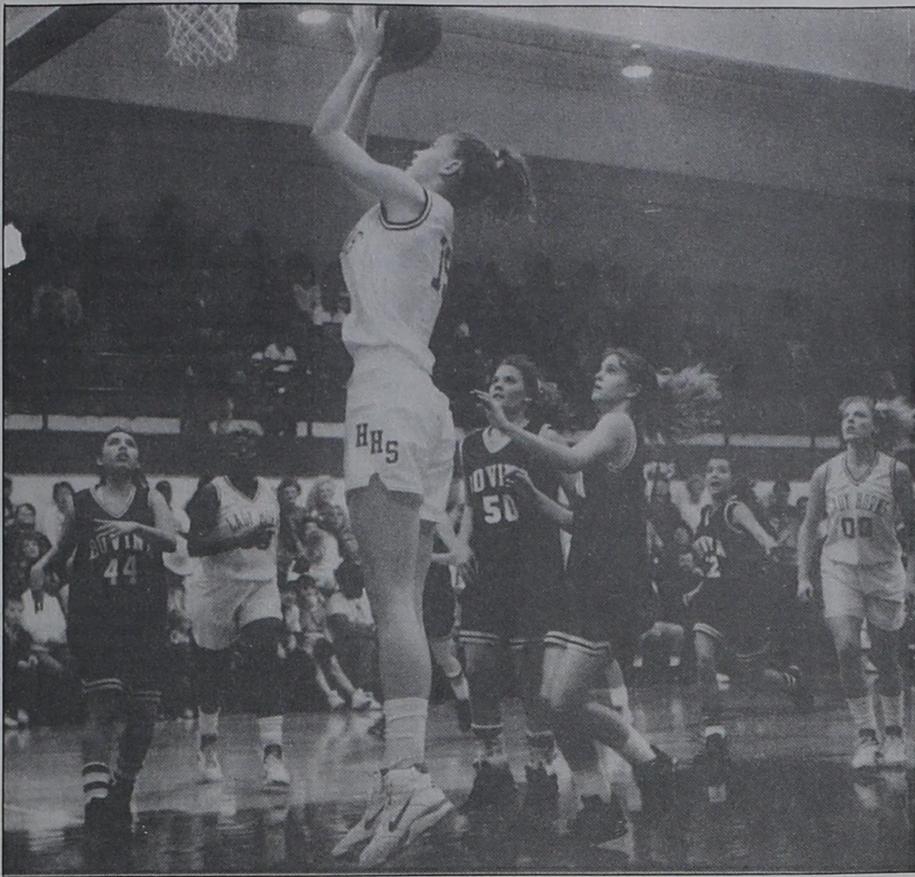
Nazareth couldn't find the right combination to shut down the Cowgirls' inside game.

Happy also was hot from the three-point line Tuesday.

Nazareth's shooting never improved, with the Swiftettes going 3-for-9 from the field and 1-of-4 from the line in the second quarter. Happy continued its hot-handed game, nailing 5-of-7 field goals.

Nazareth never got its offense going. Before the Swiftettes knew what had hit them, Happy had reeled off 12 second-quarter points and held a 30-13 halftime advantage.

The third and fourth quarters proved to be replays of the first two, with Happy outscoring Nazareth 17-4 in the third and 15-13 in the final eight minutes.



**KNOX KNOCKS ONE DOWN**--Hart's Traci Knox (15) makes a short jumper in the paint Friday at Hart. Looking on are teammates Trinette Finch and Shea Bennett. The Lady Horns moved a step closer to the playoffs with a 68-28 win over the Mustangs. Photo by D'Lynn Hankins

# Swifts win district title

The Nazareth Swifts are District 7-A champions by virtue of a 73-27 win over Happy Tuesday night.

Nazareth is the sole team in district with an unblemished record heading into Friday's final regular season game.

Nazareth will host Cotton Center Friday in its final home game of the season, then will get ready for the playoffs.

The Swifts held off a determined Lazbuddie team Friday night for a 73-59 win, then beat Happy.

Against Lazbuddie the Swifts got off to a slow start -- especially when you consider they had beaten the Longhorns 100-43 just a few days ago.

Nazareth was ahead 13-12 at the end of the first quarter and managed to squeeze out a 29-25 half-time lead. They put the game away in the third quarter by outscoring Lazbuddie 23-13.

The Swifts started off slow against Happy, too, but managed to limit the Cowboys to 27 points. Happy scored 12 points in the first quarter, but Nazareth's defense shut down the Cowboys in the second, allowing just two points. Happy managed just five third-quarter points while Nazareth reeled off 18.

Justin Wethington kept Nazareth's nets hot, swishing 19 points. Brad Keel added 14.

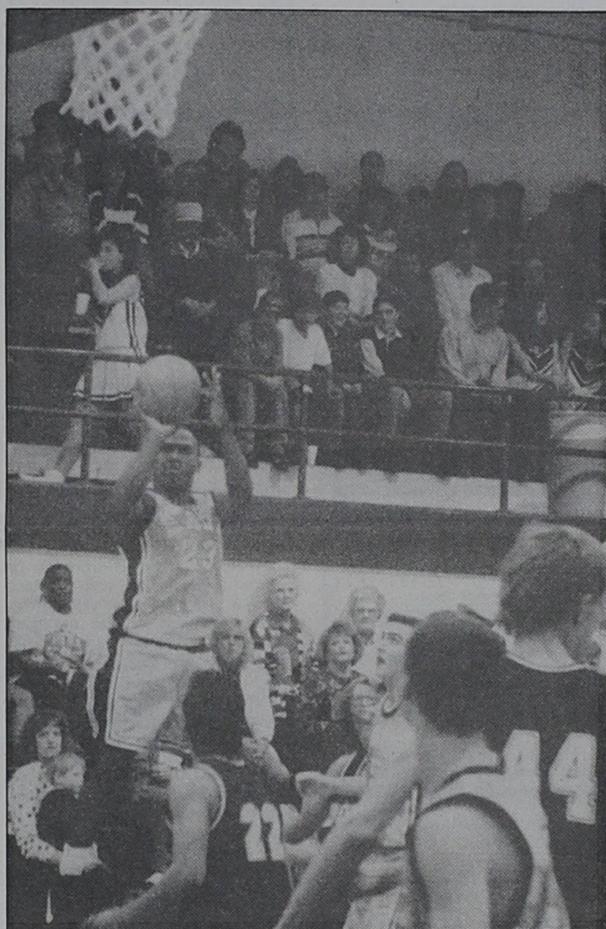
# Kids Inc. will meet Monday

Dimmitt Kids Inc. will meet Monday at 7 p.m. at the meeting room of the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce to make plans for youth sports for 1994.

Plans will be set for youth basketball leagues which will begin soon. Discussion will also be held about the summer baseball program.

New officers will also be elected. The meeting is open to all interested persons.

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**CHIVERS HITS A JUMPER**--Hart's Eddy Chavers knocks in a 15-footer over a Bovina defender Friday at Hart. Chavers and the 'Horns picked up their first win of the year as Hart rallied in the fourth quarter to defeat the Mustangs, 65-63. Photo by Neoma Williams

# SCOREBOARD

Friday		Saturday		Sunday	
Lady Horns 68, Bovina 28	Bobcats 95, Friona 54	Friona 8 14 14 18 - 54	Dimmitt 12 29 20 34 - 95	Dimmitt: Derrick Thomas 35, Tait Crow 15, Guy Lewis 10.	Swiftettes 49, Lazbuddie 31
Bovina 9 8 2 7 - 28	Friona 15 14 12 18 - 59	Nazareth 11 12 10 16 - 49	Hart 17 11 20 20 - 68	Lazbuddie 13 2 12 4 - 31	Nazareth: Melinda Schmucker 18, Kristin Brockman 16.
Hart: Shea Bennett 24.	Dimmitt 9 26 4 13 - 52	Lazbuddie 12 13 13 21 - 59	JV Lady Horns 57, Bovina 25	Nazareth: Colby Pohmleier 20, Gaylon Schilling 16, Justin Wethington 16.	Swifts 73, Lazbuddie 51
Longhorns 65, Bovina 63	Dimmitt: Kara Josselet 12, Kim Thomas 10, Amy Ethridge 10.	Friona 59, Bobbies 52	JV Longhorns 42, Bovina 23	Dimmitt: Carrie Bradley 13.	Swifts 73, Lazbuddie 51
Bovina 12 15 20 16 - 63	Friona 15 14 12 18 - 59	Dimmitt: Kara Josselet 12, Kim Thomas 10, Amy Ethridge 10.	Friona 59, Bobbies 52	Dimmitt: Carrie Bradley 13.	Swifts 73, Lazbuddie 51
Hart 12 11 18 24 - 65	Dimmitt 9 26 4 13 - 52	Friona 59, Bobbies 52	Friona 15 14 12 18 - 59	Dimmitt: Carrie Bradley 13.	Swifts 73, Lazbuddie 51
Hart: Jason Aven 25, J.R. Lee 19.	Dimmitt: Kara Josselet 12, Kim Thomas 10, Amy Ethridge 10.	Friona 59, Bobbies 52	Friona 15 14 12 18 - 59	Dimmitt: Carrie Bradley 13.	Swifts 73, Lazbuddie 51
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# Freshmen win district titles

Dimmitt High School's two freshman teams wrapped up the District 2-3A championships Monday in their final games of the year against Muleshoe.

The freshman boys ended up 18-1 after kicking the Mules, 74-37. Brandon Smith had 14, Omar Rascon 13 and Ryan Harkins 12 for Dimmitt. The Dimmitt boys ended the conference season 9-0.

The Freshman Bobcats won first place in the Hereford and Levelland tournaments and were second in the Dimmitt Tournament after a close loss to Brownfield.

The Freshman Bobbies ended their season 14-4 and 8-1 in District 2-3A after a 25-22 win over Muleshoe, Monday at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium. Carrie Bradley had 13 points to lead Dimmitt.

"These girls had a lot of heart and I think they're going to do great things down the road, not just in basketball," said Coach Bobby Feaster. The girls had just six players most of the year.

**Monday**

Freshman Bobcats 74, Muleshoe 37	Dimmitt 18 30 20 6 - 74
Muleshoe 13 7 8 9 - 37	Dimmitt: Brandon Smith 14, Omar Rascon 13, Ryan Harkins 12.
Freshman Bobbies 25, Muleshoe 22	(Freshman Bobcats finish 18-1, 9-0, win district championship.)
Muleshoe 8 3 5 6 - 22	Freshman Bobbies 25, Muleshoe 22
Dimmitt 8 4 7 6 - 25	Muleshoe 8 3 5 6 - 22
Dimmitt: Carrie Bradley 13.	Dimmitt 8 4 7 6 - 25
(Freshman Bobbies finish 14-4, 8-1, win district championship.)	Dimmitt: Carrie Bradley 13.

**Tuesday**

Happy 62, Swiftettes 30	Nazareth 5 8 4 13 - 30
Nazareth 18 12 17 15 - 62	Happy 18 12 17 15 - 62
Nazareth: Carrie Wethington 9, Kandal Derick 7.	Happy 18 12 17 15 - 62
Swifts 73, Happy 27	Happy 18 12 17 15 - 62
Nazareth 17 15 18 23 - 73	Happy 18 12 17 15 - 62
Happy 12 2 5 12 - 27	Happy 18 12 17 15 - 62
Nazareth: Justin Wethington 19, Brad Keel 14.	Happy 18 12 17 15 - 62

**Sudan 50, Lady Horns 43**

Hart 9 12 8 14 - 43	Sudan 50, Lady Horns 43
Sudan 13 10 11 16 - 50	Hart 9 12 8 14 - 43
Hart: Shea Bennett 22, Trinette Finch 12.	Sudan 13 10 11 16 - 50

**JV Lady Horns 46, Sudan 45**

Sudan 8 15 15 13 - 49	JV Lady Horns 46, Sudan 45
Sudan 8 15 15 13 - 49	Sudan 8 15 15 13 - 49
Hart: Jason Aven 10, J.R. Lee 10.	Sudan 8 15 15 13 - 49

**Sudan 66, JV Horns 22**

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**20—Help Wanted**

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**25—Legal Notices**

**INVITATION TO BID ADDITIONS AND RENOVATIONS TO HART INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, HART, TEXAS**

Separate sealed bids for AN ADDITION AND RENOVATION TO HART HIGH SCHOOL AND ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, Hart ISD, Hart, Texas, will be received by the OWNER until 3 p.m. CST, February 22, 1994. Bids will be opened and read aloud in the Board Room in the Hart Independent School District, Hart, Texas. Contracts will be awarded or rejected at the following school Board Meeting.

The project consists of an addition to the gym, renovation of existing locker room, new gym floor and administration building.

**BID SECURITY:** The proposal of each bidder shall be accompanied by a cashier's check, certified check, or bid bond in the amount of 5% of the bid, payable without recourse to a guarantee that if awarded the contract, the bidder will enter into a contract ten (10) days from the date of award. The bidder shall guarantee his prices for a minimum of thirty (30) days from the bid date.

**PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS:** The successful bidders will be required to enter into a contract with the Owner and will be required to furnish a separate performance bond and a payment bond in an amount of not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, conditioned upon the performance of the contract and payment of claims.

The information for bidders, contract documents, plans and specifications may be examined in the office of L. James Robison & Associates, Architect, 205 West 4th Street, Plainview, Texas or in the Plan Rooms in Lubbock and Amarillo, after February 4, 1994. Copies of the plans may be obtained from the Architects office with a deposit of \$50 per set. Plans shall be returned by mail or in person. General Contractors may obtain 2 sets each, other contractors one set with proper deposit.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any formalities in the bidding.

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

Hart Independent School District is accepting bids on a 30' x 40' duplex to be moved, located on the corner of Second Street and Avenue G in Hart, Texas. For additional information contact Hart ISD at 938-2143. Bids will be opened at 3 p.m. on Feb. 17, 1994, in HISD Superintendent's office. 25-43-2tc

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**Police Calls**

Charges are pending against a teenager who stole the patrol car of Nazareth City Marshall Craig Williams over the weekend.

Williams was investigating a report and apparently left his keys in the vehicle. A youngster is alleged to have gotten into Williams' car. The male suspect drove the car about four blocks and parked it behind a building.

"We will file charges in the next two weeks," said County District Attorney Jerry Matthews.

Several Dimmitt residents were arrested during the past week on out-of-town warrants. A Dimmitt woman and a 29-year-old Dimmitt man were arrested at their homes for theft by check. Another Dimmitt man was jailed on a violation of probation warrant. The original charge was theft.

Dimmitt police also picked up a Dimmitt man on a theft warrant out of Deaf Smith County.

Also arrested by Dimmitt police was a 68-year-old Quitaque man for driving while intoxicated. He was arrested Saturday at 1:52 a.m. in the 100 block of NE Sixth.

A Hereford man filed a complaint with Dimmitt police, saying a Dimmitt man had been robbed of \$90. The robbery allegedly occurred in the 200 block of NW Sixth on Friday.

A Dimmitt woman told police someone shot a window at her house with a B-B gun. The incident occurred in the 1600 block of Butler Blvd., sometime Saturday.

Dimmitt police investigated a simple assault at the Azteca Complex on Sunday evening. A Dimmitt woman said she was hit in the face.

A Dimmitt woman is out \$240, apparently taken from her purse Friday. The woman said two \$100 bills and two \$20 bills were taken.

Three accidents were reported in the city over the past week.



SANDRA LOPEZ scores on a fast-break layup to tie the score at 21-21 during the second quarter of the Lady Longhorns' game against Sudan's Lady Hornets Tuesday night at Sudan. The game between the two District 2-A powerhouses was close throughout, with Sudan pulling away to a 50-43 victory in the final two minutes.

Photo by D'Lynn Hankins

**Class of '74 needing help**

Addresses and telephone numbers are needed for several members of the Dimmitt High School Class of 1974. Plans are being made for the 20th reunion. Information on persons listed below may be given to Liz Murphy, 309 NW Fourth in Dimmitt, 647-2047; or Flo Touchstone, 6124 Nashville, Lubbock 79413, 792-3323.

Addresses and phone numbers are needed for Florence Acevedo, Minerva Acevedo, Darla Bostick, Benita Barba, Wesley Batterman, Billy Carver, Sandra Casas, Helen Crespín, Jose Ramon Constancia, Gilbert Espinoza and Leonor

Guardiola; Also, Cody Harkins, Ronnie Heathington, Steve King, Paul Langford, Rick Oldfield, Andrea Hernandez, Carlos Ortiz, Santos Gonzales, Cecilia Presas, Richard Presas, Ofelia Quinonez and Steven Reed;

Also, Delia Rodriguez, Johnny Rodriguez, Ramiro Reyes, Loretta Sandlin, Elvia Sandoval, Rosa Sepeda, Angela Spinherne, Griselda Sandoval, Rose Spencer, Dean Smithson, Linda Vasquez and Rhonda Wright.

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**22—Notices**

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

**Political Announcements**

The News has been authorized to list the names of the following candidates for public office, subject to the March 8 primary.

**DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY**

**For County Treasurer:**  
Oleta Raper (I)  
Janice Shelton

**For County-District Clerk:**  
Betty Rickert  
Joyce Thomas  
Debra Ball

**For County Judge:**  
Irene Miller  
Mrs. M.L. (Polly) Simpson Jr. (I)

**For Commissioner, Pct. 4:**  
Vincent Guggemos (I)

**State Senate, 30th District:**  
Steven A. Carriker (I)

**For Judge, 64th District Court:**  
Jack R. Miller (I)

**For Justice of the Peace:**  
Marshall Young (I)

**REPUBLICAN PRIMARY**

**For County Judge:**  
Robert Hawkins

**For County-District Clerk:**  
Shirley Hollums

**For US Rep., 13th District:**  
Wayne Collins

*Political Adv. Pd. by Candidates*

**24—Card Of Thanks**

**CARD OF THANKS**

I wish to thank each and everyone for the sympathy and love expressed at the loss of my brother. Especially for the cards, flowers and delicious food. People like you are friends forever.

OLEDA SCHUMACHER  
24-44-1tp

**CARD OF THANKS**

DEAR FRIENDS,  
You have our heartfelt thanks for your countless expressions of kindness, your visits, food, prayers and Christian thoughtfulness were so helpful to comfort us in the loss of our dear Wayna.

THE FAMILY OF WAYNA WILSON  
24-44-1tc

**CARD OF THANKS**

The recent loss of our daughter, sister, wife and mother leaves us with grateful hearts toward those who served us during the time of our grief. The comforting gifts of food, flowers, telephone calls, visits, cards and prayers were gratefully appreciated. The folks in Dimmitt were very special to Carolyn and are very special to us. It is our prayer that God bless each of you in a very special way.

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HUBERT & WILLIE MAE EDWARDS  
IMOJEAN & JACK TUNNELL & FAMILY  
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LEROY & JACKIE EDWARDS & FAMILY  
LARRY COMBS  
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**CARD OF THANKS**

DEAR FRIENDS,  
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A Dimmitt woman was charged with failure to yield right of way in an accident Thursday evening at Halsell and NW Eighth. The 41-year-old woman was going west on Halsell and was attempting to make a left hand turn when her vehicle collided with an eastbound car. No one was injured seriously.

No injuries were reported in an accident Feb. 2 at Broadway and Dulin. A 26-year-old man was going north in the 400 block of Broadway when his vehicle collided with another northbound vehicle driven by a 72-year-old Dimmitt man. No tickets were issued.

In another Feb. 2 accident, a 59-year-old Dimmitt man was going south in the 400 block of SE Fourth when a Suburban driven by a 37-year-old Dimmitt woman turned into his path. No serious injuries were reported.

Hart City Marshall Barry Sanders reported that three juveniles, ages 12 to 14, were caught in the act of vandalizing a small rent house in Hart.

The youngsters allegedly illegally entered the house, broke some sheet rock walls, painted on windows and wrote obscenities on walls. Sanders said the children were released to the custody of their parents and restitution has been arranged.

Family disturbances were reported in Hart shortly after noon Tuesday in the 900 block of Ave. A and Tuesday afternoon in the 700 block of Ave. D. Sanders said there was no violence and no arrests were made.

On Feb. 2, juveniles stole Pepsi syrup from a delivery truck at McLain's Corner in Hart. The syrup was recovered behind the store.

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# Obituaries

## Tommy Allen

Tommy Allen, 86, of Los Angeles, died Saturday.

Services are pending.

Mr. Allen was a longtime Dimmitt resident. He graduated from Dimmitt High School and attended Texas Tech University. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth, and a brother, Louie Allen.

Survivors include his niece, Tommie Almond of Wilmington, Del.

## Jay Boston

Jay Boston, 90, of Hereford, died Saturday.

Services were Monday in First United Methodist Church in Hereford with Rev. Joe Wood, pastor, officiating. Burial was in West Park Cemetery by Gilliland-Watson Funeral Home.

He was born July 29, 1903 in Kentucky. He married Ruby Street on Aug. 25, 1929 in Amarillo. He was a farmer in the Hart area and around Hereford for many years, and was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Mr. Boston was active in several community and farm organizations, and was one of the founders and very influential members of the Plains Irrigation Gas Users Association. He was an original board member of the Texas Corn Growers Association and Texas Corn Producers Board.

Survivors include his wife, two daughters, Kathy Moore of Hereford and Jaynice Carpenter of Plainview, a brother, Walk Boston of Amarillo, two sisters, Alice McVay of Hawaii and Lillian Kinnyhertz of Kansas City, Kan.; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

## C.J. Fowlkes

C.J. Fowlkes, 80, of Houston, died Jan. 20.

Services were Jan. 22 in Houston, with burial in Calvary Hill Cemetery. His grandson, Tim Norman, officiated.

Mr. Fowlkes was born Aug. 24, 1913 in Hall County. He moved to Castro County with his family and

grew up here. He married Irene Waggoner in 1935. They lived in Castro County until the 1940s, when they moved to Earth and operated a drug store. They later moved to Lubbock. After he retired, they moved to Corpus Christi and Rockport. He was a member of Kleinwood Church of Christ.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Tommy Fowlkes.

Survivors include his wife; his daughter, Lavonda Howard of Tomball; a sister, Willie Mae Sadler of Sunnyside; his stepmother, Mary Fowlkes; two grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

## Bonnie Heard

Bonnie McDonald Heard, 62, of Pottsboro, died Friday in Plano.

Services were Wednesday in the Waldo Funeral Home Chapel in Sherman. Burial was in Cedarlawn Memorial Park in Sherman.

Mrs. Heard was born in Farwell on May 29, 1931, and lived in Lubbock where she was employed as a security officer for Texas Instruments. She moved to Sherman 15 years ago and was also a security officer with the Texas Instruments plant in Sherman.

She was a member of the Carter chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, and was a Doe in the Lubbock Elks Lodge. She was an avid bowler and a Baptist.

Survivors include a son, Alvin Etheridge of Anchorage, Alaska; three daughters, Denice Armstrong, Dianna Peebles and Patricia Etheridge, all of Pottsboro; a brother, James Cobb of Dimmitt; a sister, Nona Heard of Dimmitt; and nine grandchildren.

## Max Leon

Max Leon, 73, of Hereford, died Sunday.

Services were Tuesday in Rix Funeral Directors Chapel in Hereford with Doug Manning, worship leader at Fellowship of Believers, officiating. Burial was in West Park Cemetery.

Mr. Leon was born June 30, 1920, in Pittsburg, Kan. He had lived in

Hereford for 34 years. He married Lavon Casterman in 1940 in Pittsburg.

He owned Leon's Shoe Store and Max's Big Burger in Hereford. He was preceded in death by a son, Larry Leon, in 1990.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Teresa Williams of Dimmitt; two sisters, Ruth Heyburn and Virginia Leon, both of Miami, Okla.; a brother, Pat Leon of Montrose, Colo.; and two grand-children.

## Froilan Reyna

Froilan Reyna, 88, of Hart, died Saturday.

Services were Monday at 3 p.m. at the Pentecostal Church in Hart with the Rev. Roger Velasquez, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Hart Cemetery by Foskey Funeral Home.

Mr. Reyna was born August 19, 1905 in Mexico. He moved to Hart in 1948 from Mission. He married Romanita Coronado in 1923 in Mission. He was a retired produce contractor and a member of the Pentecostal Church in Hart.

Survivors include his wife; four sons, Fortunato Reyna, John Reyna, David Reyna and Daniel Reyna, all of Hart; eight daughters, Josefina Reyna, Manuela Gonzales, Dominga G. Gonzales, Carmen Gonzales, Gloria Rodriguez, Noemi Velasquez and Dolores Castillo, all of Hart, and Martha Fuentes of Dallas; a sister, Claudita Flores of Edinburg; 79 grandchildren; 173 great-grandchildren; and 81 great-great-grandchildren.

## Wayna Wilson

Wayna Wilson, 54, of Richardson, died Feb. 1.

Services were Saturday in First Baptist Church at Earth with the Rev. Bobby Broyles, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Earth Memorial Cemetery by Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home.

Mr. Wilson was born Oct. 30, 1939, in Earth and married Luke Melvin Wilson on Jan. 16, 1976, in Lubbock. She was office manager for

Linda Carmicle, Ph.D., in Richardson and was a member of Highland Baptist Church of Lubbock.

She is survived by her husband; three sons, Kerry Cooper of Phoenix, Ariz., Kyle Cooper of Mabank and Randy Wilson of Garland; three daughters, Kym Phillips of Midland and Rhonda Williams and Carla Pettenger, both of Arvada, Colo.; her mother, Zella Mae Rutherford of Earth; two sisters, Glenna Fern Fuller of Albuquerque, N.M., and Roxie Jean Loudder of Dimmitt; and eight grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Earth Memorial Cemetery.

## GED classes offered here

Adult education classes for persons wishing to prepare for the GED tests are being offered at Dimmitt High School.

Classes meet every Monday from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Classes will meet in Room 18, and enrollment is open every Monday night.

Persons wishing to learn to read, write and speak English may attend classes on Monday and Tuesday nights from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

All classes are free and are sponsored by the Dimmitt Independent School District and the Region 16 Education Service Center.

*WHEN ALARMED or excited, the gazelle-like springbok of South Africa characteristically makes a series of stiff-legged vertical leaps up to 11-1/2 feet high. This action, known as "pronking," is performed with the head down, the hooves bunched, and the back arched.*

—New Britannica

## Sudan edges Hart in 2-A showdown

Hart's Lady Horns knew they would have to play their best game of the season Tuesday night to beat top-ranked Sudan and have a shot at winning district.

Hart gave it a valiant effort, but that effort wasn't enough to unseat Sudan from the driver's seat in District 2-A.

Sudan beat Hart, 50-43, and clinched the district championship. Hart has three losses in district and still can clinch a playoff berth by beating Kress Friday night in the final regular season game.

Hart could have clinched a berth Tuesday by beating Sudan, but that was easier said than done.

Hart held a one-point lead late in the game, but Sudan got a couple of big breaks and managed to regain the lead and hold on for the win.

Sudan, ranked No. 1 in the state by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches (TABC), was ahead at the end of each quarter:

13-9 after 1, 23-21 at halftime, 34-29 after 3, and 50-43 at the end.

Sudan was led by Danielle Martin, who finished with 14 points. Shea Bennett was Hart's leading scorer, finishing with 22 points; while Trinette Finch added 12.

Hart's boys were hoping to make it two-in-a-row in the win column Tuesday, but Sudan dashed those hopes with an 87-49 win.

Hart had notched its first win Friday night when it topped Bovina, 65-63.

Sudan was in control of Tuesday night's game from the beginning, mounting a 20-6 first-quarter lead. By halftime the Hornets were on top 38-21, and they outscored Hart 49-28 in the second half.

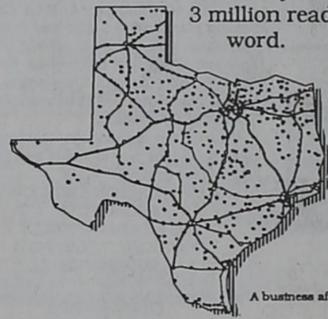
Hart was led by J.R. Lee and Jason Aven, who finished with 10 points each.

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# ANTHONY'S



# '93 sale was county's second-best on record

Last year's Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale didn't set any records, but it raised \$236,868 from animal sales and donations, and that figure is the second-best in the show's history.

Buyers paid \$226,093 for barrows, steers and lambs and another \$10,775 in donations.

The sale record is \$241,605.22, which was set in 1991.

Last year's floor prices were strong—71.25 cents per pound on lambs (by Dan Cure of Olton), \$82.25 per hundredweight on steers (by Dimmitt Feed Yards) and 42 cents per pound on barrows (from Randy Hathorn of Lubbock)—and that helped make the show a success.

Jay McCormick drove his 1,260-lb. Exotic steer to the grand cham-

pionship and he earned a total of \$2,835 (\$2.25 per pound) from buyers Donnie Nelson, Gene Bradley, Mike Baca and Andy Rogers.

The Grand Champion Lamb, a 139-lb. heavyweight Medium Wool shown by Carla Petty, brought \$9.50 per pound from Mike Baca, giving her \$1,235.

Andy Hill earned a bid of \$9 per pound for his Grand Champion Barrow, a 235-pound light heavyweight Hampshire. The animal was purchased by Vic Nelson, David McCormick, Leslie Davis, Gene Bradley, Rex Lust, James Simpson, Donnie Nelson and Brent Self.

Top prices continued down the scale.

The Reserve Grand Steer shown by Justin Sutton was bought by Bar

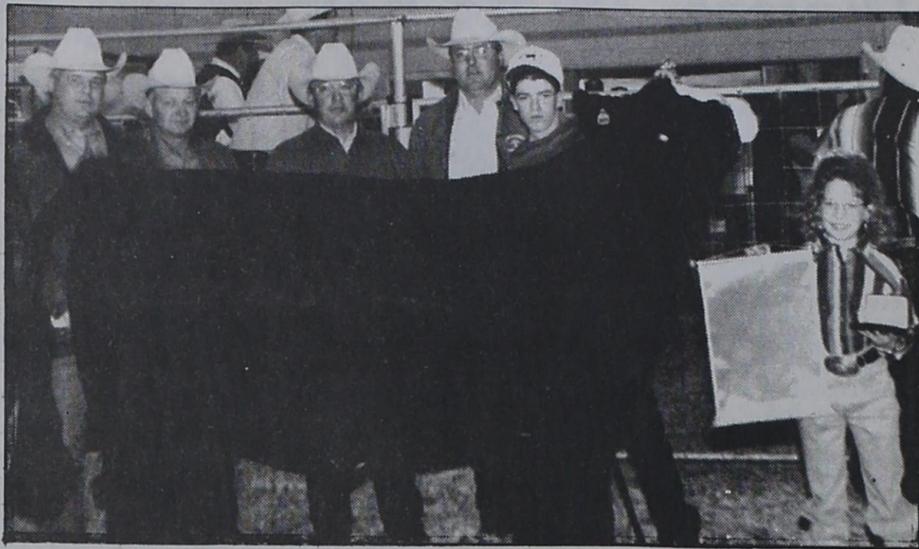
G Feedyard for \$3 per pound. Sutton earned a total of \$3,645 for the 1,215-lb. heavyweight English.

G.L. Willis bid \$8.50 per pound for his grandson, Tye Baca's 230-pound mediumweight Cross barrow, which was named Reserve Grand Champ.

The Reserve Grand Lamb, a 114-pound mediumweight Medium Wool shown by Justin Gleghorn, was purchased by the Castro County News for \$5 per pound.

Showmanship awards are a big part of the county show, and last year's senior showmanship awards were presented to Shea Bennett, steers; Justin Gleghorn, lambs; and Jaret Schulte, barrows.

The Young Farmers will continue with the showmanship awards this year, but they have split the competition into Senior and Junior divisions.



1993 GRAND CHAMPION STEER for the Castro County Junior Livestock Show was this 1,260-lb. (heavyweight) Simmental exhibited by Jay McCormick of the Dimmitt FFA. Behind the champion steer are the four buyers who provided a premium

bid of \$2.25 per pound — Mike Baca, Gene Bradley, Donnie Nelson and Andy Rogers. Holding the banner for Jay is Mary Bradley.

Photo by Deana McLain



LAST MINUTE PEP TALK—Timy Barnes, son of Karen and Brad Barnes, has a heart-to-heart talk with his ine Wool lamb before he takes it to the Expo Building for weigh-in and classification for last year's Castro County Junior Livestock Show. Animals were due at the Expo Wednesday afternoon and will compete in the Dimmitt Young Farmers' 40th annual livestock show Friday, with the sale set for Saturday.

Photo by Deana McLain

## FARM LIFE

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*We're proud of our Castro County youth and of their accomplishments. The annual Junior Livestock Show is one of many areas in which the youth of our county excel.*

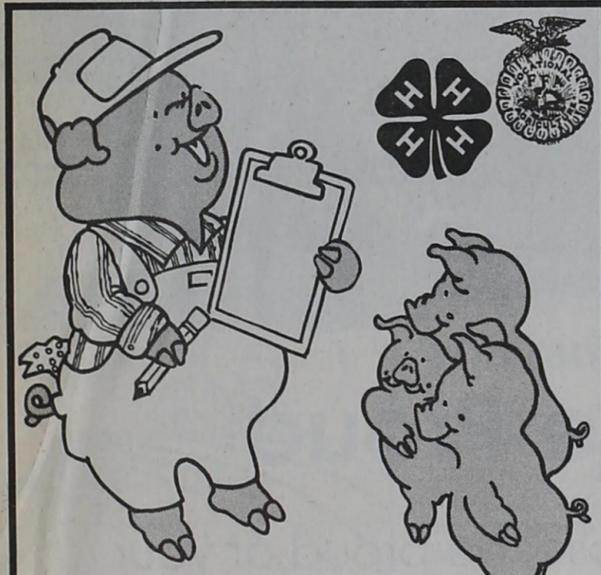
*It takes commitment and dedication to excel in anything. It takes a committed teacher, a dedicated student, a supportive family, a worthwhile project or goal. And it takes a lot of hard work.*

*We want you young livestock raisers to know that we appreciate the work and long hours you've put in, preparing for the show. You could be spending your time in a lot of other, less productive, ways. We're glad you chose this wholesome, worthwhile route. Whether you win or not, we're proud to be part of a community that supports its youth the way ours does. Our Junior Livestock Show and Sale represent a big undertaking—and it's done almost entirely by volunteers, who have the common commitment of helping our kids.*

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# Buyers' Clubs help make 'premium' sale a success

The generosity of Castro County businesses and individuals makes the junior livestock show and sale one of the best in the state.

Each year the show is organized and run by the Dimmitt Young Farmers. Buyers' clubs from Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth enter the picture to make sure a youth from their community receives a premium bid. The Buyers' Clubs operate on donations from businesses and individuals.

These groups work together to make the show and sale a success. Here's a look at some of the finer points of the sale.

Commercial bidders set the floor prices, which usually are based on the day's market prices.

If a youngster makes the sale with his animal, he will be going for a "premium" bid above floor prices. These premium bids help pay expenses of raising show animals, including feed, medicines and other supplies.

If a youngster's animal doesn't seem to be drawing a top bid, the buyers' clubs step in and try to insure each youngster gets a good price and can make enough to pay expenses and make a little profit.

The buyers' clubs rely on donations, and the more money they receive, the more they can bid on youngsters' animals.

Members of each buyers' club will be collecting donations this



**GRAND CHAMPION LAMB** for last year's Castro County Junior Livestock Show was shown by Carla Petty of the Dimmitt FFA. The 139-pound (heavyweight) Suffolk was bought by Mike Baca of Rafter 3 Feedyard, who provided a premium bid of \$9.50 per pound. Holding the banner is Caitlin Buckley. Photo by Deana McLain

week and will have tables set up at the Expo Building on Saturday.

Here's a list of people who will be accepting donations on behalf of the buyers' clubs.

**DIMMITT BUYERS' CLUB:** Mike Bain at First State Bank, Russel Birdwell at State Farm In-

urance, John David King at his law office, Randy Schumacher and Rita McDaniel.

**NAZARETH BUYERS' CLUB:** Dale Brockman, J.C. Pohlmeier, Jerry Kern, Walt Pohlmeier, Dean Wilhelm, Jim Hoelting or

Tom Hoelting. Donations also will be accepted on behalf of the club at Terra International in Dimmitt or Kern Supply in Nazareth.

**HART BUYERS' CLUB:** Stanley Dyer, Tony Leibel, Laura Hart, Don or Nita Sanders, George Ed Bennett, Danny Carson, Gaylene Mayhew, Ricky Mitchell, Brad Barnes, Jimmy Hochstein or Jerry Mathis. Donations to the Hart Buyers' Club also may be left at Hart Auto or Hale County State Bank in Hart.

Premium bids can run all the way up and down the scale; however, the auctioneers and buyers' clubs try to set minimum standards to insure that every youngster gets a decent price for his animal.

If the floor price on lambs, say, is 70 cents a pound, the auctioneer may call for an opening bid of \$2 per pound. If you want to buy a particular lamb that weighs 100 pounds and you want to bid \$4 a pound for it, get a friend or a buyers' club bidder to help you bid it up to that price. If you win the bid at \$4, then you pay the difference between the floor price and your bid. The floor price on the 100-lb. lamb would be \$70, so your total cost would be \$330. The youngster would receive the full \$400.

The Dimmitt Young Farmers operates the county's auction sale on a guaranteed premium basis, which means a youngster who is planning to show his animal at another show like the Houston Livestock Show, will receive the money bid on his animal here whether or not he makes the sale at another show.

If a youngster is going to place his or her animal in the sale but only wants it to be sold as a "take home" (if he or she wishes to keep it or show it in another show), it must be listed on the sale sheet prior to the sale.

When things get going, if you want to bid on an animal, raise your hand so the auctioneer or spotter can see you. From then on they'll keep their eyes on you and you can bid with a nod of your head.

The Young Farmers provide floor level chairs in front of the sale ring for bidders. If you plan to bid

on one or more animals, it's best to move into the buyers' area to do your bidding. That makes it quicker and easier for the auctioneers and spotters, and helps make the sale go faster.

Congratulations  
4-H & FFA Members  
on your  
**Junior  
Livestock  
Show & Sale**  
Friday and Saturday

**Dimmitt  
Brake  
& Muffler**

Great Reception!

That's what we need to give our youngsters as they parade their show animals in the ring Friday and Saturday. Let's let them know we're proud of them and their work.

**Kittrell Electronics**  
**Radio Shack**  
DEALER

## At Houston

# Welps to compete in scramble

John Welps, a 16-year-old Hart FFA member, will compete in the 1994 Houston Rodeo calf scramble in the Astrodome on March 5.

Welps is the son of Joe and Virginia Welps. He will compete for one of 252 calves to be awarded at the 1994 show.

As many as two youngsters from each of the 18 rodeo performances will be awarded "hard luck" certificates for their hardy efforts in attempting to catch a calf, resulting in 36 more awards.

Net proceeds from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo provide educational contributions to Texas students. Currently, more than 1,000 students are attending Texas

colleges on show-sponsored scholarships. The show's educational commitment for the 1993-94 school year exceeds \$3 million.

The calf scramble is one of the show's major programs, requiring a year-long commitment on the part of the winner to the animal project.

Beginning with the athletic competition (calf scramble) in the Astrodome, the program ends 12 months later with top-notch competition in the Astrohall show ring.

The actual calf scramble event involves 28 youngsters pitted against 14 vigorous calves. Each youngster is committed to capturing and bringing a calf to the finish line, but only the successful ones

receive \$1,000 calf purchase certificates.

The certificates, donated by generous companies or individuals, are used to purchase purebred beef or dairy heifers.

The calves are raised by the winners for special showing competition in the Astrohall at the following year's show. The year-long project is closely supervised by the appropriate county Extension agents or agricultural science teachers.

Winners are required to submit financial records, photographs and a scrapbook to the calf scramble office to detail the progress of the venture. Youngsters are encouraged to provide updated reports to their donors, as well.

Proper livestock evaluation techniques, efficient cattle feeding and production methods and principles of money management all are realistic learning experiences for the youngster who manages to get a firm hold on a calf.

To date, the Houston calf scramble has put almost 13,000 animals valued at more than \$3 million into the hands of Texas' youth.

## Judging teams to begin work

Judging practice is underway for the 4-H Horse Team.

Anyone interested in judging should contact Suanne Bagley.

Practice for livestock and other teams also is beginning and if you would like to participate you should call the Extension office.

The Horse, Livestock, Wool, Meats, Dairy and Soil judging contests will be held April 9.

As the bright members of today's FFA and 4-H Clubs prepare for their careers in agri-business, the citizens of this community are assured of continued advancement for tomorrow! We salute you all and wish you the best as you begin your Junior Livestock Show and Sale this Friday and Saturday.

**Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.**  
109 N. Broadway, Dimmitt 647-3161

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Division**  
Jarrel Sewell, Manager  
938-2178 • Highway 194, Hart

**Be Proud**

Win or lose, be proud of your entry and of the opportunity you have in America to have such an opportunity to participate in such an event.

**Holly Sugar Corp.**  
Hereford

# County youths to exhibit animals in Houston

More than a hundred FFA and 4-H members from Castro County will be exhibiting livestock in showing competition at the Houston Livestock Show Feb. 19 through March 6 at the Astrohall in Houston.

Representing 878 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, the junior show is expected to draw more than 11,000 entries this year. A variety of animals are shown in the junior show division including market steers, market swine, market sheep, market poultry, beef and dairy heifers, breeding sheep, goats, commercial steers and breeding rabbits.

The four market animal categories (steers, lambs, barrows and poultry) represent animals raised by the exhibitor as food sources. Top animals in each of these categories are eligible for their individual

market auctions. Total money paid in 1993 at the four junior show auctions exceeded \$3.5 million.

"The most significant part of our livestock show is the junior show," said Steve Woodley, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo manager. "It represents Texas youth and their commitment to education, discipline and agricultural development."

A unique addition to the open livestock show this year will be the Rattie Show. Emus, ostriches and rheas will be exhibited on Friday, March 4, and the sale will be held Saturday, March 5.

In addition to the upcoming livestock show competition, a series of lectures, seminars and live animal demonstrations will be held during February. The International Livestock Congress, slated Feb. 23-

25 at the Sheraton Astrodomo Hotel, will focus on lectures and seminars delivered by agricultural experts from throughout the world.

Other events include a rodeo, washer pitching, horseshoe pitching and domino competition, team penning and hay hauling competitions, a horse show and more.

Ticket prices are \$10 and include admission to the horse show, livestock show, carnival and rodeo. Tickets can be purchased at all Ticketmaster outlets, including the Astrodomo box office, or they may be charged by phone at 1-800-726-1313.

Here's a list of county exhibitors who will be showing animals at Houston:

**DIMMITT FFA MARKET STEERS:** Toby Crow and Jay McCormick.

**COMMERCIAL STEERS:** John Fuller.

**MARKET LAMBS:** Toby Crow, Travis Crow, Chris Davis, Mandy Davis, Amy Fuller, Asia Kirby, Ky Kirby, Jay McCormick, Aaron Wilcox, Tiffany Wilcox and Cliff Wright.

**MARKET BARROWS:** Tye Baca, Fidel Barrera, Mary Bradley, Dustan Buckley, Tait Crow, Toby Crow, Travis Crow, Ashley Davis, Chris Davis, Mandy Davis, Michelle Davis, Joey Flores, Greg Fuller, Jack Gfeller, Jill Gfeller, Michael Glidewell, Ryan Harkins, Andy Hill, Chris Hutson, James Paul Ivey, Chad Jennings, Heather Jeter, Van Jeter, Asia Kirby, Ky Kirby, Wesley Mays, Jay McCormick, Stacy McDaniel, Mandi Moore, Max Moore, Jana Nelson, Cassie Owen, Chad Rogers, Tucker Schumacher, Tanner Self, Brian Simpson, Jeremy Simpson, J'amy L. Stewart, Justin Stroud, Coby Summers, Carol Summers, Phil Thrasher, Aaron Wilcox and Tiffany Wilcox.

**HART FFA MARKET BARROWS:** Jared Aven, Jason Aven, Andy Bennett, Jeff Bennett, John Mark Bennett, Shea Bennett, Stacey Bennett, Travis Bennett, Jennifer Bradford, Tiffany Bradford, Jodi Card, Dustin Dyer, D'Lynn Hankins, Bridget Hochstein, Tanya Leibel, Lyndy

Mitchell, Mark Mitchell, Fred Reyna, Gayla Reyna, Tiffany Sanders, Zachary Smith and John Welps.

**NAZARETH FFA MARKET STEERS:** Tara Johnson.

**MARKET LAMBS:** Cody Davis, Tara Johnson and Stanton Wethington.

**MARKET BARROWS:** Amanda Birkenfeld, Leon Birkenfeld, Jayson Burnam, Dominic Fortin, Casey Hoelting, Clay Hoelting, Brad Keel, B.J. Kern, Lynette Kleman, Laci McLaurin, Lisa McLaurin, Matthew Olvera, Sarah Olvera, Amy Pohlmeier, Colby Pohlmeier, Daryl Pohlmeier, Dustin Ramaekers, Kourtney Robertson, Coby Schacher, Derrick Schacher, Kyla Schacher, Adam Schulte, Jaret Schulte, Kit Schulte, Stacey Schulte and Stanton Wethington.

**CASTRO COUNTY 4-H MARKET STEERS:** Tye Baca, B.J. Hill, Beau Hill, Cory Lust, Tawnee Matthews, Taylor Matthews, Carla Petty, Chad Rogers, Steve Steffy, Carol Summers, Coby Summers and Justin Sutton.

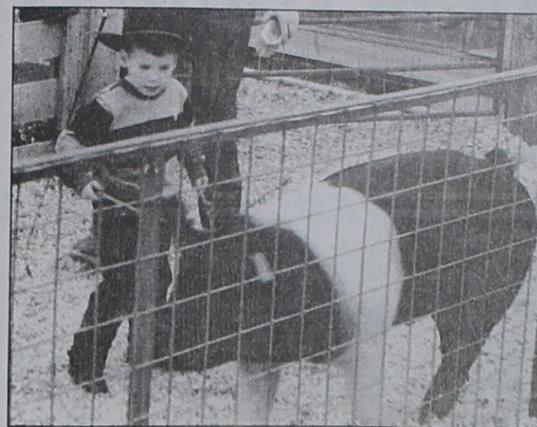
**MARKET LAMBS:** Mary Bradley, Cameron Lust, Wesley Mays, Carla Petty, Tonya Powers, Matthew Wright and Wesley Wright.

**MARKET BARROWS:** Caitlin Buckley, Deacon Buckley, Derek Buckley, Jacy Buckley, Beau Hill, Sharla Kenworthy, Shawna Kenworthy, Aaron Kern, Matthew Kern, Cameron Lust, Colby McDaniel, Cassie McLean, Summer Lynn McLean, Phillip Michler, Whitney Mitchell, Dagon Newton, Charley Nutt, Carla Petty, Kaci Schulte, Lori Schulte, Robin Schulte, Stuart Sutton, Jason Wooten, Matthew Wright and Wesley Wright.

**HEREFORD FFA MARKET STEERS:** Chad Christie, Colby Christie and Ian Isaacson.

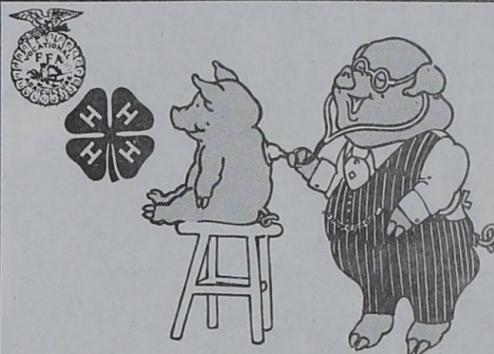
**MARKET LAMBS:** Chad Christie and Colby Christie.

**MARKET BARROWS:** Chad Christie, Colby Christie, Amy Killingsworth, Erin Killingsworth and Justin Scott.



**You're ALL Champions!**  
Good luck in the Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale. We're rooting for you!

**Dale's Auto & Salvage**  
of Nazareth



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We're proud to provide health care and supplies for livestock growers, both young and not-so-young, throughout this area.

Good luck to our FFA and 4-H youngsters in this year's show and sale.

**Dimmitt Veterinary Clinic & Supply**

W. J. Hill, D.V.M.

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## It takes preparation

... for a delicious meal, a successful farming operation, an outstanding show, and a great sale. Our congratulations to all who have brought our Junior Livestock Show to its present level.



**We're proud . . .**

. . . to have been involved in the Junior Livestock Show for many years. Through the work of the Dimmitt Young Farmers and great support from throughout the county, it just keeps getting bigger and better every year.

Good luck to all our youngsters!

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**The Feed Bin**  
**Clip 'n Curl Beauty Shop**

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## Scholarships are available

Applications are due March 7 for the Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarships.

4-H'ers are urged to allow enough time to complete and revise their applications.

Forms may be picked up at the Extension office and should be returned there prior to the deadline.

Any senior in high school who exhibited livestock at the State Fair of Texas may be eligible for scholarships sponsored by the Fair Association.

For more information, contact the Extension office.

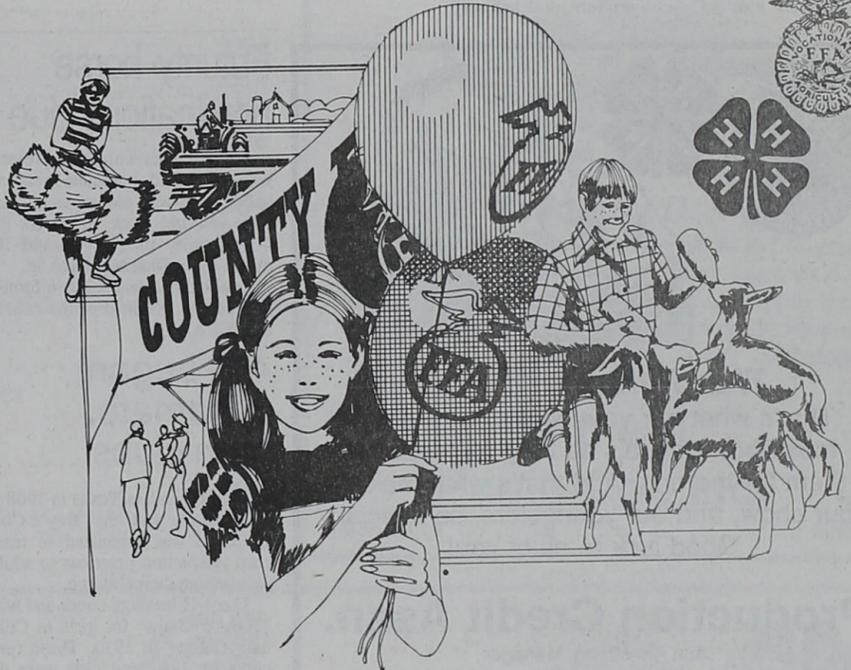
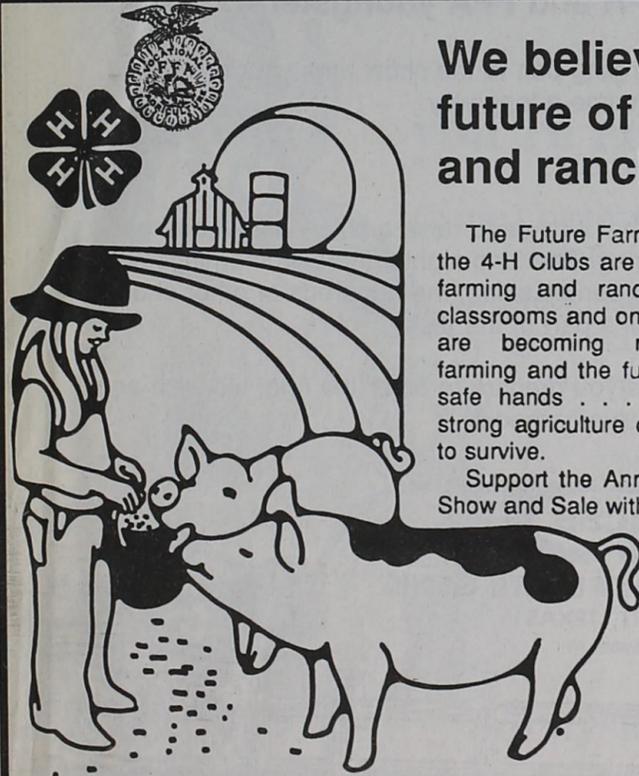


## We believe in the future of farming and ranching!

The Future Farmers of America and the 4-H Clubs are learning more about farming and ranching . . . in the classrooms and on the farm. Thus they are becoming more proficient in farming and the future of farming is in safe hands . . . for only through a strong agriculture can this nation hope to survive.

Support the Annual Junior Livestock Show and Sale with your presence!

**Texas Corn Producers Board**



## You're All Winners!

The competition, the challenge, the dedication you've shown in raising and grooming your show animals—these all have their own rewards. If you win at the Junior Livestock Show or do well in the sale—these make your 4-H or FFA experience even better.

Congratulations for trying. And good luck this weekend!

**West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative**

# Local youths place at Hereford

Local 4-H and FFA students did very well in the Hereford Young Farmers Junior Livestock Show two weeks ago in Hereford.

In the lamb show, Asia Kirby showed the five-county champion Fine Wool lamb, and Wesley Wright was second in the junior showmanship.

In the barrows, Colby McDaniel had the top mediumweight duroc, which earned him the five-county breed championship. Brian Simpson of the Dimmitt FFA was the five-county reserve champion in the Yorkshires.

Tye Baca had the top showing among all county entrants with the reserve grand champion steer. Baca won reserve honors with his medium frame steer, also winning reserve honors in the class.

Here are the results of all county entrants in the Hereford show:

## LAMBS

### Fine Wool Class 1

6. Cliff Wright, Dimmitt FFA; 7. Kori Bagley, Castro 4-H.

### Class 2

1. Asia Kirby, Dimmitt FFA; 4. Wesley Wright, Castro 4-H; 7. Wesley Mays, Castro 4-H; 8. Kodie Bagley, Castro 4-H.

**Five-county Fine Wool champion: Asia Kirby, Dimmitt FFA.**

### Fine Wool Cross Class 1

5. Tonya Powers, Castro 4-H; 6. Wesley Mays, Castro 4-H; 8. Matthew Wright, Castro 4-H.

### Medium Wool Class 1

4. Shane Furr, Castro 4-H.

### Class 2

8. Shaun Furr, Castro 4-H; 11. Trina Johnson, Nazareth FFA; 15. Shawn Pohmeier, Nazareth FFA; 17. Reece Hales, Castro 4-H; 18. Shawn Pohmeier, Nazareth 4-H.

## Class 3

7. Wesley Wright, Castro 4-H; 9. Cameron Lust, Castro 4-H; 11. Lyndee Behrends, Castro 4-H; 17. Tara Johnson, Nazareth FFA.

## Class 4

4. Asia Kirby, Dimmitt FFA; 6. Ky Kirby, Dimmitt FFA; 7. Wesley Mays, Castro 4-H; 12. Ky Kirby, Dimmitt FFA; 13. Cameron Lust, Castro 4-H; 14. Tonya Powers, Castro 4-H.

## Class 5

4. Kodie Bagley, Castro 4-H; 5. Tiffany Wilcox, Dimmitt FFA; 6. Matthew Wright, Castro 4-H; 8. Tiffany Wilcox, Dimmitt FFA.

## Southdown Class 1

3. Jeremy Furr, Castro 4-H.

## Class 2

2. Brandon Furr, Castro 4-H. **Wesley Wright was second in the junior showmanship.**

## BARROWS

### Chesters Heavyweight

2. Tanner Self, Dimmitt FFA; 4. Mandy Birkenfeld, Nazareth FFA.

## Durocs

### Lightweight

1. Jeremy Simpson, Dimmitt FFA; 8. Chris Hutson, Dimmitt FFA.

### Mediumweight

1. Colby McDaniel, Castro 4-H.

### Heavyweight

5. Adam Schueler, Nazareth FFA.

**Five-county champion: Colby McDaniel, Castro 4-H.**

### Yorkshires

#### Lightweight

1. Tanner Self, Dimmitt FFA.

#### Mediumweight

1. Brian Simpson, Dimmitt FFA; 2. Charley Nutt, Castro 4-H.

#### Heavyweight

2. Wesley Mays, Dimmitt FFA; 5. Daryl Pohmeier, Nazareth FFA.

**Five-county reserve champion: Brian Simpson, Dimmitt FFA.**

### Spots

#### Mediumweight

1. Ryan Harkins, Dimmitt FFA.

#### Hampshires

#### Heavyweight

5. Wesley Mays, Dimmitt FFA; 10. Amy Pohmeier, Nazareth FFA.

### Polands

#### Heavyweight

4. Tanner Self, Dimmitt FFA.

### Crosses

#### Lighthweight

4. Colby McDaniel, Castro 4-H; 6. Amy Pohmeier, Nazareth FFA; 7. Ryan Harkins, Dimmitt FFA; 10. Stacey Schulte, Nazareth FFA; 17. Max Moore, Dimmitt FFA.

### Jumbo

10. Adam Schulte, Nazareth FFA.

## STEERS

### Small Frame

#### Class 1

6. Cory Lust, Castro 4-H.

#### Class 2

3. B.J. Hill, Castro 4-H.

### Class 3

8. Stuart Sutton, Castro 4-H.

### Medium Frame

#### Class 1

1. Tye Baca, Castro 4-H; 3. Beau Hill, Castro 4-H.

#### Class 2

5. Chad Rogers, Castro 4-H.

### Medium frame five-county

**Reserve Champion: Tye Baca, Castro 4-H.**

### Large Frame

#### Class 1

2. Carla Petty, Castro 4-H; 3. Justin Sutton, Castro 4-H.

#### Class 2

4. Beau Hill, Castro 4-H.

**Reserve Grand Champion: Tye Baca, Castro 4-H.**

**Junior showmanship: 2. Justin Sutton.**



**RESERVE CHAMPION STEER** in the 1993 Castro County Junior Livestock Show was this 1,215-lb. (heavyweight) Shorthorn shown by 11-year-old Justin Sutton of the Dimmitt 4-H Club. Holding his banner for him is Carol Summers, and behind

the big steer is David Schaeffer, representing Bar G Feedyard, which paid a premium price of \$3 per pound at last year's auction sale.

*Photo by Deana McLain*

*There are no losers!*

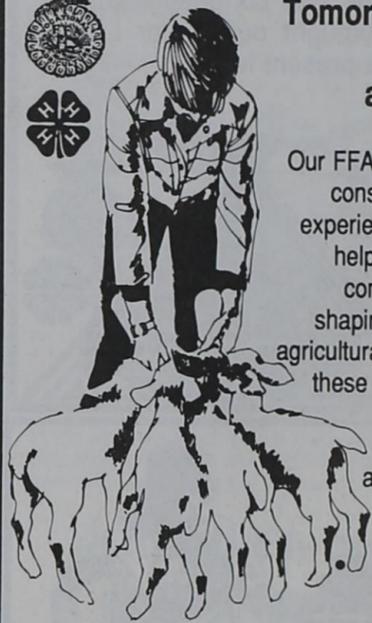
Every youngster who has raised a project animal for the Castro County Junior Livestock Show has gained valuable experience and learned some worthwhile lessons. They're all winners in our book!

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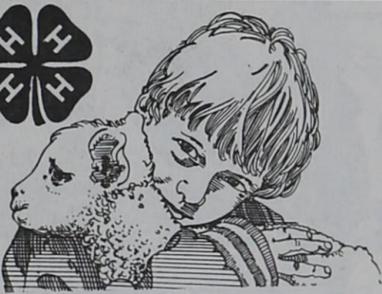
Our FFA and 4-H clubs are constantly learning and experiencing new ideas to help better our farming community. They'll be shaping the future of our agricultural world! We salute these fine groups and its members! Show your support by attending the Junior Livestock Show and Sale this Friday and Saturday.



**El Sombrero Restaurant**

S. Hwy. 385, Dimmitt

Floyd Lopez and Family



## That Personal Touch

That's what our youngsters have given their show animals as they've prepared them for the ring. And that's what makes our show, and our youngsters, so special. Good luck to all of you!

## Production Credit Assn.

Ann Armstrong, Manager  
Mark L. Kleman, Loan Representative  
Edna Sanders, Secretary

## Futurity horse nominations due

4-H members with horse projects who intend to nominate yearling halter, two-year-old pleasure and three-year-old stock horses for the 4-H Futurity program should fill out an application by March 15.

Applications and more information can be obtained at the county Extension office.

## 4-H began as tomato, corn clubs

4-H began in Texas in 1908 in Jack County with the "Boy's Corn Club." It was organized to teach corn production practices to adults by teaching their children.

The 4-H heritage continued with "Tomato Clubs" for girls in Coleman County in 1910. These rural clubs for boys and girls were the forerunner of 4-H in Texas.

Today's statewide 4-H program is for kids in rural and urban areas.



**GOOD LUCK!**

**To our 4-H and FFA youngsters:**

From the birthing pen to the show ring, your project animals have come a long way.

And so have you.

We know what it takes to raise a show animal and get it ready for the ring. The long nights, the cold mornings, the extra trips, the pen cleaning, the hundreds of other chores ... these are all a part of the task.

And now, as you prepare to enter the ring, we wish you good luck. You've earned it!



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HART, TEXAS  
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## CONGRATULATIONS



... To the Farming Youth and 4-H Members on their efforts towards another great

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Show your support by attending the  
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Friday and Saturday!

**Bennett Grain, Fertilizer & Cattle**  
Hart




We salute our  
**4-H and FFA Members**  
on a job well done in your preparation and accomplishments for this  
**Junior Livestock Show & Sale**

**Castro Oil & Gas, Inc.**

## 4-H to operate concession stand

The Castro County 4-H will be operating a concession stand during the stock show and a variety of sandwiches, snacks, candy, drinks, etc. will be offered for sale.

Proceeds will benefit the 4-H Club. "It takes a lot of hard work and commitment to make this concession stand the success that it is," said county Extension agents. "This is our only money-making project. Proceeds go to scholarships and camps for 4-H'ers. All who work are greatly appreciated."

Chairman for the concession stand project is Sue Summers. The concession stand was open Wednesday during the Nazareth Stock Show and members of the Nazareth 4-H Club worked.

Today, the concession stand will be open at 11 a.m. and members of the Nazareth 4-H will work until 5. On Friday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., members of the Dimmitt-Bethel 4-H Club will work in the concession stand, and the Hart Club will operate it on Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The 4-H County Council is expected to work from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and members of the Flagg 4-H Club will finish out the service from 1 to 8 p.m.

Club chairmen are asked to set up a work schedule for their club and a minimum of five to seven adults and six youths per shift are needed.

The Hart, Nazareth and Flagg 4-H Clubs are asked to bring four dozen homemade rice krispie bars, brownies and/or bar cookies for their club. Members of the Dimmitt-Bethel Club should bring eight dozen snacks. Bars should be 2" x 2" and should be individually wrapped in clear plastic.

4-H'ers also are responsible for keeping tables cleaned and trash picked up during the day, and must clean rest rooms and sweep bleachers at the end of each day.

The clean-up work schedule had members of the Nazareth Club working Wednesday while the Hart Club is responsible for duties today (Thursday), Dimmitt-Bethel Club on Friday and the Hart and Flagg Clubs on Saturday.

Here's a list of items which will be available at the concession stand, along with prices.

**4-H Concession Stand**  
at County Stock Show

**MENU**

Breakfast Burritos . . . . .	\$1.50
Barbecue Plate	
Barbecued Beef, Beans, Slaw, Pickles, Onions . . . . .	\$5.00
Combination Plate . . . . .	\$5.50
Frito Pie . . . . .	\$1.25
With Cheese . . . . .	\$1.50
Bowl of Chili . . . . .	\$1.50
With Cheese . . . . .	\$1.75
Hamburger . . . . .	\$2.00
Barbecue Sandwich . . . . .	\$2.00
Sausage Sandwich	
With or Without Sauerkraut . . . . .	\$2.00
Nachos . . . . .	\$1.00
With Chili . . . . .	\$1.50
French Fries . . . . .	\$1.00
Piece of Pie . . . . .	.75¢
Rice Krispie Bars . . . . .	.25¢
Brownies . . . . .	.25¢
Cookie Bars . . . . .	.25¢
Donuts . . . . .	.25¢
Cinnamon Rolls . . . . .	.75¢
Whole Pickles. . . . .	.50¢
Soft Drinks, Orange Juice, Milk . . . . .	.50¢
Coffee, Hot Chocolate . . . . .	.25¢
Ice . . . . .	.10¢
Cup or Cup of Ice Water . . . . .	.05¢
Candy Bars. . . . .	.50¢
Suckers . . . . .	2/.25¢

**Tuned to the Future**

Through the FFA and 4H programs, our youth are learning valuable basic skills on which they can build for a bright future. The Junior Livestock Show is a prime example of program excellence.

**Jerry's Automotive & Machine**





**Here's to a banner year**

. . . for our 4-H and FFA youth, Young Farmers and others in the annual Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale. Congratulations on an excellent program.

**Panhandle Ag Service, Inc.**





**Learning by Doing**

The best way to learn many skills is to put your lessons to practice, under good supervision. That's a hallmark of both the FFA and the 4-H programs. You'll see how well it works during the annual Castro County Junior Livestock Show.

**Triple A Pump Co., Inc.**

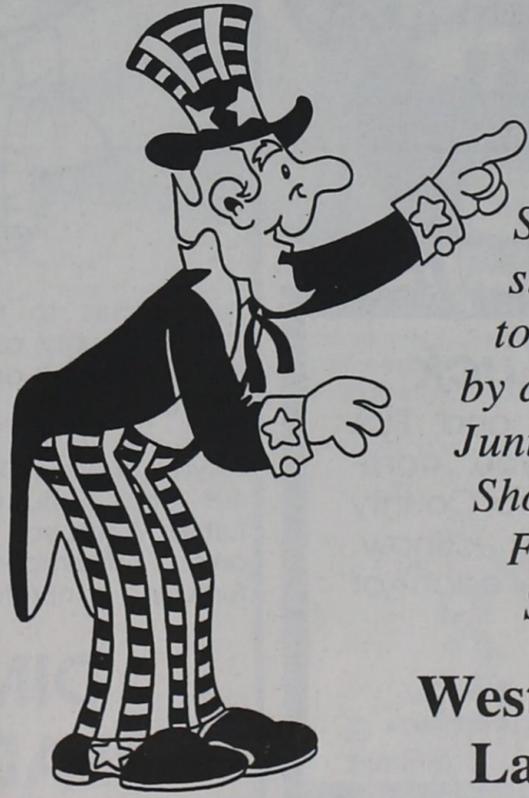
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**In our book, you're all winners!**

Castro County youth have record of excelling in the raising of livestock, and we are sure that your skill in that endeavor will again be proven this year as you exhibit your club animals in your Junior Livestock Show and Sale this Friday and Saturday.

**Cluck Cattle Sunnyside Cattle Co.**





Show your support for today's youth by attending the Junior Livestock Show and Sale Friday and Saturday.

**Westex Federal Land Bank**

# Here are the rules for the 1994 Livestock Show

## OFFICIALS

Young Farmers President.....	Kent Kirby
General Superintendent.....	Tommy Kenworthy
Assistant Superintendent.....	Stanley McDaniel
Vice President.....	Scotty Abbott
Secretary.....	Greg Odom
Treasurer.....	Tod Bradley
Reporter.....	Rodney Hunter
Steer Division Superintendent.....	Rodney Hunter
Asst. Steer Division Superintendent.....	Tod Bradley
Robert Boozer, Kennen Howell, Rick Bagwell, Dennis Petty, Greg Odom, Jerry Vera, Roy Schilling	
Lamb Division Superintendent.....	Dudley Wooten
Asst. Lamb Division Superintendent.....	Coby Gilbreath
Tim Wales, Lance Loudder, Rick Wright, Andy Williams, Lonnie Robb, Kurt Wales, Scotty Abbott, John David King	
Swine Division Superintendent.....	Dwayne Smith
Asst. Swine Division Superintendent.....	Larry Robb
Denny Lacy, Tommy Kenworthy, Mike Odom, Danny Heard, Todd Hatla, Joe Yokum, Kent Kirby, Matt Davis, Billy Jordan, Stanley McDaniel and Danny Underwood	
Auctioneers.....	Johnny Davis, Greg Odom, Jack Howell, Kenneth Gregg
Building Superintendent.....	Danny Underwood
Asst. Building Superintendent.....	Kurt Wales
Clerks.....	Dimmitt Young Farmers
Public Relations Liaison.....	Coby Gilbreath
Floor Buyers Committee.....	Dimmitt Young Farmers

## JUDGES

Lambs.....	Storm Gerhart
Steers.....	Billy Rash
Barrows.....	Carl Kent

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

**I. General**  
 1. All entries must be sent to the Young Farmers, Vo. Ag. Department, Dimmitt High School, 1505 Western Circle Drive by 5 p.m., Jan. 28, 1994. Any incomplete, unsigned or late entry will be fined \$25.

2. Entry Fee: To be used for bedding, show expenses, etc.  
 Calves.....\$10  
 Barrows & Lambs.....\$10

3. All livestock must be in place by 12 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1994. Weighing will begin at 4:30 p.m. Animals must be weighed by 8 p.m.

4. All animals must be weighed at the time of entry by the official weighers. Only one weigh back will be allowed if the animal does not make the limits set. This weigh back must be within one hour of the first weighing or at the discretion of the superintendent.

5. All animals will be ear-tagged or numbered by the county agent or ag teacher before they are weighed.

6. Each exhibitor will not be allowed to show more than two calves, two barrows and two lambs. Exhibitor will be allowed to sell no more than three animals and only two animals in any division. If individual shows more than three animals, he must notify the superintendent, immediately after judging, which three animals he will place in the sale.

7. The number of animals that will be sold through the auction will be as follows: 125 barrows, 125 lambs and 40 steers, or 75% of the total animals that are weighed in, whichever is the smaller number.

8. The percent of animals to be sold will be figured on each class. If an animal eligible for the sale is pulled, the next animal in line from that class will sell. This will be at the discretion of the superintendent.

9. Animals that make the show but do not make the sale will be sold with the floor animals, unless the exhibitor pulls the animals within an hour after showing.

10. All livestock will be sifted by weight. Sifted animals will be the responsibility of the owner and must be removed from the barns by 10 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 9.

11. Two showmanship trophies will be awarded for beef, swine and sheep. The senior showmanship will be for exhibitors ages 14 and over; and the junior showmanship will be for exhibitors ages 13 and under. The animals must have been owned, fitted and groomed by the exhibitor for the exhibitor to be eligible for a showmanship trophy.

12. No calf which has not been owned as of Sept. 1 will be allowed in the show. Barrows and lambs must have been owned as of Dec. 1.

13. Only active 4-H and FFA members are eligible to show. All livestock entered in the show must have been fed under the supervision of the Castro County Agent or a vocational agriculture teacher of Dimmitt, Hart or Nazareth High Schools and must be so certified by one of the above on the entry card.

14. To be eligible to show, all 4-H club members must be enrolled in a Castro County 4-H Club under the supervision of the Castro County Agent. All FFA members must be enrolled in a Castro County school. All exhibitors must reside in Castro County; be at least nine (9) years of age, or in the third grade; or be enrolled in a public or private elementary or secondary school located within the county.

15. All animals must be reasonably dry and clean before weighing. Any

animal not so may be declared ineligible to show by the committee in charge of the division.

16. Animals are the responsibility of the exhibitor until they are loaded on the truck. Any animal left in the barn after trucks are loaded are the responsibility of the seller.

17. The Dimmitt Young Farmers shall reserve the right to disqualify any exhibitor or animal for any reason that is deemed necessary. Also the Young Farmers will not be responsible for any injury, loss or damage to persons or property arising from the Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

18. Exhibitors and show officials will be the only persons allowed in the show ring.

19. Any animal sold on the floor must have been entered in the show.

20. Any exhibitor found violating the rules may be subject to a fine up to \$200 and suspension from the county show for a period of one year. The person signing the entry card also may be fined up to \$200. Entry cards will not be accepted from the offending organization until the fine is paid.

21. All protests must be in writing and be accompanied by a deposit of \$50 which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained. Such protest must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal, and must be delivered to the livestock show management immediately after occasion for such protest. The protest committee will consist of Young Farmer officers and the various division superintendents. All committee decisions are final. The Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale and the Dimmitt Young Farmers are indemnified from any and all liability for all legal or other proceedings which may ensue from the committee's decision.

22. No animal may leave the stock show premises from the time of weigh-in until after the show without the approval of the superintendent. All take-home animals must be checked out of barns by noon on Saturday, Feb. 12.

23. Each club will be responsible for cleaning its pens. If pens are not cleaned, a fine of \$200 will be levied. Checks will be held until the fine is paid. All pens must be cleaned by 6 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 13.

24. No change in the pattern or highlighting of any animal in all three barns by painting or dyeing will be allowed.

25. No adults will be allowed in the show ring during the show or classification.

26. Exhibitors ineligible to participate at the Castro County Junior Livestock Show due to the "No Pass and No Play" rule cannot have another person or persons exhibit his or her animal or animals.

## II. Classifying

Lambs will be weighed and classified at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 9 in the show ring. Calves will be weighed upon arrival at the show and will be classed by height and weight. Steer classes will be determined by the superintendent. At least five animals are needed to make a class. Any animal not classified at the proper time must wait until last to be classified.

### Judging Schedule

Lambs.....	8 a.m., Friday, Feb. 11
Steers.....	11 a.m., Friday, Feb. 11
Barrows.....	1 p.m., Friday, Feb. 11

## III. Steer Department

1. Only steers are eligible to show.  
 2. All calves in the show must weigh at least 900 pounds; however 1,350 pounds is the top pay weight.

3. The first and second place winners in each of the classes will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of the show.

4. Awards:  
 Placings.....Ribbons  
 Grand Champion.....Banner  
 Reserve Grand Champion.....Banner

5. If there is not enough of any one class to be placed in a separate class, they will be classed with another class.

## IV. Lamb Department

1. Both wethers and ewe lambs are eligible to show.  
 2. There will be four breeds of lambs, as follows:  
 A. Finewool: This class shall include only purebred of grade Rambouillet or Delaine or a cross between these two breeds.

B. Finewool Cross: This class will include lambs sired by Suffolk, Hampshire, Corriedale or Columbia rams and out of Finewool ewes. Lambs that carry more than 50% medium wool breeding will go into the medium wool class.

C. Medium Wool Class: This class shall include only purebred or grade Hampshire, Suffolk, Corriedale and Columbia or other Medium Wool Cross.

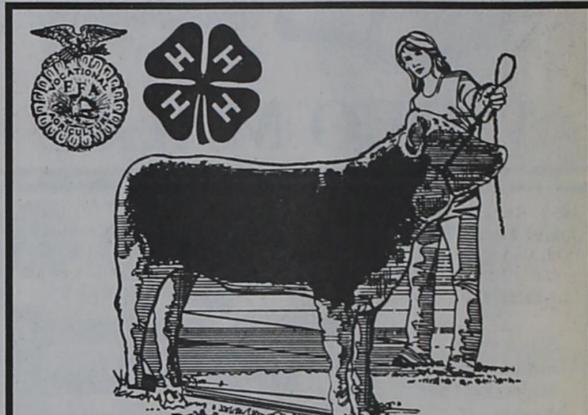
D. Southdowns: This class is only for purebred Southdowns or lambs that exhibit predominant Southdown characteristics.

3. Weight Classes:  
 Breeds of lambs will be divided into light, medium and heavy classes if

there are as many as 30 animals in a breed class; otherwise they will be divided into a light and heavy class. The minimum weight will be 80 pounds. There will not be a top weight, but the maximum pay weight will be 130 pounds.

4. Lambs will be classified in show ring according to breed before weigh-in. A classifying judge will assist the superintendent in placing the animals in the proper class. The classifier's decision will be final.

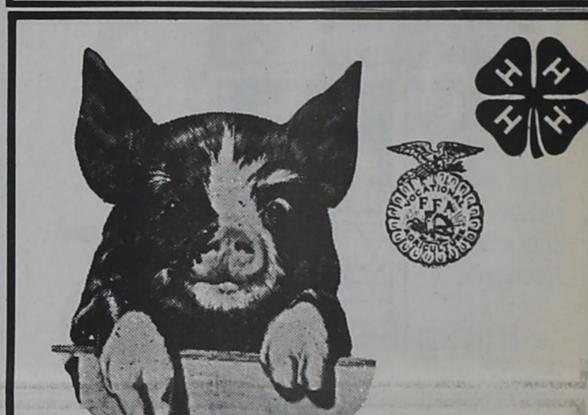
If there are more than 50 in one breed, the superintendent will break the



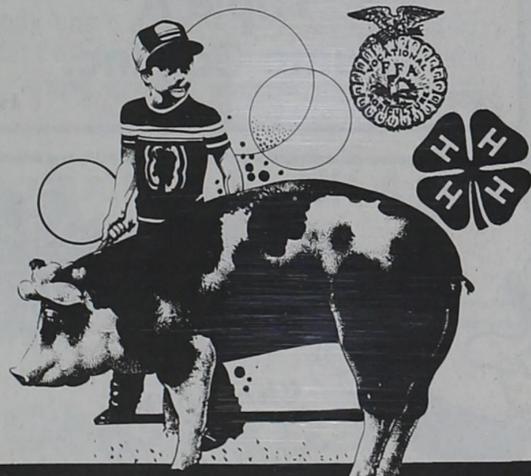
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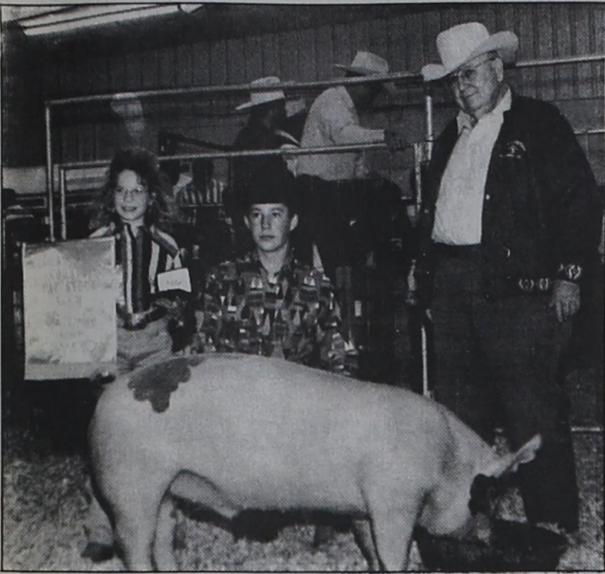
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Photo by Deana McLain

**More about**

**Stock show rules...**

breed into four classes: light, medium, medium heavy and heavy.

- 5. Champion and Reserve Champion of each breed will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of the show.
- 6. Lambs wool should be uniform in length—no more than 1/4-inch in length. Top knots are permitted.
- 7. Where four animals are not available to make weight classes, then lightweights and heavyweights will be grouped into a single breed class.
- 8. Awards:  
Placings.....Ribbons  
Grand Champion.....Banner  
Reserve Grand Champion.....Banner

**V. Swine Department**

- 1. Only barrows are eligible to show.
- 2. Barrows weighing less than 220 pounds or more than 260 pounds will be sifted from the show. There will be five pounds variance up or down one weigh back.
- 3. No feeding will be allowed in aisles. All feed will be dumped outside, on the south side of the barn.
- 4. There will be seven breeds of barrows, as follows:  
A. Berkshires  
B. Chesters  
C. Durocs  
D. Hampshires  
E. Spot and Poland Chinas  
F. Yorkshires  
G. Crosses and Other Breeds
- 5. Weight Classes:  
Breeds of barrows will be divided into light, medium and heavy classes if there are as many as 30 animals in a breed class, otherwise a light and heavy class. If there are more than 50 in one breed, the Superintendent will break the breed into four classes: light, medium, medium heavy and heavy.
- 6. At the judge's discretion, any obvious violation of classification will result in disqualification of the animal in question.
- 7. First and second place barrows from each class will compete for Champion and Reserve Champion of the breed.
- 8. Champion and Reserve Champion of each breed will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of the show.
- 9. Where five animals are not available to make weight classes, then lightweights and heavyweights will be grouped into a single breed class.
- 10. Barrows will be sold at weigh-in weights.

**VI. Sale**

Starts at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 12, 1994

- 1. Exhibitors selling livestock must have their animals ready to be brought into the auction ring when their number is called.
- 2. SALE ORDER:  
1. Grand Champion Steer, Barrow & Lamb  
Reserve Champion Steer, Barrow & Lamb  
All Breed Champion Barrows, Lambs & Steers  
All Reserve Breed Champions  
2. 1/3 Steers  
3. 1/3 Barrows  
4. 1/3 Lambs
- 3. All animals that are to be sold as "take homes" must be listed as such on the sale sheet prior to the sale. Animals not listed as a "take home" on the sale sheet will be sold. If any exhibitor wants to list animals as a "take home," it is his responsibility to notify his county agent or vo-ag teacher. The county agent or vo-ag teacher will present a list of the floor animals and "take home" animals within one hour after the judging. If not notified, the animal will be considered a floor animal. A fee of \$50 will be charged to add or take off a "take home" animal. Ag teachers and county agents are required to remain at the show until all animal counts are balanced.
- 4. Exhibitors will be allowed to sell a total of three animals and no more than two in any division.
- 5. Any animal donated to be sold back will be sold after the sale.

A concession stand will be operated throughout the show by the Castro County 4-H Clubs.

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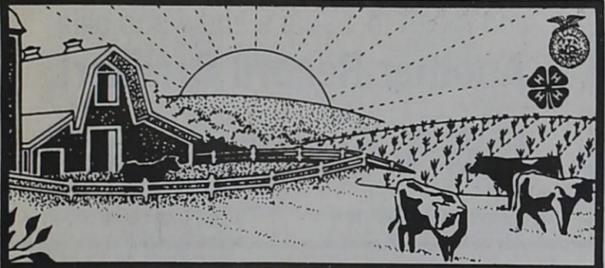
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Congratulations as you hold your Junior Livestock Show and Sale this Friday and Saturday.

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# Lambs are all in the family for the Harts

By AARON HART

Baa, baa. That's the sound I wake up to every morning. It means "Feed me, feed me."

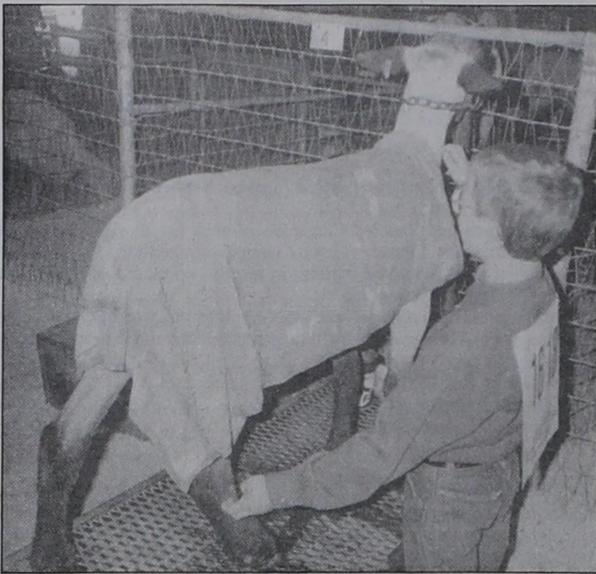
I am Aaron Hart, the 10-year-old son of Vic and Laura Hart, the big brother to a sister, Adrienne, and brother Adam. I have been a member of the Hart 4-H club for three years, serving as club treasurer the last two years.

I have had my sheep project all three years, but I've been around sheep all 10 years of my life since my granddad, Joe Percy Hart, has raised sheep for many years. My sheep project is a whole lot of fun. The entire family gets involved. By attending workshops and having

hands-on experience I have learned how to mix feed rations, proper exercise methods, showmanship techniques and proper grooming.

This year, my dad has been showing me the proper way to use the sheep shears. When it comes time to shear or work around my granddad's sheep I always get involved. I like being around sheep; they are fun to be around and my show lambs soon become a part of my family. That makes it hard to let them go when the time comes.

This year I am looking forward to all the livestock shows that I will be attending. I hope that this year all my hard work pays off and my show lambs make the sale. Sheep are hard work but a whole lot of fun.



**WAITING FOR THE CALL**—Aaron Hart gets his lamb ready for the Castro County Stock Show in February. Hart became interested in 4-H three years ago and his Sheep projects have kept him busy.

Courtesy Photo

## Project helped 4-H'er get a good beginning

By BRYCE POHLMEIER

I want a lamb! I want a lamb! I want a lamb!

That was my battle cry my first year in 4-H. The second year was about the same, except I wanted two lambs.

Hi. My name is Bryce Pohlmeier and this past year was my second with a lamb project. I am 9 years old and I live in Nazareth. I am in the fifth grade and am in the Dimmitt-Bethel 4-H Club.

My parents are Walt and Lucy Pohlmeier and I have two sisters, Kalina and Karmen; and a brother, Shawn.

My projects are Lambs, Food and Nutrition, Clothing and a new one, Beef. There are so many projects to do in 4-H that it is hard to decide which ones I want to do and have enough time to do them.

My lambs are still my main project. This project proved quite interesting this year. I thought that I was old enough to handle two lambs. I decided that I wanted a

Southdown and a Medium Wool. Wow! Was that Medium Wool hard to handle. My Southdown and I got along quite well.

I found it takes quite a bit of extra time to get two lambs ready to show. I attended several clinics in order to improve my grooming and showmanship.

My older brother also helped me quite a bit. By the time the stock shows rolled around, I was ready to show them and hopefully make the sale.

I did not do as well as I thought that I would. In the local show I received first-place and Breed Champion honors with my Southdown and fifth place with my Medium Wool. At the county show I received fourth place with my Southdown and finished second-to-last with my Medium Wool.

My Southdown made the sale and, needless to say, my Medium Wool did not. Ouch! That hurt the pocketbook!

I learned some new things this year. I learned how to feed my lamb fishmeal to burn excess fat and how to feed corn to put on a nice finish. I really liked learning the technique of using your wash table to make your lambs learn to push. That was a lot easier than setting them on the ground and trying to get them to push.

As hard as it was to have two lambs, I think that I will try it again and see if I can do better. I am going to remain in my Lamb project.

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We're proud of the way our entire county works together for the success of the Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

Special thanks to the Dimmitt Young Farmers for all your hard work and dedication.

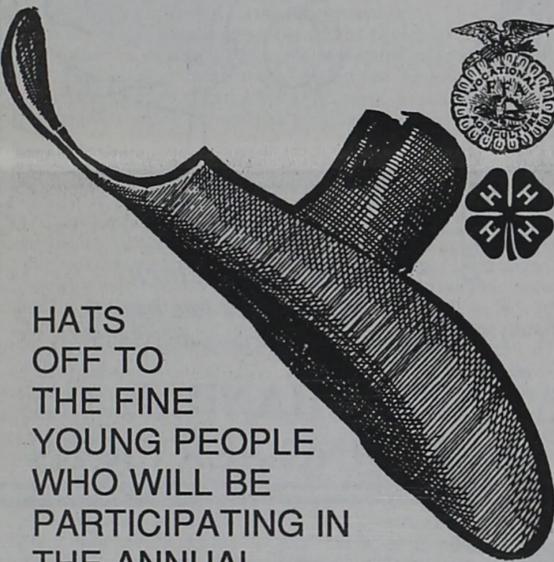


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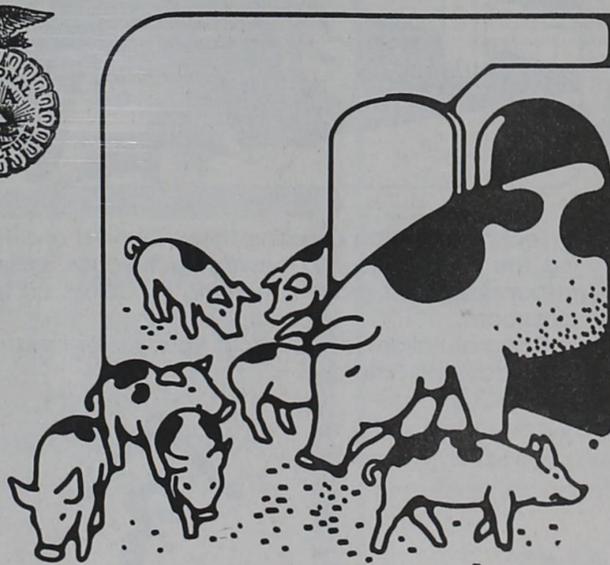


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## Animal science projects teach 4-H'ers responsibility

Helping youths to develop a sense of responsibility and caring is basic to 4-H animal science programs—which include projects in agriculture, beef, sheep, wine, commodity marketing, dairy, dog care and training, horse and veterinary science.

These programs provide young people an opportunity to explore many areas of the animal industry and to place special emphasis on areas of individual interest, according to county 4-H program coordinators with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The programs offer opportunities to 4-H members whether they live in rural areas or in major metropolitan areas.

In animal science programs, 4-H members are exposed to everything from simple pet care and training to marketing, breeding, research, nutrition and careers.

"These programs can be an inte-

gral part of their learning and living experiences and can offer young people an almost limitless array of opportunities for education and exploration," say county Extension agents.

Objectives common to programs in animal science include:

- 1. To develop leadership activities, build character and assume citizenship responsibilities.
- 2. To explore career opportunities.
- 3. To develop skills, knowledge and attitudes for lifelong uses.

— 4. To share knowledge gained with others.

Youths who excel in 4-H animal science programs can reap a host of awards, including some scholarships and trips to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago, which are awarded each fall.



JUSTIN GLEGHORN of Dimmitt shows off the banners and trophy he received after his red Limousin steer, Apache, granded the Houston Livestock Show in 1993. Gleghorn's steer drew a bid of \$350,000, and the youngster received \$50,000. The rest of the money went into a scholarship fund at Houston. Photo by Anne Acker

## Gleghorn's steer granded Houston show last year

After years and years of showing livestock at shows across the state, Justin Gleghorn of Dimmitt saw those years of work pay off in a big way at last year's Houston Livestock Show.

Gleghorn's 1,217-pound red Limousin, Apache, was selected as the 1993 Grand Champion Steer of the Houston show.

"I really can't believe it happened," said Gleghorn after last year's show. "I had hoped he would at least win his class. I felt like I had as good a chance as anyone. I knew my steer was a little better, but it was really a mixture of hard work and some luck. I think he had an advantage because he had a lot of muscle, length of body and he was well finished."

Gleghorn's steer sold for a new world record price of \$350,000 and it was purchased by LeRoy and Lucile Melcher. Gleghorn received \$50,000 for the animal and the other \$300,000 was placed into a permanent livestock show college scholarship fund.

Gleghorn's winnings are helping pay for his college education.

The Dimmitt youth, who had shown steers for nine years, raised Apache for 18 months.

"We bred and raised him here from a set of cows we had last year," Gleghorn said. "Apache never gave us any problems. It took about a year of work to get him ready to show. When showing steers you've got to be prepared to work with them a lot and get them used to being around people."

Gleghorn wasn't the only county exhibitor to fare well at Houston last year.

Among the other county winners

was Chad Jennings of the Dimmitt FFA, who showed the Breed Champion heavyweight Spot barrow and it sold for \$15,000. He received \$7,500 of that money while the rest went into the scholarship fund.

## Goals help 4-H in its mission

Texas 4-H, and its clubs in Castro and other counties in Texas, has nine specific goals to help members and leaders gain knowledge and skills and form attitudes which will enable them to become self-directing, productive and contributing members of society.

The goals include:

- Acquire knowledge in certain areas of agriculture, natural resources, home economics, science and technology.
- Acquire a positive self-concept.

— Learn to respect and get along with people.

— Learn and practice leadership skills and fulfill leadership roles.

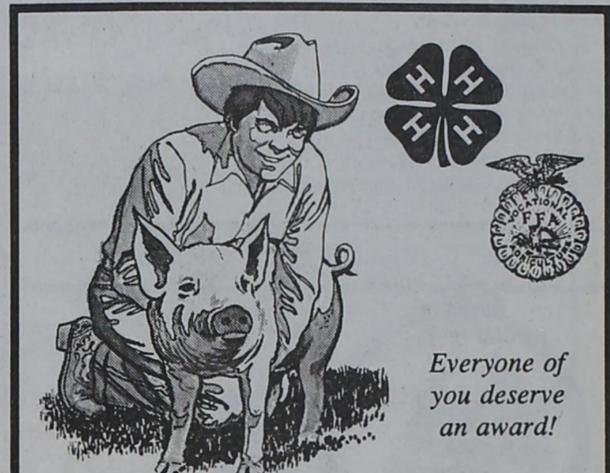
— Learn about and practice good citizenship.

— Learn and use accepted practices for mental, physical, emotional and social health.

— Explore and evaluate career and job opportunities.

— Establish positive attitudes toward productive use of leisure time.

— Develop and active plan for attainment of personal goals.



Everyone of you deserve an award!

## Good Luck 4-H and FFA Members at the Junior Livestock Show Friday and Saturday Terra International

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Best wishes for another successful Junior Livestock Show and Sale!



## Roger's Repair

Roger Gerber

Nazareth



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Thank you, Young Farmers, for producing the show. And good luck, kids!

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## Congratulations

... to our FFA and 4-H youth, to their sponsors and parents, and to the Dimmitt Young Farmers for making the Castro County Junior Livestock Show the best in Texas!

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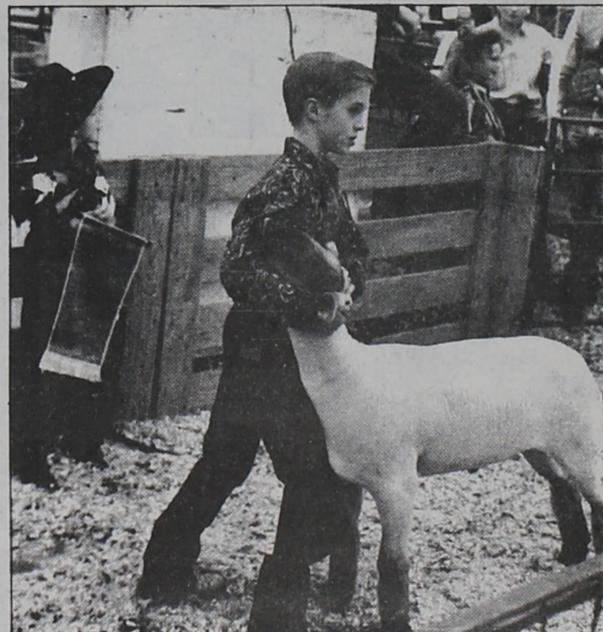


Congratulations on a sound program and a well planned Junior Livestock Show and Sale!

## B&W AERIAL SPRAY

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## Gary's Engine & Machine



# Calf projects changed since first stock show

For as long as there has been a Dimmitt Young Farmers Castro County Junior Livestock Show, there have been outstanding calves.

Back in the days when "youngsters" like Richard Hunter and Howard Smithson were winning blue ribbons for their stock, things were a little different. Over the past 30-odd years, the needs for project and show steers have changed dramatically.

One thing that hasn't changed is the amount of education and recreation that can come from showing steers. The rewards only come after many hours of preparation.

Before beginning the search for a prospective show steer, it's important to have facilities ready for a calf. This includes a pen large enough for the animal to exercise, shade and

protection from the elements. The calf should also have access to clean water.

J.D. Ragland, Castro County Extension Agent, told Texas Hereford magazine that when beginning a project, it's important for a family to discuss how much they are willing to spend on the calf.

"Once the family has decided on their budget, they can look for the best calf that they can afford," Ragland said.

Ragland said finding a reputable breeder is key. Breeders with a solid reputation will be able to give information about the calf's bloodlines and tell about the health program for the calf.

Structural correctness, even in the youngest calves, is crucial.

"The first thing that I tell families to look for in a calf are the lines," Ragland told the magazine. "They've got to be stylish with some top and thickness. The animal's coat is an important characteristic. We try to buy calves that have good hair as babies, and then maintain the hair as they grow. If they don't have good hair when they are young, more often than not, they won't have it when they are old, either."

The transition to the calf's new quarters is very important. It often takes a while for a calf to begin eating properly, and extra care is needed. Mike McCravey, Texas Junior Hereford Association advisor from Abilene, said it's a good time to begin the gentling process.

"Once the calves are settled in, the calves should be tied up every day for an hour or more," McCravey said. "The calves get a lot of TLC, and the attention makes a difference in the show ring."

Breaking a calf to halter takes some patience, and a little ingenuity. An easy way is to tie it to a fence with a solid bottom. The solid fence is important, because the calf will try to fight the halter and jump forward; if the fence is solid, it won't get its feet caught in the fence.

Once the calf will stand with slack in the halter, about three weeks, you can teach it to lead.

"It's best to start in a small pen, and try to lead the calf in a small circle," Ragland said. "You'll need to have someone following it to encourage it to walk."

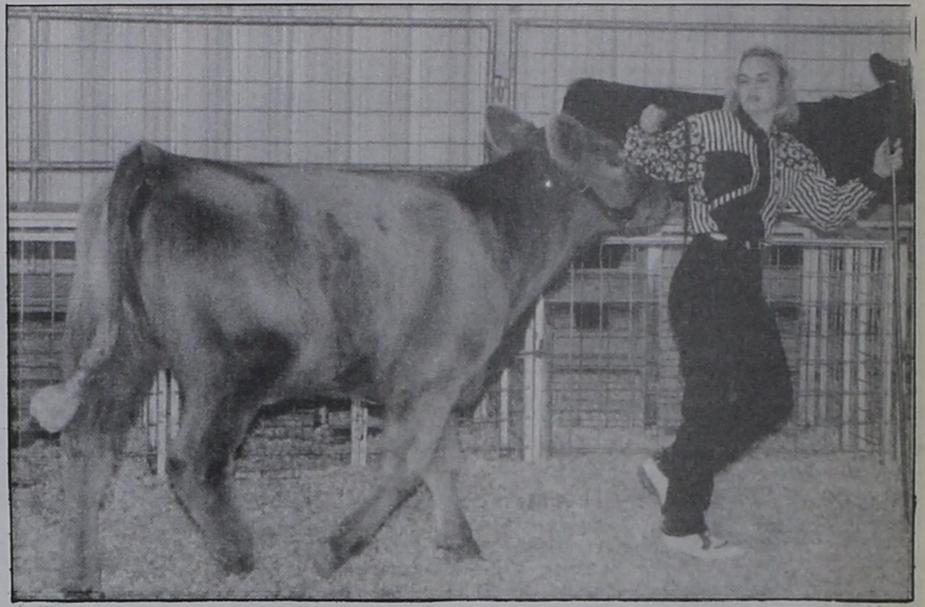
Once the calf leads in a small pen, you can have it lead in a larger pen, and eventually in a field with no fences. After the calf has adjusted well to the halter and does a good job leading, then you can bring the show stick into the picture. Ragland said it's important to introduce the show stick and any other new items slowly; if you don't the calf will get skittish.

"Training is crucial," Ragland said. "Practicing at home is important. Showmanship is a very important part of the program. Shows are never won at the show; they are won at home."

Ragland said the calf program, perhaps more than any other, gets the whole family involved.

"That's the positive side of the project," Ragland said. "It's really exciting when the whole family pulls together to work on a calf."

*This story is based on an article in Texas Hereford magazine.*



SHOWRING PERFORMANCE TAKES TRAINING, PATIENCE Exhibitor at last year's stock show puts steer through his paces.

## Livestock projects give youths excellent learning experiences

**(EDITOR'S NOTE: David McCormick is an ag sciences teacher and Future Farmers of America (FFA) advisor with the Dimmitt Independent School District.)**

**By DAVID MCCORMICK**  
The real value of the livestock projects may not be the profits youngsters make from selling their animals.

The stock show announcer states, "Bring Class No. 1 to the show ring," or a judge says "The Grand Champion of the junior livestock show is . . ." The auctioneer may cry "sold!"

These are the words which are anxiously awaited by thousands of 4-H and FFA members in Texas and other states.

The above statements are basically the conclusion of four to 12

months of hard work for these youngsters.

A 4-H or FFA member in our area usually selects a steer, barrow or lamb although poultry, rabbits and horse projects also are very popular.

In the Castro County Livestock Show, lambs, barrows, heifers and steers are shown. When a boy or girl chooses a calf project they can expect the following costs:

Calf cost.....\$750 to \$3,000  
Feed cost.....\$500 to \$1,000  
Show equipment.....\$100 to \$200  
Veterinary or  
Misc. Expenses.....\$100 to \$200

These are approximate costs.

The 1992 Houston Stock Show's Grand Champion Steer cost \$750. The Reserve Grand Champion at the same show cost the owner

\$12,500. I know of a steer that sold for \$35,000 as a 500-pound prospect.

It requires approximately eight to 12 months to complete a calf project.

Should young people select a lamb project, the approximate costs would be:

Lamb cost.....\$75 to \$300  
Feed cost.....\$40 to \$100  
Veterinary or  
Misc. Expenses.....\$30 to \$100

Last year as I attended lamb sales in Oklahoma and Texas, lambs were being sold in a price range between \$75 and \$3,400.

Five to six months of work are

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They're the future of this community . . . learning through doing 'first hand' and earning as they go! These organizations have given our young people the opportunity to do something important with their lives, as they become self-assured and responsible adults. We're very proud of our area young people and we wish them the best as they hold their Annual Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

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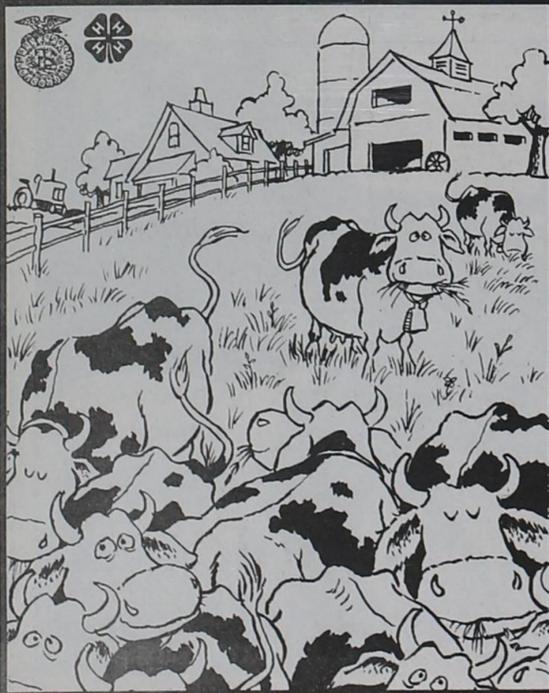


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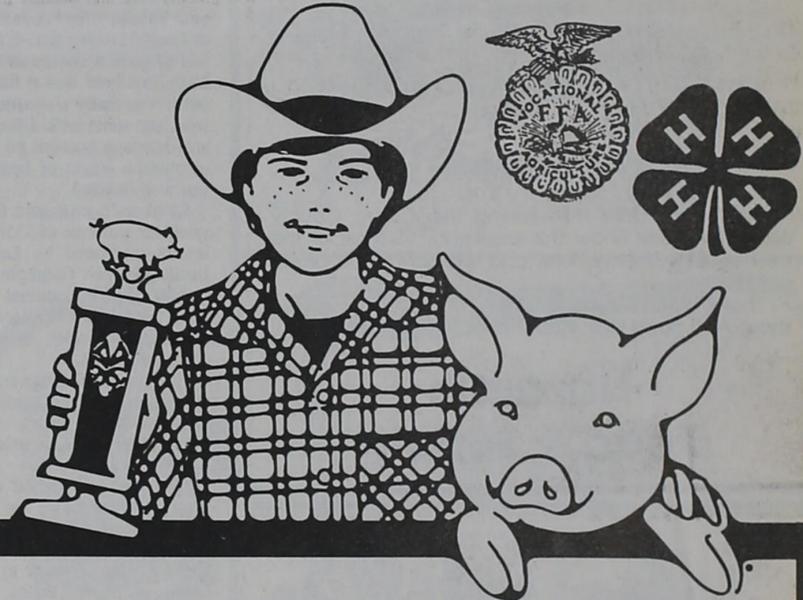
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# Projects require thinking skills

4-H projects offer youths opportunities for "critical thinking," said J.D. Ragland, county 4-H program coordinator for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Through planning and carrying out a project, youths learn to apply critical thinking skills to real-life problems, Ragland said.

For example, in a project involving raising an animal, a youngster must do the following:

1. Compare and contrast animals as the basis for deciding which to keep, cull, breed or buy. Basic training of this nature is done in livestock judging.
2. Identify characteristics of individual animals that qualify or disqualify as certain breeds or species.
3. Learn nutritional ration ingredients needed for health and growth and identify animal parts and their functions.
4. Use previous experience and subject matter learned to recognize health problems and course of action needed.
5. Identify errors through re-

cognizing and correcting mistakes. Incorrectly identifying the breeding cycle or gestation period of an animal can cause a loss of productivity and money.

6. Identify the main idea and generalize from the particular animal project to the entire food ecosystem as the youth determines profit or loss at the market price.



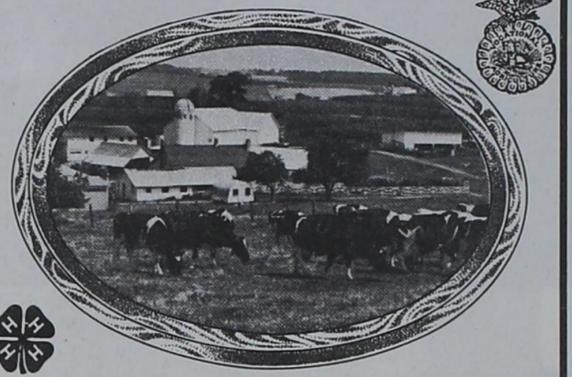
GRAND CHAMPION BARROW in last year's Castro County Junior Livestock show was this 235-lb. (light heavyweight) Hampshire shown by Andy Hill, a member of the Dimmitt 4-H Club. Helping Andy with the champion's banner is Houston Sutton. In background are the eight

buyers who went together to provide Andy with a premium bid of \$9 per pound. From left are Rex Lust, David McCormick, Vic Nelson, Leslie Davis, Donnie Nelson, Gene Bradley, Brent Self and James Simpson. Photo by Deana McLain

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... wishes the best to our FFA and 4-H youth and to the Young Farmers in the annual Junior Livestock Show and Sale.



### More about

## Learning...

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required by a youth to complete a lamb project.  
A show barrow project would cost approximately:

Pig Cost .....	\$100 to \$300
Feed Cost.....	\$100 to \$150
Show Equipment .....	\$25 to \$50
Veterinary or	
Misc. Expense .....	\$25 to \$75

During the fall of 1992, I saw show prospects sell between \$75 and \$3,000 each.

The success of these animal projects depends on several factors.

First you must start with a great animal, then hope he stays healthy and sound through the feeding and show season.

The animal needs a well-balanced, highly-fortified ration in the precise amounts needed daily, along with clean fresh water around the clock.

Daily supervision, feeding and care are a must. This includes health care, parasite control, hoof trimming, washing, brushing, clipping, and a ton of TLC (Tender Loving Care).

Next a youth must develop a plan of action for the show season, hoping for good, honest judges and a lot of luck.

Last but not least, a youngster needs a good bonus auction, a supportive school administration, parents who are willing to sacrifice time and money to support the project. And the youngster must be willing to spend the time necessary to develop the animal.

My philosophy has always been to develop Grand Champion kids, and then the Grand Champion animal will come automatically.

Dimmitt FFA members have a great project center to be thankful for. I want to personally thank Ed Standlee and Larry Gray, former Dimmitt FFA Advisors, for their leadership in completing this project—the Dimmitt FFA Project Center which is located north of the city. I also wish to thank the former Dimmitt FFA members, Dimmitt Young Farmers and every member of the Dimmitt Community who

helped make the project center change from a dream into a reality.

As you consider the cost of the above project, your thoughts may be "this is neither practical nor profitable."

You are right if the money is your only consideration.

Allow me to pose this scenario: Which is better? Spending money to help your youngster establish a record on winning with livestock projects or spending money trying to clear up his records at the Castro County Courthouse?

My decision was easy. How about yours?

Also consider how profitable is a sports camp, band or music camp, dancing lessons or any number of other very worthwhile activities that we pay to send our youngsters to. All of the above are very worth-

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An exhibitor feeds his barrow at last year's stock show.

## Barrow projects are fulfilling

The thrill of showing a champion is great, and a champion barrow is one of the most fulfilling projects for 4-H'ers and FFA members.

Youngsters generally select barrows when the pigs are 8 to 10 weeks old and weigh 30 to 80 pounds. As pigs get older and larger it's easier to select the good ones, but most pigs must be selected at an early age because of competition from other buyers.

The age of the barrow at show time is critical these days. Usually, it takes a barrow that is six or seven months old to weigh 220 to 250 pounds. Pigs that are older than seven months may have to be put on limited rations and may be "stale" by show time. However, many feeders prefer a slightly older pig over a younger one because it is easier to hand-feed a pig and control his weight toward the end of the finishing period than to push a young pig to make the minimum weight.

The breed of pig is important. In the Dimmitt Young Farmers Castro

County Junior Livestock Show, the strongest competition is usually in crosses and Durocs, followed by Chester Whites and Hampshires. There may be fewer entries in other breeds, but remember that most grand champions come from divisions with the strongest competition.

Getting to know a project pig, and information about its parents and the history of the herd, is important. The potential to have a high lean-to-fat ratio, structural size and soundness and growth and efficiency of gain is determined at breeding time. Prospects should come from herds that have proven performance in the show ring.

Ham thickness is very crucial. Extra rump length, squareness and thickness through the rump and depth from the tail to the base of the ham are important features. Pigs should be clean-topped with a clean head and underline. Barrows should travel soundly on both front and hind legs with adequate slope to the front

shoulder with cushion for the front and hind legs.

A good home is important for the pig. There should be a self-waterer, self-feeder, feed storage and sleeping areas that are free from cold north winds, rain and snow. A wood floor helps out, too, to keep pigs from rooting deep holes and to keep the pen clean.

Feeding is crucial. If everything works just right, the pig should stay on the self-feeder until the week of the show. That, however, is usually impossible. Most pigs have to be hand-fed the last few weeks to have the desired weight and to prevent them from showing excess finish.

Although every barrow is different, here are a few basic guidelines.

- Barrows should be fed for rapid growth and development on a self-feeder for as long as possible. Hand-feeding during the later part of the feeding period lets you influence leanness and trimness and control gain.
- The diet must contain adequate protein.
- A pig shows best if it has been brought along steadily without any drastic holding or pushing for weight. Weighing each pig every 7 to 10 days over the last two months of the feeding period lets a showman plot a course for the right weight in the showing.
- Pigs usually do their best if they weigh within two or three pounds of the top limit of their particular weight division. That requires careful planning.

Pigs can be controlled in the showing, but it requires lots of work, lots of patience and lots of training to win a pig's confidence. Fear will not work, but gaining the pig's trust during hand-feeding time is an excellent way to come out on top in the show.

A short stick, leather quirt or your hand can help the pig know your wishes. The pig will often keep running no matter what you do at first, but patience will win out for you and the barrow.

There are three signals a showman and the pig should know:

- A tap on the side means for him to move forward.

- A gentle pressure on the right side of the head indicates a left turn.

- Pressure on the left cheek indicates a right turn.

The pig will not respond properly at first, or even for a while. Pigs, though, are smart, and will learn with work and patience.

A pig should be driven at least once a day during the last two weeks to a month before the show. Training is best done before feeding time, with different things taught each day until the pig is under the showman's control.

Fitting the pig for the show is essential. Feet should be trimmed so the pig stands squarely and walks properly. Brushing the coat regularly over the last 30 days will help train the hair to lie down properly and add bloom to the hair coat.

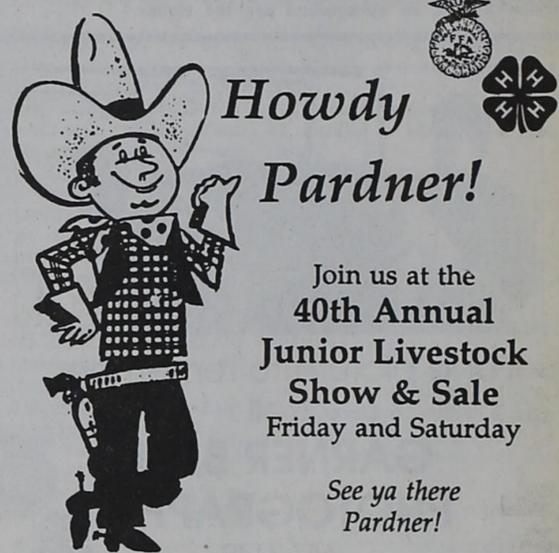


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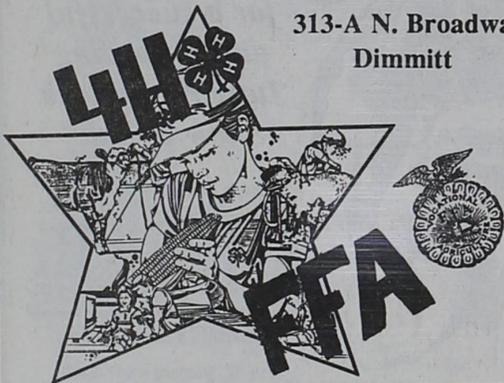
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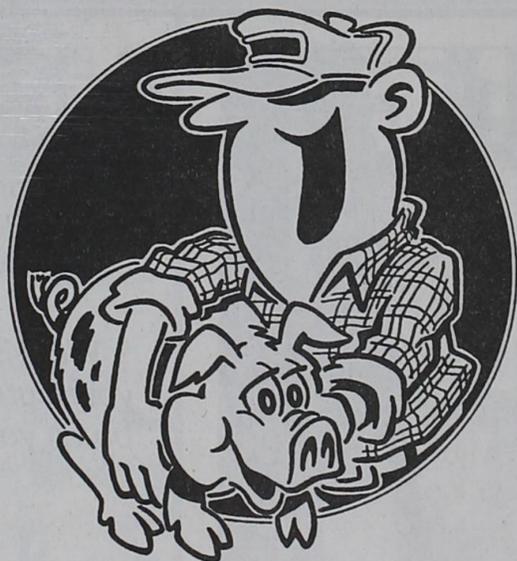
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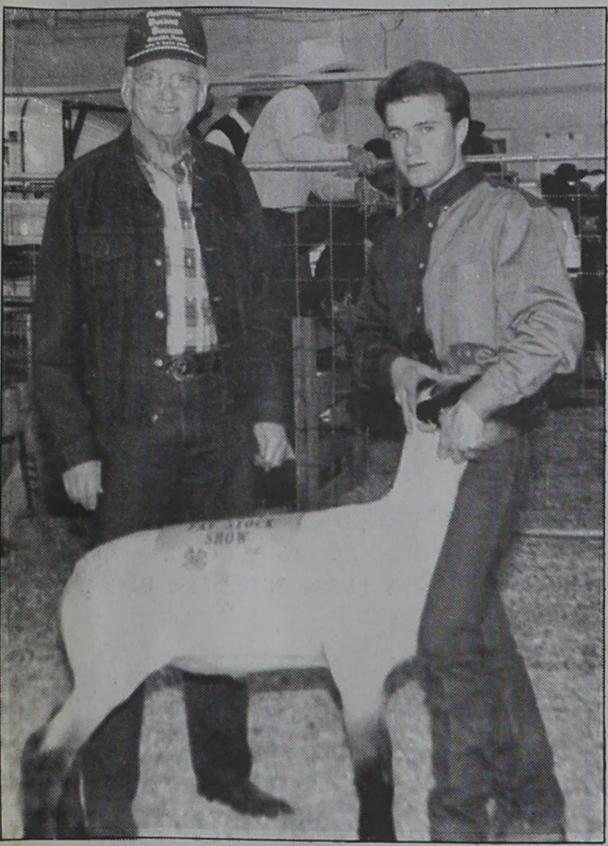


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# Lambs take big investment



RESERVE CHAMPION LAMB for the 1993 Castro County Junior Livestock Show was this 114-lb. (medium-weight) Hampshire shown by Justin Gleghorn of the Dimmitt FFA. At left is Don Nelson of the Castro County News, who provided a premium bid of \$5 per pound for the lamb at last year's sale. Photo by Deana McLain

By the time a lamb makes it into the showing at the Castro County Junior Livestock Show, a lot of time and money have been invested by 4-H'ers and FFA members, and their parents, to try to turn out a top-notch animal.

The process begins with buying young lambs. Some youngsters buy all of their stock from the same breeder, others pick one from one breeder, one from another, for a little diversity. For some youngsters showing this week, they've been buying their stock from the same breeders for many years and make independent purchases. Others depend on 4-H or FFA advisors to make the best decision on when and where to buy their show stock.

Most lambs shown in the late winter and early spring, like for the Dimmitt Young Farmers' show or Houston, were born after Feb. 1, 1993. Usually, a lamb born in January won't hold his teeth through March of the following year.

Lambs, even young ones, show several strong characteristics that purchasers look for:

- The lamb should have good length of body, a long extended neck, a high neck setting, good length, levelness and squareness between hooks and pins and a good set of feet and legs.
- A lamb must be tight-hided and thin-hided. The fact that a lamb has a few pin wrinkles over his whole body shouldn't be a major concern, because it's probably due to stress and weather. A lamb will usually grow out of that.
- A prospective lamb has to be clean up front with a good shoulder wedge and no excess brisket.

- A lamb should be slightly taller in the front than in the rear; if the lamb runs "downhill" from back to front, the brisket will usually be excessively large. The lamb should be deeper in the rear flank than in the fore flank or heart area.
- A young lamb should be narrow over the point of the shoulder and begin to widen progressively as you handle over the loin to the rump. An experienced buyer can pretty well predict how much muscle a mature lamb will have from judging a young lamb this way. A lamb that has an indentation on the outside of the leg probably won't result in a good show lamb.

Once a lamb is purchased, proper feeding is important. The lamb should be kept in a place that will provide good ventilation in the summer, with adequate shade, and yet be enclosed during the winter cold.

A beginning ration could include something like one part of whole oats, one part of whole barley, one part of coarse ground corn and one part of cotton seed meal. Wheat bran and some molasses can moisten up the mixture. Of course, starter ration is available from many commercial sources.

Many lamb showmen will feed the lamb all he will eat for the first three months, with a double handful of good, leafy alfalfa hay every day. Fresh, cool water is also very important at all times.

After the first three months, lambs should be fed only twice a day, with the amount of rations determined by the lamb's weight. If the lamb is in fair condition and just needs to get into shape, he may need three pounds

a day, a lamb that's thin may need four pounds, while a fat lamb might need two pounds. FFA and 4-H advisors can put lambs on a feeding schedule to help bring the lambs into top form before showtime.

Lambs should be fed as close as possible to the same time every day, morning and evening. Lambs are a little like humans, in that they are creatures of habit and like to be on a regular schedule.

Exercise is very important for a top-flight lamb. Many showmen begin exercising about four weeks before the lamb's first show, starting slow at

50-75 jumps per day and increasing to 150-200 jumps per day. The jumps should be about 18 inches high. Consistency, again, is the key; lambs should be jumped twice a day, seven days a week. Jumping doesn't build muscle, but tones and hardens the muscles already there.

A walker also helps. It won't replace the jumps, but it's a great way to help lambs cool down after jumping. An hour on a walker every day helps get a lamb's middle in great shape for a show.

-- This story is based on an article from Show Ring magazine.



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One of the key ingredients for the always-successful sale at the Dimmitt Young Farmers Junior Livestock Show is the part the community pays in supporting buyers clubs.

Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth buyers clubs provide many of the premiums in the sale. Sometimes, one of the buyers clubs "buys" a grand or reserve champion. Often during Saturday's auction, they'll make one of the initial bids, especially if the auctioneers seem to have a hard time finding that first bidder.

Buyers clubs are ideal for persons who want to participate but don't want to buy one of the animals. Contributions may be made before or during the show to any or all of the buyers clubs.

Here are some of the people you can contact to make a donation:

**Dimmitt Buyers Club:** Mike Bain at First State Bank, Russel Birdwell at State Farm Insurance, John David King at his law office, Randy Schumacher and Rita McDaniel.

**Hart Buyers Club:** Stanley Dyer, Tony Leibel, Laura Hart, Don or Nita Sanders, George Ed Bennett, Danny Carson, Gaylene Mayhew, Ricky Mitchell, Brad Barnes, Jimmy Hochstein or Jerry Mathis. Donations to the Hart Buyers Club also may be left at Hart Auto or Hale County State Bank in Hart.

**Nazareth Buyers Club:** Dale



## The Tradition Continues

It was 40 years ago that the first Castro County Junior Livestock Show was held.

Today, many of those who exhibited their project animals in that first show are helping to make this year's the best ever . . . and are helping their own children get ready for it.

It's a good tradition, and it adds a lot to the quality of life in our area, and to the character of our next generation.

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# Record cattle numbers should drop beef prices

With a record number of cattle in Texas feedlots, look for more beef specials at the supermarket, but don't expect to see prices drop across the board.

The number of cattle and calves on feed in Texas feedlots on Dec. 1 was 2.78 million head, up 15% from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, the estimate was up 2% from the Nov. 1 level and is a record high inventory.

Beef supplies are expected to be up 7% nationwide during the first three months of 1994, according to US Dept. of Agriculture projections.

"The bad news for cattle feeders is that most of these additional cattle will need to be marketed sometime between now and March, which could reduce the price they get," said Dr. Ernest Davis, economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Consumers, however, can expect beef prices to remain stable during the first three months of 1994. Supermarket managers may buy extra quantities and offer price specials on some cuts of beef.

Larger supplies generally drive prices down, Davis said, but food retailers tend to keep prices stable

through surpluses and shortages.

"Retailers don't want to shock their customers with high prices at the meat counter," Davis said. "They'll absorb some losses in order to keep prices steady. They'll make some (money) here and lose some elsewhere," he said.

Since only half of beef consumed in the United States is purchased through grocery stores, retailers don't have as much influence on prices as might be

thought. The other half of beef supplies is eaten in restaurants, and they tend to keep their prices constant.

"You don't see McDonald's increasing their prices on hamburgers one month and dropping them the next. They're pretty consistent," Davis said.

Broiler supplies are expected to increase by 5% at the beginning of the year, so consumers may find specials in chickens as well.



## Standing Tall

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### Learning...

(Continued from Page 11 B) while activities and the money is well spent, just like the money spent on livestock projects.

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Let us continue to support our young people in every way possible.

You can see the Dimmitt FFA members actively, productively and continuously working on their projects on a daily basis, either at their homes, farms or at the project center.

Should you stay in our Beef Barn, you'll find boys and girls washing, blow drying, clipping, walking and feeding their calves.

At the lamb barns you might find members precisely mixing Winners Edge Minerals, Show Bloom or other additives to lambs' daily ration; cleaning pens, washing, exercising or just playing with their sheep.

If you stop at the hog barns, you probably would see wheel barrows filled with soiled bedding, manure or other waste on its way to a dump site. Others will be catching a weekly weight on their pigs. Still others are feeding, watering, walking and brushing their animals.

The skills that a young person develops as a result of being involved in a project will last a lifetime.

They develop a keen sense of responsibility, an understanding of the decision-making process, business management, animal husbandry and love of livestock as well as human survival skills.

Sportsmanship, competition, oral and verbal communication skills also are learned.

While some may continue on with sheep projects to San Antonio, Houston or San Angelo, the county may be the end of the season for others.

Parents, friends and supporters of FFA and 4-H'ers, I ask for your help, support as role models to set examples for all of these youngsters.



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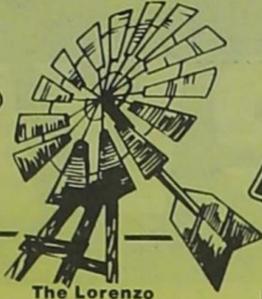
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## Cotton payment 18.6¢

### AgReview

Following the announcement of final marketing figures for calendar year 1993 Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers says the final 1993 Upland Cotton Deficiency Payment rate will be 18.6 cents per pound.

USDA has not officially announced the final payment rate, however, county ASCS offices have received the information and are in the process of printing checks to be mailed the week of February 7. It is expected that official word of the payment rate will come in the next few days.

Based on an 18.6 cent final payment rate producers who asked for, and received, the 10.275 cent advance payment will receive a final payment of 8.3 cents per pound," notes Donald Johnson, PCG Executive Vice President. "Comin

on the heels of an excellent 1993 crop, the final payment should really help producers establish a firm financial basis for 1994."

Upland cotton deficiency payments are calculated as the lesser of the difference between either the 52.35 cent 1993 cotton loan rate or the weighted average price received by producers from January through December and the 72.9 cent target price set by the Secretary of Agriculture. The maximum possible deficiency payment rate for 1993 is 20.55 cents per pound.

PCG's calculations

are based on final upland cotton marketing statistics released January 31 by the National Agricultural Statistics Service. The figures showed December marketings totaled 3.063 million bales. The weighted average price received by farmers in December totaled 57.1 cents.

Final marketings for 1993 totaled 14,509 million bales. The weighted average price received by farmers settled at 54.3 cents per pound for the year.

PCG officials also note that USDA has not announced all of the provisions that will make up the 1994 cotton program.

	Final Price Received Jan-Dec '93			
January	2,681	2,681	53	53
February	1,009	3,690	53.8	53.2
March	823	4,513	56.3	53.8
April	338	4,851	55.1	53.9
May	327	5,178	54.4	53.9
June	279	5,447	53.6	53.9
July	246	5,693	53.7	53.9
August	336	6,029	53.1	53.6
October	1,440	11,446	53.9	53.6
December	3,063	14,509	57.1	54.3

\* Final 1993 figures as announced by the NASS.

## Ostrich meet set in March

AMARILLO — An event billed as the "Biggest Little Ostrich Seminar in Texas" will be held March 5-6 by the Southwest Ostrich Breeders Association.

Headquarters for the meet is the Radisson Inn.

Speakers include Dr. James Stewart, Stewart Ostrich Consultation Services of San

Ramon, Calif.; C.B. Wiley of A-Investigaotrs of Wills Point; Darryl Holle of Blue Mountain Ratite Feed of Berthoud, Colo.; and Reuben L. Hancock, Amarillo attorney.

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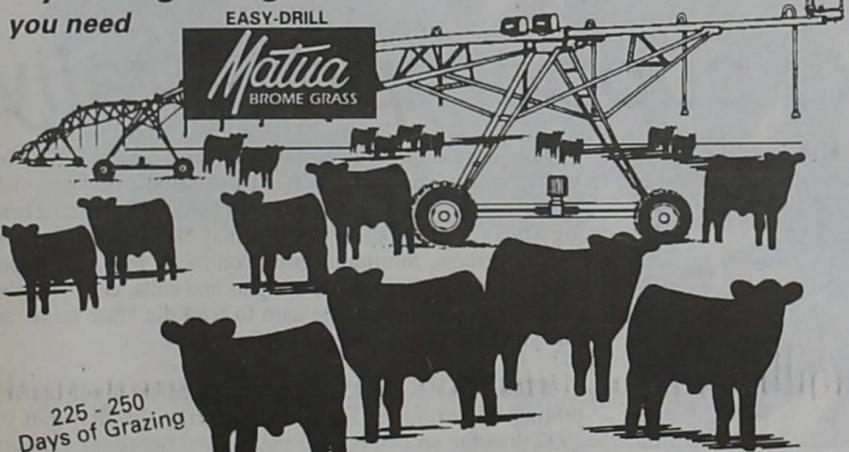
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FEB. 10-11

**TEXAS PEST MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION** — Meeting to be held in the Saint Anthony Hotel in San Antonio.

FEB. 16

**ROLLING PLAINS COTTON GROWERS MEET** — Abilene will host this annual event in the Taylor County Coliseum and Expo Center.

## Unlikely place for a forest

By DANNA RYAN

A&M Extension Journalist

**LUBBOCK** -- Reaching from the Panhandle to the Gulf Coast of Texas, the Texas Forest Service delivers windbreak trees to almost two-thirds of the state. Bob Fewin, area forester at the agency's West Texas nursery in Lubbock, said they sell trees to nearly every county west of Interstate 35.

Fewin has been involved with windbreak sales for the Forest Service, an agency of the Texas A&M University System, since 1971. With so much territory to cover, the Forest Service lets the local Soil and Water Conservation Districts handle sales in each county.

Each district sends landowners a purchase list and the landowners pay the individual districts for the trees. In turn, the districts then place orders with the Forest Service. "We let each individual Soil and Water Conservation District handle the sales and they buy the trees from us", said Fewin.

He said the selling season usually begins in the middle of September and runs through the last week in March. Ideally, delivery of the trees begins in the middle of February and takes approximately six weeks.

"It works really smoothly if we don't get any ice storms or snow, but invariably we'll encounter bad weather," said Fewin.

"We rent trucks and drop off trees in nearly every county in Texas," said Fewin. Windbreak tree planting is a year-round job for the Forest Services' West Texas nursery. Fewin said they begin sowing seed in May, fertilize all summer and begin digging the trees out of the



Woody Williams/Canyon News

### Sheep stray from flock?

In the words of Randall County Extension Ag Agent Robert Devin, "Coyotes, dogs and sheep just don't mix. He says predators are the primary reason there are no flock operations in some areas. Even so, these finewool sheep were sighted recently off FM217 in rural Randall County.

ground normally the first week in December and put them in cold storage until delivery. "We take orders for around 2,500 landowners and sell trees directly to about 115 Soil and Water Conservation Districts," said Fewin. "We sell everything; there's a demand for more trees than can be produced."

While the individual districts are free to increase the prices they sell the trees for, the Forest Service itself only makes enough money from sales to cover their operating expenses, Fewin said. Landowners typically use the trees for farmstead windbreaks, livestock

protection, living snow fences and habitat for wildlife. Fewin said the future of the program looks promising and will continue to grow. Although the nursery in West Texas started off slow due to an initial lack of acceptance from landowners, it has overcome many obstacles in the last 15 years. Planting windbreak trees is now virtually maintenance free. "The whole purpose of the nursery is to make it economical for landowners to plant a lot of trees," Fewin said. "We want it to be relatively inexpensive to purchase good, quality trees."

## Total wheat acres in Texas down 5 percent from the previous crop year

AUSTIN — Texas wheat producers have seeded 5.8 million acres for the 1994 winter wheat crop, 5 percent below the 6.1 million acres planted last year and 2 percent below

the 5.9 million acres planted in 1992. Seeding of winter wheat began on schedule in late August with only a few minor delays early in the planting season but subsequent

dry conditions slowed progress. State Statistician Dennis Findley reported planting conditions were dry in many areas during the fall and some producers were

unable to get their acreage seeded. Scattered showers during late October and early November helped emergence but more moisture is needed.

## Decreasing world stocks support price rally

Cotton futures posted a strong uptrend during January as world supplies diminished and prospects improved for increased U.S. exports. On January 28, March '94 futures moved up the limit to 75.86 cents per pound, compared with 66.84 a month earlier and 62.36 on November 29. Likewise, the "A" Index has soared upward to 76.85 cents on January 31.

**THE STRONG, BULLISH** sentiment of the cotton market in January was unusual and may lead to an easier seasonal peak for 1994/95 crop prices this spring than the normal midsummer peak.

Behind the market rally is the real prospect for increased U.S. cotton exports. Foreign consumption is exceeding production by at least 11 million bales for the 1993/94 foreign crop. The deficit was 9.18 million bales in 1992/93. As a result, this season's shortfall opens the door wider for more U.S. exports. Also, economic growth in most industrialized foreign countries as well as developing countries has improved substantially.

Domestic cotton consumption in December was better than expected. This report further supports the market's January rally.

Poor crops in foreign countries of Pakistan, India, China, Turkey, Brazil and Australia support the improved outlook for 1993/94 cotton exports. Mexico has already purchased a large amount of U.S. cotton, mostly from Tens. Shipments to Mexico as of week ending January 21, totaled 375,100

## COTTON MARKET UPDATE

Dr. Carl Anderson



bales, with sales commitments of 756,400 hales.

At this time, using expected acreage of 13.0 million (National Cotton Council survey indicates 12.950 million for '94) with trend yields and 11% ARP, the U.S. 1994/95 crop may be around 17 million bales and total use 17 million. That would hold ending stocks about stable with this season's expected 4.5 million bales. However, with the current strong demand, carryover may be closer to 4.0 million by the end of July.

With the "A" Index (world price) now in the midseventies, a marketing loan deficiency payment for the 1994/95 crop appears remote. The U.S. market is very sensitive to market and weather conditions, and current resulting price changes are large. Also, remember what goes up in the market must come down—the only question is when.

It appears financially advisable to have a marketing plan in place that will benefit from the price rally and still maximize the risk of a much lower price at harvest. There are several pricing strategies that may be used such as for, yard contracts, minimum price contracts, puts, and more sophisticated strategies that use puts and calls, and synthetic puts. When contracting, be sure to read the "fine print" so that you understand terms of contract.

**THE MARKET IS** expected to offer much better pricing opportunities for growers during the first half of 1994 than the second half. If you missed out (most growers did) on benefiting from the current price rally by either holding cash cotton or a "storage hedge", then you might want to consider becoming a better market watcher. Market signals that a rally was very possible began showing up consistently starting in mid-November. The cost of not participating in this major rally exceeds \$50 per bale already and may become much greater before July.

County agents are sponsoring "marketing clubs" over a large part of the cotton growing area of Tens. These groups meet to teach producers how to better benefit from market price changes, either up or down. Contact your county Extension agent if you want to participate.

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

# Cotton expert Anderson given prestigious award

SAN DIEGO — Dr. Carl G. Anderson, cotton specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, won a top Dational award for his outstanding contribution to the cotton industry at the 1994 Beltwide Cotton Production Conference at the San Diego Marriott Hotel.



Anderson, based at Texas A&M University, was given the 9th annual Hoechst-Roussel Cotton Extension Education Award by the National Cotton Council.

The award carries a \$10,000

prize and another \$5,000 grant to support his Extension work at Texas A&M. "Carl Anderson is one of the premier cotton marketing economists in the nation," said Dr. Zerle Carpenter, director of the Extension Service.

"He has a keen insight into the cotton market as well as the markets of a wide range of agricultural commodities. He has the ability to transfer that insight to producers and county Extension agents who assist producers with marketing decisions."

Carpenter said Anderson has helped producers bridge the gap between production and marketing, enabling them to give the marketing phase of their operations the critical attention needed. Since he joined the Extension Service 14 years ago, Anderson's influence in

developing innovative educational programs in marketing, policy and price risk management has become nationally recognized.

Prominent leaders for Commodity and farm organizations contact him regularly for his expert analysis in marketing and policy interpretation.

One of his most successful programs has been the in-depth 12-hour marketing workshops on futures and options.

More than 100 of these workshops have been conducted since the trading of agricultural commodity options began in 1984. In recognition of his marketing expertise, Anderson was named to the Board of Managers of the New York Cotton Exchange in 1986.

"He has the remarkable ability to determine the needs of the

people he serves and to relate to all levels of clientele, ranging from the large agribusiness CEO to part-time farmer," said Dr. A Gene Nelson, head of the agricultural economics department at Texas A&M and one of Anderson's nominators.

Anderson received his bachelor's and doctorate degrees from Texas A&M University and earned a master's from Louisiana

State University.

The awards are made possible by a grant to The Cotton Foundation from Hoechst-Roussel Agri-Vet Company.

The program also recognizes the outstanding county agent from a cotton-producing state. Winning that award was John W. Barnett, a Ouachita Parish agent in Louisiana.

## Amarillo Bank acquires ag credit branch

AMARILLO — Amarillo National Bank announced it has acquired the assets of Cargill Ag Credit Corporation, which has been the cattle financing subsidiary of Cargill, Incorporated of Minneapolis, MN.

The company will operate as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Amarillo National under the name Circle A Ag Credit Corporation. Circle A will continue to offer cattle financing for feedlot cattle in the Texas Panhandle and surrounding trade area. This acquisition will make Amarillo National the largest independent cattle-lending bank in Texas.

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byte: One byte \_ eight bits \_ are necessary to represent a character.

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hard disk drive: High capacity mass storage device \_ your main data storage \_ that can be located internally,

externally or both. This is the computer's permanent memory.

K: Kilobyte, or K, represents 1,000 bytes.

keyboard: There are two basic types: 84-key and 101-key expanded.

Mac: General term used to describe any computer from the Macintosh family of PCs.

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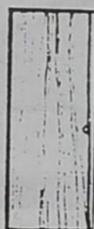
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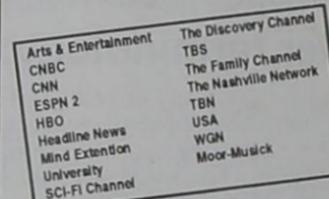
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### Cargill again supports Farm Safety 4-Just-Kids

MINNETONKA, Minn.—The Cargill Contributions Committee announced recently it would provide \$50,000 in 1994 to continue a partnership dedicated to preventing children from being injured or killed in farm-related accidents. Cargill and the nonprofit organization, Farm Safety 4 Just Kids, have been partners since November 1992. Today's announcement raises the company's contributions to the nonprofit to a total of \$100,000. "Since the partnership was formed, nearly 200 Cargill locations in the United States and Canada have become business members of Farm Safety 4 Just Kids," said Dan Huber, president of Cargill's Agriculture Sector. "Cargill formed 12 chapters and sponsored many events with Farm Safety 4 Just Kids last year. Cargill is committed to keeping farm children safe." Cargill's experience with safety is valuable, said Fritz Corrigan, president of Cargill's Fertilizer Division. Corrigan and Huber co-sponsor the farm safety partnership for the company. "The partnership enables Cargill to share its experience with safety and safety training with farm communities and farm families. In our business and in our partnership with Farm Safety 4 Just Kids, our goal is to prevent tragedies."

Farm Safety 4 Just Kids was founded in 1986.

her son to a farm accident. Cargill is a privately held merchandiser, processor, transporter and warehouse and supplier of food products.

## Funds available to stimulate ag alternatives

**T**HE U.S. Department of Agriculture's Alternative Agricultural Research and Commercialization Center (AARC) is working with 25 business projects, providing funding on a costsharing basis to commercialize new products or processes from traditional ag products.

The goal of the AARC Center is to bring new industrial products using agricultural materials into the marketplace. This increases markets for farmers, and many of these products have environmental or conservation benefits, especially when the crops are grown using sustainable agricultural practices. All of the projects chosen for AARC funding are at the commercialization stage, according to Dr. Joe Roetheli, deputy director of the AARC's national center in Washington, D.C.

They were chosen from more than 400 proposals for funding. AARC had approximately \$10 million in funds available, which limited the number of projects it could support, according to Roetheli. Congress gave AARC a \$9 million appropriation for fiscal year 1994, and AARC is in the process of choosing additional projects for its program.

Projects were chosen for their potential for commercial success; environmental benefits; potential for rural job creation; and potential for earning value-added income for farmers and rural businesses.

The 25 chosen projects included 18 small businesses, one agricultural cooperative, three midsized companies, one large corporation and two nonprofit organizations. The projects are: Production of ethanol from lignocellulosic materials—grasses and biomass sources typically from marginal lands. (Projects are in California, Florida and Texas.) Production of pulp from waste straw (Oregon).

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# Giant new soybean plant offers new feed source

By MARGARET SCHERF

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Soybean plants that grow up to seven feet tall could provide feed for dairy cows that produces more protein and needs less nitrogen fertilizer than corn, says a researcher.

The experimental plants, bred from long-neglected hay-type soybeans, "open the way to a new dairy silage for sustainable farming systems. I think they'll find a useful niche, especially in the mid-Atlantic region," says Thomas Devine, a geneticist with USDA's Agricultural Research Service.

Silage is plant material — mainly leaves and stems — that is "pickled" by natural microorganisms to yield long-lasting, nutritious feed, Devine explained in a recent edition of Agricultural Research magazine.

Plants grown for silage are cut, slightly dried, chopped, then enclosed in a chamber such as a bunker. After natural microorganisms use up the chamber's oxygen, other microbes produce lactic acid that pickles the forage.

Soybean silage varieties based on his experimental strains could be available in about three years, Devine said. He will begin testing a few of the best experimental lines for yield and nutrient value in Iowa, Pennsylvania and Virginia this spring.

"Corn is the number one silage, but soybeans potentially can produce more protein," he said. And soybeans are a legume, which need less commercial nitrogen fertilizer than corn.

"Symbiotic bacteria on soybean roots capture nitrogen from the air, and the roots slowly release it as they decay," Devine said. "After harvesting soybean silage in summer,

a farmer could plant a small grain, like barley or wheat, that would use this 'free' nitrogen."

Soybeans first became popular in the United States as a hay crop, Devine noted, with 70 percent of the 1924 crop used for that purpose.

But that use dropped to 3 percent by 1964, with the rest used for grain. The drop in hay use happened, Devine said, because "quality was erratic. The plants dried slowly and rain often leached out

nutrients."

The few farmers who do grow soybeans for silage have to plant varieties bred for their grain production and therefore produce much less foliage.

Devine began in 1976 crossing a hay soybean with grain types having resistance to diseases and pests.

The hay type was described as a vigorous, leafy but little used strain supplied by Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Devine tests the plants

in cooperative studies with David Stamer of Virginia Tech and Elwood Hatley of The Pennsylvania State University.

## U.S. rye production one the decline

WASHINGTON (AP) — The 1993 U.S. rye production is estimated at 10.3 million bushels, down 13 percent from the previous year.

The average yield was 27.1 bushels per acre, down 2.3 bushels per acre from 1992, said a 1993 summary of crop production by the National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Area harvested was 381,000 acres, down 6 percent from last year. Planted acres were estimated to total 1.49 million, down 6 percent from a year ago.

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# Lockney farmer multiplies natural poisture

LOCKNEY — Charles Huffman of Lockney strongly believes in making the most of the free moisture provided by Mother Nature. Since 1979, he has been using furrow dikes to harvest rainfall on the 1,200 acres he farms near Lockney.

Furrow dikes are mounds of soil mechanically installed in the furrow. The dikes create basins that hold rainfall until it can soak into the ground and prevent excess water from running off the field.

Huffman says he really doesn't remember why he started using furrow dikes in his field, except that they made good sense to him. The use of furrow dikes seemed to be a good way to improve his dryland farming operation by conserving precious rainfall.

The first furrow dike Huffman purchased did a good job of installing the furrow dikes, but there was one small problem. "It was just too slow, so I built my own," he says.

Huffman has since purchased two additional dikes and now uses all three dikes on his land. "I hardly ever go across a field without diking it," he says.

Since precipitation is unpredictable, it is important to keep the furrow dikes in place as much as possible — especially from June through August, when the High Plains area receives most of its annual precipitation.

Huffman leaves his dikes

in place year-round, since he can straddle them with his cotton stripper. The dikes catch water in the fall and winter, which helps improve soil moisture conditions for spring planting. He even leaves the dikes in place when he plants winter wheat. Huffman says the planter does not tear up the furrow dikes too badly, and they still help hold water on the field.

Furrow dikes have been called reservoirs of yield potential. Research has proven that cotton produces an additional 30 to 40 pounds of lint per acre for every inch of water received above the plant's basic water requirement. Water stored in the soil because of the furrow dikes can make the difference between losing money and making money on a crop.

Measurements of rainfall runoff made during a three-year study at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at Lubbock on loam soils revealed that no runoff occurred on level land and that the average annual runoff was 1.74 inches for land with a 0.2 percent slope (two inches per 100 feet).

Runoff was 2.51 inches from soils with a 0.5 percent slope, and 3.08 inches from soils with a 0.9 percent slope, and 3.61 inches from soils with a 1.2 percent slope. The average annual precipitation runoff during the three-year study for the four graded tracts was 2.73 inches per acre.

For the 1993 growing

season, Huffman's dryland acreage is producing a little more than 600 pounds of cotton lint per acre. In years with more rainfall, his dryland cotton yield has been as high as 800 pounds per acre.

"The furrow dikes really saved me this year. We got a 3.7 inch rain in August, which my cotton crop really needed. The furrow dikes held the water on the field and allowed the crop to reap the full benefit of the rain," he says.

He added that he has seen the runoff from a big rain fill his playa lake. However, since he has been using furrow dikes, the lake has far less water after a rain — illustrating the amount of water that was previously lost as runoff.

In the 1970s, the Bushland Experiment Station conducted a five-year study of furrow dikes in grain sorghum fields. The diked areas had an average annual yield of 420 pounds more per acre than the undiked areas. The undiked area had an average annual runoff of 1.7 inches compared to no

runoff from the furrow diked area.

Furrow dikes are also beneficial when used with irrigation, especially when used with Low Energy Precision Application (LEPA) center pivot sprinkler systems. They hold water in the furrow until it has time to infiltrate the soil, and this provides a more uniform application of water across the field.

With furrow irrigation, the dikes are typically installed in alternate furrows which are not watered. This allows the producer to take advantage of any precipitation that falls.

"Furrow dikes are very cost-effective. Initial equipment investments range from \$140 to \$300 per row, but this cost can usually be recovered during

the first year as a result of increased crop yields and reduced irrigation pumping costs," says Ken Carver, Assistant Manager of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1.

Huffman says he is seeing more furrow dikes in area fields each year, and this in turn causes more demand for furrow dikers.

When considering the purchase of a furrow dike, Huffman says it is important to make sure that it has sturdy construction and low maintenance requirements, that it attaches easily to other equipment to combine field operations, that it

is capable of high speed operation, and that it constructs a large furrow dike which will hold runoff during intense thunderstorms.

"We have to better utilize our rainfall and our ground water. There is still too much water running down the ditches, and furrow dikes are a good place to start the conservation effort," Huffman says.

The Water Management Note, Furrow Dikes: Small Reservoirs of Yield Potential, is available by contacting the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, 2930 Ave. Q, Lubbock, 79405-1499 or by calling 762-0181.

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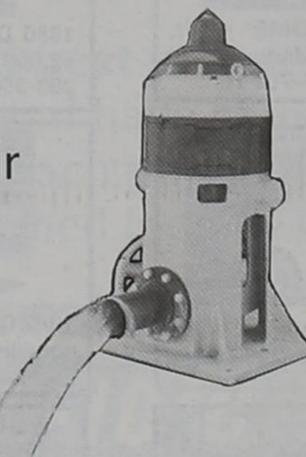
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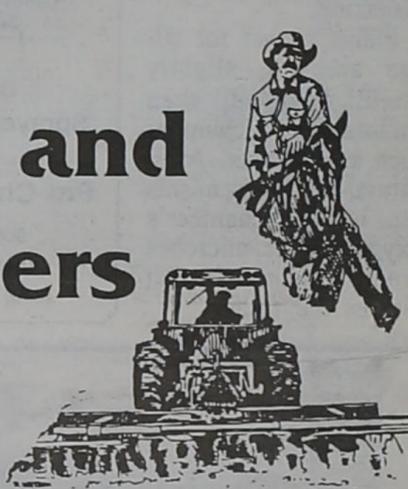
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