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RAMONA AND REYES SANDOVAL are honored as the Hispanic Citizens of the Year at the 16 de septiembre Fiesta in Dimmitt Saturday. Gloria Hernandez of the local League of United Latin American Citizens Chapter presents them with a plaque. In the background, Sandoval family members and other LULAC members look on. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*

Mr. and Mrs. Sandoval named Citizens of Year

Reyes and Ramona Sandoval of Dimmitt were honored as the Hispanic Citizens of the Year by the local chapter of the League of United Latin American Citizens at the annual 16 de septiembre Fiesta held Saturday at the Expo building in Dimmitt.

Presenters praised the pair for their involvement in civic, church and community affairs, as well as for being a good example to their family.

Reyes Acevedo Sandoval was born on Jan. 6, 1930, in Bertram. He married Ramona Rodriquez on Nov. 26, 1949, in Littlefield. They made their first home in Dimmitt in 1950, and later moved to Flagg, where Reyes worked at the Flagg Gin. In 1957, they moved back to Dimmitt, where they have established their home ever since.

The couple have eight children and 18 grandchildren. Their children are Herminia Salinas of Dimmitt, Rebecca Rodriguez of Dimmitt, Yolanda Taylor of Cleveland, Ohio, Elvia Casillas of Dimmitt, Reyes Sandoval Jr. of Dimmitt, George Sandoval of Arlington, Norma Sandoval of Bakersfield, Calif., and Loretta Mendoza of Dimmitt.

Reyes helped get things started to establish Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt. He is a past president of the Holy Cross Society at ICC.

He also helped found the United Lions Club in Dimmitt, and served as its president. An early member of LULAC in Dimmitt, Reyes served three terms as president of the local chapter. He ran for city commissioner at one time.

"He has been a service leader for his church, his city and his people," said Gila Silva about Reyes.

He worked for Amstar, which is now known as Cerestar. He retired in 1995.

"But he doesn't just sit around," Silva said. "He continues to serve wherever he is needed."

He enjoys golf and fishing and other activities and still finds time to watch local baseball games.

"We don't want to forget Ramona," Silva said. "She is a homemaker, but she also helped Reyes with his services."

She said his children and grandchildren continue to work with him, as well.

The Sandovals were presented with a plaque by Gloria Hernandez of the LULAC Chapter.

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By Don Nelson

"I look forward to the paper every week; it's a reminder of things and people I recall with warmth and nostalgia," writes Stanton Calvert of Austin.

(That's Dr. Stanton Calvert, vice-chancellor of the Texas A&M University System.)

"I hope your dad is doing better," Stanton adds. "I look in the paper for word, and haven't seen any."

Well, "The Editor" is still living in Room 107 of Plains Memorial, suffering from the brain and nerve damage caused by a cerebral hemorrhage in January.

He's getting excellent care from people who love him.

He can't walk or feed himself anymore, so he has lost a lot of weight because of muscle deterioration. He's down to 124 lbs.

He doesn't always recognize Verbie and me, and it's frustrating to him and us both when he tries to tell us something and we can't understand him. The nurses can understand him better than I can, usually.

He still shows his well-known sense of humor once in a while.

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Two enter pleas in district court

Last Thursday, two men entered pleas of guilty or nolo contendere in district court to charges of aggravated assault with serious bodily injury.

In 64th District Court, John Gonzales Trejo was charged in connection with a May 24 incident. His plea bargain set his punishment at a $1,000 fine, $242 court costs, $250 in attorney fees, a $50 donation to the Castro County Crime Line, $660.65 in restitution to Plains Memorial Hospital, and confinement for five years in the Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice. The confinement was suspended in favor of five years of community supervision.

In 242nd District Court, Reynaldo Medellin was charged in connection with a June 29 incident. He was assessed a fine of $1,000, $242 in court costs, $250 in attorney fees, a $50 donation to Crime Line, and confinement in the TDCJ for six years. His confinement also was suspended, in favor of six years of community supervision.

Bradford, Settle meet long-time family friends

By LINDA MAXWELL

Imagine a family correspondence that has continued for 81 years, through three generations, a line of letters that has forged a link between families from two different countries, with two different languages. Despite the barriers, the families have remained connected through the years, and some of the family members had an opportunity to meet each other this week in Dimmitt.

Yvette Chauveau of France has been staying the past week with Mildred Bradford of Dimmitt. Mildred's father, the late Earl Lust, stayed a few months with the family of Yvette's mother during World War I. Madelein Guignard was just a child of 6 or 7 when the American soldier stayed on their farm about 120 miles from Paris.

Madelein is still living, but she was unable to make the trip with her

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FRENCH GUESTS—Martin, Yvette and Thérese Chauveau visited in Dimmitt last week with Mildred Bradford and her sister, Earline Settle of Tennessee. Yvette's mother was befriended 81 years ago by Bradford and Settle's father, the late Earl Lust, during World War I. Photo by Linda Maxwell

County will celebrate with fair, parade, food and games

A county fair, parade, games, music, food and more will highlight the annual Harvest Days celebration in Dimmitt today (Thursday) through Saturday at the Expo Building.

Two events have been planned today (Thursday) to kick off the annual celebration.

Canterbury Villa Nursing Home has planned a special reception for its residents and staff members from 10 to 11 a.m. at the home.

Youngsters will be drawn into the celebration this afternoon when the pedal tractor pull is held at the Expo Building. Registration in the event is slated to start at 3 p.m., with the pull beginning at 4. The tractor pull is sponsored by the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club and is conducted by the Texas Pedal Pullers Association.

Those planning to enter the county fair will deliver their homemade arts, crafts and foods to the Expo Building between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Friday, and the items will be judged that evening. Fair exhibits will remain on display through Saturday.

At 4 p.m. Friday, registration begins for the VFW's goat roping. A dance will be held Friday at 8 p.m. at the VFW Hall.

The celebration kicks into high gear on Saturday with the parade, arts and crafts show, games, early settlers reunion, barbecue and a host of other activities.

Local organizations and businesses will decorate floats based on this year's Harvest Days theme of "Field of Dreams" and those entries will be judged during the parade, which is slated to start at 10 a.m. Saturday.

For more details about each Harvest Days event, see Section B

Registration for the early settlers' reunion will start before the parade at the Dimmitt Senior Citizens Center.

After the parade, several activities get underway at the Expo Building.

The Holy Warriors, a local Christian music group, will entertain crowds from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Castro County 4-H will hold a goat and poultry show at 12 noon in the Quonset Barn adjacent to the Expo Building. Admission to the show is free. During the show, the 4-H will sponsor a free petting zoo.

The early settlers' reunion will include a potluck luncheon at 12 noon at the Dimmitt Senior Citizens Center. Following the lunch, those attending the reunion are invited to visit and enjoy games during the afternoon.

Something new to this year's Harvest Days celebration is a ground beef recipe contest, sponsored by the Extension Service. Cooks are invited to make their favorite dish using ground beef and enter it in the contest.

The pet show, always a crowd favorite, will begin at 1:15 p.m. east of the Expo Building and everyone is invited to enter their pet.

A gymnastic exhibition is slated to start at 1:45 p.m., followed by a local talent show at 2:30 p.m., and the fiddler's contest at 3 p.m. All events will be on the stage at the Expo Building.

From 5:30 to 8 p.m., Dyers Barbecue will cater a barbecue supper at the Expo Building. During the meal, the fiddlers and other musicians will gather for a jam session.

Saturday night, the Castro County 4-H Horse Judging Team will sponsor a team rodeo and ladies' greased pig contest at the Dimmitt Rodeo Arena.

The day's activities will conclude with a street dance from 9 p.m. to midnight in the 400 block of East Stinson, just north of the Expo Building. The dance is free to the public and music will be provided by the group, Southern Sky.

Houston and Doris Lust will be parade marshals

Houston and Doris Lust of the Bethel Community in Castro County have been selected as the parade marshals for the annual Harvest Days Parade, set for 10 a.m. Saturday in Dimmitt.

The pair have been involved in agriculture all of their lives, and most of it in Castro County.

Houston was born in the Bethel area in 1923 and was raised a mile east of the couple's present home place, right next to the Bethel Community Building.

His grandfather first farmed the land with three of his sons. Now the two sons of Houston and Doris manage the farm.

"I put in my two-cents worth now and then," Houston said. "They can take it or leave it."

He is retired from an active part in the farm, and he and Doris take the opportunity to visit their 15 grandchildren and to travel.

The couple's children are Joe and Rex Lust of Dimmitt, Sue Summers of Dimmitt, Flo Touchstone of Lubbock, and Anne Cayton of Gilbert, Ariz.

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Houston married Doris Fink of Swisher County in 1947. Her parents were in farming, too.

"We don't know much else but farming," Doris said.

They are active members of the First United Methodist Church in Dimmitt, where Houston has served on several boards and committees and is now a member of the Board of Trustees, and Doris participates in the UMW.

Since they live next door to the Bethel Community Building, the pair consider themselves the "caretakers" and help keep the grounds mowed and free of weeds.

Doris said whoever is the president of the Bethel Community association helps out, too.

Doris was an active member of the Bethel Home Demonstration Club for many years until it disbanded. She belongs to two quilter's clubs and a bridge club and is a member of the Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Houston was a member of the Wheat Growers Board and was among those who helped get the corn starch plant set up here. He has served on the Dimmitt Consumers Board and the Farm Bureau Board.

Doris said they had been active in helping with 4-H and school organizations as their children were growing up, but now they leave it to the younger generation.

"This is a great place to live," Doris said about Dimmitt and Castro County.

"And a great place to raise a family," Houston added.



DORIS AND HOUSTON LUST
. . . Honored as Harvest Days Parade Marshals

Weather

	High	Low	Pr.
Thursday	92	58	
Friday	95	61	
Saturday	96	59	
Sunday	97	61	
Monday	95	64	
Tuesday	94	53	
Wednesday	94	54	

September Moisture 0.00
1998 Moisture 8.40

Temperatures and moisture are recorded each day at 7 a.m. at KDHN Radio, official National Weather Service reporting station.

Register now to vote Nov. 3

Oct. 5 is the last day that qualified voters may register to vote in the Nov. 3 election.

Those who are not registered may contact the Tax Assessor/Collector's office in the courthouse for more information.

Also, voters may register on-line on the Internet, and a registration form will be mailed to them. However, the process may take two to three weeks.

The web address is: www.netvote98.mci.com

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Voters who want to receive a ballot by mail may send their request to the County Clerk's office in the courthouse. The clerk will notify requesters about any additional information that may be needed.

Early voting will start Oct. 25.

Today is 'Save Home Care Day'

Today (Thursday) is "Save Home Care Day," as declared in Washington, D.C.

The National Association for Home Care, in conjunction with the unified home care community, is urging all agencies, patients and their families to call their representatives and senators to demand reform of the Interim Payment System (IPS).

A spokesperson for the national Save Home Care Day campaign said, "With only a few working weeks left this year in Congress, please call your legislators and tell them to support the moratorium bills S 2354, HR 4339 and HR 4494 on the IPS."

There is a real opportunity for relief this legislative session from the drastic cuts of the IPS, according to information on the campaign. However, to be successful, it will take the full force of the entire home care community speaking out, an informational bulletin stated.

The bulletin suggests that callers tell their legislators:

✦ IPS is having a devastating impact on the ability to provide necessary care to some of the most vulnerable of our nation's elderly and disabled.

✦Access to home health care has dramatically diminished because of the 1997 Balanced Budget Amendment cuts.

✦ Over 1,000 home health agencies have closed their doors, and more are on the brink of closing.

✦ Home health reductions have already gone far beyond the savings Congress targeted in the 1997 BBA.

✦ Reform must include relief for the first year of IPS.

✦ Reform must remove the additional 15% cut which will take effect in October 1999.

The number for the House of Representatives switchboard is 202-225-3131. The Senate switchboard is 202-224-3121.

Letter

'Home health care cuts too deep'

Dear Editor:

I feel the following letter from our Texas Senator Tom Haywood to US Rep. Bill Archer has a good message concerning our home health care system.

VICKI BUCKLEY, R.N.
PMH Home Health Care

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Dear Representative Archer,

While I applaud your goal last summer of reigning in unnecessary costs in home health care, it now appears that the interim payment system cuts much deeper into appropriate care than intended. In an effort to get ready for the implementation of the prospective payment system, home health care agencies have worked diligently to cut unnecessary costs. In fact, I understand that the cost reductions have far exceeded those estimated by the Congressional Budge Office. Now, however, good quality home care agencies are going out of business because they cannot make the additional cuts necessary to satisfy the interim payment system; and sicker, more frail patients are going without home health services because agencies cannot afford to serve them.

I am concerned that this flawed interim payment system may actually result in higher costs to taxpayers as patients utilize hospital care, emergency rooms and nursing homes to a much greater extent than in the past. As you know, home health care has been valuable in holding down the utilization of hospital care. In addition, new Medicaid costs in Texas to care for poor elderly who can no longer depend on home health is estimated to be as high as $225.7 million a year—$144.4 million of which will be borne by federal government and $81.3 million of which will be borne by state government.

Please consider abandoning this interim payment system as quickly as possible, even if the new prospective payment system is not in place. I fear that, otherwise, the costs savings will be negated by new costs to Medicare and Medicaid in hospital and nursing home bills.

Thank you for considering these comments.

TOM HAYWOOD
Texas State Senator



ST. PATRICK'S FOLKLORICO de LUBBOCK was featured at the 16 de septiembre Fiesta held Saturday in Dimmitt at the Expo building, sponsored by the local chapter of the League of United Latin American Citizens. The event had about 15 booths and was attended by more than 500 people throughout the day. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*

Letter

'Call legislators about IPS'

Dear Editor:

The changes in home health care are a disaster if you are old and house bound and don't have any help. It is full of problems.

It is very important for people to call their Representatives and Senators and let them know how you feel.

We must keep up the pressure on Congress until they correct the situation with the Interim Payment System.

You work hard all your life and try to build something, then when you need it, it's not there.

GEORGIE WALL

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

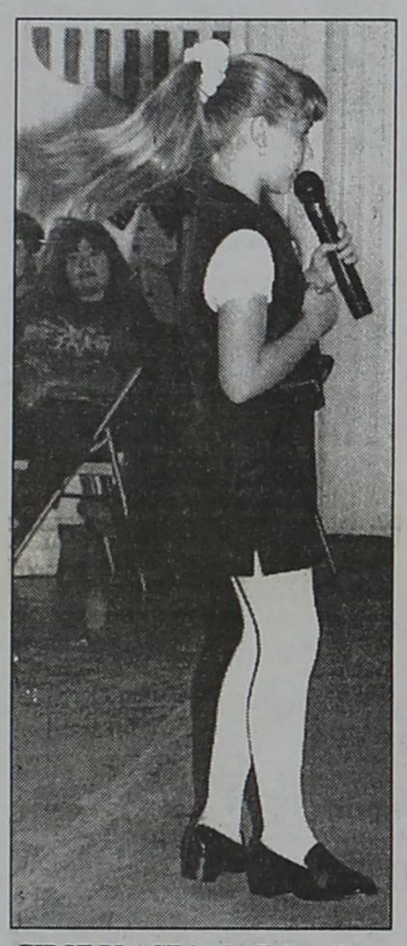
US Senate

Phil Gramm:
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Rm. 703 Hart Senate Office Bldg., Washington D.C. 20510
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13th District
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FIRST PLACE in the Talent Show at Saturday's Fiesta in Dimmitt went to Mackenzie Sims, 8, of Dimmitt, who danced and sang along with a popular Selena song. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*

Letter

Former student praises McMinn

Dear Editor:

My heart was saddened today as I read the obituary of Miss Thelma McMinn of Hereford (9-3-98). You see, Miss McMinn was my English teacher my junior and senior years at Dimmitt High School.

Miss McMinn was the epitome of an old-fashioned lady who required me and my peers to behave with dignity and respect for ourselves as well as for others. Miss McMinn could be a taskmaster at times. We were tortured by having to diagram mile-long sentences in such detail that our feeble brains hurt. And who among her students can forget those mind-numbing time consuming themes that she would not accept unless they were perfect.

There were many long hours spent memorizing line after line of Shakespeare and Chaucer—all recited to Miss McMinn's satisfaction. At the time we wondered how memorizing these selections and picking apart others (how many of *still* ponder whether "Beowulf" is a pagan or Christian epic) would ever be beneficial to us 20 or 30 years down the road.

My excellent literature professors at Tech were shadowed by Miss McMinn's patient insistence that classic good books and learning to express myself properly would become a valuable asset.

Miss McMinn never married. She never told us much about herself, although she would at times allude to a war-time fiancé who was called to battle and never returned. I still think about her whenever I hear the eternal question: Is it better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all? She seemed to be content with having loved and lost.

No one but Miss McMinn would be impressed that I can still recite the prologue to "The Canterbury Tales" (in Olde English, yet) or muddle through the soliloquies in "Macbeth." Someday, in another place, I'll recite them to her again and then thank her for being a wonderful teacher. I shall continue to remember her with love and respect.

RONDA WISE
Senior 1973

Police Calls

A Dimmitt man, 20, was jailed Monday afternoon for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Robert Garcia of Hart told deputies Saturday that someone took a pickup without permission from a location north of Cluck's Feedyard. The vehicle was located in Hart about four hours later. Investigation is continuing.

DeBruce Grain of Dimmitt reported to deputies Monday that tools and a television had been taken from the business during the past two or three weeks. The items were valued at $1,249.

A fight was reported in Hart Monday evening. Someone complained that a juvenile was picking on younger children and using profane language to adults. The suspect was located and a report was made to the juvenile probation officer.

Robert Lopez of Dimmitt told police Monday afternoon that someone broke out the back windshield of a pickup in the 400 block of Northeast Eighth. The damage was estimated at $200.

Jerry Torres of Dimmitt told police last Thursday that someone vandalized seven windows at a business on South US 385. The damage was estimated at $150.

Mrs. Julius Trauer of Hart told deputies Sept. 1 that someone damaged the fence behind her residence. Pickets and a cross piece were damaged, apparently by someone trying to get fruit off of the trees in her backyard.

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Alcohol related arrests during the past week included:

An Amarillo man, 47, on Friday for public intoxication; on Saturday, a Friona man, 20, for DWI, first offense and no driver's license; a 45-year-old Hart man on Saturday for DWI, first offense; early Sunday, a Dimmitt man, 21, for public intoxication; a Littlefield man, 29, Sunday night for public intoxication; Sunday night, a Happy man, 23, for DWI, first offense (breath test refused) and open container; and a 19-year-old Dimmitt man Monday night for public intoxication.

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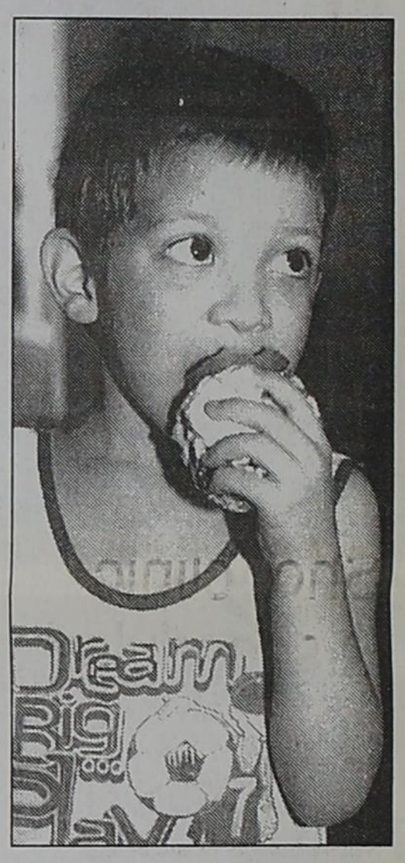
Those picked up on warrants included:

A Dimmitt woman, 32, Sept. 1, for violation of probation out of Randall County stemming from DWI; Sept. 2, a Dimmitt man, 36, for endangering a child; Sept. 2, a Dimmitt woman, 27, for theft by check; DWI and bond surrender were the charges for a Dimmitt man, 29, jailed Saturday evening; also on Saturday, a 25-year-old Dimmitt man for DWI, second offense and motion to revoke probation; and Saturday a 22-year-old Dimmitt man for motion of surety.

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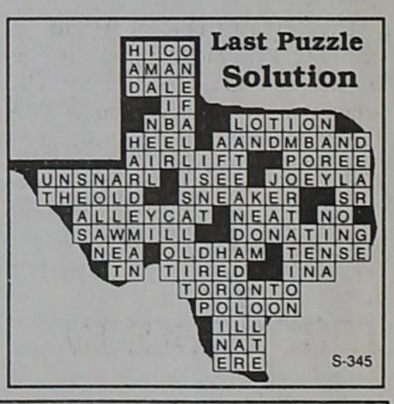
Saturday afternoon, Natasha Vasquez, 15, of Dimmitt was driving a 1986 Ford pickup east in the 900 block of East Jones. A 1997 Ford pickup driven by Marible Leal Ontiveros, 18, of Dimmitt, also was heading east and was behind the other pickup. Police said Vasquez stopped then put her vehilce into reverse, colliding with the other pickup. Damage was rated light to moderate for both vehicles and no injuries were reported. Vasquez was given a ticket for improper backing from a start position and no driver's license. Ontiveros was cited for failure to use a child passenger seat for a child under 2.

France has the greatest consumption of alcohol per person, with the equivalent of 22.3 pints of alcohol per year.



PICKLE LOVER—Manuel Bugarin, 4, son of Engelberto and Gloria Bugarin of Amarillo, enjoys a juicy pickle from a concession at the Fiesta Saturday. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*

Last Puzzle Solution



DHS Booster Club to meet Monday nights

The Dimmitt High School Booster Club will meet each Monday night at 7 in the DHS Cafeteria and the public is invited to attend.

Each week, the group plans to watch game films.

You do not have to be a booster member to attend.

The first full-length cartoon ever made was Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs in 1937.

How to keep from ticking people off



By RON TRUSLER Executive Director Central Plains Center

It does not take long to realize that some people just do not know how to get along with others. Regardless of their efforts they offend someone. Not everyone is going to like you. There will be some who do not think the sun rose and set on you. However, there are general things you can do that will give you a better chance of getting along with most people.

1. **Focus your attention on them**. Ask genuine questions about them. Be real. Do not demand to be the center of attention.

2. **Learn to really listen**. Others can tell if you are not listening. There are a few good listeners. Most are anxious to talk about themselves.

3. **Be careful of attempts to impress**. A person who wants to let others know how important they are (at least in their own minds) tend to mention important people they have talked to or know(name dropping). They are anxious to let others know what titles they have. This does not help when trying to get others to like you.

4. **Let others have their way**. Do not always push your ideas or opinions. No one likes a know-it-all or a bully.

5. **Learn to brag on others**. Be genuine and don't over do it. If you do you will be thought of as a "suck-up" or "brown-noser."

6. **Mind your manners**. Be courteous. Be polite. Be thoughtful and considerate of others. That will get you a lot of mileage.

You can be good at your job and do OK. However, if you can add the ability to get along with others, you will come closer to keeping your job longer. Besides, it will be a more pleasant place to work.

Ron Trusler is executive director of Central Plains MHMR/SA. He can be reached at (806) 293-2636.

Hummingbirds get their names from the humming sound made by their wings which move 60 to 70 times a second.

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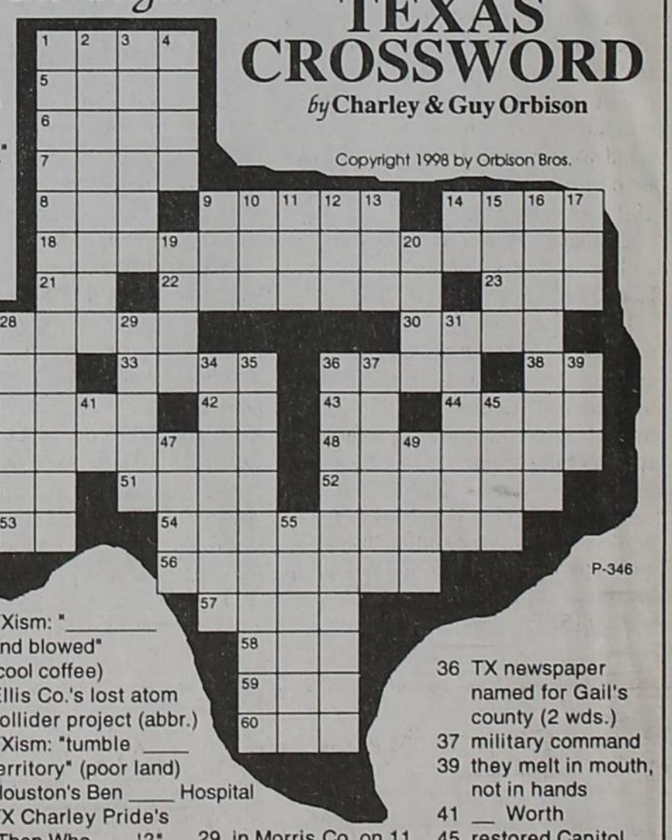
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ACROSS

1 TXism: "hot as _ ___ of mesquite coals"
5 ___ Star State
6 TXism: "windbelly"
7 in TX: "Ripley's Believe __ __ Not"
8 Dallas Stars league
9 TXism: "nary a soul"
14 "Don't ___ with TX"
18 TXism: "if it ain't true, there ain't an ___, ____ __ ____."
21 ex-Cowboy Lilly (init.)
22 Athens hosts Black-___ ___ Jamboree
23 TX utility commission
24 in Nueces Co. on 44
30 this committee picks TX Olympians (abbr.)
32 TXism: "a whole ____ __ 'em" (lots)
33 TXism: "wouldn't know 'em from ____" (never met)
36 TX athlete Didrikson
38 with "Hook" or "Gig"
40 worker cutbacks by TX companies
42 retired Dallas minister: _ _ Criswell
43 Cowboys "sudden death" period (abbr.)
44 TXism: "wiggle like a ____ on a hook"
46 Kiowa chief Satana was called "_____ __ the Plains"
48 can find a mess of 'em in "TX Country Reporter Cookbook"
50 TX interscholastic league (abbr.)
51 TXism: "handle"
52 mended socks
53 "Texas, our Texas! So wonderful, __ great!"
54 TX Shelby's contribution to Ford Mustang (2 wds.)
56 TX Motor Speedway phrase: "start your _____"
57 Mavericks Phoenix foe
58 TXism: "___ in cement" (permanent)
59 TXism: "don't give a hoot __ _ holler"
60 TXism: "couldn't find hide ___ hair of it" (lost)

DOWN

1 rare bison shot near Snyder in 1870s (2 wds.)
2 outlaw cemetery
3 how to get in UT
4 Llano is "____ Capital of Texas"
9 eccentric Texas sculptor Elisabet
10 Mexican cheer
11 TXism: "cold as a week-___ enchilada"
12 TXism: "___ it in the bud"
13 to College Station from San Antonio
14 TX George Jones tune: "Take __"
15 Wharton hosts TX Beef ____ in the fall
16 TXism: "_____ and blowed" (cool coffee)
17 Ellis Co.'s lost atom collider project (abbr.)
19 TXism: "tumble ____ territory" (poor land)
20 Houston's Ben ____ Hospital
24 TX Charley Pride's "Then Who __ I?"
25 hair mousse
26 last of the six flags over Texas
27 TXism: "quick __ __ can bat an eye"
28 TXism: "your barn ___ __ open" (unzipped fly)
29 in Morris Co. on 11
31 Arlington has the Antique _____ Machine Museum
34 Gov. Ann's T-shirt: "_ _____ place is in the dome"
35 1st female governor (with nickname)
36 TX newspaper named for Gail's county (2 wds.)
37 military command
39 they melt in mouth, not in hands
41 __ Worth
45 restored Capitol has an ____-air rotunda
47 Orange's "Gumbo Cookoff" features a crab ____
49 former Houston Oiler CB Dishman
55 TXism for "money"

The first full-length cartoon ever made was Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs in 1937.

TexShare database purchase will benefit Texas libraries

TexShare, a statewide consortium of college and university libraries, has announced its recent purchase of Chadwyck-Healey's *Archives USA* and has made this major database available to all academic and public libraries in Texas.

Archives USA, which Chadwyck-Healey advertises as "the best Web and CD-ROM source in the world for informaiton on archival repositories and finding aids," can now be accessed either from its link on the TexShare web site at: *http://www.texshare.edu/LibraryServices/databases.html* or by going directly to: *http://wwarchives.chadwyck.com/main/search.*

Public libraries may access the database through the Texas State Electronics Library, *http://link.tsl.state.tx.us/a/article.*

The new database incorporates three major information resources. Resource One is a newly-compiled directory of manuscript repositories, with full addresses including e-mails, URLs, opening hours, details of holdings and areas of special interest. This directory updates and supersedes the *Director of Archives and Manuscipt Repositories in the United States (DAMRUS),* last published in 1988.

Resource Two is a collection of records from the *National Union Catalogue of Manuscript Collections (NUMC),* information gathered and compiled by the Library of Congress from the 1950s through 1995, covering some 75,000 collections. Each record includes the Library of Congress' subject and name indexing of the collection. Only *Archives USA* makes all NUMC fully searchable in electronic form.

Resource Three offers names and detailed subject indexing of over 42,000 collections whose finding aids have been published separately in the major microfiche series, *National Inventory of Documentary Sources in the United States (NIDS).*

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Nazareth students make Duke TIP

Five Nazareth seventh graders have qualified for the Duke University Talent Identification Program (TIP) for 1998-99.

The seventh graders recognized are Brock Birkenfeld, Kimberly Brockman, Tanya Herring, Brett Hoelting and Trey Robb.

These seventh graders met the eligibility requirements by residing in the 16-state talent search region and by scoring at the 97th percentile or above on the national norms of a standardized test (ITBS) or a state sponsored test (TAAS).

The goals of TIP are to provide additional information about the students' abilities and about educational options that may be beneficial to them. Participants have the option to take the SAT or ACT, tests designed for high school juniors and seniors. These tests have proven to be helpful in discriminating the abilities of verbally and mathematically able seventh graders.

DHS Band pictures set Friday

Members of the Dimmitt High School Bobcat Band may have their pictures taken Friday starting at 5 p.m. at the band hall, prior to the Lamesa football game.

Students must pay for the pictures at the time they are taken. Students may order individual pictures or photo buttons. Delivery is expected in time for Homecoming Sept. 25.

"The 35-member band is going to march and play with attitude this year," a spokesperson said.

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The band will march in the annual Harvest Days Parade Saturday at 10 a.m. Also marching in the parade will be the Dimmitt Middle School 7th & 8th Grade Band.

"We hope everyone will come out and support the band, as well as enjoy the celebration," the spokesperson said.

High school band members were recognized at the recent "Meet the Bobcats Night."

Band members and boosters recently worked on getting the concession stand at the stadium cleaned and painted.

Shot clinic is scheduled

The Texas Dept. of Health will conduct a shot clinic in Nazareth this month.

The clinic will be conducted Monday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Nazareth School Cafeteria.

Vaccines offered will give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps and HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B).

The Texas Dept. of Health is charging money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.

4-H club managers to meet Tuesday

Castro County 4-H will hold a meeting for club managers Tuesday at the Extension Office in Dimmitt.

The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and Extension agents will be on hand to answer questions and offer help in getting clubs started in the 1998-99 4-H hear.

Leaders will also discuss 4-H enrollment forms (green cards) and leader forms.

Following the club managers' meeting, 4-H has planned a training session for project leaders. This training will deal with 4-H livestock projects since fall shows and fairs are approaching.

All parents of 4-H'ers are encouraged to attend the training session.

For more information, call Benny Martinez at the Extension office at 647-4115.

Nava works with WTAMU paper

Dena Nava of Dimmitt is a staff member of *The Prairie,* West Texas A&M University's student newspaper, and the paper just won an All-American rating from the Associated Collegiate Press (ACP).

The award is the first in more than eight years for the WTAMU paper.

The Prairie staff received four marks of distinction in coverage and content, writing and editing, layout and design and leadership. The paper received 3,720 points out of a possible 4,150. The ACP reviewed six issues of *The Prairie* from the Spring 1998 semester.

Nava is a senior mass communications/print major at WTAMU and she served as page editor last year.

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HOLLY KLEMAN (right) leads the way as youngsters crowd into the CCD Building at Nazareth Sunday when doors opened for the kids' games. Youngsters enjoyed winning toys and candy at the various games, which were part of the annual Labor Day picnic sponsored by Holy Family Church in Nazareth. *Photo by Dwayne Acker*

Hereford churches to sponsor seminar on drugs and gangs

Wesley United Methodist Church and First United Methodist Church of Hereford are sponsoring a seminar on gang life.

The seminar will be held Sunday from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the FUMC Fellowship Hall in Hereford.

"If you are over 18, then this seminar is of interest to you," said an organizer of the event. "If you have ever wondered what "A Gang" was or who can belong, then this seminar is for you. You will be able to find out the answers to your questions. Find out for the sake of our youth and our towns."

Speaker will be Corp. Steve Powers of the Amarillo Police Dept.

The seminar will be held in two one-hour sessions with a break in between.

Babysitting will be provided by FUMC.

For more information call (806) 364-3908 or 364-4419.

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Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

The annual Labor Day weekend parish picnic was a big success this year. The day was enjoyed by Nazareth parishioners, families and friends from the surrounding area.

The day began with Sunday mass in Holy Family Church followed by a parade featuring organizations, our Swift Band, our football team, girls' basketball team, horses with riders of all ages and much more.

Judges for the parade were County Judge Irene Miller, Nazareth Elementary School Principal Debra Clinton and Kathy Rundell. Winners were American Legion Auxiliary, first; Catholic Daughters Organization, second; and CYO, third.

A delicious roast beef dinner was enjoyed by over 750 hungry people of all ages. Co-chairwomen for the meal were Barbara Schulte and Missy Kleman. A big thanks to everyone who helped in any way and to those who donated food.

The day was filled with Bingo, kids' rides and games, a raffle, an auction and flea market and tournaments.

The horseshoe tournament was won by Keith Gerber and Henry Ramaekers. Eleven teams participated.

The nine-team volleyball tournament was won by the Kleman team.

The Emu "Jezebel" Raffle was won by Benny and Brenda Schacher. Every family's name was entered in the drawing and to have your name removed, a $5 fee was charged. At the end of the day a name was drawn from the remaining names. The Schachers are now the proud owners of a stray Emu, "Jezebel."

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Everyone was happy to see and visit with Joey, Stephanie and Spencer Waldo, who spent the weekend here. Joey is now a teacher in the Bridgeport schools.

While here, Joey played with the Nazareth softball team in the Southwest Divisional National Tournament Saturday in Amarillo. Teams were from Kansas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Florida, Texas and other states.

A cookout party was enjoyed Saturday night at the home of Jimmy and Bobbie Schmucker for a group of friends. The Waldos spent the night at the home of Randy and Monette Schilling.

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Bill and Bernita Hoelting enjoyed the weekend at the home of Harold Gerber at Lake Ivie.

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Mitzie Brockman played in the Tri-State Open Tennis Tournament in Amarillo, competing in the Women's Doubles 3.5 Rating Division. Her partner was Dana Sanderson of Amarillo and they won first place.

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Prayers are asked for Matilda Anderle, RoseMary Wilhelm, Marvin Jones and Patricia Acker. Patricia is recuperating from a 7-hour surgery on both legs in a Houston Hospital.

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Plainview Symphony plans free brass concert Sept. 20

The Plainview Symphony Orchestra will begin its 20-year celebration with a free Plainview Symphony brass concert on Sunday, Sept. 20

The free concert, "On the Lighter Side of Brass," will be held at 2:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Plainview.

The orchestra is under the direction of Artistic Director Timothy S. Kelley. Also featured will be the Plainview Symphony brass quintet.

Season tickets will be available at the entrance of the church on Sept. 20. Advance tickets may be purchased by calling Marion Crawford at (806) 293-0444 or Rochelle Wilson at (806) 293-3495. Season tickets are $20 for adults, $40 for a family and $8 for students. Tickets on a first-come, first-serve basis will be available at the box office 30 minutes before each performance.

Other concerts scheduled this season are "East Meets West: Broadway to Hollywood" on Oct. 22, "A Christmas Spectacular" on Dec. 3, "Music for Patriots" on Jan. 21, 1999, and "An American Portrait" on March 4, 1999.

"The brass concert should give everyone a taste of what is in store for the remaining concerts," said Symphony Board President Rochelle Willson. "The evening concerts will be in Harral Auditorium on the Wayland campus. They will begin at 7:30 p.m. and end around 9 p.m. so that school children may be encouraged to attend," Willson said.

Kelley said the first concert will have versatile brass selections ranging from light classics to jazz/dixieland and pops. Included will be selections from Bizet's "Carmen," Ragtime classics from Scott Joplin and a selection by G.F. Handel.

"God of Our Fathers" for brass and organ by Claude T. Smith will be performed along with a march by Sergei Prokofieff. The ever popular main theme from "Star Trek" by Jerry Goldsmith will conclude the concert.

"We plan to play selections that will have broad appeal to all audiences," said Kelley. "There is a more national move toward a pops mode with classical music that audiences recognize. Our featured pianist Scott Carroll will perform Tchaikovsky's 'Piano Concerto in Bb Minor' in the Oct. 22 concert. This will be an outstanding evening in the history of our symphony."

Fair entries due Friday

Entries for the Castro County Fair will be accepted at the Expo Building from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday.

Fair entries will be judged and will be on display during the Castro County Harvest Days Celebration, which continues through Saturday.

Anything you have made in the past year will fit into some category at the fair, and you are urged to enter that item or items in the county fair.

"It is important that you participate in the fair and support the county activities, said Marilyn Neal, Castro County Extension Agent.

Entry forms and official fair books can be picked up at the Extension office in Dimmitt.

"Your help will be needed at some time during the fair, so be sure to offer to help when you are asked," said Neal. "Remember, this is your county fair. Like all events, its success is dependent upon the willingness of people like you. No matter what your age, you have something to contribute to your community."

For ideas on how to help, call Neal at the Extension office, 647-4115.



MICHELLE HOCHSTEIN reaches in and pulls out a surprise at the Pick-A-Pocket booth Sunday at the Nazareth Labor Day picnic. The game was one of several children's games in the CCD Building Sunday afternoon. The day's celebration started with a parade, then a roast beef dinner at the Community Hall. Games, an auction, raffle, horseshoe tournament, volleyball tournament and more were held throughout the afternoon. *Photo by Dwayne Acker*

Business workshop slated here Sept. 29

If you want to start your own business or would like some helpful information about making your existing business more successful, you should plan to attend a special business workshop in Dimmitt Sept. 29.

Conducted by David Terry of the Small Business Center at West Texas A&M University, the workshop will be held at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Office. Seating is limited, so those planning to attend should reserve a seat by calling the Chamber at 647-2524.

Among the topics Terry will discuss are business planning, licenses, resources, sales tax, zoning, record keeping, market research, start-up costs, checking accounts, extending credit, taxes, payroll, permits, financing, forms of ownership, low-cost promotion, IRS requirements, setting prices and hiring good people.

I dislike feeling at home when I am abroad. —George Bernard Shaw

During the 16th century, when snuff sniffing caught on among the gentry, tobacco became more popular than tea.

Expectant moms can get gifts through new program

Thanks to a new program promoting healthy pregnancy, prenatal care just got more rewarding for area women.

Through the 2CARE for Moms program sponsored by Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt, women who visit their doctor or nurse practitioner within the first 12 weeks of pregnancy can receive a free gift.

Getting the gift is easy for women who enroll in the 2CARE for Moms incentive program. Participants just take their 2CARE for Moms gift card to a participating pharmacy, including Coleman Pharmacy in Dimmitt, where they can pick up their gift courtesy of the Pharmacy Network Coalition in Dimmitt.

The great news for expectant moms is that their first gift is just one of the rewards they can enjoy when they enter prenatal care. By continuing regular visits to their physician or nurse practitioner throughout pregnancy and attending educational classes such as Lamaze, participants earn points which can be exchanged for free baby items.

Points will be redeemed at the new Baby's Coming Shop, which will open soon at the March of Dimes office at 104 West Sixth Street, Suite 301, in downtown Amarillo. This unique store has been developed specifically for moms who enroll in the 2CARE for Moms incentive program.

March of Dimes staff and volunteers are preparing the Baby's Coming Shop to open in September and they are encouraging donations of cash as well as new and gently used baby items from businesses and residents throughout the Texas Panhandle.

Plains Memorial Hospital supports the 2CARE for Moms program through its affiliation in the Coalition of Health Services, a nonprofit organization of 20 hospitals in the Texas Panhandle working to enhance community health.

"We really are enthusiastic about the 2CARE for Moms incentive program," said Joe Sloan, administrator of Plains Memorial Hospital. "Beyond rewarding mothers with gifts, the program promotes healthier mothers and babies. When we achieve that, everyone in our community wins."

Prenatal is important for the health of both mother and baby. According to Holly Hancock, RN and project director of 2CARE for Moms, the first 12 weeks of pregnancy are vital to the baby's health.

"The baby experiences a large amount of organ development during this crucial stage," she said. "Low birth weight, birth defects and even infant death can result from problems. Fortunately, early and consistent medical care can go far in helping mothers have healthy babies."

Hancock stresses that to be eligible for gifts through the 2CARE for Moms incentive program, expectant moms must see a participating physician or nurse practitioner during the first 12 weeks of pregnancy. Spouses, family and friends should encourage pregnant women they know to seek care early prenatal care.

A physician or nurse practitioner can be an important source of information and education throughout pregnancy. Besides monitoring the physical well-being of mother and baby, health care providers encourage women to take suggested vitamins, advise them on medicines to avoid and often provide information about childbirth and care of newborns.

In addition to coordinating the prenatal incentive program, 2CARE for Moms assists pregnant women in locating a local physician or nurse practitioner. To find a provider or to receive additional information about the 2CARE for Moms program, make a free call to 888-89-2CARE (888-892-2273). Donations to the Baby's Coming Shop can be arranged by calling 2CARE for Moms or contacting the March of Dimes—Golden Spread Chapter at (806) 374-4783.

Fashion Follies slated Sept. 27 at Lubbock fair

The District II 4-H Fashion Follies will be held Sept. 27 at the South Plains Fair.

If you plan to enter something you have constructed within the past year, you must enter it in the Castro County Fair.

After the county fair, Castro County Extension Agent Marilyn Neal will take the items to Lubbock for inclusion in the South Plains Fair.



David Hill

Hill makes Eagle rank

David Hill of Amarillo was honored for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout on Aug. 8 at Medi-Park in Amarillo.

He is the son of Benny and Denise Hill of Amarillo and the grandson of Ben and Bernice Hill of Dimmitt and Eddie and Deloris Bailey of Friona.

His Eagle Scout project consisted of completely refurbishing the exterior of a wood home by scraping all the old paint, caulking, priming and painting the entire home with paint donated by local Baptist churches in Amarillo.

Hill is a member of Troop 112 with the Golden Spread Council. He has held numerous troop offices, including chaplain, troop guide, assistant patrol leader, patrol leader, assistant senior patrol leader and senior patrol leader.

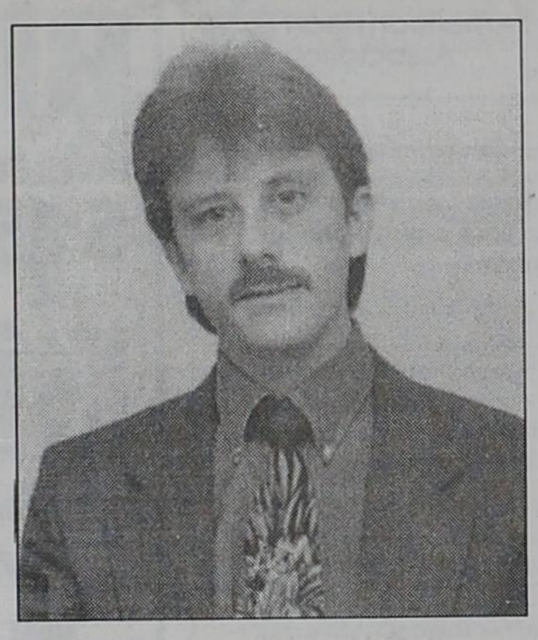
He is a junior at Caprock High School and Amarillo Area Center for Advanced Learning. His other activities include band, Caprock Technology and Education Club (CTEC), VICA, and Boosting Engineering and Science Technology Club (BEST). He plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in engineering.

Love is much nicer to be in than an automobile accident, a tight girdle, a higher tax bracket or a holding pattern over Philadelphia.
—Judith Viorst

A house is a machine for living.
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Introducing

Ron Walton, C.F.O.



We're pleased to announce that Ron Walton is the new Chief Financial Officer for the hospital district.

Ron comes here from Llano, where he was the director of business services for the Llano Memorial Hospital and owned his own financial management consulting service for health-care providers.

He has had 12 years' experience in health care administration, financial and facilities management.

Basically, Ron is a "streamliner." His specialty is to make the business side of a hospital work faster and better.

Ron grew up in Brownfield and his wife, Jennifer, is a native of Lamesa. They met when he was employed at the Medical Arts Hospital in Lamesa.

"A lot of factors brought us back to this area," he said. "You just can't beat the people here. And my parents live in Lubbock." (His father is president of the State National Bank of West Texas.)

His job as chief financial officer, he said, involves "taking care of all financial reports, and also working with all department heads on their budgets with month-to-month updates to give them a clear picture of how their departments are doing from a cost-revenue standpoint."

He added, "I'm going to take the next couple of months to evaluate the present system, then I'll work with the comptroller, Vada Wilcox, and come up with some suggestions that will make our operation more efficient."

He already likes what he sees here.

"I've been in rural hospitals throughout the state," he said, "and I have to say I'm impressed with this hospital and with its staff, which comes together and is extremely efficient."

He added, "The services now offered here are great. A lot of rural hospitals are just not able to provide such services.

"I think they've been very innovative in their long-term care and geri-psych programs. These have generated new revenue. We must also find other ways to generate revenue to compensate for the cuts in other areas, such as those just imposed on home health care."

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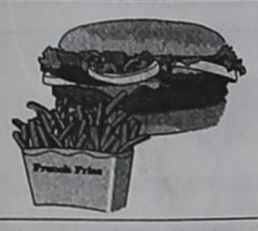
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What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

Here are the breakfast and lunch menus for the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth schools for Sept. 10-18.

DIMMITT
Breakfast

THURSDAY: Frosted Flakes cereal, peaches and milk.

FRIDAY: Cheese toast, apple slices and milk.

MONDAY: Waffles with syrup, grape juice and milk.

TUESDAY: Frosted Flakes cereal, orange wedges and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Sausage and biscuit, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY: Cocoa Krispie cereal, fresh banana and milk.

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

Preschool-First Grade Lunch

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

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

MONDAY: Ground beef and macaroni, Mexicali corn, tossed salad, wheat rolls and milk.

TUESDAY: Red Barron cheese pizza, savory green beans, fresh watermelon and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Poor boy beef steak, summer squash, potato salad, hot cheese rolls and milk.

THURSDAY: Nachos with cheese, Mexipinto beans, fresh honeydew melon, Fideo Mexicano, jalapeno peppers and milk.

FRIDAY: Fish nuggets, potato wedges, corn on the cob, cornbread and milk.

Second-12th Grade Lunch

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

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

MONDAY: Choice of ground beef and macaroni, beef chalupas or beef taco; Mexicali corn, southern collard greens or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, applesauce or pineapple sunset salad; assorted muffins, hot wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, corn tortilla or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk or punch.

TUESDAY: Choice of Chili Fritos, Red Baron cheese pizza or beef and bean burrito with chili; broccoli with cheese sauce, savory green beans or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, coleslaw or fresh watermelon; garlic bread, white hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano or flour tortilla; and chocolate or lowfat milk or punch.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of corn dogs, poor boy beef steak or Chinese chicken plate; hash brown potatoes, summer squash or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, potato salad or pasta salad; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls, Spanish rice or tortilla chips; and chocolate or lowfat milk or punch.

THURSDAY: Choice of fruit and cheese plate, barbecued chicken or nachos with cheese; vegetable medley, potato salad or Mexipinto beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, haystack finger salad or honeydew melon; cornbread, wheat rolls, Fideo Mexicano, flour tortilla or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk or punch.

FRIDAY: Choice of fish nuggets, red beans and rice or enchiladas; potato wedges, corn on the cob or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad, raw spinach salad or apple slices; cornbread, hot rolls, Arroz Mexicano, tortilla a chips or crackers; and chocolate or lowfat milk or punch.

HART
Breakfast

THURSDAY: Waffles, variety of cereal, fruit juice and milk.

FRIDAY: Scrambled eggs, Canadian bacon, wiener wrap in a biscuit, variety of cereal, graham crackers, milk and fruit juice.

MONDAY: Cinnamon toast, applesauce, variety of cereal, toast and milk.

TUESDAY: Breakfast pizza, variety of cereal, graham crackers, assorted fruit juice and raisins.

WEDNESDAY: Cinnamon rolls, assorted fruit juice, variety of cereal, graham crackers and milk.

THURSDAY: Biscuits, ham, variety of cereal, graham crackers, raisins and milk.

FRIDAY: Scrambled eggs, biscuits, ham, Lucky Charms cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk.

Elementary Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, burrito or spaghetti and meat sauce, Texas toast, corn, salad, ginger cookies, gelatin dessert and milk.

FRIDAY: Choice of pizza, burrito or hot dog on a bun with chili; pinto beans, fresh fruit, corn chips, gelatin dessert and milk.

MONDAY: Choice of pizza or hamburger basket, corn on the cob, salad, whole wheat sugar cookie and milk.

TUESDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or Sloppy Joe on a bun, sliced pickles, potato wedge, ginger cookie, ice cream and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, burrito or enchilada casserole; corn, gelatin dessert, salad, fresh fruit, pineapple, ice cream and milk.

THURSDAY: Choice of chicken sandwich, barbecued ribs on a bun or chili; cornbread, pinto beans, sliced pickles, lettuce, tomato and pickles, peaches, gelatin dessert, gingerbread and milk.

FRIDAY: Spaghetti and meat sauce, toast, salad, peaches, green beans, whole wheat sugar cookie, gelatin dessert and milk.

High School Lunch

THURSDAY: Choice of pizza, burrito or lasagna with ground beef; Texas toast, corn, salad, ginger cookies, gelatin dessert and milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Choice of brisket or hamburger basket; wheat rolls, baked potato, pinto beans, sliced cheese, salad, Longhorn cookie, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

MONDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich or taco salad; salad, refried beans, fresh fruit, peaches, devil's food cake with glaze and milk, punch or tea.

TUESDAY: Choice of corn dog, burrito or sloppy Joe on a bun, sliced pickles, potato wedge, whole wheat sugar cookie, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

WEDNESDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, burrito or enchilada casserole; corn, salad, fresh fruit, pineapple pudding, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

THURSDAY: Choice of hamburger basket, chicken sandwich or barbecued ribs on a bun; pinto beans, sliced pickles, lettuce, tomato and pickles, peaches, gelatin dessert, gingerbread, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

FRIDAY: Spaghetti with meat sauce, toast, salad, peaches, green beans, Longhorn cookie, gelatin dessert and milk, punch or tea.

NAZARETH
Breakfast

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

FRIDAY: Cinnamon rolls, cereal, orange juice and milk.

MONDAY: Cinnamon rolls, cereal, orange juice and milk.

TUESDAY: Sausage and biscuit, cereal, orange juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY: Waffle and sausage, cereal, orange juice and milk.

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

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

Lunch

THURSDAY: * Hamburger or chicken sandwich, French fries, lettuce, pinto beans, applesauce, brownies and milk or juice.

FRIDAY: * Ham and cheese pocket or pizza, Mexican salad, corn, orange, pears and milk or juice.

MONDAY: *Nachos with roll or corn dog, tossed salad, green beans, fruit salad, pineapple and milk or juice.

TUESDAY: *Pizza or hamburger and French fries, tossed salad, peas, watermelon, s'mores and milk or juice.

WEDNESDAY: *Spaghetti with roll or pizza, tossed salad, corn, peaches, Jell-O and milk or juice.

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There are some men who lift the age they inhabit, 'till all men walk on higher ground in that lifetime.
—Maxwell Anderson

Of all my wife's relations I like myself best. *—Joe Cook*



PLAINS MEMORIAL

It's a boy for J. Salud and Emma Zepeda of Dimmitt. Their son, Luis Fernando, was born at 1:13 p.m. on Aug. 18 at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt. He weighed in at 7 lbs., 15 ozs., and was 21 inches long. He has four older siblings including S. Elias Zepeda, Daniela Zepeda, Miguel Angel Zepeda and Jonathan Zepeda. Paternal grandparents are Jose and Asuncion Zepeda of Urireo, Mexico. Maternal grandparents are David and Maria Salinas of Friona. Great-grandparents are Marcela Hernandez and Joaquin Ibarra.

OUT OF TOWN

It's a boy for Danny and Michelle Silva of Lubbock. Their son, Devon Danyael Silva was born at 3:48 p.m. on Aug. 20 at University Medical Center. He weighed 6 lbs., 9 ozs. He has two big sisters, Katrice Silva and Kristarae Silva. Grandparents are Vidal and Gloria Perez and Paul and Linda Flores of Dimmitt. He has an aunt and uncle, Eric Flores and Apolonia Flores.

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Douglas "Runks" Runkles

Revival set at First Baptist

Douglas "Runks" Runkles of Levelland, a dynamic young evangelist, will lead revival services at First Baptist Church in Dimmitt Sunday through Wednesday.

Service times are 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Sunday and at 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

Runkles is a passionate communicator whose heart's desire is to lead students and adults to live a lifestyle that is focused on Jesus Christ. His energetic style will impact the lives of all who hear him.

Revival music will be led by Tod Keller of Plainview and First Baptist Plainview Youth Group.

Runks grew up in Midland and graduated from McMurry University in Abilene. After receiving his master of divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, he served as minister of students at First Baptist Church in Levelland for 6-1/2 years.

He continues to make his home in Levelland with his wife, Joanna, and their two children, 6-year-old Elli and 4-year-old Nick.

The public is invited to attend the revival.

Central Plains MHMR/SA seeking new PAC members

The Central Plains Center for Mental Health, Mental Retardation/Substance Abuse in Plainview is seeking new members to participate on its Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) for the upcoming year.

Present PAC members have served for over a year and there are some openings.

A spokesperson of the center said that the PAC should be balanced to meet the diverse needs of the local service area. Therefore preference will be given to African-American, Hispanic or other ethnic backgrounds who are current or former consumers of mental health or mental retardation services. Family members of past or present consumers of these services also will be given preference.

Residents of Bailey, Briscoe, Castro, Floyd, Hale, Lamb, Motley, Parmer, and Swisher counties are particularly needed in order to better represent the nine counties the center serves. The length of participation may vary from one to three years.

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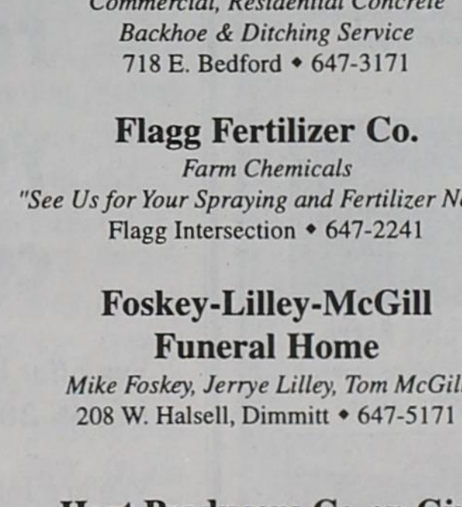
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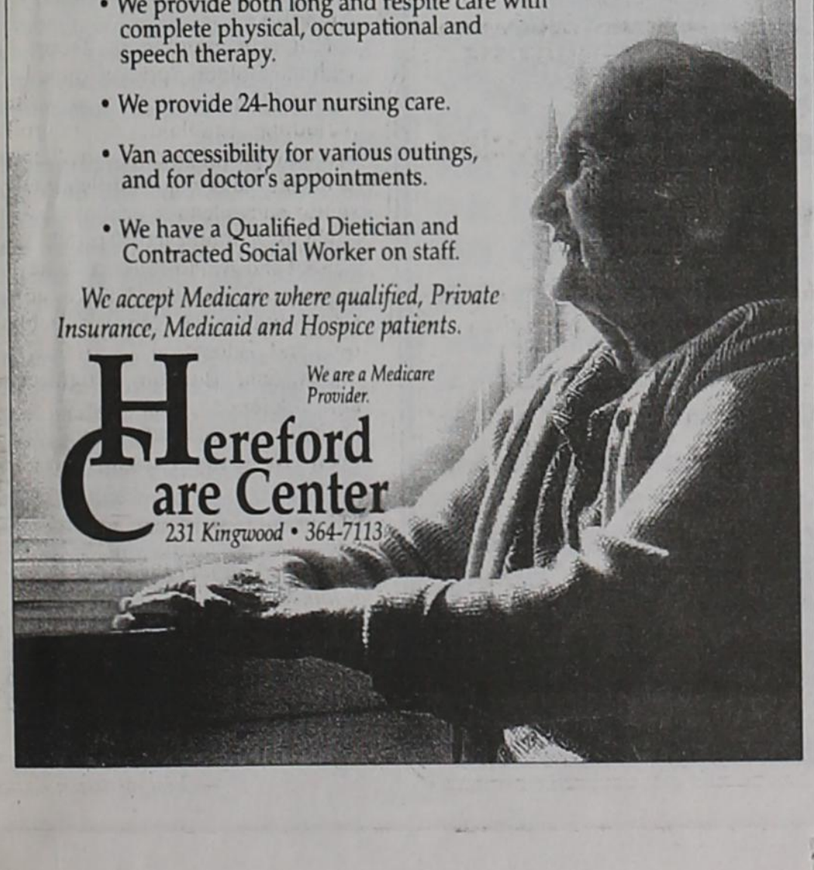
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Photo by Anne Acker

Aflatoxin outbreak plagues drought-stressed Texas corn

If any Texas corn plants survived the hot, dry growing season to produce kernels, chances are those kernels are loaded with aflatoxin, meaning further losses for farmers who attempt to market their crop.

Aflatoxin is a toxic compound produced in contaminated grains by the fungi *Aspergillus flavus and Aspergillus parasiticus,* and usually is more prevalent in years of high temperatures during flowering and grain fill, and during drought years like this one.

Harvest is just getting underway in the Texas Panhandle and while most receiving points in this area aren't finding problems with aflatoxin, the problem does exist in South Texas.

"We do predict that production of corn in Texas is going to be down about 40%, partly because of the aflatoxin corn in South Texas that there's no market for," said Jerry Don Glover, president of Texas Corn Producers Board. "Sen. Paul Coverdale of Georgia says farmers are going to lose $760 million this year. Most states are predicting that they are going to lose 25% to one-third of their farmers this year. When that happens, it has ramifications in the little farm towns."

The worst season for aflatoxin problems came two years ago when violation rates were above 80% statewide, according to Todd Jones with the office of the Texas State Chemist mycotoxin lab supervisor. That was a drought year. In 1997, when the state wasn't suffering from a widespread drought, only 20% violations were recorded.

According to Jones, aflatoxin violations are approaching the higher levels again for central and south Texas.

A violation is a sample of corn which contains more than 20 parts per billion aflatoxin, the maximum amount allowed in grain for human consumption in products such as tortilla chips and dairy cattle.

Though the US Food and Drug Administration set 20 parts per billion as the maximum amount allowed in commodities for the general market, 300 parts per billion is allowed for feedlot cattle, 200 parts per billion is allowed for market hogs, and 100 parts per billion is allowed for breeding livestock, mature poultry, deer and other wildlife. Commodities with 1,000 parts per billion violation or higher must be destroyed.

"We aren't optimistic about a lot in this area, but one thing we are optimistic about is that we don't have a problem with aflatoxin in this area," Glover said. "Our corn in this area is going to be aflatoxin free. One of our main goals is to keep our food supply safe. But at the same time, these farmers need a little more time to market their corn. They'll blend it down to where aflatoxin will never get into our food supply, so we don't have to worry about that."

Glover said the Texas Corn Producers Board has tried to get the US Dept. of Agriculture to allow corn with an aflatoxin violation above 20 parts per billion to be eligible for the loan, but he's not optimistic about it happening.

"I was optimistic until I talked with Sec. of Agriculture Dan Glickman last week, and when I talked with him my optimism failed," said Glover. "They allow different grades of cotton to go into the loan, why not corn?

"We would like to see the loan extended, but if the farmers down in central Texas aren't eligible because their corn has more than 20 parts per billion aflatoxin then it's not going to help them any.

"Our input costs with irrigation are probably 50% higher than they have ever been, and we're getting a lot less for the crop. The banks tell us it's going to be hard for them to continue to finance their farmers, but that they're going to have to. Cash flow is going to be a major problem for a bunch of us," Glover said. "I've heard rumors of corn being priced at $1 to the farmer in Minnesota. We've lost our markets because our dollar is stout and our exports are just not there like we were promised they would be."

Corn and other crops are checked for the toxic compound several times from field to market—at the grain elevator, at state labs and at the ports before loading to foreign buyers. Jones said that at his lab many samples are registering at 100 parts per billion and 200 parts per billion, several are over 500 parts per billion and six have topped the 1,000 parts per billion mark this year.

Glover said Texas Corn Producers Board urges everyone to contact their congressmen and senators "because we do need the option to put corn that's above 20 parts per billion into the loan.

"If you went from Austin to Washington, D.C., and back 15 times, one inch is one-billionth of that distance. We feel the sampling procedure now is just not adequate enough to be accurate."

Corn growers back efforts to help farmers

A coalition of senators have pledged to push for measures to respond to the worsening farm crisis that is devastating large numbers of farmers, ranchers and rural communities across the country.

"This farm crisis is urgent, national in scope and it's growing worse everyday," said Sen. Tom Dashle of South Dakota. "It should not be a partisan political issue. If we don't take steps to immediately respond, we are going to continue to lose not only farmers and ranchers, but also communities throughout rural America.

"In the past month, already-low corn prices in South Dakota have dropped 20%. That's just in one month. No business could sustain that type of hit, and farmers are no different. Congress needs to act now," Daschle said.

The group has outlined several legislative measures they will pursue in the coming weeks, including Daschle's proposal to lift the caps on marketing loans and extend the terms of those loans from nine to 15 months.

They also want to increase the $500 million that the Senate included in the Agriculture Appropriations Bill for farmers who have suffered multi-year disasters. The added funds are needed to more adequately respond to the full extent of losses suffered by producers.

"We will also pursue loan deficiency payments for corn harvested as silage and provide USDA emergency authority to pay storage costs for commodities placed under marketing assistance loans," Daschle said. "Beyond that, we will work to enact the provisions we added to the Agriculture Appropriations Bill in July, including the labeling of imported meat, and the requirement for mandatory price reproting of livestock purchase prices."

The group's proposals have drawn the support of the Texas and American Corn Growers Associations, according to Carl King of Dimmitt.

"Sen. Dashcle is a one of the few true friends of agriculture," King said. "The Senate just voted to fund International Monetary Fund billions and there is no assurance that foreign countries in Asia will buy from us. American farmers could use this money and it would help all Americans."

Scholarship meeting set

All high school students who will be applying for scholarships over the next four years should plan to attend a scholarship planning meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 29, at 7 p.m.

The meeting will be held in the basement of the courthouse.

"We will begin helping you plan how to apply for and get scholarships," said Marilyn Neal, Castro County Extension Agent. "By beginning now you will have a head start on getting financial help for your college expenses."

Cotton Talks

Protecting a market is probably one of the most important things a West Texas cotton producer can do and one of the last things he usually considers when making late-season management decisions.

When it comes to the cotton aphid, and the potential it has to cause sticky cotton, the issue of market production takes on a whole new meaning.

The good news is that producers have the ability to take care of the problem, before it costs them real selling opportunities.

Understanding the mechanics of late-season aphid populations and how they cause problems is the key.

Members of the West Texas Sticky Cotton Committee are at the forefront of efforts to educate producers about the dangers of not addressing aphid infestations when bolls are opening and lint is vulnerable to sugar deposition.

Although the problem is difficult to pin down producers need to take the offensive. Acting before the aphid population escalates to dangerous levels, in addition to timely crop termination and harvest, is often the only defense. Mother Nature doesn't always come through.

Late in the season producers have to focus on two potential problems from aphids—yield reduction and lint contamination.

The window for significant yield reduction because of aphids is rapidly closing. Lint contamination, however, is a serious threat from now through harvest.

It only takes a relatively minor outbreak to cause sticky problems and, as producers learned in 1995, the "sticky cotton area" label would be devastating to the marketability of all West Texas cotton.

Producers can obtain guidelines, recommendations for treatment thresholds and advice from their crop consultant or the Texas Ag Extension Service. An informational bulletin is also being put together for area gins in order to help spread the word.

County agents will be receiving updated information in the next week to 10 days.

Making a commitment toward prevention is the best way to avoid trouble down the line.

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With increasing numbers of boll weevils showing up in traps across most of the South Plains, cotton producers would be well advised to review their fall boll weevil management strategies.

With no areawide diapause program in place for the second year in a row, producers are on their own for any control of boll weevils going into overwintering stage. Addition of a suitably labeled insecticide to harvest aid applications could reduce building weevil numbers. When weevil numbers are excessively high, a separate insecticide application may be called for.

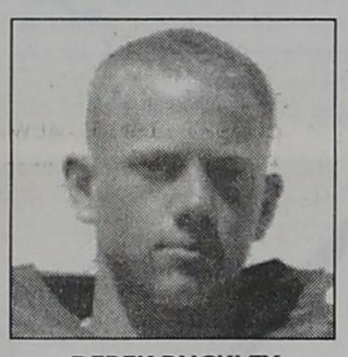
Timely termination and harvest of the 1998 cotton crop will not only help in the reduction of boll weevil numbers but will also minimize the chance of regrowth and late season aphid honeydew contamination of cotton.

Cotton aphids and sticky cotton can become a problem at this time of year as bolls are opening. Even low infestation levels of cotton aphids can excrete sufficient honeydew to contaminate the lint of cotton bolls and create significant and costly problems at the textile mill. Mills are reluctant to buy contaminated lint.

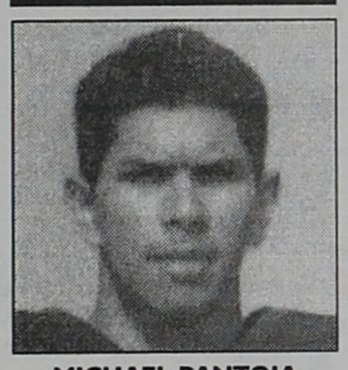
Late-season aphid problems may be enhanced when ULV Malathion or pyrethroids are used for boll weevil control applications in late August or early September.

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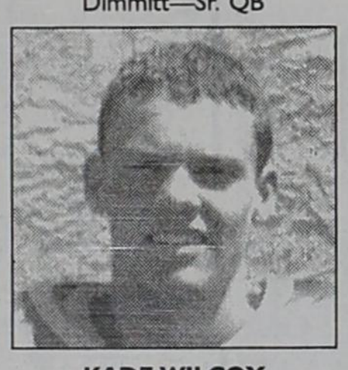
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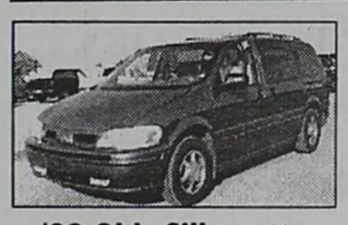


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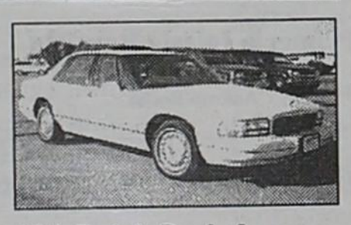


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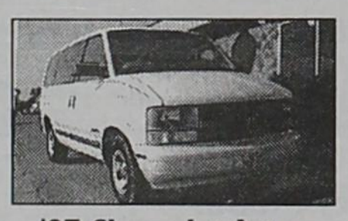
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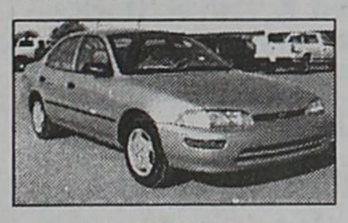
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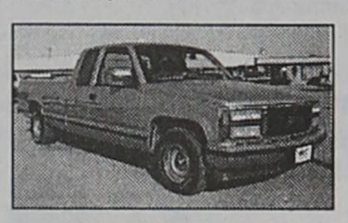
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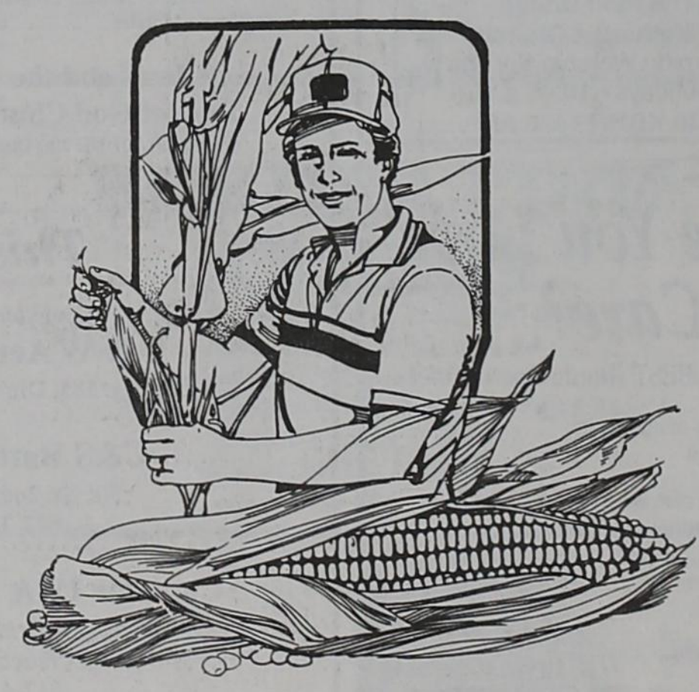
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Minding Your Own Business

The Power of Positioning for Profit



Don Taylor

By DON TAYLOR

I watched the business begin to grow after a shaky start. I wondered if the owner really knew what she was doing. Her prices seemed very high to me. Three years later she was enjoying splendid success.

"I only wanted the very top of the market," she said. "I'll leave the price buyers to Kmart and Wal-Mart. My goal was to have the best names (brands), the best quality and unmatched service. That's my market position."

The little bank soared in assets. I don't think any of the principals expected the skyrocketing growth. In a casual conversation, one of the executives described the operation.

"We didn't set out to become the biggest bank in the market," he said. "Our goal was, and still is, to be the best bank. If we do become the largest, it will be because of our people. Our position is people who know how to build personal relationships."

The catalog publisher promises 24-hour turnaround on all orders. "The only thing that makes us different from all of our competitors is how fast and how accurately we fill our customers' orders. That is our strength, that is our position," he said.

These three successful businesses have three completely different market positions. The owners understand the power of good positioning and their respective positions ensure their success.

Position defined

There are probably as many definitions of positioning as there are marketing authors. I prefer simple explanations, so I define market position in this way: Your position is the advantages and benefits you give your customers that they can't get anywhere else. Your position then is what makes you unique.

Be careful here that you don't fall into a common small business trap. Being different or unique does not ensure your success. Just being different is not a market position. You must give your customers an advantage or benefit. The reason some businesses fail is they don't give the customers any good reasons for buying their products or services. The customer must see and understand the benefits.

Four fatal positions

✦ **The Market Dominator Position.** The market dominator (M.D.) Wants to be number one. The M.D. will cut price to gain market share. The M.D. will trade margin, income and long-term wealth for short-term bragging rights. The M.D. must be the biggest. Unfortunately, the focus of the business often shifts from satisfying customers to increasing revenues. **Positioning tip:** Focus on taking care of customers and growth will come—naturally.

✦ **The Monkey See, Monkey Do Position.** This marketing strategy is based on doing what your competitors are doing. If your competitor cuts prices, you cut your prices. If your competitor buys a big yellow page ad, you buy one, too. **Positioning tip:** You'll never learn what your customers need and want by watching your competitors.

✦ **The Business as Usual Position.** This position assumes that because last year was a pretty good year this one will be a pretty good year. The owner will often say, "I've been in business 31 years and I don't see any reason to change what I'm doing now." **Positioning tip:** If the speed of change outside your business is faster than the changes you're making inside your business, you may already be in trouble.

✦ **The Low Price Leader Position.** While your position is clear, there is nothing unique about this market position. When you are the low-price leader, you are always vulnerable to a "lower price" competitor. History records the failures of many who tried to undersell everyone. **Positioning tip:** Don't become the low-price leader; become the low-cost provider.

Next week in part two, I'll describe some powerful positions for small business owners.

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

Angus breeder listed in report

Worth Jones of Dimmitt owns one bull listed in the 1998 Fall Sire Evaluation Report published by the American Angus Association headquartered in St. Joseph, Mo.

Issued in both the spring and fall, the new report features the latest performance information available on more than 5,527 sires.

"The American Angus Association has the most complete and comprehensive beef cattle database in the world," said John Crouch, American Angus Association director of performance programs. "Of the sires listed in the main report, 51% have expected progeny differences (EPDs) for carcass traits, which should assist cattlemen in choosing genetics that will produce a more consistent, higher quality beef product."

EPDs are generated from performance data submitted by breeders through the Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) program.

Traits in which EPDs are available include birth weight, weaning weight, milk, yearling weight and height, mature daughter weight and height, and scrotal circumference, as well as carcass traits including carcass weight, marbling, rib eye area, external fat thickness and percent retail product.

A good rain covered most of Castro and Lamb Counties in late August with the best accumulation occurring on the eastern edge of the counties.

Area sorghum fields look good and range from flag to hard dough stage. Earlier fall armyworms and greenbugs have cycled through. Lady beetle adults and larvae continue to be present in astonishing numbers even though corn leaf aphid populations have been wiped out.

Corn harvest continues, but average to low yields have been reported. Southwestern corn borer moths continue to be trapped in very high numbers. Producers should keep an eye on any late corn.

Cotton is maturing rapidly, but heavily-watered fields continue to grow and square, which supports bollworm feeding and survival. Egg counts were very high this week. Several second applications have been made.

Corn

Southwestern corn borer moth counts are again very high. The Hart traps caught 4,817 and 5,839. Program field scouting ended last week. Producers with later maturing fields should keep a close eye on them.

Cotton

Very high bollworm egg counts were found this week. Beet armyworms are holding steady, but are mainly feeding on foliage, blooms and bracts.

Bollworm egg counts were up, ranging from 10,100 to 248,500 per acre. Many of these high-count fields saw numerous eggs being laid on a single leaf or down stems.

High numbers of eggs per leaf often indicate less vigor of the female moths. Also, many of these eggs will be sterile and unless a lot of squares are present, many of the worms that hatch will die, failing to penetrate bolls.

Don't make control decisions based on eggs. Wait until three to four days after a hatch to be sure you get an accurate count of the surviving worm population.

Larvae counts range from 2,300 to 21,700 per acre. A second application has been warranted in some fields.

Will boll weevil pressure increasing, it would be wise to make an application that is suitable for control of both.

Thresholds for bollworms should be raised to 12,000-15,000 once plants stop producing squares. This is because some of these small larvae will fail to penetrate bolls and will starve before they can affect your yield.

Beet armyworms continue to be found in most program fields, but the need to treat these infestations has declined sharply.

Most beet armyworm feeding is in older cotton and at this time of year is confined to leaves, blooms and bracts of squares and bolls.

We're not concerned about protecting blooms any more and there is no data to indicate that boll bract feeding affects yields. Once cotton is past cutout stage, the numbers of beet armyworms needed to justify treatment escalates dramatically from the 20,000 per acre level used earlier to over 80,000 per acre. We have been cycling through these larger worm infestations with little consequence to bolls. I would advise you to do the same. There's no sense in putting out a high dollar beet armyworm insecticide this late in the game with little to show for your efforts (from Dr. James Leser, FOCUS Newsletter, Vol. 37, No. 12).

Boll weevil feeding and egg laying punctures range from 0 to 21% this week. Texas Agricultural Extension Service grid traps continue to catch weevils. As more and more fields reach cutout and fewer squares and small bolls are available to feed on, weevils will fly to other fields to feed and lay eggs to fatten up overwintering weevils.

If producers have late maturing fields, bolls are vulnerable to weevil attack for 350 heat units or about 17 to 21 days past cutout (or nodes above white flower) These bolls can be easily sliced through with a knife.

These are the fields that will need late season protection.

Because weevil pressure can be quite intense in late fields, a spray interval of three to four days will be necessary. The pyrethroids will give the best control but could flare aphids and increase the potential for sticky cotton. Other products include methyl parathion, ULV Malathion and Vydate.

Texas Agricultural Extension Service boll weevil grid trap catches show no weevils were caught in Castro County and 35 were trapped in Lamb County.

Cotton aphids began to climb this week with counts ranging from five to 10 per leaf to over 50 per leaf.

The good rain showers helped by washing off the plants, but be prepared for flareups again after your second round of bollworm applications.

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The trap in Hart caught the majority of corn earworm and cotton bollworm moths with 584 but the numbers are down considerably across Castro County.

Moths laying eggs in cotton are becoming less vigorous by the occurrence of multiple egg lay on a single leaf. Producers should base insecticide applications on worm counts, not egg counts.

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Beet armyworm trap catches were way up this week. Egg masses and larval infestations were reported in fairly high numbers, but only a few scattered treatments were made.

Cotton harvest aids

Harvest aid chemicals are generally applied to hasten harvest of a mature crop, and to reduce potential pre-harvest losses to lint yield and fiber quality.

Proper use of harvest aids will result in earlier harvest, preservation of fiber quality and fewer seed quality reductions due to field exposure. The proper harvest-aid material selection, tank mix partners and rates vary with environmental and crop conditions.

Harvest aids are basically classed in three categories—desiccants, defoliants and boll openers.

Desiccants dry the plant down by causing the cells to rupture and lose cellular contents and water due to leakage.

Defoliants result in initiation of an abscission layer at the base of the leaf petiole where it attaches to the stem. The natural abscission layer formation process is enhanced by the defoliant, which results in leaf drop.

Boll opening products are based on ethephon chemistry. These materials affect natural plant processes associated with boll opening but do not increase the rate of boll or fiber maturation. Once inside the plant, ethephon is converted to ethylene, a plant hormone which increases the rate of abscission layer formation. These materials result in significant defoliation responses at high rates, but generally are applied at lower rates to obtain boll opening.

Proper spray volume and coverage are also critical to the success of a harvest aid program.

4-H will sell candy bars

Castro County 4-H'ers will be selling candy bars over the next month in an effort to raise money for construction of their 4-H Education Center.

Money raised will go toward the 4-H's matching fund to be used for the center.

"We'll have a big push on the candy sales during National 4-H Week the first week in October," said Earl Behrends, one of the adult leaders working with youngsters on the project.

The candy will sell for $1 a bar, and Behrends says the bars are jumbo-sized.

For more information contact the Extension office at 647-4115.

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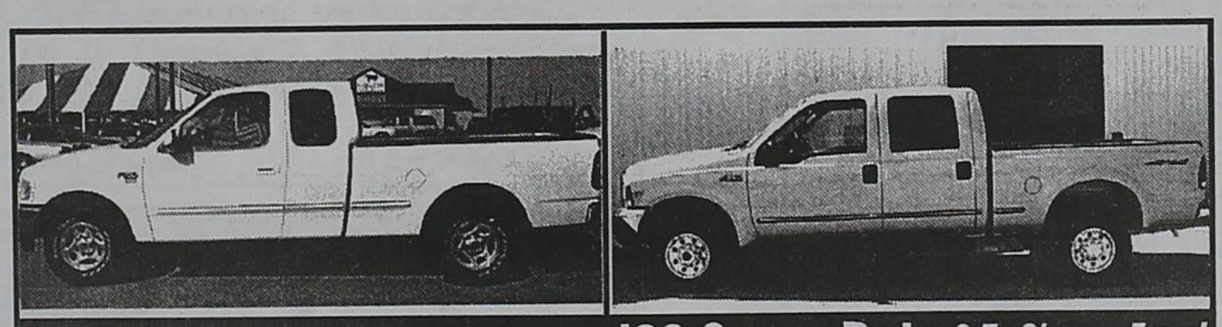
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Sports

Line shines as Cats win opener, 24-13



JUSTIN SUTTON (21) reels off a 17-yard gain during Dimmitt's first scoring drive in the season opener Friday night at Sundown. Other identifiable Dimmitt players are Rusty Wooten (65) and Michael Penny (62, right). This second-quarter play netted a first down at the Sundown 25-yard line, and the Bobcats scored four plays later on a 33-yard pass from Derek Buckley to Daniel Flores. *Photo by Monica Ortiz*

By DON NELSON

Every Bobcat did his job in a 24-13 win in the season opener at Sundown Friday night.

Running backs Beau Hill and Justin Sutton topped 100 yards each; quarterback Derek Buckley passed for 110 and ran for 45; wide receiver Daniel Flores caught two long touchdown passes . . .

But mainly, Dimmitt's linemen made it all happen by controlling the line of scrimmage on both offense and defense, holding the larger Roughnecks to just 15 rushing yards and four first downs while pacing the Bobcat offense to 300 yards rushing, 410 total yards and 25 first downs.

"We played really well, I thought," Dimmitt Head Coach Bruce Dollar said. "We made some mistakes and got a couple of key penalties at key times, but overall, those were made because the kids were going hard. We had a lot of kids playing in their first varsity game."

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It took a scoreless first quarter to get warmed up, then the Bobcats rang up four unanswered touchdowns in the second and third before the Roughnecks scored two TDs in the fourth.

Buckley and Flores teamed up on a beautiful 33-yard pass for the Cats' first touchdown of the season.

The Bobcats had driven 47 yards from their own 28, but it appeared that the drive had stalled after a four-yard loss and a five-yard penalty. Facing third-and-18 at Sundown's 33, they went for broke.

Flores gained a step or two on his defender and Buckley laid it right into his hands in the right side of the end zone.

"It felt good," Flores said. "The line gave Derek plenty of time to get it there. My defender was playing up close, but Derek got it there. It was a good pass."

On the extra-point try, Luis Silva's kick was blocked, leaving the score at 6-0 with 7:25 remaining in the second.

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Dimmitt's second TD was a "Hail Mary" from Buckley to Flores with time running out in the first half.

The Roughnecks had gained a chance to tie or go ahead when Dustin Carpenter intercepted a Buckley pass at midfield and returned it to the Dimmitt 19.

But the Bobcat line was leakproof, and after a three-yard loss and a five-yard procedure penalty, QB Clay Edwards' fourth-down pass fell incomplete as Dimmitt's linemen forced him to get rid of it.

Hill gained a first down with a 12-yard burst to the 39, and after Sutton was tripped up for no gain, there was time for only one more play before halftime.

Flores raced downfield to the 20, then cut back to gather in a bomb from Buckley. The speedy receiver cut inside, evaded three Sundown defenders, got a clearing block from fellow receiver Wesley Wright, and raced into the end zone with 0:03 left before the buzzer.

"I came back for the ball, then cut past one of their guys," Flores said. "Wes had a good block there at the end that let me score."

"I saw that Daniel was trying to cut across, and I saw that kid and I blocked him," Wright said.

The Cats tried a run for two extra points but the Roughnecks kept them out to leave the score at 12-0 at halftime.

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Sundown kicker Peter Bocanegra opened the second half with an onside kick, but it didn't work as Dimmitt's Armondo Castaneda fell on the ball at the Dimmitt 48.

From there, the Bobcats' nifty Hill-Sutton combo drove 51 yards in six plays for a first-and-goal at the 1, then Buckley followed Hill over right guard for the third TD to make it 18-0 with 9:18 remaining in the third.

Again, Silva's extra-point kick was blocked.

After holding the Roughnecks to three-and-out, the Bobcats went on another scoring drive, this one 80 yards in 12 plays.

The drive included a pass completion that was beyond lucky. Buckley managed to get a 16-yarder off as he was hit, and Eric Soldevilla caught it while falling backward to give Dimmitt a first-and-goal at the 5.

Two plays later, Buckley optioned left and cut in from three yards out for the touchdown with 1:37 remaining in the third.

On the extra-point attempt, things still wouldn't go right for Silva, who hit 18 of 19 PAT kicks last year. This one sailed wide, and the score remained 24-0.

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In the fourth quarter, Sundown finally mounted a scoring drive that survived a fumble, two incompletions and an interception by Dimmitt's Jaime LaFuente.

A 15-yard penalty against the Bobcats on the interception play gave the Roughnecks the ball back and new life at the Dimmitt 30.

Three plays later, Edwards raced to his right and lofted a beautiful 28-yard pass on the run to sophomore Rigo Medina in the end zone.

The TD came with 9:32 remaining in the game. A procedure penalty against Sundown nullified the extra-point play, leaving the score at 24-6.

The Bobcats answered with a 56-yard drive that climaxed with a nifty 17-yard run by Sutton for an apparent touchdown. But a holding penalty nullified the play.

Four plays later, Buckley was knocked loose from the ball on a safety blitz and Sundown's Ryan Gist scooped it up and raced to the Dimmitt 33 before Sutton ran him down from behind.

Then the Roughnecks uncorked a razzle-dazzle double-reverse pass that worked for a TD.

Edwards winged the ball toward the right corner to Carpenter, who wrested it away from Sutton in mid-air at the 1and stepped across the goal line.

"I had contact with the ball, but then—he's just such a great player, he jumped over the top of me and grabbed it," Sutton said. "I thought I had it."

"Justin was right there, in good shape," Coach Dollar commented. "He had the ball, and the guy jumped over him and got it. He made a great play."

Carpenter also connected on the night's only extra-point kick, making the final score 24-13.

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"They came out ready to play, but our offensive line just dominated their front five and blew them off the ball," Buckley said after the game. "Our running backs ran real well."

"We were a little slow in the first half, but in the second half we dominated pretty well," senior guard Rusty Wooten said. "We finally got focused in and did what we were supposed to do."

"I thought their kids played better than they did last year" (in a 35-14 Dimmitt win), Coach Dollar said.

"I think we beat a good football team."

Game at a Glance

Dimmitt	0	12	12	0 — 24
Sundown	0	0	0	13 — 14

	DIM	SUN
First Downs	25	4
Rushes-Yards	51-300	22-25
Passing Yards	110	68
Total Yards	410	93
Passes Comp./Att.	3/8	3/8
Interceptions By	0	1
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-0
Punts-Avg.	0-0	6-40
Penalties-Yards	5-65	6-40

SCORING SUMMARY

Second Quarter:
- D—Daniel Flores 33 pass from Derek Buckley (kick blocked), 7:25
- D—Flores 61 pass from Buckley (run failed), 0:03

Third Quarter:
- D—Buckley 1 run (kick blocked), 9:18
- D—Buckley 3 run (kick wide), 1:37

Fourth Quarter:
- S—Rigo Medina 28 pass from Clay Edwards (PAT nullified by procedure penalty), 9:32
- S—Dustin Carpenter 33 pass from Edwards (Carpenter kick), 2:59

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing—DIMMITT: Justin Sutton 21-135; Beau Hill 23-120; Derek Buckley 10-45.

Passing—DIMMITT: Derek Buckley 3/8-1 — 110. SUNDOWN: Clay Edwards 3/8-0 — 68

Receiving—DIMMITT: Daniel Flores 2-94 (2TD); Eric Soldevilla 1-16. SUNDOWN: Rigo Medina 1-28 (TD); Dustin Carpenter 1-33 (TD); Daniel Holdman 1-7.

Tackles—DIMMITT: James Jackson 3u, 3a; Rusty Wooten 1u, 7a; Jerry Thomas 2u, 4a; Beau Hill 2u, 4a.

QB Sacks—DIMMITT: James Jackson 1, Stacy Villanueva 1.

Passes Batted Down—DIMMITT: Jerry Thomas 2, Beau Hill 1.

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Cincinnati at Detroit
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County teams going after second wins

Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth are all undefeated after the first week of the 1998 football season and each hopes to make it two-in-a-row this week.

All three teams are home this week and kickoff in each game is slated for 8 p.m.

Lamesa at Dimmitt

The Lamesa Golden Tornadoes who are coming to play Friday night are pretty much an unknown quantity.

Last year the Golden Tors played a Class 4A schedule and suffered through an 0-10 season. This year they've dropped to Class 3A, and in their opening game Friday night they defeated Lubbock Cooper, a 7-3 team last year.

That victory ended a 19-game losing streak for the Golden Tors, dating back to their 1996 season opener.

"They've got pretty good size," Bobcat Coach Bruce Dollar said. "We probably have a lot more quickness than they do.

"It looks like they have a pretty good quarterback (Josh Wade, a 6-1, 175-lb. junior). They run basically the same offense that we run—a split-back veer.

"Defensively, they run a 5-2. Their front five people are really big. We're going to have to wear them down."

Lamesa Coach Tim James has seven returning starters—three offensive and four defensive—and 14 lettermen back from last year's squad.

"It's the same old deal for us—we have to play somebody who has pretty good size and try to counter it with our quickness," Coach Dollar said.

"We get to have a home game, finally. We've been on the road three weeks now (two scrimmages and the season opener)."

And home-field advantage in this case could be a big advantage, the coach feels.

"They don't know much about us and we don't know much about them, and they've got to ride three hours on a bus," he said with a grin.

Kickoff time is 8 p.m. at Bobcat Stadium.

Valley at Nazareth

Nazareth had no problems handling the Valley Patriots a year ago, winning the district matchup 42-6, but Valley returns a lot of experience and has started off the 1998 season with a bang.

Valley hasn't enjoyed much success on the football field in recent years, going 7-33 since moving from six-man to 11-man four years ago, but the Patriots are hoping to turn the corner this season and they took the first stop Friday when they beat Memphis, 10-6.

Nazareth will have to do a better job of stopping Valley's Cory Chandler than Memphis did if the Swifts want to improve their season record to 2-0 Friday night.

The Swifts will host the Patriots in an 8 p.m. game Friday at Swift Field.

Expected to return to the starting lineup for the Swifts this week is running back and linebacker Matthew Kern, who missed the season opener because of a shoulder injury. That should be a big plus for the Swifts, especially on defense as they try to shut down the explosive Chandler.

Chandler (6-0, 175) rushed for 204 yards and the game-winning 21-yard touchdown in Friday night's win over Memphis. Valley gained 272 ground yards overall and added another 53 through the air.

A big offensive front leads the way for the Patriot backfield, with 280-pound tackle Roman Hernandez anchoring the line. Joining him on the front line will be a trio of 240-pounders, Michael Silva, Sam McClellan and Brody Davis.

Lining up in the backfield will be tailback Chris Price (5-11, 175) and fullback Nathan Wheeler (5-11, 185). Wheeler picked up a two-point conversion against Memphis Friday.

"Valley's huge up front. They've probably got nine or 10 guys that are over 200. They're bigger this year in the backfield and at the receiver slots, too," said Nazareth Coach Rick Price.

Price said the Patriots will run a lot of option, and he says Wheeler is also a big threat from the backfield, although Chandler "is probably their most mobile guy."

"They'll also try to throw some to their big split end, who's about 6-3 and 200 pounds. He's dangerous," Price said. They'll dive their fullback and either hand it off to him or Chandler will keep it or throw it."

On defense, Valley's 5-3 features Cody Yates (5-9, 160) and Morgan Payne (6-2, 210), a pair of defensive ends; and Hernandez, Silva and McClellan, who make it difficult for teams to gain anything up the middle.

Valley's defense allowed Memphis only seven first downs and 153 total yards Friday, and the Patriots recovered one Cyclone fumble.

"Right up the middle is going to be rough," Price said. "They're so big and they take up so much space, it's going to be tough. We do have an advantage with our speed, so we'll probably spread our speedier guys across the field and make them try and cover us."

Smyer at Hart

Hart hopes to take advantage of an inexperienced Smyer team this week enroute to its second win of the 1998 season.

Smyer will travel to Hart to take on the Longhorns in a non-conference game slated to start at 8 p.m. Friday.

The Bobcats return eight offensive and seven starters from last year's 1-9 team, but they are young and haven't been playing 11-man football for long. Two years ago the Bobcats were still among the six-man teams in the area.

"They're a lot better ballclub than they were a year ago," said Hart Coach Bryan Welps. "They've got a lot of returners and a lot more experience."

Hart may be hurting this week, though. The Longhorns will still be without the services of center/linebacker Efrain Salazar and guard-defensive end Dan Eric Castillo.

Also out this week will be starting receiver, Michael Pantoja, who injured his knee in the third quarter of Friday's game with Morton.

Smyer struggled in its season

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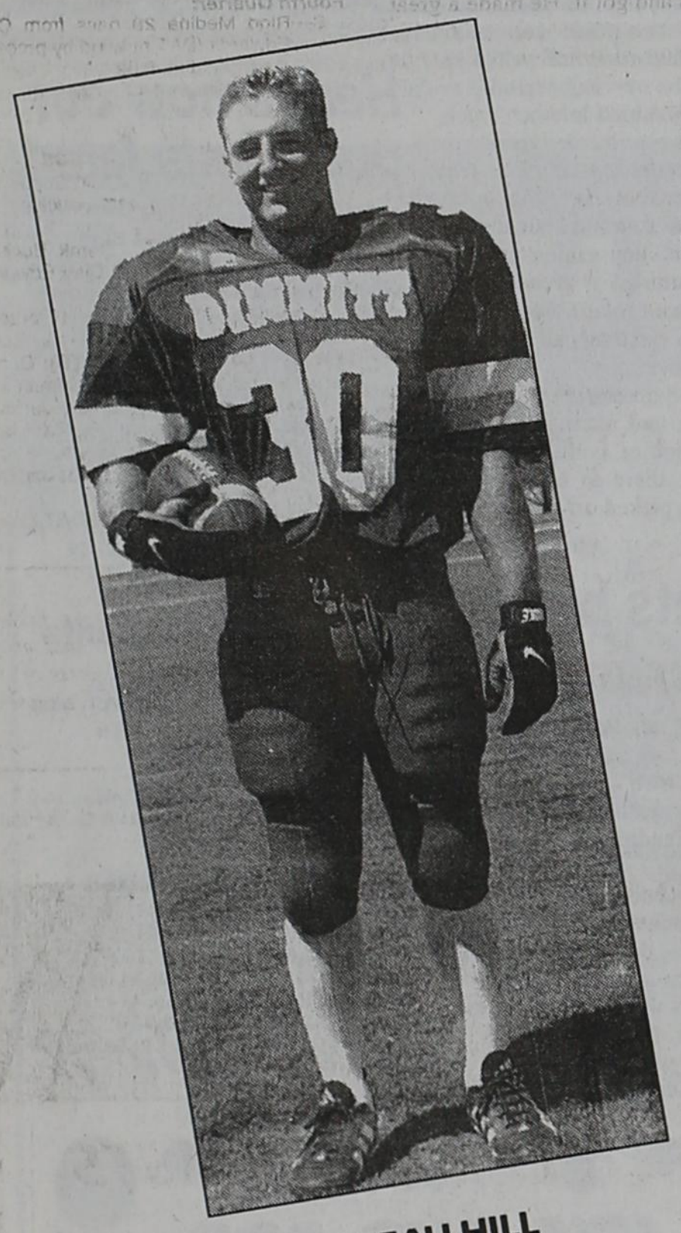
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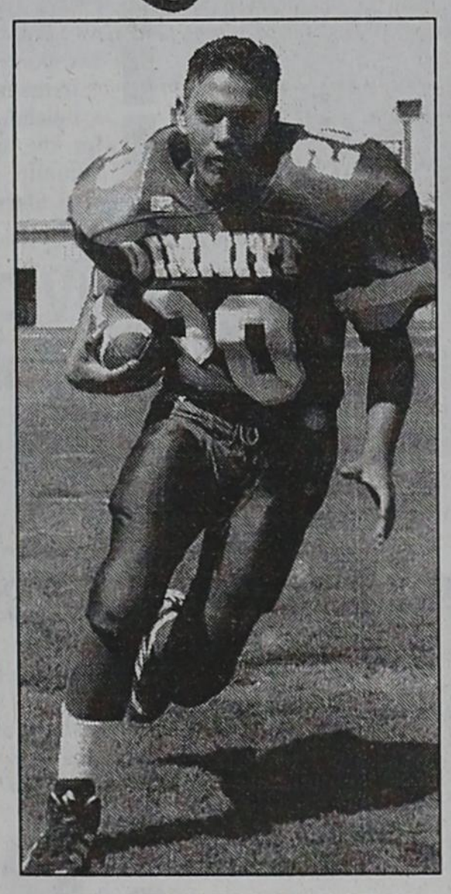
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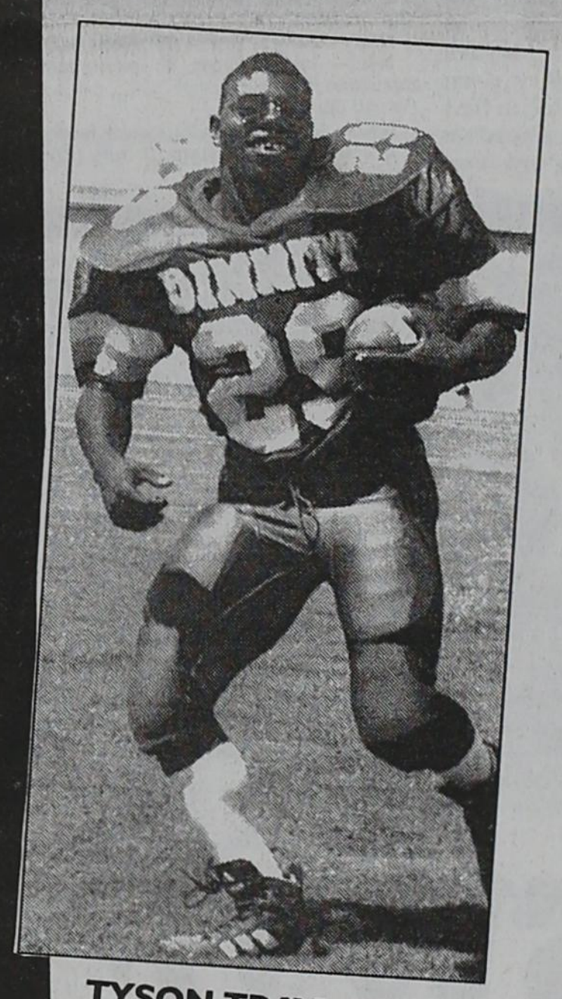
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Sept. 18	Friona, There	8:00
Sept. 25	Brownfield (Homecoming), Here	8:00
Oct. 2	Muleshoe, There	8:00
Oct. 9	*River Road, Here	7:30
Oct. 16	*Tulia, There	7:30
Oct. 23	*Sanford-Fritch, Here	7:30
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Sept. 10	Lamesa, There	5:00-6:30
Sept. 17	Friona, Here	5:00-6:30
Sept. 24	Brownfield, There	5:00-6:30
Oct. 1	Muleshoe, Here	5:00-6:30
Oct. 8	River Road, There	5:00-6:30
Oct. 15	Tulia, Here	5:00-6:30
Oct. 22	Sanford-Fritch, There	5:00-6:30
Oct. 29	Dalhart, There	5:00-6:30
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Oct. 1	Muleshoe, There	5:30-7:00
Oct. 8	River Road, Here	5:00-6:30
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Swift assault flattens Eagles, 48-7

By JESSICA KERN

Like a well-oiled weapon, Nazareth scored at will on the ground and in the air, blasting Lubbock Christian High School, 48-7, Friday night in its season opener at Swift Stadium.

"The offense showed that we had a lot of good weapons," said Nazareth Head Coach Rick Price. "The defense is ahead of where we thought they would be at this point, especially considering the inexperience we've got."

Nazareth offensive weapons included fullback Matty McLain, who scored three touchdowns; quarterback Mitchell Brockman, who threw two touchdowns to split end Kade Wilcox and ran another in; and Cameron McLain, who led the team in rushing with 110 yards and a touchdown on 12 carries.

Offensively, Nazareth accumulated 139 yards passing and 301 yards rushing for a total of 440.

The Swifts also had success on the other side of the ball, recovering four of Lubbock Christian High School's five fumbles. Nazareth's defense held the Eagles at bay, keeping the visitors backed up in their own territory most of the night. The Eagles lone touchdown came in the fourth quarter against the Swifts' second team defense.

"As long as we continue to get better and throw the ball effectively, we should give our opponents headaches," Price said.

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Nazareth's McLain brothers, Cameron and Matty, paved the way downfield on the Swifts' opening possession and scoring drive.

Sophomore Matty McLain carried the ball three times for 11 yards while junior Cameron McLain gained 53 yards on four plays, the last of which resulted in a 41-yard touchdown with 9:49 left in the quarter. Matthew Kern kicked the extra point to give the Swifts the early 7-0 lead.

Lubbock put together an offensive attack on their next drive and worked into Nazareth territory on just two plays before coughing the ball up to the Swifts at the Nazareth 25.

From there it was a cake walk to the end zone for the Swifts.

Cameron McLain led Nazareth on the eight-play drive, gaining 43 yards on the ground, including a 15-yard gain on a second-and-10 play that gave the Swifts a first down at the Swift 40.

Later in the drive, Ky Wilcox bobbled a handoff from Brockman, but was able to regain control of the ball, then rambled down the right sideline for a 26-yard gain and first down at the Lubbock Christian 30.

Cameron McLain broke free for a 25-yard gain to the Lubbock 6 before he was dragged down by Eagle defenders. McLain fumbled as he was going down, but the Swifts were there to recover the ball at the 5-yard line.

Nazareth capped the drive with a five-yard touchdown run by Brockman around the right end. Kern's extra point was blocked, leaving the score 13-0 with 2:20 left in the first period.

Nazareth held the Eagles on their next possession, then Lubbock returned the favor, shutting down a Swift drive at the Lubbock 48 after 10 plays.

The Eagles continued to have problems moving the ball and gave it up to Nazareth.

The Swifts' passing game got on track midway through the second quarter when Brockman connected with Kade Wilcox for a 47-yard scoring strike. Ky Wilcox ran it in for the two-point conversion and a 21-0 Swift score with 5:05 left in the half.

Matty McLain ended the Eagles' drive a few plays later, recovering a fumble and that would start Nazareth's fourth scoring drive.

Three plays later Brockman completed a pass to Wilcox who raced down the sideline 25 yards, then dodged an Eagle defender at the goal line for his second touchdown of the half. Kern booted the PAT for a 28-0 halftime lead.

Nazareth scored twice in the third quarter.

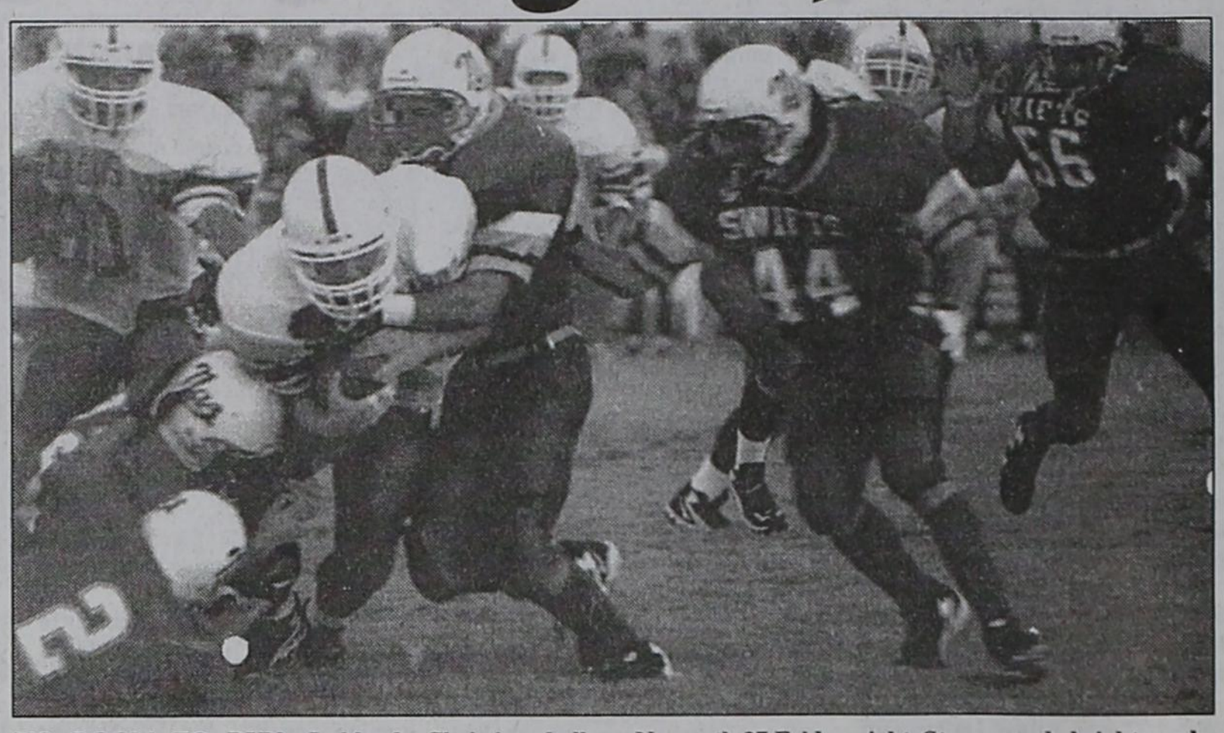
With two minutes ticked off the clock, the Eagles punter fumbled the snap and the Swifts picked up the loose ball at the Eagles' 1-yard line.

On the next play Matty McLain plunged across the goal line. Kern connected on the PAT again and Nazareth was in control, 35-0.

The Swifts' next score came with 4:50 remaining in the third when Brockman hurled a 43-yard pass to Kade Wilcox. Kern's kick was wide to the left, leaving the score 41-0.

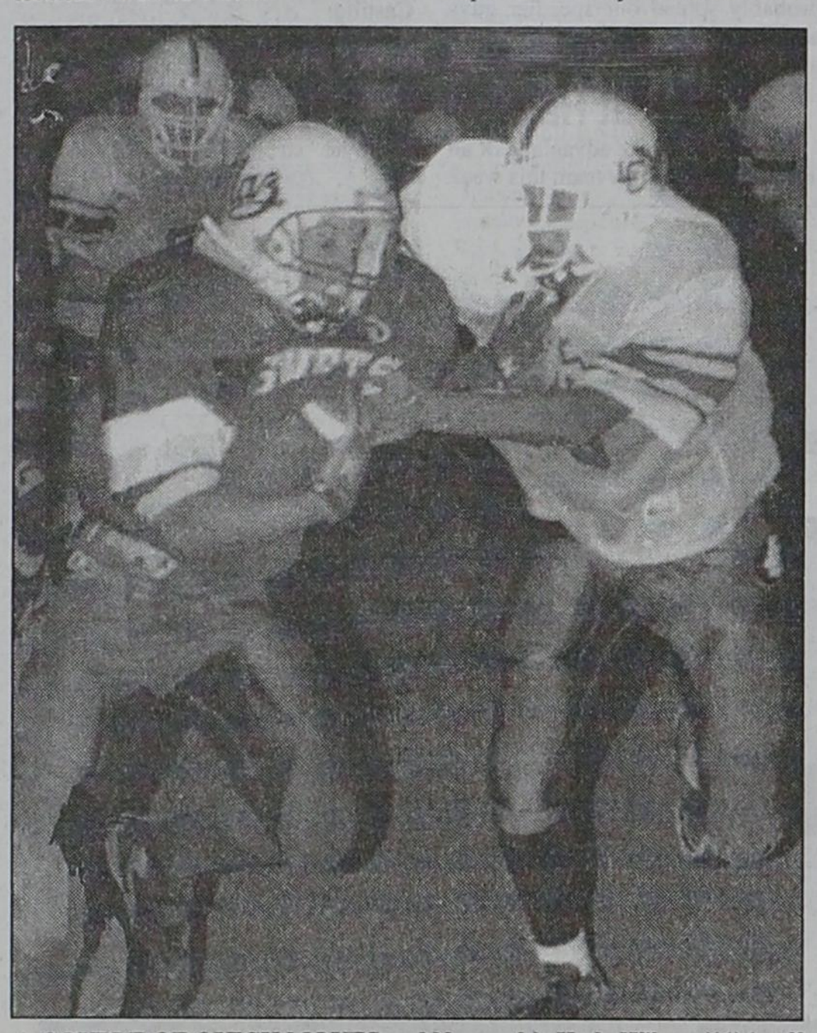
Nazareth got its final touchdown early in the fourth quarter on a 2-yard run by Matty McLain. Kern's extra point made it 48-0 with 11:24 left in the game.

The Eagles finally scored with 6:05 left in the game, capping a 10-play drive when Kelley Staggs scampered 18 yards into the end zone. Eric Teague booted the extra point to make it 48-7.



NO ROOM TO RUN—Lubbock Christian ball carrier Kelley Staggs finds his forward progress halted by Nazareth's Cameron McLain (40) and Mitchell Brockman (2) after a 4-yard gain to the Nazareth 27 Friday night. Staggs needed eight yards to gain the first down, but the Swift defense held. Coming in to help on the play are Nazareth's Matty McLain (44) and Bryce Pohlmeier (56).

Photo by Anne Acker



A COUPLE OF QUICK MOVES and Nazareth's Kade Wilcox (11) is off to the races, beating Lubbock Christian High School's Dustin Gault (10) for a 25-yard touchdown Friday night in the season opener for both teams at Swift Stadium. Wilcox hauled in the pass from quarterback Mitchell Brockman, then dodged tacklers to earn the six points. Matthew Kern kicked the extra point to give the Swifts a 28-0 lead with 3:18 left in first half action. Nazareth went on to win the game, 48-7. Wilcox scored on receptions of 47, 25 and 43 yards in the game. *Photo by Anne Acker*

Game at a Glance

Swifts 48, Lubbock Christian 7

Nazareth	13	15	13	7—48
LCHS	0	0	0	7 —7

	NAZ	LCHS
First Downs	17	7
Yards Rushing	301	115
Yards Passing	129	11
Total Yards Gained	430	126
Passes Comp.-Att.	5-8	1-7
Interceptions By	0	0
Punts-Avg.	N/A	N/A
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	3-2
Penalties-Yards	6-50	5-30

Scoring By Quarters

First Quarter:

NAZ—Cameron McLain 41 run (Matthew Kern kick)

NAZ—Mitchell Brockman 4 run (kick failed)

Second Quarter:

NAZ— Kade Wilcox 47 pass from Brockman (Ky Wilcox run)

NAZ— Kade Wilcox 25 pass from Brockman (Kern kick)

Third Quarter:

NAZ— Matty McLain 1 run (Kern kick)

NAZ— Kade Wilcox 43 pass from Brockman (Kern kick)

Fourth Quarter:

NAZ— Matty McLain 2 run (kick failed)

LCHS— Kelley Staggs 7 run (Eric Teague kick)

Fritch tops Freshman Cats in opener, 44-22

Sanford-Fritch handed the Freshman Bobcats a loss last Thursday in the season opener for both teams, 44-22.

Dimmitt scored in the first, third and fourth quarters, but couldn't stop the Eagle defense, which posted points in every stanza.

Dimmitt got on the board in the first when Anthony Oltivero returned a kickoff 80 yards for the touchdown. The two-point conversion failed, and Sanford-Fritch held a 14-6 lead after the opening period.

The Eagles added another touchdown and two-point conversion in the second quarter to take a 22-6 lead into the locker room at halftime.

Both teams added a touchdowns and two-point conversion to their scores in the third.

Jake Laurent broke a 50-yard run for Dimmitt's six, then picked up the two-point conversion.

In the fourth quarter, Fritch scored a touchdown and attempted a pass for the two-point conversion, but Dimmitt was there to interrupt the play. Oltivera picked off the pass and returned the interception to the Eagle goal line.

Dimmitt took over at the 1-yard line, then Jason Weaver plunged across the line for the TD. The two-point conversion attempt failed.

Coaches said Oltivero, Laurent and Weaver all played well on offense, and praised the defensive play of Weaver, Adrian Rivers and Albert Campos, but added that the Cats "must improve on defense."

JV Cats blank Sundown, 14-0

The JV Bobcats picked up touchdowns in the first and third quarters and held Sundown scoreless enroute to a 14-0 season opening win last Thursday in Sundown.

Clint Swain scored both of Dimmitt's touchdowns.

Dimmitt coaches named the entire offensive and defensive units as standouts in the game.

The JV Cats will take on Lamesa, there, tonight (Thursday) at 6:30 p.m.

Here's how our opponents fared

Here's how Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth opponents fared in the the first week of the prep football season. Each school's opponent is listed in capital letters.

Dimmitt opponents

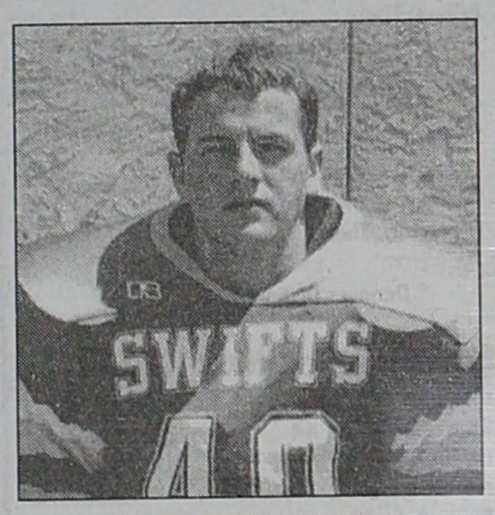
LAMESA (1-0) beat Cooper, 16-9
FRIONA (1-0) beat Lockney, 18-14
BROWNFIELD (0-1) lost to Kermit, 20-2
MULESHOE (1-0) beat Portales, 23-0
RIVER ROAD (0-1) lost to Canyon 26-12
TULIA (0-1) lost to Childress, 61-6
S'FORD-FRITCH (1-0) beat WT High, 20-15
DALHART (0-1) lost to Guymon, 21-14
PERRYTON (0-1) lost to Borger 21-6

Nazareth opponents

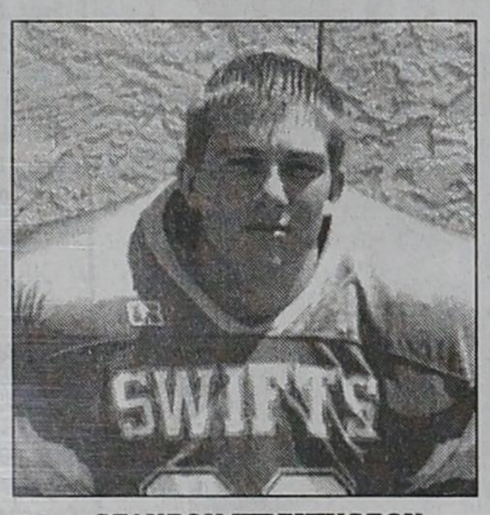
VALLEY (1-0) beat Memphis, 10-6
FARWELL (1-0) beat Petersburg, 7-0
HAPPY (1-0) beat WHITEFACE (0-1), 44-0
CLAUDE (1-0) beat Clarendon, 28-0
VEGA (1-0) beat Crowell, 35-13
HART (1-0) beat Morton, 36-6
SPR'LAKE-EARTH (0-1) lost to Sudan, 14-0
KRESS (0-1) lost to New Deal, 44-0

Hart opponents

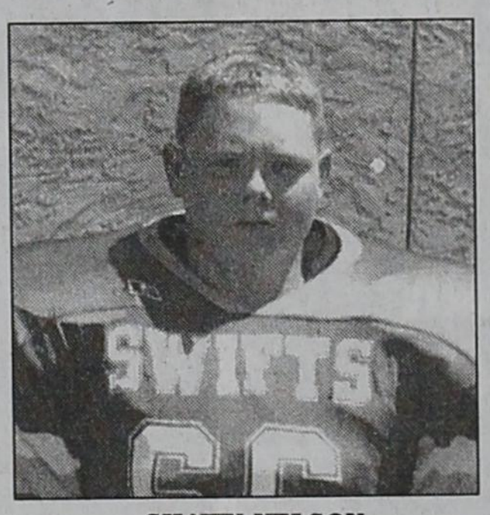
OLTON (1-0) beat SMYER (0-1) , 21-0
BOVINA (0-1) lost to Anton, 21-12
VALLEY (1-0) beat Memphis, 10-6
KRESS (0-1) lost to New Deal, 44-0
NAZARETH (1-0) beat LCHS, 48-7
HAPPY (1-0) beat Whiteface, 44-0
SPR'LAKE-EARTH (0-1) lost to Sudan, 14-0
VEGA (1-0) beat Crowell, 35-13



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Hart scalps Indians in season opener, 38-6

Hart used a balanced attack to scalp the Morton Indians Friday, 36-6, in a season opener at Morton.

Hart struck early and often enroute to the win, and the Longhorns' defense gave up virtually nothing.

Leading the offensive charge for Hart was Lucas Anzaldua, who rushed for 127 yards and a touchdown to pace the Longhorns' ground attack, which amassed 327 yards.

Hart's aerial assault was just as deadly Friday, even though quarterback Jared Aven only completed two of his nine attempts—both for touchdowns. He also gained 66 yards on the ground.

The Longhorns outgained the Indians 382-90 in total offense, and Hart picked off Morton quarterback Geoff Abbe twice in the game.

One blotch on the Longhorns' performance came in the penalty department. Hart was flagged 10 times for 95 yards.

The Longhorns also had a few problems holding on to the pigskin, fumbling four times, but only one of the miscues was lost to Morton.

"We started out sluggish, but we came on in the second half," said Hart Coach Bryan Welps. "I think the guys were a little nervous in the beginning, but once we started making a few plays, we relaxed. In the second half we really played as a unit."

Hart struck first in the opening stanza when Aven completed his first pass—a 22-yard touchdown toss to Chris George. Anzaldua's extra point gave the Longhorns an early 7-0 lead.

Aven's second completion of the game came in the second stanza when Michael Pantoja was on the receiving end of a 33-yard pass. Anzaldua's point-after gave Hart a 14-0 lead.

Morton finally got its offense on track in the second period, using a 30-yard pass from Abbe to Gary Quick to get on the board. The extra point kick was blocked by the Longhorns, leaving the score 14-6.

Leading 14-6 at the start of the second half, Hart switched to its ground attack for points in the third and the Horns pounded away at the Indians' front line, scoring twice in the stanza.

Hart's first touchdown of the second half came after a long, 90-yard scoring drive. The Longhorns covered that territory in 15 plays, chewing up the clock and wearing down the Indian defense.

Keith Finch capped off the drive when he raced across the goal line for a 4-yard score to give Hart a little more breathing room, 20-6.

"I think our long drive at the start of the second half was the turning point for us," said Welps. "It took the air out of Morton."

Later in the quarter Anzaldua broke free for a long 54-yard touchdown scamper, then Jose Rocha ran in the two-point conversion to give Hart a 28-6 advantage.

The Longhorn defense wasn't going to be shut out Friday, either.

In the fourth quarter T.R. George stopped in front of an Abbe pass, intercepted the ball and returned it 11 yards for Hart's final touchdown of the game. Aven kept the ball and picked up the two-point conversion for the final 38-6 win.

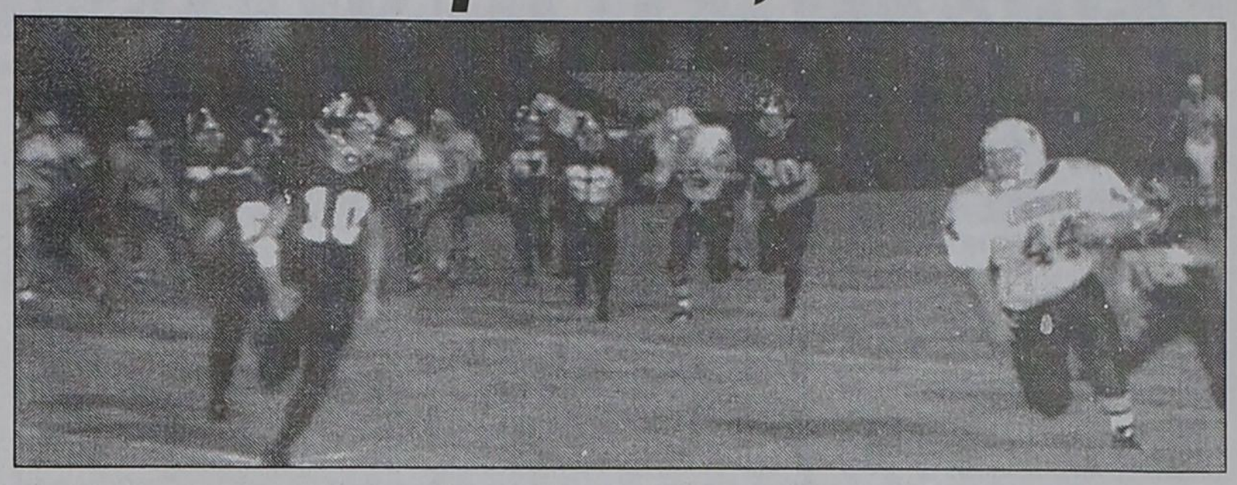
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Hart may have suffered a big blow late in the third quarter Friday.

Pantoja, who is the starting tight end and defensive end for the Longhorns, injured his knee and is doubtful for this week's game.

Welps said he's not sure how serious the injury is yet because Pantajo wasn't scheduled to meet with the trainer until Wednesday.

Before the injury Friday Pantoja had enjoyed a big game on both sides of the ball, recording four sacks and nine tackles and catching the touchdown pass, all in the first three quarters.



HART'S LUCAS ANZALDUA (44) races down the sideline and gets ready to dodge a swarm of Indians Friday in the regular season opener for Morton and Hart. Anzaldua was Hart's leading rusher Friday, gaining 127 yards and a touchdown. He also kicked extra points for Hart. The Longhorns had no problems handling Morton, winning easily, 38-6.

Photo by Carolyn Rowland



CONCENTRATION—Hart's Michael Pantoja (80) concentrates on catching a pass from quarterback Jared Aven as a Morton defender gets ready to make the tackle Friday night. Pantoja scored one touchdown and was a Longhorn leader on defense before he was injured.

Photo by Carolyn Rowland

Game at a Glance

Longhorns 36, Morton 6

Hart	7	7	14	8—36
Morton	0	6	0	0 —6

	HART	MORT
First Downs	17	5
Yards Rushing	327	41
Yards Passing	55	49
Total Yards Gained	382	90
Passes Comp.-Att.	2-9	5-11
Interceptions By	2	0
Punts-Avg.	1-45	6-29
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	3-0
Penalties-Yards	10-95	5-42

Scoring By Quarters

First Quarter:

HART—Chris George 22 pass from Jared Aven (Lucas Anzaldua kick)

Second Quarter:

HART— Mike Pantoja 33 pass from Aven (Anzaldua kick)

MORTON— Gary Quick 30 pass from Geoff Abbe (kick blocked)

Third Quarter:

HART— Keith Finch 4 run (kick failed)

HART— Anzaldua 54 run (Jose Rocha run)

Fourth Quarter:

HART— T.R. George 11 interception return (Aven run)

Harris Picks

Here's how the Harris Rating System picks this week's games, and how it ranks area teams. Home teams are listed in capital letters.

DIMMITT 10 over Lamesa
HART 36 over Smyer
NAZARETH 7 over Valley
Stratford 8 over DALHART
RIVER ROAD pick vs. West Texas High
Littlefield 27 over TULIA
Floydada 13 over LUBBOCK COOPER
FRIONA 23 over Brownfield
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PADUCAH 12 over Memphis
Happy 4 over O'DONNELL
ANTON 6 over Motley County
SHAMROCK 13 over Clarendon
HIGHLAND PARK 3 over Claude
New Deal 9 over PETERSBURG
BOYS RANCH 13 over Vega
CANADIAN 25 over Panhandle
WHEELER 21 over Sunray
Sudan 18 over PLAINS
POST 9 over Hale Center
Bovina 3 over WHITEFACE
SPEARMAN 2 over Farwell
LORENZO 3 over Morton
Olton 20 over ROPES
SPRINGLAKE-EARTH 8 over Sundown
AMARILLO HIGH 1 over Pampa
BORGER 2 over Amarillo Tascosa
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WEEK 2 RANKINGS

Here's how Harris ranks the area teams, including their respective power ratings, by which he bases his decisions.

Class A: 1. Tenaha 193, 2. Wheeler 190, 3. Sudan 187, 4. Wink 184, 5. Burkeville 183, 6. Iola 183, 7. Alvord 182, 8. Aspermont 181, 9. Bartlett 181, 10. Era, 180.

Other Area Class A: 13. Springlake-Earth 178, 17. Happy 172, 20. Paducah 170, ***28. Hart 167, 33. Nazareth 166,*** 48. Valley 159, 51. Memphis 158, 58. Claude 155, 63. Shamrock 153, 76. Anton 148, 92. Kress 143, 93. Vega 143, 94. Booker 142, 95. Crosbyton 142, 96. Motley County 142, 101. Whiteface 141, 108. Spur 136, 109. Crowell 135, 117. Smyer 131.

Class AAA: 1. Sealy 208, 2. Sweeny 208, 3. Coldspring 205, 4. Vernon 205, 5. Alvarado 204, 6. Newton 203, 7. Tatum 203, 8. Commerce 203, 9. Breckenridge 202, 10. Cleveland 202.

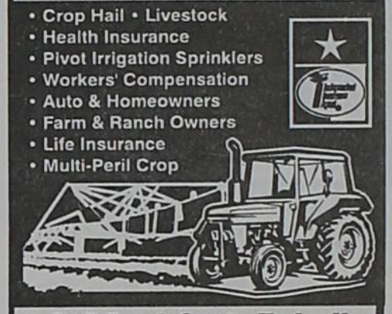
Other Area Class AAA: 39. Littlefield 190, 59. Seminole 186, 64. Friona 185, 93. Bowie 180, 109. Denver City 177, ***110. Dimmitt 177,*** 118. Muleshoe 176, 139. Perryton 172, 140. Sanford-Fritch 172, 144. Dalhart 170, 153. Shallowater 168, 159. Lamesa 167, 165. Amarillo River Road 166, 178. Lubbock Cooper 165, 179. Lubbock Roosevelt 165, 186. Tulia 163, 191. Slaton 160, 196. Brownfield 158.

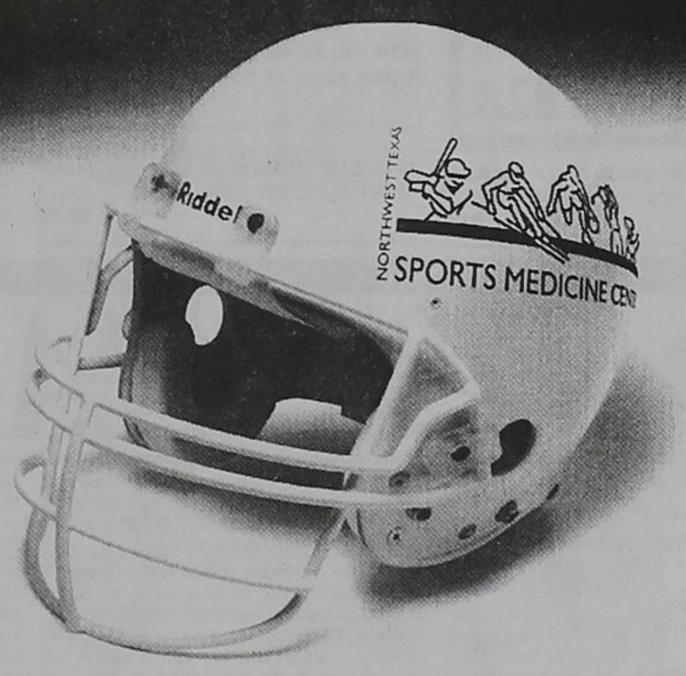
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An appreciation dinner for Speaker Pete Laney will be held Saturday at the Senior Citizens Activity Center in Tulia.

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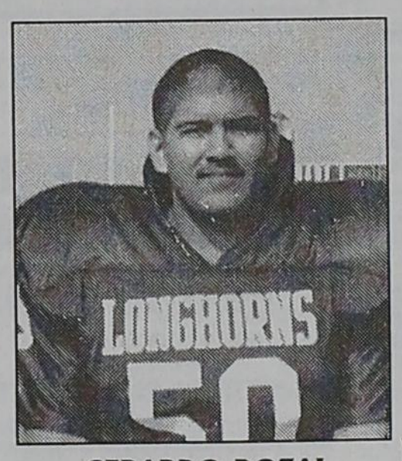
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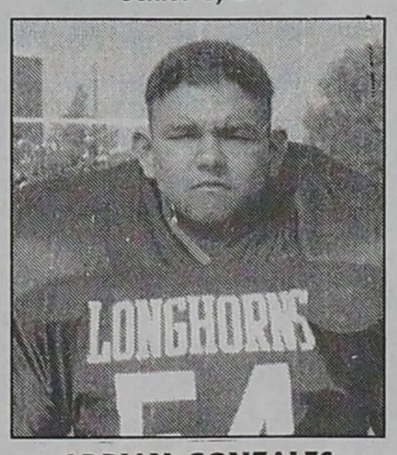
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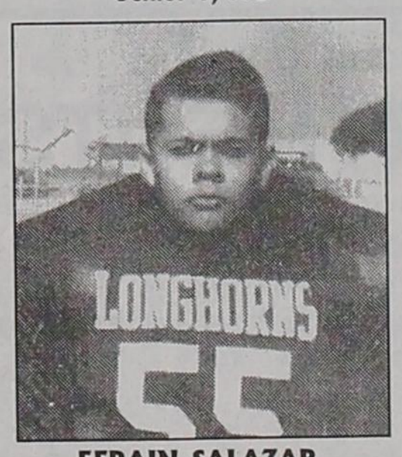
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(4) Be presently certified as a juvenile probation officer.

For an application and a complete list of the job description please contact the Texas Workforce Commission at 310 W. Broadway, Tulia, Texas; or the Castro County Treasurer's office located on the second floor of the Castro County courthouse.

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For County/District Clerk:
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For County Treasurer:
Janice Shelton (I)

For Justice of the Peace:
Tana Young

For Precinct 4 Commissioner:
Richard Hunter

For County Judge:
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For 64th District Judge:
Jack Miller (I)

For 242nd District Judge:
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For State Senator, District 30:
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For 242nd District Court Judge:
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For Precinct 2 Commissioner:
Clyde Harold Damron

For Precinct 4 Commissioner:
Dan Schmucker (I)

For County Judge:
Wayne Collins

For County Treasurer:
Carolyn Watts

Political advertisement paid by candidates.



MACY SCHULTE (right) accepts her prize from Linda Jo Ramaekers at one of the many kids game booths Sunday at the Nazareth Labor Day picnic. The annual event featured a parade, roast beef dinner, games, tournaments, an auction and more. More than 750 people were served at the dinner. *Photo by Dwayne Acker*

More about

County teams . . .

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opener against Olton Friday, managing just 50 yards total offense—all on the ground. The Bobcats didn't complete a single pass and couldn't muster an offensive attack against the Class AAA Mustangs.

The Bobcats rely heavily on their four seniors and four juniors for experience and leadership while four sophomores help fill the holes in the starting lineup.

Returning starters to the Wing-T offense are running back Richard Stevens (5-9, 160-lb. senior), wide receiver Kris Armes (6-0, 170-lb. senior), tackle Curtis Villegas (5-9, 220-lb. junior), center Chad Smith (5-10, 225-lb. sophomore), and linemen Steve Tucker (6-2, 185-lb. sophomore), Phillip Stevens (5-9, 180-lb. sophomore) and Simon Rodriguez (5-8, 180-lb. sophomore).

Jeremiah Price (6-1, 170-lb. senior) lines up at tight end while quarterback duties fall to Justin Preston (5-9, 155-lb. sophomore.

"They're quarterback and tailback are really good," said Welps.

He added that the teams likes to run, but also will throw the ball.

Defensively, Smyer runs a Split 6 and the defense's strength is in the secondary, where Benny Barrera (5-8, 160) and Armes return to the starting lineup. The linebacker corps features Richard Stevens, an all-district honoree a year ago, and Phillip Stevens. The line is anchored by defensive tackles Chey Floyd (6-0, 170) and Tucker. Returning at noseguard is Rodriguez.

The Bobcat defense allowed Olton 224 yards on the ground and 58 through the air Friday.

22—Notices

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 647-2577. 22-22-4tc

It is a long lane that has no turning.
—Old Saying

The original "Pledge of Allegiance" was published in the September 8, 1892 issue of The Youth's Companion in Boston.

You cannot write in the chimney with charcoal. *—Russian proverb*

Area wheat variety test results revealed by TAES

No one is questioning the severity of the 1998 drought, but anyone who harvested dryland wheat knows it turned out to be a surprisingly good year after all.

"This year's wheat crop had an excellent start, primarily due to exceptional moisture received through the fall and winter months," said Dr. Brent Bean, agronomist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Insect and disease pressure remained low throughout the season. By April, some producers were even discussing their prospects for a record crop. Unfortunately, after April 1 very little rainfall occurred over most of the area," Bean said.

"This lack of rain was also accompanied by a record setting heat wave. This led many to believe our wheat yields would be poor; however, we had the one thing that would make or break us this year—deep soil moisture from previous fall and winter precipitation," he said. "Crop yields were much better than anyone anticipated, and surprisingly, the test weights were excellent throughout most of the area."

About the only negative thing was the size of the wheat kernel that was somewhat smaller than in most years, according to Bean.

"This was likely due to the quick dry down that occurred as a result of the high temperatures in May and June," Bean said.

Extension specialists team up area producers to conduct wheat variety tests each year. This year's tests were done in plots at Bushland, Washburn, Canadian and Etter. With the exception of the Etter site, all fields were fallowed the previous year.

"Top performers were TAM 202, TAM 110 and TAM 109. Other noteworthy ones were 2137 Coronado, Pecos and TAM 107," Bean said.

The TAM 202 variety shows good straw strength, thrashes easily and is moderately tolerant to leaf rust. It generally performs best under high input conditions. TAM 110 is similar to TAM 107 but has more greenbug tolerance. TAM 109 is a beardless wheat and can be very short depending on the year. It's mainly used for graze out.

Still another variety, 2137 is a Kansas wheat with some tolerance to barely yellow dwarf and leaf rust. It isn't recommended for planting behind corn due to susceptibility to Scab. Coronado and Pecos are both Agri-Pro varieties with good yield potential, Bean said. Pecos is similar to TAM 109 in that it is often very short under dryland conditions.

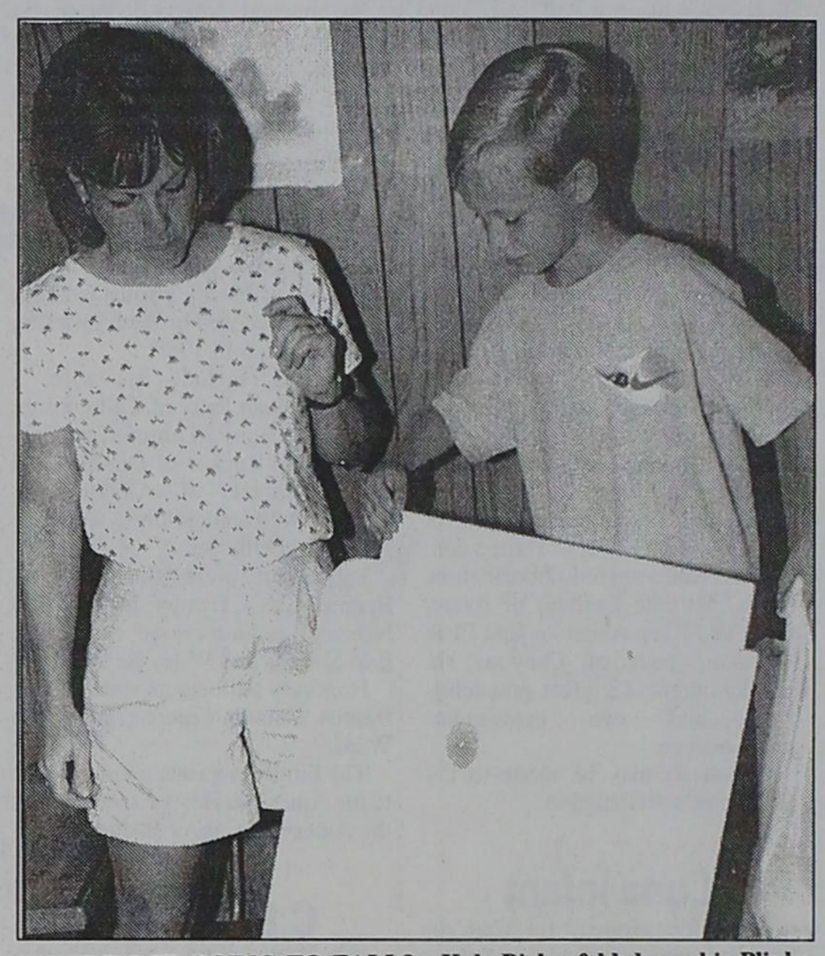
When examining dryland yield results at Bushland over the last four years, TAM varieties 105, 107, 109 and 202, along with Ogallala and 2137 have been the top performers, Bean said.

"We also conducted tests with irrigated wheat at Bushland, Lazbuddie and Wellington," Bean said. "The top five varieties in at least two of the three locations were TAM 107, Custer and Tomahawk. When averaging yields over the last two years, other good performers were 2137, Coronado, TAM 110 and Tonkawa. Custer and Tonkowa are Oklahoma varieties with TAM 105 in their pedigree.

"Both are reported to have good leaf rust resistance along with good straw strength. Tomahawk is an Agri-Pro variety that has done well in the eastern Panhandle the last several years," Bean said.

"We run these tests each year to aid our Panhandle producers who then must decide which ones might work best for their operation."

For more information, contact Bean at (806) 359-5401, at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo.



WHERE'S IT GOING TO FALL?—Kyle Birkenfeld drops his Plinko chip and watches it work its way down the peg board as booth worker Vera Huseman looks on Sunday. This game was one of several for the younger generation at the Nazareth Labor Day picnic. *Photo by Dwayne Acker*

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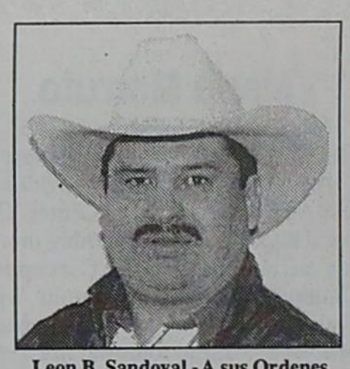
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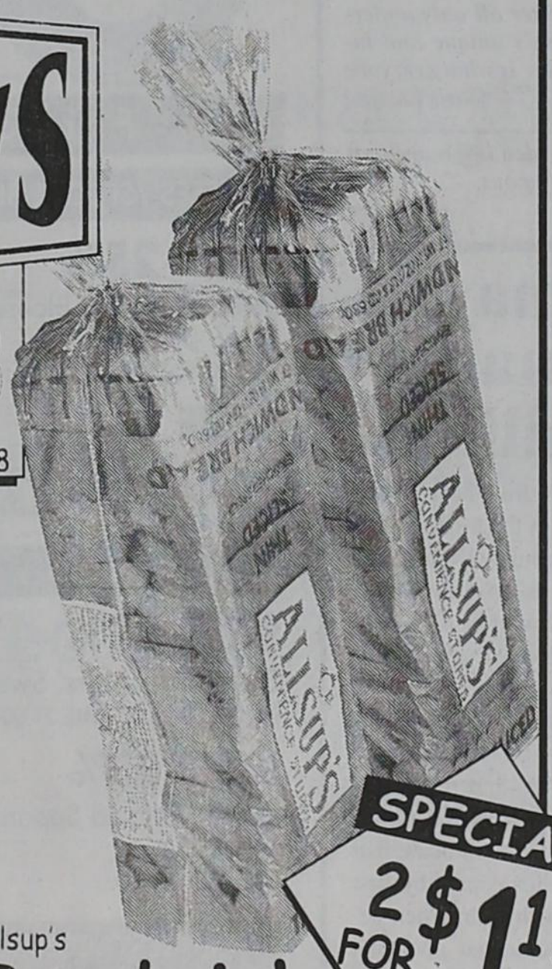
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Obituaries

Clay Anderson

Funeral services for Clay Anderson, 85, father of Galia Davis of Hart, were held Tuesday morning at the First Baptist Church Family Life Chapel in Plainview with Dr. Travis Hart, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Plainview's Parklawn Memorial Gardens under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home of Plainview.

Mr. Anderson was born in Celeste and moved to Madill, Okla., at an early age. He graduated from Lockney High School and worked as a mechanic and truck driver. During World War II he worked as an airplane mechanic at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio and Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, N.M. He married Mildred Luttrell in 1935 at Lockney.

In 1944, he moved to Plainview where he was a shop foreman at Cooper Cadillac and Pontiac. He also worked for Smith Mickey Garage.

He moved to Hart in 1948 and began farming what is now known as Nanny Farms. In 1952 he started Grade A Dairy in Nazareth.

Mr. Anderson moved to Stinnett in 1970 and returned to Plainview in 1977. He was a member of the First Baptist Church and of Charles Bassett Sunday School Class.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Galia Davis of Hart; a son, Gayland Anderson of Lubbock; three sisters, Mozelle Durham of Aztec, N.M., and Ellen Anderson and Elsie Peckham, both of Canyon; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Luna Infant

Graveside services for Cam'ron Patrick Luna, infant son of Patrick and Connie Luna of Amarillo, were held Tuesday at noon at Llano Cemetery in Amarillo, with Rev. Hilario Nayola of Mission Bautista Nueva Esperanza of Amarillo officiating.

Burial was under direction of Schooler Funeral Home of Amarillo.

The infant died Sept. 4. He was born Aug. 31 in Amarillo.

He is survived by his parents; two sisters, Krystal and Kayla Luna of the home; and grandparents, Lupe Luna of Dimmitt and Manuel and Tina Ramos of Amarillo.

Maria Marrufo

Maria Nicolasa Marrufo, 45, of Dimmitt, died last Thursday, Sept. 3.

A vigil service was held Friday at the Azteca Community Center. Funeral mass was read Saturday morning at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Dimmitt with Father Guillermo Morales, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Marrufo was born Dec. 6, 1952, in Mexico. She married Enrique Marrufo in April 1995 in Dimmitt.

She moved to Dimmitt 17 years ago from Mexico. She worked for Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in the housekeeping department.

Survivors include her husband; her father, Rafael Arriaga of Mexico; two sons, Jame Escamilla and Carlos Escamilla, both of Dimmitt; four daughters, Paula Escamilla of Albuquerque, N.M., Gloria Escamilla, Rosa Marrufo and Elizabeth Marrufo, all of Dimmitt; eight sisters; three brothers; and three grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Enrique Marrufo, Rafael Arriaga, Heriberto Arriaga, Jose A. Arriaga, Jaime Escamilla and Carlos Escamilla.

R.O. Nelson

R.O. Nelson, 77, of Lelia Lake, former Dimmitt resident, died Friday in Lubbock after a lengthy illness.

Services were held Monday morning in Martin Baptist Church in Clarendon with the Rev. Bryan Knowles, pastor, and the Rev. Lewis Ellis, a Baptist minister from Lefors, officiating. Burial followed in Westlawn Cemetery in Dimmitt under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mr. Nelson was born Sept. 24, 1920, in Newlin in Hall County. He lived in Dimmitt from 1955 to 1969 before moving to Lelia Lake.

He married Allena Wallace on Aug. 11, 1947, in Abilene. While in Dimmitt, the couple owned and operated a wholesale and retail service station. After moving to Lelia Lake he farmed and ranched.

Mr. Nelson was a US Army veteran of World War II and fought in the Battle of the Bulge as a member of the 8th Armored Division. He was a member of Martin Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a son, W. Jay Nelson in 1987.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Jean Petty of Tulia; a son, George Nelson of Dimmitt; two sisters, Lanell Tucker of Dimmitt and Lillian Shreck of Albuquerque, N.M.; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Gene Nelson, Bennie Nelson, Dwayne Nelson, Bob Nelson, Rex Easterwood, Stan Liles, Earl Shields and Wiley Reynolds.

Honorary pallbearers were Martin Baptist Church deacons and Leon Ward.

The family requests memorials be to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.

C.B. Wilhelm

C.B. Wilhelm, 88, lifetime resident of Nazareth, died Sunday in Dimmitt.

Rosary was recited Tuesday evening at the GCD Building in Nazareth.

Funeral mass was celebrated Wednesday morning at Holy Family Church in Nazareth with the Rev. Jerry Stein, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Holy Family Cemetery under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mr. Wilhelm was born Aug. 13, 1910, in Nazareth. He lived his entire life in Nazareth. He was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus Council No. 2654. He was a farmer.

Survivors include numerous nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to Nazareth Museum Fund, P.O. Box 7, Nazareth 79063 or Nazareth Senior Citizens, P.O. Box 241, Nazareth 79063.

DATA Club sets car show

The Dimmitt Alumni Technology Association has set its annual car show for Sept. 19 and the Poker Run will be Sept. 18.

Entries for the car show will be accepted up until the show starts at 9 a.m. at the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

The Poker Run will start at 7 p.m. at the west parking lot at Dimmitt High School.

For more information, call Alene Thomas at 647-2208 or Don Moke at 647-4264.

Not all dinosaurs were huge. The smallest were about as big as chickens.



WHAT WONDERFUL THINGS TO SEE—Myra Hernandez, 4, daughter of Neomi and Antonio Hernandez of Dimmitt, looks over the goods at one of the booths at the 16 de septiembre Fiesta held in Dimmitt Saturday and sponsored by LULAC. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*



A SWIRL OF COLOR—A dancer from St. Patrick's Folklorico de Lubbock twirls the full hemline of her costume in a dance number at the 16 de septiembre Fiesta celebration in Dimmitt Saturday at the Expo building, sponsored by LULAC. *Photo by Linda Maxwell*

More about Family friends meet . . .

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daughter, Yvette. However, Yvette was accompanied by her husband, Martin, and his sister, Thérese Chauveau, a retired teacher who is acting as interpreter for the party.

Another family member who was on hand for the reunion was Earline Settle of Tennessee, Mildred's sister. Earline has most of the 81 years' worth of correspondence at her home in Tennessee.

"I am sure as long as we are living it (the correspondence) will go on ," Earline said. She said that her children also are interested in maintaining the connection, as is Yvette's son, who does the translating of the letters that are sent back and forth.

The families have exchanged photos, Christmas cards, and even gifts through the years, in addition to the letters. The letters have spoken of family events, the weather--even farm prices, just like any other family's letters. But this is only the second time any of the family members have actually met each other, not counting the WW I event.

Yvette's son comes to the US occasionally on business, and on one of his trips he met Earline in Nashville. Yvette and Martin had come to the US one time before, but they traveled with a tour group and only saw New York and other east coast sites. But now they know where Tennessee and Texas are and can "put them on a map."

After their visit here, they plan to spend a week in New Orleans before returning to France. They spent some time with Earline in Tennessee before they all flew to Texas.

Mildred said she planned to introduce the trio to Mexican food during their stay. They also will see the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum at Canyon and make a drive through Palo Duro Canyon.

"We like Texas very much," Thérese said, speaking for the French group. "We feel welcome, quite welcome."

"She said everything is all so big," Mildred reported.

Mildred said Martin is involved in agriculture back in France and he was very interested in seeing the farming operations around Dimmitt. She said they also saw the North Gin and a feed lot.

Mildred said she has not been to France yet, but added "they are already nagging" for a visit from her and Earline.

"The French people speak of America as the ones who helped France during the two World Wars. I don't know if American pupils know their ancestors helped us," Thérese said. "Yvette's family has always desired to meet American people, but language has been a barrier. American people do not speak French. It is not 'important' enough, perhaps."

However, the language barrier between the two families is not a very big one, with Thérese as interpreter, and with a history of shared experiences and affection spanning the past 81 years.

Growing up is after all only understanding that one's unique and incredible experience is what everyone shares. —*Doris Lessing*

What a heavy burden is a name that has become too famous.

—*Voltaire*

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(SPECIAL) -- A drug that is exciting researchers in the treatment of pain has been formulated into a new product known as **"Arthur Itis,"** and is being called a *"Medical Miracle"* by some, in the treatment of debilitating conditions such as arthritis, bursitis, rheumatism, painful muscle aches, joint aches, simple backache, bruises, and more. Although the mechanism of action is unclear, experiments indicate that **Arthur Itis,** relieves pain by first selectively attracting, and then destroying the messenger chemical which carries pain sensations to the brain, thus eliminating pain in the affected area. **Arthur Itis,** is available immediately without a prescription in an odorless, greaseless, non-staining cream or new roll-on lotion form. **Arthur Itis,** is guaranteed to work or your money back.

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More about 1:1

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There are rainbow trout, and then there are rainbow trout.

Back in June, Verbie and I went to Madison, Wis., for the baptism of our newest granddaughter, Danielle Therese Nelson, Dave's and Carol's daughter.

I took a week's vacation time, and before we left I checked the Internet and located some charter-boat services on the western shore of Lake Michigan.

Dave chartered the boat (out of Port Washington, just north of Milwaukee), and the day after Danielle's baptism, off we went—Dave, his father-in-law, Harry Syvertsen, Verbie and I—for six hours of deep-water trolling.

The first fish was Verbie's, and it was a humongous rainbow trout. The ship's captain identified the fish right after it hit the lure, and he was as excited as we were over such a big trout.

(I wouldn't even have known it was a rainbow. This rascal was so big that he had lost his pink body-stripe. He was solid silver, like a salmon.)

The captain said it was in the 8-12 pound class. We called it 10.

Then later, after we had landed a few nice (smaller) salmon, I reeled in another whopper of a rainbow trout.

(Verbie will try to tell you that hers was an inch longer than mine.)

Now, fast-forward to early July. We spent Verbie's birthday weekend at Red River, N.M., with my sister, Mary Burnham of Albuquerque.

The river fishing was sparse, especially for those of us who don't get to do it very often. (You really need to stay in practice and devote some serious time to it if you're going to fly-fish a river successfully.)

We fished hard the first time out, without any results.

The next afternoon we were out driving along the river, looking for a place to pull off and fish, when we came upon this pretty mountain lake. We decided to give it a try with our spincasting rigs.

Just for grins, I took a little wobbling spoon out of my tackle box. It was silver with red polka-dots on the back, and trailed a treble hook. I don't think I had ever caught anything with it, and I didn't have much faith in it. But just in case the lake-bottom was full of snags, it was a lure I wouldn't mind losing.

I caught two rainbow trout with it right away. One was 11 inches, the other 9 inches. Both were what fishers call "good pan size," but neither would weigh very close to a pound.

Although they were nothing like those Lake Michigan monsters, I was just as glad to have them.

★ *POWER POINTS FOOTBALL CONTEST* ★

'Grandpa' is surprise winner in Week 1

You could say that Joe Lynn Birkenfeld of Nazareth was the surprise winner in the first week's POWER POINTS Football Contest.

In fact, no one was more surprised than he was. He didn't even know he had entered.

As it turned out, his granddaughter, 9-year-old Lacey Acker, had filled out an entry form and put "Grandpa's" name on it.

It was the highest-scoring form of the week locally, with 126 of a possible 136 points, and it won this week's $20 local cash prize from the *News*.

In the statewide contest, Lubbock has been leading the way for four years, and Week 1 of the 1998 contest was no exception.

Three entrants, all from Lubbock, tallied perfect scores of 136. Craig Summers, Doris Lourey and Tommie Williams Jr. all had perfect scores and had to be separated by Tiebreaker 1—total points scored in the Dallas-Arizona game (48).

When the dust settled, Summers' guess of 45 was closest to the actual total, and he takes home the first of 17 weekly grand prizes of $1,000 cash.

This week's POWER POINTS Football Contest is on Page 8. To enter, just make your picks according to the rules, clip out the form and turn it in at the *News* office, 108 W. Bedford St., before 2 p.m. Friday. Good luck, and watch out for those grandkids!

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- 1st Annual Castro County 4-H Goat and Poultry Show
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- Pet Show
- Local Talent
- Fiddler's Contest and Jam Session
- Ground Beef Recipe Contest
- Food Booths
- Team Rodeo & Ladies Greased Pig Event
- Cow Patty Bingo
- Barbecue Supper
- Street Dance

Barbecue meal is Saturday night

A mouth-watering barbecue dinner will be catered by Dyers Barbecue Saturday night and the public is invited to attend.

The dinner will be served from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Saturday at the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

Tickets will be sold in advance for $6.50 for adults and $4.50 for children 12 and under. Meal tickets purchased at the dinner will be $7 for adults and $4.50 for children.

The meal will include barbecued sausage and beef, apricot preserves, beans, potato salad, coleslaw, bread and more.

During the meal, fiddlers who are scheduled to compete in the fiddle contest Saturday afternoon will gather for a fiddling jam session to entertain those at the barbecue.

The barbecue is being sponsored by the Castro Masonic Lodge #879.

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. . . last year's Harvest Days visitors enjoyed viewing the quilts on display.

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Fair Association and Chamber board plan Harvest Days events

Organizing the annual Castro County Fair and the Harvest Days activities is the responsibility of the Castro County Fair Association and the Chamber of Commerce directors.

Without their volunteer efforts, the annual Harvest Days celebration wouldn't be the success it is each year.

Members of the Fair Association are Brenda Bruton, Darlene Collins, Joyce Davis, Betty Freeman, Ann Henderson, Bill Henderson, Cathy Hill, Oneida Hutto, Emma Jean King, Doris Lust, Herb Mayfield, Faye Mohon, Marilyn Neal, Clara Patton, Barbara Sava, Bill Sava, Mattie Seale, Polly Simpson, Maria Sloan, Becky Stovall and Connie Wilhelm.

This year's officers are Bill Henderson, chairman; King, vice chairman; Hill, secretary; and Simpson, treasurer.

The county fair features several sections, and each is overseen by a superintendent. Those individuals are Mohon, baking section; Ann Henderson, canning section; Hutto, clothing section; Hill, craft section; Chamber of Commerce, exhibit section; King, farm and garden section; Seale, horticulture section; Bruton, photography section; and Lust and Davis, quilt section.

Early Settlers plan lunch and more Saturday

Reminiscing, good food and more will highlight the annual Early Settlers Reunion, planned for Saturday at the Dimmitt Senior Citizens Center.

Registration for the reunion is slated to begin at 10 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. Attendees will be able to view the Harvest Days Parade, which will pass in front of the center.

A noon meal will be served and local residents attending are asked to bring two covered dishes.

For more information about the reunion, call Wade and Walter Maynard at 647-3402.

Cow patty bingo draws much interest

One of the most popular attractions during the Harvest Days celebration Saturday afternoon will be a cow penned up in an area marked with 100 numbers in squares.

If and when the cow marks a spot, the person who has purchased that square will win $500.

The cow patty bingo is sponsored each year by the Castro County Fair Association and the pen will be set up on the east side of the Expo Building.

The 100 squares will sell for $10 each.

When all of the squares are sold, a cow will be released into the fenced area and will remain there until she leaves a "deposit" on one of the squares.

Holy Warriors to entertain crowd Saturday

The Holy Warriors, a Christian musical band featuring several county residents including Greg and Glenda Birkenfeld and Richard Herring of Nazareth, will perform Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on a stage north of the Expo Building.

The free outdoor concert is being sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

Usual, unusual pets will be paraded Saturday

Children of all ages will show off their favorite pets Saturday afternoon, hoping to catch the judge's eye in the annual Harvest Days Pet Show.

The annual pet show is sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce and will be held east of the Expo Building at approximately 1:15 p.m.

All animals entered in the show will be judged by local veterinarians and ribbons will be awarded to all participants.

Special awards will be given for Best of Show, Best Dressed Pet, Most Unusual Pet, Best Pet-Owner Look-Alike, etc.

There is no cost to enter a pet in the show and admission is free.

For more information, contact Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Bill Sava at 647-2524.

Tractor pull planned today

One of the favorite Harvest Days events for the younger generation is the pedal tractor pull, which draws children of all ages.

Competitors concentrate on keeping their tractors moving before the equipment is weighted down until it comes to a complete stop, signalling the end of the youngster's ride.

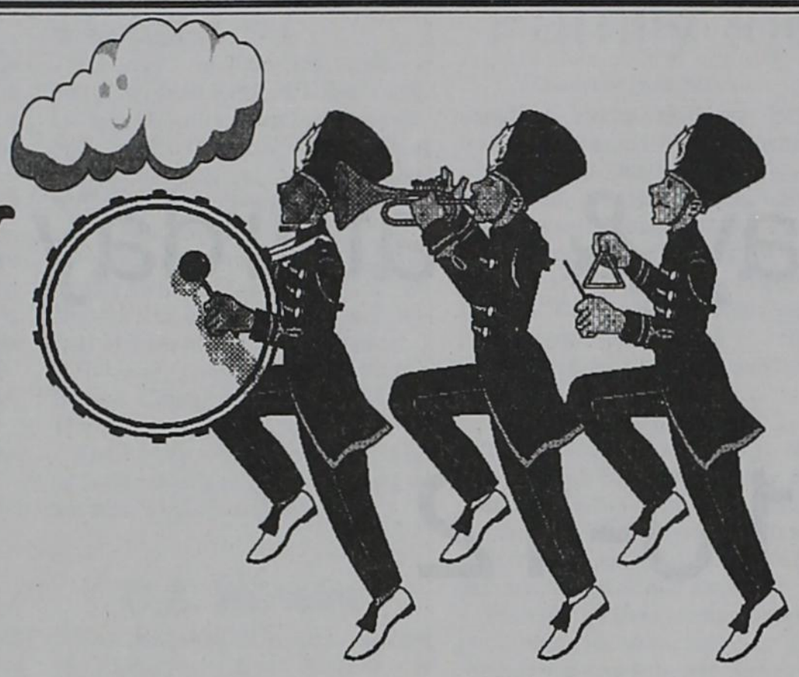
This year's pull will be held today (Thursday) in the 400 block of East Stinson, just north of the Expo Building.

Sponsored by the Dimmitt Kiwanis Club, registration for the event will begin at 3 p.m. and the pull is slated to start soon after.

Roy Ray of Lockney, chairman of the Texas Pedal Pullers Association, will direct the event and winners in each division will advance to the state pull.

For more information, contact Mike Huseman at 647-5169.

Don't miss the big HARVEST DAYS PARADE Saturday at 10 a.m.

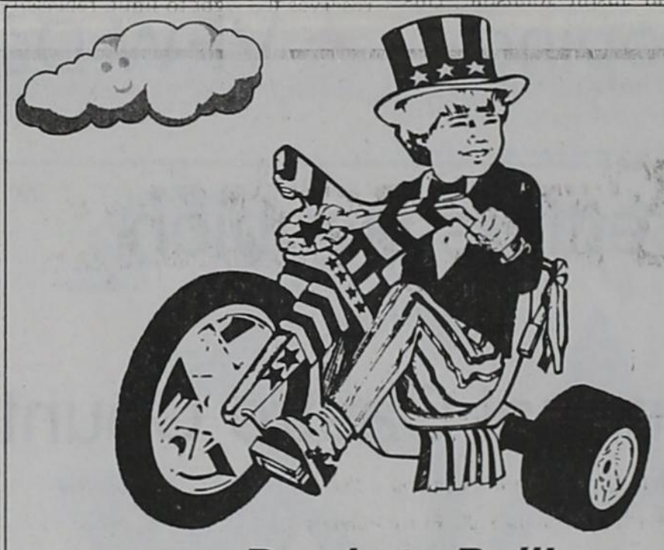


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TCFA names winners in junior fed beef challenge

If you work hard and do your best, the rewards will come. That's been one of the foundations upon which the cattle industry has stood, and a work ethic that has served cattlemen well.

The young men and women who participated in the 1998 Junior Fed Beef Challenge sponsored by the Texas Cattle Feeders Association (TCFA) learned first-hand ow true that statement is as they took home an array of prizes and premiums during the event, which was held Aug. 22 at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

The TCFA Junior Fed Beef Challenge is a program that allows students in 4-H or FFA to gain practical experience in the commercial feeding industry by feeding a pen of three steers, then competing on their knowledge of the cattle industry and the performance of their cattle.

This year, 33 students competed in the Senior Division, six competed in the Junior Division and six teams matched knowledge in the Team Challenge Division.

Overall champion and top scholarship winner in the Senior Division was Jacqueline Miller of Texline, who won a $2,000 scholarship. Joe Garren of DeKalb captured reserve champion overall and a $1,500 scholarship. Pam Mitchell of Memphis was first runner-up, winning a $1,000 scholarship.

The overall winners are determined by combining scores in four areas—written exam, oral interview, record book and carcass performance of the steers. A $500 cash award is given to the first-place winner in each area and plaques are awarded to second and third. In addition, each student who enters steers in the contest earns premium money.

In the senior division, Martin Mathis of Yeso, N.M., took first place in the written exam, followed by Cody Lawrence of Dalhart. Tyler Keeling of Hereford and Eric Lasley of Dalhart tied for third. While the written exam tests the student's knowledge of the industry, the oral interview tests their ability to think on their feet and their understanding of the cattle industry. Gerald Pasley of DeKalb took first in the interview, with Pam Mitchell capturing second and Victoria Patton of Roswell, N.M. taking third.

Sandra White of Memphis captured top honors in the record book competition followed by Dancey Hopping of Memphis in second and Roy McCracken of Stratford in third. In addition, TCFA awards $500 and plaques for the top first-year student in the program. This year, Pam Mitchell was named top rookie, followed by Sandra White and Eric Lasley.

In the individual carcass competition, Miller captured top honors with Pat Dodson of Texline taking second and Jocelyn Mitchell of Dalhart placing third. The award for top performing pen of three went to Joe Garren with McCracken finishing second and Miller placing third.

In the junior division, youngsters competed in the same four areas, vying for a $100 cash prize for first place and a plaque for second. Heath Barnett of Memphis was named the overall winner.

Cordi Ferguson of Sunray took top honors in the written exam, followed by Nicholas Odom of McLean. In the oral interview competition, Barnett was first and Odom was second. Barnett came back to win top honors for his record book and Ferguson was second.

In the carcass contest, Odom captured best individual carcass followed by Clint Hopping of Memphis in second. Odom also won the best pen of three title with Will Hughs of Friona nabbing second. Hopping won the live evaluation contest and Hughs was second. Hughs also captured top rookie honors.

Students also competed in the Team Challenge, where a team of two or three competes in a written exam and live evaluation. The top overall team hailed from Hereford and included Chad Christie, Jerad Johnson and Justin Johnson. This team also won the written exam competition.

Second-place overall honors and top honors in the live evaluation went to a team from Hooker, Okla., including Casey Adams and Jake Arnold.

Third-place written exam was entered by Lee Epperly, Lance Harrison and Kirby James of Hooker. Third-place honors in the live evaluation went to Colby Campbell and Nick Huxman of Hooker.



ARTS AND CRAFT SHOPPING . . . A fun feature of Harvest Days.
Photo by Linda Maxwell

Quilts to be displayed, judged at Expo Saturday

The creative talents of quilters from across the county will be displayed Saturday at the 11th annual Castro County Quilt Show, which will be held in the Expo Building.

All county residents are eligible to attend the quilt show and competition.

The show is sponsored by the Friendship Quilters Guild and the club and its representatives will make every effort to ensure the safety of all quilts. Security will be provided at all times. The Friendship Quilters Guild is not responsible for the loss, theft or damage of any quilt.

Quilts entered in Division I will be judged for technique, design, creativity and overall quality. First, second and third place ribbons will be awarded to the winners in each category. Special ribbons will be presented for "Judge's Award," "Best of Show" and "People's Choice."

Quilts that have won an award in a previous quilt show can only be displayed. These quilts will not be eligible for the judged competition.

Quilters will only be allowed to enter one quilt per category. If the quilt is the work of more than one person, written credit must be given to all responsible for its creation. The person who enters the quilt will be awarded the ribbon.

The quilt show superintendent reserves the right to limit, reclassify or disqualify entries.

Quilts entered in the competition or show may be sold.

Categories for this year's show are:

1. Children's (crib quilt or quilt made for children.
2. Combination technique (applique and pieced).
3. Embroidery and other needlework.
4. Group.
5. Hand applique (all methods).
6. Machine applique (all methods.
7. Machine quilted (all that are quilted by any machine).
8. Miniature quilts.
9. Pieced (hand-quilted only).
10. Quilts by youth (ages 17-under).
11. Quilt tops.
12. Small quilts and wall quilts (less than 60" x 90").
13. Specialized method (includes painted, cathedral windows and crazy quilts).

The world's greatest linguist is believed to have been Dr. Harold Williams of New Zealand, a journalist. As a boy, he spoke 58 languages and many dialects fluently. He was the only person to attend the League of Nations (1920-46) in Geneva, Switzerland and converse with every delegate in their own language.



Parade!

We urge you to come and enjoy the big Harvest Days Parade Saturday morning starting at 10 a.m.

We are proud to have provided concrete work for many homes, businesses and industries in our county and look forward to serving you in the future.

Dimmitt Ready Mix

Commercial and Residential Concrete Work • General Construction • Septic Tanks • Plumbing
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Thank You!

Our residents and staff are grateful for the Appreciation Reception which will be held for us Thursday from 10 to 11 a.m., as part of the Harvest Days celebration. It's a meaningful tribute to the county pioneers who live at Canterbury Villa.

Special thanks to the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce for sponsoring the reception, to executive director Bill Sava and chairman Debra Robertson, and to all others who helped.

We're proud to be part of this great county!

Canterbury Villa of Dimmitt

Here's Everything That's Happenin'!

Date & Time	Event	Location	Sponsored By	Contact
Thursday, September 10, 1998				
10:00 - 11:00 AM	Canterbury Villa Reception for Residents & Staff	Canterbury Villa - 1621 Butler	Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce	Debra Robertson, 647-3117
3:00 PM	Registration for Kids' Tractor Pull - Event Follows	400 Block of E. Stinson (North of Expo)	Dimmitt Kiwanis Club	Mike Huseman, 647-5169
Friday, September 11, 1998				
10:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Fair & Quilt Show Entries Due	Castro Co Expo Bldg - 403 SE 4th St	Castro Co Fair Assn/Quilters' Guild	M Neal, 647-4116/J. Davis, 647-2664
4:00 - 6:30 PM	Goat Roping - Registration and Event	Castro Co VFW Post - E Hwy 86/CR 515	Castro County VFW	Sam Hardy, 647-5760
8:00 PM	Dance $5.00 Couple or $3.00 Per Person	Castro Co VFW Post - E Hwy 86/CR 515	Castro County VFW	VFW, 647-2207
Saturday, September 12, 1998	**Castro County Fair**			
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Arts & Crafts Booths and Quilt Show	Castro Co Expo Bldg - 403 SE 4th St	Castro Co Fair Assoc/Chamber of Commerce	M Neal, 647-4116/B Sava, 647-2524
9:00 AM	Parade Line Up - Judging at 9:15 AM	See Castro County News - SE Dimmitt	Dimmitt Lions Club/Chamber of Commerce	Bill Sava, 647-2524
10:00 AM	Harvest Days Parade, Theme "A Field of Dreams"	SE 2nd to Bedford to Front to Jones to SE 2nd	Dimmitt Lions Club/Chamber of Commerce	Bill Sava, 647-2524
	Early Settlers Registration	Senior Citizens Center, 218 W. Jones	Early Settlers Organization	Wade & Walter Maynard, 647-3402
11:00 AM	Live Music by The Holy Warriors	North of the Expo	Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce	Bill Sava, 647-2524
	1st Annuel Castro County 4-H Goat & Poultry Show Opens (Animals Will Be Shown From 12:00 until 1:00 PM)	Livestock Barn #2 - South of Expo Bldg	Castro County 4-H	Benny Martinez, 647-4116
	Barrel Rides	North of Expo	Dimmitt Rotary Club	Bill Sava, 647-2524
12:00	Let's Eat! Food at the Fair: Hamburgers, Fajitas, Hot Dogs, Barbeque, Lemonade, Ice Cream, Stuffed Potatos - MORE			Bill Sava, 647-2524
	Early Settlers Reunion Lunch	Senior Citizens Center, 211 W. Jones St.	Early Settlers Organization	Wade & Walter Maynard, 647-3402
1:00 PM - "Showtime"	Cow Patty Bingo	East of Expo Bldg	Castro Co Fair Association	Brenda Bruton, 647-2285
	Ground Beef Recipe Contest	Expo Stage Area	Castro County Extension Office	Marilyn Neal, 647-4115
1:15 PM	Annual Pet Show for Kids of All Ages	East of Expo Bld	Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce	Bill Sava, 647-2524
1:45 PM	Gymnastics Exhibiiton	Expo Stage Area	Hart Elementary School/Dana Black	Bill Sava, 647-2524
2:30 PM	Local Talent	Expo Stage Area	Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce	Bill Sava, 647-2524
3:00	Fiddlers Contest	Expo Stage Area	Castro County Fair Association	Herb Mayfield, 647-5626
5:00 PM	Booths close and Fair Entries are to be picked up	Castro Co Expo - All Locations	Castro Co Fair Assn/Chamber of Commerce	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!!!
5:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Barbecue Supper Catered By Dyers Barbecue Fiddlers Jam Session	Castro Co Expo Bldg	Masonic Lodge #879	Bill Henderson, 647-4342
7:00 - ?	Team Rodeo & Ladies Greased Pig Event	Rodeo Arena	Castro Co 4-H Horse Judging Teams	S.Bagley,647-4780/J.McDaniel,647-3764
9:00 PM - Midnight	Street Dance Featuring "Southern Sky"	400 Block of E. Stinson (North of Expo)	Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce	Bill Sava, 647-2524

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Fair entries will be accepted on Friday

Entries for the Castro County Fair will be accepted at the Expo Building from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sept. 11.

Fair entries will be judged and will be on display during the Castro County Harvest Days Celebration, Sept. 10-12.

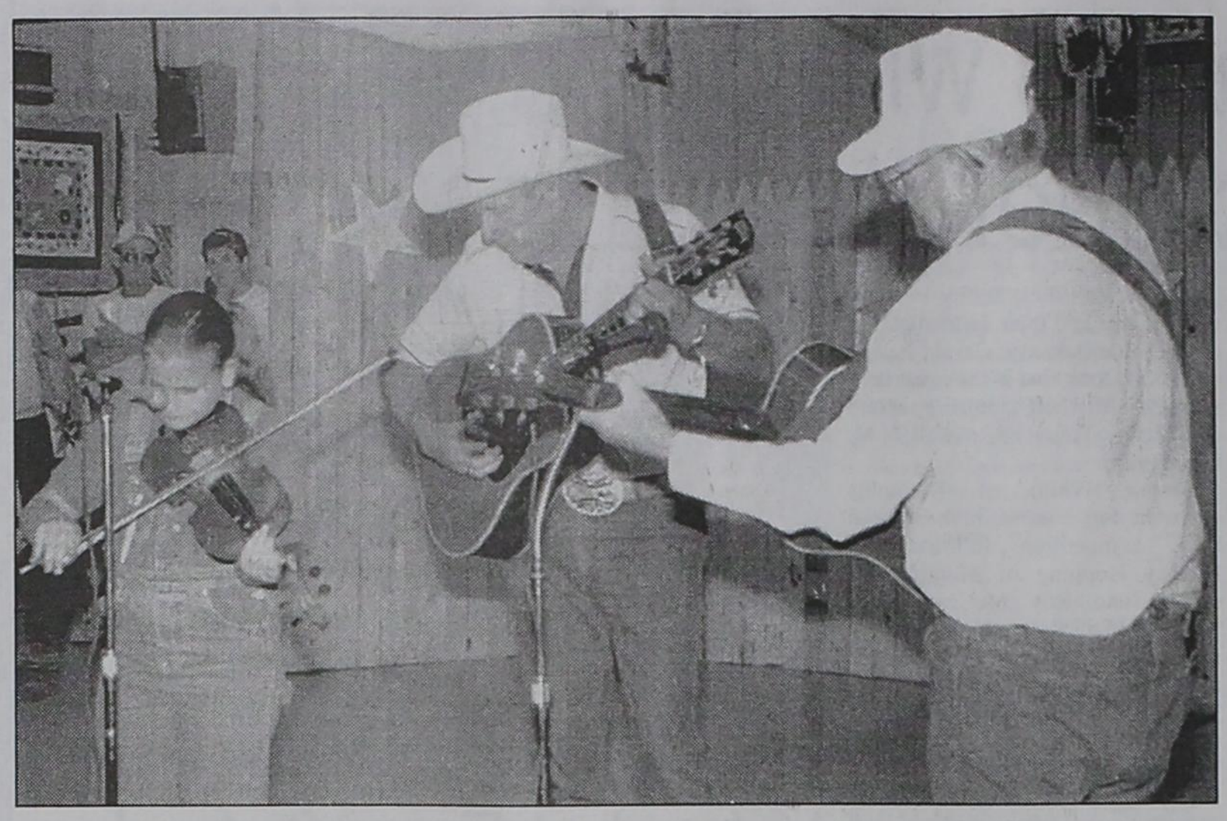
Anything you have made in the past year will fit into some category at the fair, and you are urged to enter that item or items in the county fair.

"It is important that you participate in the fair and support the county activities, said Marilyn Neal, Castro County Extension Agent.

Entry forms and official fair books can be picked up at the Extension office in Dimmitt.

"Your help will be needed at some time during the fair, so be sure to offer to help when you are asked," said Neal. "Remember, this is your county fair. Like all events, its success is dependent upon the willingness of people like you. No matter what your age, you have something to contribute to your community."

For ideas on how to help, call Neal at the Extension office, 647-4115.



MINDY PEARSON (left) concentrates on one of the three songs she played at last year's fiddle contest, held during the annual Harvest Days celebration. Pearson finished second in the 12 and under age division. *Photo by Anne Acker*

Fiddlers to be showcased in contest

Some of the most talented fiddle players in the area will perform double-duty Saturday afternoon, entertaining the Harvest Days crowd while competing for top prize money.

The annual fiddlers' contest has become one of the favorite events during the annual Harvest Days celebration. This year, the contest will begin at 3 p.m. on the Expo stage area. The contest is sponsored by the Castro County Fair Association.

Fiddlers competing range in age from young children to veterans, and the competition is split into age categories.

Entry fees range from $5 for children 12 and under to $10 for those 13 and over.

Cash prizes will be awarded to winners in the contest.

Those competing in the 12-and-under age group will be paid $25 for first place, $20 for second and $15 for third.

Winners in the 13-18-year-old group will receive $75 for first, $50 for second and $25 for third. Adults over 18 will win $150 for first, $100 for second and $75 for third.

Contestants will play three songs including a waltz, hoedown or breakdown and a tune of his or her choice.

Performers are asked to limit their show to six minutes and no amplified instruments will be allowed. No "show tunes," such as *Orange Blossom Special, Black Mountain Rag* or *Listen to the Mockingbird* will be accepted.

Those wishing to enter the fiddle contest should contact Herb Mayfield at 647-5526.

Immediately after the fiddle contest, a jam session will be held and anyone with any instrument is invited to join in the fun.

Here's where to line up for parade

A big parade will kick off Saturday's Harvest Days activities and this year's event promises to be filled with creative entries.

Those planning on entering floats or other things in the parade should line up at 9 a.m. Entries will be judged at 9:15 a.m. and the parade is slated to start at 10 a.m.

The parade will travel north from the post office along Southeast Second to Bedford, then will head west down Bedford to Front Street. It will turn east along Jones, and end up at Southeast Third.

Here's where you should line up for the parade:

Parade Traditionals, like the city polic, color guard, parade marshals, county judge, mayors and city officials of Dimmitt Hart and Nazareth, the sheriff and firemen's truck will be lined up from the Post Office at 205 Southeast Second to the south along that street.

Those on **bicycles** in the parade are asked to meet in the fenced area by C&S Battery, Inc.

The **Bobcat Band** is asked to line up on Belsher Street, south of the Post Office.

Those with **club and organizational floats** should meet at Dimmitt Equipment Company, 411 Southeast Second.

Riding individuals and clubs should line up on Stinson, south of C&S Battery, Inc.

Three wheelers and motorcycles will line up on Stinson and willow the riding clubs in the parade.

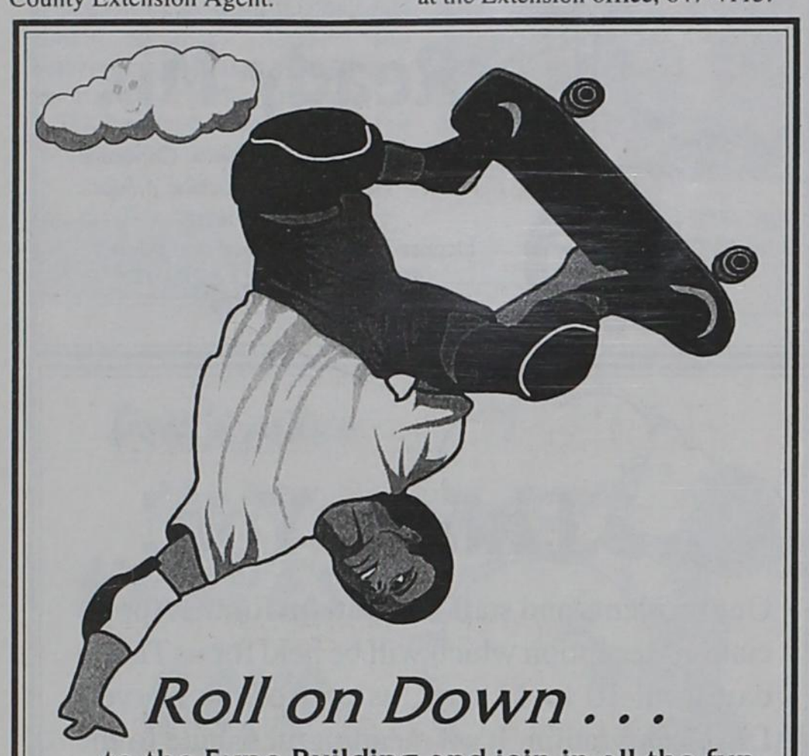
Commercial floats should line up along Southeast Third Street between Belsher and Stinson behind C&S Battery, Inc.

Antique cars and tractors will line up in front of Gary's Engine & Machine at 207 Southeast Second.

Horses and riders will line up on Belsher, just south of Gary's Engine & Machine.

Other tractors and farm equipment will meet on Southeast Fourth Street, west of the Expo Building.

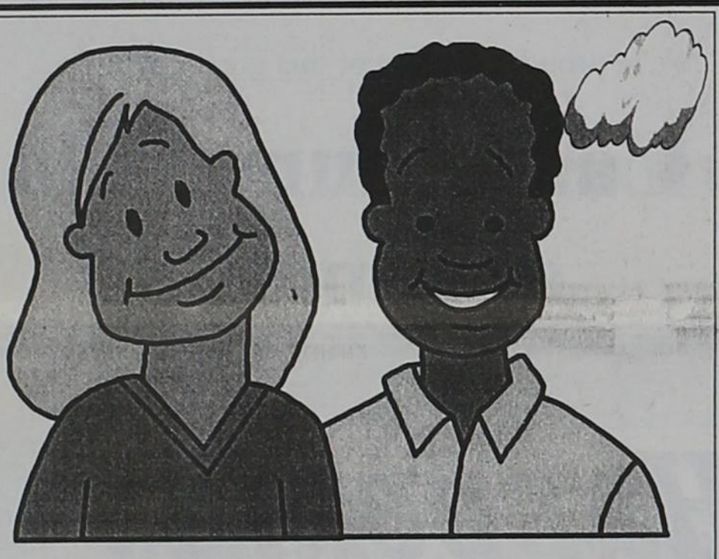
Miscellaneous and unique entries such as Khiva clowns, victory bells, etc., will meet in the parking lot at High Plains Oil Co.



Roll on Down . . .

. . . to the Expo Building and join in all the fun at the annual Castro County Harvest Days celebration.

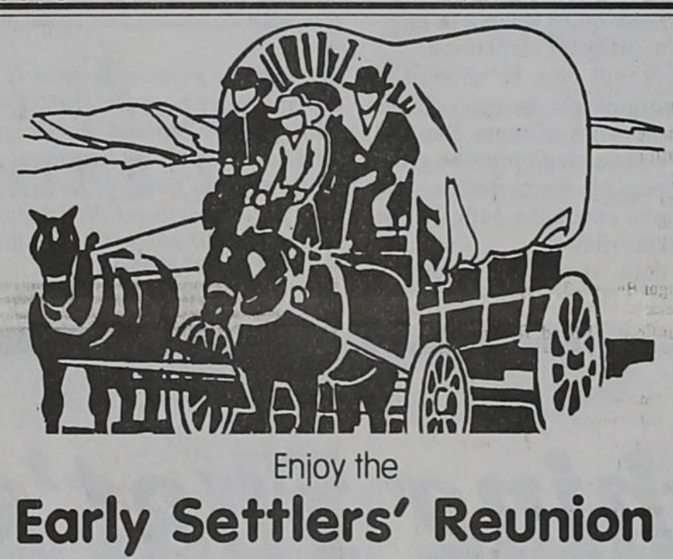
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To "insure" you'll have a really good time, get out and enjoy Harvest Days!

Castro County Farm Bureau

304 N. Broadway, Dimmitt 647-5106



Enjoy the

Early Settlers' Reunion

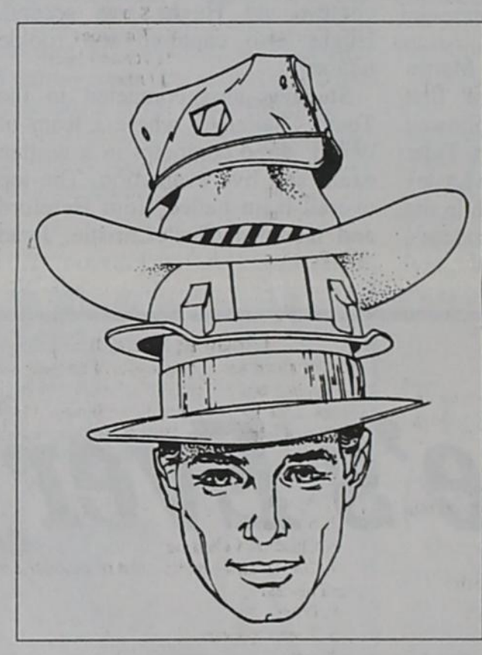
SATURDAY

Registration ..... 10 a.m.
Covered Dish Lunch ..... 12 noon
Business Meeting After Lunch

We're proud that Castro County's first homestead was at Flagg. And we're proud of ALL the pioneers who built our county!

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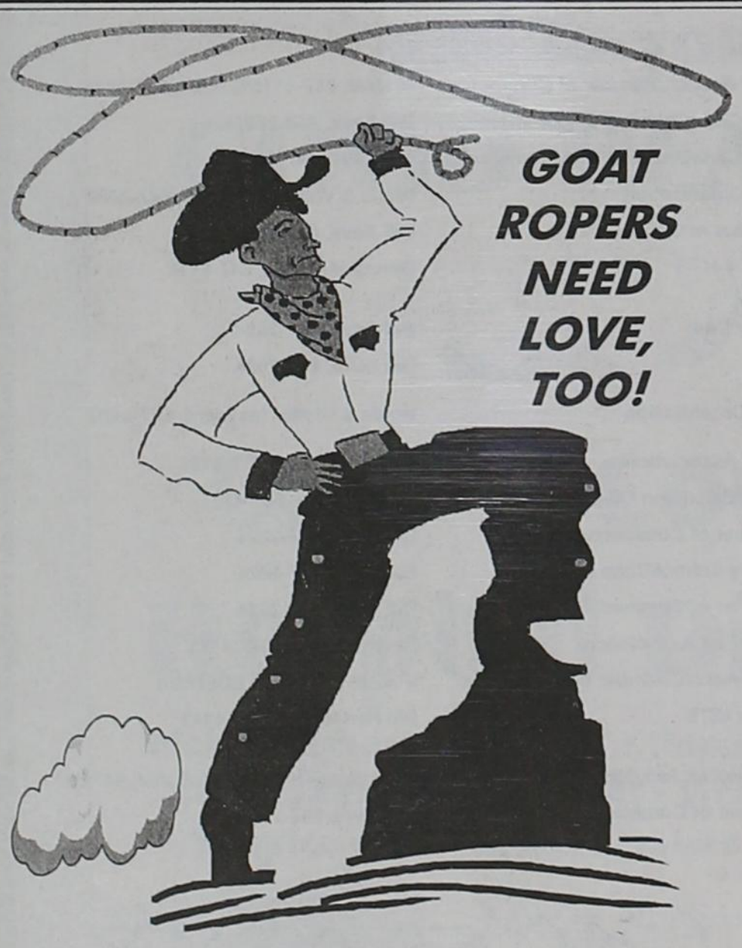
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No matter what kind of hat you wear ...

... you'll enjoy the County Fair and the Harvest Days events.

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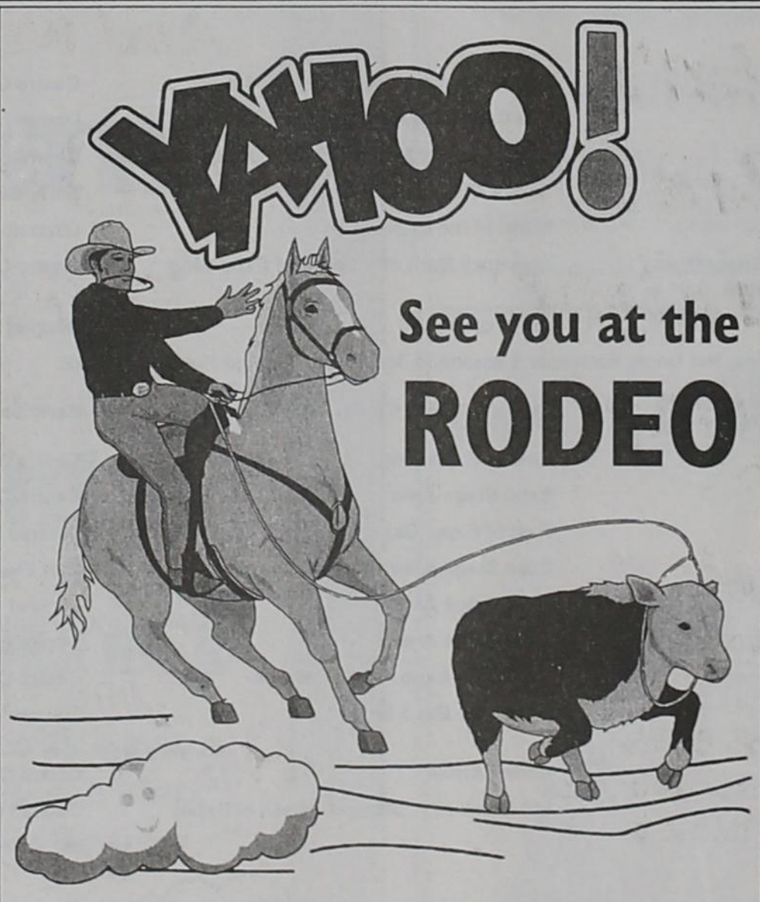


GOAT ROPERS NEED LOVE, TOO!

Head to the Castro Memorial VFW Post east of Dimmitt for the Goat Roping Friday from 4 to 6:30. You'll love our local goat ropers—and they need it.

And don't miss the VFW Dance Friday night at 8 p.m.

Bar G Feedyard



See you at the RODEO

Join us for the Team Rodeo and Ladies Greased Pig Event Saturday evening at 7 at the Dimmitt Rodeo Arena. These events are being sponsored by the Castro County 4-H Horse Judging Team.

Our best wishes to all the cowboys and cowgirls who will be competing.

Dimmitt Consumers, Inc.

217 E. Bedford 647-4134

KIDS! Test your strength in the

TRACTOR PULL

Thursday at 4 p.m.
north side of Expo Building

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All children 4 through 12 eligible
Boys vs. Boys, Girls vs. Girls
in nine age divisions

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Registration begins at 3 p.m.,
at Tractor Pull station
on north side of Expo Building

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Conducted by Dimmitt Kiwanis Club
Tractors from Texas Pedal Pullers Association

Dimmitt Printing & Office Supply

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Here's how to enter the Castro County Fair

CASTRO COUNTY FAIR
COUNTY EXPO BUILDING
SEPT. 12, 1998

Fair exhibits should be labeled before they are entered in the fair.

Friday, Sept. 11, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.: All entries due for fair exhibits. Judging begins at 6:30 p.m, quilts start at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 12, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.: Viewing of all exhibits at the fair. Pick up exhibits. (All items must stay on display until 4:30 p.m.

General rules and Regulations.

1. Exhibitors in the Fair must be residents of Castro County. Anyone age 18 or under and single is in the Youth Division. Adults will be 19 and over.
2. EACH PERSON MUST DO HIS OR HER OWN WORK. The entry may not have been judged in a previous Castro County Fair.
3. The superintendents in each section who are in charge of entries reserve the right to accept or reject entries, depending on conditions for suitability for exhibit.
4. You may enter only ONE article in each class. Superintendents have final decision on classification.
5. Entries must be entered as listed in each division from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 11.
6. Exhibitors' items must remain on exhibit until 4:30 p.m. on Saturday. Cash awards and/or items should be picked up Saturday.
7. All articles not removed from the building by 5:30 p.m. on Saturday will become the property of the Fair Association and will be disposed of by the Association.
8. All articles must be labeled with your name in an inconspicuous place.
9. Label all entries with your NAME, SECTION, CLASS and DIVISION. Entry tags may be picked up at the Extension Office two weeks prior to the fair. This will speed up your entry process.
10. There will be five (5) ribbons given, per class.

Cash Awards must be picked up within 30 days at the Extension Office. Best of Show, $5; First Place, ribbon and $1; Second place, ribbon and 50¢. For more information contact the Extension Office, 100 E. Bedford, Dimmitt, Texas 79027; or Marilyn R. Neal, County Extension Agent Family and Consumer Sciences at 647-4115.

Baking Section

1. Products may have been frozen, but it is NOT necessary. Thaw at room temperature in packaging materials to be ready for judging.
2. Display products on FOIL-COVERED CARDBOARD AND WRAP WITH CLEAR PLASTIC WRAP. If not displayed in this manner, your food will be disqualified. PIES SHOULD BE IN FOIL PANS. Cream pies may be taken after they are judged.
3. No commercial mixes, unless decorated cake entry.
4. Note the number of items required for each entry.

Class Number and Amount

1. Cookie Bars/Squares—6.
2. Biscuits—6.
3. Brownies, any kind—6.
4. Candy, any kind—6.
5. Candy, molded, any kind—6.
6. Cinnamon Rolls—6.
7. Cookies, any kind—6.
8. Cornbread, any kind—6 pieces.
9. Hot rolls—6.
10. Muffins—6.
11. Cake: coffee, decorated (mix accepted), plain iced, pound, specialty (i.e. German Chocolate, Italian Cream).
12. Pies: cream, fruit, nut, other.
13. Quick bread (whole loaf).
14. Yeast bread: white, whole wheat, other (whole loaf).

Home Food Preservation Standards Canned Products

General Requirements

1. All entries must have been canned by person making entry.
2. All food entries should have been canned within the last food preservation season.
3. All vegetables (EXCEPT TOMATOES) and meats should have been processed in a pressure canner at recommended pressure for the recommended times according to the current USDA Recommendations.
4. All fruits, fruit juices, jams, jellies, preserves, pickles, relishes, marmalades, butters and conserves should have been processed in a boiling water canner for recommended times according to the current USDA recommendations.
5. All tomatoes and tomato juices should have been processed according to recommendations in the current USDA guides.
6. All entries should be in standard canning jars in good condition with new self-sealing lids and jar rings free of dust, dents or other defects. All jars should be clean and free of dust. Any entries not canned in standard canning jars or lids will be disqualified.
7. All jars should be neatly packed with recommended head space and liquid covering product (if appropriate).
8. Jars should be sealed when tested by judges. Any jar not sealed will be automatically disqualified.
9. There will be no signs of spoilage such as leaky seals, bubbles, bad odors, cloudy liquid, sediment or mold.
10. All jars should be neatly labeled with name of product and canning date.
11. For information on quality canning standards, call the County Extension Office at 647-4115.

Canned Fruits & Vegetables

All canned products (except jelly and preserves) must be in standard square or round pint or quart glass tempered (mason) jars. Mayonnaise and other commercial jars are not to be used. Jelly and preserves may be in standard pint or half-pint jars. Jellies, jams and preserves must be processed and NOT paraffin-sealed.

Class Numbers

FRUITS:
1. Apples
2. Applesauce
3. Apricots
4. Cherries
5. Fruit Juice
6. Peaches
7. Pears
8. Other

JAMS, JELLIES & PRESERVES:
9. Apple
10. Apple Butter
11. Apricot
12. Cherry
13. Grape
14. Peach
15. Pear
16. Plum
17. Strawberry
18. Tomato Preserves
19. Other

PICKLES:
20. Beets
21. Bread & Butter
22. Chow-Chow
23. Cucumber-Swt
24. Cucumber-Dill
25. Hot Sauce
26. Okra
27. Peach
28. Pepper
29. Picante
30. Relish
31. Corn Relish
32. Tomatoes
33. Other

VEGETABLES:
34. Asparagus
35. Beans (Green)
36. Beans (Lima)
37. Beans (Shelled)
38. Beets
39. Carrots
40. Corn
41. Okra
42. Peas (Black-eyed)
43. Peas (English)
44. Potatoes
45. Sauerkraut
46. Soup Mix
47. Squash
48. Tomatoes
49. Tomato Juice
50. Other

DRIED FOODS:
51. Apples
52. Apricots
53. Bananas
54. Grapes
55. Peaches
56. Pears
57. Plums
58. Prunes
59. Other

Clothing Section

All garments must be clean and on hangers. Age groups are: Junior I, 9-11 (at time of fair); Junior II, 12-13 (at time of fair); Senior (14-18 (at time of fair); Adult, 19 and over (at time of fair).

1. Apron
2. Blouse
3. Children's clothing
4. Coordinates—pants, skirt or blouse (2 or more pieces)
5. Dress
6. Evening Wear
7. Hat
8. Holiday apparel—adult or children
9. Jumpsuit
10. Men's suit
11. Pants
12. Shirt
13. Shorts
14. Skirt
15. Suit
16. Vest
17. Other

Craf Section

1. Afghan—Crocheted, Knitted, Other
2. Applique
3. Baskets—Hand-woven, Padded, Other
4. Calligraphy
5. Ceramics
6. China Painting
7. Crochet
8. Cross Stitch
   Counted—A. Baby Items; B. Pictures, C. Home Accessories
   Pattern/Kit—D. Baby Item; E. Pictures; F. Home Accessories
9. Dolls, any Kind.
10. Doll Clothes
11. Decorated Shirt—Applique, Painted, Other.
12. Drawing—Pastels, Pen and/or Ink, Pencil, Other
13. Embroidery—Crewel, Punch, Other
14. Jewelry
15. Knitted Items
16. Leather
17. Needlepoint
18. Painting—Acrylic, Oil, Paper, Tole, Water Color.
19. Pastels—Chalk
20. Pillows—Applique, Candlewick, Needlepoint, Quilted.
21. Place Mats—Quilted, Other.
22. Rugs—Hooked, Braided.
23. Stained Glass
24. Stenciling—Fabric, Paper
25. Stuffed Animals.
26. Tablecloths—Applique, Crochet, Embroidery, Holiday, Pieced, Other.
27. Tatting
28. Wood—Crafted, Hand-Crafted, Painted, Other
29. Wreaths other than Christmas
30. Christmas wreaths
31. Angels—Ceramics, Other
32. Holiday centerpiece
33. Nativity set
34. Ornaments—Ceramics, Other
35. Outdoor decorations
36. Stockings—Counted Cross Stitch, Pattern Cross Stitch, Crochet, Felt, Knit, Needlepoint, Other.
37. Trees—Ceramic, Other.
38. Tree Skirts—Felt, Patchwork, Other.
39. Holiday Items—Other than Christmas
40 Paper crafts

Farm and Garden Section

Corn: 6 ears for each exhibit (no shucks)
1. Blue
2. Indian
3. Popcorn
4. White
5. Yellow

Cotton: 10 open bolls
6. Open Variety
7. Storm Proof

Grain Sorghum: 10 heads
8. Milo (red hybrid or white hybrid)

Sheaf Forage: at least 3-1/2" diameter
9. Alfalfa
10. Irrigated Pasture
11. Millet
12. Soybeans
13. Sudan
14. Sweet Sorghum

Small Grains and Seeds:
15. Alfalfa
16. Barley
17. Castor Oil
18. Corn
19. Grass Seed
20. Milo
21. Millet
22. Oats
23. Rye
24. Sesame
25. Sudan
26. Wheat
27. Other

Sugar Beets:
28. Sugar Beets—3, topped

Sunflowers:
29. Sunflower, 1 head, field variety
30. Sunflower, 1 head, garden variety

Fruits:
31. Apples—3
32. Grapes, bunch
33. Peaches—3
34. Pears—3
35. Plums—6
36. Strawberries, pint
37. Other

Vegetables:
38. Beans, Shelled, 1 quart
39. Beets—6
40. Bell Peppers—3
41. Broccoli—3
42. Cabbage—1
43. Cantaloupe—1
44. Carrots—6
45. Cauliflower—1
46. Cucumbers—3
47. Gourds—3
48. Green Beans—12
49. Honey Dew—1
50. Irish Potatoes—6
51. Lettuce—1 head
52. Okra—6
53. Onions—3
54. Peas , shelled, 1 quart
55. Peppers—6
56. Pumpkin—1
57. Rhubarb—6
58. Summer Squash Green or Yellow—3
59. Winter Squash Green or Yellow—3
60.—Sweet Potatoes, 6
61. Tomatoes—6
62. Turnips—3
63. Watermelon—1
64. Other

Horticulture Section

1. African violet
2. Floral arrangement
3. Flower, one stem
4. Potted plant
5. Other

Photography Section (Professional and Amateur)

1. A person may enter only one (1) picture in each class, except one set of sequences.
2. Each entry must be mounted separately.
3. Only mounted pictures will be accepted (heavier than construction paper for displays. DO NOT MOUNT ON WHITE.
4. Pictures will be judged on impact, technique and composition.

Snapshots: 3-1/2 x 5 or 4 x 6
1. Animals
2. Building
3. Landscape
4. People
5. Sequence *
6. Sports
7. Still Life
8. Transportation
9. Other

Enlargements: 5 x 7 or larger
11. Animals
12. Buildings
13. Landscape
14. People
14. Sequence *
16. Sports
17. Still Life
18. Transportation
19. Other

** 3 or 4 photos telling a story.*

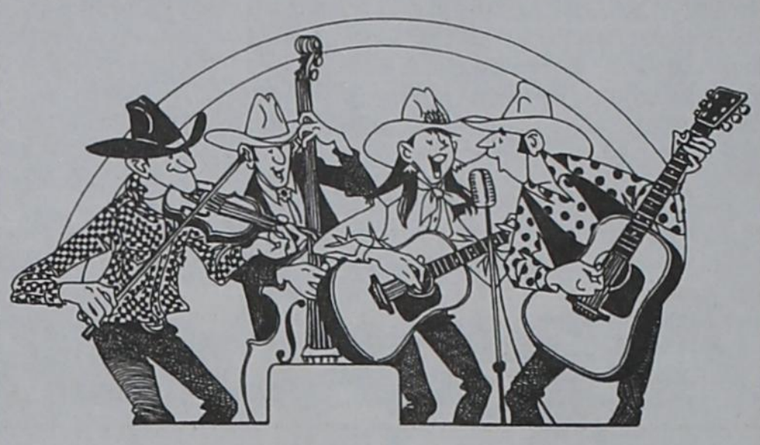
Antiques: For display ONLY.

Barrel rides will provide fun for kids

Children are expected to flock to the barrel rides which will be given Saturday during the Harvest Days celebration.

The rides will begin north of the Expo Building, with the first train due to depart around 11 a.m. Rides will continue through the afternoon.

The barrel rides are being sponsored by the Dimmitt Rotary Club.



Livey music for your entertainment at the

Fiddlers' Contest

sponsored by the Castro County Fair Association starting Saturday at 3 p.m. and enjoy the

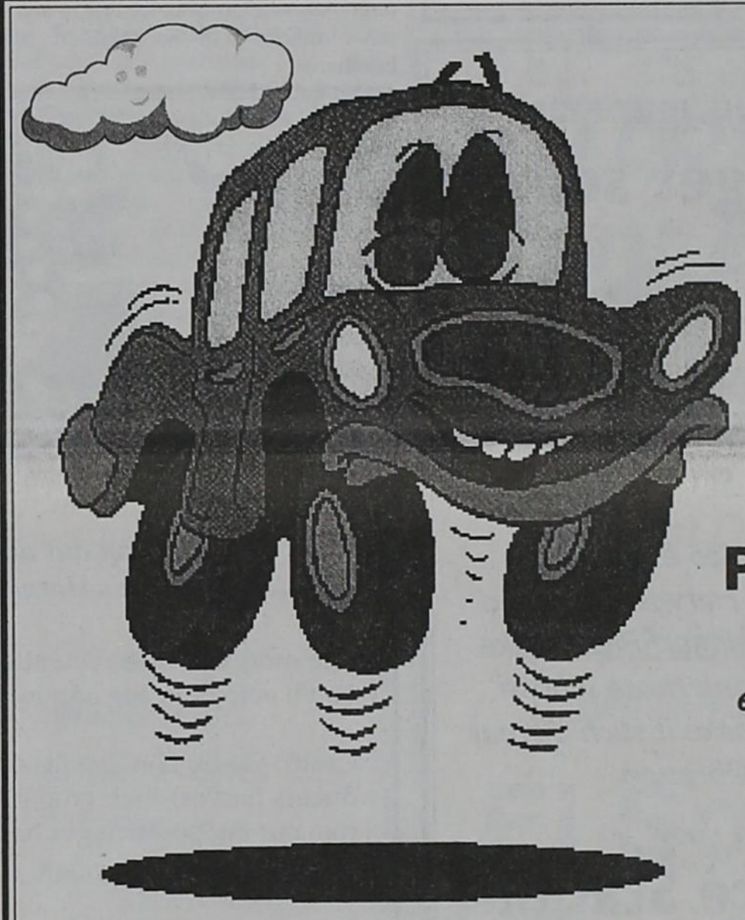
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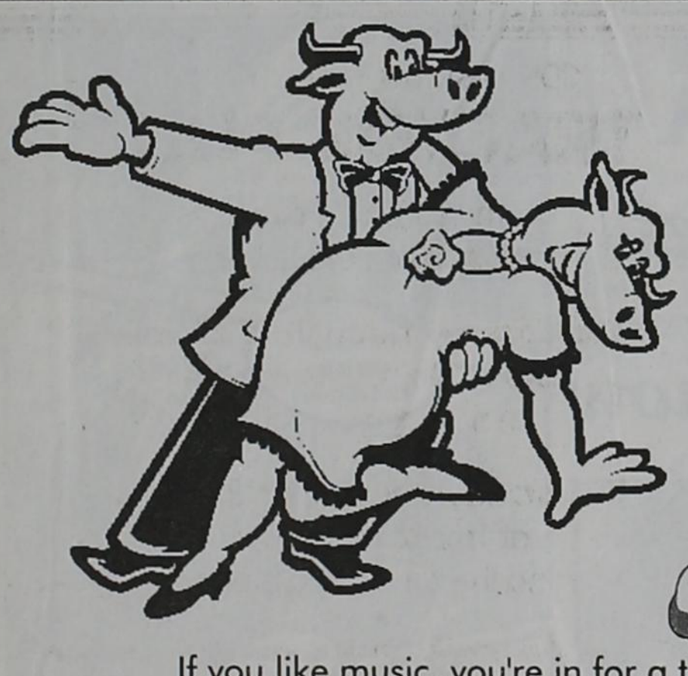
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Culinary experts return to Tri-State Fair contests

A secret family recipe will earn a Panhandle cook hundreds of dollars, while bystanding fair goers will be subjected to the tantalizing tastes and culinary delights that fill the air of fair with the tempting aroma of homemade goodies.

The 75th annual Tri-State Fair returns with its favorite culinary contests

The nation's "Best SPAM" recipe contest returns to the fair for its fourth consecutive year. Winners earn the chance to compete at state and national competitions, and the first-prize winner receives $100 The Tri-State Fair SPAM contest will be judged Sept. 19 at 6 p.m.

Sample the work of participants in the homemade ice cream contest, which is also returning for its fourth year. Held on Family Fun Day, Sept. 20, at 2:30 p.m., fair goers get to eat the treats when the judging is completed.

Creativity earns the victory in the Softasilk Championship Cake Contest held Sept. 22 at 6 p.m. Bakers must use Softasilk cake flour and the most creative, delicious cake will take home the prize.

The Lean Ground Beef Contest provides cooks a chance to enter their ground beef recipes for a chance at $500. Held on Beef Education Day, Sept. 23, at 5:30 p.m., the contest features entries that use no less than two pounds of ground lean beef (ground round or ground loin) submitted with a recipe and three facts about beef, including one each on beef preparation, nutrition and food safety.

The "Bread from a Bread Machine Contest" is back by popular demand and will be held Sept. 25 at 6 p.m. Exhibitors will enter one loaf of any variety yeast bread made from start to finish in an electric bread machine.

The VIP's Apple Pie Contest returns this year. Scheduled for Sept. 26 at 6 p.m., bakers must bring a regular two-crust apple pie to the fair for judging.

All culinary competitions will be held in the Art and Agriculture Building on the Tri-State Fairgrounds. Exhibitors must enter through Gate 2, located on 10th Street and Grand Avenue.

For more information, contact the Tri-State Fair Office, P.O. Box 31087, Amarillo 79120 or call (806) 376-7767.

Fair food is favorite among all

One of the favorite activities of any fair is the variety of foods available, and this year's county fair will feature anything your heart desires.

Hamburgers, fajitas, hot dogs, barbecue, stuffed potatoes and more will be among the main courses offered, while lemonade, ice cream and other snacks will be featured in booths.

Junior Ranch Rodeo is Sept. 24 in Amarillo

The nation's rankest stick broncos, fasted wooden horses and meanest mutton busters meet in a showdown at the Tri-State Fairgrounds.

Only the toughest little wranglers will walk away with the title of rodeo champion.

The Tri-State Fair plays host to the second annual National Finals Junior Ranch Rodeo on Sept. 24 at 7:30 p.m.

Contestants between the ages of 4 and 12 compete in five different events—barrel racing, cow doctoring, the calf scramble, pony express race and mutton busting for a chance to fulfill their gold buckle dreams.

Each contestant will receive an official National Finals Junior Ranch Rodeo t-shirt. The top three winners in each event earn championship plaques, with the all-around cowpoke in each age category taking home their own trophy buckle.

Last year's event saw 60 of the Panhandle's smallest cowboys and cowgirls competing on 15 teams.

"1997 was the first year for the event and the kids had a lot of fun," said Cheri Christensen, the fair's general manager. "We hope to have even more fun this year with more contestants and more awards."

Contestants may enter as teams or individuals. Entries are limited to the first 10 individuals or teams in each event, so hurry to get your entry forms in. For more information contact the Tri-State Fair office at (806) 376-7767.

Canterbury Villa plans reception

A reception for the residents and staff at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt will be held today (Thursday) as part of the Harvest Days celebration.

The reception will be held from 10 to 11 a.m. at the nursing home, located at 1621 Butler Blvd.

The event is being sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

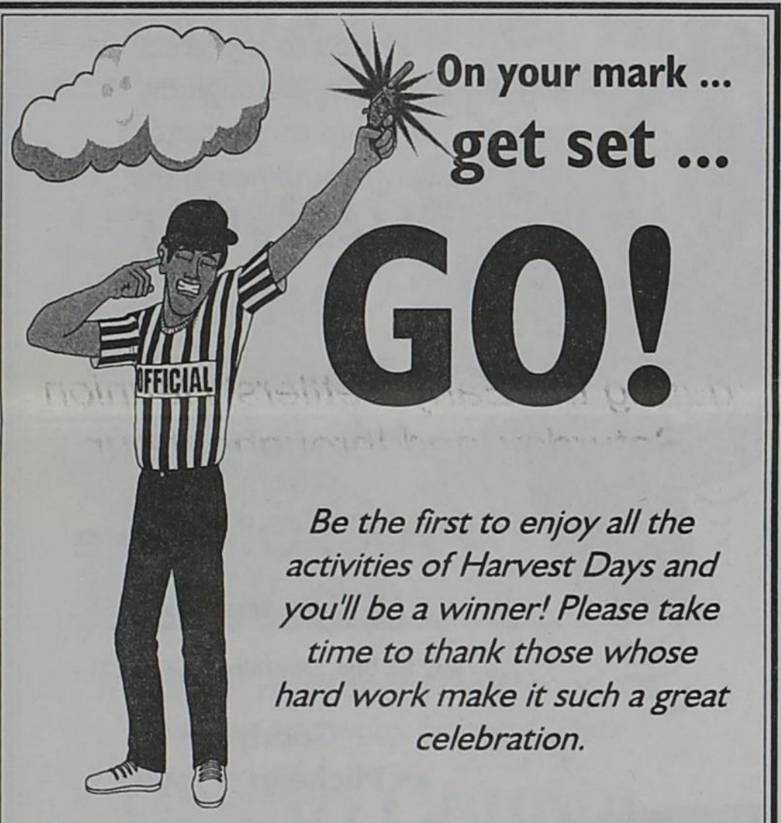
For more information, contact Debra Robertson at 647-3117.

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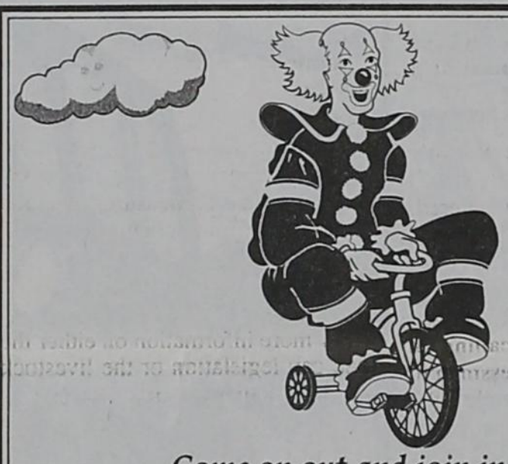
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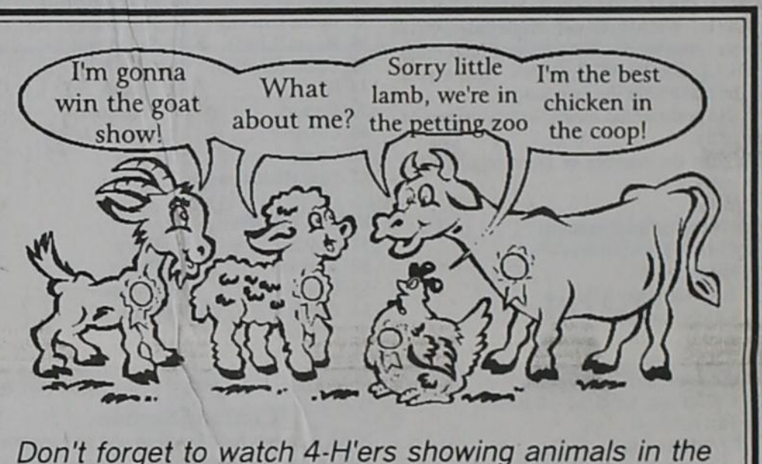
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Saturday at 12 noon in the Quonset Barn adjacent to the Expo Building

Also, kids can enjoy a **Petting Zoo** during the show

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We hope you have the biggest and best Harvest Days celebration ever.

Attend and take part in all the events you can—Canterbury Villa Reception • Goat Roping • Dance • County Fair • Arts & Crafts Booths • Quilt Show • Parade • Early Settlers Reunion Lunch • Live Music by The Holy Warriors • 4-H Goat & Poultry Show • Barrel Rides • Cow Patty Bingo • Ground Beef Recipe Contest • Pet Show • Gymnastics Exhibition • Local Talent • Fiddlers Contest • Barbecue Supper • Fiddlers Jam Session • Team Rodeo & Ladies Greased Pig Event • Street Dance.

It's all been planned for your enjoyment. We hope to see you there.

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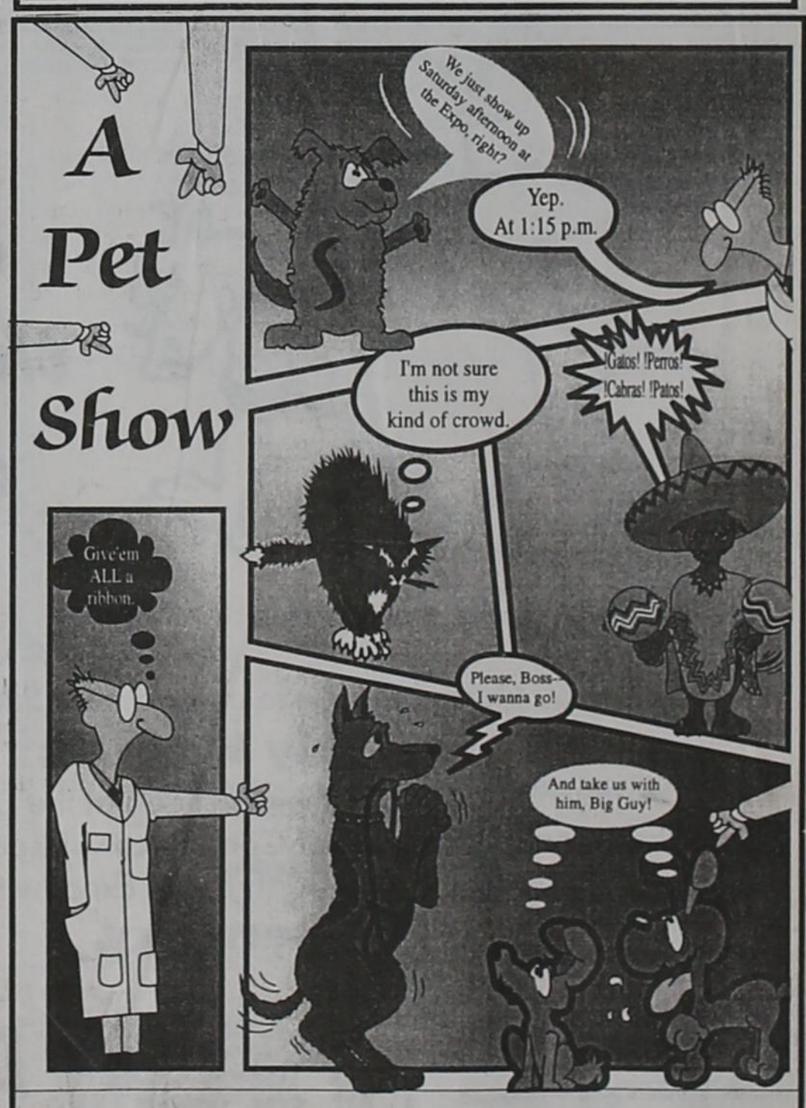


Don't Miss Chow Time!

"Chow Time" is just about anytime you want it to be during Harvest Days.

Shop around the Expo Building area for the food of your choice for lunch or a snack: Hamburgers, Fajitas, Hot Dogs, Barbecue, Lemonade, Ice Cream, Stuffed Potatoes, and much more!

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Ground beef contest added to Harvest Days

Just about everyone in this area is aware that the beef industry has a major economic impact on Castro County.

To recognize the importance of beef in the West Texas area, the Castro County Extension Service and area cattle feeders are sponsoring the first annual Castro County Fair Lean Ground Beef Contest.

The contest will be held Saturday at the Expo Building.

At 1 p.m., contestants are asked to bring their prepared ground beef dishes to the stage area at the Expo Building for judging.

Entries will be judged on nutrition and food safety knowledge, presentation and taste.

First-, second- and third-place winners will receive $75, $50 and $25 beef gift certificates, respectively.

The first-place winner will have the honor of officially representing Castro County at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo.

Rules for the contest are as follows:

✦ Use no less than two pounds of lean ground beef (ground round or ground loin).

✦Prepare wholesomely, folowing food safety and sanitation principles.

✦ Present food attractively.

✦ Bring to contest site HOT or COLD, as appropriate.

✦ Submit recipe and three facts about beef, including one each on beef preparation, nutrition and food safety to be judged for accuracy.

✦ Only one entry will be allowed per family.

✦ Entry and recipe will admit contestant.

Stop by the Extension office in the basement of the courthouse or call 647-4115 for printed rules and safety and nutritional information.

VFW to hold goat roping, dance Friday

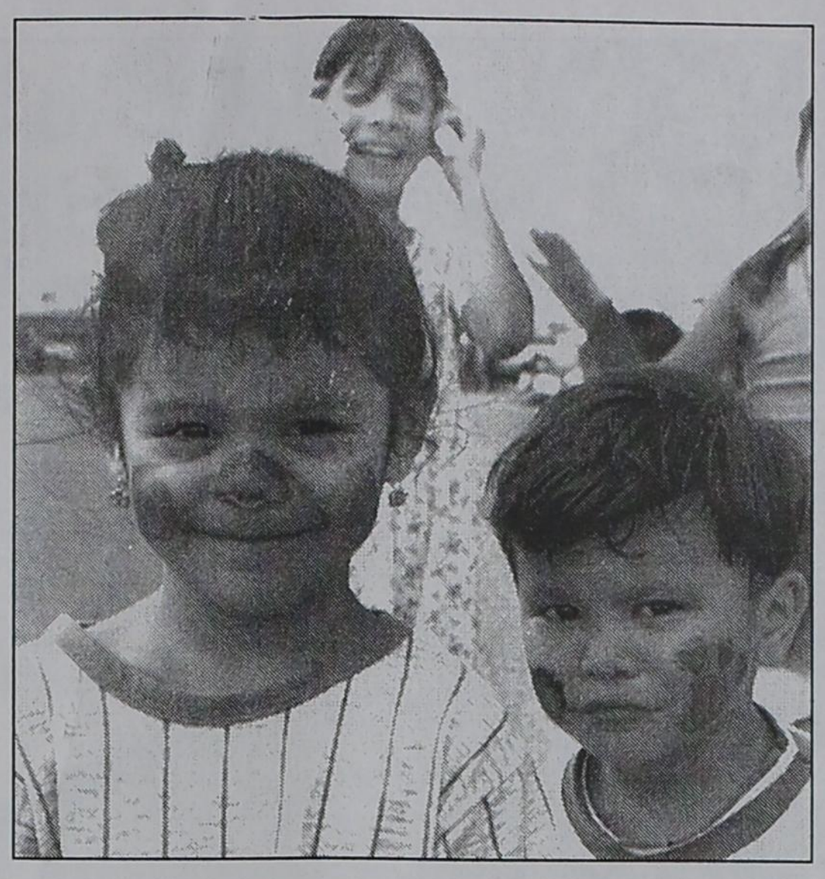
The Castro County VFW will sponsor a goat roping competition and a dance Friday during the Harvest Days celebration.

The goat roping event will begin with registration at 4 p.m.

Winners in the roping will be presented with a pair of spurs.

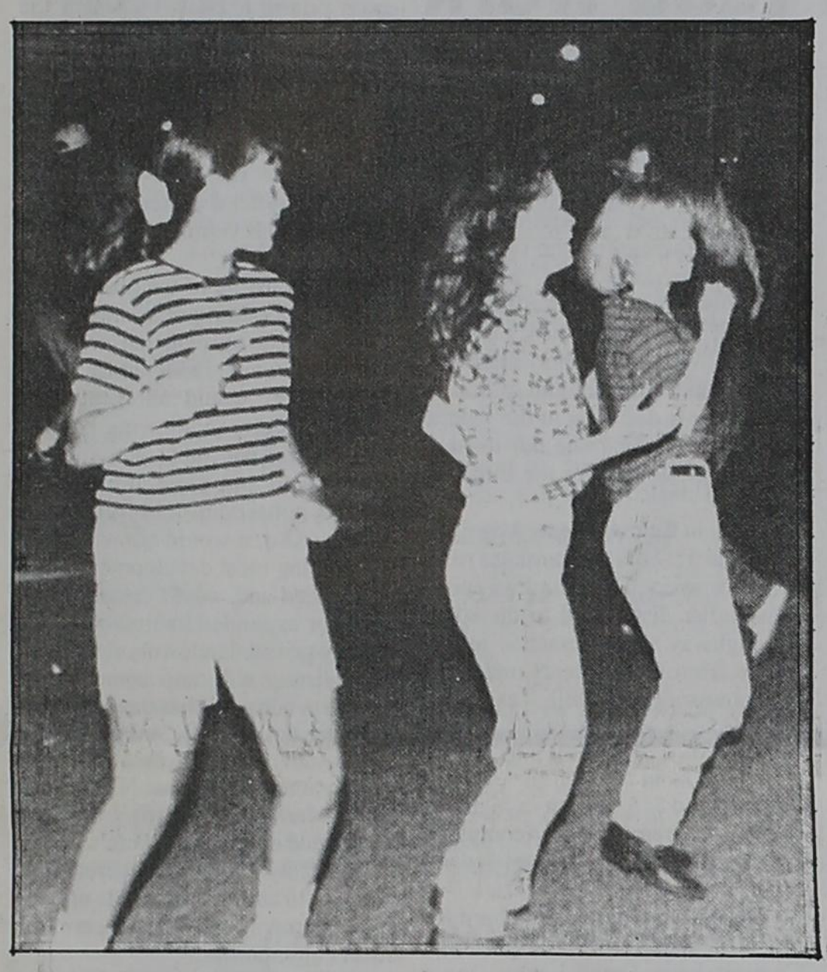
The competition is open to the public and those who need more information should call 647-2207.

A dance will be held at the VFW Post Home at 9 p.m. Admission is $6 per person and $10 for a couple.



FACE PAINTING was a part of the Harvest Days celebration last year. Here, Mercedes Villanueva (left), 4½, and Isaac Morena, 3, got into the spirit of the Harvest Days Parade by having their faces painted. They are the children of Guadalupe Morena and Aurelio Villanueva.

Photo by Linda Maxwell



LINE DANCING—These girls were getting into the spirit of the Harvest Days celebration last year by dancing to the music of "Buyin' Time" at the street dance. This year's dance will feature "Southern Sky" and will be held north of the Expo building, starting at 9 p.m. and lasting until midnight.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

Texas agriculture faced with drought, low prices

While the nation focuses on the economic devastation of Texas agricultural producers brought on by drought, the more insidious threat of low commodity prices is wreaking its own brand of havoc.

"We're finding that Texas producers who have been able to irrigate their crops are no further ahead than farmers who have been wiped out by drought and had some compensation from their insurance program," said Texas Farmers Union President Wes Sims. "I have had producers in each of these situations tell me that they will lose about $100 per acre this crop year, which does not account for the cost of the land."

Texas officials have gone on record estimating the state will lose one-quarter of its farmers this year if financial intervention is not offered.

"Producers need direct assistance, not more loans if they are to make it through the double whammy of drought and low prices," Sims said.

Texas Farmers Union is calling on farmers to call their Congressmen to urge them to support removal of the caps placed on commodity loan rate levels under the 1996 farm bill. Removing the caps would provide an additional $18,000 for a wheat farm with 1,000 acres and a 30-bushel-per-acre yield and an additional $28,000 for a corn farmer with 700 acres and a 125-bushel-per-acre yield.

"Raising loan rates is a short-term measure that would provide some additional revenue for farmers who are currently producing grain at a level below the cost of production, but Farmers Union also will be looking at initiatives to put profitability and stability back into farming," Sims said.

Farmers Union is also urging producers to ask their members of Congress to support legislation passed in the US Senate which would increase competition in livestock markets. These measures include country-of-origin labeling on meat and price reporting of all livestock transactions by meat packing companies.

For more information on either the loan cap legislation or the livestock measures, call Texas Farmers Union at 1-800-299-3276 or call National Farmers Union's issues hotline, toll-free at 1-877-466-2277.

Drought has produced huge disaster in Texas

The 1998 drought has produced a Texas-sized disaster of catastrophic proportions, according to Bob Stallman, president of the Texas Farm Bureau.

"Let's be honest. Low interest loans are not the solution by themselves because more debt is the last thing that many farmers and ranchers need," Stallman said.

Stallman, a rice farmer from Columbus, warned that "some very good agricultural producers will be lost this year."

The federal Farm Service Agency estimates that as many as 30% of Texas producers could go out of business this year.

With less than a month remaining before Congress adjourns, Stallman urges Farm Bureau members and other farmers to contact their representatives in Congress immediately.

Stallman said the drought crisis is growing in magnitude daily, and recent spotty rains have done little to relieve the situation.

"Texas agriculture is already looking at a $2.1 billion direct impact on farm and ranch families," Stallman said. "The overall impact on the Texas economy is now pushing $6 billion."

Stallman cited the failure of federal crop insurance programs and last year's removal of many traditional disaster programs as part of the problem.

"Crops have failed, loans are due and many producers are near the end of their rope," Stallman said.

Taken together, the droughts of 1996 and 1998 have had a cumulative and disastrous effect.

"Without immediate and substantial assistance, many Texas farm families will leave the land before this year is over," he said.

Stallman urged Farm Bureau members to contact their members of Congress "without delay" and urge passage of a major disaster relief that will provide direct financial assistance to producers.

"The safety net of previous farm programs is gone and the only responsible action is to take immediate steps to preserve family farms and ranches," Stallman said.

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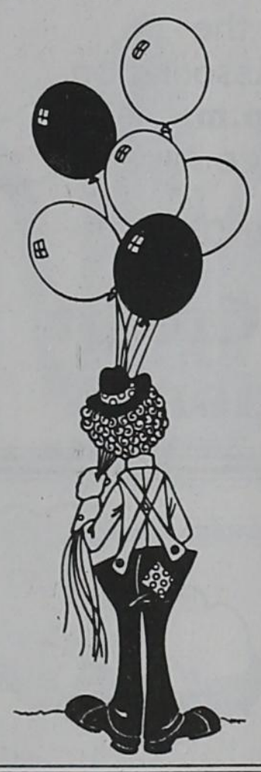


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Farm Bureau says producers need additional federal help

The combination of weather-related disasters and low commodity prices prompted Congress to offer agriculture producers some monetary assistance last month, but local Farm Bureau leaders fear that it won't be enough to help those in Texas.

"It was a nice gesture, but the $500 million divided up nationwide won't go very far," said Chris Cogburn, president of the Castro County Farm Bureau. "There's really no relief for our cattle producers, either."

According to Cogburn, reinstatement of the emergency livestock feed assistance is on the top of the list of additional help Texas Farm Bureau has requested from USDA Secretary Dan Glickman

The farm organization also asked for the exemption of capital gains on the forced sale of livestock due to the drought.

Cogburn said changes in crop insurance are also high on the organization's list, noting that the current insurance structure is inadequate to cover the risks producers face.

Texas Farm Bureau has proposed a freeze on yields at average production history by eliminating the 1998 yield for crop insurance purposes, that current mandatory seed requirements be dropped and that a prevented planting rule be adopted.

"We also support a plan like the one offered by Congressman Charles Stenholm (D-Texas), which would reimburse producers for crop insurance premiums," he said.

Texas Farm Bureau also urged Glickman to implement haying and grazing of CRP land, expedite FmHA disaster loan processing, instruct federally-chartered banks to work with producers, and to streamline reamortization of Federal Land Bank and Production Credit Association loans for borrowers who have made good on past loans.



FROM FRUITS AND VEGETABLES TO CROSS STITCH PICTURES AND FLOWERS
. . . The talents of county residents were exhibited during last year's County Fair held during Harvest Days.
Photo by Anne Acker

Transportation bill could mean more funding for local road work

Texas will receive nearly $1.9 billion a year in federal highway funding under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA 21), and some of that money could find its way into the Texas Panhandle and South Plains for maintenance and construction of West Texas highways.

TEA 21 was signed last week by President Bill Clinton.

The last authorization bill (ISTEA) netted the Lubbock District $120 million in federal funds for highway construction. The infusion of federal dollars, on the average of $19 million each year during the last six years, provided funding for highway upgrades in the 17 counties served by the Lubbock District. The district also receives about $17 million a year in state funds.

The Lubbock District will also receive $12.3 million for an east-west freeway project from Memphis Avenue to University Avenue in Lubbock, and $7.2 million will go to the construction of Texas Tech University Boulevard (relocation of Indiana Avenue) in Lubbock.

"The Lubbock District is excited about the increase in the rate of return for our tax dollars," said Carl Utley, district engineer for the Texas Dept. of Transportation's Lubbock District. "With this authorization bill, we've reduced the amount of dollars that Texas is donating to the federal government which should, in turn, mean more dollars for the Lubbock District."

Based on figures released by Congress, the $1.9 billion translates to 85 cents for every Texas highway trust fund dollar distributed to the states for highway improvements, an increase from the 77 cents under the 1991 transportation bill. Texas also will receive an estimated annual average of $250 million in transit funds (up from $228 in the last federal bill) and $15 million in highway safety program funds (compared with $11 million in the last federal bill).

"Texans worked long and hard for this bill," said Texas Transportation Commissioner David Laney. "As a result, equity is not just part of the bill's name, it's the heart and soul of the bill.

"TEA 21 keeps a fair share of dollars in Texas rather than funding projects in other states at Texans' expense."

Texas expects to build on that rate of return with discretionary funds for trade corridor and border infrastructure improvements to be distributed by the US Secretary of Transportation.

Southern Sky is featured band for street dance

The annual street dance, sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, will wind up Saturday's Harvest Days celebration.

The dance will be held from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the 400 block of East Stinson, just north of the Expo Building.

Music will be provided by the band, Southern Sky, and admission is free.

For more information, contact Chamber Executive Director Bill Sava at 647-2524.

NWF asks listing of prairie dog

The National Wildlife federation has petitioned the federal government to issue emergency regulations listing the black-tailed prairie dog as a threatened species throughout its range, including land in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Along with reversing the decline of the prairie dog itself, the petition aims at harnessing the power of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) to restore functioning Western shortgrass prairie habitats on which the prairie dog and scores of other species depend.

Saving the species and its habitat will require changes in attitudes and activities by governments and private citizens alike, starting with the elimination of official policies that treat prairie dogs as vermin to be exterminated.

An ESA listing of the black-tailed prairie dog would put an immediate stop to both unregulated shooting and poisoning. Designating it as "threatened" would allow officials great flexibility in allowing population control and other activities on private land to resume, if needed, as long as conservation objectives can be met. Also, it would allow latitude in allowing most development plans to proceed and would create incentives for expanded habitat conserva tion by private landowners.

"A listing will stop some of the senseless behavior that threatens this species, but it's not going to shut down development or reasonable population control," said NWF President Mark Van Putten. "With a threatened designation there's plenty of flexibility in the Endangered Species Act to address the needs of economic growth and the concerns of local communities."

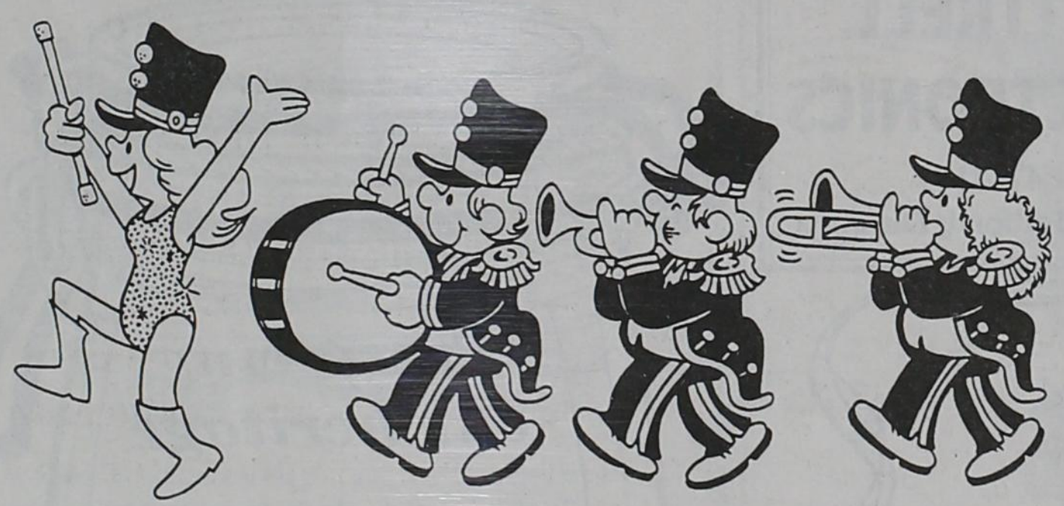
Under the ESA, the US Fish and Wildlife Service has 90 days to respond to the listing petition. If the agency decides the petition has merit but does not issue an emergency listing, it has an additional year to decide whether the species should be protected under the ESA.

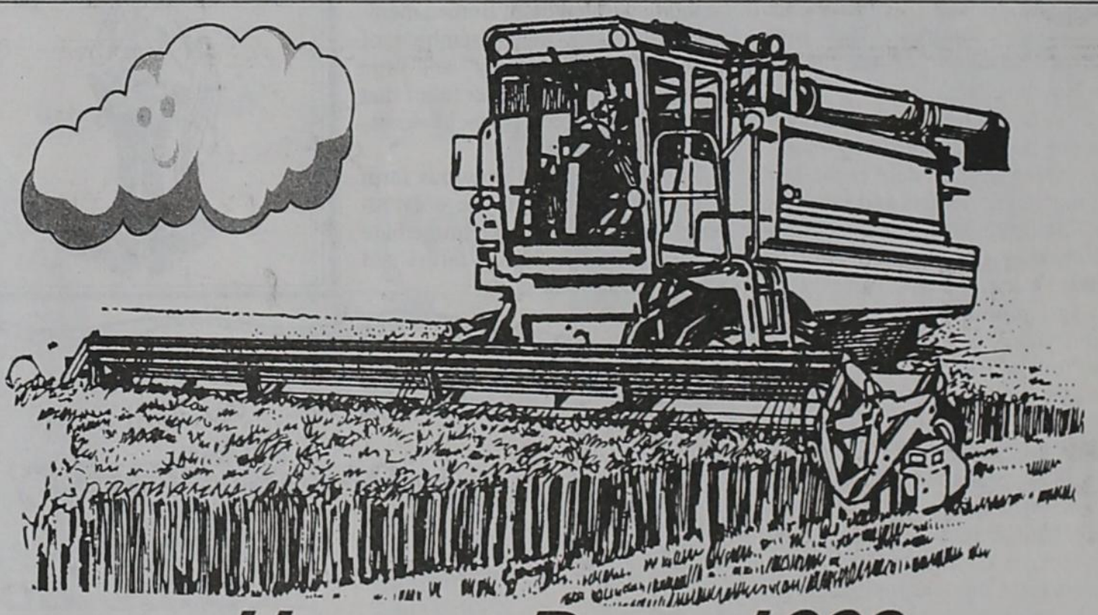
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Team rodeo will be full of spills, thrills and laughter Saturday night

It'll be a wild night at the Dimmitt Rodeo Arena Saturday as brave cowboys and cowgirls—and a few local businessmen—test their endurance and skill levels in the second annual Castro County Team Rodeo and Ladies' Greased Pig event.

The event is part of the Castro County Harvest Days celebration and the unusual events are guaranteed to promote laughter from crowds attending.

Four-person teams will enter the rodeo and teams of two ladies will compete in the greased pig contest. There will be several events for youngsters as well.

At 6:30 p.m., the teams and ladies will be introduced. The rodeo will start at 7 p.m.

Advance tickets for the event are $4 for adults and $2 for children 12 to 18. Tickets at the gate will be $5 for adults and $3 for students. Children 11 and younger will be admitted free.

The rodeo is sponsored by the Castro County 4-H Horse Judging Team.

Entry deadline for teams and ladies is Friday and entry fees are $100 for teams and $10 for ladies. Late entries will be charged $125 and $15, respectively. To enter, call Suanne Bagley at 647-4780 or Janet McDaniel at 647-3764.

The team rodeo features six events and at least one surprise event, which won't be announced until all other events are completed. Rodeo events are Remuda, Pony Express, Hide Race, Trailer Backing, Saturday Night Bath Race, Business Man Ribbon Roping and the surprise event.

Teams will accumulate points based on how they do in each race and prize money will be paid to the first- through third-place teams.

Here's how each race will work.

Remuda

In the Remuda event, a team member will ride down, rope his horse out of a pen of six horses, saddle that horse and ride it back to the starting line.

Pony Express

The Pony Express race will run just like the old-time mail run.

It will resemble a relay race and all four team members will compete. The first person will carry a bag to the second leg of the race, handing it off to the second leg. The second will hand off to the third, and so on. The person on the final leg will have to drop the bag in a barrel, then race to the finish line.

Hide Race

A cowhide pulled behind a horse will provide a big challenge for the cowboys brave enough to hang on to the skin as it's pulled toward the finish line.

One team member will ride his horse, pulling the hide, to the other end of the arena. A teammate will hop onto the hide and ride it back to the start line.

Trailer Backing

Every cowboy should be a pro at backing his stock trailer, right?

Well, it's not as easy as it sounds.

In this event, cones mark a narrow alleyway down which the cowboys must back their trailer.

A displaced cone spells doom for the team.

Once the trailer is successfully backed down the alley, the cowboy must load his horse and head back to the starting point.

Bath Race

A long-sleeved button down shirt, pants, boots and hat are required for this event—until the competitor reaches a filled stock tank.

The Saturday Night Bath Race will involve a horseback ride to the tank, then the competitor will have to remove pants, shirt, hat and boots and completely submerge himself in water. Once wet, he must redress—with every button in place—then ride back to the starting line.

Ribbon Roping

This is the only event that requires an additional volunteer that is not a member of any team.

One member of each team will rope a steer, then a local businessman must snag a ribbon off of the steer and run to the finish line with that ribbon.

Teams can line up their own businessman or sponsors of the rodeo will have some volunteers lined up.

Surprise event(s)

At least one surprise event is planned for the teams, but no one will know what it is until the time comes.

"WE have two events lined up now, and we'll do one for sure. If time allows, we'll do the other," said Janet McDaniel, one of the organizers of the event. "All teams are required to compete in the surprise event."

Ladies Greased Pig

There were more than 10 teams entered in this event a year ago, and organizers hope that this year's event will draw even more.

Last year, the two-person teams were required to catch a greased pig and put it in a barrel. The rules have changed a little this year.

"Last year we put the pigs in a barrel and we just about killed the poor pigs. We're going for something a little easier this year," McDaniel said.

This year the ladies will have to catch the greased pig and dress it with a pair of bloomers.

Two teams will compete against each other and the teams with the fastest times will advance to the championship round.

Mutton Bustin'

This event is strictly for youngsters, but they can't be more than 42 inches tall. Entry fee is $2 per person and entry fees will go into a jackpot which will be awarded to the winner.

Youngsters will be required to ride a lamb and each ride will be timed, just like a regular rodeo. An eight-second ride will earn the youngster top points.

Lambs used for the event will be from Estacado Industries and they will not be shorn.

Those riding lambs will just have wool to cling to so they won't get bucked off.

Stick Horse Race

This event is for all children ages 5 and under and entry fee is $1 per person. Like the Mutton Bustin' race, entry fees collected in this race will go to the winner's jackpot.

"Youngsters competing in this race can bring their own stick horse or we'll find them a weed or something else to use," McDaniel said.

The kids will ride their stick horses down the arena and the fastest one wins.

There could be two age groups if enough children enter the race, according to McDaniel.

Kids' Steer Riding

Brave cowboys and cowgirls 12 and under will be able to try their hand at steer riding in this year's rodeo.

Entry fee for the steer riding will be $5 per person and a jackpot prize will be given to the winner.



JOSH ALVAREZ was the picture of concentration as he rode in last year's Harvest Days Parade. He was one of many bike riders entered in the parade. He sported a fireman's hat and brought a stuffed Dalmatian along for the ride.

Photo by Joyce Birkenfeld

'Fat free' foods are not always best for children

Parents need to read food labels carefully before buying fat-free foods for growing children.

"In some cases, even when dietary fat has been reduced, the serving size may have a considerable amount of calories," said Dr. Janice Stuff at the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Children may tend to eat more servings, which may cause them to gain weight."

Fat-free may not be the best answer for growing children. They need fat in their diets, especially during growth spurts. The energy fat provides helps them maintain normal bodily functions and supports the increased growth in muscle, skin and bone.

In fact, 30% of a child's caloric intake should come from fat. Fat also helps the body absorb fat-soluble vitamins like A, D, and E. Some of the fat-free offerings may not be as balanced in these vitamins.

Stuff says the daily required amount of fat will help kids grow up to be strong, healthy adults, but the key is moderation.

Tamoxifen has benefits, risks

Researchers at The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center participated in a national study that found a 45% decrease in breast cancer incidence among high-risk women who took tamoxifen.

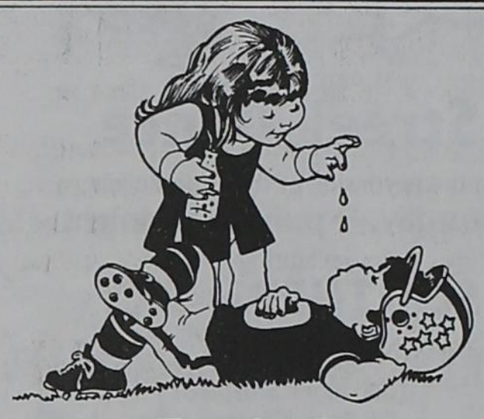
The study also found that tamoxifen increased the women's chances of three rare, but serious, health problems—endometrial cancer, pulmonary embolism and deep vein thrombosis.

The results are from the Breast Cancer Prevention Trial, the first large-scale, randomized study to assess whether a five-year course of tamoxifen can prevent breast cancer in high-risk women.

M.D. Anderson was the largest study site among 270 study cities.

For information about cancer treatment at M.D. Anderson, call 1-800-392-1611.

The hottest of all spices is believed to be habanero, belonging to the genus capsicum. A single dried gram will produce detectable "heat" in 440 lbs. of bland sauces.



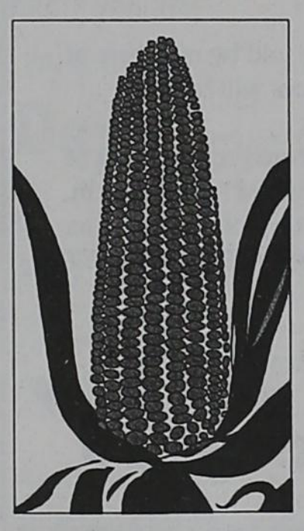
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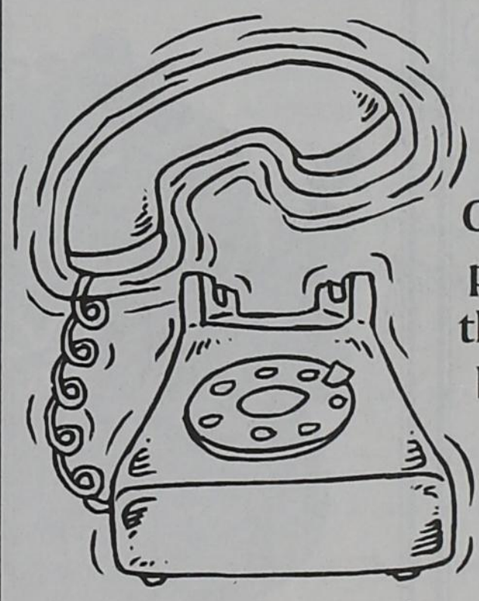
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Ribbon Roping • Mutton bustin' • Kid's Steer Riding
Pony Express Race • Hide Race • Stick Horse Race (for the youngsters) • Ladies' Greased Pig Contest

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Nicotine's brain actions linked to 'reward' paths

Nicotine's actions in the brain explains why smokers report the first cigarette of the day is the most pleasurable. Neuroscientists at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston studied how the brain reacts to nicotine.

"We focused on a group of neurons, or nerve cells, in the midbrain that release a compound called dopamine," said Dr. John Dani, a Baylor Associate professor of neuroscience. "Those neurons are known to be important in other types of addiction."

Dopamine release is related to aspects of reward, so it shapes behaviors by giving a reward or feeling of pleasure in response to external stimuli. Doctors found when the nicotine first arrives, the neurons burst with activity. The first cigarette of the day gives smokes their first exposure to nicotine in eight to 10 hours, so the neurons experience an extreme burst of activity.



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BEST OF SHOW honors at last year's Harvest Days Pet Show went to June Norman and her collie, Mollie. The pet show draws many dogs and cats and proud owners each year. This year's show will be on the east side of the Expo on Saturday at 1:15 p.m. *Photo by Joyce Birkenfeld*

Heart disease in women has been underestimated

Almost half of the nearly 500,000 heart attack victims each year are women.

"More women in the US die from heart disease than any other single cause," said Mr. Michael DeBakey, chancellor emeritus at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, and director of the DeBakey Heart Center at Baylor and The Methodist Hospital.

DeBakey said physicians and the public have often underestimated the incidence of heart disease in women.

"Knowledge is a key factor in preventing and coping with such a deadly disease, not just for men, but also for women," said DeBakey.

Cardiovascular disease remains the number one killer in the US, causing the deaths of 1 million people each year.

TDA continues Hay Hotline, Governor offers exemption

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry has said that the Texas Dept. of Agriculture is coordinating efforts to get donated hay into Texas with minimal transportation costs to agricultural producers and the state.

Calls to the TDA Hay Hotline have generated offers from hay suppliers in other states who want to provide bales to Texas farmers and ranchers needing forage for their livestock as a result of the drought.

"Transportation and transportation costs remain the biggest obstacles to getting donated hay from other parts of the country into Texas," Perry said. "While we should look at all options to get donated hay into Texas, it's best if we can get folks to pitch in and offer transportation at little or no cost to the taxpayer."

"It's hard times like these that can bring out the best in people," Perry said. "If we can get more offers from hauling companies, a lot more hay could be headed to Texas."

Distribution of donated hay to Texas is being handled through local offices of the USDA Farm Service Agency.

Almost 80% of the state's ranges and pastures are currently rated in "poor" and "very poor" condition. Texas expects to lose approximately half of the 1998 hay crop.

Those needing a list of hay suppliers, those who have hay to sell or donate, and those who wish to offer transportation services can contact the TDA Hay Hotline at 1-877-429-1998.

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Gov. George Bush has issued an executive order that will go a long way toward assisting Texas farmers and ranchers transporting hay. He suspended a section of the Texas Transportation Code that hindered agricultural producers from personally hauling hay beyond a 150-mile radius from their home.

"Farmers and ranchers hauling hay on trailers were being pulled over and ticketed because they did not have a commercial driver's licence," Perry said. "The governor's action means agricultural producers who need to get hay from areas a good distance away will no longer face a citation."

Under the section of the transportation code that was suspended, those who were transporting past the 150-mile limit were considered commercial haulers. As a result they were required to have a commercial license as well as commercial tags for their trailers.

The governor's executive order applies only to a vehicle used to transport hay and will expire in November.

"The drought has been devastating for many Texas farmers and ranchers," Gov. Bush said. " I hope this action will help farmers and ranchers weather this crisis and get feed to their lviestock."

Craft booths offer variety

Craft booths at the annual Castro County Harvest Days celebration will open for business Saturday at 9 a.m., continuing through 5 p.m.

Merchants and their wares will include: Kim Hays, decorated scrapbooks; Ann Pevehouse, dolls; Doris Ward, selected merchandise from Unique Gifts N More; Betty Wallace, jewelry; Brett Gibbs, metal Art; Debbie Phillips, flower arrangements; Wanda Bearden, crafts and shirts; Jonalyn Jones, floral and home decor items; Neoma Williams, selected merchandise from The Company Store; Angie Mendoza, necklaces; keychains and soft drinks, Madrid Sports; official licensed sports products; Elaine McNutt, silver items; and Chris Book, sport collectibles.

Woodworking items will be shown by Verna Davis, Ralph Smith, M.J.'s, and Carla and Ron Shirley.



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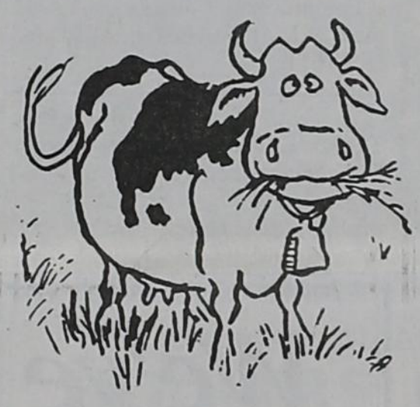
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Chances are $10 each and are being sold by members of the Fair Association. Only 100 chances will be sold.

The "Bingo Field" will be 100 numbered squares east of the Expo Building. The cow will be turned loose at 1 p.m. Saturday. The game will end when the cow "bingos" on somebody's square, ***AND THE WINNER WILL GET $500!***

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Texas Corn Producers' Board



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... to enjoy the Old Settlers' Reunion at the Senior Citizens' Center Saturday. Whatever your age or length of residence here, just show up and bring a covered dish or two for the Basket Lunch at noon, and you'll be welcomed. You'll enjoy the fun, fellowship, and the feeling of friendship you'll find there.

From May to October, Panhandle Ag Service's planes work from dawn to dark, helping improve the quality and yields of our crops through the aerial application of pesticides, herbicides and fertilizer. We tip our wings to one of the greatest agricultural counties in the nation as it celebrates Harvest Days!

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4-H plans Harvest Days goat and poultry show on Saturday

Goats and poultry will be paraded before judges Saturday in the second annual Harvest Days Goat and Poultry Show.

This year's event has been expanded to include 4-H'ers from Castro and Deaf Smith Counties, according to Castro County Extension Agent Benny Martinez.

Martinez said 20 4-H'ers are expected to exhibit goats and another seven will show poultry.

The show is slated to start at 12 noon Saturday in one of the Quonset Barns adjacent to the Expo Building. The show will open with the goat judging, then the poultry will be exhibited.

Since the show is being held during the lunch hour, Martinez said he is hoping to have some tables and chairs set up in the barn so people will be able to take in the show and eat lunch.

The grand and reserve grand champion in each show will receive premium prize money and other prizes. Other top exhibitors will receive prizes as well, and among these could be feed pails and buckets.

4-H'ers in the show will be working on the goat and poultry projects and will be doing record books about those projects. Those record books will be judged, and each exhibitor will compete in an interview competition. The youngsters will earn points in each part of the show: exhibition, record book and interview. The individual with the most points will earn special awards.

During the show, the County 4-H Youth Development Committee will sponsor a petting zoo in the barn.

County Farm Bureau backs plan to help farmers weather drought

Castro County Farm Bureau President Chris Cogburn has urged state lawmakers to endorse a seven-point plan proposed by the Texas Farm Bureau to help farmers and ranchers weather the current drought.

"With continued dry weather and low commodity prices, producers statewide are in trouble," Cogburn said. "This plan needs consideration if producers are to stay in business."

Noting that proposed legislation floated by State Sen. Steve Ogden of Bryan to aid farmers and ranchers is helpful, Cogburn has asked that the state legislature do the following:

✦Instruct state banking regulators to recognize the impact of the drought and allow banks to extend credit based on the payment history of the producers impacted by the 1996 and 1998 droughts.

✦ Provide additional funding in the new biennium for market development of Texas' major agricultural commodities to help build foreign and domestic markets.

✦ Provide assistance to continue the boll weevil eradication program to keep Texas competitive with states who have eradicated the boll weevil.

✦ Support the development of a more accurate test and improved testing procedures for detecting aflatoxin in corn.

✦ Consider ways to get feed to livestock producers, such as emergency feed programs or some type of assistance in moving and shipping hay.

✦ Provide additional funding for agricultural research, earmarked for water conservation and development of drought tolerant plants.

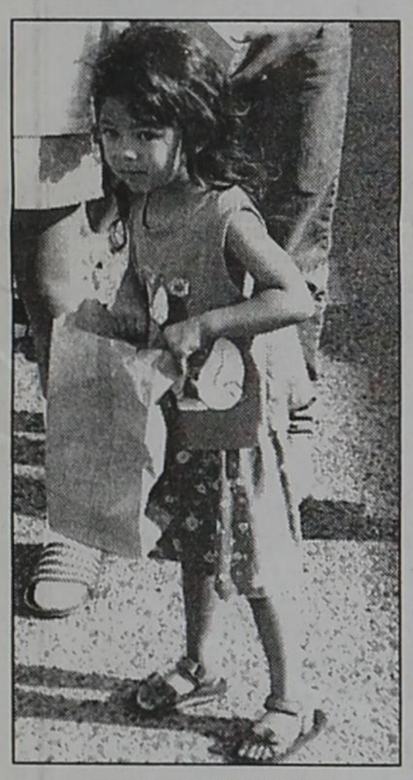
✦ Provide funding for cost-share assistance for agricultural conservation measures.



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. . . Unidentified youngster enjoys last year's Harvest Days Parade.
Photo by Linda Maxwell

The full official name of the hum-vee, the three-ton, seven-foot-wide, four-wheel drive modern equivalent of the jeep used by the American military, is High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle.

Harmattan is a cool, extremely dry wind that forms over the Sahara and blows westward or southwestward to the African coast. Many carry quantities of fine dust and can be dangerous to airplanes.



HARVEST OF CANDY
At Harvest Days Parade last year.
Photo by Linda Maxwell

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Southern Sky

THE STREET DANCE FOR HARVEST DAYS will be held Saturday , starting at 9 p.m. just north of the Expo building, and will feature music by the group known as "Southern Sky." Group members include Kris Gordon, Tim Gregg, Toby Cushing, and Cortlandt Ingram. Gordon, an original member of the band, is the drummer, and he is from Friona. He also contributes lead vocals and harmonies. Gregg is from Brownfield. He plays lead guitar and often contributes solos that are colored with blues and bluegrass. He also is one of the songwriters for the group. From Carthage, Cushing plays bass guitar and contributes lead vocal and harmonies. He was a regional finalist in the Master Card Acts talent search in 1995. A Kansas native, Ingram generates the fiddle and mandolin sounds for the group. He has won the fiddle championship five times at Bob Wills Days in Turkey. Gordon, Cushing and Ingram all have appeared on the South Plains College public television program, "Thursday Night Live." Gordon served as staff drummer, Ingram is currently staff fiddle player, and Cushing was a featured vocalist on the monthly program. *Courtesy Photo*



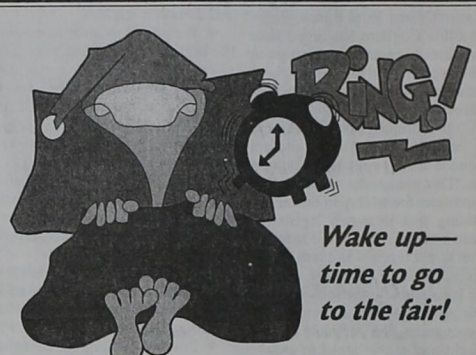
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