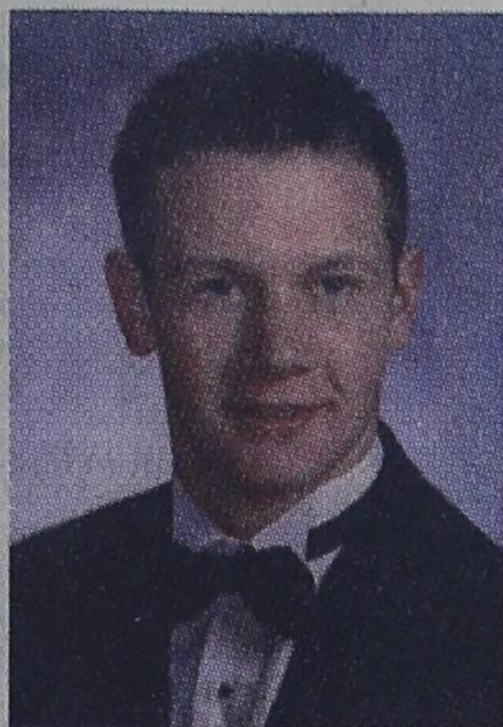


# Meet the 2001 honor graduates

## Dimmitt High School



**LORI SCHULTE**  
DHS Valedictorian  
3.63



**JOSHUA HARDWICK**  
DHS Salutatorian  
3.59



**VANESSA CHIA**  
HHS Valedictorian  
3.975



**GENEVA FINCH**  
HHS Salutatorian  
3.9697



**MARK BIRKENFELD**  
NHS Valedictorian  
4.250



**LINDSIE M. GERBER**  
NHS Salutatorian  
3.914

## Hart High School

## Nazareth High School

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BEST IN STATE and Top 100 honors went to the Dimmitt High School Technology Students Association's club project, the restoration of this 1960 John Deere Model 720 tractor. Among those who worked

on the project are (from left) Stevan Porras, Priscilla Lopez, Victor Porras and Celso Melendez. For more photos of TSA projects, see Page 7, and for a complete list of placings, see Page 11. Photo by Linda Maxwell

## Incumbents stay in local elections

All incumbents who were candidates in local elections were returned to office by the voters following Saturday's elections.

In the Castro County Hospital District Board of Trustees election, the three positions up for grabs will be filled by incumbents Carolyn Sides and Henry Ramaekers, along with newcomer Layne Myatt.

Vote totals were Sides 223, Myatt 219, Ramaekers 187, and Mendoza 143. The break-down by polling sites for Sides was 54 early, 142 in Dimmitt, 13 in Nazareth and 14 in

Hart; for Myatt, 55 early, 143 in Dimmitt, nine in Nazareth, and 12 in Hart; Ramaekers, 47 early, 113 in Dimmitt, 14 in Nazareth, and 13 in Hart; and for Mendoza, 43 early, 94 in Dimmitt, four in Nazareth, and two in Hart.

For the three Dimmitt City Council at-large positions, incumbent Bob Murdock was the top vote-getter, receiving 193 votes. Steve Buckley was next with 140 votes, then Paul Wayland with 100 votes. Dianna Parker garnered 98 votes, just short of forcing a run-off.

Dimmitt Mayor Wayne Collins, who was unopposed in his re-election bid, received 172 votes.

In the election for the Dimmitt Independent School District Board of Trustees, Place 4 incumbent Paul Garcia was returned to office with 29 votes to the 11 garnered by challenger Johnny Gonzales.

Elections for Hart and Nazareth had been canceled since all candidates were unopposed. They will be declared elected at the next meetings of the governing bodies they will serve.

## Candlelight Club sued by boxing promoters

The Mendoza Candlelight Club of Dimmitt, along with Fabiana Mendoza and Juanita Perez Ramirez, are being sued by Top Rank, Inc., of Las Vegas, Nev., according to a lawsuit filed May 1 in US District Court in Amarillo.

The suit was reported by Ricky George in the Tuesday issue of the

*Amarillo Globe-News.*

George said Top Rank is one of the country's top boxing promotional companies. The suit alleges that the Dimmitt club showed a pay-per-view fight on Sept. 18, 1998, without a commercial license.

According to court documents, the fight was the World Boxing

Council welterweight championship bout between Oscar De La Hoya and Julio Cesar Chavez.

George said the suit alleges copyright infringement and violations of the Cable Communications Act by the defendants, who are accused of using descrambling equipment to

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## Deluge leaves saturated fields and flooded roads

After a drier-than-normal April, it finally rained in Castro County.

It didn't just rain, either. It poured. And it poured. And it poured some more. For almost 24 hours, Mother Nature blessed the area with beneficial moisture, filling tailwater pits, ponds and draws with water.

Heavy rains saturated Castro County soil last Thursday and Friday to the delight of farmers and ranchers. Rainfall reports ranged between 2.5 inches at Sunnyside to 6.2 inches west of Flagg.

The rain fell steadily for 24 hours, soaking into the soil.

That will help jump-start corn, cotton and other crops farmers will be sowing as soon as the fields dry out.

Winter wheat will benefit from the spring rains as well, and the moisture should result in increased yields for those producers planning to harvest their crop for grain.

The heavy rains caused flooding on some area roads, but nothing like the flooding that occurred in Clarendon, where at least 10 inches of rain caused massive problems around Clarendon and Greenbelt Reservoir.

It all started last Thursday morning when residents woke to foggy, dreary weather. A light drizzle developed just before noon, then the skies opened up and the heavy rains started falling.

It didn't stop raining until Friday evening, and once the torrential downpours did cease, it was still

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## Thiel, Castillo will compete at state Saturday

Two county athletes will put their talents to the ultimate test Saturday when they compete in the Class A state track meet in Austin.

Stephanie Thiel of Nazareth will run the 800-meter run while Dan Eric Castillo of Hart will throw the discus in the state meet on Saturday at Mike Myers Stadium at the University of Texas at Austin.

Thiel qualified with a second-place finish at regional, and she finished that race in 2:27.36. She will be running Lige Anna Stewardson of Detroit (2:25.65), Stephanie Hoelscher of Miles (2:23.26), Melissa Metzler of Era (2:30.02), Rocio Benavides of La Pryor (2:26.49), Kerrie Rucker of Santo (2:23.92), Lyndi Stuart of Roby (2:23.38) and Mary Rogers of Barksdale Nueces Canyon (2:21.58).

Castillo also took second at regional after throwing the shot put 49 feet and four inches. His competitors in the state meet will be Kevin Kiper of Quinlan Boles, 47-4; Matthew Lowe, 50-6 1/2; Akeem Rettig of Price Carlisle, 48-5; David Garcia of Burton, 49-5 3/4; Coleman Vestal of Baird, 51-2; Tony Tomlinson of Munday, 50-2 1/2; and Matthew Poehlmann of Burton, 49-6 3/4.

The shot put contest will start at 11 a.m. Saturday while the 800-meter run will begin at 12:30 p.m.

## Mark Birkenfeld leads NHS calculator team to state championship

Nazareth senior Mark Birkenfeld capped a successful high school career in UIL Literary competition by capturing an individual state title in Calculator Applications and leading the Nazareth Calculator Applications team to its own championship.

The state crowns captured by Birkenfeld and his Calculator teammates Blake Birkenfeld and Ky Wilcox, highlighted a successful weekend for Nazareth students at the UIL Literary state meet in Austin. Blake Birkenfeld finished fourth in the individual competition.

Nazareth accumulated 71 total points in the state meet, and that was good enough for a fourth-place team finish. Lindsay was first with 187 points while Lazbuddie was second with 85. Muenster was third with 81 points.

Blake Birkenfeld competed in two other events at state in addition to the Calculator Applications contest, and he medaled in each. He was second in News Writing and finished third in Computer Science.

Mandy Hoelting and Eric Schilling each brought home fourth-place ribbons from Austin, with Hoelting earning hers in Feature Writing and Schilling winning his in Headline Writing.

Mark Birkenfeld also competed in the Mathematics competition at state, but failed to place.

Josh Finch of Hart competed in Prose Competition at the state meet.

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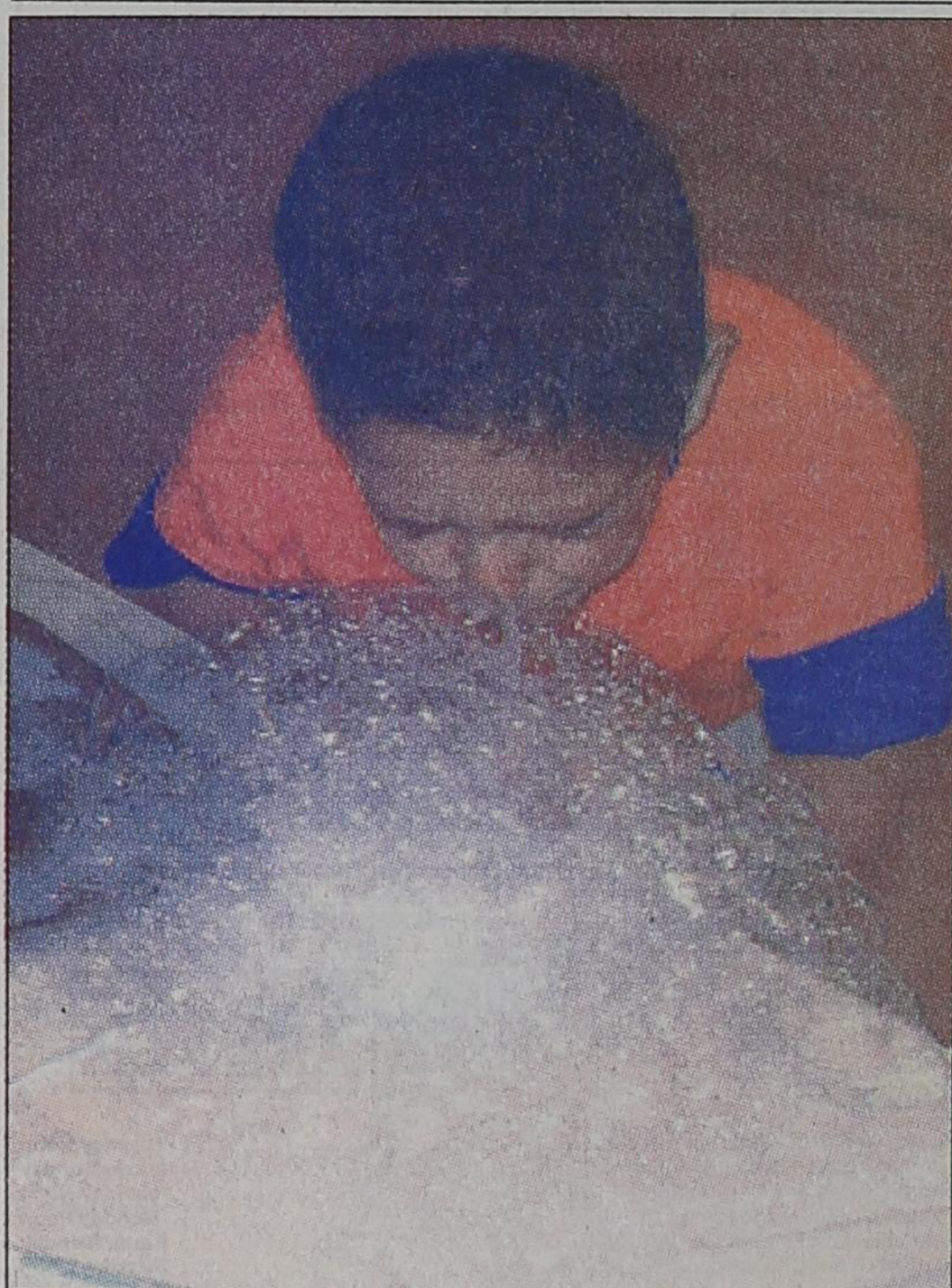
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## Weather

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Monday	76	44	
Tuesday	67	47	
Wednesday	74	51	

May Moisture ..... 4.86  
2001 Moisture ..... 11.14

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



A MOUNTAIN OF BUBBLES—Marco Medrano, a student at Richardson Elementary School in Dimmitt, is amazed as a mountain of bubbles form when he blows on a straw dipped in a mixture of soap and water last Thursday during a special science fair at the school.

Photo by Joyce Nelson

# Op-Ed

Opinions, Editorials, Letters, Features



SOME OF THE MEMBERS OF DIMMITT'S 2001 GRADUATING CLASS ... On their best behavior during a recent outing at Lake Greenbelt

Courtesy Photo

## Letter

# Parents, town can be proud of DHS Senior Class of 2001

Dear Editor:

This day and time all we hear about are bad kids. There is not enough said about good kids. We were on vacation at Lake Greenbelt at Clarendon on April 20 when here came several vehicles with kids in them. We thought oh boy, are we in for a loud day. They were the most well-behaved young adults we had ever seen. There was no foul language or unsightly goings-on.

They cooked, played and seemed to be having a good time. They did not destroy anything and left everything cleaned up.

We had a nice visit with them and they even offered us a hamburger. We found out who they were and where they lived.

We would like to say to their parents, the town of Dimmitt and to Dimmitt High School just how proud you should be (and I'm sure you are proud of them) of the Dimmitt High School Senior Class of 2001.

We were very impressed with them.

SONNY & DONNA SANDERS  
Plainview

BEN AND SHERRI COX  
Amarillo

## Letter

# Hospital does make a difference

Dear Editor:

Does Castro County Hospital District make a difference?

I think so.

I began working at Plains Memorial Hospital 4-1/2 years ago. I drove 45 miles to work because I wanted to work where the care given made a difference.

All my co-workers from every aspect of the hospital staff care and they show it.

We recently moved here, making Dimmitt our home. In January, I brought a dear friend to the hospital from Amarillo. She was very ill, but wanted to come to the hospital where I worked.

Dr. McGrorey and Dr. Joplin cared for her. Later, she was admitted to Hospice Care and remained in the hospital. Daily she was cared for and loved by all the staff.

The nursing staff sat with her, held her hand when she was confused and helped keep her from getting out of bed and falling. They brought her hot chocolate at 5 a.m. when she couldn't sleep.

PT and OT tried strengthening her, but when she was-

n't able to, they continued to look in on her, always with a smile.

The activity director would have activities in her room when she wasn't able to go to the dining room, just so she could participate.

DME saw to it that she had oxygen and a walker and other supplies as soon as she needed them.

Hospice took care of her pain and so many of her needs. They were here at a moment's notice.

The business office, administration, EMS, respiratory therapists and pharmacy personnel saw to other needs, plus waved or said hi to her daily.

On May 1, Wilmoth King went on to meet her Lord. I know, and she most certainly knows, that Castro County Hospital District does make a difference.

I want to express my greatest gratitude to all who have done so much for Mrs. King during her stay at Plains Memorial Hospital. I also want to thank everyone for the love and kindness you have shown to both of us during this time.

Laura Wright

## I DEDICATE MYSELF TO THEE

I dedicate myself to thee,  
O Lord, my God, this work I undertake  
Alone in the great name, and for thy sake.  
In ministering to suffering I would learn  
The sympathy that in thy heart did burn.

Take, then, mine eyes, and teach them to perceive  
The ablest way each sick one to relieve.  
Guide thou my hands, that e'en their touch may prove

The gentleness and aptness born of love.  
Bless thou my feet, and while they softly tread  
May faces smile on many a sufferer's bed.  
Touch thou my lips, guide thou my tongue,  
Give me a work in sermon for each one.  
Clothe me with patience, strength all tasks to bear,  
Crown me with hope and love, which know no fear,  
And faith, that coming face to face with death  
Shall e'en inspire with joy the dying breath.  
All through the arduous day my actions guide,  
All through the lonely night watch by my side,  
So I shall wake refreshed, with strength to pray,  
Work in me, through me, with me, Lord, this day.

---Author Unknown

In honor of the dedicated and committed nurses of  
Castro County Hospital District:  
Plains Memorial Hospital  
Welch's Home Place  
Medical Center of Dimmitt  
Plains Memorial Hospital Home Health and Hospice Care

## Letter

# PCS earns a big salute

Dear Editor:

The Castro County Ministerial Alliance is writing to the communities of Castro County to express our deep appreciation for the services of Panhandle Community Services.

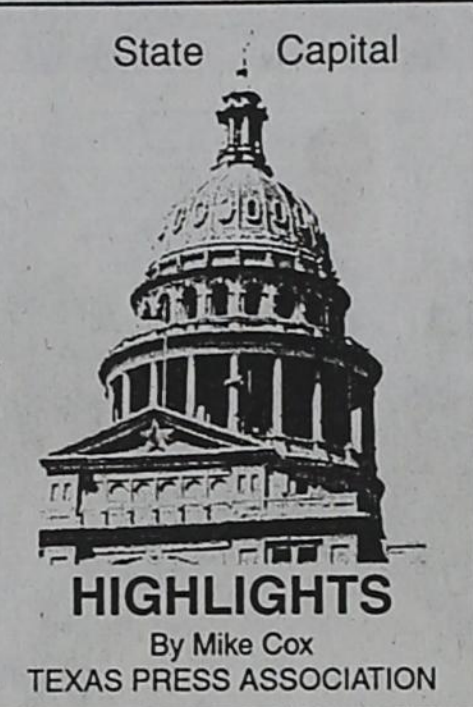
While the Ministerial alliance seeks to work with the community as an avenue of service, we rely heavily upon the work of PCS. Their extended research, their generous giving and their responsible counsel allow us to direct people to them with full confidence.

The fact that they have helped over 2,000 individuals just this year (January through May) is only second to the noble means by which they have accomplished such a feat. Their strong sense of organization, their kind-hearted response and their emphasis upon people helping themselves have allowed PCS to do more than just provide needs. It has provided people with the tools to move forward and make a change for the better. It is one thing to provide a meal; it is another to provide a seed and show a family how to plant. This has been the focus of PCS, and for that wisdom we are thankful.

We just want this note to be a deep expression of our gratitude for their labor and devotion to the needs of Castro County. Without them, the Ministerial Alliance and multiple other organizations would be without the arms and legs to do what we do.

AARON LEE

Castro County Ministerial Alliance



AUSTIN — When a lawmaker makes a speech in his home district, he usually paints pretty word pictures.

But when El Paso Sen. Eliot Shapleigh spoke to the Texas Associated Press Managing Editor's Association in his hometown recently, he focused on the reality of the situation along the Texas border. The picture is far from pretty.

He said Texas' 22 border counties, from El Paso to Cameron, amount to a third-world country. Combined per capita income in those counties, he said, is 33 percent lower than cash poor Mississippi's.

Problems along the border range from low college graduation rates to lack of transportation infrastructure. He didn't even mention the poverty-ridden colonias scattered up and down the river.

The solution, he said, is a major revision of Texas' tax system.

While careful not to directly advocate a state income tax, the Democratic senator said the state must study ways to better provide for the needs of its citizens.

"The plain fact," he told the editors, "is our tax system is frugally and efficiently starving the Texas dream."

### Fond memories

Most of us never forget that first kiss or the first car.

To drive that first car, however, you need a driver's license. Having a driver's license even plays a role in many a first kiss.

For years, when you turned 16, if you had taken a driver's education course and a certified behind-the-wheel course and could pass the test, you got a driver's license.

For teenagers these days, it's not that simple. And from their point of view, it may get worse.

From the perspective of safety-minded adults, a graduated licensing bill approved by the House is good news.

Newly licensed 16 or 17-year-olds would not be able to drive after 11 p.m. or before 5 a.m. without an adult in the car. The only exceptions are going to or from school or a medical emergency. That, of course, will play havoc with teenage romance.

But it also should impact teenage drinking and driving and

the late-night cruising that often is a destination to trouble.

Though only 5.5 percent of Texas' licensed drivers are teenagers, their age group accounts for nearly 20 percent of the traffic fatalities logged each year in the state.

The sober truth is that the crash rate for 16-year-old drivers is 1.5 times higher than it is for 17-year-olds and three times higher than it is for 18 and 19-year-olds, still hardly the most safety minded members of society.

Forty-three other states have some form of graduated licensing law on the books. All have enjoyed reductions in teenage traffic fatalities involving 16-year-olds. Michigan, for instance, saw a 35 percent decline in traffic deaths from that vulnerable age group.

The version passed recently in the House is even stronger than the Senate version. Similar bills have come up before, but never gotten this far down the legislative road.

### Gambling bill headed off at the pass

A bill that would legalize gambling on three Indian reservations in Texas passed the House, as reported last week, but it looks like it's still not going to get off the reservation.

Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff has said the bill will not be debated in the Senate.

"I am adamantly opposed to casino gambling anywhere in the state of Texas," Ratliff said earlier this month.

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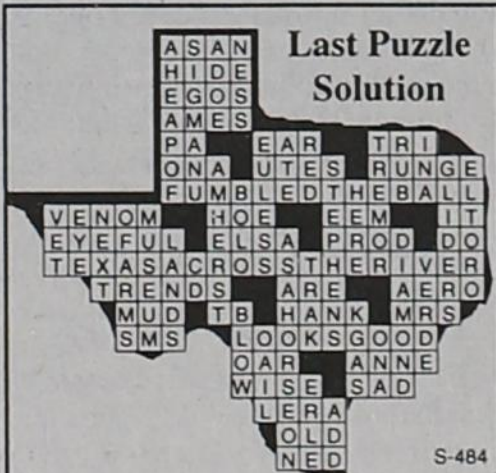


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# On the Go with Dorothy Hopson, 647-4579

Edith Graef's three granddaughters have been to Dimmitt visiting her. They include Rhonda (Welch) Neighbors, DHS Class of 1974, who now lives in Des Moines, Iowa, and manages Annuity Services Principal Financial in Des Moines; Sharon Welch, DHS Class of 1971 who lives in Columbia, Missouri, and is a professor at the University of Missouri.

Sharon and Rhonda are the daughters of the late James and Reta Welch of Dimmitt.

Joining them was Lisa (Graef) Fudge of Burkburnett. Lisa grew up in Hale Center. The granddaughters and Edith did some spring gardening, looked at old family photos and enjoyed Edith's good cooking.

Lucille Dollar spent some time during these last cold winter months with her daughter and son-in-law, Brenda and Bill. They live in Scottsdale, Ariz., through the winter months and Anchorage, Alaska, from May to cold time. They are building a new home in Alaska.

Carolyn (Simpson) Witherspoon, R.N., B.S.N., was at the Brockman hamburger benefit with her mother, Polly Simpson. She now lives in Amarillo and is the executive director of the Coalition of Health Services, Inc.

I want to correct some information about Bobbie Wooten that I wrote last week. Bobbie lives in Lubbock and is a surgical nurse at University Medical Hospital on Indiana St. near the Brownfield Highway.

Here are some sure signs of spring:

✓ The Dimmitt High School Industrial Arts class took their woodworking project to Waco to compete in the state competition.

✓ The Dimmitt High School Bobcat Band took a trip to Colorado Springs, Colo.

✓ J.R. Cano, Primera Iglesia Bautista's youth minister went to Hawaii with the Wayland Baptist University International Choir.

✓ Mrs. Pybus of Pybus Christian School presented her graduation class of 2001 in its spring program.

There were many grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends and parents of these little 4- and 5-year-olds who were present to hear the children sing about 20 favorite songs they learned this year.

Five-year-old C'iera Rodriguez, daughter of Rieky and Amy Rodriguez, had as her special guests her aunt, Lori Glidewell Allen of Amarillo, her grandparents Bill and Kerry Glidewell of Hereford and Cheryl and Freddie Upshaw of Dimmitt.

Lori (Glidewell) Allen and her husband, Cody, and son Bailey are staying in Dimmitt with the Upshaws while their new home in Amarillo is being vacated. Lori is a registered nurse at Northwest Texas Hospital and Cody works for Gene Messer Ford.

Monty and Sue Boozer had three grandchildren graduating from Pybus Christian School. They are Evan and Josh Riley, children of Kyla and

Jody Riley; and Brock Boozer, son of Robert and Kim Boozer. Ray Joe and Jo Eddy Riley of the Springlake area also are Josh's and Evan's grandparents and were there to see them.

The Primera Iglesia Bautista youth that were away on the spring school trips are Maribel Montiel and Cynthia Barrera, Bobcat Band members, and Regina Montiel, who is the Industrial Art Club's sweetheart for 2000 and 2001.

The Wednesday that they were gone, the rest of the church's youth met at the youth center, Desire the Fire.

The Abundant Life Family Church sponsors this youth center and was kind enough to let us use it.

There are game tables such as foosball, table tennis and pool, along with televisions, games and refreshments which are available to the youth. There are certain nights each month when children between the ages of 9 and junior high can gather; and then the older high school groups are allowed to meet on different nights.

Check with Tom and Kay Mullins for more information. The youth center is on the east side of the square.

Mary Lou Schmucker of Nazareth told us that her daughter and son-in-law, Natalie and Chris Kleman have moved from Dallas to Lubbock. When I needed to pursue Mary Lou for more details, I learned that she

and her husband, Ray, were in Lubbock for the day.

I took last week's column by the News office and rushed to Lubbock to have lunch with Deanne Clark and her aerobics class. We had lunch at a lovely gift shop and restaurant. I enjoyed meeting the ladies and the lunch was delicious.

For supper, Deanne and I went out for our favorite oriental salad. Seated directly behind Deanne in an adjoining booth were Chris and Natalie Kleman and her father, Ray Schmucker.

Natalie works at a beauty shop on Slide Road and says that several Dimmitt women have been by to see her. Chris works at 4-Fab, formerly Texas Instruments. He is the son of Alvin and Dorothy Kleman, also of Nazareth.

Mary Lou and another daughter, Melinda Schmucker-Pharies, were attending the Lady Raider basketball banquet. Melinda was a recent star player for the Lady Raiders and is now assisting the Lady Raiders' coach, Marsha Sharp. Melinda will graduate from Texas Tech University this spring.

The band left last Thursday morning for their trip to Colorado Springs. They stopped at Capitan, N.M., to picnic and visit the volcano, which was a tricky business because of the snow and rain.

On Friday, due to the bad weather, trips to the Royal Gorge, Pike's Peak, Garden of the Gods and Buckskin Joe's had to be canceled, but the band did enjoy trips to Casa Bonita in Denver, the mall, the Olympic Training Center and the Iron Springs Chateau Melodrama.

Sponsors who went along on the trip were Harold Hinsley, Teresa Carlisle, Carolyn Harman, Deana Beames, Jerry and Carolyn Jansa and Reuben "Johnny Angel" Olvera.

Laura Hargrove Ethridge (former Bobcat Band member and resident of Dimmitt) served as the tour guide for the band during its stay in Colorado Springs.

Upon its return home, the band was greeted at the stop light in Dimmitt by band parents, well wishers and friends who were waving banners and honking their horns in support of a job well done.

The band members would like to express their gratitude to everyone who supported them through the year in their candy and pecan sales, by patronizing the concession stand and just offering a word of encouragement.



SCHOOL BELL AWARD—Barbara Bain (left), president of the Dimmitt Area Retired School Personnel Association, presents a certificate of recognition to the Castro County News, represented by Linda Maxwell, for "outstanding media coverage of educational news."

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# Nazareth with Virgie Gerber, 945-2669

The 57<sup>th</sup> celebration of May Crowning was held Wednesday evening in Holy Family Church. Lindsey K. Gerber was the elected May Queen this year. She had the honor of placing a crown on the statue of the Virgin Mary after the procession of all the CCD students into church, with each one placing a flower at Mary's altar. We thank Msgr. B.A. Erpen of Tulia and our deacons, Jerome Brockman and Al Maurer, for officiating at the liturgy which followed. This celebration is always looked forward to each year.

Jim, Bobbie, Michael, Robby and Jayme Schmucker and Carl and Mary Kleman attended the graduation of Tiffany Schmucker from Seward County Community College in Liberal, Kan., on Saturday evening. The main speaker was Sen. David Adkins of Kansas. Tiffany will attend West Texas A&M University next fall.

Craig Birkenfeld attended the 43<sup>rd</sup> annual Hugh O-Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership Conference this weekend in Amarillo. It featured many seminars about volunteerism and careers. Craig also got the opportunity to meet many interesting people. HOBY is a national organization which holds these meetings all over the US. Craig received the alternate award to advance to the National HOBY conference in Washington, D.C.

Sunday, April 29, 43 people from Nazareth, Tulia, Canyon, Amarillo, Dimmitt, Silverton and one from San Antonio gathered at the Nazareth Senior Center to board a bus for Memphis, Tenn., and Tunica, "the casino capital of the South."

Jimmy Schulte organized the trip through Diamond Tours. Our bus was super nice and we had a wonderful driver, Richard Bourney from Waco.

They spent the first night in Ft. Smith Ark. A few of the group had a short visit with Sister Frances Anne Braddock at the convent. They had a fun day traveling to Tunica on Monday watching movies and listening to our two go-go girls, Polly and Selma. (But we won't tell all, Polly.) We enjoyed an afternoon on the Mississippi Queen. Memphis is a very old historical town.

We spent Wednesday on Beale St., riding the trolley, shopping and some of us ate at the Rialto, a great barbeque place. It does not open till 4:30 p.m. but due to Polly Simpson's "charm" they let us in early!

We had a great guided tour of Memphis and Graceland, Home of Elvis. Very interesting.

We visited the famous Peabody Hotel and watched the ducks parade to the fountain. Had a wonderful buffet at "Harrah's" that evening.

Two of us felt an earthquake Friday night at about 1:30 because we couldn't sleep! On Friday we toured the beautiful Dixon Botanical Gardens and Museum and then began the ride home after lunch. The wildflowers were beautiful along the way. In Oklahoma City we stopped at the impressive National Memorial Building. Esther Braddock and her friends left the group and returned home to McKinney. A very tired group arrived home about 4:30 p.m. on Saturday with the exception of Polly and Selma. They were like the "Energizer" batteries! They just kept going and going!

We enjoyed a great trip with a great bunch of people which makes traveling a lot of fun.

This weekend five Nazareth students and four sponsors traveled to Austin for the UIL academic competition.

Senior Mark Birkenfeld, juniors Blake Birkenfeld, Mandy Hoelting, and Ky Wilcox and sophomore Eric Schilling were accompanied by sponsors Brenda Schulte, Omega Leavitt, Ramona Thiel and N. Dean Johnson. All of the students medaled in their contests with Mark Birkenfeld winning Calculator Applications, placing sixth in Mathematics and competing on the first place calculator team; Blake Birkenfeld finished second in News Writing, third in Computer Science and fourth in Calculator. He was also on the winning Calculator team. Mandy Hoelting placed fourth in Feature Writing and Eric Schilling earned fourth place honors in Headline Writing. Ky Wilcox was on the state champion Calculator team; however, he did not finish in the top six individuals.

Congratulations to all of you for a

job well done!

Wayne and Dillon Heiman, Ted and Bradley Huseman, Denny and Darrin Heiman and Tyson Schulte all enjoyed last weekend with Harold Gerber at Lake Ivie. Also, Keith, Brett and Kyle Hoelting. They caught lots of fish and then enjoyed a fish fry.

The Foresters "Benefit Breakfast" Sunday morning was well attended and enjoyed. Proceeds benefit various Forester's charities. Also, the Lions Club "Broom Sale" was held at the Community Hall Awning. Proceeds go to benefit the blind.

Prayers are asked for Leonard Gerber, Virgil Brockman, Anna Huseman Lee, Edith Huseman, Alice Palazzini, Lori Huseman, Tammy Drerup, Ann Heck, Ray Schmucker, Brenda Crouse and Art Albracht.

A bridal shower honoring Vanessa Wilhelm, bride elect of John Welps, was held Sunday afternoon at the home of Delese Ellison. Guests were the bride's mother, Dianne Wilhelm and the groom's mother, Virginia Holland of Floydada; the bride's grandmother, Florene Schulte; Renee (Huseman) Leochner of Amarillo; and Colleen and Danielle Wilhelm of Wichita Falls. Vanessa received many beautiful gifts and everyone enjoyed good food.

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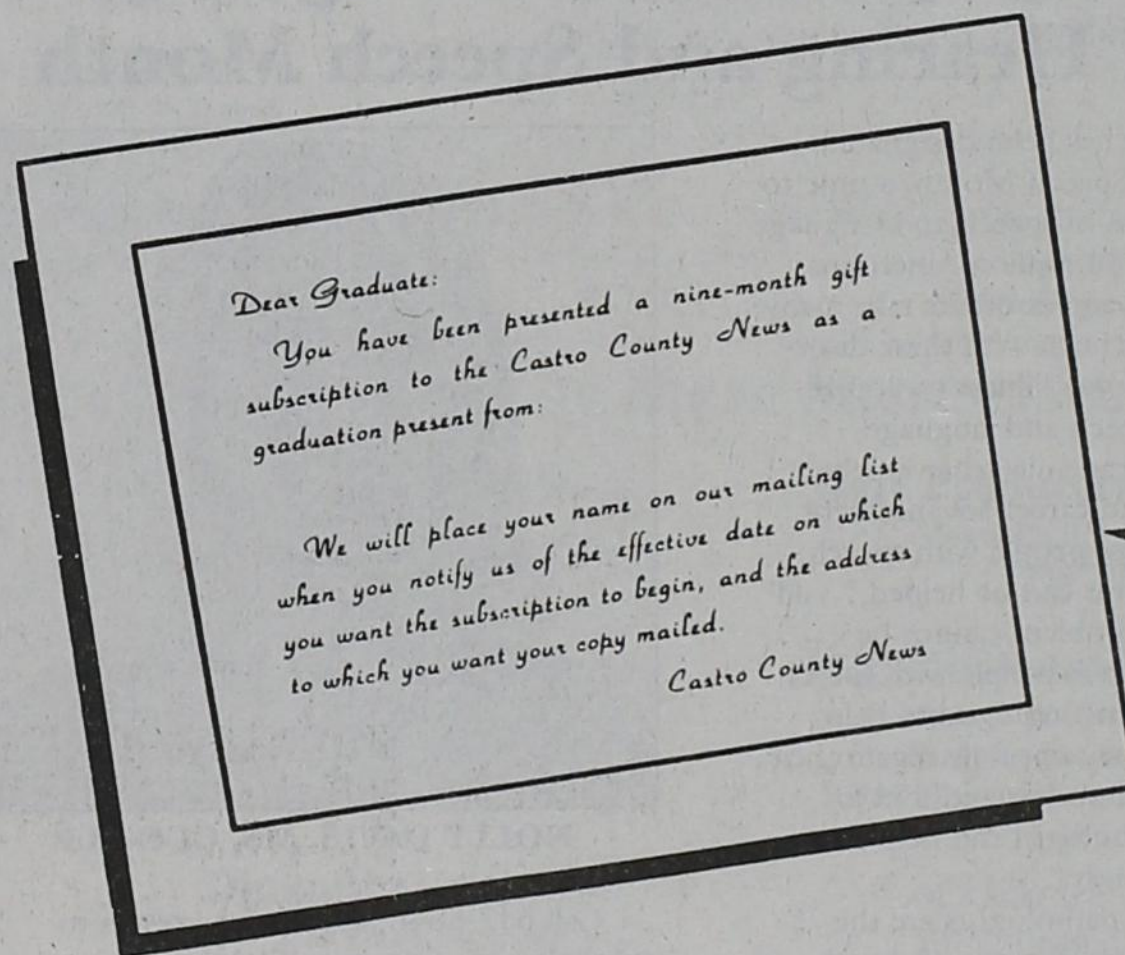
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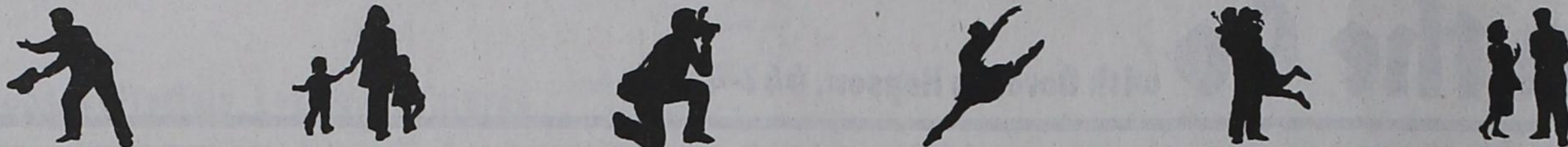
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# People



Cody Levi Annen and ZuElla Kai Hogan

## June wedding is planned

Ross Tuell and ZuAnn Hogan of Yuma, Colo., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, ZuElla Kai Hogan, to Cody Levi Annen, son of Claude and Brenda Annen of Nazareth.

The couple are planning to exchange wedding vows on June 2 in Yuma. The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Yuma High School. She holds a degree in occupational therapy and massage therapy from Morgan Community College in Fort Morgan, Colo., graduating from the school in 2000. She is employed by Lynwood Manor in Levelland.

The prospective groom will graduate from West Texas A&M University this month with a degree in agricultural business and economics. He attended the World Wide College of Auctioneering in Mason City, Iowa, to become "Col. Cody Annen." He works for Goree Auction and Assiter and Associates in Amarillo.

## Dimmitt High School inducts 17 into National Honor Society

The Dimmitt High School chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 17 new members on May 1 at the DHS Auditorium.

The inductees are senior Casandra Casas; juniors Tramesha Rivers and

Bianey Saucedo; and sophomores Jaci Bishop, Caitlin Buckley, Juan Diaz, Priscilla Dones, Isabel Garcia, Jaci Hardwick, Ashley Irons, Natalie Jimenez, Valerie Martinez, Jill Merritt, Melissa Ruedo, Jenna Steinle, Lauren Waggoner and Colby Williams.

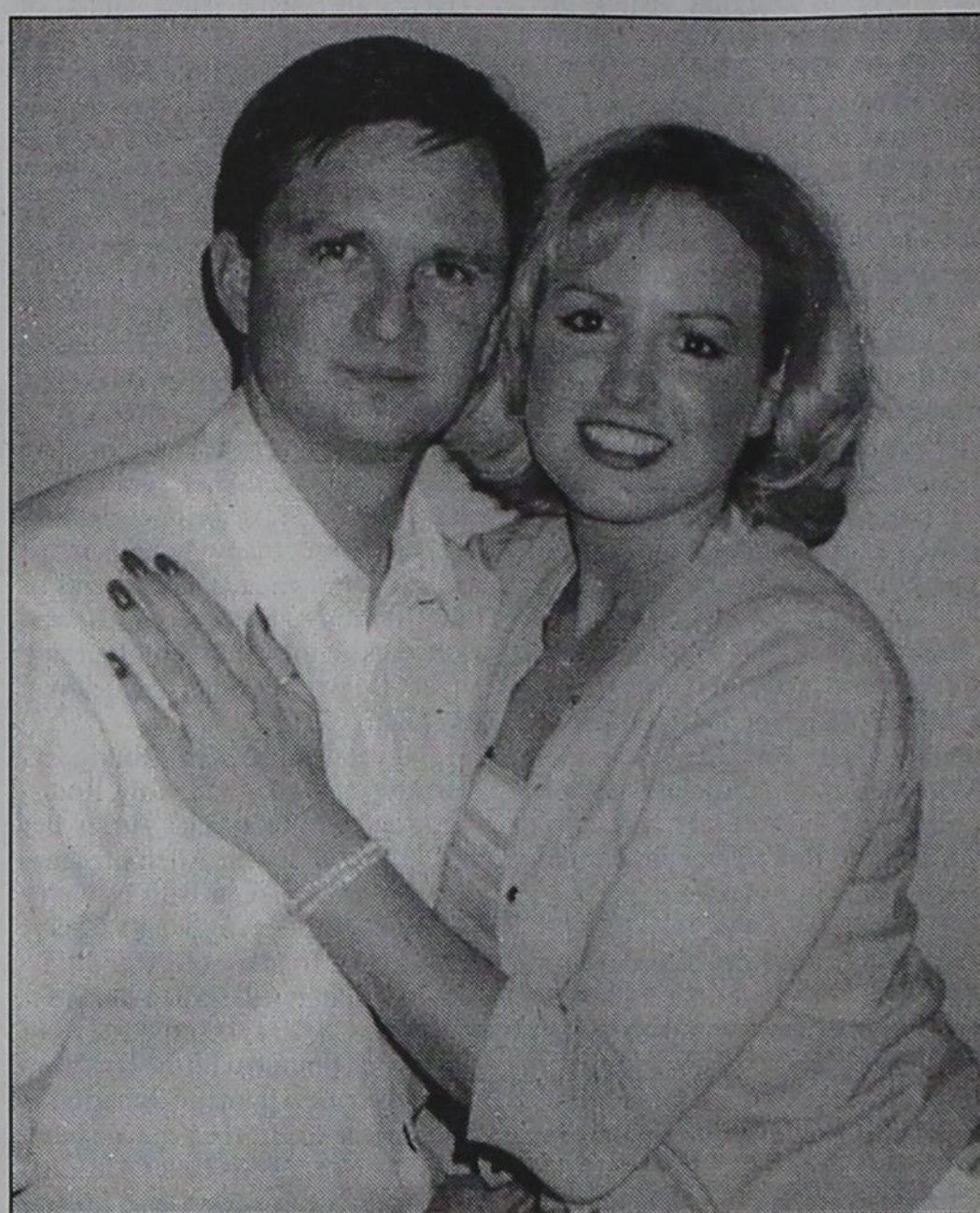
Presiding over the induction ceremony was National Honor Society President Joshua Hardwick. He was assisted by Vice president Daniel Proffitt, Secretary Lori Schulte, Treasurer Cherie Norman and Reporter Lyndsey Heard.

Current NHS members, advisor Cinnamon Bradley, DHS Principal R.L. Stockstill, DHS Assistant Principal Harold Hinsley and DISD Supt. Les Miller helped family and friends welcome the new members.

Refreshments were served after the ceremony.

The National Honor Society held its annual steak supper last Thursday, May 3, at the home of NHS member Matthew Wright.

Members and inductees were treated to rib-eye steak, baked potatoes, salad, hot rolls, cookies, brownies and ice cream.



Blake Brown and Andrea Leigh Burkhalter

## Burkhalter and Brown to wed

Larry and Jimmie Reed of Borger and Rick and DiAnna Burkhalter of Calera, Okla., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Andrea Leigh Burkhalter, to Blake Brown, son of J.R. and Mary Jo Brown of Dimmitt.

The couple will marry on June 23 at the Galbraith House in Amarillo. The bride-to-be graduated from Calera High School in 1993. She will graduate from West Texas A&M University this month with a bachelor of science degree in special education.

The prospective groom graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1986. He graduated from the University of Texas at Austin in 1991 with a bachelor of science degree in kinesiology. He is currently serving as the men's basketball coach at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls.

After the wedding, the couple will live in Wichita Falls.

## Wendy Finke honored with bridal shower

Wendy Finke, bride-elect of Jimmy Ivey, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Martha Jo Hyman.

Guests were served ham and cheese hors d'oeuvres, fruit, rum cake, punch and coffee.

The serving table was decorated with grape leaf greenery and crystal and silver appointments.

Karen Hardy and Sara Loving, friends of the bride, presided over the serving table.

Special guests attending the shower included Katie Ivey of Dimmitt, mother of the prospective groom; Cindy Finke of Abilene, mother of the bride-elect; and Wilma Finke of Abilene, grandmother of the bride-elect.

Other out-of-town guests were Karen Ford of Levelland, sister of the prospective groom; Wanda Downs of Abilene, sister of the bride-to-be; and JoAnna Finke of Abilene, the honoree's aunt.

The hostesses assisting Hyman with the shower presented the honoree with a computer desk and chair.

## Bridal shower honors Kelley

Stacy Kelley, bride-elect of Sam Griffin, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday in the home of Sherry Schaeffer.

The hostesses assisting Mrs. Schaeffer with the shower presented the honoree with an armoire.

The serving table was covered with a white, cutwork Battenberg lace cloth. The centerpiece was a bouquet of fresh flowers including daisies, iris, tiger lily and gladioli; and crystal candlesticks holding golden candles.

Guests enjoyed mixed fruit, spinach rolls, tortilla roll-ups and lemon bars. Silver appointments completed the decor.

Special guests included Kay Kelley of Lubbock, the bride-to-be's mother.

## Mortar Board inducts Bennett

Stacey Bennett of Hart has been inducted into the Scribes Chapter of Mortar Board at West Texas A&M University.

Mortar Board is a national honor society that recognizes college students for distinguished ability and achievement in scholarship, leadership and service.

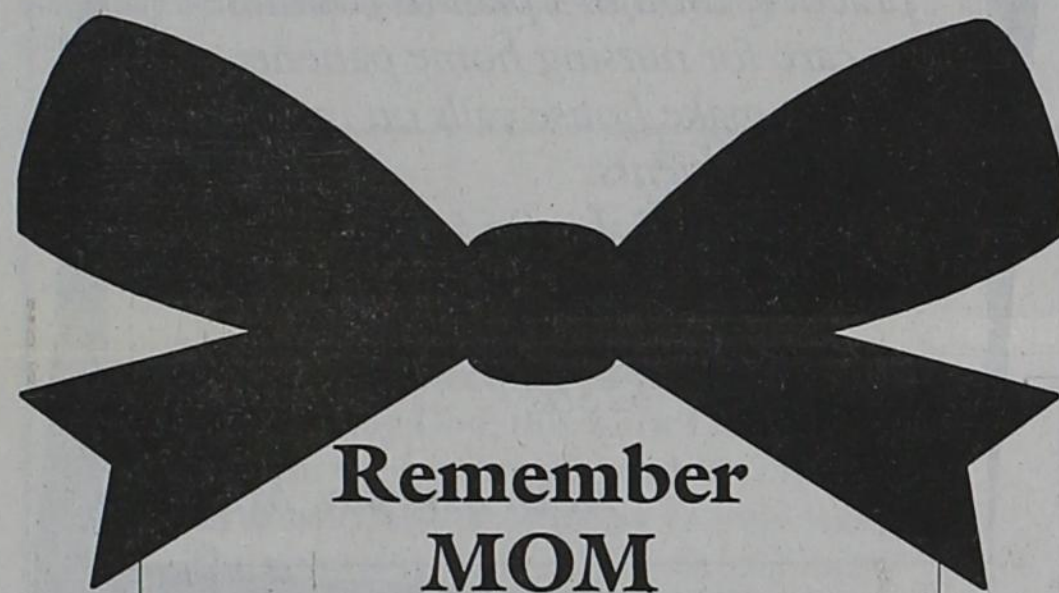
Bennett is a junior speech communication major at WTAMU.

## Kindergarten will present spring musical

The kindergarten music students at Richardson Elementary School will present their spring music program at Canterbury Villa Nursing Home in Dimmitt Tuesday afternoon.

The program will begin at 2:35 p.m. and the students will perform under the direction of Ruby Teaschner. The public is invited to attend and admission is free.

"The students selected the songs which they will be performing, and they have worked very hard to get the program ready," Teaschner said.



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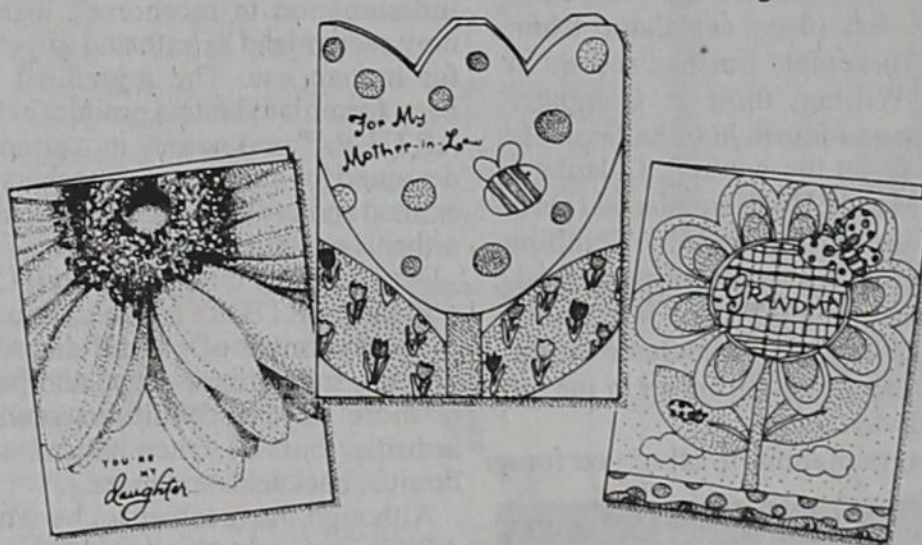
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Who's New

OUT OF TOWN

Carlos and Melissa Mireles III are the parents of a baby boy, Mikhail Dorian, who was born at 12:28 p.m. on April 17 at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. He weighed 6 lbs., 6-1/4 ozs., and was 19-1/4 inches long. He has four older siblings including 16-month-old Christina Mireles, 6-year-old Marcus Noriega, 4-year-old Matthew Cuevas and 3-year-old Brandon Dones. Grandparents are Paul and Sylvia DeLeon and Carlos and Santos Mireles, all of Dimmitt. Great-grandparents are Tony and Irene Vasquez of Levelland, Patsy Gonzales of Dimmitt and Martha Mireles of Hart.

OUT OF TOWN

Pammy and Jill Millican of Dimmitt are the parents of a baby boy, Lanam Jack Millican, born May 1 at 3:10 p.m. at Covenant Hospital in Lubbock. The infant weighed 8 pounds and 2 ounces and was 20.5 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Ronnie and Kay Gfeller of Dimmitt. Paternal grandparents are Wilbern and Charlotte Millican of Robert Lee. Great-grandparents are Bob and Thalia Fulkerson of Tulia and Agnes Albrandt of Vernon.

On building a chicken coop; provide at least three square feet of floor space for each chicken.



Ricardo M. Carpio and Selina Annette Carrasco

## Saturday wedding planned

Selina Annette Carrasco and Ricardo M. Carpio will exchange wedding vows Saturday at 1 p.m. at St. John's Catholic Church in Hart.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Guillermo and Sally Carrasco of Hart. She graduated from Hart High School in 1998 and she is attending Wayland Baptist University. She is currently employed by Brito Communications.

The prospective groom is the son of Isaias and Evangelina Carpio of Dimmitt. He is a 1997 graduate of Dimmitt High School and he is employed by Farmland/ADM in Hereford.

After the wedding, the couple plans to reside in Dimmitt.

## Local youths lasso blue ribbons at district roundup

Five senior and five junior 4-H'ers from Castro County walked away with top honors Saturday at the District 2 4-H Roundup held at Texas University in Lubbock.

Castro County youngsters captured first-place honors in the Senior Share-the-Fun poetry competition, a Junior 1 Clothing Method Demonstration and in the Junior 2 Horse Quiz Bowl competition.

Senior 4-H'ers who participated in the Share-the-Fun competition performed an original script written and directed by Dimmitt Chamber Executive Director Bill Sava entitled, "Ego Trip."

The winning skit qualifies for the State 4-H Roundup, which will be held at Texas A&M University in June.

The poetic script depicts chemically dependant Greek gods and goddesses who break their addictive cycles through a healthy self image.

The winning cast includes Jeremy Bishop, Thomas Brockman, Jaci Bishop, Gabriel Garcia and Holly Lane.

## Ramirez graduates from basics

Army National Guard Pfc. Stephen J. Ramirez has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Knox, Ken.

During the training, Ramirez received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesies, military justice, physical fitness, first aid and Army history and traditions.

Ramirez' wife, Rosalinda, resides in Hart. He is a 1992 graduate of Hart High School.

The Junior 2 Horse Quiz Bowl team of Eric Odom, Rye Patton, Linsey Shaw and Randi Shaw also was successful in their quest for gold medals Saturday.

Quiz Bowls are relatively new to 4-H competition and they utilize a game show-type format. Each team must study a guide that lists several pages of questions and answers.

Elizabeth Hill earned a gold medal with her Clothing Method Demonstration about building your own sewing kit entitled, "It's Sew Easy."

This was Hill's first year to compete with a Method Demonstration, according to Castro County 4-H Agent Suzanne Gibbs. "She did a sensational job," Gibbs said.

## DMS sets assemblies for awards

Dimmitt Middle School will hold end-of-the-year award assemblies on May 21, 22 and 24, and parents and the public are invited to attend.

On May 21, students in the seventh grade will receive recognition at 8:30 a.m. The fourth grade students will be honored at 10:30 a.m., and fifth graders at 11:30 a.m.

On May 22, sixth graders will receive awards at 10 a.m.

On May 24, eighth graders will be honored at 10 a.m.

All of the assemblies will be held in the DMS auditorium.

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## Student council year-end cook-out will benefit MS

Two Dimmitt High School students will be interviewed Tuesday at 7 a.m. by Jason Conn on the Morning Show on KFDA Television.

They will be publicizing the DHS end-of-year cook-out, set for May 22, which will benefit the Panhandle Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. The interview also is intended to raise community awareness about the disease.

Each year, DHS student clubs organize a benefit cook-out, with proceeds going to the charity chosen by the students. The NMSS was selected this year. Jeri Farris, president of the Panhandle Chapter, arranged for the interview.

Local merchants and DHS students are donating most of the items needed for the cookout. Community members have volunteered to cook, and students and teachers will keep the serving line stocked.

The price for the meal is \$3 per person for a hamburger, chips, soft drink, and a brownie or rice cereal treat. People who attend the cook-out will receive a lapel ribbon decorated with the NMSS official logo. DHS

## Class of 1991 plans reunion

Members of the Dimmitt High School Class of 1991 are making plans for their 10-year reunion, which has been set for Saturday, July 28.

The event will be held at the Country Club of Dimmitt, and the cost will be \$25 per couple or \$15 per person. Money must be turned in to Leigh Durbin by July 1.

All members of the class are asked to get in touch with Jamie Baker Mendoza at 647-0443 or log on to the reunion web site at [www.angelcities.com/members/dhsclassof91/index.html](http://www.angelcities.com/members/dhsclassof91/index.html) and leave their information.

students who purchase tickets will be released early for lunch and also will be entered in a drawing to win a \$25 gift certificate from Hastings.

The public is invited to attend the cook-out, with serving slated from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the south practice football field at the high school. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the high school office or at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce.

For more information or to place an order, call 647-3105.

## Three inducted into Gamma Beta Phi society

Two Dimmitt students and one from Nazareth have been inducted into West Texas A&M University's Gamma Beta Phi National Honor Society.

Kristin Doss of Dimmitt, a junior generic special education major; and Angelica Walton of Dimmitt, a junior reading education major; and Bridget Birkenfeld of Nazareth, a senior art major, are among the 85 students inducted recently.

Membership in the campus-wide honor society is limited to students who have completed at least 30 semester hours, are in the top 20% of their class and have a declared major.

Gamma Beta Phi is a service organization that is active in the campus and community through various projects, according to Pamela Lockwood, Gamma Beta Phi advisor.

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NATIONAL NURSES WEEK in Dimmitt was observed with several activities, including two prayer sessions in front of Plains Memorial Hospital on

Tuesday. Prayer was offered concerning the nationwide shortage of nurses, and blessings were asked on the nursing staff of the hospital district. *Staff Photo*

## USDA continues vigilance against foot, mouth disease

US Agriculture Sec. Ann M. Veneman recently said the USDA will continue to be vigilant in its efforts to prevent foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) from entering the US. Efforts include intensified scrutiny and inspections at ports of entry and a temporary import prohibition of swine, ruminants and products that could potentially carry the virus from the European Union and other countries that have confirmed cases of this animal disease.

In a get-acquainted meeting, European Union commissioner David Byrne and Veneman discussed many issues of interest including trade, biotechnology and the current FMD situation.

"We had a very productive and cordial meeting," Veneman said. "We discussed a wide range of issues important to our countries and we look forward to working together and continuing to strengthen relation-

ships." Among other important issues, they discussed the current FMD situation in Europe and the current US temporary prohibition of certain products from the European Union. Veneman gave no indication of a regionalization or lifting of the temporary restrictions at this time.

"This is a very difficult situation, and we certainly recognize the extensive efforts that the EU and the member states are taking to control the current outbreak," said Veneman. "We will continue reviewing our policies but remain concerned about the spread of FMD within the EU and the risk of introduction into the US. Given the current situation, we are not prepared to lift any restrictions at this time."

The US continues to safeguard American agriculture from FMD and all other foreign animal diseases. Since the outbreak of the disease in parts of Europe and other countries, USDA has strengthened its protections, which include:

1. Establishing an emergency operations center to coordinate communications, answer technical questions, and provide consumer/traveler information about FMD and other related issues. Toll-free numbers include: 1-800-601-9327 for technical questions; and for the Consumer/Traveler Hotline, call 1-866-SAFEGUARD.

2. Heightened alert and increased inspections at ports of entry, borders, and airports to ensure passengers, luggage and cargo are checked as appropriate. This includes redirection 150 inspectors to critical ports of entry and plans are underway to double the number of dog teams at airports to check incoming flights and passengers. USDA currently has nearly 2,000 inspection personnel assigned to these facilities and ports of entry.

3. Heightened alert and increased coordination of programs in states across the country. USDA has more than 450 veterinary officials throughout the country that partner with state and local agriculture officials to ensure appropriate protections are in place to prevent the entry and potentially detect FMD in the US. The USDA has been coordinating and meeting regularly with appropriate federal, state, industry and university officials since the recent FMD cases were discovered. These groups in-

clude regional USDA officials, customs, defense, state agriculture and veterinary officials, university experts, and airline/travel industry representatives.

4. Prohibiting travelers from Europe and other FMD countries from carrying into the US any agricultural products, particularly animal products, that could spread FMD. Violations could result in penalties of up to \$1,000. Passengers are required to identify any visits to farms or rural areas to customs and USDA officials. All travelers/baggage are subject to inspection by USDA/customs officials and dog teams and disinfection of footwear/clothing may be required for some travelers.

5. Dispatching teams of experts, including 40 federal, state, and university veterinarians, to the United Kingdom to assist in surveillance and eradication of FMD.

6. Heightened awareness and monitoring the FMD situation worldwide to ensure proper protections are in place in other countries that have confirmed cases of the animal disease.

Implementing a renewed public education campaign for travelers that includes additional signage/information in airports, public service announcements, information hotlines, and an extensive website with public information about this important issue and steps that can be taken to prevent FMD and other exotic diseases and pests from entering the US.

USDA continues to review its current APHIS programs and staffing to ensure appropriate resources are available to prevent the entry of FMD into the US, both short and long-term. USDA continues to review emergency operations plans to ensure appropriate response mechanisms are in place (both federal and state) to act quickly if FMD were ever to enter the US. This includes continuing research, including possible vaccination methods, increased surveillance and regulatory controls.

While FMD does not pose a health risk to humans, it is highly contagious to livestock and could cost billions in containment and eradication if detected in the US.

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## Dayton Elam re-elected to state soil, water board

Dayton Elam of Seminole has been re-elected to serve a two-year term on the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board.

Elam will represent District One, which consists of 51 counties in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains region of the state. State District One encompasses 49 soil and water conservation districts, including the one in Castro County.

The board's chief responsibility is to coordinate the programs of Texas' 216 soil and water conservation districts. In addition, the board is the lead agency in Texas for programs relating to abating agricultural and silvicultural non-point source pollution.

Unlike many state agencies and commissions whose policymaking bodies are gubernatorial appointees, the board consists of five elected members who must be landowners or be actively engaged in farming or ranching. Board members are elected in a convention-type election by soil and water conservation directors in the state district the board member represents.

A long-time soil and water conservationist, Elam presently serves as chairman of the board of directors of the Gaines County Soil and Water Conservation District. He has been a member of the district since 1977.

Elam is a former member of the board of directors for the Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts Board of Directors.

Elam farms and ranches 3,200 acres in Gaines County. His operation includes the production of cotton, peanuts and cattle.

Other agricultural organizations in which he served in leadership capacities included treasurer and president of the Gaines County Farm Bureau, past president of the Seminole Co-op Gin, past board member of the Lubbock Cooperative Oil Mill, Plains Cooperative Marketing Association and Plains Cooperative Compress. He is a past member of the Governor's Agriculture Planning Committee.

Elam is a member of the board of directors of the West Texas National Bank and a member of the ag committee of the Seminole Chamber of Commerce.

Elam has traveled in Russia with a particular interest in cotton production in southern Russia. He also represented the Western Peanut Growers Association at an international peanut conference in Athens, Greece.

## Wheat turnrow meeting is set

There will be a Wheat Turnrow meeting on Tuesday from 10 a.m. until noon at Ag Supply, Lt., (formerly Flagg Fertilizer), located on FM 1055 6.5 miles south of Highway 86.

Brent Bean, Extension agronomist, will be there to discuss wheat varieties. Also, an Extension entomologist will be there to discuss insect problems in wheat.

Two CEUs will be offered for applicators, according to Rick Auckerman, County Extension Agent-Agriculture for Castro County.

For more information, call the Castro County Extension office at 647-4115.

## 4-H Quiz Bowl, horse judges win

Castro County's 4-H Horse Judging Team and the Nutrition Quiz Bowl Team competed at a contest in April, and each finished fourth overall.

Members of the Nutrition Quiz Bowl group included Jeff Bishop, Stephanie Castro and Elizabeth Hill. The Horse Judging Team included

Eric Odom, Rye Patton, Randi Shaw and Jake Ebeling.

Also competing at the contest as an individual in the horse judging contest was Lindsey Shaw.

Odom finished as the second-place individual in the halter competition while Lindsey Shaw was third in performance.

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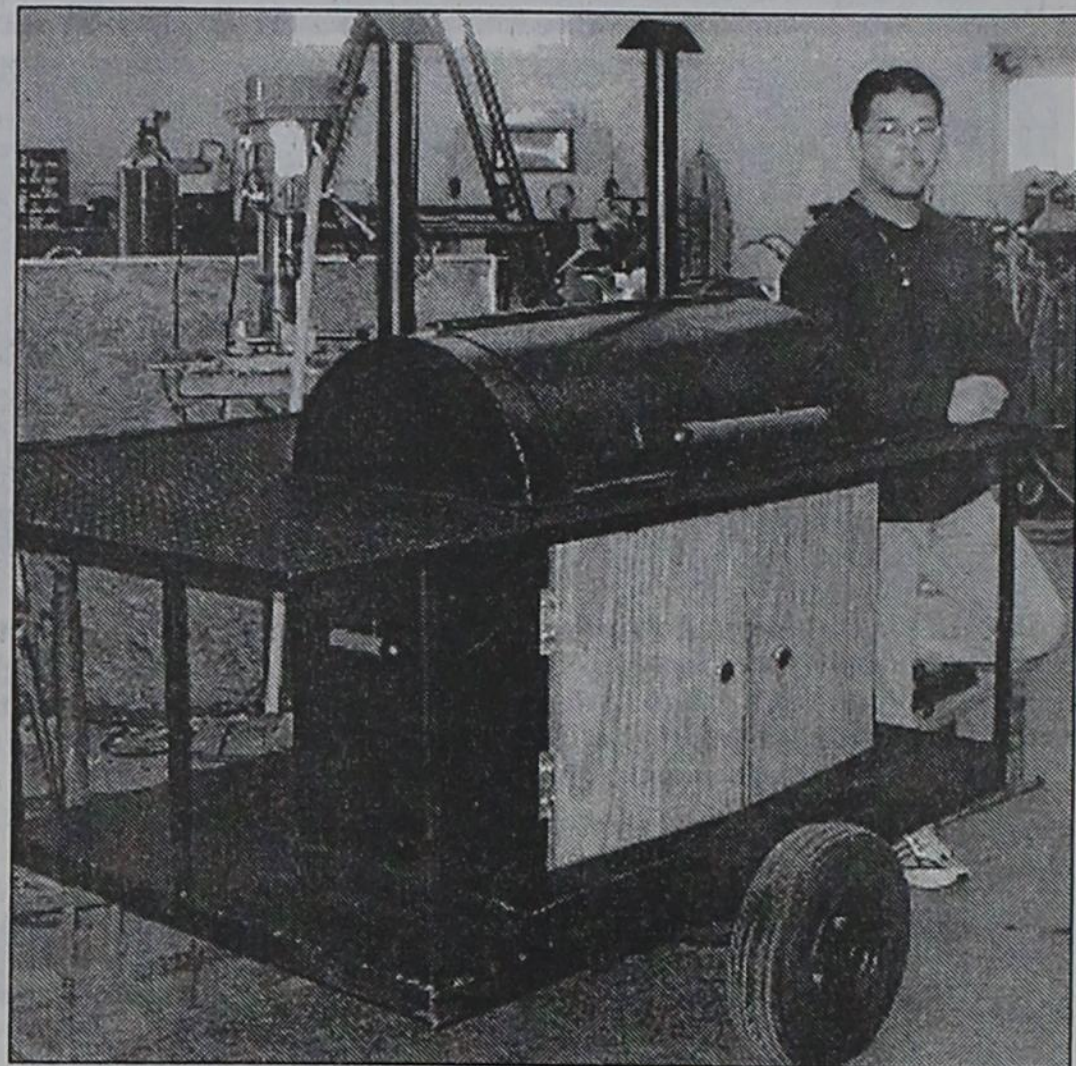
# Dimmitt TSA chapter scores big at state



WOODWORKING II students from Dimmitt High School and their projects which earned first place honors at the State Technology Students Association contest at Waco include (from left) Cliff Wright, restoration of a play refrigerator,

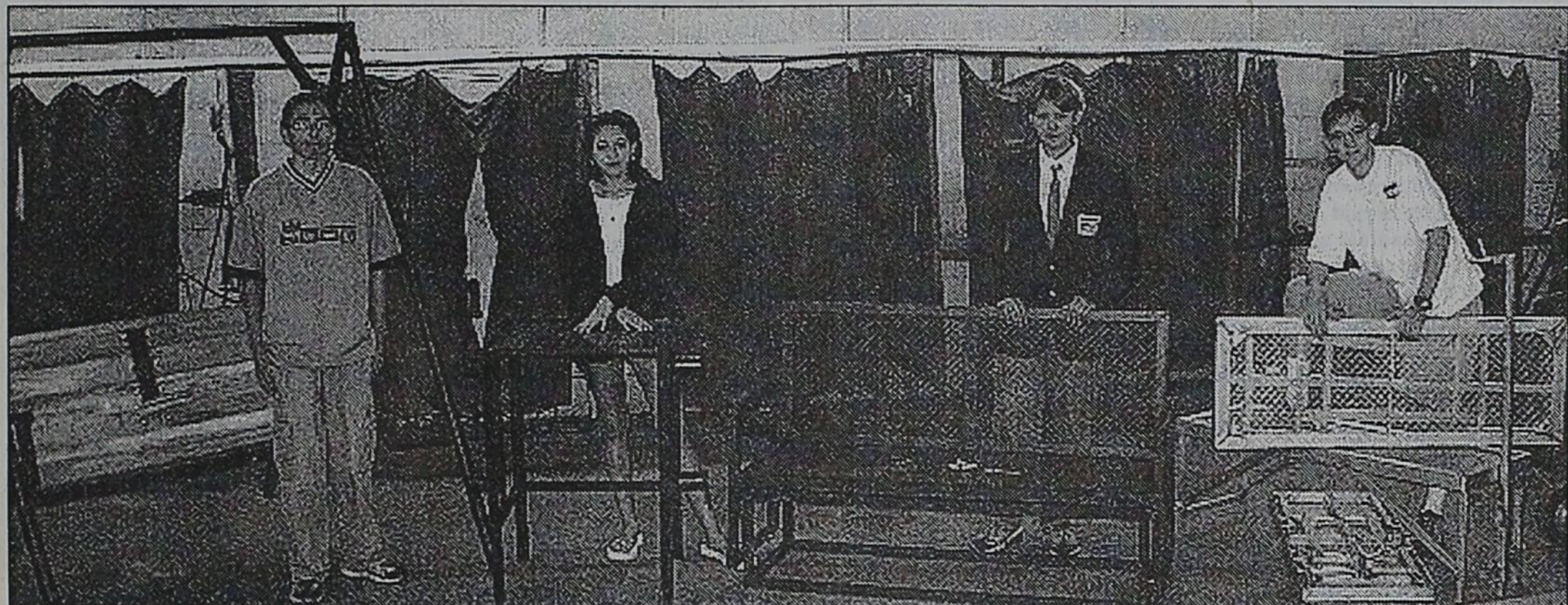
tor, carousel rocking horse (Best in State and Top Ten) and a cedar chest (right, front); (continuing from left) Olga Gonzalez, vanity; Crystal Lopez, coffee table; Mark Castillo, pier wall bed; and Abraham Salinas, dresser.

Photo by Linda Maxwell



METALWORKING II STUDENT ANTONIO BARRERA ... won first place honors with this barbecue grill.

Photo by Linda Maxwell



METALWORKING students who won top honors include (from left) Adam Guzman with a swing, first place; Sarah Torres, welding table, second; Lupe Fierro, glider, first (Best

in State); and Cliff Wright, lamb table, first (Best in State), and lamb table, mass production, first (Best in State).

Photo by Linda Maxwell



SOAP BOX DERBY WINNER: The Dimmitt High School Technology Students Association entry took first place in the races, with Regina Montiel as the driver.

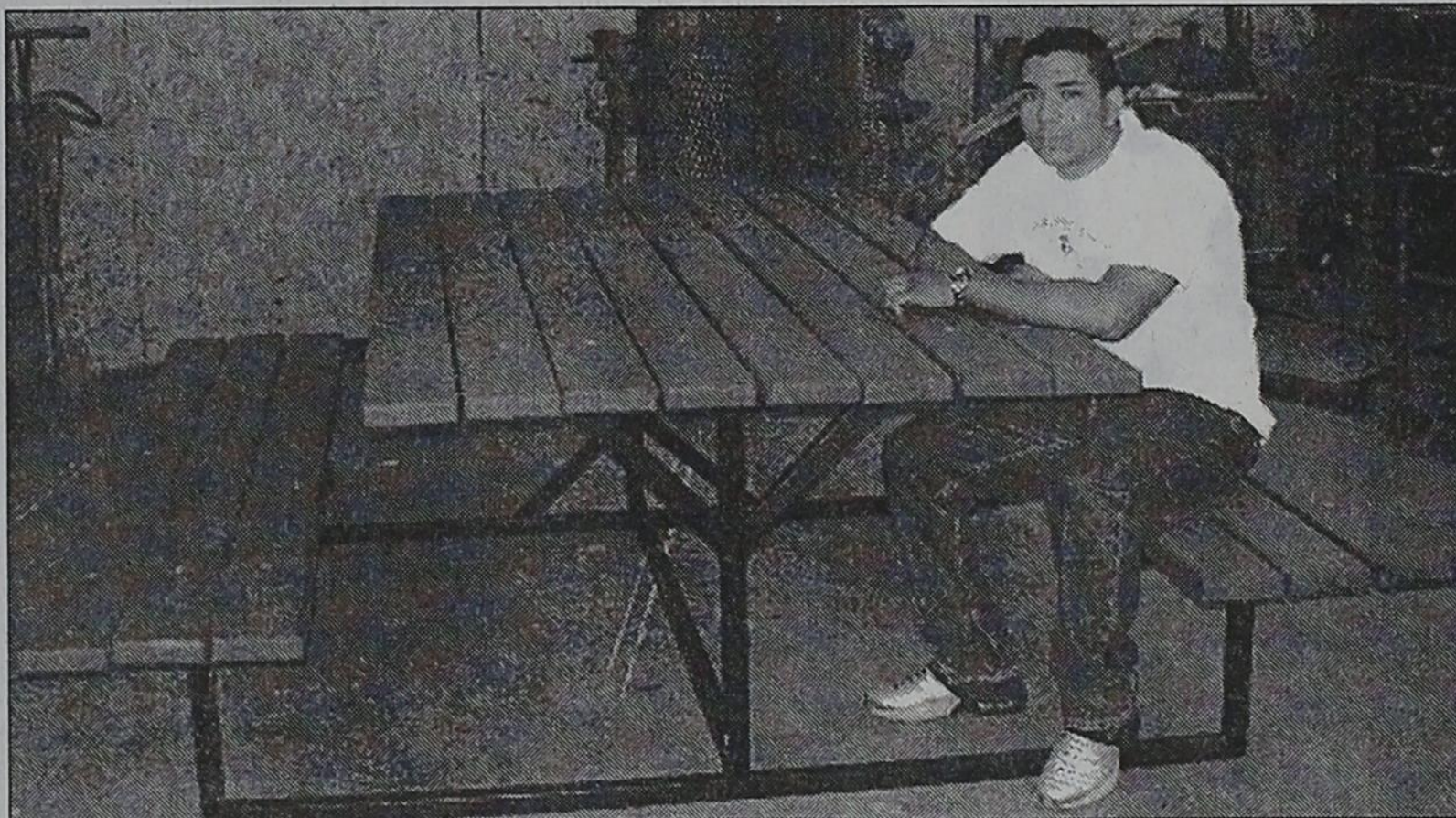
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Dimmitt Technology Student Association earns **"Best in State"** and **"Top 100"** honors with Club Project, 1960 John Deere Model 720 Tractor



A PLETHORA OF FIRSTS and several Best in State honors went to Cliff Wright and his numerous projects, including his grand towers clock (Best in State and Top 10), French lyre clock (Best in State), an electric insect (Best in State), lead casting weights (Best in State), four Best in State pens, other pens, a heart box, and plaques.

Photo by Linda Maxwell



FIRST PLACE HONORS IN METALWORKING I ... went to this picnic table constructed by T.J. Reyna.

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 Model 720 Tractor  
 (Also Top 100 Project)
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**Cliff Wright**  
 High-Point Individual  
 Grand towers clock (also Top 10), carousel rocking horse (also Top 10), French lyre clock, lamb table, mass production lamb table, black and white digital product, computer-manipulated digital image, certificate, digital image with cropping, desktop themes, mass production bone pen, mass production plastic pen, single bone pen, single plastic pen, electric insect, lead casting weights and public presentation.
- ♦  
**Ryan Hays**  
 Computer desk
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**Priscilla Lopez**  
 China hutch
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**Lupe Fierro**  
 Glider
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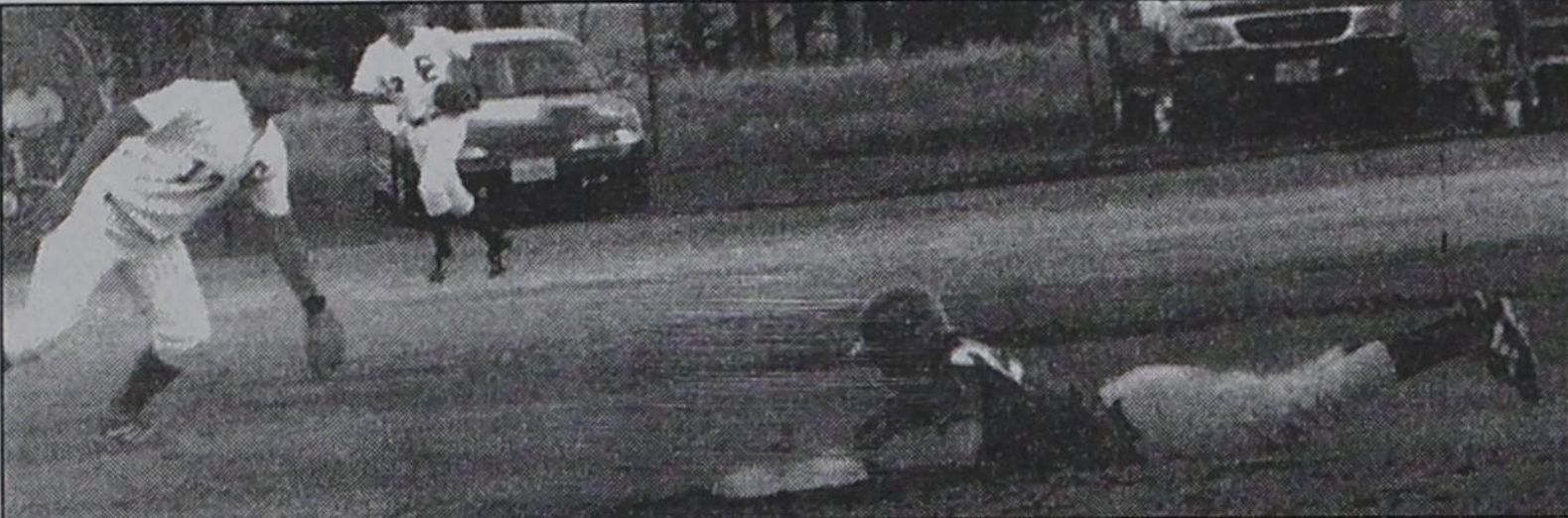


WOODWORKING I students who earned first place ribbons include (from left) Maria Reyes with a chest of drawers, Priscilla Lopez with a china hutch (Best in State), Ryan Hays

with a computer desk (Best in State), and Jason Harris with an entertainment center.

Photo by Linda Maxwell

# Sports



**SAFE STEAL**—Daryl Pohlmeier of Nazareth slides into second with time to spare as Crosbyton's catcher, N. Hernandez, can't get an on-target throw Tuesday night in a battle for the District 2-A championship at Crosbyton. Nazareth won the first meeting between

## Swifts fall to Crosbyton, 5-4, in battle for District 2-A crown

Crosbyton edged Nazareth by a run, 5-4, in a pitcher's duel Tuesday night and that gave the Chiefs the outright District 2-A championship while the Swifts are forced into a position where they must win their last game with Smyer to clinch a playoff berth as the No. 2 seed.

Nazareth won the first meeting between the two teams, 6-4, and held a 3-1 lead headed into the bottom of the sixth inning Tuesday.

But the Swifts couldn't hold on. Nazareth's Blake Birkenfeld and Crosbyton's B. Martin each pitched exceptionally well for five innings before giving up hits.

Crosbyton picked up one hit off of Birkenfeld in the first inning, but the Swifts would retire 16 straight batters and Crosbyton had two outs in the bottom of the sixth before Nazareth lost the handle.

Martin fanned 11 Swift batters enroute to the victory, and he had a no-hitter working through 5 2/3 innings. Nazareth only picked up three hits off of Martin. One of those was a two-run homer by Eric Schilling in the sixth inning.

Birkenfeld was almost as good, giving up just a single hit in 5 2/3 innings.

Martin couldn't miss with his

pitches early in the game. He sent the first 11 Nazareth batters back to the dugout.

Crosbyton took a 1-0 lead in the first inning.

Birkenfeld walked the first runner, then allowed a double by Mario Munoz.

Two straight errors on Acker allowed the lead-off runner to score, but the Swifts shut it down from there, starting off Birkenfeld's 16-batter shutout.

Nazareth's first base runner was Birkenfeld, who reached on a short-stop error in the fourth inning.

Daryl Pohlmeier drove him in when an infield ground ball he hit was mishandled by the third baseman.

Martin started the sixth with back-to-back strikeouts before giving up his first hit, a single to left field by Birkenfeld.

Schilling's two-run homer came next, giving Nazareth a 3-1 advantage.

Birkenfeld walked only his second batter after getting the first two out in the sixth, then he gave up a single. A run scored on an error by Acker, pulling Crosbyton within a run.

Birkenfeld hit the next two hitters with errant pitches, then gave up a pair of singles before the Swifts got

the final out when right fielder Aaron Kern heaved the final single all the way to third, where Acker tagged the runner.

But by that time the damage was done and Crosbyton had turned the deficit into a 5-3 lead.

Nazareth cut the gap in the top of the seventh when Tyler Ehly walked, then stole second and third.

He scored on a deep sacrifice fly to center field by Acker.

Evan Huseman, pinch hitting in the seventh, picked up a single, then stole second, but he would be stranded after Brock Birkenfeld grounded out to third, sealing the Crosbyton win and giving the Chiefs the district title.

Nazareth will wrap up regular season play Friday night against Smyer at home. The Swifts have to beat Smyer to clinch the second seed honors.

A loss to Smyer Friday would force a tie for second between Nazareth and Cotton Center.

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Blake Birkenfeld and Daryl Pohlmeier for Nazareth; B. Martin and N. Rodriguez for Crosbyton. WP: Martin. LP: Birkenfeld (4-1). 2B: Mario Munoz for Crosbyton. HR: Eric Schilling for Nazareth. Record: Nazareth 8-3, 7-2.				

## State tennis tournament

### Hoelting, Huseman fall in state semifinals

Whitney Hoelting and Nichole Huseman of Nazareth gave Jamie Mathis and Kaela Spence of Sabinal everything they could handle in the first set of a state semifinal tennis match, but they couldn't pull out the victory that would boost them into the state finals Monday afternoon.

Hoelting and Huseman had an easy quarterfinal victory at the Class A state tennis tournament Monday at World of Tennis Center in Lakeway, losing just three games in a 6-2, 6-1 victory over Jessica Kirkpatrick and Jeana Wilson of Dodd City.

Mathis and Spence eventually prevailed in the semifinal match, but Hoelting and Huseman took the duo

to 12 games in the first set before the Sabinal team finally got a two-game edge, 7-5. Mathis and Spence took the second set, 6-2, to advance to the championship match.

Cassie Petty and Sunnie Jo Petty of White Deer, the Region 1-A champion, also reached the championship match after posting easy wins in their quarterfinal and semifinal matches.

The Pettys beat Sabrina Bush and Dena Head of High Island, 6-0, 6-1; then eliminated Laura Goodson and Brandi Moore of Sabinal, 6-0, 6-3.

The championship between Mathis and Spence and the Pettys was scheduled for Tuesday.



**STEPHANIE THIEL** of Nazareth will compete in the 800-meter run Saturday at the Class A state track meet in Austin. Thiel qualified for the state meet with a runner-up finish at the Region 1-A meet.

## Schilling, Thiel are tops on All-South Plains squad

Eric Schilling and Stephanie Thiel of Nazareth earned Class A All-South Plains Player of the Year honors while Swiftette Coach Matt Garrett was named Coach of the Year.

The annual honor team was announced Wednesday morning by the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*.

Schilling, a 6-4 sophomore post, averaged 19.3 points per game, hitting 50% of his shots from the field. He was deadly from outside the arc as well, popping 33% of his three-point attempts. He also averaged 10 rebounds per game in leading Nazareth to a Class A state runner-up finish in Division II.

Thiel, a 5-10 junior forward, was

the leading scorer for the state championship Swiftettes this season, pouring in 21.5 points per game. During her junior year she recorded 18 double doubles, one triple double and 24 games with three or more three-pointers.

Garrett coached Nazareth to its second straight state championship this year, then led his team to the first-ever Texas Cup championship while compiling a 33-4 record this season. In his two-year stint at Nazareth, Garrett had posted 66 victories with just nine losses.

Honorable mention All-South Plains honors went to Whitney Hoelting, a 6-0 senior post; and Kade Wilcox, a 5-10 junior guard.



**DAN ERIC CASTILLO** of Hart will be making his first appearance at the state track meet Saturday when he competes in the shot put. He earned his trip at regional with a second-place finish.

## DHS will hold sports banquet Tuesday night

The Dimmitt Booster Club will sponsor the 2001 athletic banquet for Dimmitt High School students Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m. at the Expo Building in Dimmitt.

Hens and Fins will cater the banquet and tickets are \$10 per person. The public is invited to attend.

## Kids, Inc. sets sign-up for baseball

Youngsters interested in playing baseball under the Kids, Inc. program this summer should plan to sign up before Tuesday, and Kids, Inc., is inviting all county youngsters, including those from Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth, to play.

Sign-up for the annual baseball league started Monday and will continue through Tuesday.

If your child doesn't get a form, forms are available at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce office.

Sign-up guidelines are as follows: **T-Ball:** You must be between 5 and 8 years old and be in kindergarten or first grade. Boys can play two years and girls can play three years.

**Minor League:** (Play off of pitching machine). Those qualifying for Minor League must be between 7 and 11 years of age and be in the second or third grade. Boys can play only two years and the girls can play three years, up to the fourth grade.

**Major League:** You must be at least 10 years old and no older than 13, and be in the fourth, fifth or sixth grade to qualify. Boys and girls can play up to three years.

**Babe Ruth:** You must be between 13 or 14 years old and be in the seventh or eighth grade.

**Senior Babe Ruth:** Students 14 to 18 years old who are in high school qualify.

All application forms must be submitted by Tuesday and no late signups will be allowed.

Coaches for the Kids, Inc., teams also are needed and those interested should also sign up before Tuesday. Organizers say those who coached last year will be given first opportunity to coach this year.

For more information contact Sal Ortiz at 647-3653 or Randy Griffith at 647-4114. (Please do not call the Chamber of Commerce).

The first coaches' meeting will be held May 21 and it is mandatory for coaches to be present at the meeting.




**HOME RUN JOG**—Eric Schilling rounds third on the final leg of his home-run jog around the bases Tuesday night in Crosbyton. Schilling slapped a two-run shot in the sixth inning, giving Nazareth a 3-1 lead in the District 2-A title game. It wasn't enough, though. Nazareth gave up four runs in the bottom of the inning and Crosbyton pulled out the 5-4 win and accepted the district trophy.

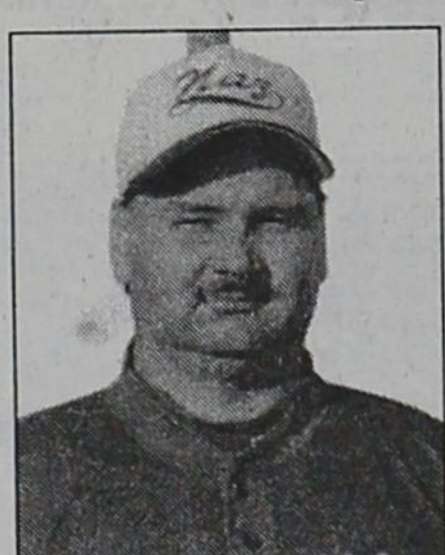
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# Obituaries

## Jesus Jose Leyja

Funeral services for Jesus Jose Leyja, 60, of Frederick, Okla., the brother of two Dimmitt women, were to have been held Wednesday morning in Jackson Funeral Home Chapel in Frederick. Burial was to follow in the Frederick Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Jackson Funeral Home.

Mr. Leyja died May 6 at Frederick Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born Oct. 15, 1940, in Corpus Christi to Selso and Felicitas Castillo Leyja. He attended school in Clarkwood. He worked as a farm laborer and was a Catholic.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three sisters, and a brother.

Survivors include three brothers, Gilbert Leyja of Odessa, Selso Leyja Jr. of Dallas, and David Leyja of Cisco; four sisters, Guadalupe Luna and Frances Luna, both of Dimmitt, Elva Garcia of Dallas, and Janie Valadez of Hamlin, Iowa; and many nieces and nephews.

## Frances Potter

Frances Potter, 78, of Borger, sister of Barbara Hudson of Dimmitt, died Monday, April 30, at North Plains Care Center in Borger.

Graveside services were held Friday morning at West Park Cemetery in Hereford with the Rev. Wayne Hudson officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Brown Funeral Directors of Borger.

Mrs. Potter was born Sept. 28, 1922. She was a native of Denton County. She worked as a sales clerk for Alco. She was a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Potter, in 1985; and a daughter, Darlene Manning in September 2000.

Survivors include "The Boys," several nieces and nephews; and two sisters, Beatrice Hudson of Alvin and Barbara Hudson of Dimmitt.

The family requests memorials be to Alzheimer's Association, Panhandle Chapter, 2200 West 7th, Amarillo 79106.

## Paul Tovar

Services for Paul Tovar, 29, of Hereford, grandson of Martha Mirelez of Dimmitt, were held Saturday morning at San Jose Catholic Church in Hereford. Burial followed in West Park Cemetery under the direction of Parkside Chapel Funeral Home. A rosary was recited Friday evening at the Parkside Chapel in Hereford with Deacon Jesse Guerrero officiating.

Mr. Tovar died May 1 at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

He was born Sept. 8, 1971, in Culsa, Calif., to Eliseo and Manuela Tovar.

He married Rosario Chavarria on Oct. 2, 1993, in Hereford. He had worked as a warehouse man for Agri-Pro in Hereford for seven years.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Paul Tovar Jr., Santanna Tovar and Joshua Tovar, all of the home; a daughter, Xeva Tovar of the home; his parents, Eliseo and Manuela Tovar of Hereford; his grandmother, Martha Mirelez of Dimmitt; three brothers, Elias Tovar, Simon Tovar and Steve Tovar, all of Hereford; and five sisters, Teresa Tovar of Hale Center, and Mary Tovar, Yolanda Tovar, Rebecca Tovar and Ester Tovar, all of Hereford.

## Marvin Verkamp

Marvin Verkamp, 57, of Idalou, brother of Robert Verkamp of Nazareth, died Tuesday, May 1.

A rosary was recited last Thursday, May 3, in Englund's Chapel in Slaton with the Msgr. Roland Buxkemper officiating.

Funeral mass was held Friday morning at St. Phillips Catholic Church in Idalou with Msgr. Buxkemper officiating. Burial followed in Englewood Cemetery under the direction of Englund's Funeral Service.

Mr. Verkamp was born April 9, 1944, in Slaton. He moved to Idalou in 1954 and graduated from Idalou High School in 1962. He was a cotton farmer and raised cattle in the Idalou area. He was a member of St. Phillips Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus.

Survivors include his mother, Ella Verkamp of Idalou; a brother, Robert Verkamp of Nazareth; and two sisters, Lucille Verkamp of Lubbock and Norma Jean Schwertner of Clarendon.

The family requests memorials be to St. Joseph Catholic School, 20th & Division St., Slaton 79364; or to Idalou's Meals on Wheels, PO Box 885, Idalou, 79329.



**SERVING UP THE FOOD**—Dimmitt High School students get ready to put together hamburger lunches at last year's end-of-school cook-out that benefitted the Arlington and Fort Worth tornado victims, raising over \$2,700. This year the event, slated for May 22, will benefit the Panhandle Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. *Courtesy Photo*

## More about

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Every time I go on vacation, I think that I'll surely be able to spring enough time before each issue's deadline to compose yet another immortal tome and shoot it back through cyberspace to appear in this corner and gladden your heart.

But it has never worked out that way more than a time or two through the years.

This time, as each deadline approached during our 17-day hiatus, I just had to tell the staff to go ahead without me because I was too busy trying to stay unbusy.

If you missed my column the last couple of weeks, I'm sorry. I'm also surprised.

I never announce that there won't be a column for the week or two because I'll be gone. I feel like that's telling somebody, "Hey, you've got this much time to burglarize my home."

(That's why we also avoid reporting that any local resident is currently out of town.)

We've been in Atlanta visiting our daughter, Connie, and our granddaughters, Katherine and Anna. It's the first time I can remember taking a spring vacation. To fully realize how gorgeous springtime is in Georgia, you just have to be there and see it up close.

And the weather was perfect. It got into the 80s only one day while we were there, and it rained only one day. (As it turned out, we had just left the nation's monsoon area.)

We also learned again, in the metropolis of the South, what a small world we live in.

For instance:

Connie is a Methodist minister, and for 10 years or so has served with the Board of Global Ministries, with an office in the Mission Resource and Training Center, a branch of Emory University.

(Emory is a Methodist-endowed university with a seminary, similar to SMU and Duke.)

One of Connie's best friends is Helen Neinast, the campus minister at Emory.

Helen grew up at Andrews, attended McMurry University and graduated from seminary at Duke.

Although Helen and Connie went to different schools all the way through, they crossed paths early on in their college days and several other times through the next two decades before they both ended up in Atlanta, where they became best buds.

The first time I met Helen, though, wasn't in Atlanta. It was in the Hart High School gymnasium, in May of 1997. She was there for the graduation of her niece, Cassie.

Helen is the sister of Carl Neinast of Hart.

We spent an afternoon visiting with Helen and her husband, Tom Ettinger, at their great mountain home high in the Smokies of north-

ern Georgia. Their front porch overlooks a large impounded lake that snakes around the base of the mountains far below, and from their back porch you can see the Blue Ridge range in North Carolina.

Another small-world frinstance:

Caroline Clifford, public affairs director of the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library in Atlanta, grew up in Lubbock as Caroline Oldham.

She's a third cousin of Verbie's, and a first cousin of Doricell Davis, one of the movers and shakers in the DISD administration.

Caroline started her government service career as a secretary of Congressman George Mahon. In fact, Mr. Mahon served as the best man at her wedding.

Later she worked in the Pentagon, the Library of Congress and the Carter White House.

She knew Verbie was coming, and had a packet waiting for us when we came to tour the library and museum. It contained several brochures, a calendar, a book entitled *The First Ladies* by the White House Historical Association, and another booklet, a 77-pager entitled *The Sister Republics*.

That last book traces the long and friendly association between the US and Switzerland, and was written by Dr. James Hudson of the Library of Congress.

It details, for instance, how our nation borrowed the concept of initiative and referendum from the Swiss confederation, and how the Swiss in turn borrowed quite a lot

from the US Constitution when they established a republic.

Today the US and Switzerland are the world's two oldest constitutional republics.

Anyway, Dr. Hudson wrote the book to be part of a Swiss-American exhibit entitled "The Sister Republics." The exhibit premiered in the Library of Congress, later was on display at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, and had its debut Friday evening in the Carter Museum.

And Caroline saw that her country cousins had RSVP invitations to the opening tour, ribbon-cutting and reception.

So there we were Friday evening, schmoozing with Alfred Defago, the Swiss Ambassador to the US; the Swiss Consul General, Alexander Kubli; Presidential Library Director Jay Hakes (former Secretary of Energy), their wives, and all kinds of other really nice folks.

During my brief visit with Ambassador Defago, he asked me what part of Texas I'm from, then asked who my congressman was. When I told him Mac Thornberry, he grinned and nodded.

As it turns out, Mac's wife Sally is Ambassador Defago's social secretary in Washington.

Another fun thing we did was tour CNN headquarters last Thursday afternoon.

If you thought you saw somebody who looked like Verbie and me on "Talk Back Live" last Thursday afternoon, you did.

# Police Calls

A Dimmitt woman, 21, told police that a suspect had used profanities toward her in an incident of disorderly conduct last Thursday evening at the Allsup's store.

A 13-year-old Dimmitt youth told police May 1 that someone took a bicycle, valued at \$50, from a location on Northwest 12th Street.

May 2, a clerk at Allsup's told police that a suspect took a phone card valued at \$20 from the store without paying for it.

Saturday night, Allsup's reported a suspect who drove away without paying for \$10-worth of gasoline.

Those jailed on alcohol-related charges during the past week included:

—May 2, a Hereford man, 25, for DWI, first offense.

—Saturday at , a Dimmitt woman, 32, for public intoxication, who also was wanted on a theft warrant out of Potter County.

—Monday, a Dimmitt man, 43, for DWI, second offense, and who also was charged with speeding; and a Dimmitt man, 27, public intoxication.

Jailed on warrants or court matters during the past week:

—May 1, a Hereford man, 23, for disregarding a stop sign.

—May 2, a 24-year-old Dimmitt man, theft by check over \$20 and under \$500; a Dimmitt man, 18,

criminal mischief over \$50 and under \$500; and a Hart man, 48, theft by check, failure to appear, and an expired driver's license.

—Last Thursday, a Lubbock woman, 44, motion to revoke probation stemming from charges of tampering with a government record.

—Saturday, a 27-year-old Friona man, motion to revoke probation stemming from charges of theft by check over \$20 and under \$500.

—Sunday, a Dimmitt woman, 24, on a capias pro fine for disorderly conduct (fighting); a 28-year-old Dimmitt man on four DPS warrants; and a Dimmitt man, 22, on DPS warrants for disregarding a red light and violating a promise to appear.

—Monday, a Hereford man, 37, on motion to revoke probation stemming from charges of DWI; and a Dimmitt man, 21, for no driver's license.

## Jail Count

There were 14 inmates in the county jail as of Tuesday morning, with one more on work release.

May 1 at 3:45 p.m. in the Dimmitt High School parking lot, a 1987 GMC pickup driven by Colby Dale Williams, 16, of Dimmitt, backed into a parked, unoccupied 1997 Ford Mustang belonging to Elva Garcia of Dimmitt. No injuries were reported and damage to both vehicles was rated light.

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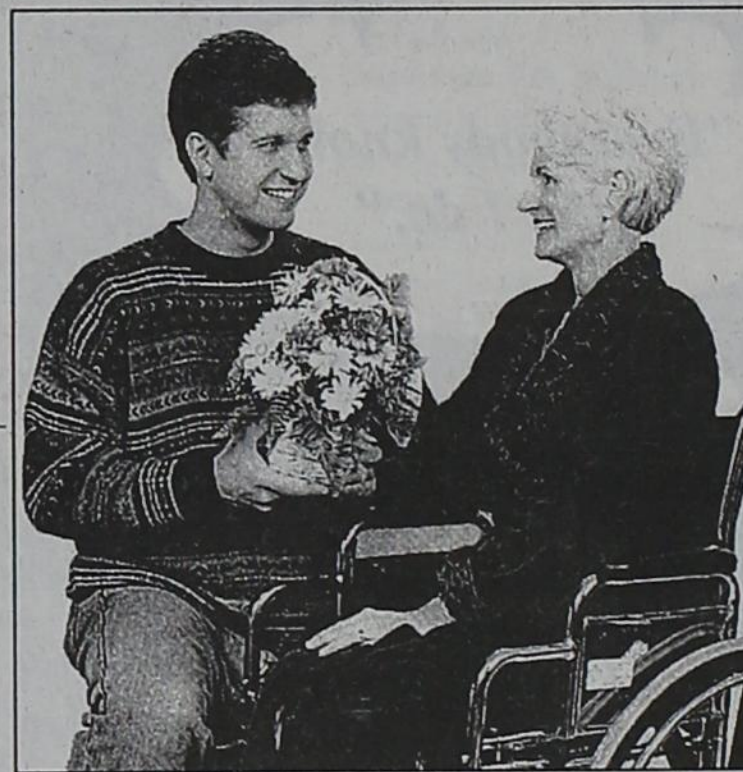
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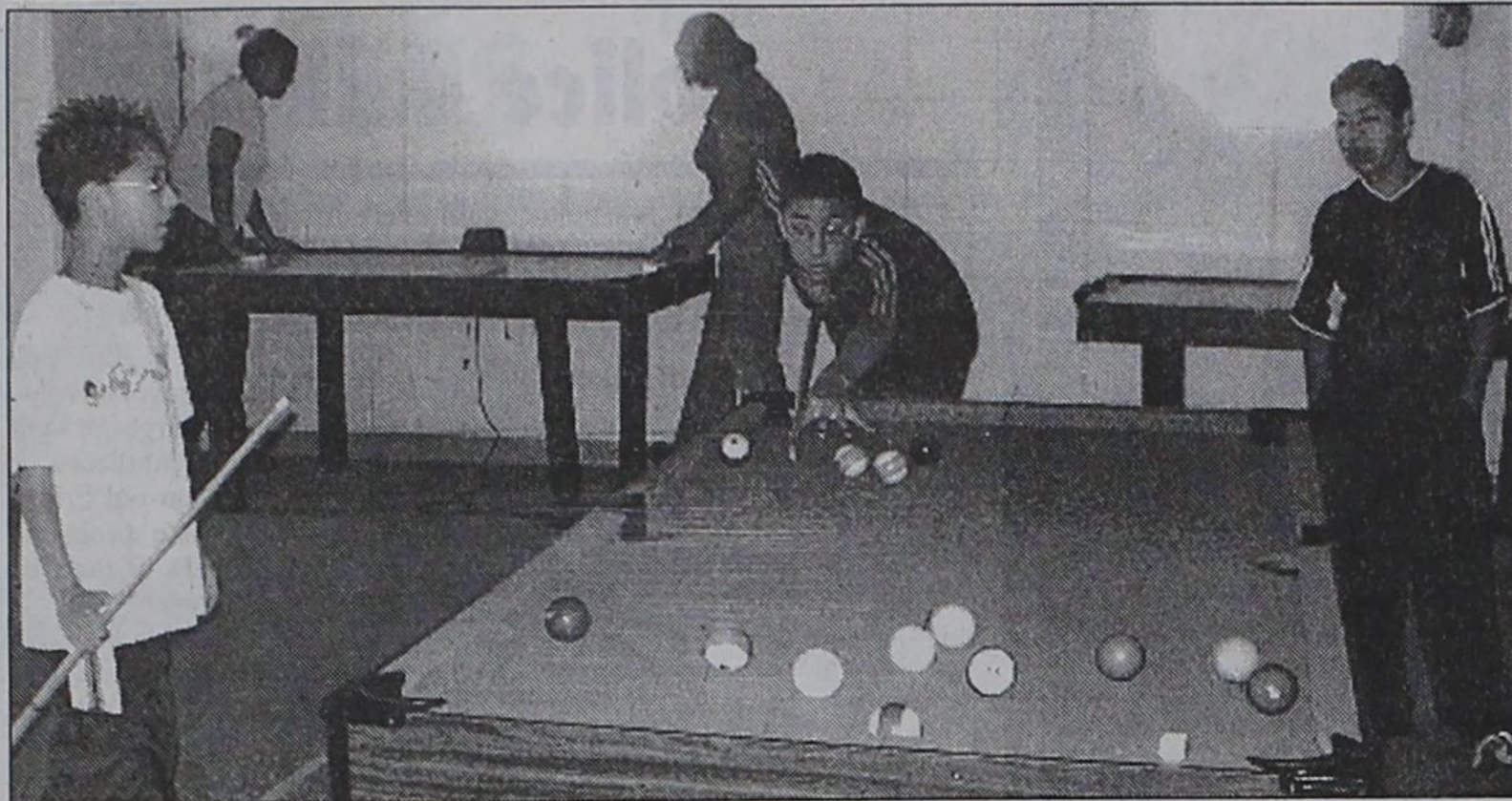
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**HAVING FUN**—Local youth take advantage of the many activities available at "Desire the Fire," a youth center sponsored by the Abundant Life Family Church in Dimmitt. Friday nights are usually reserved for youth ages 12 to 19, while those age 9 to 12

are invited on Saturday nights. Shown playing a game of pool are (front, from left) Marcus Perez and Jeremy Gamez, watched by an unidentified youth. In the background, Jhirvon and Felisha Starling enjoy a game of air hockey. Photo by Linda Maxwell

## 'Desire the Fire' youth center will feature 'Black Spots' in free concert

The "Desire the Fire" youth activity center in Dimmitt will have a live concert Saturday for youth ages 9 to 19.

"Black Spots," a Christian rock band, will give a free performance from 7 to 10 p.m. and all youth are invited to attend. Former Dimmitt residents Josh and Justin Roberts are members of the band, along with Joey Rose and Aaron Davis.

A special highlight of the evening on Saturday will be the shaving of the head of Butch Waller, who volunteered to be shorn if the youth center attracted more than 150 youngsters in any single weekend.

The center, an outreach ministry of the Abundant Life Family Church in Dimmitt, met the goal the weekend of April 27-28.

"The crowds have been increasing each week, except for last weekend when a lot of youth were out of town on school trips," said Kay Mullins, one of the sponsors of the center and the wife of Tom Mullins, pastor at Abundant Life Family Church.

Mullins said that refreshments will be served during the evening Saturday and activities are available

for the youth to enjoy in addition to the concert. She said that dancing also is allowed.

The Abundant Life congregation began the center shortly after Christmas, moving into the former Beall's building in late March or early April.

"The church has been very supportive," Mullins said. "Without their help, we never could have gotten the Beall's building. That was God working."

She said that members of the congregation volunteer as sponsors for the activities and also bring food and other items for the youth. She added that other churches and the community also have been very supportive of the youth center.

"Our very first intention with this project is to provide a good, Christian atmosphere to have fun in," Mullins said. She said the congregation is not trying to get youth to come to their church.

"We definitely view this as a ministry. We are not trying to draw youth into our church, but we want to lead them to God," Mullins said. She noted that a short devotional time is scheduled in the middle of

each session at the center. She said there have been lots of kids who have come to salvation through the work of the center.

Friday nights are usually reserved for students age 12 to 19 during the hours of 7 to 11 p.m. Saturdays from 7 to 10 p.m. is reserved for those age 9 to 12.

Admission is free and those who attend are given a ticket for one free food item and one free drink. Additional concession items may be purchased by the youth, including pizza.

Games include pool, foosball, air hockey, ping pong, and video games. Youth may bring their own music to be played on the sound system at the center. All styles of music are welcome, as long as they have a Christian message.

Mullins said many people have expressed appreciation for what the center is doing for local youth, and some have inquired about helping. "All donations are welcome," Mullins said. She said games, food, candy, soft drinks, supplies, or money for the upkeep of the building are all needed.

For more information about the center or how you can help, call 647-3332.

## Prom Promise events continue

On Friday, the Dimmitt High School Student Council will show a shortened video version of the mock crash that was staged last year as part of the Prom Promise 2000 campaign. In addition, members of the council's Drug and Alcohol Safety and Health

(DASH) Committee will read letters and poems to coincide with the video. One student will read an essay of her thoughts when a close friend was the one who "died" in the staged crash.

The program will be presented to each class throughout the day.

Also, on May 18 the council will present a similar program to seventh and eighth graders at Dimmitt Middle School following the faculty-student basketball game.

The public is invited to attend any of the sessions. Call the schools for more information or details on scheduling.

"Those attending will be amazed at what the students have accomplished," said Connie Dickerson, student council sponsor. "You will be proud of the drug-free/alcohol-free message that these student leaders are advocating."

## Quilters selling chances on quilts

The Friendship Quilters' Guild is selling chances on the three quilts that were made of blocks with the names of cancer victims or survivors from last year's Relay for Life.

The proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society. Chances are \$1 each or six for \$5. Tickets may be purchased from Joyce Davis at 647-5362 or from any guild member.



Lindsey Gerber

## Gerber wins Deaf Smith scholarship

Lindsey Gerber of Nazareth is one of five area students selected to receive a scholarship from Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative.

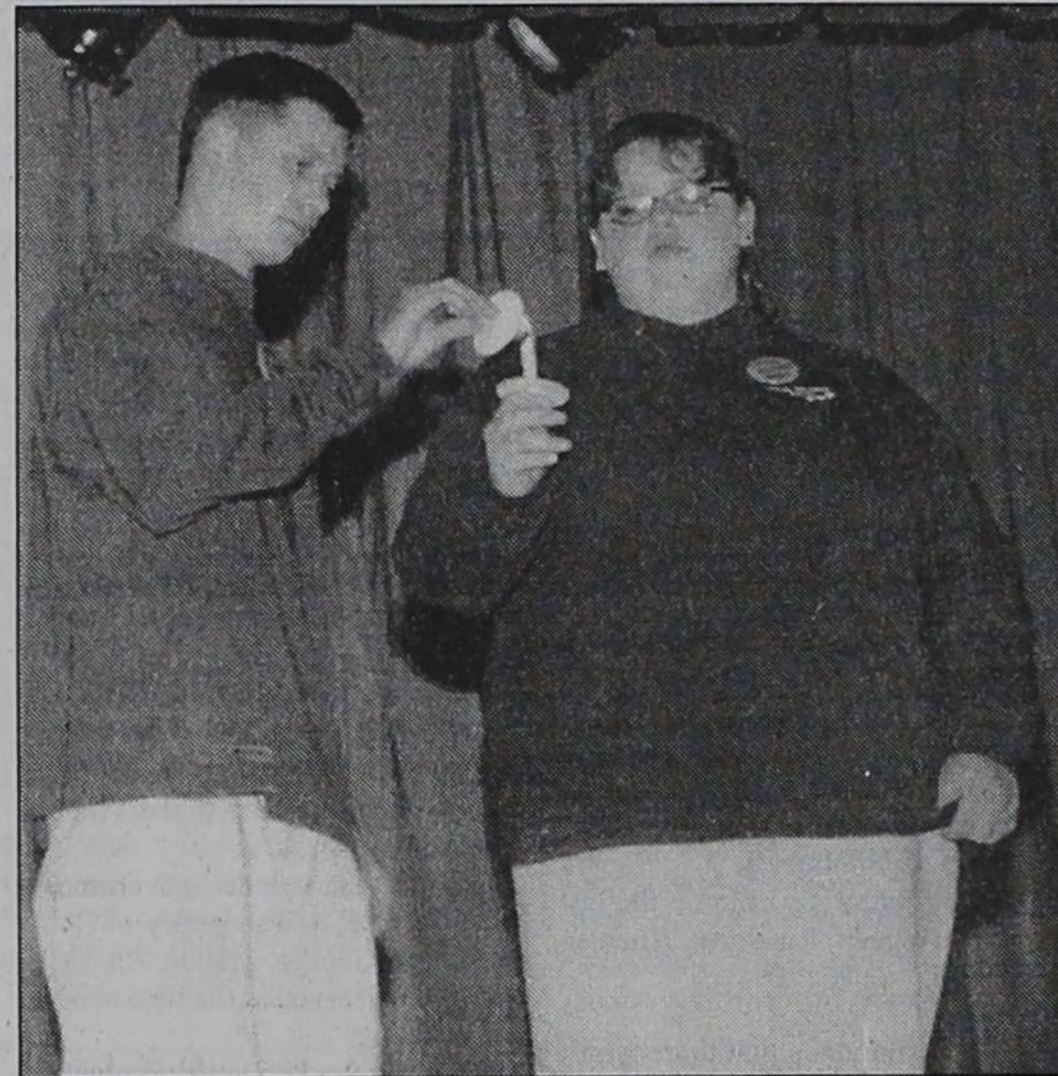
Gerber is the daughter of Joel and Mary Beth Gerber of Nazareth and she will graduate from Nazareth High School this month.

Other recipients of the scholarships are Kayla Smyley of Friona High School, Brad Reinart of Hereford High School, Erin Louder of Community Christian School and Kyle Artho of Hereford High School.

Each will receive a \$2,000 scholarship to be awarded in the amount of \$1,000 per semester for two semesters. These scholarships are available to immediate families of active members and active employees of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative.

The scholarships were made possible with the passage of Texas law, HB 3202. Prior to passage of the bill, unclaimed funds from Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative capital credit checks were sent to and retained by the state. The law allows those unclaimed funds to be used for scholarships and/or economic development.

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative's board of directors elected to provide scholarships to students within the cooperative's service area through a scholarship fund. The five students were chosen from a field of highly qualified candidates by a select committee of men and women representing the entire service area.



**A SOLEMN CEREMONY**—Dimmitt High School students (from left) Josh Hardwick and Crystal Walls participate in the Prom Promise 2000 campaign last year. Portions of the program will be incorporated into a presentation that will be given at DHS Friday and at Dimmitt Middle School May 18. Hardwick is chairman of this year's event. Courtesy Photo

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## DHS awards program set

Dimmitt High School will hold its awards program next Thursday, May 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the Dimmitt High School Auditorium.

Graduating seniors will be presented with academic awards and scholarship recipients will be named during the event.

## Mayor and council members sworn in

The Dimmitt City Council met Tuesday night to canvass the votes from Saturday's election, then swore in the newly elected officials.

Mayor Wayne Collins and at-large council members Bob Murdock, Steve Buckley, Paul Wayland were administered the oath of office by municipal judge Garner Ball.

The council met in closed session to discuss a legal matter, but no decision was made.

## More about Candlelight ...

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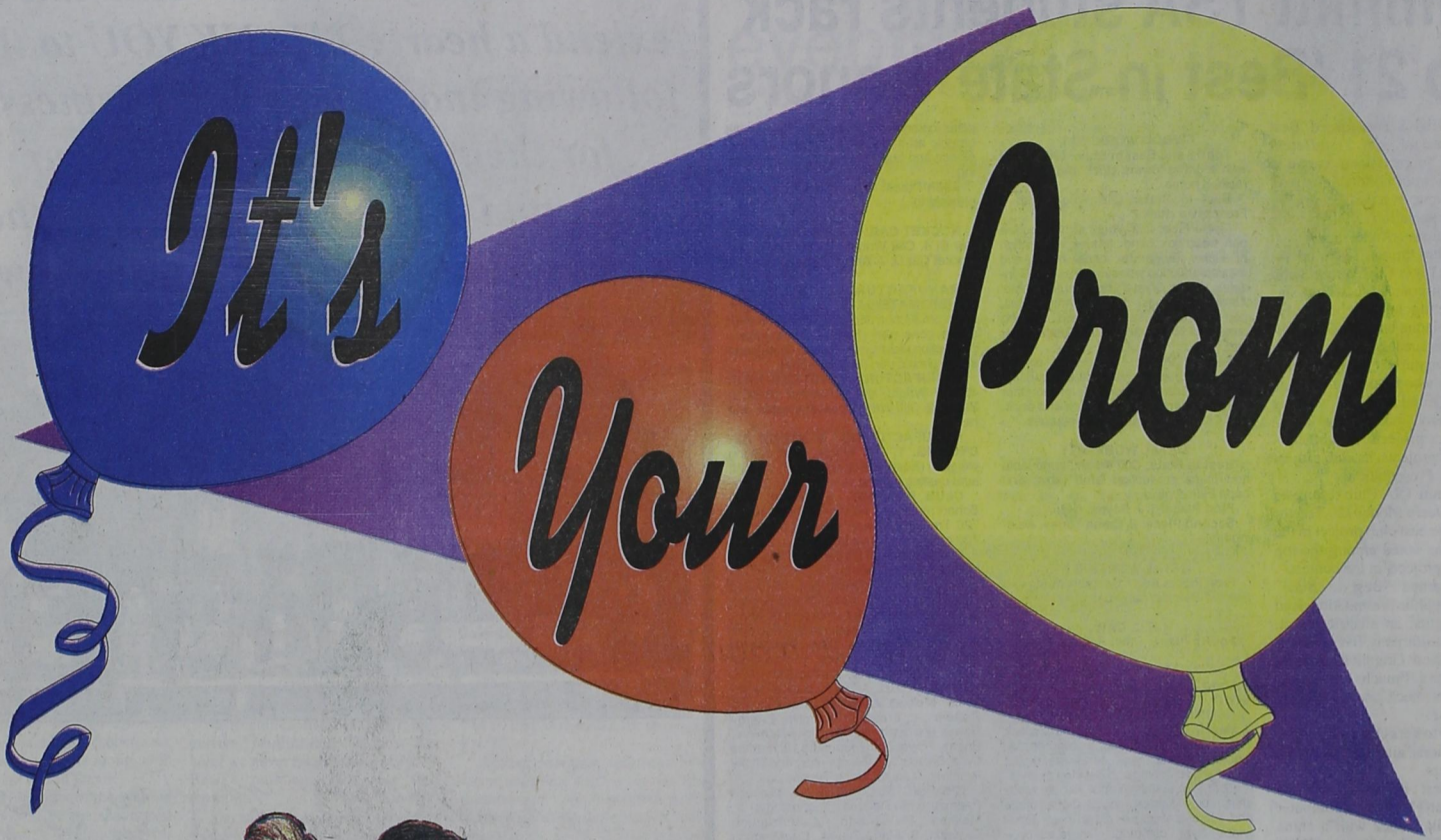
The court documents show that Top Rank is asking for damages of at least \$270,000, George's report said.

Showing an event without purchasing licensing fees is a violation of federal law, according to Julie Cohen Lonstein, attorney for the plaintiff. She said the plaintiff seeks to enforce the promoters' exclusive rights to distribute boxing events. She told George that some bar owners will have a cable account listing the bar as a residence to avoid paying licensing fees, which is a violation of federal law.

Lonstein said such a practice is the same as stealing cable.

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# Chamber singers set two concerts

The Hereford Chamber singers will present the musical *America: A Pilgrim's Prayer, A Patriot's Dream*, on Saturday, May 19, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, May 20, at 4 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Hereford.

The public is invited to attend, with a special invitation extended to veterans, active members of the armed forces, and volunteers from all areas of the community.

Admission to the performances will be free, but a love offering will be taken to defray expenses of the choir. Also part of the money will be used to support the director, David Cox, in his participation in The Century Men, an elite chorus of church ministers of music from across the US, which will tour during the fall of 2001.

The musical combines the great patriotic music of America with the religious music which is so much a part of our heritage. It will be a celebration of the unique blessings of America and will pay tribute to the giver of those gifts, a spokesman of the singers said.

The choir is composed of singers from Hereford and Dimmitt, including Charles Axtell, Trish Elliott, and

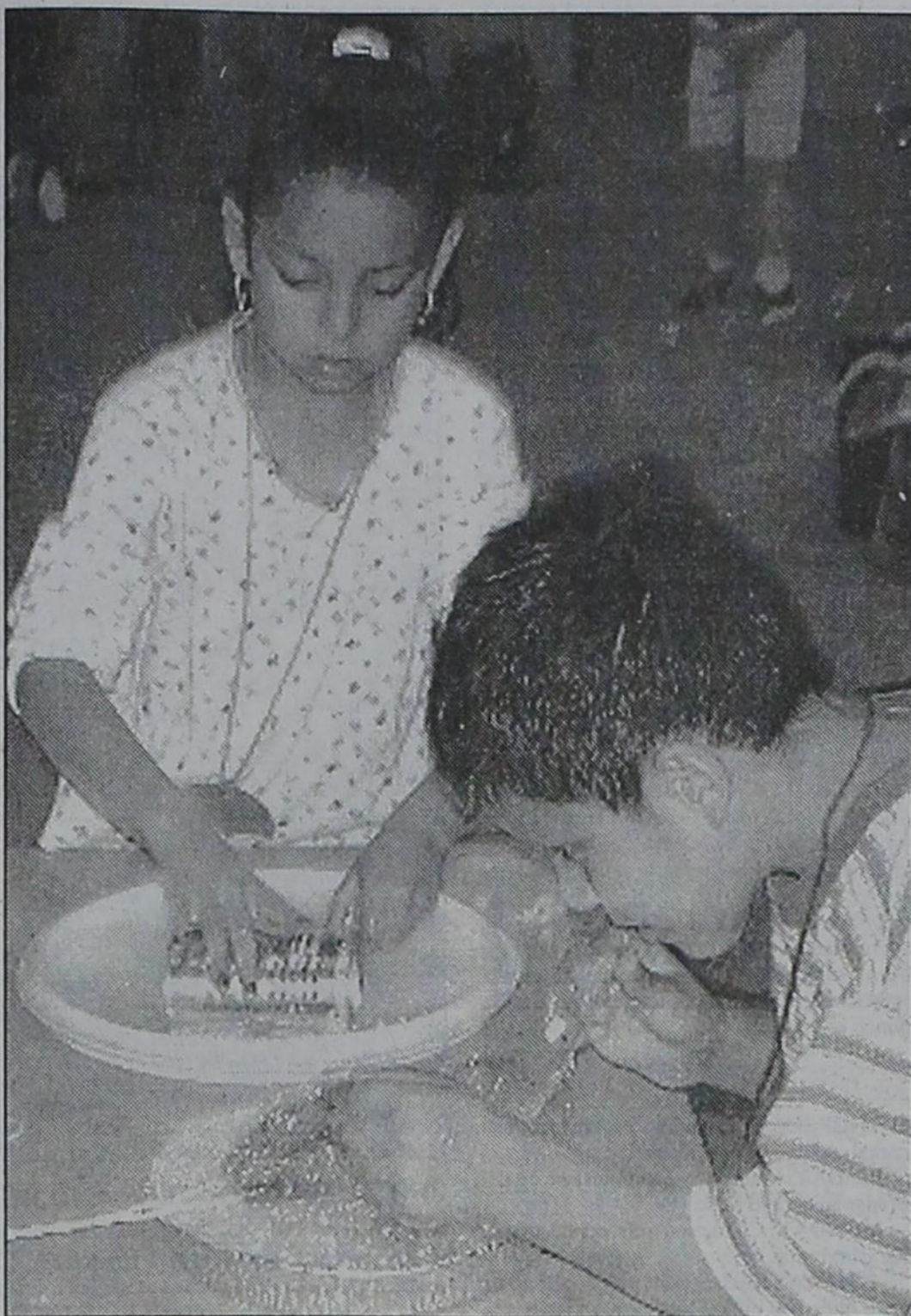
Jerry and Carolyn Jansa.

Introducing the performance will be an instrumental section which features a celebration of American folk songs. The Merry Mixers Square Dance group will perform with that section. Buddy Peeler of Positive KNNK Radio will be the narrator for the event.

Also included in the selections will be a fanfare based on *My Country, 'Tis of Thee*, with Nathan Abernethy as baritone soloist; a salute to the five major branches of the armed services, assisted by Boy Scout Troop 52; and a special number entitled *America*, featuring a trio of voices from the group.

The central part of the production includes "Anthem for our Unsung Heroes," a special tribute to those who give their lives serving the needs of others—America's volunteers.

The closing section of the musical is a call to prayer, featuring *Lord, Have Mercy*, with tenor soloist Duffy McBrayer. The finale is a joyous praise to God, featuring portions of *The Battle Hymn of the Republic* and *How Great Thou Art*.



**BUBBLES AND BUBBLES AND MORE BUBBLES**—Richardson Elementary School Students Karen Guadiana (left) and Joshua Garcia experience with soap and water, blowing bubbles of all shapes and sizes last Thursday during a special science fair at the school.

Photo by Joyce Nelson

# Bethel 4-H meets today

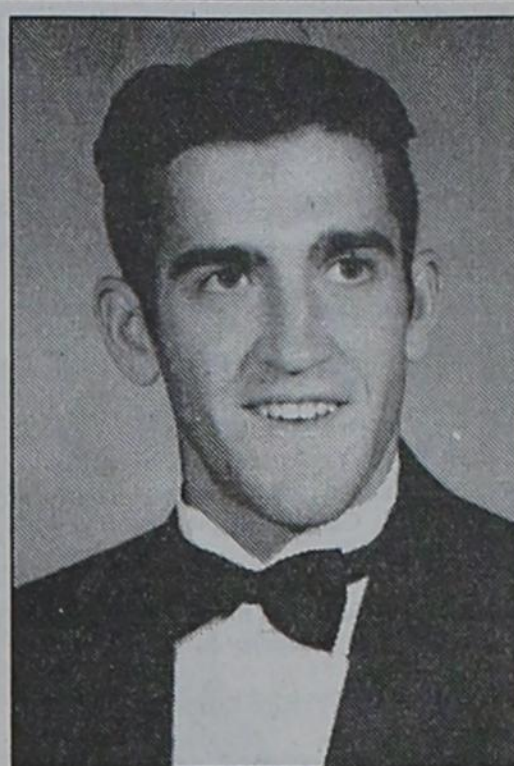
The Bethel 4-H Club will meet today (Thursday), with a cookout at the Extension Office, and club officers will be elected.

At the April meeting of the club, members discussed making care bags for hospitalized children as a community service project. Individuals volunteered to bring small games, toys, coloring books, candy, etc., for the sacks.

Members also talked about helping with the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, but no decisions were made. Also, members volunteered to bring cookies and serve at the reception held April 30 honoring the new Extension agents.

The group heard reports on the Nutrition Quiz Bowl Team, the County 4-H Council, and the bowling party held in March. Also, camp dates and the sign-up deadline (May 15) were announced.

The group saw a method demonstration by Elizabeth Hill; and a Share the Fun skit by Jeremy Bishop, Thomas Brockman, Gabriel Garcia, Holly Lane and Jaci Bishop.



Travis Crow

# Crow inducted into Alpha Zeta

Travis Crow was recently inducted into the fraternity of Alpha Zeta at West Texas A&M University.

Alpha Zeta is a professional service and honorary agricultural fraternity for men and women in agriculture. Members are selected based on academic standing leadership and character.

Crow is a 1998 graduate of Dimmitt High School. He received the Dana Wall Memorial Scholarship presented by the Dimmitt Young Farmers and entered West Texas A&M University in the fall of 1998 as an ag major. He feels earning the Dana Wall Scholarship provided him with the incentive to maintain high academic standards and he will always be grateful to the Young Farmers for the work they do in providing senior 4-H and FFA students a scholarship opportunity.

Crow, son of Lanny and Belinda Crow, plans to graduate from West Texas A&M University in the spring of 2002 with a bachelor's degree in agribusiness. He plans to continue studying for his master of business administration degree.

*Although forks were used as far back as 796, they did not become popular until the 17th century. Queen Elizabeth owned three, two of them studded with jewels, but preferred to use her fingers when her spoon and knife would not do.*

*Pizza pie is in fact redundant since pizza is the Italian word for pie.*

# Relay for Life luminaries being sold to honor cancer survivors, victims

The Castro County Relay for Life will be held June 8 and one of the highlights of the event will be the lighting of the luminaries at about 9:15 p.m.

"It is a very moving ceremony, with more than 200 luminaries lighted and circling the track," said Karron Smith, luminary chairman. "Each luminary flickering represents someone who has been touched with cancer."

"You hear each name from the luminaires read aloud. Many names you know and can still cheer that person on with their success, but many have lost their battle and have left you with only memories. It makes you realize you want to help make a difference."

Smith said those wanting to remember a cancer victim or survivor may purchase a luminary in their honor for \$5 each. The luminaries may be decorated and labeled with the name of the honoree.

The luminary packets, with instructions, are available at many businesses around the county or at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce office. For more information, call Smith at 647-1066.

"The public is invited, not only to the luminary ceremony, but also to cheer on the walkers during the entire Relay for Life event," Smith said.

The proceeds from the luminary sales will go to the American Cancer Society.

*Never fill cake pans more than half full. If you have extra batter, make cupcakes.*

*It takes about 100 maple trees to make 25 gallons of syrup.*

# ACS Relay for Life seeks team members

The American Cancer Society Relay for Life in Dimmitt has been slated for June 8, with activities scheduled from 12 noon until 12 midnight, according to Relay Co-Chairmen Beth Buckley and Lori Wilhite.

Those interested in forming a team to walk during the relay may contact Eddie Sutton, team chairman, for a team packet. Teams are asked to raise money through donations in the amount of at least \$50 per team member. There must be at least one member of each team walking

around the track during the six hours of the relay, starting at 6 p.m. Sutton can be contacted at 647-2145.

Awards and recognition will be given for best banners, best costumes, best theme, most money raised, most laps walked and lots more.

Individuals wanting to participate may form a team of their own or ask to be placed on a team that is already formed. Businesses, families and organizations are all encouraged to form teams that will participate.



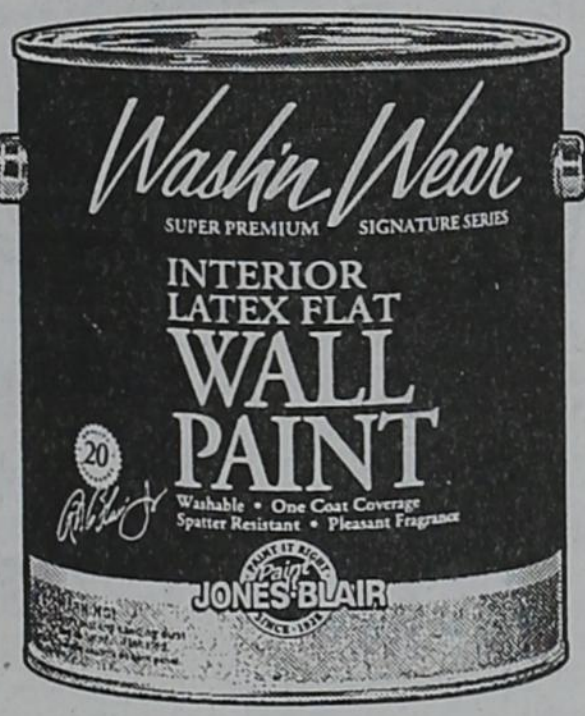
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# What's Cooking

In the Dimmitt, Hart and Nazareth Schools

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

### DIMMITT

**Breakfast to go**  
**THURSDAY:** Pancake on a stick with sausage, fresh banana and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Cutie fried pie, assorted fruit juice and milk.  
**MONDAY:** Chocolate chip granola bars, assorted fruit juice and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Blueberry loaf, assorted fruit juice and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Rice Krispie treats, orange wedges and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Corn Pops cereal, fresh banana and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Breakfast burrito, assorted fruit juice and milk.

### Preschool-First Grade Lunch

**THURSDAY:** Bologna and cheese sandwich, peas, hamburger salad and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Red Baron Pepperoni Pizza, potato wedges, fruited gelatin and milk.  
**MONDAY:** Shrimp poppers, French fries, tossed salad, old fashioned combread and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Beef taco, refried beans, taco condiment salad, honeydew melon, corn tortilla and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Meat loaf with creole sauce, potatoes au gratin, tossed salad, wheat rolls and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Chicken strips, French fries, tossed salad, hot rolls and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Cheeseburger on a bun, tater tots, hamburger salad and milk.

### Second-12th Grade Lunch

**THURSDAY:** Choice of bologna and cheese sandwich, barbecued chicken or fish nuggets; stir fried rice, peas or Italian vegetable salad; tossed salad, broccoli and cauliflower salad or hamburger salad; angel flake biscuits, French bread or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.  
**FRIDAY:** Choice of Red Baron pepperoni pizza, chicken and dumplings or green enchilada casserole; potato wedges, pork and beans or southern collard greens; tossed salad, cucumber and tomato salad or fruited gelatin; and hot rolls, cornmeal yeast rolls or tortilla chips; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.  
**MONDAY:** Choice of shrimp poppers, chicken fried steak or corn dogs; French fries, Frito corn chips or Mexipinto beans; mixed vegetables, tossed salad, chilled fruit cocktail, watermelon or fresh banana; combread, assorted muffins or crackers; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.  
**TUESDAY:** Choice of beef taco, creole bean soup with ham and cheese sandwich or chicken and rice casserole; peas, baked potatoes or refried beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or honeydew melon; combread, crackers or corn tortillas; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Choice of meat loaf with creole sauce, honey-lemon chicken or beef and bean burrito with chili; country rice dressing, potatoes au gratin or Mexipinto

beans; tossed salad, taco condiment salad or orange wedges; assorted muffins, hot wheat rolls or Fideo Mexicano; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

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

**FRIDAY:** Choice of cheeseburger, cheese enchilada with sauce or chicken stir fry; tater tots, peaches or mixed vegetables; tossed salad, hamburger salad or pears; assorted muffins, hot cheese rolls or Spanish rice; and chocolate milk, white milk or punch.

### HART

**Breakfast**  
**THURSDAY:** Blueberry muffins, peanut butter bar, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Scrambled eggs, biscuits, hash brown potatoes, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk.

**MONDAY:** Breakfast burrito, variety of cereal, graham crackers, assorted fruit juice and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Pancake and chicken breakfast stick, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice, graham crackers and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Sausage, biscuits, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk.

**THURSDAY:** Waffles, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice, toast and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** Scrambled eggs, biscuits, hash browns, variety of cereal, assorted fruit juice and milk.

### NAZARETH

**Breakfast**  
**THURSDAY:** Canadian bacon on a roll, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** French toast and sausage, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**MONDAY:** Cinnamon rolls, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**TUESDAY:** Sausage on a roll, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY:** Breakfast pockets, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**THURSDAY:** Pancake and sausage on a stick, cereal, orange juice and milk.  
**FRIDAY:** French toast and sausage, cereal, orange juice and milk.

### Lunch

**THURSDAY:** Choice of burrito, pizza hot

## RAIN sets tax seminar

Small business owners are invited to attend a free tax seminar Tuesday in Hereford at the San Jose Community Center, 703 Brevard.

It is being presented by the West Texas A&M University Small Business Development Center and is hosted by the Rural Assistance and Innovative Network (RAIN).

The seminar is designed to answer questions about small business and taxes. It will cover a variety of topics, including understanding your tax return, minimizing taxes, and avoiding future tax problems.

For more information or to register, call Lydia at 364-4445 or McLinda at 363-6893 or 364-9767 by noon Monday.

pocket or large slice of pizza; green beans, gelatin dessert, peaches, salad, white cake with cherry topping and milk, punch or tea.

**FRIDAY:** Choice of hamburger and potato chips, chicken sandwich with chips or tuna sandwich; salad, fruit cocktail, fresh fruit, peanut butter cookie and milk, punch or tea.

**MONDAY:** Choice of steak fingers, pizza or chicken sandwich with chips; rolls, green beans, gravy, peaches, cherry cobbler and milk, punch or tea.

**TUESDAY:** Choice of hamburger and potato chips or chicken enchilada casserole; tortilla chips, salad, corn, peaches, assorted fresh fruit, ginger cookies and milk, punch or tea.

**WEDNESDAY:** Choice of corn dogs, chicken sandwich with chips or chicken strips and nuggets; rolls, gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, peaches, cherry cobbler and milk, punch or tea.

**THURSDAY:** Choice of pizza or chef's salad; toast, salad, corn, carrot sticks, pineapple, gelatin dessert, sliced pickles, chocolate chip cookies and milk, punch or tea.

**FRIDAY:** Choice of tuna salad sandwich, submarine sandwich or chicken fajitas; refried beans, salad, gelatin dessert, dill pickles, carrot sticks, ginger cookies, ice cream and milk, punch or tea.

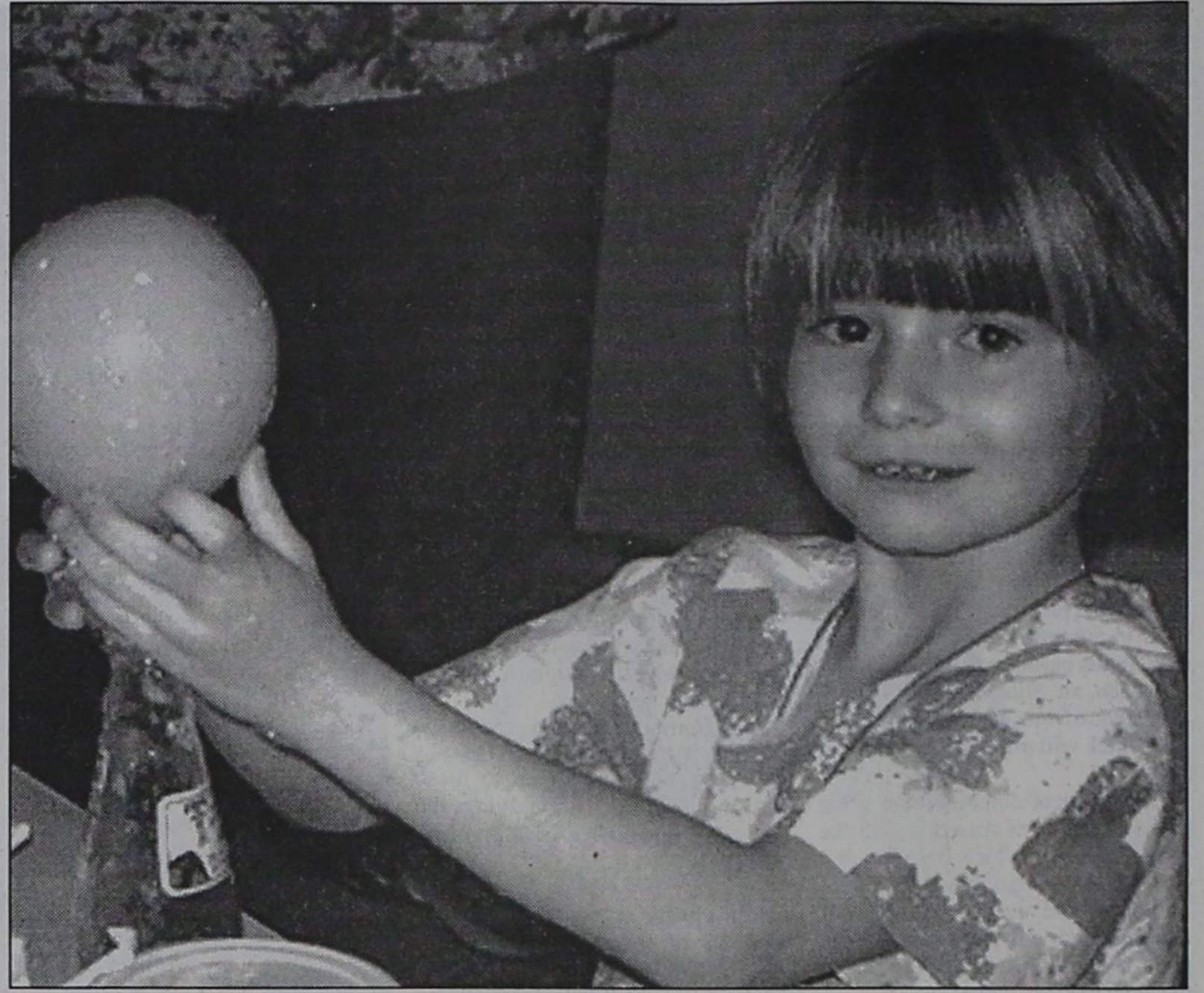
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**FRIDAY:** French toast and sausage, cereal, orange juice and milk.

### Lunch

**THURSDAY:** \* Beef taco or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, pinto beans, peaches, dessert and milk or juice.  
**FRIDAY:** \* Sloppy Joe or chef's salad, tossed salad, fried okra, fruit salad, apricots and milk or juice.  
**MONDAY:** \* Chicken fried steak or pizza, tossed salad, potatoes and gravy, pears, dessert and milk or juice.  
**TUESDAY:** \* Burrito or baked potato, tossed salad, Spanish rice, applesauce, S'mores and milk or juice.  
**WEDNESDAY:** \* Frito pie or hamburger and French fries, tossed salad, green beans, peaches, Jell-O and milk or juice.  
**THURSDAY:** \* Corn dog or chicken strip, tossed salad, corn, peaches, peanut butter chews and milk or juice.  
**FRIDAY:** \* Beef taco or hamburger and French fries, lettuce, pinto beans, fruit cocktail, brownies and milk or juice.

\*Items designated with an asterisk (\*) will be served to elementary school students.



BALLOONS, BOTTLES AND BUBBLES held the fascination of Richardson Elementary School student Jessica Ross last Thursday. The school held a

science fair and students were able to participate in several projects as they learned basic principles of science. Photo by Joyce Nelson

## Harrington Foundation will award grants for area fire, EMS services

The Don and Sybil Harrington Foundation has awarded \$200,000 to be used in a competitive regional fire and emergency medical services grant process for Texas Panhandle communities.

The Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC) is partnering with the Amarillo Area Foundation to develop the new project.

"Protecting citizens through fire and emergency medical services is vital to our quality of life in the Texas Panhandle," said Jim Allison, president and executive director of the Amarillo Area and Harrington Foundations. "As we continue to receive more and more charitable grant requests from communities responsible for providing these services, we decided to partner with an agency to award the dollars available to the most critical need areas of the region's emergency services network."

Amarillo Area and Harrington Foundation staff first conducted a survey last year to determine the need and reviewed local fire and EMS services in the 26 northernmost counties of the Texas Panhandle, which includes Castro County.

The most highly needed items according to the Foundation survey

included vehicles, equipment and training needs.

In October of 2000, the Amarillo Area Foundation board requested that PRPC serve as the fiduciary and administrative agent in this unique collaborative. PRPC will establish a regional advisory committee of local fire and EMS stakeholders as a committee of their board of directors to develop the program guidelines and score applications for recommendation to the PRPC board.

As a partner in this project, PRPC will coordinate all aspects of the competitive process so that the foundation may consider funding.

PRPC will notify all eligible communities (98 fire departments, 49 non-profit/local government EMS departments) and market the program to ensure all communities have an equal opportunity to apply. It will provide technical assistance to all interested applicants, assist in the development of grant applications to other government agencies, and assist applicants with the development of specs, joint purchasing opportunities and other needed assistance.

The foundation anticipates that PRPC will formally announce the acceptance of applications in June. In

the meantime, the process is expected to include the following features:

- ◆ **Eligible Projects:** Vehicle, equipment and training grants.
- ◆ **Eligible Applicants:** Local government-sponsored or non-profit fire and EMS services.

◆ **Selection Process:** Needs-based approach, as recommended by a local regional advisory committee, and recommended for approval to the boards of directors of the PRPC, Amarillo Area Foundation and Harrington Foundation.

◆ **Awards:** 40-60 split of costs, with the local community funding the larger portion. Entities will compete for a maximum award of a \$35,000 grant.

"This collaboration fits the goal of providing assistance in the most needed projects in rural communities while providing a fair and equitable process for application," said Allison. "We are proud to collaborate with the agency that knows best our rural communities."

So as not to delay the development of the project, the foundation requests that interested communities not call with inquiries, but instead prepare for the announcement in the next two months.

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## 24—Card of Thanks

**CARD OF THANKS**  
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## 24—Card of Thanks

**CARD OF THANKS**  
Dear Friends,  
Thank you so very much for all of your prayers, cards, food and visits during the last few weeks during my surgery and recovery. Your love and concern has meant so much to me. All of your acts of kindness have made my recovery so much easier. A special thanks to the very special people who take time from their busy schedules to deliver the Meals on Wheels and run errands for me. God bless you all.  
GEORGIE WALL  
24-6-11tp

## 24—Card of Thanks

**CARD OF THANKS**  
The Dimmitt High School chapter of the National Honor Society would like to express our sincere thanks for the community support given to us during this school year. From your donations to our coat drive in November, your donations to our food drive in December, to your purchases of Easter lilies and bouquets, we could not have had the success we did. Thanks again for your support of this organization and its members.  
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**25—Legal Notices**

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE** to satisfy landlord's lien. Sale is Tuesday, May 15, 2001, at 2 p.m. at West Texas Mini Storage, 403 E. Stinson, Dimmitt, Texas. Property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash. Immediate removal is required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw the property from sale.  
 Property includes the contents of the unit from the following delinquent account: Maria Sias—910 E. Jones, #200, Dimmitt, Texas.  
 For further information contact Mary Jo Birdwell, 200 E. Jones, Dimmitt, Texas, 647-3427. 25-5-2tc

**NOTICE TO PROPOSERS**  
 The Dimmitt Independent School District will receive sealed proposals until 3 p.m. June 6, 2001, for the purchase of the following insurance coverage:  
**STUDENT ATHLETE ACCIDENT & CATASTROPHE**  
 Proposals, specifications or additional information may be obtained from John Chase, Business Manager, 608 West Halsell Street, Dimmitt, Texas, 79027. The telephone number is (806) 647-3101. The fax number is (806) 647-5433; however, no proposals will be accepted by fax.  
 Proposals must be delivered or mailed to the address shown above and to the attention of John Chase. The sealed envelope should be clearly marked, "INSURANCE BID—STUDENT ATHLETE ACCIDENT & CATASTROPHE."  
 The Dimmitt Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted and to waive formalities and technicalities. 25-6-2tc

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
 Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of MARY DERRYBERRY, Deceased, were issued on May 7, 2001, in Cause No. PR-2436, pending in the County Court of Castro County, Texas, to: BILLY DERRYBERRY JR.  
 The residence of the Administrator is Lubbock, Lubbock County, Texas; the post office address is: BILLY DERRYBERRY JR., 3424 Frankford Ave., Apt. 6-G, Lubbock, Texas 79407.  
 All persons having claims against the Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.  
 DATED the 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2001.  
 BILLY DERRYBERRY JR.  
 25-6-1tc

Talk sense to a fool and he calls you foolish. -Euripides

Johnny Appleseed (whose real name was Jonathan Chapman) was an American pioneer who planted large numbers of apple trees along the frontier in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries.



A DIVISION I RATING and a ranking of third overall for AA schools went to the Dimmitt Bobcat Band at the Cavalcade of Music in Colorado Springs, Colo., on Friday. With members from Dimmitt High School and Dimmitt Junior High (four eighth graders), the band received a trophy in the national-level

competition, besting several other bands from the Panhandle. One judge commented, "What a great sound from such a small band." A recording of the band's performance will be played on KDHN Radio today (Thursday) at 8:20 a.m. and again at noon. Photo by Linda Maxwell

**Bobcat Band is 'superior' in Colorado Springs festival**

The Dimmitt High School Bobcat Band was judged to be "superior" by a three-judge panel at the 19<sup>th</sup> annual Cavalcade of Music in Colorado Springs, Colo., last Thursday through Saturday.  
 This competition is national competition and is judged by a more stringent set of rules than a UIL event. Bands from Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, Wyoming, Texas, Arizona and Kansas were represented in the contest.  
 Other bands competing from the Texas Panhandle were Gruver, River Road and Sanford-Fritch, each of which received a Division II mark.  
 The three-judge panel for which Dimmitt performed included one international judge.  
 The DHS band played *Semper Fidelis* by John Phillip Sousa and arranged by Custer, and *By Loch and Mountain* by Robert W. Smith.  
 The band received a Division I or "superior" rating which qualified them for the overall trophy.  
 The Bobcat Band finished third overall in their class, just missing a

first-place finish by six points.  
 Comments from the director of the competition and the judges were "closest competition they had seen," "wow, what a great sound from such a small band," and "heard every instrument—great job."  
 A recording of the band's performance will be played on KDHN Radio today (Thursday) at 8:20 a.m. and again at noon.

**Game night set Friday at Senior Center**

The Dimmitt Senior Citizens Center will host a game night on Friday, starting at 6 p.m.  
 All members of the center are encouraged to attend, and those interested in joining the Senior Citizens are also invited.  
 Membership is open to all who are age 55 or older, and the membership fee is only \$15 per year.

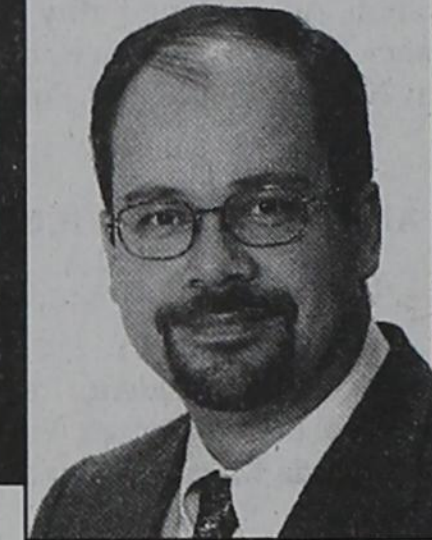
**Master Marketer program slated for ag lenders in June**

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service will offer a four-day Master Marketer program for ag lenders in June at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo.  
 The four-day course will occur in two sessions with the first on June 13-14 and the second on June 27-28. The first session will focus on marketing plans, basic marketing strategies, crop insurance, lender liability, weather's impact on production and markets, special contracts, legal issues, and supply-demand analysis for feed grains and livestock.  
 Session two will focus on cotton supply-demand analysis, basics of technical analysis, new farm policy legislation, and new and creative ways for lenders to help clients ad-

just to changing times.  
 "This will be an in-depth risk management education program specifically designed for ag lenders who work with producers and agribusinesses," said Jackie Smith, Extension economist in Lubbock. "We will focus on understanding price risk, and the best tools available to manage that risk."  
 "Government farm programs are changing and commodity markets are highly volatile. Producers and agribusinesses who can manage the risks of this environment stand a better chance of surviving and thriving in the future. Lenders who know and understand risk management tools and technology can help their clients make better credit decisions,

reduce their credit risk and remain in business," he said.  
 Several expert instructors will lead the sessions including Carl Anderson, Wayne, Hayenga, Danny Klinefelter and Abner Womack with Texas A&M University; Alan Brugler, DTN director of research and commodity strategy; John Huffaker, attorney with Gibson, Oschner and Adkins in Amarillo; Randall Reeder and Robert Wisner with Iowa State University; Extension economists Smith, Steve Amosson, Stan Bevers and Mark Waller.  
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