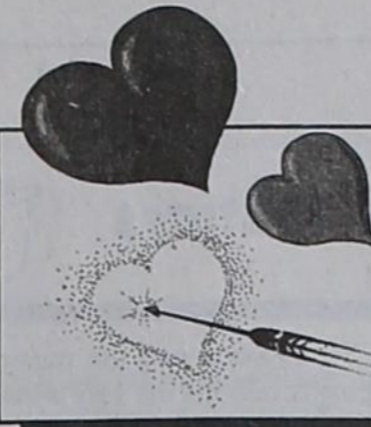


42nd Annual Castro County Junior Livestock Show Preview

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County youths to show 378 animals on Friday

If you hear any strange oinks, moos or bahs this weekend, the sounds can probably be traced to the Castro County Expo Building, where the Dimmitt Young Farmers will be conducting the Castro County Junior Livestock Show. County youths will parade 378 animals before judges Friday at the 42nd annual show, and those youngsters are lucky, their animal will be among those qualifying for Saturday's premium auction sale.

This year's show will feature 215 barrows (down from 234 last year), 140 lambs (up from 126) and 23 steers (down from 26).

Students delivered their animals to the Expo Building Wednesday morning, and the animals were weighed and classified that afternoon.

Nazareth held its club show Wednesday evening. Hart is planning its show tonight (Thursday) at 7 p.m. with Rick McKay, Valley ag science teacher, serving as judge.

The big county show will open at 8 a.m. Friday with the lamb show, and judging the contest will be Ronnie Dennis of Olton.

The steer show will begin at 11 a.m., with Bob Benson, Hale County Extension Agent, acting as judge.

Judging the barrow show, beginning at 1 p.m., will be Bryan Anderson of Coffeerville, Kan.

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 grand champion honors.

The auction sale on Saturday will kick off at 1 p.m. with Johnny Davis, Greg Odom, Jack Howell, Kenneth Gregg and Leslie Davis sharing time behind the mike.

The auction will open with sale of the grand champion barrow, lamb and

steer, then the reserve grand trio. The breed champions will be auctioned next, followed by a third of the barrows, lambs and steers. The process will be repeated until all eligible animals are sold.

The number of animals which will be sold through the auction will be 75% of the total animals weighed in, or 125 lambs, 125 barrows or 40 steers, whichever is the smaller number.

The show and sale will be directed by the Dimmitt Young Farmers and this year's club president is Rodney Hunter. The general superintendent of the show is Tim Wales, and he will be assisted by Lonnie Robb. Division superintendents will be Todd Bradley, steers; Dudley Wooten, lambs; and Kent Kirby, barrows.

"We'll sure need everybody's support when the sale comes around Saturday," Hunter said.

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By Don Nelson

I'm glad I was standing close enough to my dad Saturday afternoon to hear the repartee when Joe Cowen came up to wish him a happy 90th birthday.

Those two old warhorses have been to a lot of political rallies and dogfights together over the last half-century. When they start jibing with each other, neither gives the other much change.

"The last time I saw you was down in Bosque County," Joe said. "You were kicking tree stumps. I was tracking you, and I could tell it was you by your toenails."

"I was looking for you," Dad said. "That's why I was kicking the tree stumps."

Every problem is an opportunity in disguise.

That's one of the Lessons of Life that I've learned through the years. It's what I taught my kids. Don't let any problem overwhelm you. Look for the opportunity. Rise to the challenge.

Okay. Here's a problem: the new District 1-AAA alignment next year, with Dimmitt, Muleshoe, Friona, Tulia, River Road, Sanford-Fritch, Dalhart and Perryton all in the same loop.

Perryton is 187 highway miles away. Even at the new speed limits, it's a seven-hour round trip by the time you make the turn-offs, go through Canyon, Amarillo, Panhandle, White Deer, Kings Mill and Pampa, cross the Canadian River, make the final uphill lap and locate Perryton's football stadium or the high-school gym. Add a meal and a pit stop and you're looking at eight hours on the road.

Dalhart is a straight shot up 385, but it's still 117 miles away, with four towns to go through—Hereford, Vega, Channing and Hartley. You could make it in two hours—maybe—in a car. But not in a school bus. For the round trip, figure 4-1/2 or five hours—if you grab a snack at the gym or stadium after you get there, instead of at a cafe along the way.

Sanford-Fritch is (only) 105 miles distant—a four-hour round trip.

That makes the trips that we're used to—to Muleshoe, River Road, Friona and Tulia—seem like jaunts to the convenience store.

In Dimmitt's maiden football season in District 1-AAA next fall, we'll play Perryton there, Dalhart there and Sanford-Fritch there.

What were those UIL guys in Austin thinking?

Dalhart is two-thirds of the way to Colorado from here, for goodness sake. Perryton is closer to Garden City, Kan., than it is to Dimmitt. Dimmitt is closer to Vernon and Snyder than it is to Perryton.

We in Dimmitt have always said—half in jest and half in frustration—that we're closer to three other state capitals (Santa Fe, Oklahoma City and Denver) than we are to our own. Well, Perryton is closer to five other state capitals than to Austin (Santa Fe, Oklahoma City, Denver, Topeka and Lincoln).

I understand the folks at Muleshoe are really steamed over the realignment. The Mules' stable is

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IT'S OFFICIAL—70 mph (day) and 65 mph (night) speed limit signs have been installed on highways around Dimmitt now, but some portions of roads are still at 55. Motorists are cautioned to observe the posted limit at all times. Trucks must observe limits of 60, day, and 55, night. Other restrictions also are in effect.

Photo by Anne Acker

High Noon to kick off new theater era

By LINDA MAXWELL

Do you love the movies? Well, you can be in good company in Dimmitt now, with the re-opening of the Carlile Theater.

Susan Sandvik of Littlefield, and previously of Ohio and New Mexico, is the new owner of the theater and has been spending the last several months frantically refurbishing the landmark structure in downtown Dimmitt, getting ready for the grand opening this weekend.

She chose to open with the movie *High Noon*, a 1952 release, to spotlight the 1950s era in which the theater first opened in Dimmitt. The western classic stars Gary Cooper.

Show times will be 7 and 9:15 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and the special grand opening admission price will be \$2.50 per person. Also, as part of the grand opening celebration, she will offer free Pepsi® (one per customer, please) and 25-cent bags of popcorn, reminiscent of the old days, too.

Sandvik has installed a new projector, a new screen, a platter, a stereo sound system, and a whole new concession area, including a new popcorn popper. She has refurbished the seating, with a capacity of 225, and installed new carpet. She even repaired and repainted the old clock that had hung above the exit door on the right side of the stage for many years.

The platter is a large device that allows easy winding and re-winding of a movie film and routes it through the projector without interruptions (unless the film breaks). Sandvik explained that all movies are shipped on multiple reels, usually five to six reels per movie. The platter allows projectionists to wind all the reels of

film onto the platter before a show, so they don't have to spend as much time in the projection booth during the show. The old system required changing reels every 20 minutes or so.

Sandvik says she intends to "watch over every detail" of the operation of the theater. She said she tends to be "a bit of a perfectionist" when it comes to the theater.

"I learned the business from a man who had been in it for 35 years. He was a perfectionist, too," Sandvik said. "I learned a lot about the business and about how to treat customers. I'm real particular about having a quiet theater. People don't want to pay to see a movie and then not be able to hear it or see it because of someone disturbing them."

"We're trying to fix it up as nice

as we can, so people will feel they have a place to dress up and go to," Sandvik said.

Sandvik also wants to keep it a family affair. She said she probably will not show any "R" rated movies, and definitely nothing stronger. She plans to stick with G, PG, and PG-13 movies, as well as many of the old classics, which didn't have the need

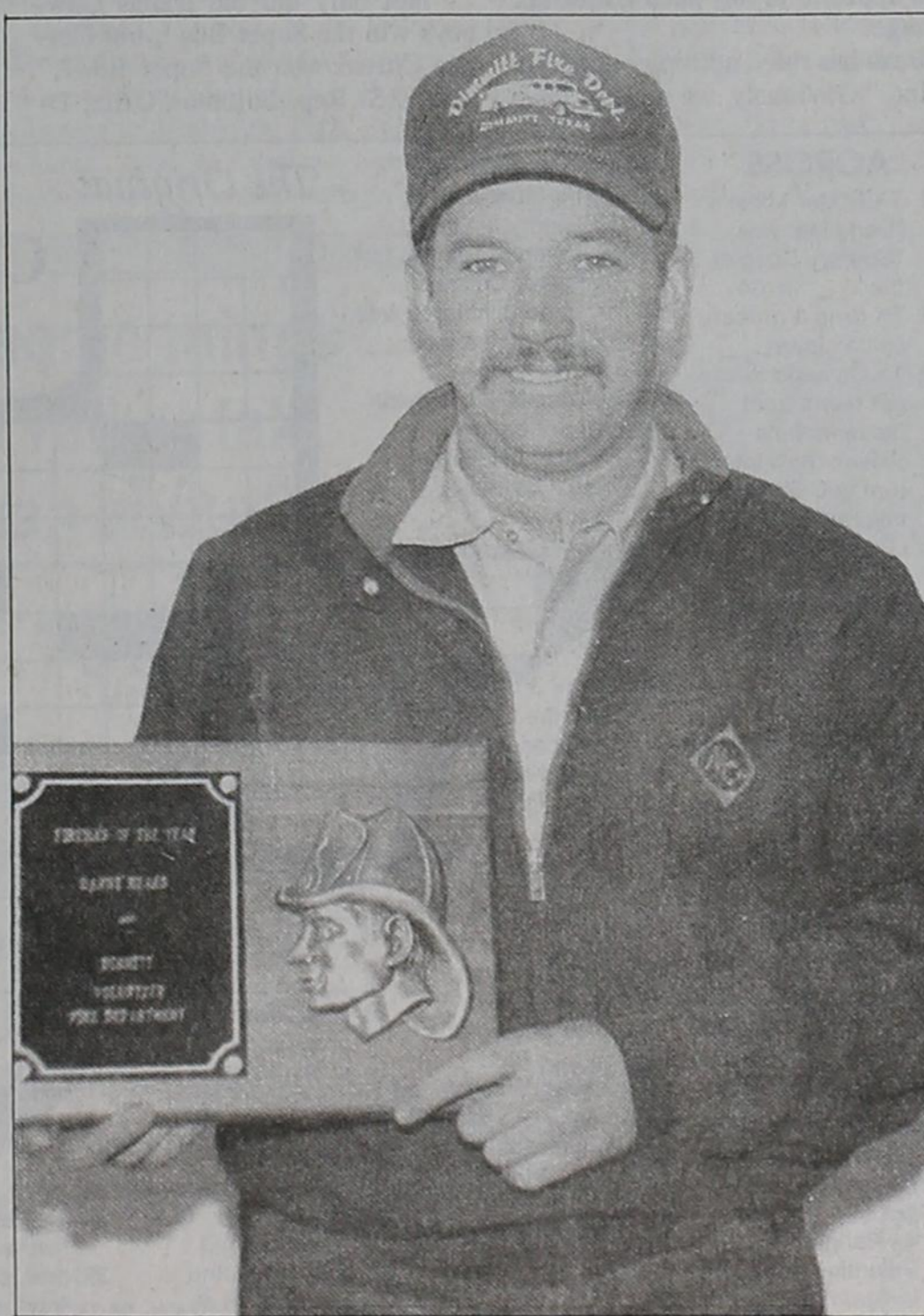
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PASS THE POPCORN—Susan Sandvik, new owner of the Carlile Theater in Dimmitt, shows the new concession area she has installed in the lobby. Pop-

corn (real movie popcorn), nachos, candy and soft drinks will be among the goodies offered.

Photo by Linda Maxwell



FIREMAN OF THE YEAR FOR 1995 for the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Department is Danny Heard, who was honored at the department's annual banquet last Thursday. Also honored were several who received service award pins. (See related story inside.)

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Nazareth, Hart reshuffled

Dimmitt says farewell to 2-AAA next year under UIL realignment

Dimmitt and Nazareth fans will be on the road a lot over the next two years if they plan to follow their teams.

The University Interscholastic League's latest realignment, announced last Thursday, has uprooted Dimmitt from District 2-AAA and moved the school into District 1-AAA with Muleshoe, Friona, Tulia, River Road, Sanford-Fritch, Dalhart and Perryton, and if fans make a road trip to each of those schools during the season, they will travel 1,174 miles, round-trip.

Dimmitt's current district, 2-AAA, will include Brownfield, Denver City, Floydada, Littlefield, Lubbock Cooper, Lubbock Roosevelt, Seminole and Slaton in 1996-97.

Nazareth will remain in District 2-A for football and will compete in an eight-team district with Farwell, Kress, Happy, Springlake-Earth, Sudan, Valley and Motley County. In basketball, the Swifts and Swiftettes will face Groom, Hedley and Silverton. Those trips to Valley and Motley County in football will be long rides, as will the basketball games at Groom and Hedley.

Hart also will see new faces next year when Highland Park and Bovina move into District 3-AA.

Hart's district also will include old rivals Olton, Hale Center and Lockney. Longtime nemeses Abernathy and New Deal will compete in District 4-AA with Crosbyton, Idalou, Post and Ralls.

"Since I've been here we haven't had to play in a district that is so geographically wide-spread," said Dimmitt boys' basketball coach Alan Steidle. "I think we're going to have to look at different options and be flexible, and hope we can travel to the far-away locations on Fridays."

Steidle said that while the distance to some of the northern schools such as Perryton, which is about 187 miles from Dimmitt, is a drawback, another problem with the new alignment is the eight-team district.

"There are a lot of good teams that won't have an opportunity at post-season play," Steidle said. "Basically, they've lumped two districts together with the exception of a couple of teams. In Class AAAAA, three teams will make the playoffs, but we only get to send two, and District 2-AAA only gets to send two. That's four playoff teams out of 16. And after the first round of the playoffs, it'll be down to two. That's just not fair."

He said the distance will create many problems for students and parents who must travel to the games.

"It's going to be hard for kids to jump on a bus for three hours to Perryton—it's going to affect how we play."

The eight-team football district will leave just three non-conference games for the Bobcats before they have to settle in against tough district foes like Dalhart and River Road.

"I don't think it (realignment) helped us a lot. The eight-team

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Weather

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Saturday	14	4	..02
Sunday	19	4	
Monday	45	17	
Tuesday	56	25	
Wednesday	68	28	

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On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

The family of B.M. Nelson hosted a reception honoring him on his 90th birthday Saturday afternoon at the Senior Citizens Center.

A large crowd of family and friends attended even though it was a cold and snowy day. It was good to see all of B.M.'s grandkids.

On hand to help with the hosting and serving were some of B.M.'s grandchildren and great-granddaughters—Nathan and Karen Nelson and Rex Burnham, all of Houston; Rev. Connie Nelson, Katherine and Anna of Atlanta, Ga.; and Dave and Carol Nelson and Amanda of Madison, Wis.

More than 100 attended the reception, despite the weather.

The serving table was beautiful with a burgundy tablecloth and floral arrangement, and a gold punch bowl.

The birthday cake portrayed a man at a typewriter, and it was served to guests along with party sandwiches, ham roll-ups, ham-filled croissants, fresh fruit and punch.

Out-of-town visitors at the museum last week included Willie John Word of Big Spring, a former Dimmitt resident. He told me his family had lived in the house which now houses the museum at one time. He was in town for the volunteer firemen's annual banquet. He served 17 years as a volunteer fireman. He still takes the *Castro County News* and reads "On The Go."

Linda Powell and her 11-month-old granddaughter, Hereyn, spent a few days in Dimmitt with Linda's mother, Susie Reeves.

Susie Reeves was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club and she served a delicious banana pudding for dessert and candy for snacks.

Johnnie Vannoy finished with the



B. M. NELSON (right) jokes with Ysleta and Garner Ball during his 90th birthday reception Saturday afternoon at the Senior Citizens Center. More than 100 of "The Editor's" friends and relatives attended the event. Nelson was born Feb. 3, 1906, at Ferris, in Ellis County. He has lived in Dimmitt 52 years, and was editor and publisher of the *News* for 41 years until his retirement in 1984.

Photo by Don Nelson

high score and Virginia Crider was second. Others playing were Louise Mears, Fern Dickey, Cleo Forson, Helen Braafladt, Elizabeth Huckabay, Loranell Hamilton, Opha

Burks, Bill Thornton, Edith Graef, Bernice Hill, Dugan Butler, Alma Kenmore and Ina Rae Cates.

The next scheduled Community

Concert will feature David Burgess, a classical guitarist, and it will be held in Plainview on Friday at 7:30 p.m.

The Glenn Miller Orchestra will be featured in Pampa on Saturday. The next concert in Hereford will feature the Imperial Chinese Acrobats on Feb. 18 at 3 p.m.

The Adult II and III Departments at First Baptist Church enjoyed a luncheon on Sunday following the morning service. Don and Paula Graham and W.J. and Sara Hill are the teachers.

W.J., George Rasor and Jerry Annen cooked steaks outside in 18-degree weather. Sara and Debbie Harris were among those working in the kitchen.

The decorations were pretty and featured Valentine motifs. The program was a series of songs performed by Wayne Proffitt, Tami Griffitt and Debra Ball.

Alma Kenmore was honored on her 80th birthday last week. Her son, Joe Kenmore and his son, Jerome, of Ruidoso, came in early. They, along with Ricki Dane, planned a "fake" birthday party on Friday in the home of P.O. and Frances Goodwin.

Ricki went shopping and bought small gifts for everyone to give to Alma.

On Saturday, they planned a surprise birthday luncheon for her at the First United Methodist Church with relatives and friends including the Wesleyan Sunday School Class. Alma received 80 roses, gifts and a money tree.

Relatives attending were Johnny and Harriet Goodwin from Beaver, Okla.; Gene and Leah Goodwin of Lubbock; Ricki Dane and Karla, Kuaid and Amber Fuentes of Big Lake; Vance Fowler and a friend, Alice of Roswell, N.M.; Joe and Jerome; and P.O. and Frances.

The Dimmitt Volunteer Firemen held their reunion for members and former members on Thursday night. A large crowd attended and everyone enjoyed the steak dinner and the

program. Danny Heard was honored as the "Fireman of the Year."

A seminar for women to learn how to share their faith was presented by Teri Dowell on Monday evening at the First Baptist Church. Teri is the wife of Kris Dowell and the daughter-in-law of Bryce and Darlene Dowell of Dimmitt.

Kris and Teri live in McKinney and attend church at Richardson First Baptist Church. The title of the seminar was "Operation Lydia."

The message was "We need to share the Lord with everyone not just to be Baptists. There is power in prayer and we need to listen to God and spend time with Him. Why should I get involved? You have a life saving, life changing message of HOPE for the world."

There were 82 present for the seminar and some former Dimmitt residents who attended were Kay O'Brian from Lubbock, who is Darlene Dowell's sister; Myrna Keener of Tulsa; and Debbie Conner of Muleshoe, who is Geneva Malone's daughter. During the break, sandwiches, dips and chips, raw vegetables, cake and brownies were enjoyed by guests.

Dan Heard was showing a picture of an ice formation of a bird that he saw on a shrub at his home. Someone suggested that he might be surprised when it melted—there might be a real bird under the ice!

Sunnyside with Teeny Bowden

Becky Ott had her day surgery and biopsy at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock Wednesday morning. Everything turned out okay for her, but she can't talk for a while since they scraped her vocal cords. James Norrell and Elton Gulley went down for the surgery, but it was finished by the time they got there. They brought her home when she was dismissed.

LaWanda Wilson had thyroid surgery in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital Thursday and was dismissed Friday.

Snow started falling late Thursday evening. It snowed all day Friday and most of the day Saturday. But the sun came out Saturday and melted a lot of it and most of the rest melted Sunday afternoon. It was two or more inches and fell without wind, so even though it was dry, it stuck and made the pasture white all over. There was a trace of moisture in the rain gauge.

There were no church services Sunday. Rev. Benny Wright had another engagement and couldn't come and Rev. Brent Childers thought the roads and the weather were too bad for them to come.

Benny Wright will be here next Sunday.

Gay Sadler got home late Wednesday night with David coming to her rescue. She said the baby had dark hair and dark blue eyes. The other kids are blond and have light blue eyes. She doesn't look like the other kids either. Ruth King of Hereford went to Hobbs, N.M. with Verba and Ezell last Sunday to see the new baby. David went Saturday when he got off work and came back Sunday night. Karla Sadler, now of Breckenridge, was there for the weekend to see baby Shyann.

Frances Duke went to Lubbock Wednesday to stay with Ashlee and Alyssa while Larry and Lori Duke were in Dallas on business. She brought them home with her Friday. They came for the girls Sunday afternoon. Robert and Frances went to Lubbock on Monday to help Alyssa celebrate her fifth birthday.

Hershel Wilson took Retha, Karen Hutson and Donna Clayton, clowns from Springlake Baptist Church, to Plainview First Baptist Church Senior Citizens Sunday School Class to entertain them and

have dinner with them. It was 8 degrees Saturday morning at 8. It was 42 degrees at 5:30 p.m. Sunday.

Church Happenings

First Christian Church

Bro. Jim Hardwick will be bringing the Sunday morning message, and the Sunday evening series on prayer will continue.

The youth group is holding a bake sale Saturday morning at Thriftway grocery store in Dimmitt to raise money for the activities of the group.

The congregation's anniversary Sunday will be Feb. 25, marking 36 years of service to God and this community. The public is invited to attend. All members and former members also are encouraged to attend. There will be a fellowship luncheon following the morning worship.

The Wednesday Bible study on Feb. 14 will cover the ninth lesson from the study book on I Peter.

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Sports



HART'S GAYLA REYNA is the picture of concentration as she goes up for a shot against Lockney Friday night. The Hart ladies wasted little time in taking control of the game Friday, holding a five-

point advantage after the first quarter and eight-point lead at halftime before coasting to a 69-49 victory. The win improved Hart's district mark to 3-2 and its overall record to 12-12. Photo by David Knox

Bobcats lasso stubborn Mules, 79-35, on Friday

Muleshoe tried a little delay game Friday, but the Dimmitt Bobcats sicked their defense on the Mules in a 79-35 blowout at Muleshoe.

The win moved the Bobcats to 8-0 and guaranteed them a spot in the playoffs for the 19th straight season. The win, coupled with Littlefield's loss to Shallowater, assured Dimmitt could finish no worse than second place with two regular-season games to go.

Muleshoe tried to spread the court for a while, but their patience wore thin. Dimmitt, expecting some sort of delay game, was better prepared for the effort than in the contest a week earlier against Floydada.

Dimmitt jumped to an 18-11 lead after one quarter, led by six points each by Brandon Smith and Chad Ellis. The Bobcats started slow, as Muleshoe took a 6-4 lead three minutes into the game. Muleshoe had led at 11-9 with two minutes to go in the quarter when Joe Larra tied the score with two free throws. Ellis hit a basket to give Dimmitt the lead for good with 1:11 to play in the period, 13-11, and the Bobcats cruised on to the seven-point advantage after eight minutes.

In the second quarter, Justin Newman heated up, scoring nine points in the period. Meanwhile, the

Dimmitt defense, was suffocating, limiting the Mules to just one basket, by Matt McClanahan with 3:01 to go in the half. The Mules at the free throw line were just as cold as the near-zero weather outside, making just two of seven free throws in the second period. Dimmitt scored 19 points to post a 37-15 lead at halftime.

In the third, everyone on the Dimmitt bench got plenty of playing

time as every Bobcat scored in the game. Jason Nino was the only Bobcat to score more than one basket in the quarter, draining two treys from 23 feet to increase the lead to 60-24 after three periods.

Dimmitt didn't let up on either end in the fourth quarter. In the last period, Omar Rascon led Dimmitt with six points as Dimmitt outscored the Mules in the last quarter, 19-11.

Ellis led Dimmitt with 17 markers, while Newman posted 15.



LUPE DE LA FUENTE of Hart leaps high to get off this jumpshot as several Lockney defenders stand by and watch Friday night in a District 3-AA game at Hart. The Longhorns posted a 72-62 victory over Lockney in the game to improve to 12-14 on the season. Photo by David Knox

Hart girls cream Lockney as 3-AA race gets tough

Hart's Ladyhorns needed a win Friday night to stay in the playoff chase and the girls came through at home, beating Lockney in convincing fashion, 69-49.

But although the Hart girls won by a 20-point margin, the game was close most of the way.

With the win, Hart moved into a tie for third place with Olton. Abernathy nailed down the district lead with its victory Friday and New Deal, which Hart beat earlier in the second half, settled into second.

Tylene Garcia chipped in 20 points while Charbra Lee added 18 and Tiffany Bradford contributed 12 for the Ladyhorns, which improved to 3-2 in district and 12-12 overall.

After slow starts in the first and third quarters, Hart shooters caught fire in the second and fourth stanzas to put the game away.

Hart was on top 10-5 after the first quarter, then exploded with 22 points in the second to take a 32-24 lead at halftime.

Lockney gained a point on the Hart girls in the third quarter after it managed a 12-11 advantage.

The fourth quarter had Hart's mascot stamped all over it, though.

A 26-point offensive free-for-all by the Hart ladies was too much for Lockney to overcome. The visiting Lockney Lady Horns only managed to add 13 points to their total in the final eight minutes as Hart recorded another win.

Longhorns lose to Lockney

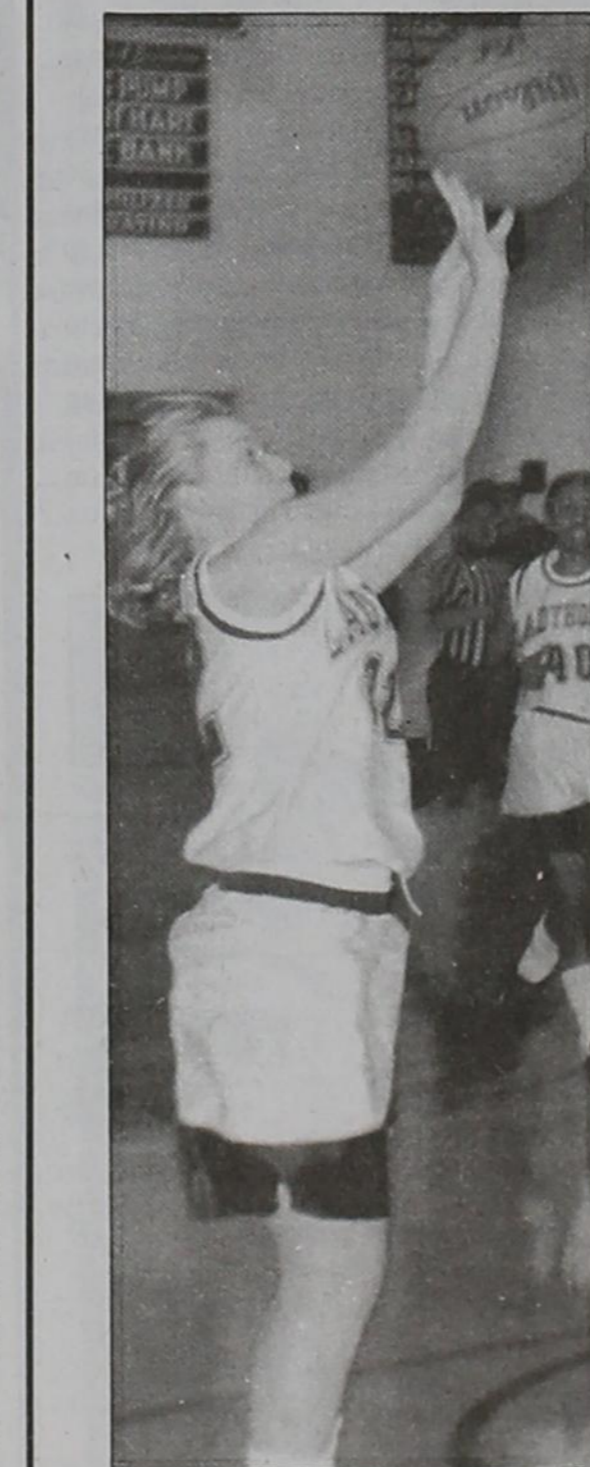
Hart fell behind in the first quarter and never recovered, as Lockney posted a 72-62 District 3-AA win Friday in Hart.

The Longhorns were down 23-16 after the first quarter, then 34-40 at halftime.

Lockney controlled the second half, too, outscoring Hart 11-9 in the third and 21-19 in the fourth to take the victory.

Hart was paced by Dusty Ortiz and J.R. Lee, who finished with 22 and 20 points, respectively.

The loss dropped the Hart boys to 1-4 in the second half of district play after they finished 3-4 in the first half. Hart fell to 12-14 on the season.



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It's a boy, Reynaldo Oliviero III, born Jan. 29 at 9:44 p.m. weighing 8 pounds and 3 ounces and measuring 20-1/2 inches long. He is the son of Rey Oliviero and Joanne Arguijo of Dimmitt. Paternal grandparents are Rey Oliviero Sr. and Sulema Oliviero of Dimmitt. Maternal grandparents are Louis Arguijo and Flora Arguijo of Clovis, N.M. Great-grandparent is Eulalia Balderas of Dimmitt.

Jesus and Mandy Oliviero of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby girl, Marissa, born Jan. 24 at 10:42 a.m. The infant weighed in at 7 pounds and 12 ounces and measured 21-1/2 inches long. Siblings are Priscilla, 18, J.J., 18, Barbara, 16, J.J. Barrios, 15, Jeremy, 14, and Juan Miguel, 2-1/2. Maternal grandparents are Jose and Anita Aleman of Dimmitt. Paternal grandparents are the late Juan and Maria Oliviero.

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Good Luck,

Bobbies and Bobcats

in your final district game against

SHALLOWATER, Friday, There



CHAD ELLIS is fouled on a fast-break layup in the second quarter of the Bobcats' game against Friona here Tuesday night. He sank one of two free throws to hike Dimmitt's lead to 29-10. The Bobcats went on to win it, 77-32, to remain unbeaten in district play.

Photo by Don Nelson

SCHEDULE AND PREVIOUS SCORES

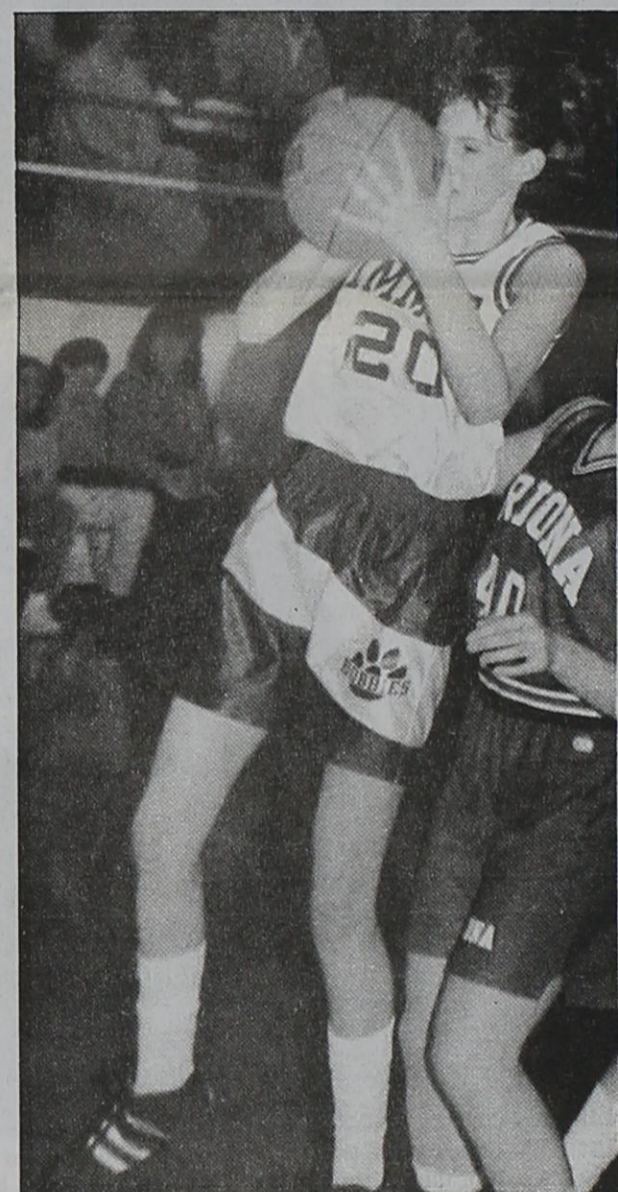
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Bobbies

- 55, Randall 62
- 38, Levelland 36
- 51, Borger 67
- Frenship Turkey Classic
 - 82, Winters 50
 - 49, Sudan 57
 - 53, Lubbock Cooper 55
- 35, Abernathy 54
- Levelland Tournament
 - 41, Slaton 59
 - 62, El Paso Del Valle 51
 - 39, Odessa 30 (Consolation)
- 44, Hereford 68
- 42, Monterey 56
- 73, Lubbock Estacado 40
- 49, Tulia 52
- 62, Clovis 65
- Caprock Tournament
 - 54, Borger 36
 - 23, Randall 40
 - 49, Lubbock High 44
 - 50, Shallowater 48
 - 41, Friona 53
- 57, Slaton 62
- 55, Floydada 48
- 42, Littlefield 44
- 57, Muleshoe 56
- 26, Friona 41
- 67, Shallowater 56
- 70, River Road 58
- 59, Floydada 43
- 48, Littlefield 40
- 66, Muleshoe 48
- 31, Friona 52

Bobcats

- 86, Randall 92
- 68, Lubbock Coronado 67
- 87, Borger 55
- 84, Slaton 81
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- Plainview Tournament
 - 60, Andrews 63
 - 57, Canyon 61
 - 91, Abernathy 53
- 76, Hereford 54
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AMBER MATTHEWS grabs a rebound during the second quarter of the Bobbies' district game against Friona here Tuesday night. The Friona girls wrapped up the District 2-AAA championship with a 52-31 win.

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Swiftettes get playoff nod in Happy win

The Nazareth Swiftettes clinched a playoff berth Friday night and used a punishing defense to make it happen.

Longtime rival Happy was the only team standing in the Swiftettes' way of snatching a coveted playoff berth.

The Swiftettes claimed that seat in convincing fashion, crushing the Cowgirls, 53-32, at Happy.

Nazareth's defense played a big part in the first Swiftette victory over the Cowgirls, and the team relied on it this time, too.

"Our defense played real well," said Nazareth Coach Johnny Hampton. "Part of our strategy again was to wear them out and I think they got a little tired in the second quarter."

Nazareth's pressure defense from beginning to end of the District 7-A game frustrated the Cowgirls. Happy had trouble passing the ball at the start of the game and only got off one shot in the first three minutes while Nazareth took advantage of four Happy turnovers to hit three of four layups and an outside jumper to take an 8-0 lead.

Happy finally got its offense on track and scored first on an offensive put-back by Karen Moudy, then a long three-pointer by Leah Lair to close the margin to three, but Naza-

areth's defense went to work again. Melinda Schmucker, who had six of Nazareth's first eight points, added two more defense-created layups and Amy Pohlmeier added one near the end of the stanza to put the Swiftettes up 14-7.

Jaci Cumby got hot at the beginning of the second quarter, hitting a three-pointer and another shot early to cut the lead to 16-12. Then Lair buried another three just inside the six minute mark and it was 18-15, Nazareth.

Happy wouldn't get another shot to fall in the first half, though.

Nazareth shut out Happy for the rest of the quarter to take a 28-15 lead at halftime.

Happy, which turned the ball over 16 times in the first half, suffered nine of those miscues during that dry spell.

The Swiftettes stole a lot of Happy passes and turned them into easy layups on the opposite end of the court.

"We just played hard and it was good that we got those points off of turnovers because we struggled a little in our half-court set and we had to make a few adjustments," Hampton said. "We lost a lot of patience early and we turned the ball over some. We weren't getting a lot of good opportunities (on offense)."

Happy only attempted 12 first-half shots, and made half of those, including three treys, and Hampton said it was probably a good thing that the Cowgirls only shot the ball 12 times.

"That's good because they were hitting the threes. They hit those threes to start the second quarter, but after that their shots didn't fall and ours did," Hampton said.

Happy almost matched Nazareth basket-for-basket in the third period, but three free throws and one trey by Nazareth gave the Swiftettes another four-point advantage and a 44-27 lead.

Happy had rimmed Nazareth's lead to nine points, 34-25, with 2:10 left on a basket by Lair, but K'Lynn Gerber and Misti Ball hit back-to-back shots in the next 50 seconds and Nazareth was back on top by 13.

The Cowgirls opened fourth-quarter action with a wide-spread offense designed for three-point shooting, but the Cowgirls made just one of its long-range attempts—by Lair just 17 seconds into the final stanza. After that the Cowgirls were silent until the last minute, and only got off one more basket in the quarter.

The Swiftettes had no problems finding the hole, though. Schmucker converted a three-point play early in the quarter, then Gerber and Pohlmeier scored to put Nazareth up 51-30. Another steal and layup by Schmucker made it 53-30 with 1:48 left.

Schmucker led all scorers with 25 points. Ball added 11 and Gerber finished with 10 for the Swiftettes. Happy was led by Lair with 15 and Moudy with 6.

Swifts limit Cowboys to 17; clinch playoff trip with win

The Nazareth Swifts came within a second of posting a first-quarter shutout of the Happy Cowboys Friday night, then the Swifts held the home team to 17 total points in the game to clinch a District 7-A playoff berth.

Nazareth was struggling from the field throughout the game, but the Swifts' woes weren't as sad as Happy's and Nazareth posted an easy 57-17 victory.

Nazareth took a 13-0 lead over the Cowboys in the opening quarter and it looked like Nazareth would record a shutout in the stanza. But a Swift foul with one second left put a Cowboy on the line and he made both charity tosses to make it 13-2 after the first.

The Swifts gave up their first field goal early in the second, then quickly took a 19-4 lead. Nazareth's cold shooting from the field kept it close at halftime, 26-9, but Happy couldn't silence the explosive Swifts forever.

The Swifts' offense had a little more success in the second half, outscoring Happy 19-6 in the third quarter and 22-2 in the fourth for the 57-17 victory.

The win was Nazareth's eighth-straight district victory and guaranteed the Swifts a trip to the post-

season tournament.

The Swifts were led by Gaylon Schilling, who finished with nine points, and a trio including Marcus Brockman, Bryan Braddock and Nathan Hoelting, who each tossed in eight.

Kids, Inc. plans basketball sign-up

Youngsters interested in participating in Kids, Inc. basketball this year must sign up during two specially designated times over the next two weeks.

The first sign-up period will be Wednesday, Feb. 14, from 3:30 to 4 p.m. at Richardson Elementary School, and from 4 to 6:30 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce office. Students also will have an opportunity to sign up on Feb. 21 at the same times and locations.

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Sign-up fee is \$18 per student. Adults interested in volunteering as coaches should contact Jerry Durham at 647-4367.



MELINDA SCHMUCKER (12) of Nazareth has no problems scoring after she drives past Happy's Laci Pearson (15) Friday in a big District 7-A battle in Happy. The Cowgirls were coming off an upset of Sudan's Hornettes earlier in the week, but they couldn't muster enough to do the same to the Swiftettes, and Nazareth prevailed, 53-32.

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COBY SCHACHER goes up for two during action Friday night in Happy. The Swifts had problems scoring in the District 7-A game, but their defense came through, limiting Happy to a meager two points in each of the first and last quarters, and holding the Cowboys to 17 in the game for the 57-17 victory.

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Nazareth teams clinch district championships

The Nazareth Swifts and Swiftettes left little doubt as to why they are ranked among the best in the state by Texas basketball coaches Tuesday night when they destroyed the Kress boys and girls in District 7-A games.

Nazareth traveled to Kress for their second-to-the-last regular season game, and both teams left Kress with perfect district marks, and with the district championships wrapped up in their gym bags.

The Swiftettes demolished Kress' ladies in the first game, 82-26; then watched their male counterparts annihilate the Kangaroos, 95-56.

In the girls' game, the Swiftettes held Kress to five first-half points—two in the first quarter and three in the second. The Nazareth offense scored at will, pouring in 47 for a commanding lead. Nazareth outscored Kress 35-21 in the second half for the win. Leading the Swiftettes were Amy Pohlmeier, who had 19, K'Lynn Gerber, who tossed in 15, and Melinda Schmucker, who added 14.

The Swifts had an easy time with the Kress boys, too. They held a 26-13 lead after the first quarter, then sent the Kangaroos hopping to their lair at halftime, trailing 52-27. The Swifts continued to roll in the second half for the big win.

Nazareth was paced by Bryan Braddock and Gaylon Schilling, who tallied 18 apiece. Nathan Hoelting had 13, Marcus Brockman had 11 and Casey Hoelting had 10 for the Swifts.

Nazareth will take on Sudan Friday night in Nazareth to close out regular-season play. The Hornets and Hornets are currently in second place in district. Tip-off in the girls' game will be at 6:30 p.m. and the boys' game will begin at 8.

The Hornets will be fighting for their playoff lives Friday night. The Swiftettes are unbeaten in district play, Sudan is second with two losses and Happy is third with three losses. If Nazareth beats Sudan Friday, the Hornets will be tied with the Cowgirls and will have to have a playoff for the second playoff berth in district.

The Sudan boys edged Bovina Tuesday to clinch second place in district.

Frona bounces Bobbies in key 2-AAA showdown

Frona erupted in the second half to scoot past the Dimmitt Bobbies, 52-31, Tuesday at Kenneth Cleveland Gymnasium.

The win gave the Squaws, 8-1, the District 2-AAA championship. Dimmitt fell to 6-3 in the conference. The Bobbies can get into post-season play without a playoff if they win Friday at Shallowater. Littlefield lost Tuesday to Muleshoe, 54-47, dropping the Lady Cats into a tie for third with the Lady Mules at 5-4. If Dimmitt loses, Littlefield beats Floydada and Muleshoe down Friona, there would be a three-way tie for second and a playoff next week. If there's a tie between just Dimmitt and Muleshoe, the Bobbies are in, thanks to their sweep of the Lady Mules.

Dimmitt never got into an offensive groove against the Squaws, but weren't out of the game until the fourth quarter. The Bobbies (15-16) hung close throughout the first half despite scoring just one bucket in the second quarter, a three-pointer by Carrie Bradley at the halftime buzzer that cut Friona's lead to one, 14-13.

Mary Cass scored the first basket of the game, a three-pointer a minute into the contest. Friona didn't score again until late in the period. Dimmitt took a 4-3 lead on a steal and layup followed by a free throw by Carrie Bradley. Amy Ethridge, who played her last home game along with fellow senior Kara Josselet, put Dimmitt up by three, 6-3, with 1:18 to go in the first.

It would be the last time Dimmitt would lead. Amber Martin and Kristi Meyer hit baskets in the waning seconds of the quarter to put the Squaws on top, 7-6.

Dimmitt could have led, but the Bobbies missed five of seven free throws. Dimmitt had a huge break when Friona picked up its seventh team foul of the first half with 2:17 to go in the first period, but the Bobbies made just six of 17 tosses in the first half. For the game, Dimmitt was a paltry 16-for-35, 45%. Friona was a little better, making 19 of 32

tosses, 59%. Dimmitt didn't score in the first half of the second quarter, with Emily Roberson denting the board for the first points of the period with two free throws with 3:57 to play that brought the Bobbies within two, 10-8. Friona jumped out to a five-point advantage, 14-9, before a free throw by Ethridge with 1:15 to go. Bradley then hit her trey just before the buzzer to make it a one-point game.

In the third quarter, Courtney Carthel had four early points and Kristi Meyer nailed a turn-around jumper to put the Squaws up 20-13 with 5:31 to play. Dimmitt called timeout to regroup and change its defense.

The plan worked for a while. The Bobbies hadn't pressed in the first half, but came out in the full-court defense after the timeout and caught Friona off guard. Dimmitt got back within three, 20-17 on two Josselet free throws with 4:58 to play in the third.

Dimmitt didn't score another point the rest of the quarter, though, as Friona shut them out until Jacy Buckley made two free throws with 6:40 to go. Friona also took advantage of Dimmitt's change from a man-to-man set to a zone defense. Tammy Spencer, Heather Martin and Britny White each had treys in the last 2:30 of the third as Friona extended its lead to 31-17 after three periods.

Dimmitt fought to try to get the Squaws' lead to less than 10, but Friona led by 12 much of the early fourth quarter. The Bobbies were soon forced to foul Friona, and the squaws canned 14 of 22 tosses in the fourth quarter to complement three baskets.

Dimmitt, meanwhile made eight of 14 free throws and three baskets in the fourth. The 14-point quarter was the only one in which the Bobbies scored more than eight points, and followed a three-point third period.

Ethridge and Bradley led Dimmitt with nine points each

Cats claim playoff berth with win over Muleshoe

Dimmitt's boys claimed a playoff spot for the 19th straight season Tuesday with a 77-32 shellacking of Friona at Kenneth Cleveland Gym.

The Bobcats ran their conference record to 9-0 and are assured of nothing worse than a playoff for first place. Dimmitt would claim the top playoff spot with a win Friday at Shallowater. That contest will be the rubber game of a three-game set. Dimmitt won three weeks ago here, while Shallowater took the win in the second round of the Caprock ABC Holiday Basketball Tournament in December in Lubbock.

Dimmitt's defense dominated, as the Bobcats scored 35 points off 23 Friona turnovers. Friona never scored more than 10 points in a quarter, and that was only in the last eight minutes.

The Bobcats, who moved up to No. 6 in this week's Texas Association of Basketball coach state poll in Class AAA, broke Friona early with their defense. Joe Larra had back-to-back-to-back baskets midway through the first period that gave Dimmitt an 11-6 lead with 3:25 to play in the quarter.

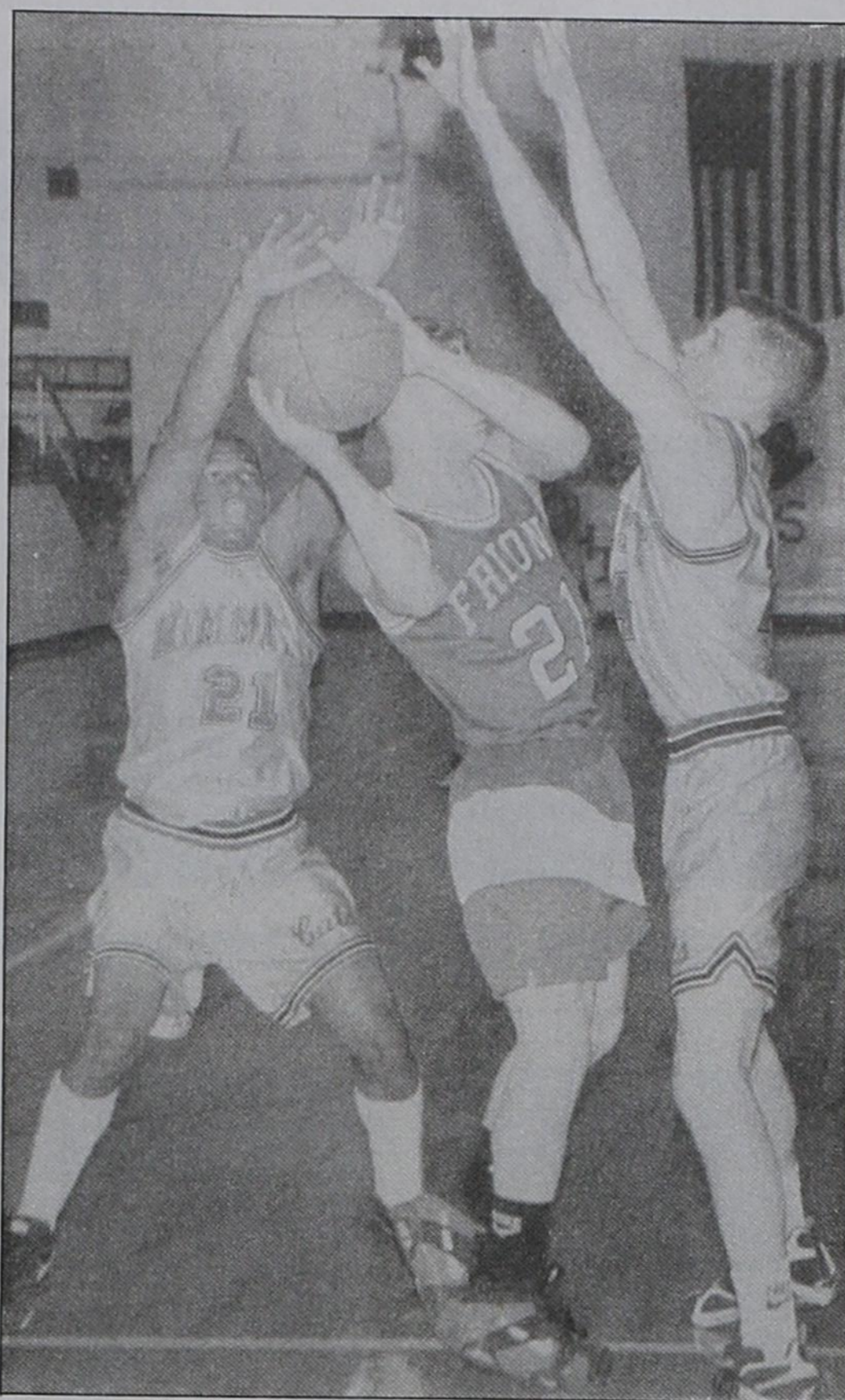
Often, the Bobcats won out with

sheer hustle. A play by Chad Ellis was a case in point, when he went tumbling toward the floor, saved the ball from going away and scooped it toward the basket. It flushed through the net to put Dimmitt up 17-6 with 1:51 to play in the first period. Dimmitt outscored Friona 22-2 in the last three minutes, to go up 23-8 after one quarter.

In the second, Larra and Brandon Smith combined on consecutive steals and baskets to pad Dimmitt's lead to 25, 35-10, with three minutes to play. Dimmitt led by 29 after an Omar Rascon bucket a few minutes later, and led 41-14 at the break.

In the second half, Dimmitt coach Alan Steinle toyed with different player combinations to ensure plenty of playing time for all. At times, the Bobcats had four guards on the court to go with a post player, Ellis or Justin Newman. Those two played their last regular-season home game, along with Larra, Ramiro Gauna, Joey Martinez and Manuel Velasquez.

Newman had 19 to lead all scorers. Larra had 16 and Ellis pocketed 13.



BIG TROUBLE is what Friona's Shane Blackburn finds himself in as Dimmitt's Kalem Thomas (left) and Justin Newman trap him in the backcourt during the first quarter of Tuesday night's District 2-AAA game here. The Bobcats remained unbeaten in district play with a 77-32 win. Photo by Don Nelson

Bradley is lead muleskinner in Bobbie victory over Mules

It's time for a little multiple-choice test, so sharpen your pencils. Here goes.

Question: Who had the biggest game Friday night?

A) Magic Johnson, vs. the Chicago Bulls.

B) Michael Jordan, against the LA Lakers.

C) Carrie Bradley, against the Muleshoe Lady Mules.

The answer, of course, is c. Carrie Bradley had a career night Friday at Muleshoe, scoring 33 points to lead the Dimmitt Bobbies to a 66-48 win.

The victory boosted the Bobbies to 6-2 in District 2-3A, placing them second with two games to go. Just as importantly, the Bobbies were back to .500 on the season for the first time since the 38-36 win over Levelland in the season's second game way back in November.

The 18-point gap at the end was surprising in light of the Bobbies having to rally in overtime for a one-point win three weeks earlier. In that game, Bradley had just four points.

Friday night, Bradley had four points a second for a quick burst in the second period that all but ended the contest for the Lady Mules. The Muleshoe girls, now 4-4 in the conference, had been ranked as high as eighth in the state, but fell from grace after the Bobbies' OT win in the first round of district play.

Bradley's big night almost wasn't. The junior forward appeared to have wrenched a knee in the first half as she went down in a heap. She ran off any ill effects from the twist and went on to have the biggest scoring night of her career.

Bradley and Allyson Field each had eight points for their respective teams, but Bradley had more help. Amber Matthews added six points and Jacy Buckley had a bucket to lift the Bobbies to a 16-11 lead after a quarter.

In the second period, Muleshoe came back quickly to tie the score at 16 on a three-point play by Brandi Harrison with 6:05 to play in the half. The teams battled back and forth for a couple of minutes before Bradley hit a flurry that gave Dimmitt the lead for good.

Her run started with the teams tied at 22. Bradley nailed a three-pointer with 2:50 to go in the half to give Dimmitt a 25-22 lead. Thirty-five seconds later, Bradley hit another trey to make it 28-22. Then, with 1:45 to go, Bradley hit a long two to put Dimmitt up 30-22.

Amy Matthews hit a free throw 18 seconds later to pad the lead to nine, then Emily Roberson added a free throw to make it 32-22. After a Muleshoe basket, Bradley hit her fourth bucket of the period to put Dimmitt back up by 10, 34-24. Dimmitt's lead was eight at halftime.

In the third, Dimmitt led from eight to 11 points most of the quarter before Bradley hit her second basket of the quarter with 40 seconds to play to run the Dimmitt advantage to 11, 44-32. At the end of the period, Amy Ethridge launched a 25-footer that swished for a 47-36 advantage for Dimmitt at the end of the period.

In the fourth, Bradley had an even bigger quarter to stake the Bobbies to their 18-point final advantage. Bradley fired at will from all over the court, missing only three of her 17 shots. On two of her three misses she was fouled, and made three of her four free throws. Bradley had two treys, two baskets from inside the arc and a free throw for 11 points. Meanwhile, her teammates did the only thing they could: feed her the ball while she was in the zone. Jacy Buckley, who was the only other Dimmitt player in double figures with 10 points, had the only other basket in the quarter, while Buckley, Kara Josselet and Shawna Kenworthy added free throws down the stretch as Dimmitt pulled away.

Just as big as the Bobbies' offense was the defense. After Field had seven points in the first period, she had just two baskets in the second quarter and nothing in the second half. Muleshoe's other big threat, Mandy Cleavinger, had just eight points, including only one bucket in the second half.

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FRIDAY		SCORING—NAZARETH: Gaylon Schilling 9, Bryan Braddock, Nathan Hoelting and Marcus Brockman 8.	
Bobcats 79, Muleshoe 35			
Dimmitt 18 19 23 19 — 79			
Muleshoe 11 4 9 11 — 35			
SCORING—DIMMITT: Chad Ellis 17, Justin Newman 15.			
Bobbies 66, Muleshoe 48			
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SCORING—NAZARETH: Melinda Schmucker 25, Misti Ball 11, K'Lynn Gerber 10.			
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Nazareth 13 13 19 22 — 57			
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Freshman Bobbies 64, Friona 49			
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SCORING—DIMMITT: Tonya Robertson 40.			
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Swiftettes 82, Kress 26			
Nazareth 29 18 19 16 — 82			
Kress 2 3 5 16 — 26			
SCORING—NAZARETH: Amy Pohlmeier 19, K'Lynn Gerber 15.			
Swifts 95, Kress 56			
Nazareth 26 26 21 22 — 95			
Kress 13 14 15 14 — 56			
SCORING—NAZARETH: Bryan Braddock and Gaylon Schilling 18.			
Bobcats 77, Friona 32			
Dimmitt 23 18 14 22 — 77			
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SCORING—DIMMITT: Justin Newman 19, Joe Larra 16, Chad Ellis 13.			
Bobbies 31, Friona 52			
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Friona 7 7 17 21 — 52			
SCORING—DIMMITT: Amy Ethridge and Carrie Bradley 9.			



DRAWING A CROWD—Frona's Kristi Meyer (44) gets off a shot over the hands of Dimmitt's Amber Matthews (20) in a crowded lane during the first quarter of Tuesday night's game here. The Friona girls wrapped up the District 2-AAA championship with a 52-31 victory. Photo by Don Nelson

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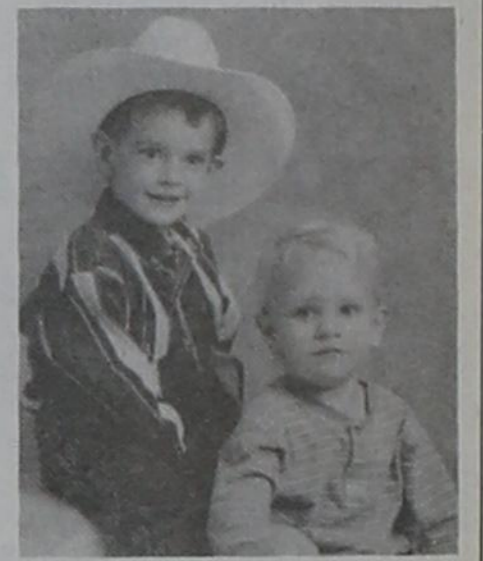
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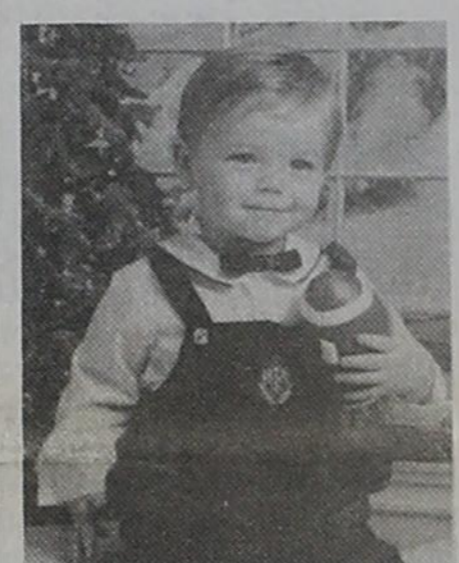
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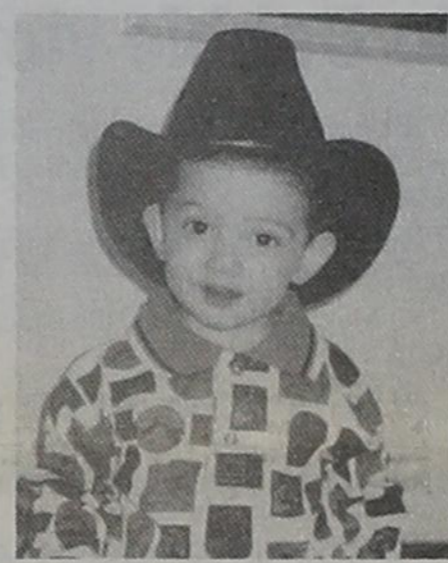
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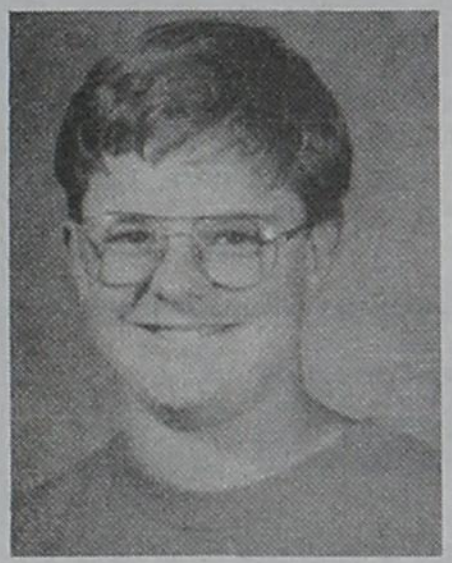
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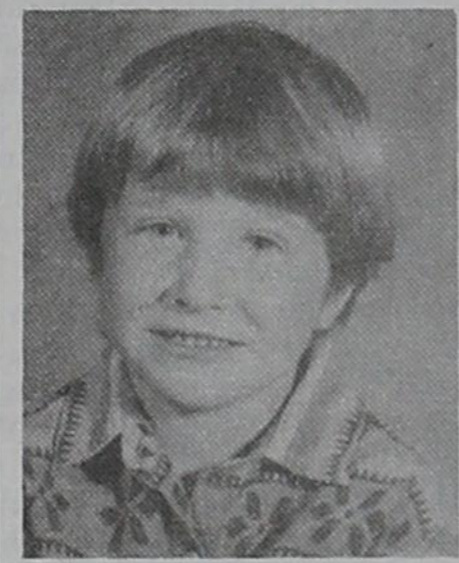
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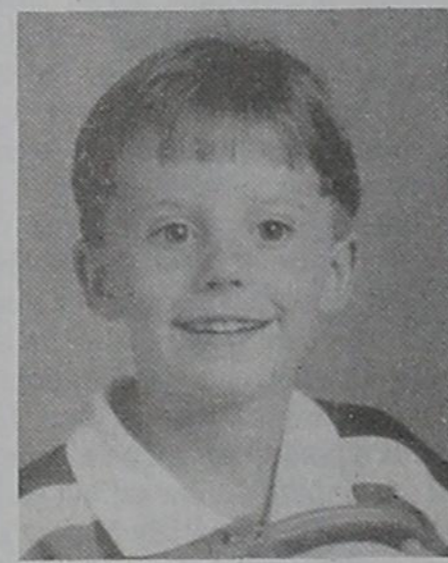
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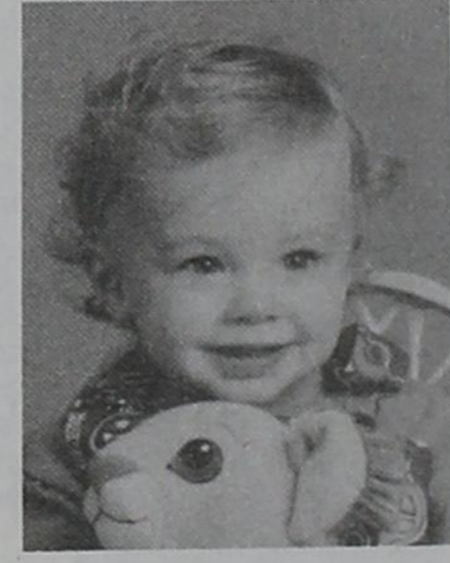
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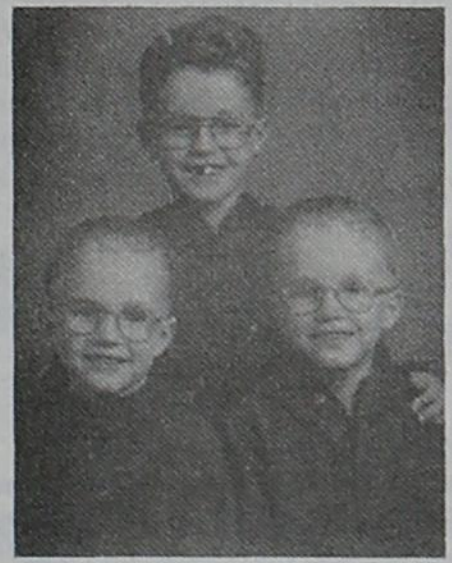
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Thomas Samuel Smothermon
Grandson of Delbert & Jackie Smothermon



Zjohn, Skler & Joshua Smothermon
Grandsons of Delbert & Jackie Smothermon



Slylier Davis
Grandson of Roy & Janet Leingang



April, Robyn & Cheyenne
Grandchildren of Roy and Janet Leingang



Wyatt Stewart Huston
Grandson of Mary Johnson, Cliff Johnson
and Dr. & Mrs. Darrel Huston



Treva Jean Ramsey
Granddaughter of Joe & Imogene Drerup
and Dwight & Anita Ramsey



Jason Eric Sparks
Grandson of Les & Jo Nita Gordin
and Ramon & Stella Rodriguez



Heather, Corrie & Erin Black
Grandchildren of Jim & Elsie Black
and Ted & Cheere Collins
Great-grandchildren of Lorraine Harrison,
Polly Manning and Katy Collins



Cody & Carlyn Collins
Grandchildren of Ted & Cheere Collins
and Jody & Gainell Minnick
Great-grandchildren of Polly Manning and Katy Collins



Kelyn Wardlaw
Granddaughter of Mike & Kaye Wardlaw
and Ted & Cheere Collins
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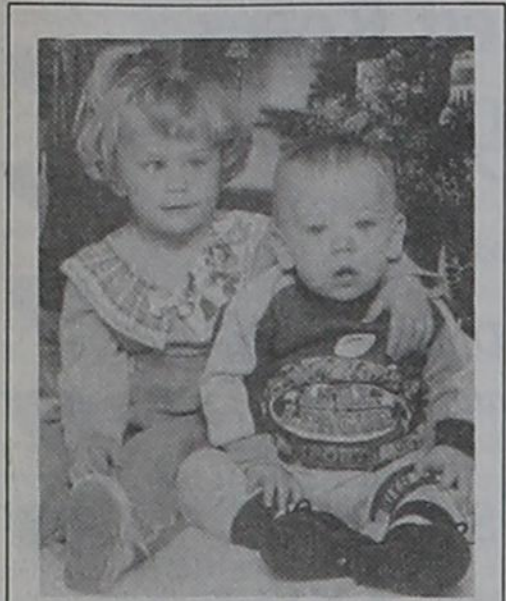
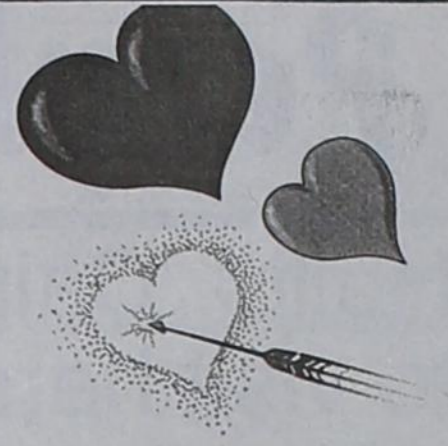


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Great-grandchildren of Doris Frazier



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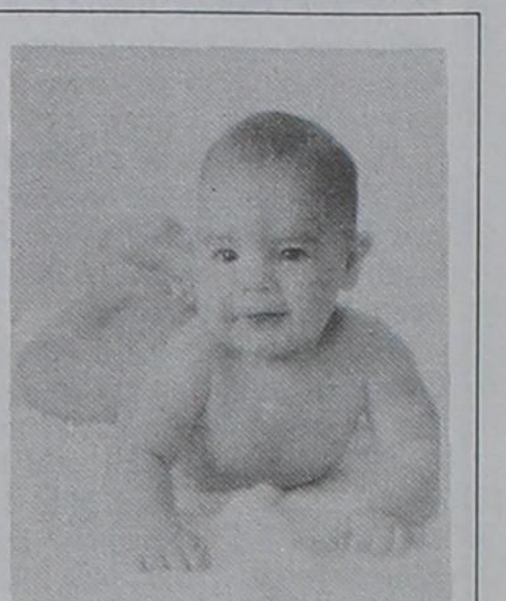
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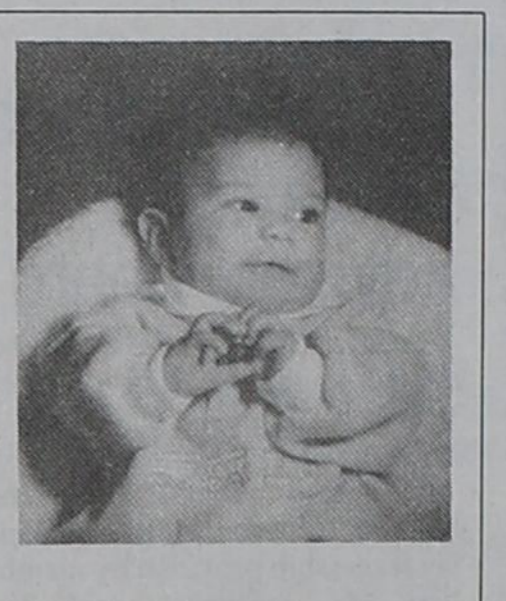
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and Bobby George
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Colton O'Brien
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and Emilio & Refugia Nino



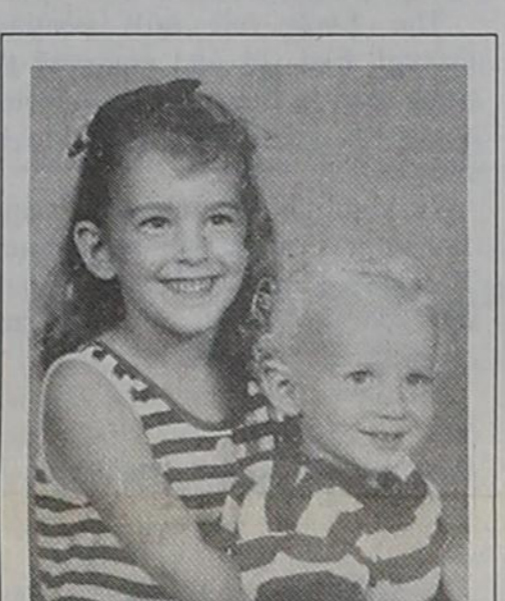
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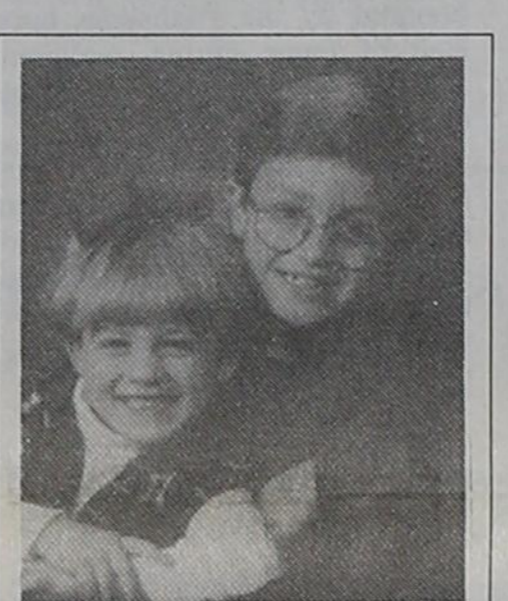
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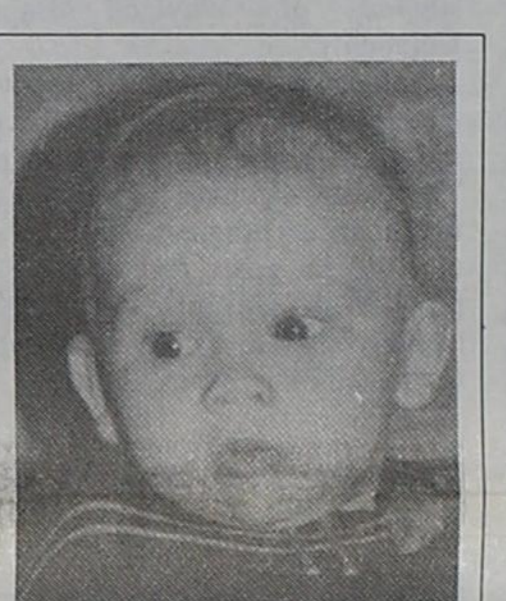
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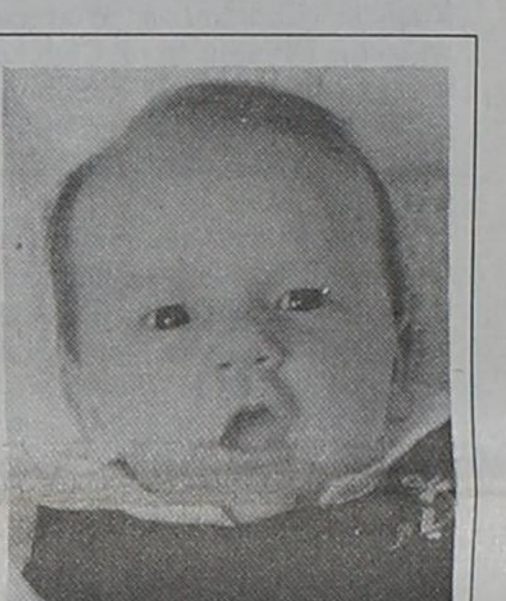
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Sean & Lacey Lookingbill
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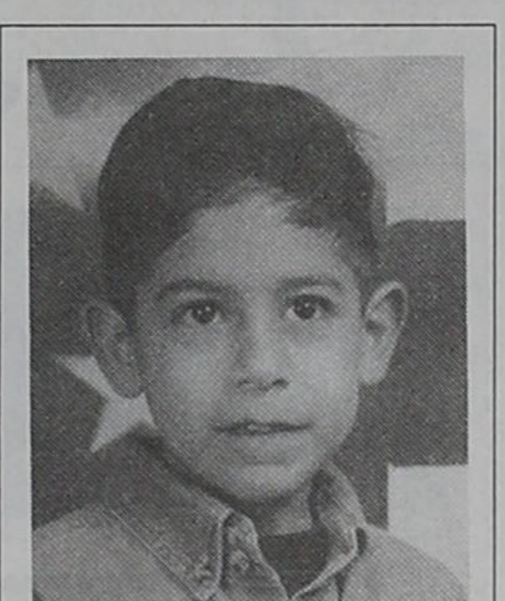
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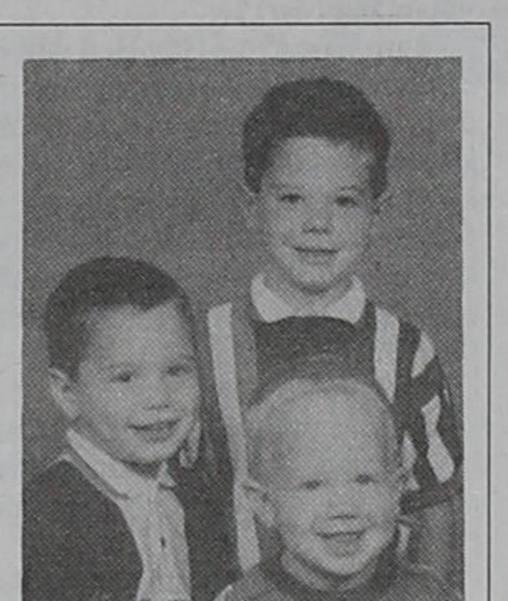
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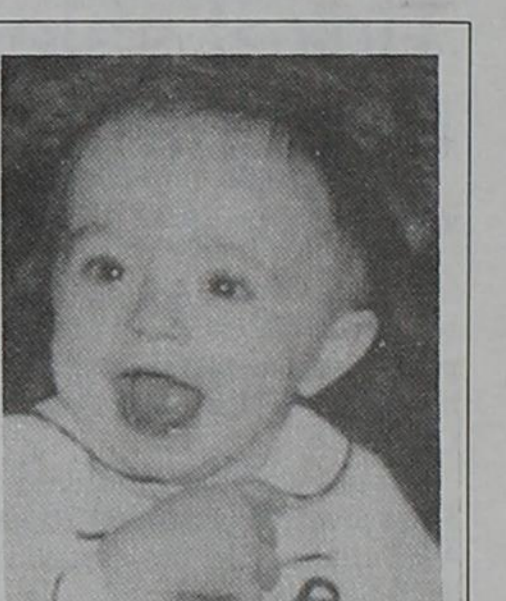
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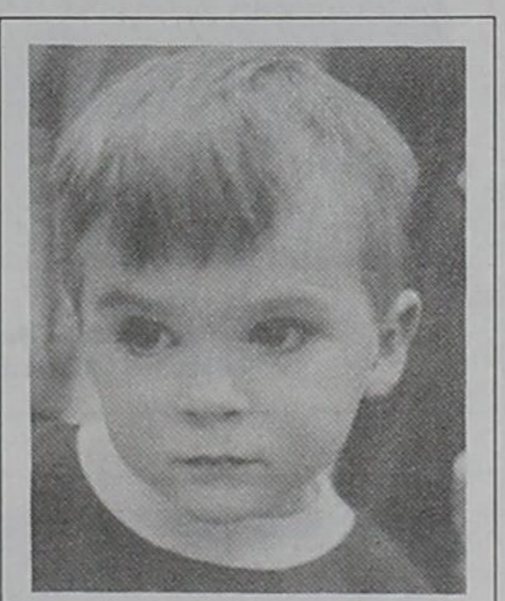
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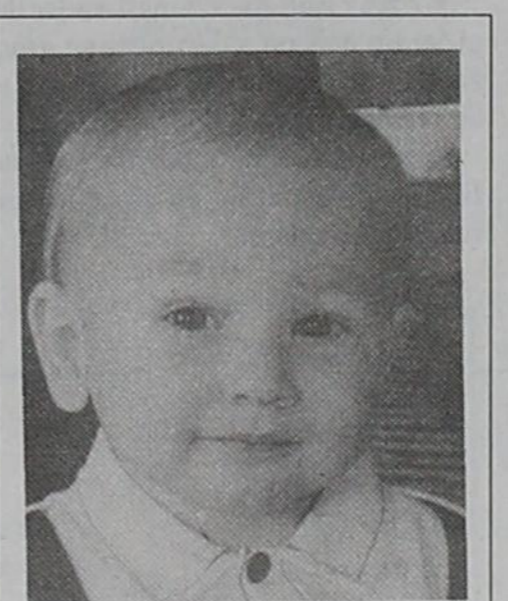
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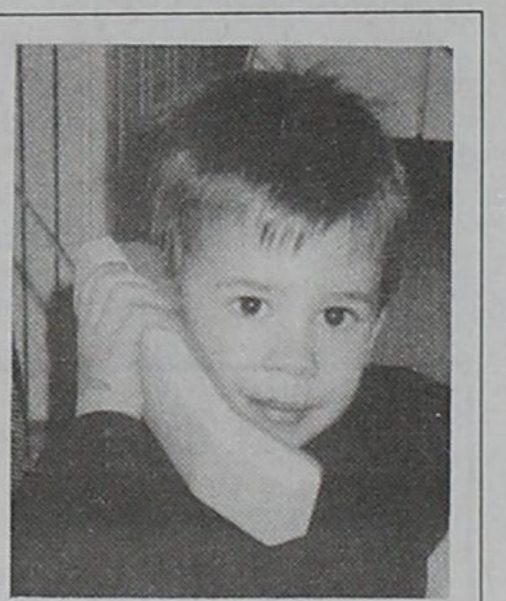
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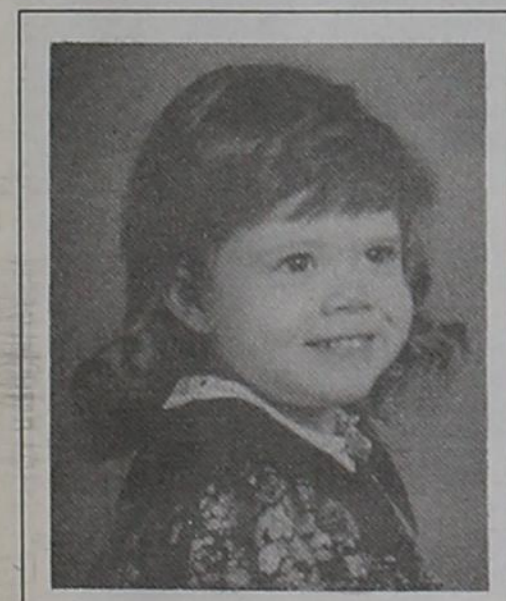
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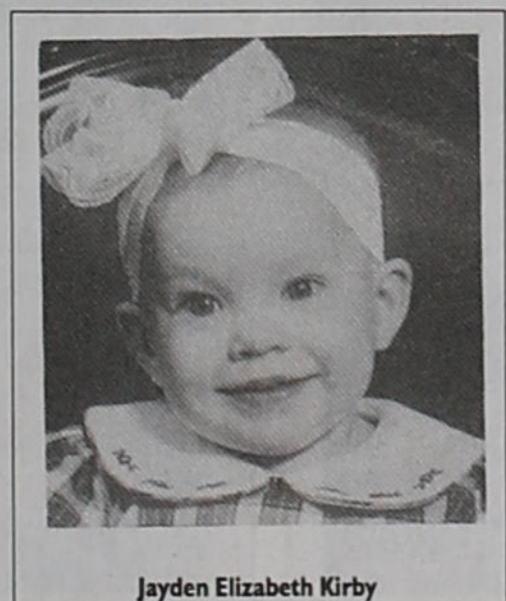
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Leslie Loudder and Philip & Dora Pohlmeier



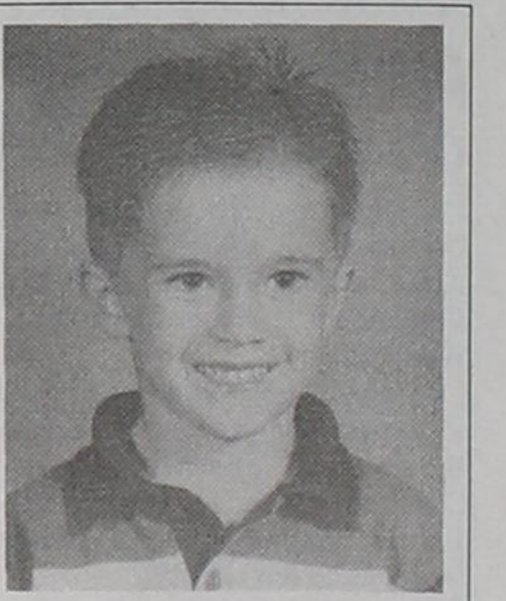
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Callie & Berkley
Grandchildren of Don & Carlie Warren
and Troy & Billie Kirby



Klay Clearman
Grandson of Ben & Mollie Scott
Great-grandson of Lois Scott

People



Hollis Cain to visit here

Hollis Cain, Republican candidate for State Representative in Dist. 85, which includes Castro County, will be here next Thursday from 5 to 8 p.m. to meet local voters.

He will speak at a "Meet the Candidate" meal in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hill, seven miles south of Dimmitt on US 385. The public is invited to attend.

The meal of red beans and cornbread will be part of the come-and-go, casual-dress event. Sponsors of the meal include Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Byers, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Brockman, Mr. and Mrs. David Rohrbach, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Sanders and Mr. and Mrs. Allan Webb.

Bradley named to dean's list

Halley Bradley of Dimmitt, a sophomore at Baylor University, has been named to the dean's academic honor list for the fall 1995 semester.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must be an undergraduate with a minimum grade-point average of 3.7 while enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours.

Book Club sets meeting

Diane Townsend will review *Takes a Village and Other Lessons Children Teach Us* by Hillary Rodham Clinton on Wednesday when the Dimmitt Book Club holds its regular meeting and book review.

The group will meet at 4 p.m. at Rhoads Memorial Library in Dimmitt.

Townsend says the book reveals that the First Lady has long been an advocate for children. Through a variety of examples, Mrs. Clinton attempts to show how we can identify places where our "village" is flourishing—in families, schools, churches, businesses and civic organizations—and how we can begin to create for our children a better tomorrow which they deserve.

A social hour will follow the review and the public is invited to attend.

Ticket sales to benefit 4-H Center

Castro County 4-H'ers will be selling chances on a \$500 prize, with proceeds from the event going to benefit the 4-H Livestock/Education Center.

Tickets are \$5 each or three for \$10, and may be purchased from any 4-H member. The drawing will be held Saturday during the annual Castro County Junior Livestock Show & Sale.

4-H members are asked to stop by the Extension office and pick up tickets to sell.

The focus for this year at the center is to work on construction of the next building in the complex.

Demonstration topic suggestions available

The Castro County Extension office has announced that it is time for work to begin on Method Demonstrations.

Those needing help on selecting a topic are invited to stop by the office for help or suggestions.

"We want to encourage everyone to participate in this project," an Extension spokesperson said.

Canterbury Villa plans rock-a-thon on Valentine's Day

Canterbury Villa residents will be "rocking" for the American Heart Association from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Valentine's Day, which is Wednesday.

Anyone who would like to donate to the American Heart Association should send their donations to Canterbury Villa, 1621 Butler Blvd., and the nursing home will forward proceeds to the charity.

Heart disease is one of the county's leading killers and help is needed for medical research.

Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

Our sympathy to the family of Thelma Wethington, 74, who died Wednesday at Lubbock Methodist Hospital after a brief illness.

Funeral mass was read Saturday morning in Holy Family Catholic Church with Father Neal Dee officiating, assisted by Deacon Jerome Brockman. Family members served as ministers in all parts of the mass.

Burial was in Holy Family Cemetery where her husband, Tom, was buried in 1969.

Survivors include three sons, Tommy, Melvin and Bernie; six daughters, Joyce Wethington, Janeta Jones, Beth Schulte, Rose Ann Cotter, Delphine Hittson and Geri Lynn Laub; 27 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two brothers, Herman

and Jerome Birkenfeld; and three sisters, her twin, Velma Warren, Rita Woetovech and Sister Josella Birkenfeld.

A bridal shower honoring Darlene Heck, bride-elect of Randy Miller of Darrouzett, was held Sunday afternoon at the home of Mitzie Brockman. Darlene received many useful and beautiful gifts. Hostesses for the shower were friends Jimmie Schulte, Teresa Birkenfeld, Florene Brockman, Margie Albracht, Sue Stahl, Linda Merritt, Beverly Hill and Mitzie Brockman.

Mary Gerber and Dorothy McQuilliam have returned after spending a week in Woodward, Okla., with Norbert and Helen Gerber and their family. They enjoyed being with family and visiting neighbors including Agnes Warren.

Leslie Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Dean Johnson of Nazareth, and Paul Henderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Henderson of Plainview, were married Friday evening at the Church of Christ in Plainview. They will reside in the Plainview area.

Congratulations to former Nazareth all-stater and Texas Tech standout Noel Johnson, who was recognized for her achievement in basketball, and Nazareth Special Olympian B.J. Klein, who was honored for his achievements at the World Summer Games. They were honored by the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame during ceremonies Sunday at Amarillo College's Ordway Auditorium.

Sandy Heiman of Canyon is home to recuperate after having thyroid surgery at High Plains Baptist Hospital. Her address is 15 North Ridge, Canyon 79015 if you would like to send her a card.

Prayers are asked for Leonard Gerber, who will have back surgery Wednesday at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

Visiting recently with the Leonard Schulte and Elmer Schulte families were the pair's sister and brother-in-law, Lorene and Hal Buntele of Wallingford, Conn., and Robert and Teresa Buntele, also of Conn. Dick and Rosemary Dietz of Brownsville also joined the family here. They enjoyed several evenings of visiting and also celebrated Lorene's 74th birthday.

Imogene Drerup was honored on her 50th birthday Friday evening with a surprise birthday party at the Legion Hall, hosted by her husband, Joe. Many family members and friends enjoyed the evening.

The Saturday evening mass in Holy Family Church was offered for LeRoy and Dorothy Pohlmeier on their 50th wedding anniversary. They have plans to celebrate in July, when their family can all be with them.

RES plans book fair

Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt will host a Scholastic book fair beginning Monday in the school's library.

The book fair will continue through Feb. 16 and many of the titles used in the school's Accelerated Reader Program will be showcased.

To highlight the book fair, a special parents' night will be held next Thursday, Feb. 15, from 6 to 8 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend, and admission is free.

Proceeds from the book fair will help the school purchase new Accelerated Reader books for its library.

Upshaw named to Wayland advisory board

Preston Upshaw of Hart has been named to the advisory council of Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

"Wayland Baptist University benefits from the additional Baptist lay leadership provided by members like Mr. Upshaw," said Terry Sanders, director of denominational services at Wayland. "These men and women are committed to Christian education through personal support of Wayland Baptist University."

As a council member, Upshaw will attend meetings twice a year on the university's campus in Plainview. The group will hear updates on the university's progress, how it is meeting its goals and educational programs, student recruitment, capital, operating and scholarship needs and other business items.

City Council adopts higher water deposit

Security deposits for Dimmitt residents wanting to establish water and sewer service will now cost \$35 instead of \$25, after a 4 to 1 vote on the matter at the Monday night meeting of the Dimmitt City Council.

Voting against the proposal was Council member Roy Garza. In favor were Gloria Hernandez, Carole Dyer, Charles Richard and Roger Malone. Johnny Ethridge was absent.

Mayor Wayne Collins said, "It's a tough call to be fair to all and still operate in a sound financial manner. If we don't operate in a sound financial manner, it will cost everyone more in the long run."

City Manager Reeford Burrous said the basic monthly residential rate of \$21.74 adds up quickly if someone doesn't pay. Losses last year from non-payment not covered by deposits totaled \$1,300.

Burrous also requested that the reconnect fee be increased to \$35 as well. It was approved along with the deposit increase.

In another matter, the council

approved the first reading of a no-smoking ordinance, which will go into effect Mar. 1.

Burrous said the City Hall will be declared smoke-free, except for the designated smoking area of the kitchen; and the Police Dept. will be smoke-free except for the interrogation room. The fire station will allow smoking in the truck bays, and the city warehouse will be smoke-free in the front office.

Burrous told the council the Castro County DARE program has requested \$1,794 in funds from the city.

Burrous said he understood that the city's contribution to establishing the program was the donation of a car for use by the DARE officer. He said he was not aware of any agreement to supply additional funding.

Collins said the council knew the program was on a diminishing grant and that the difference would have to be made up through local funds.

Council members said they would like a report on the program before making a decision.



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Here are the school lunch menus for Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth for the week of Feb. 8 to 16.

DIMMITT
THURSDAY: No school.
FRIDAY: No school.
MONDAY: Choices of *steak fingers with gravy, lasagna casserole or ham and cheese sandwich with a bowl of soup; *mashed potatoes, broccoli, cheese and rice or Southern collard greens; *haystack finger salad, tossed salad with dressing or chilled fruit cocktail; *hot cheese rolls, flour tortillas or garlic bread; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choices of *hoagie submarine, poor boy steak or taco salad; *onion rings, potatoes au gratin or tomato and okra gumbo; *coleslaw, tossed salad with dressing or taco salad; hot wheat rolls, cornbread or flour tortilla; apple, orange or grapes; and *milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY: Choices of *cheeseburger on a roll, green enchilada casserole or grilled cheese with a bowl of chili; *Mexipinto beans, rice pilaf or French fries; *hamburger salad, tossed salad with dressing or cucumber and tomato salad; flour tortillas, white bread or saltine crackers; apple, orange or banana; and *milk, punch or tea.

THURSDAY: Choices of *beef and bean burrito with chili, chicken and dumplings or corn dogs; *Arroz Mexicano, pork and beans or potato salad; *fruited gelatin, tossed salad with dressing or orange wedges; homemade biscuits, cornbread or flour tortillas; apple, orange or grapes; and *milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choices of *fish nuggets, Monterey casserole or beans and rice with sausage; *whole new potatoes, Fideo Mexicano or baked beans; *haystack finger salad, tossed salad with dressing or cantaloupe; *hot wheat rolls, cornbread or saltine crackers; apple, orange or cantaloupe; and *milk, punch or tea.

(Items designated with an asterisk will be served to students in pre-kindergarten through the second grade.)

HART
THURSDAY: Tacos (elementary) or soft tacos, salad, refried beans, fruit, cookies and milk.
FRIDAY: No school.

MONDAY: Barbecued pork (elementary) or barbecued wieners, baked potatoes, broccoli and cheese, rolls, peaches, chocolate cake and milk.

TUESDAY: Pizza (elementary) or stromboli, corn, salad, fruit and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Cheeseburgers (elementary) or chicken sandwich, lettuce, tomato, pickles, French fries, fresh fruit and milk.

THURSDAY: Steak fingers (elementary) or chicken strips, green beans, mashed potatoes, rolls, variety of cobbler and milk.
FRIDAY: Nachos with meat (elementary) or burrito, pinto beans, pickles, crackers, rice krispie bars and milk.

NAZARETH
THURSDAY: Corn dogs, green beans, cobbler and milk.
FRIDAY: No school.

MONDAY: Nachos, pork and beans, rolls, applesauce and milk.
TUESDAY: Chicken, rice, corn, rolls, fruit salad and milk.
WEDNESDAY: Ham and cheese sandwiches, lettuce, pickles, tater tots, Valentine dessert and milk.
THURSDAY: Burritos and chili, carrot sticks, peas, apple crisp and milk.
FRIDAY: Chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, green beans, pudding, rolls and milk.

Nominations due for service award

The Amarillo Women's Forum is accepting nominations for its annual Distinguished Service Awards, which will honor an outstanding woman who has helped shape the development of the Texas Panhandle through contributions of talent and skill.

Deadline for nominations is 12 noon on March 1, and presentations of the Distinguished Service Awards will be made during a noon luncheon on April 13 at the Amarillo Club, located at Sixth and Tyler.

For nomination forms or additional information, contact Millie Bingham at 806-378-3162.

"The award recognizes and honors the visible examples set by women who pave the way for others to follow," said Karla Hayes, publicity chairwoman for the Forum.

"Since 1975, 178 women have been recognized from the arts, business, finance, education, health care, law, science, volunteerism and other fields," Hayes added.

The late Helen Richardson of Dimmitt was one of the award recipients in 1976.

Nominees must be Texas women who are legal residents of the top 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle who have not previously received the award. The Forum encourages people to re-nominate women who may have been nominated in previous years.

Winners will be chosen on the basis of an individual's significant impact on the Texas Panhandle through their local communities. An anonymous panel of judges representing the Panhandle area will select recipients on the basis of their lasting contributions and achievements.

Alejandro meets with local voters

Tuesday morning, 13th Congressional District candidate Aaron Alejandro of Wichita Falls visited with about 20 local voters in a meeting to discuss his ideas to improve Congress.

"I believe that anyone who puts partisan politics ahead of the people they are supposed to represent has failed, and failed miserably," Alejandro said. "Washington politicians, political gimmicks and partisan agendas have caused Americans to lose faith in their elected officials," Alejandro said.

"I want to be a Congressman who puts people ahead of partisan politics," he said. He added that irresponsible cuts to Medicare, Medicaid, student loan, veterans and agricultural programs are just several examples of how political agendas have come before reasonable, levelheaded, approaches to balancing the Federal budget.

"Contracts, reports and other political rhetoric will not silence the majority of Americans who want a balanced budget, but who do not favor massive tax breaks for millionaires and billionaires," Alejandro said.

"I do not want to see our senior citizens pay more for their Medicare and Medicaid while this Congress gives Donald Trump or T. Boone Pickens a free ride at tax time," Alejandro said.

"I believe that Americans are tired of partisan bickering and want leadership on behalf of their elected officials," he said. "I will be a Congressman who puts people ahead of partisan politics and strives to be part of solutions in Washington instead of representing the leadership or special interest groups of either political party."

"We can do better. I plan on working to protect property rights, reduce burdensome federal

regulations and policies which prohibit job growth," the candidate said. "I will work to see that key projects are protected, so that jobs are not put in harm's way."

He concluded by saying, "Unlike the incumbent Congressman, you can count on me to work hard for the people of this district and not put partisan politics ahead of what is really important to working families."

Alejandro is president of Catalyst Dynamics, and has 10 years of experience in management, personal and professional training.

He was raised at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch just outside of Amarillo. He served as president of the Texas FFA Association, and as marketing representative for Creative Education Video. He was district director for US Rep. Bill Sarpalius for several years.

He was named a Paul Harris Fellow by the Wichita Falls Downtown Rotary Club in 1991, and has served on that club's board of directors.

He has served on the operational board for the Wichita Falls Boys & Girls Clubs, adult board of directors for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, nominating committee chairman for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of America, board of directors of Leadership Wichita Falls, and participated in the Big Brother/Big Sister program.

He was honored as the 1990 Texas Young Farmer Spokesperson for Agriculture.

He is married to the former Jennifer Whitehill, and they have a son, Chandler Luis.

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Breast screening scheduled today

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and High Plains Baptist Health Systems will conduct a breast cancer screening at Medical Center of Dimmitt, 112 W. Jones, today (Thursday).

Cost of the screening is \$70. Financial aid is available for breast screening and mammograms to individuals who qualify. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-377-4673 or 806-359-4673.

Each participant at the screening will receive a breast exam and one-on-one instruction in breast self-

examination by a registered nurse specially trained in breast cancer detection. They also will receive a mammogram by a mammography technician. The program is certified by FDA, American College of Radiology and the State Health Departments of Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

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Minding Your Own Business

By DON TAYLOR



Bet on the Boomers

The first baby boomers turned 50 about six weeks ago. Unless you've been living in a cave, you've undoubtedly heard about this big group of Americans born between 1946 and 1964.

According to the Census Bureau, there are nearly 77 million baby boomers in America—nearly one-third of the total population. I am an early boomer. I'll turn 50 in June.

This group will undoubtedly reshape the mid-life and retirement years' norms, as they changed life in every decade they came through. In the late 40s and early 50s, boomers exploded the baby furniture and baby products industries. In the late 50s, 60s and 70s they pushed the walls out of every school system in the country. Boomers drove the markets for muscle cars, bell-bottom jeans and college degrees.

They roared into the job market in the 60s and 70s and swelled the working ranks with MBAs in the 80s. Though they are the best educated group in history, they are catching the brunt of the layoffs in the downsizing of corporate America.

If you're in business, you can bet on the boomers. They will control—or be a major influence in—many important markets for the next 25 years. Meet their needs and they'll grow your market share. Ignore them and they'll put you out of business.

Understanding the boomers

Here are a few observations to consider before you jump on the "marketing to boomers" bandwagon.

➤ **Boomers want value.** They are acutely self-interested, and while they have money to spend, they want a good exchange for their money. Boomers are the best educated consumer group yet. Because of this, the boomer often knows more about the product than the salesperson selling it. If they feel that you're not respecting their knowledge or intellect, they'll walk away.

➤ **Boomers buy better.** This generation will buy top-of-the-line items. They like to spend, and you can use your product knowledge to move the boomer up to the best.

➤ **Boomers are quick decision makers.** Early habits are hard to change. Remember, this is the "let's-do-it" generation. Once this group has the facts, they act quickly. They won't delay the buying process if they are comfortable and convinced of value.

➤ **Boomers are aging physically, not mentally.** They may be pushing 50, but most of them are still thinking 30. They are more health conscious than earlier generations, will live longer and will be more active in their senior years. While this characteristic has both positive and negative impact, you can use it to your marketing advantage.

➤ **Boomers are sensitive buyers.** This generation, though known as a group who "tells-it-like-it-is," is a sensitive bunch. They want to be recognized as important, intelligent and caring. Though the realities of earning a living, raising a family and securing their future are weighing heavily on them, they still care about their image.

To grow your business, analyze products and services that boomers will need as they age. If you can help them secure their future, save them time, lower their hassle factor or improve their quality of life, you'll reap the profits that boomers will throw off as they carry our economy into the 21st century.

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Heard instills conservation love in grandson

Just as grandsons have been known to walk in their grandfather's shadow, windbreaks are casting their own protective shadow on production agriculture.

For Dan Heard of Dimmitt, his 4-year-old grandson, Austin Dan, is often a part of his silhouette, helping him as earnestly as a 4-year-old can, to care for the family's wildlife windbreak.

According to Dan's wife, Oma Dee, when Austin cannot be found, you can be sure he isn't lost, but is wherever "Pa Pa" Dan is at work.

"He's (Austin) a worker," Mrs. Heard said. "He's always saying, 'Pa Pa, come on, let's go hoe.'"

Some of this hoeing takes place at the Heard's tree windbreak west of Dimmitt. The Heard family, in conjunction with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. (TPWD) implemented this planting in the spring of 1994.

The Heards' primary motive in planting the windbreak was to create a habitat for the disintegrating pheasant population and neotropical migratory birds.

"We had pheasants for a good many years and it seemed like pheasants were getting fewer and fewer all the time. So that's why we planted it—to attract different types of birds," Heard said.

The break also was planted for future protection of the family's livestock.

"When it (the windbreak) gets older and the trees have grown a lot, I think you'll have a lot of windbreak for cattle. It will be a big asset to the cattle, especially in snow storms."

If a severe snow storm were to occur, Heard said the cattle could



DAN HEARD (right) and his grandson, Austin, hoe weeds from the area around the Heards' windbreak west of Dimmitt. Heard planted the windbreak in the spring of 1994 in conjunction with a Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. program.

Courtesy Photo

stay on the south side of the break and feed, and not be in the wind and snow.

The Heards' windbreak is located on a dry corner or "odd area" on the north side of their center pivot irrigation system. It is "odd" because this strip of land won't be reached by the pivot system, and that section of land is left out of the primary cropping system.

Though it is "odd," it is an ideal location for a pheasant habitat to be established. The shelterbelt is neighbored by grassland established under the Conservation Reserve Program

which will provide nesting and roosting, by a corn crop providing forage and additional cover, and extends to a lakebed which may, depending on rainfall, supply much-needed water.

This wildlife planting was cost-shared through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept.'s Private Lands Enhancement Program. TPWD provided the technical guidance while the Texas Forest Service's West Texas Nursery supplied the seedlings. Both agencies, as well as the Dimmitt Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Heard family, joined in planting the windbreak.

The quarter-mile-long greenbelt contains two rows of evergreens—Rocky Mountain Juniper—and single rows of deciduous trees and shrubs, honeylocust, bois d'arc, aromatic sumac and fourwing saltbrush.

A planting like the Heards is a prime example of incorporating windbreaks into the overall agricultural landscape. This windbreak is making use of land which would otherwise not be in production and will protect livestock and crops, benefit wildlife and increase the water efficiency of the pivot system.

"I think it's going to be a big asset," Heard said. "I feel like that because we don't have any trees in this area that it would be better if a lot of other farmers got more interested in shelterbelts and windbreaks for cattle and such. I'm hoping maybe that after other farmers see it and see the potential and what the benefits are, then I believe they might think about planting one."

Though Austin is working hard and diligently helps his grandfather today, Heard hopes this planting will be a place of continued enjoyment in Austin's future.

"Just about the time I can't really enjoy looking at it, he'll be old enough to where he can go out and enjoy hunting and watching the birds and wildlife. I think he will really enjoy it."

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following story was originally published in the winter issue of West Texas Nursery Windbreak Quarterly, which is published by the Texas Forest Service West Texas Nursery in Lubbock.)

Cotton Talks

Final calculations have been made and, as expected, there will be no cotton deficiency payment in 1995. The marketing and price figures were released by the US Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) on Jan. 31.

According to Plains Cotton Growers, the final figures, as adjusted by USDA, reflect a tremendous change from 1994 to 1995.

Cumulative marketings fell from 18.6 million bales in 1994 to 12.9 million bales in 1995. Higher prices to producers and a slack in demand are the most significant reasons for the reduction.

Overall, producers received excellent prices for the crop in 1995. On the average, prices stayed well above the 72.9¢ upland cotton target price. Under provisions of the 1990 Farm Bill, deficiency payments are triggered when the weighted average price received by growers falls below the target price.

Final calculations put the weighted average price received by growers at 76.85¢ per pound, 3.95¢ above the 72.9¢ target price. This is bad news for producers who took the 1995 advance payment of 1.85¢ earlier this year.

Producers will be required to pay back the 1995 advance deficiency payment in 1996. At this time USDA is developing several options for producers who have to pay back the advance payment.

"Producers trying to pull together some sort of plan for the 1996 crop are being held back at every turn," said Donald Johnson, PCG executive vice president. "Not only are they not getting the information they need regarding what type of farm legislation will be adopted for 1996, they are now going to be required to repay the 1.85¢ advance deficiency payment they received in 1995, further complicating the job of

budgeting for the new year."

December figures show a total of 2.451 million bales were marketed during the month at an average price of 76.4¢ per pound. The average price for the month of December was

3.2¢ higher than the average price received by growers in December 1994.

Marketing and price figures quoted are from the National Agricultural Statistics Service.

Steiert wins TOWA excellence award

Jim Steiert of Hereford won the top award from the Texas Outdoor Writers Association (TOWA) for outdoor books published in 1995.

He was presented with the Excellence in Craft Competition's top award at the association's 38th annual membership meeting at the San Angelo Howard Johnson Inn Jan. 19-21.

His book, *Playas: Jewels of the Plains*, illustrated by Wyman Meinzer of Benjamin and published by Texas Tech University Press, bested the field in the initial year of competition in the new Outdoor Book Publication category.

The book category was created for Texas outdoor writers who have made the transition from short pieces to books or novels, fiction or nonfiction, on any aspect of the outdoors.

Playas, Steiert's first book, is a natural history of the playa lakes found in the Southern High Plains of Texas and also in Oklahoma, New Mexico, Colorado and Kansas. A long-time member of TOWA, Steiert has garnered numerous Excellence

in Craft awards from the association through the years, including first place awards in outdoor column writing, special outdoor programs, outdoor feature articles, and newspaper writing. He also has won awards for magazine features and an outdoor newsletter.

Steiert's freelance outdoor articles have appeared in publications including *Texas Parks & Wildlife Magazine*, *New Mexico* magazine, *Wildfowl*, *Wing & Shot*, *Texas Sportsman*, *Outdoor Life*, *Field & Stream*, *Waterfowler's World* and *Fin & Feather*. He also is a former associate editor and remains a regular contributor of agriculture articles to *Texas Farmer-Stockman* magazine.

In addition to his freelance writing activities, Steiert is employed in the public relations department of West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. of Hereford, where he produces that company's newsletter, the *Co-Op Connection*.

Steiert worked for the *Castro County News* at one time.

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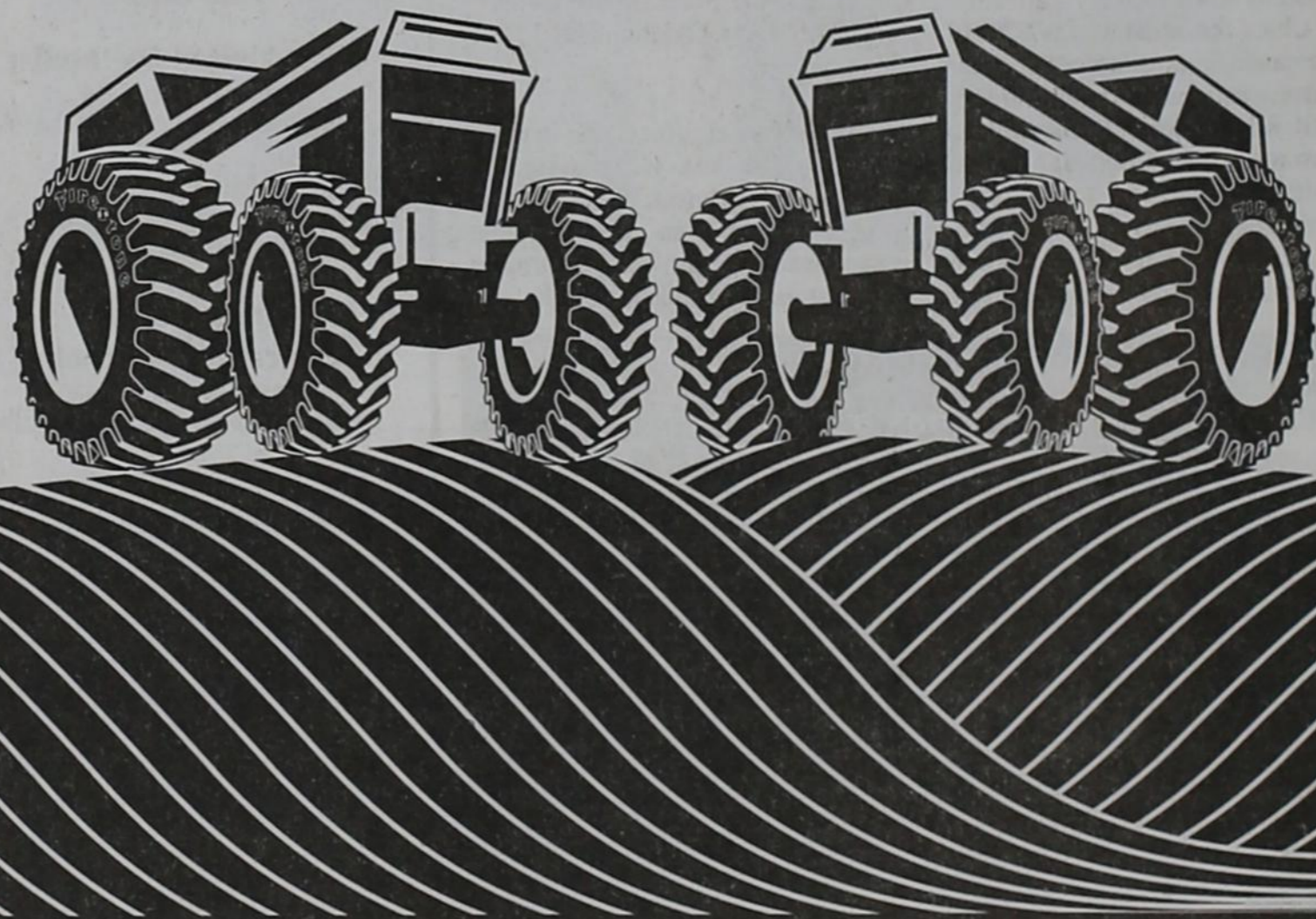
The US History AP class at Dimmitt High School needs items to be donated for a garage sale on Feb. 24.

The class is going to take a trip to Dallas to visit the Holocaust Museum at the Jewish Community Center, the Sixth-Floor Museum, and the Federal Reserve Bank.

A variety of activities is planned to help earn money for the trip.

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The Leader in the Field.

Leaders in irrigation honored for water stewardship, conservation

Two leaders in Texas' highly intensive irrigated agriculture industry were honored for their accomplishments in water and production management by the Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association (TAIA) at the annual industry conference and trade show in Amarillo.

The conference was co-sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Those honored were Dale Coleman, a Moore County grower recognized for his innovative irrigation management in production of corn, grain sorghum and wheat in the Dumas area; and Wayne Wyatt, manager of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District in Lubbock, who was recognized for outstanding leadership in water management and conservation.

Coleman was cited for superior management of 34 irrigation wells, knowing both the pump and engine efficiencies and where the water is going at any given time on his 5,500 acre farm.

"Using a management system developed from experience, Coleman knows his operating system intimately," said Leon New, Extension engineer and irrigation specialist and 1995 TAIA president. By monitoring each pump and delivering predetermined, measured amounts of water, he is able to conserve the water resource while producing consistently high yields.

With these accurate daily records, Coleman also evaluates his total irrigation water management following each harvest.

"His tabulated data of irrigation pumping costs per acre and acre inch of water plus annual crop production per inch of irrigation is accountability," said New, who presented the TAIA president's award to Coleman.

"Dale Coleman's proven, innovative, analytical procedures have achieved superior irrigation management, total system efficiency and a crop response that conserves

water," New said.

His corn production averages more than 600 pounds for each inch of water applied. Each year's crop is processed by Coleman's 620,000 bushel capacity grain drying and storage facility from which he markets it, usually at a premium.

"By expecting and delivering quality of performance himself, he sets the example for other growers, his employees and those with whom he transacts business," said New.

Mike Stephens, president of Equipment Supply in Lubbock and a member of TAIA's awards committee, agreed that Coleman's innovation follows each of the objectives fostered by the 118-member association, governing the design, installation and management of irrigated production systems.

In 1990, the Fort Worth Star Telegram recognized Coleman as "Best in Texas in Feed Grain Production." He was honored as Moore County Farmer of the Year in 1985.

Wyatt "has set the standard," according to New, who said the water district manager fits all eight objectives and goals listed in the TAIA by-laws in presenting Wyatt the association's industry achievement award.

"He is a friend of this industry and a guiding force for prudent conservation of the water resource," Stephens added. Wyatt currently leads a group of area industry, municipal, domestic, livestock, wildlife and irrigation water users in developing a written management plan for Ogallala aquifer groundwater.

"We are responsible people and can properly use water," Wyatt said. The High Plains Ogallala Aquifer management plan will include baseline water supply information and water use projections. Once completed, it will help determine supply and demand management options in conjunction with other area water resources.

Wyatt was employed by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District in 1957 as a field representative after attending Texas Tech University. He became director of field activities and office manager.

He left the water district in 1967 to supervise establishment of the Texas Dept. of Water Resources statewide water level and groundwater water quality monitoring programs. As assistant director of the groundwater division, he supervised investigations of groundwater resources throughout Texas, and directed the water importation division that studied moving water within and into the state.

Wyatt returned to the High Plains Water District as manager in 1978. He has received numerous local, state and national awards for his work in ground water and water conservation and has served in many leadership positions.



'YOU ARE APPRECIATED'—Darrell Buckley (right), representing the Castro County Farm Bureau, presents Assistant Fire Chief Tommy Cleavinger with a check for \$150 last week in appreciation for the Castro County Fire Dept.'s efforts in fighting fires. Bob Anthony of the Farm Bureau said his agency makes the donation to the department each time it battles a fire for one of the Farm Bureau's policy holders.

Photo by Anne Acker



Church Happenings

First Christian Church
Bro. Jim Hardwick will be bringing the Sunday morning message, and the Sunday evening series on prayer will continue.

The congregation's anniversary Sunday will be Feb. 25, marking 36 years of service to God and this community. The public is invited to attend. All members and former members also are encouraged to attend. There will be a fellowship luncheon following the morning worship.

The Wednesday Bible study on Feb. 14 will cover the ninth lesson from the study book on I Peter.

Sorghum Conference planned for Feb. 18-19

The 1996 Sorghum Conference, sponsored by the National Grain Sorghum Producers, will be held Feb. 18-19 in San Antonio, and will have as its theme, "Exploring the Possibilities."

Registration is \$110 for full registration, \$85 for spouses, or \$35 for Monday-only participation. The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Gunter Hotel in San Antonio. For more information on the conference, call the NGSP office at 806-298-4501.

The conference will kick off Feb. 18 with a reception. Monday will begin with a breakfast featuring humorist Dale Minnick.

The General Session on Monday morning will explore the possibilities coming in agriculture over the next few years. Speakers will include Gary Bright, NGSP president; Mike Jackson, founder and president of Agri Business Group; Jeff MacKenzie of MacKenzie Agricultural Research; and Randy Allen, a registered commodity advisor and broker.

Bright will give an update on the association's activities and what's going on with regulatory and legislative issues and how those issues will affect producers.

Jackson will explore changes coming in the agribusiness world and how those changes will affect producers.

MacKenzie will give a different perspective about what users of sorghum will be looking for in the future.

Allen will explain ways to fine-tune bottomline profits so that there will be more money left in the producer's pocket at the end of the year.

An applied research session will be held after lunch, featuring the

newest technology—global satellite positioning and how it can be applied to farming operations. Also, there will be a panel discussion of ideas for growing a better sorghum crop, using production techniques that result in better yields at less cost.

Monday evening, the national and state winners of the 1995 Grain Sorghum Yield and Management Contest will be honored at the awards banquet, which also will feature Minnick as master of ceremonies.

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TSCRA plans School for Successful Ranching

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The school will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Austin, from 1 to 5 p.m. Mar. 23 and 7:30 a.m. to noon Mar. 24, prior to the opening of TSCRA's 119th Annual Convention and Trade Show.

Registration is \$50 per person, and all interested cattle producers are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Sharla Adams or Lionel Chambers at 817-332-7155.

"We can't solve every economic problem plaguing cattle producers," said TSCRA President Chaunce O. Thompson Jr. of Breckenridge, "but we hope to offer participants some workable solutions to deal with today's conditions and those we expect to see in the next three to four years."

The school is produced by TSCRA in cooperation with Texas A&M University, Texas Tech University and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service," said David Eppright of Bebe, a rancher and chairman of the school's advisory committee. "In addition to university and extension staff, cattle producers will take part in presenting the various programs."

Three sections will be offered during the school: beef management, business management, and management of range, pasture and wildlife. The section will run concurrently on Saturday afternoon and will be repeated on Sunday morning so that each registered participant may attend two sections.

"We plan to put an 'economic spin' on each of the three sections," Eppright said. "In beef management we'll look at various management systems and tell what works and what doesn't and how these programs can fit into an individual producer's operation."

An overview of the changing structure of the industry, new markets, competition and the role of individual producers will lead off the business management section. Sessions on cutting the right costs and on software available for record keeping and accounting will follow.

"In the finance session, we hope to pull in representatives of the Farm Credit System to discuss the ag credit situation and what types of records and production plans lenders will require for ag loans," Eppright said.

"In the range, pasture and wildlife management section, we'll look at what a rancher cannot afford to do in controlling brush and weeds during tough economic times. Then we'll take a look at marketing wildlife, non-consumptive use of range land and eco-tourism," he added.

Sims is elected Farmers Union state president

Wes Sims of Sweetwater has been elected as president of Texas Farmers Union at the group's state convention in Dallas on Jan. 27.

Sims and his family own and operate a very successful dairy/cattle-producing business. He has been involved in agriculture for 37 years. He has actively participated as a member of the Fisher County Farmers Union for five years, and served as vice president of Texas Farmers Union since the spring of 1995.

He succeeds former TFU President Joe Rankin of Ralls, a lifelong cotton and wheat producer, who served as the organization's president and vice president for more than 20 years. Mr. Rankin was elected vice president at the Dallas meeting.

Texas farmers are in limbo without a new federal farm bill and Sims addressed the problem at the state convention.

"When they are uncertain about income and spending, it relates directly to the dealers of seed, fertilizer, fuel, parts, tires and everything else required to plant, harvest, store and market a new crop," Sims said. "Pending farm legislation not only affects farmers, but has a direct effect on the consumers and merchants on the main streets of Sweetwater, Abilene and Dallas."

Delegates to the convention heard from members of Congress, and Texas House Agriculture Committee Chairman Pete Patterson of Brookston. All congressional and state officials emphasized the need to reduce the US government deficit, the need to provide programs to care for the nation's older generation, as well as reasonable, affordable health care for all Americans.

Convention speakers, both elected officials and representatives of major farm commodity groups, recognize the fact that out of 21 million people in the US, only about two million are agriculture producers, and a farm bill has to be an acceptable program for the taxpayer and a good program for the producer.

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22 - Notices

WEIGHT WATCHERS is now meeting every Thursday in Dimmitt. For more information, please call 1-800-359-3131. 22-33-tfc

NOTICE

Applications for a place on the ballot for the general election of MEMBERS of the Board of Directors of the Castro County Hospital District may be picked up at Plains Memorial Hospital, 310 W. Halsell, Dimmitt, Texas, from the Administrator or from the assistant business office manager. Deadline to submit applications and petitions is March 20, 1996, at 5 p.m. 22-44-1tc

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22-Notices

Political Announcements

The News has been authorized to list the names of the following candidates for public office in the Mar. 12 primary elections. Candidates are listed in alphabetical order. Incumbent office holders are designated by (i) following their names.

DEMOCRAT PRIMARY:

For County Tax Assessor-Collector:
Billy Hackleman (i)

For Commissioner, Pct. 3:
W. A. (Bay) Baldrige (i)

For County Treasurer:
Janice Shelton (i)
Carolyn Watts

For County Constable:
James Dobbs (i)

For Commissioner, Pct. 1:
Newlon Rowland (i)

For County/District Attorney:
Jerry Matthews (i)

For County Sheriff:
CD Fitzgeard (i)

25-Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE
NO. PR 2208THE ESTATE OF
EUNICE L. NEWMAN, DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF
CASTRO COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF EUNICE L. NEWMAN, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of EUNICE L. NEWMAN, Deceased, were issued to me, the undersigned, on the 29th day of January, 1996, in the proceedings indicated below my signature hereto, which proceedings are still pending, and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claims against said estate, which is being administered in the County Court above named, are required to present the same to me, at the address below, given before suit upon same are barred by the general statute of limitation, before such estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law.

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JOE NEWMAN, 1320 Cromwell Street,
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JOE NEWMAN
Independent Executor of the Estate of
EUNICE L. NEWMAN, Deceased
25-44-11c

NOTICE OF ESTABLISHMENT
OF BANK BRANCH OFFICE

Notice is hereby given that First United Bank, 201 North Broadway, Dimmitt, Texas 79027, has made application to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to establish a new branch at 5801 64th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79424.

Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the Regional Director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its Regional Office, 1910 Pacific Avenue, Suite 1900, Dallas, Texas 75201, before processing of the application has been completed. Processing will be completed no earlier than the 15th day following either the date of the first required publication or the date of receipt of the application by the FDIC, whichever is later. It is expected that processing will be completed no earlier than Feb. 16, 1996. The period may be extended by the Regional Director for good cause.

The nonconfidential portion of the application file is available for inspection within one day following the request for such file. It may be inspected in the FDIC's Regional Office during regular business hours. Photocopies of information in the nonconfidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request. A schedule of charges for such copies can be obtained from the Regional Office.

Dated: Feb. 1, 1996, First United Bank, Dimmitt, Texas.

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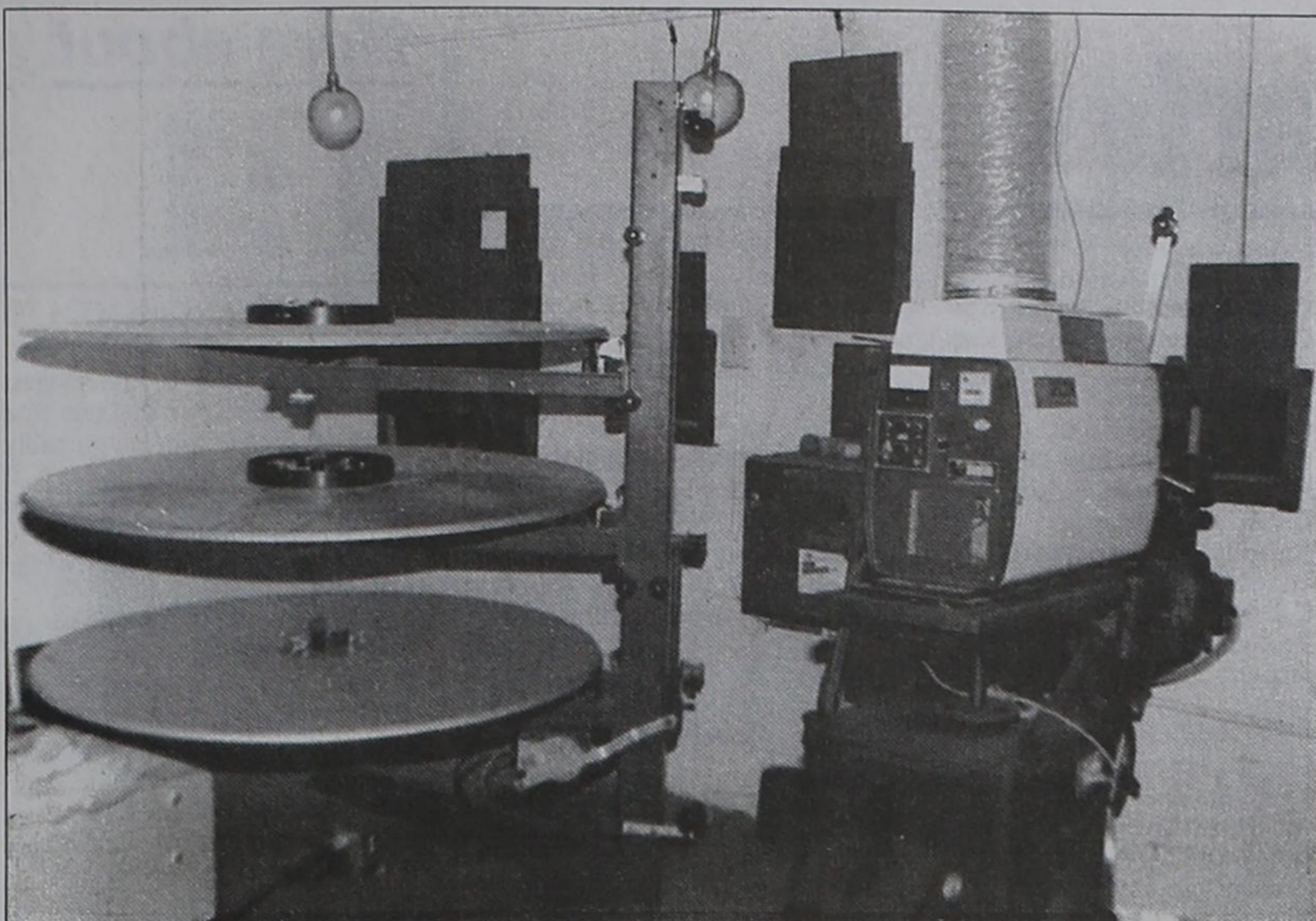
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THE PLATTER AND THE PROJECTOR, along with the stereo sound system and a new screen, are the main pieces of equipment that will greatly improve the movie-going experience at the Carlile Theater in Dimmitt, which will reopen this weekend. The platter (round, plate-like device) helps in winding and re-winding films that are shipped on multiple reels.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

More about

New theater era . . .

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for any ratings. "I love to see kids going into a Disney movie and come out singing the songs," Sandvik said. "I want to feel good when I leave a movie, not depressed."

Sandvik said she wants people to think of the Carlile as a real community theater and not just as another business. She plans to distribute opinion forms to her customers so they can let her know what she's doing right and what needs improvement. She also wants suggestions on what movies people would like for her to bring to town.

Her plans for the future also include possibly enlarging the stage area of the theater so that it could be used for live performances or even a community theater group.

She also wants to hold film festivals of old classic and western movies.

"I have a love affair with the theater. I will invariably look for a theater in any town I'm in," Sandvik said. "That's how I found this one. My husband, David, and I were passing through Dimmitt after looking at the property we bought outside of Littlefield, and I saw the 'for sale' notice on the marquee. I had to drive around the block to get a better look, and I wrote down the number to call. Almost a year later, I took possession."

Her love affair with theaters started back when she was in the third grade and her class took a field trip to see a live performance of *The Nutcracker* in a theater in Akron that

had been built in 1939 and had a seating capacity of over 3,000.

"I thought it was incredible how someone could build something like that," Sandvik said. "There's something magical about theaters, especially the older ones. They have personality and charm."

She is trying to keep the Carlile as close to its original look as possible, except for the new concession area. She has chosen shades of mauve with silver highlights, and plans to add a western touch to the decor for the opening.

Of course, another reason she chose *High Noon* for the opening is because she is a big fan of old westerns. She has had a thing for Roy Rogers since childhood.

"I would love to show Roy Rogers movies. They are classics in their own way," Sandvik said. She reminisced about the Roy Rogers hat and Roy Rogers guitar she used to have as a child, but sold in a garage sale at the ripe age of 12.

She does have a horse. His name is "Bob" and she has had him since he was four months old. She helped break him, and said she has only been thrown twice, but that was enough to decide her against going into rodeo.

"I haven't ridden him in quite a while. He's more of a pet—kind of like a big dog," Sandvik said fondly.

She said she likes the west and had wanted to return to this area ever since she had lived in New Mexico from 1978 through 1987. She said she had had enough of snow and ice in Ohio.

"I talked Mom into coming out, too," Sandvik said. "She also likes the theater. She used to help me with my film festivals at the Lyceum Theater in Clovis when we were there.

"I always have some sort of project going, although I'm ready to get this one over with so I can have a day off," Sandvik said.

Projects Sandvik would like to do in the future include having special showings during Harvest Days and Santa's Open House. She would like to have cowboy poetry readings, and other performances.

She likes Country & Western music, especially that from the 40s and 50s. And she likes music from the Big Band era.

"I would like to see if the Sons of the Pioneers could come here. They're still around and making public appearances," Sandvik said. She also would like to have Riders in the Sky, a group that includes a lot of humor in their presentation.

"There are endless possibilities for good, family entertainment for young and old, alike," Sandvik said. However, she said she would probably draw the line at rock concerts.

After the grand opening, her regular opening hours will include Fridays, as well as Saturdays and Sundays, with two showings each evening. The show times may be adjusted some according to the length of the movie. Regular admission prices will be \$3.50 for adults and \$2.50 for 11 and under and senior citizens.

"I will try to have the most recent releases they (movie distributors) will let me have," Sandvik promised. "I'll bug them a lot."

Releases she is trying to obtain include *Father of the Bride II*, *Mr. Holland's Opus*, *Golden Eye* and *Toy Story*.

Sandvik said she would like to have promotions later on, such as coupons that can be saved up for a free or discounted admission or premiums and door prizes.

She said the former concession area of the lobby will display items for sale, such as movie related toys and collectible items. She said she also would like to offer display space to civic groups for fund-raising activities.

"There's something special about the theater experience. It's a shared experience, and the sound and picture quality can't be duplicated anywhere else," Sandvik said. "I want it to be a fun experience."

It's well on its way to being that way again in Dimmitt.

See you at the movies!

Police Calls

Pedro Garcia, 90, of Dimmitt was reportedly in critical condition Tuesday in the burn center at Lubbock's Methodist Hospital following a fire at his home early Saturday in the 700 block of East Etter.

A spokesman for the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept. said the fire did not appear to be suspicious in origin, but no ruling has been issued as to what did cause the fire.

The house "pretty well burned down to the ground," according to the spokesman. Garcia was inside the house at the time of the fire, but managed to get out. The fire was reported by a passerby using a cellular phone.

A Hereford woman, 43, was arrested Jan. 30 for violation of probation. The probation was on charges of food stamp fraud.

Three Dimmitt people were arrested on warrants. Two men, ages 38 and 17, were arrested for assault with bodily injury, one on Jan. 30 and one last Thursday; and an 18-year-old man was arrested Monday on a warrant for deadly conduct.

A Friona man, 38, was arrested Sunday afternoon on charges of DWI, first offense.

A Dimmitt girl, age 16, told police that a suspect assaulted her by grabbing her by the throat between 11:30 p.m. and 12:15 a.m. at the Dimmitt High School gym during a dance. Investigation is continuing.

A 14-year-old Dimmitt youth told police that a suspect struck him with his fist around 9:50 a.m. at Dimmitt High School.

Karen Maynard of Dimmitt reported to police Saturday evening that someone had borrowed her 1990 Dodge Monaco and didn't return it.

An incident of minors in possession of alcohol was reported Sunday between 12:35 and 1:03 a.m. in a vehicle in the 200 block of Wheat Street in Dimmitt.

A forgery was reported at Fast Stop in Dimmitt Monday afternoon.

Jan. 31, Sheriff's deputies had a report from a man who said he thinks he was a victim of fraud in purchasing a car from another man. Investigation is continuing.

A representative of Steere Tank Lines told deputies Friday that a CB radio was taken from a truck at the yard. Investigation is continuing.

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Heard is Fireman of Year for DVFD

Danny Heard was named Fireman of the Year for 1995 at the annual Firemen's Banquet last Thursday for the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Dept.

Heard joined the DVFD in September of 1992, and is working on his basic firefighter's certification.

He currently has certification as an Emergency Medical Technician, and is working on the intermediate step in EMT training.

Heard was instrumental in coordinating the rope rescue training school held recently in Dimmitt.

"He has attended several schools and is very enthusiastic about training," a department spokesman

said. "He is an asset to the department."

The award was announced by Dimmitt Mayor Wayne Collins.

Also, winners of service awards were announced.

Those recognized for 5 years of service were David Stephens and Stanley Maurer.

Honored for 10 years of service were Jeff Pigg and David Allison.

Tabulating 15 years of service was Niel Christian.

Service pins for 20 years of membership in the department went to Randy Griffith, Francis Acker and Bill Conyers.

More about

Realignment . . .

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district makes it that much tougher," said Dimmitt Coach Danny Chisum. "It's going to a long, hard haul in district and it really threw a kink in our pre-district schedule."

Chisum said the long road trips will be a problem, and added that coaches will meet Monday to discuss how they will approach the 1996-97 season.

"We may not make some of the long road trips with our younger kids," Chisum said. "They'll play on Thursday nights, and we don't want them getting in at 2 a.m. or later, then having to go to school the next day."

Chisum said the competition will be tough in the new district.

"We lost Littlefield, which was a perennial strong team, but we're taking Friona along, and Tulia is always good. Then we'll pick up River Road, which is on a five-year playoff streak, and Dalhart, which had a great year. It's going to be a good district."

"This was the worst of both worlds for us," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price about his team's move into the eight-team football district which could be one of the toughest in the state.

Out of that district, Sudan has been a regular top 10 team and Kress advanced far into the playoffs this year. Springlake-Earth dropped from Class AA, where it was state-ranked in 1995, too. Farwell will have a solid team back, and the Steers finished second to Nazareth in district in 1995.

Nazareth's basketball teams, which have played in the toughest Class A district in the state the past two seasons, will enjoy a break from playing Sudan, Happy, Kress and Farwell in district next year. And Bovina moved up to Class AA, so the Mustangs won't be a factor for Nazareth.

The four-team district basketball schedule means Nazareth will play just six district games next year and while the competition will be good, the caliber of the teams in the new district probably won't compare with perennial powerhouses such as Sudan and Happy in girls, and Sudan and Farwell in boys' play.

One bonus Hart will get from the new realignment is a change from its old eight-team district back to a six-team loop schedule.

That will allow the Longhorns' football team to get five good games under their belt before settling down to district play. And the roundball teams won't have to start district play until after Christmas.

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Holiday Flag Corps

You've seen the American flags flying in front of sponsoring businesses on national holidays. They're put out by the Dimmitt Rotary Club.

We want to expand our community's show of patriotism by continuing the impressive array of American flags along the north side of the courthouse square. It has to be a community effort—if you will sponsor a flag, we'll buy it, set it out and take it in on the seven annual "flag holidays," and take care of it for you.

You may sponsor a flag as an individual gesture, as a tribute to a friend or family member, in honor of a present or former serviceman, or in memory of a loved one.

The sponsorship fee is only \$25 per year, starting with this year's first "flag holiday"—Presidents' Day, Monday, Feb. 19.

You'll not only get the satisfaction of seeing "your" flag flying on the courthouse square; you'll also be recognized, along with other individual flag sponsors, twice a year in the Castro County News.

Help us make every holiday an impressive one for our townspeople and visitors by joining the "Dimmitt Flag Corps."

If you would like to sponsor a flag, call either of these Rotarians' numbers by Feb. 16:

647-3169 (Ann Armstrong)
647-3136 (Henry Ramaekers)

Dimmitt Rotary Club

Obituaries

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Msgr. Stanley Crocchiola

Monsignor Stanley Crocchiola, 87, of Panhandle, former pastor at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth, died Monday after a lengthy illness.

Vigil services were held Wednesday evening in Sacred Heart Catholic Church at Canadian with Rev. John Valdez, pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Amarillo, officiating.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. today (Thursday) at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth with Bishop Leroy T. Matthiesen and Rev. Darryl Birkenfeld officiating.

Burial will follow in Holy Family Cemetery at Nazareth under the direction of Schooler-Gordon-Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Father Stanley was born in Spring Valley, N.Y., on Oct. 31, 1908, and he attended St. John's University in New York City. He did graduate work at Catholic University in Washington, D.C.

He was ordained into the Franciscan Order of Atonement on Feb. 10, 1938, at Washington D.C. He taught at St. John's University until doctors advised him to seek a drier climate because of health problems. That's when he moved to the High Plains, where he was assigned to St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Hereford. He served as pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Lubbock in 1939.

He briefly returned to New York and also served in North Carolina before moving to a parish in Taos, N.M. He lived in New Mexico for 11-1/2 years, during which time he researched area history and published *The Raton Chronicles*. He specialized in debunking tall tales of notorious Wild West characters, including Jesse James, Black Jack Ketchum and Billy the Kid.

He went on to publish more than 190 works including "The Texas Panhandle: From Cattlemen to Feedlots," "Early Days of the Oil Industry in the Texas Panhandle," "Fort Bascom: Comanche-Kiowa Barrier" and "Railroad of the Texas Panhandle," and he wrote under the pen name of "F. Stanley."

Father Stanley returned to the Texas Panhandle in 1952 and was named diocesan historian. He worked on the seventh volume of "Our Catholic Heritage in Texas," published by the Knights of Columbus Historical Commission.

During that time, Father Stanley also was responsible for churches in Canadian, Rotan, Spur, White Deer, Dumas, St. Francis and Pep.

He became pastor at Holy Family Church in Nazareth on Jan. 26, 1967, and served in that capacity for 15 years. He organized the church's Catholic Youth Organization and was one of the driving forces behind the Nazareth Christmas Pageant, which was performed for many years. He continued his writing while serving as pastor at Nazareth. He also pursued another hobby during his tenure at Nazareth—art. Painting was one of Father Stanley's first loves, and for more than five years he offered free art lessons in the church basement in Nazareth to all interested.

Father Stanley left Nazareth in 1982 and was assigned to St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Stratford. He retired in 1984 in Canadian. In 1995 he moved to St. Joseph's Priests Retirement Home in Panhandle.

Survivors include a brother, Peter Crocchiola of Brooklyn, N.Y.; and two sisters, Anne Rossi of Trenton, N.J., and Sue Ferguson of Los Angeles.

Ocie Bolton

Services for Ocie Bolton, 87, of Dimmitt, were held Monday afternoon in the Ivey Chapel at Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home in Dimmitt with Rev. Paul Kenley, pastor of Dimmitt's First Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Bolton died at 3 a.m. on Feb. 3 at her home after a lengthy illness.

She was born on Oct. 30, 1908, in Perry County, Ark. She lived in Shamrock before moving to Dimmitt in 1954. She married Carl Bolton on June 2, 1959, in Littlefield. He died in 1985.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church, Eastern Star, Rebekahs and Dimmitt Senior Citizen Association.

Survivors include a sister, Ruby Barrows of Dimmitt; and a nephew, Gary Wyatt of Wimberly.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

Alf Carpenter

Funeral services for Alf B. Carpenter, 90, of Lubbock, the brother of Ray Carpenter of Dimmitt, were held Monday afternoon in Plains First United Methodist Church with Rev. Rick Doyle, pastor, Rev. Bill Couch, pastor of the Lakeridge United Methodist Church in Lubbock, and Rev. Glen Smith of Sundown, retired Baptist minister, officiating. Burial was in the Plains Cemetery by Resthaven Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Mr. Carpenter died Friday at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

He was born Oct. 25, 1905, in Noodle. He married Elsie Mae Cumpton on April 6, 1924, in Tahoka. She died July 10, 1989. He married Hazel Smith Lackey on Aug. 28, 1990, in Dallas. He moved to Lubbock from Kingsland. He served on the Lamesa and Plains school boards and he was a board member for the Lea County Electric Co-Op and the Plains National Bank. He had served as president of the Lamesa Chamber of Commerce. He served as the Yoakum County Democratic Chairman, and he was a former member of the Rotary and Lions clubs. He was a member of Lakeridge United Methodist Church.

He was a former grocery store owner in Lamesa and Plains, and he was a retired farmer. A daughter, Carol Lackey, preceded him in death in 1975.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Bill Carpenter of San Antonio, George Lackey of San Angelo and Don Lackey of Atlanta, Ga.; a daughter, Elsie Light of Lubbock; two brothers, Hal of Santa Rosa, Calif., and Ray of Dimmitt; seven sisters, Patty Howington of Amarillo, Fay Shearer and Lillian James, both of Plainview, Mary Lee Tresenridge of Santa Rosa, Calif., Opal Purves and Oma Carpenter, both of Oak Hurst, Calif., and Jewel Watkins of Houston; 14 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were David Light, Ron Light, Kirby Carpenter, Gary Carpenter, Steve Lackey, Don Lackey and George Lackey.

L.N. Hyman

Funeral services for L.N. Hyman, 88, of Lubbock, the father of a Dimmitt man, were held Friday afternoon at Resthaven Funeral Home Chapel in Lubbock with Rev. E.L. Bynam, pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock.

Mr. Hyman died Jan. 31 at Lubbock's Methodist Hospital.

He was born July 9, 1907, in Center. He married Lizzie "Bert" King on Oct. 8, 1937, in Delta County. She died in July 1976. He moved to the Lubbock area from Fannin County in 1942. He was a member of Tabernacle Baptist Church of Lubbock. He was a retired farmer and a carpenter.

Survivors include three sons, Harold L. of Dimmitt, Frank N. of Apple Spring and Jerry of Granbury; a daughter, Delle Newberry of Atlanta, Ga.; two sisters, Pearl York of Roswell, N.M., and Wilma Turner of Odessa; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt or to Hospice of Lubbock.

Willie Fae Zachry Keith

Willie Fae Zachry Keith, 91, of Canyon, died Friday at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt.

Services were held Monday at Holley Funeral Home Chapel in Canyon with Joe Findley, retired Christian minister from Canyon, officiating.

Burial followed Tuesday in Hope Cemetery in Henrietta.

Mrs. Keith was born Oct. 4, 1904, in Clay County. She married Clyde Bishop Keith on Sept. 11, 1936, in Amarillo. She has a master's degree in education from West Texas College and is a member of Retired Teachers and Delta Kappa Gamma. She retired from teaching after 40 years.

She rode a horse to teach in Ceta Canyon, and later taught in Petrolia, Seminole and Denver City. She volunteered several hundred hours to the Pink Ladies with Yoakum County Hospital Auxiliary in Denver City.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Karolyn Keith of Canyon; a son, David Keith of Dimmitt; two brothers, Claude and Everette of Henrietta; a sister, Katherine Zachry Rogers of Dallas; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Meals on Wheels, #2 Hospital Drive, Canyon 79015; or the Canyon Senior Citizens.

Thelma Wethington

Services for Thelma C. Wethington, 74, lifetime Nazareth resident, were held Saturday morning at Holy Family Catholic Church in Nazareth with Father Neal Dee, pastor, officiating.

Burial followed in Holy Family Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Lubbock.

A vigil service was held Friday afternoon in the CCD Building at Nazareth.

Mrs. Wethington died at 10:10 p.m. last Wednesday in Lubbock after a brief illness.

She was born July 5, 1921, in Nazareth and lived there her entire life. She married James "Tom" Wethington, on July 16, 1945, in Nazareth. He died in 1969.

She graduated from Nazareth High School in 1938 and attended Draughon's Business College in Amarillo for two years. She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, Christian Mothers, American Legion Auxiliary and Third Order of St. Francis. She was a charter member of the Catholic Daughters.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Mary Wethington, on Feb. 19, 1956.

Survivors include four sons, Tommy Wethington and Melvin Wethington, both of Nazareth, Herbert Wethington of Dumas and Bernard Wethington of Tulia; five daughters, Janeta Jones of Idalou, Beth Schulte of Fort Worth, and Rose Ann Cotter, Delphine Hittson and Geri Lynn Laub, all of Amarillo; three sisters, Velma Warren of Hereford, Rita Woetovech of Nazareth and Sister Josella Birkenfeld of Fort Smith, Ark.; two brothers, Herman Birkenfeld and Jerome Birkenfeld, both of Nazareth; 26 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Jason Wethington, Justin Wethington, David Hutton, Chris Laub, Jeremy Wethington and B.J. Wethington.

Honorary pallbearers were Shane Laub, Josh Cotter, Shawn Hittson, Brad Wethington, Stanton Wethington, Brian Wethington and Rex Schulte.

The family requests memorials be to the Nazareth Museum Fund, P.O. Box 7, Nazareth 79063.

219 miles from the Rangers' outpost. That's gotta be the longest district road trip in the Lone Star State. Perryton would probably give up the bragging rights if it could trade Muleshoe for Beaver or Guymon. And I imagine Muleshoe would gladly trade Perryton for Portales.

We are truly in the Outback Conference, the Far-Flung Loop.

This, though, is our District 1-AAA configuration, as decreed by the University Interscholastic League. With each conference school, we'll play—let's see—five football games, 20 basketball games, four baseball games. . . .

Our coaches and superintendents are making the best of it. They're dividing the district into north and south zones, and during basketball and baseball seasons the schools will try to schedule within their zones on Tuesdays, saving the longest trips for Fridays.

We've defined the problem. Now, could there possibly be any opportunities here?

Well, maybe.

For one thing, there's an opportunity for someone to start an air charter service.

But even if our local aviators couldn't lease enough planes to carry our fans—say a couple of 727s—there's still an opportunity for a charter bus service. (That's *service*, as in *buses*, plural.) Buy your ticket, hop on the bus, bring along a book and dinner-in-a-sack, see the game, then sleep all the way home. We've done that for some of our playoff games before. They can

be fun trips, especially if Laverne Bernethy brings along a big sack of her peanut-butter cookies.

There's yet another opportunity here: Many of us could turn our homes into bed- and -breakfasts. Heck, I've got a couple of spare bedrooms, and I whip up a pretty mean batch of beer biscuits. Fans could travel to the host city for a game, spend the night, have breakfast, then drive home the next day. Those with beds and breakfasts to offer could advertise in the *other team's hometown newspaper* to pick up bookings from among those rabid fans who will go any distance in the name of sport.

Still another opportunity: youth exchange. Visiting players could spend the night in the homes of the home-team players after the game, then form up the next morning for the bus ride home. It would work for coaches, too, if they didn't get too miffed at each other during the game. Zippo — no cost to the schools. (In fact, that's how they did it where I once lived—when Globe, in east-central Arizona, played Bisbee, on the Mexican border.)

Youth exchange could expand horizons, promote new friendships, and maybe insure sportsmanship. You're not as likely to gouge an opponent in the eye if you're going to be spending the night at his house later.

This is a situation that high technology, satellites, the internet or even MCI can't address. We'll just have to refine our travel habits, adjust our attitudes and make the best of the situation that has been decreed upon us. You don't have to be a rocket scientist to—

Hey, wait a minute. Are there any rocket scientists out there?

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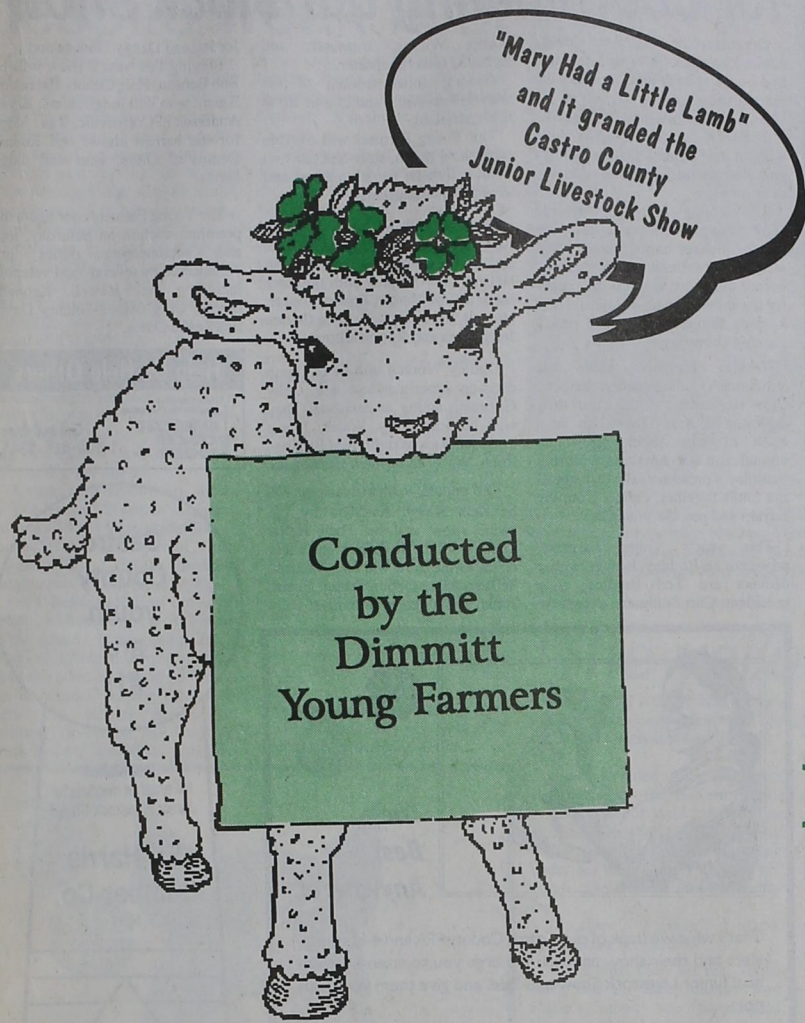
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1995'S GRAND CHAMPION STEER of the Castro County Junior Livestock Show was this 1,230-lb. mediumweight Cross steer, shown by Tye Baca. Baca earned a bid of \$3.50 per pound from his uncles, Gene Bradley and Andy Rogers. Photo by Anne Acker

Young Farmers deserve thanks for coordinating our stock show

Organizers of the Castro County Junior Livestock Show donate hours and hours of hard work to make the annual show one of the best in the state, and they often go unthanked.

The show would not be possible without the Dimmitt Young Farmers and the auctioneers who donated their time.

The Young Farmers plan the show, set up the show ring and pens in the quonset barns, classify and weight the animals on Wednesday before the show, acquire the judges for the show, then are responsible for keeping things moving at a steady pace on show day.

Young Farmers serve as announcers, coordinators, helpers, show ring aides . . . the list of their duties is endless. They also keep track of who purchased which animal and for how much during Saturday's premium sale, then get all the totals together, collect from the buyers and pay the youngsters.

This year's Young Farmers' president is Rodney Hunter. Other officers are Tod Bradley, vice president; Curt Summers, secretary;

Morris Wilcox, treasurer; and Kennen Howell, reporter.

General superintendent of the show is Tim Wales and Lonnie Robb is his assistant.

The Young Farmers will oversee each show (lamb, steer and barrow) with a division superintendent and several other assistants.

Bradley will be steer division superintendent at this year's show and his assistant will be Justin Nelson. Also helping with the steer show will be Hunter, Robert Boozer, Howell, Rick Bagwell, Greg Odom, Jerry Vera and Roy Schilling.

Dudley Wooten will be the lamb division superintendent with Coby Gilbreath acting as assistant. They will be joined by Wales, Lance Louder, Rick Wright, Mat Bradley, Robb, Wales and Chaun Gunstream.

The pig show superintendent will be Kent Kirby. Assistant for the swine show will be Todd Hatla. Those working with Kirby and Hatla on the swine show will be John Link, Wilcox, Mike Odom, Danny Heard, Hatla, Joe Yokum, Summers, Billy

Jordan and Danny Underwood. Judging this year's show will be Bob Benson, Hale County Extension Agent, who will judge steers; Bryan Anderson of Coffeerville, Kan., judge for the barrow show; and Ronnie Dennis of Olton, who will judge lambs.

The Young Farmers coordinate the premium auction on Saturday, too, and auctioneering duties are volunteered by several local veterans including Jack Howell, Kenneth Gregg, Greg Odom, Johnny Davis and Leslie Davis.

Premium sale makes county stock show one of state's best

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 just to make sure a youth from their community receives a premium bid. The Buyers' Clubs operate on donations from businesses and individuals.

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

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 is 70¢ 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 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 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 of the 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.

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Sale nears record despite weak floor

A weak floor on barrows, lambs and steers didn't stop the 1995 Castro County Junior Livestock Show from surpassing expectations of the Dimmitt Young Farmers, organizers of the annual event.

Buyers paid \$210,627 for animals at the premium sale, with 86 lambs, 20 steers and 125 barrows drawing premium bids above floor prices.

Donations to the 4-H (\$9,625), FFA (\$1,800) and Dimmitt Fire Dept. (\$7,750) added another \$19,175, bringing the sale total to \$229,802, not far from the 1991 record of \$241,605.22.

Dimmitt Feedyard bought the floor on steers, paying \$75.50 per hundredweight. Jay Jackson of J-Bar Cattle Co. won the floor on barrows with a bid of 31¢ per pound and he also won the bid on lambs with an offer of 60¢ per pound.

The grand champion steer, shown by Tye Baca of Dimmitt, brought a bid of \$3.50 per pound from Baca's uncles, Gene Bradley and Andy Rogers. The 1,230-lb. medium-weight cross earned Baca \$4,305.

Andy Bennett of Hart drove his 230-lb. mediumweight cross barrow to the grand championship and a group of 17 businessmen provided him with a bid of \$10.50 per pound for the animal. Among the buyers were Vic Nelson Seed, Hart Producers Co-op Gin, Hill Trucking, Tony Leibel, Jim Black Oil, Hart

Auto and Farm Supply, Shirley Nelson, Triple A Pump Co., Davis Aerial Spraying, Bennett Cattle and Dimmitt Veterinary Clinic and Supply.

The top lamb in the show was a 138-lb. heavyweight medium wool shown by Travis Crow of Dimmitt. It brought a bid of \$10 a pound from the three local cooperatives—Dimmitt Agri Industries, Castro Co-op Gin and Dimmitt Agri Industries.

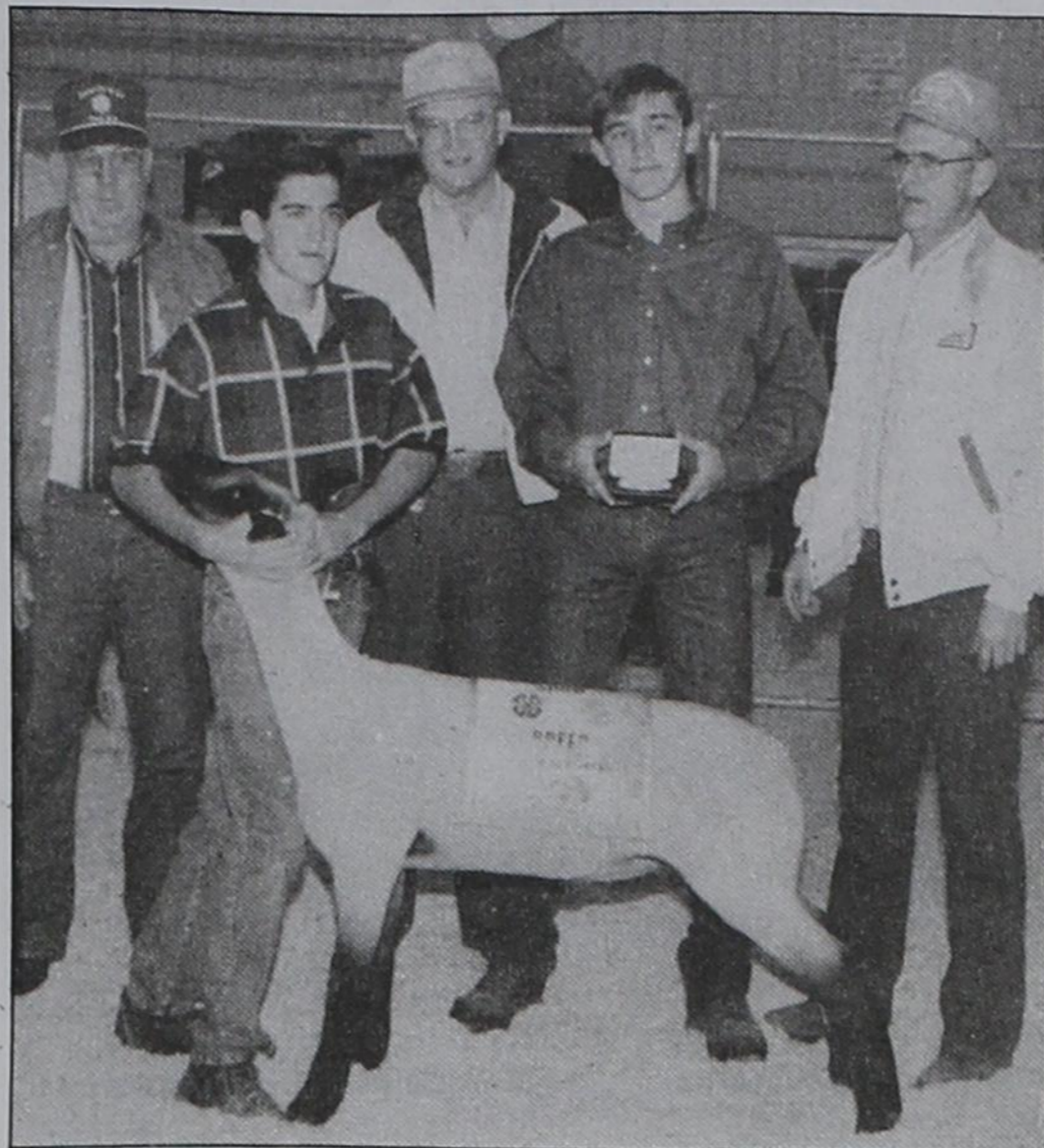
The reserve grand champion steer was exhibited by Jay McCormick and the 1,280-lb. light heavyweight cross sold for \$2 per pound to Rogers and Bradley.

The group of 17 businessmen and individuals who purchased the grand champion barrow also purchased the reserve grand barrow, which was shown by Hart's Shea Bennett. Her barrow, a 244-lb. heavyweight Duroc, brought a bid of \$7 per pound.

Mike Baca provided a bid of \$6 per pound for the reserve grand champion lamb, a 128-lb. light heavyweight medium wool shown by Toby Crow.

Junior showmanship winners last year were Wesley Wright, lambs; Mandi Moore, barrows; and B.J. Hill, steers.

Senior showmanship winners were Julia McDonald, barrows; Beau Hill, steers; and Asia Kirby, lambs.



GRAND CHAMPION LAMB OF THE 1995 CASTRO COUNTY Junior Livestock Show was this Medium Wool lamb shown by Travis Crow. The 138-lb. animal was purchased for \$10 per pound by the three local cooperatives, Dimmitt Agri Industries, Castro Co-op Gin and Dimmitt Consumers.

Photo by Anne Acker

'The yellow ribbon'

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following story was copied from the October 1993 issue of Show Times.)

A woman stood in line. Her eyes stared vacantly. Her face was gaunt. A thin film of dust covered her clothing. The weight of the world lay on her shoulders. She was muttering under her breath. A fly touched her cheek. She brushed it off, unthinking.

"So, how's it going?" I asked, interrupting her quietude.

"Clint must show his pig, Tanya can't find the sheep clippers and Justin's rabbit was disqualified 'cause it had a black toenail."

"How much longer do you think the hog judgin' will go on?" I asked.

"Ten or eleven. Who knows? It doesn't matter because we've got to be here to close the petting zoo for the night."

"Look out!" I shouted as a loose pig shot by her blind side followed by a sweaty boy with sawdust on his pants and number flapping on his back.

She didn't pay it any mind. She looked past me.

"Tanya, where have you been? I told you to check with me at 8:30. You need to work on your lamb—I don't know who has the clippers—borrow somebody's. Where are you going? You check with me at 9:30!"

The last two sentences were spoken to her daughter's disappearing back.

She turned and spoke to the two kids manning the Purple Circle 4-H Club Food Booth, "How's the ice holding up? Set out more cups."

I drifted back to the bleachers to watch the hog judging. It looked more like kids and pigs at the Ice Capades! Only a parent would be able to match the careening swine with their pursuing herdsman.

I saw the judge pick his way through the melee and award a purple ribbon to a beaming teenager. The man next to me applauded. "Your daughter?" I asked.

"No," he said. "That's mine in the red shirt with the Hamp. She really tried. Practiced showing him at home for weeks. He needed a little more weight, I guess. I know she's disappointed, but I'm proud of her."

I spotted his daughter. She stood with great dignity near the fence, pig at her side and watched the ribbons being passed out. She looked to be about 10. In time the judge approached her and handed her a yellow ribbon. She broke into a wide grin, reached down and patted the pig.

Dad nearly knocked me off the seat with his clapping!

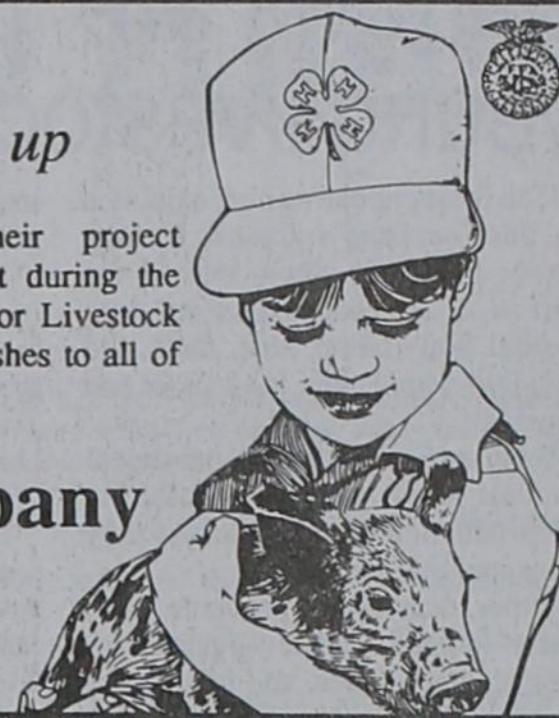
"Congratulations," I said after he settled down.

"Yeah," he said with a silly smile on his face. "That's what county fair is all about—kids."

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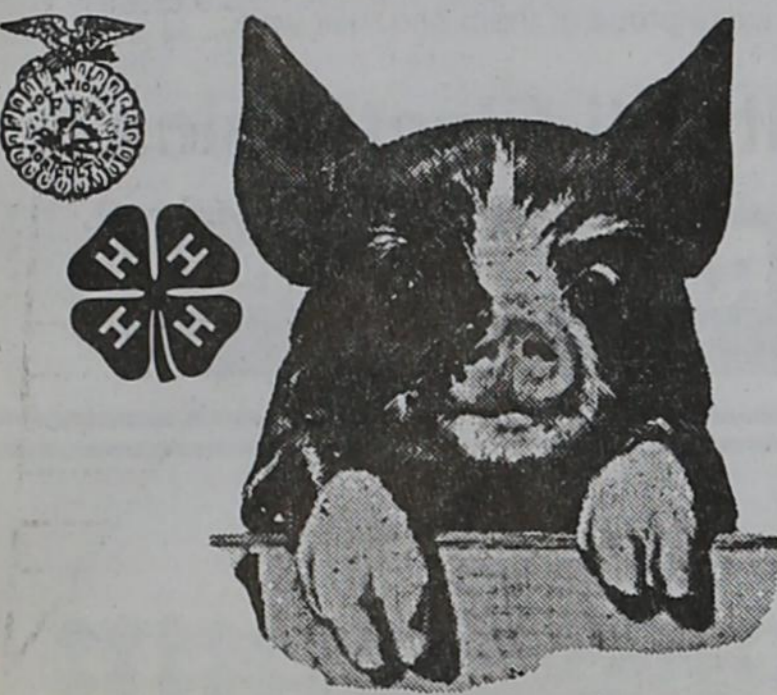
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Barrows are popular with young livestock exhibitors

The most popular animal exhibited at this weekend's Castro County Junior Livestock Show will be the barrow, a domesticated animal with a stout body, short legs, thick and usually bristled skin, long snout and short tail.

Swine are quick-footed, intelligent animals which are well adapted for the production of meat because they grow and mature rapidly.

Other than meat, products from swine include leather (pigskin) for luggage and gloves, and bristles for brushes. For centuries, swine also have been used as a primary source of edible fat.

Eight major hog breeds are raised in the United States.

The Berkshire (black with white points) and the Yorkshire (also called large white) originated in England. The Chester White, Duroc (red), Hampshire (black with a white belt), Poland China (black with white points), and Spotted (black with white spots), originated in the United States. The Landrace, a large, long white pig, was imported from Denmark.

The county show usually features Hampshire, Yorkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Poland China, Spots and crosses.

The major breeds differ in growth rate, the number of young produced,

mature body size and the ability to graze.

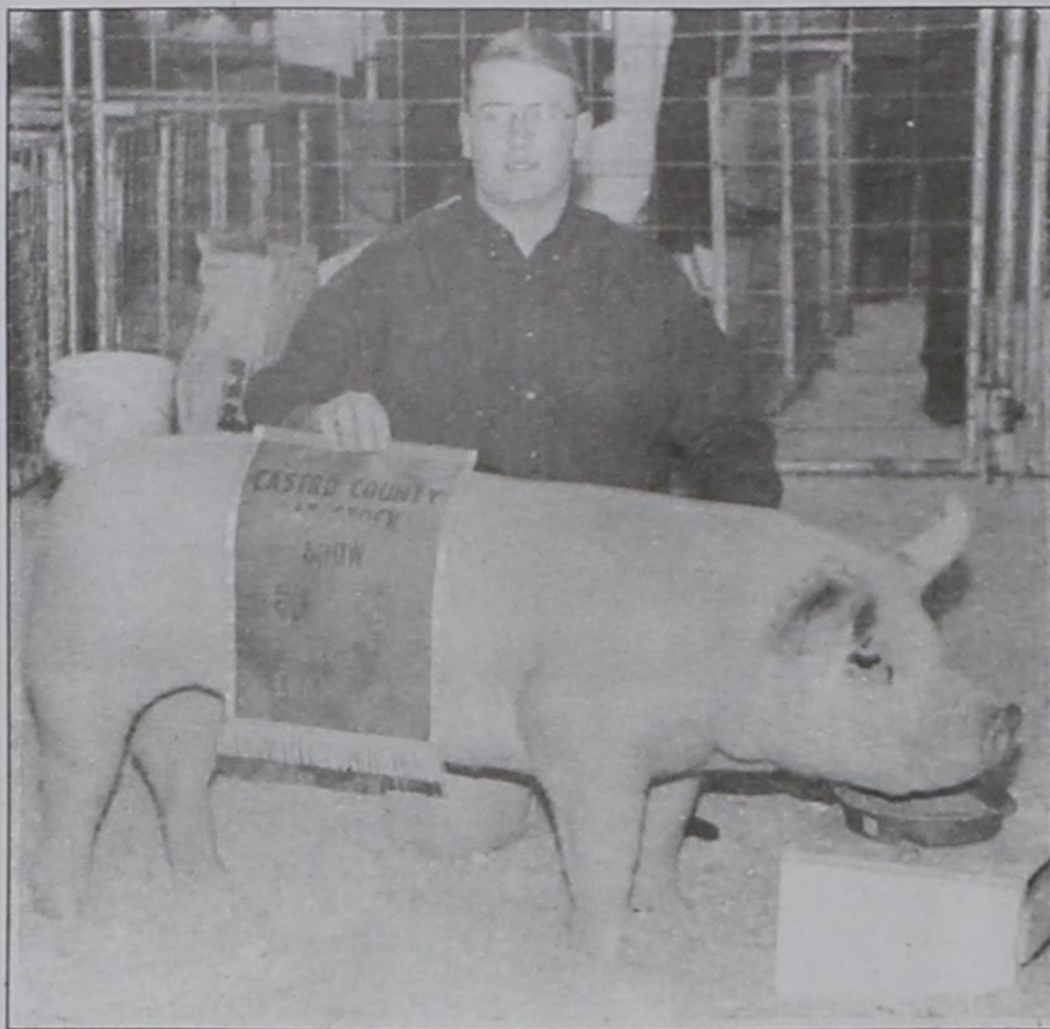
Most commercial hog production in the United States is based on crossbred animals because crossbreeding results in hybrid vigor. The most used systems are two-breed and three-breed rotational crossing.

In two-breed crossing, the sire of one breed is bred to the dam of another breed. The offspring of this cross is bred to a sire of the same breed as the dam in the first cross, and the offspring of this cross is then bred back to a sire of the same breed as the sire in the first cross.

Swine are reared under more intensive conditions than cattle and sheep. Such enterprises fall into three broad groups: production of purebred breeding stock, production of feeder pigs and growing and finishing of feeder pigs for sale and slaughter.

Feed costs account for about 75% of the total production cost for pigs, so careful selection of feeds for their nutritional adequacy and economy is important.

Under confinement, diseases in pigs are controlled by vaccination, control of wildlife carriers of disease, antibiotics and in some cases, eradication of the disease-producing organisms.



GRAND CHAMPION BARROW OF THE 1995 CASTRO COUNTY Junior Livestock Show was this 230-lb. mediumweight Cross exhibited by Andy Bennett. It was purchased for \$10.50 per pound by a group of Hart businesses and individuals. Photo by Anne Acker

County showmen exhibit breed champs at Hereford

Castro County livestock exhibitors showed breed champions in the steer, barrow and lamb divisions at the Hereford Young Farmers Stock Show last week.

Tawnee Matthews of Castro County 4-H had the Five-County Breed Champion American Steer, Jeremy Simpson of Dimmitt FFA drove his heavyweight barrow to the Five-County Breed Championship in the York and OWPB division, Tanner Self had the Five County Breed Champ Hampshire and Wesley Mays showed his Finewool Cross lamb to the Five County Breed Championship.

Several county showmen competed at the show, which featured livestock from Castro, Deaf Smith, Parmer, Oldham and Randall counties.

Here's how county youngsters placed in Hereford.

LAMBS

Finewool
Class 1: 9. Kori Ellis, Castro County 4-H.

Class 2: 5. Cliff Wright, Dimmitt FFA.

Class 3: 6. Aaron Wilcox, Dimmitt FFA.

Finewool Cross

Five-County Breed Champ: Wesley Mays of Castro County 4-H.

Class 1: 2. Cassie Owen of Dimmitt FFA.

Class 2: 8. Wilcox.

Class 3: 1. Mays, 2. Mays.

Medium Wool

Class 1: 13. Rae Odom of Dimmitt FFA, 18. Wright.

Class 2: 10. Shae Odom of Dimmitt FFA, 11. Angela Cartwright of Dimmitt FFA.

Class 3: 6. Asia Kirby of Dimmitt FFA, 17. Becca Garza of Nazareth FFA, 20. Shae Odom.

Class 4: 18. Ellis, 20. Wilcox, 21. Rae Odom.

Class 5: 13. Ky Kirby, Dimmitt FFA, 14. Ky Kirby.

Class 6: 10. Allyn Garza, Nazareth FFA.

STEERS

American
Five-County Breed Champ: Tawnee Matthews.

Class 1: 1. Taylor Matthews of Castro County 4-H.

Class 2: 1. Tawnee Matthews.

Exotic

Class 1: 3. Tawnee Matthews.

Class 4: 2. Justin Sutton, Castro County 4-H.

BARROWS

Berkshire
Heavyweight: 5. Casey Hoelting of Nazareth FFA.

Duroc

Mediumweight: 3. Hoelting, 5. Colby McDaniel of Castro County 4-H; 6. Wesley Harkins of Dimmitt FFA.

Hampshire

Five-County Breed Champ: Self.

Mediumweight: 6. Jayson Burnam of Nazareth FFA.

Heavyweight: 1. Self; 13. Ross Schulte of Nazareth FFA; 14. Kit Schulte of Nazareth FFA.

Poland

Heavyweight: 3. Garrett Kleman of Nazareth FFA.

Spot

Lightweight: 4. Ryan Harkins, Dimmitt FFA.

Heavyweight: 6. Wesley Harkins of Dimmitt FFA; 9. Shawna Gerber of Nazareth FFA.

Yorkshire & OWPB

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Lightweight: 3. Stacey Schulte of Nazareth FFA; 5. Simpson; 9. Keli Schulte of Nazareth FFA; 12. Adam Schulte, Nazareth FFA.

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Heavyweight: 1. Simpson.

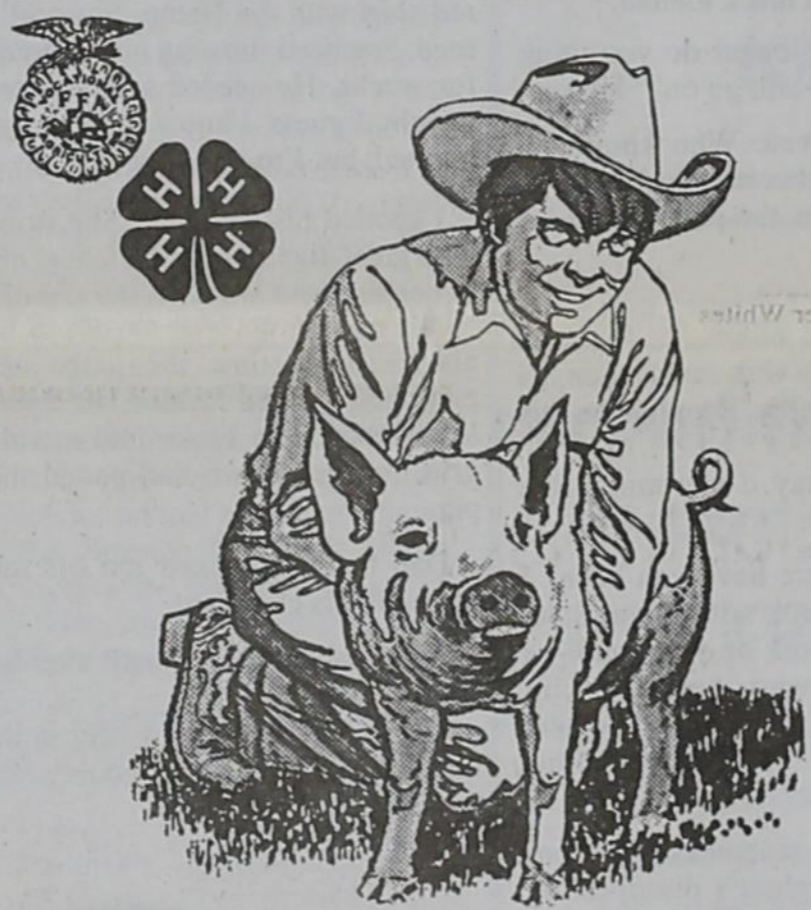
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Here are the 1996 stock show rules

Here are the rules for the 1996 Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale, scheduled Feb. 7-10, sponsored by the Dimmitt Young Farmers.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

I. GENERAL

- All entries must be sent to the Young Farmers, Vo. Ag. Dept. Dimmitt High School, 1505 Western Circle Drive, by 5 p.m. on Jan. 29, 1996. Any incomplete, unsigned or late entry will be fined \$25.
- Entry fee—to be used for bedding, show expenses, etc.; \$15.
- All livestock must be in place by noon, Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1996. Weighing will begin at 4:30 p.m. All entries must be ready for weighing at 4:30 p.m.
- 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.
- All animals must receive state validation from the County Agent or Ag Teacher.
- Each exhibitor will not be allowed to enter or show more than two calves, two barrows and two lambs. An exhibitor will be allowed to sell no more than three animals and only two animals in any division. If an individual shows more than three animals, he must notify the Superintendent immediately after judging as to which three animals he will place in the sale.
- The number of animals that will be sold through the auction will be as follows: 125 barrows, 125 lambs, 40 steers, or 75% of the total animals that are weighed in, whichever is the smaller number.
- The percent of the animals to be sold will be figured on each class. If an animal eligible to sell is pulled, the next animal in line from that class will sell. This will be at the discretion of the Superintendent.
- Animals that make the show but do not make the sale will be sold with the floor animals, unless the exhibitor pulls the animals by one hour after showing.
- 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.
- Two showmanship trophies will be awarded for Beef, Swine and Sheep. The senior showmanship will be for exhibitors aged 14 and over, and the junior showmanship will be for exhibitors aged 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.
- No calf will be allowed in the show that has not been owned as of Sept. 1. Barrows and lambs must have been owned as of Dec. 1.
- 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 Vocational Agriculture Teacher of Dimmitt, Hart or Nazareth High Schools and must be so certified by one of the above on the entry card.
- 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, and be enrolled in a public or private Elementary or Secondary school located within Castro County.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- Exhibitors and show officials will be the only persons allowed in the show ring.
- Any animal sold on floor must have been entered in the show.
- 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 (1) year. The person signing the entry card may also be fined up to \$200. Entry cards will not be accepted from the offending organization until the fine is paid.
- All protests must be in writing and be accompanied by a deposit of \$50 which will be forfeited if the 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 the 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 and other proceedings which may ensue from the committee's decision.
- 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 the barns by noon on Saturday.
 - Each club will be responsible for cleaning their pen. If pens are not cleaned a fine of \$200 will be levied. Check will be held until fine is paid. All pens must be cleaned by 6 p.m. Sunday.
 - No change in the pattern of highlighting of any animal by painting or dyeing in all three barns will be allowed (water only).
 - No adults in show ring during show or classification.
 - Exhibitors ineligible to participate at the Castro County Junior Livestock Show due to the NO PASS AND NO PLAY rule cannot have another or others exhibit the animal or animals in question.

II. CLASSIFYING

Lambs will be weighed and classified at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday in the show ring. Calves will be weighed upon arrival at the show and 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. 9
Steers: 11 a.m., Friday, Feb. 9
Barrows: 1 p.m., Friday, Feb. 9

III. STEER DEPARTMENT

- Only steers are eligible to show.
- All calves in the show must weigh at least 900 pounds, however, 1,350 pounds is the top pay weight.
- The first and second place winners in each of the classes will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of the show.
- Awards:
 Placings Ribbons
 Grand Champion Banner
 Reserve Grand Champion Banner
- 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

- Both wethers and Ewe lambs are eligible to show.
- There will be four breeds of lambs as follows:
 a. Fine Wool—This class shall include only purebred grade Rambouillet or Delaine or a cross between these two breeds.
 b. Fine Wool Cross—This class will include lambs sired by Suffolk, Hampshire, Corriedale, or Columbia rams and out of fine wool 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.
- Weight classes:
 Breed of lambs will be divided into light-medium-heavy classes if there are as many as 30 animals in a breed class, otherwise 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.
- 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. Classifier's decision will be final. If there are more than 50 in one breed, the Superintendent will break the breed into four classes: Light, Medium, Medium Heavy and Heavy.
- Champion and Reserve Champion of each breed will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of the show.
- Lambs wool should be uniform length no more than 1/4 inch in length. Top knots are permitted.
- Where four animals are not available to make weight classes, then light weights and heavyweights will be grouped into a single breed class.
- Awards:
 Placings Ribbons
 Grand champion Banner
 Reserve grand champion Banner

V. SWINE DEPARTMENT

- Only barrows are eligible to show.
- 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.
- No feeding in aisles. All feed will be dumped outside, on south side of the barn.
- There will be eight breeds of barrows as follows:
 a. Berkshires
 b. Chester Whites
 c. Durocs
 d. Hampshires
 e. Spots
 f. Poland Chinas
 g. Yorkshires
 h. Crosses and other breeds

- Weight Classes:
 Breeds of barrows will be divided into light-medium-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.
- At judges discretion, any obvious violation of classification will result in disqualification of animal in question.
- First and second place barrows from each class will compete for Champion and Reserve Champion of the breed.
- Champion and Reserve Champion of each breed will compete for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion of the show.
- Where five animals are not available to make weight classes, then lightweights and heavyweights will be grouped into a single breed class.
- Barrows will be sold at weigh-in weights.


VI. SALE

- Exhibitors selling livestock must have their animals ready to be brought into the auction ring when their number is called.
 - Sale order:
 A. Grand Champion Steers, Barrows, Lambs
 Reserve Champion Steers, Barrows, Lambs
 All breed champions
 All reserve breed champions
 B. 1/3 Steers
 C. 1/3 Barrows
 D. 1/3 Lambs
 - All animals that are to be sold as take homes must be listed 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 or her responsibility to notify his or her 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 show until all animal counts are balanced.
 - Exhibitors will be allowed to sell a total of three animals and no more than two in any division.
 - Any animal donated to be sold back will be sold after this sale.
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Scholarship applications due March 8


Castro County seniors who are members of 4-H have an opportunity to win 4-H scholarships, and applications are due March 8.

"Please don't wait until March 1 to decide you want to fill out an application," said Marily Neal, county Extension agent. "We have the Houston scholarship applications and just received forms for Southwest Texas State University and State Fair of Texas scholarships."

Application forms may be picked up at the Extension office and should be returned to the office by March 8.

Deadline for applications to Southwest is March 15. Applications for the State Fair scholarships must be postmarked between Mar. 1 and Mar. 15.

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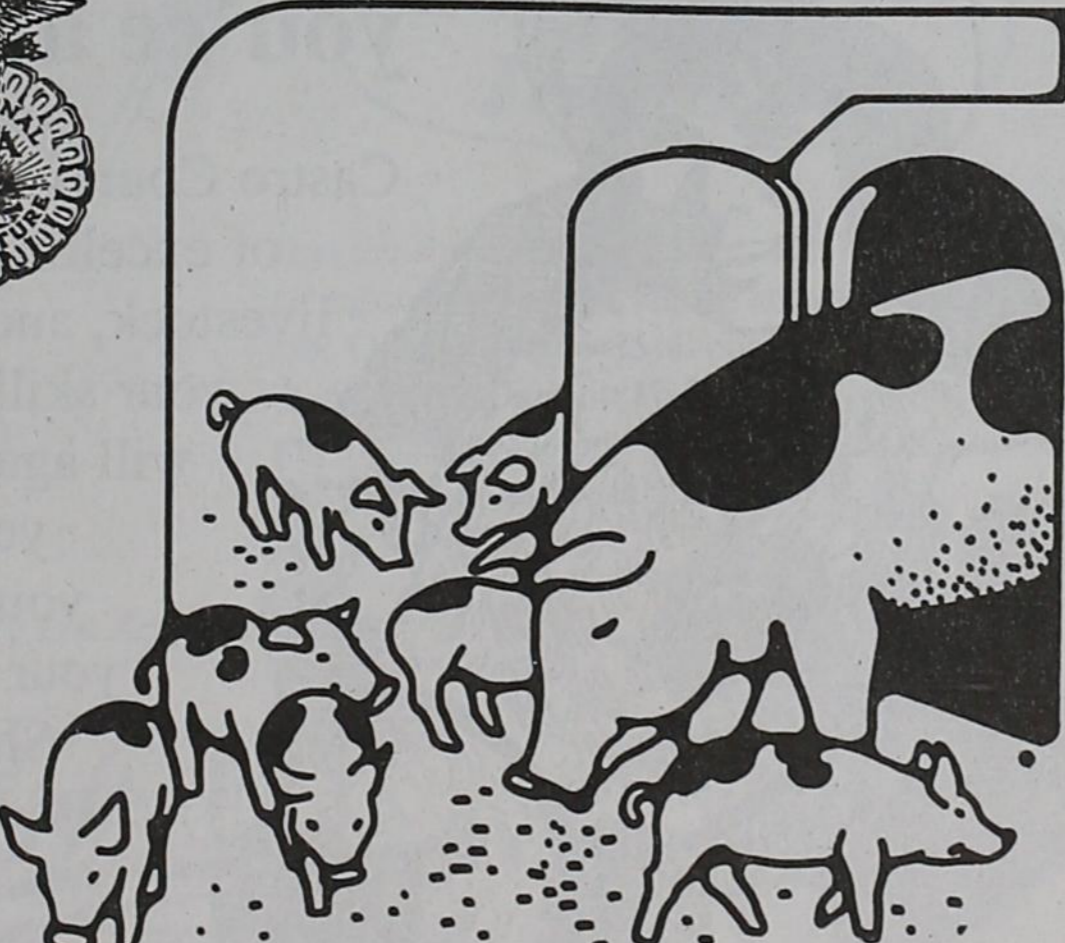


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4-H milestones

The 4-H movement in Texas dates all the way back to 1908, when Jack County Agent Tom Marks organized a "corn club" with 25 boys participating to learn the latest methods in corn production. The next year, pig clubs were started, partly to use the corn produced by the corn clubs.

Other early day 4-H milestones:
1909: O.B. Martin, formerly director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, was appointed to direct the national program. He developed the 4-H insignia, which was adopted in 1911.

1912: Mrs. Edna Trigg was appointed Milam County home demonstration agent—the first such appointment in Texas—to organize girls' clubs.

1914: Smith-Lever Act passed, making states and the USDA partners in Extension educational programs and enabling 4-H to broaden its objectives and activities.

1920: Boys' and Girls' Clubs (the forerunners of 4-H) adopted "To Make the Best Better" as their motto.

1921: State 4-H Club Council organized; first 4-H Clothing contest held.

1923: National 4-H Club Congress organized.



READY FOR THE BIG TIME—Hard work and spending time with animals is a big part of livestock shows and these two young showmen know what it takes to be successful. Kami Hand (left) and Mary Bradley tend their barrows before last year's Castro County Junior Livestock Show. Sponsored by the Dimmitt Young Farmers, the show is one of the biggest in the state. This year's show will be held Friday and the premium sale will be held Saturday afternoon.

Photo by John Brooks

Have a Great Show!

The Junior Livestock Show is one of Castro County's finest traditions. Good luck to our 4-H and FFA youngsters with your animals, and thanks to the Dimmitt Young Farmers for all your time and work.

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Animal selection is very important

The selection of an animal which will be exhibited in livestock shows can be one of the most important parts of a youngster's livestock project.

Selection of steers, lambs and barrows requires a studied eye, and several experts have offered tips on what to look for in the animals.

When picking out a steer, exhibitors should select a calf which has good weight for its age, growth potential, straight legs, width between the hind legs, ample bone, length and width of body trimness of dewlap, brisket and underline, muscling and symmetrical balance.

Maximum thickness of body should be through the round at a point midway between the tailhead and the twist as viewed from the rear, indicating muscularity.

Calves selected should be of US Dept. of Agriculture Prime or Choice feeder grade and should be selected from herds having performance records. You should ask for characteristics such as cutability, ribeye size, fat thickness, weight per day of age or daily gain during a 140-day feeding trial, feed conversion and carcass grade.

Your chances of finding a perfect pig are slim, but you should search for one that comes nearest to ideal. Do not start with an inferior animal. Select a pig with good body volume, a wide, heavy skeleton, sound skeletal structure, thick muscle structure and frame size to grow a heavyweight.

Barrow prospects should be selected when the animals are eight to 10 weeks of age and weigh between 30 and 80 pounds.

As pigs get older and larger, a better selection can be made, but most pigs must be selected at an early age because of competition from other buyers.

Before selecting a pig, an exhibitor should know what classes are available in the show they plan to enter, weight limits, how the various weight classes are divided, and prize monies and normal sale op-

portunities at the show.

Age, breed and price are among the main considerations of most youths selecting animals.

The rate of growth expected from the pig and weight limits at the show dictate the age of the pig a student should purchase. The growth rate will be determined by the pig's genetics and a student's nutrition, management and health programs. Most feeders prefer a slightly older pig over a young 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.

Lambs purchased for the county show were usually born after Feb. 1, 1994. Lambs selected 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 prospective lamb has to be clean up front with a good shoulder wedge and no excess brisket. It should be slightly taller in the front than in the rear. It 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.

Information for this story was taken from Show Ring magazine, Selecting, Feeding, Fitting and Showing Barrows and Feeding Beef Calves for Show.



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.

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Champion showman offers pig care tips

EDITOR'S NOTE: Jay McCormick is a senior at Dimmitt High School and he has been showing livestock since he was four years old. He was asked by the News staff to submit an article on showmanship for the stock show issue. He was named the 1994 Champion Livestock Showman at the Southwest International Livestock Expo in El Paso; 1996 Champion Senior Swine Showman and Champion Round Robin Senior Showman at the Arizona National Livestock Show; and was named third in state showmanship this year by the Texas Junior Livestock Association and Texas Club Pig Association.

By JAY McCORMICK
I don't know all of the answers about swine showmanship, but I've been showing pigs since I was four years old. My dad is an ag teacher and he judges livestock shows. I've had 14 years of practice, listened to my dad about as much as any teenager does, and I've still managed to make about every mistake that could be made in the show ring. Maybe you can learn something from my mistakes and I hope this

will help a little. To me, showmanship concerns three main areas: appearance of the animal, appearance of the exhibitor and presentation of the pigs to the judge.

Appearance of the pig

Good showmanship begins before the swine project is brought home, and before you enter the show ring for the first stock show of the season. In order for your pig to be attractive, it should have a clean, disinfected pen, with clean, dry bedding when it is first unloaded from the trailer.

The process of cleaning the pen and changing the bedding should be done at least once a week. This is important not only for the health of your pig, but also to achieve a quality hair coat.

Mineral oil or baby oil brushed daily on a pig will keep the hair coat attractive and the skin from drying out.

Showmanship contests can be so close that the winner can be determined by which animal appears to have had the best care. The best caretakers are evident by a pig's hair coat. In other words, sometimes your animal can decide whether or not you win a showmanship contest and

determine a placing in a class. You should always wash, dry and brush your pig before taking him to the show ring.

Exhibitor's appearance

Your appearance as an exhibitor is important, also. Since the Texas Club Pig Association was started this year, five sanctioned showmanship contests were held across the state during 1995-96 and many judges have been more specific about their likes and dislikes concerning showmanship and the exhibitor's appearance.

They have frequently stated that clothes should be clean and pressed. They prefer boots or loafer boots, as opposed to tennis shoes. Full, button-down dress shirts should be worn, rather than more casual, three-button sport shirts, and belts should always be worn with shirt tails tucked in. Hats or caps should never be worn in the show ring in Texas; however, this practice is acceptable and preferred by some judges in other states.

Be sure your show whip is an appropriate length in relation to the size of the pig and the exhibitor's height. The show whip should be carried in the dominant hand, at an angle pointing directly toward your pig. A distance of two to four feet from your pig will allow you better control.

Last, but not least, your brush should be small enough to fit into a hip pocket or to slip over your belt in order to leave one hand free to maneuver your pig if need be. *Never* go into show ring competition without your brush and show whip.

Presentation to the judges

All livestock barn facilities are set up differently. It is important to go to the show ring and observe the layout of the holding pen and show ring, and to locate the entry and exit gates.

If possible, try to watch a class of pigs show and observe their placings in order to understand the show management and judge's procedure. All livestock shows are different. Be prepared and know what to do before you start to the show ring with your animal for your first class.

If you know what you're doing and what to expect, you will exhibit with more self confidence in the show ring.

When you prepare to enter the show ring from the holding pen, be sure to position your pig so that your animal will go through the gate *alone*, and not at the same time as several other pigs. Many times several pigs will push through the gate at once. The judge can only look at one pig at a time and it's very important that your pig get a good "first look" from the judge without having to compete for that judge's attention.

As you enter the show ring, be certain that from this moment on your animal is always between you and the judge, and that you make eye contact with the judge at this time.

Most judges will judge using the format "top to bottom, rump forward." Give the judge a quick profile view and then a rear view. If either of these views will handicap your pig, then try to avoid that angle

as much as possible in the show ring. Maintain eye contact with the judge as long as he is looking at your pig when you enter the show ring. As he turns to look at the next pig coming in, quickly scan the show ring and take a mental inventory of the situation.

Always strive to keep your pig in the "open area" where there are no other pigs. This will give your pig the best advantage of being seen, and most judges want to see the animal from a distance first.

Most, but not all judges want exhibitors to show with a natural posture and stance.

It may be necessary at times to bend over to move your pig with your free hand. Remember, do not show in a manner that draws attention to you. You want all the judge's attention directed toward the pig.

Now is the time to "show the faults of your pig."

Know your pig's disadvantages or weak areas. Show it to maximize its best qualities and minimize the weaker ones. For example, know at what speed or pace your pig looks its best and strive to keep it moving at that pace.

If your pig lacks ham muscling, profile it as much as possible to the judge.

Don't wait for your pig to get into a corner before you start trying to steer it away from that corner. *Anticipate* and change its direction with a light tap at the point of the shoulder on the opposite side you want it to go before it gets to the corner. Never tap your pig on the rear one-third of its body. This will cause the pig to arch its back and drop its tail which distracts from its appearance.

If you have spent time walking your pig, brushing it and even talking to it as you feed each day, it will usually respond to you and your voice with a very light touch.

Remember, pigs are sensitive. A sharp rap or hard swat only hurts and angers the animal. It is unnecessary and causes the animal to be uncooperative.

Show day is not the time to teach your pig what you expect or want it to do. That is homework that should have already been done.

While all of this is going on, you must still remember to continue to

maintain eye contact with the judge. If the judge tells you to pen your pig, *stay calm*. This is not a race. Slowly and calmly drive your pig to the appropriate pen. Remember, you've got to be smarter than the pig to drive it and pen it. Once penned, latch the gate behind you. Now is your opportunity to do some last-

minute grooming as the judge pens the other pigs. Facing the show ring and always watching the judge as you work, brush off any dirt and smooth the pig's hair coat before the judge comes to your pen to ask questions, or tells you to re-enter the show ring.

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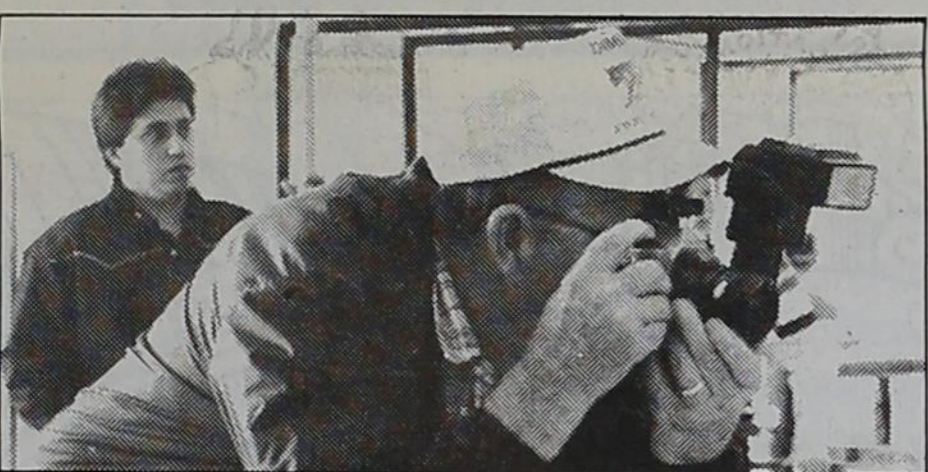


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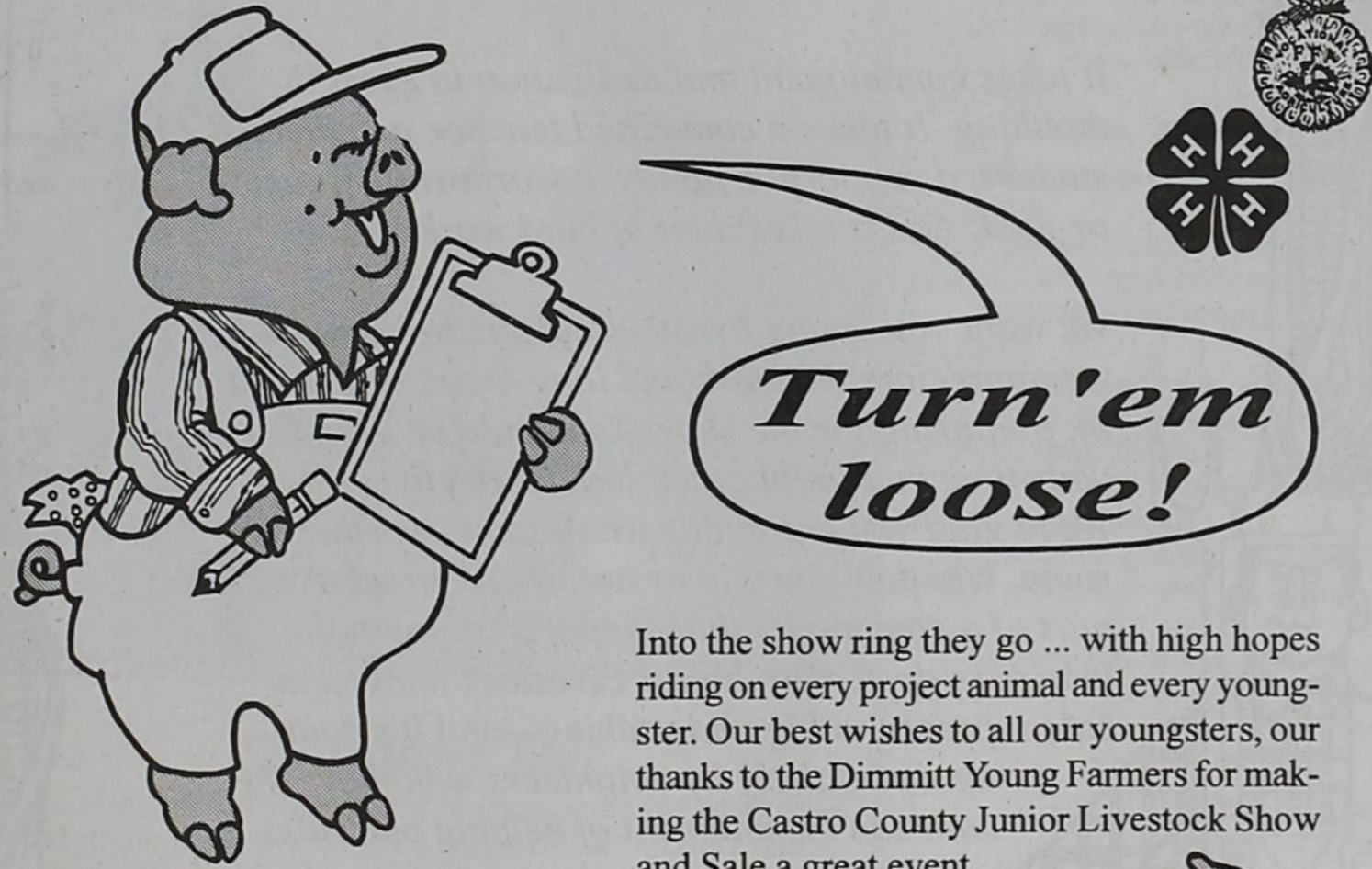
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Dr. Lee and Darla Baggett



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

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More about Pig care tips . . .

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Many times this is when the judge will ask exhibitors questions. Basic questions usually asked are:

1. What does your pig weigh?
 2. What is your pig's ear notch?
 3. What breed is your pig?
 4. How much feed does your pig receive each day?
 5. Where are the hams, bacon and pork chops located?
- Questions that might be asked of senior showmen include:
1. How much backfat would you estimate your pig to have?
 2. What size loin eye would you estimate your pig to have?
 3. What percent muscle or lean cuts would you predict your pig to have?
 4. Identify your pigs strengths and weaknesses?
 5. How should this pig best be shown to gain the most advantage?
 6. What percent protein is in your feeding ration?
 7. What is your pigs average daily gain?
 8. What is the gestation period for a pig?
 9. What diseases do you vaccinate for?
 10. Identify the ear tags and explain what each one means.

After answering questions, you may be called out from the pen to redrive your pig for final placing.

Always lock the gate as you exit. Redrive your pig as before, always

remembering to maintain eye contact, show courtesy to the other exhibitors and help younger showmen if needed.

The judge may ask you to switch pigs with another exhibitor at this time. You may now have to show a pig that is hungry, thirsty or angry. It is important to calm the pig first. This can be accomplished sometimes by quickly rubbing its stomach or scratching behind its ears before you start to show it.

Remember, you must show this pig better than the exhibitor that's been driving it previously.

As your pig is placed, don't forget to congratulate the class winner with a handshake and listen to what the judge tells you about your showmanship or animal. It's important to learn what you can do better the next time.

Whatever you do, don't get discouraged and give up. There are lots of fun times, lifelong friendships, camaraderie and excellent learning experiences to be gained through the livestock show program. It's a lot of hard work and not much fun when it's 20 degrees at 6 a.m. and you're breaking ice in water troughs, but you've got to keep reminding yourself about what it takes to have a winning edge—desire, determination and dedication. Then pull that hood up over your ears, wrap that coat around a little tighter and take good care of those pigs.



SHEA BENNETT OF HART (left) exhibited the reserve grand champion barrow, a 244-lb. heavyweight Duroc, at the 1995 Castro County Junior Livestock Show. Pictured with Bennett is Megan Lemons of Dimmitt. Bennett's hog earned her a bid of \$7 per pound from a group of 17 Hart businesses and individuals. Photo by Anne Acker

TSCRA sets convention in Austin, March 24-27

Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association will hold its 119th annual convention and trade show at the Austin Convention Center, March 24-27.

"Cattle producers attending the convention will learn about current industry issues, including animal health, cattle marketing, agricultural research and wildlife management," said TSCRA President Chaunce O. Thompson Jr. of Breckenridge. "There also will be sessions on current legislative issues like tax, immigration, and Endangered Species Act reform."

Thompson said convention speakers will include US Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, Dr. Margaret Maxey of the University of Texas, and Francisco Garcia Castell, president of the cattlemen's union in Coahuila, Mexico. Topper Thorpe of CattleFax and Arnold Henson of the Farm Credit Bank of Texas will speak about current cattle marketing

issues. Col. Jim Wilson of the Texas Dept. Of Public Safety and Gordon Johnson of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas will speak about law enforcement issues. Other invited speakers include US Representatives Bill Archer and Lamar Smith, and Ross Roberts, president of Ford Motor Co.

TSCRA will kick off its 21st Annual Trade Show on Mar. 24 at 1:30 p.m. It is one of the largest trade shows in the nation catering to the cattle industry and will feature exhibitors from across the US with the latest advancements for the ranching industry.

In conjunction with the trade show and convention, live and silent auctions will be held to help boost the efforts of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Foundation. All proceeds will be used by the foundation to further education, research and preservation of cattle industry heritage.



For 42 years now, our 4-H and FFA programs have been producing responsible youngsters and top show animals, and Castro Countians have been supporting them in every way. That's a long record of success and a good source of pride for our county. Let's keep it going strong!

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647-3392

4-H helps responsibility

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

Animal science projects help in developing leadership activities, build character and assume citizenship responsibilities; exploring career opportunities; developing skills, knowledge and attitudes for lifelong uses; and sharing knowledge gained with others.

4-H'ers learn by doing, and have fun while doing it.

If you aren't involved with 4-H, get involved now.

4-H is great for our youth and for our entire community.

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.

Animal science projects can open an exciting world to 4-H members. Information is available from the County Extension Office at 647-4115.



The Tradition Continues

It was 42 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.

We salute all the youngsters, their parents, the adult supervisors, teachers and volunteer workers who make the Castro County Junior Livestock Show one of the best anywhere!

Bar G Feedyard

FARM LIFE

is the best way of life in the world, and the best way to live it to its fullest is through participation in farm youth organizations.

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.

Ours is a great county. And we're proud to be a part of it.

AMERICAN MAIZE-PRODUCTS COMPANY



TOBY CROW drove his 128-lb. light heavyweight Medium Wool to the reserve grand championship of the Lamb Division last year during the Castro County Junior Livestock Show. Crow's lamb earned a bid of \$6 per pound from Mike Baca. Photo by Anne Acker

FFA, 4-H members set for Houston Show

Castro County youngsters will be exhibiting 138 animals in Houston Feb. 16 through March 3 at the Astrohall.

4-H'ers from the county will show 17 market steers, 16 market lambs and 26 market barrows in the annual Houston Livestock Show. Hart FFA members will exhibit one market steer and 19 market barrows. Dimmitt FFA showmen have entered four steers, nine lambs and 23 barrows in the show. Nazareth youths in FFA will show one lamb and 23 barrows.

These FFA and 4-H members will showcase their animal projects during the second week of livestock competition—the junior show. The first week of competition is the open show and it features professional ranchers and breeders from throughout the country exhibiting their breeding stock.

This year's show is expected to exceed 15,000 entries this year. County youths will be showing animals in the market animal categories, which represent animals raised by the exhibitors as food sources. Top animals in each of the market categories are eligible for individual market auctions. Last year, the junior market auction sales totaled \$4,545,349.

"The very heart of the Houston Livestock Show is the educational opportunities being offered to junior exhibitors in the state of Texas," said Don Jobes Jr., Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo assistant general manager. "Our show, which is the largest junior livestock exhibition in the world, is highly competitive and a win in any division is highly coveted. These young people, through dedication, hard work and ambition, benefit greatly financially as well as educationally.

Ticket prices are \$10 and include admission to the horse show (excluding National Cutting Horse Association sponsored events), the livestock show, carnival, all commercial and educational exhibits, special attractions and the rodeo. Tickets are available at the Astrodome Box Office and at all Ticketmaster outlets including Sears, Foley's, Blockbuster Music, Fiesta and Randalls Food Markets.

All net proceeds from the annual show and rodeo provide funds for scholarships and research projects throughout the state. Currently, more than 1,500 students receive some form of show-sponsored financial assistance. Since the first scholarship was given in 1957, more than 11,500 awards have been presented to Texas youths at a cost exceeding \$40 million.

Here's a list of county youths

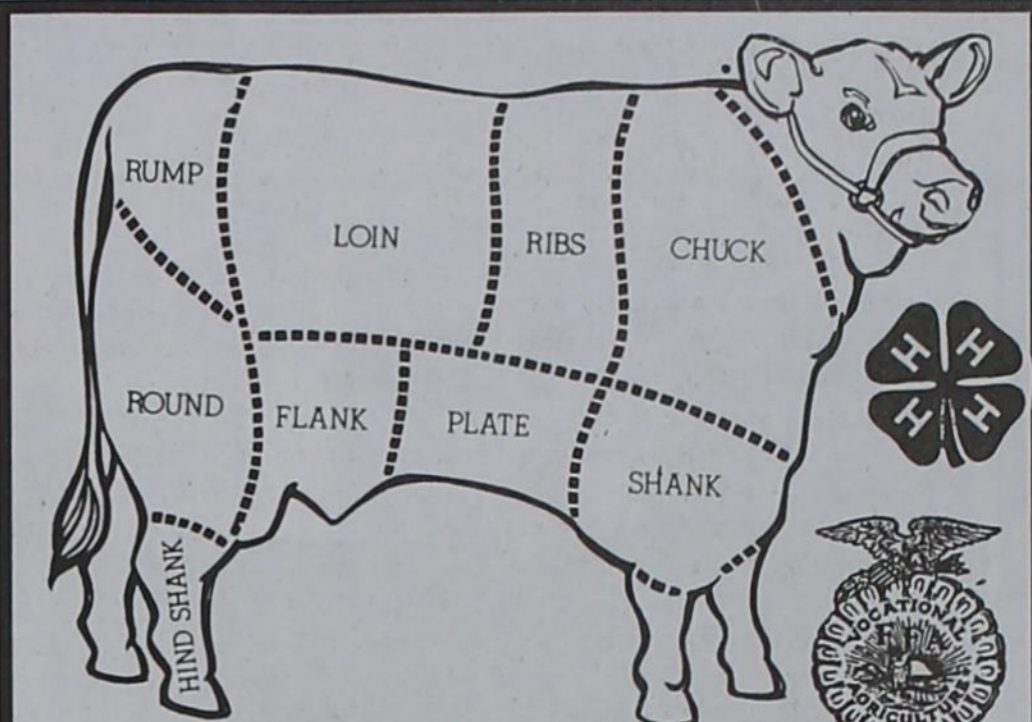
planning on exhibiting animals in the Houston show:

CASTRO COUNTY 4-H: Mikel Atchley, Tye Baca, Mandy Birkenfeld, Mary Bradley, Raynee Bradley, Caitlin Buckley, Jacy Buckley, Toby Crow, Travis Crow, Michael Shane Furr, Shaun Furr, Jared Griffitt, Aaron Hart, Adrienne Hart, B.J. Hill, Beau Hill, Bridget Hochstein, Shawna Kenworthy, Sharla Kenworthy, Aaron Kern, Matthew Kern, Corey Lane, Meggie Lemons, Amber Matthews, Tawnee Matthews, Taylor Matthews, Wesley Mays, Colby McDaniel, Cassie McLean, Summer McLean, Julia McDonald, Dagon Newton, Charley Nutt, Bryce Pohlmeier, Shawn Pohlmeier, Raymond Powers, Chad Rogers, Jeff Stovall, Jody Stovall, Carol Summers, Coby Summers, Justin Sutton, Stuart Sutton, Jason Wooten, Rusty Wooten, Adam Wright, Matthew Wright and Wesley Wright.

DIMMITT FFA: Mekesha Atchley, Mikel Atchley, Mary Bradley, Angela Cartwright, Elizabeth Cartwright, Ashley Davis, Chris Davis, Delphia M. Davis, Joey Flores, Ysela Gonzales, Ryan Harkins, Wesley Harkins, Heather Jeter, Van Jeter, Asia Kirby, Ky Kirby, Kris Lindsey, Wesley Mays, Jay McCormick, Jana Nelson, Cassie Owen, Will Sanders, Tucker Schumacher, Shantell Self, Tanner Self, Jeremy Simpson, Aaron Wilcox and Cliff Wright.

HART FFA: Jared Aven, Timmy Barnes, Trent Barnes, Trevor Barnes, Jeff Bennett, John Mark Bennett, Dustin Dyer, T.R. George, Justin Hawkins, Zach Jones, Allison Martinez, Lyndy Mitchell, Mark Mitchell, Whitney Mitchell, Gayla Reyna, Jordy Rowland, Denise Smith, Zachery Smith and John Welps.

NAZARETH FFA: Leon Birkenfeld, Jayson Burnam, Shawna Gerber, Casey Hoelting, Clay Hoelting, Megan Hoelting, B.J. Kern, Jessica Kern, Garrett Kleman, Elizabeth Olvera, Matthew Olvera, Sarah Olvera, Amy Pohlmeier, Daryl Pohlmeier, Dawn Ramaekers, Dustin Ramaekers, Trinity Robb, Adam Schulte, Chase Schulte, Jill Schulte, Keli Schulte, Kit Schulte, Ross Schulte and Stacey Schulte.



Any way you cut it . . .

. . . The Castro County Junior Livestock Show is a "prime" event. We salute the Dimmitt Young Farmers, our FFA advisors and members, our county Extension agents, 4-H leaders and members, auctioneers, buyers, parents and volunteers for building it into such a great show.

Cargill Grain Division

Jarrel Sewell, Manager

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Classifieds gets results

Tomorrow's farmers and ranchers at work today!

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

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.

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:

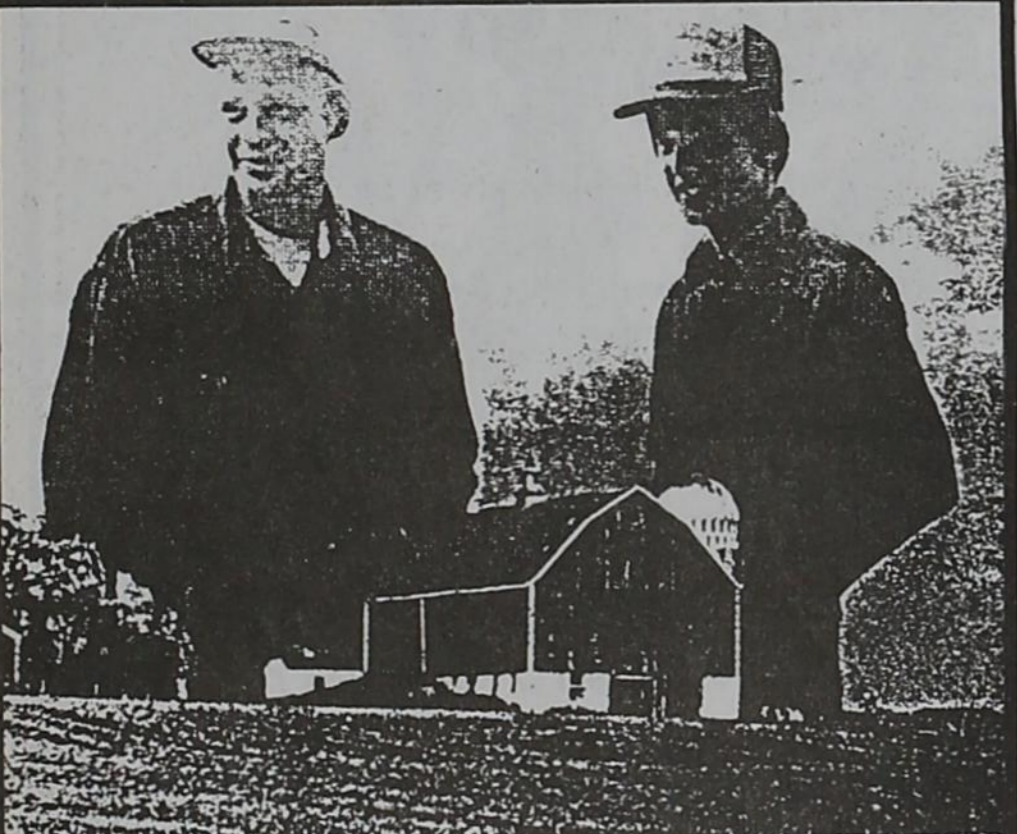
From the birthing pen to the show ring, your project animals have come a long way.

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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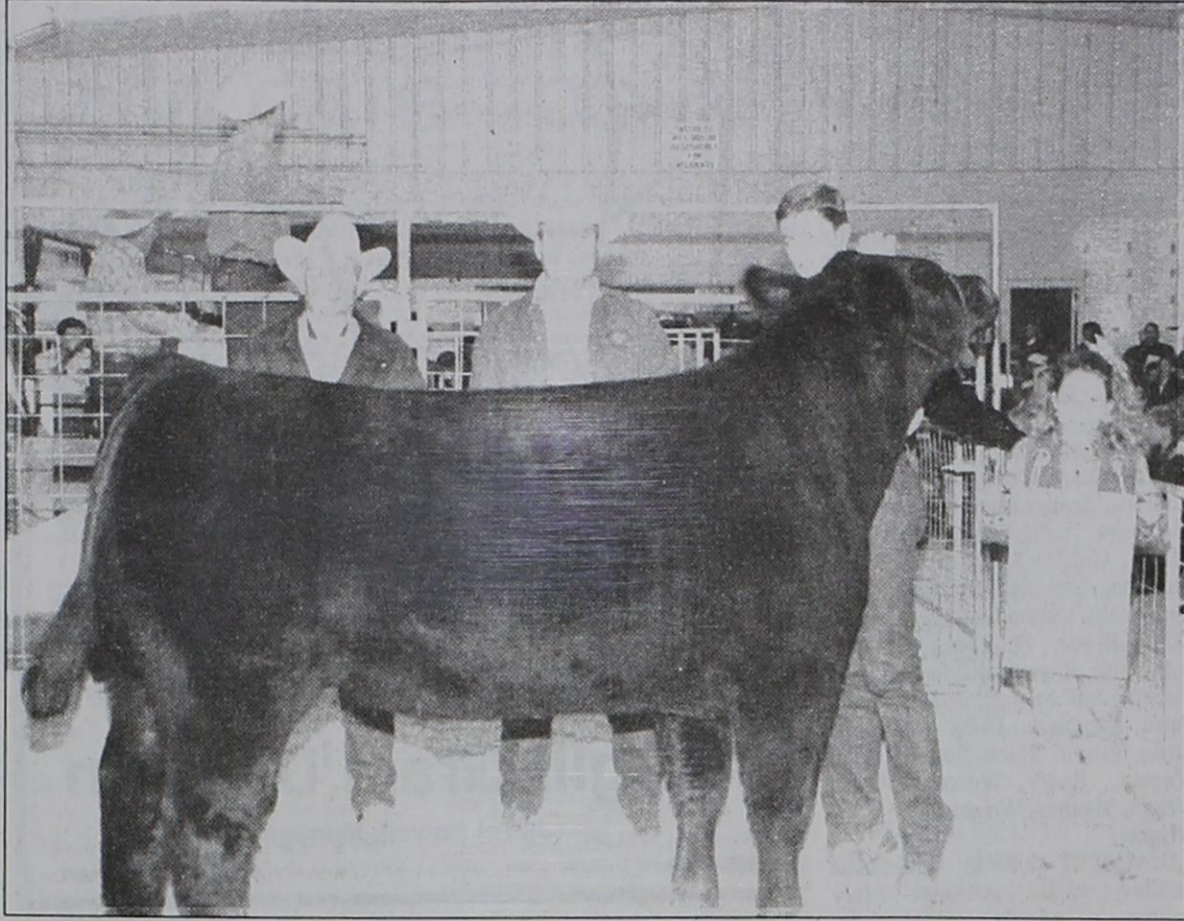


Standing Tall

That's what all our FFA and 4-H youngsters do when they exhibit their project animals in the Castro County Junior Livestock Show. They've worked hard, and they've raised some of the best show animals you'll see anywhere. Let's stand tall with them, and give them our support during this year's show and sale.

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FRIONA MOTORS



THE RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER at the 1995 Castro County Junior Livestock Show was this 1,280-lb. light heavyweight Cross exhibited by Jay McCormick (third from left) of Dimmitt. McCormick's steer brought a bid of \$2 per pound from (from left) Gene Bradley and Andy Rogers. Holding McCormick's banner is Mary Bradley. Photo by Anne Acker

Steer judges are looking for well-finished animals

Beef cattle have been bred and selected primarily for the production of meat and youngsters who have raised steers to be shown at this weekend's Castro County Junior Livestock Show hope their animals will draw the judge's eye as being "Prime," "Choice Cut" and "Top Grade."

The major breeds of registered beef cattle in North America, listed in order of numbers, are Angus, Hereford, Polled Hereford, Charolais, Shorthorn, Santa Gertrudis, Brahman, Brangus and Red Angus.

In recent years, several "exotic" breeds also have been imported, including the Simmental, Gelbvieh, Fleckvieh, Limousin, Maine-Anjou and Chianina. These later arrivals

have been used primarily for crossing with the major American breeds to increase the size and milking ability of the crossbred offspring for commercial production.

Herefords are characterized by a red coat color and a white face. Polled Herefords have the same characteristics, but they are hornless (polled). Angus are solid black in color and are polled. Charolais are white or cream-colored and the Shorthorn may be red, white or roan (a mixture of red and white). The Brahman is usually white with large droopy ears and a large dewlap. The Santa Gertrudis was developed in Texas from crossbreeding the Brahman and Shorthorn breeds, followed by selection and inbreeding to fix characteristics.

These cattle were selected and adapted to the arid region where they originated and have been used successfully in other areas with similar climatic conditions.

The recent importation and crossbreeding with the "exotic" breeds may result in the establishment of new breeds in North America in the near future.

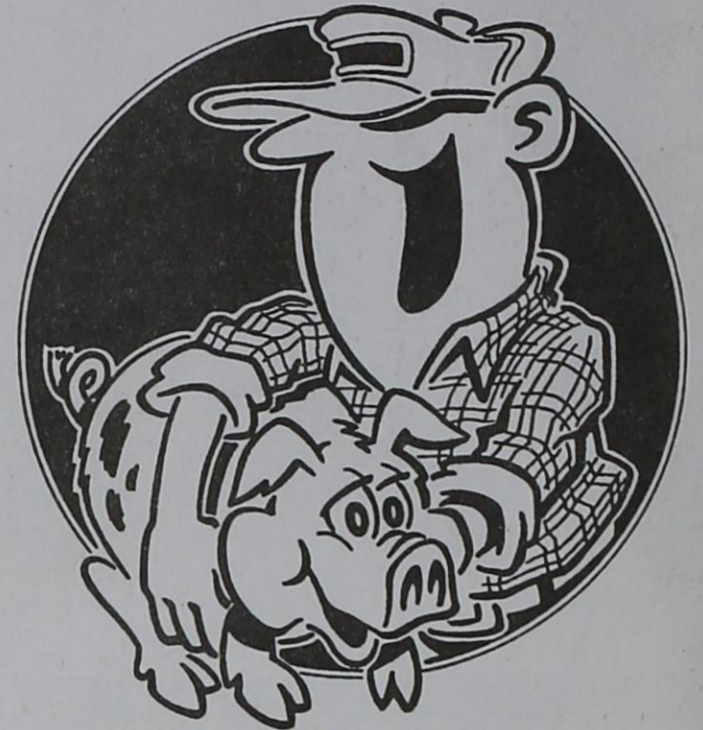
The various breeds of beef cattle also differ in mature size, growth rate, gestation length and birth weight.

Beef cattle used for breeding in the United States are estimated at about 34 million head, and the leading states are Texas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Nebraska, South Dakota, Montana, Kansas, Iowa, Kentucky and Florida.

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Friday and Saturday

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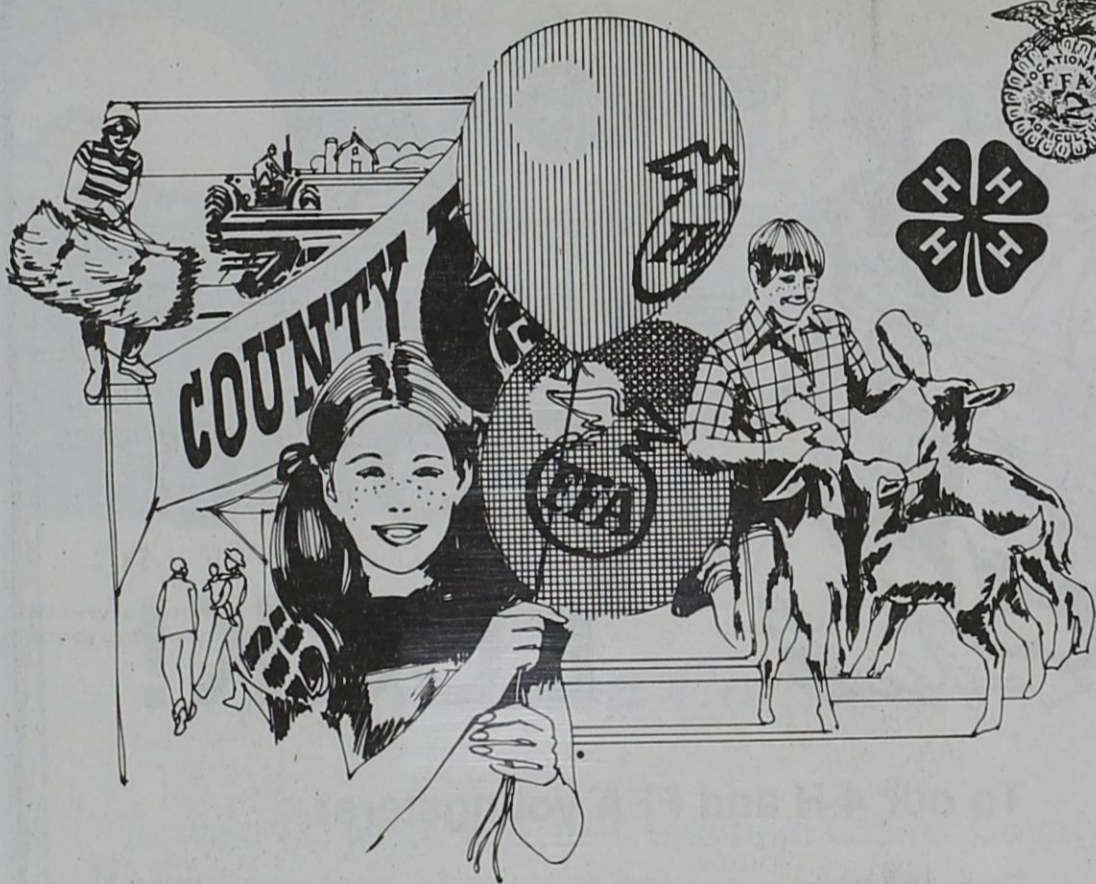
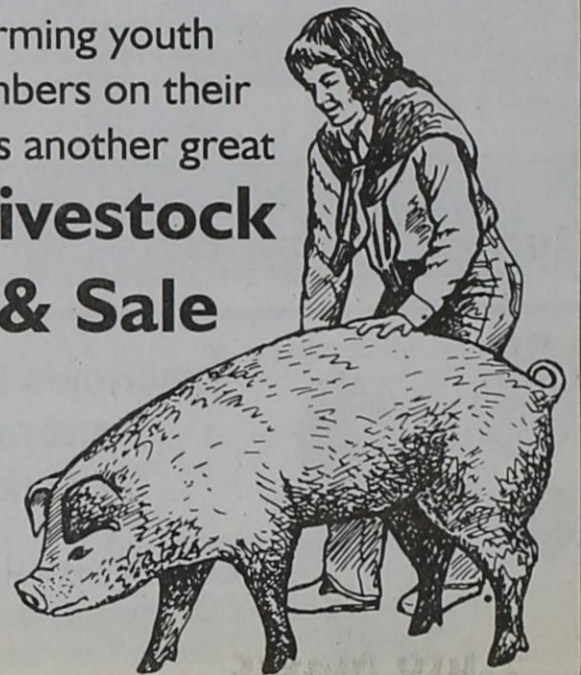
Congratulations

... to the farming youth and 4-H members on their efforts towards another great



Junior Livestock Show & Sale

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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



Who has better youngsters raising better project animals than we have in Castro County?

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... and they'll prove it again at the
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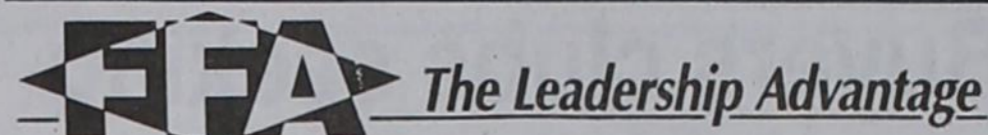
Come out and see for yourself!



J&H Equipment Co.

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Fine-wool, medium-wool lambs are popular in livestock show

Youngsters electing to exhibit a lamb in the county stock show this weekend will probably be driving either a fine- or medium-wool lamb against competing showmen.

Mutton-type sheep, which include medium- and long-wool breeds have been bred primarily for their meat.

These medium- and long-wool animals account for about 15% of the world's sheep population, but are the most popular breed in the Castro County Junior Livestock Show.

Among the medium-wool breeds are the Suffolk, Hampshire, Shropshire, Southdown, Dorset, Isle-de-France, Cheviot and Oxford.

Sheep bred for their fine-wool account for nearly half of the world's sheep population, and the fine-wool breed is adapted to semi-arid conditions. The fine-wool sheep is characterized as medium in size with the ability to produce a large amount of wool fibers 20 micrometers or less in diameter.

Other types of sheep include short-tailed, fat-tailed, and haired breeds, but these are usually found in other countries.

The United States in 1986, had 9,983,000 sheep, less than 1% of the world's total.

In the western United States, large bands of sheep are grazed on the open range under the control of shepherds. Usually fine-wool or crossbred ewes, they are bred to rams of the Down breeds for the production of lambs for meat. The bands may be moved from place to place to take advantage of cheap feeds and natural forage. Similar operations are used on lands with developed pastures. If abundant

forage is available, the lambs may be marketed directly after weaning. If the lambs have not reached marketable condition, they may be moved to feedlots and given additional food before they are sold.

Youngsters showing lambs must raise the animals themselves, and proper feeding is one of the most important aspects of lamb rearing.

Placing a lamb on a schedule can be one of the most important aspects of the feeding process.

A beginning ration may include one part whole oats, one part whole barley, one part coarse ground corn and one part of cottonseed meal. Wheat bran and some molasses can moisten up the mixture. Starter ration may be purchased from many commercial sources, or you can mix your own.

Many lamb showmen will feed the lamb all it will eat for the first three months.

A double handful of good, leafy alfalfa hay every day is part of the diet. Fresh, cool water is 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 animal's weight. If the lamb is in fair condition and just needs to get into shape, it may need three pounds a day. A lamb that's thin may need four pounds, while a fat lamb may only need two pounds.

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.

ADULTS HELP, TOO, GUIDING AND ENCOURAGING ... Grooming is an important part of the training for youth.

Photo by Anne Acker

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BRANDON FURR puts a halter on his lamb in preparation for last year's Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

Photo by Anne Acker

A FAMILY AFFAIR

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
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*Best
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Sale!*

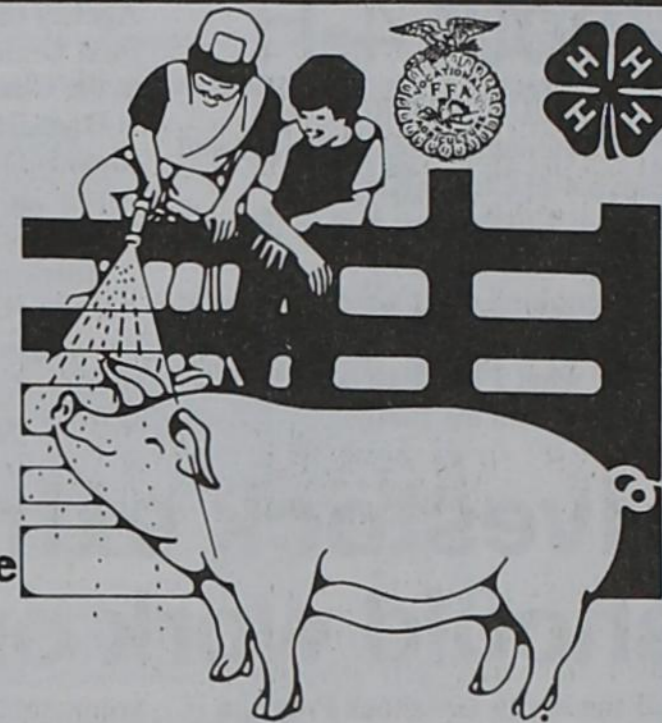
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Hart



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.



*Show your support
for today's youth
by attending the
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Buyers clubs seeking donations for stock show

The Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale is made possible by the hard work of many people, and youngsters making the sale are almost assured of getting a premium bid for their animal.

One of the reasons the sale is so successful is the community support of the program and of individual buyers clubs.

Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Buyers Clubs provide many of the premium bids in the sale. Sometimes one of the buyers clubs purchases a grand or reserve champion. Often during the auction, a club will make the initial bid on an animal, especially if the auctioneers seem to have a hard time finding that first bidder.

'What I like about 4-H'

By JUSTIN TROTTER

Hi. My name is Justin Trotter and I am a 4-H Clover Kid.

What I like about 4-H is that everyone is nice.

At cooking class we can eat what we made.

But what I like best about 4-H is working with my lambs!

But the buyers clubs can't function without money, and the money the clubs bid with comes from donations.

This weekend's Castro County Junior Livestock Show can continue its tradition of success with the community's help. Representatives from buyers clubs will be asking for donations this weekend at the show.

Donating to a buyers club is ideal for a person who wants to participate, but who doesn't want to buy an animal. Contributions to buyers clubs may be made before, during or after the show. Each club has its own table set up at the Expo Building during the show and sale.

If you want to donate to one of the clubs but haven't been contacted, you can either stop by the club's table at the Expo or contact one of the following individuals:

Dimmitt Buyers Club: Russel Birdwell at Birdwell Insurance Agency (State Farm), Phillip York at First United Bank or Becky Stovall at the Chamber of Commerce.

Hart Buyers Club: Lester Aven, Rhonda Dyer or Stanley Dyer at Hart Auto; or Rhonda Aven at Hale County State Bank in Hart.

Nazareth Buyers Club: Dwayne Acker, Dale Brockman, David Bownds, Walt Pohlmeier, Virgil Huseman, Dennis Kern, Jerry Kern, Doyle Kleman or Ricky Kleman.



LOTS OF ATTENTION IS REQUIRED
... Show animals need frequent grooming for the show and sale.
Photo by Anne Acker

Livestock exhibitors should work on image

If the Junior Livestock Program is to grow and prosper, it must present a favorable image to the public and offer fair and honest competition to its members.

The reasons most parents would like to have their children involved with showing livestock are based on their own positive experiences and what they believe to be benefits the program has to offer.

Every individual, identifiable group or organization creates its own image. Rural young people and their youth organizations traditionally enjoy a very favorable image with the general public. It is the responsibility of each individual and each segment of the Junior Livestock Program to present the best image possible not only to provide a positive image for the individual but to enhance the image of their organization and their industry.

There is a saying in purebred cattle circles that "Cattle don't bring people to a breed association, people attract people to a breed of cattle."

It is the same with youth organizations. Parents want their children associated with first-class people in a first-class program. It behooves each of us to periodically reflect on our own conduct, language, dress and actions to see if we are representing the image that we wish to convey as an individual and as a group.

In any contest there must be rules and an organization to administer those rules. Show officials, paid and

volunteer help, must accept their responsibility in supervision to see that the contest is conducted within the guidelines set forth in and insinuations of wrong doing on the part of exhibitors are often accepted as fact by the general public and reflect on the image of the program.

Nose printing provides the mechanics for positive identification of both cattle and sheep. Positive identification provides the foundation for integrity and trust.

If all members and all segments of the program work toward presenting themselves as first-class people, participating in a first-class program, that is the image we will have.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following editorial was reprinted from the October 1992 issue of the National Livestock Exhibitor.)

4-H Prayer



*"Help me, O Lord,
to live so that the
world may be
a little better because
Thou didst make me."*

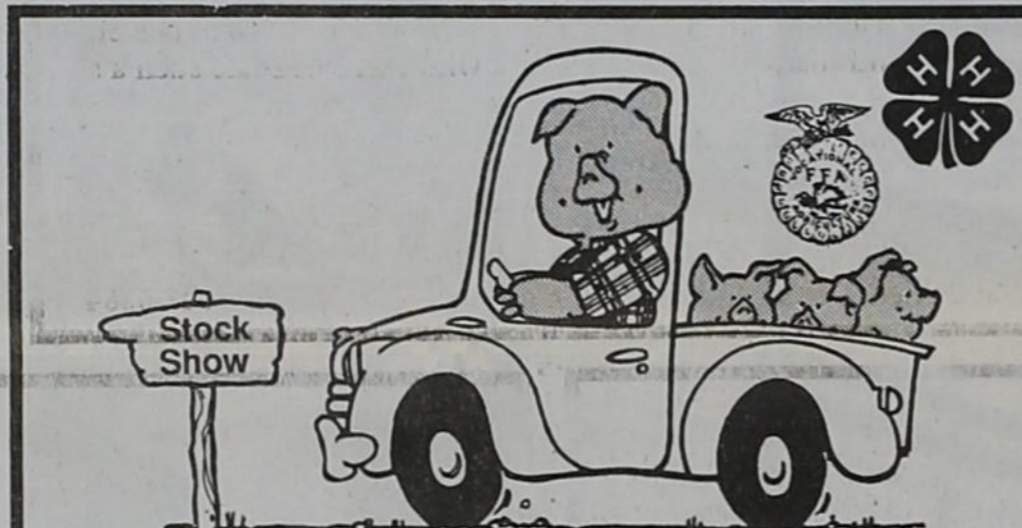
Consumer decision class plans Feb. 27 meeting

The next Consumer Decision Making Class will be Feb. 27 at 4 p.m. at the Extension office.

"Those who have study guides, please study them," an Extension spokesperson said.

Those participating should plan to stay until 6 p.m. for a "good workout."

Anyone interested in Consumer Decision Making may contact Extension Agent Marilyn Neal for additional information at 674-4115.



*Gather up the litter
and join us at the
Junior Livestock
Show & Sale
Friday and Saturday*

Goodpasture, Inc.

How do you join 4-H?

Contact your local office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. An Extension agent working with 4-H will be able to guide you to 4-H opportunities in your area.

The Castro County Extension Office is located in the basement of the county courthouse in Dimmitt at 100 E. Bedford. You can call the office at 647-4115 and talk to any Extension agent—either J.D. Ragland, Marilyn Neal or Pammy Millican.



And Away We Go-o-o!

Our youth and their animals don't mind stepping out into the show ring at the annual Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale. Our sale brings some of the top prices of any show around, and no one deserves it anymore than the hard-working members of our FFA and 4-H clubs.

DeBruce Grain
P.O. BOX 758 • DIMMITT, TEXAS 79027

Here's to the Best.

Through their show-animal projects, our 4-H and FFA youth are learning a valuable lesson in Americanism: Do the best you can, and try to be the best that you can be at what you do.

The ethic has made ours the greatest agricultural nation in the world.

Whatever the future holds for rural America, we know it will be in good hands.

Attend the Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale this weekend, and you'll see for yourself.

Castro Co-op Gin, Inc.

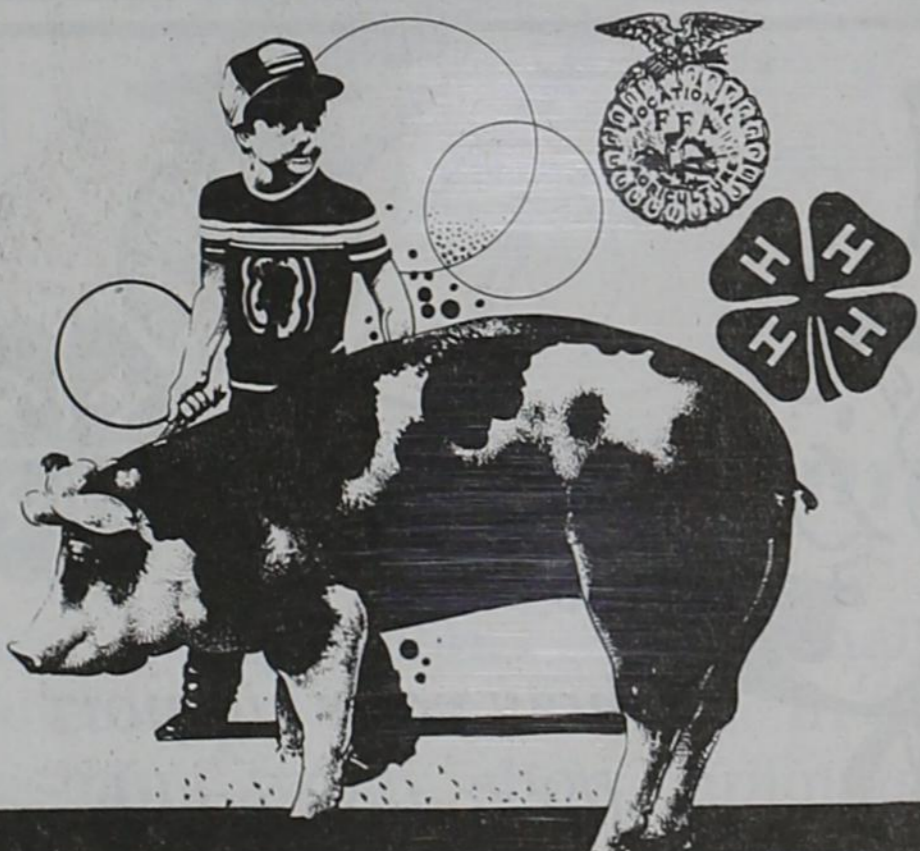


Best Wishes

to the young people of Castro County as you hold your Junior Livestock Show and Sale this Friday and Saturday.

In your work in the FFA Chapters and 4-H Clubs, you are preparing for the future. When you are in business on your own, remember we specialize in furnishing concrete for feed yards!

**Dimmitt
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Best of Luck

to all our 4-H and FFA youngsters as you compete in the Castro County Junior Livestock Show. We're proud of each of you!

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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!

**Hart Producers
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QUALITY ANIMAL PROJECTS—That is how livestock judging teams from Colorado State University and Northeastern Colorado Junior College characterized the animals at the Dimmitt FFA project center last year. The judging teams were on their way to competition at the Fort Worth stock show, and have stopped in Dimmitt on their way for the past four years. Coaches for the team said they enjoyed working in Dimmitt because of the quality of the animal projects. Here, the collegiate coaches and Dimmitt FFA Advisor David McCormick work the animals as members of the judging team take notes.

Staff Photo

4-H Club operates concession stand at county's stock show

The Castro County 4-H operates a concession stand each year at the Castro County Junior Livestock Show, and proceeds from sales help the club fund its various activities during the year.

Different clubs operate the stand on different days, and the 4-H opens the concessions for private club shows like the Nazareth and Hart shows, too. Here's what will be offered at this year's concession stand.

Menu

Breakfast Burritos (until 10 a.m. Friday and Saturday)	\$1.50
Barbecue Plate	
Beef, Beans, Slaw and Onions	\$5.00
Combination Barbecue Plate	\$5.50
Frito Pie	\$1.25
With Cheese	\$1.50
Bowl of Chili	\$1.50
With Cheese	\$1.75
Hamburger	\$2.00
Barbecued Sandwich	\$2.00
Nachos	\$1.00
With Chili	\$1.50
Tater Tots	\$1.00
Piece of Pie	75¢
Rice Krispie Bar or Brownie	25¢
Doughnuts	50¢
Cinnamon Rolls	75¢
Whole Pickles	50¢
Soft Drinks, Orange Juice or Milk	50¢
Coffee or Hot Chocolate	25¢
Ice	10¢
Cup	5¢
Ice Water	10¢
Candy Bars	50¢
Suckers	2 for 25¢

Salute to the Champs

We're talking about ALL of you who participate in the Castro County Junior Livestock Show!

Snider Insurance Agency
112 W. Bedford, Dimmitt 647-4652

Best Wishes
for another successful Castro County Junior Livestock Show and Sale from
LS Custom Feeders, Inc.
938-2151 Hart

Prescription For Success

Take an ambitious youngster.
Add a supportive family and community.
Mix in equal parts of commitment, dedication and responsibility.
Combine all these ingredients, under the supervision of good teachers and adult leaders.
Direct their effort toward a worthwhile goal.

There you have the prescription for success in our Castro County Junior Livestock Show. If used correctly, this prescription is guaranteed to cure laziness, increase one's resistance to cold mornings, improve one's enthusiasm and self-confidence, and produce a responsible youngster with a healthy outlook.

Best wishes for a successful Junior Livestock Show and Sale this Friday and Saturday from
Gary & Cenci Hardee

Yesterday . . . Today

Many of today's Young Farmers who make our Junior Livestock Show so great, and many of today's bidders who make our sale such a success, were once young 4-H and FFA exhibitors themselves. We're proud of that tradition!

George Nelson Trucking, Inc.
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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

You've come a long way!

The competition is so tough in our Junior Livestock Show that winning may seem as impossible as this nursery-rhyme scene. But just remember, nothing is impossible. When you step into the ring, you're already a winner in our eyes!

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Beef conference planned today

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service will host a one-day conference for beef cattle producers and feedyard operators today (Thursday) at the Texas A&M Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Amarillo.

Information will be provided on managing the industry's unique pest control problems.

Five continuing education units (CEUs) will be offered to producers completing the full day workshop. The CEUs will apply toward pesticide applicator license recertification this year and can be used by anyone still needing credits for 1995.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. followed by the program at 9 a.m. The meeting is free and there will be a break at noon for lunch on your own.

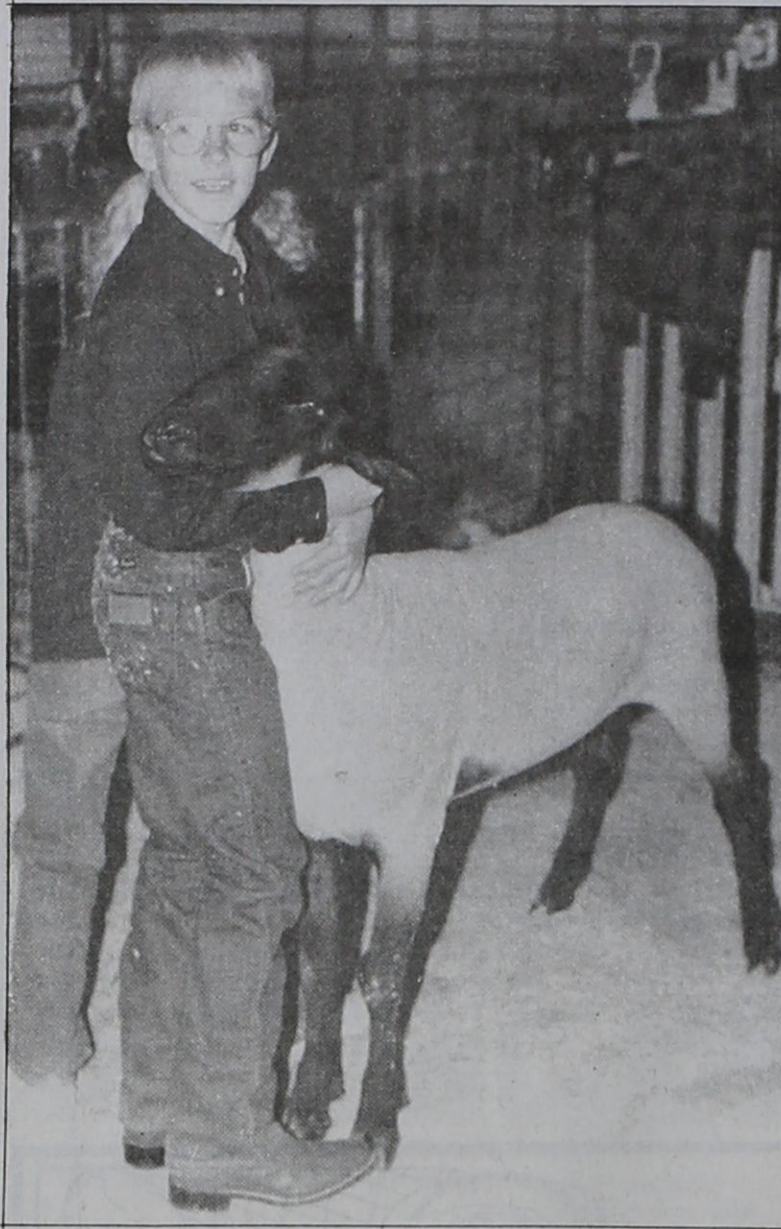
Speakers and topics include Carl Patrick, Extension entomologist who will address integrated pest management issues involving livestock.

Ron Smith, wildlife biologist with Texas Animal Damage Control, will discuss problems associated with birds eating animal feed in feedlots and general control measures.

Weed identification and herbicide selection to aid feedyard managers in controlling weeds in and around the pen areas will be reviewed by Jack Lyons with DuPont Chemical Company.

Chemical labeling and use will be addressed by David Ferrell, Tri-State Chemicals.

Pesticide laws and regulations will be reviewed by Kent Shaw, pesticide specialist with the Texas Dept. of Agriculture.



A HUG FOR GOOD LUCK

... Adam Acker readies his lamb last year for the show and sale.

Photo by Anne Acker



We hope you have a great show and sale!

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**42ND
ANNUAL
JUNIOR LIVESTOCK
SHOW & SALE**

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**Howdy
Pardner!**

Join us at the
**42nd Annual
Junior Livestock
Show & Sale**
Friday and Saturday

See ya there
Pardner!

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See you at the
**Livestock
Show
this Friday
and Saturday!**

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Ricky Kuntz, Mgr., 647-2241

What do you do in 4-H?

4-H members choose projects that interest them. Texas has more than 40 4-H projects to choose from.

After joining 4-H, you will attend meetings, participate in new learning experiences and may be involved in many presentations and community service projects.

You also may want to participate in 4-H camps, the county fair, or trips to other states and countries.

For more information about 4-H or to join the club, stop by the Castro County Extension Office at 100 E. Bedford in Dimmitt. (It's in the basement at the courthouse.)

In the show ring, in the sale ring ...

... our youngsters will be giving their best this weekend. They'll carry months of hard work, mistakes, responsibility and expertise into the ring with them. Let's all support them at the show and sale!

Red X Travel Center
Santos and Connie Perez
320 S. Broadway, Dimmitt 647-4510

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

**Whatever their shape or color,
you won't find better ones
anywhere!**

Good luck to our 4-H and FFA youngsters
in the show and sale!

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Cleaners**
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THE FINE
YOUNG PEOPLE
WHO WILL BE
PARTICIPATING IN
THE ANNUAL
JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW
THIS WEEKEND!

**Swisher Electric
Cooperative, Inc.**

We say ...
WELL DONE 4-H & FFA MEMBERS
as you begin your
Junior Livestock Show & Sale
Friday and Saturday

Schaeffer, Sutton, Schaeffer & Myatt

We're proud of our youngsters who are involved in the Junior Livestock Show. Through the work of the Dimmitt Young Farmers and great support from throughout the county, it just keeps getting bigger and better every year.

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