

51 to graduate from Hart, Nazareth

Nazareth and Hart High Schools will bestow degrees on a total of 51 students during 1990 commencement exercises tonight (Thursday) and Friday night, respectively.

Seventeen Nazareth High School seniors will walk across the stage in Nazareth's school cafeteria to accept their diplomas from School Board President Henry Ramaekers tonight (Thursday) at 8.

Hart High School will graduate 34 students Friday night at 8 in the high school auditorium.

Nazareth

Nazareth's ceremony will open with a processional played by Shirley Peggram and an invocation address by Sister Josella Birkenfeld.

Kirsten Birkenfeld, Nazareth's salutatorian, will deliver her address; then Lorelea Acker, the school's valedictorian, will address her fellow

graduates and the audience.

Marcia Hoelting and Nicole Kleman will provide entertainment between the speakers, singing *Friends Are Friends Forever* and *Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now*.

The guest speaker for the night will be Theresa Parks, Nazareth's home economics and business teacher.

Following the speeches, N. Dean Johnson, Nazareth's superintendent, will present scholarships and awards to the graduates; then will join NHS Principal Jim Peggram and Ramaekers in bestowing degrees on the graduates.

Father Neal Dee will give the benediction and the class will proceed out of the building as their class song is performed.

Hart

Hart's graduates will proceed toward the final step of their high school

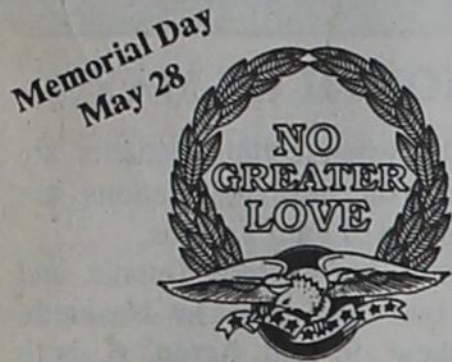
careers Friday night as Lea Ann Malone opens their graduation ceremony with the processional and Rey Velasquez delivers the invocation.

Blair Brown will deliver the salutatory address and Miguel Morales will give the valedictory address.

Following Brown's speech, David Carrasco, Anel Montemayor and Jody Burrell will read the class history. Special music will be provided by the senior class, led by Heather Ritter and Montemayor. After that, Mark Stroebel, HHS Principal, will present awards to the graduates.

The class will receive their diplomas following the valedictory address. Phil Barefield, superintendent, will present the seniors and Harold Bob Bennett will award the diplomas.

The senior class, led by Jill McLain and Dilphia Ponce, will lead the audience in the school's alma mater, David Rodriguez will deliver the benediction and Malone will perform the recessional concluding the commencement exercises.



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Children's deaths tracked here



BLANCO CANYON SKETCHES is the name of the tune as French horn players Amber Griffith, Robin Myers and Patsy Ramos and xylophonist Adam Alvarado do their thing during the Dimmitt High School Band's annual Spring Concert Friday eve-

ning in DHS auditorium. The band, conducted by Michael Johnson and Becky Allen, performed five compositions. The concert was followed by an open house in the Industrial Arts Dept.

When seven children under the age of five die through the years and were under the same woman's care, is it probable that all their deaths were by natural causes?

The police in Garden City, Kan. don't think so and have detained the woman.

Diana Lumbrera, 31, formerly a Dimmitt and Bovina resident and now of Garden City, has been charged with first-degree murder in the death of her son, Jose Antonio Lumbrera, 4, in Garden City.

She is being held in Finney County Jail in Garden City in lieu of \$50,000 bond. Her attorney had requested she be released on her own recognizance Tuesday in a hearing, but the motion was denied.

The Garden City child's death isn't the only one under investigation. In addition, another five of the woman's children and one under her care have died in Parmer and Castro Counties since 1976—two in Dimmitt and four in Bovina.

Authorities in Castro County have joined Parmer County investigators and Garden City police in the investigation. The Texas Rangers have also been brought in to aid and to help coordinate the investigation between the law enforcement agencies.

According to reports, Lumbrera carried her dead son, Jose Antonio, to the emergency room at St. Catherine's Hospital in Garden City on May 1. Medics worked to revive the child for approximately an hour, but were unsuccessful.

A preliminary autopsy report indicated that death was caused by "asphyxia due to smothering."

Lumbrera was taken into custody on May 5 following the autopsy results. She was formally charged with the child's murder on May 7.

A second autopsy was performed late last week by a pathologist representing the defense. His preliminary results, based on the information he had in hand, indicated that the child died of natural causes. The ruling in the death has not been changed, however.

Lumbrera, who is represented by a court-appointed attorney, Michael Quint, had taken Jose Antonio to the emergency room the night before he died, to be treated for a respiratory infection and antibiotics were prescribed for the child, according to information given to the *Garden City Telegram* by Police Captain Stan Wojdylak.

Wojdylak told the *Telegram* the mother administered the medicine to her child, but the boy began vomiting on May 1. He said the mother called the emergency room to report the reaction and was instructed to "give the child a bath." A neighbor told the *Telegram* that the directive was issued because the child also had a fever.

At the time, Wojdylak said there were no signs of foul play and the attending physician reported there was no evidence of abuse.

The *Telegram* also interviewed Lumbrera's next door neighbor, Mary Marroquin, who was quoted as saying, "She (Lumbrera) was very upset. She was upset at the death of her child and upset at the story in the newspaper. She said, 'Why did they print that; I haven't had five other kids, I've only had the one.'"

Wojdylak said the child's father, Jose Luz Valdovinos, lives in Texas, but wasn't certain where. He is also believed to be the father

of Christopher Lumbrera, the child who died in Dimmitt.

Lumbrera has been married once—to Lionel Garza in 1977, the man thought to be the father of the other four children who died in Bovina.

The *Telegram* talked to Bovina's Police Chief Gary Coleman about the deaths which occurred there in the late 1970's and early 1980's.

"There was nothing in the autopsies that appeared suspicious—nothing at all," Coleman told the *Telegram*.

"I wasn't here then, but I've looked at (reports from) two autopsies and talked to several people about the deaths that occurred here and there wasn't anything suspicious about any of the deaths at the time it happened," he continued.

With the exception of Jose Antonio's death, details in the deaths of the other children are few; however, that case opened the investigations into the deaths of her five other children and her cousin's child, all of whom were in her care at the time of their deaths.

Lumbrera's first child, Joanna Lumbrera, was a little over three months old when she died in Par-

mer County on Nov. 30, 1976. A death certificate shows death was caused by "strangulation due to asphyxiation due to convulsive disorder."

The second child to die in Lumbrera's care while she lived in Parmer County was her 14-week-old son, Jose Lionel Garza, who died in a Lubbock hospital on Feb. 13, 1978.

Melissa Garza Lumbrera, 3, the woman's third child, died on Oct. 2, 1978, in Parmer County of "asphyxia due to aspiration of stomach contents," according to the death certificate.

Lumbrera was caring for a relative's child on Oct. 8, 1980, when the six-week-old infant died. The child, Ericka Aleman, was the daughter of Lumbrera's cousin, Benita Aleman. According to wire reports, Parmer County Sheriff Richard Bonham said Ericka was dead on arrival that night when Lumbrera carried her into the West Plains Medical Center in Muleshoe.

Lumbrera's fourth child, Melinda Ann Garza Lumbrera, was two years old when she died Aug. 17, (Continued on Page 10)

Hospital is stabilizing

By ANNE ACKER

Plains Memorial Hospital was listed in "critical condition" almost three years ago, with debts totaling nearly a million dollars.

But the latest report by Hospital Administrator Joe Stevens lists the hospital in "fair and stable condition."

In August of 1987, the Castro County Hospital District's board of trustees passed a whopping

239.48% tax increase in an effort to generate more income to keep the hospital's doors open.

It worked but the hospital has a tough rehabilitation battle on its hands before it's fully recovered.

The hospital's major debts—approximately \$300,000 to Medicare for prior overpayments, and another \$600,000 in bank loans—are paid off today, according to Stevens, but a lot of work needs to be done on the building and its

equipment.

The hospital has an \$800,000 reserve fund right now, but that fund has to carry the hospital through until the new tax monies start coming in this October. It's there for operating expenses such as salaries and everyday expenses, as well as emergencies.

Writing Off Debts

"Financially, we're a little better off than we were in 1987, simply because we've got a little more revenue and we've got a little less expense . . . but we're still not breaking even on our operations, simply because we don't have enough paying patients to do it. We will probably write off close to half a million dollars in bad debts, charity, and things like that, this year. We did last year and we probably will again," Stevens said.

"We are still open. If it weren't for the tax money, though, we would not be. The million dollar debt is paid off, but we're spending several dollars bringing the hospital

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By Don Nelson

Higginbotham - Bartlett should charge admission on Saturday mornings.

When you drop in to pick up anything from 40 cents' worth of stove bolts to a kitchen sink to a lawn mower, you'll always run into some other guys doing the same kind of honey-do's.

Nobody seems in any special hurry to put in that new faucet-seat, or attack the weeds, or change out that light fixture. The coffee is free, and somewhere in the vicinity of the coffee pot, there's nearly always a good conversation going on. Usually you can learn something.

For instance, I know a lot more now about Branson, Mo., than I did before. The conversation was between Ralph Smith, Emmett Broderson, Jerry Stump and myself. As it turned out, I was the only one of the bunch who had never been to Branson, Mo.

Branson is one of many little towns situated along Lake Taney-como on the White River in the Ozarks of southern Missouri. But it isn't like any other little town in the country. In addition to being a fishing resort, it's a "showcase"

town—sort of a Nashville West. Many major stars perform there regularly, and some own their own music halls there.

"I heard on 'Good Morning, America' this week that two and a half million people visit Ireland every year," I told them. "Then I heard on ESPN this morning that two and a half million people visit Branson, Mo., every year."

"I don't doubt it," Jerry said. "I think all of them were there when we were."

"They tell me that they're getting more and more people now from places like the Northwest, and even from other countries," Ralph said.

"Is that population sign right, though?" I asked. "Just 1,200 people?"

"Well, I guess that's all the permanent residents," Ralph said. "Everybody in town operates either a motel, a cafe, a music hall or an RV park, and they bring in a lot of help during the busy seasons."

"You were talking about a fly rod a minute ago," Emmett said. "Now if you want to see every kind of rod and reel that's made anywhere in the world, there's a sport-

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VFW, Auxiliary to observe day with breakfast

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #8056 in Dimmitt and its Ladies' Auxiliary will have their annual Memorial Day Breakfast and flag raising ceremony Monday morning, starting at 6:30 a.m.

All members of the VFW, the Auxiliary, and their guests are invited to attend, with serving to start at 6:30.

The local Boy Scouts will provide a unit to perform the flag raising at 7 a.m. at the post.

Huseman files trespass appeal

Willie Fay Huseman of Nazareth went out with members of Operation Rescue in Lubbock, and now she may need to be rescued from a \$1,000 fine and a six-month probation sentence on charges of criminal trespass tried recently in county court at law in Lubbock.

Huseman said back in September she went with a group of about 80 members of Operation Rescue, an anti-abortion group, and sat on the steps of an abortion clinic in Lubbock.

Huseman said the group had been instructed to maintain a passive attitude, not interfering with those coming to the clinic or insulting anyone.

"We just try to get them to think about it, and realize that they do have a choice. We just feel so strongly the need to save these babies. We have saved some. There have been people who came and thanked us later for 'saving them from making a terrible mistake,'" Huseman said.

"We were asked to leave, but we didn't," Huseman recalled. "I just couldn't get up and leave. I couldn't say 'Okay, go ahead and kill the babies.' I didn't know what I would do until that moment, but I stayed."

Huseman said her lawyer, David Garza, formerly of Dimmitt, has filed an appeal, and her sentence will not be enforced until after the appeals process has been exhausted.

She noted that if the appeals fail, then the sentence will take effect, and if she "goes Rescuing" again, her probation could be revoked and she would have to serve the six months in jail.

"I don't think I'll be doing much Rescuing for a while," Huseman said, adding that she has been busy caring for her ailing father.

Huseman said that when she was arrested, members of the group were carried away on stretchers and

stayed in jail for about six to eight hours until bail was arranged by Operation Rescue lawyers.

"While we were in jail, we talked to the prisoners and prayed with them," Huseman recalled. "One lady said she couldn't believe we were praying for her, and she started crying."

Huseman said this was not her first arrest. She said she had been arrested back in June on another Rescue protest, also in Lubbock. She noted that the protesters had been kept separated from other prisoners that time.

"There are a lot of pro-lifers in jail all across the country now, but you never hear about it on the national media. It's just barely mentioned," she commented.

Huseman said the protesters' cases are put at the top of court dockets—"ahead of murderers and thieves."

Huseman said her previous arrest was brought up by the prosecutor in her case, "but it wasn't supposed to be mentioned." She added that that may be a part of her appeal. She also mentioned that some of the group were wearing white corsages, and the prosecutor tried to get the judge to order the corsages removed, but the judge denied the motion.

"It was a farce," Huseman said.

Weather

Readings recorded at 7 a.m. daily for the preceding 24 hours.

	Hi	Lo	Pr.
Thursday	78	38	
Friday	77	39	
Saturday	89	47	
Sunday	89	47	
Monday	86	51	
Tuesday	81	51	
Wednesday	87	50	
May Moisture			0.67
1990 Moisture			6.10

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On the Go with Mary Edna Hendrix, 647-3343

Ruby Ramsey had company for Mother's Day. Charles Pitts and his friend, Jane Burns, from Amarillo; and Lloyd Pitts from Richardson attended church with her on Sunday morning. They all went to Amarillo for dinner including Oleada Hance.

They visited Jake, who was in St. Anthony's Hospital, and Martha Isaacs.

The following Sunday John and Yvonne Pitts from El Paso visited Ruby.

Ralph and Velma Lambright went to Borger to visit a nephew, Johnny Reynolds and another nephew, L.A. Reynolds, who was visiting from California. Then they went to Stinnett to visit Velma's sister, Benton Creacy, and Benton's family, her daughter, Judy Dafford Whitson, and her son and his wife, Donald and Shirley Creacy.

The deacons of the First Baptist Church and their wives hosted a fellowship in the home of Paul and Barbara Kenley following the evening service. They served sandwiches, dips, chips and homemade ice cream. Paul's parents were her from Tahoka for Mother's Day.

Billie Norris Morgan and daughter, Carol, from Ft. Worth visited with Billye Wesson and Kate James on Mother's Day.

The "Come As You Are" fun breakfast sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce was held at the Expo Building on Wednesday morning. They served orange juice, fruit, Hopson sausage, breakfast

casserole, cinnamon rolls and coffee. The tables were decorated with geraniums that were given as awards later. Members of the Chamber of Commerce wore their "pretty" night clothes. I thought Gail Bruegel or Rita Welch should have won the award for their attire, but Don Nelson won instead.

Out of town visitors at the museum last week were Elaine Flynt and Linda Johnson from Ft. Worth, who were here for their mother's funeral, Mrs. Pauline Davis, Tracy Dickson from Plainview and Mark Gail from Ft. Worth, who was taking pictures for the Ft. Worth Star Telegram. Also the Daisy Girl Scout Troop #278, with leaders Suzzie Hubble and Susie Bradford, planted two hazleberry trees at the museum. Girl scouts were Angela Cartwright, Sarah Griffing, Rae Odom, Rachele Webster, Sarah Bradford, Dana Gonzales, Courtney Norman and Amy Hubble, who was assisted by brother Zane Hubble. Joanne Snider brought her HECE class to the museum on Thursday morning.

Elizabeth Huckabay was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club that met at the Senior Citizens Center for a lunch of meatloaf, macaroni and cheese, salad and chocolate pudding, and a day of bridge. Susie Reeves won high score and Sal Di Cuffa won second high score. Others playing were Johnnie Vannoy, Louise Mears, Virginia Crider, Ina Rae Cates, Ferne Dickey, Emily Clingsmith, Dude McLauren, Helen Braafladt and Neva Hickey.

Last week was National Nursing Home Week May 13-20 with emphasis on Mother's Day. The Canterbury Villa held special activities all during the week. On Monday some of the residents enjoyed lunch with the Senior Citizens and on Tuesday a performance was given by Hereford's Blue Grass Band. Wednesday was "Dress up day" and residents listened to the First Methodist Church Hand Bell Choir and Susan Coleman. They were visited by Spring Fever and Happy Hearts children. On Thursday there was singing led by Hershel Wilson and a devotional program by the First Baptist Church. Gertie Waggoner gave an inspirational devotional and sang *In Times Like*

These. Al Webb sang *He Touched Me*. Renise Blair sang *He Hideth My Soul* and other singing were Bobbie Baldrige, Connie Ivey, Ysleta Ball, Beral Hance, Mauzee Youts, Irene Carpenter, Phyllis Mooney (pianist), Mary Edna Hendrix and Richard Young led the singing. On Friday Helen Kuntz honored her mother, Alice Anthony, on her birthday by serving ice cream cones and others served cookies. Doris Frazier conducted the "Volunteer Appreciation Ceremony" giving out awards for all the volunteers who participate during the year. Saturday the Promenaders Square Dancers Club performed. On Sunday they observed the

Mother's Day Tea and Renise Blair provided background music.

Several people from Dimmitt attended the beautiful wedding for Susan Hance and Phillip Sorrells at the First Baptist Church in Lubbock on Saturday afternoon. The reception was held in the fellowship hall following the ceremony. It was a pleasure to visit with several of the Hance and Hays families, who were former Dimmitt residents. Susan was honored with several parties including a bridesmaids luncheon on Friday at the Lake Ridge Country Club. Honored guests were Carol Hance and Eva Sorrells.



'I WONDER WHY' writing contest winners from Dimmitt's Richardson Elementary include (from left) Jason Paul Gauna and Jose Barrios, first grade students in Pam White's class.

Fireworks financing solicited

Donations are being sought for the annual community fireworks display in Dimmitt, which is part of the local Fourth of July celebration.

Contributions are welcome from individuals, clubs and organizations.

Sponsored by the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, the display will be held Wednesday, July 4, at the rodeo grounds as soon as it gets dark. Chairmen of the event are Stan McDaniel and Danny Newton.

"No donation is too large or too small. Your participation is needed," a chamber spokesman said, adding that funds may be turned in at the chamber office or to any chamber director.

We can weather it if we support each other.

TRADE AT HOME!

RES students submit questions for book

Two first grade students from Dimmitt's Richardson Elementary will have their entries included in a nationally published book this fall.

Students in the first grade classroom of Pam White submitted entries for a Question and Answer Writing Contest, sponsored by Troll Books. Their entries competed with entries from throughout the US.

Jason Paul Gauna, son of George and Josie Gauna, and Jose Barrios, son of Jose and Martha Barrios, submitted two of the winning entries. Barrios chose as his subject

"I wonder why Columbus discovered the world," and Gauna's topic was "I wonder why there was gold in California."

White said the students selected a question, and then composed short answers of three to four sentences. She noted that the students looked up answers in the library or asked their parents or other adults. Sixth grade students aided the class in putting the information together.

White said the boys will receive a free copy of the book after it is published, and she presented them with certificates of recognition.

Hospital Hopes and Happenings

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH OF MAY



Patti Kern

checks when certain patients are started on new medications are just some of Patti's duties.

Patti, her husband Dennis, and her two sons live in Nazareth. Matthew, 9, and Aaron, 6, both attend the Nazareth schools. Patti is a dedicated nurse who graduated from the Diploma school of Northwest Texas Hospital in 1978. She first worked in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Northwest before moving to Sweetwater where she worked and commuted to Angelo State University in San Angelo. After another period at Northwest she moved back to Nazareth and started working for a Home Health Agency in 1981. She began work for the Plains Memorial Hospital Agency in 1987.

Patti's hobbies include tennis, fishing, and gardening. She cans or freezes from her garden and raises flowers, with roses being her favorite.

Compassion, dedication, and professionalism are the marks of an outstanding nurse. Patti has these. She also has a warm smile and a friendly greeting for her patients, her fellow workers, and for you, her neighbors.

Plains Memorial Hospital Employee of the Month of May is Patti Kern, R.N. Patti is the Director of the Home Health Agency and cares for patients in their homes following their physician's orders. Some patients are not quite sick enough to need hospitalization but do need some professional care. Things such as wound care following surgery, instructions and temporary monitoring for new diabetics as they learn to give themselves insulin shots, and blood pressure

We Salute Our Beef Producers

In our county, everyone is involved in the beef industry in one way or another.

We buy and import a lot of cattle here—either to pasture, or to finish in feedlots. Our pastures range from 80 acres to several sections. Our feedlots range in size from small, behind-the-house operations to huge lots finishing out more than 60,000 head at a time.

If you don't pasture or feed cattle, or work on a farm or in a business that serves the beef industry, then at least you probably get part of your paycheck from dollars originated by the beef industry here. Or maybe you just eat a lot of beef.

Whatever your role, it behooves you (excuse the pun) to promote the beef industry at every opportunity, because it's vital to our county's economy.

Castro is one of the biggest cattle-feeding counties in Texas. Our county has no fewer than 11 feedlots with a capacity of more than 5,000 head, plus many smaller operations.

Bar-G Feedyard, with a 65,000-head capacity, is the largest in the county, followed in order by Dimmitt Feedyard (45,000), Rafter 3 Feedyard (34,000), Seven X Feed Yard (24,000), Hill Feedlot (20,000), Cluck Cattle Co. (15,000), Great Plains Cattle Feeders, Inc., South (12,000), LS Feeders, Inc. (10,000), 3K Cattle Feeders (9,000), Sunnyside Cattle Co. (8,000), and Bridges Cattle Co. (5,000).

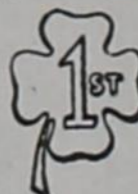
Factoring in the finishing time on feeder cattle at all these larger lots and the smaller operations in the county, Castro County turned out a whopping 489,142 head of market-ready cattle last year, according to Southwestern Public Service Co. in its 1990 Fed Cattle Survey.

A slaughter-ready steer will weigh about 1,100 lbs., and at the current market price of approximately \$78.50 per cwt, is worth \$863.50 on the hoof. So those 489,142 cattle fed in our county last year were worth more than \$422 million.

That's a lot of money. It's also a lot of beef. And a lot of corn ensilage, corn bran, hay, milo, supplements, medication, lights, welding, electric wiring, natural gas, vehicles, oil, gasoline, tires, scale tickets, purchase orders, machinery parts, tools, clothing, restaurant meals, groceries...

May is National Beef Promotion Month. With the feedlot industry we have, every month should be beef promotion month here.

To all our friends and neighbors involved in the beef industry—we salute you, and we're proud you're part of Castro County!



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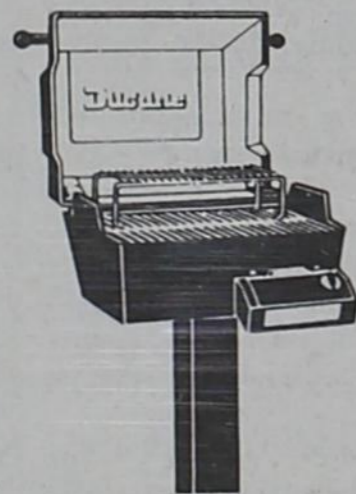
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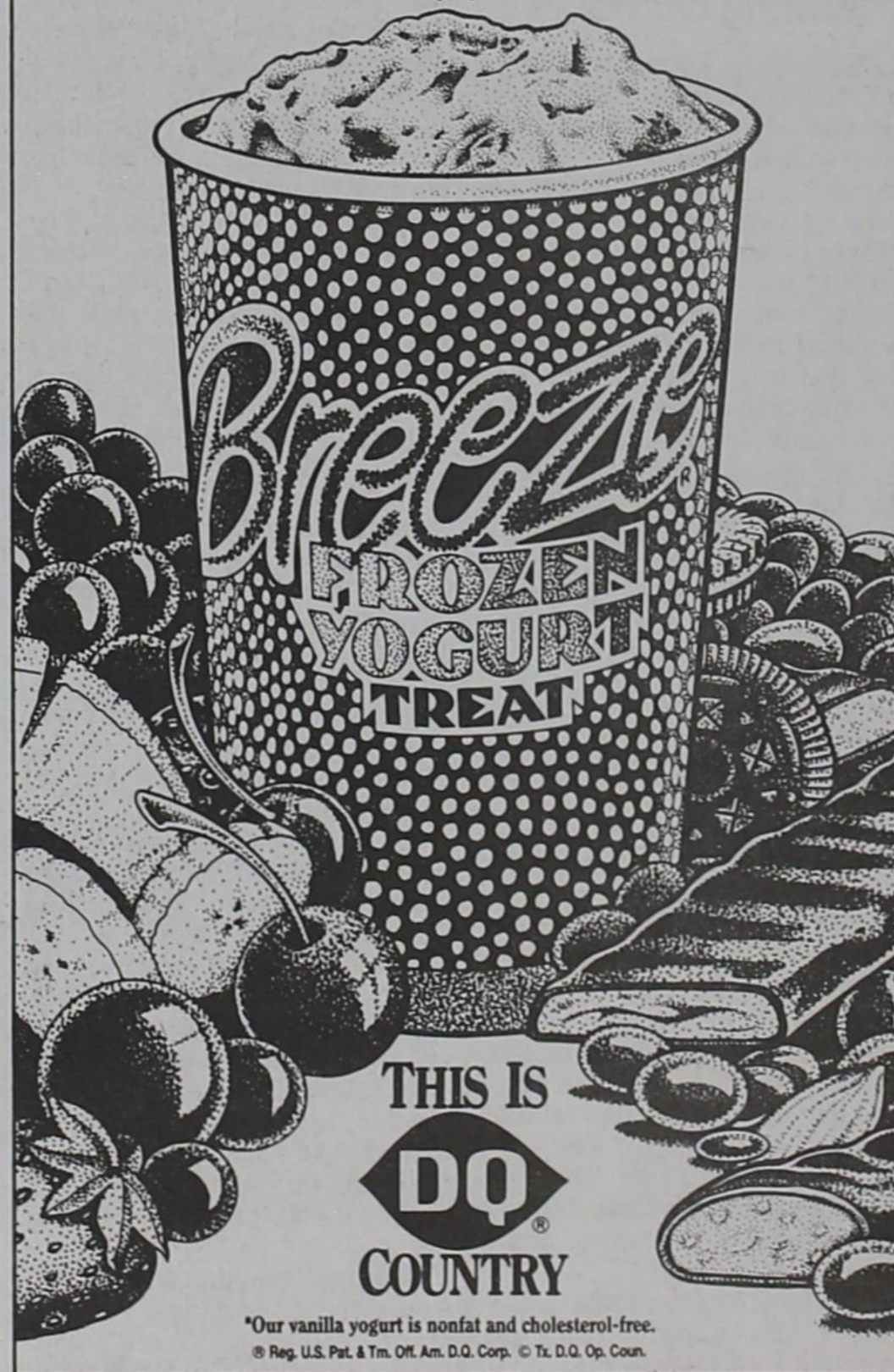
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Police Calls

A 39-year-old Hart man is serving out a \$217.50 fine on misdemeanor charges of issuance of a bad check, and awaits release after payment of \$206.67 restitution. Then he will be transferred to another county to face trial on similar charges.

Two separate cases of assault/family violence were handled in the past week, with one man paying court costs and serving out time in jail, and another man still awaiting arraignment Tuesday afternoon.

A 30-year-old Dimmitt man allegedly pushed his 78-year-old mother around and caused scratches and bruises on her hand and arm. The incident was reported to police at about 8:42 p.m. Saturday. The man was jailed and is serving out a 60-day sentence, and must pay \$403 in court costs.

Still awaiting arraignment Tuesday was a 39-year-old Dimmitt man who was arrested around 4:40 p.m. Monday on misdemeanor as-

sault/family violence charges. The man allegedly assaulted his wife and stepdaughter.

A 39-year-old Dimmitt man had a big surprise Friday night when he went home drunk and attempted to enter his home, only to discover that he was attempting to enter the home of a Dept. of Public Safety officer who lives a block over from the man. The man was released the next day after paying a fine for public intoxication.

At 12:24 a.m. Monday, a 37-year-old Dimmitt man was stopped for DWI, and subsequently charged with misdemeanor DWI, second offense. He was released Tuesday after paying a fine and court costs.

Felony DWI charges were levied Sunday against a 35-year-old Hart man who is being held on \$1,500 bond.

Genaro Garcia Jaramillo, 16, of Dimmitt told police Sunday evening that a 17-year-old Dimmitt youth had punched him in the face and kicked him in the chest and stomach. Police reports stated that the victim was treated and released at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt.

Betty Rickert of Dimmitt told police Monday that someone had apparently shot out the living room picture window of her rental house on Northwest Second. Officers de-

termined that a shotgun had been used to damage the window. Repairs were estimated at \$100 by the complainant.

A fur coat valued at \$3,700 has been reported missing from 1001 W. Lee in Dimmitt since April 24. It was apparently taken from the residence of Paulene Davis, who was reported deceased April 29. Her daughter stated that nothing else appears to be missing from Davis' home.

Kristie Kinser, 16, of Dimmitt told police last Thursday evening that another car had forced her 1983 Subaru off the road, causing \$250 in damage to a tire and rim. The incident happened on South US 385 in Dimmitt.

On the afternoon of May 15, a Dimmitt woman told police that her mother-in-law continues to harass her and her children and has allegedly threatened to burn their house down with them in it. Investigation is continuing.

Sunday afternoon, Renee Flores, 17, of Dimmitt was ticketed for improper backing and no driver's license after she backed her pickup from a driveway in the 400 block of Northwest Sixth Street and struck the front end of a 1982 Plymouth four-door driven by Ralph Lambright, 77, of Dimmitt. No injuries were reported. Damage to the pickup was light, while the Plymouth received heavy damage to the front.



PERCUSSIONISTS in the Dimmitt High School Band perform *Where No Man Has Gone Before* during the band's annual Spring Concert Friday evening in DHS auditorium. The 68-piece concert

band performed five compositions for an appreciative audience. Following the concert, the Industrial Arts Dept. held an open house to exhibit its state award-winning projects.

Obituary

Margaret Waggoner
Services for Margaret Waggoner, 69, of Dimmitt, were held Tuesday afternoon at Lee Street Baptist Church in Dimmitt with Rev. Don Webster officiating.

Burial followed in Castro Memorial Gardens under the direction of Foskey-Flemins Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Mrs. Waggoner died at 3:53 a.m. Saturday in Amarillo's High Plains Baptist Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Waggoner was born Oct. 11, 1920 in Running Water and moved to Dimmitt from Plainview in 1940. She married Fred Waggoner in 1939 at Clovis, N.M. She was a member of Castro County Home Demonstration Club and Lee Street Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, two daughters, Karrol Rettman of Hereford and Donna Kay Scott of Evergreen, Ala.; a sister, Annie Dove Cantrell of Temple; and three grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to Lee Street Baptist Church.

Hart youth to enter WT's gifted institute

Paula Abundez, a fourth grade student at Hart Elementary School, has received a scholarship to attend West Texas State University's Institute for Gifted and Talented students this summer. She is one of 50 students invited to attend. Her parents are Paul and Micaela Abundez of Hart.

The summer institute is an enrollment program emphasizing excitement in the sciences and humanities. Paula will attend four classes including Aerospace Science, French, Museum-Library Science and the Magic of Science. Recreation is provided each evening. Additional activities will build self-concept and improve communication skills through group interaction.

Special events include field trips and a performance of the musical drama "Texas." The students will have complete access to WTSU's Cornette Library, the Panhandle Plains Museum and the Henson Activities Center during the summer. The institute will close with a special "students' showcase" in the Mirror Room of the Henson Center.

Local retail trade increases

Castro county reported a 7.8% increase in retail trade and a .9% increase for all industries according to the 1989 fourth quarter state sales and use tax analysis report from Bob Bullock, Comptroller of Public Accounts.

There are 151 outlets reporting with gross sales of \$11,698,785 compared to 1988 fourth quarter gross sales of \$10,853,014. Use tax purchases are \$9,138. The amount subject to state sales and use tax is \$3,757,114.

For all industries there are 267 industries reporting with gross sales of \$30,181,164 compared to 1988 fourth quarter sales of \$29,926,378. Use tax purchases are \$1,188,947. The amount subject to state sales and use tax is \$6,053,185.

Miss Texas to speak to Dimmitt graduates

Miss Texas 1989, Leah Kay Lyle, will be the commencement speaker for the graduation ceremonies of Dimmitt High School June 1 at 8 p.m. at the high school auditorium.

Admission for the event will be by tickets only, with tickets distributed to each graduate for a set number of family and guests.

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce Dimmitt Dynamis is planning a reception in honor of Lyle from 6 to 7 p.m., with the public invited to attend. Autographs and photo opportunities will be offered also. Location of the reception will be announced later.

"Please come by and make her feel how proud we are to have her in Dimmitt," said a chamber spokesperson.

Commencement ceremonies will begin at 8 p.m. with a processional played by Avie Lewis and the Methodist Bell Choir, directed by Jane O'Kelly. Kay Gleghorn will give the invocation.

The salutatory address will be given by Jennifer Hanners, followed by the valedictory address by Danna Ralston.

Big Dreams in a Small Town will be presented by Bill Sava, and DISD Superintendent Robert Ryan will introduce Lyle, who will give the commencement address.

Ryan will then present the Class of 1990, and School Board President David Schaeffer will present the diplomas.

Jennifer Hanners will sing her original composition, *Remember*, followed by the benediction, given by Kristi Sims.

Lewis will play the recessional. Lyle is the daughter of Paul and Linda Lyle of Plainview, and is a 1988 graduate of Baylor University with a degree in communications.

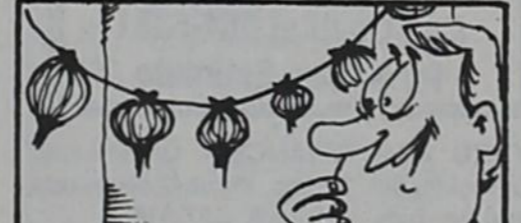
A student of piano, Lyle was named Best Musician of the 1989 Miss Texas Pageant and preliminary talent winner prior to being named Miss Texas 1989.

She represented Texas at the 1989 Miss America Pageant and was named a semi-finalist, appearing on the national telecast of the pageant Sept. 16.

Her duties as Miss Texas include appearing as spokesperson for the Texas Department of Commerce, and she also speaks to student groups in schools, churches and youth organizations.



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Over the last ten years, I have watched three commissioners make several attempts to repair the potholes. The repairs last a couple of weeks at best, then the potholes appear once again, only bigger and deeper. This road was long ago past being an inconvenience and is now to the point of being dangerous.

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Hale Center is new home for Mr. and Mrs. Hardage

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Hardage are home in Hale Center, after exchanging wedding vows April 28, and enjoying a wedding trip to San Antonio.

The bride is the former Stacie Jackson, daughter of Cary and Cathy Jackson of Dimmitt. Parents of the groom are Bill and Susan Hardage of Plainview.

The couple were wed in a formal, double-ring ceremony performed at the First Baptist Church in Dimmitt with Dr. Fred Meeks of Plainview officiating.

The church was decorated with three 15-candle brass candelabras flanked by brass trees that held 29 candles each. Silk Swedish ivy complimented each candelabra.

The unity candle was decorated with Swedish ivy and ivory tulle and was surrounded by six ivy plants. The center aisle pews were marked with brass candelabras entwined with Swedish ivy and tulle bows.

The candles were lit by Steve Olson and Johnny Turpin of Plainview.

Walter Maynard of Dimmitt served as pianist, and Jerré Shultz of Dimmitt played the organ. Tom Copeland of Plainview sang *With This Ring and Vows Go Unbroken*. He was accompanied by Jenny Hall of Plainview, flutist. Kristi Tillman of Plainview sang *Wind Beneath My Wings* and *The Lord's Prayer*.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a candlelight satin gown designed with a Venise wedding band collar and an English net yoke. The fitted bodice and basque waistline were highlighted with satin embroidered Venise lace enhanced with iridescents and pearls. The satin Renaissance sleeves were pleated at the shoulders with English net tapering to the wrist. The full skirt cascaded into a cathedral-length train, bordered with scalloped satin and whipped lace.

Her satin portrait hat was accented with lace, pearls and iridescents. The tiered silk illusion veil fell from a pouf at the back.



MRS. TIM HARDAGE
... nee Stacie Jackson

She carried a bouquet of cascading primrose pink, crinkled paper roses and English ivy with accents of pearls and teal and primrose ribbons.

Shawn Sheffy, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Sharla Jackson, sister of the bride; Brenda Jackson of Abilene; Cindy Hardage, sister of the groom; and Jenny Hall of Plainview.

The attendants wore matching dresses of teal moire satin. The gowns were designed with a fitted bodice that came to a point at the waistline. Large puffed sleeves completed the look.

The attendants carried long-stemmed primrose pink roses ac-

cented with Swedish ivy and baby's breath. Bows of primrose and teal accented the bouquets.

Doyle Shirley of Waco was the best man. Groomsmen were Chad Taylor of Brownwood, Chad Reed of Lubbock and Trey Speck and Shayne Woodard, both of Austin.

The guests were seated by Scott Sheffy, brother-in-law of the bride; Steve Olson, Joe Ky Shultz and Johnny Turpin, all of Plainview.

A reception in the church's fellowship hall followed the ceremony.

The bride's table was covered with a floor-length ivory lace cloth and held a three-tiered wedding cake with four smaller cakes at the base.

The cake was decorated with primrose pink and teal roses, and featured accents of fresh greenery and baby's breath. A Precious Moments bride and groom figurine divided the tiers.

Three primrose candles held by crystal candlesticks surrounded by greenery and roses served as the table's centerpiece. Silver appointments completed the bride's table decor.

The groom's table was covered with a Battenburg lace cloth with a pewter airplane serving as the centerpiece.

Pick-up foods of sausage balls, ham rolls, cheese, crackers and fruit were served from the groom's table.

The bride is a graduate of Dimmitt High School and Wayland Baptist University in Plainview. She is employed with Hale County State Bank in Plainview.

The groom is a Plainview High School graduate. He received his degree from Wayland Baptist University and is currently employed by State Rep. Pete Laney.

Hance, Sorrells recite vows Saturday

An afternoon ceremony Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Lubbock united Mary Susan Hance and Phillip Andrew Sorrells in marriage.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kent Hance of Austin and the granddaughter of Beral Hance of Dimmitt. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Sorrells of Lubbock.

The couple exchanged wedding vows Saturday with Rev. Jerry Morris, former youth minister at the First Baptist Church of Lubbock, officiating.

Candles and greenery decorated the church for the nuptial ceremony.

Larry Landusky, pianist, accompanied the soloists, Polly Hays and Kirk Mann who performed *Household of Faith, Thine Be the Glory and Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us*.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Aubrea Anderson of Sanger, the bride's roommate, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lydia Welshimer of El Paso, Alexis Wilson of Fort Worth, Amy Beth Ball of Enid, Okla., and Kelly Hayhurst of Lubbock. Junior bridesmaids were Katie and Emily McWhorter of Hereford, cousins of the bride.

Best man was Roy Horton of Lubbock, the groom's cousin. Groomsmen included Mel Sorrells of Dallas, the groom's brother, Tommy Lowrie of Dallas, Alex Klein of Houston and Robbie Couch of Lubbock.

Ring bearers were Hank McWhorter and Scott Smith.

Hannah McWhorter and Heather Smith were flower girls.



MRS. PHILLIP ANDREW SORRELLS
... nee Mary Susan Hance

Guests were seated by Bob Jenevein, Brent Drago, Tom Law and Ron Hance, brother of the bride.

The couple were honored with a reception at the church following the ceremony.

The couple enjoyed a wedding trip to Lake Louise and Banff, Canada and will establish their new

home in Lubbock.

The bride is a graduate of Texas Tech University and plans to attend Texas Tech's School of Law this fall.

The groom is a Texas Tech graduate and is currently a third-year law student at Texas Tech's School of Law.

German Fest set July 14

Nazareth's 18th annual German Festival will be held Saturday, July 14.

The German sausage meal with all the trimmings begins at 4 p.m. at the Nazareth Community Hall. A dance with music by the Maines Brothers will follow later in the evening.

The Nazareth Art Club will sponsor its arts and crafts show again this year, and it will be open to the public for viewing from 2 to 8 p.m. in the Nazareth school cafeteria.


Anyone who wishes to reserve an 8 x 10 booth at \$15 per booth, may do so by contacting Lucille Drerup at Box 3, Nazareth 79063, phone 945-2562; or Rose Mary Wilhelm at HCR 2, Box 15, Nazareth 79063, phone 945-2583.

When reserving a booth, the club asks that you specify whether you will need the table which is provided or if you will be using your own display racks; and whether you wish to reserve a center or wall booth. Booths will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve bases. Checks should be made payable to the Nazareth Art Club and the last day to reserve a booth is July 7. Exhibitors should also specify what will be on display in their booth.

The cafeteria will open at 11:30 a.m. July 14 for exhibitors to set up their displays.

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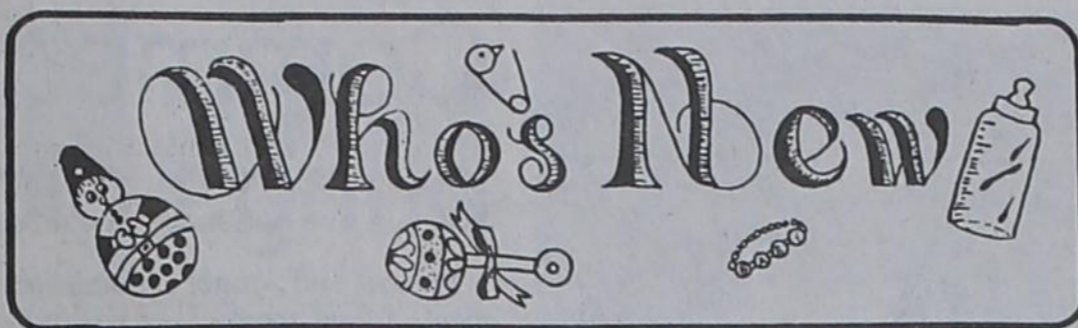


John Adrian Webb and Leslie Ann Watson

July wedding planned

John Adrian Webb and Leslie Ann Watson plan to exchange wedding vows at 3 p.m. July 14 at the First Baptist Church in Plainview. The prospective groom is the son of Al and Kathy Webb of Dimmitt and is the grandson of Joyce Adrian

of Dimmitt. The bride-elect is the daughter of Larry and Linda Meason of Plainview. Webb is currently serving in the US Army and is stationed at Fort Sill, Okla., where the couple will reside following the wedding.



It's a boy for Doug and Dorothy Ware of Dimmitt. Jack Douglas entered the world May 9 at 1:09 p.m. He weighed 6 lbs. and was 17 1/2 inches long. His paternal grandmother is Betty Ware of Borger. Maternal grandparents are Paul and Joan Durbin of Nazareth. Great-grandparents are Kate Fletcher and Loretta Durbin.

It's a boy for David and Rhonda Mixson of Dimmitt. Ryan Tyler was born May 9 at 8:34 a.m. He weighed 10 lbs., 7 ounces and was 21 inches long. His paternal grandparents are J.R. and Rickie Mixson of Dimmitt. Maternal grandparents are Gene and Charlene Heath of Dimmitt. Great-grandmother is Daisy Sims of Bronte.

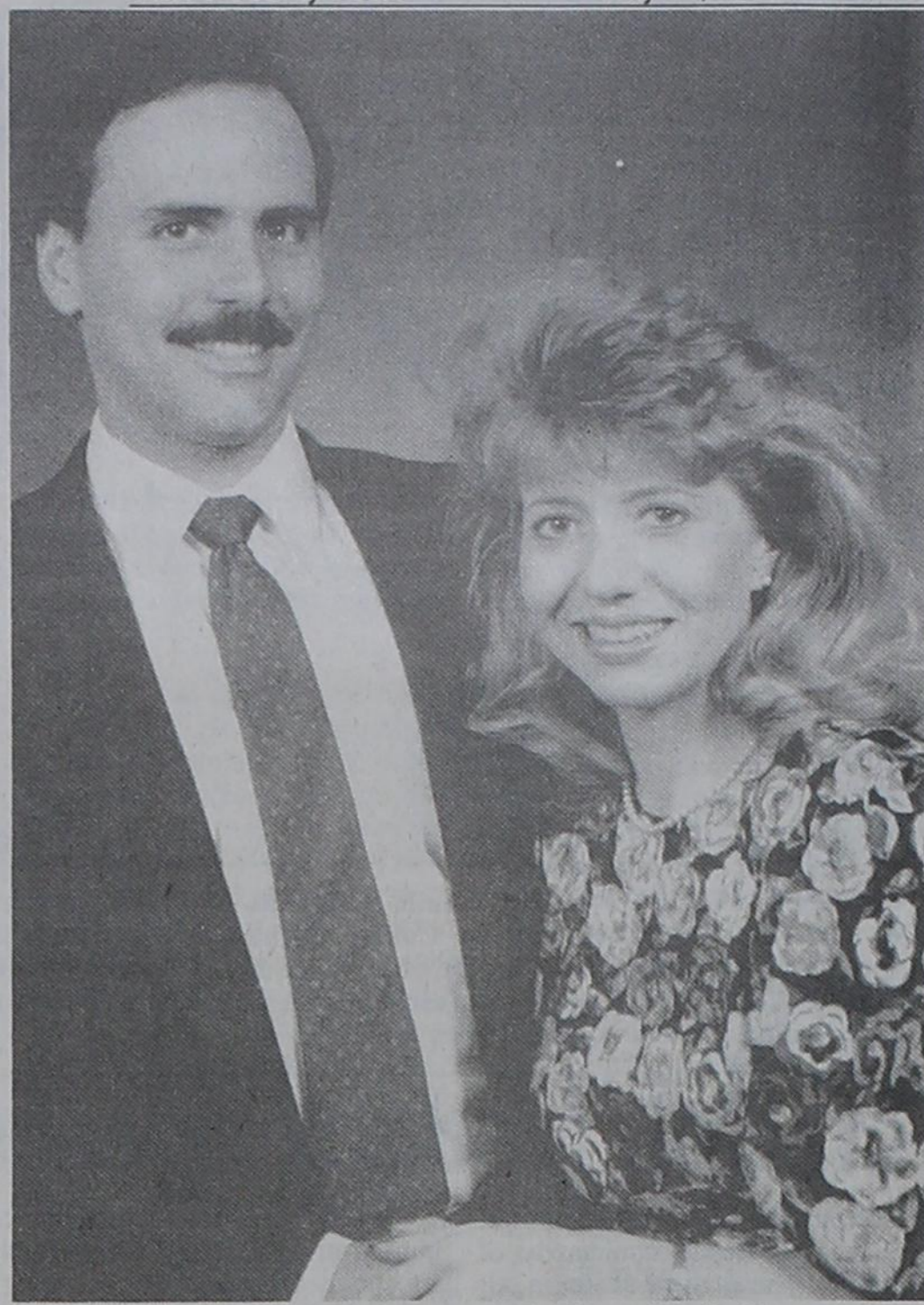
Raymond and Cecilia D. Falcon are the parents of a baby boy. Jeremy Nathan was born May 9 at 11:19 p.m. He weighed 7 lbs., 4 ounces and was 20 3/4 inches long. His paternal grandparents are Julian Falcon of Arlington and Maria Falcon of Dimmitt. Maternal grandparents are Frances Anes of Dimmitt and the late Roy Anes Jr. Great-grandparents are Ophelia Anes of Dimmitt

and Leontina Padilla of Earth.

It's a girl for Billy and Elsa Marquez of Dimmitt. Heather Mae was born May 6 at 3:55 p.m. She weighed 6 lbs., 15 1/2 ounces and was 19 inches long. Her paternal grandparents are Hector and Elvira Marquez of Dimmitt and Lencho and Lidia Rodriguez of Dimmitt.

Jacob Joe Tijerina was born May 6 at 5:16 p.m. He weighed 7 lbs., 5 1/2 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches in length. His mother is Janet Tijerina of Hereford and grandparents are Jose and Olga Tijerina of Hereford. His great grandparents are Estella Casares and Teofila Tijerina of Hereford.

Rosa and Andrew Castillo are the parents of a baby girl. Erika was born May 3 at 2:40 p.m. She weighed 7 lbs., 3 1/4 ounces and was 21 1/2 inches long. Her older brother is George Castillo age five. Her paternal grandparents are Andres and Carmen Castillo of Mexico. Maternal grandparents are Lupe and Socorro Reyes of Friona. Great grandfather is Pedro Molina of Mexico.



Richard Lyle Polansky and Judith Leigh Smith

Smith to wed Polanski

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Smith of Dimmitt announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Judith Leigh, to Richard Lyle Polansky of Austin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dexter E. Cate of New Bedford, Mass.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows Saturday, June 30, at 7 p.m. in the Palm Valley Lutheran Church in Round Rock.

The bride-to-be is a 1981 graduate of Dimmitt High School. She

received her bachelor of business administration degree in accounting from the University of Texas at Austin.

The prospective groom is a graduate of St. Johnsbury Academy of St. Johnsbury, Vermont. He received his bachelor of business administration degree from the University of Vermont.

Following the wedding, the couple plans to make their new home in Austin.

Methodists join annual conference in Midland

Six county residents will join Methodists June 4 through 6 for the 81st session of the Northwest Texas Annual Conference, to be held at the First United Methodist Church in Midland.

The event, an annual meeting of clergy and elected lay delegates from United Methodist congregations, is the official business and policy-making session for the denomination in the Northwest Texas area.

Dimmitt residents attending the annual conference include Ricky Kuntz, Carole Dyer, Elberta Dyer and Robert Duke. Hart residents attending include J.V. Wescott and Brenda Campbell.

Highlights of the annual conference will include a state of the church address at 7 p.m. on June 4 by Bishop Louis W. Schowengerdt, area bishop of the Northwest Texas - New Mexico area since 1980. The giving and receiving of new pastoral appointments for 1990-91 will also take place during the evening worship service.

A total of ten men and women, five deacons and five elders, will be ordained at 7:30 p.m. June 6 in the sanctuary of the church.

Featured preacher will be Bishop Ole Borgen, former United Methodist bishop of the Northern Europe area (Denmark, Finland, Norway, Sweden and Estonia) and current guest faculty member of Asbury Theological Seminary in Willmore, Ky.

The author of numerous articles, Bishop Borgen is a noted authority on John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, and Methodist history.

A native of Norway, he attended agricultural college in his home country before earning degrees from Greensboro College in Greensboro, N.C., Duke University Divinity School and a Ph.D. from Drew University graduate School.

Elected to the episcopacy in 1970 in Copenhagen, Denmark, Bishop Borgen served as Executive Secretary of the World Methodist Council and was a president of the Council of Bishops of the United Methodist Church from 1985-86.

During the Northwest Texas Annual Conference, Bishop Borgen will preach four times. The schedule includes two sessions on June 5 and 6. The first session each day begins at 8:30 a.m. and the final session is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

During the annual conference, members will take action on reports dealing with increased insurance costs, a proposed internal restructuring of the conference organization, and receive year-end summaries of the work done through United Methodist-related institutions and work areas.

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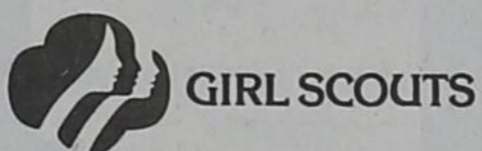
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AC releases honor lists

Shanee Lust and Donna Newton, both of Dimmitt, and Preston Jones of Hart were recently named to the Amarillo College honor roll.

Lust achieved a 4.0 grade point average while Newton and Jones each maintained a 3.4 GPA for the spring 1990 semester.



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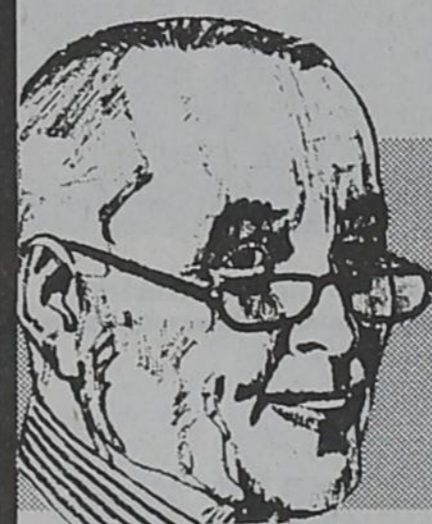
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NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK is May 20-26, and Dimmitt Mayor Wayne Collins (right) signed a proclamation declaring its observance in Dimmitt. Local Works Dept. members (from left) Ralph Salinas, foreman, and James Killough, su-

pervisor, were recognized at the Monday meeting of the City Council. City Manager Reeford Burrous also announced that the department would be honored with an ice cream party Tuesday afternoon.

Lt. Col. Maddox speaks to Rotary

Lieutenant Colonel Stephen B. Maddox, the deputy commander of resource management at Reese Air Force Base in Lubbock, discussed the changes occurring in military spending as well as the changes at Reese Air Force Base during the Rotary Club meeting last Thursday at K-Bob's.

There was a last minute change in speakers. Maddox replaced Col. Bill Henny as speaker.

Maddox said that there are pressures in Washington to reduce military spending, especially with the changes that are occurring in Europe. There are concerns that reductions be well thought out, but not give away military strength. The Air Force is looking at about a 2.6% cut this fiscal year. Most of these reductions will be in personnel.

This is the biggest change because the military will rely more and more on cooperation with civilians, said Maddox. An example of the reliance on civilians is when Reese converted a 950-person maintenance operation to civilians. Lockheed Aircraft Corp. support services was able to maintain operations with about 550 personnel. This is the key reason why the military needs to rely on the civilian sector because civilians live in one place longer and less time is spent on training. The military is more mobile and takes longer to train military personnel, said Maddox.

"There is probably going to be some reductions in combat capability," said Maddox. Lots of negotiations are needed to reduce military spending, but not cut drastically.

"To give an idea of what kind of big business we are talking about, it takes about \$150 million a year to run Reese," said Maddox.

About 300 pilots graduate from Reese and it costs about half a million dollars per graduate.

"These pilots are probably the best trained pilots in the world," said Maddox.

Maddox said that the economic impact on the local area includes a ten county wide area. The spending from Reese AFB generates about \$190 million for the area and this translates into 1,500 jobs, largely in construction and supplies. Reese is a big part of the Lubbock economy.

The primary mission of Reese is to train pilots, said Maddox. Students spend one year going through basic pilot training. This year includes three weeks of intensive academics, 4 1/2 months in T-37 aircraft, and six months in T-38 aircraft. The T-37 should last until the year 2000 and the T-38 should last until the year 2010 with proper maintenance.

Reese is getting a new plane as well as changing their training program.

"Since 1960, pilots went through one program whether they were flying fighters, bombers or whatever," said Maddox. "The problem is that the T-38 needs to last, but with the high number of flying hours it will not make it to the year 2010. Reese's new training program will be a split track system. Half of the students will fly the T-38 and they will go on to fly fighter and bomber airplanes. The other half will fly the new airplane, the T1-A Jayhawk, and these pilots will go on to

fly the transport and tanker type airplanes."

Maddox said that Cannon Air Force Base is also growing. This could be good for Dimmitt.

Maddox was born August 7, 1947, in Pampa. He graduated from Texas A&M University with a bachelor of science degree in agriculture economics.

In March 1972, he was assigned to Reese Air Force Base as a T-38 Instructor Pilot. While there he also performed duties as a Flight scheduler, Squadron Scheduler and Wing Flight Management Officer. From May 1985 until April 1986, he was the Operations Officer, 560th Flying Training Squadron, at Randolph Air Force Base.

He returned to Reese Air Force Base and commanded the 64th Student Squadron from April 1986 to July 1987. Then he served as Assistant Deputy Commander for Operations until assuming his current duties as Deputy Commander for Resource Management on July 1, 1988. His family resides in Lubbock.



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Commencement ceremony brings old friends together

Present and former Dimmitt residents found themselves key players at May 18 college commencement ceremonies in Beeville.

The unique circumstances at Bee County College (BCC) brought together Dr. Stanton Calvert, the keynote graduation speaker, who praised Alice Cowen, his third-grade teacher who was in the audience to watch her grandson, Russell Cowen, receive his degree.

Calvert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Calvert of Dimmitt; Mrs. Cowen is a retired DISD teacher, and Cowen formerly attended local schools.

Also in the audience was Mrs. Cowen's husband Joe and their son Joe, who is an administrator at the Beeville college and who graduated from Dimmitt High School in 1961 with Calvert.

Calvert, executive director of the Texas Public Community/Junior College Association in Austin, saw the Cowens at a reception in his honor before the ceremony and later had dinner with the Cowen clan, the BCC board of trustees and other college administrators at the Beeville Country Club.

Calvert told the BCC graduation crowd of more than 800 that it was outstanding teachers like Alice Cowen who made his life successful and whom the graduates would remember in later life as important to their successes.

Calvert, who attended first through 12th grades in Dimmitt with Russell Cowen's father, told the Cowens that their presence made the event "very special," and greeted his former third-grade

teacher with a hug when he arrived at the reception.

Mrs. Cowen said she "was thrilled" to see Calvert and that it made her grandson's graduation especially significant to her.

Russell Cowen was one of more than 230 students to graduate at the South Texas college, which enrolls more than 2,500 students each se-

mester.

While the Cowens were in Beeville, the two Joes and Russell visited with Bascom Nelson, also a former Dimmitt resident and now owner of a steel building manufacturing plant.

Nelson, son of B.M. Nelson of Dimmitt, formerly was news editor of the Castro County News.

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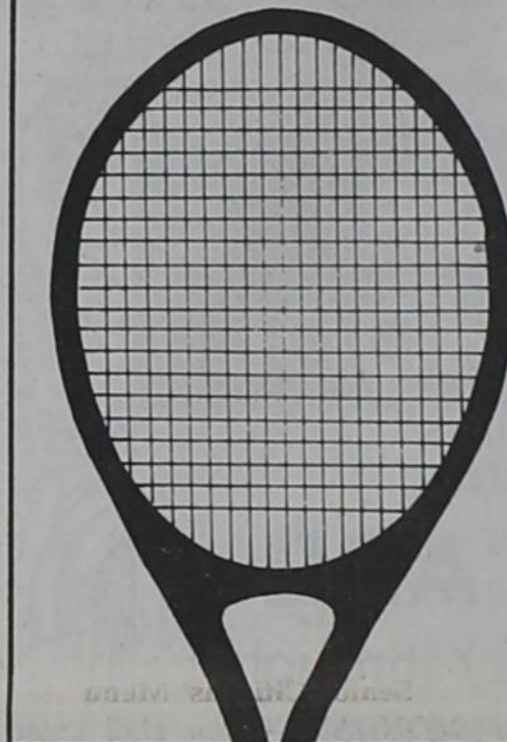
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Clinical Practicum	6:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.	MTWTF
Human Anatomy & Physiology II	7 - 9:45 p.m.	MTWT
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History of U.S. II	7 - 9:45 p.m.	MW
Freshman Composition I	7 - 9:45 p.m.	TT
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Nazareth

By Uirgie Gerber, 945-2669



AIR FORCE SECOND LIEUTENANT LANCE BROCKMAN (right) is sworn in by his brother, Lt. Junior Grade Perry Brockman (left), during a recent Commissioning Ceremony at Texas Tech University. Lance, a December Tech graduate, is awaiting orders for his assignment to flight school. His older brother, Perry, is a submarine officer, serving on the USS Alexander Hamilton currently home-ported in Groton, Conn. Lance and Perry are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Brockman of Nazareth.

Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated Sunday morning in Holy Family Catholic Church with Rev. Neal Dee officiating for our high school seniors and the 8th grade graduates. The seniors participated in the mass as scripture readers and eucharistic ministers. Some of the 8th grade students brought the offerings, and the CYO choir furnished the music. Breakfast was served following the service at the

Nazareth school cafeteria for the teachers and students hosted by the parents.

Forty-five members and guests were served a delicious roast beef dinner at the Senior Citizen Center on Sunday. We were happy to see Paul Pohlmeier attend, he is a resident of the Canterbury Villa Rest Home in Dimmitt.

Congratulations to Doug and Dorothy Ware of Dimmitt on the birth of a son, Jack Douglas, May 9 at Plains Memorial Hospital. Grandparents are Betty Ware of Borger and Buddy and Joan Durbin of Nazareth. His great-grandmother is Kate Fletcher of Borger.

Charley and Beverly Hill attended high school graduation exercises for Shawn Brown, Charly's grandson, on Sunday afternoon in Scott City, Ka.

Father Neal Dee, Sisters Adrian and Josella joined neighbors, friends and family at Nick Book's on Sunday for dinner and an 'open house' in his new mobile home.

Joel Birkenfeld, a student at Assumption Seminary in San Antonio, spent the past week visiting with his family, Herman and Marilyn Birkenfeld. On Friday evening, he attended the deaconate ordination of John Valdez, a fellow seminarian, at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Hereford. Joel left from Amarillo Sunday morning for a five week study course at Morelia, Mexico, located just north of Mexico City. He was accompanied by another Assumption seminarian, Martin Martinez. While there the two will study the Spanish culture

and language and will live with families in Morelia.

Lance Brockman was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Air Force May 12 at Texas Tech University. He was sworn in by his brother, Perry, who is a Navy officer. Attending were Cyril, Mitzie, Stephanie and Alma Conrad of Nazareth; Cyril Brockman of Austin; Pierce Brockman and family of Dallas; Tony Brockman of Midland and Lieutenant Jr. Grade Perry Brockman of Connecticut. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Conrad, Laurie and Andy of San Angelo. Ted, who is a retired Air Force officer, gave Lance the wings he earned when he graduated from flight school in 1960. Following the very impressive ceremony, all attended a formal dinner in honor of the new commissioned officers.

Breast screening clinic set June 4

A breast cancer screening clinic will be held in Dimmitt Monday, June 4, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Plains Memorial Hospital.

Exams are by appointment only, and anyone who wishes to make one should call the Harrington Cancer Center at 1-800-274-4673, toll-free. For more information locally, contact Plains Memorial Hospital at 647-2191.

The breast cancer screening program of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and High Plains Baptist Hospital of Amarillo will continue community outreach clinics for early detection of breast cancer.

Funding is available through the Texas Cancer Council for screening mammography for Texas residents qualifying for financial assistance.

Early detection of breast cancer is the major goal of cancer control for each woman seen in the clinic. The clinic provides low cost screenings which include a breast exam by a registered nurse trained in breast cancer detection, teaching of breast self examination and a mammogram.

Currently, the most effective method known to win the battle against breast cancer is early detection.

tion. Early detection is best done by following the guidelines recommended by the American Cancer Society for breast cancer screening for women who have no signs or symptoms of breast cancer. The guidelines are: 1. Learn and perform breast self examinations every month; 2. Have a physical examination of the breasts every year; and 3. Have a mammogram according to the following recommendations by age—Age 35-40, one baseline mammogram; age 40-50, a mammogram every one to two years; and over 50 years of age, yearly mammograms.

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Church Happenings

Presbyterian Church

Sunday school classes will be held at 10 a.m. Sunday.

"That They May Be One" is the title of Pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the Sunday service for the worship of God at 11 a.m.

There will be a church family covered-dish dinner following the morning service to honor the graduating seniors.

Morning prayer services will be held Wednesday at 6:30 a.m.

"The Gadarenes Demoniacs," Matthew 8:28-34, will be the subject of the mid-week Bible study Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Ministerial Alliance

In the church calendar, today (Thursday) is the ascension of the Lord.

Edward D. Freeman will lead the Castro County Ministerial Alliance in a study of Matthew 6:5-15 on Tuesday, May 29, at 10 a.m. at the Presbyterian Church.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

The Ascension Day of Obligation mass will be celebration today (Thursday) at 6:30 p.m. There will also be a mass at St. John's in Hart at 8 p.m.

The high school CCD teachers meeting has been postponed to Wednesday, May 30, at 8 p.m. in Patrice Schaaf's office.

We congratulate the following who received certificates for their participation in the year-long lay ministry training program at Dimmitt and Hart. They are Marcelina Acevedo, Luis Arguijo, Felix and Eusebia Balderas, Josefine Espinoza, Jose and Maria Garcia, Deacon Antonio Garza, Juanita and Ramon Gauna, Andres and Maria Lopez, Silviano and Estella Mendez, Emi-

lio and Refugio Nino, Deacon Joe and Frances Ortega, Sotero and Delia Ramos, Rufina Rodriguez, Francisco and Maria Sepeda, Rafaela Enriquez, Petra Gonzales, Arturo and Maria Ortega, Concepcion Quinonez, Maria Rivera, Lala Rodriguez, Lorenzo and Lupe Salinas, Emelda Saenz, Diane Snitker, Maria Reyes, Patrice Schaaf, Mary Ann Fuentes, Richard and Tina Gonzales, Mary Lou Lumbrera, Connie Martinez, Stella Rodriguez, Bobbie Damron, Paul and Hortencia Garcia, Christopher Garza, Irene Granado, John Nino, Sylvia Nino, Olivia Ortiz, Henry Rivera, all of Dimmitt; and Deacon Roberto Gonzales, T.D. Martinez, Eudelia Hernandez, Beatrice Gonzales, Patsy Warren and Soila Sarabia, all of Hart.

Senior Citizens

Senior Citizens' Menu

MONDAY—Green chili casserole, corn, salad, bread or cornbread, dessert, tea and coffee.

TUESDAY—Meatloaf, macaroni and cheese, English peas, salad, bread, dessert, tea and coffee.

WEDNESDAY — Barbecued beef tips, chunk potatoes, beans, salad, dessert, bread or cornbread, tea and coffee.

THURSDAY—Turkey and dressing, gravy and mashed potatoes, green beans, bread, salad, dessert, tea and coffee.

FRIDAY—Oven-baked chicken, potatoes and gravy, corn, salad, bread, dessert, tea and coffee.

The longest winter in the solar system is 21 years long and occurs on the south polar regions of Uranus. The temperature then is estimated to be minus 362 degrees Fahrenheit.

SS rep here today

A representative from the Social Security Administration will be in Dimmitt today (Thursday) from 9 to 11 a.m. at the courthouse.

The representative will be available to answer questions for anyone with problems or questions about Social Security or Medicare benefits or claims.

Church Directory

New Hope Memorial Baptist Church
300 NE 7th, Dimmitt

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David Fletcher, Pastor
647-5712, Sunnyside

First United Methodist Church
Perry Hunsaker, Pastor
938-2462, Hart

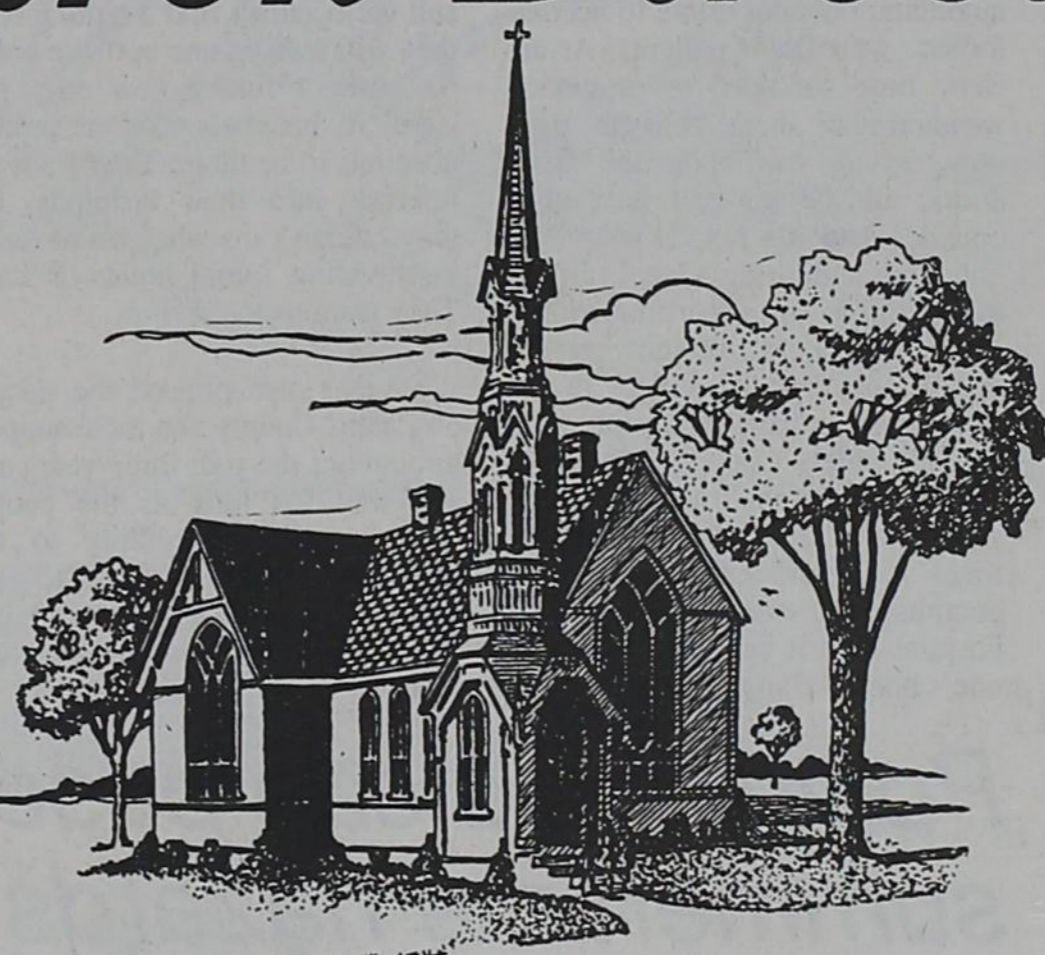
La Asamblea Cristiana
"Full Gospel"
Ruben Velasquez, Pastor
400 NW 5th, Dimmitt

First United Methodist Church
Vernon O'Kelly, Pastor
647-4106 or 647-4107
110 SW 3rd, Dimmitt

Iglesia De Cristo
Pedro A. Gonzalez, Minister
E. Lee and SE 3rd, Dimmitt

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
Norbert Choong, Pastor
647-4219
1001 W. Halsell, Dimmitt

Primera Iglesia Bautista Mexicana
Eduardo Acevedo, Pastor
647-4373
301 NE 7th, Dimmitt



And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so.

Genesis 1:9

Church Of God Of The First Born
611 E Halsell, Dimmitt

Immanuel Baptist Church
James Alexander, Pastor
501 SE 3rd, Dimmitt

Rosa De Saron Church
Maria Castaneda, Pastor
647-5598
411 NE 6th, Dimmitt

St. John's Catholic Church
Norbert Choong, Pastor
Hart

Church Of Christ
Benny Baker, Minister
647-4435
SW 4th at Bedford, Dimmitt

Rose Of Sharon Temple
407 NE 4th, Dimmitt

First Assembly Of God
Claude Hendrick, Pastor
647-5662
300 SE 2nd, Dimmitt

First Baptist Church
Paul Kenley, Pastor
647-3115
1201 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt

Lee Street Baptist Church
Bro. Don Webster
647-5474
401 SW 2nd, Dimmitt

Church Of God Of Prophecy
647-3403
309 NW 4th, Dimmitt

First Christian Church
David Keller, Pastor
647-5478
600 Western Circle Drive, Dimmitt

La Iglesia De Dios Del Primojenito
East Halsell St., Dimmitt

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back up to date and getting the equipment up where it meets modern technology standards," Stevens said.

"There's no simple answer to the problems. When you're operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week, that increases your costs tremendously. To care for one person around the clock takes five people. That's just the way it works.

What the public doesn't realize is that we have to have the staff to take care of a full load or as few as two patients. You have to be prepared. Our payroll is pretty constant because you have to staff slightly above what you normally staff for.

'We Need to Use It'

"What would help this hospital more than anything is to get local people to use the local doctors and hospital for routine things, Stevens said. "People are going out of town because they think they need a specialist for a lot of things that our family practitioners can handle with no problems.

"Studies have shown that family practitioners can handle 85% of all the problems you might have. Our doctors here know what they can handle and what we can handle, and they have the good sense to transfer a patient if we can't handle it."

No Tax Cut in Sight

Stevens said that even though the hospital has cleared its debt to Medicare and the bank, there are several reasons why the tax rate cannot be dropped back to its previous level.

"We're not out of the woods yet, and I can't predict that we will be unless our patient census comes back up and stays there.

"The board looks at the rate every year, and so far they've decided to keep it where it's at. They aren't going to raise it, but they haven't seen the way clear to lower it, simply because there are a lot of things wrong with the building and we'll have to spend lot of money to bring it back up to where it should be. It was let go for a lot of years because of a lack of funding and sooner or later that's got to catch up to you."

Stevens was a newcomer to the Plains Memorial Hospital administration when the tax increase was passed, having been hired in April of 1987. He said the board of trustees was aware of the hospital's financial distresses before he was hired, and they had already made the decision to raise the tax rate.

"The tax increase needed to be done. I would have recommended it, but I didn't have to," he said.

'Bookkeeping Better'

Stevens said that when he arrived, several things, including the bookkeeping records, were out of shape and needed work.

"Bad debts had not been written off for several years. It looked as though the hospital had a huge accounts receivable and they would be all right financially if they could just collect the money, when in fact, the accounts receivable was not as big as everybody thought simply because so much of it was bad. The bookkeeping now is far and away better. The first two years I was here the auditors wouldn't give us a qualified opinion. When they did the most recent audit we got one. They said our books were in good shape.

"I credit that to the new business office manager, Dianna Sigert. I credit a lot of it to her, but not all of it, because the girls in the business office are very willing workers and they have put in extraordinary efforts. They've gone back to school to take accounting courses. They just needed a little direction which Diana provided. Now they can run the computers and turn out the kind of reports that should be produced. We can give a patient an itemized bill now. When I got here we couldn't do that.

'We're Giving Value'

"Since the tax increase, our expenses have been decreasing because we've tightened up some of our procedures and we've got control of some things now that were running amuck before. Revenue is up because we went up on prices. In an effort to hold the prices down to the local payers, the hospital was just gradually pricing itself out of business. You cannot sell your services for less than what they cost you to give. Room rates have gone

up, but we're still below what we would be authorized to charge. Our room rates are \$180, and they all have just one bed unless we have an epidemic or something. Everybody gets what amounts to a private room for a semi-private rate. People are getting value for their money," said Stevens.

Although the hospital has money in reserves, it could be drained to as low as \$300,000 by the time tax money comes in in October, and "that won't buy an x-ray machine," Stevens said.

Equipment Costly

And the x-ray machine is just one piece on a long list of equipment that the hospital needs to replace, repair or update.

"Our x-ray machine is as old as the hills. It's still functional, but if it went out, we'd need an immediate \$300,000 minimum, and that wouldn't pay for the entire machine. We'd have to have that much just for them to put it in. We have ordered some x-ray cassettes (holds x-ray film to be developed) because the ones we had were sprung and we were having to retake a lot of x-rays because the film got exposed. One of those x-ray cassettes can cost as much as \$1,500.

"I think if you put the word hospital on something, the price automatically doubles," Stevens said, adding that it's the "little things that are a constant drain on a cash flow."

He mentioned the poles that hold bottles of intravenous solutions can run \$145 apiece, just because they have got to be "hospital grade." The IV pumps which were rented, are now owned by the hospital because it was cheaper in the long run and the equipment could also be upgraded to the latest machine and still be saving the hospital money.

The hospital has replaced one air conditioner, but two more are in danger of going out at any time. "We know they're going to go out, and it's better for us to replace those than for them to go out in the middle of a surgery," Stevens said.

Renovations Needed

"We've got to have some money in reserve. We never thought about the problem until we had a hail storm and had to have a new roof put on the place.

"The hospital needs some renovating. The carpet needs to be replaced and we need to get some automatic opening doors to accommodate wheelchair patients. At the same time we need to provide a weatherbreak there because right now, when you open the front doors, all the air and heat goes outside. And it's not as simple as going out and hiring a local carpenter to throw up a partition, either. There are a lot of government regulations that the public is not aware of. We have to comply with the Life Safety Code for Hospitals. It places certain restrictions on what we can and cannot do. Sometimes it's more expensive to accomplish an everyday task in a hospital than it would be in someone's home," Stevens said.

Power lines can pose summertime hazards

As warm weather draws more people outdoors, Southwestern Public Service Company is reminding its customers to be careful around power lines and electrical facilities.

"We say all year to watch up for power lines, but it's especially appropriate to issue an additional reminder as people begin to spend more time outdoors," says Calvin Marsh, SPS's Dimmitt local manager. "People are trimming trees, repairing roofs and doing other things around the house that could bring them into contact with overhead lines."

Violent spring storms can create other hazards, Marsh warns.

"If anyone sees a downed power line, stay away and don't touch anything the line is touching. Keep others away, and contact the electric company immediately," Marsh says. "A downed line can be completely free of sparks but still can be very 'live' and dangerous."

There are many other safety tips to keep in mind this time of year, Marsh says. For example, farmers handling irrigation equipment should be especially careful.

"Metal irrigation pipe is an excellent conductor of electricity,"

Still Improving

The emergency generator was one of the first pieces of equipment to get an overhaul. "We had to spend a lot of time upgrading and making sure the emergency generator would do what it was supposed to do. We replaced parts and valves to make sure that it wasn't going to cut off somebody's life support system if we lost power," Stevens said.

The hospital laboratory is where the major upgrade and improvements have occurred, and it wasn't cheap, Stevens said.

"We've got a machine sitting back here now just waiting to be installed. It's just one piece of equipment for the lab and it cost us \$30,000. It's necessary . . . we can't do without it, but it still takes money. We've added an electrolyte analyzer for sodium potassium and we've added a hematology machine to do blood work in the lab. The latest piece of equipment we're adding there is a chemistry machine and that should have us pretty well up to date there. There's only one more minor piece of equipment left that we'll need."

Shortly after Stevens' arrival, the hospital acquired an ambulance service, something which it had not had offered before.

"Starting the ambulance service required hiring someone to run it with super qualifications," Stevens said. "At the same time we eliminated a respiro-therapy contract service and the person hired for the ambulance service took over the respiratory therapy job. Our maintenance person quit, so the person in charge of the ambulance service also took on that. We cut expenses because people took on more than what they had been doing, and they made sacrifices.

What if No Hospital?

"People don't stop to think about what would happen if the hospital were not here. What would happen to their businesses? Any new business isn't going to locate where there's not a hospital."

The administrator also said he can think of numerous cases where a patient wouldn't have made it to Hereford if the hospital wouldn't have been open. He also said the large city hospitals in Amarillo and Lubbock have given a tremendous boost and support to the local hospital.

"When we really need help, like if a piece of equipment broke down and we couldn't find anything else, they will loan us one until we either fix ours or find a new one. The large city hospitals need the smaller hospitals to be there. They want the referrals into their hospitals, but they couldn't do what we're doing—providing initial hands-on care. They want us to survive.

Stevens also praised the people of Castro County for their support throughout the past three years and said that "as long as the people want it and are willing to tax themselves to keep it, the hospital will do the best job it possibly can to make sure their money isn't wasted."

Marsh says. "Moving a tall section of irrigation pipe or lifting it to dislodge a rabbit or other animal inside could be fatal if there's a power line overhead."

Another common springtime activity is installing evaporative coolers. These are potential hazards, Marsh says. "By the time you get a metal cooler up, you're usually standing in a puddle of water. Metal and water conductors of electricity, so make sure your unit is grounded. Don't plug in the cooler until everything is hooked up. If you have to make any last-minute adjustments, be sure to unplug the unit first," he says.

Children also should teach their kids to stay away from utility substations and poles," Marsh says. "If a kite gets tangled in a power line, they should never try to get it down by themselves. And they should check any tree they're about to climb into for power lines."

SPS offers a variety of electrical safety programs and materials to the general public, schools, employers and civic groups. Your local SPS office can tell you about these items.



BODY TALK — Doc Robin (Jamie Salinas, on floor) makes an aside after his 'death' in the play "Who Killed Doc Robin?," which was presented Monday night by the Dimmitt High School Speech Dept. Other cast members include (from left) Ronnie Musick, Johnny Dozier, Tessie Newton, and

Jennifer Felts. There was also a presentation of the One-act Play, "Feathertop," which had been entered in district competition. Another play, "Let Sleeping Beauties Lie," was also presented. The evening was a fund-raising project for the speech department.

Cotton Talks

Work on the budget and other complications have caused House Agriculture Committee Chairman Kika de la Garza (D-Texas) to overshoot his stated goal of completing subcommittee work on the 1990 farm bill by Easter. What was his hope to complete full committee work and bring a bill to the floor by Memorial Day, is now considered hopeless.

The overall aim of both House and Senate Agriculture Committees to get a bill through both bodies before the August recess remains a possibility. Now there is evidence that the ongoing budget summit is intensifying the drive to meet that schedule. The results of that effort, even if successful, may not be the final word on farm law that will govern agriculture for the next five years.

Top administration, House and Senate leaders are meeting daily in search of a bipartisan solution to

the budget deficit. In addition to one or more "revenue-enhancing" measures, they are almost certain to come out with a plan to reduce federal spending well beyond levels previously recommended by the Administration. Commodity price support programs are likely to be right in the middle, if not in the forefront, of programs to be cut.

So, the word is that farm policy makers in Congress want to go all out for passing a politically palatable farm bill before being obliged to reckon with spending limits more severe than those the Administration currently recommends. Then, if White House and Congressional negotiators reach agreement on a budget proposal requiring deeper cuts in farm spending, legislators can come back after the August recess to make whatever reductions are necessary.

In the words of Wall Street Journal staff reporter Bruce Ingersoll,

"Such a legislative would let Congress reauthorize the government's expiring farm programs for another five years and avoid the pain of slashing agricultural subsidies until the fall or, conceivably, in the lame duck session after the November elections."

This approach has considerable bipartisan appeal, Ingersoll continues, since the entire House and a third of the Senate, including nine agriculture committee members, are up for re-election this year.

House Committee Chairman de la Garza is quoted as saying "Politically, you always look for the course of least resistance. My estimation is that they can't hit us with any more cuts. But if we need to do more, we will."

Both the House and Senate appear to be struggling to hold farm spending over the next five years to about \$53 billion, roughly what would be spent if the 1985 farm law were extended. Provisions aimed at increasing farm income are being considered, including tying target prices for major crops to production costs or the consumer price index. But there is also a consensus that the cost of such measures would have to be offset by savings elsewhere in the farm budget.

More about

Children's deaths . . .

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1982, in Parmer County. At the time of Melinda's death, Ralph Erdmann, an Amarillo forensic pathologist concluded that the infant died of "acute heart failure due to increased taxation on a case of congenital heart disease." Erdmann ruled out any criminal actions relating to the child's death at the time.

Christopher Daniel Lumbra, 5 1/2-months-old, died in Castro County on March 28, 1984.

Two family members gave reports about the details they remembered of Christopher's death in Dimmitt.

Lumbra's sister, Virginia Briesca, who lives in Garden City, was quoted in the *Garden City Telegram* as saying . . . And the last child, Christopher, who died in Dimmitt, he just woke up one morning, they were feeding him and he just turned purple. My aunt and cousin were there with her. She (Lumbra) grabbed the kid and ran two blocks to the hospital and when she got there he had already died."

The *Telegram* also questioned Lumbra's aunt, Maria Aleman, about Christopher's death and she said, "All I know about it is that I got up that morning to go to work at 8 o'clock. The baby was fine. He was healthy and not sick or anything. My daughter had left the house and it was Diana's day off. I left her and the baby at the house and went to work. Somewhere around noon, somebody came to my work to tell me the baby was dead. They said Diana ran two blocks to the hospital from the house and when she got to the hospital the baby just died. It was just one of those things."

Police investigations have turned up evidence of life insurance policies on three of the children, but Jerry Bailey, Castro County Sheriff's Deputy, said officials "don't believe the policies were a motive for anything" because "they really weren't much—barely enough to cover funeral expenses."

Bailey said investigations into the autopsies performed on some of the children have also revealed that "there's no apparent reason why some of the children died."

"We're still gathering information on the case and anyone that has any information pertaining to the investigation is urged to contact the sheriff's office," he added.

City-wide garage sale set June 9

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce's third annual city-wide garage sale day is scheduled for Saturday, June 9. Individuals must sign up with the Chamber of Commerce to have their sale listed on the map and the deadline for signing up is June 1.

In addition to the annual "courthouse square sales," sidewalk sales and individual garage sales, the Chamber will conduct a "large item auction" at 3 p.m. on the east parking lot of the courthouse. Items to be sold at the auction must be worth \$10 or more, and a 10% fee will be charged to have the item sold there. The seller will be allowed to place a minimum price on their item. This auction is designed to help sell large items that were not sold at individual garage sales.

The Chamber of Commerce has established a goal of having 100 family garage sales planned as well as a flea market and sidewalk sales in Dimmitt.

Map listings will be given out at Dimmitt businesses displaying a red bow on their front door on the day of the sale.

Businesses, individuals and organizations may hold sales. Each participant pays a \$10 fee which goes directly toward publicity of the event. Spaces are available on the courthouse square for \$15 to individuals or groups. Businesses may buy a "business card" size ad on the map for \$15.

"We have had great success with this event the last two years and we are planning on large crowds again," said Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Delores Heller. KDHN-Radio will conduct on-the-spot interviews with individuals

throughout the day. A Salvation Army truck will be parked on the square at 4 p.m. to pick any items that did not sell.

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ing goods store at Branson that's got 'em."

"And boats," Ralph said. "Nearly any kind of boat that's on the market, they've got one or two of them right there on the floor."

"My gosh, how big is this place?" I asked.

"It's probably the biggest sporting goods store in the world," Emmett said. "It takes up what used to be an entire shopping center."

Ralph and Avis had made their annual trek to Branson recently, and Jerry and Donna had arrived there just the night before the Smiths left to come home. It wasn't as good a trip for either couple as it could have been, because high water had spoiled the fishing. May is usually the prime time to go after the big trout in the White River.

Sounds like a hard combination to beat—fishing during the day and taking in live music shows at night.

I think Branson is more my kind of town than Las Vegas. Gotta go there someday.

(Oh, yeah—I *did* remember what I had gone into Higginbotham-Bartlett to buy. I don't know what the other three guys were there to get. Two of them are retired anyway—although it was hard to tell which two.)

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Anita Cameron

Cameron named Bank VII chief

Anita Cameron, daughter of Lillian Cameron of Nazareth, is now president of Bank VII in Lafayette, Colo.

Lafayette is a town of 15,000 people, located 30 miles northwest of Denver, Colo.

A 1968 graduate of Dimmitt High School, Cameron is the author of "Expectations," is a mother, an accomplished helicopter skier, a certified scuba diver and private pilot.

During her 19-year career in banking, Cameron has acted as an advisor to the media for the Colorado Bankers Association, an instructor for the American Institute of Banking, and received a degree from the Colorado Graduate School of Banking.

In Lafayette, she serves on the boards of the Chamber of Commerce and the Mayor's Council for Economic Development.

Beacon approved for fight against johnsongrass in corn

Beacon, a herbicide which has proven highly effective in controlling johnsongrass in corn, has been approved for use in Texas by the Environmental Protection Agency.

The Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB) was notified of the federal registration permit by the Texas Dept. of Agriculture, said Carl King of Dimmitt, TCPB executive director. He said the herbicide, manufactured by Ciba-Geigy, should be available to the High Plains corn producers within a few weeks. However, due to the lateness of the EPA ruling, Beacon will probably be used only in the High Plains.

Dr. Brent Bean, area agronomist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Amarillo, said that if fields which are highly infested with Johnson grass, use of Beacon

can increase corn yields by 50-195 bushels per acre. Bean, who conducted research on the feasibility of using Beacon to control johnsongrass, added that the chemical is most effective when applied to corn about 20 inches tall and when johnsongrass is 8 to 10 inches tall.

King noted that without input from Dr. Bean and Dr. Steve Amasson, Texas Agricultural Extension Station economist, the EPA may not have issued the federal label.

"Dr. Bean and Dr. Amasson put together a detailed package on the safe, effective and economical use of Beacon," King said. "Officials at Ciba-Geigy have indicated this package was the most complete package submitted to the EPA."

King said credit must also go to John Ford of Ford Communications

in Washington, D.C., who took the Beacon issue directly to EPA Administrator Doug Camp on behalf of TCPB.

Officials of the Texas Department of Agriculture said the federal label would apply to all of Texas for the 1991 corn crop.

"It's unfortunate that the EPA ruling didn't come soon enough to enable most growers downstate to benefit from the use of Beacon this year due to the size of corn," said King. "But we are pleased that it will be available statewide in 1991."

Dr. Bean pointed out that Beacon should not be used if the insecticide Counter has also been applied to corn. This combination could cause significant injury to the corn crop, he said.

TCPB continues efforts to benefit corn farmers

The Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB) has reaffirmed its commitment to corn research and market development by voting to continue promoting the expansion of Texas food corn and ethanol industries, and to support research programs to help solve disease and insect problems.

Meeting for the first time since the state's corn farmers voted 68% in favor of expanding the seven-county checkoff program to state-

wide, TCPB also welcomed new board members elected to fill six additional seats created with passage of the checkoff measure.

During the TCPB meeting, newly-elected board members were sworn in by an official of the Texas Dept. of Agriculture, which oversees all state commodity organization checkoff programs. Board members then drew lots for either two-, four- or six-year terms.

Serving six-year TCPB terms will be Jimmy Barger of El Campo, Jack Thompson of Hartley, Bert Williams of Farwell, Neal Burnett of Plainview, and Robert Young of Dalhart. Four-year terms will be served by Gerald R. Donaldson of Boling and Weldon Davis of Hart. Serving two-year terms will be Carl King of Dimmitt, who serves as the TCPB executive director, and John Baker of Temple. Other TCPB members are Jerry Don Glover of Muleshoe, Harold Bob Bennett of Hart, Doug Higgins of Kress, Raymond Schlabs of Hereford, Ronnie Sherrod of Hale Center and Joe Reed of Kress.

"The unified effort of these men will be a huge asset for Texas corn farmers," said King. "They are all dedicated to developing research and marketing programs which will benefit the Texas corn industry."

King said there is a big opportunity to expand the state's food corn production.

"Studies have shown that Texas food grade corn is the nation's highest in quality," he said. "With the strong demand for tortilla chips and other Mexican foods produced from corn, we see a strong potential for the development of new corn processing plants in Texas, and for even further expansion of the market for our corn nationwide, across Mexico and in other countries."

King noted that ethanol, which many believe is the largest untapped market for corn in the US, should play a large part in clean air legislation that will eventually come out of Washington.

"The board will continue its efforts to help establish a profitable ethanol industry in Texas," King said.

Mite and other insect problems on the Panhandle-South Plains have been the targets of TCPB for years and the board's dedication to controlling these insects will continue, said King, noting that the miticide Capture should receive a section 18 clearance for use on Texas corn again this year.

TCPB also has worked to obtain clearance for the use of Beacon, a Ciba-Geigy manufactured herbicide which has proven effective at controlling johnsongrass in corn. The clearance was granted May 11 by the Environmental Protection Agency.

King says one reason for expanding the seven-county checkoff statewide was a problem with aflatoxin downstate. Aflatoxin sometimes occurs in drought-stricken areas which are high in humidity. Such conditions caused aflatoxin problems in the Blacklands and southern Texas in recent years.

TCPB voted to allocate funds to be used by Texas A&M University researchers who are attempting to identify methods of preventing and controlling aflatoxin.

"Researchers will work diligently to hopefully find safe and effective treatments that can prevent the aflatoxin problems," King said.



CHRIS GERBER, son of Francis and Julene Gerber of Nazareth, has been employed as a production management trainee at the Dekalb Research Center in Dumas. Gerber, who graduated May 12 with a bachelor of science degree in agricultural economics from Texas Tech University in Lubbock, flew to Dekalb, Ill., for a job interview with Dekalb-Pfizer Genetics before earning the spot in Dumas. He starts work June 1.

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Conservation Conversation
Running Water Soil & Water Conservation District

The Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District is in the process of purchasing two new pieces of equipment that will not only enhance the quality of the service that the local SCS personnel can provide to local producers, but will also assist the local SCS personnel in making better use of their time. The two new pieces of equipment are a laser level and an ultrasonic flowmeter.

The SCS has made an application to the Texas Water Development Board in Austin for a grant. The application has been approved and will pay for 75% of the cost of the laser level and the flowmeter. The total cost for both is \$10,885.

With the laser level, one person can lay out terraces and check out terraces, lay out ditch lines, tailwater ditches, stake and check out tailwater pits, stake out row direction, stake and check out diversions, etc. Almost any practice that required a two-man SCS crew can now be operated by one man.

The ultrasonic flowmeter will allow the SCS personnel to complete more sprinkler and well evaluation each year. The information gathered with the flowmeter will also be more accurate and precise than information gathered with turbine flowmeters is. With the ultra-

sonic flowmeter, some of the information one can acquire includes gallons per minute, gallons per hour, velocity of the water, and any negative movement of the water if more than one well is being used.

With these two new pieces of equipment, even though the SCS personnel has declined and the workload has remained heavy, the problem of having unanswered requests postponed will be eliminated and the quantity and quality of assistance will be increased.

The district funding is based on a matching fund system in which the state matches local funds acquired through donations, tree sales and use of the district grass drill. The district is seeking anyone or any group interested in making a donation toward the purchase of the laser level and the ultrasonic flowmeter. Donations for this purpose would be greatly appreciated, and can be mailed to the Running Water Soil and Water Conservation District, Box 38, Dimmitt, Texas 79027; or they may be given to Dena Wilkerson.

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County students receive degrees

Ten county students received associate degrees and bachelors degree.

Lisa Nelson, daughter of Connie and Stanley Nelson, received her bachelor of science degree in Speech Language Pathology from McMurry College in Abilene.

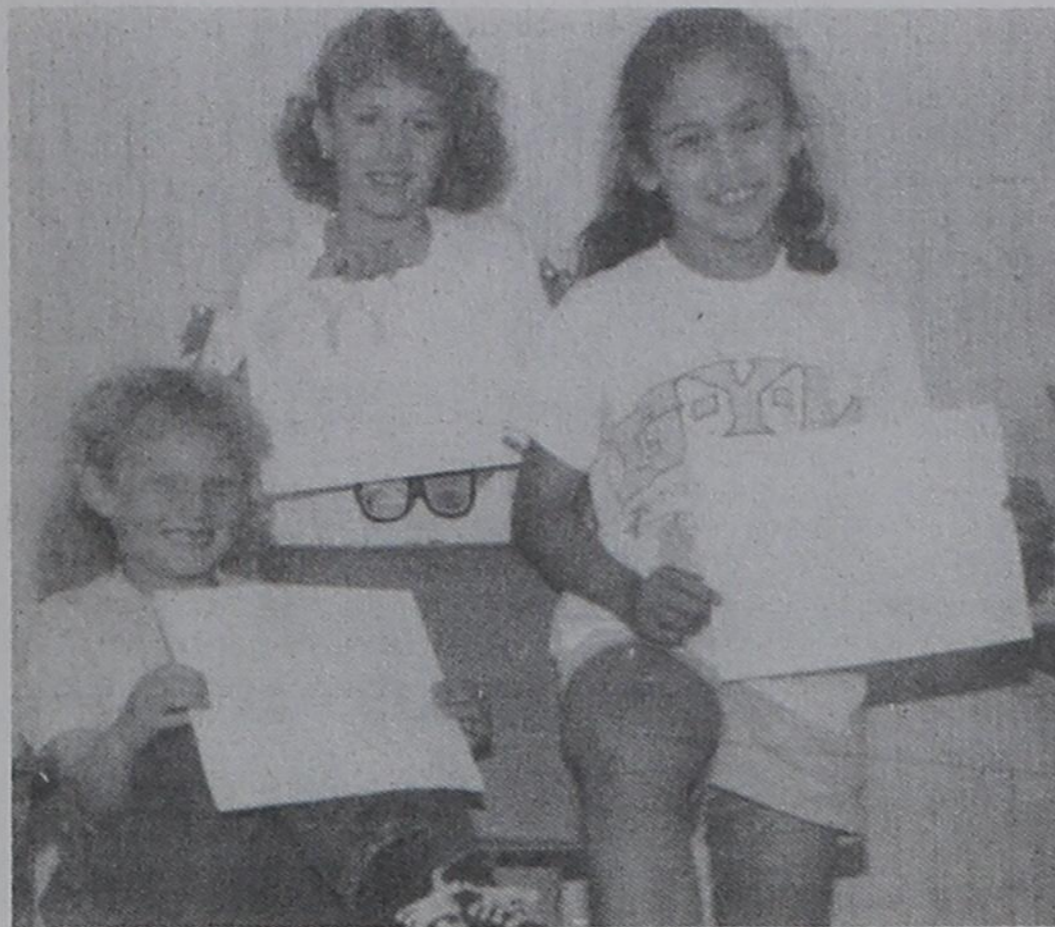
Leslie Reed, son of Bobby and Virginia Reed of Hart, graduated from Wayland Baptist University with a B.A. in Religious Education.

Omar Longoria, son of Joe and Emma Longoria, graduated from the University of Texas Pan American in Edinburg with a Bachelor of

Business Administration in Accounting.

Several local students received associate degrees and certificates from South Plains College in Levelland. Constance Miller, daughter of Ron and Irene Miller of Dimmitt, received her associate of arts in general studies. Carla Pybus, daughter of Doug and Cheryl Pybus, received her associate of applied science in fashion merchandising. Todd West, son of Lynn and Twila West of Dimmitt, received his certificate of proficiency in automotive service technology. Ja Cameron, daughter of Cliff and Jerry Cook, and Krystal Derrick, daughter of Ed and Trudy Derrick, received certificates of proficiency in cosmetology.

From Nazareth, Melissa Brockman, daughter of Ralph and Sharon Brockman, and Rachel Huseman, daughter of Willie Faye Huseman, received associate of science in general studies.



STUDENT ILLUSTRATORS—These three Castro County students have created illustrations about preventing child abuse and depicting what makes a good family. The three county school's winners were (clockwise, from seated girl) Karen Wilhelm of Nazareth, Leslie Steffey of Dimmitt and Ysa-Yvette Rodriguez of Hart. The students' illustrations will be printed on greeting cards and will be available soon.

Students' illustrations to be pictured on cards

Karen Wilhelm of Nazareth, Leslie Steffey of Dimmitt and Ysa-Yvette Rodriguez of Hart illustrated the top posters in a county contest depicting what makes good family relationships.

The contest, sponsored by the local Child Protective Services Board, was open to children in the county between the first grade and sixth grade in school. The children were instructed to illustrate their understanding of helpful and hurtful words and what makes for good family relationships. Their illustrations were made after a brief class discussion of the topics. The top illustration from each county school was selected. The guidelines used in judging were art work, illustrating the topic and simplicity. After the winners from each grade were chosen, the final selection for each school was made.

The three winning selections will be used on greeting cards, using the theme, "Prevent Child Abuse," and will be available for purchase on June 9 at one of the Child Protec-

tive Service Board's booths during the city-wide garage sale. The group also hopes to make the cards available to several businesses around town.

Wilhelm, a second grader at Nazareth, is the daughter of Tim and Monica Wilhelm. Rodriguez, a third grader at Hart Elementary School, is the daughter of Danny and Elodia Rodriguez. Dimmitt's winner, Steffey, is in the fourth grade at Dimmitt Middle School and is the daughter of Mack and Barbara Steffey.

Honorable mention awards were presented to Wesley Ralston, Cameron Lust and Juan Ornelas, all of Dimmitt; and to Lupe De la Fuente, Daniel Dotson, Jada Leighan Ethridge, Ashley Davis, Gerardo Donzal and Jennifer Jackson, all of Hart.

The Child Protective Services Board thanks all students who participated in the contest and also thanks the teachers who encouraged them and made them aware of ways to prevent child abuse.

CLIU to honor Jerome Brockman

Jerome Brockman of Nazareth will be honored during the national celebration honoring Fraternal Insurance Counsellors (FIC).

Brockman is a Catholic Life Insurance Union representative, and the fraternal benefit society has joined with the 10 million member National Fraternal Congress of America in a month-long tribute to FIC.

"Fraternal Insurance Counsellors are at the heart of our fraternal benefit societies," said NFCA President John Bookout. "In the course of their work, they must maintain the very highest professional standards and must keep up-to-date on industry trends, new products and pursue individual excellence through education. It is for this reason that I wholeheartedly honor this professional group."

Brockman, who completed three semester courses of study and a rigid examination, earned the FIC designation in 1988. As an FIC, Brockman is certified in business and personal lines life insurance as well as retirement and estate planning. He has been affiliated with Catholic Life since 1984.

"Catholic Life is committed to providing members with the finest products and services available," said Thomas Acker, vice president.

"We feel that we can best provide these services through continuing education programs such as the Fraternal Insurance Counsellor training program."

Headquartered in San Antonio, Catholic Life Insurance Union has assets exceeding \$95 million, insurance-in-force approaching \$1 billion and membership nearing 50,000.

Swisher has power outage

A power outage at 5:51 a.m. Monday affected members of Swisher Electric Cooperative served by the cooperative's Lakeview, Kaffir, Todd, Swisher County Cattle and Phillips substations.

According to Ed Shelton, operations superintendent for the cooperative, the outage was caused when a hole burned through a crossarm on a 69,000-volt transmission line located 4-1/2 miles north of the Lakeview Gin on FM 1424. The end of the crossarm was burned off, but the cause of the damage is unknown.

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FIRST PLACE WINNERS in the district UIL contest from Dimmitt Middle School were (back row, from left) Allison Moore, Kaci Schulte, Jacy Buckley, Lisa Velo, Amy Garcia, Jeremy Matthews, Kourtney Robertson; (center, from left) Chris Samman, Carrie

Matthews, Angelica Garcia and Jimmy Bryan; and (seated on floor, from left) Jimmy Ivy, Andrew Teaschner, David Keller, Tawnee Matthews, Lindsey Garza and Colby McDaniel.

Dimmitt's firemen win pumper contest

After a month of preparation, the Dimmitt Volunteer Fire Department's pumper team won the championship trophy at the Panhandle Fireman's and Fire Marshalls Association Convention on Saturday in Amarillo. It was the first time in ten years that the team had won.

The pumper team members included Kirk Pigg, Jackie Ethridge, Roger Reed, John Baker, Billy Patton and David Allison. This team competed against ten other area volunteer fire department teams.

According to Dimmitt Fire Chief Randy Griffitt, the pumper race is designed to help increase the firemen's speed and efficiency in responding to a fire.

The teams race against the clock to connect the truck to a fire hydrant and pull 150 feet of hose off the back of the truck while the hose is hooked up to the truck. Then the hydrant is turned on and water is sprayed 25 feet.

Dimmitt's pumper team, running the course in 18.74 seconds, edged out Hereford by one-tenth of a second.

In another competition, Dimmitt's polo team finished second after a close match with Hereford

in the final round of play. Jeff Pigg and Tommy Cleavinger represented Dimmitt in the polo game.

The firemen's version of polo is played with two team members aiming a stream of water at a ball suspended between two poles of a wire. The object is to push the ball with the water stream to the opponents end.

Griffitt said that this competition helps increase the accuracy of directing a stream of water.

The association consists of 93 volunteer fire departments in the Texas Panhandle and assists them in establishing training guidelines for their departments. They also serve as liaisons between the departments and the legislature to ensure that bills concerning fire service are positive for the departments.

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DMS youths fare well at district literary meet

Two picture memory teams and three individuals from Dimmitt Middle School captured first place at the recent University Interscholastic League's junior high district meet.

First places were earned by Angelica Garcia in eighth grade spelling, Jimmy Bryan in sixth grade oral reading and Chris Sammann in sixth grade number sense. The fourth grade picture memory team including Amy Garcia, Jacy Buckley, Jeremy Matthews, Kaci Schulte, Lisa Velo and alternates Kourtney Robertson and Allison Moore; and the fifth grade picture memory team including Andrew

Teaschner, Colby McDaniel, David Keller, Tawnee Matthews and alternates Jimmy Ivey and Lindsey Garza.

Carrie Matthews, an eighth grader, earned all-star cast honors for her role in Dimmitt Middle School's one-act play entry.

Other results from the UIL district meet follow:

FOURTH GRADE

Ready Writing—4. Tracy Damron; and Candy George, Michael Bell, and alternate Nicole McWhorter.

FIFTH GRADE

Number Sense—5. Colby McDaniel; and Albert Ewing, Jessie Lopez and alternate Brad Beck.

Oral Reading—2. Jason Nino and Summer McLean, 6. Carrie Bradley; and Emily Robertson, Josh Roberts, Wesley Mays, and alternates Zak Felts and Jennifer Ewing.

Ready Writing—5. Summer McLean; and Colby McDaniel, Joshua Roberts and alternate Mikel Atchley.

Spelling—4. Alka Patel; and Eliza Mendez, Mikel Atchley and alternate Tracy Grand.

SIXTH GRADE

Oral Reading — 1. Jimmy

Bryan; and Chad Ellis, Jennifer Vick, Kara Josselet, Larry Garcia, Randa Wood and alternate David Herrera.

Ready Writing — 2. Addison Foskey, 3. Wesley Ralston, 6. Justin Damron; and alternate Joel Townsend.

Spelling — Amy Langford, Jessica Caldera and Rachel Goldsmith.

SEVENTH GRADE

Life Science—Adrian Sanchez, Brandi Rice, Danny George and alternate Beth Teaschner.

Number Sense — 4. Danny George; and Joe Juarez, Zachary Bell and alternate Emilio Nino.

Oral Reading — 3. Marlene Stewart, 6. Tiffany Smith; and Beth Teaschner and Janie Robles.

Ready Writing— Kristin Garcia, Lupe Mendoza and Michelle Cline.

Spelling—Linda Fuentes.

EIGHTH GRADE

Earth Science—Aaron Salinas, Brandi Morgan, Jennifer Harris and Stace McDaniel.

Number Sense— 5. Jina Saenz; and Jennifer Hucks.

Oral Reading — 6. Michael Acevedo; and Andrew Baker and J. Dee Gonzales.

Spelling— 5. Adriana Lopez; and Mariza Rodriguez and alternate Claudia Dominguez.

One Act Play — 4. Dimmitt (Brandi Morgan, Carlos Sifuentez, Carrie Matthews, Della Rhynes, Gretchen Moore, J. Dee Gonzales, Justin Roberts, Katrina Acker, Lupe Mendez, Michael Acevedo, Tiffany Smith and Tori Baker.

Letter

Band members want uniforms

Dear Editor:

We the undersigned band students, would like it to be known that we voted for the selection of uniforms with black pants and black shoes which Mr. Johnson and Ms. Allen proposed to be purchased for our band.

We still feel that the uniforms we selected should be purchased and present this petition requesting that the opinions of our band members and directors be honored.

DHS BAND

(Editor's Note: The following band members signed the petition on file at the News.)

Nazareth ISD accepts two resignations

The Nazareth school board accepted the resignations of Sister Adrian Wewers and Candy Jones at their regular board meetings on April 24 and May 9.

At the April 24 meeting, the board interviewed and offered a contract to Denise Skinner as teacher/coach.

The board adopted the 1990-91 school calendar and approved the testing of the kindergarten class for the 1990 school year. The junior and senior banquet/prom was discussed at this meeting.

During the meeting on May 9, the board heard comments from senior mothers concerning the use of the remaining senior 1990 class funds. They also voted to contribute the same amount as last year to the cost of the High School cheerleader's uniforms.

The School board election returns were canvassed and Henry Ramackers, Alphonse Kleman and J.C. Pohlmeier were certified as duly elected members to serve a three year term.

The board approved payment of current operating bills and salaries and 39 of the 40 transfer request for the 1990-91 school year. They also approved the career ladder assignments for the current school year.

The board finalized the contract and employed Denese Skinner as teacher/coach. They also voted to offer Tammy Robb a contract as a teacher.

A decision was made to take sealed bids to be opened at the June 13 regular meeting on the John Deere Model 850 tractor, John Deere Model 503 shredder, the Graham-Hoeme finish mower and the Ford 3-point rear (tractor) mount Rotor-Tiller.

A hearing on the use of Chapter II federal grant funds for the 1990-91 school year was conducted.

Four receive certificates

Four members of the Castro County Sheriff's Dept. recently completed nine and one-half months of studies in law enforcement at Amarillo College.

Those receiving certificates of completion included Vicky Bailey, Ben Reyes, Glenn Snitker and Tana Young.

REAL ESTATE FORECLOSURE SALE

Property owned by WILLIAM R. MORGAN.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: 349 acres out of Sec. 12, Twp. 3 South, Range 3 East, of a Capitol Syndicate Subdivision of Parmer County, Texas, and located on the West side of FM 214, approx. one mile South of Friona; and the Northeast Quarter of Sec. 16, Twp. 4-1/2 South, Range 5 East, Capitol Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County, Texas.

PLACE: Main front door, lower level on the South side of the Parmer County Courthouse, Parmer County, Texas.

DATE: June 5, 1990 **TIME:** 11:00 a.m.

TERMS: The real estate will be sold for cash to highest bidder. Sold subject to all taxes due thereon. Title will be conveyed by Substitute Trustee's Deed. For information, contact REBA HEWLETT, Small Business Administration, 1611 - 10th, Suite 200, Lubbock, Tx. 79401. Phone (806) 743-7462.

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Property owned by WILLIAM R. MORGAN.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: S. 299.13 acres of Survey 8 of the J. T. JOWELL SUBDIVISION, League 491, Castro County, Texas. Located about 8 or 9 miles northwest of Dimmitt on FM 1057.

PLACE: Foyer of the Castro County Courthouse, Dimmitt, Castro County, Texas.

DATE: June 5, 1990

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

TERMS: The real estate will be sold for cash to highest bidder. Sold subject to all taxes due thereon. Title will be conveyed by substitute trustee's deed. For information, contact REBA HEWLETT, Small Business Administration, 1611 Tenth Street, Suite 200, Lubbock, Texas 79401. Phone (806) 743-7462.



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Grand jury hands down 12 indictments

A 64th District Court handed down five indictments resulting from the March 8 burglary of an apartment leased by Andy Rogers, and also returned seven separate indictments against individuals Tuesday.

Indicted in the Rogers' burglary were Ricky Joe Garibaldi, Adam Vasquez Lopez and Noe Esequiel Castro. Lopez and Garibaldi were also indicted for credit card abuse in connection with the unauthorized use of a Pulse Card taken in the burglary.

In two separate incidents, three individuals were indicted for tampering with governmental records and hindering a secured creditor, but the individuals had not been arrested at press time.

Two Dimmitt women were indicted for tampering with governmental records in connection with food stamp fraud from the Texas Dept. of Human Services.

A 27-year old former Dimmitt resident was indicted on charges of hindering a secured creditor in regard to a loan made at a local financial institution.

Theodore Boehm, 42, was indicted for the April 29 burglary of a vehicle owned by Jack White of Summerfield. Boehm also faces forgery charges in Deaf Smith County regarding checks taken from White's pickup.

A forgery indictment was returned against 21-year-old Christina Amalia Rodriguez, who reportedly is in the Potter County jail.

Saul Medina Torres, 28, was indicted for the April 6 burglary of the Joe Ellis residence.

Alonzo Alfonso Aguilar Jr., 21, was indicted for the March 10 burglary of a storage building owned by Emmett Broderson of Dimmitt.



'LET SLEEPING BEAUTIES LIE' was one of the productions the Dimmitt High School Speech Dept. presented Monday night in a fund-raising project. Players include (from left) Robert Ruiz and Beatrice Ramos. Other productions included "Who Killed Doc Robin?" and "Feathertop."

City offers paving help

June 18 will be the starting date for the Texas Community Development Program paving project in Dimmitt, and while the pavers are in town, other property owners may apply for paving on additional streets at an estimated cost of \$19.03 per linear foot, with the City of Dimmitt carrying the financing.

Mayor Wayne Collins told the City Council Monday night that the city had made the offer in the past to pay the up front cost of the paving, with home owners repaying the city over an eight-year period at an 8% interest rate, provided that the property owners sign a mechanic's lien agreement with the city.

The council gave approval for the city to offer the financing to citizens wanting paving done.

The TCDP paving will cover Southwest Third Street from South Street to Cleveland Street (two blocks), and it will cover Cleveland Street from Third Street to Second Street (one block). Winning bid on the paving contract was submitted by High Plains Pavers of Plainview, at a cost of \$49,941.35. The company pledged a 90-day completion time on the project portion of the paving.

Property owners wanting paving may contact City Manager Reeford Burrous for further information.

The TCDP flood-control and drainage project is scheduled to start June 11, and was awarded to Utility Contractors of America of Lubbock on a bid of \$119,937.25 for a 36-inch storm sewer.

Monday night, City Engineer Bill McMorries told the council that a 42-inch cast-in-place storm drain could be obtained for an additional \$13,300, and still come under the grant allowance of \$141,978. The council approved use of the larger drain.

McMorries said that the cast-in-place drain can be made with fewer joints, and has performed well on other jobs his firm has observed. The drainage project will include 2,377 linear feet of storm sewer, 100 linear feet of 24-inch inlet piping, four manholes, inlet basins, endwall and associated appurtenances. A 100-day completion time has been promised.

The council voted to amend the 1989-90 budget to reflect the addition of the grant funds and expenditures.

In other business, Collins signed a proclamation declaring May 20-26 as National Public Works Week in Dimmitt, and commended local public works department personnel for their efforts.

"We have one of the lowest water and sewer rates in the state because of their efforts, and it is right and proper to make the public aware of that fact," Collins said.

City Manager Reeford Burrous noted that the department workers would be honored with an ice cream party Tuesday afternoon.

In his manager's report, Burrous told the council that the city is 5.55% under budget on overall expenditures for the fiscal year.

Two sentenced in district court

A 36-year-old Lazbuddie man was sentenced to ten years in prison Friday in Judge Marvin Marshall's 242nd District Court following his guilty plea to the burglary of a habitation owned by Donna Parker Cozbey.

Jose Salvador Martinez was apprehended at gun-point during the Oct. 22, 1989 incident which occurred in southwest Castro County near the Dodd community.

A co-defendant, Jose Socorro Reyes, was acquitted by a Castro County jury in 242nd District Court two days earlier. Reyes was not apprehended at the scene of the crime, but was later identified from pictures.

Martinez was awaiting transfer to prison at press time.

Herminia Salazar, 29, of Hart, pleaded guilty Friday in 242nd District Court to forgery charges resulting from a stolen treasury warrant which was passed a local grocery store.

The warrant allegedly was taken from the home of a relative.

Salazar was sentenced to eight years in prison, which will be probated for the next four years, and was ordered to pay a fine of \$650, court costs of \$133, restitution of \$221 and \$1,920 in probation reporting fees over the next four years.

History book deadline set

Family stories written for inclusion in the Castro County History, 1891-1991, Vol. II, must be turned in by June 1.

"Stories are still being turned in and we have not met our goal of 800 stories," project spokesperson Teeny Bowden said. "We hope to have the book ready by Christmas 1990."

"Volume II will have the same cover as the first volume, but the content will be entirely different," Bowden said. "We are encouraging families who wrote their history for the first volume to update their stories for any changes in their families or to expand into more detail than in their first entry."

Bowden said that other new

entries for Volume II will include census lists, historical markers, Chamber of Commerce honor winners, armed services veterans, ranching heritage, the Easter Elephant, the POW chapel, a checklist of businesses located around the courthouse square, and a selection of wedding stories through the years.

Bowden cautioned that those wanting to purchase a book, need to order one by June 1, because the commission may not be able to order any extras.

Drug-free party planned

Donations are needed for an all-night drug-free party for Dimmitt seniors June 1 at the Country Club from 12:30 a.m. to 5 a.m.

Donations are needed for door prizes and game prizes to help defray expenses. Anyone who wishes to help call Ben or Molly Scott at 647-5562. Donations will be accepted up to the party.

Cemetery Assn. meeting is set

The annual membership meeting of the Castro Memorial Cemetery Association will be held Monday at 10 a.m. at the Castro Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Dimmitt.

In addition to the business meeting, there will be a short program to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the cemetery.

All interested persons are invited to attend the ceremony and business meeting.



SHOPPING SPREE — The Dimmitt Young Homemakers sponsored a shopping spree as a fund-raising activity, and winner of the drawing was Kellie Proffitt. She shopped at Thriftway Supermarket in Dimmitt for three minutes and

selected \$139.53-worth of groceries. The project raised over \$950 for the club, with the proceeds designated for the Lynn Buchanan Medical Fund. Proffitt (with grocery cart) is starting her run as family, club members, and store personnel look on.

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For the past four years Dane has been in Dallas, where he was the service manager for a Ford dealership 1-1/2 years and worked in the post-assembly testing department of the Peterbilt truck assembly plant 1-1/2 years.

Dane's wife is the former Lynn Roland, a Dimmitt High School graduate. The couple have two children—Rene, 21 months, and Brad, six months.

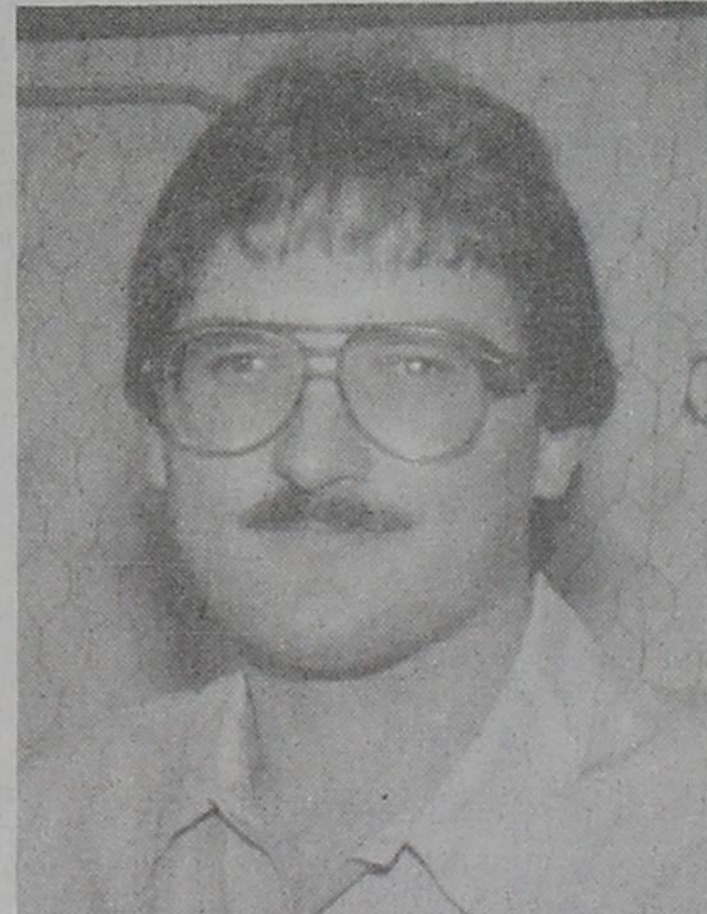
Dane is a certified electronic engine controls (EEC) specialist, holds certificates in Ford diesel engines and carburetion, and also is experienced in front end, rear end, manual transmission and clutch work.

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ETERNITY, a gospel music group, will perform in Dimmitt next Thursday, May 31, at 7:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. The group performs under the direction of Rev. Joseph G. Alessi Jr. Its musical style features songs from the most recent Eternity recordings including *Made for Praise* and *Light of the World* as well as popular contemporary songs to acapella worship choruses. There will be a free will offering taken and everyone is invited to attend.

Country Caravan returns June 8

Country Caravan, an annual musical production, will return to Dimmitt on June 8.

Sponsored by Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce, the show begins at 8:30 p.m. on the courthouse square. Admission is free and everyone is invited.

Country Caravan features a cast

of 14 vocalists and musicians, and is produced by South Plains College's Creative Arts Department.

"Our goal for Caravan goes beyond just 90 minutes of entertainment," says John Hartin, the general director for the show and chairman of SPC's Creative Arts Department. "We look for those magical ingredients in country music that enable us to capture a person's full attention for that moment and touch their soul."

The show's portfolio includes hits from artists like George Strait, The Judds, Rodney Crowell, Hank Williams, Jr., Clint Black, Bill Monroe, Merle Haggard, Patsy Cline, Willie Nelson and many others.

In addition, there will be Appalachian-style clogging and country fiddling, even some country comedy. A medley of country gospels rounds out the more than thirty songs and instrumentals packed into Country Caravan.

Caravan is set to tour 42 towns and cities with stops in Central and East Texas, the South Plains and Eastern New Mexico.

"It's family entertainment at its best," says Hartin. "Whether it's the Grand Ole Opry, Hee Haw or a show at Disneyland or Opryland, Country Caravan is as good a country music show as you are going to see."



Lenora Ramey

Ramey wins scholarship

Lenora Ramey, granddaughter of Emily Ramey of Dimmitt, has been awarded a soccer scholarship to Quincy College in Quincy, Ill.

Ramey is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Ramey of Willowbrook, Ill. She has played varsity soccer four years at Hinsdale Central High School in Willowbrook, and also participated in volleyball and basketball.

Her soccer team placed third in state competition last year, and appears to be headed to state again this year. She was invited to join the Soccer Exchange to play teams in Australia this summer, but had to decline, because it would interfere with her college orientation.

Sunnyside

By Teeny Bowden, 647-5703

Ronnie Blanton underwent laser surgery on the tumor in his neck last Thursday and came through it well. The doctor reported that he got all of the tumor that he could see, and that everything looked good. The doctor expected to put Ronnie on the breathing machine during the surgery or soon after, but he hadn't done that yet when Leona Blanton and Linda Blanton returned to the motel. However, when the Blantons called Tyson Cowley Friday morning, they told him the doctors did have to put him on full life support later during the night. He will be in intensive care for some time; then will have a long period of rehabilitation and therapy before he gets to come home. The Blantons expect to stay there at least a month.

Emma Jean King talked with Leona Blanton Sunday night and Ronnie was on the life support system for a short period of time. Since Saturday, he has shown many good signs that the surgery has worked. He is feeling pain where he never felt pain before. More normal functions are also taking place. They are encouraged with his progress so far.

Richard Saucedo graduated May 12 from West Texas State University with a bachelor of arts degree in elementary education. He finished with a 3.1 grade-point average. Family members attending the graduation ceremonies were his parents, Petra and Eliseo Saucedo; Jay, Janie and their son, Jamison, all of Ponca City, Okla.; Baldomero and Patricia Saucedo and Ricki; Robert and Lupe Caballero and Yesenia, all of Amarillo; and Dennis and Grace Rojas, Joshua, Michael Ray, Lisa and Maria, all of Dalhart.

Jodie and Kyla Riley both graduated from Texas Tech University May 12. Jodie received a degree in agricultural education and Kyla was awarded a degree in hotel, restaurant and hotel institutional management. Family members attending were Kevin and Melinda Riley, Ray Joe and Jo Eddy Riley, Sue and Monty Boozer, Robert and Brit Boozer, George and Carolyn Sides, Greg, Cinde, Kim, Laurie and all their families.

Jeannie Furr graduated from Texas Tech University May 12, magna cum laude (with high honors), with a degree in elementary education. Eddie and Sherry Haydon, Odessa Stile of Earth and Jim Furr, Quade and Chance, attended the graduation exercises.

The Quisenberrys and Perrys were in Austin with their children, who were competing at state.

Greg George graduated from Texas Tech University with a degree in hotel, restaurant and hotel management, but did not attend the exercises.

Jack Bradley graduated Saturday night from Lazbuddie High School. Those attending the exercises were Lee and Louise Bradley, Sharon, Justin and Joel; Greg George of Lubbock; Carl Dean and Terri Carson, Deakon and Joshua, all of Stanton; Lillian Carson of Sunnyside; Weldon and Irene Bradley of Dimmitt; and Karla Sadler of Hobbs, N.M. Carl Dean and family spent the night with the Lee Brad-

ley family.

Sharon Bradley took her finals at Wayland Baptist University on May 16, and is home for the summer.

Judy Damron is still taking some classes in practice teaching, even though she took her finals last week.

Cheryl Logan of Alpine and Tresa Surmans, Ken, Amber and Tiffany, all of Canadian, met Friday night at the home of their parents, Ezell and Verba Sadler. They stayed until Sunday afternoon. Karla Sadler spent Saturday night with them and left for Hobbs, N.M. Sunday morning. Cheryl and Tresa and children attended the church services Sunday morning with Ezell and Verba Sadler.

After their relatives had returned to Hobbs, N.M., Ezell and Verba left to spend Sunday night and Monday with David and Gay Sadler and to attend Karla's graduation exercises Monday night at Hobbs High School.

Rev. David Fletcher and Teeny Bowden visited with Toots Holbrooks in St. Mary's Hospital at Lubbock several times on different days last week. Toots was scheduled to go to the rehabilitation and therapy building at St. Mary's on Monday.

Last Thursday, Toots Holbrooks told Teeny Bowden that Terry Guy was being buried in Colorado that day. He had died a couple of days before of an apparent massive heart attack. His parents live in Fowler, Colo. Toots didn't know any of the details on funeral services and burial.

Wednesday night after the regular fellowship supper, a videotape was made to send to Gale and Verna Sadler in Tanzania. We want to let them know of our prayer support in the decision they must make concerning taking over the work of the treasurer of the entire Mission of Tanzania, which would mean leaving Moshi and the literature distribution center and moving to Dar es Salaam on the East Coast of Africa. The current treasurer is transferring in July.

This is one of the most important positions, if not the most important, in the Tanzanian Mission. A delegation on three chartered Baptist Airplanes came to Moshi to ask Gale to take the position. They were honored and flattered at the offer, but they feel the literature ministry is important and it is growing rapidly. They are planning to have it nationalized by the end of their second term. They love the work and the people, and there is no one prepared to take their places if they leave. Of the 90 plus missionaries in Tanzania, Gale is one of the best qualified. They do not feel a "clear call" to make the change.

As well as the encouragement, the video was also a fun time with everyone telling them things to give them something to laugh about. Embree Roy Sadler taped the session. He also taped the morning service and I'm sure they will enjoy seeing the new improvements made in the building, including the new carpet.

Emma Jean King spent the day with Marshal in Happy, getting her

mother's things moved to a retirement complex in town. She thinks she will be happier there.

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